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University Responds to Nationwide Opioid Crisis

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President Donald Trump declared the opioid epidemic to be a public health emergency on Oct. 26. This declaration allows grant money to be released to combat the problem and allows the easing of some laws and regulations.

In the United States, deaths from overdoses now outnumber deaths from car crashes, according to the *Times*. According to *NJ.com*, at least 1,901 people died from opioid overdoses in New Jersey in 2016, with a “meteoric” rise in deaths from heroin and fentanyl.

Deaths involving heroin have more than doubled since 2013, and fentanyl-related deaths have risen by 2,000 percent.

“I wouldn’t say there is a large drug problem on campus, but it would be naïve to think that the national opioid problem has not filtered into the surrounding towns, and onto the University campus,” said William McElrath, Chief of the Monmouth University Police Department (MUPD).

According to Laura Jannone, RN, NJ-CSN, FNASN, coordinator of the School Nurse Program at the University, this in-



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Prescription drugs have become one of the most commonly-abused opioids.

creasing drug problem was why the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health co-sponsored an Opioid Conference in partnership with Horizon NJ Health.

Held on Saturday, Oct. 14 in Pozycki Hall, the program was attended by over 80 school nurses, educators from all over the state, and current students from the University’s nursing and health studies programs.

“I think opioids are a prob-

lem everywhere, not exclusive to Monmouth University,” said Jannone. “I know they are a problem in the surrounding area. I was a school nurse in several districts before coming to Monmouth. There was a small opioid problem then, which has gotten much worse due to the availability of new prescription opioids that were not available when I was a school nurse.”

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Campus Vandalized by Graffiti, Suspects Unknown

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An unknown person or persons committed what the Monmouth University Police Department (MUPD) is referring to as a “bias incident” in the early hours of the morning on Oct. 31, spray-painting various “bias-type words and objects” on portions of Henni and John Kessler Stadium and So Sweet a Cat field.

In addition to the sprayed graffiti, cans of white paint were spilled onto Larchwood Avenue. The defacement was discovered early in the morning by both an unidentified athletics coach, and an unidentified facilities management employee, according to William McElrath, Chief of MUPD.

According to McElrath, a \$1,000 reward is being offered to anyone who has any information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the crime. He also said that the incident is still being “actively investigated” by detectives, but no further information was available.

Students were informed of the situation via an e-mail sent at 10:42 a.m. on Thursday, Nov.

2, two days after the graffiti was discovered.

“The information that I know is that there were swastikas and the ‘n’ word written on the stadium,” said Hayley Bray, a senior health studies student and President of the Chabad on campus. “When I heard it, I literally felt my heart drop and thought to myself ‘not again.’”

The graffiti was removed by facilities management as soon as it was discovered.

“I was extremely disappointed in the vandalism defacing the new stadium and other campus facilities,” said University President Grey Dimenna Esq. “I was even more disappointed that the vandalism included symbols, pictures, and words that were discriminatory, vulgar, and so antithetical to our community and its values. I would like to think that none of our students were involved. These actions have no place on our campus and I would hope that everyone will stand together in condemning such behavior.”

“Thinking that this type of behavior can bring us back to a dark era is terrifying,” said Bray. “I thought that if something like this were to happen, more would be done [by the school].”

Poll Shows Dissatisfaction with Hurricane Sandy Response Efforts

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According to a poll by the Monmouth University Polling Institute, a majority of New Jersey residents who were ‘hard hit’ victims of Superstorm Sandy are dissatisfied with the government aid they received.

The poll also showed that some victims are still suffering, even five years after the storm made landfall on Oct. 29, 2012.

“Monmouth has been tracking some of New Jersey’s hardest-hit Sandy victims for nearly five years, and it is clear that the slow rate of recovery is something many will never be able to get over,” said Patrick Murray, Director of the Monmouth University Polling Institute, in the polls results report. “We have certainly seen some improvement in these residents’ attitudes. But with nearly 1-in-10 of

those surveyed still waiting to return home, it is unlikely that a majority of Sandy victims will ever be satisfied with how New Jersey has handled the recovery.”

This year’s poll addressed 432 families who were classified as suffering the greatest after-effects of the storm

in 2013. The families had either been displaced from their homes or obtained damages that cost more than \$8,000.

The poll found that 55 percent of those surveyed felt dissatisfied, compared to 67 percent in 2013. Of that number, 29 percent felt “very dissat-

isfied,” while 26 percent are “somewhat dissatisfied,” according to the polling institute’s website. Only 9 percent are “very satisfied” with the recovery effort, and another 35 percent are “somewhat satisfied.”

The report found that among people who have been able to move

back into properties that were damaged by Sandy, the satisfaction rate was 50 percent. Only 29 percent of those who have permanently relocated, or are waiting to move back, are satisfied with the state.

“A surprising number of people are still out of their homes,” said Carolyn Lau, a research assistant at the Polling Institute. “They are still caught up in the Rehabilitation, Reconstruction, Elevation, and Migration (RREM) process, the government program for rebuilding assistance. It definitely hasn’t been resolved for everyone.”

Lau said that the institute hopes that by continuing to keep the results of the polls in the news, policymakers will be aware of the troubles that the people who were hurt by Sandy still face.

“We’re hoping that New Jersey lawmakers take note to address the issues that people are still facing,” Lau said. “We don’t know if they will or not, but that’s the idea.”



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The University’s Polling Institute is attempting to keep the Sandy recovery efforts in the news.

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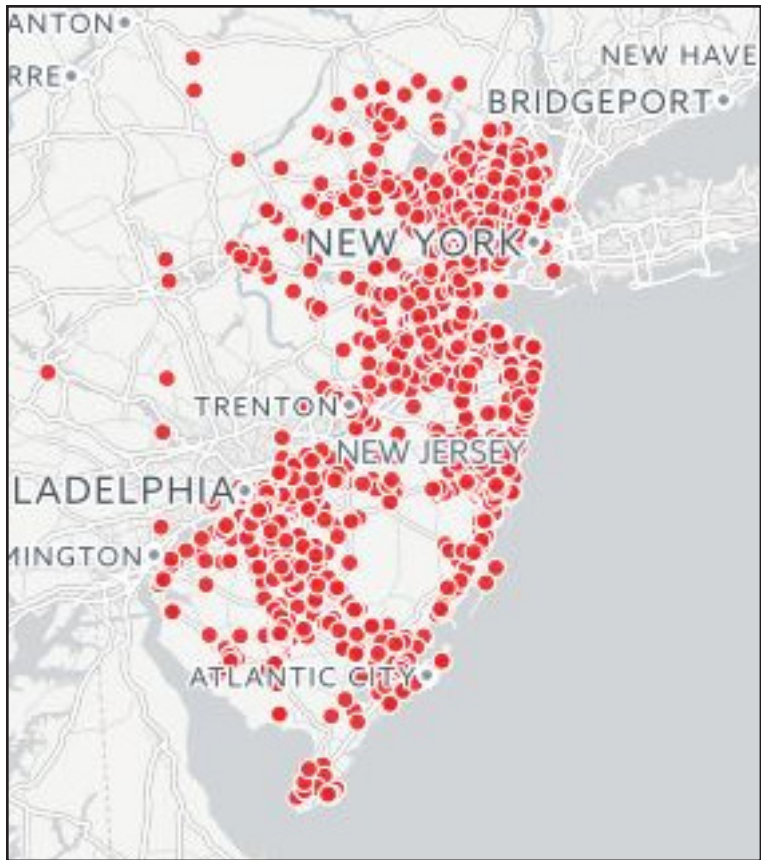
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A graphic from *NJ.com* shows the approximate location of each person who died of an opioid overdose in New Jersey in 2016.

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“Prescription pills of all sorts are a problem,” said McElrath. “All of our officers are trained in the use of Narcan, and our patrol cars are equipped with a kit. Thankfully, our officers have never had to use Narcan.”

Narcan, also known as Naloxone, can be used to treat drug overdoses in emergency situations, according to the United States Department of Health’s website. According to an article by *NJ.com* published in 2016, Narcan has been used 18,000 times in the state of New Jersey since 2014.

“I think, and I know, that there is

a national problem with addiction,” said Suanne Schaad, LPC, LCADC, the University’s Substance Awareness Coordinator. “Anyone who works in the field is so aware of the opioid epidemic, and we are aware of its powerful affect. I also know that the fear of withdrawing is a real fear for people, so I don’t minimize it, and I certainly assist students in securing a safe detox program when needed.”

“There are many therapeutic techniques we use in a counseling session,” said Schaad. “I am always fascinated by [the question], ‘Are you comfortable with your use?’ The re-

sponses are so interesting, because oftentimes we know in our gut that things aren’t going well.”

According to Schaad, the counselors will also do an inventory of the core areas, such as school, health, and family, of a student’s life to see how drug use may be affecting those areas. She also recommends student programs such as the Students in Recovery organization and the new Students in Recovery Lounge.

“I wouldn’t explain that my job is to try to convince students not to do drugs,” said Schaad. “I look at it more like I set the stage for students to look at things, and see what is working for them, and what is not.”

“Addiction affects everyone in some way,” Jannone added. “Every 12 minutes, a person dies of prescription drug overdose in the United States. Deaths due to opioid overdose claim the lives of approximately 91 Americans every day.”

Overall, opioid-related deaths among Americans 24 years old and younger almost doubled between 2005 and 2015, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation and data from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

According to the National Institute on Drug Addiction (NIH), the most abused opioids are prescription painkillers such as hydrocodone (also known as Vicodin) and oxycodone (also known as OxyContin and Percocet), among others.

Other often-abused opioids include heroin and fentanyl, a synthetic opioid that, according to the NIH, is similar to morphine, but 50 to 100 times more potent.

According to statistics from the CDC and the NIH, roughly “21 to 29 percent of patients prescribed opioids for chronic pain misuse

them,” and “between eight and 12 percent develop an opioid use disorder.” It was also found that an estimated “four to six percent who misuse prescription opioids transition to heroin.”

Overwhelmingly, though, it was found that those who use heroin first misused prescription opioids, with “about 80 percent” of those surveyed responding as such.

The opioid epidemic was declared a public health emergency by Trump in late October, as he called it the “worst drug crisis in American history.”

“Addressing [the crisis] will require all of our effort, and it will require us to confront the crisis in all of its very real complexity,” he said, during a speech on Oct. 26. “It is time to liberate our communities from the scourge of drug addiction. We can be the generation that ends the opioid epidemic. We can do it.”

As a result of his declaration, states will be given more flexibility in how they use federal funds to treat addiction, according to *The Washington Post*.

The federal government will also waive some regulations, such as allowing the Department of Health and Human Services to speed up their hiring process, so they can have more people available to help states in crisis, and the Department of Labor will make Dislocated Worker Grants available to those with opioid addictions, or those otherwise having trouble finding work due to addiction.

The use of telemedicine treatment, which is used to give prescriptions without physically meeting a doctor, will also be expanded in isolated areas such as Appalachia, according to *USA Today*.

The government will also spend money from the Public Health Emergency Fund, even though said fund only has about \$57,000 available. However, the White House is reportedly working with Congress to find additional funding for the crisis.

However, the crisis will not be declared a “more sweeping” national state of emergency, according to the *Post*, which would have given states access to funding from the federal Disaster Relief Fund.

According to official reports, “such an emergency declaration would not be a good fit for a long-time crisis.” The public health emergency period will last for 90 days, but can be renewed at any time, according to *USA Today*.

“States like New Jersey are taking a lead by not allowing first time prescriptions for opioids to go beyond a five day period, mandating insurance companies to cover for lengthy treatment stays in hospitals, and by loosening restrictions on the life-saving drug Naloxone,” said Joseph Patten, Ph.D., an associate professor of political science. “The hope is that President Trump’s declaration will be backed up with additional federal funding to help states navigate this crisis.”

Some disagreed with the declaration of a public health emergency.

The announcement was “very disappointing,” according to Andrew Kolodny, Ph.D. and co-director of the Opioid Policy Research Collaboration at Brandeis University, in an interview with *NPR*. Kolodny went on to explain that without funding for new addiction treatment, “the administration still has no plan for dealing with opioids.”

Rook Coffee Spills the Beans on Customer Service

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The Monmouth University Office of Student Employment hosted a presentation and panel discussion on customer service on Oct. 25, featuring co-founder and co-CEO of Rook Coffee, Holly Migliaccio.

The event was free for all University students and employees. Among the guest speakers were Migliaccio, and Andrea Pappas, the Director of Recruitment and Culture of Rook Coffee. Additional speakers from the Leon Hess Business School included specialist professor John Buzza, Nicki Kelly, the administrator of the University’s MBA program, and associate professor Eugene Simko.

“Part of our mission in Student Employment is to organize professional development workshops and events that provide our students with the information and skills that directly impact their performance here and careers after Monmouth,” said Administrator of Student Employment, Raul Arlequin, who felt that having Migliaccio speak at the event was a no-brainer.

“For this discussion, we thought it would be nice to get an external perspective,” Arlequin explained. “We wanted someone from an organization that our students were familiar with but [who] also understands the value of good customer service and its effect on business. Someone that knows that ‘customer experience’ is just as important as the product itself, but more importantly understands that company culture has a direct relationship with the level of customer service delivered to the customer.”

Throughout the panel discussion, which was moderated by Buzza, the focus was on customer service and the importance of it in a business

success as well as in one’s personal development.

Simko believes that there is really no such thing as a department of customer service. He explained, “There is no such thing as an organizational structure, an office of customer service. It’s a philosophy. It’s a philosophy that’s got to seep into the DNA of every organization, profit or nonprofit service, public, private... It’s something that forms the foundation of not only establishing a brand, but what they [customers] think of what we [service providers] do, and what they think of our product.”

“Good customer service cannot be manufactured, it all starts with the individual’s personality,” said Migliaccio.

