MONROE COLLEGE

Weekly Observer

"What you need to know…at Monroe"

January 26, 2009

Calendar of Events

Monday, January 26

2:30pm Deans' Council—TBA/BX

TBA MS Office 2007 Training (PowerPoint)—LRC/BX [NEW]

Tuesday, January 27

11:30am	MSL Club Promotion Day—King Hall Lobby/BX
Noon	IT Student Association—423 King Hall/BX
Noon	Club for Advancement of Business Students—CABS—203 Ustin Hall/BX and Constable Hall—NR
Noon	Professional Convention Management Association—TBA/BX
Noon	Pre-Law Club—TBA/NR
Noon	POETS 515 Main Hall/NR
Noon	Medical Assistant Luncheon—312 West Hall/BX
Noon	SIFE—Ustin Hall Conference Room/BX
Noon	PIT 211 King Hall/BX
Noon	NABA—301 Constable Hall/NR
Noon	MSA—515 Main Hall/NR
Noon	Allied Health Professions Club—303 West Hall/BX
12:15pm	SGS Team Meeting—301 King Hall/BX [NEW]
2:30pm	Hip Hop Dance Class—King Hall Gym/BX
3:00pm	Weight Watchers—110 Milavec Hal/NR
3:00pm	Community Service—TBA/NR
4:00pm	Monroe Dancers—Syndicate Hall/NR
5:00pm	OCA MBA Resume Seminar—Ustin Hall/BX
5:00pm	OCA Platinum Club Induction and Resume Demonstration—King Hall Conference Room/BX
5:00pm	Women's Basketball vs Westchester CC—Westchester CC
6:00pm	Professional Convention Management Association—TBA/BX

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Monroe Pauses for Obama

On Tuesday, January 20, Monroe students, faculty, and staff took a moment out of their busy day to see and hear **Barack Obama** inaugurated as our nation's 44th and first African-American president.

Beginning at 11:30am, the King Hall gymnasium was filled to overflow capacity as hundreds shared the extraordinary sequence of events. Elsewhere on the Bronx campus, the Student Services office was jammed with TV viewers, the TV in the King Hall conference room played to a roomful of Monroe administrators and faculty, and in every Monroe building people gathered around computer feeds to bear witness to history.

The New Rochelle campus hosted its own "Inaugural Ballroom" for students and staff at the Radisson Hotel Ballroom in New Rochelle. More than 200 people celebrated the day with smiles, laughter, flags, Obama paddles, and cheers. More than a few tears were shed, too, as they witnessed the new President recite the Oath of the Office on a six-foot screen festooned with red, white and blue balloons. They also feasted on an all-American lunch of chicken fingers, fries, and cookies.

"President Obama's message of hope resonates well here at Monroe, where we strive together to help students achieve," said Executive Vice President **Marc Jerome**. "I'm also invigorated by the prospects of a president who understands the importance of bolstering options for student aid, student loans, and other resources that make educational opportunities readily available." ■

For more Monroe reaction to the inauguration see page 3.

STUDENT SERVICES

Hip Hop Dance Class!

Every Tuesday in the King Hall Gym you can work with **Che Woods**, professional dancer/choreographer, to improve your flexibility, technique and dance skills, and learn to perform fast-paced choreography. You must register ahead of time with **Anyikem Asong** in the Student Services office.

Monroe Student Clubs—GET INVOVLED!

Club	Date	Time	Place	Campus
Allied Health Professions	Tuesdays	Noon—1:00pm	West Hall Rm 303	BX
Cheerleaders	Mon/Wed/Fri	Varies	Syndicate/Gym	NR
Club for the Advancement of Business Students (CABS)	Tuesdays	Noon—1:00pm	Ustin Hall Rm 203 Annex	BX NR
Criminal Justice Club	Thursdays	Noon—1:00pm	Jerome Hall Rm 612	BX
Honors Society	Open	Open	Allison Hall Rm 800	NR
Hospitality Professionals Club (HPC)	Fridays	Noon	Harrison Hall	NR
Information Technology	Tuesdays	Noon—1:00pm	Main Hall Rm 524	NR
Monroe Activities Network Involved inAffecting Campus Survival (MANIACS)	1st & 3rd Fridays	10:00—noon	Harrison Hall	NR
Monroe Dancers (Rhythm & Moves)	Thursdays	Noon—1:00pm	King Hall Rm 223	BX
Monroe Dancers	Tue/Thu	4:00—6:00pm	Syndicate Hall	NR
Monroe Drama Club	Thursdays	Noon—1:00pm	King Hall Rm 413	BX
Monroe Singers	TBA	TBA	Harrison Hall	NR
Monroe Student Leaders (MSL)	Thursdays	Noon—1:00pm	King Hall Rm 209	BX
Monroe Theatrics	Fridays	10:00—noon	Syndicate/ Harrison Hall/ Union Baptist Church	NR
Multicultural Student Association (MSA)	Tuesdays	Noon—1:00pm	Main Hall Rm 515	NR
National Association of Black Accountants (NABA)	Tuesdays	Noon—1:00pm	Annex 301	NR
National Society of Minorities in Hospitality (NSMH)	Thursdays	Noon—1:00pm	TBA	NR
Talents & Skills (POETS)	Tuesdays	Noon—1:00pm	Main Hall Rm 515	NR
Poetry is Truth (PIT)	Tuesdays	Noon—1:00pm	King Hall Rm 211	BX
Pre-Law	Tuesdays	Noon—1:00pm	TBA	TBA
Predestined	Fridays	10:00—noon	Harrison Hall	NR
Professional Convention	Tuesdays	6:00—6:25pm	TBA	BX
Sister to Sister—Discussion Group	Thursdays	Noon—1:00pm	King Hall Rm 211	BX
Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE)	Tue/Thu	Noon—1:00pm	Ustin Hall Conference Rm	BX

