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This year, Monmouth University honors Marianne C. Hesse's extraordinary contributions with the President's Medal, one of the University's highest distinctions. Her steadfast service, generosity, and leadership embody the values central to Monmouth's mission, and her lasting impact on the campus community makes her deeply deserving of this recognition.

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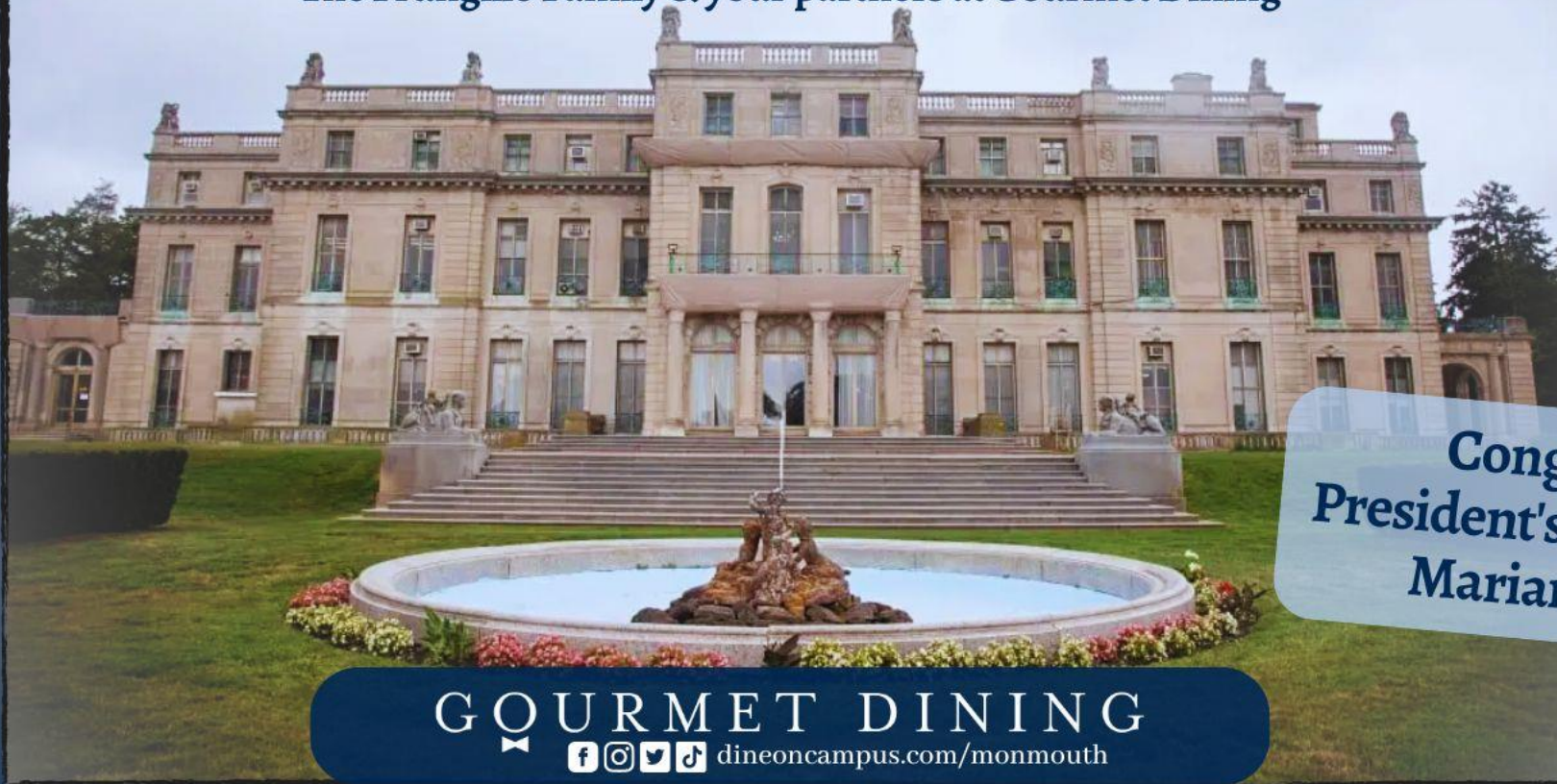
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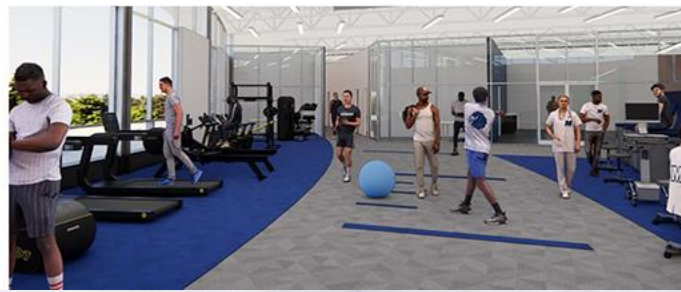
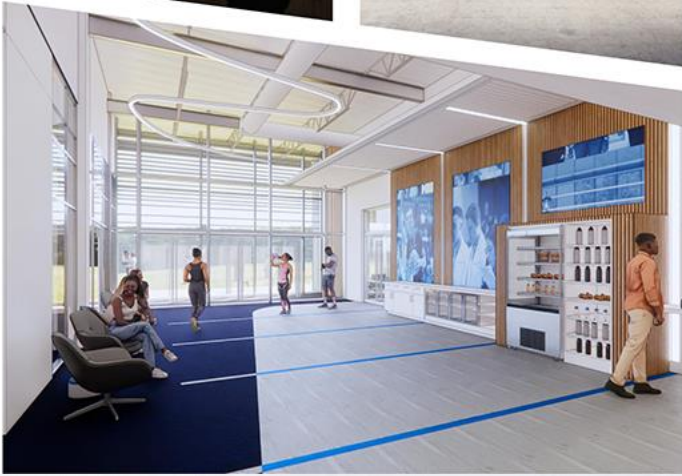
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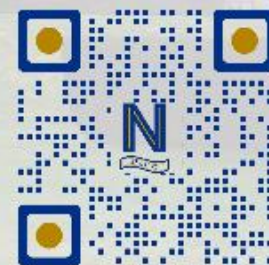
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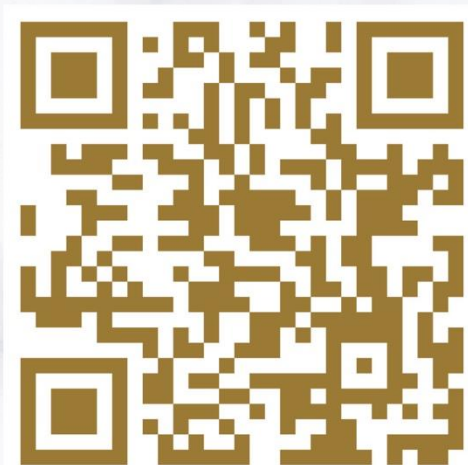
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