Criminal Justice Department to Offer Undergraduate Degree in Homeland Security

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After two years of pushing for it, the University’s Department of Criminal Justice earned a faculty council’s approval to offer a Bachelor of Science degree in homeland security last Wednesday; the program will begin Fall 2013 pending external review.

Homeland security is currently in its first semester as an undergraduate concentration, which will be discontinued once the degree is offered. The department’s interest in the degree developed two years ago after representatives from Ocean County College’s suggested establishing a joint program. Its approval means that the department will accept transfer credits from OCC students who majored in homeland security and graduated with an Associate in Science degree. “I collaborated with [OCC] for our two years would mesh,” said Dr. Gregory Coram, Director of the Criminal Justice Graduate Program.

“[Criminal justice] students are interested in working for the government, and homeland security is another layer of government work,” added Dr. Peter Liu, Chair of the Criminal Justice Department. “It combines many, many existing law enforcement agencies.”

Some of the degree’s subjects will include those already offered in the concentration, including domestic and international terrorism, cyber terrorism, principles of emergency management, terrorist crime scene investigation and weap on trafficking and mass destruction among several others. Classes will be taught by faculty with experience in homeland security, including former members of the National Guard.

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New Jersey State Police, New York Fire Department and National Coast Guard, said John Comiskey, a Specialist Professor in the department.

Approximately 35 students are expected to major in homeland security each year, Coram said. [Students] wanted to specialize in homeland security, so we started a track for it,” he added.

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The annual Festival of Languages was held last Wednesday afternoon in Wilson Hall Auditorium before a wide array of students and faculty. Following performances and readings of poetry and music by numerous popular poets and musicians, attendees ate ethnic foods while observing art work done by fellow students.

Dr. Priscilla Gac-Artigas, a professor of Foreign Language Studies, said she began the festival two years ago after her arrival here at University in 1995, so the festival has been occurring for 15 years. Students were welcomed to participate in the festival by reading, performing music or acting out a skit.

“Students are encouraged to do it as part of their cultural growth and personal enrichment,” Gac-Artigas said. “Studying a foreign language implies far beyond the language itself; it implies learning about that people’s culture, art, ways of life. Though our courses include the study of all those aspects, participating in the festival gives the student the opportunity to embrace the culture of the language they are studying in a more personal way.”

The event kicked off with an introduction by Dr. Mirra Barre-Martys, the Chair of the Department of Foreign Language Studies. A Tarantella dance by the Italian club set the mood for the festival, which was then followed by a selection of poems and songs performed by numerous students in a variety of languages.

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School of Social Work Speaks Against Violence

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The School of Social Work hosted the seventh annual Social Work Society Teach-In last Tuesday. This year’s theme was “Speak Out, Speak Up Against Hate Crimes, Bullying and Violence.”

Approximately 250 students and professionals, mostly associated with the school of social work, attended the event that lasted for nearly the entire day. The event included a variety of presentations and speakers, as well as a few supplemental activities in Wilson and McCaill Halls.

Hiyam Sar and her assistant professor Mary Swigonski, an Associate Professor in the department. Swigonski’s speech began by acknowledging the fact that violence is real and alarming, considering its causes. Then, she posed a vision of fairness, dignity and compassion as a way to stop violence.

The event continued with some practical strategies in building a world where those three values become reality.

Swigonski referenced strategies and goals for ending violence in the world as stated by winners of the Noble Peace Prizes, such as searching for knowledge to undermine ignorance, compensation to dissolve intolerance, and recognition of universal rights to eliminate disenfranchisement. “We cannot afford the price of silencing a voice,” said Swigonski. “Speak up, speak out.”

Following this were presentations covering a variety of topics such as cyber bullying, preventing sexual assault, the bullying of gays, lesbians and transgenders, and agricultural slavery in Florida.

ComWorks also participated in the event and co-hosted a poetry reading. ComWorks has given the opportunity to present personal cases of bullying and the like, in a creative way.

Tessa LaFer, Treasurer of the Social Work Society and a sophomore, gave a presentation entitled Peaceful Means of Reconciliation of Paradigm Shift, which included her poem “Trespass.”

“I really like the creative aspects of events because those stick with people well,” LaFer said. “Presenting at the event was difficult yet rewarding.”

In addition to the event, LaFer worked with the Social Work Society in organizing a bake sale that was held on the two days prior to the event, as well as the day of. The money that donations totaled amounted to $22.

Meghan Casack, President of the Social Work Society, saw the event as a success. “I, along with many other members of the Social Work Society, worked together to reach out to students, faculty, local agencies and organizations, and other universi- ties,” she said. “I am so happy to participate in, to be a part of.”

With the help of everyone, I think we were able to pull off a great event,” Casack said.

“I was really impressed with everyone and stayed through the day,” Casack added. “It was a great way to raise awareness and to listen to and understand such an important issue.”

A.M. Kruzyński, a sophomore, attended the beginning of the event. “I saw the keynote speaker Mary Swigonski,” Kruzyński said. “She really opened my eyes to the costly needs to end and I found her speech to be very inspiring.”

Planning for next year’s Teach-In are in the works. Mazza: “We will have such events on natural disasters, the rights of children, poverty, gang violence, military families, and the像野生动物。 Last year’s topic is yet to be decided.”

Next year’s topic is already being discussed, although we not yet reached a final decision, she said.

In reference to future presentations on bullying, hate crimes and violence, these topics are always important educationally and professionally, as the social workers continually pursue their commitment to social justice and human rights,” Mazza added.

Additionally, the Social Work Society will continue to accept non-perishable food items to assist local families in the community as part of the Thanksgiving food drive.

Students Engage in Cultural Diversity at Foreign Language Festival

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front of the stage. Volunteers were then asked to come and participate in playing the dual six pairs performed for the audience and were met by applause. “The festival runs along to the French for the festival,” Taylor said. “I created my own song because it would be a lot easier to remember and it was more fun to do,” Taylor said. “Plus it was a lot more carefree.”

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programs detracting from the number of students who might have chosen to major in their department. One reason for their concern is that departmental budgets are determined in part by the number of students that enroll, Del said. "If we start showing significant declines, that could affect our budget for the following year. That could limit the number of students that we have and our ability to serve the needs of our students." The fewer majors that any department has, the fewer resources, McKrick said. The Communication Department's budget is already at risk due to a 10 percent drop in its enrollment rate during the past six years, from 510 in 2006 to 458 in 2011. During that time, "Colos' continued the festival with three students putting on a small performance. Audience was enthused with laughter and applause, along to the last performance."

Even though a language barrier did exist for me, the festival allowed for a visual interpretation of what was happening," Corrigan said. "Everyone has seen a soap opera, so watching the performance allowed the audience to imagine what was taking place. The performers appeared to genuinely enjoy themselves, and that was evident to the audience." Ryan Taylor, a junior and participant in the event, composed and performed an original song in French for the festival. "I created my own song because it would be a lot easier to remember and it was more fun to do," Taylor said. "Plus it was a lot more carefree." Taylor added that "Guy can sing. I felt like he was transported to "Spanish Idol" and I was the guy singing French." Many readings finished with a Flamenco dance performance on stage. The dancers moved to the beat as they made their way down the aisle grabbing audience members from the audience to join in on the fun. After all the readings and performances concluded, all participants and audience viewers were welcomed to come and enjoy a wide selection of ethnic foods and view an exhibit of art outside of the auditorium. "We also had a wonderful event put together by professor Hiyam Sar and her students. They offered Arabic and ethnic food, all prepared by our students," Gac-Artigas said. "In addition, they are able to eat great international home-cooked food that they may not have the opportunity to try otherwise." The festival keeps getting better and better every year and I think this was one of the best," Barrea-Marlys said.

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A photography contest will be held at the Student Center on Thursday, November 17, to help raise awareness on the dangers of smoking and tobacco use. Organized by Eta Sigma Gamma and the criminal justice department, the contest’s goal is to convince students who use tobacco to quit by educating and enlightening them on the harmful effects of tobacco use. Run in collaboration with the Great American Smokeout, the contest encourages participants to be creative and persuasive in their approach to discouraging tobacco use.