Pappas, whose job revolves

around hiring employees that are up to Rook’s customer service standards, does not believe that one can manufacture customer service.

“We can teach anyone to brew a cup of coffee, but you can’t teach nice, you can’t teach genuine, and you can’t teach wanting to talk to people and engage,” she explained. “And the ones who fake it – they don’t last.”

To Buzza, good customer service all comes down to interpersonal skills. “Forget race, forget religion, forget age, forget all those biases, it’s just about the ability to get along with other people,” he said.

“It really does come from the personality, more than anything to get superb, really over-the-top customer service,” agreed Kelly.

“You’re as good as your last inter-

action with a customer,” said Simko.

Arlequin agrees that good customer service breeds good customer experience.

“From leaving the corporate world during the most turbulent economic period in our nation’s history since the Great Depression, to opening their first coffee shop in Oakhurst, NJ, Holly and Shawn Kingsley [Co-CEO and Co-founder of Rook] knew it was going to take more than just selling good coffee to be successful, they had to offer a great experience,” said Arlequin.

Another key topic discussed by the panel was how a company’s structure plays an integral role in their success or failure. Simko stressed the importance of effective leadership and communications within the workplace.

“99 percent of all problems I’ve seen in the field come from a breakdown in communication, it all gets back to communications and leadership style,” explained Simko. “Gone are the days of autocratic leadership, teams are here to stay... The best leaders, the best managers, create an environment where there’s less of a dependence and reliance upon the organization to take advantage of hierarchies or chains of command, or titles and bosses and followers and leaders, and more so on teams.”

As a business owner, Migliaccio believes that an emphasis on teamwork has formed much of the foundation of Rook’s ongoing success.

“This past month, Shawn and I left the country for ten days and [Rook Coffee] ran like clockwork. And that’s the way it should be, it just makes sense,” Migliaccio said.

The event was met with an overwhelmingly positive response. According to Arlequin, it was the largest turn-out for any professional development event hosted by Student Employment, with a total of 74 attendees.

Carissa Clarke, a junior business administration student, felt that the event was very worthwhile.

“As a business major here at Monmouth University, I found yesterday’s event to be very inspiring,” Clarke said.

“During Holly Migliaccio’s presentation she explained how she left her corporate sales job and took the risk of opening her own business. For her, the risk was worth it because it has grown into the successful coffee shop known as Rook Coffee with ten locations throughout Monmouth County. This goes to show that in order to be a successful entrepreneur, you must be willing to take on risk and uncertainty and that if you work hard enough toward your goal, so much is possible,” Clarked added.



Students heard from Rook Coffee executives and creators about the merits of customer service.

Sandy Survivors Still Face Obstacles

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According to RREM’s website, the program stopped accepting applications in August 2013, less than a year after Sandy.

56 percent of those surveyed said that they believe “people like them have been forgotten in the recovery effort.” Only 44 percent believe that the efforts are focused on helping them, an increase from 24 percent in 2013.

“My dad’s friend lived on the water in my town, and she got so much water in her house that there was too much damage to save it,” said Ally Rao, a senior English student who lives in Little Egg Harbor. “She needed to rebuild her house and lift it, and the construction company started work, got paid, and then just didn’t finish the job.”

“Her house has been half-fixed for years now, and she doesn’t have the money to fix it, so she’s been fighting this for years, in order to either get the job done, or get her money back,” added Rao.

According to *The Atlantic*, state officials had estimated that Sandy recovery efforts would take about two years. However, according to statistics taken by the Internal Displacement Monitoring Center (IDMC), 39,000 people in affected areas were still in need of “permanent housing or assistance with housing.”

“There was never any clarity for these homeowners from day one,” said Sue Marticek, the executive director of the Ocean County Long Term Recovery Group (OCLTRG) in a 2016 interview with 92.7 WOBM.

“You have one government agency telling you to do one thing, you have another government agency telling you to do another. The lack of clarity for these homeowners, from the start, has really cost them a lot.”

Marticek claimed that there were three major obstacles facing Sandy survivors. Firstly, there are difficulties with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) process and claims – some homeowners, in 2015, are being asked to go back and show evidence as to why they need funding.

She also believed that survivors were having difficulties navigating the RREM program, or being finished with it. According to the *Asbury Park Press*, 8,642 homeowners in New Jersey were approved for RREM grants. However, as of July 2015, only 1,349 homes had been rebuilt through the program – barely over 16 percent. The homes rebuilt were not necessarily elevated, either, which is considered a step of the program.

Erica Deweever, a senior business marketing and decision sciences student, said “When I heard that people were dissatisfied with the help they received, my immediate reaction was that they did not put forth enough effort to receive aid. There are so many grants and rebuilding funds available to victims, you just need to go out and get it. I feel like people want a check to arrive at their door. Like all other government supplied financial aid, you have to put work in to receive it.”

Marticek also said that the process was made more complicated

due to claims of contractor fraud and disputes. One such dispute took place within the RREM program, as homes were transferred to a different builder, delaying recovery.

Carly Miller, a senior homeland security student, believes that efforts from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the NJ government, ‘though they did not save houses, did save lives.’ Miller maintains the perspective that preparation and rebuilding efforts done from the government and community were united and successful at rebuilding those affected.

Miller said, “Agencies such as FEMA and other first responders were prepared ahead of time for damage that was to come. Due to the immense preparedness for this threat, Superstorm Sandy caused colossal damage to infrastructure, but less damage to human life. The main reasons that this storm was a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) success for the most part was due to extreme preparedness, communication, and trust with outside sources such as scientists and weathermen.

According to the *Asbury Park Press*, New Jersey paid out about 5.4 million dollars to homeowners whose grant money was taken by contractors who failed to complete repair or elevation projects. The state’s Division of Consumer Affairs has also filed civil actions against eight home improvement contractors, claiming that they defrauded victims of more than five million dollars in federal rebuilding aid.

In addition to difficulties in get-

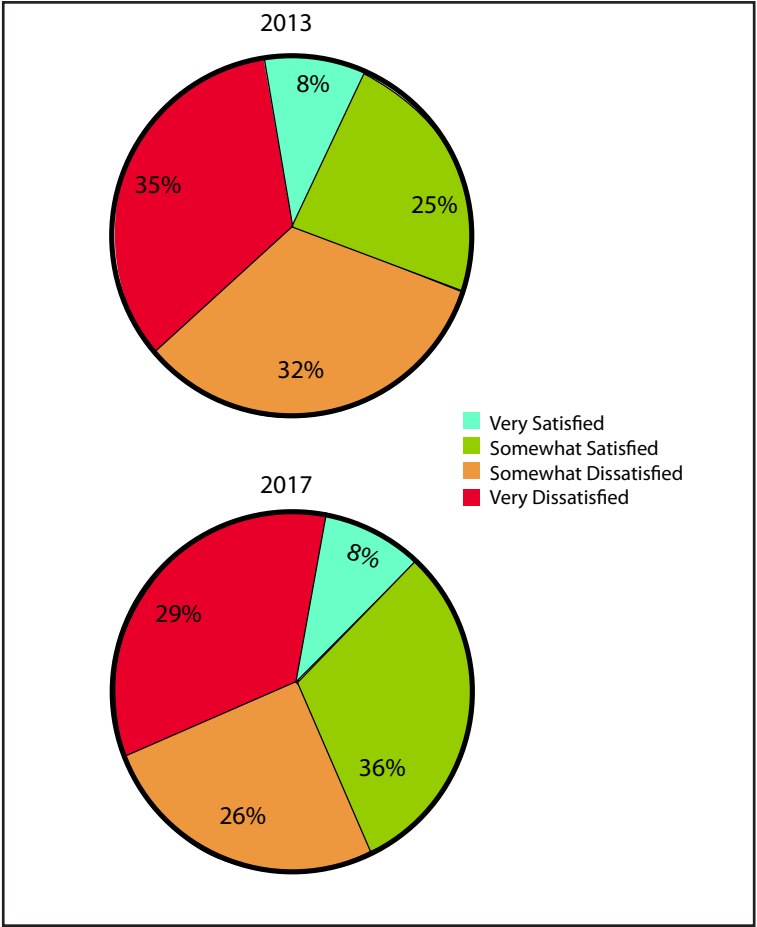


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Data from the University Polling Institute shows minimal changes to satisfaction rates between 2013 and 2017.

ting aid and having the work completed, FEMA requested that two percent of the people given aid (about 3,600 people) repay at least part of the money they were given, according to *NPR*.

According to FEMA, they had “overpaid their storm recovery funds,” and were hoping to recoup at least \$24 million. Each family on average will have to pay back more than \$6,000, and more than half of the families being asked to return aid money makes less than \$50,000 a year.

According to the polling institute, 54 percent of respondents said that their family’s financial situation is currently worse than it was before the storm, while about 36 percent say that their situation is about the same.

Debate Team Wins Big at West Point Tournament

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The Monmouth University Debate Team won two team awards, as well as three individual speaking awards, at the West Point Military Academy tournament the weekend of Oct. 28 – 30.

Two teams made it into the play-off rounds on Monday, Oct. 30, after winning five of the eight preliminary rounds, which were held on Saturday and Sunday. The teams consisted of Landon Myers and Chase Petras, both political science students, on one team, and Eric Schwartz and Matthew Cohen, a political science and computer science student, respectively, on the other.

The speaking awards were given to the top ten students out of the 160 competing. Alexis Vasquez, a political science student, was in fifth place, while Myers and Cohen were 6th and 10th place.

“It’s fantastic to have two teams reach the playoff rounds, and three debaters earn top 10 speaking awards against such tough competition,” said Joseph Patten, PhD, an associate professor of political science. “The team worked so hard during evening debate scrimmages and in researching new evidence since our last tournament a few weeks ago. I’m so happy to see all of their hard work pay off.”

The topic of the tournament was “Resolved: The United States Federal Government Should Establish National Health Insurance in the United States.” The topic, chosen by the American Debate Association, was selected in the summer to be debated throughout the year, according to Patten.

According to Patten, West Point has been hosting this tournament for over 60 years, and the University “makes it a point to regularly attend”

the competition.

In total, the University had 16 debaters compete in the tournament. In addition to Myers, Petras, Cohen, Schwartz, and Vasquez, the competitors included Gregory Harpe, Kaitlin Allsopp, and Abdullah Rashid, who competed in the varsity division, co-captain Sabrina Saenger, and Sarah Bowers, Michael Scognomillo, Yendelli Bello, Nick Goranites, Alec Gullian, Mandeline Doe, and Claudia Di Mondo.

“This was my third tournament overall,” said Gullian, a sophomore political science student who has been debating for about a year. “The experience was awesome, especially getting to know some awesome people, while at the same time learning how to use critical thinking in a debate round.”

“Every team scored impressive

victories against strong competition,” added Patten. Other competitors came from 16 schools, including schools such as Dartmouth University, New York University, and the University of Washington. The tournament included eight preliminary rounds, each lasting two hours. Each team of two students argued the affirmative side for four rounds and the negative for another four.

“Only teams that compiled a winning record in the preliminary rounds made it into the playoff rounds on Monday,” said Patten. “In the playoff rounds, both Monmouth teams eventually lost to close decisions to teams from Liberty University, located in Lynchburg, Virginia.”

The debate team will next compete at a tournament at the University on Nov. 18 – 19.



PHOTO COURTESY of Joseph Patten

Sixteen University students debated at a tournament at West Point, winning five awards in total.

University Continues to Place in RCUC's Third Quarter

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Monmouth University students from the Kislak Real Estate Institute and Leon Hess Business School led the competition for the second straight quarter of the 2017 Real Confidence University Challenge (RCUC), moving up to fifth place overall.

The University posted an “impressive” 6.53 percent total return, according to the RCUC website, which allowed them to jump four spots to join the top five. Monmouth also had the top public portfolio in the competition – according to the RCUC website, the “back-to-back quarterly wins, [being] up four spots, and the all-in on industrial strategy is paying off.”

The University is competing against 38 other schools, including the University of Georgia, which is currently in first place, and Rice University, which is in second place. Texas Tech University holds the third place in the competition, and Temple University is in fourth.

“The team had the highest points for the third quarter of 2017, following its first place showing in the second quarter, and has now moved up to fifth place for the full 2017 year,” said Peter Reinhart, Esq., the Director of the Kislak Real Estate Institute and NJAR/Greenbaum/Ferguson Professor of Real Estate Policy. “The team’s selection to invest heavily in the industrial sector paid off yet again.”

According to Reinhart, the team’s analysis of various real estate sectors and anticipation of strong growth is producing “excellent returns.”

“Students benefit from this competition in several ways,” said Andreas Christofi, PhD, a professor in the department of economics, finance, and real estate, who nominated some students to the team and advised them to invest 100 percent of their funds in industrial equities. “They learn how risk has its rewards, since investing in a risky portfolio paid off for them. Second, they get to practice their team skills and learn from each other. Third, they see that Monmouth is not inferior to any other school, and that raises their esteem and confidence.”

The competition, created as an education tool for universities as an alternative teaching method, aims at introducing real estate investing skills to students. With the competition, which is sponsored by the Altus Group, faculty are able to pursue a distinctive approach to education, according to the RCUC website.

Student teams were allocated a hypothetical one billion dollars in real estate assets in December 2016; the assets will be tracked throughout 2017. There is now only one quarter remaining in the competition.

So far, the students have earned \$5,000 in prize money, according to Christofi, with potential to earn an additional \$30,000 if they win first place.

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Preventing Sexual Assault
through Sexual Education

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In recent years, the conversation surrounding sexual assault has become something that is more widely accepted. Victims are encouraged to come forward, forming a community of survivors with new stories coming out every day.

One statistic from Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN), the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization, says that every 98 seconds, an American is sexually assaulted.

