Most people look at Spring Break as a time to go out to some exotic island, soak in the rays of the sun, and perhaps come back with stories that you cannot believe you were ever a part of. Of that spirit the SIFE organization here on campus decided that they were going to the beautiful country of... (drum roll please) Hungary! Now I know this does not seem like the number one hot spot for fun and excitement. However, I can tell it certainly was a place that gave us many stories to tell.

Naturally the first few questions from people are what does it look like? How are the prices to be even better. The last question is in regards to the food. According to Johnson, the easiest way to get someone to talk was to say something that will get the audience on their side. "I'm having a lovely time here in Budapest. I really want to know how the Hawk's Nest is."

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Student Alex Abramagov and Professor Buzza talking to the students in their english language class about the U.S., Monmouth, and personal questions.

BOB DANHARDT CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A panel of journalists visited Monmouth University on March 18 to discuss covering tragedy in the news. Accompanying the reporters were family members of the victims of tragedies to share their heart breaking stories and their experiences with the journalists who covered them.

The panel of journalists included Ron Miskoff, a professor of journalism at Rutgers University; Ed Johnson, a reporter from the Asbury Park Press, and Susan Livio of the Newark Star Ledger.

The panel provided the listeners with valuable advice and insightful information, especially for those attendees majoring in Journalism.

Reporters are often required to interview victims or members of a victim’s family when covering tragedy in the news. These tragedies may include natural disasters, kidnappings, or murders. Reporters must be careful when covering these sensitive issues.

Ed Johnson shared the best ways to go about interviewing a victim or a member of a victim’s family. Johnson, who has worked as both a news reporter and a FBI investigator, has an extensive background in interviewing victims. He has dealt with a wide range of people: cooperative and helpful to uncooperative and highly dramatic. “It is all in your approach” he said.

According to Johnson, the easiest way to start the interview is for the reporter to say “I’m having a lovely time here in Budapest, I really want to know how the Hawk’s Nest is.”

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SIFE Brings Workshop Abroad

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Let’s just say some of it was tough to get to and some of it was great. Their staple meat is pork and they are much more into white wine, which happens to be pretty cheap!

The real focus of the trip, however, was to continue teaching as many kids as we could or the touristy things we could come home with. Rather this trip was somewhere in between both. We went to Hungary because of a tremendous networking opportunity. Dr. Monmouth University, a professor and accomplished health-care consultant here at Monmouth, recommended that the SIFE team bring their program to Fenyi College in Hungary after I approached him about a project we could do that dealt with ethics. Upon further research, we discovered that the school did not have any formal education in business or ethics. Consequently, it seemed that Fenyi’s the place where SIFE instituted an ethics workshop that was completely student created. This was the perfect place for the inaugural launch of the program.

Along the way, we met Professor John Buzzo (of the business department) and traveled to the Fenyi College of Economics in Budapest. This college was located about two hours outside of Budapest so we made sure we stopped in Budapest where Alex and I were able to meet the Corporate Governance chair of the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce thanks to Fr. Terrence Curry, a Jesuit priest who, along with the Hungarian Econo- mical University in Budapest who also doubled as our host while were there. They provided us with help, pointers and materials to take the students of Fenyi. Our purpose for going was to show them how to com- mune on business ethics. The idea of the trip was to show them that an ethical life both personally and professionally can lead to tremendous things. We had the purpose of teaching the students something, it was us who came away with the big picture.

The main message of what we took away from the trip, the “lesson” left in the seminar room, is that eth- ics can mean many things to many people. Your ethics is your “right thing”. However, the meaning of the right thing is not the same for everyone. This is determined by a number of factors such as our culture, where we live, what we do, how we perceive the eco- nomic status, what we have experi- enced in our life, etc. This illustrates an important point because people from different parts of the world live different types of lives.

Naturally, this would lend itself to make our perspectives on life, on the world, and on ethics different. The thought that we are up as an ethical perspective is not as much of an impact on our lives as it is on the world. Nothing can completely shield any country from the affects of the people who make a life less than exempl- ary life. As a response we all have to deal with it in our own within our own personal ways.

From what we learned, the Hun- garians live life with their own intelligence. After our time there I would have agreed. The level of un- derstanding of all the people we came in contact with was impressive. The most amazing part about the children is that they are well educated on the topics that affect their lives, but they also understood the roots of what can make positive changes to their country. The problem is that as of yet we have not been given the opportu- nity to make those changes. The key to success in Hungary, as with any country is education. The only thing we as people can do is ex- pand our bounds of knowledge. We all have the responsibility to rid ourselves of the ignorance that comes from the refusal to learn about the world around us. This program we implemented at Fenyi is only the beginning of what is needed. There needs to be a constant reinforcement of the idea any one can make a change and that confidence and trust in ones self and one’s abili- ties looked at through an ethical lens is the key to success.

In response to these crimes the University Police Department issued Hawk Safety Alert 2008-01 advising everyone of the crimes and offering a $1,000.00 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) involved. Additionally the University Police took a pro-active ap- proach to the problem by form- ulating a comprehensive plan which included community alert, night vision and enhanced safety vision equipment. In the early morning hours of March 7th the police efforts paid off as two Monmouth University students, a non-resident and one non resident, were arrested for damaging a resident student’s vehicle. The students were ob- served jumping onto and crush- ing the hood of a vehicle parked in resident lot 93. It is believed to be a random act as the ar- rested individuals did not know the victim. The damage in that case is estimated to be approxi- mately $500.00. They were both charged with Possession / Consumption of Alcohol while under age. One student was charged with Hindering Apprehension when he ran from the police at the scene.

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Bob Danhardt teaching the ethics workshop to Hungarian students.

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MUPD Investigate Vandalism Cases in Residential Lots

PRESS RELEASE
MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPT.

