Credit card thefts have campus on alert

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Monmouth University released a Hawk Alert on February 6, vising the university community about a series of credit card thefts that took place on campus by three unidentified individuals.

The university police received the initial report on February 6, of a missing credit card from the purse of Kristine Simoes, a specialist professor in the communication department, located on the second floor of the Jules L. Plane Center.

Simoes' credit cards were used on January 31, by three individuals at stores in West Long Branch and the Monmouth Mall in Eatontown. The cards were later used on February 1 in Cherry Hill and Philadelphia. Additional cards were reported stolen from the Education Science Center and Bley Hall on February 10.

The cards were used on the same days as Simoes' cards and by the same individuals.

According to Monmouth University police, Simoes' cards were used to purchase "thousands of dollars in cameras, iPods, video games and clothing." Surveillance videos obtained from the store revealed the three individuals on their cell phones while shopping in the store. Police believe the thieves may have been speaking to one another while watching out for security and/or police.

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Leadership Symposium

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On February 3, while many students were packing for the weekend, representatives from Monmouth's clubs headed to Anacon Hall for the spring Leadership Symposium. This semester's keynote speaker, George Obermeier, said the goal of the symposium was to teach the future leaders of these clubs how to “make leadership fun.”

Obermeier motivated the group through loud inflections, games, and stories. In between discussions about altruism and positive attitudes, he gave advice on having happy demeanors. “If no Ah Ha . . . then no HaHa,” says Obermeier.

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JIM FINLEY
Monmouth Senior

The 200-Mile Conditioning Program

The Monmouth University Fitness Center has planned a 200-mile conditioning program that will take place during the spring semester. The three different conditioning programs focus on completing 200 miles by indoor walking, biking, or swimming in a seven-week period that began February 13.

The first program involved are Monmouth University students and employees. The general public is also invited to participate. The three programs focus on completing 200 miles by indoor walking, biking, or swimming in a seven-week period.

Monmouth’s Department of Athletics Exercise Physiologist Marta D. Neumann runs the program. This year’s program will be completed three to five times a week in order to complete their goal.

The program requires participants to work out three to five times a week in order to complete 200 miles.

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One hundred miles have been added to the schedule for this year’s program. The extra mile-age has not instilled fear. In fact, there are more people participating than ever before. Additionally, extra machines such as the elliptical have been added to the fitness center to increase people’s variety in their activity.

According to Neumann, “There are technical and physiological benefits when you combine a variety of activities. Benefits are seen mentally and physically.”

There are three different training agendas a person can choose to join. The first is cross training, which requires running 45 miles, and biking or stepping on the treadmill.

The second is the triathlon conditioning program, which requires running 45 miles, swimming five miles, and biking 150 miles. It is mostly driving people to their rigorous conditioning goal of completing 200 miles, less than the 100-Mile Storm program.

Participant Neumann completed an internship with her husband in nearby Midtown, New York City, and almost all of New England this weekend, according to a report in the February 13, edition of the Asbury Park Press. The storm had a major affect on the West Long Branch area, causing beach erosion, localized flooding, and power outages.

According to the paper, low-lying streets in Sea Bright, Oceanport, and Monmouth Beach, were flooded and police were forced to remove several cars that had been damaged. Beach erosion was also a problem, especially along Long Beach Island. The storm also left over 7,000 people without power for all of Sunday after- noon.

Cheney involved in hunting accident

While hunting in Texas on Saturday, February 11, Vice President Dick Cheney fired a shot that inadvertently hit another hunter, said the AP. The hunter, Harry Wittington, a lawyer from Austin, was taken to the hospital suffering from shotgun pellet wounds mounted in his chest and face.

White House Press Secretary McClellan said that following the accident, Katrina Armstrong, a bystander in the shooting, and another hunter contacted the Corbiti Christi Times about the shooting on Sunday with the consent of Vice President Cheney.

No official statement from the White House was released Saturday.

Tenth church fire in Alabama

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In the tenth series of church fires since February 2, the Beaver Dam Baptist Church was set on fire on Saturday, February 11, according to a report by the Washington Times. The church is considered a white church and is located in the Deep South.

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The USA Break Dancers performed for students at Anacon Hall Wednesday, February 8, to perform for the student body. The Student Activities Board (SAB) sponsored this event, led by Catherine Heredia, the Diversity Chair on the board. The USA Break Dancers are known throughout the country for their talent and professionalism. Dance Spirit Magazine Editor Susan Eisele Eley said, “If you want to see break dancing, go to any local hip-hop club. If you want to see a break dance performance at its best, you need to see the USA Break Dancers.”

The USA Break Dancers started performing in 1995, and consists of members William Sanchez, 22, Julio Santiago, 37, Christopher Munoz, 19, and Jose Colon, 16. Santiago, however, started performing in 1980, when the break dance boom just started.

The group began as street performers in Times Square, and currently travel to many different colleges and organizations to help show the diversity of dance culture. “We organized the event in hopes of bringing something diverse and urban to the students, and the event definitely did,” said Heredia.

“We organized it with the AASV for black history month to help spread diversity and culture throughout the student body. I feel the event was a definite success, with a decent turnout as well,” she added.

The performance opened with the Monmouth University Capoeira Club giving a brief background of what capoeira was all about, and then performing a sample of what they had taught the audience. Afterwards, the USA Break Dancers came out and performed a few break dancing intervals, and then spread it out with some stunts - like one break dancer jumping over four people.

Junior Matt Murray said, “The show was amazing. I didn’t know the human body could move like that.”

During the show, there were refreshments available to the public. There was even audience participation, with a dance-off they had where they invited four audience members to come up in front of the audience and show off their moves.

To conclude their performance, Santiago, the manager and leader of the group, came out in front of the audience and did “the worm” as everyone cheered him and the USA Break Dancers on their show.

Sophomore Andrew Giacomin said, “This was the best break dancing I have seen since the movie ‘Breakin’.’”
Meet MU: Tom Battaglia

See how one man has made Monmouth University’s athletic program stronger than was ever thought possible.

KERRI WALKER CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Monmouth University strengthened the athletics program eight years ago by hiring Conditioning and Fitness Center Coordinator Tom Battaglia. When you walk into the fitness center, you can see that every one in a while the athletes go to Battaglia for encouragement on their workouts and ask him for advice.

In today’s corporate American society, everyone is not just looking for results, but fast, noticeable ones. To do this, people go to many extremes, especially in sports. Nowadays we see so many professional athletes being tested for steroids, and occasionally being thrown out of competition.

Besides getting mandatory NCAA drug tests, it can be said that a strength and conditioning program helps students want to work harder than natural. They want to get stronger, faster, and quicker, thus helping the student-athletes, coaches, and school’s athletic program. By having a stronger athletic program, the school is put on the map. Battaglia knows how important it is as an athlete to work hard outside of team practice. He played high school football in Sayreville, New Jersey. During his teenage years, Battaglia did a lot of weight training, which enabled him to play offensive guard and linebacker on the team and inspired him to become a strength and conditioning coach.

Although Battaglia would like to see more strength coaches obtain their certification through the National CSCS (Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist) he said, “There are no real requirements to becoming a certified strength coach.”

Battaglia received an undergraduate degree in both nutrition and exercise, and exercise physiology at Purdue University. He continued his studies at Purdue to receive his master’s degree in exercise physiology in 1998.

Before coming to Monmouth University, he put in more time at Purdue as a Graduate Assistant, RestrictEarnings Coach. He then worked at Fordham University for two years where he coordinated their first strength and conditioning program.

When Battaglia first arrived at Monmouth, he explained, “There was a coach that did not want to use the strength and conditioning services, because it was hard enough getting teams to attend the practice program.”

This was Monmouth’s first strength and conditioning program, and there were certainly obstacles to overcome. A challenge that students face at Monmouth is that they are limited on space since they share the only exercise facility with the general public. Since Battaglia works with all of the varsity teams on campus, he must accommodate all of the coaches and players’ quirks.

While working at Monmouth, Battaglia said that he takes most pride in, “getting as much done here in a 2,500 square foot facility as the schools at Purdue got done in a 16,000 square foot facility. It is a real testament to the athletes given these limitations on size and scheduling.” The varsity teams in the gym working out two to four times a week depending on if they are in the competitive season.

When he is not in the fitness center, Battaglia is an active member of Team in Training, a health education and support program for leukemia. This is his second year as an involved coach for Team in Training. He got involved because the nephew of one of his training partners died of leukemia.

Team Survivor is an educational and support group for women affected by cancer. Battaglia is on the advisory board, in which he provides sport information on activities. He is involved in running and coaching clinics and in September he’ll be competing in The Dunkin Donuts Triathlon Series in Sandy Hook to help raise awareness on Breast Cancer. Battaglia has participated in Triathlons for six years, and has completed about 25 to date.

Battaglia has great expectations for the future of the athletic program at Monmouth, and the fitness industry. He believes that the new Multi-Purpose Activity Center (MAC), which is being proposed by Monmouth University, will divide the athletes from the general population.

Meet MU: Tom Battaglia After the Conditioning and Fitness Coordinator at Monmouth University.

What are some notable achievements: USA age group nationals for triathlon, ITU world championships in Hawaii, starting two division I strength programs at Monmouth University and Fordham University.

