Martin Luther King Day Celebrated in Anacon Hall

On Tuesday, January 27, the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Children’s Festival was held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Anacon Hall to celebrate Dr. King’s achievements.

Each year the festival coordinates with local elementary and middle schools to have children visit the campus and learn from Monmouth students about the legacy of Dr. King, by holding arts and crafts, dance, music, and other activities.

Many of the clubs and organizations participate in this event, by setting up tables around Anacon Hall and having students from those groups volunteer to help out the children.

Some of the clubs and organizations that were included in this year’s festival were Delta Phi Epsilon, Habitat for Humanity, Study Abroad Club, CommWorks, Student Government Association, Pep Band, Zeta Tau Alpha and the Dance Team. Heather Kelly, Assistant Director of Student Activities for Multicultural and Diversity Initiatives, is in charge of the festival.

Anacon Hall was transformed into a children’s arts and crafts center in celebration of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Children’s Festival. The evening of November 21st, 2008 marked Monmouth University history and achievements and high scholarship, marched ceremoniously into the dimly lit Room 108, located at the far end of the University’s history and tradition.

Habitat for Humanity’s activity was called “Freedom Hands” where kids traced their hands and wrote what their dream is. For the Study Abroad Club, kids were able to look at maps and flags from around the world to learn about new places.

Delta Phi Epsilon member Amanda Klaus said, “This year, like the past, DPHIE made ‘Kufi Hats’, with the children. They wrote their name and their hero’s name on pieces of construction paper and we made hats for them. They love making things they can wear. The kids were so sweet and loved to tell the sisters who their heroes were and why.”

Klaus also commented on the SGA table saying, “The Martin Luther King Festival was very interactive this year. Heather Kelly did an amazing job with the diverse tables and games for the children. Everyone walked out with a new appreciation of ‘having a dream’ and a ‘hero’.”

Other areas included a face painting table and an area for combat, where dance leaders led the kids in a Brazilian dance called “Capoeira.”

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Software Engineering, Computer Science and Information Technology Honor Students Inducted into International Honor Society

The evening of November 21st, 2008 marked Monmouth University history and achievement by the installation of the newest chapter of Upsilon Pi Epsilon, the International Honor Society for the Computing and Information Disciplines, serving to unite students and strengthen members who share a common academic interest at Monmouth University.

Amidst an atmosphere of reverence and intellectual milieu, Software Engineering, Computer Science, and Information Technology honor students and faculty members, noted for their outstanding achievements and high scholarship, marched ceremoniously into the dimly lit Room 108, located at the far end of the University’s history and tradition.

The Monmouth University Department of Art and Design is currently presenting Annu Palakunathu Matthes Virtual Immigration Series Comes to the 800 Gallery.

Matthews was born in India, and she moved to America in 1992. She wanted to show the virtual immigrant way of life in her show.

“In India, workers have to act American when they are at work, but when the day is over, they return to their families and live the Indian way of life once more,” Matthews said.

When viewing Matthews’ art work, the Indians are presented in their American work attire, but they are also presented in their Indian culture when you look at the art in a different way. Her works are all centered on two separate views of Indian life stories.

“I understand this show more now; the country of India has been globalized due to technology,” Adaez Melgar, a senior art major said. Melgar explained how his parents migrated to the United States from Elsalvador. “I can personally relate to assimilation of the American culture. This is an awesome show; it has a great message, there are so many different ways of life.”

“Matthews’ lecture, focusing on her art show, was very interesting,” said Whitney VanVoorhis, senior art major after the lecture. “We heard about her culture ties between America and India, and her reasoning to create this show, to present those ties. In this show, she shows Indians living in America, but still sticking with their cultural background, and that is great.”

- Scott Knauer, Monmouth University’s Director of Galleries and Collections.
Relay For Life 2009 Begins With Kickoff Party

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To prepare for the massive fund-raising event, The Relay For Life at Monmouth University Kickoff Party took place in the faculty dining room at McGill Commons on Wednesday, January 28th at 6 p.m.

Relay For Life is an annual event hosted by the American Cancer Society, in which millions of people come together to join the fight against the cancer. During the event, people remember loved ones who have lost, and pray for those currently struggling with the disease.

Several cancer survivors also participate in the function. As students, faculty and staff arrived at the Kickoff party, they were encouraged to sign up and put teams together for the yearly overnight occasion, which will take place from April 17th to April 18th, 5 p.m. to 7 a.m.

All of the tables were filled in the faculty dining room, and many other people were standing alongside the walls. Music and video were provided by Paul Sikora and Nestor Roldan, hosts of the WMCM-FM show Thursday Night Spotted Eagle. Gelchion was also served to everyone who attended.

This year, which is the 25th annual Monmouth Relay For Life, Monmouth will be sporting an 80's theme. Kathleen Gelchion, Director of Special Events of the American Cancer Society, said, “Every Relay For Life event has its own theme; however, every Relay across the country is celebrating Relay For Life’s 25th birthday. The Monmouth University students decided 80’s since Relay For Life began in 1984.”

