

ST. PETER'S SHUTTLE SERVICE NOT A HIT WITH STUDENTS

Students Displeased with Service and Delivery

BY FRANCESCA RIZZO
Sports Editor

Like most colleges and universities, Saint Peter's utilizes a shuttle service for students and faculty. In our case, the shuttle runs back and forth from campus to the Journal Square Path station or to the Armory parking lot. Campus Safety is responsible for shuttle transportation, urging students to call if they ever need a lift. However, some students are to the point where they feel it's more efficient for them to walk rather than to wait for what should be a speedy pick up or delivery.

"I was waiting for the shuttle to pick me up from the Path station," says student Tyler Carle, "which, by the way, isn't even at the Path station. It's at that creepy theatre next door. Anyways, we called at like, 10:30. The shuttle didn't even show up until a good 30 minutes later. We were stuck waiting outside in the cold at night."

Other students have had

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IS SAINT PETER'S REALLY PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY?

WITH MANY STILL SHOCKED AT WHAT STUDENTS FEEL WAS POOR PLANNING FOR HURRICANE SANDY, PROBLEMS LIKE NEGLIGENT CAMPUS SAFETY OFFICERS AND CRIME IN THE AREA HAVE STUDENTS FEELING UNSAFE AND IN POSSIBLE DANGER

BY HELENE MCGAVIN
Staff Writer

Buildings were dark with the lack of power. The streets were flooded. A window in Murray Hall shattered by a thrown bottle. Students were screaming in the streets, dancing and playing football. It was a scene of utter chaos on the Saint Peter's University campus after Hurricane Sandy brought its destruction. And who should have been keeping this all in line? Campus Safety, according to the many students we spoke to who vented about their frustrations with the missing-in-action Campus Safety officers.

The last real emergency that

Saint Peter's had to deal with was Hurricane Sandy in the fall of 2012. Students recall that, with virtually no resources or any feelings of safety around campus amongst students, they couldn't help but wonder, is Saint Peter's really prepared for an emergency? What they have seen currently from Campus Safety, as student expressed, has left them with many doubts about their safety.

Courtney Bowen, Class of 2014 said, "I don't think Campus

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ON PATROL Many students feel as though the school is not properly monitored, with many of the designed campus safety booths being left empty like the one above.



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FOCUSED AND DETERMINED Due to its ability to help in concentration and awareness, many college students have begun to use Adderall as a tool in helping them study. Students have claimed to be able to stay awake for days while on the drug.

CONCENTRATION AT A COST: ADDERALL USE ON THE RISE AMONG COLLEGE STUDENTS

BY JESSICA HARTLAND
Staff Writer

College is the time where many people come out of their comfort zones, leaving their life at home, and decide to experience new things. Everyone knows that drinking on campuses is arguably expected and marijuana use is very common, but there's a new drug on the rise. Being easy to obtain, low in price

and benefitting your school-work, what's not to love about Adderall? However, there is much more than what meets the eye.

Adderall is a commonly prescribed stimulant to treat Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) and narcolepsy. The people with these disorders suffer from less dopamine, as well as an underactive frontal cortex which is responsible for processes such as reasoning. For them, Adderall raises

their levels allowing for more focus and concentration. Upon being prescribed, doctors assess their patients for neurological or cardiovascular problems. Without this protocol and for those who do not have the disorder, Adderall can lead to serious consequences and a sudden increase in stimulation.

However, to students, this is not a downfall, but instead, exactly what they are looking for. It is simply seen as a way

to be more focused and getting more work completed, leading to increased grades.

"It helps me just come through with the grades and performance that is expected of me," said a senior student from St. Peter's who wished to remain anonymous. "Taking Adderall got me to focus on what I needed to get done and, in turn, I did all that, plus more, all with better quality

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"CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?"

BY GARVEY POTTER
Staff Writer

Students shaking their phones in the air and getting gradually frustrated by the failed text alerts is a common sight among people on the Saint Peter's University

campus. The four major cell phone network carriers, T-Mobile, AT&T, Sprint, and Verizon, pride themselves on their fantastic coverage throughout the United States, but many people on campus do not get that feeling.

T-Mobile, while one of the least popular options for cell

phone carriers among students, proves to be on the best carriers on campus. On a quick test done around campus, the T-Mobile phone often got high cell phone coverage.

"Oh, I absolutely love it," said Blake Boles, a Class of 2013 student and a T-Mobile user. "I get service almost

everywhere. I have never had any problems."

"My cell service is perfectly fine," said Courtney Bowen a junior with T-Mobile service. "I get bars almost every where."

However, the T-Mobile service may not be what it used

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Issues in the Nursing Department: Challenging or Disorganized?

BY ESSENCE ROGERS
Staff Writer

Not too long ago, Sharon Holmes, a sophomore at Saint Peter's, had dreams of pursuing a nursing degree. As she discovered that the nursing program was not up to par with her expectations, she decided to change the course of her academic career.

Nursing students say they see many of their classmates dropping out of the program. Meanwhile, Dean of Nursing, Dr. Ann Tritak, said the students leaving has not affected the program. She also said the program is gaining students when other majors decide to join.

Much good has come out of the nursing program at Saint Peter's. For example, some nursing majors at Saint Peter's have received wonderful careers after graduation at magnet hospitals such as Mount Sinai Hospital in New York, NYU Medical Center, and Hackensack Hospital in New Jersey.

However, certain students claim to have switched out of the nursing program because they feel the program is not pushing them in the right direction, or any direction for that matter.

"The guidance is just really not there. Everything is on your own and everything is very sporadic," said Holmes. "It's just very disorganized to me. I guess because it's a new program. It's too green and it needs guidance." Holmes felt that many parts of the program needed to be "corrected."

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A CULTURE OF CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT

A letter from the Editor

This week was Fitness Fest in the RLC, which might have escaped some people's notice, but I was serious about it. Every day after class, I was on the treadmill. My natural inclination towards competition was healthily fed.

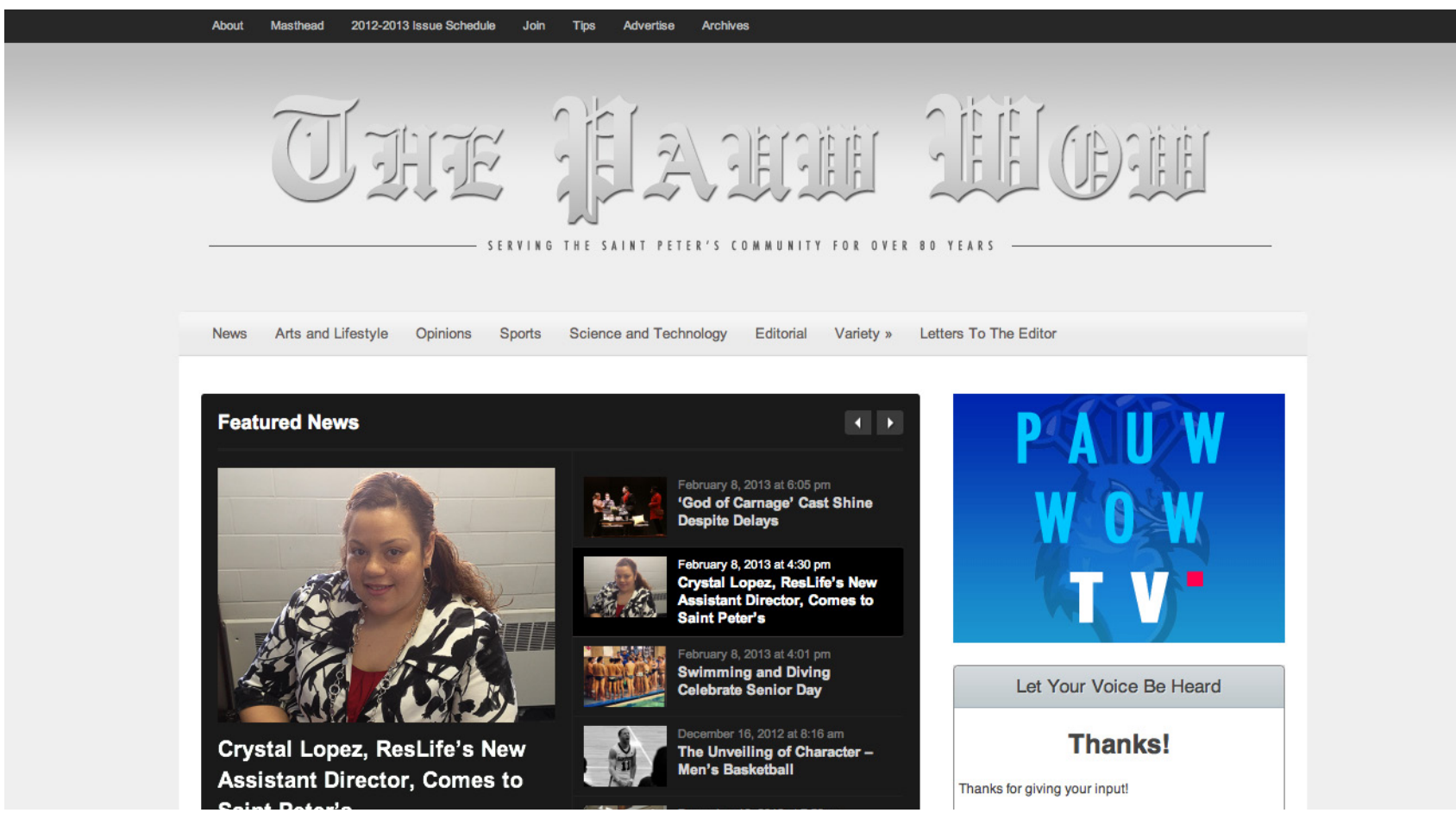
I really appreciate these kind of endeavors, because they serve as a reminder that we can always try harder and kick butt. Still, compared to

the success of our track team, who have just won MAACs for the third time, my success was pretty minimal.

Success is within reach for all of us, and many of us have grabbed for it. What's important to remember, and the track team has apparently kept in mind, is that success is not a one-time deal. You can achieve it, but you have to continue to set higher and higher goals.

While this is an inspiring message for students and athletes, it is also a philosophy that needs to be applied to all departments of our university. Several articles in this issue address problems with Campus Safety. By writing about them, we're not saying they aren't commendable workers; we just want to hold them to the same standards which we hold ourselves.