To join a club, contact Student Services in the Bronx or Student Life in New Rochelle.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Monroe College Criminal Justice students who interned at The Legal Aid Society during the Fall 2008 semester were given their certificate of completion at an award ceremony on December 11. The following Monroe students completed their Investigator internships: **Jomeiry Alba, Jasma Credle, Charles Davis, Joaquin Gutierrez, Lisa Harvey, Jamel Perry, Dway Torres, Roberto Torres, Hermia Wade-Nevers.**

At the event, **Alana Edwards**, Internship Supervisor of The Legal Aid Society, encouraged the students to continue their education in the Criminal Justice field. ■

OCA

The OCA (The Office of Career Advancement) held Open Houses on the New Rochelle and Bronx Campuses on January 13th and 15th. Hundreds of students met with career advisors and received insider advice on how to stand out in a competitive job market.

On the Bronx Campus, career advisors spoke about the many resources and services available in the OCA, which serves students in all majors with resources for internships and part and full-time jobs. Many of these are accessed by the impressive "wall of opportunity", which contains a wealth of information.

Visit the OCA gadget on *My Monroe* to check out the Calendar of Events, Seminar Series, and On-Campus Recruitment Calendar.

OCA is located on the fourth floor of West Hall on the Bronx Campus and in Main Hall on the New Rochelle Campus. For more information call 800-55-MY-OCA. ■

BACHELOR'S PROGRAM

All Bronx BBA and Potential BBA Students are invited to stop by the Bachelor's Program Office on the first floor of Jerome Hall on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 from noon-2:00pm and from 5:00-7:00pm for the BACHELOR'S PROGRAM "MEET & GREET". We want to hear how you are doing!

It's informal setting to talk with students, advisors and other staff members and ask questions about degree requirements, majors, etc. Also, in conjunction with OCA staff, each student can have a brief resume review.

Students also receive a copy of your Degree Requirements for next semester.

Refreshments will be served! ■

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER

Grammatically Essential Mini Sessions (GEMS)
Held in King Hall room 420

Tue, Feb 3	Subject-Verb Agreement (Basic)	2:30—3:30pm
Wed, Feb.11	Subject-Verb Agreement (Adv)	2:00—3:00pm
Mon,Feb.23	Fragments	2:00—3:00pm
Mon, March 2	Run-ons and Comma Splices	2:00—3:00pm
Wed, March 4	Special Catch-up	2:00—3:00pm
Thu, March 5	Comma Usage	2:30—3:30pm
Tue, March 10	Pronoun Usage	2:30—3:30pm
Thu, March 12	Special Catch-up	2:30—3:30pm

Research Paper Workshops

Wed Feb.4	2:00—3:30pm.	Library, 501
Mon, Feb.9	2:00—3:30pm.	Library, 501
Wed, Feb.18	2:00—3:30pm.	Library, 501
Thu, Feb.19	2:30—4:00pm.	Library, 501
Sat, Feb.21	10:30—Noon	Library, 501
Tue, Feb.24	2:30—4:00pm	Library, 501
Thu, March 19	2:30—4:00pm	Library, 501
Fri, March 20	10:30—Noon	Library, 501
Sat, March 21	10:30—Noon	Library, Back Room

MS OFFICE 2007 Training—King Hall room 420

Mon, Jan.26	Microsoft PowerPoint (Basic)	12:10—12:45pm
		5:00—6:00pm
Tue, Feb.3	Microsoft Access (Basic)	12:10—12:45pm
		5:00—6:15pm
Fri, Feb.6	Microsoft Excel (Intermediate)	10:00—11:30am
Sat, Feb.7	Microsoft PowerPoint (Intermediate)	10:00—11:30am
Tue, Feb.10	Microsoft Word (Intermediate)	12:10—12:45pm
		5:00—6:00pm
Sat Feb.21	Microsoft Excel (Basic)	10:00—11:30am
Thu, Feb.26	Microsoft PowerPoint (Basic)	12:10—12:45pm
Mon, March 2	Microsoft Excel (Intermediate)	12:10—12:45pm
		5:00—6:00pm
Thu, March 5	Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint	2:30—5:00pm
Fri, March 6	Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint	9:00—11:30am