Those in attendance sat and listed key speakers speak about the program and its importance in fighting the cancer. People were also asked to stand up and speak for who they were re-laying for. Junior Jerry Messana was the honorary survivor speaker for the program and gave the audience a message of hope and faith. Messana was diagnosed at 19 and gave the audience a message of hope and faith. Messana was diagnosed at 19 and gave the audience a message of hope and faith. Messana was diagnosed at 19 and gave the audience a message of hope and faith. Messana was diagnosed at 19 and gave the audience a message of hope and faith.

People were encouraged to live a healthy lifestyle and to quit smoking. A video documenting last year’s Relay For Life at Monmouth was also shown to the audience.

Relay For Life at Monmouth is planned by Colleges Against Cancer, which is a group effort chapter of students, staff and faculty that works to put an end to cancer and follows the programs initiated by the American Cancer Society.

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Due to inclement weather in the early hours of January 28, Monmouth University issued closing notifications via the Connect-ED system, which malfunctioned several times causing confusion as to whether or not the school was closed and as to what time it would reopen. Connect-ED is Monmouth University’s primary emergency notification system. It enables students, faculty and staff to have emergency alerts sent to any registered phones and/or e-mails. Students and faculty are automatically signed up for the system when they are registered with the University, but it is their responsibility to provide contact information beyond their home telephone number. In total, it allows you to have six phone numbers, two e-mail addresses, and one number to send a text message to. Students can also put their parents on the calling list just in case. Reasons for notification include bomb/terrorist threats, school closings/delays, or inclement weather.

Connect-ED was utilized to notify students and faculty of the delay. When the first message was sent out, however, at about 5:30 a.m., many students answered their phones to silence. This was cause by two variables. The first was the length of the message. Messages with lengths less than 20 to 25 seconds, because of the way in which the system is set up, do not work. The second reason is that different cell phones have different voice-mail programs with varying lengths of time before the actual message is recorded, and this can effect whether the message is recorded or not.

When it was discovered that the first message did not reach all of the students and staff, several more messages were sent out to ensure that at least one would reach each person registered for the Connect-ED service. Another issue arose after the message had been successfully sent and received. There was much confusion about the 12:00 p.m. delay. Many students were unsure about the opening time due to the fact that some classes begin at 11:30 a.m. Students with classes at this time did not know if they were supposed to come in for these classes when the school opened or if their classes were cancelled altogether.

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Over-Connect-ED: School Closing Causes Confusion

MU had a delayed opening this past Wednesday and closed early on Tuesday due to inclement weather. Many students and faculty were unsure of the opening time and offered extra credit to those who were able to attend.

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“One of the major criticisms of the Connect-ED system is that the calls and text messages are sent too early in the morning. While President Gaffney admits that for those living on campus or in the surrounding area it can be irritating to receive calls very early in the morning. He also reminds student and staff that some individuals are commuting from two or more hours away and that the system cannot cater to all individuals.
Aramark Adds Flair to Student Center Servery

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Aramark Dining Services has recently changed the menus and concepts featured in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, in an effort to build customer traffic and increase sales.

Some of the changes include the addition of new products, the moving of old ones, and new food promotions. “We want to add more options rather than take away options to add more variety and flare to the operation. Changes occur to keep things fresh and exciting, especially during economic challenges,” said Kin Tang, an Aramark retail manager in the Student Center.

Alterations were made to the set-up of the servery in order to maximize retail space. Aramark moved the crackers and cups from the soup counter since it is the first thing customers see, making it prime retail space. The company has added more grab & go products, otherwise known as “impulse items” to attract customers who are looking for a quick on-the-go snack. This includes cookies, yogurts, chips, etc. A popcorn machine is now located at the soup counter to counteract the pre-packaged options with a freshly made snack. Also on the menu are pre-packaged salads. Due to the numerous requests from customers, they are now available for individual sale.

One of the most visible additions is the new “action station”, located directly behind the soup counter. The station allows customers to watch their meal be created right in front of their eyes.

“Where else can you watch you watch your boneless buffalo wings get tossed in your favorite sauce, a freshly made omelet of waffle topped with your favorite topping, or a potato turned into mashed potatoes right in front of you?” asked Tang.

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Every person to have ever lived has been faced some sort of challenge or some sort of adversity and no matter how small or large the obstacle before them was, each one of these people has been presented with a choice: let the impediment hold them back or rise to the occasion and overcome their obstacle. Recently, we celebrated Martin Luther King Day and we are reminded each year on this day about one man’s contributions to one group’s struggle. While many people took part in the Civil Rights Movement, we remember Dr. King as one of the most iconic leaders of the movement.