Susan St. Germaine, temporary substance abuse coordinator at the American Cancer Society, said that “tobacco is a great way for amateur photographers and art majors to show off their talent while stressing the importance of quitting the deadly habit.”

“Tobacco is a great opportunity for exposure of their work, but it’s also a chance to be a part of an excellent cause that has the potential of saving lives,” she said.

According to the American Cancer Society, 443,000 people die each year from tobacco use. Also remaining the single largest preventable cause of disease and premature death in the U.S. Yet, more than 46 million adults continue to smoke, more than half of these smokers have attempted to quit for at least one day in the past year. By presenting images of the negative effects of tobacco use, contestants will have to question their habit and ask themselves, “Is this really worth it?”

Eta Sigma Gamma, the honor society for health educators at the University, is helping with the day’s event. Some of its members said that their organization is excited to be a part of the anti-smoking initiative.

“Our organization’s members are studying to become health care professionals in the future, so to assist in reinforcing healthy decisions is very important to us,” said Stephanie Egbert, President of Eta Sigma Gamma.

“Smoking is a huge issue on campus so if we can advocate the termination of smoking and tobacco use, then that’s a huge benefit.”

Egbert said that a booth will be set up by the activities office in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center and will display not only the finalist’s photos, but also literature to aid quitting. The booth will also be a breathing apparatus that will measure the amount of carbon monoxide in the U.S. and allow for a non-invasive method for obtaining valuable information regarding the presence or absence of Chlamydia. Cost, time, and convenience, all of these terms are deterrents for students seeking health care. It is our hope that the students will utilize this convenient, low cost service, to promote their own health, prevent disease and if needed, obtain the necessary treatment.

This is the first time that the contest will be featured at the University, so members of the organizations were excited to see a wide array of photos.

“Ideal photos would be those that elicit emotion and clearly highlight the dangers of tobacco use,” Sime added.

The winner’s photo will be displayed in future on-campus anti-tobacco campaigns.

Students are invited to submit their work by sending it via e-mail to Sime at gd07726@monmouth.edu.

Press release

Health Services now offers urine Chlamydia testing for men and women for the low cost of $25.00. Payment can be made by utilizing your health insurance, cash or check. Previously, Chlamydia testing was available only by ordering an at-home test kit. The University is now pleased to offer this new service, which allows for a non-invasive method for obtaining valuable information regarding the presence or absence of Chlamydia. Cost, time, and convenience, all of these terms are deterrents for students seeking health care. It is our hope that the students will utilize this convenient, low cost service, to promote their own health, prevent disease and if needed, obtain the necessary treatment.

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Liu said that homeland security is a natural match for the criminal justice department; however, he eventually sees it constituting its own department. “Criminal justice itself focuses on violations of the law and how society reacts to the violation of the law,” he said. “Terrorism is a special type of a crime, but it’s beyond criminal justice in a political sense; it’s more like a national or international study.”

The new degree will also offer its students an opportunity to become immersed in similar programs at other departments. The course introduction’s current curriculum chart actually has requirements to take courses in communication, political science, psychology, sociology and math. “I do see a possibility of doubling majors here,” Liu said. “Ex- perts in homeland security must have a very, very good understanding of what’s going on in the world.”

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Our practice model in Health Services utilizes evidenced based practice. It is this very reason why we are so pleased to be able to offer this service. The clinical evidence supports the need for Chlamydia testing for both male and females. Our goal in Health Services is to assist you in maintaining your health, promoting wellness, and preventing illness and disease so that you can achieve your academic success and, ultimately “as a leader of your future generation, you will be able to give serious consideration to this new offering of a convenient, low cost method of detecting Chlamydia.”
The federal government is trying to accommodate the demands. President Barack Obama’s plan would be $1 trillion into loans last year. At the same time, students are becoming less able to repay. The percentage of borrowers defaulting (and thus running credit card debt) rose 25 percent over the next year, said Dubicki. In order to keep an organized and ever growing collection, the Library will look to see how often books are checked out. If the books appear to be popular, the Library will purchase the books for their permanent collection, but the books that are not checked out will be replaced with other titles.

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The Outlook Opened Up Leisure Book Collection

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The college class of 2010 now has a dubious distinction. Its graduating group who had student loans owed a record-high average of $25,250, up 5.2 percent from the previous year. Last month, President Obama announced a plan to make it a little easier for 1.6 million college graduates to repay their government loans. The plan would forgive or reduce student loans if borrowers use their salaries to pay their loans and would make it easier for borrowers to apply every year and, because it would be far easier and less expensive for schools and the government to administer, far simpler for students at applying.

Income-contingent loans could encourage money-hungry colleges to boost tuition even further, so Congress should also provide incentives to colleges to keep costs down. Loans awarded by colleges that didn’t keep tuition hikes within limits could be barred from the income-contingent loan program, which could drive students away. At a recent congressional hearing, an income-contingent loan repayment system would be far simpler for schools and the government to administer, far simpler for students at application, and more manageable and supremely flexible during repayment, at the same time virtually eliminating the default problem and saving immense amounts of money. Back then, the IRS was just great success with their income-contingent loan programs. In Britain, more than 98 percent of loans are repaid. This idea is not entirely foreign to the United States. Child support payments are routinely withheld by the IRS. Two decades ago, Rep. Tom Petri, R-Wis., re-marked in a congressional hearing that an income-contingent loan repayment system would be far simpler for schools and the government to administer, far simpler for students at application, and more manageable and supremely flexible during repayment, at the same time virtually eliminating the default problem and saving immense amounts of money. Back then, the IRS was just great success with their income-contingent loan programs. In Britain, more than 98 percent of loans are repaid. This idea is not entirely foreign to the United States. Child support payments are routinely withheld by the IRS. Two decades ago, Rep. Tom Petri, R-Wis., remarked in a congressional hearing that an income-contingent loan repayment system would be far simpler for schools and the government to administer, far simpler for students at application, and more manageable and supremely flexible during repayment, at the same time virtually eliminating the default problem and saving immense amounts of money. Back then, the IRS was just great success with their income-contingent loan programs. In Britain, more than 98 percent of loans are repaid. This idea is not entirely foreign to the United States. Child support payments are routinely withheld by the IRS. Two decades ago, Rep. Tom Petri, R-Wis., remarked in a congressional hearing that an income-contingent loan repayment system would be far simpler for schools and the government to administer, far simpler for students at application, and more manageable and supremely flexible during repayment, at the same time virtually eliminating the default problem and saving immense amounts of money. Back then, the IRS was just great success with their income-contingent loan programs. In Britain, more than 98 percent of loans are repaid. This idea is not entirely foreign to the United States. Child support payments are routinely withheld by the IRS. Two decades ago, Rep. Tom Petri, R-Wis., remarked in a congressional hearing that an income-contingent loan repayment system would be far simpler for schools and the government to administer, far simpler for students at application, and more manageable and supremely flexible during repayment, at the same time virtually eliminating the default problem and saving immense amounts of money.
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A Major and Minor Deal With New Courses

Imagine opening your textbook to understand what Homeland Security is about and how to apply its concepts or using motion graphics to creating something out of thin air. While these two ideas might seem different, they are actually majors and minors available for students. The School of Humanities and Social Sciences currently offers a graduate certificate in Homeland Security while the Department of Communication has an interactive media minor. Although both of these grasp the ideals of today’s society, it remains that more can be done to promote them and expand upon present fields of study. However, before we go further, one should understand what exactly constitutes a college major and minor. According to collegeboard.com, “A major is simply a specific subject that students can specialize in.” As for minors, they allow students to gain more insight into other areas while focusing on their main area of study.

First off, these courses are solid ideas for today’s world. Ten or so years ago, homeland security was still an important issue but times have changed. This goes too for the interactive media minor since almost a decade ago, the Internet and technology as a whole was not geared toward creating videos, using motion graphics, creating interactive websites, and more. These two examples are a reflection of how the University realizes that the workforce and careers paths are changing and are giving opportunities for those still looking for that edge. As for Homeland Security, it certainly offers a distinct area of study but it could help collect more interest from students, Facebook posts, or information on the University’s website to collect interests in this and other fields. While it is definitely helpful for advisors to inform their students about these classes and such, it’s even better when a student sees something new and gets excited themselves. However, if they have sent out emails or some information from past and people missed it, friendly messages can act as reminders of these opportunities for those looking to further their right major or minor.