This number has left humanity alarmed, but also scratching their heads. How do we fix this? This question leaves us frustrated and constantly searching for a complex solution when in reality, the problem could be as simple as the sexual education kids receive in their schooling prior to college.

When asked about the quality of sexual education she received prior to Monmouth, one editor stated, "I think mine, frankly, was pretty terrible. We basically learned about Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD), but didn't learn how they were passed on or how they could be prevented. It was generally pretty awful, and some things were never covered. We did have a decent amount of time set aside for health, but it usually focused on drugs, alcohol, etc."

This editor attended a public school; usually, people assume that the abstinence-preaching approach to sexual education is only in private Catholic high schools, but the reality is, it can happen anywhere.

What if our sexual education went beyond just 'this is what boys have'

and 'this is what girls have?' One editor commented, "Schools could extend the learning beyond just one class. I think it's important to appeal to your audience. Rather than showing the stereotypical video we all have heard or seen, try making the course interactive or try understanding what those students are seeing day to day and mold the course to fit them."

Beyond just the traditional sexual education, today in Kenya, students are having classes dedicated solely to consent and what it means. The students are taught to respect themselves along with members of the opposing genders. Since implementing this, studies show there has been a 51 percent decrease in cases of sexual assault. This is something American schools need desperately.

Beside knowing what is going on in their own bodies, students should know the mechanisms of the opposite sex. In most schools, especially at an early age, sexual education is taught different and separately according to gender.

One editor commented, "I do not believe girls and boys should be separated during sexual education since they are learning about the same thing really. Maybe in 6th grade when the topics are first being introduced, but other than that, it is fair and makes sense for genders to learn together." By separating genders during sexual education, we are teaching children that there is a divide between genders, and that anything concerning the sexual changes opposite yours is not your problem and awkward.

One editor explained her experience, "I think girls having their

period has such an awful stigma. You say it to a male and they immediately are grossed out or assume you're pms-ing. I think it may be due to sexual education not normalizing it enough, but it is a stigma that I'm sure all women can attest to be annoying."

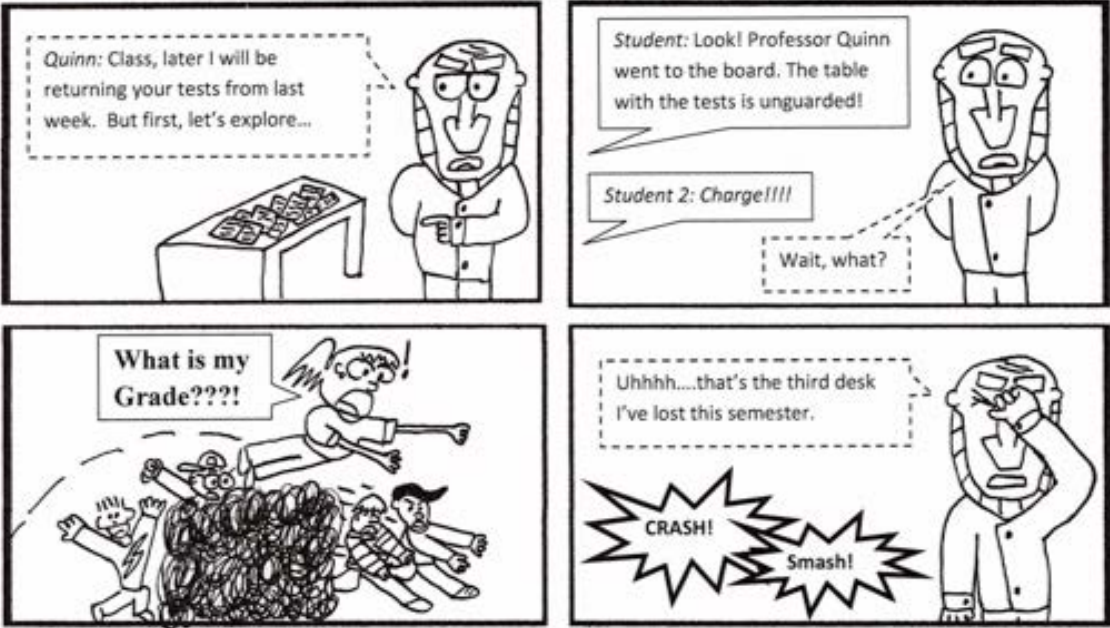
A male editor commented, "I feel that most males don't know much about periods, including myself. I feel that my sexual education didn't go into it as much, if any detail,

I don't personally feel uncomfortable when talking about the subject, but I feel that I know a lot less on periods than I should due to my education on the matter."

One suggestion the editorial team at *The Outlook* suggested was expanding the conversation beyond just middle/high school. One editor shared her opinion, "It is a good idea to dedicate one or two classes in a freshman seminar about higher level understanding of sexual education; to remind students the dangers that exist with publicizing sex or sharing private photos and videos; also to review court cases from sexual assault, and share the current STD statistics at the University could prevent a lot of issues."

All in all, sexual assault is something that has been happening since the beginning of time, and now that the conversation is being so welcomed and prevalent, this is the time to start making plans to diminish it. One editor concluded, "I think that better and more in depth sex ed could decrease sexual assault. If the schools talk more about consent and learn more about sexual assault, I think it would lead to less rape and assault."

Knowledge and Quinn by Brian Turczmanovicz



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Good Manners Don't Cost a Thing!

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“Good manners don’t cost a thing.” I can still hear my mother repeatedly drilling this expression into my head at the dinner table. At an early age, my parents conditioned me into having a good sense of manners.

“Please” and “thank you” are two simple words that possess a power far greater than their meaning. I was constantly reminded to say, “Please” when I wanted one of my needs met and say, “Thank you” to express my gratitude.

Fifteen years later, now as a young adult, I have come to the realization that not everyone’s parents were as adamant about instilling good manners into their child.

Too often, I see doors being opened with no “thank you” following the kind act or the absence of a “please” after a request.

On a service trip with my fellow classmates, I received a “thank you” that I will never forget. I was serving an elder-

ly man his lunch at a nursing home, and as I placed his Jell-O and mixed fruit bowl on his tray, he looked at me with the fondest smile. He said, “Thank you. I will remember the kindness you have shown me.” I’d like to believe that this is the meaning behind every individual’s use of these two words.

When I am on the receiving end of a “please” or “thank you,” I feel valued and appreciated for the .25 seconds that the person took to make their appreciation for my act apparent to me. In my opinion, manners strengthen human connection.

I believe in good manners. I believe in the power of those two simple words. As we grow older, we begin to neglect some of the manners that were once enforced by our elders. The more frequently you forget to thank those around you, the more likely it is to become a bad habit. Neglecting to express your gratitude will not result in a federal offense or any sort of trouble, but this omission will not acknowledge the kindness that another person has shown you.

Having good manners means that I have to express my gratitude to those who offer me their kindness. I must say “Thank you” to the stranger who held the door open for me while I was rushing to class and when I add a please after my coffee order. While making my way through a crowd, an “excuse me” should be selected rather than the word “move” or the act of elbowing my way through. While I sometimes feel inconvenienced by my inherent need to be polite, I recognize the fact that a person’s small act of kindness has momentarily inconvenienced them and it should be recognized.

Good manners may not cost anything, but their worth exceeds any monetary value. In the humdrum of everyday life, manners are the behaviors that reawaken our faith in humanity and connect us. Whether you say “grazie,” “gracias,” or even “merci,” there is a word or action in every language and culture that is used to express one’s appreciation.

I believe in good manners, in saying “please,” “thank you,”

and “sorry” even when I feel like I don’t necessarily have to. These simple behaviors aid in my efforts to present the best possible version of myself to others. I was raised to inconvenience myself to show appreciation for those who have inconvenienced themselves with their kindness.



PHOTO TAKEN by Caroline Mattise

Holding the door for someone is a small gesture that displays good manners.

Who Goes To The Movies Anymore?

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Going to the movies used to be a fun, spontaneous plan. Had nothing to do on a Friday night? Let's go catch a movie!

Nowadays, there are multiple reasons that start to beg the question: is it even worth it to go to the movies anymore?

To start off, the fact that going to the movies consists of me spending a month's salary just at the concession stand is bothersome!

Not only are the concessions expensive, but they are downright unhealthy. There are no healthy alternatives to the yellow, buttered popcorn, and even if you wanted to bring your own healthy substitute, it is prohibited. I can remember various times where I have snuck food into the theatre, hoping to save money and snack healthier. Now, they check your bags to make sure you do not bring in outside food or drinks.

While snacks costing a month's salary is an exaggeration, movie tickets now can run you at least fifteen dollars a ticket. I feel like my grandmother writing this but I can remember a time when going to the movies used to be an easy, affordable outing. Now you have to be prepared to spend big bucks!

When I was younger, my family and I would go to the theatres for movie marathons. By marathons I mean that we would buy a ticket for one movie, watch that movie, and then afterwards sneak into another theatre for a second film. If we were lucky, we would find three movies that would run back to back to back.

We did this for the thrill of it. But, if you go to the movies nowadays, you have to see more than one movie to make it worth the money.

It is also unfortunate that movie seats are picked in advance. In a lot of new theatres, they have renovated the seats, making them larger.

In these theatres, you will

have to online or when you get there, pick the exact seat you will be sitting in for the movie. I remember one of the last times I went to the movies with my friends; we wound up having to sit in pairs since all the available chairs were scattered. What good is going to the movie theatre with your friends if you cannot even sit with them?

Another reason to avoid the movie theatre is the fact that there is so much entertainment we already have at our fingertips. You can watch regularly scheduled television or on demand. There is also Netflix, HBO, Showtime, Hulu or sites like these where you just have set up an account and pay a small monthly fee.

These sites usually even give the first month you sign up for free! Amazon and Apple also allow you to rent a myriad of movies. With so much entertainment readily available, for much cheaper, why make the effort?

Which brings me to my next point, and probably the leading reason: comfort. No matter what they do with those theatre seats, they will never be your couch at home! You will crane your neck the whole time; people will be talking in front of you, with their phone ringing and screen glaring in the dark room; a baby will be crying.

Nothing compares to being on your own schedule, no distractions from strangers and being able to pause the movie so you can use the bathroom without missing anything.

If you do choose to make the effort of going to the movies, we luckily have a lot of older running theatres in this area! There is Bow Tie Cinemas Red Bank Theater, Beach Cinema in Bradley Beach, and Bow Tie Strathmore Cinemas in Asbury Park.

Monmouth University also shows recent movies, voted on by students in the beginning of the semester, every Saturday night in Hesse Hall with free popcorn! These are cool convenient experiences that are worth your while!

Solitude: Do We Get Enough of it?

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On an average Tuesday, my busiest day on campus, I am constantly interacting with professors and fellow students; whether I am exchanging ideas in a class discussion, grabbing lunch with friends, creating study groups, or simply just getting involved on campus by attending social events. On campus, we are always engaging in conversation and spending time with others. But sometimes, it can be exhausting.

Of course, humans are social creatures. Social interaction is necessary because it fulfills our need to belong, shapes our behavior and personality, and allows us to learn a thing or two from one another.

In fact, we are constantly trying to find ways to be even more social, such as making new friends to expand our social circle. But do we really spend as much time alone as we need?

We all occasionally need a break from constant communication. We all need a few minutes of solitude in order to relax and collect our thoughts. Solitude can really improve our health and keep us sane as stressed out college students!

As a writer, I value alone time because it keeps me focused, boosts my creativity, and prevents distractions. Whenever I suffer from writer's block, I'm always able to get the words flowing again after closing my eyes, clearing my mind, and relaxing.

Engaging in rigorous social interaction can put a lot of pressure on us as college students, which is why it's important to set a designated time each day for solitude. Find an activity you love such as reading, writing, drawing, watching movies, or listening to music. Maybe something more active like running, working out or hiking. Sometimes it's necessary to put on your headphones, listen to your favorite songs, and block out the world.

As a commuter, I don't have

the option to rest up in a quiet dorm room of my own, and I realize I'm not the only one who experiences the same conflict. However, there are tons of quiet, peaceful places on campus that can be utilized to clear your mind in between those stressful, exhausting classes. The student center lounge, the Jules L. Plangere Center for Communication lobby, and the Pozycki Hall Lounge are just a few of the many peaceful places on campus. The library is always a nice, quiet place to get work done as well. Even working out at the gym alone can fulfill your solitary needs while simultaneously keeping you healthy.

Spending time alone can also enhance our independence,

allowing us to become more comfortable in our own skin. Independence also leads to success throughout life and gives us the freedom required to execute everyday tasks. Not relying on anyone but yourself is a great accomplishing feeling. Although some people prefer social interaction to solitude, finding alone time has way more benefits than one could ever imagine.

We require solitude just as much as we require social interaction. Solitude is key to a healthy mind. Next time all your friends on campus are busy, don't be disappointed. Instead, think of it as an opportunity to spend some time alone- you can really learn more about yourself.



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You do not have to travel all the way to the Grand Canyon to find a peaceful, beneficial solitude.