The truth is, however, Dr. King was simply doing what he felt was right. He was doing what every other man, woman, and child involved was doing and with no more heart than any of his fellow advocates. I think that the bigger reason we celebrate Martin Luther King Day is so to remember the man who admittely made great strides in the fight for African American civil rights, but more to recognize the difference that one person can make.

Today, humanity as a whole, black, white, Asian, handicapped, wealthy, and students alike, faces a new struggle: cancer.

Cancer is not a new problem, but it is a growing one with countless causes and only a handful of treatments. These treatments, however, were able to be developed because of the efforts and hard work of doctors, fundraisers, and other advocates.

The Monmouth University community is privileged in that we are involved with the “Relay for Life” and can make our contributions toward ending this worldwide epidemic.

The only problem is that while this opportunity to help make a difference is right in front of us, many of us do not make the effort to help. “Relay for Life,” I think, is viewed by some as a waste of time. This could not be further from the truth. Most people do not know this, but students and staff here at Monmouth University are the beneficiaries of the “Relay for Life.”

A lot of people say that “Relay for Life” is lame and that no one goes to it. However untrue as that may be, if you go that’s one more person who is there and the more people who step up, the bigger and better it will get.

This is truly a struggle that affects each and every one of us and will continue until we all make a stand and do the right thing. “Relay for Life” is just one opportunity to do the right thing. Taking this opportunity may make our community a better opportunity for someone else in the future, and who knows, that person could be you or a loved one.

In the words of author Shel- by Steele, “opportunity follows struggle. It follows effort. It follows hard work. It doesn’t come before.” So, we’ve got our struggle, now I challenge you to make the effort and work hard so that we may all have the opportunities within our reach.

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What Red Bull Gives You Besides “Wings”

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They claim to “Ignite Your Mind,” “Give You Wings” and help you “Put like a Rock Star.” Energy drinks can give you a rush; they are dangerous and can cause serious health risks.

Energy drinks have been linked with reports of convulsions, high blood pressure, and emergency room visits. Energy drinks may make you feel jittery and give you a rush. According to Red Bull, their product Energy Drink has always been, and always will be, more than just a hot secret for the night owl, and the nonstop party animal. It is appreciated by a wide range of people, such as the overworked taxi driver, the exam- anxious student and the pressured journalist. It is used by surfers in the summer and snowboarders in the winter.

Red Bull’s website lists the many “benefits” of their product but they fail to mention the many dangers of their drink. Red Bull is marketed towards young people, college students to athletes.

Redfield claims that Red Bull has a better concentration, performance, increases concentration, improves vigilance, improves emotional status, and stimulates metabolism.” Why has Red Bull been banned in France, Sweden, Denmark, Italy, and Mexico? Because it is not “beneficial” to you.

The two dollar energy drinks... are flying off the shelves. College students rely on these drinks to keep them up through all hours of the night.

It has been shown that there are many benefits to consuming energy drinks. The FDA recommends that beverages contain less than 65 milligrams of caffeine per 12 ounces of liquid, but caffeine has the FDA’s Generally Regarded as Safe (GRAS) status, so the agency doesn’t provide a daily recommended allowance.

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I personally trust that [Obama] has made the right decision and I will continue to support him throughout the difficult process of closing Guantanamo Bay. States has nothing to hide then why are they forcing people to keep quiet? To anybody who has an ounce of common sense, this looks like cover up. Many argue that even with allegations of torture, closing Guantanamo Bay will only result in more problems for the United States because we will still have to find somewhere to keep the detainees. In my opinion, they should be kept in U.S. prisons and treated just like any other prisoner in the U.S. Simply because these prisoners are accused of terrorism does not mean that they should be treated any differently than any other prisoner. They should still be treated like human beings and should not have to worry about being tortured, etc. Many also make allegations that this is only an attempt by the Obama administration to accomplish something within the first hundred days. These allegations are completely false and there is no factual evidence to assume otherwise.

Americans trust President Obama, which is why they elected him. I personally trust that he has made the right decision and I will continue to support him throughout the difficult process of closing Guantanamo Bay. This is obviously something that he feels passionately about since he put a plan into affect his second day of office to close down the camp. I sincerely believe that Barrack Obama has made a decision that he believes will be beneficial to this country in the long run and I will stand by him 100%.

For those interested in writing for the Political News page of The Outlook, please contact Bryan Tiscia, President of The Political Science Club to get started. You can contact him at sb6656427@monmouth.edu.
Studying abroad has opened my eyes to so many different things that I would never have gotten the chance to experience if I never came to London. I mean, studying abroad always sounded cool but I just felt like I would never get around to doing it.  
Well, by the time my junior year rolled around, I realized that this is a once of a lifetime opportunity, and I started really thinking about doing it. However, I was already a junior and most students study abroad their sophomore or junior year. The only time I had left was to do it my senior year. This was a huge conflict because I knew I wanted to be here for my last semester with all my friends, but I didn’t want to go away in the fall and miss all of the New York Giants games, I never missed more than a game a season, and yes, this problem almost stopped me from coming. However, after much convincing, my Dad made me realize that there will be many more years of going to the games, and that I am just missing one season, but this is a one time opportunity. Nevertheless, I applied shortly after. 