During the last few weeks of Feb- ruary into the first week of March, Monmouth Univer- sity Police Department investig- ated 9 (nine) cases of crimi- nal mischief involving the parking lots of the north side of campus. It seems likely that the majority of the damage occurred overnight on Monday February 25 into the early morning hours of Tuesday February 26. Nine vehicles belonging to resident students were damaged. The damaged range from broken side view mirrors to broken an- neseas and damaged emblems. The average repair cost to each vehicle was between $250.00 to $300.00.

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family displayed all over the newspaper. At first she declined interviews with FOX News, but as she began to open up and share her mother’s version, we became very close with a certain reporter and referred the reporter as a “ther- apist”. The press was very good to make up the facts the newspaper provided her with details even she didn’t know. Though the news re- ports were generally accurate, she described reading the stories in the paper as “upsetting” due to what the constant attention meant.

Matthew-son has since ad- opted Victor’s brothers. Despite the al- most complete loss of her grandson, Matthew- son has remained strong and now has a son who is living to raise awareness and raise money for the orphanage Victor once lived in. Other victims of tragedy among the panel were sisters Diane Gru- sowski and Robin Turner. Grusowski’s daughter, Danielle, a develop- mentally disabled woman, died 5 years ago due to abuse and neglect at an Edison group home. Her death was ultimately caused by the staff who hesitated to call 911 when Danielle suffered a prolonged high fever. Danielle, who suffered from REIT syndrome, was confined to a wheelchair and was non-verbal. Although she was unable to talk, Danielle’s aunt, Robin Turner, be- lieved she would have been able to die that way.

Unfortunately 911 was not called in time and Danielle was pro- nounced dead when she arrived at her doctor’s office.

Danielle’s mother and aunt have become advocates for change to become the voice and improve the life of those with developmental disabilities. Like Matthey-son, these sisters have turned tragedy to activism. Since the death of Danielle, these powerful sisters have had several bills passed including Danielle’s Law and the Medical Examiners Bill.

“Danielle’s Law is a law that re- quires the staff serving those with disabilities to call 911 in the event of a life threatening health emer- gency explained Turner.

In the process of passing these bills, these women have uncovered the beginning of a much larger problem. The two women have a “Meet SIFE day” this Saturday at 5pm in the Student Center or if you would simply like to join a club that can make a tremendous amount of difference, help you get a job and even wait until you graduate. We are all waiting to be done, but without the support of other student groups, the administration, and you the gen- eral population student we could not do what we do and that is attempt to change the lives of the people we work with by helping to open doors for them. In that spirit, if you are interested in finding out what else SIFE does, we have a “Meet SIFE day” this Saturday at 5pm in the Student Center or if you would simply like to join a club that can make a tremendous amount of difference both in your life and those who you aim to help, then please join us at our meetings every Wednesday at 7pm in our campus. All people are welcome.

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Students Start ‘Kylie’s Cause’

Comedian Jen Kober Performs at Undergraduate Comedy Night

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Comedian Jen Kober, a Louisianian by heart and a New York City resident by choice, has created her own website as a way to make people laugh. “I am really happy that we got booked because she was a great comedian” said Freeman. The comedy chair, Sarah Freeman, credits her humorous style of routine to her long drive to California from her home state. “She was as funny as she was hungry,” Jen joked. Jen performed at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurricane Katrina – only to get a nice FEMA check. Jen poked fun at her own weight, while making fun of her roommate. She also jested about her childhood in Louisiana and the house in Hurrican

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Violent Video Games: Danger On and Off the Screen

JESSICA SORIANO CONTRIBUTING WRITER

In recent years video games in the U.S. have become increasingly violent because of destructive, excessively graphic images.

Upon witnessing a violent video game, one might see wounded bodies with blood soaked clothes flashing across the television screen or speakers amplifying deafening gun shots. These intensified sights and sounds victimize polscene games the subject of controversy.

“These games are simply played for enjoyment,” says 15-year-old Michael Soriano of New Hampton, NY, adding that many teenagers and adults play video games to escape from the stress and tension of everyday life. But what happens when gamers start to duplicate what they see on the screen in real life?

For instance, on June 7, 2003 18-year-old Devin Moore from Alabama grabbed a pistol from an officer while in a police station. He then went on a shooting rampage, leaving two officers and a dispatcher dead on the scene.

According to GameSpot News, a video game network, Moore admitted at his trial that he had been inspired by Grand Theft Auto, a very popular and controversial video game. He even went as far as to compare life to a game, further stating that “everyone has to die sometime.”

It was later discovered that Moore had been playing the game for two months straight on his Play Station II, where he practiced killing and maiming virtual victims. Moore’s case is just one of many tragic killings sparked by video game violence.

Despite the belief that certain video games corrupt those who participate in them, especially teenagers, masses of people still choose to play them. For example, some boys become immune to the aggression and cruel behavior they’re exposed to in popular games such as Grand Theft Auto and Mortal Kombat.

Researchers at the Kiliology Research Group, who specialize in the study of destructive acts, point out that constant involvement in these games can initiate desensitization. This occurs when one recognizes malice as a way of life and begins to accept violence as a norm. In this desensitization usually causes people to commit malicious murders and theft crimes.

Some studies conducted by the Kiliology Group have shown that children who play violent video games have a tendency to act more aggressively on the playground. Perhaps this could foreshadow the violent behavior that some children might show as teenagers.

On his website, researcher Kevin Szalki confirms that by partaking in intense, explicit video games, a person’s perception of violence becomes distorted. Szalki says that players start to find the violence humorous and customary. The gruesome images and carnage become part of their daily life.

Researchers at the American Psychological Association agree that first-person shooter games are the most dangerous and influential video games. First-person shooter games test a player’s skill to aim guns and shoot at enemies, which results in a negative representation of how to use a weapon.

