



MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY

Presents

**GLOBAL SOLUTIONS:
Sharing Resources, Shaping Peace**

**The 6th Annual
Global Understanding Convention
April 9-14, 2007**

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our invited speakers and participants, and their affiliated organizations as listed throughout this program. All have given their time and expertise to ensure the continued success of the Global Understanding Convention at Monmouth University. It is sincerely appreciated.

GLOBAL UNDERSTANDING FILM PRESENTATIONS

Monday, April 9, 2007

Searching for Peace in the Middle East

**4:30 p.m.—7:15 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium**

Black Book—Sony Pictures Classics

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Black Diamonds

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Bling

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Dreamworlds 3

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An Inconvenient Truth

**10:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.
H R Young Auditorium**

Monsieur Ibrahim

**4:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m.
H R Young Auditorium**

Letters from Iwo Jima

**8:00 p.m.
H R Young Auditorium**

Saturday, April 14, 2007

Letters from Iwo Jima

**3:00 p.m.
H R Young Auditorium**

EXHIBIT SCHEDULE

Monday thru Friday

Library

A Global View at Your Library – Eleonora Dubicki

The Monmouth University Library will host an exhibit of books focusing on key global topics – health, education, welfare, economics, politics, security and the environment. A selective bibliography of books and electronic resources is available.

On-line

The 11th Electronic Computation Chemistry Conference – CE 475

During this week, ECCCI I will hold its “Interactive week,” when most of the active conference discussion will take place online – please join us!

Monday thru Friday

Outside Wilson Auditorium
Gallery Exhibit

Global Understanding Convention Art and Poster Exhibition

Monday thru Wednesday

Student Center

Shelter Box Exhibit—Kathy Smith-Wenning

Monday thru Thursday

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Bey Hall Hallway

Ten Thousand Villages/Fair Trade Daliah Kusner and Amber Graves

Ten Thousand Villages (TTV) is the largest non-profit fair trade organization in North America. Its mission since 1946 has been to provide vital, fair income to Third World people by marketing their handcrafted items and telling their stories in North America. TTV works with artisans who would otherwise be unemployed or underemployed in over 30 different developing countries in Asia, Latin America, and Africa.

Tuesday

11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.
Club 109

Selected U. S. Social Policies: Issues and Innovations—Mary Lou Killian Poster Exhibit

12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

SAFE – Students’ Alliance for Equality at Monmouth University Farheen Haider

Various events will take place throughout the day that will address issues of discrimination and inequality that affect the Monmouth University community.

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Student Center Pit
Rain Date Thursday

The **Words Hurt** quilt will be displayed in the pit. The quilt will portray discriminatory and/or hurtful words and phrases that have been used within our community. The ceremony will end with the recitation of Martin Luther King Jr.’s 1966 address at Monmouth University.

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Student Center Pit
Rain Date Thursday

The Speak Out will allow and empower MU community members to come forth and share their experiences regarding inequalities. There will be an open mic, BBQ, and free t-shirts.

5:45 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Turrell Board Room
Bey Hall 134

Workshops will held to encourage discussion and provide eye-opening experiences.

The World Today—Nancy Mezey Systems of Inequality—Johanna Foster

Tuesday/Wednesday

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Erlanger Gardens
Rain location:
Student Center, Anacon B

Camp Darfur – Eleonora Dubicki - Sponsored by Student Activities Board

Camp Darfur is a mock refugee camp with 5 tents to help educate everyone about the strife and struggles in Darfur.

Thursday

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Bey Hall Hallway

Gender and Sexual Identities Around the Globe Nancy Mezey - SO/SW 398

Posters will be on the display in Bey Hall from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Club 107

Cross Border Conflict Resolution – Mary Kay Jou

In 2005, the Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) initiated efforts to bring non-violent conflict resolution training to the Eastern Congo. Working with diverse groups of people from both Congo and Rwanda, the workshops brought people together to build bridges between these traumatized communities whose members are still suffering through war and conflict.

10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Bey Hall 223

Culturally Competent Resource Directory to Address the Need of Diverse Populations – Golam Mathbor with Jerome Scriptunas – SW 326

MonmouthResourceNet (MRN) is a free web tool providing a wide range of information about support, resources, and services for people in Monmouth County. This presentation will focus on meeting the need for a culturally competent resource tool that provides additional in-language, multicultural, and language-translation support.

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Club 107

The Impact of 9/11 on Egyptian and Pakistani Communities in Hudson and Passaic Counties – Mary Kay Jou

This paper will begin with the history and background of post-9/11 detention in all of its forms. We will focus on the local experience of detainees held at Hudson and Passaic County jails. This will be followed by a discussion of the effects of immigration detention with a focus on Egyptian and Pakistani communities. Attention will be drawn to the Egyptian Coptic Christian community and its unique experience.