We need to encourage a culture of constant improvement across the board at Saint Peter's. This is the case with several of our athletic teams, our new student center, and the gorgeously expanded Pauw Wow. It needs to be the case with all the students, all the faculty, and all the staff.



LIGHTS, CAMERA...

The Pauw Wow's own Faculty Advisor Ernabel Demillo is a veteran New York television broadcaster, who was recently nominated for an Emmy for her work on "Science and U"

Check out student anchors Matt Speckmen and Jessica Hartland in the newest episode of PauwWowTV, out now through the Pauw Wow's official website, PauwWow.com.



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Q & A

WITH A PAUW WOW EDITOR

Why is it important to keep consistently updating The Pauw Wow's efforts and ways about doing things? Why does it seem like there's so many changes recently?

To find the answer to such a question, one much simply look at the field of

Journalism today. With the introduction of globalization and new media, Journalism is constantly changing and growing, so The Pauw Wow wants to keep up with it. We feel that it's okay we're figuring out along the way because, really, everyone else's too.

- Dylan Smith, Online Editor

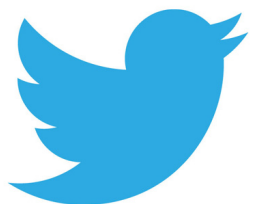
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FOUND SLEEPING ON THE JOB One of Campus Safety’s responsibilities include maintaing post outside of the residence dorms around the campus. From Whelan and Millenium Hall to West Campus dorms like Durant Hall, 140 and Veterans Memorial Court. Some dorms, like the Honors–dorm and wellness building Murray Hall do not have security present, while other dorms see security guards often sleeping on duty, like the guard above, whose faced has been pixilated to protect their identity.

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Safety is prepared at all for an emergency, especially after everything that happened with Hurricane Sandy. I feel that they handled that emergency horribly.”

When asked if he thinks Saint Peter’s is prepared for an emergency, Daryl Greene, Class of 2014, said, “It depends on the type of emergency. If someone comes into school with a gun, Campus Safety is absolutely not prepared to deal with that type of emergency. I feel like Campus Safety wasn’t even prepared to handle the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy the way they should have.”

Hurricane Sandy affected the entire Northeast, while millions were without power for days or weeks. When the power came back on, many towns, cities, organizations and businesses had to re-evaluate their emergency plans, including St. Peter’s.

Arthur Youmans, Director of Campus Safety said, “Our emergency plan was updated at the end of 2012. Our emergency plan covers any type of event we could possibly face, and the reason it was updated was because of the emergency we had with [Hurrcline Sandy] in 2012. We were as prepared for that, as much as anyone could have been.”

Campus emergencies range from natural disasters all the way to violent crimes. Most students though associate campus emergencies with college campus shootings. Although Saint Peter’s has not been a school affected with an emergency like this in the past, many feel as though that doesn’t mean that the school shouldn’t be prepared for one.

According to a survey by

Campus Safety Magazine, one-in-four campus police departments are not prepared to handle an active shooter. Several years following the Virginia Tech shootings, there were at least ten shootings on college campuses around the country. It was reported that, in 2012, there were around five shootings on or close to a college campus. Even in 2013, there has been three reported shootings.

Every year, the University must openly disclose crime statistics to the public through the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. The latest statistics show that, in 2011, there were 10 on-campus burglaries and 14 burglaries surrounding the campus. These numbers are much higher than the previous year that report only three on-campus burglaries and four burglaries right outside of the campus.

Garvey Potter, Class of 2014, said, “I feel that the people who are the campus security guards are very apathetic towards our safety and I don’t feel like they would run out and help us in an emergency. While I have never felt unsafe on campus, I just feel like, if there was an emergency, campus safety wouldn’t be able to handle it.”

Saint Peter’s is an open

campus in an urban environment, so many students feel as though there are people on the street who use the campus as a thoroughfare from Glenwood Avenue to Montgomery Street and back. Most of the time,

“I have called Campus Safety several times in the past and have always gotten a busy signal. If Campus Safety doesn’t care when students call them, then why would they care or do something when there is a real emergency?”

this is not a problem but, in some cases, this leads to trespassers who breach the campus’ buildings.

Youmans said, “Just the other day, a young student called Campus Safety and said a guy tried to come into the building behind her. She didn’t recognize him, so she closed the door and called us.”

Youmans added, “The only thing Campus Safety can do is try and determine who belongs here and who doesn’t. We monitor as best we can, through cameras, personal observations, patrols, and certainly take calls from anyone who may suspect there is a trespasser on campus. We respond immediately. We go to our video systems to see the building described and who that person may be and, if necessary, we apprehend them.”

In case an emergency does occur like the one described, Campus Safety has established an emergency plan taught by

the Emergency Management Institute as answer to any critical incident responses that many occur.

Youmans said, “The concept of our emergency plan is based very [similarly] to what their’s

is based on: incident commands, which becomes very tactical in a way, and those of us trained in that type of background become incident commanders.”

Along with this plan, Campus Safety alerts students

of an emergency through a three-prong emergency text message system. It’s an email, a voicemail, and a text message to your cell phone that will tell you, in essence, what kind of emergency the school is affected with and will direct you what to do.

Even though these steps are in the emergency plans, students still argue that they don’t see results. They feel that these steps are still not proactive enough for the safety of Saint Peter’s students.

Potter said, “I have called Campus Safety several times in the past and have always gotten a busy signal. If Campus Safety doesn’t care when students call them, then why would they care or do something when there is a real emergency?”

Greene said, “Now that I think about it, with the amount of break-ins we have had over the past two years, with the amount of

safety alerts that have gone on around campus, I really wonder what campus safety is here for. Since I have gotten here, I have not felt safe with them.”

Saint Peter’s does not have a police department on campus, but instead a security force. Because of this, Campus Safety does not conduct emergency drills, so, in order for Saint Peter’s to be involved in a drill, it needs to be done through the Jersey City Police Department.

Youmans said, “We have requested a drill and have a standing order from the Jersey City Police Department to organize one. We are hoping that this spring they can squeeze us into one. Because our first responders are the Jersey City first responders, it wouldn’t really suit us to do a drill without them.”

Youmans adds, “We are obviously only as good as the people who work with us. In general, Campus Safety is not our job, although we are paid to do it - it is all of our jobs, so to students, we need your input as to what you are seeing, what you are feeling, if you feel safe or unsafe, or any questions you may have.”

Some students may not agree with Youmans sentiments on the safety on campus being an all-involved job, but more-so the work belongs on the shoulders, instead, of the people Saint Peter’s outsources to in order run and maintain the security on-campus.

Bowen adds, “Campus Safety is there, [but I feel] they just don’t do anything when they are there. I have never felt unsafe on campus. That being said, it’s not because of Campus Safety, but because there are always people I know on campus who I know aren’t predators.”

IS YOUR PASSWORD ‘PASSWORD’? WAYS TO STAY SAFE ONLINE

BY NATALIE CASTILLO
Staff Writer

If you thought staying safe in real life made you paranoid, think again. In the world of cyberspace, you are just one pop-up and one click away from being doomed with a virus or identity theft. The faster technology develops, the more people will have access

to the internet, and not all of them use their Wi-Fi for good.

When we were younger our parents gave us rules: don’t leave the front stoop when you’re outside playing with your friends, go to school and come straight home, don’t speak to strangers or take things from people you don’t know. If they only knew then, that these rules would apply to the internet, which 20 years

ago wasn’t as popular.

While using the internet, you should search for what you’re searching for and not get sidetracked by all these offers or surveys that are giving away prizes; most times these are all scams. While on social networking sites, you shouldn’t give people you don’t know access to your profile or timeline. It’s so easy for people to pretend to be a



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different person or age online that there’s even a reality show about it!

Another scary thing about the internet is that everything

you do or post never goes away, no matter how many times you delete it.

“Anything you post online is stored on servers in ‘the cloud.’ And, although you may configure your account not to have your data shared with certain people, if there is a need to get the information, with proper authority, all this information

NBC Technology reported that many companies force their employees to change their passwords every few months because it can limit the amount of times a hacker has access to your computer. Many times people have been hacked and won't even realize it; that's how discreet hackers can be. Hackers have

“However, many schools have decided to extend this to 180 days,” said Dale Hochstein. “Saint Peter's requires that you change your password via a self service online program called ReAct - reset.saintpeters.edu. You will begin to receive

1. Just like you are a responsible local citizen, be a responsible citizen online.
2. Use antivirus software.
3. Do not open emails from unknown sources.
4. Do not have lazy passwords (combinations of letters and numbers are harder to figure out than plain words!)
5. Do not allow pop-ups on your computers.
6. Do not allow strangers to have access to your computer or hard-drives.
7. Do not stay signed in on accounts on your devices (online banking accounts, i.e.)
8. Pay by credit when shopping online. The Fair Credit Act allows you to dispute and temporarily withhold payments if something fishy is going on with your transaction.
9. Do not chat with strangers online. (We've all seen Catfish.)
10. When not using your webcam or laptop (with a camera) shut the laptop or have the camera face the wall. There have been cases where hackers hack into laptops and can watch through webcams.

To report a cyber crime or for more tips, visit: [fbi.gov](https://www.fbi.gov)

a warning 14 days before your password expires (see email below). Once you follow the steps, your password will automatically be reset for

The university sent out a mass email on February 7th reminding students and

faculty about the new password change. The email also stated that you should update your new password on all your devices and tablets.

Colleges are facing not only a growing issue with the non-prescribed use, but it has also shown to have a direct correlation to other drug

But since it's a prescribed drug, it should be better for you, right? Since the drug is meant as a prescription, this gives students a skewed idea of it being safer and more

Adderall sure does have its advantages, especially for the “wait for last minute” college student, allowing for the grades they want and ability to simply stay focused. But the possibility of serious consequences that student’s may be unaware of outweighs the immediate results of the drug. In college, Adderall could be your best friend, or your worst enemy. It’s your choice.

In the quick test done around campus, AT&T never

The basement of the RLC seems to “swallow cell service” according to Matthew Holowienka, a sophomore with Verizon. The quick test showed that no cell service scored a 3 or higher. The best of the four was unexpectedly AT&T, which had two bars and was still able to make calls.