The enhanced realism of the video games contributes to the growing inacceptance of violence among teenagers. Youth violence has a tendency to act more aggressively on the playground. Perhaps this could foreshadow the violent behavior that some children might show as teenagers.

“Instead of playing sports and gaining vital social experiences, kids are just too occupied with trying to win battles on the screen.”

MARIA ESCALANTE Concerned parent

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As you may know, cancer affects millions of people across the globe and many people right here in our hometown. By being a part of Relay For Life, everyone has an opportunity to celebrate survivors, remember the people we’ve lost to cancer, and fight back against the disease. We’ll be joining millions of others to support the American Cancer Society and the lifesaving mission of ending cancer as a major health issue. Plus, we’ll be helping fund the important services that the American Cancer Society provides right here to our own community.

We want you to join your friends and neighbors and be part of Relay For Life at Monmouth University! Sign up to participate, form a team, raise money and awareness for this important fight. Don’t worry if you couldn’t attend the kickoff. It’s not too late to be a part of Relay 2008.

If you want to learn more or discover what you can do to help, email us at kathleen.gelchion@cancer.org or call 1.800.ACS.2345. We need your help to spread hope for a future where cancer no longer threatens the lives of the people we love.

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As the school weeks begin dwindling down, it is time to start looking ahead. I’m not talking about myself in this case, but rather The Outlook. It seems like it was just yes- terday when I walked into the newsroom as a freshman ready to help in anyway I could. My initial goal from day one was to hopefully be Editor in Chief and I’m proud that I attained that goal.

Being an editor not only is a great thing to put on a resume, but you learn so many skills that you can apply to anything you do in the future. I learned to manage a weekly newspaper, conduct meetings, give assignments, and manage a budget just to name a few. With six issues or so left, it’s almost my time to say good-bye to a place I call a second home. Right now on The Outlook’s horizon, we are currently looking for people to fill major roles to help make the newspaper the best it can be. Positions that can be filled shortly include Associate and Assistant Editorial positions for our sections that include News, Features, Opinion, and Sports. Responsibility for those positions include assisting the editor in laying out the section, writing a story for that section each week, and copy-editing. Associate and Assistant editors are in the office with the editor on Mondays and Tuesdays during production hours. Editorial board meeting attendance is required, as well. For next year, we will be looking for section editors, as well, as some of our current section editors are graduating. Section editors are responsible for assigning stories for their section, communicating with their writers, overall design of their section, and writing stories each week.

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Alyssa’s Angels thanks Monmouth University

Dear President Gaffney,

On behalf of Alyssa’s Angels, I want to thank you for allowing the students in conjunction with Hawk TV, WMIX, The Outlook, COMM Work, and PRSSA to host a fashion show at Woodrow Wilson Hall. It was the perfect venue for a wonderful night filled with creativity and an outpouring of generosity. As the charitable organization selected as the recipient of the proceeds of the “Creative Couture” event, Alyssa’s Angels received $2756.99 towards our present project of building a handicapped accessible playground located in West Long Branch in an area now known as Conway Park.

Our playground mission is to unite all children together regardless of their ability or disability and provide a safe environment for children who need assistance through therapeutic specialty equipment. Alyssa’s Angels playground will foster early childhood development and will enrich and educate children of all ages and all capabilities. Our anticipated start date of the playground is spring/summer 2008.

Without the generous support from the community we would not be able to build our playground. The students of Monmouth University who worked feverishly to produce such a wonderful evening exemplified the spirit of community, which has been a backbone to our endeavor. The dedicated countless hours in preparation of their fashion show and produced a flawless evening.

We are certain that you already recognize how wonderful your students are, but it is important to emphasize just how their generous spirit touched us. Their contribution is crucial in helping us to achieve our goal, and their efforts will help to brighten young lives for years to come.

By copy of this letter, we are sharing our appreciation with the Mayor and Council of West Long Branch so they may be aware of the admirable dedication and creativity of your students.

Very truly yours,

Kelli-Ann Cantafia
President, Alyssa’s Angels

This letter was presented to President Gaffney for Monmouth University’s work supporting Alyssa’s Angels. This year’s fashion show “Creative Couture,” raised money to support the cause of Alyssa’s Angels.

Oscillations from a New Wave

BRIAN BLACKMON
STAFF WRITER

The translation of the late 1970’s into the early 1980’s lent itself as a backdrop for a whole new vibe in North American comic books. Projected into an era of splasty illustrated Arcade cabinets housing such coin-operated video games as Toru Iwatan’s Pac-Man (1980) and Shigeru Miyamoto’s Donkey Kong (1981); MTV’s music video panora ma of college radio/ New Wave offerings such as Talking Heads, The B-52’s and Devo; and video cassette recorders transcoding B-movie cult classics such as Marius Penczner’s 1982 I Was A Zombie For the FBI, the Alternative Comic movement utilized the direct market system of newly minted comic book shops, and successfully gave MARVEL classics such as Marius Penczner’s and The B-52’s such as Flaming Carrot Comics (first appearing in Visions #1, 1979), and Kevin Eastman and Peter Laird’s Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (premiering in Gobbledygook #1, 1983) were independent efforts that set a benchmark as to what the medium could offer—should offer, both artistically and in terms of the vast potential of success for creator owned books. Comics have never been the same.

If you, dear Outlook reader, ever find yourself browsing your neighborhood comic shop, searching for something truly excellent, don’t forget to be a patron of the independent press, and don’t forget to give one of the above titles a try. To quote Stan Lee from Amazing Adult Fantasy #1, 1962 “...with great power there must also come great responsibility.” What is more powerful than our freedom of choice?

