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Rock the Vote Event Gets Over 100 Students Registered

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The University's Stand Up and Be Counted voter campaign and the Political Science Club hosted the first of two Rock the Vote events in front of the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, on Wednesday, Sept. 26.

The event succeeded at getting more than 160 students on campus registered to vote, and featured free pizza, t-shirts, and a star-spangled dinosaur mascot. Joseph Patten, Ph.D., an associate professor of political science, and one of the coordinators of the Rock the Vote campaign, explained that the event was organized by a volunteer group, consisting of students, faculty, and administrators from all six schools, as well as University President Grey Dimenna, Esq. "All six schools gave contribution to help fund the effort," Patten said. "Our goal is to register 400 students on campus this semester."

In order to plan the event, the Political Science Club



PHOTO COURTESY of Joseph Patten

Students from the Political Science Club stand with President Dimenna and Vice President Nagy during the voter registration event.

held meetings once a week on Wednesdays to come up with fun and creative ways to get students registered to vote. "A lot of the ideas come directly from the students," said Patten.

One of the ideas that has been utilized has been the "classroom barnstormers," about 20 students

who are going through classes on campus to help raise awareness about elections and helping to register students that way.

Landon Myers, a senior political science student with a minor in economics, and President of

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University Launched New Institute for Health and Wellness

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The University announced the establishment of its new Institute of Health and Wellness (IHW), a campus-wide initiative that will serve as a central health and wellness resource for the University and surrounding community, on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

The IHW will leverage the University's existing academic programs in the health fields and regional partnerships with hospitals and other community-based partners, and will be an organization for education, research, and community engagement.

Belinda Anderson, Ph.D., the new Director of the IHW, explained that a significant part of her job includes getting funding, managing projects, and creating and strengthening partnerships with other organizations. "My job as Director will involve shaping the Institute's focus



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Belinda Anderson, Ph.D., was appointed as the Director of the new Institute for Health and Wellness.

and goals," she said. "The Institute's activities will encompass education, research, community service and collaboration, and will be interdisciplinary. I am

responsible for collecting feedback from internal and external stakeholders to collectively

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Nineteen New Faculty Start at Monmouth

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this year.

While he may be new to the University, Zambak is familiar with teaching and researching on the collegiate level. "Before my current position, I was a Postdoctoral Research Associate in the Department of Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science at Marquette University, working under an NSF-funded research project which examines future mathematics teachers' knowledge of argumentation and reasoning," explained Zambak.

"During that time, I also had an opportunity to work as an adjunct professor and taught a mathematics course offered to undergraduate elementary education majors," Zambak continued. "During my Ph.D. preparation at Clemson University, I also had a chance to work as an adjunct professor and taught Instructional Technology courses offered to undergraduate education majors."

Kenneth Womack, Ph.D., Dean of the Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities & Social Sciences, said, "For universities to keep pace with Higher Education, it is indeed vital for MU to hire new faculty on the cutting edge of their fields," he said on the University's decision to add new faculty to the University.

Womack stood by Dimenna's hiring decisions, complimenting his overall approach to hiring. "President Dimenna is always careful to ensure that we consider each new position on its own merits and to ensure that we make smart and fiscally responsible decisions here at MU."

The new faculty additions were spread out, with no department having a substantial growth in faculty for this year. Some faculty were new faces on campus, while others have walked through the halls of campus and are just taking on a new role. Walter Greason, Ph.D., is one of those familiar faces.

Greason was previously the Dean of the Honors School for two years before he took on his new role as the Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Educational Counseling and Leadership. "The School of Education simply

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Monmouth Welcomes New Faculty

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represented an opportunity on par with the best faculty positions in the United States,” Greason explained, as part of his reasoning behind stepping down from his position in the Honors School.

Greason says he accomplished the majority of his goals which he and his team set during his time as Dean of the Honors School, yet it was still a tough choice to make leaving his previous position. “The Dean of the Honors School is one of the most amazing and rewarding jobs on campus,” said Greason. “It was a very difficult choice between two outstanding positions.”

Ai Kamei, Ph.D., is another new addition to the University. Kamei is an assistant professor in the Special Education Department. “Among universities in commutable distance, [Monmouth] stood out to me. Its community size was perfect to me,” Kamei explained. “The small enough class sizes allow me to work closely with each student but it’s big enough to allow me to have time to do more research than teaching intense colleges do.”

“Also, the beautiful campus and people in Monmouth seems to have a good collaborative relationship were plus factors for me to decide to apply for the job in Monmouth,” Kamei commented on her reasoning behind choosing the University.

Kamei was previously an assistant professor in special education/elementary education at Northern Vermont University and has experience teaching a variety of education courses. Her classroom expertise coincided with the needs of the University. “[Monmouth] was looking for someone who can teach behavior/classroom management course and that’s the course I have been teaching in VT and that’s my favorite course to teach” noted Kamei. “I believe that classroom management is

the most important skill all teachers must need. It’s my pleasure to be able to help students learn about them.”

The University also coincided with Zambak’s professional goals, both as a teacher and a researcher. “I always wanted to be a faculty member in a university like Monmouth where I can provide similar experiences for my students,” noted Zambak. “Having such a two-sided connection between teaching and research ultimately attracted me to apply for a job at Monmouth University.”

David Ford, Ph.D., is a new faculty member as well. “I have had colleagues who were faculty here and they loved being here,” Ford explained. “So, when the positions became open, I applied. I was ready for a change and to advance my career.”

Ford is currently an assistant professor in the Department of Professional Counseling. Before taking on his new position, Ford was an assistant professor of Counseling in the Department of Graduate Psychology at James Madison University for four years. “My doctoral work and my clinical

work prepared me for my job here at Monmouth”, commented Ford on his preparation for his newfound position.

While there is excitement and appeal to having a new professor teach a class, at times there can be drawbacks.

Alyssa Mancino, a junior psychology student, said, “It can be tough having a new faculty member as a professor because they don’t always understand campus. They have a teaching style that I’m not used to and that makes it hard sometimes to do well in the class.”

Some students struggle with adapting to the teaching styles of new professors, with their main concern being their grades.

Henning argues that the best way to combat issues with new professors, as well as old professors, is getting to know them. “What all [Monmouth] students should do is get to know their professors,” advised Henning. “Spend time with them or reach out to them other than just when they’re [the students] just listening to them or interacting with them in a classroom.”

The new faculty hired have a lot

to bring to the table, in terms of what they can offer students. They are bringing their experiences outside of the University into their classrooms and giving students a new perspective on various topics. President Dimenna has high hopes for them and believes that

they can fill the shoes of faculty members the University has lost. “They [new faculty] are very diverse in their backgrounds which I think is very important for the University. Also, they are very enthusiastic which is an important characteristic for a teacher.”



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Vecichi Zambak, Ph.D. (Top), David Ford, Ph.D. (Bottom left), and Ai Kamei, Ph.D. (Bottom right) are three of the 19 new faces on campus.

Anderson Named First Director of IHW

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determine the Institute’s priorities.”

“My goal is to develop the IHW so that it embodies the needs, interests and passions of our faculty, students, staff, and external partners,” Anderson said. “I’d like to see the IHW improve the lives of those on campus and in the surrounding community through education, research and service related to health and wellness.”

Michael Palladino, Ph.D., Vice Provost for Graduate Studies, explained, “The concept of the Institute for Health and Wellness was developed through interactive conversations across campus and with external partners during Monmouth’s most recent strategic planning process. It is a direct response to the disrupted healthcare landscape, and an emphasis on preventative medicine, public health and population health management.”

The IHW will not be associated with a particular school,

but will instead be an interdisciplinary resource for health and wellness. Palladino said that he could see a new graduate degree in public health as a potential educational goal that the IHW would pursue.

“We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Anderson to this role, as she brings a wealth of knowledge and experience traversing many aspects of academia, research, and management following a nearly 30-year career in higher education,” said University President Grey. Dimenna, Esq. “With more than 40 percent of our academic offerings directly related to the health professions, and our strong ties to the region’s prominent healthcare organizations, we are confident that Dr. Anderson can help solidify Monmouth as an educational leader in the health sciences.”

“Our organization is committed to supporting creative approaches that improve health care delivery, and our partnership with Dr. Anderson and Monmouth University is an exciting opportunity to

work on health and wellness initiatives that will benefit our community,” said Kenneth N. Sable, M.D., President of both Hackensack Meridian Health Jersey Shore University Medical Center and K. Hovnanian Children’s Hospital, and a member of who served on the search committee for the Director of the IHW.

Sable continued, “Education is a key element as we explore innovative and forward-thinking concepts that can bring together diverse stakeholders and address some of our largest health concerns. We are excited about the launch of the Institute for Health and Wellness and the vision of its leadership team.”

Throughout her career, Anderson has worked collaboratively, engaging partners to support new projects. She recently formed a ten-year collaborative partnership involving interprofessional education programs and three federally funded research projects between the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and the Pacific College of Ori-

ental Medicine.

“I have had prior successful experience with start-ups at universities. In Australia I created a successful research program at an institution that was not research focused. Under my leadership, we secured federal funding and partnered with a large government research agency,” Anderson explained. “Healthcare is ultimately about helping people to lead happy and healthy lives, and having been a clinician, I understand what that involves in working one-on-one with patients.”

“Dr. Anderson is the practical visionary the institute needs to succeed,” said Bill Arnold, MHA, President and CEO of RWJBarnabas Health Monmouth Medical Center and member of the IHW director search committee in a University press release. “Her demonstrated track record of success both in and out of the classroom, combined with her experience in bringing together diverse constituencies to advance common goals, will serve her well in this new role.

We look forward to working together on health and wellness initiatives in the region.”

Anderson previously served as the academic Dean at Pacific College of Oriental Medicine in New York, and is an associate clinical professor at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. She currently serves on the National Institute of Health National Advisory Council for Complementary and Integrative Health. Anderson is an investigator on projects related to education and promoting health and wellness, including acupuncture clinical trials, a residency training program for medical doctors, and training acupuncturists in evidence-based medicine.

Anderson earned her Ph.D. in molecular biology from the University of Sydney before coming to the U.S. to earn her master’s in acupuncture and Oriental medicine from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and her Master’s degree in education from Teachers College, Columbia University.

Hispanic Heritage Celebrated

MEHDI HUSAINI
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The University held the first ever opening ceremony for Hispanic Heritage Month on Monday, Sept. 17, marking the beginning of a series that will run through Friday, Oct. 19.

The event began with a lively musical performance and dancing in front of Wilson Hall, followed by a flag parade to Anacon Hall in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center for a keynote speech by Wilda Diaz, Mayor of Perth Amboy, and a dance performance by Alborada, a Spanish dance company based in New Jersey.

The event was organized by the Hispanic Heritage Month Committee with the sponsorship of the Office of the President, the Office of the Provost, the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Gourmet Dining, and the Educational Opportunity Fund Program, among others. The theme of the series of events is “One Endless Voice to Enhance our Traditions.”

“One of the things I always tell students is that when you come to Monmouth University, you’re coming to get an education and a degree, but you’re also coming to broaden yourself as people and individuals,” said University President Grey Dimenna, Esq., while introducing Diaz. “One of the greatest opportunities you have while you’re here at the University is the ability to meet people from different backgrounds, different cultures, different religions, and get a better understanding of the people that make up our wonderful country.”

“I think it’s really important that we celebrate diversity and most importantly celebrate who we are as students,” said Diaz in her keynote speech, highlighting that the month of events was a great step toward appreciating the Latino culture that she proudly represents as the only Latina mayor in New Jersey. “We can’t continue to allow the [current presidential administration] to diminish and be so disconnected with the Latinos and Hispanics of this nation that only come here to live the American dream and make contributions by their hard work,” Diaz continued.

