ZTA Crowns New Big Man on Campus

Matt Hammett, a sophomore brother of Phi Kappa Psi, was crowned "Big Man on Campus," by the ladies of Zeta Tau Alpha.

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Matt Hammett, a sophomore and brother of Phi Kappa Psi, was crowned the second annual Big Man on Campus, Wednesday March 18th, in Pollak Theater. The event was hosted by Zeta Tau Alpha, who donated all the proceeds to breast cancer research, which is ZTA's national philanthropy along with education.

The fifteen participants competed in three different competitions, which all included a randomly selected question by hosts Ashley Bruno, and Andrew "Coach" Grosso. The segments included formal wear, casual wear, and the crowd's personal favorite, swimwear. The candidates were judged based on appearance, personality, answers to questions, and crowd reactions. The judges included reigning Big Man on Campus, Joe Lombardo, ZTA President, Jenna Uzenski, a sister of Theta Sigma, and Greg, the drag queen from ALI. Hammett won over the judges with his stage presence and ability to answer the questions both audibly, and with some wit. When asked what he would do if he were to win a million dollars, he responded, without missing a beat, saying, "First I would take my new brothers from Phi Kappa Psi, on a trip to Australia, and then I would donate the rest of the money to breast cancer research."

The first event of the evening was casual wear, in which each guy got to show off their very own "real men wear pink" Zeta Tau Alpha.

2nd Place
Dante Barry, a junior, was the runner-up and also voted as Viewer's Choice.

3rd Place
David Sinisi, a senior, was voted third in the competition.

ALI Hosts Fourth Annual Drag Ball

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All Lifestyles Included (ALI) co-sponsored the 4th Annual Drag Ball with Student Activities Board (SAB) in Anacon Hall on March 18, 2009.

The Drag Ball was an event where students were encouraged to dress as the opposite gender and watch performances of by amateur and professional drag queens and other acts. Advanced tickets were five dollars, and tickets at the door were seven dollars.

The MC for the evening was Greg Montagino, and Dan Layton, owner of Legacy Entertainment, and alumni of Monmouth University was the DJ. He said, "[it] was an awesome experience and it was a pleasure to provide music for this student run organization. The environment was fun, exciting, and entertaining."

Screaming Queens Entertainment, which ALI has used in the past, sent two professional drag queens to take part in this experience. Their names were Epiphany and Sahara. Anthony Chiapetta, a junior, said, "Shara was cool. He did some ridiculous dance moves and kicks."

CommWorks performed a dance and a performer from Brookdale gave an opera-style performance. The Drag Ball also featured Epiphany performs at Drag-ball.

Photo courtesy of Chad Esposito

Sex Rules Teaches Students About Safe Sex
CHRISSEY MURRAY
MANAGING EDITOR

Have you ever felt uncomfortable about your body? Wish you knew just how to tell your partner your likes and dislikes in the bedroom? "Sex Rules", performed by comedian and sex/health educator Maria Falzone, went into full detail about the birds and the bees.

On March 21, Falzone added Java City to her list of venues along with A & E’s An Evening at the Improv, Showtime’s Full Frontal Comedy, and NBC’s Friday Night. She opened up the night by uniquely asking the audience to shut off their cell phones. "Just put your cell phone in your lap and turn the volume down, a really unique thing to ask the audience to do."

Falzone went into detail about safe sex, something that was emphasized in the show.

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Years of Change: Students Attend U.N. Conference
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On February 6, 2009, the Monmouth University Institute for Global Understanding sponsored a trip for Monmouth students to the United Nations Headquarters in New York City to participate in the Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference entitled “Year of Change: New Prospects for America at the United Nations.”

The conference was intended to catalyze dialogue between the public and their respective representatives. At one point, Ramu Damodaran, Deputy Director of Outreach of the U.N. Department of Public Information, emphasized the particular impor-
Senior Miles Vidreiro will join the Peace Corps in the Republic of Georgia starting in June where he will teach English and work on environmental projects.

Vidreiro, a Political Science major, will start in March of 2009. He has a 27-month commitment. Although I never had the pleasure of having Miles as a student in my class, I have enjoyed getting to know him through our discussions about Peace Corps and his participation in events through the Institute for Global Understanding (IGU), foreign service career workshops and lectures, conferences at the UN, internships, trips and study abroad, our students are getting exposure to the many ways they become globally aware and more well rounded in their preparation for life and careers, regardless of where they end up living and working after Monmouth.

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I wish him all the best during his Peace Corps service and look forward to hearing about his experiences and travels,” said Dr. Nancy Mezey, assistant professor of Sociology. TheHelmetta, New Jersey resident noted that, “Most importantly, I would like to become a part of the community, not only viewed as the American, but someone who is able to help and make a difference.”

In the town where Vidreiro will be living, running water is not guaranteed, and electricity and heat are rare. Many of the homes and schools in the villages don’t even have heat. Dr. rekha datta, chair of the Department of Political Science commented, “His commitment and passion for global understanding and action has finally made his dream of a position in the Peace Corps a reality. We are very proud of him and congratulate him and wish him well on his service journey.”

Datta also said, “Students are eager to learn more about the world and how they can engage in local and global affairs more actively. Through courses on international relations, cross cultural and language studies, opportunities offered through the Institute for Global Understanding (IGU), foreign service career workshops and lectures, conferences at the UN, internships, trips and study abroad, our students are getting exposure to the many ways they become globally aware and more well rounded in their preparation for life and careers, regardless of where they end up living and working after Monmouth.”

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Free NJ Transit Week Cancelled for Spring Semester

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NEWS EDITOR

Free NJ Transit Week, a program held twice a year for college students by NJ Transit, has been cancelled for the spring semester due to a bigger outcome of students in the fall.

According to NJ Transit spokesperson Courtney Carroll, the withdrawal of Spring Free Transit Week took place because more college students use the free passes during the fall semesters.

“In the fall, the purpose of Free Transit Week is to create awareness about our NJ Transit Student Pass Program, and more students attend college in the fall. It is more effective in generating more awareness,” Carroll said.

Carroll said that with Free Transit Week in the fall, college students have the opportunity to take advantage of the Student Pass Program. Several New Jersey colleges are partnered with NJ Transit, and their Students Pass Program, visit http://www.njtransit.com/rg/rg_servlet?hdnPageAction=CollegeTo.

Carroll said that although the program will only be held in the fall, “it can be modified as we see fit.”


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“I wish I knew back in college that I could have been a sex therapist. I would have changed my major a long time ago. Imagine having a class which would teach you how to do a skit which included a condom. I've taught that in front of a group of 70 year old women. At the end of the class, a 67 year old came up to me and said she'd never felt freer in her life."

She believes people of all ages should discuss sex and feel more comfortable about this natural action. “I’m going to teach my children how to drive a car, so of course I’m going to teach them to protect themselves as well. Taking part 3 sex should start at infancy. We are taught to feel shameful when talking about sex but it's been sexual since birth and die sexual. Our society gets the wrong message.” This is how she came up with the “rules” for sex.

Know yourself. Falzone explains, “Sex starts with you and not someone else. Some people like to dress up like a postman and deliver a package, sex means different things to different people and it doesn’t necessarily have to mean intercourse. Find out what it is that you like and what you are comfortable with.”