While having more majors/minors is welcoming, the University shouldn’t shy away from expanding present courses. For example, journalism is both a major and a minor, but TV productions is only a major. This can be seen as a disadvantage for those that are studying one area and would like to understand TV in a minor setting. Opening up majors and minors to new avenues allows students to broaden their horizons and develop more skills in a variety of areas. According to The New York Times, “Minors, along with double majors, are increasingly popular as students try to master multiple subjects on the way to flexible careers or future education.”

This isn’t just for communication majors, but anyone in general. What if there is a business major who one day wants to have a TV show on CNBC? Sure, classes dealing with TV, for example, are a part of other minors but there should be no reason why it remains isolated. Overall, the question can come down to if majors and minors should include a broad topic or be very specific. On one hand, broad majors offer a wide range of classes allow students to deal with a number of specific and general courses that formulate in building their specific knowledge. On the other hand, specific majors/minors can help students focus mainly on the topics and areas they wish to study in more detail. Rather than having a variety of classes, students, especially as philosophy piece that presents a particular picture.

The University is demonstrating that it can help prepare its students for the future with new courses that match the way the world operates today, however, there should also be ways to further inform students about them and the possibilities on expanding the opportunities for those on campus and even the influx of high school students.

**The Outlook Staff Opinion**

Imagine opening your textbook to understand what Homeland Security is about and how to apply its concepts or using motion graphics to creating something out of thin air. While these two ideas might seem different, they are actually majors and minors available for students. The School of Humanities and Social Sciences currently offers a graduate certificate in Homeland Security while the Department of Communication has an interactive media minor. Although both of these grasp the ideals of today’s society, it remains that more can be done to promote them and expand upon present fields of study. However, before we go further, one should understand what exactly constitutes a college major and minor. According to collegeboard.com, “A major is simply a specific subject that students can specialize in.” As for minors, they allow students to gain more insight into other areas while focusing on their main area of study.

First off, these courses are solid ideas for today’s world. Ten or so years ago, homeland security was still an important issue but times have changed. This goes too for the interactive media minor since almost a decade ago, the Internet and technology as a whole was not geared toward creating videos, using motion graphics, creating interactive websites, and more. These two examples are a reflection of how the University realizes that the workforce and careers paths are changing and are giving opportunities for those still looking for that edge. As for Homeland Security, it certainly offers a distinct area of study but it could help collect more interest from students, Facebook posts, or information on the University’s website to collect interests in this and other fields. While it is definitely helpful for advisors to inform their students about these classes and such, it’s even better when a student sees something new and gets excited themselves. However, if they have sent out emails or some information from past and people missed it, friendly messages can act as reminders of these opportunities for those looking to further their right major or minor.

While having more majors/minors is welcoming, the University shouldn’t shy away from expanding present courses. For example, journalism is both a major and a minor, but TV productions is only a major. This can be seen as a disadvantage for those that are studying one area and would like to understand TV in a minor setting. Opening up majors and minors to new avenues allows students to broaden their horizons and develop more skills in a variety of areas. According to The New York Times, “Minors, along with double majors, are increasingly popular as students try to master multiple subjects on the way to flexible careers or future education.”

This isn’t just for communication majors, but anyone in general. What if there is a business major who one day wants to have a TV show on CNBC? Sure, classes dealing with TV, for example, are a part of other minors but there should be no reason why it remains isolated. Overall, the question can come down to if majors and minors should include a broad topic or be very specific. On one hand, broad majors offer a wide range of classes allow students to deal with a number of specific and general courses that formulate in building their specific knowledge. On the other hand, specific majors/minors can help students focus mainly on the topics and areas they wish to study in more detail. Rather than having a variety of classes, especially as philosophy piece that presents a particular picture.

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“Modern Family” trumps all primetime comedies. Tears are streaming from your eyes, starting to overflow the bottom of your lids. Now the tears are streaming down your face. It gets worse; your stomach is cramping up so hard you can’t do anything. Now, because you’re crying, and your stomach is con-詼uating, and your nose is getting all stuffy, you’re not even a bit tired.

This scenario may sound like a bad day, but really, it’s the exact opposite. You’re simply watching this week’s new episode of ABC’s “Modern Family,” the best comedy on television. As Jennifer Salke, the show’s executive producer, stated, “the blend of comedic perfection is literally making you laugh so hard you’re crying (and maybe peeing in your pants a little bit too).

“Modern Family” is a sitcom that has been a part of primetime network television since September 22, 2009. It is the story of the Pritchet family, the Pritchets, through their days as parents, children, spouses, siblings, and cousins. The Pritchett family is comprised of Jay, his Colombian wife Gloria, and her son Manny. Jay is also father to Mitchell, who lives with his partner Cameron, and their adopted Asian daughter Lily. The show also follows Jay’s daughter Claire (who is a “hot mess”) with her husband Phil Dunphy, their dauugh- ters Haley and Alex, and son Luke. Given the age, racial, and sexual orientation diversity of these in- dividuals, it is easy to see why creators Steven Levitan and Christopher Lloyd hold us all in high esteem.

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ABC hit a high note with “Mod- ern Family.” Wednesdays have a habit of being a hard night to watch “Modern Family,” there’s a light at the end of the midweek tunnel. It’s that joyous time of spending countless hours on the computer sending your resume to 20 plus businesses, firms, agencies, or forms. I have seen some magazines that have cluttered my room for years. While most young girls were playing princesses and Barbie, I was playing magazine editor. This is what I wanted and it was this fall when I thought all my dreams would come true. Wow, was I wrong.

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Who's Who in SGA

Ravi Shah: Chair of the Committee of Student Financial Affairs

Ravi Shah is a junior majoring in accounting with a minor in information technology. Shah plans to go into the field of public accounting after he graduates and hopes to enroll in a MBA program as well.

Shah is a Junior Senator for the Finance Committee, SGANet, and the Student Government Association (SGA). He also serves as the Finance Committee Chair, and Chair of the Student Affairs Committee & Campus Safety. Shah has also held the prior positions of Senator-at-Large and Sophomore Senator.

As a junior class senator, Shah attends regular meetings, joins the SGA retreats, and takes part in the annual SGA elections. His greatest responsibility as a Senator is to make sure that the concerns of the student body are heard and addressed. One of the main issues that the Finance Committee member, Shah assists in SGA's budget process for clubs and organizations.

During the end of the spring semester, a team of SGA members members helped the University, funded clubs and organizations with a 50% reimbursement for the related events. Also, as the Chair of the Student Affairs Committee, Shah oversees that the clubs and organizations regarding services on campus are directed to the appropriate director.

This involves working with the Director of Residential Life, Director of Health Services, Director of Counseling, and Administration Services. Shah joined SGA his freshman year. During his orientation session prior to starting his first year, most of his orientation leaders told him about her involvement in SGA. According to some, the Student Government Association is a community that is definitely important to me. In order to continue to serve, I wanted to be part of the community, and assist my peers, I joined SGA. The latest grand German/French initiative to save the Euro economy as a whole.

The European Union’s future is being a problem solver, and leader; he said.

Shah suggests that EU has many other countries that are headed down a similar path involving solutions to the major financial state.

As a result, shortly after parliamentary elections, Sarkozy on November 8 called for a European bailout program the Dow Jones Industrial, NASDAQ, and the Financial Times. Leaders from different countries, back, and ideologies to come together to solve problems so quickly is something that should give the world hope.

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The European Union is a powerful country that is unable to agree on anything. They are missing the point.

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When the holidays arrive, the temptation hits. Your mom’s famous apple pie, your grand- mother’s potato latkes. Cakes, cookies, stuffing, and countless side dishes adorn the holiday buffet tables. It can be a helpless situation if you prepare yourself with the right tips and tools before you go to your holiday party, you may find that saying “no” to another bite of holiday cake is easier than you thought.

According to the Mayo Clinic, living yourself to three bites of any dish that you’re desperate for. This way you get the satisfaction and enjoyment of eating but without all of the calories.

