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Over 100 Students Organize Anti-Hate Protest in Response to Election



Students protested peacefully on Friday Nov. 11 with the goal of uniting MU students and staff.

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Two days after the presidential election, over 100 students, faculty, staff and administrators, gathered in a peaceful demonstration around the steps of Woodrow Wilson Hall on Friday, Nov. 11 at 11:30 a.m.

"The purpose of the protest was to unite MU students and staff as well as local community members in a show of love and support for each other, especially those who are part of marginalized groups that, overwhelmingly, are experiencing fear and anxiety in the wake of the election," said Sydney Un-

derhill, an organizer of the event and the president of the Gender Studies Club.

The protest was planned in a group message Thursday night by executive board members of the Muslim Student Association (MSA), the Gender Studies Club, the History and Anthropology Club, CommWorks, and Students Advocating Girls' Education (SAGE).

The attendees consisted of an array of individuals from different races, religions, and sexual orientations. Demonstrators were free to speak to the crowd from an available microphone at the top of the steps. Students and educators shared stories, read verses and

poetry, and shared actions that could be taken to combat hate and bigotry. Around midday, the group walked through campus with signs, and vocally projected the statement "love not hate."

"I was really impressed with the peaceful anti-hate protest. Students organized quickly and peacefully. I really appreciated how the organizers made clear that this was not an anti-Trump rally, but rather an anti-hate protest," said Nancy Mezey, a Professor and Associate Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. "The students who spoke at the rally were eloquent and passionate. And there was support from faculty members

and administrators as well. I think fighting for something is often more productive than fighting against something, but sometimes both are necessary."

Unlike many protests that have unfolded on campuses and cities across the nation, the gathering held at the University was intended to be a non-partisan demonstration of love. "It served as a protest against hate and bigotry rather than the president-elect himself as a means to generate the positivity, love, and political

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FBI Special Agent, Alumnus Speaks to Hawks

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Monmouth University alumnus and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Special Agent Brian Cotter attracted over 60 students when he spoke at a Guardians Club meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 9 in Magill Commons.

Cotter graduated from the FBI Academy this past February and now works for the Counterterrorism Task Force in New York City. He shared how his experiences at Monmouth prepared him for his future in the FBI.

Cotter was a brother of the Sigma Pi fraternity and a study abroad student. He stressed the importance of networking and getting out of your comfort zone in order to be successful in whatever career path you choose. Cotter said that his semester abroad "was the best experience of my whole life," and encouraged the students to take advantage of the opportunity.

Cotter has also participated in the Washington Center Internship program that the University offers to students each semester. The internship allows students to get experience working in places such as the White House, the United States Congress, and the Department of Defense.

"Brian is a terrific person and a great success story. MU has had 120 students participate in the Washington Semester over the past 10 years and many others have also secured prestigious jobs in DC after participating in the program. We have several MU alum now working in the FBI and intelligence agencies, other who have secured positions in the US Dept of State, the US Congress, and other prestigious placements around the federal government," said Joseph Patten, Associate Professor of Political

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Men's Basketball Tickets Jump in Sales

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STAFF WRITER

The increased popularity of the University Men's Basketball team resulted in a jump in ticket sales by nearly 52 percent last season, and a 15.2 percent increase in merchandise sales since this time last year.

"Last season was the first time since the OceanFirst Bank Center opened in 2009 that we have seen multiple sell-out crowds, and a fully packed student section for almost every game," said President Paul Brown, Ph.D. "A big part of the success of the team comes from a culture that values and nurtures students with the understanding that most of their maturation as young men happens off the court."



PHOTO COURTESY of Chris Spiegel

The Monmouth Bench received national attention last season leading to record breaking home game crowds.

Kenneth Taylor, Associate Athletic Director, cites big wins against teams like UCLA, Georgetown, and Notre Dame as key turning points in the Men's Basketball team's popularity. A surge in game attendance was apparent by ticket sales which jumped last season by 1,860 more tickets sold per game.

This increase ranked tenth among D1 teams last season. More than 1,000 season tickets have been sold thus far, shattering records from recent years, according to an article by the *Asbury Park Press* (APP) released in October.

According to Jarred Wiess, the Assistant Athletics Business Manager, Men's Basketball ticket sales increased from \$145,119.93 in the 2014-15 sea-

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Rolling Stone Found Guilty of Defamation With Malice

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A ten-person jury found Rolling Stone writer Sabrina Ruben Erdely, the magazine itself, and publisher Wenner Media guilty of defaming Nicole Eramo, an administrator at University of Virginia, with malice, in their publication of their sensationalistic 2014 article “A Rape on Campus.”

The story, while now discredited, claimed that the school botched the handling of an alleged fraternity-house gang rape. “Jackie”, the pseudonym of the student who was allegedly attacked, claimed to have been counseled by Eramo; in her testimony on Oct. 31, 2016, Eramo claimed that Erdely portrayed her as ‘the chief villain’, and as someone who discouraged victims from reporting assaults to the police. Eramo, the associate dean of students, had been in charge of the university’s sexual assault program.

The fraternity named, Phi Kappa Psi, also immediately challenged the article after it was published. They are also suing *Rolling Stone* for 25 million dollars; their trial is scheduled to begin next year, according to *CNN*.

According to *USA Today*, Erdely e-mailed her editors within days of publication, saying that the magazine needed to run a retraction of the story. An editor’s note was added more than two weeks after publication, but the story was not removed from the online website until April 2015.

“When I first read it, I found it sensationalistic and inadequately sourced,” said communication professor Eleanor Novek, who is also a researcher in the field of social justice journalism. “It seemed that *Rolling Stone* was using this young woman’s story to generate voyeuristic publicity, not to



PHOTO TAKEN from <http://www.wdbj7.com/content/news/Rolling-Stone-heading-to-trial-over-debunked-story-of-rape-397233471.html>

Rolling Stone and their writer of a defaming article have to pay \$3,000,000 in damages to a former Associate Dean at the University of Virginia.

help inform people about the widespread problem of campus sexual assault.”

A police investigation found no evidence to back up Jackie’s claims. According to a commissioned report by the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, the magazine “made a series of journalistic errors”, such as relying too heavily on ‘Jackie’s’ uncorroborated story; the report also blamed the magazine, not Jackie, for the botched piece.

“General journalistic practice calls for multiple sources on any issue and on any story,” said Novek. “Particularly, when accusations are being made, it is imperative that journalists confirm accounts, verify information with multiple sources, and allow people to respond to allegations. If the magazine had done this, *Rolling Stone* would have wound up with a story that was not as explosive, but more accurate.”

Attorneys for *Rolling Stone* said there was no evidence

that Erdely knew that what she wrote about Eramo was false; lawyer Scott Sexton also noted that Eramo had believed ‘Jackie’s’ rape story.

“This young woman was very good at telling a story,” said Sexton during the court case. “We are the ones being tried, in a sense, for having believed her.”

Novek also said that the magazine should have worked harder to either corroborate or debunk the information, and said that if the account could not be confirmed, it should have not been the centerpiece of the article, but rather “a broader, less sensational exploration of sexual assault on college campuses” and more accurately described the account as “the unconfirmed self-report of an anonymous victim”.

“An aim of ethics in journalism is to ensure we get as close to the truth about people, places, and events as we can,” explained Claude Taylor, a communication ethics professor

and the University’s athletics professor in residence. “Press ethics are built upon objectivity and impartiality in the practice of collecting and reporting the news. There is a critical lack of trust in the media and if they are to fulfill their traditional role to inform citizens and contribute to an effective democracy, there needs to be a strong return to ethical principles.”

He explained two forms of ethical approaches that could have been used to prevent the controversy. The first, virtue ethics, would have called for taking the time to verify sources, and would have afforded impartiality. Rules-based ethics would have been used to apply a set of journalistic ‘checks and balances’ to the magazine.

“In my opinion, yes,” said Taylor, when asked if he thought proper journalistic ethics could have prevented the controversy from happening. “Limits on certainty would have helped keep the story from getting away from everyone. Plus, following tra-

ditional press ethics could have tempered the ‘hype’ around landing the scoop.”

After the Nov. 4 verdict, the magazine released a statement admitting to journalistic “mistakes” and apologizing to “anyone hurt by them, including Ms. Eramo”. The magazine also said that “it is our deep hope that our failings do not deflect from the pervasive issues discussed in the piece, and that reporting on sexual assault cases ultimately results in campus policies that better protect our students”.

“It is a terrible setback for the reporting and investigation of sexual assault and acquaintance rape,” said Taylor. “I worry that many victims’ stories will fade back into the shadows at a time when we have begun to make progress to make colleges and universities safe for everyone in the community.”

“Sexual assault is a very real problem on college campuses,” said Novek. “One case of sloppy journalism should not serve as a distraction from the efforts necessary to stop sexual assault.”

Monmouth University itself has taken several steps and instituted programs to attempt to reduce sexual assault on campus, according to Mary Anne Nagy, Vice President for Student Life and Leadership Engagement. A recent poster campaign, titled “It Happens”, has posters showing how sexual assault can happen to anyone, anywhere, in a series of chilling photos. The University Code of Conduct has been updated, and *Haven*, an online prevention program, is now available to more students. The University has also made efforts to more effectively train the people who hear sexual misconduct cases.

The University also holds a ‘Sexual Assault Awareness Week’, meant to educate and raise awareness about campus sexual assault through a variety of programming such as panels, discussions, and presentations.

Report Finds That NJ Hometown Influences Lifespan: *Living in Northern Towns Can Add Years to Your Life*

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Depending on where you live in the state of New Jersey, your lifespan can vary greatly. Factors such as socio-economic status have a large impact on the type of lifestyle one lives, and ultimately their overall health, according to *NJ.com*.

Dr. Lynne Holden, Co-founder and President of Mentoring in Medicine, said, “Many families traditionally do not eat fresh fruits and vegetables. Quality produce at an affordable price is often not available in local neighborhoods. Therefore, families are used to eating canned food or carbohydrate and fat laden foods which have longer shelf lives.”

In New Jersey there is a tremendous gap between those who are wealthy and those who are not. When analyzing the geography of New Jersey, there is a clear north-south divide, as men and women in the north are expected to live an average of five years longer than those who live in the south.

With regards to the whole country, Bergen County, NJ has the fourth highest life expectancy at 81.9 years. “I strongly believe that people on

low economic areas live shorter than most because of the few options and opportunities they have. Most were born into a low economic household and continued to partake in a vicious cycle that is hard to escape,” said Ava McClendon, a junior art student. “There aren’t many good jobs in these areas or good education so people often resort to selling drugs or doing things that are not legally acceptable. Some people suffer from depression and stress because they constantly face the reality of being poor and see the negative effects of it.”

Holden said, “Community leaders should work with politicians to secure alternative ways to supply fresh fruits and vegetables. Also, culturally creative ways to cook foods in traditional and tasty ways without added calories should be disseminated through various methods to community members. Children (and adults) should be made aware of the impact of various foods with components such as too much sugar and too much salt on health.”

In Toms River, the average life expectancy increased four years from 2001-2014, the highest rise in any county. However, other counties clearly display a divide, as someone in the most

northern point of New Jersey can live as long as 10 years more than someone in the most southern point.

“I think the reason that people in low economic areas live shorter lives is related to two different, yet related factors. The first being that generally speaking, low economic areas tend to be less “safe” in terms of violence and other illegal activities,” said junior psychology student Andrew Guerguis. “The second reason could be because of the cleanliness of the area or even the home. For example, maybe the home is infested with mold and the family or individual doesn’t have enough money to repair it.”

Guerguis added that there are a few possible solutions to this issue. To start, the state should work on improving the developments, building more affordable houses in areas that aren’t ghettos, and cleaning up towns and cities is a start. He believes we should all serve in these communities and for one-day walk in each other’s shoes.

A person in Cape May is expected to live three to four years shorter than an individual in Somerset, where people make a significantly higher income. Areas toward the north have more access to fresh food, bet-

ter law enforcement, and better mental health.

“In the field of public health, we have been looking at how health is socially determined for a while,” said Jaime Myers, an assistant professor of Health and Physical Education. “There are many factors that play a role in this. Due to the increasing separation of communities along income lines across the last 50 years, we have seen a trend that those who live in low income areas have a multitude of barriers to good healthcare and beneficial living conditions for healthy living.”

Myers noted that healthcare is a large issue for people in low socio-economic areas, and they also lack the means of obtaining fresh fruit and vegetables and safe outdoor areas for physical activities. “Additionally, many low income community members report increased stress levels due to violence in the community and financial hardship. All of these factors combined (as well as many others) can influence life expectancy in negative ways,” said Myers.

Furthermore, the areas with the highest income have significantly more doctors, which means better healthcare. “We need to educate our children when they are young to develop

healthier habits, plus experts in health care communities can help give knowledge and resources to teach parents and grandparents healthier habits (while maintaining cultural preferences to pass on from generation to generations) because they are the role models for their children,” said communication professor Barbara Baron.

When examining Cumberland, the state’s poorest county, compared to Bergen, the state’s richest, the divide is clear. Even the poorest people in Bergen County have a longer life expectancy than most of the world, whereas people in Cumberland live below the 40 states in the nation.