Know yourself physically. “If you have a birthmark on your bottom there, would you be able to identify it in a line up? For men, it’s easier. They could probably get it at five times to peer and twice to admire it. For women it’s harder because you can’t always tell if something is going wrong down there. For men, if Mrs. Happy is looking sad then they know, but women need to get a bet-

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“one.” Falzone then thanked everyone for attending the sex talk, “when you could have stayed in your dorms and had it yourself.”

For the last thirteen years, Falzone has explained the rules to greater and safer sex at college campuses across the country. Her favorite place to perform is Indiana State where she talks at an orientation for 10,000 incoming freshmen, with two huge screens on each side of her.

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Monmouth University students are surrounded by a beautiful campus, and well kept buildings. Some students might not realize the living conditions of others in the surrounding area. Family and Children’s Service (FCS), an organization in Long Branch, was established in 1899 with the aim to help those in need, and still, today FCS offers a helping hand with 20 rewarding helping people.”

Rick Rosskey, a volunteer for the Thrift Boutique said, “Being that times are tough, the proceeds help fund vital services to the community. Which will continue to provide services to the community. Monmouth students are highly encouraged to shop and get involved. Any amount of time volunteered is greatly appreciated and always needed. FCS Thrift Boutique is located just minutes away from campus. Being that the semester will be coming to an end, students may consider donating some clothes that they do not wish to bring back home over the summer. In January the “FCS Thrift Boutique II” opened and is located at 625 Second Avenue in Bradley Beach. Store hours are Tuesday and Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.”

“Going through the merchandise is like going through a treasure chest; you never know what great items you will find.”

PATTI PERRONE
Thrift Boutique Manager

FCS Thrift Boutique is that it receives donated clothing from the community in two ways—directly, from people who give as a charity, or indirectly through funding FCS programs. The Thrift Boutique is a great asset to FCS and helped raised about $160,000 last year alone. The boutique even obtains many designer pieces in our consignment. Every Saturday morning people are brought in to replenish store stock.

We have a big following of repeat customers. This is a great deal for shoppers as they know the proceeds help fund the programs. The student’s schedule permits students to work only during hours or part of permanent employees. The student’s schedule permits students to work only during the semester or part of permanent employees during the semesters. At least 5 dollars are accepted, and the pay is 11 to 12 per hour. Upon completion of the program, students have the option of being converted to the intern program below. These positions are still available at Fort Monmouth!

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Local Thrift Shop Serves the Community

Volunteer Corner

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

WILLIAM MILL
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Since its establishment in 1917, Fort Monmouth Team C4ISR is to maintain the forefront of the Army’s research and development of high-tech systems. The term logo is an abbreviation of command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance, and is used to designate the Fort that supplies our troops with the best technology available for the mission.

As many, however, as know Fort Monmouth will be closing its doors in late 2011. This important work of its professional staff must continue. The bulk of its activities will relocate to Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland (APG) on the second floor from central New Jersey.

The challenge for Fort Monmouth Team C4ISR is to ensure a seamless transition, which means hiring and main- taining the organization’s professional staff until the September 2011 deadline. Between now and 2011, the organization’s professional staff, including 2,200 new employees, both full-time and part-time, will be converted to the APG. After the relocation, the organization’s professional staff, including 2,200 new employees, will be needed. For current students, the Student Career Experience Program (SCEP) is designed to obtain work experience in their field of interest. These hourly posi- tions are flexible based on the student’s schedule. Permitting students to work only during the semester or part of permanent employees during the semesters. At least 5 dollars are accepted, and the pay is 11 to 12 per hour. Upon completion of the program, students have the option of being converted to the intern program below. These positions are still available at Fort Monmouth!

For soon-to-be or recent graduates, the Federal Career Intern Program (FCIP) is a full-time, management training program designed to provide the job and classroom training in their field of interest. Position titles are typically management, Junior Analyst or Junior Engineer. This program usually lasts one and a half to two years and is upon completion, participants are converted to the Fort for permanent employees. The starting salary range is $40,000 to $65,000, in accordance by as much as 50 per- cent upon completion of the program. Alumni or other experienced professionals should apply for publicly posted positions, which can be found at www.epd.army.mil. Through the Army’s employment website, candidates can create a resume as well as apply for jobs with the Department of Army.

All of the positions above offer benefits such as sick and vacation days, retirement plans, health insurance, and use of facilities, including a gym and golf course. Students or recent graduates interested in SCEP or FCIP should send their resumes to CNCRec- reers.conus.army.mil. Anyone interested in learning more about these programs should attend a special information session on April 8th at the Rec- reers.conus.army.mil.

Anyone interested in learning more about these programs should attend a special information session on April 8th at the Recreation Center. For more information, please contact the Placement Office at Placement-office@monmouth.edu. Fort Monmouth recruiters will also be present at the MU Spring Career Day on April 15th.

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Petty Officer 3rd Class David Hyland, Team C4ISR, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.
The Plain White T’s Are Coming to Campus
Date: April 30th in Pollak Theatre
Tickets go on Sale April 1st at 2:30 for Students and Faculty/Staff on Sale April 18th
Tickets Are $10 for Students/ $20 for One MU Guest Reserve Seating Only Bodies Exhibit
Tickets are now on Sale April 18th Tickets are Sold at the Student Activities Office $25 For Student / $30 for Guest

Get Involved in Planning and Running the Events on Campus!
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Or Just Come and Help Run Events! No Experience Necessary!
Applications and Information sheets are Available at the Office of Student Activities (2nd Floor Student Center) and the SAB office (3rd Floor of the Student Center) Applications are Due to the Office of Student Activities by 4 pm on March 27th Events Are Wednesdays and Saturdays. Meetings Resume Thursday March 26th New Members Always Welcome!

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8 PM
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There is a relationship that this university has with all of its students and that its students have with it. When Monmouth University looks good the students look good and vice versa. This past weekend I had the opportunity to see this relationship in action. Starting with the last issue of The Outlook, there has been a new front page design (that has received a lot of positive feedback for which we are all very grateful for here at The Outlook).

Anyone who was on campus on Saturday would have seen the many groups of potential students that had come to see the school. The one thing that I noticed was that many of the students and many of the parents had all picked up copies of The Outlook. While this is not out of the ordinary, as I’ve seen this happen in both of my prior spring semesters, it was surprising how many people had picked up the newspaper in each group, just about every individual had a copy.

However entertaining someone might find that show; it is hard for me to believe anyone deems it appropriate, especially to be played in public. It is a public display of other people’s misfortunes presented as entertainment. Moreover, it’s not even real.

If I were a student coming to tour MU and I saw that playing in the Dining Hall, or if my parents had, I know I would not be a student here today.

With the newspaper’s new design that has been, and I quote, “...more attractive,” it is easy to see why people would have picked it up. It’s also important to note that this past issue was one of the best all year according to both the staff and the readers.

So, now the parents and students have this attractive and well-produced paper in their hands and, hopefully, it gives them a positive snapshot of what this school is all about and the impression is lasting. The students here at The Outlook and in every other organization, club, department, classroom, and parking lot are all representatives of the University’s image. I ask you, how well are we representing this school, and ourselves, when a tour of potential students comes through the Dining Hall or the Student Center and Jerry Springer, or a show of equal tastelessness, is playing on the television?

