

## New Brunswick Campus Offers Alternatives

By Scott Shanley  
Staff Writer

For MCC students looking for a different environment to take classes, look no further than the New Brunswick campus.

Since 1980, MCC has offered many courses at the facility ranging in everything from Statistics and Literature to Anatomy, Physiology and even non-credit courses. The campus also features three computer labs and a Biology laboratory for those interested.

The center has recently expanded activity and now has five full-time staff members, not including new librarian Michelle Bishop and

counselor Sheema Majiduddin.

"I love taking my night classes here because it's much closer to my job," says Kathleen Wilson, 18, of Fords. "It's good to know I have other options if my class and work schedules wind up conflicting somehow," she said.

"I would not characterize the center as different; unique is the word that comes to mind," says Marla Brinson, director of the New Brunswick center. Aside from classes, the center is also home to Financial Literacy Library, which has added a new hotline to assist both students and non-students in receiving essential financial education materials.

"The New Brunswick Center is very happy to play a small part in this initiative," said Brinson on the organization, which is sponsored by the Emanuel Community Development Corporation, New Millennium Bank and the New Jersey Financial Literacy Awareness Network. Other community partners of the campus include the Housing Coalition, New Brunswick Domestic Violence Awareness Coalition, State Theatre of New Jersey, the Puerto Rican Action Board and the Info Line of Middlesex County.

For students seeking extra help, free tutoring is available on Saturdays, along with various Student Success workshops throughout the semester.



From MCC website

New Brunswick Campus

## Insurance Available for Full-time MCC Students

By Jennifer Procanik  
Staff Writer

Middlesex County College offers its full-time students ages 17 and up, an accident and sickness insurance plan.

According to a statement made by Anne Ugrovics, MSN, RN, Director of Health and Safety at MCC, "Maintaining your good health is important for the successful completion of your studies at Middlesex County College. No one can avoid occasional sickness or accidental injuries. Nevertheless, we can all prepare for the financial consequences of such occurrences and provide for the required medical care," said Ugrovics.

A study funded by the Heinz Family Philanthropies and the

Chickering Group in 2002, found that 30 percent of college students do not have any type of health insurance. Approximately 4 million students who have to pay for all of their health care needs have to pay without any assistance, according to the study.

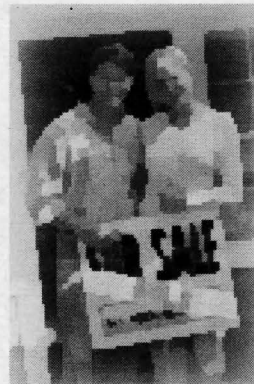
This plan offered by Bollinger Insurance agency, underwritten by Peoples Benefit Life Insurance company, is valid till September 1, 2007 (coverage begins the date the first payment is received).

According to Bollinger Insurance, this plan covers any medical expenses which arise from an accidental injury or illness that occur during the duration of your enrollment in this plan. This plan also applicable to the spouses and children of MCC

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## Jersey Housing Market Tough for Young Buyers

By Shirley Williams  
Staff Writer



For the mortgage brokers and real estate agents

looking for a hefty commission, New Jersey has been fertile ground over the past decade. Not so for young buyers in search of their first home.

Even with the slight decline in home sales prices over last year, prices dropped 2.1 percent from July of 2005 in the Northeast, New Jersey still ranks as one the most-costly housing markets in the nation. There are fewer affordable single-family new starter homes which show no signs of letting up. The shortage of land in New Jersey has driven costs up and almost eliminated the newly

constructed single-family starter homes from the market, industry experts say.

That does not mean that the dream of buying a home is completely out of reach for younger buyers. There are many banks eager to finance young couples with two incomes or a college graduate with a good job and clean credit report. In fact, every buyer should know what is on his or her credit report. Any problem should be addressed before starting the home buying process. A high FICO score means a better chance of getting a bank loan at a low interest rate. FICO scores range between 300 and 850. The higher the number, the better risk you

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## Mugger Accost Female Student in Parking Lot

By Reginald Grant  
Staff Writer

A female student was recently accosted and mugged on the Edison Campus of Middlesex County College.

According to Thomas Peterson, director of Marketing and Information for Middlesex County College, the incident took place on Tuesday, September 19 at around 8:30 p.m.

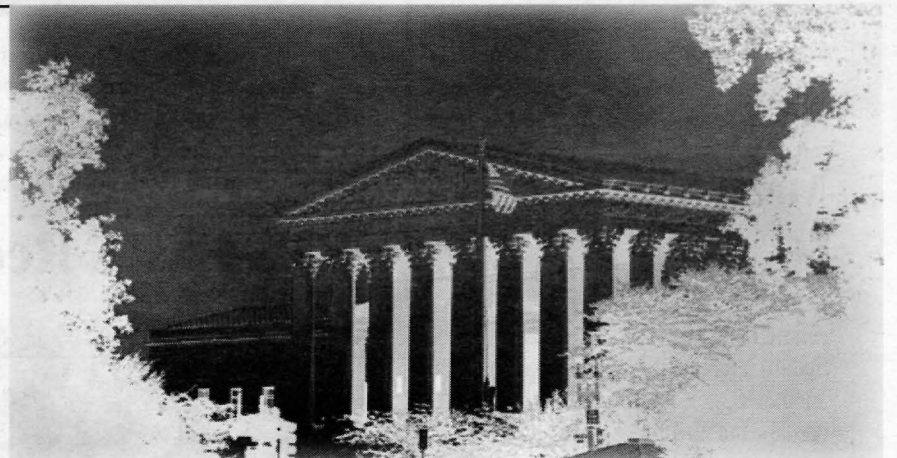
According to Peterson, the female student was in the area of Parking Lot 1 when a male wearing a

hood and described as weighing 200 pounds, forced her up against her car.

The sudden impact of the movement caused the student to drop her bag, which contained her cellular phone and wallet.

The perpetrator took the bag containing her possessions, then took a necklace she wore and some rings she wore on her fingers before fleeing on foot towards Mill Road.

According to Peterson, Campus Police have begun more frequent patrolling of that area.



## English becomes National Language

By Jennifer Procanik  
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According to the Library of Congress, last spring, as part of the legislation on immigration development, the Senate voted 63-34 to make English the "national" language.

According to the encyclopedia Wikipedia, a national language is "a language which uniquely represents the national identity of a nation or country." A national language is used for political and legal discourse and so designated by a country's government.

According to Wikipedia, an official language would require all gov-

ernment publications and business to be conducted in English

That prerequisite was not included in the Senate legislation. However, this bill does state that no one has "a right, entitlement or claim to have the government of the United States or any of its officials or representatives act, communicate, perform or provide services or materials in any language other than English."

"We're free to say what we want, speak what we want, but it is our national language," said Senator Lamar Alexander, Republican of Tennessee. The

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## MCC Campus & Community Calendar

### October 8

Time: 1 p.m.  
What- Columbus Day Parade  
Where- North Brunswick  
Held By the Italian American Club

### October 11

Time : 7 p.m.  
What: Margie Palatini— author of the children's books "Piggie Pie" and "Oink!"  
East Brunswick Library  
All programs are free and open to the public.  
For more information, call (732) 390-6767, (732) 390-6783 or  
Visit the library's Web site at www.ebpl.org

## Police Blotter

### Car Struck in Lot 4

On September 5, around 12:30 p.m., a motor vehicle accident occurred in Lot 4. Vehicle A was stuck on the front passenger side bumper by another vehicle that was entering Lot 4. No injuries were reported.