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similar experiences with the shuttle service. A student who requests to remain anonymous recalls coming back late one night from a night in the city and depending on the shuttle to take her back to campus.

“It was almost two in the morning when I got back by myself. I was really dressed up, I had been drinking, and I didn’t feel safe walking back to the dorms alone. I called Campus Safety who said they had a shuttle on the way, but it never came. I eventually just

gave up and walked back.”

“Once, the shuttle had picked me up and we were on our way back to the dorms, and the driver pulled over to grab food and take a smoke break. I mean, I get the drivers need to eat and all that, but I didn’t feel it was appropriate while I, as well as other students, were sitting in the back seat waiting to get back to school,” one student even recalls in disbelief. Students have even noted the drivers talking on their cell phones and making calls while driving.

Students and administration alike are starting to take notice of the complaints that have been made and are beginning to do something about it. The Student Government Association is currently discussing the aforementioned issues regarding shuttle pick-up and delivery.

“Although nothing has been set in stone yet, issues are being brought to attention, such as efficiency, safety, and how we can provide better service,” explains Carlos Gonzalez, senator for the class of 2014.

Hopefully, with collaboration on the issue of campus shuttle transportation, the problems will be quickly resolved and students can feel safer and can depend on the shuttle service to provide adequate and timely transportation.

FACULTY OF THE WEEK: Q&A WITH DR. PATRICIA REDDEN

BY EMILY ALEQUIN
Art & Lifestyle Editor

You don’t normally find a large dog’s travel crate or scattered dog toys on a professor’s office floor, but Dr. Patricia Redden - a chemistry professor at Saint Peter’s - does have these things. A white gate blocks her office entrance and a small plastic bag of dog treats is placed on her desk while a half-lab, half-golden retriever mix tries to share his favorite toy with me. This friendly pooch, named “the” Dude, isn’t just her pet; however, he’s a dog in training, but it’s his owner that definitely has a lot more on her plate because her trusty side-kick isn’t the project she’s dedicated her time to.

E.A.: You’re always seen with your trusty, four-legged companions; one that follows you around campus and has a permanent residence in your office, and the other who seems to have a nice cozy spot in the library during exams. Would you like to properly introduce them to the readers?

Dr. Redden: Dude is my usual companion. He’s about 16 months old now and is half Labrador and half golden retriever, although he looks more like the lab half. He’s a puppy I’m raising for a service dog organization, Canine Companions for Independence (CCI), and he will go back to the organization on May 17 to train for disability work. That takes a minimum of 6 months, after which hopefully he’ll graduate. The organization trains dogs to work with all disabilities other than visual. Meanwhile, I have about 30 commands to teach him and I have to expose him to all sorts of environments so he’ll be comfortable with any needs of his future companion. Ella is also a lab/golden mix, and she’s now about 4 years old. She was also a puppy with CCI and stayed with me on campus and even had an article in the PauwWow, but she didn’t graduate. Her first report in the advanced training said she “loved recess,” so she came back to be my favorite “couch potato.” She is a certified therapy dog through Therapy Dogs International, and she goes to the Five Corners branch of the Jersey City Public Library every week to work with kids and comes to our library during exam week to give love and help us all relax.

half. That’s the worst part, and only do-able because you know the pup will be greatly loved if it graduates. **E.A.:** Besides dog training, what other interests do you have? Any other programs or outside hobbies you enjoy?

Dr. Redden: Let’s see. I sing first soprano with Cecilia Chorus in New York City, with two concerts a year in Carnegie Hall. I’m an official for track and field, certified by USA Track and Field and also by the Paralympics Division of the Olympic Committee, officiating primarily at outdoor track and field meets for athletes with a wide range of disabilities. For about 3 years now I’ve been taking classes in ceramics, where I particularly love playing with the glazes (it’s applied chemistry, after all), and I love to cook and explore new cuisines. On the professional level, I’m very active in the American Chemical Society’s governance structure, both locally and on the national level. Sundays I’m a Eucharistic Minister at the 11 am mass in St. Peter Hall chapel. I’m an avid reader, rarely



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found without a book in hand, and the mother of two incredible young ladies. As a result, there’s not too much free time.

E.A.: How is it finding a balance for these interests? For example, having your dog on campus (in the office, in jazzman’s etc.)

Dr. Redden: Having Dude with me is really wonderful, although Ella sometimes misses coming. He has friends all over campus, and I have colleagues who insist that Dude sit next to them at meetings. (They allow me to sit there as well!) Finding time for everything can be a challenge, no question about that. I thought that things would slow down when my daughters went away to college, but somehow life is even busier.

E.A.: Do your interests continue to expand? What are your expectations or hopes for future involving even more pursuits.

Dr. Redden: This summer I’m planning to get involved with an Earthwatch Expedition to work on either a mammoth dig or climate studies. Sometime this summer I also will get another CCI puppy to keep Ella, me, and our two cats company. If I ever find a few more hours in the day, I want to write a book on teaching science to kids, take Ella to visit hospitals or seniors’ residences, and maybe go back to horseback riding.

E.A.: I recently learned about the trip you are planning to the amazon rainforest in June 2014 that is open to Saint Peter’s faculty, staff and students. Has this trip been planned before and how was it? What are your hopes for this time and what is something you love best about taking the trip? Also, have you visited any other places outside of the country?

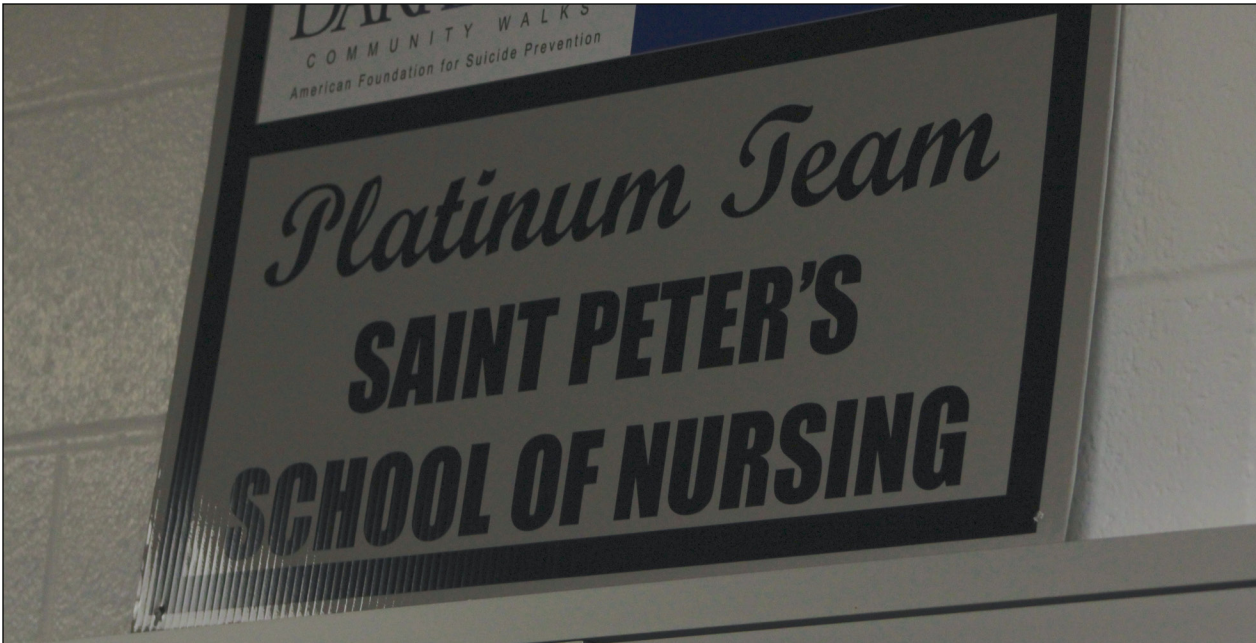
Dr. Redden: I’ve always loved to travel, and BK (i.e., before kids) I visited many European



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E.A.: Thanks to the stylish vests and bandanas of these dogs, students recognize them as service/ therapy dogs. Can you tell me when you first decided to get involved in the training program for dogs?

Dr. Redden: Both of my daughters are paraplegic, so I’ve been involved with the disabled community for over twenty five years and I’ve seen what marvelous impact these service dogs have on the lives of their companions. It took me several years to decide to raise a puppy, though, because I worried about how I would be able to give it up after a year and a



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CONTROVERSIAL MAJOR For the past few years, the Nursing major at Saint Peter’s has been under a heavy critical eye and telescope due to low testing scores and many students unhappy with the major’s faculty.

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Holmes went on to talk about how being a nursing major is somewhat costly and that there are fees added to your bill that are not discussed ahead of time.

“They have hidden charges and everything. Well, not really hidden...you just don’t find out about it until it hits your bill. There are ATI charges that never happened until last

to go to Henneberry Hall to manage stress relief and learn about time management. After all, nursing is an intensive major and it entails a lot of hard work and dedication.

“We’ve had outside consultants come in as well because sometimes you want someone from the outside and saying “This is good. You’re on the right track,” said Tritak, “They may say ‘Maybe you can do it

about the Nursing Department at Saint Peter’s.

An article written in the Jersey Journal in 2011 titled “Several Saint Peter’s College nursing students took part in commencement, but didn’t receive diplomas,” reported that “some 32 out of 40 students in the college’s four-year nursing program failed to pass a final assessment exam that is a supposed to assess the test-taker’s ability to the pass the National Council of State Boards’ Licensure Examination (NCLEX), an exam nurses must pass to be licensed.”

Some of the students who did not pass this exam, known as the Health Education Systems Inc. (HESI), said they were unprepared for it.

Tritak begs to differ.

“What had really happened was the students took the test and they did not pass so they had an opportunity to repeat the course and they were given a professional review course to prepare for the exam and they did not pass the exam so they were offered an opportunity for another degree...so they did get a degree from Saint Peter’s,” said Tritak.

Despite the differing of opinions on the nursing program, Holmes and Tritak agree that in order to be a nursing major, you have to be dedicated.

“Make sure it’s something that you really want to do,” said Holmes. “It’s not one of those majors where you can be like oh maybe I’ll try it. If you’re in it, you’re in it for the long run.”

Dr. Tritak said the same, while also giving some advice to anyone wishing to pursue a degree in nursing.