“Events like these are important to the University are important because it helps students who normally don’t interact with Latinx people to take a glimpse into our culture and ask questions they have always wanted to ask,” said Dally Matos, a junior criminal justice student. “I think especially in our political climate for people to view Latinx people as humans instead of political talking points.”

“I think [that events like this ceremony] are important because it gives an opportunity to showcase the diversity that exists here at Monmouth University and the different cultures that exist within the Hispanic-Latino community and be able to celebrate it and appreciate it in a very unified production,” said Alexis Delgado, Director of Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) and member of the Hispanic Heritage Month Committee

For Delgado, this event



PHOTOS COURTESY of Alexis Delgado

Hispanic Hertiage Month was celebrated through musical performances and a keynote speech by Wilda Diaz.

holds a special significance to celebrate Latino scholarship, traditions, and contributions to society. The month of events will allow people to move beyond stereotypes and generalizations to gain more awareness about what it means to be part of the Latino community, explained Delgado. He also emphasized the importance of Dimenna taking an active role in the festivities, which shows how seriously the University takes diversity and inclusion.

Diaz encouraged members of the audience to continue to strive for a sense of community and service to the less fortunate, as part of the responsibility associated with the celebrations. “Just keep dreaming; keep fighting, and don’t forget where your families are from. They worked really hard to get you here and they’ve always been supportive of you,” she said. She stressed that it is important to speak up against those who would rather silence Hispanic voices, especially during these trying times.

“Hispanic heritage to me means to be proud of your culture and who you are, and

of those who came before you,” said Matos. “Coming to Monmouth as a Latinx person can sometimes be very isolating, and celebrations like this and seeing other people on campus like me makes me feel at home and welcome on campus.” Matos also explained how she approached Delgado to tell him how this event was the first time she felt allowed to be herself and represent her culture on campus. Matos added that having a speaker such as Diaz helped demonstrate the importance of Latina role models.

“It was a wonderful experience to be able to stand and represent the Latino community,” said Sheyla Calderon, a first year criminal justice student. “Hopefully I can represent the Latino community in other events.”

Hispanic Heritage Month at the University consists of several other events this month, including a dance performance on Oct. 3 in Anacon Hal by Alborada, a stereotype workshop on Oct. 10 in Pozycki Hall 206, and a musical performance on Oct. 19 in Pollak Theatre.

Voter Registration Held on Campus

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the Political Science Club, explained that the barnstormers have gone through about 30 classrooms to discuss the importance of voting, informing students of upcoming elections, and handing out registration forms. “The professors were really helpful in allowing us to come into their classrooms and talk to their students,” said Myers. “Many of them also helped in organizing the Rock the Vote event.”

Kaitlin Allsopp, a senior political science student with a minor in gender studies, and one of the coordinators of the event from the Political Science Club, said, “I have been a part of the organization and execution of the annual Rock the Vote event for the past four years. Each year we try to get the campus community energized about voting in all elections, big and small; we provide free food and music and basically just throw a star-spangled voting extravaganza.”

Kenneth Mitchell, Ph.D., Chair of the Department of Political Science and Sociology, and an associate professor of political science, said, “Rock the Vote was a great success, with over 160 students newly registered for the upcoming November election.”

“What I am especially proud of is the fact that the Political Science Club leaders who spearheaded this initiative include both Republicans and Democrats. Our students are a model of the type of civic engagement that our country badly needs,” Mitchell added.

Patten agreed that one of the greatest things about the Rock the Vote events is that they are a non-partisan effort. “There’s no [partisan] agenda. The working group comes from all political stripes, coming together and working together to help raise awareness and get people to vote,” he said.

“The most important thing is to get people to vote; no one cares how people vote,” Patten commented. “And actually, overwhelmingly, the students who register are choosing not to affiliate with either the Republican or the Democratic Party. A majority of students decide to remain independent.”

Stephen Chapman, Ph.D., an assistant professor of political science, said that he hopes the Rock the Vote events will help to serve as a way for students to get an idea of the democratic

process. “It should also serve to energize first-time or younger voters to show up on election day to vote,” he said. “Of course, I think it’s important for anyone to express their informed opinion. However, much of the way I approach politics from a scholarly perspective is about understanding outcomes.”

“I understand that the youngest age group, 18-25, tends to have the lowest voter turnout. There are multiple reasons for this including not feeling invested in the election or candidates, a lack of knowledge about the process or candidates, among many other individual-level traits,” Chapman continued. “So, while I won’t make a judgement call on how ‘important’ it is [for young people to vote], I will say that increasing youth voter turnout could fundamentally shift outcomes in many elections throughout the country. Increasing youth turnout would also make elected officials more accountable to the needs and wishes of younger generations.”

This year, the Rock the Vote events are also part of the 2018 New Jersey Ballot Bowl, a non-partisan, statewide collegiate voter registration competition, initiated by Governor Phil Murphy’s administration and New Jersey’s Secretary of State, Hon. Tahesha Way. According to the New Jersey Department of State official website, students at universities across the state compete against one another to register the most students to vote, and the winners will be announced at a special event before Election Day.

Because many students on campus are either registered with their home address or will not have means of transportation on Election Day, Patten and Myers stated that another effort being made by the Rock the Vote campaign is providing shuttles to bring students to polling locations on Nov. 6.

“We have until Oct. 16 to get students registered to vote,” noted Patten. “If you are already registered with your home address, but you won’t have access to your polling place, you have a few options: re-register with your Monmouth address or apply for absentee ballot and vote by mail. If you are not registered at all yet, come by my office, Bey Hall 246.”

The second Rock the Vote event will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 10 in front of the Rebecca Stafford Student Center between 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.



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Student volunteers help to bring awareness to the election and to help fellow students register to vote.

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The Importance of Voting

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Election Day is Nov. 6, and the University has already begun getting students registered to vote with its nonpartisan “Rock the Vote” campaign, hosted by the Political Science Club on campus. As the 2018 Midterm Elections approach, *The Outlook* has been talking about the importance of voting, and getting involved in all levels of active citizenship.

All of the Editors are registered to vote, except for one, who said: “I do believe that voting is important; however, politics is something that I do not pay attention to, and something I am not educated on, at my own choice.”

Evidently, these doubts are not uncommon amongst voters. Whether it be because they feel uninformed on the issues or because they are not confident in the candidates, nearly 43 percent of eligible voters abstain from voting, according to the U.S. Elections Project.

As Americans, we are granted the right and the immense responsibility of electing others to represent us at all levels of government, from local school boards and state assemblies to the United States Congress and the presidency.

“It is important to vote because it is your way for your voice to be heard in decisions that will affect you,” one Editor said. “I am a firm believer in the idea that your one vote counts.”

“As a woman, it is particularly important to me, since we went without the right to vote for so long,” another Editor said. “The day when I registered to vote, I felt like I wasn’t just doing it for myself, but for every woman who fought for that right before me.”

However, despite the importance of our own vote, many Americans still feel

that their voice does not count at the ballot. Partisanship plays a large role in the disincentive to vote. Many constituents are represented by a politician who does not share the same political affiliation as they do; and many voters live in districts that vote overwhelmingly for a specific party. “It is important to vote, but I can understand why people feel discouraged,” one Editor said.

“When my town elected an all Democratic council for the first time in decades, I thought I made a difference. However, when I vote against Congressman Smith and see that he still wins by 70 percent, I feel my vote is wasted,” the Editor continued.

Another Editor suggested that one should always vote, despite the odds which they are voting against. “In American democracy, we value our ability to choose who is in office; it allows us to have a say in what happens in the political world,” they said. “If your candidate doesn’t win, at least you can live with the fact that you voted for who you thought was best.”

While many eligible voters may have doubts when making their decisions, younger demographics, especially college students, feel significantly apathetic toward voting. “I believe that many young voters abstain from voting because they are either unenthused by the candidates or they do not believe that politics immediately affects them,” one Editor noted. “Many young people are also just not registered to vote, or they don’t know how to do so,” they continued.

Going to the polls to cast a vote also becomes difficult when student voters are living on campus with no means of transportation or are living outside of their

own district or their home-state. Situations like these are when absentee ballots and voting by mail become an important link to the election process.

Because they have never voted while outside of their home-state, many of the Editors were unaware that voters could apply for an absentee ballot if they are living outside of their own voting jurisdiction.

“I’ve never been out of state during elections. I have, however, mailed my ballot in with plenty of time to be counted,” one Editor noted.

One Editor said that accommodations such as voting by mail and applying for absentee ballots are something that they have looked to learn more about, since they wish to live outside of their own-state in the future.

Although deadlines for voter accommodations differ among states, any registered voter may apply for an absentee ballot and vote by mail. In New Jersey, applications for an absentee ballot must be received seven days before Election Day by mail, or by 3:00 p.m. the day before Election Day in person, according to the New Jersey Department of State. All voted ballots are due by the close of polls on Election Day.

Many of the Editors will be casting their vote on Election Day this year, and we encourage all registered voters to do the same, especially students and young people. Because government depends on the consent of the governed, we have the right to expect our voices to be heard and appreciated, and our votes to count in making a difference. So whether you are voting Democrat, Republican, or Independent this election cycle: just be sure to get your voice heard at the ballot and *vote!*

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Fall Break? Fall Break.

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As October is finally here, there is one thing I'm sure most of us are thinking about...Fall Break. The semester is starting to pick up and classes are becoming busier and busier. The summer daze is finally wearing off and we are fully immersed in classes and extracurricular activities. We have stopped counting the hours of sleep we are getting or the cups of coffee we are consuming. The due dates of assignments start to appear faster and the anxiety of classes are now in full swing.

Fall break gives students and faculty a time to catch their breaths. In such a fast pace society, we sometimes forget the power of breaks. There are many

schools that do not give fall breaks because they do not feel it is necessary to take more time out of the academic school year. Emma Stukenberg a senior at Monmouth University said, "Fall break is important especially to freshmen who are transitioning into college. It is most likely their first time being away from home and it allows them to spend time with their family and refresh before continuing the rest of the semester."

The Monmouth Plague is in full effect right now. Think to yourself how you have been feeling lately. As the temperatures start to fluctuate there starts to become more sicknesses roaming around campus. Especially, when living in the dorms it becomes a Petri dish of sickness. Having a break does not only help your mental health but

also your physical health. Getting away from your dorm rooms for a few days can improve your health immensely.

Mental health is a very prevalent issue for college students in today's society. There is great pressure of performing at high levels in the classroom. This stress can cause a lot of issues not only in short terms but also long term. A study done by the Associated Press said, that eight in ten college students have experienced some type of stress in their daily lives. As a result, stress can cause students to perform at lower levels because the pressure is crippling.

While most schools do not have fall break, Monmouth values the physical and mental health of their students. Maryn Hubiak, a sophomore transfer student said, "Having this opportunity of a fall break makes me more relaxed because I know I'll have the time I need to catch up on work and sleep. Also, I am excited to be able to go home to see my family as I value family greatly." Fall break gives students the opportunity to go home and see their family or friends.

However, if people choose to stay on campus they can request to stay in the dorms. Even though those students are not going home they still have the opportunity for some free time whether it is to catch up on work or rest.

A major draw that Monmouth has over other Universities is their investment in the students. This shines through with making the time to give their students breaks. Every school should make it a priority to make sure their students are not too stressed and giving them a break is a great start.



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Fall Break is the perfect time to relax and focus on your physical and mental health. And be sure to take in the fall foliage.

Take a Ride to the Big Screen

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It's a Friday night. You're wishing you made plans but instead you've lost count of how many times you've cycled through all your social media apps. Nonetheless, you're bored and looking for some good entertainment. But, the sweatpants are on, your face has been washed and your hair is a mess, so there's no turning back now; you're in for the night.