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium

Welcome – President Paul G. Gaffney II

***Music Presentation – Monmouth University Chamber Singers - David Tripold
Opening Ceremony Address by Congressman Donald Payne***

Congressman Payne is a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, where he serves as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health and as a member of the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere and the Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight. He is also a member of the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Student Art Awards

Student Creative Writing Awards

GUP Leadership Awards

Global Visionary Awards

GUP Recognition Awards

Global Service Awards

12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Bey Hall Hallway

Fair Trade in the Global Community

Marianne Darden and Patricia Reineke

Through discussion and posters, session will provide information on the Oxfam movement, what a trade war is, who the "combatants" are and what they are fighting over, and how GATS, GATT, and NAFTA impact global trade and economies. Poster presentation with discussion.

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Turrell Board Room

***What Job Do I Get if I Study International Affairs? - Webster B. "Dan" Todd
Pi Sigma Alpha Induction***

Dan Todd, Visiting Public Servant at Monmouth University, will talk on career options available for students studying global politics and who would like to make a difference in the world. Dan Todd has experience in Peace Corps and has had a successful career in foreign affairs, among his other governmental experiences. Pi Sigma Alpha Induction.

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Description

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium

Zakat: Islam on Social Equity and Social Justice – Panel Discussion **M. Ali Chaudry, Golam Mathbor and Nazim Uddin**

Zakat is one of the central tenants of Islam. According to Islam, all things belong to God, so the wealth we possess is only given to us in trust. Thus, we have a responsibility to help those in need. Zakat is a concept of special relevance of social equity and social justice, not just on an interpersonal level, but also on an international level in today's debt-ridden, contemporary world.

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Bey Hall 127

Human Rights and Social Justice: Elizabeth Berry and Jaqi DePaul – AN 103 04

Spanning all disciplines, this classroom colloquium will involve a short presentation by two social work graduate students. Following the presentation, both social work and anthropology students will discuss human right issues, specifically how they relate to each discipline. From the emerging discussion, we hope that students will be able to share human rights resources that will enhance the discipline and applied practice of anthropology.

4:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium

Bringing Israelis and Palestinians into Dialogue: Panel Discussion **Saliba Sarsar, Sami Adwan and Dan Bar-On – PR 398 51 and 52**

Panel discussion and film, "Searching for Peace in the Middle East"
Dan Bar-On of Ben Gurion University in Israel and Sami Adwan of Bethlehem University in Palestine are the co-directors of the Peace Research Institute in the Middle East (PRIME) and Fulbright Scholars-in-Residence at Monmouth University during Spring 2007.

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Bey Hall 129

Health Care in Micronesia – Don Lombardi – BM/BK 420-50

This symposium will present a multi-media exposition of the efforts to create a national healthcare system in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Incorporating the innovation of a new nursing development program, the recent completion of a new hospital in the nation's capital city and support from a partner coalition of five nations, this project is entering its second year with necessary progress and momentum.

7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Plangere 135

Beyond Anti-Terrorism: Metaphor As Message Strategy Of Post-9-11 US Public Diplomacy – Juyan Zhang - CO 295 50

This session analyzes the major metaphors the U. S. government created to define the post-September 11 world realities, including *second front*, *axis of evil*, *color revolution*, *responsible stakeholder*, and *old Europe*. The metaphors are found to be rhetorically advocating and share the archetypal metaphor of Democracy vs. Tyranny and Freedom vs. Oppression. The metaphors had their origins in the U.S. national security strategies, and the images they created highlighted aspects of the moral and ideological considerations but hide certain aspects of the *realpolitik* motivations.

7:30 p.m.—10:00 p.m.
Pollak Theatre

"Black Book"—Sony Pictures Classics—Rated R

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10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Plangere 135

Cross-Cultural Communication Adjustment of American General Managers Overseas – Don Swanson – CO 226

This presentation is based upon research done over a four-year period with American Pacific Rim General Managers of multinational corporations. It focuses on the intercultural communication challenges they face. This presentation was originally given at APROS Conference in Hong Kong in 2001.

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Wilson Auditorium

Yearning to Breathe Free: Exposing the U. S. Immigration System's Detention of Non-Criminal Asylum Seekers and Undocumented Residents Panel Discussion

Panelists: Amy Gottlieb is an attorney and Director of Immigrant Rights at American Friends Service Committee; Jean Pierre Kamwa is a social worker, activist and organizer, survivor of torture, and former ICE detainee; Sharon Nyantekyi is a Rutgers University honor student, undocumented resident, activist, and former ICE detainee; Charlie and Geri Mulligan are co-founders of the Interfaith Refugee Action Team—Elizabeth (IRATE) . This distinguished panel of speakers will explore how current U.S. immigration detention policies are negatively impacting asylum seekers, difficulties faced by undocumented immigrants, and opportunities for communities to support individuals in detention.