If you were a superhero who would you be and why: Captain America, because he is basically mortal and he does everything for the good of the country and always works to the best of his ability.

SQA President’s Corner

Hello Monmouth University!

The SQA discount cards are here! After a slight typo last week from the printer, we finally have the corrected ones. All clubs and organizations: check your mailbox for find cards for your members. We will have stands all around campus so that everyone can pick one up! The following businesses are on these FREE complimentary cards:

- Stingers
- QuirinoSubs
- Ming Ying
- Dunkin Donuts
- Brighton Pizza
- Blue Moon Diner
- Avenue You
- Lube It All
- All Mixed Up!
- Sunkissed Tanning
- Ady’s
- Student Travel Services.

Thank you to everyone who participated in SQA’s Random Act of Kindness Campaign. Due to its success, we are going to continue this project so that everyone can send cards thank you notes across campus, just to say thank you for being you.

Congratulations to Stacey Ciprich who planned the Winter Ball this past weekend. The Residence Hall Association sponsors this annual event and Stacey and her committee were able to turn Wilson Hall into a winter wonderland – it was definitely snowing and raining outside! If you missed it this year, be sure not to miss it next year!

Four SGA senators will be attending the Conference on Student Government in two weeks. They will travel to Texas A&M University to learn about organizational operations and how to better each university. Good luck to our delegates who will be presenting a one hour workshop to other school across the country entitled: When the going get tough, the tough get going – How to deal with opposition. This is a great way to get Monmouth’s name out among the crowd and teach other schools lessons that we have learned about inter-Senate interaction, relationships with students, and relationships with our surrounding community.

As we approach spring break time, SQA would like to remind everyone to be safe and careful when you’re leaving the state or country, or simply going home. Relax, have fun, but be aware of your surroundings.

Last year my friends and I encountered some scary situations during the day as well as late at night (the destination will remain nameless), so just remember to use your head, stay in groups, and trust no one.

Have a great week and remember – Seniors: less than 90 days until commencement!

Best regards,
Alyson Goode
SGA President
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**Upcoming Student Events**

**Wednesday, February 15**
- **Decorate a Cake**
  - 12:00-4:00 PM, RSSC Lobby
- **Jazz Band**
  - 1:00-4:00 PM, RSSC Cafeteria

**Thursday, February 16**
- **Women's Basketball vs. Quinnipiac University**
  - 7:00 PM, Boylan Gymnasium

**Friday, February 17**
- **Happy Hour with Bernie McGrenahan**
  - 7:00 PM, RSSC Anacon Hall
- **Weekend Movie Series - JARHEAD**
  - 8:00 PM, Young Auditorium, Bey Hall

**Saturday, February 18**
- **Medieval Times Trip**
  - Tickets Available ($40 for students)
  - Bus Departs @ 4:30 PM

**Monday, February 20**
- **Men’s Basketball vs. Fairleigh Dickinson Univ.**
  - 7:00 PM, Boylan Gym
- **Robert Kelly - Comedian**
  - 8:00 PM, Java City Cafe

**Tuesday, February 21**
- **Lunch with Father Joe**
  - 1:00 PM, Magill Club 107
- **Black History JEOPARDY!**
  - 7:00 PM, RSSC Anacon Hall
- **Movie & Discussion - CRASH**
  - 7:30 PM, Young Aud.

**Wednesday, February 22**
- **Singed Out! (Tent.)**
  - 10:00 PM, Poliak Theatre

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LAUREN NAPOLITANO  FEATURES EDITOR

May 17, 2006. For some, this date is just another day on the calendar. For you seniors, though, it’s the end of one chapter in your lives, and the start of another.

Since we were wee-little tykes trying to color within the lines in pre-school, our entire lives have consisted of waking up, going to school, coming home, completing tedious homework assignments, and then falling into a deep slumber, only to repeat the next morning and repeat the cycle.

Now school is ending and the comfort of our everyday routine is quickly coming to a halt. You’ve been applying for jobs, or maybe already landed one at your company, only to rise the next morning and realize you’ve been tugging at your hair out of your closet a few pieces at a time, and invest in better quality clothing with each purchase.

The first impressions: Imagine you’re the CEO of a large corporation and you’re conducting interviews to hire a new manager. Are you going to hire the interviewee who walks in wearing a nice, clean suit and is poised and controlled or the interviewee who wanders in looking sloppy and like a hot puppy, fidgeting and visibly nervous? That’s what I thought.

Looking inappropriate, disorganized, tense, or anxious will give the impression you lack confidence in your abilities, and therefore are unable to perform to their highest standards. Even if you already have landed the job, you don’t want them rethinking why they hired you in the first place.

Always be on time, and make sure you dress to kill, are alert, confident, courteous, and carry yourself well. Avoid chewing gum and engaging in annoying fidgety habits such as tapping your pen on your desk. You don’t want to give your co-workers the feeling that you are a nuisance to work with.

Be inquisitive: Face it, even though we may think we are all knowledgeable, we aren’t. Don’t be afraid to ask questions. According to a recent careerbuilder.com survey, hiring managers say that one of the top mistakes new graduates make when entering the workforce is not asking questions.

Never assume anything. Whether it’s how to perform a particular task, the company’s dress code, or how to use the fax machine, just ask. It’s better to avoid an embarrassing situation than asking a simple question you may feel embarrassed about.

Expect greater responsibilities: Yes, you have landed a real job and you no longer have to act as a starry-eyed intern, but that doesn’t mean you still aren’t at the bottom of the food chain.

As an intern, you may have been told to make a coffee run, but as a lower level employee, you may be asked to do so for a few of the other employees. Don’t say no. The best thing to do is to smile and bear it. If this goes on for an extended period of time and you feel like you’re being taken advantage of, then you should step up and voice your feelings.

Other responsibilities all employees should employ out of courtesy are filling the paper in the copier machine if you use the last of it, refilling the staple gun if it’s empty, and other simple tasks. This isn’t demeaning; it’s simply helping around the office.

Under-promise and over-deliver: Don’t bite off more than you can chew. If your boss wants you to take on a new project but you’re already jam-packed with other obligations, politely say you would love to, but you have other projects that need to be completed. If you say yes, you will end up doing a mediocre job or miss the deadline.

Susan Moren, author of 101 Tips for Graduates, suggests over-delivering, or setting a more reasonable deadline and working hard to finish ahead of schedule.

To accomplish this, don’t procrastinate. Procrastinating will cause you to run out of time, or do the poor job. When faced with a large project, block off a chunk of time to work on it, ensuring you have time to get it done. Thens, break it down into smaller, more manageable tasks.

The company party is not a party: The word “party” doesn’t constitute acting like you were back at the fraternity house doing keg stands and screaming, “TOGA, TOGA!”

Think of company parties or after-hour outings as an extension of your office—your behavior is still being judged. Be careful how much alcohol you drink, what you say, and always dress appropriately.

While Brad Pitt attended the University of Missouri, he posed for the “Men of Mizzou” pinup calendar. In 1987 (his senior year) he left, two credits short of graduation and went to California.

Do majors matter?

LAUREN NAPOLITANO  FEATURES EDITOR

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, the average person changes careers three times in his/her life. Seventy-five percent of students change majors at least once during their college years, according to Randy Miller, chairman of the student counsel website Readyminds. Do these numbers scare you a little? Tired of running down your dorm’s hallway screaming, with your hands tugging at your hair out of fear that you actually don’t know what you’re going to do the rest of your life?

Don’t worry! According to Donald Asher, career consultant and author of “How To Get Any Job With Any Major,” the biggest secret in career development is that you can get a job with any major. He states that although all majors don’t equal prepare you for all jobs, no job is out of reach just because of your major.

Many students are under the impression that they are stuck doing whatever it is they picked to study as their major. Some end up hating their majors by the end of their college careers, and realize they have a love in another field, but are afraid they are unable to pursue it because of that small piece of paper they feel they are indebted to.

When applying for a job, employers look at other factors other than your major. Although it is an important part in the application process, other skills such as communication abilities, teamwork skills, honesty, motivation, work ethics, flexibility, and self-confidence play a large role as well.

Here are some examples of real people who found work outside of their majors:

- Carly Fiorina, former chairperson and CEO of Hewlett-Packard Company, received a degree in medieval history and philosophy from Stanford.
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- Jon Stewart, actor and TV personality, majored in psychology at William and Mary College.
- Mick Jagger, lead singer for the Rolling Stones, majored in economics at the London School of Economists.
February 15, 2006

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conducted a salary survey in the spring of 2005 to find out what the different starting salaries of graduates in various fields were. Here are some of their findings:

Accounting (private):
- Management trainee: $35,811
- Chef: $31,900
- Advertising: $44,564
- Accounting (private): $44,564
- Teaching: $29,733
- Financial/Treasury analysis: $48,532
- Information sciences: $45,596
- Consulting: $49,781
- Software design/development: $36,752
- Registered nurse: $38,775
- Legal arts: $30,337
- Information sciences: $43,732
- Electrical engineering: $52,009

Curious what you might be making when you start your new career? NACE conducted a salary survey in the spring of 2005 to find out what the different starting salaries of graduates in various fields were. Here are some of their findings:

Accounting (private):
- Management trainee: $35,811
- Chef: $31,900
- Advertising: $44,564
- Accounting (private): $44,564
- Teaching: $29,733
- Financial/Treasury analysis: $48,532
- Information sciences: $45,596
- Consulting: $49,781
- Software design/development: $36,752
- Registered nurse: $38,775
- Legal arts: $30,337
- Information sciences: $43,732
- Electrical engineering: $52,009

Varying Job Opportunities:
One of the first things students want to know is what kind of job they can get with an advanced degree. The truth of the matter is that it depends.