“Meet the criteria. If you meet the criteria, you have a very high chance of being successful. We want to admit students who we think have the potential to be successful. If you do your readings, if you do your studying, and manage your time well, and work well with the faculty, you’ll have a very good chance of being successful.”



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BAD PRESS Recent issues are the only time the that Nursing program has received negative attention for its confusing and disorganized structure. Several students were covered, back in 2011, by local media about being failed from the program due to low HESI scores. The Jersey Journal even ran a piece questioning why the school would let them walk in graduation yet still considered them failed out the program.

semester,” said Holmes.

ATI is a tutorial program online that the nursing majors at Saint Peter’s University are required to take.

“It costs about one hundred and thirty dollars. And when we asked about it, they claimed it was free. Then, it just showed up on our bill. I said ‘I thought you said it was free’ and they said ‘We never said that’ and they denied it completely.”

Tritak said that the students were informed of the fees for the ATI program.

“We have the reps from ATI come and explain what’s available and they are told right then and there about the fee,” said Tritak.

The ATI program provides nursing students with a plethora of different resources dealing with nursing education such as study guides and videos to prepare them for tests and their careers. Along with this program, Dean Tritak and Lisa Garmens, Director of Nursing, encourage students

differently.’ We had an outside consultant come in, she said ‘What you’re doing is important because you are reinforcing every semester and you’re holding them to a standard they need to be held to.’”

Tritak went on to discuss the simulation lab in the nursing department which allows students to get a full experience of what it is like being a nurse from bedside care to medication and provides them with a better idea of the situations they may face as a nurse.

The curriculum may have been a little too much to handle for Holmes, who claimed there was little guidance in the nursing department and how the testing was peculiar.

“The tests were different kinds of tests. It didn’t make sense to me,” said Holmes, “I’m really factual. It would have all the possible answers but all the answers feel right and you have to pick the one that’s most correct.”

This is not the first time a problem has been discussed

A Balancing Act: Students Participate in ROTC Program at NJIT

BY ALEXANDRIA N. LIVINGSTON
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It's 4:45 a.m and after a long day of classes, a late night of homework, and the stress of midterms coming up, an alarm clock is the last thing any college student would want to hear. Pressing snooze is out of question even though the thought of traveling to NJIT for ROTC physical training makes you want to bury yourself under your covers and hide. For most, waking up before the sun rises is unthinkable, but for a few students at Saint Peter's University, a long day full of physical training, and ROTC and academic classes is a reality.

Managing classes alone can be difficult for the average student, so one can imagine how hard it becomes when you add extra-curricular activities, sports, and a rigorous ROTC program to the mix. Only 3 out of the 2,987 students at Saint Peter's University are currently involved and what it involves is quite a mystery to those who don't know about it.

"The Air Force ROTC, or Reserve Officer's Training Corps, is a program for training commissioned officers for the Air Force" said junior Lyanna Rodriguez. "In the class we learn different leadership styles and how to develop more efficiently as a person.

We also have to give a lot of presentations."

For Rodriguez, ROTC forces her out of her comfort zone. "Just recently we were given individual case studies and had to lead the class in discussion. It's not easy, especially for me, since I'm pretty shy. Last week, I had to give a huge presentation about the Chain of Command in front of the AS100 class, which is a freshman class and after days of practicing I was very impressed with how much I developed as a person."

For student Gerard De Filippo, the balancing act he has to do everyday is far from easy. He juggles being a full-time student, a baseball player, and a member of the the ROTC program. "The hardest part about being a student, athlete, and participant in the program is being able to work through all of the scheduling conflicts" De Filippo said.

In addition to being in the ROTC program, Rodriguez is also a Resident Assistant and can attest to De Filippo's struggle of balancing everything. "The hardest part for me is balancing being an RA, ROTC Cadet, and full-time student." Rodriguez said. "It's easy to fall behind and get distracted. It's even easier to quit. The most important thing is keeping in mind why you joined the program in the first place, what you've gained thus far, and what you will or have achieved."

De Filippo and Rodriguez overlook these struggles to manage everything, however, because ROTC has become a passion of theirs. "I chose to participate in the program because I have always wanted to serve my country" De Filippo said. "It has offered me so many freedoms that I feel it is my duty to pay my service back. Serving my country was always something I have wanted to do, and having a ROTC program locally at NJIT made it that much easier."

The ROTC is an intense program that is meant to simulate the stresses of a day in the life of an Air Force officer and often times, students are put in situations that they aren't always comfortable in such as giving a presentation in front of a class. De Filippo said, "The hardest part of the program for me is the ability to step outside of my boundaries and partake in areas that I normally would shy away from." Although some things may make them uncomfortable or anxious, Rodriguez notices that it has already started to pay off. "My family sees a

different side of me; someone who is more dedicated, motivated, and mature" she said.

When asked why so few students from Saint Peter's University are involved in the ROTC program, De Filippo responded, "I think so few students are involved simply because they are unaware of the program." He later said, "I feel Saint Peter's can bring more

awareness of this program by sending out email, posting bulletins in the quad, and just pushing the topic more often. If more students were aware of the program, I am sure the number of students to join would multiply."

For those who are interested in joining the ROTC program, Rodriguez offers her advice. "DO IT! It's probably the best

decision you will have made thus far. I've learned and benefitted from this program so much. It's truly become a part of who I am and transformed me for the better" said Rodriguez. She also mentioned that there is a common misconception that once you join this program you have to join the forces.

"This is not the case" said Rodriguez. "You can be in the program all four years and if you decide that you don't want to contract, you don't have to."

ROTC programs offer numerous scholarship opportunities to help relieve the burden of paying for college as tuition costs increase. There is a variety of full or partial scholarships that cover tuition and fees, books and other expenses, and in some cases extra spending money. Like any scholarship, there is an application process and the forms and additional information is on the Air Force ROTC website.

Both De Filippo and Rodriguez have big dreams for their futures. "I want to graduate and commission as a 2nd Lieutenant. My dream career is to become an Intelligence Officer and after about 4 years, I'd like to be an FBI Agent" Rodriguez said.

"I want to travel the world, and the most amazing part is that the Air Force will allow me to do just that-have my dream career and travel.

CLASS EVALUATIONS GO DIGITAL, REQUIRES GIVEAWAYS

Push for Online Evaluations Goes Well, Yet Heavily Reliant on Incentive

BY CARLOS GONZALEZ
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St. Peter's University beat the national average of 53% turnout for online evaluations, with a 74% turnout in the Fall of 2012 (CAS/SBA). In the Fall of 2011 semester, evaluation turnouts were 79% (CAS/SBA), which means there was a five percent decrease.



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Many students decided to do the evaluations once seeing prizes were being given away.

Nevertheless, the high turnout for online evaluations deserves much credit for the faculty

that made it possible, and the incredible prizes, according to administrators.

A total of 42 students from CAS/SBA and Evening Session won. Prizes included; Kindle Fire, parking permit, bookstore gift card, reserved parking for Commencement, tuition for one summer or J-term course, and two tickets to Junior/Senior formal.

"The prizes certainly helped. But students also received reminders everyday. I also sent a lot of reminders to the faculty," said Dean Velda Goldberg, explaining the success of St. Peter's first online student evaluations. "The important thing is that the faculty look at the [evaluations] and care about them."

Evaluations are important for both faculty and students. In order for professors to progress, Dean Goldberg believes that it is important for them to get feedback from the students. From the students' perspective, the students have to feel that they are being heard in the academic setting.

"I am optimistic," said Dean Goldberg when asked about future online evaluation turnouts. "It might vacillate a few percentage points, but we have to keep up the momentum." Although there may be fewer prizes, there is still hope for the student body to respond in the same manner they did last semester.

Additionally, online evaluations have a great advantage for students and for faculty versus in-class evaluation. According to Dean Goldberg these advantages include:

- Faster results for faculty

- Qualitative questions are easier to view

- Students have more time to answer and write more thoughtful responses

- Class time is not taken up

- More cost effective and saves paper

- Better privacy safeguards for students

"They're good for some professors. I had one professor who didn't communicate with students at all, and I think that evaluations are important to address that," said Sierra Parker, class of 2013. "My business professors really encouraged us to do them, whereas my core class professors didn't enforce it as much."

"I did it for the gift card," said junior, Kristi Kaneyuki, hopeful that she could have won a prize. "I only did the online evaluations for the prizes. I took more time doing the in-class evaluations because they were right in front of me. I didn't have to go out of my way to do them."

Whether students were encouraged by professors or by prizes, students managed to beat the national average for online evaluations. However, keeping up this high percentage may pose a challenge for faculty without the bigger prizes. Dean Goldberg remains hopeful that the percentage rate will stay at the high 74%, or at least in the same quartile.

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Kenya, and Egypt, and I lived for a year in Cork, Ireland, on a faculty fellowship from St. Peter's. After becoming a mother, my daughters and I traveled a lot in the US for their athletic competitions and for my professional work. Last summer, we all spent three weeks in India, visiting the normal tourist sites as well as the areas where my daughters were born and the home for orphan girls where my older daughter was working for the year. The Amazon trip is a follow-up on one I took in summer 2011. The highlight of the trip was the canopy walk,

where we climbed up to the top of the forest canopy - absolutely scary since I have acrophobia, but something I will never forget. I wanted to take a group this summer but didn't get in the application early enough, so it's on for summer 2014. Join me! We'll fish for piranha (and eat our catch), go out into the middle of the Amazon at night and star-gaze, get to hug a sloth and monkeys, and really have a chance to interact with the local people and do a service project in a village - all this and you can also get three credits in environmental studies!

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MEET NICOLE DECAPUA: THE NEW DEAN OF FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORES

BY KSENIA STSEPYETKINA
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Q: What is your impression of Saint Peter’s University so far?

A: I love the school so far. The people here are very nice and create a family environment. Everyone seems to really care about the students and go out of their way to help in any way that they can. To me, that is the most important thing. I am enjoying my first two

weeks here with the students, staff, and all people involved in this community.

Q: Where did you work before Saint Peter’s?

A: I have worked at Montclair State University as the director of the Gifted and Talented Program. Before that, I worked with freshmen at Kingsborough Community College in Brooklyn as an advisor and orientation coordinator. Even before that, I was at St. John’s University as the assistant to the dean helping

with advisement, graduation, and honor society. I was also the event coordinator for the president at St. John’s. Lots of experience!