Why I Joined Relay for Life

SHEILA MCALLISTER-SPOONER
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND JOURNALISM

On April 11 and 12 the American Cancer Society is holding a Relay For Life at Monmouth University. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is a community event in every sense of the word. It is a chance for the community to come together to celebrate those who have faced cancer, remember those lost and empower everyone to fight back. Being a part of Relay For Life means being a part of a national grass-roots movement to end cancer. Being a Relay For Life volunteer, means making life better for cancer survivors, patients and their families.

Although everyone joins for a common cause—to raise money for the American Cancer Society—we all have individual causes for joining.

I am actively involved with the Relay for reasons of personal importance. As a member of the public relations faculty at Monmouth, I have integrated the fund-raising campaigns for the event into the coursework for fund-raising classes that I am teaching this semester. As the Faculty Advisor, I have formed the PRSSA chapter in creating and executing a fund-raising campaign (team name: PRSSA Beach Bums) and I also have a personal interest in this event. Since 1999, I lost my mother, my father, and Aunt to cancer. My sister Jeannine Nc-Nair and I formed the team Mac’s Dolly Sisters in memory of our father John McAllister (Mac), our mother Catherine McAllister (one of the “original” dolly sisters), and our Aunt Patricia Nan- nery (the other “original” dolly sister). Throughout the years, we also lost many other loved ones to cancer. Our childhood memories are filled with get-togethers with family and friends, lots of laughter, and even more hugs. For all six children, we had one thing in common; our house was the house that all of our friends wanted to hang out at. Yes, we were all blessed to be part of a big happy family. But, as strange as it may seem, being part of such a happy family made us understand the                                      1                                                                                           7
Side 1: “Negative Action” - Discrimination in Education

NICOLE KAVANAUGH
SECOND-YEAR STUDENT CLUB

As previously stated Affirmative Action draws its roots from Executive Order 10,925 signed by President John F. Kennedy in the 1960s as a means to make employers take “affirmative action” to promote and create equal treatment of applicants and employees “without regard to their race, color, or national origin.” This is a cumulative view, and only get the opportunities that are never part of the upper class, whether they are Caucasian, Chicano, or any other race or color. This view is what thickens the circular connection between minority groups, the inner-cities, and the opportunity to get into college, because schools at the earliest levels are not equal. Schools in the inner-cities are made up of mostly minority students. When the Supreme Court ruled against affirmative action in the 1990’s, they made the decision to deepen the racial divide. Statistics show that schools in inner-cities are made up of 90 percent of Black and Hispanic students and these schools are often run down and are only given the basic programs rather than art and music as well. Even through Brown v. Board of Edu. (1954) ruled that schools should be segregated and reversed the Plessy v. Ferguson (1896) decision of separate but equal, the education system is still highly segregated, but people are able to blame it more in realizing that the circular connection between minority groups, inner-city schools, and education.

The argument that calls affirmative action a policy of ending discrimination with discrimination is not a valid one. Instead, it includes minority groups as well as women in areas that would be closed to them based on their race, ethnicity, or gender. Affirmative action’s goal is not to give a job or place in a university to an under qualified individual of a minority group, rather give a person who is equally qualified but often overlooked because of the fact that they were not given equal opportunities. It is put in place as a practice of excluding certain majority groups, but giving minority groups all the steps in the ladder of social mobility.

Very few students who are getting into college because of affirmative action are attending the most elite universities in the country. According to Ellis Cose, the number of African American students and Asian students are made up of 2/3 of each population are there because of affirmative action policies. However, 20 percent of the Caucasian student body is made up of students who come from poor backgrounds and benefited from the policy (Killing Affirmative Action). This shows that affirmative action brings in the so called “poverty stricken people in the privileged white majority”. If affirmative action policies were no longer instituted their would be less likely to attend college and would be faced with the consequences of a particular issue and actually creating policies and enacting on policies. This means that everyone should have equal opportunities, however once affirmative action policies were put in place it was immediately. It is not enough to believe in giving every person, of all race, ethics, communism, and borders, but policies, such as affirmative action must be accepted in order to make any real difference in the opportunity is created because of discriminatory policies in the education system as well as the work force.

Side 2: Everyone Isn’t Born Equal

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"Freedom is not enough….You do not take a man who for years has been hobbled by chains, liberate him, bring him to the starting line of a race, saying…you are free but you weren’t born that way.” President John F. Kennedy set forth for him what he signed Executive Order 10,925. "So long as any group is denied opportunity to equal treatment because of the color of their skin or their race, we have not lived up to the ideal upon which our government was founded. To those who are concerned that the opposite side views the “privileged white” counterparts. The majority groups are threatened by the privileges that have been unfairly given to them throughout history. There is a huge difference between simply stating a belief on a particular issue and actually creating policies and enacting on policies. This means that everyone should have equal opportunities, however once affirmative action policies were put in place it was immediately. It is not enough to believe in giving every person, of all race, ethics, communism, and borders, but policies, such as affirmative action must be accepted in order to make any real difference in the opportunity is created because of discriminatory policies in the education system as well as the work force.

"War compels men to be just and temperate, whereas the enjoyment of good fortune and the leisure which comes with peace tends to make them insolent." -Aristotle

"While we are contending for our own liberty, we should be very cautious of violating the rights of conscience of others." -George Washington

All quotes from Quotationary by Lenoy Frank Roy

An Economic Overview

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Tax season is an all-too famililiar thing for most Americans. There’s a crunch to get everything filed on time, and that would be a big mistake to put off until the last week. There are two parts: the first is to put together the necessary forms, and the second is to file them in time. Failure to do so will result in the late payment of taxes with a penalty. The Federal Reserve is counting on Americans to spend the majority of these stimulus checks on consumer goods in an attempt to get out of the recession, but this may not be the case. A recently-released poll conduct- ed by CNN/Opinion Research Corporation found that 41 percent of Americans plan to spend the money, but only 10 percent said they would use it for savings or pay down any outstanding debts. Of course, these statistics can certainly change once the recession gets over.