In some instances, going to graduate school will give you “the edge over competition in the job market,” according to the Monmouth University guidelines for undergraduates seeking a graduate scholars program. And according to the Texas A&M University-Kingsville Web site, a master’s degree can be an entry point for new and better job opportunities in business, industry, government and education.

Certain jobs require at least a master’s degree, while other job opportunities are broadened with an advanced degree. A master’s degree, for example, makes the difference between being a teacher and being a principal, or between being a general employee and being a supervisor.

A doctorate degree makes an even bigger difference: researchers from Texas A&M University-Kingsville point out that “statisticians who work for the Census Bureau, psychologists who work for advertising firms, a doctorate earned $51,183 and a worker with a master’s degree earned $31,900,” says www.quintcareers.com. Be honest with yourself as you determine your own goals, abilities, and obligations as well as the options available to you with a bachelor’s degree.

Once you’ve decided whether graduate school is right for you, how will you know when to go? In some instances, it’s better to attend graduate school immediately after college, while in other cases, it’s best to develop some work experience first.

There are also many benefits and drawbacks to each decision. Carefully consider each option with the help of the following information, courtesy of www.tamu.edu (Texas A&M University-Kingsville’s official website), www.quintcareers.com, and the Monmouth University guidelines for undergraduates seeking a graduate scholars program.

Difference in Job Salaries:
The second biggest question on students’ minds is the difference in salaries that an advanced degree will make.

According to the Monmouth University Guidelines for undergraduates seeking a graduate scholars program, “data shows that individuals with advanced degrees earn an average of 50 percent more than graduates with bachelor’s degrees.”

The www.quintcareers.com website points out that “in 1998 the average worker with a bachelor’s degree earned $41,478 while a worker with a master’s degree earned $51,183 and a worker with a doctorate earned $74,445 during their first years.

Essentially, you’ll make more work in any field if you go straight to graduate school upon graduation. If you begin a career with a bachelor’s degree, you can begin to earn income and possibly be reimbursed for graduate school (so that you can start to make the big bucks) while gaining valuable work experience at the same time.

Ultimately, the better choice boils down to what your own personal goals, abilities, and obligations are. Both graduate school and working after college have their own benefits and drawbacks, but as long as you are able to make a decision that is right for you, you can’t go wrong either way.

Knowledge of yourself and the job market are your best allies in making the decision of whether or not to go straight to graduate school. As long as you make a carefully informed decision, either path can be beneficial to you.
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Editorial

LAUREN BENEDETTI  
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One of the most satisfying parts of being an editor at The Outlook is walking down the student center at 1:00 on Wednesday and seeing every person you pass with the paper in hand, anxiously flipping through the pages. As my term as editor-in-chief of The Outlook comes to a close, I did like to highlight the important role a student-run newspaper plays, especially at a school as small as Monmouth University.

A free, student-run college newspaper is truly an amazing thing. Think about it. Today, colleges and universities are run like giant corporations, with large communications staffs handling their public image and numerous consulting firms advising administrators on the next step to take. Yet, colleges like Monmouth still provide tens of thousands of dollars every year to fund publications like The Outlook, even though they have no control over the content. This dedication to freedom of the press, even at private institutions that are particularly concerned about their image (as they should be), is a testament to the importance of open dialogue and freedom of expression on campus campuses.

School newspapers play a vital role for every college community. The primary function is as an unfiltered distributor of information. By “unfiltered,” I mean that hurt Monmouth because we are so closely linked to the institution, like it would be difficult for professional journalists to knowingly hurt their own publication, their colleagues and superiors. I am proud to say, however, that we do not cave in to the pressures. We fulfill our obligation to the Monmouth community by informing them of the truth, from the beginning of the controversy (that we do publish) to the end.

Conflicts of interest will continue to plague future editors of The Outlook. As much as we would like for Monmouth to be free of controversy, negative stories will undoubtedly arise, whether large or small, and we will continue to tell students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni and other readers the truth, nothing more and nothing less. College newspapers at Monmouth and across the nation have an obligation to their readers not to be the pawn of the administration or a propaganda tool for the interests of the school and neutral by just like it would be difficult for college journalists, to separate our competing interests and be a source of unbiased information, regardless of the story. I believe The Outlook has done a fine job fulfilling this responsibility, and I look forward to it doing so in the future.
The more I listen to the negativity and sensationalism coming from the Democratic Party and the Main Stream Media (seems like one in the same) the more I wonder, what happened to the party and the media. There was once a time when Democrats like FDR, Truman and Kennedy stood up for national defense, American pride and Western responsibility. There was once a time when newspapers like The New York Times ran patriotic stories about the war effort and op/eds that actually supported America. Then I imagine that what would have been like if the British America First attitude had been prevalent back then. I imagine that the head lines would have looked something like this:

JAPANESE ATTACK WAR BASE AT PEARL HARBOR! DNC CHAIR URGES UNDERSTANDING, INSISTS WE FIND A WAY TO GET US INTO THE WAR! NO BLOOD FOR CIVILIANS!

ROOSEVELT KNEW ABOUT PEARL HARBOR! War Department Plans to accommodate the Japanese at war in the Winter Olympics! The American skater can sit on the couch for three years of meager competition, then go to the Olympics and win a gold! The American bomber raids to Cripple, Naz WARMACHINE ALSO HURTS CIVILIANS, HITLER AND AMERICANS STALLED IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THE WORST NIGHTS OF AMERICAN LIVES BY MILLIONS OF JAPANESE CRIMINALS.

There are no wise few. Every aristrocracy that has ever existed has feared and hated, in all essential points, exactly like a small mob.

Henry Adams (1838 - 1918)

"Only sick music makes money today.

Friedrich Nietzsche (1844 - 1890)

"Politics is war without bloodshed while war is politics without bloodshed."

Mao Tse-Tung (1893 - 1976)

"Prince men profit more from fools than from wise men, for the wise men shun the mistakes of fools, but fools gladly take the successes of the wise."

Cato the Elder (234 B.C.E. - 149 B.C.E.)

"Most people are other people. Their thoughts are someone else's opinions, their lives a mimicry, their passions a quotation."

Oscar Wilde (1854 - 1900)

"If it weren't for Philo T. Farnsworth, inventor of television, we'd still be eating dinner by candle light.

Johnny Carson (1925 - 2005)

"Marxian ideology is jealousy with a halo.

H.G. Wells (1866 - 1946)

"Facts are the enemy of truth."

Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra (1547 - 1616)

"I just told you the facts, sir. The quality of the air is clean, sir. "Tell me, between the president of the United States..."

George W. Bush (1947 - )
Some feel that Valentine's Day is a Hallmark holiday that makes us feel obligated to spend money in order to show love. Others see the importance of the holiday.  

“Do what you think?”

Valentine fell in love with a young girl — who may have been his jailer’s daughter — who visited him during corrections. Before his death, it is alleged that he wrote her a letter, which he signed ‘From Death.’  

“Valentine’s Day is not a Hallmark holiday. This is due to a little something called history.”

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

As we celebrate Black History Month and the significant contributions of African-Americans to our country’s history, New Jersey Blood Services (NJBS) would like to highlight the life-saving work of Dr. Charles Drew.

Beginning in 1940 Dr. Drew made important contributions to the science of blood and blood banking through his research and the development of a technique for long-term preservation of blood plasma. His efforts revolutionized the medical profession and created the world’s first blood bank.

Patients in New Jersey hospitals must rely on volunteer blood donors for an adequate blood supply. In particular African American blood donors are critically needed to meet the medical needs of state residents with sickle cell disease (SCD) — a hereditary disease that mainly affects individuals of African descent. Approximately 80,000 New Jerseyans have SCD with more than 2.5 million generally healthy citizens having the sickle cell trait in their blood and could pass the trait or disease on to their offspring.

Patients with SCD often require frequent blood transfusions to treat this life-threatening disease. After multiple transfusions, SCD patients can develop immunity to different kinds of blood “anti- gens” (proteins in blood) and must then receive rare “compatible” blood transfusions.Such blood is most likely to come from donors of the same ethnic or racial group.

To address this need, New Jersey Blood Services has an initiative called “Precise Match.” This program’s goal is to ensure that our increasingly diverse patient population has ready access to precisely matched blood to include Americans with SCD who may require blood transfusions to combat the disease. The necessity of receiving compatible blood is imperative for African Americans to become regular blood donors.

NJBS is thankful for the pioneering work of Dr. Charles Drew. In memory of NJBS encourages all eligible New Jersey residents — including African-Americans — to donate blood on a regular basis. To help make blood available to all patients and to create a great academic curriculam, a great place to study, a great place to work. Wilson Hall is a big part of Monmouth, isn’t that what you came here for? It’s where you meet the people behind the scenes that make it happen. It’s the home to the people who make decisions, like you if you are eligible to graduate.