When eating rich foods, it is important to take your time. Save your bite for better enjoyment and to allow that feeling to travel to your brain. It usually takes 20 minutes for your brain to get the message from your stomach that you are full. By eating slowly, you might be less likely to be tempted by the apple pie.

Christopher Hirschl, Ph.D, assistant professor of Health Studies says, “Enjoy the trim you eat, but consider focusing more on the quality of the food rather than the quantity. A full plate is not always better. Consuming more can lead to physical as well as psychological discomfort as well.”

Emily Hunter, a junior says, “I think the trick to eating healthy is eating smaller portions so that you are able to still enjoy the holiday food, without overdoing it. Just because it is the holidays, doesn’t mean we should have to change any of our original daily to-day healthy eating habits.”

Erika Kurylja, a junior, agrees that smaller portions are key. It’s a great way to be mindful of what you are eating along with how much. Kurylja also recommends using a smaller plate instead of a larger one, this way you are less likely to over eat from the beginning.

As for drinking choices, choose water, flavored water, apple cider or soda at any holiday event, according to the U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Unfortunately, many holiday gatherings are centered around alcohol which is usually very high in calories. If you must have a drink, limit yourself to one per hour and think a glass of water in between to cut your calorie and alcohol intake over the course of the night.

As for side dishes, not only are vegetables naturally low-fat, low-cal and chock-full of nutrients, they help you feel satisfied longer than other types of foods. According to healthdub- covery.net, the fiber will cause your stomach to feel fuller, and you will have a greater sense of fulfillment which will help you stay on track. Eating raw veggies as snacks, appetizers, in salads, and side dishes is a great way to keep your appetite in check.

Eat a light snack before going to day parties. It is not a good idea to arrive at a party famished. Not only are you more likely to over eat but you are also less likely to resist the temptation of eating the higher fat and higher calorie foods. Try eating a piece of fruit, a small carton of yogurt, or a string cheese before you go.

As for the healthiest choice of meat, turkey is the best choice, according to the White Truffles website. In addition to being an excellent source of protein, turkey offers the least amount of fat per serving, among all other meats, if you pass on the skin. If you love gravy, use a small dish to put gravy in, and dip the meat in a small amount of pouring gravy.

As a general rule, white meat is leaner than dark meat – so choose the breast meat of a chicken or turkey rather than the drum stick and be sure to remove the visible fat off of meats. For vegetarians, there is a healthy alternative to the traditional turkey, tofurkey. This is a turkey replacement made from a blend of wheat protein and organic tofu. It can be purchased at various supermarkets and health food stores.

Eating Healthy During the Holidays

How to Write a Professional Email

JILL BENANTI STAFF WRITER

Back in the olden days before cellphones and the Internet, were the days when writing a message to a friend meant sending them a letter and waiting days, sometimes weeks, for a response.

Now talking to anyone is as simple as sending him or her a text message and receiving a response within minutes, making the days of letter writing practically extinct.

Emails have replaced hand-written letters which definitely has its benefits, speed being number one, but it also has its drawbacks. Learning how to write a professional email is a skill every college student should benefit from learning.

Here are some tips for writing a professional letter, that will get you noticed by your future employer in the long run, your mind and body will thank you.

Before you begin, open your own email, or professional email account. Your email account should be fine, but only they work until you graduate and jsmith@gmail.com looks better in an inbox than your school account. jsmith@schoolnumber, or using your personal email account, xoxolilbabexoxo@aol.com.

Also, this is beneficial because your professional email account and your school email account will be separate, so the risk of losing the former is much less than a potential employer in the midst of emails from your professors and school functions is not there.

Start with a professional greeting. According to ProWritingAid.com, “Dear,” “Hello,” “Good Afternoon,” are all acceptable. Always address who you are emailing by their proper name, “Mr. Smith,” “Mrs. Smith.” State your purpose and get to the point; make sure you introduce yourself, whether you are sending a thank you email from an interview you went on, or you are a student in one of their classes, don’t forget to address who you are and why you are emailing them within the first few sentences. The following paragraph should contain the information you are providing, or the request you are making. According to grammarabout.com, “be brief and polite. If your message runs longer than two or three short paragraphs, consider (a) reduc- ing the message, or (b) providing an attachment.”

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According to peta.com, leading health experts agree that eating a high-calorie meal is not the only thing you can do for your body. It’s okay to leave what you don’t like on your plate. It’s also important to present your parents that you’ve snacked. People tend to think because you are writing an email, it is less formal and should be thought of the same way you email your friends.

Your text messages may be filled with improper grammar, misspelled words and abbreviations but don’t expect this to be overlooked. In the main point of the email.

For example, “Thank you for forwarding your CV,” is not acceptable. “Thank you, and I look forward to hearing from you,” is much better.

Last but not least, do not forget to proofread your email. And after you look it over once, look it over again. Little mistakes like grammar and spelling are not going to be overlooked, so don’t risk your success by making these errors.”
**SPECIAL EVENTS**

- **November 16th**: Global Activism through Sociological and Feminist Practice. Speaker: Dr. Adomako
  - “Crimes of the Heart by Beth Henley”
  - 8pm Woods Theatre (runs through the 19th)
  - Comedy Night: Geoff Keith 7pm Java City

- **November 17th**: Sandplay Therapy Introduction
  - 6:30-8:30pm Affitto
  - Thanksgiving Dinner 7pm Catholic Center

- **November 18th**: Suitcase Dance 9pm - 1am Anacon

- **November 19th**: Grilling with the Greeks
  - 70’s Roller Skating Rink 7pm Anacon

- **November 21st**: Simple Gifts 7:30pm Woods Theatre

- **November 24th-27th**: THANKSGIVING RECESS

**MOVIES & LOUNGES**

- Located in Oakwood Lounge

  - Nov. 18th: Friends with Benefits
  - Nov. 19th: Zookeeper
    - 7pm & 11pm Showings
  - Nov. 30th: MOOZ-lum
    - 3:30pm Pollak Theatre

**Thanksgiving food drive starting the 8th thru Thanksgiving**

Please bring any non perishables to the university store for 10% off of your imprinted item purchase.

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**OVERNIGHT IN WASHINGTON DC**

**December 2nd - 5th**

- **2 Nights @ Washington Marriott - Metro Center**
  - 4 per room: $120 a person
  - 3 per room: $160 a person
  - 2 per room: $240 a person
  - 1 per room: $450 a person

  tickets can be purchased at the Student Activities Office on the 2nd floor of the RSSC

  **We can also help you find a roommate!**

  tickets will be sold until November 17th

- **As Low as:**
  - 2 Nights/ $120 pp
Audiences Learn the Real Deal on Miss Representation

An engaged crowd gathered in Wilson Auditorium to gain insight on how the media affects female’s perceptions of themselves. "Miss Representation" was screened and its writer/director/producer, Jennifer Siebel Newsom spoke November 5.

The movie and Q & A was sparked through Miss Representation screening at 10:00 am and Newsom speaking at 1:00 pm.

Representations screening began with Heather Brown, a board member for GenEquality. She thanked Katherine Parkin, as associate professor, Robin Mamma, Dean of the School for Social Work, and acknowledging departments like the School of Social Work for providing her with a way to connect to the audience he added, “I blame the media.” He also said on his relationship, “I think I’ll look at it differently than I have in the past.”

A presentation, Stanton Green, Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Science, introduced Newsom and her past/future work. Newsom began by saying, “I believe America can do better. We haven’t had the feminine in leadership. We haven’t had the care towards leadership. Where did this go wrong?”

Newsom pointed toward arts, starting with how her son got gifts like a t-shirt that is "Future President" but her daughter didn’t. Newsom also talked about how media representations affect the way people are saying. It was interesting to see these clips and the impact of Miss Representation examined how the media has taken a hold on society and presented unneces- sary labels for types for women and even men.

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While it is difficult to replicate it in writing, the film included a rose bloom that turned into people spiraling and, a green, wormy larva that grew into plants, trees, and other life forms.

Relaxing background music added a gentle touch and seemed required to add vitality. Other images were abstract like the message on the edge of the screen and their feet slowly connected to one another.