ATHLETICS

UPCOMING BASKETBALL GAMES:

Monroe Mustangs			
01/24	Westchester CC	at Westchester CC	5pm
01/28	ASA	at St. Francis College	8pm
02/02	Globe	at Mt. St. Michael	7pm
02/07	Westchester CC	at Mt. St. Michael	3:30pm
Monroe Lady Mustangs			
01/27	Westchester	at Westchester CC	5pm
01/29	Kingsboro	at Mt. St. Michael	6:30pm
02/02	Sullivan CC	at Mt. St. Michael	5pm
02/07	Rockland CC	at Mt. St. Michael	1pm

On January 14, the NY Times published a feature on the Monroe Lady Mustangs. Sportswriter **Bryan Heyman** wrote about the secrets of success of the defending national champions. A link to it can be found at www.monroecollege.edu/athletics/womensbasketball.

Then a week later, **Marvell Scott** from WABC-TV came to practice to videotape a feature on the Monroe women. That story is scheduled to air on Eyewitness News one evening during the week of January 26.

Unfortunately, all the attention couldn't help the team as it suffered the first defeat of the season, at CCRI. They're now 16–1 on the season but are still ranked #1 in the nation.

As for the Monroe men's basketball team, things continue to look up. They rebounded nicely from their first two losses of the season and at press time are 19–2 and on a nifty six-game winning streak to get their season back on track.

For information about all of Monroe's athletic teams, including schedules of upcoming games, visit www.monroecollege.edu/athletics. ■

The Inauguration

"Deep. Made me think where we're at and where we have to go."
Ahrieff Edwards, Business Administration

"History in the making. It's the first time I voted for someone who won. As a member of the military, I'm now serving our country under a new commander-in-chief."
James Garcia, Business Management

"I'm speechless. It was great. I look forward and I hope everything will change for the better."
Sonia Roman, Medical Assisting

"Hopeful."
Lesley Nunez, Student Services

"One word: Historical."
Andre Gibbs, Maintenance

"It was great! He has a plan, but can he see it through? Hopefully with a little faith he'll get it done."
Letitia Simon, Medical Administration

"Awesome. He had valid points about how the past will affect us in the future. It was a message of hope as long as we do our part."
Benita Pratt, Admissions

Health Care For Students!

Affordable health care is now available to all Monroe students! All you need to do is make an appointment and bring your ID. Monroe College and the Morris Heights Health Center (MHHC) have formed a collaboration to provide health care for every Monroe student at any of the six MHHC Bronx locations.To make an appointment call 718-716-4400. For more information, visit www.mhhc.org or Student Services. ■

Calendar of Events

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Wednesday, January 28

3:00pm Community Service—TBA/NR
6:15pm Bachelor's Program Refreshment Night—Bachelor's Program Office, Jerome Hall/BX
8:00pm Men's Basketball vs ASA—St. Francis College (Brooklyn)

Admissions Retreat—Philadelphia, PA—Bronx Office will be open after 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 29

11:00am Boy Scout Representatives Discuss Part-time Positions—TBA/BX
Noon Sister to Sister "Real Talk"—201 King Hall/BX
Noon HR Club—Constable Hall/NR
Noon IT Student Association—524 Main Hall/NR
Noon MSL 209 King Hall/BX
Noon SIFE—Ustin Hall Conference Room/BX
Noon Monroe Dancers—423 King Hall/BX
Noon NSMH—TBA/NR
Noon Sister to Sister—211 King Hall/BX
Noon Criminal Justice Club—612 Jerome Hall/BX
Noon Faculty Professional development—ANGEL CMS and Grade Books—104 Milavec Hall/NR
Noon Bachelor's Program Coffee Hour and Poetry Café—Bachelor's Program Office, Jerome Hall—BX
Noon Drama Club—413 King Hall—BX
2:00pm International Coffee Hour—International Office—Main Hall/NR
2:30pm Weight Watchers—307 King Hall/BX [NEW]
4:00pm Monroe Dancers—Syndicate Hall/NR
5:00pm SGS Transitional Celebration—Monroe Annex/BX [NEW]
6:30pm Women's Basketball vs Kingsborough—Home (Mt. St. Michael's)
8:00pm POETS Open Mics—Mustang Café/NR

Admissions Retreat—Philadelphia, PA—Bronx Office will be open after 4:00 p.m.