We still show more school spirit than a lot of other schools. Does it really matter where we sit?

Dick Cheney shat a man while hunting,
Searching for some quails one fine day,
You can say’s he’s not a hypocritical homophobe, But as for Democrats we disagree,

He’d been drinking too much moonshine, Bush begged for him not to go,
He forgot to look through the sight, And shot a man that day,

When we found him browning the poor hunter, Some who took pellet shots in the face, He offered to give the man millions, But the man wanted more from this vice presidential disgrace,

Dick Cheney shat a man while hunting,
Searching for some quails one fine day,
You can say’s he’s not a hypocritical homophobe, But as for Democrats we disagree,

They tried to settle it with him, As to not make a presidential mockery, And shot a man at the white-hat day. It’s an oxymoron you can see,

Dick Cheney shat a man while hunting,
Searching for some quails one fine day,
You can say’s he’s not a hypocritical homophobe, But as for Democrats we disagree,

Now it’s all over for the moment, Until the cabinet screws up again, Shouldn’t be a long wait for that one, Two idiots occupying white-house everyday. Makes you wonder why we couldn’t have elected a liberal. At least then he’d have gotten his Monica Lewinsky,

Dick Cheney shat a man while hunting,
Searching for some quails one fine day,
You can say’s he’s not a hypocritical homophobe, But as for Democrats we disagree,
President George W. Bush has been wiretapping American citizens for the safety and security of this country. The problem is, he's been doing it illegally and without the constitution and without the courts. On the 14th, he's prescribed his own orders and then left them in the sand and pretended that he was doing it properly. There are some who would like to hide their heads in the sand and pretend that this is a real war.

Top ten...

1. Constructive government change and growth. With that, the message we are sending must also change. With that, the message we are sending must also change.

2. Institutions grow and change. There are some who would like to hide their heads in the sand and pretend that this is not a real war.

3. A person who is doing surveillance on known terrorists has been reviewed by the courts.

4. The courts have ruled in favor of the Chief Executive and therefore, the programs are allowed.

5. The court ruling and a warrant are both orders authorized by the constitution and part of the federal courts on several occasions.

6. The President and the authority to make surveillance on known terrorists has been reviewed by the courts.

7. The President's authority to make surveillance on known terrorists has been reviewed by the courts.

8. The Senate Intelligence Committee that it was OK for the President to do the same thing.

9. Anyone who has taken an American National Government cruise missile to kill Osama Bin Laden he doesn't need any sort of authorization. But if he wants to listen to his own international phone calls, he needs a warrant.

10. The President is doing what he must, what he should do to prevent further attacks.

President George W. Bush's authorization of DOD wiretaps violated federal laws.

"The President is doing what he must, what he should do to prevent further attacks."

The NSA and Domestic Wiretapping: the legalities, vagaries and reasons behind it

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Kathleen Smith-Wenning, an award recipient, said that she found out about winning the award through a letter she received in her mailbox. She said that a past student she taught nominated her.

Smith-Wenning has done many acts of volunteering.

“I created an environment for my students to get to know the immigrant community by providing something they sorely need which is English instruction. We are meeting the needs of the underserved community,” she said.

She added that that the students of Monmouth University who assisted her in the program “do a great job.”

Smith-Wenning also said that they do Meals at Noon as well as contribute time to the Long Branch Concordance.

Upon winning this award, Smith-Wenning said that she was “humbled...I was actually speechless.”

“It is apart of my everyday life,” said Smith-Wenning of serving her community. “Through the Long Branch Concordance, it is a network of people who care about the community so anytime there is an event we are usually all there together anyway representing different organizations.

“I was very excited when I found out. It was an awesome honor,” said Ian Craig of winning the Martin Luther King, Jr. Unsung Hero/Heroin Award.

Craig said that he began volunteering a lot during his high school career with NHS.

“When I was a senior and about to go into college, I organized the Disney VolunteerEARS Program at the Disney store in New Jersey and we did a lot of walk-a-thons, beach clean-ups, food drives, costume drives, and bowl-a-thons,” described Craig.

He added that his store won Disney VolunteerEARS store of the year one year.

When Craig arrived at Monmouth University, he formed the Community Service Club and so far has said the club has been involved with a variety of sales as well as the annual Big Event.

Craig said that while he was in Florida participating in the Disney College Program, he volunteered with Give Kids the World and as well over the holidays helped with Toys for Tots.

“It is very important to make a difference in the world and in other people's lives,” said Craig. “It’s something I feel is good to do. It gives you a good feeling inside.”

After several attempts, Terri Blair was unable to be reached for comment.

Heather Kelly said that she was once again pleased by the winners of this year’s award.

“We have a phenominal group of people being nominated and a phenominal group of people who are winning. We really do exemplify the best of the best,” commented Kelly.

President Paul Gaffney II said, “I was pleased to see such varying...student, professor, community member.”

Vice President of Student Services Mary Anne Nagy also commented on her reaction to this year’s award winners.

“As for the members of the community we honored, it’s wonderful to know that we have in our midst people who care as much as they do and go so far beyond what they need to help others,” said Nagy.

Craig’s act in helping to give toys are great role models for all of us.”

MLK award

Ian Craig

“Don’t Believe the Hype”

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Credit Card Theft Prevention

If you believe that your credit card was lost or stolen, or you have charges that you did not make, contact your credit card company and the police immediately. Faster reporting and apprehending the thief.

Never leave your wallet or purse unattended. It only takes a few seconds for someone to take them.

Always remember to lock your residence hall room, house and car when leaving. Even if it's only for a few minutes. Only carry the cards when you know you’re going to need them; otherwise, keep them stored in a secured place.

Sign your new card as soon as it arrives. Signature verification is one of the best weapons against fraud. If a criminal signs your card in his or her handwriting, he or she will have no trouble using it.

Always keep your charge receipts so you can compare them with your monthly statements. Also remember to destroy any carbons you may receive at the time of transaction. Make the merchant destroy the carbons in front of you.

Never release your account number, expiration date, or personal information over the phone without verifying the caller’s identity. Offer to call back -- legitimate companies will not mind. If the caller hedges, you have reason to be suspicious.

Review your monthly statements immediately and report any charges you do not recognize to your credit card company. The faster an unauthorized charge gets reported, the better the chance of minimizing additional losses. Quick reporting of thefts to police greatly helps the investigation and the chances of catching the thief.

Memorize your PIN (Personal Identification Number). Do not carry your PIN in your wallet. Do not write the PIN on your card or on a piece of paper. The PIN will allow a thief to gain unlimited access to bank machines around the world.

When using your card, watch to be sure that extra imprints of your card are not being made. Making another imprint of the card and filling in the information later is a common occurrence.

When a merchant returns your card to you, make sure that it is your card. Mistakes can happen, and cards get switched. The person who gets your card may not be as honest as you.

Avoid signing blank charge receipts. Always insist that the exact amount be entered on the receipt before you sign. Always sign your receipts with an ink pen.

Information provided by the Ohio University Police Department

Credit card theft

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Currently no arrests have been made and police are asking anyone with information to contact them.

“We are following up on all leads but have not as yet identified any- one,” said Chief McElrath. “We be- lieve that it is someone who would not arouse suspicion by being in the areas where the thefts took place.”

According to a report from Mon- mouth University police, the indi- viduals involved are between the ages of 20 to 25 years old. The first individual is described as a “heavy- set black female,” who at the time was wearing “a white bandana, a white Philadelphia Eagles sweat- shirt, a puffy turtleneck, and increase sneakers.” The second individual, is a female described as “Hispanic or having a light complexion,” who was wearing, “dark clothing, puffy hair for men, and an increase in facial hair for women.

Marijuana:
Top 10 Things To Know

SUANNE SCHAAD, MA, LCADC SUBSTANCE AWARENESS COORDINATOR

1. Marijuana affects the brain, especially our memory. THC, the active ingredient in marijuana, affects the nerve cells in the part where memories are formed. Short term and Long term memory loss is associated with marijuana use.

2. Smoking Marijuana is more dangerous than smoking cigarettes. Marijuana has more carcinogens (cancer causing agents) than tobacco. One marijuana joint affects your lungs as much as four cigarettes.

3. You can become addicted to marijuana. Research shows you can become both psychologically and physically addicted to marijuana.

4. Most Monmouth University students do not use marijuana.

5. Marijuana affects your sense of time and coordination. Injuries, falls, burns, drowning and car accidents often happen as a result of marijuana use.

6. Marijuana can be “laced” with other drugs without your knowledge. Sometimes it may have substances such as cocaine on it.

7. Marijuana use increases your risk of developing a mental illness. Depression, anxiety and schizophrenia have been linked to marijuana use.

8. Most Monmouth University students do not use marijuana.

9. Marijuana use may result in “Amotivational Syndrome,” where the user loses motivation, judgement, interest in activities, poor hygiene habits, and social interests.