The rum diaries of the film's face turned yellow with a red color theme. It was the proper ending to this nature themed video as if the plants were seeds the movie itself was a seed, waiting for the right environment to start growing on the screen.

Bainbridge offered the crowd with some advice, saying, “If you want to succeed as an artist, the key thing to tell you is to be yourself. An artist must be you.”

After the event, Bainbridge and Broussard discussed her dancing. 

When Bainbridge projected a video and dance, Broussard asked her what inspires her, she said, “I would say what inspires me are nature, changing the human form, and light.”

Bainbridge and Broquard introduced a new video, which Bainbridge and Broussard have worked with a Kickstarter fund that brought the biggest project being Infinite Light. Bainbridge and Broussard also discussed her dancing.

“Buy the ticket, take the ride.”

The Hawk TV studio hosted a presentation on November 16, 2011, titled “The ‘Infinite’ Possibilities of Multimedia and Dance.”

The Rum Diary held a presentation on November 5. The Rum Diary is a young journalist’s dreams of a young journalist.

The Rum Diary and Bainbridge Broussard combined visuals with dancing when Infinite Light was projected with back and forth dialogue. I see a space with water dripping down a building, and it looks like a woman in a bathhouse. Benton will get it!”

Bainbridge added, “One thing that makes Brooke unique is for the most part dance was open to visuals. Brooke is open to the idea of dance and adds layers of color to build the final image that would be seen. It was a unique light show when Infinite Light was projected behind the screen, dancing and storytelling. Although wild at times, there is a cause of a side story that involved the development of Kemp and his love interest Chenault (Amber Heard), who seems to leave a few things undeveloped and make the movie drag on at times and frustrate viewers.”

Richison told The Outlook, “Artists who are able to make art for change are very interesting.”

When the lights came on, Bainbridge and Broussard introduced themselves. In the event was when Bainbridge first projected the city skyline and Broussard separately. He used his computer to create as well slow down Broussard’s dancing and add layers of color to build the final image that would be seen.

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This film is guaranteed to appeal to any fan of Thompson. From an artistic and entertainment perspective, Paul’s affairs with a crooked business mogul named Sanderson (Aaron Eckhart) with several red herrings, Paul’s “ perks” in working for Sanderson, the film juxtaposes the very serious nature of the book and the Sanderson’s rich cohorts who are plotting their next move. It’s a romp through the lens of a new resort in the Caribbean. Paul is recruited to write for the book, and his involvement is slightly vague and unclear.

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**The Hidden Finds in the Rare Book Collection**

**George Germek, Rare Book Collection Administrator Shares its Value**

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For those who are interested in classic literature dating back to the sixteenth through twelfth century, George Germek, administrator of the Rare Book Collection in the Guggenheim Library, is a golden resource.

“The Rare Book Collection also has older books, like manuscript leaves from about 1300.” These manuscripts, said Germek, are the most popular books in the collection among students. “Students will say that students aren’t interested. They’re born into the computer age and they wouldn’t really be interest...ed in leaves from the thirteenth or fourteenth centuries, but I find that to be completely untrue,” he said.

“T...hey can’t believe that they’re touching something that’s 700-years-old that somebody worked on, that’s still exist...ing, that’s still intact.”

The antiquity of these books is what draws many people to them. Beautiful bindings and cover art attract attention and make them more desirable to most collectors.

Many illustrations students see in textbooks today come from originally published editions.

However, it is not only the physical appearance that makes the rare books collectors’ items.

“What makes a book rare is really hard to say. Scarcity increases its rarity, as well as how it was produced, like if there were any sorts of problems in production.”

Germek uses *Ulysses* as an example of value due to difficulty in publishing. Histor...ical impact, it was sold, and its influence on society also helped to determine value. “A rare book is something you don’t see every day,” he said.

Germek collects books for value beyond money. He talks about the scholarly value and its importance when collecting for a specific topic. The signed Virginia Woolf book is probably worth $10,000, but we don’t look at it that way. It’s more like, we have a signed Virginia Woolf, come see it.

The books they seek are based on what will be used by professors. If a professor expresses an interest, Germek will do all he can to find that book. The chase, he says, is the best part of the job. The people he communicates with are excited as well. “It’s a lot of fun to deal with people from London, Oregon, and Boston and go to the New York Antiquarian Rare Book Fair.”

Some rare books go for tens of thousands of dollars. If these books are so expensive, how does Germek decide on them? Most were simply taken off the shelves on our own library.

One of the books he found in the University library is a large and worn book, *The Hobbit*, *Grapes* and *The Great Wines of France*.

“Germek makes this text significant is the card and stamp inside reading, ‘from the estate of Jacqueline Kennedy.’ Another example is a book of laws and documents of the state of New Jersey that was found just sitting on the shelves. It’s probably worth 20 or 30 thousand,” said Germek.

According to the books once available to students for cataloging, the library have become rare library treasures. **T echnology has made it easier to access to literature through online databases and Kindle is available for use in the University Library.**

Germek also talks about an iPad application to accompany the *Wasteland* by T.S. Eliot gives students a feel for the work as well as comments on it.

However, he believes that books will not be phased out. The physical and still fasci...nates students, professors, and collectors, especially in early day as displayed in the library. “It’s real. That’s what it is, the real thing,” he said.

Some works that can be found in the Rare Book Collect...ion, books on colonist, *The Great Wines of France*.

Many students are unaware that the University has a rare book collection. However, it is not like the restricted section at the Hogwarts library.

Germek wants, and encourag...es students to visit. He hopes to advertise this collection through an information table, a book fair and also through a first-year seminar class on rare book that he will teach starting next semester.

**The Analysis of the Emerging Problems of Teenage Marriage**

**NANA BONSU**  
Staff Writer

There was once a time when a person getting married at a young age was common. According to the *New York Times*, the average age for women to marry in the 1950’s was 19-years-old, and the marriage of people between the ages of 17 to 19 was not referred to as a teenage marriage because it was part of the norm. During those times, marriage between young adults was viewed the same way as marriage between 30-year-olds: a common practice.

Oftentimes, when people are told about a teenage marriage to-day, they usually suspect a pregnan...cy. In addition to pregnancy, wanting to get away from one’s family is a reason why teenagers may feel they will make it, even if the world is against them.

Much of today’s popular culture also glorifies teenage marriages in love,” said Elizabeth Regan, junior. “Most teenagers nowadays rush into marriage because they think that they will have happily ever after and live as one big family. Yet, the problem is that these children are too young to experience what marriage will bring them. "It is something each couple will have to experience for the wrong reasons and poor communication ever...realizing the mistake.”

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According to ideas.repec.org, teenage marriages frequently lead to higher poverty rates. The teenagers who marry young sometimes did not get the chance to further their educations and attain decent jobs. Eventually, when the marriage dissolves, there is very little either individu...al can do to better their economic situations.

“Teens today should realize that they don’t have enough experience at this age to make a life changing decision,” Regan add...ed. “It is something each couple should explore before they com...mit to each other forever.”

Despite the few teenagers who do get married at young ages, the percentage of teenage marriages is on the decline, and some do not believe the practice will return. “I do not think getting married young will be the new trend,” Regan said. “Most people today are set on ‘getting their ducks in a row’ first: the career, the financ...e, and steady income, and marri...age usually gets put to the side.”

**Here Comes the Teenage Bride, All Dressed in White**

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Livin’ it Up in Sin City

MICHELLE GILMAN
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Las Vegas is one of the greatest reasons to go on a trip. Who doesn’t love to go away to Sin City for a weekend where anything and everything is possible? The lights, the hotels, the glamour, the food, the drinks...you get the picture? Who doesn’t love love love? They say that “What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas.”

One is to volunteer with an organization focusing on a topic or population that interests you. Next, you can match up your likes and dislikes with the objectives of your volunteer position and you can then figure out if you want to volunteer by yourself or in a group and whether you would like to volunteer during the day or at a later time in the day when all the craziness has settled.

In a Wall Street Journal article, retail employees expressed their unhappiness about the midnight openings. Many will need to sleep before going to work and the hours will cut into their Thanksgiving holiday time with family.