Being in London, I have learned more than I could have ever imagined, and I did not learn them in the classroom. I went and visited seventeen different cities throughout England, Ireland, Spain, France, Holland and Italy. In all seventeen cities, the sights, the people, the food, and my experiences were all very different. I have met so many different kinds of people from all over the world, and talking with them has opened my eyes to realize that there is more in this world than New Jersey. I think that this whole experience was unbelievable, but I think that my most memorable experience was my ten day break in Italy. My three close friends and I spent ten days travelling from the North of Italy to the South. We started in Milan, and made it to Venice, Florence, Rome, Naples, Pompeii, Sorrento, and Capri. Over these ten days I went shopping in Milan, saw the Coliseum and Pantheon in Rome, rode a gondola in Venice, saw Michelangelo’s David in Florence, the ruins in Pompeii, and swam in the beaches of Capri. I have never eaten so much gelato in my life, but it was the most amazing trip I have ever been on. Italian culture was my favorite; the people are warm and friendly and treat you like gold, even if you are American. I think the hardest part of going abroad was missing my family and friends, but travelling was the best part of the whole experience. It was hard at first to think about all my friends at school and at home, going out and doing things with them, but then I realized that once my studying abroad experience was over, it would be over, but my family would still be there that I was doing something so much more than that at home. I realized everyone from home was still doing the same thing, going to the same places, while I was travelling all over Europe, experiencing and seeing things I have never seen before and perhaps may never see again. I realized that once my studying abroad experience was over, it would be over, but my family and friends out me, but then I realized family would still be there that I was doing something so much more than that at home.
I thought that it was a joke when my friend texted me at two in the morning about going to the inauguration. It turned out to not be a joke and my two friends and I randomly decided, at 3:30 in the morning, to drive down to Washington, D.C. for the historic inauguration of Barack Obama. And with an ill-fated GPS system. The three of us went to D.C. without any preparations. We didn’t have a charger for the GPS system, failed to bring food or extra batteries for our cameras, and we did not have tickets for the inauguration. But that was not stopping us from being a part of history.

Once we got past Baltimore our GPS system lost its charge, so we were in the dark for our drive back to Monmouth. The further we drove passed Baltimore, the more we passed by closed metro stations at maximum capacity. So the three of us ended at Landover Station and took a metro to Capitol South. We finally arrived at the nation’s capital at 7:15 a.m. with no direction as to where we were supposed to go without any tickets. All along the street posts were signs with colored labels pointing to directions for people with different colored tickets. However, there wasn’t a single sign placed to direct individuals without tickets. At one of the main roads in front of Capitol Hill, we saw ABC 7 news reporters calling out to people who did not have tickets. So three of us received our fifteen minutes of fame with the reporter asking us why we drove down from Monmouth University at 3:30 a.m. without inauguration tickets on the first day of the new semester. We wanted to witness the history that was being made in our

Country by the inauguration of the first black president. This was an experience that hopefully, one day, we will be able to tell to our children and grandchildren. As an African-American, I appreciate President Obama’s candidacy and his victory on November 4 as now I can confidently say that times have changed and I can obtain the highest of goals and dreams. Barack Obama paved the way for millions of black children and young adults of the future. This event was not only significant or emotional for blacks in the United States but for all ages, and thousands of people came from all across the country. This moment solidifies and encourages the perfect ideals that our forebears set long ago that all are equal no matter of what background or heritage they come from.

We continued to walk around Capitol South for hours looking for some type of destination. The U.S. military police were directing the millions of people walking alongside as to National Mall. We waited at the ticket lines for most in attendance, the jumbotron offered the only decent view.

Hundreds of people in a single intersection attempted to make their way to the front most metro stations. It felt like we were in the midst of a major group hug because that was how close each individual was on the street.

I recall one woman joking about how we didn’t need to feel cold anymore because everyone was pushing up on one another. When we got out of the group hug at the intersection, we discovered that three of the metro stations were closed, so we walked for four hours looking for an alternative station.

We finally found an open station at 4:30 p.m. to head back to Landover Station for the drive back to Monmouth. On the way inside the metro station, former presidential candidate and Democratic National Committee chairman, Howard Dean, D.J., walked by and gave us some excitement for the drive back home.

The drive back proved to really be a road trip as we no longer had a GPS system to guide our way back to school. This was an experience of a lifetime and I appreciate the spontaneity of the decision to see this historic inauguration of our first black president and new beginning for in the nation and international spotlight as a celebrity, this day wasn’t for signing autographs or performing. This day was for all Americans welcoming one another and more importantly, a new leader of our beloved country. Like my two friends, I noticed that she was there.