“One of the big things we can do is reduce economic stratification of our communities by creating mixed-income housing in our strategic development plans,” said Myers. “Another is to invest in our public health infrastructure by creating more affordable and accessible healthcare facilities in communities. Improving community safety through public works projects designed to make clean safe recreation spaces and walking paths is another way to tackle the problem.”

A Letter From Our University Faculty:

The Importance of Open Dialogue

As concerned educators, we are reaching out to students, faculty, administrators, staff, and the extended campus community to encourage open and respectful dialogue in this post-election period.

Monmouth University must provide a safe physical and intellectual space for all students and community members. We acknowledge the heightened sense of fear, distrust, and anger present on campus. We encourage open and respectful dialogue so that students can better understand and respect each other on campus and beyond, regardless of political affiliation. As faculty, we are committed to facilitating such conversation. We invite students to ask questions in class, visit faculty during office hours, and we call on faculty to participate in formal and informal student discussions around campus. We also urge students to both speak and act; but before doing either, to make sure that what they are saying and doing is thoughtful, respectful, and moves us toward mutual understanding, not bullying and hate. As faculty, we publicly affirm that while we welcome open discussion, we will not tolerate harassment and violence in our classrooms.

The 2016 Presidential election has cracked open and revealed a series of festering and interrelated wounds that economic, race, gender, sexual, national, religious inequalities, and socio-cultural marginalization in the United States have produced. These are phenomena that many of us regularly study and teach. We have witnessed a rising wave of racist, sexist, homophobic, nationalistic, xenophobic, anti-Semitic, and Islamophobic hate speech and acts. The fears of undocumented citizens and their families are quite palpable. We are incensed that a presidential race would inspire such bigoted sentiments that place Americans and our neighbors at risk.

We recognize that many Americans are frustrated by

the political establishment, and many are also angered by the weakening of their social and economic status. We share their critiques of growing inequalities. However, we are also deeply troubled by the harassment and hate speech that has been rising in the wake of this election. Our campus must work diligently to avoid perpetuating such inequalities, and we must draw on education and serious intellectual dialogue to help move past this divisive historical moment. Especially given our campus's recent conversations around sexual violence and historical racism, we feel that we would not be meeting our obligations as educators if we failed to raise our concerns.

Indeed, we are dedicated to social action that promotes the common good. We are willing to lead and facilitate open and respectful discussion. We hope that those coming from all walks of life can explore their own biases, fears, concerns, and questions in the fertile intellectual space upon which Monmouth University is built and depends.

Respectfully signed (alphabetically),

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MU Community Gathers for Anti-Hate Protest After Election



IMAGE TAKEN by Jamilah McMillan

Anti-hate was the theme of the protest attended by members of the University community on Friday.

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empowerment is necessary to combat hate," said Underhill.

One student approached the microphone and shared a recent event involving her friend at a University party, days after the election results were announced. She said that in the course of a single night her friend was called a racial slur twice. "The 'n' word that ends with 'er,' not an 'a,'" said Leandra Dennis, a sophomore communication student. "That's why I came to this protest, because incidents like that are not okay. Trump's win should not validate racism, or hate on this campus."

According to an article by *BBC* published on Nov. 11, dozens of reports of alleged hate crimes have surfaced on social media in the wake of the election of Trump. Some examples include a Facebook post from a Muslim woman who said that her hijab was pulled off of her head while shopping at Walmart, and a picture of a swastika painted on a softball field dugout in Wellsville, NY with the words "Make America White Again" on Twitter.

The article also highlighted incidents reported against Trump supporters, including a video of an attack and robbery of a white man accused of being a Trump supporter, and a pro-Trump student being bullied at school.

In the UK, the Home Office recorded a 41 percent jump in racial and religious abuse in the month following the Brexit vote in June. A similar increase in hate crimes in the U.S. may seem evident by word

of mouth, or through social media, however proof of this won't be available until next year. The US Federal Bureau of Investigation tracks hate crime statistics and releases an annual report, but the one covering this year won't come out until late 2017.

According to Underhill, it's important to share that some students were against the gathering. She said, "There were a few shows of opposition. Various students drove by repeatedly in pickup trucks with loud horns, megaphones, Trump flags, etc. Other students, in two separate groups, quietly stood on the outskirts of the gathering, one wearing a 'Make America Great Again' hat, in what seemed like an attempt to intimidate those gathered. One student hollered Trump's name from his dorm room, as we walked through the residential side. It's important to note that these were majority, if not all, white male students."

"As a sociologist who has studied social inequalities since I was an undergraduate student in the 1980s, I try to understand the structural, cultural, and personal reasons for how this historical moment has arisen and why some groups of people are so terrified and others are so elated," said Mezey. "This whole election has to do with race, class, gender, sexual, national, and religious inequalities. The situation we are in now is complicated and nuanced. But we are lucky to be living in an intellectual community, surrounded by expert professors and inquisitive students, so we can collectively make sense of what is happening

around us."

Golam Mathbor, a professor in the School of Social Work advised that students report any hate related incidents. He said, "Monmouth University has a zero tolerance policy for discriminatory practices on campus, so anything students feel are inappropriate happenings to them should bring it up to the relevant authorities immediately."

Across campus, students had varying reactions to the election results Tuesday night.

Some students were pleased by the win. "When the results started coming in I was excited and realized he was going to be the president of the United States. Watching *CNN* to me was funny because all the reporters were dreaded stating, 'Mr. Trump has taken this state.' Once Trump took Florida I knew it was over and I was just so happy and proud that Donald Trump now has a chance to change this country," said John Maurer a communication student.

However, Emily Ciavatta, a junior communications student was less enthused by the results. She said, "As a woman and member of the LGBTQ+ community, I am directly affected by the outcome of this election." That feeling encouraged Ciavatta to attend the demonstration Friday morning.

"The protest was honestly such a humbling experience. Afterwards, I felt empowered, and much less alone than I had felt before. My biggest take away was that it's important to stand up for what's right, no matter how hard it may be," she added.

Sales Increased Last Year as Hawks Success Soared

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son, to \$249,203.93 in the 2015-16 season.

"The success of our men's basketball team has been tremendous for the brand of Monmouth University," said Eddy Occhipinti, the Associate Athletics Director for Sponsorships and Broadcasting at Monmouth University. "The national exposure the team has helped generate for our great University is fantastic and will only continue to help show the country how special a place Monmouth is."

"The recent success of our Basketball team captured the engagement of fans on social media...via free publicity, and creating substantial equity for the Monmouth brand," said Dr. Michael Chattalas, Specialist Professor of Marketing & International Business. "Such brand equity, coupled with the personality of a successful, creative and warm 'underdog' reinforces our competitive position as a relatively-intimate,

experiential and transformative university, where big-league dreams can thrive."

Merchandise is another key part in bringing more revenue to the University. The increased flow of people to games means that more money is being spent in the University bookstore on athletic merchandise. According to the article by the APP, the bookstore experienced a high demand for merchandise last season. Staff found that shelves had to be restocked after each game as merchandise sold quickly before and after games.

Maria Sisom, the Merchandise Manager of the University Bookstore said that she cannot pinpoint the exact cause of the 15.2 percent increase in profits made since this time last year. She said, "People are buying our merchandise. It might be because the economy is good, or it might be due to the excitement of the basketball team, but we are halfway through our fiscal year and we are making more than we did last year."

Merchandise sales are also stimulated by the bookstore capitalizing on the Monmouth Bench's popularity. When it first caught the attention of fans and TV cameras, Bench Mob-themed clothing and merchandise was introduced to the bookstore's stock, and added to the success of goods sold at the store said Sisom.

She said, "When we made t-shirts for the Bench-Mob students were buying them. Now I make t-shirts off of things that are said on Twitter, or other forms of social media like, 'Pack the MAAC,' or 'Fly Hawks,' and they keep selling."

Basketball players are proud of their ability to grow the Monmouth brand and bring in more cash to the University. "I think it is awesome that our team can help out the university by bringing in more revenue. Our success last year not only helped out our team, but it also helped out the university as a whole," said Collin Stewart, a guard for the men's basketball team, and a computer sci-



PHOTO COURTESY of Monmouth University

The Men's Basketball team had a visible increase in game attendance last season.

ence student.

"Everyone loves to watch their team win so when we started winning big games like Notre Dame and UCLA, people started to notice...We want to do just as good if not better this year so hopefully we get the same kind of turn out," he added.

Last Friday the Hawks beat the Drexel Dragons 78-65 in their first

game of the season, and many students and members of the University community showed their support for the team. "Watching the team on Friday was great. I know a lot of students get pumped up for the games," said Jeremy Waters a freshman business administration major. "We hope they keep up the good work and will be there next Tuesday to watch them beat Cornell."

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November: A Time for Giving Thanks

THE OUTLOOK STAFF

Thanksgiving Day is upon us, and while turkey and stuffing are usually on our lists of things to be thankful for, *The Outlook* editors believe that there is an important addition to be made, other than food and football. In honor of giving thanks, the editors of *The Outlook* would like to express their gratitude to Monmouth University. From the breathtaking campus grounds only a mile away from the beach to the dedicated faculty and staff, Monmouth provides students with an abundance of things to be thankful for.

Editors were all in consensus on their gratitude for the opportunities and resources the University offers. "Monmouth has many opportunities to get involved, travel, learn, and find independence," said one editor.

Studying abroad, becoming involved in a club or organization and enrolling in courses that are taught by highly qualified professors are only a few of the elements that contribute to the endless educational and social opportunities available to students. The staffer said, "I'm most thankful for the plethora of resources. From free printing to writing services, there's a great amount of help at my disposal. These resources allow me to fulfill my academic potential."

While resources aid in the fulfillment of a student's aca-

ademic success, professors truly act as the catalyst in the uncovering of a student's potential. "I get to go to class to professors who value my education as well as my opinions," expressed one editor. "I am a person and not a number on a professor's roster. Everyone seems to know everyone, which is a beautiful thing. Professors actually care about their students, and I have had so many life-changing opportunities because of those types of professors," said another *Outlook* editor.

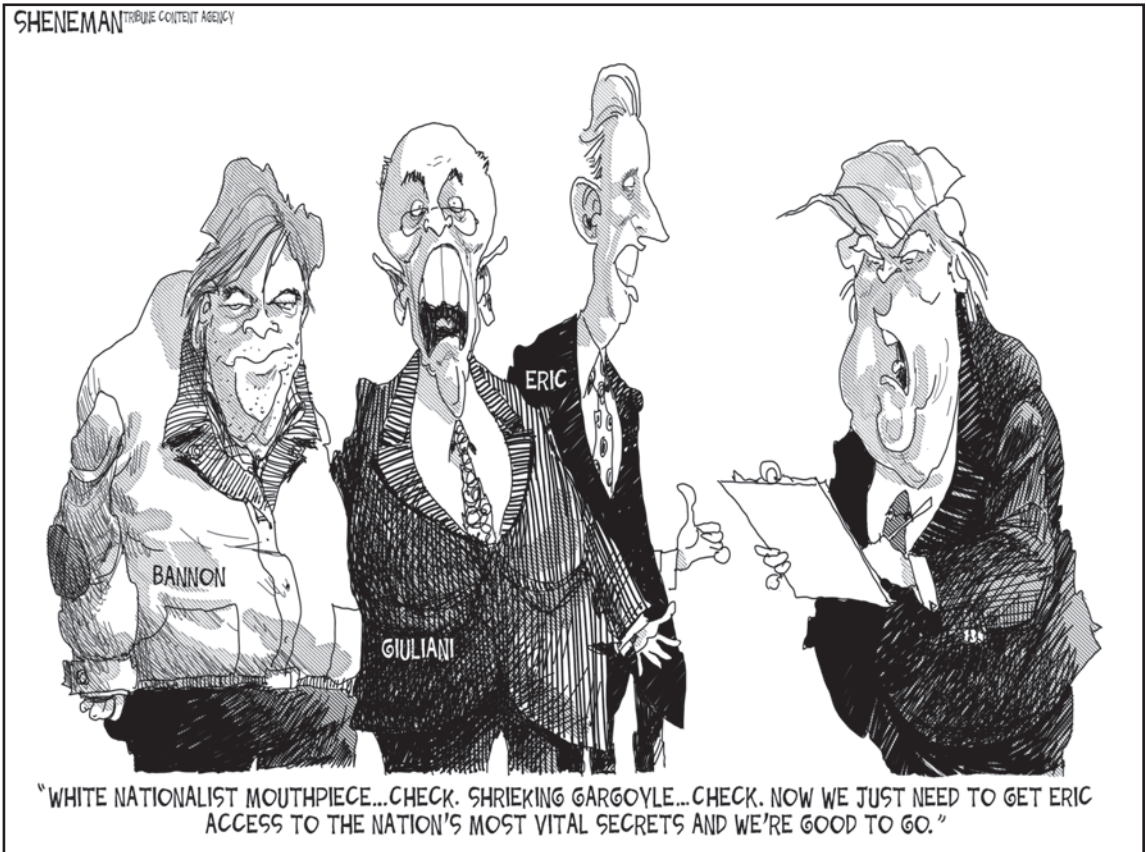
At Monmouth University, you are not a number, but you are an individual that is a member of the Hawk family because after all, "Hawks Fly Together." An editor expressed their appreciation for being a member of the Hawk family, "The one thing I love most is our sporting events. I really appreciate the camaraderie and immense school spirit when I attend a game; I am appreciative of the family that these events bring together and create."