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**THIS WEEK OVERSEAS...**

**Greetings From The Land Down Under**

**PAIGE SODANO**

**NEWS EDITOR AND OVERSEAS CORRESPONDENT**

It’s so hard to believe it’s already the middle of March, and only six more weeks until we’re back home in the States! Throughout the past few weeks I’ve seen an abundance of things, I don’t even know where to start.

I suppose I will start with the craziest thing I’ve ever done – I’ve been to Sydney! The first day of Shannon’s arrival she settled in and joined my “flatties” for our first food shopping at Woolworth’s (the local supermarket).

We thoroughly enjoyed the bridge climb, but were filled with excitement and anxiety for the next activity.

The next day, Shannon and I woke up at 6:00am for our second excursion. Culla also joined us as we got the bus to the city. We then walked to our meeting spot at the office of Sydney Skydivers.

You obviously can’t come to Sydney without going skydiving, right? I guess I can’t speak for everyone, but Shannon, Culla, and I thought it was something we just had to try.

We took a shuttle van to Pieton, which is about an hour away from the city. Our names were called shortly after signing in and before we knew it we were being taught how to jump out of the plane. We were filled with the most exciting possibility as we got onto the plane along with 17 others. After 15 minutes of air flight we reached 14,000 ft and everyone was strapped into their harness, ready to make our jump.

The last trip I am going to write about this week was the Sydney Opera House tour. Shannon, Csilla, and I thought it was the most memorable and mastered art work you could imagine.

The minute my feet hit the ground I knew that I would love to come back and explore the east coast of Australia. Of course I can’t speak for everyone, but I guess I can’t speak for everyone.

This trip includes bungee jumping, miniginswinging, four wheel driving, snorkeling, skydiving, and many other activities. I will be sure to tell you about my crazy stories! Until then, cheers mates!
Drillbit Taylor Takes a Beating

GREGORY EGAN STAFF WRITER

Lots of punching, name calling, and mildly funny jokes is what Drillbit Taylor is all about. It de
beating the kids and if you enjoy films that have many plot holes and don’t mind not caring about the characters, then Drillbit Taylor is the movie for you.

The film starts off with three geeky kids: Wade, Ryan, and Emmit, who enter their freshmen year of high school. Not before long they meet the two bullies from hell who do everything from showing the nerds into their lockers, to chasing them down with a car.

The kids’ lives are miserable until they decide to hire a bodyguard to protect them named Drillbit Taylor (Owen Wilson). Taylor is actually a homeless person who will do whatever it takes to make a quick buck, he even poses as a man, bodyguard, and teacher to still managed to deliver the laughs.

Wilson’s character, Drillbit Taylor, was the only character that was genuinely funny. He was able pull off playing three different characters: homeless man, bodyguard, and teacher and still managed to deliver the laughs.

The littlest of the three kids, Emmit, was the most amusing. He was the epitome of what a geek should be: short, wears braces, and has a squeaky voice. Emmit makes McLovin from 420 and even helped Robert Redford start the Sundance Film Festival.

They wanted Sundance to be for independent filmmakers what spring training is for baseball players. It is a chance for them to show off their film, get feedback, work with professionals, and re-work the film.

He said the idea of Sundance was, “If we can bring them up to Sundance, give them a sona camera, and give them a pristine

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The Dude is Coming to Red Bank

JEFF BRIDGES AND JEFF DOWD ARE TWO TUNES HANGING OUT.

KRISTEN RENDA ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

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Veronica Bosten

Welcome back, Idol fans! While some of you were soaking up the sun in Mexico or the Caribbean, American Idol has been keeping busy with some interesting performances—and making some interesting cuts. The judges decided to cut 11 of the top 16 contestants this week, making room for 16 to compete in the next round. The judges sent home six males and five females, all of whom, in their various ways, made a mark on the competition. The most surprising was Blake Lewis from Seattle, Washington. Lewis was eliminated based upon what the judges felt he needed to do to improve his performance. The remaining 16 contestants will be revealed tomorrow night in the Idol finale which airs from 8-10 pacific time. The Top 16 finalists will be out on the final song, "I Believe I'm True," and "Call Me" and "Let It Be." This is going to be a great night to see who will be the next American Idol. Today, let's look back at the week that was and see who's left standing.

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I had a soul saving, in, cheese cubes. Later that night it is possible to prevent the bread items sold at a convenience store, pre-party patronage to only those Eric Savoie (Head of congruent with reality, I met with ing that perception is not always pricey. "Know -have noticed that the other things s eem  to  b e  a  b i t  p ri c e y . "   Kn o w -up. Though he would not disclose have a similar price differential show a similar price differential comparison between 7-11 and Quick Check... For those students unable to trav -el to a supermarket there are a few deals at the Hawks Nest. Current-ly Kellogg’s cereals are on sale for $2.99. At food town Kellogg’s cereals cost between $3.99 and $4.39. Paper plates, plastic bowls, Banquet chick-en nuggets, David’s sunflower seeds, individual 20oz sodas, and a ½ gallon of milk can also be purchased for a lower price at the Nest than Food- town. There are also quite a few novelty items for sale at the Nest. One can, for example, at a combined price of $5.68, buy what amounts to a beer pong starter kit (a 6 pack of ping pong balls and a 24 pack of party cups). For those with a Mexican food craving, the Hawk’s Nest offers, Don Miguel’s Bean and Cheese Burrito and although the bur-rito isn’t up my ally, I imagine that in certain “conditions” it might seem, to some, quite irresistible. The perception that the Hawks Nest is extremely overpriced very well be driven by a few spe-ci fic items that do seem a bit un-reasonable. Town House Original crackers, for instance, cost $5.59 at the Nest. One can buy the same crackers on sale at Foodtown for $1.89 (regular price: $3.79). The Hawks Nest charges $2.00 for a 1.5 liter of Poland Spring wa-ter. Foodtown charges $1.29 for the same product and $1.39 for the bigger, one gallon, version. Coffee drinkers beware: Folgers Classic Roast runs $4.89 at the Nest and only $3.99 at Foodtown. Without food, eventually, people perish, but it is not necessary to sacri-fice an arm and a leg for nourish-ment. Convenience stores, in my mind, exist for two reasons. They exist because, very simply, they are convenient, and they exist to provide a guide. The best way to stay young is not skin cream, face lifts, or mag-e pills. No, the best way to avoid getting old is to avoid all items not sold at convenience stores. Sure you might gain a few pounds, but at least you will avoid bread dip, and in the end that’s what really matters.