For the first time ever during her tenure in the national and international spotlight, as a nation, we remember the service of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Barack Obama becomes our first black President. Regardless of if they voted for Obama or not, people at the inauguration came to Washington to commemorate how far we have come as a country.

As President Obama said during his inaugural address, “This is the meaning of our liberty and creed—why men and women and children of every race and every religion can join in celebration across this magnificent Mall, and why a man whose father 60 years ago might not have been served at a local restaurant can now stand before you to take a most sacred oath.”

We have traveled on a long road, the journey isn’t over, but we are steps closer towards renewing America’s promise.
Art Show in 800 Gallery

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stated how this was the first event in the South Asia celebrating series at Monmouth, and he was very excited for it to come. "It was great to talk with Anna and create this show along with her," Knauer said.

Diana Huang and Christina Sarris, two freshmen at The College of New Jersey, who had come to the event with the professor of their Photography 101 class, are currently studying Matthew’s art work.

This show is very interesting; it is a very neat idea to be artistic about, the difference of cultures," Huang said. "We made the show all the way from TCNJ.

"Andrew Cohen and Scott Knauer, Professors of the Monmouth University Art Department, were both so great to work with here, and I am very pleased with the way this show turned out," Matthews said.

"We have seen increasing interest in the arts," said Senior English major, said, concern- to them,” R.J. Gaynor, a Monmouth student, spoke of how it would be cool to somehow fuse the two cultures.

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MLK-Day Celebrated

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SAB HOSTS POP ART EVENT

Get Off My Lawn and Go See Gran Torino

John D’esposito

Pop Art is the artistic movement that started to spread throughout America in the 1950’s and 60’s. Spearheaded by artists like Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein, Pop Art made a huge impact on society and changed art forever. This huge impact made its way to Monmouth University on January 28 in the Student Center, supplying over 65 students with their own pop art portraits. Novelties chair John D’esposito hosted a free Pop Art event in which students could have themselves and friends put into framed Pop Art portraits.

Each student received a four panel picture with each panel portraying the students in a different color; similar to the artwork of Andy Warhol. This innovative and fun event was crowded from beginning to end. 

Jheris Jordan, freshman said, “I had a really great time at pop art, and I can’t wait to hang it up in my room.”

"This is the range of emotions you will feel as you watch the film. It’s a great way to get involved and be a part of some spectacular events." -I was actually surprised that it was as long as it was. The thing that makes the film work is the range of emotions you will feel throughout the feature. You will cringe at the racism, laugh at thestubborness, relate to certain characters, and cry at the senseless violence. Gran Torino is a gripping ride that will leave you affected by its powerful story telling. Its genius though is that you will not only enjoy it for a night but it will be something that moves you even in hindsight."

Andrew Schetter

Certain films achieve greatness based on a certain actor being the perfect fit. It’s extremely hard to picture Forrest Gump without Tom Hanks, Rocky minus Stallone, and even Anchorman with no Will Ferrell. The same can be said for Gran Torino and Clint Eastwood.

Clint Eastwood’s portrayal of Walt Kowalski, a man who is every bit as strong as the handle of his rifle, is Oscar worthy. Gran Torino is Dirty Harry for a new generation of viewers. Kowalski is a Vietnamese veteran who lives in Detroit, but his neighborhood has changed while he has remained the same, bitter, racist, conflicted man.

A recent widow, Kowalski’s two sons have moved into the suburbs, leaving Walt in an empty house. This is the first time something has stirred the观众. Kowalski’s neighborhood has slowly transformed into a place where local gangs run the streets. The plot takes off when his neighbor Thao, played bee lang, hismong teenager, tries to steal Kowalski’s America, the highlight of his session, his 1972 Gran Torino.

Kowalski is explained as a Chinese section that fought on the American side during the Vietnam War. Thao’s family moved to America to seek a better life. Thao attempts to steal theGran Torino as a task he must perform to be initiated into a local Asian gang his cousin belongs to. After Walt catches Thao in the act, he tries to make a man out of him, and in the process protect him and his family from gang violence.

The film has some very strong supporting performances. Christopher Carley is wonderful as Father Janovich, a young priest who had problems. Walt’s wife, he would take care of him after she passed away. Janovich is a refreshing character in a Hollywood film as he is a priest who actually has nothing but good intentions. Father Janovich, a young priest who actually is Oscar worthy.

It's a great way to get involved and be a part of some spectacular events. If you're interested in being a part of SAB make sure to come to the meetings every other Thursday in the Student Center starting February 5th.

Top 10 Super Bowl 2009 Commercials According to www.fanhouse.com

1. Budweiser: “Fetch”
2. Heroes: “Football Game”
4. Bridgestone: “Moon Dancers”
5. Coca Cola: “Picnic”
6. Denny’s: “Diner”
7. Budweiser: “Horse Love”
8. Cheetos: “Gossip Girl”
10. Monster: “Moose”
"This has been said so many times that I’m not sure that it matters.