We have a beautiful campus with a diverse and interesting population of students, professors, and staff and we are not ignorant. So let’s not make ourselves look any different.

School spirit is a bit on the low side here at MU and we cannot expect that to improve if we are sending new members of the community and ourselves negative impressions of us.

So if you see television programs a questionable content on in the Dining Hall or Student Center, change the channel. And if you are a fan of programming like that, watch it in your dorm or home.

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Auto Industry Bailout

CHRISS KLUG CONTRIBUTING WRITER

For the past month, the auto industry has been involved in a mas- sive bailout that would save the indus- try from going out of business. Due to the oil crisis, rising gasoline and high oil prices over the last year, the auto industry on its own simply cannot handle the cost and pay for the gas that it needs to run.

In making the prices so high, regular people do not have the money to both purchase a new car and pay for the gas that it needs to run. Thus, it puts the auto industry in a quandary forcing them to ask for industry revenues in order to stop the inevitable failing of the industry. The failing comes in terms of a lack of energy efficient vehicles and high gas prices that make peo- ple want to stay away from any car that relies on the oil industry to run. Furthermore, according to the oil companies to hand the money over to save that particular industry. There is a financial bond between the oil companies and auto industry and a good portion of the oil company’s revenues from the sale of gas at any time have made themselves as rich as they could possibly be. While they were getting rich, oil prices were killing the customer satisfaction within the auto industry and convinced many Americans to either go “green” or not buy a vehicle at all. How about instead of asking for fake money, money Congress es- sentially does not have, the auto industry drivers to the oil compa- nies and pleads for a massive bail- out with some tangible money that has certainly been accumulating for many years.

roommate disasters

AMANDA QUINN CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Have you ever wondered why you live with the person you do? Why your school chose you to live with that person? How they couldn’t have picked someone more opposite then you? I think everyone can say that at one time or another. Having roommates is a disaster in itself, so throw in the fact that they are going to consider you family and it can get even worse. As I’ve lived in a home and having lived on your own is hard enough. You’re thrown into a situation where you have to live with a complete stranger. In my opinion, after you have filled out a form to say what you want to do. The rooms don’t even know how they found anything. You never see them do their laundry, so how do they have clean clothes? It’s not even unreasonable to say that the oil companies caused this for the auto industry. For years the loss that the American market would indeed deserve a bail- out. However, it should not be by Congress but rather the oil com- panies themselves.

For the past year, oil had been steadily increasing in price over time making gas prices over $4 for most of America. In doing so, the oil industry effectively kills supply and demand because when people are forced to pay that much for gas it makes them reconsider buying the non-energy efficient vehicle from one of the big 3 auto companies.

In making the prices so high, regular people do not have the money to both purchase a new car and pay for the gas that it needs to run. Thus, it puts the auto industry in a quandary forcing them to ask for industry revenues in order to stop the inevitable failing of the industry. The failing comes in terms of a lack of energy efficient vehicles and high gas prices that make peo- ple want to stay away from any car that relies on the oil industry to run. Furthermore, according to the CRS report for Congress, the oil industry’s revenues were over $1 trillion in 2007. The oil companies have the money to help the auto industry yet they are doing nothing to help them. Instead, it is put on Con- gress to make more fake money, money we do not have, and help the industry from failing. This makes the national deficit out of control and every day the Ameri- can economy gets worse and worse. So instead of making Congress and the American treasury pro- duce more money to protect a failing industry, it should be put on the oil companies to hand the money over to save that particular industry. There is a financial bond between the oil companies and auto industry and a good portion of the oil company’s revenues from the sale of gas at any time have made themselves as rich as they could possibly be. While they were getting rich, oil prices were killing the customer satisfaction within the auto industry and convinced many Americans to either go “green” or not buy a vehicle at all. How about instead of asking for fake money, money Congress es- sentially does not have, the auto industry drivers to the oil compa- nies and pleads for a massive bail- out with some tangible money that has certainly been accumulating for many years.

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OPINION/EDITORIAL

Spring Has Begun and Summer is
on its Way

SARAH ALYSE JAMESON OPINION EDITOR

Currently, we are nearing the end of March; March 20, the first day of spring was last Friday. Spring is here, and hopefully, the cold is over! The weather has been nice recently and the sun has been shining bright. Personally, I love spring; gardens bloom, the air is warm, you can put your win- ter jackets away and prepare for summer; the best month, which is quickly approaching.

I believe that everyone loves the season of summer! One would have to be crazy, to not cherish, June 21 to September 21, the quarter of the year which is filled with beach trips, lying in the sun, partying with friends, sleeping in and making some se- rious cash; there months of per- fection, I would say.

Everyone loves beach trips. The smell of the salty air is very pleas- ing. New Jersey is a national beach state. South Jersey beaches or Cen- tral Jersey Beaches, Ocean City or West Long Branch, they are all won- derful places filled with fun.

There are a ton of activities that people can participate in on the beach. One can lie in the sun, build sand castles, surf, play volleyball, hang out with friends, search for beach shells and many more things, whatever you heart desires! Summer is the perfect place for a summer job, I believe; it is relaxing and ex- citing. Falling asleep on the beach or even on a lawn chair, in your backyard, on a summer afternoon, is very relaxing and peaceful.

Unless you take summer classes, the only thing you don’t have to do, everyone, all your friends are home during the summer season.

It’s great to see all your friends are party with them throughout the 3 months of summer. Taking trips and going shopping, watching movies, whatever, everyone loves chilling with their summer buddies.

After all this partying with your summer friends, everyone needs to sleep in on summer mornings. It is great to not have your alarm buzz, to wake you up every morn- ing, like does when you’re tak- ing early classes. Some mornings, I sleep until 11pm, it’s great! The summer is a perfect time to get lots of sleep in, to prepare for Sep- tember, going back to school.

Last but not least, the summer is a perfect time to make extra cash to take back to school. I believe that the perfect summer job is babysitting children. Mother’s are always on the lookout for babysit- ters or Mother’s helpers to mind their young ones during the sum- mer months. I love to babysit; I have been doing it since I was 13. Mothers pay about $10 an hour, its tax free pay, and it’s an easy job, you just need to play with the kid; anyone can do that. Some other jobs that are good ways of making some summer money at the beach or a pool, where you are in the sun all day, working at a restaurant or bar, making tips, or doing some volun- teer work, which makes you feel good and is great to put on your resumes, because everyone wants to spuce those up.

No matter what you do this summer, hang at the seashore, lay in the sun, party with your bud- dies, enjoy sleeping in or earn se- vere dough, have fun this summer everyone! I’m sure that you will. It’s only about a month and a half away; get ready!
Congress Should Not Be Involved in Major League Baseball

TRENNA FIELD
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According to the Office of National Drug Control Policy, in 2007, approximately 0.6% of college students and 1.7% of young adults reported lifetime use of steroids. Steroids appear in everyday life, not just Major League Baseball. Congress should not become involved in a private organization’s disciplinary actions of its employees.

Although it is Congress’s job to create laws, they should create laws that do not target one specific organization. They create laws to protect people, not to delegate what private industries should do concerning their own policies. Like other illegal drugs, laws can be made concerning individuals who use them. Companies can determine whether or not they wish to have their employees drug tested. If tests turn out positive, then companies should have the right to fire the employee.