Monmouth has become a home for *Outlook* editors. Walking around campus appreciating the beautiful and historic Wilson Hall accompanied by the perfectly manicured lawns make a student's walk to class enjoyable. One editor expressed their gratitude for campus convenience, "I'm most thankful for the on campus Dunkin' Donuts. You don't have to worry about leaving and finding a parking spot

because of coffee, a necessity to most college students, is easily available in the student center. Honestly, I don't know where I'd be without their outpouring kindness and the coffee."

While some editors experienced difficulty when deciding on just one specific aspect to be thankful for at the University, expressing that they love everything about Monmouth. The entire *Outlook* editorial staff can agree that they are thankful for the student-run newspaper that has been on campus since 1933, *The Outlook*, of course. The newspaper has provided each staff member with innumerable opportunities and experiences. With the aid of *The Outlook's* advisor, Professor John Morano who specializes in journalism, each writer and editor on staff has the ability to grow and work together to create a strong and informative issue that acts as a voice for the campus community.

Thanksgiving Day is a time to appreciate the people, places, and things we normally take for granted. So take a breather from overindulging in that last piece of pumpkin pie and take the time to appreciate the blessings in your life. *The Outlook* editors wanted to express their gratitude to Monmouth University this holiday and encourage the rest of the campus community to embrace the opportunities available to them during their time at Monmouth University.



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The Differences Between Jobs and Careers

Doing What You Love and Loving What You Do

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When you're a freshman it's easy to push off the idea of what you're going to do with the rest of your life and just enjoy your college experience. But, before you know it, it's your senior year and you're stressing about getting a job after graduation.

It's a tough choice when you need to get a job, but you also need to be able to afford life after graduation. You have to choose between doing something you love, most likely a career, and doing something that will make you enough money to get by right after college, a mere job.

This is not to say that you can't love your job, but a ca-

reer is more of a whole life goal. Careers are the epitome of a happy workplace; they coincide with your major and concentration in college. Jobs, however, are more of a temporary fix for money to pay your bills. While both are important milestones in life, a career tends to be where most students are aiming to achieve.

Most of the time, jobs we're working at while in school are paying more than starting a new job doing the thing you really love. It can be a hard decision between making enough money to support yourself, and doing the thing you love. It is important to have the money to pay any bills you have, have somewhere to live, and have enough food to eat.

Dreading going to work every

day is not something you want for your future. It's important to find a job doing something you really want to be doing. Enjoying your job will not make waking up early in the morning impossible; you'll be more inspired and willing to get to work.

This struggle to find the balance of making money and loving your job is what makes internships so important and helpful while you're in school. The more experience you have, the better chance you have at getting a job with the best of both worlds.

At Monmouth, there are so many opportunities for internships, which is extremely helpful when you're looking to do something specific to your chosen major. It's like you get to

test drive different jobs and decide what you can see yourself doing for a living. Sometimes when you're finished with an internship, if you perform well, the company might even offer you a job.

Once you've decided what you want to do, apply for that job in as many places possible. You might not start out exactly where you want to be, but this can only better you and help you to get to where you want to be.

Factoring in expenses is where things get tricky. Sometimes you might have to make some sacrifices and hold off on a few shopping sprees because your bank account just might not allow it. If you have the necessities and you're working a job you love, there's no reason

that you shouldn't be happy.

You might also have time for a part time job if it was really something you enjoyed doing. If you're not making enough money and have enough free time, working two jobs can be tricky, but helpful when you need to make ends meet. Of course working two jobs might be stressful, but sometimes it's necessary to be doing what you love and still making enough money to take care of yourself.

If your job is really something that you love, you'll be able find a way to make it work. As the popular saying states, "If you do what you love, you'll never work a day in your life." When this holds true, you've found your lifelong happiness in a career.

Life Lessons for an MU Student From *Boy Meets World*

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"Feeny! Fe he he heeny!"

The iconic name rings through the ears of the die-hard fans of the 90s television show, *Boy Meets World*. Cory, Topanga, Eric, Shawn, Mr. Feeny and the rest of the cast of the hit show have shown its viewers what life is all about: doing the right thing, being yourself, the importance of family and friendship, and education, all while integrating classic comedy.

Doing the right thing has always been ingrained into our minds since we could walk and talk, but, the right thing is sometimes hidden beneath a plethora of options. Mr. Feeny reminds us that, "A real hero is someone who does the right thing when the right thing isn't easy to do."

While this could be related to just about anybody, what is so special about Monmouth is that we have an abundance of faculty members and professors that want to see us succeed in all we do; we are fortunate enough to go to a small school where our professors not only know who we are, but, are able to take notice if we're doing well or not.

I have gotten along with a number of my professors and even met with them during office hours just to talk because we got along so well. Take a chance and if you get along with one of your professors well, see if you could meet with them during office hours to talk! They're not as scary as you think.

Hand in hand with doing the right thing, being yourself is just as, if not more, important. Mr. Feeny speaks his words of wisdom in an episode saying, "If you let people's perception of you dictate your behavior, you'll never grow as a person."

It isn't uncommon for students to get caught up in drama and fads, but, staying true to who you are helps keep yourself and your morals in check. Feeny brings to light an issue that is still just as present in today's society: "We live in a so-

ciety where they tell us we have to look a certain way. So we're all under pressure to live up to unrealistic expectations."

Being at Monmouth helps bring us back to reality; our diverse and accepting community aides in providing an eclectic campus and the ability to see that you are never alone.

Remembering that you are never alone is hard at times, but it is vital to know your family is always by your side. Cory believes that even after letting yourself grow up and mature as a person, "when you are not a little boy anymore, and the world has taught you to be a man, you will still make mistakes. But your family and those friends you made along the way will protect you. And you find the world will protect you too."

Cory has always been a family man on the show, but his words of wisdom resonate well with students. Being far away from your family can get tough, but with the Monmouth support system at your back, you're truly never alone.

Homesickness is one of the biggest issues that people go to Counseling and Psychological Services; missing family members is not only normal, but it's customary, especially in your first year of college. But, be sure to remember that it isn't just family that looks out for you because in the eyes of Mr. Feeny, "You don't have to be blood to be family."

Friendships are continuously formed in *Boy Meets World*, just as friendships are made throughout your time at Monmouth University. Every day we are given the opportunity to meet new people or simply catch up with our usual friends; at Monmouth, our community is not only accepting, but, encouraging of meeting new people with open arms. Not only that, but we are given numerous events and sporting events that help us get together.

Our basketball season just kicked off recently and our Foreign Language Festival is coming up as well, there are so many things that we are able to do with friends that not only bring us together, but help us broaden our

horizons. Not to mention, Feeny truly believes that, "Friendship is the real gift, it is given with no expectation, no gratitude is necessary."

Being that *Boy Meets World* takes place mainly in a school setting, it is only appropriate that educational lessons be thrown into the show. The cast reminds its viewers, even today, that, "Education is not about obscure facts and little test scores. Education is about the overall effects of years of slow absorption. Concepts, philosophies, approaches to problem solving. The whole process is so grand."

Monmouth University's limitless resources it provides to its Hawks are the reason so many flock to the campus. Our computer labs, well-rounded courses, generous faculty, and well-known professors all play a part in a Hawk's career at Monmouth. Our professors, coaches, and advisors often play a "Mr. Feeny" type of role in our lives. Their ability to recognize different aspects of our work and help us

further our careers in more ways than one are just a few things that help make us the best students we can possibly be.

Being that our courses are so tailored to our majors aides in the ability to make sure that by the end of our college journey, we are best prepared for the chances we will have come graduation time.

Just as education is important, technology ties into the topic effortlessly. We are constantly exposed to different types of technology, the newest iPhone, the newest video game, the latest apps and laptops, tablets, headphones, and so on and so forth. But, the more technology we have, the less we are able to fully digest all of the information because we are constantly looking for the newest, shiniest 'toy.'

Feeny takes the words right out of my mouth, "Gutenberg's generation thirsted for a new book every six months. Your generation gets a new webpage every six seconds. And how do you use this technology? To beat King

Koopa and save the princess. Shame on you. You deserve what you get."

While technology can come off as bad, and rightfully so in some cases, as Hawks, we have a number of different technological aspects that further our education. With the Commuter Student Lounge's computers, our science labs, the library, and other resources such as these prove that technology is on our side, especially as Hawks.

Through all of these lessons and morals, the cast of *Boy Meets World* still made us laugh and cry, and brought us closer together as a society. Bringing out life lessons about education, doing the right thing, living life to the fullest, and always being yourself, *Boy Meets World* gave its viewers a sense of home within a show and a cast to relate to.

So, with that being said, Feeny would like to add: "Dream. Try. Do good." Don't just do well but, "Do good. I love you all. Class dismissed."



Mr. Feeny is an extremely influential and life lesson bearing character in popular television series *Boy Meets World*.

Monmouth Debate Team Wins Awards at Liberty University and MU Tournaments

PRESS RELEASE

The Monmouth University Debate Team won awards at debate tournaments held at Liberty University last weekend (Nov 4-6) and again this weekend at Monmouth’s 6th annual Jersey Shore Invitational (Nov 12-13). At Liberty University, MU debaters Kaitlin Allsopp and Emely Diaz made it to the octa-final playoff round by compiling a four and two record in the preliminary rounds— before losing in a close decision to a team from James Madison.

Emely Diaz also received a speaking award at the tournament. This weekend (Nov 12-13) three of the eleven MU teams of two competing at the sixth annual Jersey Shore Invitational at Monmouth made it into the playoff rounds including: James Hawk and Sabrina Saenger, Angela Ryan and Bob Davies, and Ryan Kelly and Phoebe Nelson. The Hawk and Saenger team and the Ryan and Davies team also scored victories in their first playoff round.

At Monmouth’s Jersey Shore Invitational tournament approximately 200 people from 13 universities took part, including debaters from Cornell University, George Mason University, New York University, New School, and West Virginia University to name some. George Mason won the tournament championship in the novice division, Liberty University took first place

in the intermediate division, and Rutgers University won the championship round in the experienced division. Debate rounds took place in classrooms across the MU campus and Sunday’s award ceremony was in Wilson Auditorium.

Over the last two weekends, MU had ten teams compete at the Liberty University Tournament in Lynchburg, Virginia and eleven teams compete at the MU tournaments here on campus, many of whom were competing in their first debate tournament. The ten teams competing in Virginia included: Emely Diaz and Kaitlin Allsopp, James Hawk and Sabrina Saenger, Gregory Harpe and Prachi Patel, Francesca Vaccaro and Julie Murtha, Emma O’Rourke and Justin Dritschel, Ryan Kelly and Michael Manning, Heidi Solley and Tylar Wenigiel, Elizabeth Carmines and Erin Brown, Chase Petras and Chris Diolosa, and Alexis Vasquez and Sukayna Rahawi.

The eleven teams competing at Monmouth tournament included, James Hawk and Sabrina Saenger, Angela Ryan and Bob Davies, Ryan Kelly and Phoebe Nelson, Gregory Harpe and Emily Mastrocola, Emely Diaz and Kaitlin Allsopp, Alec Gullian and Martin Vadakara, Maya Paco and Juscelucio Da Silva, Kaan Boztepe and Erin Brown, Chase Petras and Chris Diolosa, and the MU/New School hybrid team of Prachi Patel and Victoria Schulman.

Each year, a topic is picked by



PHOTO COURTESY of The Monmouth Debate Team

The Monmouth Debate Team had some fun taking a group picture at Liberty University after winning several awards on Nov. 4-6.

the CEDA/NDT organization to be debated throughout the country. The topic for this year is Resolved: The United States Federal Government should establish a domestic climate policy, including at least substantially increasing restrictions on private sector emissions of greenhouse gases in the United States. Each two-person team competes in six rounds of debate, three

on the affirmative and three on the negative, with each debate round lasting approximately two hours (on Saturday and Sunday). The Monmouth team researched and wrote three affirmative cases advocating that the US government: 1) transition to thorium-based nuclear power (and ban uranium); 2) restrict factory farming; and 3) adopt a cap and trade policy. Teams that make

it into the playoff rounds continue debating in one round eliminations until a champion emerges.

Monmouth alumni and former debaters Dan Roman, Michelle Grushko, Kelly Craig, Saliha Younas, Dylan Maynard, Danielle Doud, Ryan Kelly ,and Jessica Roberts came back to campus to help coach MU teams and served as judges at the MU tournament.

NJ Voters Make Choice on Election Day Ballot

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Voters of New Jersey were asked to vote on two state-wide questions during the election. The questions dealt with casino gambling and the gas tax. The two yes or no questions were located on the November 8, 2016 ballot.

Question one on the ballot was about allowing casino gambling in two other New Jersey counties besides Atlantic County and 78 percent of the New Jersey voters chose no on this issue.

Over twenty groups were against the measure and based on the ballot it seems many New Jersey residents agreed. If this amendment was voted in, two more casino locations would be allowed to open in Northern New Jersey.

The amendment would take away a great deal of power that At-

lantic City has had over the years. Many people note that this measure would halt the monopoly Atlantic City casinos have had in New Jersey since 1976. The amendment noted that the casinos would have to be at least seventy-two miles away from Atlantic City.