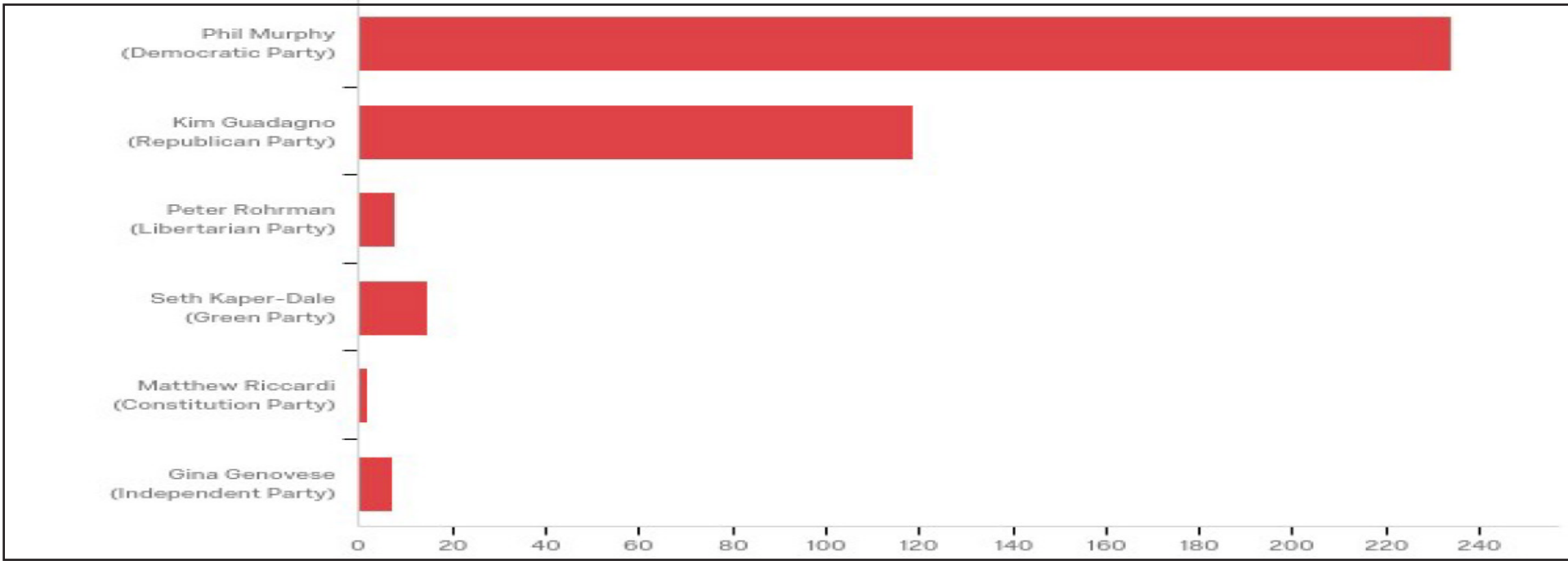
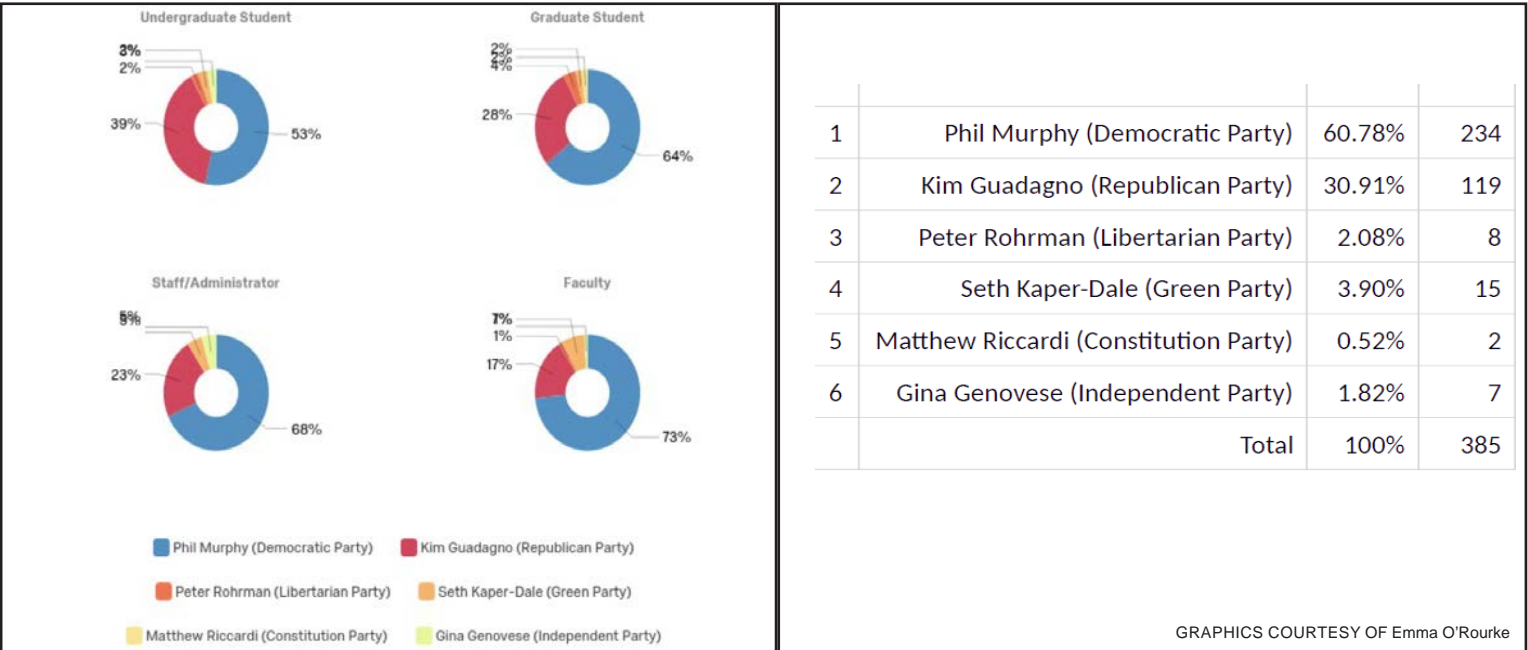
Results of MU 2017 Gubernatorial Election Straw Poll

NICHOLAS COSCARELLI
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Nearly 400 students voted in the 2017 NJ Gubernatorial straw poll. The students in the University’s Political Science Club ran the poll Oct. 27 and sent their results into *The Outlook* last week.

The poll spanned across the entire university, asking undergraduate and graduate students, as well as faculty and staff/administration, to participate.

Thank you to Emma O’Rourke and Anastasia V. Giannakakos from the Political Science Club, and to Carolyn Lau from the Polling Institute for their hard-work and participation in making this poll possible. The results are as follows:



What Prevented a Hillary Clinton Presidency? *Robots*

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Professors at the University of Oxford have found that voters who have been exposed to automation were less likely to vote for the former Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, in the 2016 Presidential Election.

Carl Frey, Thor Berger, and Chinchih Chen at the University of Oxford studied how robots in the workforce influenced voters who worked in those factories.

In their study published last month, they found that workers exposed to automation were less likely to vote for Clinton than for Donald Trump.

Clinton lost key Midwestern

states on Election Day—namely Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin. These states had been reliably blue in previous general elections; however, Clinton lost them to her opponent in the race: now-President Trump.

“This finding is not surprising considering that Donald Trump successfully emphasized economic nationalism in his campaign,” Joseph Patten, Ph.D., an associate professor of political science, said.

“[This] pulled votes away from Hillary Clinton in states like Michigan, Wisconsin, and Pennsylvania,” he added.

However, according to the Oxford study, research found

that had the employment of robots in the workforce been just two percent lower, those states would have swung in Clinton’s favor—and we would be calling her “Madam President.”

In an interview with *CNBC*, Frey said that 47 percent of jobs in the United States are at risk of automation due to the rise of artificial intelligence (AI).

“Robots and AI can be both beneficial yet terrible,” Stephanie Okereke, a sophomore computer-science student, said.

“For starters Robots and AI facilitate a plethora of processes...that would take humans a considerable amount of time to complete,” she explained.

“Hence, the workforce will

heavily rely on AI to carry out certain processes that are either time consuming or humanly impossible,” Okereke added.

“Without a doubt, robots and AI will be sought after in the future with industries turning to technology to commit to tedious tasks,” Okereke said.

The outsourcing and transplantation of jobs created a climate of resentment amongst working-class voters. “Trump capitalized on the resentment of America’s working class,” Corey Wrenn, Ph.D., Director of the Gender Studies Program, says.

“[Working-class voters] were frustrated by an economy that had switched from manufacturing to service,” Wrenn added.

Therefore, the creation of jobs, and keeping them in the United States, was among the most visceral forces that drove those voters to the ballot box last November.

In an interview with *LinkedIn* during the Presidential-primary race, Clinton said that the United States may not yet be prepared for an “advanced technological economy,” which would rely heavily on automation.

“You know, driverless cars may be an exciting new step in transportation,” Clinton said, “but that means a lot of truckers and cabbies and Uber drivers and a lot of other people may well lose jobs.”

“...I believe that people should have work with purpose and dignity. I think it’s so much a part of the human DNA,” she explained.

Furthermore, Clinton talked about Trump’s “Make America Great Again” mantra, and how she believes it created “a cruel fantasy.”

“[It] is really code for, ‘Hey, I can turn the clock back. And I can make you feel good. And I can get you the job that you used to have and even at more money,’” she said.

In his research, Frey noted that “Trump did not make any pledge to bring technological progress to halt during his election campaign. In fact, he barely mentioned technology at all.”

“[Trump’s] pledge to bring back jobs in mining and manufacturing, which have long been automated away, bears with it an implicit promise to restrict automation although few voters will have noted this logic,” Frey added.

Political analysts have said that Clinton did not campaign enough in the Midwest, which consequently led to her losing those key states. In her book, *What Happened*, Clinton writes about how her margins in those states stacked up against her Republican opponent.

“If just 40,000 people across Wisconsin, Michigan, and Pennsylvania had changed their minds, I could have won,” she wrote. “...a few more trips to Saginaw [Michigan] or a few more ads on the air on Waukesha [Wisconsin] could have tipped a couple thousand votes here and there.”

Before Frey’s research was published, Clinton writes about the fear associated with the automation of jobs in her book—she regrets she had not mentioned it sooner.

“My staff lived in fear that I’d start talking about ‘the rise of robots’ in some Iowa town hall,” Clinton wrote. “Maybe I should have.”



Secretary Hillary Clinton awaits the New Hampshire crowd during her 2016 Presidential campaign.



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THANKSGIVING ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE

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There is something so great about the crisp air that is formed during the shorter days and cooler nights, and what better way to take on the fall season and the holidays than by going out and doing activities? Between the colorful trees and admirable fashion, fall is the perfect time to get some fresh air, go outside, and get involved with nature! One of the first simple things that comes to mind when thinking of activities to do in September, October or November is what they call, “leaf peeping.”

This involves going out on nature walks and admiring the different colors that the leaves turn. It is calming for when you’re stressed if you want to be active, but most of all it really shows you how beautiful nature can be.

Since we have now passed October and all of the pumpkins have been picked and carved, you can go apple picking at a local orchard and get that fresh fruit ready for your Thanksgiving table.

Thanksgiving is a great time of year because the weather is cooler, it’s a time to give thanks and recognize everything that the world provides for us.

Sophomore psychology student Samantha Cappitelli, said, “Every year I go apple picking with my whole family, then we go to a festival up in Pennsylvania.” Family traditions are things that can be carried out for generations so something as simple as a fun road trip is worth considering.

When looking at the people

that surround you it is always important to recognize your fellow students and friends, Which brings up the next fall activity that is perfect for the month of November: “Friends-giving.” This is a cheerful idea that is so simple.

Sophomore business student Taylor Smith, said this is a tradition that she and her friends do every year but lately, “It has become more special to us because we are separated for months because of colleges. It is a good time to be around them and laugh because it makes you realize how much you actually appreciate the people in your life.” Laughter, food and good company, what else is there to ask for this fall?

Now, just because Halloween has already happened, it does not mean that the hay rides have to stop! Many farms offer fun activities while you’re out and about so take some friends or family and get on a hay or tractor ride.

If you think it is getting too chilly to do daytime activities like that, take advantage of something that you can only do up until the wintery weather. Make a bonfire, roast some marshmallows, tell scary stories, do it all! Fall is a great season to get so many things done, especially before the snow locks you inside.

With Thanksgiving coming up, that means it is the time of year for the annual Thanksgiving Day parade that takes place in New York. Do you live in or near the tristate area? Are you looking for something new and exciting to do? This is the perfect plan!

You get the up-close view of dancers, singers, floats, and

balloons all while being able to enjoy the weather. Are you more interested in making a whole trip out of it? The annual Macy’s balloon inflation takes place on Thanksgiving Eve at the Museum of Natural History.

This area is a great place to live especially around this time of year because of all the activities that are offered. On Nov. 29th, believe it or not, it is already time to light up the Christmas tree in Rockefeller Center. If you get anxious for the holiday season, this is a great way to kick it into gear!

Another great activity to do this Thanksgiving season is going to the local soup kitchen or community centers and giving back to the community.

Sue Starke PhD, an associate professor of English said, “Helping the community is great because it helps you gain perspective and encourages you to realize how fortunate you really are compared to others.

This is something that can not only be fun but it is so rewarding.” The holidays are times to give back.

Going to soup kitchens, running clothing drives, or any form of service can be so heartwarming for not only the people you are helping, but also yourself. Not everyone has people to celebrate holidays with or extravagant meals to eat but this fall you should think about helping others in your community. There really is no better season than fall, so take advantage of it! Grab a friend or family member and get out there before the snow and arctic January temperatures get in the way.



PHOTO TAKEN BY Campbell Lee

Going to an apple orchard with friends is a great activity leading up to Thanksgiving!



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“Friendsgiving” is a great way to bond with friends you don’t see at school.

Counting Calories for Thanksgiving

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When you pile food on your plate during Thanksgiving dinner, you’re probably not counting calories. According to *Real Simple*, the average American consumes several thousand calories on Turkey day between all the plates of food and dessert.

Thanksgiving is the one day a year where your diet goes out the window, but if you’re looking for ways to make it healthier, here’s how.

One way to ease off the calories is by having more of what actually is healthy, like vegetables, and less of what isn’t. Have smaller portions of the less healthy stuff, like stuffing, mashed potatoes, and rolls.

Another way to count your Thanksgiving calories is by watching what you eat and drink while cooking all day. You might be proud of yourself for skipping the mashed potatoes and stuffing, but if you nibbled on cheese and crackers all day, you’re still consuming lots of calories.