It has been four years since Congress first became involved in baseball. People across America are using steroids, however the only ones who are targeted are the ones who are in the spotlight, the ones who are putting America’s pastime in jeopardy. If Congress were truly concerned about the use of steroids, then they would target every individual who uses them. Congress should not target one sports industry that would help one player cross the edge over another. It is a problem among young adults throughout America.

Professional baseball players are not the only ones who are dying of steroid use. It is the young aspiring athletes who are losing the most. If steroid use is going to be a focus point for Congress, then the young athletes who die from it should be the ones Congress puts their attention towards. It seems as if the only reason Congress became involved with steroids in baseball is because it is America’s pastime. It is a cultural identity that ties different generations together, but then again, so is apple pie and Congress does not seem to be getting involved in blue ribbon pie contests.

Steroids should not be a priority for Congress. Steroids may be a problem in any or any other part of American culture, but there are much larger issues at hand. Instead of pressing the issue of steroids in baseball and seeking the reputation of one of the nation’s most treasured pastimes, Congress should focus more on important issues such as immigration, a failing economy, poor foreign relations, and not to mention the million dollar illegal drug war.

According to the Office of National Drug Control Policy, in 2007, nearly 500,000 teenagers have tried steroids; nearly triple the number a decade ago. Major League Baseball is a sport that is admired by many. Many of are youg athletes aspire to be just like some of the players that they see on television. By allowing for players to use steroids, the image is being portrayed that it is ok for athletes to use these performance-enhancing drugs. It is imperative that Congress get involved with the regulation of Major League Baseball in order to protect our youth.

Given that many Major League Baseball players are considered celebrities and are always in the spotlight, it is important for them to serve as role models for our youth. By painting the image that it is ok to use steroids, more of our youth will begin to use these performance-enhancing drugs without knowing their true dangers. Major League Baseball has taken steps to prevent the use of steroids and to penalize those who have used steroids, but they have not done enough. It seems as if everyday the media is relaying the message that it is ok to use steroids, or getting caught using them. Congress needs to become involved in the regulation of Major League Baseball because more athletes are using steroids. Are you or your friends using steroids? Do you think it is ok to use steroids? Congress needs to implement harsher laws for the use of steroids. This would most likely discourage many people, including Major League Baseball players, from wanting to use them. If Congress were to get involved, it would help to reassure Americans that less of our youth would use steroids. It saddens me that young athletes are being misled, thinking that it is ok to use steroids. In fact steroids can cause many problems including breast formation in men, depression, liver damage, stunted growth, and kidney problems, just to name a few.

It is imperative that Congress get involved in the regulation of Major League Baseball and steroids. Are you or your friends gaining the meaning of what it truly means to work hard because they are seeing they’re role models (Major League Baseball Players) cheating? The government needs to take action now to in order to protect our youth. The youth are our future and we need to take every action necessary to ensure that they remain safe and educated about the dangers of steroids.

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POLITICAL DEBATE: SHOULD CONGRESS BE INVOLVED IN THE REGULATION OF MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL AND STEROIDS?”

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Professor at the University of North Carolina

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POLITICAL QUOTE

“If they [MLB players] started in 1992 or ‘93 illegally using steroids, wipe all their records out. Take them away. They don’t deserve them.”

–Sen. Jim Bunning (R-Ky.)

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All topics and viewpoints are welcome.
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It was around the time I entered high school that I really began thinking about studying abroad during my college years. My older cousin Karen was studying abroad in Italy and hearing her stories was my first introduction to the concept. The idea that for a semester I could travel and experience something so new, while still attending school, seemed too good to be true.

As I researched it more I began to set my sites on London. The remainder of my high school years was spent collecting travel books and finding out as much as I could about London and traveling Europe. Part of the reason I attended Monmouth was because of their connections with Regents College in beautiful Regents Park.

Needless to say as the day of my departure was approaching and all of my planning and dreaming began to develop into the actual experience I was overwhelmed with excitement. I grew up in Tinton Falls, which is just across Highway 35, thus every aspect of my life thus far has taken place within a roughly five mile radius and London seemed like worlds away. The journey from Newark to London was the most exciting and nerve-wracking experience of my life. I could not believe my dream of one day studying abroad in London was actually coming true.

All of the planning and research in the world, though helpful, in truth can never prepare someone for the actual experience. Though I have only been in London for just over a month, the experiences that I have had so far have caused me to learn so much about the world around me and myself.

So far I have seen the sites of London, eaten delicious local fish and chips, traveled through the historic and lovely Cotswolds around England, felt the warmth of the Roman Baths, examined the mystery that exists in Stonehenge, saw where Harry Potter ate his meals at Oxford, followed the steps of Jack the Ripper, had my own Canterbury Tale, felt a bit royal at Leeds Castle, drank a Guiness in an Irish pub, and experienced Carnival in Germany-and there is still so much more to come!

I do manage to attend class while studying abroad as well, though the classes here are a bit different than any I have had at Monmouth. Though studies are important, since after all, no matter what country you are in, college is college! I have done far less work here at Regents than I had to for any one of my classes at Monmouth. I am taking International Law, Civilizations of London, British and American Musical Theater, and Writing for Public Relations. While International Law and Writing for Public Relations fulfill requirements for my major and minor, and the best part is that our class gets to see six musicals here in London-at no cost to the students! Though, there is the occasional paper, the only tests I have are midterms and finals for only two of my classes.

It is hard to say what my favorite memory has been so far, because I am having the most amazing experience of my life. Though I would probably have to say traveling to Germany with my older brother takes the distinction. My brother and his friend came on their own European adventure and on their trip to Germany I tagged along. Prior to Germany I had never traveled to a non-English speaking country. We stayed with a friend of my brother who had actually studied abroad in New Jersey a few years ago. We were lucky to have him as a guide through Germany and the mayhem that was occurring because of carnival. He made sure to teach us a few inappropriate German phrases and feed us the local cuisine, including schnitzel!

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Civilizations of London and British and American Musicals are essentially two fun classes that help to further my experience here in London. For Civilizations of London our class takes weekly trips to such places at Westminster Abbey and the Roman Wall that helps our class understand how London developed into the city it is today. British and American Musical Theater tracks the history of musicals, and the best part is that our class gets to see six musicals here in London-at no cost to the students! Though, there is the occasional paper, the only tests I have are midterms and finals for only two of my classes.

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Though time is flying by there is still so much to come on my journey here in London and I can not wait to see what happens next!
In examining the cultural folk legacy, one may come to appreciate the imaginative life into the very atmosphere of this sacred Union—this United States of America. It is clear that the most accurate description that may come close to capturing the dynamic kaleidoscopic juxtaposition of words and images which blended the layers of the imaginative, is a comparison to the art of collage. The creation of folk expression generously contributed by generations of immigrants from little known pockets of this spinning globe, have been bound together over the course of America’s triumphant history. Legends, tall tales, songs, games, holidays, history, and symbols—representations—the entirely composing a magnificent structure that communicates our nation’s folk tradition.