Monroe Honors Students to Richard Stockton College in Atlantic City, NJ

Friday, January 30

8:00am Insurance Committee Meeting—King Hall Conference Room/BX [NEW]
8:30am School of Information Technology Academic Retreat—TBA/NR
10:00am Predestined—Harrison Hall/NR
Noon HPC Harrison Hall/NR
1:00pm Open Gym—Hooperstown/NR
3:00pm Community Service—TBA/NR

Monroe Honors Students to Richard Stockton College in Atlantic City, NJ

Saturday, January 31

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Sunday, February 1

Monroe Honors Students to Richard Stockton College in Atlantic City, NJ

Secret Admirer—NR

Monday, February 2

5:00pm Karate—Syndicate Hall/NR
5:00pm Women's Basketball vs Sullivan CC—Home (Mt. St. Michael's)
7:00pm Men's Basketball vs Globe—Home (Mt. St. Michael's)

5th Week Progress Reports

Secret Admirer – NR

TBA Jonathan Sprinkles Guest Speaker – King Hall Gym – BX

Tuesday, February 3

Noon Professional Convention Management Association—TBA/BX
Noon Monthly Club Meeting—105 Milavec Hall/NR
Noon Club for Advancement of Business Students—CABS—203 Ustin Hall/BX and Constable Hall/NR
Noon Allied Health Professions Club—303 West Hall/BX
Noon POETS 515 Main Hall/NR
Noon IT Student Association—423 King Hall/BX
Noon MSA—515 Main Hall/NR
Noon SIFE—Ustin Hall Conference Room/BX
Noon Pre-Law Club—TBA/NR
Noon NABA—301 Constable Hall/NR
Noon PIT 211 King Hall/BX
Noon Bachelor's Program Meet and Greet—Bachelor's Program Office—Jerome Hall/BX
Noon Faculty Professional Development—Informational Literacy—104 Milavec Hall/NR
Noon PC Repair Workshop—423 King Hall/BX
2:30pm Hip Hop Dance Club—King Hall Gym/BX
3:00pm Weight Watchers—110 Milavec Hall/NR
3:00pm Community Service—TBA/NR
4:00pm Monroe Dancers—Syndicate Hall/NR
5:00pm OCA MBA Resume Seminar—Constable Hall/NR
5:00pm Bachelor's Program Meet and Greet—Bachelor's Program Office—Jerome Hall/BX
6:00pm Professional Convention Management Association—TBA/BX

Secret Admirer—NR

TBA Jonathan Sprinkles Guest Speaker—King Hall Gym/BX

Wednesday, February 4

2:30pm Curriculum, Standards, and Compliance Committee—TBA/BX
3:00pm Community Service—TBA/NR
6:15pm Bachelor's Program Refreshment Night—Bachelor's Program Office, Jerome Hall/BX

5th Week Progress Reports

TBA Rockefeller Drug Law Petition Drive – King Hall Lobby – BX

Secret Admirer – NR

Thursday, February 5

5th Week Progress Reports

Secret Admirer – NR

Noon Sister to Sister "Real Talk"—201 King Hall/BX
Noon HR Club—Constable Hall/NR
Noon MSL 209 King Hall/BX
Noon Faculty Professional Development—Informational Literacy—501 Jerome Hall/BX
Noon Monroe Dancers—423 King Hall/BX
Noon Sister to Sister—211 King Hall/BX
Noon NSMH—TBA—NR Noon IT Student Association—524 Main Hall/NR
Noon Drama Club—413 King Hall/BX
Noon Criminal Justice Club—612 Jerome Hall/BX
Noon SIFE—Ustin Hall Conference Room/BX
Noon Bachelor's Program Coffee Hour and Poetry Café—Bachelor's Program Office, Jerome Hall/BX
2:00pm International Coffee Hour—International Office—Main Hall/NR
2:30pm Weight Watchers—307 King Hall/BX [NEW]
2:30pm African Dance Workshop—King Hall Gym/BX
4:00pm Monroe Dancers—Syndicate Hall/NR
6:00pm Black History Opening Ceremony—Trinity Theater/NR

Friday, February 6

10:00am Predestined—Harrison Hall/NR
10:00am Maniacs—Harrison Hall/NR
Noon HPC Harrison Hall/NR
1:00pm Open Gym—Hooperstown/NR
3:00pm Community Service—TBA/NR

5th Week Progress Reports

Secret Admirer—NR

Saturday, February 7

10:00am Faculty Professional Development—Online Faculty Workshop—104 Milavec Hall/NR
1:00pm Women's Basketball vs Rockland CC—Home (Mt. St. Michael's)
3:30pm Men's Basketball vs Westchester CC—Home (Mt. St. Michael's)

5th Week Progress Reports

Secret Admirer – NR

Sunday, February 8

5th Week Progress Reports

Secret Admirer – NR