This referendum would give a portion of the taxes collected on these new casinos to rebuild the economy in Atlantic City. Groups such as “No North Jersey Casinos” and Trenton’s “Bad Bet” led a stronghold over swaying voters against such a measure as in question one.

Associate professor of political science, Dr. Joseph Patten said, “I’m not surprised with the outcome of the two ballot questions. With respect to gambling, false promises were made in Atlantic City so based on the Atlantic City model people are starting to realize

that the gambling market is saturated.”

He continued, “Most people can politically agree that infrastructure safety is important to invest in because it is an important issue. The problem is whether or not funds will go to the right place. Sometimes it is a bait and switch issue.”

The second ballot referendum in New Jersey dealt with the budget ideas permitting all gas revenue to go directly to the transportation fund.

This question was voted yes, by a bigger margin than question one. With this amendment being passed, 54 percent of New Jersey citizens felt that all of the funds from gas revenue should go directly to the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF). Prior to the amendment, only 10.5 percent of the gas revenue would go to the TTF.

This amendment was not intend-

ed to actually create the increased gas tax; instead, it would go hand in hand with the recent tax to help rebuild damaged roads and bridges.

Many say that New Jersey bridges and roads need a lot of help in order to remain safe for travelers. This measure could help prevent any further bankruptcies the fund may face. Road to Repair and AAA are just a couple of the groups that supported the amendment located on the NJ ballot.

Many felt that the safety of the roads and bridges is not something to play with if the welfare of citizens can be at risk. While Governor Christie supported the amendment, Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno opposed the amendment to put this revenue in the TTF.

Associate professor of political science, Dr. Stephen Chapman

said, “The outcome of the two ballot questions is not surprising. The political and public opinion landscape of the casino referenda was doomed for failure.”

He continued, “People saw the model of Atlantic City and knew it would not work. As far as the TTF, people have seen in the past, even with other governors that money did not go to where it was supposed to. With this referendum, it is a reassurance to people that revenue will be allocated to the appropriate fund.”

Gabriella Greco, senior marketing student notes, “I’m not surprised at all by the outcome of the casino ballot question. Atlantic City is already doing so poorly, why would anyone think it would work in North Jersey.” Then asked, “Also, why people want to take any potential business away from Atlantic City who is already failing?”

Student Club Hosts FBI Special Agent At Meeting

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Science. “I also interned with the Washington Center when I was an undergraduate in Congress and secured my first job from a contact I developed in the program. I now also serve on the Washington Center’s liaison board which helps me advocate for top placements for our students.”

Prior to obtaining his dream job as a special agent, Cotter worked as a paralegal for a law firm, an administrator for the director of an Army Intelligence branch in the Pentagon, and spent 11 months as an Operations Officer in Afghanistan. Cotter said that students may have other jobs before they reach their dream jobs, yet they should “do the job really well...and you’ll get an awesome recommendation.”

After finally getting accepted into the FBI Academy, Cotter promptly moved from D.C.

to Quantico where he spent five months in training. When the five months were up, Cotter had what is called “Offer Night,” when the newly trained agents are assigned to one out of the 56 FBI locations. Cotter was assigned to his top choice: New York City. Part of his job consists of covering counter terrorism cases, such as the recent bombing incident in Chelsea, Manhattan on September 17.

Cotter’s presentation not only disclosed how he achieved his dream career, but that he did it with persistence. Senior homeland security student, and sary of the Guardians Club, Brianna Piazza, said, “I learned that it is okay to not know what you want to do immediately after college, you will fail and get rejected but it is important to keep working toward your goal.”

Criminal justice professor and advisor of the Guardians Club, Nicholas Sewitch, was responsible for

organizing the event. He tries to get alumni of the University who have careers in the FBI or other branches of Law Enforcement to speak in club meetings.

He said, “It helps to show what our alumni can do, as role models for students. Brian Cotter had the same dream and goal as many students, and accomplished it.”

Sewitch appreciated that Cotter contacted the University, because he wanted to share his success in the FBI with his Alma Mater.

He said the importance of having guest speakers is so, “our faculty to create a bridge between our alumni and our students. If we can hook them up with someone who is an alumnus is that much more powerful and valuable.”

The Guardians Club is mainly composed of students who are interested in criminal justice and homeland security, but is open to all majors. Also Vice President of the club,



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Brian Cotter, an alumni of the University met with students and shared thinkgs he has learned after graduating.

Noel Labb, a senior and homeland security major, said, “I like that this club isn’t just for the criminal justice and homeland security majors, and that it is open to all majors. It gives each student an equal opportunity to hear from people in fields

ranging from FBI, Criminal Intelligence Agency, State Police, Drug Enforcement Administration, Parole. It also gives students a chance to network and ask speakers any questions they might have, and how to get where they are.”

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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.



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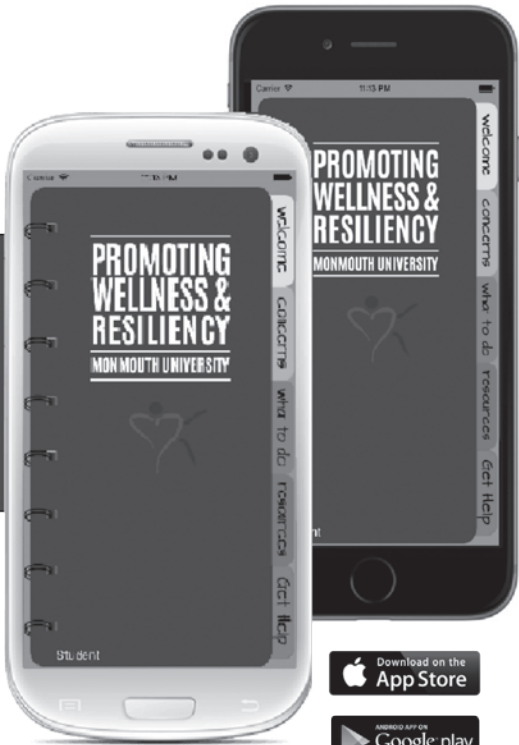
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The Importance of Feminism

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Feminism has long been a talking point in the modern world. Discussions surrounding the recent presidential election or the wage gap, conversations about women’s health and reproductive rights or harassment and discrimination in the workplace, nearly every political conversation seems to circle around to it eventually.

“Men and women should be equal. Although it’s improved over the years, it’s still a work in progress. Ideally, on a national and even global level, girls and women should be able to receive an education and have equal pay,” said an English student who wishes to remain anonymous.

Many young women believe that feminism is a concept that should be continued. Natalie Toro, a junior biology student said, “I don’t think it’s working, based off of the election. Women still have to continue to work harder than men, just to earn a lower wage. It will take years, but with more education the next generation can hopefully change and improve feminism.”

While the feminist movement has made strides in the past years, there is still more that could be done. On Tuesday, Nov. 8, Hillary Clinton lost her campaign to be president of the United States.

However, four new female senators were elected to Congress, bringing the total number of female senators to 21 out of 100. Eighty-four women hold seats in the House of Representatives, making up 19.3 percent of its total body. While there may not yet be



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Feminism has become a growing trend as both women and men make strides towards the equality of the sexes.

a female president, there are still plenty of other women in political power.

However, the election highlighted some issues in feminism in the United States, such as a lack of intersectional feminism. Intersectional feminism is defined as the study of intersections between forms or systems of oppression, domination, or discrimination.

A common example is black feminism – this argues that the experience of being a black woman cannot be understood in terms of being black, and of being a woman, considered independently, but must instead include the interactions, which frequently reinforce and support each other.

“That so many white women voted to protect their white privilege this election demonstrates how feminism still has many decades of

work ahead,” said Corey Wrenn, Ph.D., the director of Monmouth University’s gender studies program, talking about how president-elect Trump won 53 percent of white women’s votes, as opposed to Hillary Clinton’s 43 percent. “Feminism is less about solidarity and collective action today, and more about using one’s individual position to scramble to protect and grow privilege with little concern to the impact that unequal access has on others less fortunate.”

There have also been changes made in terms of workplace treatment of women. Companies have begun to acknowledge the need for paid maternity leave and workplace harassment claims are more likely to be taken seriously. However, as with politics, there is still more progress to be made.

“The research and the data, both

numbers and stories from women, show that a good portion of gender discrimination, while present throughout one’s life, seems to hit women once they enter and begin to progress through their careers,” said Jennifer McGovern, Ph.D., an assistant professor in the sociology and political science departments at Monmouth University.

“For example, the wage gap grows bigger as women age. In addition, many of the issues connected with gender inequality arise when starting a family.”

McGovern also explained that sometimes, college students may not see the need for a movement like feminism because their lives haven’t been truly impacted by the lack of it yet.

“Young college-aged people often haven’t faced many of these obstacles and thus don’t always see

feminism as something they want, or need,” McGovern explained.

“For example, a young man in college may not see the need for family leave policies; however, upon having their first child, they may want to stay home and help their spouse and bond with their child. Many companies would not allow this, but as a young college-age person, you aren’t thinking about that.”

“Feminism is a complex topic but overall I do believe it’s working,” said Marisa Nardelli, a junior biology student. “Women have come great lengths over the recent years. Of course, there are some issues, such as the wage gap, that could be improved upon.”

Both Professor McGovern and Wrenn pointed out the need for a more united feminist movement, “All great successes that women have had, such as the right to vote or the right to enter college and be protected by Title IX, have come at the heels of social movements and groups of women and men standing together to fight for the opportunity.”

Feminism is more than just a movement it is about supporting each other, men and women, in achieving their dreams. Any dream is possible no matter the sex, whether that be a male who wants to be an artist or a woman who wants to coach in the NFL. Gender should not act as an obstacle that hinder one’s ability to achieve their goals. Feminism does not only advocate for the liberation of women, but its objective is to liberate the limitations that are imposed on individuals based on their gender, ethnicity, or age.

GIVE THANKS FOR THANKSGIVING

AMANDA GANGIDINO
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The Thanksgiving holiday has transformed since the first celebration in 1621 of a harvest feast shared between both the Wampanoag Indians and Plymouth colonists. In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November.

The day holds a much deeper meaning than just the endless food options. It is a day to take a break from constantly running around with the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Unfortunately, we sometimes forget the importance of sitting around the table to make new memories with loved ones. In our modern society, families and friends rarely have time to sit down together and share a meal to speak about life and their daily activities.

In the past, Thanksgiving was a holiday during which all the malls and stores were closed for business. However, nowadays there are many exceptions to this rule due to consumerism. The revenue of businesses has become more important than time spent with loved ones. Thanksgiving meals are now shortened due to people’s craze to get the best deal. Also, many family members now must go to work on a day that was previously regarded as a pious holiday.

After World War II, consumer spending became a powerful driving force in the U.S. economy. Holiday spending has grown in importance during the weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Hence, the implementation of Black Friday and Cyber Monday. The new normal for Thanksgiving

celebrations in America now consists of missing family members or shortened meals due to the need to return to business as usual. Nicole Gallagher, a junior psychology student, said, “I normally work on Thanksgiving for Black Friday. To me, Thanksgiving Day has become just another day. When I was younger, I loved spending time with family and having a meal together, but the holiday has now placed more importance on getting to the stores or going into work.”

The Thanksgiving holiday is now regarded as simply just another ordinary day, which might allude to the issues within our society. We tend to never stop and “smell the roses.”

Office Coordinator of the World Languages & Cultures Department, Eileen Jones, enjoys a traditional Thanksgiving. “We always have the traditional turkey with stuffing. My family has requested that I make my fruit salad, which usually starts off our meal after we ‘say grace’ which includes us going around the table stating what we are thankful for.”

Spending time with loved ones along with turkey and stuffing are only some of the traditions that make the day of giving thanks, unique.

Since 1924, the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day parade has brought joy and entertainment to both children and adults on Thanksgiving for decades. The beloved New York City tradition features giant balloons, celebrity performances, floats, and marching bands. Also, the parade exposes viewers to new artists and Broadway shows. Thanksgiving morning is not complete without gathering around the television tuning into NBC to watch with

your family. If you are feeling adventurous this Thanksgiving, then take the trip into the city to see the parade in person.

Tierney Rosen, a junior psychology student recounted her experience at the parade, “I went with my family one year and the energy was so positive. Everyone was just so excited to be there celebrating the day.”

Thanksgiving Day is a time of reflection for all the blessings we have in our lives. It is also a time to give back to those that are less fortunate and have a bit less to be thankful for within their lives. Those that do not have money for the traditional turkey dinner also deserve to enjoy a holiday filled with all the trimmings. Donating your time to various charities and giving back to those who are in need is the best way to spend the

holiday.

The Reformation Community Food Pantry is located in West Long Branch and is convenient for Monmouth students to volunteer at. If you are heading home for the holiday, log onto the homeless shelter directory to find a shelter near you to give back to your community.

The holiday is not only about spending time with your family, but also your friends. In fact, many people now favor Friendsgiving. Typically, Friendsgiving is a potluck dinner, which consists of each guest contributing a dish to the party. Start a new tradition this year by making Thanksgiving a time that you spend with all of your loved ones, not only your family.