There are always additions to this unique volume of American culture, with embellishments pasted haphazardly across the customs of older ages, like circus posters stapled over their yellowed and exterminated leaving some portions of the older work visible due to hasty application. These “the layers of historical wisdoms and imaginations (whether actual or textual modes of encoding messages), built upon one another to reach the contemporary mind and soul, their meanings renewed and held as valuable by an enthusiastic populace.

How many weathercocks have been perched upon the roofs of barns or houses? Certainly a folk decoration with ancient origins. Even the presence of griffins or barns or houses? Certainly a folk expression, renewed upon but a simple deck.

The present design found upon the faces of playing cards in the United States is heavily derived from Medieval and Renaissance society, particularly from France. Yet while the French artist Pierre Marechal may have been the first to develop a definitive concept of the cards in 1478, it is America which can proudly state that it lent to the deck the Joker during the 1870’s (among other notable symbolic representations). Countless games are based upon but a simple deck. Sports are another form of recognizable folk expression, renewed through participation, through interaction within the framework of the rules. Whether Amer Double-day first gave our nation baseball in 1839 at Cooperstown, New York, or if it was Alexander Cartwright and his Knickerbocker Club during the following decade with their game against the New York Nine held at Elysian Fields in Hoboken New Jersey on June 19th, 1846 (the origin of the sport remains a controversial topic), it was Mr. Cartwright who gave baseball its foundation of rules (known as the Knickerbocker Rules) on September 23rd, 1845. After all, without rules, there isn’t a game to experience or share.

The growing lore of baseball’s history is communicated with the assistance of a new medium, that of the baseball card. The Peck and Snider Sporting Goods Company invent ed this concept, employing it for promotional ends during the Civil War. Tobacco companies such as Goodwin (with their Old Judge series beginning in 1887) also began propagating the heroic mythology of the baseball player with the inclusion of cigarette cards in packages of their products (fortunately, baseball cards eventually found a healthier complement with Crackerjacks and Topps bubblegum).

The creation of basketball is fortunately more precise, emanating from the genius of Dr. James Naismith of Massachusetts’ Springfield College in December of 1891. It is interesting to identify the important service which college newspapers have always provided to its readers; the rules to Dr. Naismith’s first published in Springfield College’s newspaper The Triangle in January 1892, from being an important staple of the groundbreaking Young Men’s Christian Association (YMCA) of which Dr. Naismith was strongly involved, basketball evolved into its present heights through the Superbowl and his Sassy Big Five (soon to be christened the Harlem Globetrotters) beginning in 1926. Despite the sport’s international success, Dr. Naismith and his peach basket will always reside at the heart of the game.

With registration for next year’s classes’ around the right corner, students are looking for unique opportunities to learn about their major or career. "Career Search" was designed to teach students how to write and prepare a resume, cover letter, gain valuable interview skills, networking, and guidance in the job market.

A lot of these topics are not covered in any other class,” said William Hill, Assistant Dean of Placement. "Career Search" is offered by five professors in the Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters. The class is offered to all majors with all career fields.

Aimee Parks, Assistant Director of Placement for Student Employment, teaches the course especially for athletes. "I tailor the course to athletes because they have different experiences and skills. They play a game in front of a hometown crowd. I also work on marketing, networking, and interview skills,” said Parks.

Professors of the course also bring in professional career class for students to interview and gain knowledge from their experiences. Speakers range from successful business executives to more Monmouth Alumni. Networking with these professionals help students gain confidence to take into the job market.

The course also shows students how to use all resources Monmouth provides to achieve more skills for a successful job search. With the economy not changing any time soon Monmouth students need new ways to one-step ahead of every one else. "I feel every student that takes this course comes away with skills to use every day, especially in this market," said Parks.

Real world situations of the class show that at the end of the course, students were confident in their abilities to face the career search head on in this economy. According to a recent survey, 90 percent of the students were rated to expect the subjects they learned.

Survey questions include resume building, interviewing skills, overall confidence, job strategy, and would they recommend this class to other students. Results from Spring 2008 with a combined score of all four professors the average was a 4.8. "In the course, we cover topics including business etiquette, interviewing skills and how to make students more marketable in a competitive job market. I believe every student, regardless of their major, can benefit from the course," said Danielle Schr auma, Coordinator, First Year at Monmouth, and Professor of Career Search.

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Dante Barry got things started by being asked what his worst habit was, he responded, “I am from South Jersey, yet I hate all Philadelphia teams.” He then, spun his backhands at around and revealed a Mets logo to the crowd which was met with both cheers, and boos.

Jimmy Lasky was asked, what his worst feature was to which he responded, “I have love handles and as we all know nobody likes that.” To his credit this did not stop him from strutting out in a Speedo during the swimsuit portion of the show.

Randi Alleva, had the crowd laughing as he came out with Save the Dolphins, painted on his chest as he spit water onto the stage. Justin Hanssens did his best George of the Jungle impression, as he came out in a mere loin cloth. David Sinisi, danced on the judges table, became out in his swim wear and(stderr)

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Angela Aranda, Ambassador Karen Pierce - Deputy Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations, and Esther Boulos attended the Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference in New York City.

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process.

Director Damodoran called for all students in attendance to raise peace settlement as the main issue at hand. He pointed out that peacekeeping would not be necessary if the peace settlement process ini-

tially received the adequate and necessary effort that any successful
to the critical issues in regards to peace and security pertaining to the Palestinian people. His increasing advocacy for human rights, and leading a unified front on the threat of climate change.

In The Interdependent, United Nations seasonal magazine, which was the chance of the event, was to make the UN is giving stu-
dents a platform to partic-

ipate because we have the future in our hands, this makes a difference. I was happy to open the conference because it gave me an opportunity to be a voice to the people of Zim-

babwe who have been going through a dark depression. I started a pro-

gram to renew sustainable practices in the Monmouth community. Macheke in Zimbabwe -- attending these conferences such as this, is something connected to organizations that are interested in helping deliver others from poverty...

Overall, the Mid-Atlantic Confer-

ence reinstated the notion of inter-

dependence and as a whole with students of international relations in attendance agree, the panel was a very informative, constructive, and rewarding experience.

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events such as a dance-off and an act where two groups of two girls and a guy came up onstage. The girls dressed the guy up drag and the best looking one won their group a prize.

Chiapetta said, “This year’s drag ball went fantastic. The performers were full of energy, the contests were fun, and the dance floor was full. It was a great night for the Monmouth and ALI community, and was an awesome experience.”

The prize for each contest was a $30 gift card to the Monmouth Mall. There were also door prizes such as gas cards, gift certificates to Nell’s, J’s, and Ming Ying Chinese restaurant.

Food for the event was pro-

vided by Aremark and includ-
ed sandwiches, vegetable plat-
ters, fruit, and cookies.

“A Life I led” is very grateful to the Student Activity Board and Sociology Club for their support with event,” said Chad Esposito, the President of ALI.

This event was a complete

success. Amanda Yard, my Vice President, and I worked along with lots of help from others, to make this event into what it was,” said Esposito.
Make Me Laugh...LOL!

TAYLOR CORVINO
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Think you’ve got what it takes to be the next comedic great like Jimmy Fallon or Will Ferrell? Look no further than Hawk TV’s own improve comedy show, LOL! LOL! was created by sophomore Max Timko who also wears the hat as executive producer and head writer. This is LO’s first semester on the air.

