MONROE COLLEGE

Weekly Observer

"What you need to know…at Monroe"

November 3, 2008

Calendar of Events

Monday, November 3

Midterm Progress Reports

On-Line Learning Midterms

5:00pm New Faculty Reception – King Hall Conference Room – BX

Tuesday, November 4

ELECTION DAY – CLASSES MEET AS SCHEDULED – BE SURE TO VOTE!

Midterm Progress Reports

10:00am NYPD Cadet Corps Recruitment/King Hall Lobby/BX

10:40am Disney On-Campus Interviews—King Hall Gym/BX

12:05pm SGS Team Meeting—307 King Hall/BX

Wednesday, November 5

Midterm Progress Reports

TBA Cargill Information Session – TBA

11:00am NYPD Recruitment—King Hall Lobby/BX

6:15pm Bachelor's Program Refreshment Night—Bachelor's Program Office Jerome Hall/BX

Thursday, November 6

Strategic Planning Retreat—Renaissance Hotel—White Plains, NY

Midterm Progress Reports

TBA Cargill On-Campus Interviews – TBA

10:00am Suffolk County Police Recruitment—King Hall Lobby/BX

10:45am Montefiore Medical Center Information Session—King Hall Gym/BX

Noon Bachelor's Program Coffee Hour—Bachelor's Program Office Jerome Hall/BX

Noon Sister to Sister—107 Milavec Hall/NR

12:10pm Microsoft Excel Workshop—420 King Hall/BX

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75th Anniversary Celebration:

The Week That Was!

A College for All Seasons

Wacky Tour of New York

New Rochelle Gala

Casino Night

Strictly Business Dancers

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ACTIVITIES

■ At "Monroe—A College for All Seasons", a 75th anniversary event that took place on Tuesday, October 21 at the Radisson Ballroom in New Rochelle, Loris Crawford's class presented an award to the college's Facilities Management team, which the students said, is the "backbone of the college". Accepting the award was **Rowland Hann**.

■ On Thursday, October 23 the Office of Undergraduate Admissions Office held a Latino Fiesta. The festivity consisted of an admissions presentation outlining Monroe's academic opportunity programs, honors, scholarships, professional development, campus tour and a Latino luncheon.

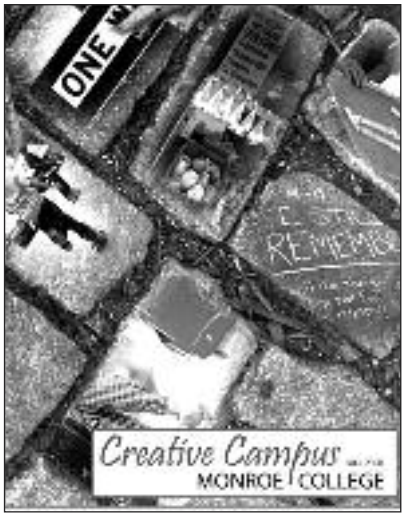
The idea was to address the needs of our Latino population by providing an open dialogue between the college and the Latino community at large. Nearly 350–400 Latino senior students representing the five boroughs of NYC attended.

The Grande Finale was a performance by **La Bruja**, who delivered a dynamic and powerful message through spoken word and freestyle music focusing on Latinos in higher education, self-worth and the importance of perseverance.

■ On Sunday, October 19th, more than 40 students from both the Bronx and New Rochelle Campuses gathered at Orchard Beach for the annual Breast Cancer Walk. The Clubs in attendance were MANIACS, Predestined, Cheerleaders, Monroe Dancers, and the Bronx Student Leaders Group. In particular, the International Students in attendance claimed this to be a 'wonderful experience!' ■

CREATIVE CAMPUS

The latest edition of the Monroe literary magazine, Creative Campus, is available for free in the lobby of most college buildings. Make sure you pick up a copy and enjoy the stories, poems, and artwork by Monroe students. To have your work published in a future edition, contact Faculty Advisor Prof. **Jorge Rodriguez** at jrodriguez@monroecollege.edu. ■



75th Anniversary Celebration:

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Bronx Zoo Trolley

Job Fair

Distinguished Alumni

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OCA

■ On Tuesday, October 14, a group of 17 students majoring in business and IT visited MTV Networks to learn about their internship program. Freshmen students and Platinum Club student members had the opportunity to hear from a College Recruiter and two Managers about the different opportunities offered, what they expect from the interns, how to apply to the program, and the importance of interning and community service. Each of the students found the entire visit to be informative and engaging.

MTV Networks is currently recruiting students for their internship program. If you have at least 60 credits and are interested in MTV Networks, please stop by the Office of Career Advancement for more information.

■ This November is National Career Development Month, sponsored by the National Career Development Association. Students are encouraged to embrace career exploration by participating in a variety of career-related activities that will take place during the first three weeks of November at both OCAs.

The events include resume critiques, FOCUS assessment, and insider info and tips on developing your career. For more information, contact the OCA on either the Bronx or New Rochelle campuses.

■ Mount Sinai Medical Center held an Information Session on Monday, September 29th for over 120 Allied Health students from both the Bronx and New Rochelle campuses. The team of recruiters gave a number of informative, exciting and enlightening presentations on careers.