### School Bus Gets Stuck

On September 5, around 4 p.m., an empty school bus got stuck in the mud after the driver attempted to go around a dumpster on Hof Road. In an attempt to free the bus, it slid further into the surrounding grassy area. The Grounds Department was notified.

### Police Resond to Fire

On September 5, around 4:30 p.m., police responded to a fire alarm in Main Hall. The fire alarm had been activated in the science wing and police conducted a thorough search of the building. Edison Fire Department was dispatched, but no fire or smoke was found.

### Motor Vehicles Collide

On September 6, around 2 p.m., a motor vehicle accident occurred on College Drive East. Vehicle A was traveling on College Drive East when another vehicle made a left hand turn into Vehicle A. No injuries were reported.

### Backpack Disappears

On September 7, around 11 a.m., a student reported that he left his backpack in the bookstore lobby, upon returning he found it to be missing. Later, he received a call from the bookstore stating it had been returned.

### Motor Vehicles Collide

On September 7, around 11 a.m., a motor vehicle accident occurred on College Drive East. Vehicle A entered Lot 6A via its central main lane, then stopped awaiting to make a left hand turn when it was struck by another vehicle. Both vehicles sustained damage but no injuries were reported.

### Vehicle Sustains Hit and Run

On September 8, around 4:30 p.m., a hit and run occurred in Parking Lot 2. The student states that she parked her car in Lot 2 and when she returned there was damage to her back right bumper.

### Mischief Damages Gate Arm

On September 11, around 2:30 p.m., criminal mischief occurred in Parking Lot 3. The Gate Arm for Parking Lot 3 was damaged when vehicle drove through it. The driver of the vehicle was contacted and was notified of the damage and was required to make restitution.

### Car Gets Rear-Ended

On September 11, around 4 p.m., a motor vehicle accident occurred on Parkside drive. Vehicle A was stopped at a stop sign on Parkside Drive when it was rear-ended by another vehicle. No injuries were reported.

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## Robert Wood Johnson Nurse Strike Ends

By Jennifer Procanik  
Staff Writer

Early last month a 25-day strike ended as the nurses at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital voted on a contract, said Jerry Collins president of the United Steelworkers Local 4-200 union.

With a vote of 769 to 117, the nurses at RWJUH voted in favor of the contract and the nurses returned to work on September 21, 2006, said Collins.

According to Collins the union believes that important changes

were made to the health-care program for the nurses, which were the main source of negotiations.

According to union officials RWJUH has made changes to the health-care plan, including increasing doctors and hospitals without increasing costs and reducing co-pays for all non-emergency out-of-network care.

"We are coming back for the sake of our patients," said Collins.

"We are pleased that our nurses have ratified the contract and will be rejoining our health-care team at Robert Wood Johnson University

Hospital," said Dick Schrupf, the senior vice president of RWJUH.

According to Schrupf, the final contract which the nurses signed was the same contract they previously rejected late last month. However, they had clarified parts of the offer that officials felt had been poorly communicated to the members of the union.

A spokesman for RWJUH says that the MCC nursing program, which is closely affiliated with RWJUH, has not been and will not be affected by this strike, and they are pleased to welcome the new and returning nursing students into their nursing program.

## Special Eyes on the Environment Reception



Photo By Tom Peterson

A program called Special Eyes on the Environment held a reception for photographers on Thursday, September 28 in Edison Hall. The program allows people with cerebral palsy to express their creativity as they take photographs of the environment – both lovely landscapes and scenes of pollution. The exhibit will remain in Edison Hall through October 13. Here photographer Tom Phillips (seated) discusses some of his photographs with Dr. Ronald Goldfarb, vice president for legal and external affairs at Middlesex County College.

## NJ STARS Reception Held at President's Residence



Photo By Tom Peterson



Photo By Tom Peterson

A reception for NJ STARS students was held at the President's residence on campus September 26. These students – who were in the top 20 percent of their high school class – come to Middlesex on a full scholarship. The reception allowed them to mingle with fellow STARS students as well as faculty and administrators.

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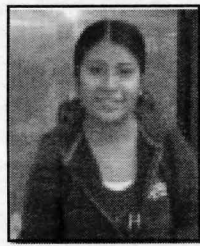
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## Should English be the Official Language in the United States?

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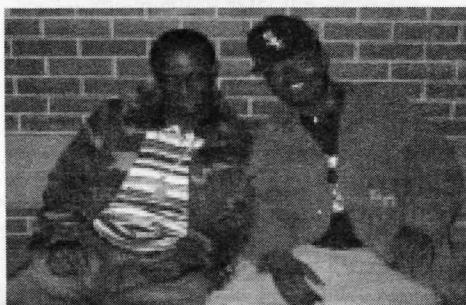
"Yeah; you are in this country and if you go to school, your classes would mostly be in English. The only classes that wouldn't be your language classes."



Kevin Youngman,  
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"No, I think American should be our official language. Because back in England, they don't have the same meanings we do in America; English has evolved so much, that it can't be called English any more. You have to look at the revolution times compared to the seven versions of slang we have here. In ten years, I think it will evolve so far, that if a British person would come to America, they won't be able to understand what we're talking about & vice-versa."

"Yes. Without English, you can't communicate with anyone. It's the dominant language. It's good to have your own personal dialect, but you have to know English too."



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"Yes. So many people try to come to America to do business, so I believe they should learn the language. English is also a universal language that's used in many countries, so you might as well learn it."



Courtney George,  
Education

"Yes. It should also be the only language given for the driving test!"

"Yes. And if you're in America, you should learn English. It's almost disrespectful to speak a different language if you're in United States. You wouldn't go to Spain or France and speak English and expect them to understand it."



Melissa Conte,  
Nursing

## Terrorism is the New Pink

By Ricky Dworzanski  
Staff Writer

Sept. 11, 2001. It is a date in history that will forever live in infamy. It's a day that everyone remembers exactly where they were when it happened. It's the day that became the definition of our generation. Soon after, the nation pulled together as one to unite and to become stronger. Flags were waving in the wind outside of nearly every home. Many, in support of relief efforts, donated money. One nation of people stood together, helping each other ease the grief.

The five year anniversary of 9/11 has just past and the way this event has been perceived by the public has evolved within this time span. Some people questioned the Islamic religion while others looked at Arab-Americans with a crooked eye. Many movies, documentaries and television shows such as "World Trade Center," "Fahrenheit 9/11" and ABC's "The Path to 9/11" have been produced much sooner than films that depicted tragedies like for instance, "Pearl Harbor." People became weary of flying on a plane with anyone wearing a turban. Those who choose to fly now need to remove their shoes and place it along with carry-on items to be scanned. No one would have even ever remotely dreamed of this happening fifteen years ago. Granted, any precaution that needs to be made to make this country a safer place for people to live in should be carried out, but it just goes to show the times we're living in now. It's become a craze.