Lastly, football is a Thanksgiving staple. The lineup for the holi-

day always involves high-profile NFL teams. This year’s lineup consists of the following competitors: The Vikings vs. the Lions, Dallas Cowboys vs. the Redskins, and the Steelers vs. the Colts. Thanksgiving would not be complete without a couple of touchdowns.

The turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, corn bread and the array of delicious desserts make Thanksgiving a food lover’s favorite day of the year. However, it is important to remember that the meaning of Thanksgiving that goes far beyond the food, amazing sales, and football. It is truly about spending time with loved ones and giving thanks for all the blessings in one’s life. This Thanksgiving Day, take a breather from the stuffing and reflect on all the aspects of your life that make it beautiful.



IMAGE TAKEN from www.breakingcharactermagazine.com

The Macy’s Thanksgiving Day parade has been a beloved NYC tradition of both children and adults since 1924.

Snoop Dogg and Martha Stewart's New Show is Successful

ALLISON PERRINE
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Snoop Dogg and Martha Stewart aren't two names I'd instantly link. Snoop, whose birth name is Cordozar Calvin Broadus, Jr., is a famous rapper who has been in the music industry for decades. Martha Stewart is a well-known cook, television personality, and businesswoman. So, where is the connection?

On Nov. 7, VHI gave the duo their own show, *Snoop & Martha's Potluck Dinner Party*. In this show, Snoop and Stewart will cook meals while also having special guest appearances, all while making jokes in the kitchen. In a nutshell, this show is, according to comedian and actor Seth Rogan, a guest in the first episode, "the weirdest group of people ever on a stage together."

After opening the premiere episode with Snoop saying, "I'm not high right now, but whoever gave us this show must have been," I knew this would be something interesting.

The first episode was entitled "Putting the Pot in the Potluck." It started out with Snoop and Martha stepping out on stage, introducing themselves, and announcing that they were about to have a fried chicken cooking contest. Of course, this would not happen without first having a drink, the "Laid Back," which is exactly how I'd summarize this show. From the conversational language to the food prepared and celebrity guests, the episode was relaxing to watch. It was not a strain to have to figure out what was happening.

The first guest that the "king of kush" and "queen of cuisine" brought out was Rogan. The

second guest was Wiz Khalifa, a rapper who is, like Snoop, closely assimilated with marijuana, and unsurprisingly brought with him a green gift bag labeled "secret ingredient." The third and final guest of the night was Ice Cube, or O'Shea Jackson, rapper, songwriter, and actor who appeared later in the night.

Though it was not the most educational program I've ever tuned in to, there were things that I liked about it. The main aspect that I enjoyed was that it challenged and mocked stereotypes.

For example, when Khalifa asked Stewart how Snoop has influenced her life, she said that his "lingo" is catching on with her; Snoop then corrected her and said that 'lingo' was not the right word choice, but "vernacular" was. This was funny because it challenged the way we'd typically see these two people. Stewart is stereotyped as a proper housewife and Snoop is stereotyped, as Stewart said, as a person from "the hood." Yet, Snoop was the one who used a proper vocabulary term, while Stewart used slang.

This was also shown after Rogan made a comment about everyone on the stage wearing a necklace. Khalifa put one of his many gold chains around his neck, and Martha said that this was funny because he usually looks like a nerd. Then, Rogan said, "Martha Stewart just called me nerdy. I'm wearing a chain for God sakes," which Snoop then replied, "He hip-hop, Martha." This was not a challenge of stereotypes, but merely poked fun at them.

Snoop & Martha's Potluck Dinner Party introduced a new way to look at cooking shows,



IMAGE TAKEN from www.sheknows.com

Snoop Dogg and Martha Stewart premiered their new television show, *Snoop & Martha's Potluck Dinner Party*, on Nov. 7 at 10 p.m.

which I particularly enjoyed. It showed that not all cooking shows have to be simple and boring, and that anyone can participate. You don't need to be a professional chef or a female to have your own cooking show; Snoop Dogg is one of the last people I'd expect to have one, and that's partially why I enjoyed it so much. It was an unexpected twist on what cooking shows can be. It also wasn't only about cooking, it was also about guests, jokes, and playing games while in the kitchen.

It reminded me of the failed Kardashian show that lasted a mere four months, *Kocktails with Khloe*. This show was one in which Khloe Kardashian would invite guests over to gos-

sip and play games while a man made them cocktails, but this show seemed like more of a stretch. It seemed, to me, to be trying too hard to be fun and cool; Snoop and Stewart seemed to just get up there and whatever happened, happened. However, it was easy to tell that the show is scripted, because Stewart is terrible at reading the prompter and seeming sincere. However, it seemed to be more relaxed and "laid back" than *Kocktails with Khloe*, and did not try too hard to be something that it wasn't.

"I thought it was hilarious," said education and senior student, Lauren Palladino. "It wasn't something I'd tell the whole world to watch seriously, but for some light entertainment,

I'd definitely watch it again."

"It wasn't that bad," said education and senior student, Jessica Porter. "I just think that this duo is a funny pair, which is the biggest reason that I watched it. If it were two ordinary people, or two people that I typically wouldn't necessarily associate together, then it wouldn't be as amusing."

In the end, the fried chicken competition ended in a tie. However, Snoop argued that he wanted the prize of the competition, which was a heavyweight belt with pictures of fried chicken on it, and Stewart complied to the request.

Snoop & Martha's Potluck Dinner Party is on VHI on Monday's at 10 p.m.

A New Production of Finn and Lapine's Falsettos is a Hit

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COPY EDITOR

A new production of William Finn and James Lapine's *Falsettos* opened on Broadway on Oct. 27. The Lincoln Center Theatre production opened at the Walter Kerr Theatre and was directed by Lapine, the original director and co-book-writer. Finn also co-wrote the book and composed the mostly sung-through score.

Originally produced in 1992, *Falsettos* takes place in 1979 during act one and 1981 in act two. The revived production stars Christian Borle, two-time Tony Award winner, as Marvin, a neurotic gay man who divorced his wife, Trina (played by Broadway veteran Stephanie J. Block) and left his son,

Jason (played by thirteen-year-old Anthony Rosenthal) to be with his boyfriend, Whizzer, played by *Hamilton* and *Book of Mormon* star Andrew Rannells.

The family drama only gets more complicated after Trina attends a session with Marvin's psychiatrist, Mendel (played by *An American in Paris*'s Brandon Uranowitz); Mendel immediately becomes smitten with her and eventually proposes. Though none of the characters ever seem wholly at ease, they continue to make a life together in a hilarious, borderline neurotic way, even sharing meals together and taking each other's advice on when to see a psychiatrist.

However, act one shows fractures in that cheerful, if confusing, 'family' – Borle's Marvin is pos-

sessive and critical, often irked by Whizzer's lack of enthusiasm for monogamy and his younger, boyish charm (perfectly played up by Rannells). Borle, typically known for comedic performances, such as his Tony-winning turns in "Something Rotten!" and "Peter and the Starcatcher," plays a different character than he is used to. His Marvin is irritable, insecure, and filled with neuroses and adoration.

While act one is mainly the characters pointing fingers at each other, blaming themselves for the sources of their dissatisfaction – Trina and Whizzer think Marvin is too uptight and demanding; Marvin doesn't see the problem – act two brings home the emotional heart of the musical.

Act two also introduces 'the lesbians next door,' Doctor Charlotte

(played by *RENT*'s Tracie Thoms) and her girlfriend, ditzy but cheerful caterer Cordelia (played by Broadway starlet Betsy Wolfe). Taking place in 1981, it shows severe differences in the characters' relationships from act one. Trina and Mendel are married; Marvin and Whizzer have broken up. Doctor Charlotte spends much of her time investigating a mysterious and never-named illness – the timing and the language used lets the audience fill in the blanks and realize that she is talking about HIV/AIDS.

Once this is stated, there's an elephant in the room, and the audience is left waiting for the shoe to drop. The act continues on – Whizzer and Marvin get back together, and the family unit continues to shift and grows to contain Charlotte and Cordelia.

Eventually, Whizzer collapses, and everything seems to hit a standstill. The still-unnamed mysterious illness lands him in the hospital, and this marks the first set change of the production. Previously, the only set pieces used had resembled a child's building blocks, large grey geometric chunks manipulated by the actors and placed against the background of a shifting Manhattan skyline. However, here, a hospital bed and screen come into place, and they do not leave until the final song of the musical.

It is here that *Falsettos* reaches its emotional high point. Rannells gets to show his range here as well – in "The Book of Mormon" and "Hamilton," he played peppy, upbeat characters; Whizzer in the first act was also cute and shallow, dependent

on his sense of style, good looks, and charm. However, here he introduces a touching sense of dignified resignation as Whizzer grows weaker, while managing to maintain Whizzer's warmth and humor.

The second act also shows how the characters deal with the illness in their own ways – Marvin struggles as he watches his partner decline; Jason tries to push off his bar mitzvah until Whizzer "gets better," only to finally be told by Mendel that a return to health is not possible. Charlotte puzzles over Whizzer's slow decline; Trina does her best to keep her son and ex-husband afloat; Cordelia supplies treats and samples for the bar mitzvah; the three women work together to replicate normal life from a hospital room.

Eventually, the inevitable happens and the characters are left to decide how to get on with their lives, since their "small band" has now been cut down by one.

Antic and frantic throughout, the show was revolutionary for its original premiere in 1991. Now, twenty-five years later, its fundamental subject – love, as maddening and life-complicating and mysterious and uplifting as it is – has not changed, disappeared, or lost its power over the audience and the world at large.

The production is a brilliant piece, exhilarating, poignant, and loving all rolled up in one. It is a shame that it is only running for a short-term limited engagement. It will close on Broadway on Jan. 8, 2017, after running for about three and a half months.



IMAGE TAKEN from TheWrap

The Oct. 27 premiere of William Finn and James Lapine's *Falsettos* was exceptional.

Young MA Changes the Game for Females in Hip-Hop

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The 24-year-old, Brooklyn native started self-producing her music back in 2014, writing her own lyrics, creating her own beats, and receiving help from friends to mix the track. In 2014 she released “BROOKLYN (Chirag Freestyle)” featuring Rell & La Danger (RedLyfe) via her Sound Cloud profile. In

2015, she began to earn a following within the New York music world and also gained a presence on social media when she released her mixtape *Sleep Walkin*. The mixtape features 10 tracks with upbeat raps such as the highly emotional track, “Through The Day,” which is a personal track which talks about the murder of her older brother; his murder took place in September of 2009. This past May,

she released her debut single “OOOUUU.” Since its release, “OOOUUU” has rocketed from a Brooklyn street anthem to number 29 on the Billboard Hot 100 list. The artist’s first single spread like wildfire, ultimately becoming the song of the summer. It has caught the attention of hip hop’s finest, considering the song has been remixed by some of hip-hop’s most popular, in-

cluding A\$AP Ferg, French Montana, Jadakiss, and 50 Cent. With influence from my parents, who constantly played “Naughty by Nature” while we were in the car, I grew up listening to hip-hop and knew of female rappers from all eras. Lil’ Kim, Da Brat, Salt N Pepa, Missy Elliot, and Queen Latifah were huge names who were very successful during their time. However, since the early 2000s, we haven’t seen a large female presence in hip-hop. There have definitely been a few female artists who have made a name for themselves within the hip-hop world of today such as Nicki Minaj, Remy Ma, and Cardi B, but we haven’t seen a tough bar like this since Lil Kim’s era. Young MA is arguably the fourth addition to the list of female rappers; this truly highlights how small of a presence women in hip-hop have, considering there’s about four of them. “She’s becoming a face for New York hip-hop and it’s really cool to see the east coast sound develop, especially as a female artist which rap really doesn’t have much of. I listen to her tracks and I think wow that’s so good, and not for a female, that’s just really good music period,” said Joe Lozito, an advent rap listener and senior student. Being that there is such a little female representation in the hip-hop world, young MA’s come up is huge. She has also become an icon for the LGBT community, being that she open

about her sexuality especially within her music. *Elle*’s interview with Young M.A. from October emphasizes what it was like for her to go through these experiences at such a young age. In the interview, Young MA said, “I always wanted to wear sneakers, stud earrings, hair in a ponytail, and play with the boys. I never wanted to be a cheerleader, I wanted to play football. I always wanted to be the boy doll. I never understood it until I got older and realized this is just who I was meant to be and I am proud of who I am.” She since has been very open about being gay, and how it has affected her life. What does this do for women? Although some would choose not to admit, hip-hop is extremely influential within society. Having this type of strong female presence helps break down female stereotypes not just within the hip-hop culture, but the world itself. It shows listeners that women are just as talented, if not, better. Having Young MA as a leader for “fem-rap” stops other female rappers from being ignored. Seeing such a popular and influential female rapper is definitely a breakthrough for hip-hop because her presence is breaking down female stereotypes within the hip-hop world. A growing female presence challenges hip hops male dominated norms. A female, openly gay rapper – how awesome is that? Artists like Young MA are giving hip-hop a new set of rules.



IMAGE TAKEN from elle.com

Young MA has changed the game in hip-hop for females everywhere.

Kenneth Womack Releases New Beatles Encyclopedia

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ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Kenneth Womack, Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, is set to release his new book, *The Beatles Encyclopedia: Everything Fab Four*, on Nov. 30. The book is an updated version of the original, which was published as two volumes in 2014.