10. Long term use of marijuana may result in loss of facial hair for men, and an increase in facial hair for women.

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To say Time is Money has been an album in a making is an understatement. In 2003, right in the middle of promoting the album, Styles served an eight month bid in jail which halted the plans for releasing the album. After having trouble with his record labels, Styles had to push the release date all the way to April 2005. On November 11, 2005, a day before the album finally dropped, Styles P and Shyne were arrested on gun charges and had to talk with Angie Martinez. Styles insists politics are what kept the album from coming out on time, but it is still being on the same label, Fall 2006.

The album itself is a bit of a different direction for Styles. He wanted to be able to still do Styles but involve the ladies more and make hits. Like the song with Carl Thomas “I do the street thing too but the ladies buy the records too,” said Styles.

The second track and the one that has had a lot of radio time is “Can you believe it” featuring Akon. These days whatever Akon is on, whether you like him or not, usually becomes a hit. Styles and Akon are a good match, after finding success with last year’s “Locked up.” The beat is amazing and Styles makes the song better than the average rapper would. It kind of makes you feel you are with him wherever he is when he is talking about it. Especially in the second verse when he says “Basketball tournament, pibbulled up, puring Crit’ in cups.”

The background in the third track “D-Block Boys,” has a country feel to it, with a harmonica playing in the background. My favorite line Styles says in this song is “Give it a little time I have the country soul cause I did more dirt than a country road.”

A song that speaks about race and do so in it’s track six, “I’m Black.” Floetry is featured on the track singing “I’m so proud to be who I am” and I think it is a positive message.

Styles raps on his experience as a black man and with his culture. “I’m black whether I’m poor or rich or rich or poor know it’s all the same shit,” says Styles. I think that says a lot, that perhaps even with fame there is still struggle with being considered a minority. Styles also targets the media when he says “They focus on the negative attention, do something positive and it never gets mentioned.”

The media is prone to report on negative things to begin with, and when it comes to the black race, there are more instances than less where the media exposes a negative thing and ignores a good event or situation. This can paint a poor, distorted picture, one where others can generalize. Styles is really touching on a subject that all races and cultures face differently and that is a broad stereotype being applied to all members of that group.

The album has features like a wild interview on Hot 97 and a remix over the late Big-Pun’s “It’s so hard.” Using that as a background isn’t exactly groundbreaking. I’ve heard it used so many times on mix tapes especially. But it is so hot that I can understand why they used it. Another track that uses a popular beat is track 13. “Tim the lights off” was a song Missy and Tweet were on last year and it is definitely one of the best beats out there. I again don’t blame him for using it, he is trying to make money and do well for themselves and their family. And despite the fact that they have to eat. Styles sounds good on the track and makes it even better in some ways. Styles is also comment- ing on how people basically want to have his style. There are always new rappers trying to mirror someone else and get rich off of what they do. Styles says “I got to switch my style, a lot of (rappers) bitin’ it, their (stuff) sounds like mine, I might as well be him.”

Personally, Styles is growing a long with the album. In the Hot 97 inter- view, Styles said “We street dudes, but we family oriented too. I’m damn near married.” They said even their kids play together and girlfriends and are close. It’s a family thing in the L.O.X.

“We came in broke together, chipp- ing in for the forties and the liquor, that’s where we come from.” “We still chipping in today.” said Sheek Louch. What makes Styles P a very worthwhile artist is the fact that he is still down with the people and you can feel that in the music.

“We ain’t above nobody. We un- derstand the struggle. We’re not so industry that we’re above all that.”

Correction: In the January 25 article “April Smith: Star in the Making,” the late musician Jeff Buckley was named as Smith’s co-performer when he should have been recognized as one of Smith’s influences and a comparable artist for fans.
Backstage with: Tony Danza

JACQUELINE KOLOSKI
NEWS EDITOR

He portrays scheming musician Chris Keller on The WB’s One Tree Hill, but by listening to Tyler Hilton’s own album The Tracks of Tyler Hilton, you may not have guessed it was the same person singing about finding true love and dealing with heartbreak.

The Tracks of Tyler Hilton is a compilation of songs that are about love and relationships, both good and bad, and it features both up-tempo and slow tracks as well as showcases Hilton’s guitar skills.

“The Letter Song” is an up-tempo song that talks about a guy’s attempt to win a girl back by writing a letter telling all of his feelings for her. It is a witty song that talks about his attempts at being romantic and even says it is not a good idea for him to be thinking this much into the subject because he winds up pushing the girl away from him. In the song, Hilton sings about how it would just be easier getting up the courage to tell her.

In the song, Hilton sings about how it would just be easier getting up the courage to tell her how much he loves her, rather than trying to impress her with the dynamic of this voice. Not only will he impress the listeners with the dynamic of this voice, but he will also win them over with the fact that each song on this album is different in its own way. Each track has a unique sound and because he pens almost every song on the album, you feel as though you are getting a glimpse inside of his own life. He is one artist that is currently on the rise and with this album hopefully makes a profound impact on the music world.

“For the Love of Money” is a song that touches on the subject because he winds up being this much into thinking about making money. The song is about the idea of being on the road and traveling from place to place, going from performance to performance. In the song, Hilton sings about how sometimes it can be hard being alone and constantly away from home, but you meet all types of new people and encounter interesting experiences along the way.

Though a lot of Tyler Hilton’s album is about love, it is an album worth taking a listen to because of his creative lyrics and his unique voice. Not only will he impress listeners with the dynamic of this album, but will also win them over with the fact that each song on this album is different in its own way. Each track has a unique sound and because he pens almost every song on the album, you feel as though you are getting a glimpse inside of his own life. He is one artist that is currently on the rise and with this album hopefully makes a profound impact on the music world.

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Jill Cooper writes:

Last Thursday, February 9, 2006, I attended a taping of the Tony Danza Show. If anyone wants to be in the audience of a fun talk show, Tony is the one to go to. The taping went to was for last Friday’s (February 10) show, which was taped on Thursday afternoon at one o’clock.

The audience has to wait outside from 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. before finally allowed inside the studio. Once inside the studio, you are seated based on what colors you are wearing, and basically if you would look cute on television. The section I sat in was the section where the cameras are on a lot so men were allowed to sit nearby.

The people in charge of seating said that this section is called Tony’s “housewives section.” The stage set was much smaller than I had expected it to be. On the left is where the piano is located, the middle is where he chats with his guests and his opening monologue. It even the “ExtraVadanza” board is much smaller than it appears to be on television. Many people were wondering where exactly the board was, because it was not set up when we were first seated. A little while before the show begins, the crew brings out giant curtains to put in front of the kitchen, then they roll out the “ExtraVadanza board to put in front of that. When everyone is seated and ready for the show, a member of the staff called “Tony’s” album is “Our Time.” On this track, the girl’s life is better now that they are together. He portrays scheming musician Chris Keller on The WB’s One Tree Hill, but by listening to Tyler Hilton’s own album, The Tracks of Tyler Hilton, you may not have guessed it was the same person singing about finding true love and dealing with heartbreak.

The Tracks of Tyler Hilton is a compilation of songs that are about love and relationships, both good and bad, and it features both up-tempo and slow tracks as well as showcases Hilton’s guitar skills. “The Letter Song” is an up-tempo song that talks about a guy’s attempt to win a girl back by writing a letter telling all of his feelings for her. It is a witty song that talks about his attempts at being romantic and even says it is not a good idea for him to be thinking this much into the subject because he winds up pushing the girl away from him. In the song, Hilton sings about how it would just be easier getting up the courage to tell her how much he loves her, rather than trying to impress her with the dynamic of this voice. Not only will he impress the listeners with the dynamic of this voice, but he will also win them over with the fact that each song on this album is different in its own way. Each track has a unique sound and because he pens almost every song on the album, you feel as though you are getting a glimpse inside of his own life. He is one artist that is currently on the rise and with this album hopefully makes a profound impact on the music world.

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The OC was a time of confusion. Did Clinton really need to get impeached? Who was better looking, Topanga or Winnie Cooper? Then there was the Blair Witch. The second of which showed what we thought was going to be a fun experiment in horror. And of course we cannot forget The Super Mario Brothers Movie, Streetfighter, and both Mortal Kombat movies, all classics based on video games. MTV went from playing videos occasionally to being a reality show network. Total Request Live made Carson Daly a star for a few years, and somehow made a career out of the PacSun video. And for those of us who miss Missy, there’s always The War at Ocean Beach.

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Feeling blue? Depression is more common than you think

LINDSEY WEISS STAFF WRITER

Are you tired of feeling unsatisfied with your life, and constantly depressed? You are not alone, because one out of every eight people suffer from depression. Depression affects everyone, in every race, every economic status, or age.

Some friends or family members can recognize that a person is depressed, and they may offer to listen. But the person wants to talk to someone who is secure and confident, because you are the only person who truly understands them.

With depression, some people believe that if a person is depressed or she is unwell, she will not recover from their illness. But not every person who has depression will become more depressed or stay depressed. But not every person who develops depression will become more depressed or stay depressed.

Depression is one of the most common emotional problems, and with depression, you can learn to live with it and even thrive. After all, the good news is that it is also a major emotional problem. Just think about how you feel on some days and how you feel on other days. Your mood changes frequently, and you are accompanied by an increase in hyperactivity.