Try to hold off until dinner because that stuff comes once a year. You can eat cheese and crackers whenever. Also, if you like lots of wine or beer with your dinner, that’s even

more calories.

Freshman social work student Kayla Greiss watches her portions. She also doesn’t like turkey, so that helps her in avoiding calories. She said, “I try to eat small portions instead of stuffing my face. You can incorporate more veggies to make it healthier. Since I don’t

like turkey, I usually will have ham instead. I eat everything else on the table besides turkey, and without it I’m still stuffed.”

Mary Harris, specialist professor of communication, recommends preparing roasted vegetables and including a healthy green salad as one of the sides. She said, “It is actually

surprisingly easy to have a vegan Thanksgiving feast. Mashed potatoes, gravy, candied sweet potatoes, stuffing, cornbread, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie, and other holiday favorites can be made vegan. It simply requires replacing the animal ingredients with the plant-based alternatives. Luckily, there are

many excellent food blogs that offer free recipes. Two plant-based blogs with excellent holiday recipes everyone would enjoy are ‘Minimalist Baker’ and ‘Oh She Glows.’”

Some other good advice to lessen the calories is to limit yourself to one dessert. With many options being available, of course your heart desires to have a little bit of everything. Instead of piling on the desserts, choose your favorite and have just that. And if you have a glass of water or cup of coffee beforehand, you won’t inhale that piece of pie.

Real Simple also suggests avoiding unnecessary calories. Having a piece of apple or pumpkin pie is enough. You don’t need to top it off with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream.

Junior health and physical education student Allysa Parisi and junior chemistry student Karla Clavelo both agreed that eating slowly during your Thanksgiving meal is key.

Clavelo stated, “Eat slowly during dinner so you can tell when you’re actually full. Besides there’s so much food its not like it’s going to run out.”

So before going for a second plate of food, remember that Thanksgiving is about gratitude and family, it isn’t all about the food.



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Thanksgiving is not all about food, it’s about spending time with family and being grateful.

Ghost Quartet: A Spooky Delight

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Ghost Quartet is a delightfully bizarre gem of a show, small and intimate, performed by just four cast members in a black-box theatre seating just 63 audience members. Currently in the midst of a five-week off-Broadway run at the New York Theatre Workshop's NYTW Next Door location, the run sold out in 29 minutes flat - and I was lucky enough to be able to see it twice.

Written and composed by *The Great Comet's* Dave Malloy, the show is dense and lyric-heavy, inspired by dozens of stories that came before it - including an Edgar Allan Poe tale, the Arabian Nights stories, a variety of religious theories, and an urban legend about a woman who grinned up at an unluckily-timed photographer seconds before she was hit by a subway train.

The plot itself spans seven hundred years and several generations, but also takes place directly in the moment.

Basically, very little makes sense, time does not exist within the boundaries of the production, and every actor is playing half a dozen characters, while also playing themselves.

Having seen the live show twice now, I memorized the cast album. And still, only about 80 percent of it makes sense to me.

However, for those willing to pay attention to every word, something resembling a coherent plot emerges.

Brittain Ashford primarily plays the character of Rose, a

spurned young woman whose desire for revenge against her cheating boyfriend and the sister he cheated on her with sets everything in motion; Gelsey Bell primarily plays the sister, Pearl, and also performs as a delightfully psychotic Lady Usher.

Malloy himself plays that cheating boyfriend, an astronomer; he also plays a Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) subway driver and a distraught father and a variety of other, smaller characters.

Brent Arnold plays a talking bear that promises Rose revenge, and also plays a vengeful shah and a disgruntled son. Overall, though, it is hard to assign each actor a role, since they play so many characters throughout the show's 100-minute run time.

Each actor also plays a variety of instruments, and in two scenes, the audience is also made a part of the music, as instruments are passed out.

With music that ranges between every genre, the score is just as tricky and complex as the plot.

The cast members--who were all a part of the show's conception-- have been with it since the beginning.

They all deftly handle their duties, playing instruments including the Celtic harp, the cello, the erhu, the accordion, the piano, and half a dozen others.

Ultimately, the best and most obvious instrumental win is the voices of the actors themselves.

Each have a distinct vocal sound, from Ashford's heart-breaking solos to Bell's horrific, yet beautiful, high notes (particularly terrifying in



PHOTO TAKEN by Kerry Breen

Ghost Quartet's set provides the audience with a spooky and dark ambience to set the mood for the show.

the scarily-themed third act, which is presented in near pitch-black.)

Malloy and Arnold provide a gravelly background, and the four actors work so well together that it's plain that the roles were written just for them.

Ashford is particularly mesmerizing, leaving every emotion on the stage and taking the audience on an emotional rollercoaster during her eight-minute solo towards the end of the show.

In other scenes, she is furious; in others, she is picture of innocence as she plays an eight-year-old.

She also plays several instruments throughout, proving herself a wonderful multitasker.

Every emotion feels supremely real, especially as she wipes away tears or turns away, scorned; in a cast of standouts, Ashford is a star.

Also wonderful is Bell, especially in a slow, sad number called "Tango Dancer" where the character morosely reflects on her life.

Playing the semi-immortal Scheherazade (from the Arabian Nights stories), she tells the audience of sadness and memory, not even relying on a microphone.

In other scenes, she plays a dark and psychotic Lady Usher (of the Edgar Allan Poe story); in others, she's a traitorous sister.

Like her cast mates, she plays several instruments throughout, and much like Ashford, she runs the emotional gamut, leaving the audience equal parts teary and terrified.

Malloy and Arnold are also wonderful - in a cast this small, there are no weak links. Both have smaller roles, compared to Bell and Ashford, but

make the most of their characterization, and their musical talent cannot be denied.

Despite the small space, the cast makes use of the room they are offered.

Bell and Ashford dance a slow, sentimental tango together; later in the show, Ashford and Malloy have a slow waltz of their own.

In another number, whiskey is passed around, offering every audience member the chance to pour themselves a shot; extra shots are passed out by the cast members themselves.

Ghost Quartet is a lovely, odd little gem that will likely enjoy a long life in off-Broadway and regional productions.

Wonderfully weird and openly strange, it's the perfect Halloween fare, and the live show is an experience for anyone looking for something new.

Wonderstruck: A Wonderful Silent Film

MARK MARRONE
STAFF WRITER

Eighty-two years ago, silence was golden for the film industry. Actors like Charlie Chaplin could make audiences laugh until they cried, while actresses like Mary Pickford stole the hearts of America. Silent films could move an audience without uttering a word because a great deal of effort went into storytelling and performance.

Decades later, we are so spoiled by the magic of sound that we take for granted how far film has come. However, with movies like *Wonderstruck*, we can appreciate film's roots.

Since the death of his mother, Ben, played by Oaks Fegley, longs to find his missing father now more than ever. Ben goes through his mother's old room to find traces of his father, where he comes across a book mark stashed in a museum exhibit book.

The book reads an address located in New York City. After coming across the bookmark, Ben is suddenly struck by lightning and becomes deaf.

Despite his hearing impairment, Ben sneaks away on a bus heading to New York City to find his father. Meanwhile, there's another story parallel to Ben's, which features Rose, played by Millicent

Simmonds, who is also a deaf child in search for someone.

While it may sound far-fetched, the story is told beautifully by giving the audience a perspective on hearing impairment, while nailing the time periods of Ben and Rose's narratives.

Ben's part of the story takes place in the early 1970s where Ziggy Stardust blasts from every record player, the hair is tall, and floral dress shirts with ties are a fashion statement.

Considering he becomes deaf early on, we experience Ben's transition from having the capability of hearing to losing it completely. Through point-of-view shots, we get an idea of what it is like for Ben to adjust to life with a hearing impairment.

While in Ben's shoes, there is complete silence with some static in the background, which comes from a dog barking or police sirens wailing. On the other hand, most of the scenes during Ben's time consist of a funky 1970s score, credited to the executive in charge of music, Bob Bowen.

Although Ben's part of the story is not completely silent, it is about as close to a silent film as one can get with a major release. For this reason, the film makes for a good beginning feature if one has an interest in silent movies.

The story that embodies all as-

pects of silent cinema is Rose's, which is set in New York City, 1923. All of Rose's scenes are shot in black and white and are silent, despite the score.

Surprisingly, there are no intertitles during Rose's part, but instead, words are written on a notepad from one character to another.

Every feature of 1923's New York City is spot on with its set design. Mark Friedberg's set design captures a New York City where Model-T's own the streets, Ziegfeld Follies is in neon lights on Times Square, and silent movie theaters see their end. When Rose exits after watching a silent film, it turns out to be her last. The movie theater is closing for a renovation to install the new talkie technology.

Although talkies are taking the country by storm, Rose's part of the story is silent. The score sounds exactly like an original silent film by using instruments familiar to the era like shakers and organs. Additionally, the score follows the actions of each character, like the pounding of a fist or footsteps of a security guard.

The acting in Rose's story aligns with the silent era as well.

The actors are much more animated in their actions than they would be in a movie with sound. In silent film, most performers act over the top to make up for the loss

of sound. Essentially, their actions could speak louder than words.

This tradition carries on in *Wonderstruck*, especially in moments where arguments are occurring. For example, when Rose's father yells at her, it's as if his mustache is about to fall off.

This acting style from all of those involved in Rose's part, along with the meticulous set design and pitch-perfect score, make for a strong tribute to silent film.

Despite the bizarre story, *Wonderstruck* serves as a semi-silent

film that can be enjoyed by both children and adults.

The characters of Ben and Rose give a perspective on hearing impairment in moments where we see from their point-of-view, along with the interactions they have with those who do not understand their situation.

Additionally, it beautifully captures the era of silent film in all technical aspects during Rose's part. In 2017, it is refreshing to see this approach that has been silent for over eighty years.

Mark's
Remarks:



Rating:

2 out of 4 stars

LBJ: Doesn't Go All the Way

MARK MARRONE
STAFF WRITER

It's Nov. 22, 1963 and President John F. Kennedy has arrived in town. There's an exciting buzz around Dallas, Texas for the President's arrival because he embodies everything about America: hope, energy, excitement, and strength.

For the President's arrival, a grand parade is scheduled where Texans will have the once in a lifetime opportunity to greet Kennedy as he rides along the streets of Dallas. The weather is perfect too.

There's not a single cloud in the sky, great for letting the hood down and taking in that Texas sun. At around 12:30 PM, you are one of the many visitors waiting for a glimpse of the President as he breezes by Dealey Plaza.

Once the President finally reaches the Plaza, you see him in all his glory, waving to raucous crowd. Then suddenly, shots are fired and the President has fallen over in the backseat of the vehicle.

The First Lady is hysterical as blood covers her hands. The motorcade speeds out of sight and there is confusion in the crowd. Later that day, President Kennedy is announced dead and there is a new man in charge: Lyndon Johnson.

Despite the pressure of filling in Kennedy's shoes, President Johnson passed important pieces of legislation, such as the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Medicare, Medicaid, and the Wilderness Protection Act.

However, Johnson was a paradoxical figure because of how he handled the Vietnam War. With these events considered, director Rob Reiner has the opportunity to put a spin on Johnson's widely familiar achievements and failures.

Unfortunately, Reiner misfires by glossing over these crucial moments and does not give any additional insight to what we may already know.

The biopic gives us about as



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Woody Harrelson embodies Lyndon Baines Johnson in his role as the late President in this biopic.

much information as President Johnson's Wikipedia page, if not less.

It maneuvers through Johnson's failed presidential campaign, promotion to the Vice Presidency and his rise to the presidency. Along the way, Johnson battles with Georgian Senator Richard Russell and the Kennedys over the increasing issue of civil rights.

If one managed to stay awake during their American history class in junior year of high school, they might pass out during this film because of the regurgitated story.

Although there are a handful of scenes where Johnson discusses civil rights, it does not delve deep enough into how the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was passed.

During Johnson's time as the Vice President, Senator Russell talks of how fervently he was against equal rights. Once Johnson becomes the President, Russell vows to fight this bill with every fiber of his being.

This sets up an interesting premise, where we can finally gain insight as to how Johnson battled with Russell and southern democrats over civil rights.

However, it falls short by skipping the strenuous process and instead cuts to title cards generalizing Johnson's legacy.

The buildup towards an insightful story falls completely flat on its face by giving little to no details as to how Johnson governed.

While Reiner tells the basic story of Johnson, he fails to capture the period of the 1960s. It is difficult not to associate this era with activism sweeping across the country.

Occasionally there are news bulletins about how tensions are rising among protesters, like a brief mentioning of the Greensboro sit-ins, but these events hardly come to light, nor are mentioned by Johnson or other characters. Even Martin Luther King Jr.'s name is surprisingly mentioned only once or twice. Sure, the outfits and cars have a 1960s feel, but Reiner fails to capture the political tensions rising throughout the country.

It is puzzling how with so much information, Reiner fails to focus on one part of Johnson's term and shed light on how it affected the President, country, and generations to follow. For example, director Jay Roach's *All the Way* focuses on President Johnson's first year in office and the difficulties he faced to pass the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

All the Way goes into depth with Johnson's battle against Senator Russell, working with Martin Luther King Jr., and personal conflicts expressed through moments with his wife. Meanwhile, *LBJ* gives the bare-bones story of how Johnson became president, with little additional information we are unfamiliar with.

The biopic is conventional and cliché in its storytelling, which is unfortunate for such a complex presidency.

The saving grace of *LBJ* is the incredible performance by Woody Harrelson as President Johnson. Earlier this year, Harrelson channeled his inner Colonel Walter E. Kurtz (Marlon Brando's character from *Apocalypse Now*) and gave a chilling performance as the brutal Colonel in *War for the Planet of the Apes*.