“The Beatles have been the sub-

ject of more than 2,000 books,” said Womack. “For this reason, they are the subject of intense scholarly scrutiny. Yet at the same time, they are often misunderstood or the subjects of enduring myths and misinformation. In my own way, *The Beatles Encyclopedia* is a means for getting the story right.” So, what is different about this book in comparison to its original? According to Womack, “The new

abridged version will be priced to allow for a wider readership. I originally penned the encyclopedia as a means for capturing the details of the Beatles’ accomplishments—from *Abbey Road* to Zapple Records—in one convenient resource.” The creation of this book was a two-year process between all of the research that needed to be done and intense composition. Thankfully, Womack had support from peers and loved ones as he conducted his studies. “I am very fortunate to be supported by a number of the finest thinkers in Beatles scholarship, including Mark Lewisohn and Walter Everett, among others,” Womack said. “The real champion, though, is my wife Jeanine, who has been a central player in my Beatles journey.” “This book is special, given that it is the only work of its kind,” said Womack. “It is both current and comprehensive, a book that accounts for the Beatles’ lives and works in their entirety. Moreover, the encyclopedia should speak to readers of all ages who want to learn more about the band and the incredible, enduring achievements.” “I think it would be interesting to read,” said Alexandra O’Connor, a senior education student. I don’t know that much about them, but I’ve heard many of their songs, especially through my parents. There would probably be a lot of interesting information about them that I don’t know yet.” “They were so influential during their time period,” said Erin Behn, Disabilities Specialist and Education Professor. “I definitely think it’s important for students to learn more about the band. They changed music and its culture.”



IMAGE TAKEN from Billboard

The Beatles were a huge influence in American culture, as well as the world, and changed music forever. “They pioneered rock and roll and pop culture as we know it today,” said Alexandra Earley, school counseling graduate student. “They paved the way for all male music groups, from Nirvana to the Backstreet Boys.” Earlier in this semester, the University’s Record Club had a meeting to review Bob Dylan’s album, *Blonde on Blonde*. Even though Dylan was popular years after the Beatles, the group even had an influence on Dylan and his music (and yes, Womack was there and commented on the situation and how the Beatles influenced Dylan). Not only does this hold true for Dylan, but in other unsuspecting ways. Their influence has even spread as far as to the popular rapper Lil Wayne; he created a song entitled “John” and even says in his lyrics, “Remember me like John Lennon.” The song “John” was released in 2011, which is decades after the Beatles were in their prime. Clearly, they have a strong influence in music and even in several unsuspecting areas. “The Beatles give me a sense of nostalgia,” said Gina Priore, sophomore communication student. “My mom used to listen to it during the day, and I can just picture it playing in the background. They’re an important band to continue to learn about.” *The Beatles Encyclopedia: Everything Fab Four* will be released on Nov. 30.

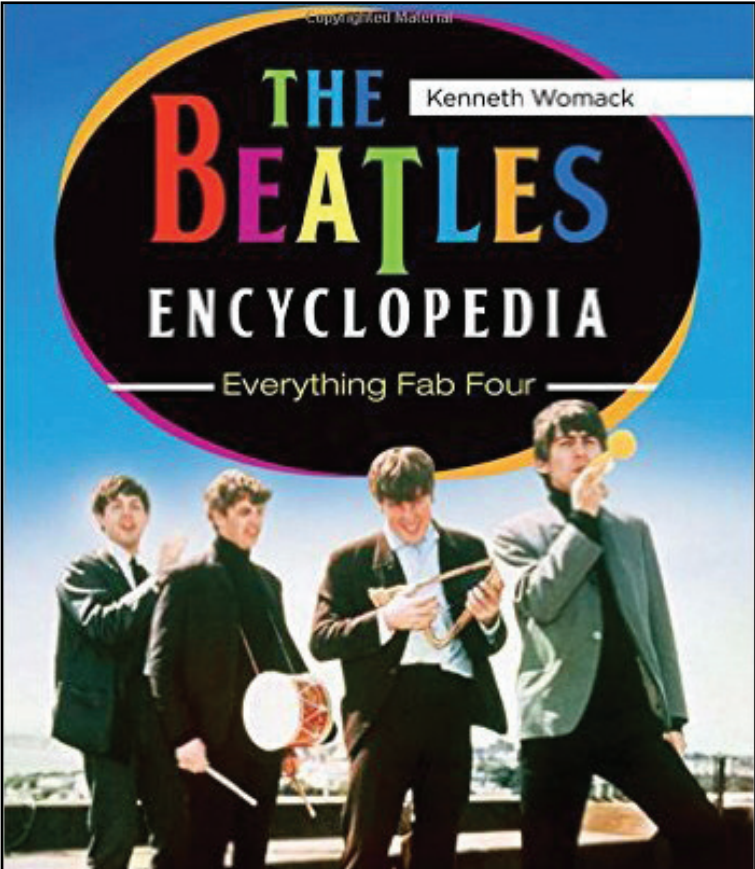


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MOMENTS AT MONMOUTH



LEFT:
STUDENTS GATHERED OUTSIDE OF WILSON HALL TO TAKE PART IN A PEACEFUL PROTEST FOLLOWING THE 2016 ELECTION RESULTS.
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RIGHT:
THE MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM STARTED OFF THEIR SEASON WITH A WIN AT THEIR FIRST HOME GAME.
(PHOTO COURTESY OF AMANDA DRENNAN)



LEFT:
STUDENTS WROTE INFLUENTIAL MESSAGES ON THE SIDEWALKS AROUND CAMPUS AS A POST-ELECTION RESPONSE.
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RIGHT:
THE ECONOMICS AND FINANCE CLUB TOOK A TRIP TO THE FEDERAL RESERVE AND MUSEUM OF AMERICAN FINANCE.
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LEFT:
DR. ROBERT MCCAIG, VICE PRESIDENT FOR ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT, WELCOMED PROSPECTIVE GRADUATE STUDENTS TO MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY AT THE GRADUATE OPEN HOUSE ON SATURDAY, NOV. 12.
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What are your plans for Thanksgiving break?

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"Going home and spending time with my dogs."



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Senior**

"Spending valuable time with my family."



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"Eating mashed potatoes."




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Phi Kappa Psi Hosts Monmouth’s Got Talent

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Phi Kappa Psi held their annual philanthropy event, “Monmouth’s Got Talent” on Wednesday at 10 p.m. in Pollak Theater. This exciting night started out with the hosts of the show introducing themselves. Johnny Maurer and Tom Curry, both brothers of Phi Kappa Psi, welcomed all the attendees for coming and spoke about their philanthropy, the Boys and Girls Club.

According to the Boys and

Girls Club of Monmouth County’s website, “The Boys and Girls Club of Monmouth County is a private non-profit organization that serves children that come from some of the difficult circumstances in the County. With professional licensed staff, Boys and Girls Clubs of Monmouth County’s youth enjoy a variety of activities.”

Monmouth’s Got Talent is essentially a show where different acts perform on stage giving it all that they’ve got, and are then judged by four judges of the night.

At the end a winner is given the title of the champion of MGT. The show began with the first contestant, Tia Romeo, a sister of Alpha Sigma Tau, who performed a song.

Next to perform were Matt Yard, JP Stabner, Josh Knox, and Dan Gilby, all brothers of Delta Tau Delta.

With the use of different guitars and a drum set, the group performed their rendition of Blink 182’s “All the Small Things.”

Henry Tran, from Sigma Tau Gamma, and Demi Dentes, from Alpha Omicron Pi, took the stage third and slowed things down with a duet that caused the crowd to listen intently.

Up fourth was the Monmouth University’s Cheer Team, who danced to a mash up of popular songs, intriguing the crowd with lifts, flips, and turns.

Afterwards, Julius Madden, brother of Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Bobby Wolf, and Brandon Bolanos sang “Closer” by the Chainsmokers and was a crowd favorite.

Mahalia Jackson, sister of Alpha Sigma Tau, then went on stage and belted out her song, engaged the audience involved with clapping and even singing a few verses.

Lastly, Mike Levy, brother of Phi Psi sang a song of his own, which was absolutely hysterical and a great way to end the show.

After the judges tallied up their scores, the results were ready to be announced. In third



PHOTO COURTESY of Julius Madden
Phi Kappa Psi held their annual event, Monmouth's Got Talent, in Pollak Theater last Wednesday.



PHOTO COURTESY of Julius Madden
Brothers of Lambda Theta Phi pose for a photo following their winning performance.

Hawks Striper Club Reels in the Facts

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The fall season brings cool water and lots of activity in the ocean. Falling water temperatures brings a great migration of fish that local fisheries and watermen have been catching for sport or bringing back to the dinner table.

There have been schools of blue fish, peanut bunker and stripe bass in our back yard. The University Bluffs has been the spot to find these “blitz” of fish that have been jumping out of the water.

Junior business student Pete Righi lives in the University Bluffs and is a member of the Monmouth University Football team. Righi said, “It’s crazy to look out your window and see the ocean. This past week I saw a whale that breached out of the water to feed off of the splashing fish around it.”

There have been many whale sightings off the coast of New Jersey that feed off of the pods of bunker for breakfast. Humpback Whales have been included in these sightings.

According to the Marine Mammal Stranding Center, it is common for humpback whales to feed off of the Jersey Shore. The center advises whale watchers to keep their distance from the large mammals, which are protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act.

Assistant Dean Director of Marine and Environmental Biology John A. Tiedmann has arranged a study that tests striped bass that also feed off of the same bunker pods humpback whales search for. This study researches



PHOTO COURTESY of Hunter Rainis
The Monmouth Stripers Club serves as a club for students interested in fishing.

the physiology of captured angled stripe bass that are released back into the water. Tiedmann said, “With the support of the Berkeley Striper Club, this field study employs rapid assessment techniques designed to quantify physiology and post release behavioral responses of fish caught by various angling techniques and periods of air exposure.”

The Berkeley Striper Club will meet at Island Beach State Park on Friday Dec. 2 and Saturday Dec. 3.

Researchers and student members of the club will catch fish with equipment funded by the Berkeley Striper Club and test for levels of plasma lactate, glucose and pH.

The stress levels will be calculated with the help of NOAA James J. Howard Sandy Hook Marine Lab. The team will utilize their 32,000 gallon saltwater tank to study post-release angled

striped bass physiology and behavior.

There are many ways to catch striped bass. You can get lucky and use clam bellies that sit on the bottom of the ocean, or surf cast floating treble hooks on the top of the ocean that mimic distressed blue fish.

Angling methods use jigs to disturb the oceans surface and attract striped bass. The legal limit to catch and keep striped bass is 28 inches for one fish. If you keep 2, the second one has to be larger than 48 inches.

This is measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail.

Senior health education student and Monmouth Lacrosse player Dylan Schulte has been catching these striped bass in between practice and his studies. He disclosed this tip “You have to look for the birds! If you see birds circling an area then you know the fish are underneath.”

Club and Greek Announcements

Cinema Club

The Cinema Club would like to announce that for November there will be a showing of action movies all month long. They will be showing this Wednesday, Nov. 16 in JP138 at 7:30 p.m. and they will be screening *John Wick*, starring Keanu Reeves. The club hopes that you can make it!

MU 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 6 p.m. 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

The Outlook is looking for students interested in writing for the student-run newspaper. Sections include News, Opinion, Politics, Lifestyles, Features, Entertainment, Club & Greek, and Sports. No prior experience is necessary. *The Outlook* fulfills practicum.

If you are interested, please e-mail outlook@monmouth.edu for more information.

Hero Campaign

The Hero Campaign will be having a meeting this Wednesday, Nov. 16, in Bey Hall 126 at 3:30 pm. For anyone interested in contributing to a safe college community and wants to get involved with campaigning to get home safely and help people, The HERO Campaign is a federally registered, non-profit organization that partners with law enforcement agencies, schools and colleges, bars, taverns and restaurants, and community chapters across the country.

The President Is... Wait, What?

KAITLYN MCGUIRE
STAFF WRITER

The 2016 Presidential election has been the most controversial election in history. Both Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump have created such strong supporters over the many months of campaigning. Arguments, fighting, and protests have taken up social media feeds, as well as streets all over America. It all came down to election night, Nov. 8, 2016. Everyone thought that Clinton was going to win, because that was what the polls were telling us. To many people's surprise, however, they were wrong. Trump had won, and will be the 45th President of the United States of America, starting in January.

Many of Monmouth University's students and faculty members were divided over this election; students posted on Facebook and Twitter supporting one candidate over the other, causing havoc and tension. There were countless articles bashing each candidate, with new insults

and dug up incidents appearing in the media every day. This election really became an example of dirty politics.

When Trump was announced as the President-elect, a huge portion of the country was shocked, stunned, and angry. People threatened to flee, and move to Canada and other countries.

Many individuals have criticized our next President as being racist, sexist, and against the LGBTQ+ community, based on his past remarks and actions. Everyone's feelings were so raw. Individuals felt like they no longer had a home in America and would not be able to live safely.

A senior communication student, Ayse Yargas, stated, "I'm scared to see people forgetting how to love and respect one another regardless of what our values are. I don't want to see the lives of the black, Hispanic, LGBTQ+, female or assault victims ruined because of this election outcome. We need to love more." That is exactly what we need—love. Our beloved country needs to come together, and be unified.

