Monmouth University Police Department has 20 state-commissioned police officers and also employs safety officers, dispatchers and various other civilian personnel, all dedicated to providing excellent quality service to all members of the University community. The police provide all protection services including patrol, investigation, crowd control, traffic and parking control. In addition to patrolling the campus, the officers also patrol off-campus residences such as the Esplanade and Fountain Gardens.

Monmouth officers are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and 365 days a year. University police officers are commissioned under the State of New Jersey and are fully trained at state approved police academies and receive the same training as municipal police officers; they are also armed. The department consists of many university-career and retired municipal police officers with more than 300 years of combined college and municipal police service.

Police officers respond to all on-campus calls, and investigate and document all incidents. Additionally, the police departments of West Long Branch, Ocean Township, and Long Branch have full police authority on campus, as areas of the University campus fall within their respective jurisdictions and respond to the University upon request.

For general non-emergency-related assistance, please dial extension 3472 from on-campus telephones and 732-571-3472 from off-campus locations. In the event of an EMERGENCY dial extension 3499, or you may contact the Police directly by using one of the 54 emergency telephones located throughout campus. You will be connected directly to the police department. There are several emergency phones on campus designed without receivers, mostly in parking lot areas. To use these phones, press the emergency button, and your call will be answered immediately.

The University Police offer a number of Crime Prevention Programs including seminars in personal and property safety, safety awareness for women, and drug and alcohol education. In addition, the department offers an on-campus escort service 24 hours a day to all members of the campus community. Employees are invited to attend the annual presentation of Safety, Security and You in the Workplace and to request a copy of the Hawk Safety booklet to learn about protecting people and property.

Director and Chief, William McElrath began working at the University a little more than six months ago. He brings more than 28 years of experience he acquired working at the Paterson Police Department with him to Monmouth, the last four years as Detective Captain in the Homicide Division. He commented that the University is nearly totally opposite of what he was accustomed to dealing with and it is an enjoyable contrast. Cooperation is much greater at Monmouth University. The community didn’t always support the police in Paterson. “Here, the students are very decent with us,” he said, “as well as the faculty, staff, and administration”.

“Mac” is a family man. When asked about his hobbies he declared his main hobby is following what his children are doing in sports. He likes to keep busy and spends as much time as possible with his family. His daughter, Connie plays basketball at Richard Stockton College and his son, Marty attends high school, and plays basketball for Edison High. Carrie, his wife, was a nurse early in her career and has recently begun working again as a substitute high school nurse. The family likes to travel and go on vacations to a variety of places to explore

On behalf of the Monmouth University family, we would like to extend a warm welcome to the University’s seventh president, Admiral Paul G. Gaffney, II and his wife, Linda. We look forward to his leadership and guidance - welcome aboard President Gaffney!
WELCOME ABOARD!
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Robert Voorhees Fitness Center
Astrid Zervas Psychology

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Mary Ellen Lonergan
Sean Quinn
Delaine Sarraf

Mary Ellen Lonergan University Special Services Representative, Human Resources
Sean Quinn Weekend Radio Dispatcher, University Police
Delaine Sarraf Administrative Assistant, Annual Fund

Call for Submissions

The Monmouth Review is the University community's literary and art magazine, published twice a year. All employees are invited to submit for consideration poems, short stories, essays, fiction, drama, interviews, photography, drawings, computer-generated art, and other forms of two-dimensional art.

To submit literary works, please send each work as an email attachment in Microsoft Word or Rich Text Format to Professor Stanley Blair in the Department of English, at sb Blair@monmouth.edu. To submit artwork, please contact Professor Karen Bright in the Department of Art and Design at 732-571-3523. Along with your submission, please include information about how you may be contacted, as well as a brief biographical note to us, limited to fifty words.

If you have any questions about the Monmouth Review, please contact Dr. Blair at his office, Wilson Annex Room 505, or phone 732-571-3619.

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and experience different things. Mac likes to do a little fishing in Canada from time to time. He enjoys reading and is a Civil War history buff. I noticed a golf object on his desk and inquired if he was also a golfer. He laughed and said he plays some (not very well) and enjoys the game and feels it's very humbling.