Q: Do you have any goals for the upcoming semester?

A: Yes I do. The first is obviously to get freshman orientation planned and running. I also want to work with the students and try to be a positive person in their life. Not to say the people before me did not do that. I understand what it is like to be a student because I am

still working towards my doctorate. My primary goal is to make sure that students know that they have someone who they can come and talk to. A lot of students make appointments but never show, so we want to figure out ways to get them in here. I also want to utilize technology more and make everything accessible online to bring us into a new phase. However, I do not want to come in and make a hundred changes if things are running well.

Q: Is there anything

you want the students to know about you?

A: I am an avid sports fan. My favorite sport to watch is football. I am a huge Jets fan. I don’t know if that is something to be proud. In baseball, I am a Yankees fan and in hockey I am a Rangers fan. I am a very big sports fan. I will travel for my teams. I have been to many different stadiums in the country. I cannot wait to decorate my office with all of my sports memorabilia.

ARTS & LIFESTYLE

CURIOSITY AND OTHER-WORLD EXPLORATION COLLIDE AT THE LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER

BY MICHELLE RAGHUNANDAN
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A famous and curious monkey has joined forces with a certain Navi to educate and amaze, both are part of the new exhibitions at Liberty Science Center that recently opened to the public.

“When they see the projection their jaws drop,” says John C., a volunteer at Liberty Science Center.

John is referring to the huge projection screen used to simulate Pandora, which is the first thing one sees when entering ‘Avatar: The Exhibition.’ With a blue and black backdrop, glowing lights and beautiful scenery being projected onto this screen it creates the feeling that visitors are actually on the fictional and wondrous planet of Pandora. Guests are able stroll about the exhibit and learn of the creation process of making ‘Avatar.’

Visitors posed next to

the 13.5 feet tall, Armored Mobility Platform (AMP suit)

In attendance at the museum exhibit were mainly



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that was used in the movie. Other props and models featured in the film included a trooper costume, plant specimens, and actual models of some Na’vi characters. Artwork and detailed character designs from creators and James Cameron himself were also showcased. Students on their field trip flocked to Motion Capture Stage, where they could digitally transformed into a native of Pandora.

children. Ages ranged from 8 to 10 year olds who are much too young for the PG-13 rated movie, but that didn’t stop them from having fun. Liberty Science Center, known for coming up with fun learning and interactive exhibits, has a plethora of activities ranging from learning the language spoken by the Na’vi to trying on Na’vi shoes. These activities are not just for kids -- even adults waited to see themselves as an Avatar at

the Performance Capture Interactive. I found myself playing the role of director by creating a scene with hand held monitors modeled after the cameras used in creating the film. While on her field trip, Sara, an elementary school student, shared her thoughts on the exhibit.

“Everything is cool ...I didn’t see the movie, but now I want to watch it,” said Sara.

After exploring the world of Pandora and learning about the creation of ‘Avatar,’ museum goers can watch the Movie in its 3D glory for a limited time. The film will be playing at Liberty Science Center now through February 23rd.

While the Avatar exhibit got generally good reviews, the real fun seemed to happen at the new traveling exhibit ‘Curious George: Let’s Get Curious!’ which caters to young learners, ages 7 and under. Curious George, who is best known for being -- well -- curious, makes a perfect exhibit geared to growing children. Just as George loves to explore

and enjoys learning something new, kids can now follow in his footsteps. Toddlers and young children experience a detailed, miniature city modeled after George’s own home city, complete with a city park, apartment building, mini-golf, and a space rocket! Of course, all of these kid-sized attractions come with hands-on learning; the exhibit touches on some of the first things children learn such as colors, shapes, sounds, patterns, mechanics, math, memory and more!

“The kids have a lot of fun, and the parents are happy that they can bring the whole family,” said Cherry S, an employee at Liberty Science Center.

These two new exhibits are definitely a great addition to the Liberty Science Center but they won’t last long. ‘Curious George: Let’s Get Curious’ is open until May 12th and ‘Avatar: The Exhibition’ will be open until May 19th.

For full details on the new exhibits and ticket prices please visit Liberty Science Center, <http://lsc.org/>.

SINGLE AND LONELY? THERE’S A DATING SITE FOR EVERYONE (LITERALLY)

BY JESSICA HARTLAND
Staff Writer

You constantly hear “there are other fish in the sea” or “everyone has a soul mate” but honestly these statements should come with some sort of fine print. Those quotes fail to remind us that we all could be a little quirky at times or downright “unique” in our ways of searching for that special someone. But, do not fear! There is, believe it or not, a dating site for everyone.

10. CrazyBlindDate.com

Are you afraid that your

picture may just get rejected on eharmony? No worries! This is the same as any other dating site, just minus the pictures. You could find the person of your dreams, all without any type of physical attraction.

9. TheUglyBugBall.com

Dating for the ones who didn’t get so lucky in the gene pool.

8. 420dating.com

Bringing marijuana smokers together for a happy relationship. Although the site claims it does not support any use of the illegal substance, most people know its purpose simply by the name. To non-smokers, 420 is just another

day in April.

7. WomenBehindBars.com

For all you lucky single men, you could find a current inmate looking for love! Don’t worry if they intimidate you -- there are no obligations, just be a pen-pal instead.

6. Purrsonels.com

Afraid to be known as the crazy cat lady? You don’t have to be alone with your cats anymore. At Purrsonels.com you’ll find people just as obsessed with the little creatures!

5. StachePassion.com

Can you not control yourself when it comes to that beautiful piece of facial hair? Are you a groupie of the ‘stache? Then

you found the right place! But beware, they ‘mustache’ you a few questions before the dating begins.

4. Pounced.org

Made by Furries, just for Furries. And to all who don’t know what the furry fandom entails, it is simply the organized appreciation of fictional anthropomorphic characters.

3. DiaperMates.com

Never got out of the baby stage? Have a diaper fetish? Apparently, it’s you and approximately 520,000 visitors to this site.

2. NoLongerLonely.com

Don’t worry, they haven’t forgotten about the ill

-- mentally ill, that is. Here, you will get your life back on track after finding someone with the same mental downfalls.

1. PositiveSingles.com

Don’t let the name fool you, this isn’t a site for people who are hashtagging “team single” on Instagram. This site is actually designated dating only for people who suffer from various types of STDs. Not only could you find a match with the same disease, but also get support on how to live happily with it.

TOP FIVE SPRING BREAK GETAWAYS FOR BROKE COLLEGE STUDENTS

BY TATIANA FERRARRO
Staff Writer

THE MET
(NYC)

The Metropolitan Museum of Art is located at 1000 5th Ave. Visiting here is a great way to spice up your artsy side. It's easy to get to via the Path which is located in Journal Square, and it's affordable being that the Met takes donations as opposed to admission fees. So you could mosey on over to NYC and spend the day with a friend or two exploring at the Met for whatever amount of money you would



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PARK TAVERN
(JERSEY CITY)

Good ol' Park Tavern, located on 575 Westside Ave. is the perfect escape for the evening during your spring break. Get a group of your pals to head on over and get some drinks, shoot some darts, and listen to some good music on the juke-box. If you enjoy a Guinness poured to perfection, a burger so juicy that when you bite into it the juices drip down your arm, and you enjoy the sounds of tunes ranging from Creedence Clearwater Revival to Weezer this is sure to be a night out you won't forget. Who's to put a pricetag on an unforgettable night out with friends?



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KANCAMAGUS
(NEW HAMPSHIRE)

If you're an adventurous outdoorsy kind of folk round up the troops and spend a couple days in New Hampshire camping in Kancamagus. Don't forget to take the scenic route and spend a few days mellowing out from this rough semester we just accomplished. Enjoy the vibes nature inflicts for just \$22 a camper. If you can round up enough troops, the gas bill shouldn't be a problem.



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MAXWELL'S
(HOBOKEN)

One of my favorite spots in my hometown of Hoboken, NJ. A snug little venue located on 1039 Washington Street. Their website holds the dates of events that will occur during our spring break. Many of the artists go here for some quick gigs to get recognized so if you feel like spending around \$15 to see a rockstar in the making I'd suggest you do so. The food is reasonable, but I'd stick to appetizers since it is cheaper. There is a bar with drink specials during 3-6pm which includes specialty drinks. It's better than spending your night vegging out on the couch watching a marathon of The Golden Girls.



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CASINOS
(ATLANTIC CITY)

Feeling lucky? Why not make a day trip to some of the casinos located in Atlantic City? Try your luck at the penny slots you could win it big -- and you won't be losing too much money doing so either. If you're not into gambling, there are the amazing Tanger outlets just outside of the casinos which include Guess, Chico's and Michael Kors! I'm not suggesting you go on a shopping spree: window shopping is fun too. Gamble a little and spend a little. If you don't want to spend anything, take a stroll on the boardwalk and breathe in the ocean smell, maybe pick up some seashells on the beach.



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NEW CONSOLE, NEW CONTROLLER, NEW PRMOMISES

BY EMILY ALEQUIN
Arts & Lifestyle Editor

Gamers have continued to witness the vast changes within the gaming world. Portable game systems are no longer a concept from the past, consoles are now sleek and designed to handle more than just gaming and the games themselves have become even more cutting-edge; the graphics more stunning, the character designs more lifelike and the possibilities of 'who,where, what time period' are still endless.

wireless controllers, blu-ray and backward capability and consoles that can now access the internet and huge amounts of content through wireless connections.

There has not been a major console release since 2006 in November when the Playstation3 was released and then a few days later, Nintendo's Wii. (Microsoft's Xbox 360 had been released a year before in November.) Since then, there have been lesser releases like Kinect for Xbox, Playstation Move (both motion-sensing additions to their respective consoles) and

are experiencing a mixture



of excitement, anxiety and suspicions of this new console. Here's all the official details first:

System Memory: 8GB
Video Memory: 2.2 GB
CPU: 4x Dual-Core AMD64 "Bulldozer" (so, 8x cores)

the new controller for this system, The DUALSHOCK®4 controller, now has a touch pad at the top and also has a six-axis sensor which is described as being "highly sensitive" to make interaction with a game reach a new level for gamers.