There are several symptoms that accompany depression, and these are called manic-depression. The symptoms include an increase in energy, depression, mood swings, and decreased interest in relationships.

A common type of depression is known as bipolar disorder, which is characterized by episodes of depression and mania. A person who is depressed and manic will experience intense and occur in short periods of time that last for several weeks at a time. For other depressions, it can be less severe but can remain at a low level for years.

There are three types of depressions. Major depression is short, lasting, dysphoria, which lasts longer, but is less severe, and adjustment disorder, a type of depression that deals with a depressed mood and usually occurs when there is a death in the family, or divorce. The term major depression is also referred to as manic depression, because the mood changes frequently, and you are accompanied by an increase in hyperactivity.

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Celia Melina Roche, a freshman communication major, agreed that it was a great night. “We didn’t let the snow ruin our spirits. It even made the evening more charming,” she commented. Resident Hall Director Erich Mochnacz, who chaperoned the dance, also said that the ball was a success. Monmouth students walked out of Wilson Hall with new memories of their special night and not even the cold and snow spoiled the evening. It indeed was “A Night of Enchantment.”
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Today's Birthday (Feb. 15th)
Fix up your place this year, with an eye to luxury. You can have a cozy nest, and you should. It'll help you relax.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

♈ Aries • (Mar. 21 - April 19) - Today is a 6
Continue with the drudgery, trying not to complain. You'll be able to get what you need, and even store something away.

♉ Taurus • (April 20 - May 20) - Today is a 8
If you're flirting on company time, take care. The boss will not be amused. Set up a date for later.

♊ Gemini • (May 21 - June 21) - Today is a 6
Clean up your place. Fluff up the pillows. Romantic conditions are going from OK to fabulous, for the next couple of days.

♋ Cancer • (June 22 - July 22) - Today is a 8
Surround yourself with love. That's the most important thing. If you don't have the human kind, get a dog or a cat or a bird, or even a fish or a plant.

♌ Leo • (July 23- Aug. 22) - Today is a 6
Doing work you love pays especially well now. They say the money follows when you're happy, and it does.

♍ Virgo • (Aug 23 - Sept. 22) - Today is a 8
You're charming and you're lucky now. You're also quite attractive. Forget past differences and renew a loving bond.

♎ Libra • (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) - Today is a 7
Discover hidden treasure, possibly in your own closets. This is especially fun because you put it there yourself.

♏ Scorpio • (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) - Today is an 6
You can make the connection you seek, but not all by yourself. This is a good time to get around by the back way.

♐ Sagittarius • (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is a 7
Accept another assignment. You're getting to be capable of doing more than before in less time. This will multiply your income.

♑ Capricorn • (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) - Today is an 6
This is a lucky day for you. Quick action is required, to take full advantage of an opportunity. You snooze, you lose!

♒ Aquarius • (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today is a 7
Try something for your home to increase your comfort level. This shouldn't be hard. Just replace whatever's causing pain.

♓ Pisces • (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) Today is an 6
A critic forces you to examine your premise and check for errors. This will help you become even more perfect.

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ACROSS
1. Labels
5. Glacial ice mass
10. Khayyam of Persia
14. Woody’s son
15. Muse of poetry
16. On the (declining)
17. Angels’ place
20. Vesta
21. Louis or Carrie
22. Goldfinches
23. Fragrant compound
24. Lode’s yield
26. French psychoanalyst Jacques
28. Simon’s syndrome
29. Formulated belief
31. Latin, e.g.
32. Post-workout woes
34. Moralizing tales
36. Angels’ place
39. Catchas
40. Salacious stories
41. Cross letters
42. Spud
44. One NCO
47. Counterfeited
49. Old draft org.
52. Earth tone
54. Notable period
55. Lady at a luau
56. Angels’ place
60. Nice concept?
61. Follow as a consequence
63. Kind of poker
64. Cultural values
65. Playwright Hart

DOWN
1. Set aside for later
2. Type of warrant
3. Acts the bad winner
4. Italian table wine
5. In stitches?
6. Notable period
7. Bit of hope
8. Expired
9. Facsimile
10. Part of BYOB
11. Daily high point during basic training
12. Hardened by heat
13. Acting monarchs
14. Stolen article
15. Sushi staple
16. Hydrox alternative
17. Consequences
18. Monastery superiors
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A College Girl Named Joe
by Aaron Warner

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COMICS N MORE

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BY BILLY O’KEEFE WWW.MRBILLY.COM
“What’s the most extravagant thing you’ve done to show someone you care?”

BY: SUZANNE GUARINO

Luís sophomore
“I put rose pedals up the stairs to her room where I had all her gifts surrounded by more rose pedals.”

Joe sophomore
“Drew her mother a hot bath.”

Alex freshman
“Decorated her car with flowers before she came outside in the morning.”

Ryan freshman
“In high school I decorated a girl’s locker and gave her flowers.”

Dave junior
“Got a limo to take her to and from school, a rose in each class, and a bouquet waiting for her at home.”

Tom sophomore
“Poked her on facebook.”

Dave freshman
“Serenaded my girlfriend.”

Chris sophomore
“Shared my nuggets.”

Samantha sophomore
“Paid for a cruise to the Bahamas.”

Amanda, Dee and Lindsay freshman
(Lindsay) “Got a blank deck of cards and write a reason why I love them on each card.”

Physical activity is a great way for kids to build strength and stay healthy. Unfortunately, it can sometimes lead to injury. Broken bones require immediate attention, but what about sore shoulders or swollen knees? If not taken seriously, many youth injuries can become chronic later in life. So before your child gets hurt, visit aaos.org or nata.org. Practice prevention and give all injuries proper attention.
The risk isn’t because of the site but because of the way that students are using it,” she said. “They’re too quick to post their addresses, phone numbers and photos.”

PARRY AFTAB
Director of WiredSafety.com

No one has, to our knowledge, ever tracked down somebody from a Facebook page and still be safe about it.”

But many high schoolers are not using Facebook to socialize. “I don’t use it that often, really,” said Caitlin Harper, a senior at Monmouth Family, and the names of online groups. At a flexible school, parents to know what their kids are doing as well.”

Unlike their college counterparts, high school administrators are not able to access Facebook unless a student has invited them to join. Many high schoolers are just using Facebook to socialize. “I don’t use it that often, really,” said Caitlin Harper, a sophomore at East High School. She just delves into Facebook when people leave messages for his student political organizations. “As a student senator I always look at my enemies’ profiles to see who their friends are, and to deepen my understanding of their background,” he said.

But campus life and students can be a little crazy. Some of what’s on their pages could shock parents. One group of Wichita Southeast High School students calls itself the Southeast Varsity Drinkers. Another group’s name uses an obscenity that refers to sex and the school’s mascot, the Buffalo.

The Orthodoxy Christian Fellowship was started in the late 1980s to create a university-based Christian fellowship that focuses on the spiritual needs of all Orthodox Christian students. The fellowship provides a range of activities, including weekly meetings, study groups, and social events.

The Fellowship meets every week, and its programs are open to both students and faculty. The fellowship provides a space for Orthodox Christian students to gather and discuss their faith, and to connect with other students who share similar beliefs.

The Fellowship also sponsors special events throughout the year, such as a March 3rd event that will feature a guest speaker and a discussion on the topic of the Orthodox faith. The event will be held on the campus of Monmouth University, and is open to both students and the general public.

The Fellowship is committed to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for all Orthodox Christian students, regardless of their background or level of religious commitment. They believe that Orthodoxy is a way of life, and that the Fellowship provides a space for students to explore and deepen their understanding of the faith.

For more information about the Fellowship, or to get involved, please visit their website or contact them directly.
Imagine this: Your radio alarm goes off tomorrow morning playing ‘Straight Up (Now Tell Me)’ by Paula Abdul. You jump out of your bed that’s covered in Smurf themed linens. If you’re a female, you tease your puffed up chestnut locks and wear your school uniform: oversize polo shirt and stone washed Levi’s with a multi-colored bow to tie it all together. For your male counterparts, you’re a male and hence you embraced your bouffant and wore your high top sneaker, a classic choice for the boys. If you’re a male and hairspray your permed hair to perfection and were interested in the female attire, you probably had friends reminding about your favorites toys or games. Your radio alarm goes off tomorrow morning playing ‘When I was little...’ How about those of you who can’t help but sing along to old school Bon Jovi or Pat Benatar’s ‘Love is a Battlefield’. Karaoke wouldn’t be the same without those cheesy yet unforgettable songs. Don’t deny your childhood; embrace the bad fashion, bad hair and eccentric possibilities.

1980s Style: Hard to believe we turned out normal

What made you the person you are today? Childhood fads and faux pas

**1980s Slang Dictionary**

**Awesome:** Another word for cool.

**Bodacious:** Used by men to describe a girl with a nice body.

**Bogus:** Something that is unfair or not correct.

**Bomb:** Something that’s in favor.

**Cluesdale:** Used by preppy girls to describe an all-American guy.

**Dipstick:** An idiot; Someone who lacks intelligence.

**Dweeb:** Loser; nerd.

**Eurotrash:** Wealthy Europeans who were regulars to the club scene.

**For sure:** To stress what is said; right on.

**Party Heart:** Excessive partying over the top.

**Psych:** Another way to say ‘just kidding’, usually said when one is fibbing.

**Slamdance:** Dancing in a mostvip.

**Stoked:** Excited and ready to do something.

**Tubular:** Something cool.

**WHAT MU THINKS**

Do you have a memorable or nightmarish childhood outfit from the 80s?