Black Friday officially got its name in the 1960s and the meaning of the term has changed since it was first used to describe the day after Thanksgiving. Originally, a Philadelphia newspaper used the term Black Friday to describe the overwhelming amount of shoppers kicking off the holiday shopping season, according to Time. Currently, its meaning suggests retailers begin to show a profit for the first time during the year. Accountants also refer to “black” when a company shows profit as opposed to the red when a company is in the negative.

In the past, Black Friday did not have such a positive connotation. On Sept. 24, 1864, gold prices dropped severely causing a panic over the stock market, according to Time. “Nowadays...customers shop for deals specifically with Black Friday in mind, and advertising has become more specific.”

So, how do you shop for Black Friday? “It’s so crowded and hectic...” Be there early or go on Thanksgiving night. There are some stores that open even earlier to get shoppers to spend money in their store first. Target, Kohl’s, Wal-Mart, and Best Buy will open at 12:00 am before many other stores to get a head start on profits. On Cyber Monday, retailers also take advantage of the day by offering sales and promotions without you having to line up in the cold. “I don’t know if it was the alcohol or the atmosphere or my overall impression, but I don’t know if it was the alcohol or the atmosphere or my overall impression. It suggests for shoppers to do their research, compare prices, know the stores policies, and bring the advertisements with them. Hoping to get an early bird special? Be there early or go on Thanksgiving night. There are some stores that open even earlier to get shoppers to spend money in their store first. Target, Kohl’s, Wal-Mart, and Best Buy will open at 12:00 am before many other stores to get a head start on profits.”

Las Vegas is a city that is busting at the seams with places to go and things to see. It is the ultimate vacation destination on earth. Who would have thought that it would be the place to go to for a vacation? There are so many different things to do in Las Vegas. Everything from family friendly activities to adult oriented activities. Las Vegas is the ultimate vacation destination on earth.
Club Baseball Team “Hits” the University

Students Put Together a Baseball Club Team

A club baseball team was recently formed at the University by three sophomores looking to continue playing the game at a competitive level in college. Prior to this club, the University only had the main Monmouth team, and anyone else looking to play baseball was forced to look outside the University for a team or settle for intramural softball.

Joe D’Amico, a sophomore majoring in history and secondary education, was one of the founding members of the club team. “I didn’t ever want to stop playing baseball. My friends and I were very disappointed when we came here and there was no team, so we started one so that we never had to stop playing at the competitive level,” said D’Amico.

D’Amico, along with sophomores Chris Bruno and Justin Morik, split the work in order to get this team started. They had to write up a detailed constitution, find insurance, an advisor, equipment, create facilities, and provide a lifelong experience for the participants. “I wanted to be involved with a club on campus,” explained D’Amico. “I also wanted to be the team’s advisor.”

McCarthy has been with the University for four and a half years and has always enjoyed baseball and played as kid but never at the college level. “I wanted to be involved with a club on campus,” explained McCarthy. “I also wanted to be involved with a team and confirmed that he would be the team’s advisor.”

When he discovered the up-and-coming club baseball team, he decided to take on the role of advisor. McCarthy explained how he has always enjoyed baseball and played as kid but never at the college level. “I wanted to be involved with a club on campus,” explained McCarthy. “I also wanted to be involved with a team.”

One of the other obstacles facing the newly formed team is having a field to play on. According to D’Amico and Bruno, University Baseball Head Coach Dean Ehehalt was not thrilled with the idea of a club team using the field or equipment in the gym and said the team cannot use it at all.

“Extracurricular activities and services are needed. This would cover insurance and rent, transportation to games, two regulation headers against LaSalle and will be played on a nearby field off-campus,” said Joe D’Amico, a founding member of the club.

The Club Baseball Team offers students a chance to play baseball at the competitive level without having to play Division I ball through the University. “It is nice to see that we have a club baseball team at the University,” said Coach Ehehalt. “Extracurricular activities and services are needed. This would cover insurance and rent, transportation to games, two regulation headers against LaSalle and will be played on a nearby field off-campus.”

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Professional Marketing and Branding Session Presented at Speaker Series

WEST LONG BRANCH, NJ - Specialist marketing and branding professional, Austin Rotter, is set to speak November 16 at 3:00 pm in Plangere, room 234 as part of PRSSA’s Speaker Series. With three years of experience, Rotter has gained knowledge in media relations, corporate communications industries, public relations campaigns and advertising.

Rotter currently serves as an account executive for 5W Public Relations. His clientele include Hanft Partners, Meteor Games, DLB Group and others in the industries of sports and technology. Through his experience, he has gained ample contacts resulting in features for his clients in the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Mashable, New BusinessWeek, CNN and many more.

Prior to his position with 5W, Rotter held internships with Howard Stern Radio Show on Sirius XM, MGH Inc., and IMRE Communications. Rotter graduated from Towson University with a B.S. in Mass Communications.

The PRSSA bio-monthly Speaker Series was instituted in 2009 to provide networking opportunities for public relations students and professionals. To stay up to date about who is speaking on what dates, follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/speakerseries. For more information about the speaker series or Monmouth’s PRSSA Chapter, go to www.monmouth.edu/prssa or contact Amanda Erdmann, Communication Director, at 0756510@monmouth.edu, or Dr. Shelia McAllister-Sprouse, Faculty Advisor, at smcalliss@monmouth.edu.
Club and Greek
Announcements

Alpha Kappa Alpha
On November 16, Alpha Kap- pa Alpha Sorority will be hold- ing a meeting Wednesday, November 16 in Bey Hall room 130 from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

WMCX
Join WMCX for a special showing of ‘National Lam- poon’s Christmas Vacation’ in Pollack Theatre on December 5. Free admission!
The movie starts at 8:00 pm. Spread some holiday cheer with this Christmas classic.

Outdoors Club
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The seventh performance was a duet performed by two Sigma Pi seniors, Paul Gaudio and Tom Murphy. They had the audience laughing with their performance of Jason Derulo’s “Baby Girl.”

Lastly, a duet of Taylor Swift’s “Two Is Better Than One” was performed by Laura Garcia, a sophomore of Zeta Tau Alpha and Brian Hentz, a senior of Sigma Tau Gamma.

As the judges deliberated who would win the “Monmouth Idol,” there was a performance done by sophomores Irene Ole- niaci and Samantha Pellarin. The National Kidney Foundation helps the families of those affected as well as works to raise awareness about a disease that many people do not know about. "We've got limited time to give something back to our community and the world and I'm honored to be a part of a community that contributes to a greater good.”

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Phi Sigma Sigma Hosts Annual “Monmouth Idol”
CHRISTINA GROTHUES
CONTRIBUTING WRITER
Phi Sigma Sigma raised $950 for the National Kidney Foundation last Wednesday, November 9 when they sold 180 tickets for their annual “Monmouth Idol” contest which featured eight stu- dent acts performing at Pollack Theatre.

Phi Sigma Sigma’s “Monmouth Idol” parallels the hit show, “American Idol.” The perform- ers all sang their heart outs in order to impress the panel of five judges.

The judges of “Monmouth Idol” were Ayla Gudelsky of Alpha Sigma Tau, Will Ryan of Sigma Pi, Kelly Del澎elo of Alpha Xi Delta, Joe Koenig of Theta Xi and Matt Rivera from Phi Sigma Kappa. Chris Spirito, a local DJ and a senior at Monmouth provided the music for the event.

As the show began, the hosts of “Monmouth Idol,” Katie Matano, a senior from Phi Sigma Sigma and Cameron Nicholas, a senior from Sigma Pi, explained that over 20 million people in the United States have kidney dis- ease. Organizer of the event, ju- nior Gina Orlando, of Phi Sigma Sigma, said, “The sorority’s mo- tive to do the event was to raise awareness of kidney disease and money for the National Kidney Foundation.”

Alicia Leifken, a senior who is currently serving as President of Phi Sigma Sigma at the Uni- versity, said, “‘Monmouth Idol’ helps benefit our National Phi- lanthropy, The National Kidney Foundation, by donating 100% of the proceeds that we raise to the foundation.”