Playstation4 also comes with a newly developed camera that is actually two cameras with wide-angle lenses able to capture views and angles of up to 85-degrees (diagonal). Specifications and upgrades are great to learn about, but what does it all mean in the long-run? How are the games and media content going to be presented in a 'whole new way' like the developers claim? Well, this all comes down to their new statement of "The Promise" for Playstation4.

There's still a long wait until the Playstation4 is released and we haven't even been given all of the information. Some of the biggest questions are directed towards game developers and future releases; will the developers continue on with current projects and release them on the consoles we own now, or will they wait until the release of the new generation of consoles? Developers of certain

titles such as the Dragon Age series and the future release of Assassin's Creed IV: Black Flag have already promised to stick with Playstation3 for now.

Another problem is that it seems there may not be Backward Compatibility; unlike Playstation3 and Playstation2 which were able to play games from their preceding systems, but developers claim that gamers will be able to stream/play all previous titles ever on a playstation system through 'Playstation Cloud' or this problem could simply be resolved by completely enabling the PS4 to have backward compatibility; point is, nothing is set in stone (excuse the cliché). This system is still under development -pictures of the console haven't even been released yet!- so there's no point in jumping to conclusions or assuming non-stop about what you think this system will or will not have. If you already have a PS3, don't toss it just yet, and if you've never had a Playstation, this might just be your first.

Visit: us.playstation.com/ps4/ for more info and videos, and visit PauwWow.com/ for Emily's full review on Playstation 4.



So with all of these advances in capability and performance, it's only natural that we've grown to expect more and more from our games and gaming consoles each time a new one is released. We've seen the creation of

more additions for portable gaming, such as Nintendo's DS/3DS systems and Sony's PS Vita.

Now that Sony has officially announced PlayStation 4 (said to be released during the holiday season of 2013) gamers

GPU: AMD R10xx
Ports: 4x USB 3.0, 2x Ethernet
Drive: Blu-Ray
HDD: 160GB
Audio Output: HDMI & Optical, 2.0, 5.1 & 7.1 channels
According to Playstation,

EMILY’S LIT PICKS

BY EMILY ALEQUIN
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Lucia, Lucia is centered around the life of a stylish, confident career-girl named Lucia (yes, that’s where the book title comes in) from 1950’s New York when opportunities in career seemed endless for ambitious young women such as Lucia, but that’s not where the book begins. The story first takes place in present day Greenwich village on Commerce Street, where an aspiring playwright named Kit Zanetti is going through her morning routine of looking out the window of her old- apartment building and watching the aged beauties of the village; the brownstone houses, old grocery stores, ivy that stretches across brick store fronts. Through Kit’s eyes, there’s a story to be found everywhere, but the greater one actually lives within her apartment.

Almost every occupant of the apartment seems simple to Kit, except for one stylish and eccentric older woman who is in her 70’s and is called “Aunt” Lu by all the other tenants. Aunt Lu has a never ending wardrobe of vintage clothing, she loves Hermès scarves and large sparkling brooches, is always wearing the perfect shade of lipstick and loves leaving presents outside of Kit’s apartment door such as lilac soap, tiny perfume bottles and expensive coffee beans.

One day Aunt Lu invites Kit to a cup of tea in her apartment which is heavily decorated with floral wallpaper, chintz furniture, lace, flowers, porcelain and ceramic knick-knacks, venetian vases and one wall that reads: “An Old Lady Lives Here.”

Among the countless trinkets, Kit notices a silver picture frame with a photo of a young and beautiful woman dressed in a gold, strapless lamé gown. The woman is Lucia and this is when the character previously addressed as Aunt Lu begins

to tell of her youth and of her black, mink coat that is, as she claims, the story of her life.

It’s here that the book takes a turn and goes back in time, right to the New York City of the 1950’s when Aunt Lu was simply Lucia. Raised in Little Italy, Lucia Sartori lives in the lush and lively Greenwich Village. Her father owns the successful Groceria , her mother stays at home caring for the home and the rest of the family which includes four brothers; Lucia being the only daughter and the youngest which pretty much makes it the traditional first-generation Italian family to Lucia.

At 25-years-old, Lucia has dreams to make her way into the glittering world of fashion and design. She already has an apprenticeship as a seamstress at Chic B. Altman’s department store on Fifth Avenue and she’s saved \$7,500 from working there. Her co-workers and encouraging boss (a rising designer) already recognize her talents and continue to keep her motivated to look for that next, big step. mother, Mrs. Demartino, women belong at home, in the kitchen and with the children; she even accuses Lucia of not being able to be a good wife if she does not know how to iron her son’s work shirts. In a reaction of frustration and fear of being held back by the calls of tradition, Lucia refuses to continue the plans of marriage so she may focus on her own goals.

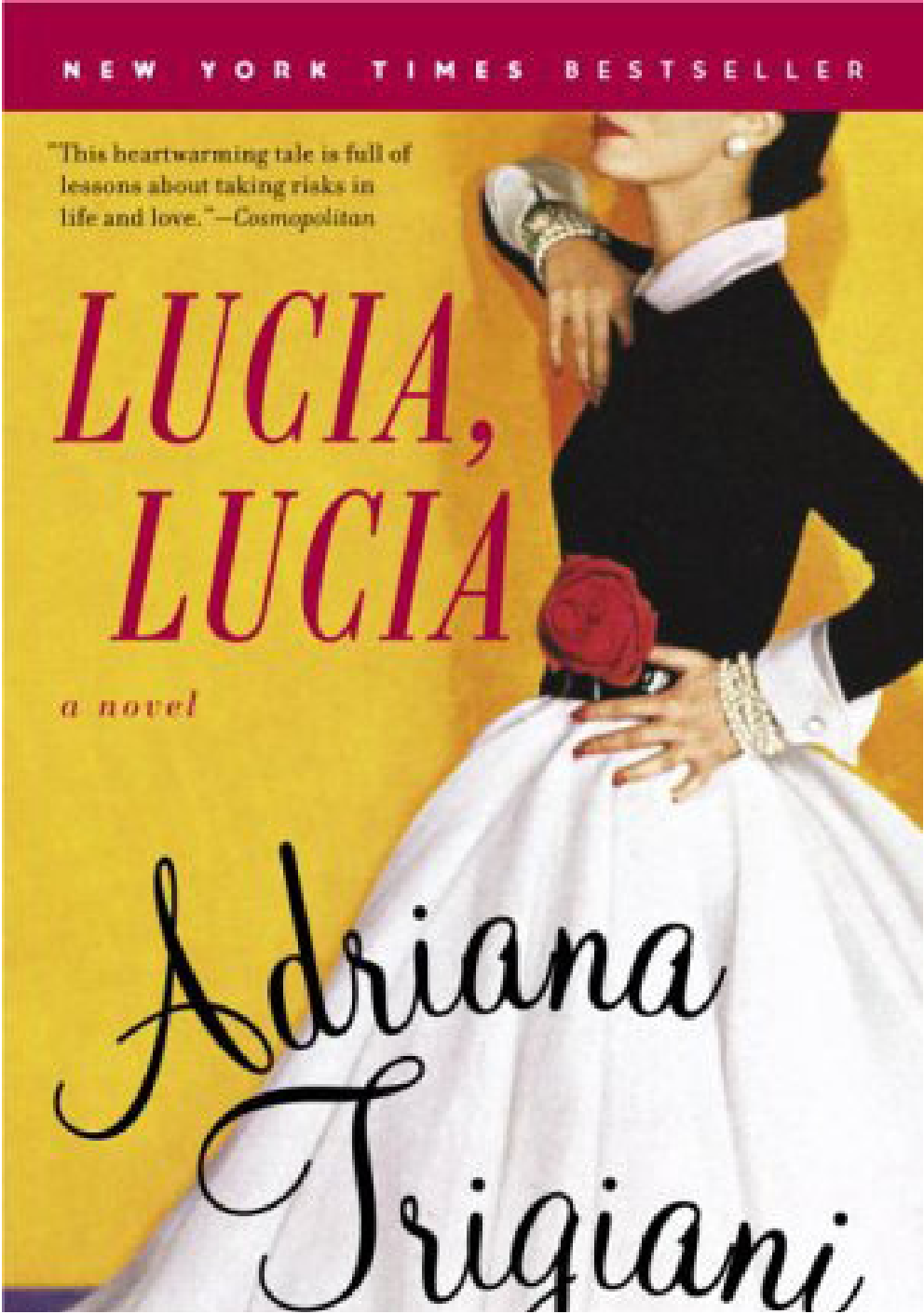
Both families are distraught over Lucia’s decision and she is thought to be a spinster who will never take a man’s hand in marriage for the rest of her years. Life continues for the hopeful seamstress until she meets the young and dashing, John Talbot, a man who is not just handsome and charismatic but also seductive because of what he promises; a life of luxury and grandeur in uptown society. John Talbot is more charming than any other man Lucia has ever met and he even goes as far as buying her a beautiful mink coat to show his

interests.

With John, Lucia’s life quickly becomes a fairy tale and she’s soon engaged once more, but her family is not so certain of this attractive stranger. Lucia is warned that John Talbot could be nothing but trouble to her, but Lucia is in love and simply wants a life of happiness with a husband and promising career, so what could possibly be troublesome about Mr. Talbot? A scandal soon erupts after months of being hidden from Lucia’s and her family’s eyes and now they will all have to deal with the aftermath of what has been done. There are plenty of moments and chapters within this tale that have you thinking about what it means to be part of family and to have your dreams and loyalties tested.

I have to admit that there was a point in the story where I felt like things were starting to slow down to an eventual and boring stop; that was until the plot-twist (and it was a surprising one.) People usually read books that involve a big or semi-big climax with a story that might still lead to that good or perfect ending, but Lucia, Lucia really does deal in the consequences and sacrifices of that climax.

It was actually my father who told me about this book because he had seen it so many times before in the hands of both men and women while on his morning commute to work in the city. It took him much longer to actually find it



in stores, though, until months later when he finally found a single copy inside of a Barnes and Noble and it’s because of him that I was introduced to this book and a great author’s works.

Adriana Trigiani, author of 12 novels (9 of which have topped the bestseller lists after being released), is known for her heartwarming, heart-wrenching and insightful stories that have introduced readers to first-generation and modern Italian families with characters that just seem to effortlessly work their way into our hearts.