Before you grab the remote to start the endless search for a new movie on Netflix, I'd advise you to take a few minutes to reconsider. There is a lot of entertainment out there, and for the most part, you don't want to have to get all gussied up for the occasion. Now of course there are the go-to's: Netflix, HULU, (or any of those illegal sites) or the classic movie theater, but don't rule out the old school drive-in quite yet.

The drive-in movie theater is a win-win for all types of movie goers; the romantic, the cheapskate, the heavy snacker, the whisperer, the cackler, etc. The drive-in caters to the wants of each and every member of the audience, all in the luxury and comfort of his or her vehicle. Although you may be leaving the house, you're really only steps away from your own mobile theater.

Nobody wants to break the bank just to get some valuable entertainment. Drive-in theaters cost anywhere from \$4.00-\$8.00 per person, while including two different showings. An average theater ticket costs around \$12.00 per person, not including drinks or snacks, for just one showing. This is about four times the cost of a drive-in ticket,

taking into account the amount of movies being shown.

No matter your age, drive-ins are guarantees to throw you into a time warp. From the sea foam green color scheme to the large graphic advertisements, you'll get lost in a new, or old, decade. This type of movie experience is also a great way to get away from the crowds and spend a little time alone. Try to think of the last time you had an intimate conversation at the movie theater. The drive-in provides a personal space in your vehicle where conversation will not disrupt others' experience.

Additionally, there's no need to be conservative with the snacks. Movie theater snacks tend to be pricey, and you can only smuggle so much candy inside the pockets of your jacket. At the drive-in, however, you can bring in all the food you want, without the risk of getting penalized if caught.

Although the closest theater to Monmouth University is about an hour and a half away, in Warwick, New Jersey, the drive-in is an experience, and more than just movie entertainment. Rather than being confined to the inside of your dorm, spend some time off campus at an outdoor theater. It provides great entertainment for a reasonable price.

After visiting my first drive-in theater this past summer, I wish to never go back to a regular movie theater. The drive-in is a great way to experience a piece of the past, while adding a little adventure to your normal theater outing. Next time you find yourself dreadfully scrolling through social media or Netflix looking for something to watch, throw it back to the 70's and head to the drive-in theater.

Is Social Media Taking Up Too Much of Our Time?

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Imagine a world where technology has completely taken over. It isn't as far-fetched as you may think. Though it may be difficult to admit, especially for the younger generation, the concepts surrounding social media are quickly shaping the ways in which we think and go through our everyday lives. The impact that it has is the reason why I feel so strongly that we, as a society, spend too much time on social media.

Back in 2013, comedian and actress Charlene deGuzman wrote and starred in a YouTube video entitled "I Forgot My Phone." The video captures the disheartening reality of social media's control over our lives, or rather the control we allow it to have.

The video depicts deGuzman going through her day being surrounded by both loved ones and strangers alike who have an unhealthy infatuation with their cell phones. Whether it was during a lunch outing with friends, a concert or even lying in bed with her boyfriend at night and during the early morning, she is iced out by everyone around her. The saddest part is how undeniably real this video's depiction is.

If I'm standing in line waiting for food at the Student Center or even when I manage to get to class a few minutes early, it is almost guaranteed that there will be people hunched over

their phone screens in order to avoid interaction with the people around them. Admittedly, I'm also guilty of the mindless scrolling that social media offers. It's easy in moments of

silence to turn to something that provides us with so much noise.

I think we also have this idea that we need to prove to others that our lives are worth paying

attention to. We've all heard that social media is simply the highlight reel of people's lives, but has it really sunken in yet? Why is it that we try so hard to paint such a perfect online life?

When in reality, that Instagram post about your anniversary with a significant other is hiding the fight you had with them this morning, or that salad in your lunch Snapchat ended up in the garbage barely touched because you wanted a slice of pizza instead. Perfection should not lie within a couple posts online. There is no such thing as the perfect life.

I think we need to start living in the moment rather than viewing it from behind a screen. It's okay to take photos and videos to keep as memories. I do this all the time when I use Snapchat with my six-year old niece or when my dog is doing something crazy that I want to show someone later on.

Snapchat is always my go to because it allows me to be goofy and connect with friends in a different way rather than just texting them. We can still appreciate the things social media allows us to do, it's just about we handle our social media use in moderation.

If you go to a concert, just enjoy the show without recording it. When you're out with your friends, put down the phone and have an actual conversation with them. Try and be daring and talk to someone before class starts instead of getting sucked into your phone screen.

I promise putting your phone down for a few moments won't be the death of you. Who knows, maybe you'll find some noise of your own outside of the realm of social media.

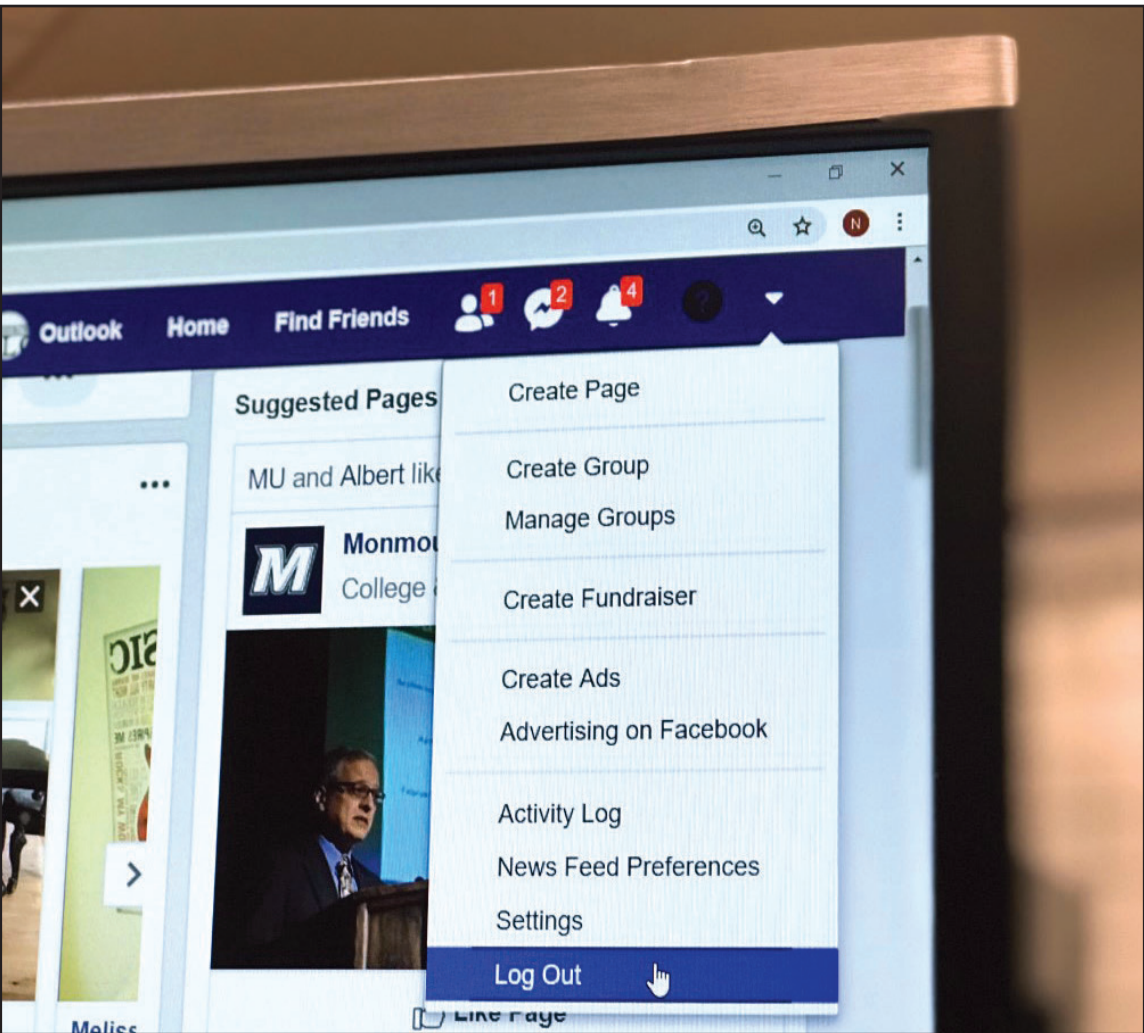


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As a society, we have **become** addicted to our phones and the apps that fill them. Social media is such a big part of people's lives, but when is it too much?

University Hosts Senator Kyrillos as Public Servant-in-Residence Panelist

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The University hosted an open-forum panel discussion on pension and benefit reform with the Public Servant-in-Residence program in the Wilson Auditorium on Friday, Sept. 28.

The Office of the President and the Department of Political Science and Sociology coordinated the Public Servant-in-Residence program, and is featuring former New Jersey state-Senator Joe Kyrillos (R-Monmouth) as its 2018-2019 Public Servant-in-Residence.

Throughout the academic year, Kyrillos will be leading four panel discussions, focusing on pension and benefits reform, bridging the partisan divide, jobs and the economy, and oceans and shore protections, respectively.

In addition to Kyrillos, the first panel included New Jersey Senate President Sen. Stephen Sweeney (D-Gloucester); Richard Keevey, a former-Budget Director and Comptroller for New Jersey; Tom Byrne, former-Chair of Senate Investment Council, and member of the New Jersey Pension and Health Benefits Study Commission; Peter Reinhart, Esq., Director of the University's Kislak Real Estate Institute, and a member of the Fiscal Policy Working Group; and Gordon MacInnes, a former New Jersey state-Senator, and President and Chief Executive of New Jersey Policy Perspective.

"The program was created to provide a venue for public officials to share their expertise with students and the campus community at Monmouth University," writes University President Grey Dimenna, Esq., in an email inviting students to attend the forum.

Paul Dement, the Director of Government and Community Relations, orchestrated the event as part of the Office of the President.

He believes that pensions are an important issue for the state of New Jersey and, "The panelists were able to communicate that," he said.

When asking Dement if he thought of pensions to be more important than other issues facing New Jersey residents, such as the high property taxes, he said that he considers all of

these issues to be connected.

"I'm not saying that [the pension] issue is necessarily more important than any other issue, but it's an important issue for the state," Dement explained.

"And I think the Public Servant-in-Residence this year, Joe Kyrillos, thought it was a good idea to discuss this topic [in the panel]," he continued.

In speaking with Kyrillos regarding who is at fault for the current pension crisis: government officials or state employers, he holds both groups accountable.

He believes that government officials failed to accept responsibility and that state employers became lax in putting money away annually for their workers' pensions.

During the forum, panelist Sweeney suggested that in or-

der to solve this issue, converting all new state employees to a 401k plan and to keep vesting employees in the present system.

Another solution that Sweeney proposed during the forum would be to reduce healthcare benefits that are already considered "platinum" standard, according to the Affordable Care Act guidelines, to "gold," which would allow for an influx of money into pensions.

Kyrillos believes that these suggestions are practical solutions to the current issue.

After establishing the plausibility of the proposed statewide system, Kyrillos addressed whether or not employees of the private sector should be allowed to opt in.

"No, I believe that it is the responsibility of the corporation

to take care of their employees," stated Kyrillos.

Kyrillos made a point by asking the students who were present in the audience whether or not they plan on leaving New Jersey after they graduate college, and many of them raised their hands.

Landon Myers, a senior political science student with a minor in economics, and President of the Political Science Club, expressed that issues like this one are why it is important that students attend these open-forums.

"I think that it's important because a lot of times, students aren't engaged in politics and they aren't engaged in government."

Myers also believes that awareness of political issues is vital since, "the government determines a lot of what happens in the state."

He continued, and said, "Actually, a lot of us, personally, pay taxes and the government decides policies and laws that effect everyone, especially as college students too—[such as] higher education funding."

Perhaps the information provided by the panelists will help keep young adults in New Jersey, to help effect change, and to get and keep students involved in politics and in their government.