Timko was initially offered to take over Proper Reality during the Fall 2008 semester but after just two episodes had a different vision, and wanted to delve into the world of improvisation.

“I’ve done standup and improv in the past, and wanted to do a Sat-urday Night Live-type thing somewhere,” explained Timko.

In preparation for LOL! Timko, along with his Improv troupe, Lampe and Daniel Villanova, held auditions looking for the funni-est student on campus. Thirty-five students came out and were told one thing and one thing only, “Be yourself.” It then takes about 3-4 hours to film, but that was the longest gest. It then takes about 3-4 hours to edit.”

Some sketches such as “Hawk in Love” were created in a mere five minutes. In this short clip, Timko and Villanova are discussing meeting someone at a party when all of a sudden Timko makes eye contact with the infamous mighty Hawk from the other end of the lobby and is immediately smitten. The two then enjoy a slow and warm embrace and share a dance in the middle of Plangere.

Another episode known as “Re-lease” is厦e Timko main-ly a whim. Shot on the Pier Vil-lage board walk, “Remember” is now in the finals for best com-edy in the National Broadcast-ing Society, which is a huge feat. The LOL! team is compet-ing among schools from all over the country.

At LOL! their motto is, “That little extra something.” Whether it be an extra shot or added background music, the goal is to make something beyond what is expected in or-der to deliver greatness. It’s the quality of the film over the quantity of films produced.

“Because MU is so small, we want to get noticed,” explained Timko.

This is that aside from students living on campus who can tune into LOL! everyday at 12:30 and 7 p.m. on Hawk TV, students off campus can check it out at www.youtube.com/locomedyshow. LOL! premieres a new episode every two weeks.

LOL! will be on the lookout for new cast members in the fall so fine tune your funny bone and brush up on your knock knock jokes. Qreator Timko to LAUGH OUT LOUD!

FRANKIE MORALES

The school year is coming closer and closer to the end, and with that there is an influx of music shuf-fing itself in. By the end of the semester, Bamboozle, Coachella, Bonnaroo, Warped Tour, and countless other festivals could have played or will cause millions to stream to their favorite artists. What have you, to get to them and watch their favorite bands. How-ever, what kicks off the season in a big way is one of the fastest rising music festivals that takes place in Austin, Texas each March: South by Southwest.

South by festival in the streets of Texas is the definition of _The Ground Floor_, as hundreds of unsigned, unknown and rising bands fill bar stages and perform their hearts out to those eager to listen.

Each year, many producers and even big name artists attend the festival to find the next big thing and to support original new mu-sic. Every year, a song by a band appears on a secret show at this year’s edition. Yes, there is a lot of hype surrounding the SxSW Fes-
tival, and many have made names for themselves there, such as a favorite student of mine, Morningstar.

This year, it was different, as there was one artist who looked to “start something that he could turn into his music and promoting it with his love for education.”

The idea of liking school is something that is very hard for many people to wrap their head around, let alone love. I know for one, it’s almost impossible to sit here and say that school is “awesome” considering that I have pretty much four projects waiting for me once I hit the final period on this article. However, in the last week, there was one song that would not remove itself from my head and reminded me why I put forth the last four years in the first place. Now, every time I en-ter a room on this campus, I feel my familiar memories and the song comes to the forefront of my mind even more, to which I turn, and “Lilac Kicks” yell out... I’LL GET YOU, ASH- EA MOTOR!”

The name may or may not sound familiar regardless, there’s no way to be of you or someone asking yourselves, “Who is Asha Roth?” Well, in the sim-plest terms, it’s when you take Eminem’s vo-cal prowess and white boy charm and mix it with Bob Marley mellow delight. (I add) a dash of on-the-border of New Jersey attitude and it is on a turntable for all to listen to. De-spite being a rapper, however, he is from a place of his own, Morrisville, Pennsylvania home, where he parents had a mix of music."

Upon entering the world of Fire in the house. It wasn’t until that fateful day, his father, “Lilac Kicks” Life that Roth sat down to write his first rap which turned into the “A Millie” freestyle, which he quickly realized that despite not being about rims and drugs, that it was his connection to the world.

Soon after, Roth adapted his own style, which was his own and school, telling them to his friends. He continued to stay in college, attending West Chester University with a major in educa-tion. One day, after pirating some of his songs to MySpace, Roth reached out to former Marketing Vice President for So So Del Re-cords, Scooter Braun, who came out a week later to his dorm room, heard him rap and signed him to his imprint: SchoolBoy Records. This led to his appearance on The Greenhouse Effect mixtape, the number one downloaded mixtape that was his connection to the world.

After shopping around and even dropping 150 lines in front of Jay- Z, in his own words, Roth was signed in a joint venture with Uni-versal Motown Records. “I Love College,” the first single off of Asha Roth’s first major label releas, Asleep in the world, the kidney of a hockey player in Alex Ovechkin (which is always top notch in my book). However, people can’t resist making the com-parisons to Eminem, to which Roth acknowledges as just being a testament to what Eminem has done for the genre and paving the way. He does own up to this fact, though, that they are entirely different in their styles, even go-ing on a track entitled “Silly Boy” rapping “That Eminem compari-son is barely accurate/My rapping is as passionate, but lacks the psy-chopath of it”

Asleep in the world is slated to drop April 21st, which is two days before Roth’s next local appearance at Rutgers, Camden Campus, on the 23rd. The album will include guest spots from many of the artists who have been mentioned on their way to Roth’s talent and work ethic such as Cee-Lo (Gnarls Barkley), Busta Rhymes and, of course, Lil’ Wayne. Magazine, XXL, has already named Roth a member of its 2009 freshmen class as one of the top ten rappers and producers of its 2009 freshmen class as one of the top ten rappers and producers in the world.

On the flip side of that, rumor also states that Lil’ Wayne is working on a new rock album that will put his latest on-stage guitar antics to use. Wezzy plans to work on the album with other rock powerhouse-es, such as Timko and friends who have already collaborated together on “Tiffany Blues,” a song off OBO’s latest, Lil’ Deuce. And while mentioning OBO and their affair with a hip-hop world, the quartet plans on being “two quarters and heart down.”

That’s because shared line that “everybody Re- Vers Never Die Part Deux” tour, the band will share the stage with none other than Lil’ Wayne. A music video which includes rolling into Bamboozle, the world premieres in California.

Well, we are reaching the end of our line-up here on The Ground Floor this week, but it shouldn’t be too hard to get those hands together and get your homework done, so that I guarantee you will leave you bored.
I Love You, Man is Bromance at its Funniest

Andrew Schetter
Associate Sports Editor

Raunchy R-Rated comedies continually take supporting actors in Judd Apatow’s earlier movies and make them A-list stars. It was first seen in the 40 Year Old Virgin, when Steve Carrell became the next big thing in comedy flicks, followed by Seth Rogen in Knocked Up. Jonah Hill took his supporting role in Knocked Up and turned it into the mega-hit Super Bad. Now in I Love You, Man, Paul Rudd has become the next big thing in comedy.

The bromantic movie, I Love You, Man, starring Jason Segel and Paul Rudd is now in theaters.