It’s possible that taking the trip to the grocery store may save you some money, but in other cases sometimes the short walk to the Hawk’s Nest is much more convenient.

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According to Eric Savoie, head of Aramark at Monmouth...
Marketing and Management Association, SIFE to Host 1st Annual Future Fair

Alison Wassmer

On April 1st, SIFE and The Marketing and Management Association will be hosting the 1st Annual Future Fair. The Future Fair is designed to be a supplement to the Spring Career Fair. The focus will be on topics necessary for making successful contacts at the Career Fair and making the most of every job opportunity. The Future Fair will begin with a brief introduction by Will Hill, the Assistant Dean of Placement and Student Employment. Following the introduction by Mr. Hill, students have the opportunity to visit several stations.

The stations will cover topics including Dressing for Success, Professional Dining Etiquette, and Interview Skills. Each of the stations will be held by professors and university faculty and will briefly discuss the important aspects of their topic as well as field questions any student may have. In addition, there will be a resume writing station, where students can bring their resume and get on the spot help from members of the Writing Center. The members of the Writing Center will be available to answer general resume writing questions for those who don’t have a resume as well.

On top of the vital information students will get at the Future Fair, all students who attend will be entered into a raffle for an iPod Shuffle. Refreshments will be served as well.

For those planning to go the Spring Career Fair, the Future Fair is a must. Even if you think you already know about the topics being covered, it is always a good idea to brush up on these skills and even get a few new tips. Students who are not planning to go to the Spring Career Fair are encouraged to attend as well. The information being presented does not apply solely to the Career Fair, but to all job opportunities. Whether it be job interview, an internship, or any other chance to make a professional contact, these skills will help ensure a strong professional image that is essential to making those connections.

The Future Fair will be held on Tuesday, April 1st, from 4-7 pm in the basement of Wilson Hall. Refreshments will be provided and each student who attends will be entered into a raffle to win an iPod Shuffle. Students interested in getting on the spot resume help should bring a copy of their resume. The Future Fair is a great chance to learn a little something that could make a big difference in your career. So come join SIFE and The Marketing and Management Association from 4-7 pm on April 1st and bring your friends too!

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STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

### Alpha Xi Delta

The ladies of Alpha Xi Delta hope everyone had an awesome spring break. We will be working with a fellow sorority Theta Phi Alpha to raise money for the National Pancreatic Foundation. We hope that everyone can contribute it is such a great cause! The sisters are also getting ready and set for Greek Week. We hope to make it even better than last year. For any other news or information you can check out this spot or you can check out our Facebook Group Interested in Joining Alpha Xi Delta. Much Xi Love to All!

### Student Alumni Association

The Student Alumni Association will be holding a fundraiser on Monday March 31st in the Plangere Center from 12p.m to 4p.m. We will be selling chocolate lollipops. We will also be holding a Membership Drive for anyone who would like to join the Student Alumni Association. Please come out and help support the Student Alumni Association! We would love to meet you!

### Student Activities Board *SAB*

Come help organize and plan fun activities and events on campus. We want your suggestions and ideas and we want to hear what you have to say. SAB is open to all students on campus so stop by our meeting this Thursday at 4pm, 3rd floor student center. Have a 4:30? Stop by for 15 minutes! Every minute makes a difference! Can’t make it to the meeting? No problem, email us at sab@monmouth.edu.

### Political Science Club

The Political Science Club is planning an exciting spring semester! If you're interested in writing about politics or recent news events write for the politics page of The Outlook. This Thursday at 4pm, 3rd floor student center. Have a 4:30? Stop by for 15 minutes! Every minute makes a difference! Can’t make it to the meeting? No problem, email us at sab@monmouth.edu.

### Alpha Sigma Tau

WELCOME BACK!! Insiders: Mosi…your new name is “SNACKS!” <3 Vogue Happy Birthday Precious! Stardust & Tuki – Are you Smarter than a 5th Grader? <3 You both so much – Vogue so excited to have a new buddy lol! Oh & Mosi you know you love me and how I dub your cosmo lol! Love you Lucky Star Happy Birthday Radiance Live It Up Ms 21! <3 Scarlett Stardust “Why are you looking at me like that?” Tuki: “I’m trying to give you with my BRAIN!” Astrid and Mandy I love being sexy stalker with you <3 Mately…Mustry crazy times crazy times falta-pise LOVE ALL MY SISTERS. I am sad to be done this year <3 Astrid. Seriously-During the worst time of my life my sisters have been here to catch me and build me back up. I LOVE my Alpha Sig Sisters <3 Gia Happy Birthday Radiance! This will be the beginning of an amazing year. Summer Nicole; Tori: “Your so sexy, so good.” –<3 our Thursdays together! Don’t go RP Amaco! Giant Toriess! NaNoNa Notorious! Do we get extra credit if we go to the PALE-FACE? – Star Dust…Happy 21 Radiance – Welcome to the club! GSE…Happy Birthday too! Muse, you are my mom but not in the Claire Anne Way! I heart youo- Euphoria…Littleface- Congrats on your fantastic math grade!!! Love Biggieface P. Radiation. I’m sooo excited for Wednesday night. <3 muse-Roomie RIP Gaan’s Paradise- it was fun while it lasted! Little- lets hang out in my new apartment after Spring Break! Alpha Pi’s- 57 days and counting <3 Kaprice…Moxi- well we’re in a school excited for Wednesday night! <3 muse…Roomie- RIP Gaan’s Paradise- it was fun while it lasted! Little- lets hang out in my new apartment after Spring Break! Alpha Pi’s- 57 days and counting <3 Kaprice…Moxi- well we’re in a school excited for Wednesday night! <3 muse…Roomie- RIP Gaan’s Paradise- it was fun while it lasted! Little- lets hang out in my new apartment after Spring Break!