The next Public Servant-in-Residence open-forum will be held in the last week of November, and that panel will focus on bridging the current partisan divides in politics.



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Sen. Kyrillos leads the panel in discussion on pensions at the Public Servant-in-Residence event.

The "Trade-Off" of U.S. Tariff War with China

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President Donald Trump issued new tariffs on approximately \$200 billion worth of Chinese goods, on Monday, Sept. 17.

The first cycle of ten percent tariffs were already been in effect since Monday, Sept. 24.

The administration's recent tariffs are set to reach a rate of 25 percent by Jan. 1, 2019, and come in addition to the \$50 billion worth of goods that were already taxed earlier this year.

In response to the first round of tariffs, China countered by implementing tariff's they import from the U.S.

As a result, the Trump administration enacted the new tariffs. Nearly half of all Chinese imports to the U.S. now have levies or tariffs on them.

The tariffs will only affect certain Chinese goods; selective products established or listed by the Trump administration.

The first round of tariffs focused primarily on industrial equipment, whereas these tariffs affect a range of products such as electronics, food, and clothing.

Kenneth Mitchell, Ph.D., Chair of the Department of Political Science and Sociology, explained that it is important to keep in mind that China and the U.S. are two of the biggest economies in the world.

"The United States has the largest consumer market," said Mitchell. "And those that have the largest consumer markets [are the ones] who get to make the rules."

Mitchell further explained that because the U.S. has the largest consumer market, these tariffs would ultimately hurt the companies and businesses producing the products, more than they would hurt consumers.

"I don't think it's that bad," he said. "Trump slashed the corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 20 percent [in efforts for corporations to have more money to invest] and we are not seeing the prices go up now."

However, Mitchell did note that Trump is borrowing money at historic highs, in comparison to previous presidents, due to the tax cuts.

"Until there is some consequence[s], there is no reason to stop them," Mitchell added, when asked how long he believes that these tariffs would remain in place.

Robert Scott, III, a professor of economics and finance, stated that the result of these tariffs are difficult to predict right now.

Because many companies have been moving or relocating business outside of the U.S., Scott explained that Trump's aim to placing these tariffs is to try to bring back some of those companies that moved offshore,

and to discourage other businesses and companies to moving offshore.

"Between automation and the difference in wages, the jobs will either be automated or taken somewhere else," he said.

"I believe that American consumers are indirectly responsible for poor Chinese working conditions," said Scott, explaining that these tariffs, "might help fix other issues or cause changes" in China such as working conditions or environmental policy.

One of the issues during the 2016 presidential election was the issue dealing with trade with foreign countries, especially China.

Trump repeated statements as to how NAFTA and the proponents were a bad deal for the United States.

Landon Myers, a senior political science student with a minor in economics, said, "[Trump's] choice of actions is wrong, but action needs to be taken."

Both Mitchell and Scott agree with Trump's tariffs, explaining that the U.S. has the upperhand, because it has the largest consumer market and because of China's recent stagnation in economic growth.

Although it remains to be seen what the result of these tariffs will be, Scott concludes that they could end up being beneficial for both the U.S. and China or, "end up in total disaster."

White House Limits Kavanaugh Probe

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The Trump administration has prevented the FBI from investigating Julie Swetnick's allegations of sexual assault against U.S. Supreme Court nominee Judge Brett Kavanaugh, multiple White House officials briefed on the matter told *NBC News* on Saturday, Sept. 29.

Multiple White House officials, under anonymity, confirmed to *NBC News* that the White House counsel's office has given the FBI a list of specific witnesses they are permitted to interview in the reopened background investigation into Kavanaugh, an unexpected method which deviates from Senator Jeff Flake's (R-Arizona) request following the Senate Judiciary Committee's vote for floor confirmation last Friday, Sept. 28.

Under the administration's restrictions, FBI investigators are not permitted to obtain information about witness and co-conspirator Mark Judge's employment at the supermarket where Dr. Blasey Ford testified she saw him working which, "would [otherwise] help better narrow the date of the assault she testified about to the Senate Judiciary Committee," said Katherine Parkin, Ph.D., a professor of history and gender studies.

The FBI is also prohibited from investigating Kavanaugh's multiple accounts of drinking in

college, which Parkin said, "will of course have tremendous bearing on the testimony provided by his second accuser, Deborah Ramirez, and her account that he stuck his penis in her face, as they hung out in a group of friends at Yale."

Because of the recent limitations on the FBI's probe, Parkin said, "The sincere call for a FBI investigation, sparked by two women [Maria Gallagher and Anna Maria Archilla] who confronted Senator Flake about their experience having been sexually assaulted, has instead immediately devolved into a farce."

"Instead of the 'free reign' that [Trump] promised, he lied and instead dictated a dramatically narrower scope of who and what they could investigate. Predicated on his disdain for the lawyer of the third victim who has come forward publicly, Julie Swetnick, the President disallowed the FBI from doing a complete and thorough investigation," Parkin continued.

"Not only are they not able to speak to Swetnick, they have in fact been instructed to only interview a narrow list of approved individuals," she concluded.

The re-opened background investigation was granted to take place over the course of no more than one week, and the Senate will hold a floor vote no later than this Friday, Oct. 5 to determine Kavanaugh's confirmation.

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The Dreaded Phenomenon: *The Freshman 15*

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There is a lot to gain from the college experience: friends, knowledge, life skills- and for some, unwanted weight. Adapting to the college lifestyle can be challenging for new students.

The newfound sense of freedom can be both exciting and dangerous when it comes to eating habits and exercise.

The freshman 15 is a phenomenon that can be a threat to students everywhere; if the proper measures are not taken it can become a reality and affect one's health in a negative light.

New levels of stress can cause mindless overeating and it can be difficult to find time to work out between classes. Freshmen can be overwhelmed getting used to the college workload, never mind trying to incorporate an exercise regime.

Fortunately, there are many ways to avoid succumbing to the dreaded weight that can come with life at a university.

Having a healthy diet and steady exercise regime does not have to be for vanity reasons. It is important to treat your body well in order to achieve overall wellness.

Taking care of your health has countless benefits. A healthy diet can make one feel energized and ready to tackle the next task.

The same goes for exercise, a good work out has the ability to elevate your mood and alter your mindset.

Stay Active

Monmouth University has a variety of resources that students can take advantage of right on campus. The Ocean First Bank

Center is home to the fitness center that is free to students by simply showing their school I.D.

Tiffany Antonelli, sophomore criminal justice student, gave her input on the topic.

"I like to go to the gym in the morning because it sets a positive tone for my day," Antonelli stated. Working out earlier in the morning can make students more focused and less likely to skip their work out.

Don't want to leave the residential side of campus? Are you using that as an excuse to not exercise? Well, don't you worry.

Students have the luxury of not having to leave that side of campus. The Hawk's Den Fitness Center, located in Oakwood Hall is easily accessible as well as a fitness lounge in Mulaney Hall.

The campus's indoor and outdoor track are also available for use.

In addition to personal training, the fitness center also offers various group fitness classes that students are encouraged to attend.

If the gym just isn't your thing, there are other opportunities to stay active.

For many students, they may have been part of a sports team in high school that kept them in shape.

Monmouth University offers a multitude of intramural, recreational, and club sports where students can find an activity that they find enjoyable while potentially making new friends and teammates.

Take advantage of the area. Living so close to the beach has its perks.

The surrounding area has

minimal hills, which makes it for easy running. Grab a friend or put in your earphones, go for a walk or jog, walk along the beach. The possibilities are endless.

A Balanced Diet

It can be hard to stay healthy without home cooked meals. The dining hall and student center can be full of temptation, especially on chicken finger Wednesday's.

With temptation all around, students must practice self-discipline.

While students debate whether there are healthy options available on campus for students with meal plans, it is important to put the right food in your body.

It can be easier to stay healthy by eating with a friend with the same goal in mind.

By eating balanced meals and snacking healthy throughout the day, you are more likely to make healthier decisions when it comes to food.

Nicole Florze, senior criminal justice student, shares how she stays fit. "Try to avoid skipping meals; when meals are missed, people are more likely to binge later in the day," Florez mentioned.

It could also be helpful to keep healthy snacks in your dorm room or kitchen. Eating throughout the day keeps the metabolism going.

When talking to Lita Richards, MSN, APN-C from Monmouth University Health Services, she provided great insight on this topic. Richards stated, "It is important for students to eat a balanced diet because it will lead to prevention of diseases in the future."



PHOTO TAKEN by Cassandra Capozzi-Smith

When exercising, it is important to stay dedicated to a routine and eat healthy as well.

Moving away from the healthy dieting for a second, she continued in saying, "Smoking, vaping, and juuling are essential to your health too because they can affect your lungs and overall health."

Ultimately, staying healthy can add to your overall wellness.

Moderate exercise and a balanced diet are the simple

solutions to avoid college weight gain.

When choosing to take the initiative to better living, it is important to remember that everyone is different.

Go at your own pace and try not to compare yourself to others.

What matters most is that you are making an effort to live a healthier lifestyle.

A Quick View on How to Ace That Interview

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"So tell me about yourself" is the dreaded interview question. The process of applying for positions and preparing for interviews can be a full-time job itself. It's important to be prepared for an interview whether it's face-to-face or over the phone.

Either way, making a lasting impression and standing out from other applicants will really provide a leg up for the employer.

Interviews can be extremely intimidating; so hopefully, by compiling some tips, this process can be easier for the future and for other students.

A good mindset can go a long way when it comes to being interviewed.

Trivial details like body posture and a smile show care for the job already. Jess Pak, a freshman math education student stated, "Definitely walk in with a smile and dress nice. It's all about the small details like that. They mean the most."

These are the first few things that an employer will notice about you and starting the interview in a positive way before even answering any questions is a nice start to a long process.

She continued, "Showing a want and care for the job before even getting it is a great sign."

Interview attire should be formal. Stick to the basics such as slacks and a blouse with a necklace or earrings and for a guy,

a collared shirt and dress pants. While looking the part is not everything, it does mean a lot for the employer.

Many interviewers also look for a firm handshake. We're not trying to break fingers here, but a well-gripped handshake will make a great impression.

So you look formal and you gave a firm handshake.

You're about halfway there. Sitting in the chair and thinking about what the employer is going to ask will just rile up nerves in the brain.

Staying confident is key, and this

can be done by preparing beforehand with some mock questions.

Every employer has their own questions specific to the job but there is the core few that come up in most interviews such as: "What are your strengths and weaknesses?"

"How well do you work in a team?"

"Give me an example of when you have used patience in your life."

Monmouth University Career Services can help any student who needs assistance with interview attire and will even do mock interviews. When talking to William

Hill, Assistant Dean of Career Services Center for Student Success, he encouraged students to "go on our website, access 'big interview,' it is a program which allows students to select questions they want to practice."

He continued in saying, "You can take the link that it gives you and you can send it to career services and we can email you back or meet with you and comment on the videos and responses that it records."

This is an excellent service to utilize and the convenience is even better.

The website is full of adive and resources.

Also, a resume is a great document to bring with you on an interview. It lets the employer know that you are prepared and gives a great guide for your previous experience.

Anna Maida, a freshman communication student stated, "Have a resume with you because it serves as the foundation or your work life and it shows confidence."

When answering questions, just think about your answers and don't try to be someone that you are not. If they really want you, they will like the real you. Just let the confidence and enthusiasm shine.

Answers for questions should be a few sentences at most and should reflect what you feel you can bring to the job.

Talking about yourself highly is important. Mention your plans during or after college and really personalize yourself to the employer. At the same time, asking the employer questions is not a bad thing. It shows engagement to the job and an interest.

Asking questions and following up with interviewers are essential. When discussing the topic, Hill noted "It may even make or break you to the employer."

Following these tips can definitely help you. You know what your capable of and you know what you can bring to the company. Hopefully, these tips helped. Best of luck.