According to the National Kidney Foundation website, in 1954, the first suc- cessful kidney transplant was performed by one of their leading doctors. milestone, this foundation has been working to help indi- viduals who suffer from kidney disease. Eleni Pellarin, an active sister of Phi Sigma Sigma, has been personally affected by kidney disease and said, “The National Kidney Foundation is so impor- tant not only because it is helping a lot of people, but it also spreads awareness about a disease that not many people know about. Many people are aware of dis- eases such as cancer, but many people do not know that kidney disease is a deadly illness. ‘The foundation helps the families of those affected as well as works towards a cure. Being the daugh- ter of a woman who had kidney disease, I know how serious it is and how important the work that we are doing is,” said Pellarin.

The first performance of the night was done by Kristi Hunt who performed “Hurt,” by Chris- tina Aguilera. Next, Kevin Kinsella and Steve Decarlo sang a duet of “Slide,” by the Goo Goo Dolls. Kinsella and Decarlo won third place in the “Monmouth Idol” competition.

Thirdly, Madelyn Mauterer of Zeta Tau Alpha sang a song that was originally performed by Amy Winehouse. The hosts of the show, Matano and Nicholas, then heard what the judges had to say about the per- formances that had seen. Will Ryan, a senior, said, “Everyone is doing great!” Koenig later said, “Everyone who participat- ed in this event not only had tal- ent, but I found it cool that we all came together and earned money for a good cause.”

The show continued with a performance by Matt Avellino and Michael Mason of Tau Kap- pa Epsilon. These two contes- tants won second place with their performance of “Me and Mrs. Jones,” by Michael Buble. Aval- lino said, “Performing is my favorite thing in the world. It’s the moment I feel completely alive and singing has been my outlet since I was young. I had a blast performing.”

Next Jenna Keanley, who has been singing since age three, sang “Gravy” by Sara Bareilles. Elyssa Bucci, a junior and the winner of “Monmouth Idol,” sang “If I Ain’t Got You,” by Alicia Keys. Bucci claimed the title of “The Monmouth Idol,” and also received $10 to Surf Taco, $10 to Juniors and $10 to Scala’s Pizzare.

Leading the audience to believe that they were performing for the National Kidney Foundation, they were doing a great job.” Koenig later said, “I think that what we do in Greek life as far as our philan- thropies are concerned is an awesome cause and I don’t think many people realize the extent of our impact,” said Avellino.

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For more information, please contact Nicole Fullerton, PRSSA secretary, at s0762529@mon- mouth.edu or meet with the PRSSA executive board on Mondays at 6:30 pm or Wednesdays at 2:30 pm. For samples of services visit Prssa Services at Monmouth University on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Prssa-Services-at-Monmouth-University/272812139408956

Steve Decarlo sang a duet of ‘Monmouth Idol” were Ayla Gudelsky of Alpha Sigma Tau, Will Ryan of Sigma Pi, Kelly Del澎elo of Alpha Xi Delta, Joe Koenig of Theta Xi and Matt Rivera from Phi Sigma Kappa.

The purpose of this event is to promote a greater awareness of the disease and to raise money for the National Kidney Foundation. “The Monmouth Idol” was performed by sophomores Renee Ole- niaci and Samantha Pellarin. The National Kidney Foundation helps the families of those affected as well as works to raise awareness about a disease that many people do not know about." We’ve got limited time to give something back to our community and the world and I’m honored to be a part of a community that contributes to a greater good.”

There were several sponsors for the show, including Scala’s, Junior’s, Surf Taco and Jersey Mike’s. The tickets for the show were $5 in advance and $7 at the door.

Many people are aware of dis- eases such as cancer, but many people do not know that kidney disease is a deadly illness. ‘The foundation helps the families of those affected as well as works towards a cure. Being the daugh-
If you could travel anywhere, where would you go and why?

Compiled by: Jacklyn Kouefati

Chris freshman
“Atlantis so I could chill with mermaids.”

Tara senior
“Ireland because that is where my family roots are.”

Taylah junior
“Italy because of the culture.”

Lauren sophomore
“Anywhere because I haven’t traveled anywhere.”

Corey sophomore
“The Playboy Mansion because why not?”

Jimmy sophomore
“Bill Gates house because it probably has high tech stuff that hasn’t come out yet.”

Emily sophomore
“Africa because I could go on a safari.”

Sarah sophomore
“Japan because I want to go on a crazy Japanese game show.”

Savannah sophomore
“Italy because that is where my family is from.”

Kyle junior
“Germany because of the culture and history.”

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What's better than one superhero in a comic? That would be two heroes in a comic, which is where the idea of team-up books thrives. Unlike a team book where heroes work together issue in and out, team-up comics focus on different characters working together for one or two issues max.

Last week, Marvel released their newest team-up book with "Avenging Spider-Man" #1 by writer Zeb Wells and artist Joe Madureira. The premiere issue focused on Spider-Man and Red Hulk (Rulk) dealing with monsters overrunning New York City. However, superhero team-ups are nothing new for Marvel.


Looking back at past "Marvel Team-Up" volumes in preparation for "Avenging Spider-Man" #1, newsarama.com said about Vol.1 "…there were no superheroes. The first volume of "The Last Days of the Adriatic Sea" featured neither Superman nor Batman in an even larger variety of heroes. The second volume featured two miniseries from 1991-92; one about putting two characters together (in regards to a Joker/Atom story). The second volume featured two miniseries from 1991-92; one about putting two characters together (in regards to a Joker/Atom story)." The premiere issue in and out, team-up comics thrive. Unlike a team book where heroes work together issue in and out, team-up comics focus on different characters working together for one or two issues max.

According to the site, "Spider-Man’s membership in two different Avengers teams and the Future Foundation has allowed him to interact and establish relationships with an even larger variety of heroes. In the new, ongoing "Avenging Spider-Man," writer Zeb Wells and artist Joe Madureira will explore the dynamic between Spidey and his numerous teammates."

Although Marvel is grabbing attention for its new team-up book, it is not the only publisher to bring superheroes together for exciting one-shot or two-issue tales. DC Comics, for example, has had its own team-up book over the years with "The Brave and the Bold." The first volume of "The Brave and the Bold" lasted from 1955 until 1983. The first series was notable for featuring the very first appearance of the Justice League in "The Brave and the Bold" #28 (It is worth mentioning that the first Justice League featured neither Superman nor Batman.)

The second volume featured two miniseries from 1991-92; one was a serious tale with Green Arrow, the Question, and the Butcher while the other was a light throwback to the Silver Age with "Flash and Green Lantern: The Brave and the Bold". DC Comics once again returned to "The Brave and the Bold" in 2007 when writer Mark Waid brought heroes together in different circumstances. However, it was when writer J. Michael Straczynski (JMS) took over that this series moved in an exciting and dramatic direction beginning with issue #27, featuruting Batman and Dial H for Hero.

Throughout his time as "Brave and the Bold" writer, Straczynski presented team-ups from Doom Patrol and the Legion of Super-Heroes to Aquaman and the Demon. One memorable story was issue #33, where Wonder Woman and Zatana take Barbara Gordon/Batgirl out for a fun, crime fighting night on the town because they knew her life would change forever later when she got shot in the spine by the Joker ("i.e. "Batman: The Killing Joke").

When JMS was working on "Brave and the Bold," he explained his method to comicbookresources.com, "putting two characters together (in regards to a Joker/Atom story)."

He said, "When I set out to come up with a game plan for 'The Brave and the Bold,' I asked the first question I asked were: who has been paired and who hasn’t? Who can we bring in from either end of the spectrum that has never played with that character? Granted, you can go a bit far afield on that if you’re not careful…But in general, I look to interesting combinations."

"The Brave and the Bold" Volume Three ended with #35. However, with Marvel bringing a new take to their former "Marvel Team-Up" series, those who have watched DC won’t contemplate parring up their hero again. In the end, "Avenging Spider-Man" #1 is on sale now and costs $3.99.

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Men’s Soccer Team Wins NEC Championship for the Third Straight Season

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The men’s soccer team hosted the Northeastern Conference Championship against the Farleigh Dickinson Hawks this past Sunday. With weather at 60 degrees and sunshine, the turf posed an ideal playing condition. The ideal playing condition led to the ideal game for Monmouth: a win.