Most of her books are parts to different series, such as The Big Stone Gap (Her debut novel set in her hometown) and Very Valentine which were the first books in two separate series. Adriana Trigiani is one of those special talents who is able to surprise, raise a few laughs, a few cries and create stories for her readers to become submerged in. Plus she includes recipes at the back of most of her novels for all those delicious foods the characters make and taste, and when you combine a good book with good food, there’s not much else missing.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

THE ART OF LOCK PICKING

BY PRAJWAL NIRLAULA
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Many times when we walk out of our home, we feel safe locking the door. The tactile sense of keys adds to the feeling. Hopefully not, but someday we might run into trouble by forgetting our keys inside or losing it. While there are different solutions to this problem, the lock picking perhaps is the easiest. This simple skill could save a lot of trouble that one may have to go through. At the same time, it reveals our vulnerability as we come to understand how easy it is really to pick a key.

It is important to understand a lock before we get into lock picking. The basic idea behind any lock is to provide a barrier that would allow only the authenticated personality to have access to certain things or areas. In a physical world, it generally entails a mechanical system which allows access only with some special parts, for instance key for lock. However, these mechanical systems are not foolproof, and this is precisely what lock-picking exploits.

For a digital world like ours, information is no longer confined. A simple internet

search on lock picking would flood any individual with the details involved in the process. I first learnt about lock picking in the biography of Richard

like Feynman who were unstoppable by simple locks. Not long after did I realize how easy it is to pick a lock. And even surprising was the



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Feynman. A great lock picker, Feynman played pranks on his friends, although those incidents sometimes landed him into trouble. For a moment I thought, it was for geniuses

fact that amateurs would be able to pick up most of the locks within a minute. It was Achilles’ heel everyone could exploit.

Let’s talk of a typical lock

– pin tumbler lock. It has series of usually four to seven pins of different length. The lock depends on the precise alignment of these pins to open. The right key with its grooves would ensure this precise alignment, while a wrong key would not be able to reproduce it. Thus, only a right key having the right groove would open the door.

However, the trick here lies in using objects that would help to get the right alignment without the key. Such objects could be anything from pointed hairpins, bum-key, or lock pick guns. Lock pick kits make improvement on hair pins making the process much easier and faster. In typical lock picking there are two tools involved; one is wrench - used to apply torque to provide the rotational force, while other is pick - used to align the pins.

When the pins are once pushed into right alignment using picks, the binding defect would fix them in the very position. As a result, one can individually align all the pins present in a lock. As this is done, an application of additional torque on the wrench would open the lock.

Aligning every pin might be difficult originally, but the time would go on decreasing

as one gets adept at doing it. And with tools like bum keys and lock pick guns, the ease and time is almost comparable to opening door with a normal key. Other locks such as dial combination locks or tubular locks can similarly be picked with a little variation in the mentioned technique.

As picking lock is becoming a more common skill, lock companies are trying to design special locks to overcome this general weakness. They have made locks that are difficult to pick. Yet, as the locks are usually expensive one, they are not commonly popular in a society whose major portion is largely unaware of its vulnerability. To ensure more safety, some states in United States have made it illegal to possess lock picking tools. But, the implementation is usually lax, as the internet allows easy access to such tools.

Thus, there are essentially two faces of lock picking. One gives you the right to forget your key at home, other will make you vulnerable -- perhaps as the price of freedom. As more and more people are acquiring the lock picking skill, everyone appear an innate locksmith if they dig a little further.

NICK’S NOTES: DINEEN 231

BY NICHOLAS MEDEROS
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I remember at the very beginning of my freshman year, as a way to stay active on campus and not just hang around in the library all day waiting for my next class, I went to the club fair. After spending about ten minutes getting nowhere, being an English major at a club fair dominated by business and accounting clubs and societies, I finally found the Pauw Wow booth. It was simple and humble. The table only had a few copies of the latest issue and a few applications for new writers.

Almost immediately after grabbing an application, I filled it out and followed the instructions telling me to leave it in the dropbox on the door of the office. That was the first time I saw it. The door was foreboding and almost made me feel like an outsider to an entirely mysterious world within. Wood paneling blocked any view through the glass and I wanted nothing more than to take a look inside and see what was hiding behind that door.

It wasn't until the first meeting that semester that I saw the room. Three tables took up most of the space and about a dozen chairs took up the rest of the room that wasn't being occupied by desks with very

nice computers on them or filing cabinets that seemed to be bursting at the seams with paperwork. The room was filled with this electric energy that was jumping from person to person. Article ideas were floating around the air until someone grabbed it and threw it on the board. After about forty minutes, the first issue was set and people started pouring out of the room with the meeting finished.

By the spring semester, I had been made Opinions Editor and I had the chance to be one of the people sharing in that electricity. The most important part of all of this was the fact that I had gotten a key to the office. I almost immediately went in and explored. It was then that I realized what made that room so special. There was a professional atmosphere to the room but just beyond that there was a personality that was unique to the details and quirks of the office.

After even more exploring, I found that in the filing cabinets were old issues of the Pauw Wow, dating back to the 1950s. It was in those issues that I found what made that room so important. Sixty years worth of students put their hearts and souls into every piece of paper that I held in my hands. Events as small as bake sales and catastrophes



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as large as the assassination of President Kennedy were all covered within those pages, waiting to be read and poured through with the diligence I was giving them.

The students who wrote these articles had no idea that sixty years later, a student would be spending his free time tearing through each issue, hoping to find some context or perspective that he couldn't find elsewhere. In these issues, I found the

change that Saint Peter's experienced and the transition that Jersey City had gone through over the past few generations. I read of riots and protests and festivals and dances and I wondered how, after reading sixty years of Jersey City and Saint Peter's history, anyone could hate this town or this school after all that it's persevered against and after all that it's been through.

It was then I realized what made the office so important

to me as an editor. It wasn't my office or the office of my editorial board. It was the office of sixty years worth of editors, maybe more, who called this place home in the late hours of layout. It was the office of sixty years of history, not just of the college, but of the people that attended. Most importantly, it was the office of the voice of the students.

I have no doubt that the new office will be just as energetic as Dinneen 231 was. As long as it has the editors of the Pauw Wow, it'll have that electricity flying around. It's incredibly important that when we move into this new office, and when students start moving into the student center, that we remember who we are as a newspaper and as a campus as a whole. Our past is a mirror of what our future can be and that is incredibly true of Saint Peter's students, Pauw Wow or not.

In our old office, connections were made, friendships were forged, love was found, and voices were heard. Know that the old issues of the Pauw Wow have been brought to the Archives department of the library so that all students can know just how important that office was to the previous editors. It was a room of requirement, a room of expression, and most of all, a home. Thank you, Dinneen 231.

ENOUGH WITH DEAD WHITE DUDES

BY ROSE DRISCOLL
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University curriculum and faculty increasingly struggle to keep up with the diversity of the modern student body. In other words, students spend too much time learning about dead white males, as the common criticism runs. Although



Professor Fatima Shaik

most college students are no longer young white men, the majority of the classes still hold to a very limited scope.

Despite its all-male student

body at the college's founding, 58.8% of the students at Saint Peter's are now women. According to a study done from North Dakota State University, women only make up 24% of full professors nationwide, and the Department of Education states that white professors still make up 70.7% of those employed in postsecondary institutions. Saint Peter's is a little more even when it comes to their professorial staff: 52 male professors and 49 female.

Furthermore, diversity at Saint Peter's has exploded past even the national average in terms of ethnicity. However, the number of full-time professors from minority groups does not reflect the high percentage of these groups in the student body. While Hispanic students make up the largest percentage of the Saint Peter's student body, this is among the smallest group of professors, with only two female and one male Hispanic professor.

"Ideally, every professor could teach any subject to every ethnicity and every gender," said Fatima Shaik, a Black American professor of communications. "But in reality,

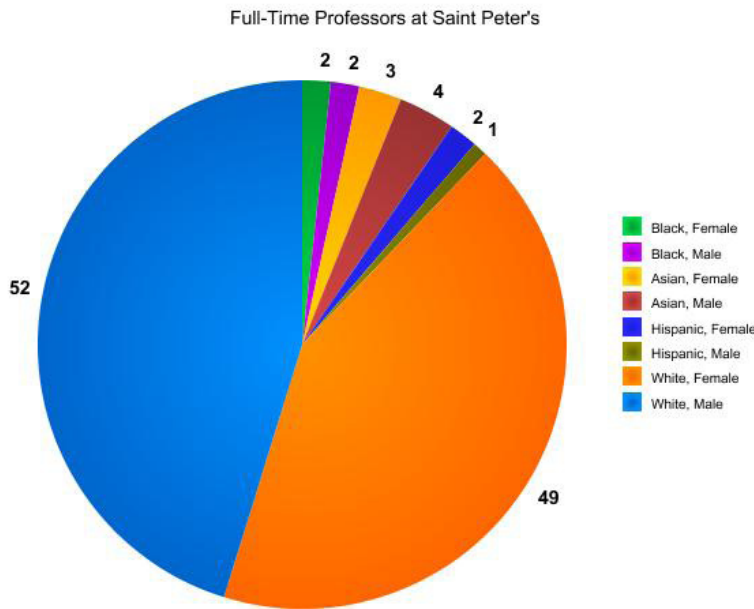
these aren't part of [everyone's] everyday conversations. I've lived it and taught it."

Shaik, who began her education in the segregated South, formed a group with the other 12 black women in her high school to study the works of writers who composed a world more similar to hers than those one they read in their curriculum. Shaik has since brought the study of Black literature and film to Saint Peter's.

However, Saint Peter's diversity also still works within the traditional university subjects. Dr. Kristina Chew is a Chinese American Classics professor. "I do think that the students enrolled in my Classics (Latin, ancient Greek, classical civilization) are definitely diverse and lend a very unique perspective on the study of the ancient world," said Chew in an email interview, especially



Dr. Kristina Chew



given that studying a subject like Classics tends to be associated (historically and traditionally) with a far less diverse population of individuals."

Chew continues, "The extent to which one sees individuals representing different diversities -- ethnic, religious, LGBT -- on campus varies."

Colleges nationwide need to take a closer look at both their faculty and their student body, to see whether they match. If students feel detached from

the works of the dead white men they're studying, their grades and their satisfaction with the university are likely to reflect that detachment.