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Interviewing is a process that many people do not enjoy. But at the end of the interview, be sure to thank the employer for thier time and ask for a business card, as William Hill said this is a great tip.



SEA.HEAR.NOW FESTIVAL

Rocks Asbury Park



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Asbury Park’s First Annual Sea.Hear.Now Festival packed in 20,000 fans. It was a wonderful display of music, art, and Jersey Shore culture that took place last weekend on Sept. 29 and 30.

The festival was made up of three stages: Surf Stage on the north beach, Sand Stage on the south beach by Convention Hall, and Park Stage in Bradley Park.

The Battery Electric kicked things off on Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m., followed by the Preservation Hall Jazz Band at 1:30 p.m.

The headliners on Saturday were Blondie, Ben Harper & the Innocent Criminals, and Incubus, who played on the Surf Stage.

On the other hand, The English Beat, Frank Turner and the Sleeping Souls, and Brandi Carlile were on the Sand Stage. Finally, on the Park Stage, Deer Tick and Highly Suspect played for thousands of fans.

On Sunday night, the headliners were Jack Johnson, Social Distortion, and Twin Peaks.

When Social Distortion closed their act for the night, Bruce Springsteen made a surprise guest appearance and joined along, playing three songs – one of which being Johnny Cash’s “Ring of Fire” (if only he played “I’m on Fire.”)

This surprise appearance from Springsteen made Social Distortion’s set one of the best.

The audience agreed too; they exploded in screams and applause when The Boss turned around with a guitar in hand,



IMAGE TAKEN from The Pop Break

Bruce Springsteen closed the Sea.Hear.Now Festival with Social Distortion last Sunday night.

accompanied by Mike Ness.

Besides The Boss gracing the festival with his presence, Blondie, The English Beat, Social Distortion and Jack Johnson were also phenomenal. Blondie played hits such as “One Way or Another” and “Atomic.”

The English Beat, a classic reggae-punk band, played “Save It for Later,” which is an awesome tune gaining popularity again because it was in the *Spider-Man: Homecoming* soundtrack.

Social Distortion rocked out to “Machine Gun Blues,” and even Jack Johnson played a little piece of it on ukulele in between his sweet classics like “Banana Pancakes,” “Upside Down,” and “Better Together.”

Other acts for the festival included The Original Wailers, Frank Turner and the Sleeping

Souls, The Front Bottoms, The Menzingers, and SOJA.

Later in the evenings at 11 p.m., after shows were held at the Stone Pony and Wonder Bar that featured performances by the Tangiers Blues Band, Preservation Hall Jazz Band, Danny Clinch, Ben Harper, Jack Johnson, members of Incubus, Blondie, Nicole Atkins, and many more.

There was also a nice smaller section for local, up and coming bands like Asbury’s This, That, and the Others and Ocean Township’s The Little Brothers Band.

Seeing these local bands perform was refreshing, because it shows how festival organizer Danny Clinch and his team really worked hard to make this festival accessible to all kinds of people

alike, youth included.

When I asked two festival attendees, Robby Kremler and Kirk Snyder, what they thought about the festival, they were both impressed by the experience. Kremler said it was, “An incredible trip through time, sitting and watching blooming new bands like This, That, and the Others on the street, then walking up to the beach to see Blondie and The English Beat.”

“I always thought I would have to travel to Woodstock or Firefly to experience something like this,” he added.

Somehow, I stumbled back stage for Jack Johnson’s set, and his performance as a singer/songwriter and performer at this festival was perfect for the ambiance the organizers intended.

After all, the Sea.Hear.Now festival wasn’t only a festival for music, but for surfing and the arts as well.

Clinch was born just south of Asbury Park, in Toms River.

The organizer’s profession as a photographer and artist shows in the way he produced this festival.

Aside from all of the musicians, there were also professional surfers like Sam Hammer, Rob Kelly, and Cassidy McCalin competing.

Additionally, the spaces in between the stages were filled with different paintings and murals by local artists like John Glenn.

Not to mention the Transparent Gallery, Clinch’s own art gallery in Asbury, where Jack Johnson, Brandon Boyd, and Chris Stein displayed their art.

No one could disagree with Danny Clinch Sunday evening when he said, “At the inaugural Sea.Hear.Now Festival, dreams do come true.”

Last weekend was a success for the bands, fans, surfers, artists, and for Asbury Park.

The Sea.Hear.Now festival was promoted as Asbury Park’s First Annual, and after such a beautiful festival production by Clinch, as well as great music from Blondie to Jack Johnson and all the different art, there is no reason it shouldn’t return next year.

When asked about playing at the Sea.Hear.Now Festival, Kenny Vest of This, That, and the Others said, “It’s like a cool breeze was waving down the dunes, it really was a fine day to play some tunes.”

THE LIFESPAN OF A FACT

Is In Fact Worth Checking Out

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Taking place in the iconic space of Studio 54, *The Lifespan of a Fact* is a new play, starring Daniel Radcliffe, Cherry Jones, and Bobby Cannavale.

If Radcliffe’s name looks familiar, it’s because he also played the little-known role of Harry Potter.

Radcliffe is not a stranger to the stage; he has been in several New York and London productions.

I have previously seen him in the musical *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, as well as the play *The Cripple of Inishmaan*.

Both performances were triumphant, and this play is no exception from Radcliffe’s superb

acting skills.

In *The Lifespan of a Fact*, Radcliffe plays Jim, a young Harvard graduate who is now a fact-checker for a magazine.

The play opens with a meeting with his editor, Emily, played by Jones, in which she asks him to look for any inaccuracies in an essay before it is published.

Emily warns him that the essay is by a popular author and the job is not a small undertaking.

This play is based on the true story of John D’Agata’s, played by Cannavale, essay “What Happens There,” about the Las Vegas suicide of teenager Levi Presley.

This essay is the one that Jim is assigned to analyze, but John’s arrogance causes him to reject all suggestions from Radcliffe’s character.

Hilarious bickering ensues between the two men; you’ll be laughing out loud during the play’s entire duration, despite the dark content within the essay.

Given only a weekend to complete his task, Jim seemingly goes without sleep as he contemplates every word of the essay.

Jim is overly eager to prove himself and he delves into more details than his editor ever expected.

There is a screen on stage that displays the days passing by, as well as the inquisitive emails that Jim sends to John.

This was a great use of modern technology and a unique way to indicate scene changes.

The play’s unexpected turn comes when John calls Emily to complain about Jim’s nerviness.

When the lights come up, it is revealed that Jim is sleeping on John’s couch.

Not only did he show up in the middle of the night to check if the house actually has a draft, since that’s what the essay states, but he flew from New York to Las Vegas to accomplish the obsessive task.

One of best moments is when Jim presents a chart that he made, to decide if one detail in the essay could really be described as a “traffic jam.”

Jim gives a crazed explanation of the math that he did, proving that there could have never been enough cars on the highway to qualify as a “jam.”

John watches him with a



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The play features stars Bobby Cannavale (right), Cherry Jones (center), and Daniel Radcliffe (left).

disturbed expression, and the entire audience erupted with laughter.

Emily then flies out to Vegas to settle the dispute.

Upon Emily’s arrival, she asks Jim to give her a moment of privacy to talk to John.

Where does he end up hiding away? In a cupboard under the stairs.

This served as a very funny full-circle moment for Harry Potter fans.

A unique feature of the play is that it is only one act, running for about 95 minutes with no intermission.

I worried about the lack of intermission, but the production is very fast moving, and I was so engrossed in the plot that my

mind didn’t even consider taking a bathroom break.

Overall, the small cast of three was captivating, but Radcliffe was the true star. He brought most of the laughs out of the audience, as well as the loudest applause at the end. His timing is impeccable, and he steals every scene.

The play is currently in previews, and its 16-week limited engagement is scheduled to end on Jan. 13.

If you’re lucky like me, you’ll have a cool aunt who surprises you with a ticket.

But if not, prices are fair for Broadway, starting at only \$79.

This was my favorite stage performance from Radcliffe, and I would advise anyone to take a trip to the city for this show.

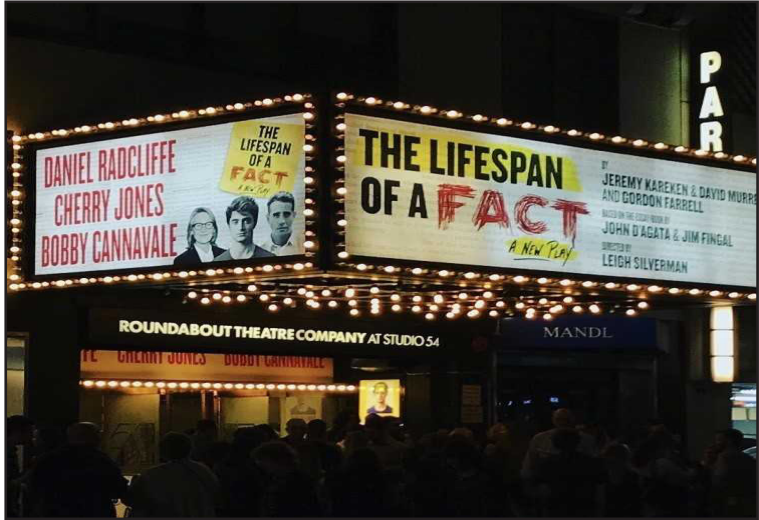


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The Lifespan of a Fact is playing on Broadway through Jan. 13.



The World is Yours

At Monmouth's World Cinema Series



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The World Cinema Series, a passion project of history professor Thomas Pearson, Ph.D., celebrates its fifth year at the University this semester.

The theme of this year's films is "Thirty Years After the Fall of the Berlin Wall (1989-2019): Hopes Abandoned," and seeks to invoke discussion about the influence of democracy, or lack thereof, on international events.

Pearson began featuring films in 2008 with the start of his Provost Series, which continued until he stepped down from the position in 2014.

Since its genesis, the series has undergone an immense growth. Pearson commented that he now has about 15 board members who work to determine the theme, pick films, and ensure that each event

runs smoothly.

Each year, the movies center on a certain theme that encourages discussion about worldly topics.

After each movie, Pearson brings in a commentator who will lead discussion and answer questions about the film.

Pearson believes that this aspect is the most valuable of the series. "You get caught up in the story, but the film is actually chosen to focus on a particular theme, and intended to get the audience to think and ask questions," he said.

When asked about his primary goal in continuing this series, Pearson stated, "students that go to these films are going to discover that there is a whole world of film out there that is not shown at the blockbuster movie theaters."

Pearson continually emphasized the importance of global perspective to young people,

and that these films seek to encourage students at the University to, "begin to look at events in the world, to look at other people outside their own experiences and to appreciate their lives and perspectives on global issues."

Pearson seemed delighted that last year's attendance to the films was much greater than that of previous years, and he is hopeful that this trend will continue.

Students who attend the films note that they are often surprised by the amount of insight that they gain from watching the movies.