Prior to the game, Head Coach Robert McCourt sat down with his players with some advice. “I told the men just to stick with our game plan,” McCourt said. “We knew we had the edge in scoring because the corners would keep bailing in and then the outside routes were open, like the 10-yard outs and the comebacks. For the outside was always wide-open so we decided to throw the ball down the field and took a clean shot which was saved by MU goalie Alex Blackburn. As and therefore, no goals were posted.

The second overtime was a much different game. Farleigh Dickinson was able to send two shots in Blackburn’s direction but the shot was only able to be shot one. But with that one shot taken, that justServer kept the ball in the back of the net and the NEC championship back to Monmouth. Saving the team from a third overtime, the freshmen’s clutch goal did not go unnoticed. Sotka was named to the College Soccer News National Team of the Week, a honor that is given to 11 players in the whole nation. Sotka was the only freshman this week awarded with the honor.

As for why he believes his team was so successful in this match-up, McCourt said, “They were able to keep a level head and remained calm even when the emotions were heightened with the drama.” The men will advance to the NCAA tournament for the third straight year. They will be hosting the American East Conference Champions Stony Brook in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. The Hawks will be looking to build on what they have done the past two seasons and will look to go deeper into the NCAA Tournament.

Last year, the Hawks were eliminated by Dartmouth in the first round, but the previous year they were eliminated until the second round when they fell to Harvard.

The Hawks will be hoping for better results this season, when the game takes place on the Great Lawn Thursday night at 7:00 pm under the lights.

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Robert McCourt gets the gatorade shower following the Hawk’s 2-1 overtime victory over FDU in the NEC Championship game.

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Study Hall Gets Modified for Student-Athletes

Student-athletes at the University will now be required to attend study hours at the library rather than the athletics office.

In mid-November, the library will take the place of the athletics office as the main area for student-athletes to perform their study hours. The students who believe they require more time at the athletics office will then have to complete their work in the library because it is where study hours must be completed. According to SportS, the library is closer to the residence halls and offers students privacy in order to complete their assignments. The plan for the modification of the study hour is to be called “The Department of Performance in Academic Excellence Center,” said Taylor.

Students complain about the study hours they are required to do at the athletics office. Many of them believe the study hours are too distasteful to work in. “I honestly hated my study hall hours because I can’t concentrate at all. There are so many distractions, especially ones that I’m friends with,” said Tilah Young, a sophomore track and field athlete who had to participate in study hours her freshman year. Young said that when she arrived at school she tried to hard to focus on work and instead would rather socialize. “Study hall at night was basically just a time to hang out with friends, although I’m sure other people got work done, I found it hard to accomplish much of anything,” said the sophomore tight end on the football team, Benjamin Wallace. Along with distractions, the athletes said that the walk to the building is out of the way and a waste of time. It takes about 15 minutes to walk from the residence halls to the athletic office, and the students feel that it is unnecessary. “Having to walk 15 minutes from the dorms to the outer office for the study hours was just a waste of time and homework was disheartening to say the least,” Wallace said. He said that he wanted to study in the library because it is closer to the residence halls and offers so many different resources.

The University plans to keep study halls so as to improve the problems that students have by using the library as a new, alternative study hall. Coaches and other athletic faculty members want these students to succeed and believe that the required study hours will help them do so.

“Over the years, I’ve seen a good majority of the students perform well in high school, only to struggle when they reach college because of the new atmosphere, the change in environment and having to learn from others who are just entering college,” said Kevin Callahan, the Head Coach of the football team and Coach of the soccer team. He outlines the time in which students must sign in and out of the study hall that the players and athletics office will sign in when they arrive and sign out when they leave. The hall will be located in a room on the first floor, but the athletics office will be available to students to speak with while accomplishing their hours. Both the library and athletics office will be available to students during the transformation of stage in mid-November until further notice.

As of now, all athletes must report to the athletics office at the time of their scheduled study hours. If a student-athlete chooses to go to the Library, math, writing or tutoring centers, they may sometimes substitute that time for their study hours, but only as approved by their coach. When a student comes into the study hall, he/she must sign in so that the study hours are recorded to the track of who is going and who is not.

Punishments for not participating in study hours include submitting additional hours, loss of practice, loss of competition, or dismissal from the team dependent on the idea of each team’s head coach.

The new member of the Athletics Department, Claude Taylor, the Athletic Professor-in-Residence, proposed the study hall to the football team. He hopes that the hall will be called “The Department of Athletic Academic Performance Center.”

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Sandusky Scandal, Paterno Riots, and the Role of Morals

On November 4, 2011, a scandal that would soon rock the world was unwrapped at Penn State, when former Penn State State Defense Coordinator and a member of Joe Paterno’s staff for 35 years, Jerry Sandusky was found guilty on 40 counts of sex crimes against young boys. The indictment came after a three-year investigation on the matter, which examined the testimonies of potential victims as well as the former assistant at the time, Mike McQueary, who reportedly has been Sandusky’s sexually abusing a minor in 2002.

As the investigation’s content became prevalent, it was uncovered that Sandusky had been charged with committing crimes that involved minors involving eight different young boys. Some of the instances of abuse were present on Penn State property. On November 5, Sandusky was promptly arrested and charged with six counts of first-degree murder. The grand jury investigation revealed.

Effects of the scandal have hit everywhere. From the University’s president to the athletic director, the scandal has hit hard. On the day he was sentenced to serve 30 to 60 years in prison, Sandusky released a letter that was addressed to the students and alumni of Penn State. In the letter, Sandusky apologized to all of his victims, saying that he was “confused and naive” and not capable of understanding the consequences of his actions.

Since the investigation was made public, Spanier and head coach Joe Paterno of their duties. The action known to have taken place in response to the abuse was McQueary informing Head Foot. The former Penn State player promptly told the athletic director. But Curley and Schultz report they did not tell anyone at Penn State about the issue that banned Sandusky from bringing children to campus. Joe Paterno who had been a member of the Penn State coaching staff for over 50 years was referred to all the same way he said he would report the situation. The school fired Paterno after the former president of the team in 1990 and 2000 for these reasons. Paterno’s team was responsible for the betterment of their University, but the 84 year old, did not admit any wrong and was then asked to step down. Paterno’s team fell from 1990 to 2000 for these reasons.

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Will Campbell
drives to the net against Villanova in the Hawks’ season opener this past Friday.

Three-pointers, over the final 1:31 of the half to take a 35-36 lead at the intermission. The Hawks took a 59-57 advantage with just under eight minutes left in the game, but UMBC was able to pull away and hold on for the win. The Hawks were able to hold off against Wake Forrest on Monday night, when the Hawks face host Virginia Tech in the opening round of the 2011 Dick’s Sporting Goods NCAA Men’s Basketball Tournament Tip-Off in Blacksburg, Virginia. Tip-off is set for 7:02 pm in Cassell Coliseum.

Cross Country Competes at Mid-Atlantic Championships

The men’s and women’s cross country teams were set to compete in the Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships this past Saturday at the campus of the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

The men’s team finished 19th out of 25 schools while the women’s finished 16th out of 29 schools. The meet was run in two different schools coming from New Jer- sey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Delaware, and Washington D.C.

Freshman Khari Brown im- pressed everyone with his 4th place finish in the 10k (6.2 mile) course. For the women’s team, se- nior Hannah Sadler finished in a school best 41st place on the four mile track.

The men’s 19th place finish is the best for the team since the event in 2008. Senior Dan Colliotta finished in 94th place, the second best, for the male team with a time of 32:59.

Benson finished in 32:02, Sophomore Seth Robbins was the next Hawk to cross the line with a time of 33:53.5. Sen- iors Garth DeBlasio and Ryan Mul- ligan finished in 34:01 and 34:02, respectively. The sixth and seventh Hawks to cross the line were junior, Jeffery Auccog and sophomore De- blasio. The Hawks finished in 35:07 and 35:56, respectively.

The women’s team finished in 16th place and was the best placement out of any Northeast Conference school.

“Walter was a great athlete and a good man,” said the sophomore tight end on the football team. Callahan requires students to perform their study hours at the Library rather than the Athletics Office, and the students feel that the room is distracting.

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