'I had a black spandex jumper with a multi-color neon body suit underneath. Not only was it ugly but it was hard to get out of, especially when I had to go...' Dana Benedetti

Senior

'It's definitely parachute pants. I had about three pairs that I would wear to school regularly.'

Kevin Joyce

Senior

'I pretty much spent three years or more of my life with my hair in a side ponytail.'

Kristine Nalbone

Senior

'All I can remember is for some reason my mom thought bright turquoise and red pants needed to be in the rotation.'

Ryan Piscatelli

Junior

'Probably large printed floral spandex, stirrup pants with an oversized T-shirt tied to the side and a oversized bow to tie it all together.'

Courtney Hoefer

Junior

'I remember when I was a kid, the coolest thing to have was a faded jean jacket. Looking back on it, what the hell were we thinking? I think that was the best we could come up with?'

James Moffitt

Senior

'I had the big hair that the 80s was known for.'

Jennifer Bodyl

Senior
College students reunite in New Orleans

NATALIE POMPILIO
KRTARCHIVES

They didn’t have to go back. Many of them had no ties to the area, no property, no relatives nearby.

The city they would return to would be very different from the one they fled months earlier. The carefree attitude was gone, and the physical beauty that captured the imagination of legions of writers and artists had been altered, perhaps forever.

But thousands of college students from across the country, given the chance to return to Hurricane Katrina-battered Louisiana in recent weeks, did just that. “Even though we might be temporary residents, we care about the city,” said Kristen Buxton, 19, of Marlton, Pa., a sophomore at Xavier University, who took classes at the University of Pennsylvania during the fall semester. “I see hope for the city.” The large numbers of students returning to the city’s four main private universities surprised even administrators. All of the campuses had been affected, in the case of Dillard University, every building save the chapel had been damaged, with repairs estimated to cost $450 million.

That meant traditional student life, across the city, would be changed; Dillard students, for instance, would live and take classes in a hotel. Some Tulane University students would sleep on a cruise ship or in trailers. All of the universities slashed faculty and staff, though some professors have been hired back. All schools say they are working to ensure the cutbacks do not harm either the students or their educations.

Still, Tulane reported that 10,000 of its 12,500 students returned in January. Loyola University said 87 percent of those registered for fall 2005 4,880 came back. Xavier has 3,188 students, about 75 percent of its pre-Katrina size. About half of Dillard’s 2,155 students returned and are living and taking classes in the downtown Hilton hotel.

“They were expecting about 500,” said Mike Strecker, a Tulane spokesman. “A lot of businesses pegged their openings to the return of our students. We expect the students to be a big part of rebuilding.”

The challenge, for the universities, is keeping the devastation of Katrina from devastating their students. They’re doing that by doing all the college things: hosting parties and sorority rush. They are incorporating the storm into their lessons and encouraging students to help with the cleanup.

“It’s a challenge to avoid becoming Katrina University, where everything is about the storm,” Loyola’s Smith said. “Kids crave normalcy.”

Still, he said, the university’s counseling center has “been doing a pretty brisk business.”

“A lot of kids have come back and had a chance to see the reality of the place, and it can be a bit daunting,” he said.

Becca Wallace, 20, a Loyola sophomore who attended St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia last semester, went on a school-sponsored bus tour of the devastated city. What she saw surprised her: Damage was not limited to one or two isolated areas. It was everywhere.

“It’s good to make the students aware of it. A lot of students are telling their families and friends and being active and telling government officials and helping rebuild,” Wallace said.

“There still aren’t many people, and a lot of businesses are closed, but walking around, you start to hear music and you start to see people. It’s coming back slowly, but it’s coming back.”

BECCA WALLACE
Loyola University Sophomore

Notice to May 2006 Graduates

Please be aware that the deadline for submitting any necessary paperwork (i.e. substitution forms/ waivers, change of grade forms, transfer credits, etc.) necessary for graduation is:

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winning. Enough until the.
Pre must def be
taken down a notch, so much fun!

Love it Caliente. Alpha epsilon.
PIC, little love you long time. 256
 gonna be a bangin year- Love Par-
adise. Thanks for making my 21st
amazing! I love you gals croun-
lidnt ask for better sisters- Dolce.
Parisa-your gonna get drowned in
y all this wknd- PREPARE your
self for Alpha Deltas hittin up
AC!! WE love you- AD'S. Theta Xi-

Thanks for another absolutely
amazing bid mixer!! 25 new
That's more than our last bid day
combined!!

Delta Phi Epsilon

I love you Venus and Trinidad-
my favorites XooDoo-Divin' imm-
it im deeply in love with my
fantasies and my lovely scary
Dilger. I think im in love with
you too!!- Tri-dor. Congrats Al-
pha. Can describe this crazy-
ne, and XI. TEK amazing mixer-
Venus. Client - I will continue
to wear outfits u'll question-gotta
keep it interesting. Happy Day
Enrin and Dilger! Luckydie-Vday
Erie! Love you, congrats Alpha
Chi- are you getting ready
Happy Bday to my future roomie
and buddy Luma- Love, Starlet.
Twins-party ladies luke wound
you love you forever! Best
birthday ever! my love sisters!!
Biggie u the best. I have the tole-
rance of a zebra. Anna is banan-
na! So happy to be back love you
and lovin u lmao. You know with
soxox, Riley. Twimy-figure out a
love rockin out to Nsync with
you! HaHa! Shimmer. Congrats
Alpha Xi! I love you all! Love
your mama, Solana. Extreme-
Thanks for the bite marks all over
my mouth and face...as I slap me fall
right...well that's what you told
Lav, Riggs. Anniversary Back to
the world biggie big. Caliente plus
dep deep equals you're jealous.
I heart you- ure probably just
100 days apart. Can you imagine
14 rocks as pre-ass. Stubs and
Dilenger have the same 21st.
Haha. The shot heard round the
world was a success! Thank you
for girls getting part of your life.
Yes Dil-
genger you and I do have the same
way. 21 and Big Riggs we always
gonna go for that part. Dating-
Extreme. Rambam and Galactic
Pirate hooker will always
world. I love you so much my partner
in randomness! Happy birthday to
everyone, 5-30-00!- Love you
all. Congrats Alpha Xi- you girls
are the hottest. I love it 3/35:
Caliente! Welcome to Miami...the
world of Caliente Alpha Xi.
TKE was insane- I love phi e
Love Never in Sun! Sweetie
Street hearts, you are my love
and life. Congrats Alpha Xi- you girls
are the

Alpha Sigma Tau

Riff, Stitch, Harmony, Trix, &
Mystic SIRE do enjoy your BULL
with iPods in the kitchen. Matey
found a new career on bid day.
Storm comforts stich while she's
crying for no apparent reason.
Pearl, and Glamour take a
cross-country trip to find a pizza
but. Boo and Belle boycott mixer
theme and show up in military.
Paradise ditches Boo on their big/
theme and show up in military.
Cross-country trip to find a pizza
Storm comforts stitch while she's

done with the pepper to my salt-love you!

Bambus forever! <3 McGuire.
Only been a few weeks and
already so much love! Always a
good time! Love my Rain, Em-
aldia, Pixie and Trizz xoxx Roxzie
Sunrise- Thanks so much for your
help- I love you little- I'd be lost
without you. Rockstart. Bonnie and
Clyde- Love you- i thank you.
By my heart. For the last big I could
e ver ask for. Love my badass girls.
All my heart, Lucky Star Tulip and
Savannah- I love you girls you're
my sanity <3 Lucky. Sparkle-
Thanks so much for taking care of
me Saturday night. I had to
Sparkly and Horizon thanks so much
for all the fun at 5-2-0. I love
you more then life! Puma, what
the hell is blue ribbon? Posh I'd
be lost without you. Lu-
But more so that we were on our way to the Eiffel Tower! At the top you can see the whole city of Paris. This is good if you're planning to go exploring later on. This way you at least get an idea of where things are.

The next day we got up early just so we could fit more in! We started off at Notre-Dame Cathedral, which was spectacular both inside and out. I must say that the Disney movie was very accurate (No lunchbreak running around thought). Next we saw the catacombs where more than six million people were buried, eerie but fascinating place all at the same time! After an interesting French lunch (be careful on taking chances you may just be eating something you didn’t expect!) we made our way back to the Eiffel Tower to see it during the day and madе a little stop… I’m sorry guys!...and so we fortunately, we got off at the wrong combination with being poor college students, we decided a picture of the Palais Royal, the Grand Palais, the Hotel de Ville (which had a cool little ice skating rink out front of it), Concorde, the Conciergerie, the Palais de Justice, and Ste Chapelle. One thing I did go in was the Pantheon. This building houses the tombs of many famous French-men from Voltaire to Jean-Rousseau, since it was formally a church. The day ended with the Musée de Louvre. This place is massive! You could spend a week in there if you really wanted to! There is so much in there, so make sure you kind have an idea of what you'd like to see from the beginning because time does really go fast.