Paranoia, according to the Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary, is the tendency on the part of an individual or group toward excessive or irrational suspiciousness and distrustfulness of others. On July 25, 2006, an Army Corps of engineers in Alton, Illinois, had invited the public for a discussion regarding ideas to improve fish movement at the nearby Melvin Price Locks and Dam, which is considered an impediment to the many species of fish that migrate upstream. Jim Bensman, an environmental activist, attended this meeting and suggested that instead of building a channel for fish to go around the dam to solve the problem, the dam should simply be removed. Bensman argued that dams are environmentally destructive and cost billions of dollars in corporate

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welfare for boating interests.

Although Bensman never once mentioned blowing up the dam (the corps' presentation mentioned blowing up the dam as a possible way to eliminate it), a local newspaper quoted him saying "he would like to see the dam blown up and resents paying taxes to fix dam problems when it is barge companies that profit from the dam." Suddenly within days, the FBI was questioning Bensman on the phone about being a possible threat to society. How could a local man that resembles a larger version of Jeff Foxworthy, who attended a public meeting to "reveal his plot" of tearing out a dam be considered a terrorist? That would be one gutsy terrorist, especially considering that he revealed his plans face-to-face with the Army Corps nonetheless.

The media plays a huge part in how they propel the paranoia. The effects of 9/11 seem a lot like the whole Y2K ordeal. At the time, Y2K was the topic of conversation. People talked about how computers, various companies and government functions would cease, causing mass hysteria. The media saw this as a chance to capitalize on the most talked about event. News outlets constantly reported that the turn of the century would make a glitch in computers causing them to stop working properly and ruin companies that relied on storing information on them. Companies frantically tried to upgrade their equipment as people panicked for the worst. The media exploited people's fears.

Yet when the year 2000 finally arrived, the lights were still on, computers did not crash, people's fears subsided and the media was out of a story. The Y2K craze went away as fast as little kids no longer thought tomagotchies were the coolest toy to have.

9/11 won't go away as fast as the Y2K incident though. Terrorism will always be around, it's been around long before 9/11, but the key to winning the war on terror is being able to control major catastrophes from happening again. 9/11 will be more like our generation's version of the Cold War in the sense where it would take a monumental event such as the complete downfall of al-Qaeda to even scratch the surface of controlling terrorism. And once again, the media would be out of a story.

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## Best Places For Pumpkin Picking

By Rosemary Petriello  
Staff Writer

In Middlesex County, there are plenty of places to go pick your own pumpkins and even go on a hayride during the month of October. Some of these places are:

**Blossom Hill Farms – Eiker Road, Cranbury, (609) 799-0226 or (609) 799-7275**

Their hours are Tuesday through Friday 10 am to 5 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 9 am to 5 pm. In addition to pumpkin picking, they also have apple and peach picking and snacks available, such as cider, pies, donuts, jams, jellies and mums.

**Giamarese Farm – 155 Fresh Pond Rd. East Brunswick (732) 821-9494**

Their hours are Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 1 pm to 7 p.m. There are free hayrides on the weekends and educational farm tours in September and October. They also have a corn maze and a roadside stand with strawberries, peas, lettuce, raspberries, peaches, apples and other assorted fruits and vegetables.

**Habiak Farms – 315 Deans Rhode Hall Rd. South Brunswick (732) 297-0751**

They are open on the weekends in October, and also weekends in December when Christmas trees can be purchased from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Joe Indyk – 595 Spotswood-Englishtown Rd. Jamesburg (732) 521-2548 or (732) 521-0729**

They are open from June to No-

vember. They also have a roadside stand where various fruits and vegetables can be purchased, and are conveniently located near Raceway Park.

**John Himich Farms – 701 Cranbury Rd. East Brunswick (732) 257-1538**

In addition to picking your own pumpkins, you can also purchase fruits, vegetables, local honey and flowers such as mums from their roadside stand.

**Stults Farm – Cranbury Neck Rd. Cranbury (609) 799-2523**

This farm is located two miles from the center of Cranbury and has hayrides and pumpkins for picking, as well as a roadside market with fruits and vegetables.

**Von Thun's Country Farm Market –**

**519 Ridge Rd. (Route 522) Monmouth Junction (732) 329-8656**

This farm has pick your own pumpkins, strawberries, raspberries and peas, as well as a roadside market with sweet corn, tomatoes and various home-grown fruits and vegetables.

They also have farm tours, family fun days, festivals and free hayrides.



## Cell Phones Hide Secrets

By Lannette Espy  
Staff Writer



Ever wonder what happens to old text messages once you delete them out of your cell phone? Are the messages gone for good?

According to AOL, second-hand phones which were purchased over the internet still had information stored on them from previous owners. The information included banking passwords, business secrets, and evidence of adultery.

AOL claims that a married man bought a new cell phone and later sold his old one on eBay Inc. for \$290 and the people who bought his old phone now know his secret. The married man was cheating on his wife and they had the texts to prove it.

AOL news also said, "Selling your old phone once you upgrade to a fancier model can be like handing over your diaries." That is because sensitive information piles up inside our cell phones, and deleting it is not as easy as people think. Even resetting the phone may look like the information was erased, but it can be resurrected using inexpensive software found on the internet.

MCC student Lisa A. Vacca, 18, acting major, has Verizon and said, "I'd be enraged if people could find out my secrets that easily by going through my phone." Vacca also said she does not keep anything personal on her phone. "I would never sell my phone over the internet," Vacca says.

"The tools are out there for hackers and thieves to rummage through deleted data on phones," Trust Digital's chief technology officer, Norm Lauderemilch said. "It definitely doesn't take a Ph.D."

## Grey's Anatomy Picks Up Where it Left Off

By John Dempsey  
Staff Writer

Grey's Anatomy has returned for a third season and if the first couple weeks are any indication, it will remain as popular as it finished last year.

The season premier drew 31 million viewers for ABC on Sep. 21 and picked up right where the previous year ended, the night of the Seattle Grace Hospital "prom".

The fictitious Seattle Grace Hospital is where the main characters of the show work or intern as surgeons, with the plot revolving around doctors Derek Shepherd (Patrick Dempsey) and Meredith Grey (Ellen Pompeo), whom the show is titled after, and their on and off romance since the first season.

Last year finished off with the interns at the hospital throwing a prom for the Chief of Surgery's niece, who missed her own due to a chronic illness. Grey, who was dating Finn Dandridge (Chris O'Donnell), and Shepherd, who had left Meredith to reconnect with his estranged wife, flick the on-switch to their relationship and sleep together at the prom, followed with the season-ending scene where it looks as if Grey will have to decide between McDreamy or McVet (nicknames for Shepherd and Dandridge, respectively).

The new season opens with Grey talking it out with fellow intern and roommate, Cristina Yang (Sandra Oh), who is also dating a surgeon at the hospital, Preston Burke (Isaiah Washington). When Finn comes over to tell Grey that he is not mad about her night before with Shepherd because they were never "exclusive," she panics and goes to check on the well-being of her friend, "Izzie" Stevens.