The crowd is building up right in front of the stage. Others coming on and off as action happens, while tech- nicians run in and make sure that all the equipment is up to standard. Throughout this time frame he en-在中国, 超级女声的选手们听到这个消息很惊讶。the slave trade. urses, and fights against the men in another language, although pre- ferred for the Originals, where the music has evolved and has become to- much about topics that have been invigorating/thrilling/innovative. Throughout this time frame he en- forces people make are categorically being exposed to music no other has ever heard of but became huge fans of an in-turn becoming a family who would travel 4 or 5 hours to go see that band perform in another state. It was a group that did not try to impress you with their music, but with having of wearing leggings to con- certs or diagramming the proper way to enjoy the concert: standing in the background looking too cool to care but really “loving the mu-

Scene is a cultural movement that organizes from kids who like to be exposed to music no one else has heard of before. A time where word of mouth was my clue to check out a band, not the latest MTV commercial. Long gone are the days that made Jersey staples as Skate and Surf such an experience because although no one in the mainstream knew the names, those same bands were the hearts and souls of many, not a gimmick machine that some music is today. Now, don’t get me wrong, I’ve carried the banner for many bands who are guilty of the neon ex- plosions we see on the current “scene.” However, my allegiance falls into their music and their flaws are pointed out, not whether or not they’d be the perfect poster children for "OPEN-MIC-ELITE HESROCKCUTZTHEIRBRIG H" and Co. It’s those attributes that make people hate music, be- cause honestly, a lot of it is inter-

"The Scene(?)" is the Ground Floor is your place your new artists who hit the ground running, ground breaking developments and ideas that are covering new grounds. However, it’s never truly been much about what the musical choic- es make are categorically being exposed to music no other has ever heard of but became huge fans of an in-turn becoming a family who would travel 4 or 5 hours to go see that band perform in another state. It was a group that did not try to impress you with their music, but with having of wearing leggings to con- certs or diagramming the proper way to enjoy the concert: standing in the background looking too cool to care but really “loving the mu-

So, "The Scene" is a cultural movement, originally having nothing at all to do with the modern way of being. Young women’s apartment, the au-


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Late Night Lounge
Open Mic Night

Thursday, February 5th
10:00 PM
The Underground

Co-sponsored by the Office of Substance Awareness

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February 4, 2009

Hey Pep Banders!

Lots of excitement coming up: Our next games are Thursday, Feb 5 at 6:30 PM, a double header on Saturday, Feb 7 - 2:30 PM women’s game and 6:30 PM men’s game; and a 6:30 PM game on Monday, Feb 9, each in Boylan Gym. Our next rehearsal is Thursday, Feb 12 at 7:15 PM on the 3rd floor of the student center. Need help remembering these dates? Check the school paper weekly.  

MU Pep Band Facebook group, request a hard copy of the schedule from Aimee, or navigate to our webpage from gomuhawks.com and click on our button in the Spirit/Traditions tab.  

On Saturday, March 14th, we are attending the South Amboy St. Patrick’s Day Parade. This is during Spring Break. Please let Aimee know by February 6th if you plan on attending; you will be paid a small amount. Don’t forget, cash prizes are still available to members who recruit new folks. Also, if anyone has any suggestions for a fundraiser we can do this year, please let one of our officers know.  

If anyone has other goals for the band this semester or next year, don’t hesitate to let us know your thoughts.  

As always, we are excited with the opportunity to network with new members; if you or anyone else is interested in joining, please stop by at any of our rehearsals or come out and join us at one of the basketball games! Have fun and keep up with your schoolwork!

PEP BAND

It is not too late to register for the PRSSA Regional activity, “Inside PR: Getting the Inside Scoop on What you Need to Know,” being held this Saturday, February 7, at Monmouth (the Plangere Building), from 10:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Do not miss the chance to attend informative panel discussions, participate in mock interviews and get useful resume tips. The cost for PRSSA Members is $10, Affiliate Members is $15 and Non-PRSSA members is $20. Check, cash or Check, made out to Monmouth University. Please drop completed registration forms and payment to PRSSA members in the office on the 3rd floor of Wilson (rm 210). Do not miss this opportunity to network with PR professionals!

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN

National Council of Negro Women will be hosting a Bus Trip to the Black Women’s Museum in Baltimore, Maryland on February 28th. Also, we are throwing a party February 27th called The Black and White Unite Party from 9pm-1am. We are also involved in many various community service projects. Come out and support! The National Council of Negro Women’s purpose shall be to foster a wide student interest and participation in activities by providing leadership, programs, and services. Meetings are Sundays at 6pm.

DEBATE TEAM

Interested in Debating? Do you enjoy arguing your point to prove you are right? Come to a meeting for the brand new debate team! We meet Tuesdays at 3:45pm in Bey Hall 230… Please stop on in and get some more info!!