### Green Expectations

**JAMIE KINARD**

**STAFF WRITER**

Now that you know where the garden goes, what happens when we actually build it? Construction is the most important part of this process, but starting without any idea of the end result is not a good idea. Last week, we visited the rain garden in Freehold, New Jersey. The garden consisted of some native plants and other decorative items, and was in the shape of a lima bean. Since it had just been built, the garden was not specifically in bloom, and was mostly dirt. It did, however, contain puddles from the previous day’s rain, and we could see the puddles going draining as into the soil. Building the garden can be tricky, but with plenty of planning it is possible. First, is important that know that where you are digging is not near any major utility lines, so it is important to call your local utility company before digging. Also, it is important to know that the soil into which you dig is able to absorb water. To do so, a small hole, about six inches deep, should be dug. Into this hole water should be placed into the soil. If the water drains within a few hours, the soil is ready; if not, the problem must be identified or a new spot should be chosen. When construction actually begins, one thing is crucial—volunteers. Without volunteers, the garden is simply an unexplored idea that cannot be put into practice. Each volunteer can be provided the equipment they need, and can be actively involved in the garden building process. During construction, precautions should be taken to reduce the amount of soil loss. This can include fences and other materials. When building, it is important to be precise about all of your measurements. Make sure that calculation is revised and checked before digging. This is because one small miscalculation can ruin the entire garden. While building, it is also important to not disturb too much of the land around the garden, although the garden is intended to help the environment, destroying the area around it can reverse the effects. Another thing that should be taken into consideration is the type of plants and soil used in your garden. Each plant may require a different amount of water and sunlight in order to properly grow, and these needs should be reflected in your garden. After construction, precipitation water for the plants, as well as preventing frost from hurting the plants in winter.

### ATTENTION GRADUATING SENIORS

Each year Monmouth University offers the Elvin R. Simmell Memorial Award to the graduating senior with the highest grade point average WHO HAS BEEN ACCEPTED

TO AND WILL BE ATTENDING LAW SCHOOL THE FOLLOWING FALL. If you believe you qualify for this cash award, please notify Dr. Enoch Nappen, Department of Political Science by Thursday, March 27, 2008. Dr. Nappen is in Bey Hall, room 245 (732-571-4475). Along with your name and grade point average, please submit a copy of your letter of acceptance.

### VOLUNTEER CORNER

**Ronald McDonald House: www.rmh-cnj.org** The Ronald McDonald House provides a home away from home for families of seriously ill children receiving treatment at local hospitals. RMHC in Long Branch is looking for volunteers to help with day shifts during the week. Volunteers will staff the front desk and may also receive training in answering phones and taking reservations, accepting donations, registering and checking out families, providing tours to families and visitors and assisting with office work. For information, contact Camitha Whipple, LB House Manager at 732-222-8755.

Many other volunteer opportunities are available. Search “Volunteer Directory” on the MU website for a complete listing. Questions? E-mail volunteer@monmouth.edu or stop by the Office of Service Learning and Community Programs, Room 301c in the RSCC.

### Hawk 12 TV

**Original Programming:**

- **What’s The Dish?** 3:00
- **Issues & Insights** 3:15
- **Proper Reality** 3:30
- **M Squared** 4:00
- **M Squared Live** 5:00
- **News** 6:00
- **Extra Point** 6:30

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**Nick Junior**
“*My Midterm exams were fine.*”

**Mia sophomore**
“*They weren’t as hard as I thought, I did well.*”

**Lauren sophomore**
“*Mine went well.*”

**Suzanne Grad**
“I didn’t have any”

**Amanda Super Senior**
*“It’s funny how you can study all week and know the material, but as soon as the test begins, the material somehow becomes non-existent!"*

**Noelle junior**
“I play on my laptop, in the Student Center, all day long.”

**Lauren sophomore**
“*They were alright. I had many papers to write.*”

**Chris sophomore**
“They were alright, I had many papers to write.”

**Courtney senior**
“They weren’t hard at all, especially the time that I beat Rich!”

**Courtney senior**
“I am an art major, so I didn’t really have any, but the ones which I did have went well.”

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**Campus Events This Week**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26**
- Becoming a Freshman Seminar Peer Advisor • 2:30 PM • Afflito Conf. Rm
- Bias Incidents & Hate Crimes • 2:30 PM • Young Auditorium Bey Hall
- Baseball vs. Temple • 3:00 PM • Baseball Field
- American Museum of History Trip • Contact x5738 for Details
- Big Man on Campus • 10:00 PM • Pollak Theatre

**THURSDAY, MARCH 27**
- Late Night Lounge • 10:00 PM • The Underground

**FRIDAY, MARCH 28**
- Senior Reality Checks • 2:45 PM • Anacon Hall
- Baseball vs. NJIT • 3:00 PM • Baseball Field
- Lacrosse vs. CCSU • 4:00 PM • Kessler Field
- Masquerade Party • 8:00 PM • Anacon Hall
- Movie - *P.S. I Love You* • 7:00 PM & 11:00 PM • The Underground