Isobel, or Izzie to her friends, has just lost the man she loves, a patient she had spent a lot of time caring for and eventually became close with. Denny Duquette (Jeffrey Dean Morgan) suffered with a bad heart his whole life and has spent most of it in and out of hospitals.

During the season finale, a heart had become available for transplant, but because Denny's name was entered on the recipient list 17 seconds after a patient from another hospital, Izzie sets out to prove he needs it more

by bringing him to the brink of death. Her irresponsible and life-threatening plan nearly worked, as Denny received the heart but later in the evening dies due to unexpected complications. Izzie is heartbroken and begins the new season laying on the floor in her room, distraught, shocked, and still wearing her prom dress.

Cristina falls into some trouble of her own: while she is stripping and straddling Burke as he lies in his hospital bed, his judgmental mother and quiet father walk in. Burke had been shot at the end of last season, and now seems like he is having trouble keeping his surgical hand still, due to possible nerve damage in his arm from the gunshot wound.

There is also intern George O'Malley (T.R. Knight) and his girlfriend, a doctor at the hospital of course, Callie Torres (Sara Ramirez), who loves O'Malley and longs for him to return the affection. It is proving tough for George because not long ago he slept with Grey who he was in love with, and maybe still is, but Grey never loved him back and had made a monumental mistake by sleeping with him.

Meanwhile, Shepherd has finally confessed his love for Grey, and decided that he must end his strained marriage to fellow surgeon, Addison Shepherd (Kate Walsh). The Shepherds used to live in New York until Derek found Addison cheating with his best friend, Mark Sloane (Eric Dane, nicknamed McSteamy by the female interns).

He moved to Seattle to start over and met Grey at Emerald City Bar, a common retreat across from the hospital for the characters. It was not until the end of the first season that the audience found out Derek was still married, and eventually chose to work things out rather than stay with Meredith, a choice he now knows was wrong for him.

When he goes over to the hotel Addison is currently staying at after finding out about Derek and Meredith, he knows he is making the right choice but still seems upset that his marriage is ending. His feelings change when none other than McSteamy comes walking out of the bathroom, wearing nothing but a towel.

It will be very interesting and

amusing to see how everything works out. Meredith has decided to date both McDreamy and McVet after deciding a coin-flip was too impractical. How will the always tough and outspoken Cristina deal with Burke's over-demanding mother? Will George be able to summon up the words his girlfriend is deservedly longing to hear? What is to become of the relationship between the Shepherds, and between Addison and Sloane?

It all adds up to what could be the best season to date from the young show, only in its third year, but already one of the most popular shows on TV. If you can follow everything above, then you should be able to transition smoothly into a regular viewer, starting tomorrow, Oct. 5, at 9 p.m..

## eBaum's WORLD Provides Online Fun

By Rosemary Petriello  
Staff Writer

We all need some "down time," and there is a perfect place to take a break from our everyday lives.

Visit [www.eBaumsworld.com](http://www.eBaumsworld.com) because it offers entertainment that is sure to be enjoyed by all.

They have jokes of the week that are listed in many categories, and daily horoscopes.

There is also something unusual called "flirt-scores," which are categorized by zodiac signs and offer bits of information on relationships and flirting.

According to Amy Jones who works for the company's public relations firm, Ogilvy PR, the website was created by Eric Bauman and was originally designed in 1998 as a communication vehicle for Bauman's family and friends.

As stated in Bauman's biography, the site was so overloaded with traffic that

Bauman received a phone call from the web host, and from this point devised a genius advertising plan to expand his family website into a business.

Also stated in his biography, Bauman oversees the website operation from his headquarters in Rochester, New York, while also pursuing other business deals.



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## Sean "Diddy" Combs Releases Third Album

By Reginald Grant  
Staff Writer

### Review

Multi-faceted hip-hop mogul and entrepreneur, Sean "Diddy" Combs, will be reprising his role as a recording artist as he prepares to release his third album.

The album, entitled *Press Play*, will be distributed by Combs' Bad Boy Entertainment record label on October 17. The first single from Combs' latest opus is entitled *Come To Me*, and features Nicole Scherzinger of the *PussyCat Dolls*.

The song is currently in heavy rotation on both radio and television and is generating a healthy buzz for his albums' fast approaching release date.

To help add to the anticipation building around *Press Play*, Combs has joined the increasingly popular blog site, *My Space*.

*My Space* is an extremely popular web community where members create profiles and are free to chat and befriend other members of the community.

On Combs' page, members of the

*My Space* community are privy to a variety of different photos of the mogul in different facets of his well-publicized jet setting lifestyle. In addition to the photos, the artist formerly known as Puff Daddy offers his "My Space Family", as he refers to the friends on his page, a more in depth look into his daily routines via personal videos he has uploaded to his page.

The videos, or webisodes as they are referred to, show the artist in a variety of situations including getting a haircut, eating a chef prepared breakfast, taking a bath and a peculiar bit where he credits skin care system ProActiv for helping him achieve what he describes as "silky, smooth, cocoa butter skin."

Perhaps the most important aspect of Diddy's *My Space* page is the musical section where he has

been previewing songs from his upcoming album.

Aside from his own relentless promotional efforts, Sean Combs name has managed to remain prominent in the media world due to some recent controversies that the media magnate recently found himself involved. First, Combs' found himself embroiled in an intense, albeit short, war of words with hip-hop superstar, Curtis "50 Cent" Jackson.

The battle between the two hip-hop behemoths was ignited by Combs' refusal to allow former protégé, Mase, to join Jackson's G-Unit Record label without financial compensation.

Combs' refusal did not sit well with Jackson, who went on to criticize and ridicule Combs in the media. Tensions came to a head with Jackson's release of "Get Down", an insult-laden song directed at Combs. Despite the bad blood between the two, hip-hop themed website All Hip-Hop.com reported the two were able

to reach a mutual understanding after being brought together by a mutual acquaintance.

In addition to rap battles, Combs also recently found himself in a battle for his identity.

Combs, who has used a variety of different nicknames throughout his career in entertainment, was recently embroiled in an overseas court battle over his most recent moniker. According to the Associated Press, UK DJ Richard "Diddy" Dearlove accused Combs of unfair competition, citing that his adoption of Dearlove's stage name had caused unjust confusion between the two.

In a court settlement, Combs agreed to drop refrain from using the "Diddy" moniker for marketing and branding purposes in the UK.

Combs also agreed to pay Dearlove's court cost as well as a substantial settlement. Despite the negativity surrounding Combs recent media blitzkrieg, the attention has served to increase his visibility in the critically important days leading to the release of his album.

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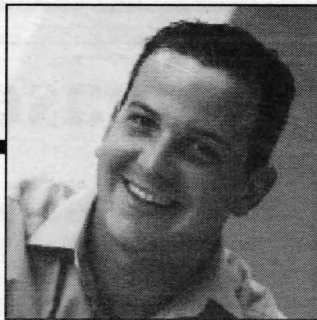
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## Horoscopes

By Jennifer Procanik  
Staff Writer



Aquarius  
(Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

The week will be more successful if you recognize the source of your stress early. Schedules can be congested and demanding.