Also, on Friday, October 17th, The Office of Career Advancement partnered with Mount Sinai Medical Center to provide on-campus interviews for over sixty Allied Health students and alumni from both the Bronx and New Rochelle campuses. ■

BACHELOR'S PROGRAM

All Associate students with at least 30 credits and a 3.0 GPA or higher, can get a get a jump start on their educational future by attending the Bachelor's Degree Early Acceptance Lunch or Dinner, Thursday, November 13th at either noon or 6:00pm in Rm. 207—King Hall.

With early acceptance, upon completion of your Associates Degree, you will be automatically enrolled in the Bachelor's Program, which you could complete in approximately 16 months. Plus in your last semester of your Associates Degree, you may be able to register for Bachelor's classes and receive your Bachelor's ID.

For more information on this special event, please visit the Bachelor's office in Jerome Hall or contact **Alexis Safonoff** at 718-933-6700 ext. 8343.

Make a note: the U.S. Census Bureau reports that a Bachelor's Degree in today's job market is worth $2 million over a lifetime!

The Bachelor's Program Refreshment Night is every Wednesday at 6:15pm. Stop by, say hello, and have a bite on your way go to class.

The Bachelor's Program Coffee Hour is every Thursday at noon. It's a great way to relax and network.

Both activities take place at the Bachelor's Program Office in Jerome Hall. ■

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The web design submitted by **Terry Jewett's** students has been accepted by the Northeast Region Honors Council to be their official web site.

Developed by New Rochelle honors student **Sherrie-Ann Brazier**, as part of the Honors Advanced Web Design class, the www.nrch.com pages are beautifully organized.

Started in July and completed early in October, the site was unveiled at the NRHC Membership meeting in San Antonio Texas, Saturday October 25, 2008, which was attended by professor Jewett and a few of his students. It was unanimously approved as the official site of the NRHC. As a result, Monroe College students have been given responsibility for improving, expanding and maintaining the site.

Dr. **Julia Fennell**, Vice President of the NRHC said: "Thank you so much for the fabulous website and Sherrie-Ann, you have done fabulous work!" ■

Calendar of Events

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Friday, November 7

Strategic Planning Retreat—Renaissance Hotel—White Plains, NY

Midterm Progress Reports

6:00pm National Association of Black Accountants, Monroe College Student Chapter—2nd Annual Dinner—Club 101, New York City

Saturday, November 8

Midterm Progress Reports Begin

Sunday, November 9

Midterm Progress Reports

Monday, November 10

9:00am PASS Class Begins/BX

12:10pm Microsoft PowerPoint Workshop—501 Jerome Hall/BX

6:15pm SGS Freshman Orientation—209 King Hall/BX

Tuesday, November 11

VETERAN'S DAY—DAY CLASSES CANCELLED—EVENING CLASSES MEET AS SCHEDULED

10:00am Women For Hire Career Fair—The Manhattan Center Grand Ballroom

Wednesday, November 12

1:00pm SGS Freshman Orientation—307 King Hall/BX

2:30pm Academic Technology Meeting/BX

6:15pm Bachelor's Program Refreshment Night—Bachelor's Program Office Jerome Hall/BX

Thursday, November 13

Noon Bachelor's Program Coffee Hour—Bachelor's Program Office Jerome Hall/BX

Noon Sister to Sister—107 Milavec Hall/NR

Noon Professional Development Worksho—Motivating Students to Succeed—501 Jerome Hall/BX

2:30pm Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint Workshop—420 King Hall/BX

Friday, November 14

TBA Volleyball nationals—Rochester, MN

9:00am Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint Workshop—420 King Hall/BX

10:00am Professional Development Workshop—Online Faculty Workshop—501 Jerome Hall/BX

11:00am Montefiore Medical Center On-Campus Recruitment—By Appointment Only—OCA Office—West Hall

Saturday, November 15

TBA Volleyball Nationals—Rochester, MN

Sunday, November 16

No Events Scheduled

Monroe Teams Nationally Ranked

Don't look now but basketball season is here and the NJCAA pre-season basketball polls brought encouraging news for both Monroe teams.

The NJCAA Men's Division I poll had the Mustangs listed at #27 in the nation and the NJCAA Women's Division III poll had the Lady Mustangs listed at #3 in the nation.

Kyle Wright

For the men this projects a significant upgrade over last year's successful, but in truth, disappointing 24–8 season in which they fell short of a national title. With returning All-American **Westly Perryman**, highly-touted **Kyle Wright**, and youthful, athletic size in the front-court, the polls are correct: the Mustangs are going to be a lot better this year.

For the reigning National Champion Lady Mustangs, the third-place ranking could be seen as an insult, especially since they will return 7 players from last year's championship squad. But Coach **Seth Goodman** knows that the only poll that counts is the one after the last game of the season and in two of the last three years, that poll showed Monroe as #1. So the expectation is that Goodman's girls will be right there till the end.

Start making your plans now and be sure to follow both great Monroe teams all season. All schedules and information is on the Monroe website at www.monroecollege.edu/athletics. Make a note…Homecoming is Sat., December 6.

MO-NR-OE! ■

CULINARY ARTS

On Saturday October 25, Monroe Culinary students where again involved again in the Food and Beer Festival (former Food and Wine Festival). Sixteen students participated in activities like helping local Westchester Restaurant owners with the preparations and serving their dishes and setting up the kitchens for the Greater New York Firefighter Cook-Off Event, where Culinary Director Chef **Daniel Hinder** was on the judging committee. Additionally the students operated a Monroe College stand where, under the supervision of Chef **Gerry Byrne**, the students served three different kind of In-House made sausages, which were, as you can imagine, well-received by the beer drinkers. ■