Harrelson's great acting continues in *LBJ*, as he brings the no-nonsense leader to life. Johnson's ego can fill an entire room as he orders his staff around from tasks like getting his tailor on the

phone, or grills Robert Kennedy on his role as the Vice President.

However, Johnson was also a needy person who wanted to be liked by everyone. Johnson expresses how hard he tries to get along with politicians from both sides of the aisle in late night conversations with his wife, played by Jennifer Jason Leigh.

The President's moments of self-reflection show how he cared not only for his legacy, but the direction of the country. Additionally, it is remarkable how Woody Harrelson looks exactly like President Johnson.

From his towering stature to the large ears, Harrelson transforms to give one of the best performances of the year.

Despite the great amount of talent behind the camera with director Rob Reiner and the impressive cast led by Woody Harrelson, *LBJ* completely misses the mark because its lack of depth in storytelling.

A majority of the information presented is something most audiences may know of already.

It fails to add anything new to Johnson's legacy and strangely does not see the President as a complex figure through policy decisions. If someone is interested in Johnson's story, just spend five minutes on his Wikipedia page.

They will learn a lot more, while saving the price of admission.

Mark's Remarks:



Rating:

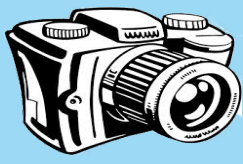
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Harrelson's LBJ is seen being sworn in as President after the assassination of JFK.



MOMENTS AT MONMOUTH



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AGAINST PRESBYTERIAN
AT KESSLER FIELD THIS
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LUCK BE A LADY TONIGHT!
THE WILSON HALL
STEPS GET THE CASINO
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BOARD (SAB) CASINO
NIGHT THIS WEEKEND
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BLUE HAWK RECORDS
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PERFORMING THEIR FIRST
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*What made you want to attend/
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Blake Robinson
Senior

"During Mondays at Monmouth, the school was very welcoming. I feel like I'd belonged there."



Shenin Siddiqui
Junior

"It's close to where I live so my parents aren't worried, and I fell in love with the beautiful campus."



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Ami Burgos
Sophomore

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Specialist Professor

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Tau Delta Phi Spreads Mental Health Awareness with “Pelt a Tau Delt”

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STAFF WRITER

The Delta Tau chapter of Tau Delta Phi Fraternity at Monmouth University raised \$44 and spread mental health awareness for the benefit of their philanthropy organization Active Minds on Friday, Oct. 20 across from the Rebecca Stafford Student Center on campus. Members of the fraternity set up a table along the walkway across from the Student Center from 12 p.m. until 4 p.m. and invited those passing by to donate money to their philanthropy organization Active Minds in exchange for water balloons to throw at shirtless Tau Delta Phi brothers who were at the side of the table waiting to be hit. The event “Pelt a Tau Delt” gave participants the choice of donating one dollar in exchange for one water balloon or three dollars in exchange for five balloons. “The brothers’ positive energy and inviting idea made me want to come to the table,” said junior Megan McClintock, who participated in the event. “They placed themselves in a highly-trafficked area and did a great job of making conversation with people who were walking by.” According to its official website, Active Minds is the leading non-profit organization that empow-

ers students to speak openly about mental health in order to educate others and encourage help-seeking. Through campus-wide events and national programs, Active Minds aims to remove the stigma that surrounds mental health issues and create a comfortable environment for an open conversation about mental health issues on campuses nationwide. “When Active Minds first connected with Tau Delta Phi in 2013, I was so impressed by the fraternity’s commitment to its members and to the campuses where it had chapters,” said Alison Malmon, the Founder and Executive Director of Active Minds. “It’s been a tremendous partnership ever since. Active Minds has both gotten the opportunity to spread our message of ‘you are enough’ to more students and has also benefitted enormously from the money fundraised on our behalf,” she said. Malmon said that each student who is a part of the organization costs them about \$150. Each of those students reach at least five students around them, meaning that Tau Delta Phi’s donation of the money raised from “Pelt a Tau Delt” will help Active Minds reach almost one new person this year. Austin Fleischer, Philanthropy Chair of the Delta Tau chapter of Tau Delta Phi, said, “We (Tau Delta Phi)

take mental illness very seriously. Every brother is a registered member of the Monmouth University Active Minds chapter.” Fleischer said that almost every event on campus hosted by Tau Delta Phi throughout the school year is co-sponsored by Active Minds. “Pelt a Tau Delt” specifically is conducted once every semester, typically during the warmer weeks. Fleischer said that it is a good stress reliever for participants, which promotes mental health. ““Pelt a Tau Delt” is an event that our brothers really look forward to,” said Billy Crank, a senior communication major and member of Tau Delta Phi. Crank said that the idea behind the event has always been to simply raise money for a good cause and to have a great time doing it. Musashi Nagai, a senior and brother of Tau Kappa Epsilon, said that the interactivity of “Pelt a Tau Delt” was a welcome change in philanthropy events run by Greek organizations. “It’s definitely different from the bake sales or ribbon sales you see with other organizations. People around campus can be bored if they see the same thing over and over again, so it’s refreshing to see something different,” he said. “It’s very easy to ignore tables that are trying to raise money. If people see hands-on activities there’s more likely of a chance it will catch their eye.”

Alyssa Dellevecchia, a junior and sister of Alpha Xi Delta, said that it is important for Greeks of all organizations to come together in their philanthropic efforts. “I think that as a Greek community we contribute a lot of time and effort into each of our philanthropies. We also try our best to help support and contribute to other organizations and their philanthropies by stopping by their tabling events and Greek events,” she said. Michele Kaplan, Assistant Director of Student Activities for Fraternity and Sorority Life, said that the fact that “Pelt a Tau Delt” is an outdoor event that is conducted during the day-time allows Tau Delta Phi to connect with various individuals throughout the student body. “All of our organizations have values that we are expected to live

daily, and one is giving back to the community through both community service and raising awareness for philanthropic causes,” she said. “I enjoy that our groups try to be creative with ways to raise money for these causes; however, it is also important to remember that we need to let our audience know the philanthropic causes these events are for,” she said. “I think it’s so creative,” Malmon, who was in full support of Tau Delta Phi’s fundraising method, said. “While mental health can be seen as a ‘down’ topic, fundraisers like ‘Pelt a Tau Delt’ are innovative, meet students where they are, help bring mental health into a more relaxed and fun environment, and are successful money makers. What more could you ask for?”



PHOTO TAKEN by Evan McMurtrie
Brothers of Tau Delta Phi pose for a picture at “Pelt a Tau Delt.”

Alpha Kappa Psi Hosts Hawk Feud

NICOLETTE PEZZA
CLUB & GREEK EDITOR

Alpha Kappa Psi hosted their annual philanthropy event, Hawk Feud, on Wednesday, Nov. 1 in Pollak Theatre. Tickets were sold for \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. All proceeds went to the fraternity’s philanthropy, Habitat for Humanity. The event started at 10 p.m. and ended around 11 p.m. The event consisted of two teams, blue and gold, that were a combination of members from different Greek organizations. The blue team consisted of fraternity members and the gold team was made of members from Monmouth’s sororities. The two teams competed in a game similar to jeopardy with the gold team winning the competition. The event was hosted by Alpha Kappa Psi brothers Brenna Serماريني, Simon Cruz, and Norelle Bondar. Kate Nelson, a representative of Habitat for Humanity, came to the event

to speak about the organization. Michele Kaplan, Assistant Director of Student Activities for Fraternity and Sorority Life, thought the brothers did a good job spreading awareness for Habitat for Humanity with the event. “It was very effective for the brothers of Alpha Kappa Psi to invite Kate Nelson to speak on behalf of Habitat for Humanity. It gave those who attended greater insight as to what the money raised was benefiting and helped to raise awareness,” she said. Jordan Kuropatwa, a junior finance student, was a member of the gold team. “It was definitely not what I expected. I thought as a group we’d be playing games and then ended up playing jeopardy. But honestly it was so much fun being able to do something as a team with girls in all different organizations!” Mia Sabo, a sophomore health studies student, attended the event. “It was cool to see members from different organiza-

tions team up and work together to be the best team,” she said. The brothers of Alpha Kappa Psi were happy with how the event turned out as it is an event they look forward to with the opportunity to raise money for their philanthropy. “Hawk Feud is an annual event that all of our brothers from the Psi Iota chapter look forward to. We genuinely love raising money and volunteering for our philanthropy, Habitat for Humanity,” said Jeylin Castaneda, a senior communication student and brother of Alpha Kappa Psi. Daniel Davatellis, a senior finance student and brother of Alpha Kappa Psi, was also pleased with their year’s Hawk Feud. “Our brothers look forward to Hawk Feud because it is our chance to give back to the community by raising money for our philanthropy Habitat for Humanity. It’s a great way for Greek organizations to come together and raise money for such a great cause,” he said.



PHOTO COURTESY of Jeylin Castaneda
Brothers of Alpha Kappa Psi hosted the fraternity’s annual philanthropy event, Hawk Feud.

Club and Greek Announcements

Counseling Student Association

The Counseling Student Association has teamed up with The Ashley Lauren Foundation to host its first ever Dance-A-Thon, Dance for Hope, fundraiser. The Ashley Lauren Foundation is a non-profit organization based out of Spring Lake, NJ, that supports children with cancer and their families. They will be dancing for the children and families that the Ashley Lauren Foundation supports on Nov. 19 from 3 p.m to 8 p.m. at the OceanFirst Bank Center. Students can join as an individual or a team! All participants must raise at least \$50 if above the age of 18, or \$25 if below the age of 18. All persons under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. If you would like to join Monmouth in the battle against pediatric cancer, text DANCE to 7177 or visit ashleylaurenfoundation.org for more information.

Track & Field

The new Track & Field Club on campus will have their second interest meeting in the Green Room (back hallway on the 1st Floor, behind the main basketball court) of the OceanFirst Bank Center today, Wednesday Nov. 8 starting at 3 p.m.. All those interested should attend or contact Club President Jackie Jones at s0998281@monmouth.edu or 732-556-8708. All abilities are welcome.

Students Advocating Girls’ Education (SAGE)

SAGE is dedicated to equal access to education and the betterment of the campus community through social justice, gender equality, and feminism. SAGE hosts a number of events on campus to raise money and donate to organizations and communities which improve access to quality education for women and girls, both locally and globally. They also increase campus awareness of social issues and current events pertaining to women’s rights. If you are interested in joining, please contact Club President Kaitlin Allsopp at s1034953@monmouth.edu.

Merry Christmas-giving:

How Society Decks the Halls Past Thanksgiving

MARIE SOLDO
STAFF WRITER

Halloween is over, so that means you can deck the halls and rock around the Christmas tree! Just 47 days until you wake up on Christmas morning and the inner child in you rushes to see the presents under the tree.

Whether you are naughty or nice, Christmas is the best holiday ever. . .I am forgetting something here, and it seems the rest of the world has too. Believe it or not, there is such a thing as Thanksgiving.

Of course it is perfectly fine to be excited for the most wonderful time of the year, but that doesn't mean you skip the time where you should be most thankful.

Families come together from near and far to have that one special meal followed by lots of pumpkin pie.

Jenn Cabral, staff member of Gourmet Dining Services, emphasized the importance of Thanksgiving and gratitude. "Thanksgiving is the most important holiday, to me at least. It

is a time to give thanks for what you have. It's about togetherness and being with family and friends, the most important people who make up who you are," she said.

Cabral added that you should give to others because they may not have what you do, and a plateful of food could make the biggest difference.

There is almost nothing better than waking up to the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade while anticipating all the turkey, stuffing, and dessert you are going to eat.

While some people may enjoy Christmas more, it is important to celebrate one holiday at a time.

Junior music industry student, Shannon Lawrence said, "I think it's great to get in the Christmas spirit, but, it is pretty crazy to have Christmas music, decorations, and sales all around the mall already."

"I'm all for getting in the spirit during the holiday season, but, always looking ahead proves that society can't just focus on one thing at a time and it forces us to further not be able to live in the moment like we should," Lawrence said.



PHOTO TAKEN by Alexandria Afanador

In the midst of preparing for Christmas adventures, many people skip right over Thanksgiving.

Marisa Heath, a senior communication student, works in retail and believes that people do not value what Christmas is truly about. She said, "I honestly feel that the reason they rush into Christmas isn't even for the holiday aspect

or what comes along with Christmas religiously and culturally. It's about the money retailers make off marketing Christmas earlier."

On Nov. 1, Heath's place of employment put up all their holiday signs and even added Christmas

music to the store's playlist.

"Christmas shouldn't be promoted until after Thanksgiving. Take one holiday at a time," Heath added.

November is a time to give thanks and appreciate what you have. Not only do people seem to forget about Thanksgiving, but they forget that November is still a month. People have birthdays and anniversaries, and it is also the prettiest of the fall season.

Senior communication student, Kait Sisombath, doesn't like that it is all Christmas everything. "My birthday is in November and I love the fall! I don't like the months rushing by," she said. She believes that everyone should be able to enjoy November and Thanksgiving first.

Before you start blasting Christmas music in the car and baking Christmas cookies, remember that there is an important holiday between Halloween and Christmas. Take November to be thankful, give to the less fortunate, and let the turkey have its day.

What Happened outside of the Classroom?

ALEXANDRIA AFANADOR
MANAGING EDITOR/FEATURES

On a brisk Saturday morning, students made their way to local transit to embark on a journey to New York City, NY, to visit the World Trade Center and Ground Zero.

On Oct. 28, students, many of which were criminal justice and homeland security students, commemorated the loss of lives during a tragedy and enriched their own education in the process.

The Department of Criminal Justice and the Guardian's Club hosted their NYC Terrorism Tour to provide students with an opportunity to experience life outside the classroom while still learning the valuable lessons that simply cannot be taught.

The group was led by Dr. John Comiskey, an assistant professor of homeland security and a 9/11 first responder, guided the tour of Ground Zero of the 1993 and 2001 World Trade Center bombings.