Joe Oberc, Corporal II, laughingly told me his outside job is a husband and father. His wife, MaryAnn, is an English teacher in Milltown and recently returned to full-time work. Both of his children will be attending Monmouth University this September. His daughter, Jennifer Ann (23) will be attending graduate school and his son Matthew (20) will be a junior.

For twenty-three years Joe worked with Middlesex County College where he was Chief of Police and he coached "everything" from football to soccer, and admits to missing it. Joe was a certified clinician for the safety program in the recreation department and all the coaches were mandated to take the course, so he views himself as an educator in that regard. He also coached girls and women's softball and was very active in the community. Working rotating shifts at Monmouth curtails his time coaching, but he feels it may be time to step away a little bit now that the children are less involved in sports.

Joe said even though he and his wife are experiencing something of the empty nest syndrome, they see their kids regularly because they are still bringing their laundry home.

One of Joe's hobbies is playing the piano. He also enjoys reading and dabbling with freshwater fishing. He would eventually like to move onto salt-water fishing.

Al Acerra, Patrol Officer V, began our interview by stating that he is a very private person. He has been employed at the University for eleven years; prior to working here he was an automotive mechanic. He is an animal "freak" and says he owns a Rottweiler named Sebastian, a parrot, a lovebird that thinks she's a fighting dog (she's nasty and doesn't like people), and a wild rabbit he saved from death in a swimming pool filter. The rabbit was a baby when it was saved, but is now huge and domesticated.

When Al isn't working at the University he is working out or fixing up and repairing his car. He is looking into building a "chopper" this summer. When he was in school he played the drums and he is now trying to teach himself how to play a bass guitar; he said it is much quieter than drums.

Al enjoys going on cruises and "hitting the smaller islands" and Puerto Rico. He is very close to his family and has always lived in this area.
Employee Activity Committee

News

The Employee Activity Committee trip to the Tony Award winning Broadway show “Hairspray” on May 14th sold out and was enjoyed by all; please see several photos from the bus ride into NYC at #3, 4, and 13. Photos of the successful April trip to the BlueClaws at #2, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 14.

The June event, “Sunset Cruise on the Navesink” was everything we had hoped it would be and more. Mother Nature provided us with a lovely June evening along with a spectacular sunset, please see #1, 5, 6, 7, and 8.

A “Day at the Races” at Monmouth Park Racetrack is planned for Sunday, August 10. We have a reserved picnic area, so bring your own food and drinks. Sunday is Family Fun Day at Monmouth Park. The excitement starts at noon for the children – free pony rides, clowns, face painters, music and a playground. Children 12 and under are free. Cost per ticket is $6.00, which includes Grandstand admission, program and a Monmouth Park pen. Daily post time is 12:55 PM. Please visit their website at www.monmouthpark.com.

September 20th will find us heading back to New York City to see the Broadway hit show “Chicago”. Please join us for “all that jazz” at the matinee performance. Cost of the trip is $60.00 per person, which includes bus fare and rear mezzanine seats.

We are planning a day of shopping on Saturday, October 25 at beautiful Peddler’s Village in Lahaska, Pennsylvania. The “Village” is 42 acres of landscaped gardens, and 18th century style wood and stone structures. You can take a whirl on their colorfully restored 1922 carousel, enjoy a relaxing lunch in one of their eight restaurants and browse the 70 specialty shops. You will receive a coupon book and map. Cost per ticket is $15.00. Please visit their website at www.peddler'svillage.com.

The event for the month of November is a day trip to Atlantic City on Saturday, November 15. Cost per ticket is $15.00.

We will be hosting the second annual trip to Rockefeller Center on Saturday, December 13th. Once again we will provide transportation so you may plan your own day in the City during “the most wonderful time of the year”. Cost per ticket is $15.00.

Call Sharon Smith at X 7594 for reservations or information regarding all of the above events. Your suggestions and comments for Employee Activity Committee events are always welcome.
Ruth Diorio, Dispatcher Supervisor, has been married for 21 years to her husband, Tom. Tom is just starting his own travel agency specializing in cruise travel. They have been on several cruises lately and are looking forward to a big family trip in March to the Western Caribbean. They have four children, Erica 21, Kristina 19, Thomas, Jr. 18, and Jonathan 16. The newest addition to their family is her two-week old granddaughter, Giavona.