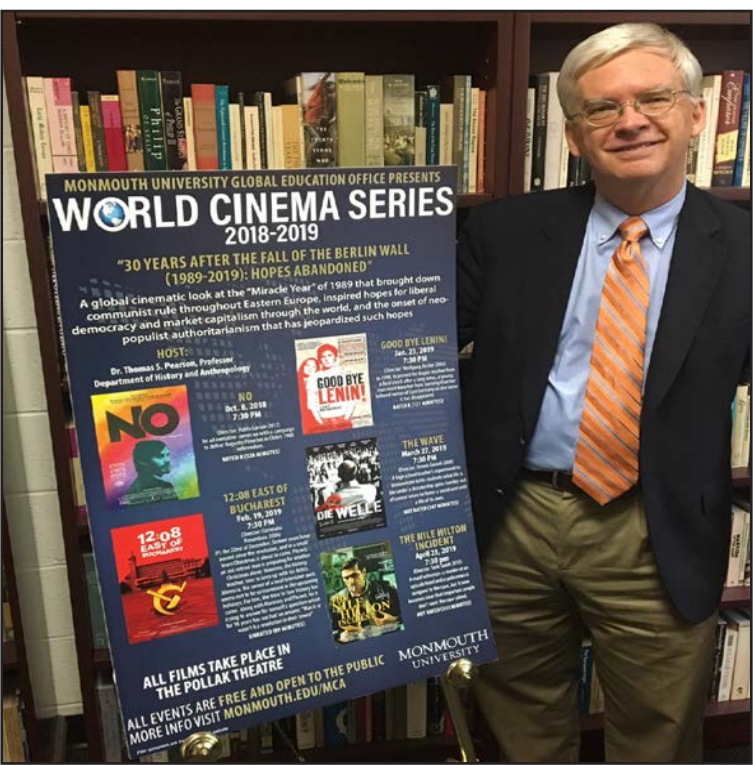
Brooke Kampf, a sophomore psychology student, said, "The film I saw gave me more insight into American life from different cultures' perspectives. It opened my eyes in a way I wasn't expecting it to."

Catilin Clarke, a sophomore English education student agreed, and said, "I see people of other cultures and in other countries in a different way now. They're not strangers, they're just people."

This year's films are a group of diverse genres that all relate to the issue of democracy and restriction on speech, which Pearson thinks, "could not be more fitting" given the current international and political climate."

Shown on Oct. 8, *NO* focuses on a marketing executive's advertisement campaign during the 1988 referendum on Chilean Dictator Augusto Pinochet.

The second flick on Jan. 23,



Thomas Pearson, Ph.D., hosts the World Cinema Series.



2012's Oscar Winning *NO* will be shown Monday, Oct. 8.

LAST MAN STANDING

Stands Tall in its Season Premiere

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Tim Allen's hit TV show *Last Man Standing* premiered on FOX Friday night, Sept. 28, after its cancellation from ABC last May.

On its seventh season, *Last Man Standing* follows the life of Mike Baxter, played by Tim Allen, and his family.

Mike is the marketing director at the outdoor sporting goods store Outdoor Man, and is married to his wife, Vanessa, played by Nancy Travis.

The couple has three daughters, Kristin, Mandy, and Eve.

Mike is known for his conservative views, which leads to disagreements with his wife, and two of his daughters.

Eve is the youngest and most like Mike because she's athletic, in the air force, and shares his conservative beliefs.

The family has differing views on several topics and issues, which makes for humorous banter.

Last Man Standing had been on ABC for six years, airing from its premiere, Oct. 11, 2011, to May 2017.

On May 10, however, ABC announced the cancellation of the sitcom, following comments made by Allen on an appearance he made on *Jimmy Kimmel Live!*

On the talk show, Allen compared living in Hollywood as a conservative to living in Nazi Germany.

Allen said, "You got to be real careful around here. You get

beat up if you don't believe what everybody else believes. This is like '30s Germany."

Allen's comments spurred a debate across the country.

Many thought that Allen was brave to stand for his conservative values in liberal-leaning Hollywood, while others were upset that he undermined the Holocaust.

However, ABC executive and producer, Channing Dungey, claimed that the cancellation had nothing to do with politics.

Exactly one year since its cancellation, FOX CEO and Chairwoman, Dana Walden, announced that the network would be picking the show up for an eighth season.

The show's executive producer, Kevin Abbott, spoke with *USA Today* and shared his thoughts on why Tim Allen's character stands out.

Abbott said, "You really don't see a conservative character who isn't an idiot or a villain [at] the center of the show."

During the hit sitcom's comeback premiere, the characters took jabs at their former network, ABC.

In the opening scene, Mike and Vanessa's son-in-law, Kyle, is looking for his favorite show on TV, but couldn't find it.

Vanessa then says that it might have been cancelled with Kyle's response being, "Why would they cancel a popular show that everyone loves?"

This is when Mike walks out

and says, "Maybe they're a bunch of idiots!"

Kyle then notices that it's on a different network and Allen's character says, "Am I wrong or is it way better on this network?"

Even though the show makes political jokes mocking the left, it takes on serious issues that American families deal with today.

Politics is affecting every aspect of our lives including education, entertainment, family, and sports.

In the show, Mike and Vanessa's oldest daughter, Kristin, is married to her husband, Ryan, with whom she has a son named Boyd.

Ryan is a big liberal and often butts heads with his father-in-law.

Ryan becomes so stressed about the outcome of the 2016 election, he wants to move himself, Kristin, and Boyd to his native Canada.

Boyd realizes how serious his father is about moving and is sick of everyone fighting, so he runs away to the Outdoor Man.

The whole family comes together to look for him and eventually Mike finds him at the store.

Their family crisis brought them all together as a family, politics aside. Allen's character even suggests that Ryan become an American citizen.

The show seems to be just as conservative as it was on ABC.

The only change is the broadcasting network and a couple of re-castings.

The original Mandy, who was played by Molly Ephraim, and the original Boyd, played by Flynn

Morrison, decided to not return to the sitcom.

Cinema Blend reported that the premiere episode achieved a strong 1.8 Nielson rating, with an audience of 8.01 million viewers in the 18-49 age range.

Considering the season 6 premiere and finale had a 1.1 Nielson rating, their current rating holds the highest viewership of the show.

TVByTheNumbers said that this episode almost beat out every other Friday night primetime show, but CBS's *Blue Bloods* kept their spot at the top with 8.69 million viewers.

With these statistics, *Last Man Standing* is predicted to potentially

be FOX's biggest show of the year.

The sitcom gets the conservative voice out there by showing a typical conservative family who has family members with differing views.

It displays what life is like in today's America, which makes the program incredibly relatable.

Everyone is constantly bickering back and forth about which party is correct in real life, and *Last Man Standing* brings that to life in a home and family setting.

The season eight premier episode was able to represent how family and listening to one another is much more important than politics.

Last Man Standing airs every Friday at 8:00 p.m. on FOX.



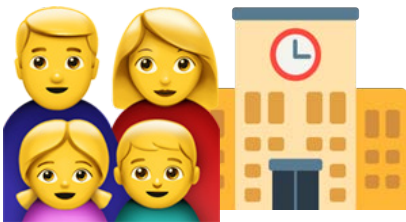
"Last Man Standing" earned high ratings last Friday on FOX.



MOMENTS AT
MONMOUTH



LEFT:
SENIOR AMANDA SMITH
CELEBRATING PARENTS’
WEEKEND AT THE ICONIC
WILSON HALL STEPS.
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RIGHT:
GUARD TREVON GROSS
JR. GOING FOR THE
BASKET DURING MEN’S
BASKETBALL PRACTICE
IN THE OCEANFIRST BANK
CENTER.
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LEFT:
MEMBERS OF THE STUDENT
GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
(SGA) OPEN “THE NEST”, AN
ON-CAMPUS FOOD PANTRY
THAT FIGHTS AGAINST
FOOD INSECURITY IN THE
CAMPUS AND SURROUNDING
COMMUNITY.
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RIGHT:
VETERANS SCOTT
TILLANDER (LEFT) AND
CHRIS BACKUS (RIGHT)
VISIT THE CAMPUS FOR
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COMMUNITY INITIATIVE
FOCUSING ON VETERANS’
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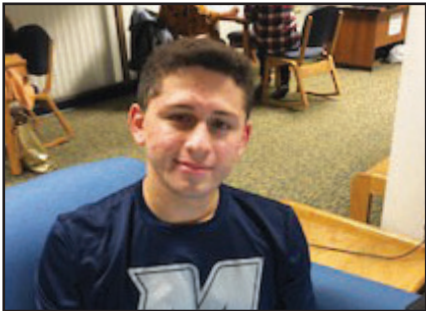


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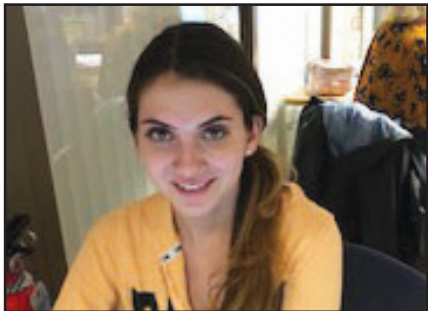


*Where in the world
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James Goldbeck
Junior
“Borneo.”



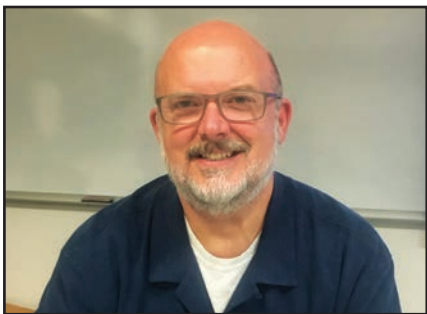
Sarrah Schneider
Junior
“Bora Bora.”



Nick Goranites
Sophomore
“I’d love to visit France! Being a fan of French culture
and history, it would be amazing to visit the place that
I’ve dreamt of going for so long!”



Karalyn Hoover
Sophomore
“I love to travel! I would love for Greece to be
my next adventure because of its beauty and
culture.”



Robert Scott
Specialist Professor
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“I would travel to Australia to fish the Great Barrier Reef.”

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The Memoirs of Melissa Febos

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Melissa Febos, an associate professor of English and creative writing, is a widely admired author. Febos is the author of the critically acclaimed memoir, *Whip Smart* and the essay collection, *Abandon Me*, which received prestigious praise from *Newsweek* and *O, The Oprah Magazine*, among others.

Her work has also appeared in many popular publications, including: *Glamour*, *Vogue*, *Elle*, and *The New York Times*.

This summer, I stumbled upon an Instagram post from Manhattan's iconic Strand Book Store that recommended *Abandon Me* to its customers. When I saw it, I naturally stopped to think that my professor is pretty cool.

While she is a master of her craft now, Febos started as a college student, similar to those who are currently studying creative writing at Monmouth. The lessons she learned as a student still stay with her as she writes today, and one professor made a particular influence on her.

"As a college student, I was a terrible procrastinator. Even though writing was my passion, I still believed I ought to sit around waiting for inspiration to strike. Which meant that I wrote in binges, late at night, and rarely revised," Febos said.

"A wise teacher told me that I could learn to summon inspiration if I just sat at my desk and made myself do it, even when it didn't feel romantic or convenient or easy. She was right. Writing rarely looks like my fantasies of it did, but I have



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Melissa Febos is an award-winning memoirist who has written two books: *Whip Smart* and *Abandon Me*.

learned to summon inspiration by creating and protecting the space for it to emerge," Febos added.

While it seems like she was destined to write within her genre, Febos did not necessarily plan to write memoirs. "I was 29 when my first book was published, which felt terribly behind my own personal life schedule, though I now know is quite young to be publishing a book. I never expected to be a memoirist so the fact that it was a memoir both surprised and terrified me. Now, I can't seem to escape the genre," she said.

She is currently writing a

new book for her loyal readers, which includes actress Emma Roberts, who recommended *Abandon Me* to her 12 million Instagram followers. "My third book is another essay collection. I'm hoping to have it finished sometime this winter, though that may be too optimistic," Febos shared.

As one of her students, I appreciate that she often refers to our writing lectures as "art class." She allows us to experiment with different writing techniques, and she always creates a space that feels safe to share our personal thoughts. Her classes have helped me feel

more comfortable with showing others my work, and many of her other students have had similar experiences.

Melanie Broman, a junior English and creative writing, student, said, "Professor Febos is great. She uses clever and inventive writing exercises to stretch her students and help them grow into better writers."

Gabby Maletto, a junior English and creative writing, student, aspires to write within the same genre as Febos. "My favorite genre to write is creative nonfiction. In one of the first writing classes I took at Monmouth, I had to write a

nonfiction story. I love the idea of being able to write about something that has happened in my life and using that experience to send a message to my readers," Maletto said.