The group of about 12 students and a handful of faculty including professors from the Department of Criminal Justice and the Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences visited the World Trade Center Observatory and museum.

Following that, there was a walking tour from the museum to 23 Wall Street, the site of the 1920 terrorist bombing that resulted in the deaths of 38 people; they also saw Fraunces Tavern, where the 1975 terrorist bombing occurred that resulted in the deaths of four people.

Conor Scott, a senior homeland security student and President of the Order of the Sword and Shield National Honors Society MU Chapter, joined the trip as a general member of the Guardians club. "I think it impacted my learning by changing

my perspective. I, for one, have never been to Ground Zero, so getting to be there in person helped to change my views of the area as something I've only seen on T.V. or in the classroom to something more tangible. It changed the subject matter of the classroom into something a little more real world," he said.

In planning the trip, Scott said, "We spent a great deal of time individually researching different parts of the trip, as well as scheduling meetings so that we could bring our information together."

Jamie Tilton, a senior homeland security student and President of the Guardians club, said, "For homeland security majors, our perspectives haven't changed. Almost, if not all of our classes discuss 9/11, we have studied every detail. We want to be the crazy ones running into the chaos, not running away from it. However, with other students from different majors, this may change their perspective."

John Comiskey EdD, assistant professor of homeland security and the spearheader of this trip, said, "I'm glad the Oct. 31 attack didn't happen while we were there, but, I think the students got a lot out of going to the Trade Center, as well as 23 Wall Street, and Fraunces Tavern. It's nice to see the students having a genuine interest in it and it's nice for me to return back there since I've spent a lot of time there."

Looking toward the future, Tilton said, "We have another trip with the Department of Criminal Justice to visit the Eastern State Penitentiary. However, in the future, we are talking about having trips every semester and opening it up to all students--we would like to work together with other majors and clubs...getting events and trips to all students and faculty will be our main goal."

University Holds Annual Language Festival

OMAR MOUSTAFA
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Every year, students gather in Wilson Auditorium for the Annual Language Festival in order to promote diversity and community on campus.

Taking place on Nov. 8, students will have the chance to partake in a myriad of events promoting heritage and culture. Performances range from the Flamenco and Salsa to opera singers and poets, students and guests have the ability to showcase their unique culture.

The Annual Language Festival allows students from a variety of different backgrounds to express themselves.

According to Julia Riordan PhD, Director of Spanish and International Business Major and Spanish for Business Minor, the main goal of the festival is to represent all languages on campus: "We try hard to have the other languages represented. Italian, Chinese, Arabic, as well as Latin languages--we encourage all the students to participate in some way."

Riordan, winning the "Distinguished Educator Award" in 2016, places a huge importance on engaging students not only inside, but outside of the classroom.

"It's important to give students outside of the classroom a chance to enjoy the language and culture. Whatever they're interested in and whatever they're good at can be displayed."

The main emphasis placed on The Annual Language Festival, according to Riordan, is crucial for students to see the possibilities of language and culture.

Junior communication student, Kara D'Antoni, said it provides her with a unique experience: "It impacts the student body because it provides people the chance [to experience] things they wouldn't be

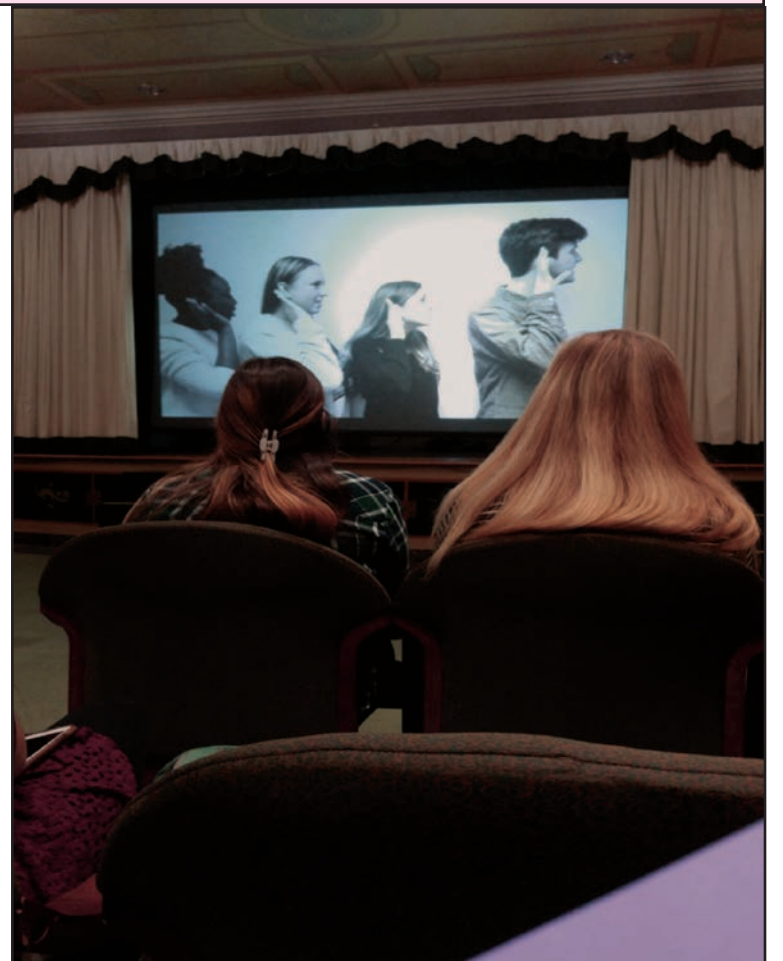


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Students gather in Wilson Auditorium to learn and engage with a plethora of languages at The Annual Language Festival.

exposed to everyday; it's exciting to be given the opportunity to explore the different languages and cultures all in one day."

Learning about the plethora of languages provided on campus is great for people unfamiliar with certain cultures but for Sebastian Vera, a junior biology student, this festival touches him on a personal level.

"As a first generation college student from Colombia, I take pride in not only my culture but in my language as well. It is easy to stray from my upbringings while at school because I'm not always around what I'm used to, [the annual language] festival is a beautiful reminder

of what symbolizes our culture and distinguishes us," Vera said.

According to Vera, the festival has a profound impact not only on him as an individual, but on the student body as a whole, "It allows the student body to be aware of the variety of vibrant cultures that attend Monmouth University," he said.

For the everyday Monmouth student, the event provides a chance to experience song, dance, and most importantly language.

The Annual Language Festival will begin at 11:40 a.m. in Wilson Auditorium and will end at 1:00 p.m.. Food and drinks will be served after the event.

Women’s Soccer Wins Conference Tournament

MARK D’AQUILA
STAFF WRITER

Women’s soccer dominated second seeded Manhattan 5-1 on Wednesday afternoon to win the 2017 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) championship.

The Hawks were able to successfully take care of their first two opponents in the tournament, earning their way to yet another MAAC championship where they took on the Manhattan Jaspers at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Lake Buena Vista, FL.

Monmouth looked to not only gain their 15th win of the season, but also continue their undefeated record against Manhattan where they are 8-0-0 all-time.

The scoreboard didn’t receive much action early on as Monmouth had their first five shots saved by the Manhattan goalie.

The save streak would eventually end in the 38th minute when sophomore forward Lexie Palladino assisted junior midfielder Allie DeLuca who found the inside of the post from 12 yards out giving the Hawks the early 1-0 lead.

On the Manhattan side, they didn’t put a single shot on goal in the first half as sophomore goalkeeper Amanda Knaub was save-less in the first half.

Monmouth outshot Manhattan 11-2 in the first half as they took the 1-0 advantage into the break and hoped to continue the momentum in the next 45 minutes. Keeping the momen-

tum rolling is exactly what the Hawks did as they tacked on four more goals in the second half.

Senior forward Rachel Ross started off the second half scoring in the 51st minute from six yards out when she received a cross from the 2016 MAAC Tournament MVP sophomore forward Madie Gibson, to give the Hawks the 2-0 lead.

Then in the 68th minute sophomore forward Dana Scheriff dished the ball to junior forward Jazlyn Moya who extended the Monmouth lead to 3-0. The goal was Moya’s second of the season and third of her career.

MU found the back of the net twice more on the afternoon as both sophomore midfielder Jessica Johnson in the 70th minute and Gibson in the 71st went back to back with unassisted goals to give Monmouth the massive 5-0 lead.

Manhattan eventually got one past Knaub in the 77th minute but it was all too late as the Hawks defeated the Jaspers 5-1 bringing home the MAAC championship.

Head Coach Krissy Turner praised the team, “[It was] an amazing performance today. We played great soccer, scored good goals and were just fantastic all around.”

The victory gives the Hawks an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament for the fifth time in the history of their program.

Senior defender Allie Girardi was named the 2017 MAAC Championship Most Outstanding Player after the game. Her



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(Left to right) Senior midfielder Miranda Konstantinidies, senior defender Allie Girardi, sophomore midfielder Lexie Palladino, and sophomore forward Madie Gibson represented Monmouth as part of the 2017 All-Championship team.

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Monmouth Head Coach

teammates Gibson, Palladino and senior midfielder Miranda Konstantinides were all named to the All-Tournament team.

The tournament victory is Monmouth’s seventh all-time and third as a member of the MAAC conference. They also became the first team since Loyola Maryland to repeat as

champions where they are 8-2 all-time in MAAC tournament play.

“I am super proud of the sacrifice and commitment this team displayed all season,” Turner said.

The Hawks will play at fourth ranked Princeton in the National Collegiate Athletic

Association (NCAA) Tournament on Friday, Nov. 10 at 7:00 p.m. The Tigers defeated MU on Aug. 25 3-0 as the blue and white look for revenge.

They will look to get their first tournament win after losing the previous four times, including last year, losing to 15th ranked Virginia.

Field Hockey Loses to Fairfield in Conference Final

CHRIS FITZSIMMONS
STAFF WRITER

The Monmouth University field hockey team fell short of securing their second straight Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Championship this past Sunday. The Hawks defeated Rider on Friday to earn the chance to play for the championship but were unable to overcome Fairfield for the crown.

The Hawks entered the tournament as the number one seed and with it came the right to host the tournament at So Sweet a Cat Field. On Friday afternoon, the Hawks took on and defeated four seeded rival Rider by the score of 2-0. The game saw no scoring in the first half, as both teams buckled down on the defensive effort.

Coming out of the half, Monmouth was awarded a penalty corner chance in the sec-

ond minute of play. Senior forward Meg Donahue converted the opportunity with a powerful shot that found the back of the net.

Monmouth added an additional goal ten minutes later to pad their lead to two. This time it was senior midfielder Rachel Konowal who batted the ball of the air and into the net. The Hawks never looked back from here and came away with the shutout win.

Monmouth’s defense was once again stifling in the win. The defense only surrendered a combined three shots all day and thwarted all offensive efforts from the Broncos. Senior goalkeeper Christen Piersanti recorded one save in route to securing her 19th career shutout.

“It is always tough going against a longtime rival in a tournament game and Rider came to play today. We started the second half strong and came out with a lot more energy and adjusted our mindset to allow us to establish our attack better. It’s always nice to play in front of a great crowd and to be able to play for another title at home is a tremendous honor,” Head Coach Carli Figlio said.

Sunday’s noon time match-up against three-seeded Fairfield lived up to the pregame hype. This was the second straight year that Fairfield and Monmouth have met in the championship game. Monmouth captured the title last year in a nail-baiting victory, but this year it was the Stags who came away with a 2-1 victory.

On and off rain added to the pregame atmosphere, in front of a packed house at So Sweet a Cat Field. Sophomore forward Josephine van der Hoop put the Hawks up one in the eighth minute of play. Both teams then proceeded to exchange some scoring chances but neither team broke through and the game went into the half with the Hawks up one.

Exiting the half, the Stags struck next to tie the game at one a piece with 28 minutes re-

maining on the clock. Fairfield then scored the all-important go-ahead goal in the 57th minute off a corner opportunity and Monmouth was faced with a difficult task.

The final 13 minutes featured a gritty Monmouth team continuing to battle it out until the clock reached zero. Figlio made the call to pull the goalie in the 65th minute and the Hawks applied heavy pressure on the Stags in the final minutes of play. In the end, Monmouth was unable to convert any of the chances and Fairfield came away as the 2017 MAAC Champions.

“We played well, the first half was great. They gained momentum in the second half. I think the message is that nothing is guaranteed. We have to use this to build on for next year. More importantly, I want to thank our seniors for all that they have done. They are the winningest group that has come through and they have set the bar really high. I want to thank them for everything,” Figlio said.

The Hawks will say goodbye to a senior class that had a record for most wins as they walk away with a total of 53. Monmouth’s future is bright, however, as they will return many talented players and look to once again return to the championship game next year.

“We have strong returnee group, we will be a younger team due to six seniors leaving. We have a strong core and hopefully this is motivation for us to work harder to come back to this position and win it,” Figlio said.



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(Left to right) Freshman defender Tamar Klinkhammer, senior defender Julie Laszlo, and junior forward Georgia Garden Bachop were part of the MAAC All-Championship Team.

#24 Ranked Football Wins Sixth Straight Game

ZACH COSENZA
SPORTS EDITOR

Football defeated Presbyterian 42-21 to extend winning streak to six behind their 237 rushing yard and four rushing touchdowns on Saturday afternoon. After the win, MU moved up in the rankings to 22nd in the country in the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) Coaches' Poll.

"We are very happy with the victory, our goal today was to come out of this week 1-0 and move to 8-1 overall," said Head Coach Kevin Callahan. "We weren't hitting on all cylinders early in the first half, you have to credit Presbyterian for that, they made some things difficult for us. To the credit of our team, we came out of the second half flying and scored a bunch of different ways."

Sophomore running back Pete Guerriero led the way on the rushing attack, running for 153 rushing yards and adding a touchdown.