STUDENTS IN FREE ENTERPRISE

Students in Free Enterprise meets every Wednesday in Bey Hall at 6:00pm in room 225. The mission of SIFE is to provide members the best opportunity to make a difference and develop leadership, teamwork and communication skills through learning, practicing and teaching the principles of free enterprise. SIFE educates others about market economics, success skills, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and business ethics. We deal with all majors and help local entrepreneurs, schools, and cooperate with big businesses to make a better world. For more information, sife@monmouth.edu

Volunteer Corner

Check in weekly for information on volunteer opportunities both on and off campus.

Christmas in February Clothing Drive: SL Vincent de Paul Society is asking for the following donations for needy families: clothing, handbags, scarves, hats, shoes, belts, ties, bedding, curtains, tablecloths, towels, and stuffed animals. Please bring items to the Parish Hall on Saturdays 9am-7pm and Sundays 9am-4pm. Items will be accepted until January 27. Drop off dates are Thursday, February 5th and 10th from 10 pm-12am. It is presented by RHA and the Office of Substance Awareness. Bring your talent out and it looks great on a resume! Hopefully as the weather gets warmer, the club will be more open to new ideas, because we are very aware that there are people in need around the community, so feel free to e-mail us with suggestions or concerns. Thank you to Kris Redzink, Lisa Esposito and Drew Rayner for helping out at the Children’s Festival on Tuesday, January 27. Your help was much appreciated!!

Residential Hall Association is an organization dedicated to changing and improving campus life for all resident students, who are automatically members. RHA seeks to develop solutions for problems which may occur within the residence halls. The RHA also addresses concerns with safety, for all resident students, who are automatically members. RHA seeks to develop solutions for problems which may occur within the residence halls. The RHA also addresses concerns with safety, and be sure to come out for a wonderful evening!

Residential Hall Association

Mass

Every Wednesdays and Sundays 7 pm at the C.C.

Daily Mass

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12 pm in the Wilson Hall chapel (downstairs)

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays from 7:30-8:30 pm and Thursdays from 1-2 pm

Rosary

Mondays at 8:30 pm

Women’s Bible Study

Wednesdays at 2:30 pm

Why Believe? Series

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm

Valentine’s Day Party

Thursday, February 12 at 7:30 pm

Activities Night

Thursday, February 19 at 7:30 pm

Soup Kitchen Volunteering

Third Sunday of every month- Meet at the CC at 9:30 am to carpool

Mardi Gras Party

Tuesday, February 24 at 7:30 pm

Ash Wednesday Services

Wednesday, 2/25 at 11:30 am & 12:30 pm Wilson Auditorium & at 7 pm at the CC

Tuesday, February 24 at 7:30 pm

Stations of the Cross

Friday, February 27 at 5pm followed by dinner at 6 pm

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Horoscopes

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

Aries • (Mar. 21 - April 19) - This week is a 7
You're not crazy but you feel like it as this week progresses. Drama is all around you. Make sure you deal with it with a smile or else you'll lose yourself in it. This weekend, go out and really use up your energy and free time.

Taurus • (April 20 - May 20) - This week is a 9
Everyone wants a piece of you. Answer them in due time or else they will keep calling you. This weekend is a big one for you. Enjoy it but remember, everyone may not be having as easy a time as it if you are.

Gemini • (May 21 - June 21) - This week is a 6
You're busy but as long as you took care of everything you had to in the beginning of the week, you can actually enjoy yourself. Unfortunately that enjoyment doesn't last. Disappointment is coming your way but that doesn't mean stop dreaming.

Cancer • (June 22 - July 22) - This week is a 7
Losing your temper because people keep coming to you with questions is not smart. If you take a deep breath you will find that you are finally finding time for yourself. Just because an idea is working out well now doesn't mean it will always so do not boast until it's finished.

Leo • (July 23-Aug. 22) - This week is a 9
You live in your dreams. Start writing them down and bouncing them off of people. Once a pattern emerges or an idea seems to stick, run with it. As the weekend ends you realize you have done the right thing. Now spend time rebuilding your relationships. They may feel a bit neglected lately. Don't worry, it won't be hard work.

Virgo • (Aug 23 - Sept. 22) - This week is an 8
Work it out. There are situations that need to be dealt with and you likely what is necessary. Do that and things will go smoothly through the weekend. Your friends are there for you; don't forget that. You very well may need them. Keep an open mind as the weekend comes to a close.

Libra • (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) - This week is a 7
People keep telling you things that you can’t quite grasp. Really look at your life and listen carefully to what people are saying. Maybe they are talking to similar minded people, or maybe they done something you do not. It isn’t easy so take a step back and a deep breath. Look to the small things and take the weekend to recuperate.