"I'm currently enrolled in my first class with Professor Febos and she has helped me tremendously. It's still early in the semester, but I feel as though I have learned so much already about how to make my writing better," Maletto said.

"She has us do various exercises in and out of the classroom that make us think on a deeper level," Maletto added.

Febos makes an impact on her students, and her students have also been positive contributions to her creative process. "Nearly all writers need jobs to support their writing. The lucky ones have jobs that not only support their writing financially, but in spirit. I count myself among them," Febos said.

The art that Febos has created is fascinating, captivating, and genuine. She is a fierce feminist with an ability to avoid the norm, providing memoirs in their finest and most honest form.

Her career is one that many creative writing students dream of having one day, and it is very beneficial to have someone wildly successful as a professor. Most young writers like to seek guidance from those who have already been published, and Febos has advice for those who are eager to follow in her footsteps. "Write, write, write, write, and read even more," Febos said. It may even be a good start to read one of her books.

Everything I Know, I Learned from My Mother

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As cool and as interesting of a concept it would be, we aren't born with any kind of knowledge. Everything we know, whether it's knowledge on life or our formal education, we've learned from somewhere.

In some cases, someone close has been a life teacher and showed us the ropes of life. In other cases, it could be someone famous, one that there is no physical connection to, that has had an influ-

ence on our lives.

Those who we learn everything in life from become a major part of us. Not only do we forever have their wise words etched into our minds, but we also hold a very special place for them in our hearts. Their words become our words to pass along to others in life.

For senior communication student, Ellie Scano, everything she knows she's learned from her mom. "Whether it was something I liked or didn't, I took it and applied it to my life in the best way it

could be for me," Scano said.

Personally, I'd have the same response. My mother is the one who gives me extreme amounts of love but also knows how to deliver tough love when I need it. When I become frazzled with the splash from the water balloons life throws at me, she's there to help clean me off. Or sometimes, she joins in with a laugh and throws another water balloon at me.

Senior communication student, Samantha Rivas, said that she has learned the most

from her mother as well. "Most of the life lessons I've learned, good and bad, she's always been there to explain it to me," Rivas said.

Throughout all my life, my mother has been a main contender for people who have taught me everything. Whenever I'm going through tough and stressful times, she has the answers for me. Or, she herself goes through those times and I learn from her actions.

Those who we've learned most from in life have been like our own personal tour-guides to help provide the very best information on whatever situations we come across. I come from a family of three; my parents and I. They are two of the most selfless people that I have come across within my 19 years on earth, and they are always full of the best advice.

Kathryn Nogueira, professor of communication, said that her mother is the one who has taught her everything she knows. She said it stands out to her more now that she's just had her own child and has followed in her mother's footsteps by becoming a teacher.

"She taught me how to be a mom and a teacher; how to juggle the two. I'm very like her," she said.

Parents and guardians have gone through their fair share of life tumbles already and so, it'd be best for us to listen to them every once in a

while. Even though it's easy to want to tune out our parents, they've already been where we are now, and they normally do really know best.

Scano reflected on the process of becoming her own person, and how her mother has given her the knowledge that she needs to transition into adulthood. "She's a good moral compass so I found my way on top of what she taught me," Scano said.

Outside of just my mother, I learned everything that I know from my family. When you have a crazy, loud and oversized Italian family, you're bound to learn something from the mass amount of people.

Something that my family as a whole has taught me is that there is something good in every situation. There is always something to learn and a new lesson to be taught. It's important to remember that everything happens for a reason.

Life is short. It's important to take advantage of who you have in your life and what they can teach you.

Everyone has something to offer the world, whether it's a new study or way to look at things in life. Keep your mind open to what others can teach you.

Whether they're your mom or someone else, take a minute today to thank whatever name completes this thought for you: "Everything I know, I learned from..."



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Our mothers are some of the most influential people in our lives, always teaching us important lessons.

How You Know You Chose the Right Major

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Passion, happiness, and enthusiasm are the three essential ingredients to consider when choosing a major or second-guessing whether your current major is right for you. Our college majors reflect our careers after graduation, so it's imperative that we know we made the right choices.

Choosing a major when you're undecided may feel like a weight on your chest that never goes away, but once you go with your gut feeling, the decision process will be easier than expected. It's also perfectly fine to change your major before finding where you fit like a perfect puzzle piece. In fact junior English student, Caitlyn Hartigan, had this experience.

"I was two different majors before I finally settled on English," she said. "I was psychology, and then I did education for two semesters. When I was thinking about switching to English, I just wanted a major that could be creative, because that's my strongest ability and I love writing and reading."

When reflecting upon your major, or deciding which one to choose, consider the phrase "do what you love". Your skills and interests will guide you to the major that was meant to be.

Dylan Griswold, a junior computer science student, said, "There's a lot of stuff you can



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Students who are undecided can go to the Center for Student Success for help with selecting a major.

make with a computer science degree, whether it's coding, video games, simulations, or Artificial Intelligence. It really opens up my very creative mind."

You don't have to be an expert at a subject to major in it. The classes you take in your major will help you build your skills and grow your appreciation for the subject.

"I've always been good with computers, but when I came

here to Monmouth, it was the first time I actually did coding. But as soon as I learned how it was structured, it became like any other subject," Griswold continued.

When deciding upon your major, speaking with your advisor is the best way to determine which classes reflect your interests and what career paths you can follow with each major. Each major goes deeper than the

surface, and you may be surprised at what careers would be the best fit for your major.

The Center for Student Success, located in the lower level of the student center, offers resources for those who are still undecided. As stated on Monmouth's website, academic advising focuses on the student's "development of his/her educational goals, objectives, consistent with personal interest,

abilities, and values."

If you're second-guessing whether your major is right for you, ask your friends for advice. Sometimes, our friends know us better than ourselves and can give valued guidance. Listing the pros and cons of each major is also a helpful tool in considering a major.

Because everyone has different interests, everyone has a different process in choosing majors as well. Some may know right away what they want to do in life, while others are still searching. Everyone grows at their own pace, so don't worry if you haven't quite declared a major yet.

College is the perfect opportunity to find who you are, which eventually will guide you on the path to your perfect major. That's the best thing about college- doing what you love and meeting likeminded people who will naturally help strengthen your passions.

You enjoy going to your classes every day, you receive outstanding grades, you love talking about your major to your friends, and you can't see yourself doing anything else. That's when you know you chose the right major. A major that perfectly reflects who you are and who you want to be will never stop motivating you as a college student. Our majors help shape who we are, and when we pick the right one, we are bound to reach success.

Why Internships are Important

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Monmouth students are used to opening their email inboxes to find information about internship opportunities. However, among the overwhelming amount of emails students get every day, information about internships may get lost in a digital sea of spike-ball tournaments and academic workshops.

Joking aside, these emails may just be the most important ones you receive, especially if you are a sophomore or junior, so make sure to pay attention to them. Sophomore and junior years are the best

times to start applying to internships, so that you create a resume that stands out in the crowd.

Every future college graduate needs to make themselves unique. Employers look for field-related experience that also emphasizes your personality and academic interests.

Yes, you have gone through the motions of college. You have written your papers and sat through all your Gen Eds, but an employer will look for more. What is going to set you aside from the next applicant with the exact same history? Experience.

Build your resume. This might seem trivial because

the purpose of internships is to gain experience. But stay focused on scoring an internship that is within your major or interests because that will help you in your future career; do not settle for an internship that will simply fulfill a requirement.

Aim high with your internship applications, and you may end up employed for a company that you've always dreamed of working for. This was the case for senior communication student, Christi Ruggiero, when she interned for RED Music, a division of Sony Music, last year.

"I found out about it through Monmouth; they sent out an

email to the department of communication. They needed people to make accounts on different social media platforms," Ruggiero said.

"It was interesting to be able to do the internship remotely. We had to do weekly conference calls with about 60 different people from around the nation, and we were able to listen in on calls with people in the field. That gave me insight into apps that social media influencers use and how to read statistics of viewer demographics. It's all information I know I'll use in the future," Ruggiero added.

If you feel a little lost in the process of finding an internship that feels like a good fit, Monmouth sponsors internship events to try to cater to the needs of every major. If those events do not present you with anything you like, do not stop with the businesses and organizations affiliated with the University. There are countless internships available at the touch of your hands. Use your laptop, travel to the library or student center, and don't be afraid to get advice from your peers that have already done internships.

power to search through all those jobs opportunities and find the one that best suits you. But you cannot know your true feelings unless you completely immerse yourself into that environment. Internships are free, and they likely will only last for a semester, so they are not a permanent commitment.

Internships are the perfect way to learn more about the workforce before you are thrown into the high demands of a full-time position. Some internships are paid, while others are unpaid and will only offer credit. These are factors to consider when researching internships. Also, make sure that you check the hours that the company expects you to intern every week, so that you do not put too much on your plate.

The benefit of summer internships is that your schedule may be more open for your internship. So, if you're planning to complete an internship in the fall or spring semesters, be realistic with your schedule. While internships are exciting, school work should still always come first.

Internships are a great way to get a better idea of what you will want to do post-graduation. Saine Hernandez-Burgos, a sophomore anthropology student, is looking forward to applying for internships for this coming summer. "I know that I need to get one because I am still not sure what I want to do, or if this major is right for me" she said.

If you're eager to start your own internship, the Internship Fair will be held on Oct. 17 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Anacon Hall.



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Career Services can help Monmouth students boost their resumes by finding them dream internships.

Football Defeats Wagner with Late Touchdown

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Tied at 47 with 1:14 left, senior wide receiver Reggie White Jr. scored the game-winning 84-yard touchdown which set the program record 213 career receptions to send football past the Wagner Seahawks 54-47 on Saturday afternoon.

“[The game-winning touchdown] was huge. Darnell Leslie told me that I was going to break the record on a TD,” White Jr. said. “I was running down the field and he called it. As soon as I scored and pointed right to him. [Pete] Righi and Juwon [Farri] had huge blocks. They opened it up for me and I just ran the rest of the way. Without them that play wouldn’t have happened.”

After being down 47-32 with 12:49 left in the game, Monmouth scored on three straight touchdown drives to finish the 15 point comeback.

On the opening drive for Wagner, a botched snap traveled 20 yards backwards to their own end zone which resulted in a safety. After a Monmouth interception on the next drive, Wagner scored three straight passing touchdowns to make the score 21-2 midway through the second.

The Hawks answered with three straight scoring drives of their own. First was a junior quarterback Kenji Bahar to White Jr. five-yard touchdown pass. After a three and out by the Seahawks, sophomore running back Pete Guerriero scored on a five-yard rushing touchdown. After another Wagner three and out, Bahar

scored on a 68-yard rushing touchdown after breaking a few tackles along the way, giving Monmouth the 22-21 lead.

“I made two moves and I was still up and I was like ‘I might score’ and I just ran to the end zone,” Bahar said. “There was a good block by Juwon [Farri] and Lonnie [Moore].”

Wagner came back with two straight scoring drives for themselves after the Bahar run. The Seahawks went for the two-point conversion after each score but was unsuccessful both times. Senior running

back Devell Jones added to the scoring with a two-yard touchdown run for the Hawks, making it the half time score of 33-29, advantage Wagner.

The third quarter was the lowest scoring of the game; Monmouth added on a 37-yard field goal and Wagner scored on a five-yard rushing touchdown, giving Wagner the 40-32 lead heading into the final quarter.

The Seahawks added to their lead early in the fourth, which made it 47-32 Wagner. Farri came back with two rushing touchdowns, from 21 and 19

yards out to bring the score to 47 all en route to earning Big South Rookie of the Week honors.