Rudd has become the next big thing in comedy. The only difference is with all the styling’s of a Judd Apatow film, along with all his upcoming previews, his name is for all of the girls with Pepperidge Farm Pirouette cookies. The problem is the time he has paid to his attention to female detail has left him with no true male friends in his life. This dilemma comes to a head when Klaven gets engaged, to the charming Zooey played by Rashida Jones, and has to begin searching for his best man.

From there, Klaven goes on a series of man dates, while simultaneously trying to plan his wedding, and advance his career by selling former Incredible Hulk, Lou Ferrigno’s house. Finally, Rudd meets successful bachelor Fife and played naturally by Jason Segel. They bond, despite Klaven being fully self conscious in these early encounters. Fife, has the definitive bachelor pad, accompanied with his own garage turned man cave. This palace of bromance, is where the majority of male bonding occurs, as the two men discover they share a love of the band Rush, and rocking out to their hits. Of course, problems arise as the new bond between Klaven, and Fife inevitably puts a strain on his relationship with his fiancée. Will Zooey learn to co-exist with the wild Fife, or will Klaven have to end his best male friendship, leaving him without a best man at his wedding? The laughs continue from there which can’t be said for some comedies where they suddenly take a not so believable serious turn.

Although, the story is simple it remains intriguing based on how hilarious the two leading men are throughout the film. The supporting cast gives the film a boost as well. Jon Favreau is hilarious in his portrayal of Barry, the husband of one of Zooey’s best friends. He provided the perfect foil to the feministic Klaven, and is hilarious in the process. Andy Samberg, plays Robbie Klaven, the gay brother and personal trainer who adds some touching, and hilarious moments as he tries to hook up Peter on mandates, while warning that dinner always gives off the wrong signals.

The best part of I Love You, Man is that Rudd’s performance allows a guy to convince a lady that this is indeed a romantic comedy. It’s just that the romance is both platonic with a man, and deep with a woman. There is indeed some gross, slapstick comedy, that will fill the needs of the perennial college male viewer, but there are enough tender moments to leave the ladies in the audience awing.

As you may have told by reading this review, this movie makes me want to tell Paul Rudd, I Love You, Man.

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Andrew freshman
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Dan freshman
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Anthony freshman
“I saw many friends from high school.”

Maura freshman
“I loved sleeping in.”

Emily freshman
“I went to Boston to see a comedian.”

Daniel junior
“Being away from the MU student body.”

Garth freshman
“It was nice to be home in Allentown, NJ.”

Dara sophomore
“My softball team went to South Carolina, and I saw my mom there.”

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Phil Bensen • 8PM • Underground

Discussion: Watchmen: The Graphic Novel as Literature • 1-2:15pm • MU Review Of
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Thursday, March 26
Take Back the Night! • 7:30PM • Wilson
Concert George Winston • 8PM • Pollak • $35 & $30

Friday, March 27
Symposium: Sex Trafficking in NJ and Beyond • 10AM-4PM • Anacon
Track & Field– Hammer Throw • 2 PM Women & 4 PM Men• Practice Field
Track & Field– Twilight Mile (Open Mile Run) • 6:30PM • Practice Field
Women’s Tennis vs. Delaware State • 3PM • Tennis Courts
Lacrosse vs. Bryant • 4PM • Kessler
Sr. Studio Art Exhibit • March 27th • April 4th • 7PM • Kessler
Comedian: Shawn Cornelius • 7PM • Underground
Dharma Talk and Q&A • 6 PM• Magill Club Dining Room

Saturday, March 28
East Egg Hunt • RSSC
Track & Field • 9:45AM-5PM• Kessler
Baseball vs. NJIT • 12PM • Baseball Field
Softball vs. Robert Morris • 1PM • Softball Field
Little Mermaid Broadway Trip • Buss Leaves 4PM • RSSC
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Sunday, March 29
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Monday, March 30
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The purpose of ALI is to create and promote awareness for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning community within Monmouth University. This includes providing an open and safe atmosphere for students on campus, sharing ideas among one another, offering an opportunity for social contacts, supplying resources to the GLBTQ community regarding health, well-being, and support, and educating each other and members of the campus community in issues of importance to sexual minorities. These actions will be done in an inclusive manner. We believe in accepting, understanding and acceptance at Monmouth University so no one is made to feel the need to either hide or deny their sexuality.

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Pep Band

Thank you everyone for a great performance opening up for Karaoke Night on Monday! On Wednesday, April 29th, we will perform for Student Employee Appreciation Day at 2:15 PM and meet at 2:00 PM to setup. We will perform for the campus on the steps of the Student Center as an opener for the band, Verdict! Anyone playing will receive gift certificates to local food outlets as well as a gift-packs that day. Two $50.00 cash prizes will also be awarded! The Relay for Life is coming up on Friday, April 17th; time is TBD. Even if you are not participating in Relay for Life with our team, we will be performing around 6:30 - 7:00 PM. Contact our team captain, Captain Ali, at crewgg@gmail.com for more information on joining and donating. Drummers are invited to perform Tuesday, April 14th in the afternoon in the student dining hall and on the dorm side of campus. Let Aimee know if you’re interested. We could also play again at Open Mic Night; the last performance was very successful. April 2 and May 7 are the next ones coming up! Our next rehearsals are Thursday, April 2nd at 7:30 PM, Tuesday, April 7th at 8:00 PM, and Thursday, April 9 at 7:00 PM (if needed), all on the 3rd floor of the Student Center. No experience necessary, everyone is welcome. Questions or concerns? Contact The Student Activities Board by phone at 732-922-4704 or email sab@monmouth.edu.

Alpha Xi Delta

The Student Activities Board Presents: Plain White T’s with special guests in concert on Thursday, April 30th, 2009. The concert will take place in Pollak Theatre, with reserved seating only. Tickets go on sale Wednesday April 1st at 2:30pm at the Information Desk in The Student Center for full/part time graduate and undergraduate students only. Tickets are $10 for students, $20 for guests (limit 1 guest per Monmouth ID). Pete and the rest of the band are excited about this semester’s major event and stop by The Student Center and Magill Commons for a free promotional t-shirt at the end of this week (T-shirts are given out on a first-come-first-serve basis). Also, come see Jesse Ruben perform in the Underground at 8 pm Wednesday March 25th. Jesse Ruben is an easy rising star and has performed at various clubs and concerts all over the country. Check him out on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-58D0qGtOBO. Want to get involved in bringing events like Jesse Ruben, Plain White T’s and other performers to campus? Come to the SAB meeting Thursday at 4 pm, 3rd floor of the Student Center in the Carol Affilitti conference room. If you have a 4.3 class that’s fine, many of our current members have 4.30s and get to class in time.

Also, executive board applications are due Friday March 27th by 4 pm in the Student Activities Office. You can pick up applications and learn more about the various positions there or in the SAB office on the 3rd floor of the Student Center. No experience necessary, everyone is welcome. Questions or concerns? Contact The Student Activities Board by phone at 732-922-4704 or email sab@monmouth.edu.

COUNCIL OF STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

The CSA is sponsoring a Dharma Talk and Q&A with Zen Buddhist author, Brad Warner, on Friday, March 27, 2009 @ 6:00 PM. It’s free to all MU students, faculty, and employees. It will be held in the Faculty Dining Lounge @ Magill Commons. A light dinner will be served. Join us for a lively and enlightening evening.