Your partner, friends, coworkers and other loved ones may appear lazy as you attempt to involve them in some of your activities.

This will only cause unwanted and unneeded stress.

Lucky Number: 482 Compatible sign: Libra.



Pisces  
(Feb. 19 - March 20)

Expect pleasant news and good communications this week. Avoid making an issue of minor issues.

Beware of possibility of pop quizzes. Lucky Number: 279, Compatible sign: Aries.



Aries  
(March 19 - April 21)

Check up on what hasn't been done this week.

You may be surprised to find that you have ignored something critical.

Mistakes can creep their way into your relationships, be careful. Beware of the immediate return of someone from your past, they will cause emotional problems.

Lucky Number: 399, Compatible sign: Aquarius.



Taurus  
(April 20 - May 20)

Don't expect too much from people whom you depend on, they might just let you down. Money matters begin to peak. This weekend gives numerous chances for heart-to-heart talks with someone you love. Lucky Number: 515, Compatible sign: Libra



Gemini  
(May 21 - June 21)

Secrets threaten to accent confidential matters, past experiences and family aggravations. Alliances and friendships can be cemented during the late week. You will be meet someone this week who will prove themselves to be significant in your life. When you smile, take the bitter with the sweet, and prove friendly and outgoing. Lucky Number: 837, Compatible sign: Pisces.



Leo  
(July 23 - Aug. 22)

The aspects are favorable for conducting something of a secret or confidential nature. Travel is well expected this week, especially if it tends to be romantic and social.

Lucky Number: 039 Compatible sign: Sagittarius.



Virgo  
(Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

Despite the conflict with others, don't give up on your plans this week. Influential friends will support any decision you make later this week. Finish any long term projects you have started this week, this will allow you the piece of mind you crave Lucky Number: 779, Compatible sign: Sagittarius.



Libra  
(Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)

A confrontation early this week will encourage the resolution of unresolved problems, especially those of yourself and close relatives. You feel strong, ardent, anxious and affectionate, take advantage of these feelings, and follow your intuition. Lucky Number: 168, Compatible sign: Leo.



Scorpio  
(Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)

You will not feel up to your normal self this week, but generally you can offset this. The key to the week's trends involves facing up to all matters rationally.

Lucky Number: 075, Compatible sign: Capricorn.



Sagittarius  
(Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

Avoid becoming lost in minor details this week, especially those connected with school and romance. You're attempting too much, too fast. Lucky Number: 193, Compatible sign: Taurus.



Capricorn  
(Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

Problems can arise when you do not follow through with a promise. This could cause you to drift away from a friend, but bring you much closer to a someone you never expected. Lucky Number: 474 compatible sign: Aquarius.

## Poetry



## I Dream

By Jennifer Elizabeth Procanik  
Staff Writer

I dream,  
The same dream, night after night.  
A dream so real I feel it lingering on my skin  
The morning after.  
It surges through my blood, with raging craze  
A feeling I can not control,  
But in turn be controlled by.  
Every night the sanity of my insanity closes on  
A dream I can not control  
I feel it and my muscles twitch  
What do you do to me that makes Me tremble in my dreams.  
I can feel your touch,  
Warm and yet a delusion  
My passion so disobedient  
It haunts me in my sleep  
I dream  
The same dream, night after night  
Of you.

Submit Poetry to  
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## Dear Blonde Wonder

Dear Blonde Wonder,  
My boyfriend and I were together for almost five years. He told me back in January that he cheated on me and the other girl got pregnant. He left me to be with her even though they did not keep the baby, and now he refuses to even acknowledge that he knows me when he sees me on campus.

What do I do and why can't I move on? Heartbroken and Invisible

Dear Heartbroken and Invisible,  
Breaking up with a significant other is always hard, and requires time, and a relationship that lasted as long as yours needs more time than most. "Time heals all wounds" may sound clichéd but its true. Your heart will heal, and the scarring will eventually fade, but do not ever expect it to go away completely. Don't spend too much time dwelling on the past. It may hurt, but get out there again. You're young and resilient, and you deserve someone better. If he ignores you on campus, just ignore him back, and let him see that you are better off with out him, because you are!

Dear Blonde Wonder,

My friends are constantly leaving me out of their plans, and I make sure I go out of my way to involve all of them in mine. They are always giving me excuses as to why they leave me out, saying they thought I was busy, they did not think I would want to go, or they didn't think of me. What do I do?

The Imaginary Friend

Dear The Imaginary Friend,

It is completely possible that they are forgetting you by mistake or it's possible they do it on purpose. Do not let them walk over you. If they are your "friends," confront them and tell them your mad and hurt, because if they really are your friends, they will feel horrible about

how they made you feel and will make sure they include you in their plans. Tell them that they need to stop making premature assumptions about you, and do not let them decide what you do or do not want to do. It is completely okay to tell them your busy or that you are not interested, but you are the one who has to make that decision. If they still ignore you and leave you out of their plans, find better friends, ones who want you around and who will do things that you enjoy. Do not mistake college life for high school; there are thousands of other potential friends. Do not feel like you owe them anything, because apparently, they do not feel that way about you.





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## Game

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Try to fill in the missing numbers.

Use the numbers 1 through 25 to complete the equations.

Each number is only used once.

Each row is a math equation. Each column is a math equation.

Remember that multiplication and division are performed before addition and subtraction.

# Contest for MCC Students

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The Blonde Wonder will be glad to answer you in the next issue.



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Professor Lynn Winik

Photo By Shelia Henry

## Professor Winik Directs "I Ought to Be in Pictures"

By Shelia Henry  
Staff Writer

Professor Lynn Winik, who is directing "I Ought to be in pictures" starting on October 6, calls herself an "actor," and had been acting since seven years old. She brings a lifetime of experience to the stage.

Her neat, uncluttered office, shows how she defines herself with clear direction and reaches her goals.

She said she selected the play

because she is in love with plays by Neil Simon..

"I believe that the students and the community at large may be able to identify with it and have some fun at the same time," she said.

She said she is inspired to be a director because of her career as a professional actor.

She said, "Being a director comes with responsibility and I like that responsibility."

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## Donna Kauffman Delivers Another Sexy and Sassy Novel

By Jennifer Procanik  
Staff Writer

### Book Review

Donna Kauffman, author of the Glass Slipper series delivers another sassy and sexy novel, "The Cinderella Rules." Kauffman derives her motivation for her fun and flirty books by the most popular and well-known fairytales with the addition of contemporary

twists and turns. Kauffman's novels depict that although every woman deserves a fairytale ending, it does not come without pain, sacrifice, the courage to humiliate yourself periodically and of course the perfect shoe.

Ranch owner Darby Landon had never been able to refuse her baby sister Pepper. So when Pepper calls, begging Darby to fill in as an escort to a business associate of their father's in Washington, D.C., Darby agrees grudgingly. However her lingering absence from the D.C. social setting means that cowgirl Darby needs intensive training in impressing and fitting in with the rest of the upper class, not to mention a much needed beauty makeover. Understanding Darby's desperate situation, Pepper sends her to Glass Slipper, Inc., whose three practiced proprietors, the fairy Godmothers, are legendary for transforming the homely Cinderella's into alluring and tempting princesses, with charm and grace that is irresistible to men. Almost immediately upon arriving in Washington D.C., Darby meets the unmanageable and charismatic Shane Morgan and surprisingly they are instantly drawn to each other.