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Stephen Chapman, assistant professor of political science and sociology, said, "The election has clearly shown a division within American society given Trump's winning coalition of voters. There was a division along age, race, gender, and education within the electorate that will persist beyond 2016." The people of America cannot let the winner of this election come between them and the rest of their fellow citizens.

On the other side, there were many Trump supporters expressing happiness, excitement

for the transition, and gratitude. Many people are hopeful and are looking forward to the next four years, ready for the change Trump promised to elicit.

Angelo Sceppaguerio, a senior finance and real estate student, said, "It feels like a weight lifted off the people's shoulders. The media had Clinton winning by a landslide and brainwashed the people, or at least tried to. It is time to make a change in this country. Eight years ago this country was better than it is today. It's time for a better America."

It is definitely time for the stress and aggravation about this election to halt. Trump has promised to make this country better than ever, and stick by all Americans. America will see what he has planned to turn this country around.

No matter who won the election, America as a whole would not have been happy. As much as people hate Trump, many citizens were against Clinton. Senior communication student, Nicole DeSarno said, "I feel with Donald Trump stepping into office, that so many people are quick to point the finger at a man who

hasn't done anything (yet). We are the ones who are breaking out in violent protests, marches, and public disruption. We cause our own demise and blame it on someone else because it's easier and I fear this all along, more than the Presidential elect. Whoever it was going to be, I feared a nation divided."

While we as a country are divided, we need to give Trump a chance, and see what happens. We have seen him speak with President Obama, who has promised to aid his transition into the White House. It is not the time to jump to conclusions; it is time to come together. America has worked too hard to get to the place where it is today. We are a strong country when we come together.

This election has been an eye-opening and surprising journey, from the campaign trails, to the debates, and to who the electoral college selected to be the next President. Many citizens are angered, while others are joyful, and excited for a change. Either way, the United States of America is going through this transition as one. Spread the love, stop the hate, and support each other.



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Trump supporters celebrated their victory, while Clinton voters feared for the future of the country.

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What it's Really Like to Work Black Friday

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STAFF WRITER

I wake up from my Thanksgiving food coma at 4 a.m. to the piercing sound of my alarm. With an extra large coffee in both hands, I head off to work to greet the holiday season and its anxious shoppers with a less than enthusiastic, "Hi, welcome in! Can I help you find anything today?"

Arriving at the outlet center, I pass a long line of shivering customers waiting to shop the great deals my store has to offer. Before even stepping foot into work however, I'm faced with my first of many peculiar encounters with these Black Friday shoppers.

"She's cutting the line! Who does she think she is?" shouts a disgruntled mother of two at the security guard, wagging her manicured nails towards me. I share a laugh with the security guard as he lets me into the store, listening to him convince her that no, I'm not getting some type of early bird special on the handbag she tried to put on hold the night before.

In the midst of the Christmas music and holiday discounts, many forget to acknowledge that people actually work during Black Friday.

Walking into the perfectly organized, untouched store I take a minute to appreciate the silence—the calm before the storm, and the ability to hear myself think because I know that all will vanish in a matter of moments.

Black Friday shopping isn't for everyone. Some people love waking up at the crack of dawn with friends, grabbing an espresso and heading out to take advantage of deals others decided to sleep on. But many, especially those who work during the craze, believe that it's a socially constructed, merchandiser driven 'holiday' that shoppers partici-

pate in for the less than exceptional deals.

While shopping on black Friday is a personal choice, working during the madness definitely is not. Working in retail, you are expected to be able to work for the holiday season, no questions

that special either, my store ran the same Black Friday sale the entire month of December as well."

Swarms of savings-driven customers filled the store within a matter of minutes of unlocking the gates with the hopes off snag-

pleased when they find out we don't have an unlimited supply of our merchandise hiding in the back, just waiting for someone to ask us to go and fetch it.

Not only does working on Black Friday intensify everything that is normally done all

worst parts of working during this holiday.

Hope Sonner, a senior math student, shared her experience working on Black Friday: "Working Black Friday weekend definitely has its ups and downs. The up side is that I made a lot of money and Christmas music was playing the whole time. The down side, however, was all of the crazy customers with sassy attitudes who demand your attention."

With lines wrapped around the entire perimeter of the store, being a cashier on Black Friday is no easy job. Shoppers who have waited in line for hours become restless, and forget that employees have been there for the same amount of time, if not longer. Some of the most extreme customers I've faced at the cash-wrap blamed me for their card declining, gotten angry because I didn't wrap their gift "with enough love" and said I was ruining their shopping experience because I ran out of tissue paper.

However, most shoppers on Black Friday are levelheaded, pleasant people to work with. Kristine Simoes, specialist professor of communication, shared her take on Black Friday shopping, and said, "I don't shop on Black Friday so to speak, I shop on Thanksgiving. I'm that person. I shop at the outlets and I've never experienced any shoving or anything crazy. I do feel for the people who work in retail though; it's a very high-stress environment, and I give them a lot of credit."

Shopping on Black Friday can be a thrilling experience full of laughs with friends, extra cups of coffee and receipts as long as the lines you waited in. But, in this up and coming holiday season, remember to be kind to the employees working, because Black Friday wouldn't be possible without them.



IMAGE TAKEN from Around Town Pasadena.

Monmouth students brave the waves of customers to work retail on Black Friday.

asked. In fact, it's a "black out period" for most stores, in which employees aren't even allowed to request off.

A senior business student, Samantha Marella, explained her experience working on Black Friday. "I worked a retail job on Black Friday this past year from 5 a.m. to 4 p.m. and it was absolutely chaotic. The customers that come out to shop get mad at you for everything. One time a woman yelled at me because I had to give her change in nickels because my store ran out of quarters."

Marella continued, "The people that come out to shop also don't realize that the sales aren't

giving the best bargain. I stood at the cash register with my co-workers ready to take on the lines we knew would shortly form. With items flying off the shelves, it didn't take long for shoppers to begin asking us to "check the back" for handbags, jackets and watches that were clearly out of stock on the sales floor.

Someone who has never worked a retail job before probably envisions the back room to be miles long, stocked with all of the stores merchandise in every size and color imaginable. But in reality, the stock room on Black Friday is just as much of a mad house as the sales floor. It's no surprise that shoppers aren't

year round, but it creates other responsibilities that employees must face during their eleven hour, or overnight shifts. With lines of customers waiting outside to shop, employees are required to take shifts to stand outside, thank customers for their patience and hand out flyers explaining the discounts. While the fresh air sounds ideal for someone stuck working overnight the day after Thanksgiving, it is most definitely not.

Standing outside in below freezing temperatures in a dress, handing out flyers and getting yelled at for not being able to give out an extra discount for the "inconvenience" is one of the

A Groundbreaking Soundbreaking Experience

NICOLE SEITZ
STAFF WRITER

On Saturday, Nov. 12, 16 Monmouth students had the unique opportunity to see an advance premiere of a documentary that is described as a "music driven celebration of the art of recording"—Soundbreaking: Stories from the Cutting Edge of Recorded Music. The trip was sponsored by the University's affiliation with the Grammy Museum, a museum devoted to the history and winners of the Grammy Awards.

Joe Rapolla, Chair of the Music and Theatre Arts Department, said, "Soundbreaking is a great series, and this event is another great way we are leveraging the great resources and connectivity of our Grammy Museum affiliation."

This eight-episode series, which premiered on PBS Nov. 15, was created as part of a movement to document what happens in American music and the process of creating music. The late Sir George Martin, most famous for producing The Beatles, was a big inspiration in the creation of this film, and he had said antemortem that there had never been a movie made about the importance of technology and recording.

This documentary had been underway for almost 15 years and includes interviews with over 200 artists and producers



PHOTO COURTESY of Nicole Seitz.

Monmouth students had the opportunity to see an advanced premiere of a music documentary and speak with the directors.

from various genres and generations of music history. Bob Santelli, Executive Director of the Grammy Museum, explained, "This series takes you behind the scenes into the creative process." He continued, "It shows you how the role of technology has changed over time and creates a deeper connection to the music."

Rapolla explained the importance of technology in the industry, "Technology has always been a key driver of the music business. Using technology to

create music, especially popular music, compliments the creative process."

During the conference, Santelli discussed that although technology definitely helps to make music more accessible for people, it also takes something away from the experience of music. He explained that in the '60s and '70s, buying and listening to music was a full experience that made people closer to the music—from hearing the single on the radio, to going to buy the record, and then playing that re-

cord at home. Music wasn't easily accessible on our cell phones; therefore, it was more special.

Joey Affatato, a senior music industry student, agreed with Santelli, "As a musician myself, I like having a physical album to be able to really cherish what I have made." He added, "However, the use of social media and streaming sites helps me to grow my fan base and have my music reach more people."

Another senior music industry and business management student, Dave DePaola, added,

"As a musician and lover of music in general, I prefer analog forms and old fashion styles of music. On the other hand, as an entrepreneur I realize the importance of the new technology in the business and believe it really opens up new opportunities."

This film series serves as a reminder to all music lovers that the work and effort put into creating music is so worth it, and it is important to bring music to the world. Santelli mused, "Music shapes us and our culture."

Maro Charymayeff, a director for the series, said, "Performers tend to get the spotlight in most documentaries, but in *Soundbreaking* we emphasize the fact that producers are also artists in the studio."

Overall, the conference and private screening was a rewarding experience for all the students in attendance. Kelli Misenheimer, a sophomore music industry student, shared, "I really loved the episodes we watched and I especially loved how they showed the history and development of the music."

The series definitely allows viewers to gain a greater appreciation for the art of creating music, in many different genres and time periods. Soundbreaking shows us how the soundtrack of American culture was made. Santelli put it best by saying, "The greatest thing about American music is it doesn't stand still."

Men's Basketball Wins Opener Against Drexel

JOHN SORCE
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's basketball team, coming off a 28-8 campaign a season ago and their first ever trip to the National Invitation Tournament (NIT), opened up a highly-anticipated season with a 78-65 victory over Drexel on Friday night at OceanFirst Bank Center.

"It was a weird feeling when I went out there tonight. I'm sitting there while the kids are warming up and I felt like we were just doing this a little while ago," sixth year Monmouth Head Coach King Rice said about taking the court for a game once again. "It was great to come and play our first game at home, which we haven't done before since I've been the coach here, and the buzz and energy that was in the building made it feel like it was an end of the season game. But just getting the first win is awesome and just like last year, now we get to go have some fun on the big boy's court."

Redshirt sophomore guard Micah Seaborn and senior guard Je'lon Hornbeak got off to fast starts, each connecting with 3-pointers leading into the first media timeout. Hornbeak drained another deep ball before the next media timeout, but he felt that his fast start did not transition to the remainder of the game.

"I honestly felt like I wasn't really on today," Hornbeak said. "A lot of shots that I felt like should have went in didn't but I have to trust in the work that I put in and just keep playing. There are other things I can do and no matter who's scoring, I'm happy as long as we win."



PHOTO COURTESY of Monmouth University Athletics

Senior center Chris Brady scored 14 points and had eight rebounds, all in the first half, in the Hawks' 78-65 win over Drexel on Nov. 11.

Once Monmouth took the lead after Seaborn's initial 3-pointer, they never looked back. The blue and white led by 15 at the half and led by as many as 21 in the second half before coming away with the 13 point victory.

An announced crowd of 3,738

came out to support the Hawks on opening night, including a jam-packed student section of over 1,100 students. Rice credits his players for making that happen over the past year.

"I have to give these guys the credit. We've talked about play-

ing in front of sold-out arenas and we feel like we have the best fans in the world representing us. They're loud and our student section is incredible. But there were nights when it wasn't full so it's good that we got that taken care of last year and now we have

the team that we have and people should come because they will be a lot of exciting nights in our arena."

Four Hawks scored double-figures and were led by Seaborn, who finished with 17. Senior guard Justin Robinson had 15 and Hornbeak had 13, while senior center Chris Brady finished with 14 and eight rebounds. Thirteen Hawks saw action including the debuts of redshirt freshmen guard Louie Pillari and forward Mustapha Traore and freshman center Sam Ibiezugbe. Nine (Brady, Robinson, Seaborn, Hornbeak, Pillari, senior guard Josh James, junior guard Austin Tilghman, senior guard Collin Stewart, and sophomore forward Diago Quinn) of them saw at least ten minutes of game action.

Monmouth will travel to Syracuse, NY on Friday, Nov. 18 and take on a Syracuse team that advanced to the Final Four of the NCAA Tournament a season ago. Tip-off at the Carrier Dome will be at 7 p.m.

A victory over the Orangemen would be yet another impressive task for a team that has made a habit of such things, and Seaborn feels that confidence that was gained a season ago will help this year's team handle any opponent.

"I definitely feel that it helps us, especially knowing that we went out last year and won some of those big games on the road, so I feel that it's going to help a lot of our guys knowing that we can play with any team this year," Seaborn said. "All of our guys are really confident going in and last year we were hoping to win. This year we expect to win."

Women's Basketball Downs Robert Morris

MATT DELUCA
STAFF WRITER

The women's basketball team defeated the Robert Morris Colonials 69-56 Sunday afternoon in Moon Township, PA during their first game of the season.