The best part of seeing all these attractions is that almost all of them have student rates which make in some cases almost 50% off regular admission. You do, however, need proof that you are a student, but Robyn has that covered with the ISIC card that you get before you go to study abroad! All in all Paris is great. With its rich history and amazing architecture, it is definitely a “must see” city. Like I'll say every week though, the above only begins to tell the story. So as always, feel free to forward any questions to either m0576051@monmouth.edu or Robyn A. asaro@monmouth.edu

Next Week: Torino, Italy for the Olympics!
**Women's Basketball**

**Hawks clinch fifth straight NEC Tournament Berth**

**The Hawk File:**

**Name:** Brianna Edwards

**Hometown:** Bloomfield, Conn.

**Major:** Biology

**Favorite Teammate:** “It is kind of a dual relationship, because I love all of you. We’re one great big family. I think they are all special in their own way. All of them seem to know how to bring out the best in me and I think for them it is support and guidance.”

**Biggest Rival:** Robert Morris. “They are the only team to beat us twice. It is also very likely that we will meet them in the NEC tournament of which I know we will prevail.”

**Most Memorable Moment at MU:** “I would say one of my most memorable moments was when MU played Sacred Heart last year. I was fouled with about 5 seconds left on the clock. MU needed a point by one point. I hit two important free throws to put us up by three points with less than a minute left. For a freshman, it is a lot of pressure to hit two big shots at a crucial time in the game.”

**Do you know?** As a freshman, Brianna was an 82.5% free throw shooter.

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**SPRING TRACK AND FIELD**

By Craig D'Amico

**ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR**

With three weeks left to go in the Northeast Conference regular season, the Monmouth Hawks have already assured themselves of a spot in the annual postseason tournament. Now the Hawks can work on positioning, as they look to clinch one of the top four seeds and host a first round game for the second consecutive year.

The Hawks clinched the regular season finish line with a match with the last place Wagner Seawawks last Saturday afternoon at the Spiro Center in Staten Island, N.Y.

The Hawks defeated the Seawawks the week before 77-44 at Boylan Gym on Women and Sports Day. In fact entering Saturday’s game, the Hawks had won their last seven in a row against Wagner, by an average of 16.7 points.

It was a big game for both teams, as the Hawks were looking to extend their two game lead over Long Island and Mount St. Mary’s for the fourth seed, and keep pace with Quinnipiac, Sacred Heart, and Robert Morris. Meanwhile Wagner, despite a 1-10 conference record, had their chance late, as down low opportunities the first half, shot a blistering 55 percent from the field.

“They played us zone defense,” said Hawks head coach Michelle Baxter. “That and they made their shots this time around. It’s always tough playing a team fighting just to get in the tournament.”

Wagner scored the first basket of the second half, but Monmouth went on a 14-8 run to get some breathing room, and they would not relinquish the lead again. Wagner had their chance late, as down three points with 17 seconds to go, Gallagher had an open look for three from the right side. She missed the shot, and freshman Marissa Jimenez gathered the rebound and made a free throw, to put Monmouth up two possessions, as they held on for a 67-63 win.

The Hawks were led by Veronica Randolph’s career high 17 point performance, her previous career high 16 point game came in last years season finale at the Spiro Center. For the sixth straight game, the Hawks had at least three players in double figures, as Rachel Ferdinard and Nyaimah Ware had 10 a piece the first half.

For the Seawawks, Gallagher, who two years ago was amongst the best in the nation with her 99 three points on the year, cashed in more than Hallmark and Russell Storee’s on Valentine’s Day, with a 19 point performance. It included Wagner’s conference leading 26 three point attempts in the game. But on this afternoon, Wagner’s revenge was a big one, as they dominated the game.

As a freshman, Edwards played in all 29 games last season. This year, she has worked her way into the starting lineup. It is a role Edwards has already been a part of. At the end of close games, her excellent free-throw shooting ability comes in handy and has managed many seals for the Hawks this season. “She’s been huge for our team,” Co-Coach Bax- ter. “At the end of the game, she’s taking care of the ball.”

Taking that last free throw, to best second place Robert Morris, 67-63, Edwards had a tremendous overall performance. It included four three pointers, and two huge ones in the final two minutes to get Wagner within three before Ali Ridge missed the shot. She had struggled in the first half, going 3-of-6 from the floor, and she missed the potential game tying free throw, instead of making a free throw, to only eight points and eight rebounds.

Up next, the Hawks will host the NEC Championship Tournament first round. Despite 30 turnovers, the Hawks were able to defeat the Bobcats in Hamden, CT back on January 14th 54-50. They were also one of the five teams to round out the top five in the team standings.

Troy Dennis concluded his stellar indoor track and field career with a tremendous overall performance. After winning the long jump on day one with a leap of 5.02 and 5.03. He followed those performances up with a time of 6.03, posted a fifth place finish in the 200 meter clocking in at 22.40, placed third in the triple jump with a leap of 44’ 8 1/2”, and was a member of the 4x400 relay team that finished second clocking in at 3:48.04.

Troy was joined by fellow seniors Jeff Johnson, who placed second in the 800 meter run, and as placeholder Chris Vuono.

The Hawks garnered three indi- vidual victories and two team victories led by Fabre St. Elme as he continued to dominate the 60-meter dash title with a time of 6.83, only 0.35 seconds ahead of Allen’s fifth place finish in 8.38. The Hawks return the track this Saturday, February 18 at the Princeton Invitational. The meet is set to start at 11:00 a.m.
Men’s hoops hold strong in 2nd spot in NEC after win over Wagner

Hawks sit 2 games behind FDU at 10-4 in league play

Whitney Coleman skis high for a dunk before getting fouled in recent home action. Coleman is averaging 7.9 points per game and is tied for second on the team with 28 steals. He has won the NEC Rookie of the Week award twice this season.

“IT wasn’t pretty, but we got the win. Our seniors came up big tonight.”

DAVE CALLOWAY
Hawks Head Coach

Tyler Azzarelli & Niamh Dwyer Earn Academic All-District First Team Honors

Monmouth University basketball standouts Tyler Azzarelli and Niamh Dwyer both earned spots on ESPN the Magazine Academic All-District II University Division Men’s and Women’s teams, respectively, as voted on by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Azzarelli, who in Monmouth’s 74-58 win over Wagner last Monday became just the sixth Monmouth player to start 100 games since the program moved to Division I, is averaging 10.1 points and 3.9 rebounds per game. The senior co-captain also has 36 assists and 23 steals on the season.

Dwyer missed 10 games due to a foot injury, but on the season has played in 13 games with 12 starts. He currently ranks fourth on MU’s career steals list with 161 and seventh on the assists chart with 278. He was tabbed the Carri-Safe/Flyer Player of the Game in Monmouth’s 80-68 win over Southern Illinois in the opening round of the Great Alaska Shootout, hitting 3-of-4 from the field, including 3-of-4 from 3-point range for a game-high 22 points.

Azzarelli, who owns a 3.91 cumulative grade-point average in business, was also a member of the 2005 Academic All-District Team last season. Other members of this year’s Academic All-District II team included Shay Doron of the University of Maryland, Amber Hein of Saint Joseph’s University and Chris McNaughton of Bucknell University.

Dwyer, a senior co-captain, is a two-time All-East Coast Conference performer earning second-team honors in 2004 and first-team honors in 2005. This season, she leads the Hawks with 14.0 points and 3.3 assists per game and ranks second in rebounding, averaging 4.8. Her averages for scoring and assists rank sixth and eighth, respectively in the Northeast Conference. She also ranks third in the league in assist-to-turnover ratio (1.30) and eighth in free throw percentage (73%). This season, she has played in all 21 games, including 18 starts.

For her career, Dwyer ranks seventh on Monmouth’s all-time scoring list with 1,162. She also ranks third in 3-point field goals made with 147 and 12th on the steals chart with 159 in just three seasons played.

The native of Ireland has earned Choice Hotels NEC Player of the Week honors on one occasion this season. She garnered the spotlight after her performance at the Florida Atlantic University Tip-off Classic. She logged Monmouth’s second-ever triple double with 23 points, 16 rebounds and 10 assists in a win over Navy and added six points, seven rebounds and five assists to be named to the all-tournament team and garner her third career league player of the week laurel.

Dwyer, who owns a 3.5 cumulative grade-point average in business management, was also a member of the 2005 Academic All-District Team. Other members of this year’s Academic All-District II team included Shay Dorno of the University of Maryland, Amber Hein of Saint Francis (Pa.) University, Faith Schutte of Saint Joseph’s University and Nicole Sinclair of Duquesne University.

Azzarelli and Dwyer will both move on to ballotting for ESPN the Magazine Academic All-America honors. CoSIDA selects Academic All-America teams in 12 programs: football, women’s volleyball, men’s soccer, women’s soccer, men’s basketball, women’s basketball, baseball, softball, men’s track & field/cross country, women’s track & field/cross country, men’s at-large and women’s at-large. The University Division consists of Division I and I-AA schools. Division II is comprised of Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.
The Men’s track team ran away from the competition this past weekend and captured their second straight NEC Indoor Championship. Full story on page 26

Complete men’s and women’s basketball coverage and an all-new Hawk File inside