Shane Morgan, a prodigal grandson, is returning home to become heir to a multi-billion dollar business empire. Shane is no more content with his new facade as a business mogul than Darby is with her fabricated transformation. In the



Donna Kauffman's "Cinderella Rules"

hollow world of prosperity and self-indulgence, they find an undeniable connection in one another. However, before long their irrefutable sexual magnetism becomes too compelling and fierce and begins to dominate the relationship. As their relationship

begins to heat up on multiple levels, Stefan Bjornsen, the aforementioned business colleague (who just happens to be a Viking god of sexuality and flesh) enters. Before long Darby finds herself to be the spotlight of attention between two of the sexiest and richest men ever to grace her path, or even the planet. This captivating love triangle begins to agitate all those involved. Who will Darby choose; the rugged and carefree Shane, or the intense and determined Stefan? Furthermore, when a deadly secret rears its ugly head and skeletons come plummeting out of closets, will love conquer?

Written with fortitude and genuineness in a fashion that is an equal fusion of love, hilarity and seriousness, "The Cinderella Rules" is assured to plunge readers in its illuminating saga.

The Cinderella rules, which are portrayed by the Fairy Godmothers, introduce each chapter. These "rules" are not only contemplative gems of sensitive insight, but also deeply motivating. This romantic novel is sexy, sassy and irrefutably flirty, which entwines a welcome cord of humor and wit into the fabric of the story.

The heart of this book lies not just in characters or story line, but in the affecting and poignant connection, allegiance and legacies which surpass each character, constructing them as steadfast, dependable, authentic and credible.

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## Steinbeck Opens Up The World To Us In His Book

By Kimberly Stuart  
Staff Writer

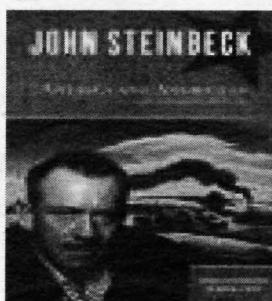
### Book Review

We all know Steinbeck from his popular novels such as "Grapes of Wrath," "The Pearl" and "Of Mice and Men" yet few know that he started his writing career off as a journalist.

Steinbeck's book "America and Americans" shows us not only where he received his inspirations for

his many books, but articles and notes on wars that he experienced in his life time.

Steinbeck wrote a few selections on where he was born and raised; by doing this it helps explain his choice of characters



John Steinbeck's "America and Americans"

and plot lines.

The most interesting part of the book was his reflections on his travels across America, Europe and Vietnam.

Always being brutally honest about whatever he saw and where he saw it, you are able to read between the lines and find his sarcastic humor about the situations.

In one sections he tells the reader about his "luck" during the Great Depression and how every night became a drunken party

because there was nothing better to do.

His personal writings and views on the politics of his time make you respect Steinbeck so much more.

He was a man with extreme talent and used it for the better of mankind.

From staking out in a hotel in Vietnam during the war so he can write an article telling people both sides of the fight, to the Chaucer like tales of the people he met and befriended during his travels, Steinbeck opens up the world to you.



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## World Series 2006: New York Mets Vs. New York Yankees?

By Bill Lavallo  
Staff Writer

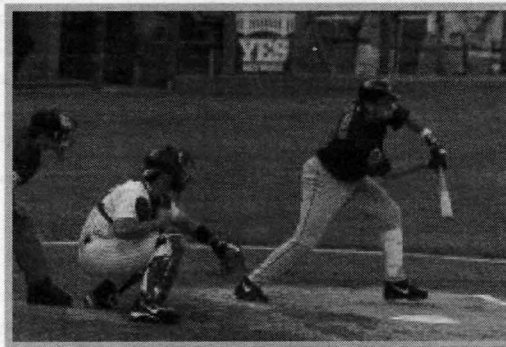
This year is the year of another hopeful Subway Series between the New York Mets and the New York Yankees. The two best teams in baseball, as of right now, are dominating their divisions, as well as their leagues. The baseball playoffs are just about to begin and New York finally has something else to look forward to, the New York Mets. The year 2000 brought a lot of excitement and hope to this city, but the probability and of course, the win, landed on those New York Yankees. This year is a bit different.

The Mets have a whole new different team amongst themselves with a lot more better players. Players such as Carlos Delgado, David Wright, Jose Reyes, Carlos Beltran, and Cliff Floyd have been bringing their team to the top. These players carry their team with power, speed, pitching, and hit

after hit. Pitchers Pedro Martinez, Tom Glavine, Orlando Hernandez, and Steve Trachsel have been taking their team far as well. The big difference for this year's New York Mets has to be the new

general manager Omar Minaya, and the new manager Willie Randolph. The passed five years have been a big slump for the Mets and they're looking to forget about that slump, come on top to win the National League title, and then win the World Series. The Yankees don't want that to happen.

Six years have been long enough for them and they want to



Mets vs . Yankees June 28th 2002

seem as if they weren't going to come close to the playoffs by the end of the year. Well, the Yankees have changed things around with their bats coming alive, as well as their pitching. The Yankees have their baseball slaughterer Derek Jeter, who is one deadly hitter and can keep his batting average over .300 anytime of the day. The Yankees also have Alex Rodriguez, Jason

regain their championship. The beginning of the year has been somewhat of a struggle for the Yankees with their poor pitching, making it

Giambi, Robinson Cano, and Jorge Posada. Joe Torre has put the Yankees in the spotlight the passed 10 years and he's hoping he can put them in that spotlight this year. They have brought their team back to the top of their division and are ready to take on whatever team it may be in the playoffs.

The playoffs will be interesting and every New Yorker is hoping for another subway series. This is a whole different year and a lot of different things can be expected to happen, such as the New York Mets winning the World Series. Every team starts off at square one again once the playoffs begin, so anything can happen. Both teams can be knocked out of the playoffs early, so cheer on for both New York teams because we should be one big, happy family...until the World Series.

## Steroids Have Negative Effect on Every Aspect of the Game

By Adam Garabedion  
Staff Writer

Robert Wisniewski, Director of Athletics and the Physical Education Center as well as HPERD Chairperson at Middlesex County College, and Michael Lepore, head coach of the baseball team at MCC, said that steroids have been a negative influence on the scene of both college and professional sports in every aspect of the game.

The controversy surrounding steroid use in sports has increased greatly since 2003, when several professional baseball players were forced to testify in front of a federal grand jury.

Wisniewski said he believes that if athletes have pure talent and skill to participate in professional sports, they should want to succeed by hard work and ethics, and that drug testing in sports is only going to increase in the foreseeable future.

"In the long run, it will end up hurting you," he said. "It's not to their benefit. It will be a negative influence to their bodies and career."