Scorpio • (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) - This week is an 8
Dreaming big about getting away and having fun has been on your mind. Perhaps now you will finally take a step towards booking that getaway. Do your research and there should be nothing to stop you. Your focus over the weekend is more business than pleasure but that’s okay. It needed to happen sometime.

Sagittarius • (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) - This week is a 9
It’s nice to let others take control. It’s okay and as long as you keep asking questions you will get the same information or more than if you had taken the lead yourself. This weekend is about having some fun! Enjoy yourself.

Capricorn • (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) - This week is a 4
It seemed like this would be a good week from the start but take caution. As the week progresses, something you say could end up making a very big mess. Tread lightly and if you do happen to detonate in an explosion, try to calm it down as soon as possible. This weekend, be careful as well. Not every idea you have is a good one and it doesn’t seem that many people are watching out for you at the present moment so you have to watch out for yourself.

Aquarius • (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) - This week is an 8
Life’s exciting, that’s for sure. You’re meeting people (yay!) and getting out there. Physical exertion in various forms is great and energizing for you. Things get strange as the weekend approaches and they just keep getting weirder. So be it!

Pisces • (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) - This week is an 8
The week started off well but you feel a little touchy at the moment. That’s okay and you’ll snap out of it quickly. You may have even learned something while in your mood. The weekend promises to be busy for you. You have to spend a bit of time getting work done but that’s okay. The social enjoyment will make you forget you had to dedicate the morning to work.

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Applications are now available online and due March 6, 2009.
You may visit the Residential Life website at:

Take a visual tour & obtain more information on off-campus apartments INFO SESSIONS:

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Basketball

Men Drop Two Games, Fall To Eighth Place in NEC Standings

ERIC WALSH
SPORTS EDITOR

The Hawks traveled to NEC leader Robert Morris on Saturday, January 30. The Hawks welcomed out-of-conference foe Taylor recorded his team-best 11 points and eight rebounds. Besides Campbell and Taylor, only four players scored for Monmouth with her fourth double-double of the season, scoring 18 points and pulling down 12 rebounds. Among them were the other two Hawks with big contributions.

Travis Taylor scored 11 points and eight rebounds in the losing effort against the Red Flash on January 29. However, RMU pushed its lead to 60-42 just halfway through the second and never looked back, winning by 13 points.

After Five Straight Victories Women Drop Two Straight

ANDREW SCHEITTER
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Hawks have been plagued by starting seven of which are NEC contests, the Blue and White must make the tournament, as three of the seven conference games and a game-high 22 points and leading scorer Whitney Coleman added six rebounds and four assists. The Hawks welcome out-of-conference opponent, Bryant University to Boylan on Thursday, February 5, for a 7 p.m. tip off.

Chappell's game-high 25 points. The Hawks have most two bright spots one being Barber, who led all scorers and tied her career-high with 22 points. The senior also pulled down 10 rebounds to log her second double-double of the season and the fourth of her career. Marisa Jimenez added eight points; Scott contributed five points and seven rebounds.

The Hawks also have things they must improve upon, if they want to make and have an impact in the NEC tournament, as they shot a dismal 30.6% for the game and committed 14 turnovers. The Hawks also shot 10-22 from the foul line. SFU was led by Daly’s 16 points while Britney Hodges added 14. The Red Flash shot 41.8% from the floor for the game, including 47.4% (9-for-19) from three-point range.

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Brandon Cabral won the pole vaulting event, tying a freshman school record in the process.

Freshman Colleen Rutecki took home second in the shot put with a time of 1:21.90. Jones was eighth in the men’s race (2:27.0), while Frenette had the low ninth. The women took third in the 1300m.

It seemed as if the tides were turning late in the second quarter with Big Ben leading the offense, setting up a touchdown with an Arizona Linebacker, Kadous Daniels at the Pittsburgh 54 yard line. Shockey was able to punch the ball in for a touchdown and the Cardinals’ way to the Steeler 1 yard line. To close out the half with a touchdown to go, the Cardinals’ defense showed their ability to slow down an all star offensive team in the half time show. It was a song from his newest album called Working on a Dream, and a finishing off with the crowd rocking Glory Days. At age 59, the Boss rocks harder than ever before. The touchdown was inevitable. On third down, from the 1 yard line, he stepped aside, Fitzger-

The Superbowl Shuffle: From the Game, to the Commercials, to the Halftime Show

PRESS RELEASE

A Word on Sports

Eric Walsh
Sports Editor

A pair of Monmouth University track & field athletes turned in strong performances at the Thomson Invitational, hosted on the campus of the University of Delaware.

Freshman pole vaulter Brandon Cabral won his event after claiming fourth place at the Monmouth Bobcat Open in February. Cabral jumped 4.29.m, besting all other athletes in the field.

Cabrals’ vault was impressive, but it was not enough to secure a podium finish. The top three vaulters cleared heights of 4.52m, 4.17m, and 4.16m, respectively.

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Golf Achieved at Delaware Thomson Invitational

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