Contact the CSA: csa@monmouth.edu with any questions. See you there! Ronnie, Jay, Lauren, and Mary <3

STUDY ABROAD CLUB

Study Abroad Club is doing Relay For Life and would love for all of you to be on our team. Sadly, most of the e-board will be graduating in May. There will be lots of officer spots open and elections will be held in April. Our first official study abroad reunion will be May 2nd from 6-10 pm in Anacon Hall. Tickets are $25 and this event is open to anyone who has a passion for traveling. This is a great networking event to meet study abroad alumni from the past 8 years. Our meetings are Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. outside Java City, Frieside. In case you can’t make the meeting or have any questions, email m0609342@monmouth.edu. Happy Traveling!

PhI Kappa Psi

Phi Kappa Psi Colony is the newest fraternity here at Monmouth University. We recently lost our 1st and 2nd members, L. DeCall and Frank DeGennaro on Sunday night in the Student Center.

We would like to congratulate our brother Matt Hamnett on winning Big Man on Campus last Wednesday. We’d also like to thank the ladies of Zeta Tau Alpha for inviting us to participate in the event.

We will be accepting new members throughout the rest of spring semester. Our meetings are Sunday nights at 10:00 p.m. in Pollak Theatre in room L510. There are chair meetings on Sundays at 8:30 p.m. in L510 also.

We are preparing for our first Greek Week, which starts Sunday, March 29th.
Horoscopes

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Aries • (Mar. 21 - April 19) - This week is a 9
OK, you can push hard now. Get your point across. People are listening. You and your team can accomplish the impossible if you believe in your cause, and hurry!

Taurus • (April 20 - May 20) - This week is a 6
You have a lot to think about, that's for sure. Don't get stuck in the past. Use what you've learned to make a wise choice about your future. There's no going back.

Gemini • (May 21 - June 21) - This week is a 9
Your support group is enthusiastic, believing you can do anything. You may not be quite so sure of that, but you do respect their judgment. So take the chance. With their help, you'll do fine.

Cancer • (June 22 - July 22) - This week is a 5
A person in a position of authority is on a rant. It's best not to argue now. Listen and watch instead. If you agree with the new policies, you might even benefit. If you don't, you'll know where the others stand.

Leo • (July 23 - Aug. 22) - This week is a 9
The world is your playground and you should be enjoying every minute. Coax a person who's holding back to get out there with you, on the edge. Make this an experience you can talk about for years.

Virgo • (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) - This week is a 5
You're under pressure, true, but that doesn't have to bother you. Some of your best work comes after everyone else has gone to sleep. The urgency of the situation helps to clear your head.

Libra • (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) - This week is a 9
Relax and let somebody you trust take good care of you. Let them fuss over you and bring you things and tell you what to do. If you don't have a person like this in your life, you can find one at your nearby salon or gym.

Sagittarius • (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) - This week is a 9
A fascinating conversation could last long into the night. If something else develops from this friendship, so much the better. It looks like you've found a person you can respect and depend on.

Capricorn • (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) - This week is a 5
Domestic matters demand your attention and just about all of your time. The outcome is good, so don't worry about it. Just reorganize your schedule to have more time at home.

Aquarius • (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) - This week is a 9
Aquarius is a scholarly sign. That's because you get so passionately involved in the subjects you're studying. You imagine you can change the world with your discoveries, and maybe you can.

Pisces • (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) - This week is a 6
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For Hawk baseball player Josh Boyd, this weekend ended much like it did seven days earlier. On Monday afternoon, the freshman centerfielder earned his second straight All-NEC Rookie of the Week Award, becoming the first NEC rookie to be honored twice for the award.

Boyd, a graduate of West Morris Central High School, has hit safely in 19 straight games and now boasts a .342 batting average for the season. The lefty from the left side of the field has hit safely in 19 straight contests.

Boyd’s nine hits against Pennsylvania this weekend included a double and two runs scored.

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Baseball’s Boyd Earns Second NEC Rookie of the Week Award

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Heber and the Bulldogs boasted an 11-5 record, with victories over several major Division I programs including Virginia Tech, Boston College, Richmond, James Madison and Holy Cross.

The second game of the series did not go as well for the Blue and White, with the home team surrendering five runs, only managing to produce one run. However, Boyd went through with one of only two extra base hits in the game and it improved his record to 5-0 pitching all five innings, allowing just two hits and striking out seven.

The Blue and White got off to a 7-5 start in the ninth inning, but Chelsea Paprocki led off the inning with a double to centerfield. Abby Martin with one out showed why she was the top-rated hurler in the game with an RBI double, to advance the winning tally. deLong, would later add an insurance run in the bottom of the sixth inning when the left fielder left a home run to right field.

The Hawks now up 3-0 would face a dramatic turn of the 7th before closing things out. After a leadoff walk was followed by an out, deLong could not throw her zone as Lee Simonetti committed an error, setting the stage for a wild second inning.orig.

Kristen showed a true veteran presence striking out the next batter. After a harmless pop out to the center fielder by Skyler, cut the lead to 3-1, Sawlsville settled down once again, to strike out the left batter of the game and give Monmouth the win.

The best start for the Hawks since 2000 when they started off 15-1.

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The Hawks, coming off their first win of the season against Villanova, were ready to make an appearance. They had been out in the cold for some time and didn’t want to take too long for Brennan to add another goal to the score. The Red Flash scored two goals, but the Hawks weren’t about to let them have it all their own way. They were out to prove that this story wasn’t going to change, as they escaped with a 10-9 victory. The Red Flash answered back with two goals, but the Hawks defense stood strong as they wouldn’t let the opponent score more than two goals. Twenty seconds into the second half, the Hawks took control of the game when leading 11-2. Before the end of the first half, the Hawks dashed to a 7-0 lead against some stiff competition that was never again to be lost to their opponent. The Hawks started the game with a bang and continued their scoring throughout the game, ending the game with a 20-7 victory. The Hawks were close as they would come.

This game marks the end of the season for the Monmouth men claimed a championship. Edwards held an advantage in the 120 pound category with a mark of 171.75, while Larry Lundy claimed the eighth spot in the hammer with a mark of 148' 2". This game was a defensive stalemate where the two opponents were evenly matched, with the Monmouth men claiming the victory with a score of 14-9. Simultaneously played in the second half of the game, as senior goalkeeper Erica Abendschoen and sophomore goalie senior Kara Blakeley scored an unassisted goal. However, Monmouth’s leading scorer, Brennan, answered right back with an unassisted goal to tie the score at 1-1. Both teams went on a six minute scoring drought before Brennan Beck put the Colonials up 2-1 off an assist from senior Jen Collins. MU would score a 3-0 minute span with three unanswered goals from Evan, O’Brien, and Rahman. Twenty seconds into the second half, the Hawks and Colonials were once again to make an appearance, it keeps the dreams of the young athletes alive and gives them hope of reaching their dreams. It was nice for Cooney to make an appearance, it keeps the dreams of the young athletes alive and gives them hope of reaching their dreams. It was nice for Cooney to make an appearance, it keeps the dreams of the young athletes alive and gives them hope of reaching their dreams. It was nice for Cooney to make an appearance, it keeps the dreams of the young athletes alive and gives them hope of reaching their dreams.
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