Lepore shared the same opinion with Wisniewski, and said that he thinks hard work, skill, and ability are the only qualities athletes should embody to achieve their goals in sports. "Steroids should be outlawed," Lepore said. He also said that although steroids may serve as a fast, immediate solution for athletes to get

"In the long run, it will end up hurting you."

**-Robert Wisniewski, Director of Athletics and the Physical Education Center**

ahead in the competition of sports, steroids may "help now, but they will kill later. Amateur athletes should never use them."

In 2005, USA Today reported that according to a survey conducted by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, "steroid use among high school students more than doubled between 1991 and 2003. More than six percent of 15,000 students surveyed

admitted trying steroid pills or injections."

In professional sports, many athletes have also been found to be guilty of steroid use in recent years. Floyd Landis, the winner of the Tour De France bicycle race in August of 2006, tested positive for steroids after the results of his blood test came back positive, and he now faces doping allegations that will determine his fate in the future of the sport of cycling. Also this summer, Justin Gatlin, the reigning world and Olympic champion in the 100-meter race and co-holder of the world record in the event, tested positive for steroids back in late July of 2006. Controversy continues to surround each and every athlete in college and professional sports.

## Is the UFC Becoming More Popular Than WWE and Boxing?

By Phil Mathew  
Staff Writer

The Ultimate Fighting Championship has been around since the early 90's with the best of martial arts action.

However, the last few months have brought the highest buys in the history of the championship.

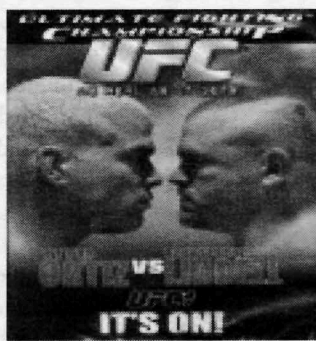
The UFC 61, which had a main event of Ken Shamrock vs. Tito Ortiz, had 775,000 buys and the previous event, UFC 60 with legend Royce Gracie and current champion Matt Hughes, had 800,000 buys.

The only WWE pay per view

that comes close in buys is the showcase event, Wrestlemania.

Outside of that event, the WWE events have been well behind the UFC with an average of 340,000 buys versus 490,000.

Boxing at



Past Promo for the UFC

this time has around the same number of buys as the UFC, mostly because of the big name heavy-weight fights not being around.

The lack of a Mike Tyson or Lennox Lewis has not helped the boxing case. Unless you're a diehard boxing fan, most of the people on main event cards are not known figures.

With the program-

ming on the Spike TV and Fox Sports network of UFC, the promotion of the big fights as well as the fighters has been brought into mainstream media.

One of the big shows on Spike is the Ultimate Fighter program in its fourth season, which has made stars like Season One Champion Forrest Griffin.

In the end, the UFC hasn't officially taken over boxing as the most popular PPV sport, but it may happen soon.

## Fall 2006 Cross Country Schedule

Sun Oct 08	Highlander Invitational	Brach Brook Park, Newark, NJ	TBA
Sat Oct 14	West Point Prep Invitational	Holmdel Park, Holmdel, NJ	TBA
Sat Oct 21	Regionals	Gloucester County College, Sewell, NJ	TBA
Sat Oct 28	District Championship	CCRI, Warwick, RI	TBA
Sat Nov 11	NJCAA Div. III Championship	Alfred State, Alfred NY	TBA



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## Cheerleading Squad Holds Tryouts

By Sam Lipman-Stern  
Staff Writer

The Middlesex County College Cheerleading Squad practices every Monday and Wednesday in the college gym in preparation for cheering for the Men's basketball team.

The Cheerleading Squad is currently holding tryouts with the goal of having 20 cheerleaders on the squad said Jackie Tierney, the Squad's President. The cheerleading practices are intense because they have to be prepared for the pressure

that is on them during the actual basketball games that begin Tuesday, November 21.

"When you're out there cheering during the game you have to be fearless and have perfect balance. One wrong move during a stunt and someone could get hurt," said Nicole Loprete, the Squad's Captain.

"Cheerleading is fun and the games are very exciting to watch," said Jenn Roque, Vice President of the Squad. Cheerleader Laquanda Davis said that cheerleading is the best way she can show support for the basketball team and also encourage them to do better during the games.

Guida Santos, the Squads Co-Captain, said, "I enjoy being part of something; we do fundraising and charity work, we all have a bond and make friendships that will last throughout college."

The Cheerleading Squad is involved in the school community as well as the outside community "We are planning a Thanksgiving food drive, we do bake sales to raise money for the team and also help with the schools Halloween party," said Jenn Roque.

Matt Coppola, a Middlesex

County College student trying out for the Squad, said that he is interested in joining the squad but may not join because of the negative way some people view male cheerleaders. Captain Nicole Loprete responded by saying, "In all colleges there are male cheerleaders and there is nothing wrong with it. All that matters is that you have confidence in yourself."

The four leaders of the Cheerleading Squad say that they are excited about cheerleading for the new semester and encourage all Middlesex County College students to come out and show their school spirit during the basketball games.

## MCC Student Wrestles Into History

By Lauren Mortenson  
Staff Writer

Wendy Konopko, 19, a student at MCC, will be wrestling for the first ever Jersey Women's J-Cup on Friday, October 6, at the Woodbridge Elks Lodge in Rahway. Ringside tickets, which can be bought at the door, cost \$20

A full-time student at Middlesex this semester, Konopko is known as Alexa Thatcher when she wrestles.

She will be competing against seven other female wrestlers for the Jersey Cup. Some of Alexa's



Wendy Konopko

Alere Little Feather, Alicia, and Mercedes Martinez. Alexa Thatcher has been wrestling for two years now and holds three separate women's titles

She said wrestling has been a big part of her life.

"Since I was a little kid, I've been a huge fan of the sport. Corvis Fear, a wrestler for several major wrestling companies including the NWS, JAPW, and EWA, got me into wrestling when I met him, and I've been wrestling ever since. I

absolutely love it!" she said.

Corvis Fear has been wrestling for five years now and holds several titles, including the NWS Tag Team Championship and the NWS Jersey Shore Championship. For more information on Corvis Fear, log onto his website at [www.corvisfear.com](http://www.corvisfear.com).

The wrestling match starts at 7:45 p.m. For more information about tickets and seating to the first ever Women's J-Cup, visit [www.nswrestling.com](http://www.nswrestling.com) or call (732)888-1704.

## MCC Offers Fitness Center for Students and Staff

By Lanette Espy  
Staff Writer

Even though summer passed us, it is still a great time to gear our bodies into shape. MCC's Physical Education Center is the perfect place to work out and is open for college students, staff, and the general public. Current full and

part time MCC students may have use of the swimming pool and gymnasium free of charge. The weight room is also free of charge during recreation hours.

To use the weight room in the evening and other hours, one must become a Fitness Club member. In the physical education center, Room B100,

the intercollegiate athletic office offers membership applications. Becoming a fitness club member includes free use of all facilities during posted recreation hours, excluding the racquetball courts which are available at reduced rates.