Although Saint Peter's commitment to diversity is admirable, they'd do better to remember this the next time a spot opens up in the faculty. The expansion of diversity in student body needs to be reflected in the professorial staff.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

QUESTION - Do you think Saint Peter's University has a diverse and all inclusive kind of community that promotes diversity and well-being amongst all, no matter their race, sex, class gender identity or sexual orientation?
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Saint Peter's should do regarding diversity at Saint Peter's or reactions to the above article.
Regarding our last poll about the FA/absence policy, 84.6% of our readers who voted said, yes, they would like to see the policy removed.

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QUOTE OF THE MOMENT

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"After he died, I began searching too, in earnest, as one suddenly does after realizing just how much is gone. The hookah, the papers my aunt Haleemon kept, and more washed away in hurricane Katrina. But I still have my grandfather's diamond stickpin and a few photos. And I have family stories. In March, I am going to bring them to India - finally, in some ways, achieving my father's dream."

PROFESSOR FATIMA SHAIK IN A BLOG POST ON BENGALIHARLEM.COM ON HER UPCOMING TRIP TO INDIA

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REMINDER

PEACOCK BASEBALL PLAYER NAMED MAAC CONFERENCE PLAYER

BY LIANNE UHRIG
Contributing Writer

A 22-year-old Saint Peter’s senior successfully made his way from a 5-year-old tee-ball player to the MAAC Conference Player of the Week.

Matthew Speckmann, a 6’4” communication major and business minor, has dedicated his life to baseball. The Saint Peter’s second baseman started at just five years old and never stopped.

Matt is an only child from Cherry Hill, New Jersey. His father, Gary and grandfather, Bernard got him interested in baseball, especially the Phillies and specifically his favorite player Jimmy Rollins.

Matt’s parents are very involved in his baseball career and attend every game

possible. He excelled in base-



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ball and basketball throughout his high school career and received awards in baseball for All-South NJ, All Group 4, and All Conference, for which he is very proud.

Despite all these awards,

Matt was not recruited by any

as a walk-on. Matt tried out,

games per season.

“Most girls don’t understand the sacrifice, so I appreciate that my girlfriend is patient,” said Matt.

Speckmann focuses mostly on baseball, conditioning, and training everyday with the help of his well -respected head coach, Sean Cashman. He finishes his workouts around 10-11 p.m. and he said the last thing on his mind is home-work. However, in trecent months Matt realized he needs to focus on the future and his career goals.

Matthew’s grandfather passed away last November, which motivated Matt to dedicate this season to him. MAAC Conference Player of the Week is a great start and Matt hopes this will be a winning season in honor of the man who inspired him to play baseball.

RED BULLS from Back in the uniforms. They also worked with local markets, fans, and former players in order to fully understand each team’s personality and be able to incorporate slogans, chants, and other distinct details special to each team.

The new Red Bull’s kit features the traditional white jersey, with red, classic Adidas stripes down the arms, and a large logo embossed on the chest in the front. There is also the words “Red Bulls” on the back of the neck by the collar, as well as on the back of the jersey near the lower back area. Devoted Red Bull fans can pre-order the new jerseys, and other new items for the upcoming 2013 season at the Red Bull Arena fan shop between 11am and 5pm,

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five soccer teams that the Red Bulls outfit around the world at all levels will have this new look for the 2013 season.

Thierry Henry, the French

striker and star of the Red Bulls squad, expressed his excitement for the regular season, which starts on Sunday, March 3rd at the Portland Timbers, and for the new player recently added to the team.

When asked about the new jerseys, Henry nodded and seemed content, but recalled being most proud to wear his French jersey in the 1998 FIFA World Cup, where France won their first title.

“It felt good because we won,” Henry said, “but it’s not so much about the jersey, it’s about representing the club.”

You can find more information and get up to date news about the new uniforms and the 2013 season by visiting the team’s Twitter and Facebook pages.



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Manhattan competitors against only 15 St. Peter’s athletes.

“Coach Massone really put time effort and money into bringing in people who not only could score but would progress throughout the years and help build up the team,” said Senior Cherriece Brown. “The foundation that the past classes laid was one of hard work and dedication, their fire from losing made my class want to give something too. But when we lost indoor MAAC my first year that officially made my class hungry and want more than anything to win.”

Over the years the team went through a drastic change. Each year more talented women came to the team, such as hurdlers, sprinters, jumpers, throwers, pole-vaulters and distance runners. They finally had the team they needed to win and in 2011 they did just that.

“Our motivation and heart was always bred within us. Even in my freshmen year

when we lost conference championships. We didn’t do less than our best. We’re fighters and I think that’s one of the main reasons why we have succeeded and come this far and we will continue to fight no matter what,” said Senior Renee Brzyski.

That victory not only showed their opponents what they were actually made of, but also opened up new levels of confidence and pride for the team.

Since the Peahens are now a repeat championship winning team, it brings the program a lot of attention for potential track and field athletes. Even more talented athletes were recruited, making the team stronger. After the Peahens’ first win, their opponents weren’t going to make it as easy the next time. They needed to come back tougher and more relentless.

“Winning it the first time laid the foundation to keep growing. It set the mood that victory is possible. Becoming the champions was not something we were willing to let go without

a fight. We proved by our repeat win we are truly the MAAC Champions,” said Junior Stefanny Laureano. In 2012, the Peahens returned yet again with another championship.

Each year it gets harder for the Peahens to defend their title and 2013 was no different. Everyone on the team had to step up and run, throw and jump with heart. Despite losing many big scoring seniors, the Peahens, for the third time in a row, came home with a MAAC championship. These women are gifted not only athletically, but academically as well. There are several members of the team who are on the Dean’s List and have been awarded MAAC all academic. These outstanding and versatile women continue to achieve their goals and push all obstacles aside. As they train for their outdoor season, they have set their eyes on yet another MAAC championship.

BASEBALL: UPCOMING	SOFTBALL: UPCOMING
MARCH 9TH AT DELAWARE STATE, 12:00 PM	MARCH 11TH VS BUTLER, REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 5:00 PM
MARCH 10TH AT DELAWARE STATE, 1:00 PM	MARCH 11TH VS WAGNER, REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 6:30 PM
MARCH 15T, VS SACRED HEART AT FORDHAM 3:30 PM	MARCH 12TH VS ROBERT MORRIS REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 3:00 PM
MARCH 16TH AT FORDHAM 12:00 PM	MARCH 12TH VS EASTERN ILL. REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 5:00 PM
MARCH 17TH VS NJIT 12:00 PM	MARCH 13TH VS UTAH VALLEY REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA 9:00 AM
MARCH 20TH AT SETON HALL 4:00 PM	MARCH 13TH VS YOUNGSTOWN STATE REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 11:00 AM
MARCH 23RD AT CANISIUS 12:00 PM	MARCH 14TH VS ALBANY, NY REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 9:00 AM
MARCH 24TH AT CANISIUS 12:00 PM	MARCH 14TH VS LEHIGH, REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 1:00 PM
MARCH 26TH AT MONMOUTH 3:00 PM	MARCH 16TH VS NORTH DAKOTA REBEL GAMES AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA, 1:00 PM
MARCH 28TH AT WAGNER 1:00 PM	
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ONE, TWO, #3PEAT

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Three consecutive MAAC Championships equals three amazing and triumphant victories for the Saint Peter's University Women's Track & Field team. What some people do not know, however, is that they have won both indoor and outdoor championships for the past two years. In theory, one can really say that they have five championships under their belt of recent wins.

Although some argue that they make it seem easy, it is understood by even more that these women train very hard and never underestimate their opponent. Without a doubt, this dedicated and determined team has proven themselves and has become a force to be reckoned with to colleges in the area, making Saint Peter's an understood threat in Track and Field.

The Peahens haven't always been this victorious though. Before taking home top prize in three consecutive championships, the team was much smaller and the budget allowed was significantly lower. With the help of MAAC recognized and awarded Coach Michael Massone, the team increased in depth, talent and strength. The team was always talented, but many on the team understood that they didn't have the amount of runners necessary to gain enough points to win the championships. Their rival team, Manhattan College, would dominate the whole conference, men and women, with their large number of athletes. There were about 40

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UPCOMING MEN'S TENNIS:

MARCH 23RD, VILLANOVA,
2:00 PM

MARCH 20TH, NIAGRA,
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PM

WOMEN'S TENNIS:

MARCH 24TH, RHODE
ISLAND, 2:00 PM

MARCH 25TH, AT
WAGNER, 4:00PM

MARCH 30TH, NIAGRA,
TBH

APRIL 5TH, MANHATTAN,
4:00 PM

TRACK & FIELD:

MARCH 16TH, 2013 VS RAM
INVITE, AT RICHMOND, VA

MARCH 23RD, 2013 VS
STOCKTON INVITATIONAL,
AT POMONA, NJ

MARCH 29TH, 2013 VS
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RED BULLS UNVEIL NEW 2013 JERSEYS PICKING

BY JAMIE LISANTI
Staff Writer

The New York Red Bulls unveiled their new Adidas primary kits Monday night at Pier 59 Studios in New York City, as part of Major League Soccer's first Jersey Week. The club, based in Harrison, N.J., kept with their classic, clean white look for their home jerseys, and will keep the same secondary jerseys from last year.

The Red Bulls are one of 12 teams releasing the redesigned jerseys made by Adidas especially for the 2013 season, with the theme "Jersey as Art" in mind. Adidas designers have spent the last 21 months developing the new jerseys, and the art and creativity put into the making of the new uniform line was highlighted with urban, edgy MLS décor throughout the room.



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"We wanted to make sure that the jerseys could be worn

with an undergarment," said Mike Walker, product manager at Adidas, "These jerseys are 27% lighter than the predecessor."

The new uniform kits do not have any stitching and are bonded together to add to the lightweight look and feel of the fabric. Walker said that just as the players perform at the highest level, he and his team wanted to be sure the jerseys could match their effort and performance.

Eric Alexander, recently acquired to the Red Bulls from the Portland Timbers, said that the jersey was one of the most comfortable he has worn.

The Adidas design team studied each team's identity and found ways to reflect this individuality, such as certain colors or parts of the crest,

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Matt Speckmen is a senior for Men's Baseball & MAAC AOTW. See Page 11 for a profile on the young athlete.