After the Hawks received the ball at their own one yard line after a Wagner punt, Monmouth went 15 yards to their own 16 before White Jr. went 84 yards to break the receptions record while also clinching the comeback victory for Monmouth. The wide out was also named Big South Offensive Player of the Week for his efforts.

“We knew going into the game this game was probably

like 23 [games against Wagner that] came before,” said Head Coach Kevin Callahan. “It would be a game that came down to the wire. Both teams and players making plays, everyone happy with the outcome. There were times in the game where we couldn’t do anything right. There were times where we couldn’t do anything wrong. I think you saw several players on our team step up and make big plays. As we move forward, there’s a lot we have to work on, a lot we can do better. We are very happy with the victory heading into the bye.”

Even though the defense gave up 47 points, they held Wagner to only 59 rushing yards, including Wagner’s leading running back who entered the game as the leading rusher in all of Football Championship Subdivision (FCS).

“The front seven on defense played outstanding today. You got to give them a lot of credit, they did an outstanding job,” said Callahan. “He (Wagner leading rusher) had no place to run. They had several tackles for losses and they were big for us. They made Wagner one dimensional.”

For the Hawks, Farri and Guerriero reached the century mark for rushing, with 104 and 102 yards, respectively. White Jr. finished with 161 yards on seven receptions and two touchdowns. Bahar went 14-26 passing with 251 passing yards.

Monmouth (3-2, 0-0 Big South), will have a bye week before welcoming the Bucknell Bison to Kessler Stadium on Oct. 13. Kickoff will be at 1:00 p.m. and can be seen on ESPN+.



PHOTO TAKEN by Karlee Sell

Junior quarterback Kenji Bahar rushed for a 68-yard touchdown in Monmouth’s 54-47 win over Wagner on Saturday afternoon.

Field Hockey Kicks off MAAC Play with Win at Rider

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Field Hockey racked up another win this past weekend, handing in-state rival Rider a 2-1 loss on the road to open up Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) play with a victory.

“The determination that the team came into the game with was impressive,” said Head Coach Carli Figlio. “This was a complete team effort and I am really proud of the composure of a really young team in a very big game.”

Senior forward Georgia Garden Bachop continues to show why she was named 2018 MAAC Preseason Co-Player of the Year. She scored both goals for Monmouth on Friday night as the team improved to an overall record of 6-5.

Rider opened the scoring in the 16th minute when a nifty pass from freshman midfielder Kat Conroy left senior midfielder Jessica Randazzo a wide-open net for an easy goal.

The Hawks quickly regrouped and refocused. Three minutes later, a shot from the circle by senior forward Kelly Hanna was deflected by Bachop into the net. With the

assist, Hanna has moved into the program’s top ten all-time assist holders.

The score remained deadlocked at 1-1 through to the half time break.

The Broncos threatened immediately into the start of the second half. A corner attempt was followed by a shot that was kept out by freshman goalkeeper Kate O’Hogan. O’Hogan made a total of three saves in the game en route to her second win of the season.

The Hawks, not to be outdone, came right back down the field and ripped four quality shots in a row. Yet, they were unable to convert on any of their chances.

A green card in the 48th minute issued to sophomore defender Hannah Schiavo gave Rider a quality opportunity to go up on the Hawks.

However, it was Monmouth that was able to generate the better of the chances as both Hanna and Bachop took shots while killing off a penalty.

With the clock dwindling down, a green card on the Broncos with four minutes to go gave the Hawks the chance for some last-second heroics. As if it were scripted, Bachop found herself on a breakaway and buried her second goal of

the game with a little over two minutes left to go.

All was not over yet as the Broncos had one more scoring chance left in them. With time expired, a corner opportunity was awarded to the hosts.

A shot was recorded by Conroy, but O’Hogan made the save as the Hawks walked off in triumphant fashion.

Monmouth has now won seven in a row against Rider and has outscored their in-state conference rival to the tune of 25-9 over that period

of time.

For Bachop, the win was her third multi-goal game this season and she now has six goals in the past four games.

The New Zealand native has a total of seven goals on the season and is three goals away from eclipsing her season tally of ten last year.

On Monday, Bachop was named MAAC Offensive Player of the Week for her performance in Friday night’s win.

Monmouth will continue MAAC play with two con-

ference games at home next weekend.

First on the docket is LIU Brooklyn with a Friday mid-afternoon showdown, televised on ESPN3. In last season’s meeting, the Hawks comfortably beat the Blackbirds 10-1.

On Sunday, the Hawks will welcome Bryant to So Sweet A Cat Field for a 1:00 p.m. matchup. In the 2017 season, Monmouth played the Bulldogs on the road and were victorious by a score of 4-1.



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Senior forward Georgia Garden Bachop scored both goals in Monmouth’s 2-1 win at Rider on Friday night.

“The determination that the team came into the game with was impressive.”

CARLI FIGLIO
Head Coach

Women’s Soccer Edges Manhattan with Overtime Goal

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STAFF WRITER

Women’s soccer posted two 1-0 shutouts this past week on the road to Manhattan on Wednesday and at Hesse Field on the Great Lawn on Saturday night versus Siena, bumping their Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) record to 3-1-0.

The Hawks traveled up to Riverdale, New York on Wednesday to compete against the Manhattan Jaspers. The two teams were deadlocked at 0-0 for 90 minutes, and the match went into overtime.

In the 100th minute, junior forward Dana Scheriff scored a goal, propelling Monmouth to overtime victory. Sophomore defender Sarina Jones set up the play by running down the right sideline and crossing the ball to junior midfielder Lexie Palladino, who sent a low shot on goal. The effort was blocked by Manhattan’s goalkeeper, but the ball ricocheted back out right in front of Scheriff, who then scored into the empty net.

The Hawks generated most of the action throughout the game and outshot the Jaspers 25-1 including an 8-1 shots on goal advantage. Manhattan only had one corner kick opportunity compared to the Hawks eight.

“We gutted out a win on the road. We created a lot of chances all night and did a great job minimizing their opportunities,” said Head Coach Krissy Turner.

The team is now 1-1-1 in 2018 overtime games. Monmouth has yet to lose a game to Manhattan,



PHOTO COURTESY of Monmouth Athletics

Junior forward Dana Scheriff won the game for Monmouth with a goal in the 100th minute away to Manhattan on Wednesday, Sept. 26.

“The coaching staff is very proud of the team [and] of the quality of soccer we are playing right now.”

KRISSY TURNER
Head Coach

their all-time series record has risen to 9-0-0.

Monmouth returned home on Saturday where they welcomed Siena to West Long Branch.

About 15 minutes into the game, there was a technical difficulty that caused all of the field’s overhead lights to go out. The officials stopped the game, and the

lights came on about 20 minutes later.

“It was a good thing, it actually helped,” Turner said. “It gave us a chance to regroup and talk about

our game plan.”

The Hawks’ focused on a play-style that involved quick passing, no one player held onto the ball for too long. Monmouth’s one and only goal of the match was a result of this technique. The play began with freshman midfielder Jill Conklin, who passed the ball towards the end line to Scheriff. Scheriff set the ball up inside of the penalty area for Palladino, who ran up and volleyed a shot into the back of the net.

Palladino’s goal was what allowed Monmouth to end the match with a victory. The 21st-minute strike was her team-leading fifth goal of the season.

She said, “We battled really hard, and although we had chances to finish them, we just kept going and didn’t give up.”

Siena junior goalkeeper Taylor Dorado made 12 saves throughout the match. She was a key figure in the Saints’ effort to hold Monmouth to just one goal in the defeat. Turner said that Dorado’s performance in goal was amazing.

The Hawks improved their regular season record to 8-3-1 to with the win.

“Tonight was a terrific performance. The coaching staff is very proud of the team [and] of the quality of soccer we are playing right now,” said Turner.

Monmouth will travel to Buffalo, NY next for a match against Canisius this afternoon at the Demske Sports Complex. The game will be broadcasted live on ESPN+ and kickoff is scheduled for 4:00 p.m.

Men’s Soccer Opens Conference Play with Two Losses

EVAN MCMURTRIE
SPORTS EDITOR

Men’s soccer fell to Manhattan and Siena in their first two Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) games of the season this past week, slipping to 2-6-1 (0-2-0 MAAC).

Monmouth kicked off their conference schedule on Wednesday night at Hesse Field on The Great Lawn against Manhattan, where they were defeated by a goal to nil.

“They’re older, experienced, a lot of international guys, and they were a good team, so

it was going to be a big challenge for us,” said Head Coach Robert McCourt. “I thought we did a good job of limiting their opportunities.”

Though Manhattan dominated possession of the ball and created multiple scoring chances, the two teams entered the half time break at a stalemate thanks to a solid defensive performance from Monmouth.

In the 56th minute, the Jaspers scored the lone goal of the match with a moment of magic. Junior forward Noah Amissah found some space

outside of the penalty area and curled a right-footed shot that dinked off of the far post and in to give the visitors the lead.

McCourt said, “Our goal before the game was to force the other team to execute to beat us and not us give them opportunities with our mistakes, and I thought we did that. The guy scored a really nice goal, so you have to give credit.”

Manhattan came inches away from doubling their advantage two minutes later when junior defender Adrien Awana rattled the crossbar with a free kick.

Monmouth saw multiple shots from distance and a header from senior defender Zach Pereira fly off target as they searched for an equalizer.

“In a game like this when you’re defending a lot, when you get a few chances you have to take one of them and that’s showing our inexperience a little bit at this stage,” said McCourt. “We had maybe two or three chances each half that I thought we could have done better with, but we didn’t.”

Though the Jaspers outshot the Hawks 14-6 in the match, Monmouth was able to hold them to one goal. However, the Blue and White were unable to find the back of the net, and the game ended 1-0.

On Saturday, Monmouth faced Siena in Loudonville, NY at Siena Turf Field.

Neither team could put a shot on target in the first half. It was not until the 71st minute that the Saints broke the deadlock. After a Monmouth turnover, Siena fed the ball to freshman forward Aaron Martin, who scored from close range.

With the goal, Siena edged the Hawks with a 1-0 victory. Monmouth’s last eight matches have been decided by a goal or less, and they have been shut out six times this season.

“We can improve a lot, and that comes to training,” said junior defender Andy Martinez. “We just gotta keep motivating each other and we’ll be fine.”

Monmouth will continue their MAAC campaign tonight against Fairfield at Hesse Field on the Great Lawn. Kickoff is set for 7:00 p.m. and the match will be televised on ESPN3.



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Sophomore midfielder Chris Scheuerman sent a shot just wide of the post in the second half of Monmouth’s 1-0 loss to Manhattan on Wednesday, Sept. 26.

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, Oct. 5
WTEN vs UC-Irvine
Outdoor Tennis Complex
West Long Branch, NJ 10:00 a.m.

*FH vs LIU Brooklyn**
So Sweet a Cat Field
West Long Branch, NJ 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 6
M/W Cross-Country
Blue & Gold Invitational
Newark, DE 9:30 a.m.

*WSOC vs Quinnipiac**
Hesse Field on The Great Lawn
West Long Branch, NJ 1:00 p.m.

WTEN vs Providence
Kingston, RI 2:00 p.m.

*MSOC at Niagara**
Niagara University, NY 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 7
WTEN at Rhode Island
Kingston, RI 11:00 a.m.

*FH vs Bryant**
So Sweet a Cat Field
West Long Branch, NJ 1:00 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 8
MGOLF at First Round
Bucknell Invitational
Bucknell Golf Course
Lewisburg, PA 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 9
MGOLF at Second Round
Bucknell Invitational
Bucknell Golf Course
Lewisburg, PA 9:00 a.m.

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WOMENS SOCCER
FIELD HOCKEY
MENS SOCCER

Senior wide receiver Reggie White Jr.'s 84-yard touchdown broke Monmouth's all-time receptions record with 213 catches and won the game against Wagner with less than two minutes left in regulation on Saturday afternoon.

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