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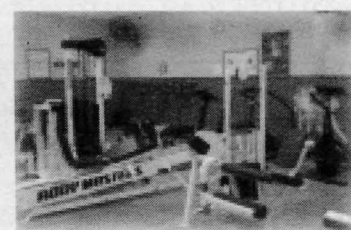
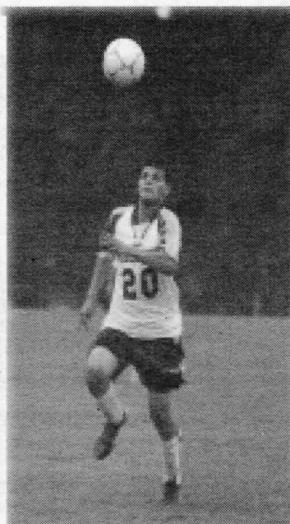


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## MCC Men's Soccer Team Against Ocean County Community College



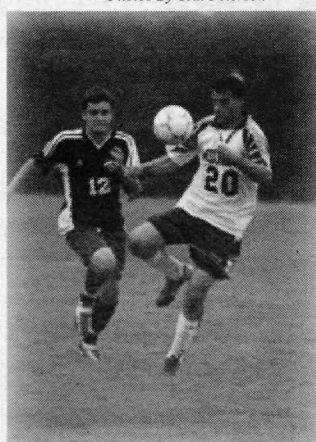
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students.

"We offer an exclusive program of accident and sickness insurance for college students. The program is currently available in 40 states, and the District of Columbia," said a statement from the Bollinger website.

Bollinger is currently insuring over 200 colleges and universities, each college and university offer different benefits. Some of the benefits offered to MCC students include;

-Benefits ranging from \$1,000 to \$50,000

-Various waiver enrollment methods

-PPO networks available on a non-mandatory basis ( according to Wikipedia encyclopedia , a PPO is a managed care organization of medical doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers who work with an insurer to provide health care at reduced rates to the insurer's clients.)

-Toll free 800 phone number available for use by all college administrators, students, parents, and claimants.

The State of New Jersey requires that all full-time students have health insurance. According to MCC, the cost of the coverage for full-time students is included in the tuition bill. If a student can prove that they already have a valid insurance plan, this program may be waived. A waiver form can be obtained from the College Cashier in Chambers Hall.

Furthermore, there are voluntary plans for part-time students as well as plans for the dependents of full-time and part-time students. These plans also allow domestic partners to qualify as dependents if they meet the requirements.

For more information on this plan, or to obtain an application, identification form or claim form, feel free to visit the Bollinger/Middlesex website at; [www.bollingerinsurance.com/middlesex/identification.html](http://www.bollingerinsurance.com/middlesex/identification.html),

or contact the MCC College Health Services Coordinator at (732) 906-2530

**Real Estate** *con't from page 1*

amendment was proposed by Senator James M. Inhofe, Republican of Oklahoma.

According to the Library of Congress, on August 3, 2006, The National Language Act of 2006 was referred to the committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. If this bill is passed it will "...declare English as the official language of the Government of the United States, and for other purposes."

According to the National Language Act of 2006, in addition to declaring English as the official language of the country, it will require all official Government activities to be held in English. This bill also calls for the preservation and enhancement of the role English will play as the official language.

Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid (D) was disturbed by this bill and the Senate and stated that English being declared the official and or national language was "racist."

President Bush stated, "If you learn English, and you're a hard worker, and you have a dream, you have the capacity from going from picking crops to owning the store, or from sweeping office floors to being an office manager,"

According to the Rasmussen Reports Survey, approximately 85 percent of Americans believe that English should be the official language of the United States.

**Corrections Box: Quo Vadis apologizes for the following:**

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**Page 6 Faculty Profile:**

**Chemistry Professor, Diane Tainor**

**Should be Diane Trainor**

## Quo Vadis Market Place

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**Language** *con't from page 1*

represent to lenders.

Thanks to low and zero down payment mortgage options, and rock bottom interest rates, 20 year olds are able to buy their own homes. In fact, the number of single-family home buyers under 25 has nearly doubled in the past decade, according to Walter Molony, senior public-affairs associate at the National Association of Realtors in Chicago. Many younger buyers are putting their money in real estate for investment purposes as well.

Existing homes' sales prices vary widely in the state. For example, Money Magazine reported the median sales price in Middlesex County was around \$320,000. The average home in northern New Jersey homes was selling for \$400,000. In urban areas such as Trenton where some gentrification is beginning to take place, the cost of buying an existing home is about \$230,000. Also, the interest rate is still appealing at an average of 6.5 percent.

Real estate professionals identified the New Jersey shore as the hot area. The shore will continue to transition from a vacation hot spot to a primary housing market where people live year-round. Recent college grads are increasingly choosing the shore as a desirable home base. Many young buyers are grabbing up shore property for investment purposes. There is no telling what new trends will surface or where the New Jersey real estate market will be five years from now. But for young buyers with cash and courage, the sky is the limit.

**Fitness** *con't from page 11*

There are four racquetball courts to enjoy. For off-peak hours, the rate is \$10 per hour, and for peak hours it is \$20 per hour.

To become a fitness club member for the fall semester, it is \$25 for an individual student and free for individual faculty and staff. Students and faculty can also get three additional family members involved to take part of the action.

The fitness room is a 2,000 square foot fitness center with Stairmasters, treadmills, free weights, bicycles, and weight machines. Available for use are also locker rooms to store belongings, as well as the saunas. Right next to the locker rooms is a 25-meter swimming pool with a separate diving area.

The Physical Education Center also includes a 31,000 square foot, college-sized basketball court. A dance studio and exercise/wrestling rooms are also in this building but are limited to college-sponsored purposes. For pool hours and additional information call 732-906-2558.

**Pictures** *con't from page*

She said she has directed a couple of a hundred plays.

She has a bachelor's degree from Northwestern University and a master's from New York University. She said she has appeared on Broadway, television, and on the radio.

Winck said, "At age 11 or 12 I was the first child performer to perform at the White House.

"I turned professional at the age of 13 years old." She said the plays that she enjoyed doing most were Maude, Butterflies are Free and Guys and Dolls.

She is also an acting coach and a speech coach and has worked with Muhammad Ali on his speech. She said she was an acting coach for actors Molly Riehold and Will Smith.

When Smith portrayed Ali in the movie the *Mummad Ali Story*, she was his acting coach.

Professor Winik said she has been at Middlesex County College for as long as that she is practically with the corner stone."

## College Humor

### Potato Pants

Patrick, who was vacationing in the Bahamas couldn't seem to make it with any of the girls. So he asked the local lifeguard for some advice.

"Mate, it's obvious," says the lifeguard, "you're wearing them old baggy swimming trunks that make ya look like an old geezer. They're years outta style. Your best bet is to grab yourself a pair of Speedos - about two sizes too small - and drop a fist-sized potato down inside 'em. I'm tellin' ya man... you'll have all the babes ya want!"

The following weekend, Patrick hits the beach with his spanking new tight Speedos, and his fist-sized potato. Everybody on the beach was disgusted as he walked by, covering their faces, turning away, laughing, looking sick!

So he went back to the lifeguard again and asked him, "What's wrong now?" "Damn, Mate!" said the lifeguard, "The potato goes in front!!"