**SATURDAY, MARCH 29**
- Men’s & Women’s Outdoor Track Meet • 9:45 AM • Kessler Field
- New York City Trip • Departs 10:00 AM • $5 at OSA Office, Student Center
- Bowl-A-Thon • 8:00 PM • Bradley Beach Lanes
- Movie - *Walk Hard* • 7:00 PM & 11:00 PM • The Underground
- Up Til’ Dawn Meeting • 9:00 PM • Anacon Hall
- Masquerade Party • 8:00 PM • Anacon Hall

**SUNDAY, MARCH 30**
- Lacrosse vs. Iona • 1:00 PM • Kessler Field
- Baseball vs. NJIT • 1:00 PM • Baseball Field

**TUESDAY, APRIL 1**
- Baseball vs. Princeton • 3:30 PM • Baseball Field
- Festa Italiana • 11:30 AM • Anacon Hall
- Backstage Tour - La Boheme Trip • Depart @ 1:00 PM • Call x 5738
- Battle of the Bands • 9:00 PM • Anacon Hall

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2**
- Festa Italiana • 11:30 AM • Anacon Hall
- Baseball vs. Rutgers • 3:00 PM • Baseball Field
- Comedy Night at the M/S • 9:00 PM • The Underground

To have your campus-wide events included, send an e-mail to activities@monmouth.edu • We do not list club or program meeting times in this schedule.
The baseball team has had plenty of time to think about the first eleven games of the season. Having not played a game in almost two weeks, the Blue and White have been able to carefully look at what went wrong in their eight defeats already this year. With several trips down south, the team has faced some of the top teams in the American. But with each game, the team has gotten stronger, and the tough competition has provided a challenge that will help ready the Hawks for the grueling NEC season.

In their season opening series, the NEC preseason favorite traveled to Greenville, North Carolina, to take on the No. 24 East Carolina Pirates in a three-game stint. Monmouth came in as the underdog, but scrambled out four runs to defeat the Pirates 4-3 in the opening game. Monmouth was able to pull out an opening day win in the second straight year due in large part to junior Rick Niederhaus’ two-run home run in the top of the ninth inning that gave the Blue and White a 4-2 lead. The visiting team scored three runs in the bottom of the ninth tonette 24th ranked Pirates.

The Hawks used that late innning run to spark their victory. With two outs, in the bottom of the eighth inning, FAU’s Alex Silversmith blasted a grand slam to seal the win for the home team, 8-4. The final game of the series proved to be the closest. In a five-hour and twenty-eight minute marathon of a game, UCF once again came victorious thanks to a 7-6 win in the ninth inning. The game, which lasted 16 innings, was one of the longest games that MU had played in 2006, when they lost to Columbia in 14 innings. UCF’s 5-4 win was throttled by their pitching. The team regis- tered 17 strikeouts, only one shy of the school record. Monmouth was led by Niederhaus and Kyle Higgins, which had three total whiffs apiece. In his first appearance in the Blue and White, Nick Pulsonetti went 2-for-2 with two RBI, including the game-tying two-run homerun that sent the game to extra innings.

The Hawks were predicted to finish third in the North East Conference this season and hope to prove that the prognos- ticators fell short two weeks into their season predictions. This weekend, the girls started with a tough loss at Stony Brook 8-5 in this first of two and then battled for a tie in the second contest of the double header.

In relief freshman Melissa Mehrer gave up another 2 earned runs and 3 overall for the Hawks as they fell 8-5. The Hawks and Stony Brook only made it through 5 innings of play in the second contest as the game was called on account of darkness. Melissa Mehrer got the start and pitched all 5 innings only allowing two runs and keeping her Hawks in the game. Coming off of a 2-2 tie the Hawks took the Quakers best shot early in their first contest of the day as Penn’s Taylor Tie- zar provided a bright spot for the Hawks celebrating her 21st birthday. The Blue and White was back to back home runs in consecutively at bats for the Blue and White.

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Softball Upcoming Schedule
3/26 at St. John’s
3:00 & 5:00
3/29 at FDU
1:00 & 3:00
3/30 at Sacred Heart
12:00 & 2:00
4/2 at Seton Hall
3:30 & 5:30
4/5 Mount St. Mary’s
1:00 & 3:00

The Hawks used that late inning mini rally in the first contest to push them to victory in the second contest of the afternoon.

The MU Softball Complex witnessed some late inning drama as the Hawks rallied from a 4-0 deficit in the 6th inning to pull out the 6-4 victory.

The hero for the Hawks was catcher Jessica Nicola who went 4-4 with no strikeouts and 2 walks during the game. She im- proved her batting average to .500 on the season and has the Hawks looking forward to carrying the momentum of their late inning push to Monday afternoon when they take on the Pride. The Hawks come into the game with a disappointing 3-10-1 on the season. There is still plenty of time left to regroup and as the younger Hawks gain experience they will only get better throughout the year.

Softball Splits Weekend Series with Penn
The Hawks lose first game 5-2, rally late in second game, winning 6-4
ANDREW SCHETTER STAFF WRITER

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A Word on Sports

That Loud “Crash” You Heard Was My Bracket Collapsing

ALEXANDER TRUNCAL

I am very much looking forward to the college basketball season. I have never been a big college basketball fan, but I have always been a huge fan of the NBA. As I look forward to the college basketball season, I am excited to see how the teams will fare in the upcoming season.

The college basketball season is always a lot of fun to watch, and I am looking forward to seeing how the teams will perform. I am particularly excited to see how the teams will perform in the NCAA tournament, as it is always a lot of fun to watch the teams battle it out for the championship.

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The softball team rallied from four runs down to defeat the University of Pennsylvania 6-4, splitting their two-game weekend series with the Quakers.

Full Story on Page 18