After back-to-back three and outs by the Hawks and Presbyterian to start the game, Presbyterian got on the board first midway through the first quarter, scoring on a nine yard passing touchdown to make it 7-0.

Monmouth answered right away, thanks to junior running back Devell Jones' two yard touchdown run to tie it at seven all. The junior now has a team-high ten rushing touchdowns on the season.

To start the second quarter, Presbyterian took the lead after an 11-yard passing touchdown, making it 14-7.

Midway through the quarter, sophomore quarterback Kenji Bahar threw a 43-yard pass to



Behind the offensive line, Monmouth ran for a combined 237 yards and four touchdowns in the 42-21 win against Presbyterian on Saturday afternoon.

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Monmouth Head Coach

sophomore wide receiver Lonnie Moore IV to get into Presbyterian territory. The drive would end after Bahar threw an interception at the Presbyterian goal line.

Presbyterian would get a quick three and out however, causing them to punt to MU and give them good field po-

sition. On third down, senior running back Michael Jolly broke two tackles and ran it 26 yards for a touchdown to tie it at 14.

Presbyterian looked to take the lead before halftime, but senior safety Mike Basile blocked the field goal attempt to remain the score at halftime

to be 14-14.

On the opening drive of the half, Guerriero ran for two long runs of 17 and 16 yards to setup Monmouth in good field position. Bahar would finish off the drive with a seven yard quarterback keeper to give MU the lead.

On the ensuing drive, the

Hawks forced Presbyterian to another three and out punt. On the punt, senior wide receiver Vinny Grasso ran the punt back 70 yards for his first career punt return for touchdown.

"That was my first punt return of the year, coach just threw me in there," Grasso said. "I just have to find the seam, making people miss. We did a good job blocking, I made the first guy miss and it was off to the races from there."

On the next drive, sophomore defensive back Tymere Berry intercepted the Presbyterian pass and ran to 35 yards back to the Presbyterian 20 yard line. On the next play, Bahar threw a 20-yard passing touchdown to junior tight end Shawn Clark to make it 35-14 MU, scoring on three straight drives to open the second half.

Presbyterian would quickly answer, scoring on a 59-yard passing touchdown to make it a two score game late in the third quarter.

After a Bahar interception and a Presbyterian punt, Guerriero would seal the victory for the Hawks, scoring on a five yard rushing touchdown to make it the eventual final score of 42-21.

For the game, Bahar finished throwing for 165 yards on 13 completions. Jolly finished with 48 rushing yards on only six rushes, averaging eight per carry on the game. Basile led the team with ten tackles, including one for loss.

The Hawks (8-1, 3-0 Big South) will return to Kessler Stadium for senior day as they face Big South foe Gardner-Webb on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 12:00 p.m. MU will look to extend their winning streak to seven games.

Men's Basketball Season to Tip-Off Friday

ZACH COSENZA
SPORTS EDITOR

After finishing with a record of 27-7, Monmouth basketball looks to rebound after a semi-finals loss to Siena in the 2017 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) tournament. The season ended when the Hawks lost to Ole Miss in the first round of the National Invitational Tournament (NIT).

Monmouth will be returning nine players from last year's team. Junior guard Micah Seaborn returns after finishing as the team's second-leading scorer, averaging 13.2 points per contest. Seaborn was Monmouth's lone Preseason All-MAAC selection, and was one of two unanimous choices to the MAAC Preseason First Team.

"A lot of guys are ready to step up into new roles," Seaborn said. "I put a lot of work in to be the leader every night this year."

Guard Austin Tilghman returns for his senior year after being voted the MAAC sixth-man of the year for the 2016-17 season, averaging 7.0 points per game.

"I'm helping the younger guys off and on the court," Tilghman said. "I want to show these guys how to win."

After redshirting last season, senior forward Zac Tillman will return and man the center position for MU.

The team will also be returning several key role players from last year's team who

look to have an increased time this year. Forwards Pierre Sarr (junior), Diago Quinn (junior), Mustapha Traore (sophomore), and Sam Ibiezugbe (sophomore) will return to man the front court. Guards Daniel and Louie Pillari (senior and sophomore, respectively) return for MU.

This year, the Hawks will introduce six new freshmen to the team. Freshman guard Ray Salvane will play this season after redshirting last year. Monmouth will also have forward Melik Martin and guards Deion Hammond, George Papas, and Marcus McClary join the team as true freshmen. Junior guard Nick Rutherford will sit out the season after transferring from Florida Atlantic University.

"We have the chance to be very versatility with this group," Head Coach King Rice said. "We can go totally big with two big men or go small with four guards. Our versatile is something we will try to use this season."

The Hawks graduated five seniors from last year's team. Included in those former five Hawks is guard Justin Robinson, who finished as Monmouth's all-time leading scorer with 2,003 total points. Forward Chris Brady graduated atop the leaderboards in rebounds and blocks.

Rice had a few changes on his coaching staff during the offseason. Jamal Meeks was moved from Director of Basketball Operations to assistant

coach, while Anthony Molisso went from graduate assistant to Director of Operations. Another former graduate assistant, Brian Stafman, took on the role of Special Assistant to the Head Coach.

The Hawks' non-conference schedule includes games against Kentucky at Madison Square Garden, Connecticut, and Princeton. The Hawks will also play three road games for

the Preseason NIT Tip-off tournament against Seton Hall, Virginia, and University of North Carolina-Asheville.

"I always schedule hard," Rice said. "This year is by far our hardest. I like the challenge, it is good for our school, our league, and for our kids."

In the MAAC Preseason Coaches' Poll, Monmouth was voted to finish third in the conference behind reigning confer-

ence champion Iona and Manhattan. The Hawks have never finished lower than projected in the preseason poll.

"All that matters is winning that MAAC championship," Tilghman said on the preseason ranking.

The team will open up the season against Bucknell on Friday, Nov. 10 at 8:30 p.m. at the OceanFirst Bank Center. It can also be seen on ESPN3.



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Men’s Soccer Finishes Season on High Note

EVAN MCMURTRIE
STAFF WRITER

Monmouth men’s soccer team finished their 2017 campaign with a 4-0 victory over Niagara at Hesse Field on the Great Lawn last Wednesday. This improved their final record to 7-9-2 and 4-5-1 in Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) play.

“It was a great way for the seniors to finish their careers,” said Monmouth Head Coach Robert McCourt. “I am eternally grateful to them for their commitment to our program. They have had amazing careers.”

It took less than five minutes for the Hawks to edge themselves in front. Senior midfielder Jake Areman sprinted down the left wing and delivered a precise cross on the ground into the box. Sophomore midfielder Geoffrey Schaefer was there to send it past the keeper with pace from point-blank range to make it 1-0. Areman nearly added a goal to his resume minutes later, but a strong save was made by Niagara’s senior goalkeeper Joel Gerberich.

The hosts doubled their grip on the game just before the half hour mark. Following a free kick close to the corner flag, redshirt senior midfielder Colin Stripling sent a low ball into the box at the near post. Sophomore defender Ryan Wells fought off

a Niagara defender to hold his ground in front of him and deflected the ball off of the bottom of the crossbar and into the back of the net from right in front of the goal line.

Monmouth extended their lead over Niagara to three goals before halftime. From a position near the sideline, junior defender Zachary Pereira bent a cross into the penalty area. Sophomore midfielder George Akampeke darted into the box, jumped up, and volleyed the cross inside of the right post, leaving the keeper with no chance at a save.

Niagara looked for a way back into the game throughout the second half. Monmouth senior goalkeeper Chris Seager, who was given the start for the last game of his career, was forced into making a save in both the 62nd and 72nd minutes. Seager’s second save was a diving effort in which he was able to fully catch the ball after Niagara freshman midfielder Danilo Pekovic curled a shot from outside of the box in search of the far corner.

“I’m speechless [about my four years at Monmouth],” said Seager. “I’m beyond thankful for the coaching staff and for every player I’ve played with over four years. I wouldn’t have wanted it any other way.”

Monmouth wrapped up the match by adding a fourth goal to their tally in the 81st minute. Niagara freshman defender Brian Barry attempted to clear an aerial ball out of the



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Men’s soccer ended their season with a 4-0 victory against Niagara on Wednesday afternoon. Senior goalkeeper Chris Seager finished his collegiate career with a shutout.

box by looping it away from goal with his head. He was unable to get enough power on his clearance and the ball fell right to the foot of freshman forward Jake Treiber, who smashed a volley into the bottom left corner of the goal with his first touch.

The goals of Wells, Akampeke, and Treiber were the first of their Monmouth careers. On the other end of the spectrum, the win over Niagara marked final career matches for seniors Stripling, Areman, and Seager, as well as defender Joey Gudzak and

midfielder Andrew Gee. Seager, who accumulated 21 saves in his seven career starts in goal, said, “Monmouth has shaped me into who I am, and it’s been an unbelievable experience being able to play here and represent Monmouth as a soccer player.”

Women’s Basketball to Open Season Against Sacred Heart

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After losing in the second round of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Tournament in 2016, the Monmouth University women’s basketball team hopes to take the next step forward in the upcoming 2017-18 season.

The team returns seven players that averaged 12 minutes or more during the 2016 campaign, including sophomore guards Alaina Jarrot and Kayla Shaw. Jarrot led the team in assists, while averaging 6.1 points per game in 31 games, while Shaw broke the program record with 93 three-pointers made in route to a spot on the MAAC All-Rookie Team. Monmouth also returns solid rotation players such as sophomore guard Rosa Graham, junior guard McKinzee Barker, and sophomore forwards Alexa Middleton and Taylor Nason.

“It’s going to have such an impact on our season,” Barker said. “Everyone is returning, and our style of play is just as fast as it’s always been. Everyone has so much experience under their belt from last year, and I think it’ll help bring everything together for us.”

They also welcome in three new players, all of which look to make an immediate impact. Senior guard Rhaiah Spooner-Knight will play her lone season for the Hawks after sitting out in 2016 due to transfer rules. Spooner-Knight, a native of New Zealand, was named to the 2015 All-WAC Second Team as a member of Utah Valley State, averaging 13.4 points per game. Freshman forwards Selina Dockery, a Finland native, and Carol Arfinengo, a Spain native, both bring overseas experience with them into their debut seasons with the Hawks. Dockery averaged close to five points per game in 18 minutes



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Women’s basketball looks to start the season 1-0 as they face Sacred Heart at the OceanFirst Bank Center on Friday, Nov. 10 at 6:00 p.m.

for Helmi Basket, while Arfinengo played meaningful minutes for Rivas Ecopolis, which is regarded as a top club team in Spain.

“I’m only one-and-done,” Spooner-Knight said. “I sat out last season and got to watch the team play. I get a different vibe from this year’s team, with our new coaching staff, which I’m really excited about. I’m just excited to get out there and play.”

The program also had major coaching changes, as Head Coach Jenny Palmateer welcomed in three new assistant coaches to her staff: Jody Craig, James Young, and Janet Butler. Craig made the trip across the country after being the head coach at Foothill College in California. During her 20-year collegiate coaching career, Craig posted a record of 448-164, developing 28 All-State players and helped 65 players transfer to NCAA programs. Young brings a

heavy Jersey Shore presence, as he was the head coach of Red Bank Regional High School for seven years. In all seven seasons, he led his team to the playoffs, and his 2016-17 team had the most wins at the school since 1998. Butler enters the program after serving as an assistant coach at the University of Nevada. She also served as a co-captain for a nationally ranked Louisiana College team that reached the DIII playoffs in 2010 and 2011.

“It’s a real credit to my assistant coaches that it has been a seamless transition,” Palmateer said. “I really feel like they all are very different but very similar in the ways they impact our program. Their enthusiasm for our team, and being a part of our program and Monmouth University is unmatched. They’ve done a phenomenal job.”

Monmouth received a decent

amount of attention in the MAAC Preseason Coaches’ Poll, as they were selected to finish fifth in the conference. The Hawks were picked to finish seventh in last year’s poll, and have improved their preseason rank each of the past three years. To add to the preseason accolades, Shaw was selected to the Preseason All-MAAC Third Team. Monmouth hopes to build on growing their success in the postseason as well, as they have advanced to the MAAC Tournament quarterfinals for four straight years.

“Being picked fifth is a great honor,” Palmateer said. “It’s picked by the fellow coaches. I think that shows a respect for our program and where we are heading.”

Monmouth opens their season on Friday, Nov. 10, as they will host Sacred Heart at the OceanFirst Bank Center. Tip-off is scheduled for 6:00 p.m.

UPCOMING GAMES

- Friday, Nov. 10**
Cross Country
NCAA Regional Championships
Bethlehem, PA 11:00 a.m.
- Swimming at Iona**
New Rochelle, NY 4:00 p.m.
- WBB vs. Sacred Heart
OceanFirst Bank Center
West Long Branch, NJ 6:00 p.m.
- WSOC at Princeton
NCAA Tournament First Round
Princeton, NJ 7:00 p.m.
- MBB vs. Bucknell
OceanFirst Bank Center
West Long Branch, NJ 8:30 p.m.
- Bowling at TBA
Warhawk Invitational
Kenosha, WI TBA
- Saturday, Nov. 11**
*Football vs. Gardner-Webb**
Kessler Stadium
West Long Branch, NJ 12:00 p.m.
- Swimming vs. St. Francis
Richard Steadman Natatorium
West Long Branch, NJ 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday, Nov. 12**
MBB at Seton Hall
Newark, NJ 1:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 14**
MBB at Lehigh
Bethlehem, PA 7:00 p.m.
- WBB vs. Lehigh
OceanFirst Bank Center
West Long Branch, NJ 7:00 p.m.
- *conference games*



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Women's Soccer won their second straight championship after defeating second-ranked Manhattan, 5-1. They will face Princeton in the NCAA Tournament on Friday.



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