I inquired what hobbies she has and she replied, “Do I ever relax, with four children?” She did admit she likes to shop and watch TV at times and do “mom” stuff. With two dogs, a cat, a bird and a fish it sounds like a busy household to me!

Sharon Carlino, Records Officer/Clerk has been employed at the University for more than three years. Prior to working at Monmouth she worked in a nursing home as the admissions coordinator. Sharon has three children, Jason 19, Kathleen 17, and Andrew 14 and three older stepchildren. Her husband, Chuck, is an auditor. The family has a Briard (a French sheep-dog) named Max whom she reports is very smart. She laughed and said her life was busy right now; she has one stepchild in college in California, one stepchild getting married and one having a baby!

Sharon has lived in the area for the last twenty years and is originally from Jersey City. When I inquired about her hobbies she said she runs the house and takes care of the kids. “They all surf so it’s towels and surfboards everywhere”, then time to feed them and their friends. Both of Sharon’s sons are in bands, which means band practice at her house several times a week after which everyone stays for dinner. Her oldest son, majoring in physics, is going to study abroad in Australia on the Gold Coast, and looking forward to surfing there. Sharon’s daughter is the quiet one and is a car enthusiast. “Just ask her anything, she’s a walking car encyclopedia”.

The family enjoys traveling and has been to Cancun, Florida and California on vacations. They recently returned from a trip to Washington D.C. where they did the “typical tourist” sightseeing at the numerous museums and had a great time. Sharon and her husband like to dance and have taken Latin-dancing lessons. Sharon also takes belly-dancing classes and enjoys listening to Egyptian belly-dancing music just for fun.

Sharon ended our interview by telling me she is “boring”, a statement I heard all afternoon. Another theme I repeatedly heard was that she has a great boss, the guys are great to work with, and she considers herself lucky. Written by Pat Dodd

The United Way of Monmouth County AWARD OF EXCELLENCE was presented to Monmouth University Employees for continuous contribution to the people of our community...the United Way 2003.
COMMENCEMENT
May 21, 2003

Dedication of the Rebecca Stafford Student Center

Stafford Presidential Award of Excellence winners: Maureen Paparella, Datta Naik and Bertha Hughes pose with Rebecca Stafford

Rekha Datta receiving her Distinguished Teacher of the Year award from Provost Thomas Pearson

Staff Appreciation Day Breakfast April 16, 2003
**Campus Connection 6**

**Ask Angela, Ask Angela, Ask Angela, Ask Angela, Ask Angela,**

**Do you have a question about benefits? Just...**

**Dr. William Stanley**

Dr. William Stanley has been appointed Dean of the School of Education, effective July 1, 2003. Dr. Stanley comes to Monmouth following his appointment as Dean and Endowed Chair of the School of Education at the University of Redlands in California, and as Dean of Education at the University of Colorado at Boulder. He holds a doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction and an MA in History from Rutgers University. He also holds a New Jersey Social Studies Teaching Credential and a K-12 School Principal Credential. Congratulations, and welcome to Monmouth University, Dr. Stanley.

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"It was not foes to conquer, Nor sweethearts to be kind, But it was friends to die for That I would seek and find."

A.E. Housman

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**Why were the Vision Service Plan (VSP) renewal rates increased by 13.2%? As an employee, how can I help to keep rates down?**

Insurance companies base renewal rates on the "experience" of the members' utilization, claim frequency, retention and trends. The rate increase for this renewal reflects an upgrade in the non-member reimbursement allowances.

In other words, if an employee utilizes the VSP benefit and chooses to utilize a non-member for exam or materials VSP must now pay a non-member higher reimbursement allowance as follows:

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The same type of "experience" applies to medical and dental insurance as well. That is why it is important for employees to try to utilize member physicians and facilities in order to keep the University's "experience" low, which will result in lower rate increases upon renewal, as well as lower "out of pocket" costs to employees.

For more detailed information regarding employee benefits, contact the Office of Human Resources at X5228.

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