Senior guard Tyese Purvis led all players in scoring, finishing with 15 on the afternoon. Freshman guard Rosa Graham scored 14 points off of the bench in her collegiate debut, and senior guard Helena Kurt added 11 points and five assists in her first game since the 2014-15 season.

"We came out strong and worked hard on the defensive end," Purvis said after the game. "We did what we had to do and stuck together."

The score was close early on, as both teams jostled for the lead. Monmouth claimed their first lead of the game off of a Graham layup with 7:31 left in the opening quarter, with the score 8-7. The Hawks did not trail the rest of the way, as the blue and white scored eight points in 23 seconds to extend their lead to 20-9 with three minutes remaining in the first quarter. The Monmouth defense held the Colonials to just seven points in the second quarter, as the Hawks went into halftime with a 34-23 lead. Through two quarters, the Hawks shot 36.9 percent from the field, and 35 percent from three-point range.

The Hawks continued their strong play into the second half, as they reached their largest lead of the game with 5:48 left in the third quarter, up by 19 points. Robert Morris was able

to cut the Monmouth lead down to nine with one minute remaining in regulation, but that was as close as they would get. The Hawks converted four straight free throws, sealing their win and making the final score 69-56.

"We're just really excited," Head Coach Jenny Palmateer said, "I think we did a lot of really good things today, being able to come out here and beat

a really talented Robert Morris team."

For the game, the Hawks shot 37.3 percent from the field, and 42.9 percent from three-point range. Monmouth out-rebounded Robert Morris by nine, but had a minus-three assist-to-turnover ratio for the game. Monmouth also led for over 37 minutes in the game, as they trailed for two brief minutes early in the first quarter. The Hawks scored 14

points off of turnovers, including five fast break points. The Hawks received 30 points from their bench, as they outscored the Colonials' bench by 11. As a team, the Hawks saw eleven different players receiving playing time, with ten of them registering in the scoring column.

The Hawks also saw six players who made their Monmouth debut, a group led by Graham, who scored 14 points off of the

bench. She shot 42.8 percent from the field, 66.6 percent from three-point range, and a perfect percentage from the free-throw line, making all six of her attempts. The 14 points from Graham were the most from any Monmouth freshman in their debut since the 2004-05 season. The Hawks also saw a solid performance from freshman guard Alaina Jarnot, who tallied nine points, five assists and four rebounds in the game.

"I think our youngsters did what we knew they could do, and our upperclassmen led the way for us," Palmateer said, "We're excited about moving forward."

The five Monmouth freshmen that debuted all played at least 14 minutes in the game, and all five played at one point within the opening five minutes of the season. All five were also able to score their first collegiate points of their young careers.

The victory was the first win in a season opener for the first time since the 2008-09 season for the Hawks, who defeated St Peter's 59-47 in overtime.

"It's really important to set the tone and get the first win," Purvis said, "and we're really excited to move on from this win and sustain the positive energy."

The Hawks' next game comes on Wednesday, Nov. 16 as they travel to Brooklyn Heights, NY, to face St Francis. Monmouth currently holds a 52-5 record in the all-time series versus the Terriers, including a 63-54 victory last season. Tip-off is scheduled for shortly after 7 p.m.



PHOTO COURTESY of Monmouth University Athletics

Senior guard Tyese Purvis led Monmouth with 15 points in their season opening victory over Robert Morris on Nov. 13.

Field Hockey Drops NCAA Play-In Game

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STAFF WRITER

The Monmouth University Field Hockey season came to an end on Nov. 9 with a heart-breaking 4-3 loss to the University of Massachusetts in an NCAA tournament play in game at “So Sweet A Cat” Field.

UMass opened up scoring in the 12 minute on a flashy reverse shot goal which was quickly answered by junior defender Julie Laszlo who buried a corner shot a few minutes later. Laszlo added her second goal a minute before the half off of a corner opportunity to put the Hawks up 2-1.

The Minutewomen tied the game and then took the lead scoring twice in 11 minutes after the half. Monmouth knotted the game on a blast by senior defender Casey Hanna that found twine. The game looked to be heading into overtime but with three minutes left, UMass tipped in the eventual game winner.

Monmouth would have two last minute corner opportunities to tie the game. However, the Minutewomen’s defense held steady fending off junior midfielder Rachel Konowal and Laszlo’s last ditch efforts to send the game into overtime.

“Like we saw last weekend, this team was not willing to go down without a fight,” Monmouth Head Coach Carli Figlio said. “The heart and effort they left out on this field was once again phenomenal. You never want it to see it end for your seniors, specifically for these two (Alyssa Ercolino and Casey Hanna, who earned second team honors.

The Hawks will look to build upon the record setting season and many key players will return next fall. However, they will say goodbye to crucial seniors, Alysa

and Casey Hanna). They are the heart and soul of this team and I know there is only two, but it feels like there are ten when they are out there playing. Overall, it was a game that we can be proud of.”

This was tough loss but the season was without question a successful one for the Hawks. They won the Metro-Atlantic Athletic Conference title and championship and finished with a program record 17 wins.

“It was an amazing season, we broke a ton of records,” Figlio said. “We did some things we had never been able to do and I think as a whole, this will be the team that we look back to and tell future teams to play like the girls did in 2016. Hopefully this is our jumping point to continue to climb the ranks.”

The Hawks also earned a slew of awards with a total of seven players named to All-MAAC teams and five receiving major individual awards. Figlio was recognized for her exceptional coaching and earned her third “Coach of the Year” Award in her tenth season as head coach.

Laszlo was unanimously selected as the MAAC Player of the Year and Defense Player of the Year. Senior forward Alyssa Ercolino took home the MAAC Offensive Player of the Year while junior goalie Christen Piersanti was recognized as the Goalkeeper of the Year for the second straight year.

Laszlo, Ercolino, and Piersanti were joined by Hanna and junior forward Meg Donohue on the All-MAAC first team. Junior defend-

er Sydney Southard and freshman forward Josephine van der Hoop earned second team honors.

The Hawks will look to build upon the record setting season and many key players will return next fall. However, they will say goodbye to crucial seniors, Alysa

Ercolino and Casey Hanna, who meant so much to the team.

“We made of history this year, and we worked tirelessly together every day,” Ercolino said after her final game. “We accomplished so many of our goals and I am proud of this team.”



PHOTO COURTESY of Monmouth University Athletics
Junior defender Julie Laszlo scored two goals for the Hawks in their NCAA Tournament Play-In Game against UMass on Nov. 9.

Women’s Soccer Falls to Virginia in NCAA Tournament

KEVIN OSBACK
STAFF WRITER

The women’s soccer team played the University of Virginia in the first round of the NCAA Division 1 Tournament. The Hawks fell short 4-1 on Nov. 11 at Klockner Stadium but finished their season with a conference championship.

The Hawks clinched their regular season championship and eventually earned their Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) championship. Although they were very excited, they knew it was going to be a tough first round game in the women’s NCAA Division 1 soccer tournament. Monmouth anxiously watched the NCAA Selection Show on Monday, eventually finding out they would be paying at No. 15 Virginia on Friday. Preparation started Monday night, as the Hawks put together a game plan before traveling to Charlottesville Thursday morning.

This was the first time in history Monmouth and Virginia would face off against each other. Although the Hawks have been drawing first blood lately, Virginia jumped on the board first after senior defender Kristen McNabb scored off a header from around the penalty area. A little over a minute later, Virginia pumped in another goal on a penalty kick by the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) Offensive Player of the year, senior midfielder Alexis Shaffer. Shaffer wasn’t done yet as she added her second goal from the top of the box, making the score 3-0 Virginia.

Throughout the whole season, the Hawks played with fire, energy, and heart and they refused to be shut out. Redshirt senior forward Rachael Ivanicki scored around the 71st minute to put Monmouth on the board. Ivanicki made program history by



PHOTO COURTESY of Monmouth University Athletics
Redshirt freshman forward Madie Gibson finished the season with 33 points, the fifth most for a Monmouth freshman.

becoming the first women’s soccer player to score a goal in the NCAA Division 1 tournament.

“The goal was a team effort,” said Ivanicki when asked about the feeling of scoring the programs first goal in NCAA tournament history. “The result of the game was unfortunate but we all worked so hard this season to get to this point. This shows how we are progressing as a program and hopefully the team can continue to be successful in the future, eventually winning a first round game.”

It was an energy boosting and exciting moment for Ivanicki and the rest of the Hawks. However, the game didn’t end the way they

had hoped for as Virginia’s senior forward Morgan Reuther scored around the 84th minute to make the final score 4-1.

“Virginia was a very good team as we expected, however the result doesn’t show that we do deserve to play against big teams and I can’t wait to see the team get there again next year,” said senior captain defender Julie Spracklin. “The season overall was great but I think we can do even better. We also once again showed our dominance in the MAAC and I couldn’t ask for a better ending than leaving with a MAAC regular season championship and a tournament championship.”

To Spracklin’s point, the Hawks were very successful and dominant this season. This year’s team has moved up in the ranks for multiple categories in program history including goals, shut outs and wins. There will be some big shoes to fill, as Monmouth will be graduating a couple key seniors.

“We are striving to advance in the NCAA Tournament and in order to do that we will have to get back to work and improve in all facets of the game. Our senior class left behind a legacy of excellence and words cannot express our gratitude for all they have meant to this program,” said Head Coach Krissy Turner.

SIDE LINES

Women’s XC: The University’s women’s cross country team ran to its best point total and top-5 average in program history at the NCAA Mid-Atlantic Regionals, finishing 12th overall on Nov. 11. Senior Jenna Cupp placed 53rd overall in the field of 198 runners and senior Maggie Hanlon’s time of 22:09 is tied for the fourth best time at the course in program history. After the MAAC Championship, Monmouth’s women’s team was ranked 15th in the Mid-Atlantic Region and they outran that ranking with their 12th place finish. The blue and white will next compete in the Eastern College Athletic Conference/Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America (ECAC/IC4A’s) on Nov. 19. Start time is scheduled for 10:15 am at Van Cortlandt Park in Bronx, NY.

UPCOMING GAMES

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

Friday, November 18
Bowling
UMES Hawk Classic
Millsboro Lanes
Millsboro, DE

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

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

Men’s and Women’s XC
ECAC & IC4A Championships
Van Cortlandt Park
Bronx, NY 10:15 am

Men’s and Women’s XC
NCAA D1 Championships
Indiana State University
Terre Haute, IN 12:00 pm

WBB vs. Clemson
OceanFirst Bank Center
West Long Branch, NJ 1:00 pm

*Men’s and Women’s Swimming**
Manhattan
West Long Branch, NJ 1:00 pm

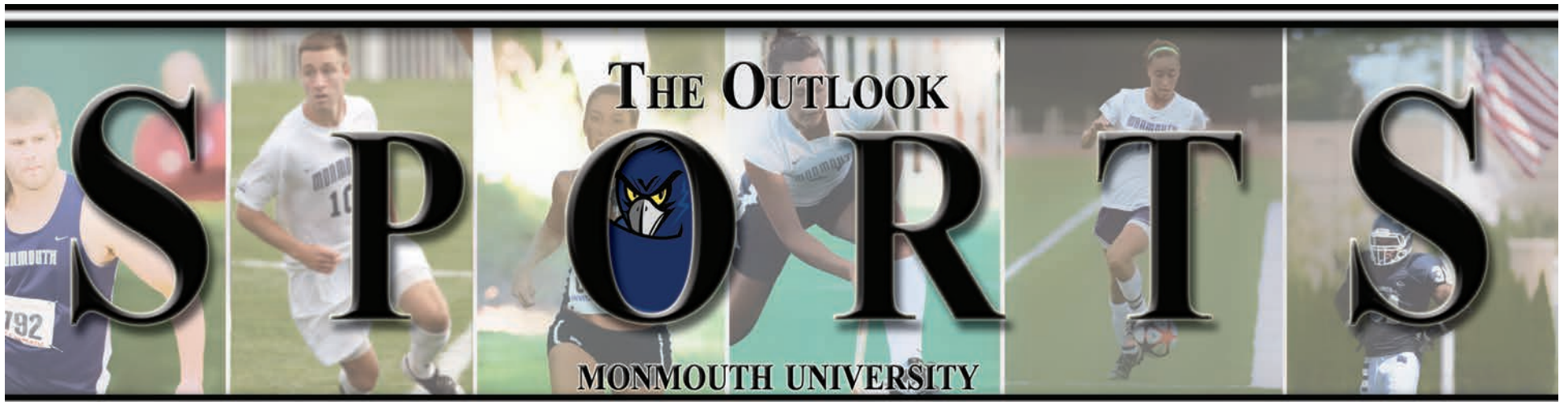
*Women’s Swimming**
Siena
West Long Branch, NJ 1:00 pm

*Football at Gardner Webb**
Spangler Stadium
Boiling Springs, NC 1:30 pm

Sunday, November 20
Bowling
UMES Hawk Classic
Millsboro Lanes
Millsboro, DE

Tuesday, November 22
MBB vs. Cornell
OceanFirst Bank Center
West Long Branch, NJ 7:00 pm

**conference games*



COURT IS NOW IN SESSION



Redshirt sophomore guard Micah Seaborn scored a team-high 17 points in the Hawks 78-65 opening night win over Drexel on Friday, Nov. 11.