Outside Wilson Auditorium

Advocacy for Asylees – Write Your Legislators about Detention Elizabeth Berry

11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.
Club 109

Selected U. S. Social Policies: Issues and Innovations - Poster Exhibit Mary Lou Kilian SW 515

A graduate social work class will present their research on various social policy areas. Their work includes the history of a selected social policy the process that led to today's enacted policy, an analysis of that policy, and new ideas and solutions.

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
McAllan 120

Education in China – Judith Bazler

This presentation provides information about schooling in China, based on Judith Bazler's 2005 trip to research science education. This presentation will be illustrated with wonderful pictures of scenery, some along the Yangtze River that no longer exists due to the flooding caused by the dam.

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Bey Hall 227

Hurricanes Katrina & Rita: One Year Later – Kenneth Cooper – SW 515 02

The Foundation Baptist Church has developed a project, the Fountain Project, to help the indigenous rise again by giving a million dollars for community restoration. This presentation is told by Kenneth Cooper, as Minister to Missions, about the state of New Orleans, predominantly the 9th ward, after one year and the work accomplished by 40 parishioners during his last mission trip.

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
McAllan Hall 328

Mental Child Abuse – Are We Doing All We Can to Protect Children? Morris Saldov and Chip Meyer – SW 515

Mental or emotional child abuse is a largely misunderstood and overlooked form of abuse that damages thousands of the most vulnerable members of our communities. This presentation will look at some of the issues and investigate ways that we can change lives.

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
McAllan Hall 315

Ten Thousand Villages: Human Rights through Fair Trade and Economic Development – Suzanne Sammon and Doug Dirks

This colloquium will provide insight into the non-profit organization Ten Thousand Villages and how human rights and social justice are implemented through the Fair Trade Missions.

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1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium

New Jersey and the Global Economy & Business – Panel Discussion
Barry Meyers, Douglas Forrester, and Don Moliver
Moderator: Fred Kelly, Dean School of Business Administration and Member,
New Jersey Council of Economic Advisors

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Turrell Board Room

**International Youth Advocacy – Erin Majesty, Lauren Tacconi
Minette Bauer and Sanusi Kargbo**
Topics to be addressed: Sierra Leone and Guatemalan street youth;
Rehabilitation of child soldiers and the movement to unify organizations working
with these vulnerable youth populations.

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Plangere 235

"The Remote Village" by Juyan Zhang (A Staged Reading)
This panel is a staged reading of Juyan Zhang's memoirs about growing up in a poor,
remote village in northwest China, directed by Deanna Shoemaker in collaboration
with Zhang. As students research, adapt, and perform Zhang's account of his complex
experiences of home in China, they must grapple with stark cultural differences and
experience and empathize with the dramatic cultural crossings and losses Zhang has had
to endure.

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Club 109

**The Changing Landscape of International Higher Education –
Fernando Padro**
Higher education is being transformed into a "knowledge industry." Europe's
Bologna Process is attempting to make a leaner and more competitive system
that is driven by a desire to be more economically viable while improving the
quality of life of its attendees.

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Anacon A

The Great Debate – Political Science Club
Resolved: That the US Government Should Unilaterally Place Economic
sanctions on Sudan and ban All US companies from doing business in Sudan.
Four students from the political science club will affirm the resolution and four
students will disagree.

4:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
The Underground
Elmwood Hall

Peace Begins at Home: Strategies for Conflict Resolution
Lynn Stipick, Judy Nye, and Heather Kelly
This interactive session will demonstrate conflict resolution techniques and
practical strategies for everyday use. Participants will be given the opportunity
to practice these skills in simulated conflict situations.

7:15 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

"Bling: A Planet Rock"
The Two River Film Festival is pleased to present a special showing of "Bling: A
Planet Rock." Directed by Raquel Cepeda. *Bling* takes a hard-hitting look at how
the flashy world of commercial hip-hop indirectly supported the diamond
conflict in Sierra Leone-via hip-hop's gawky obsession with "blingin." *Bling* will
link the hip-hop generation in the United States with the residents of Sierra
Leone in order to experience a community that has suffered atrocities at the
hands of genocidal rebels, some as young as four years old, from 1991 to 2001.
Following the screening there will be a Q&A with the film's director, Raquel
Cepeda.
"Bling: A Planet Rock" is a Djali Rancher Film in association with Article 19 and
cosponsored by VH1 and UNDP.

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Anacon A – Student Center

"Black Diamonds" – Pamela Larsen – SW 669
"Black Diamonds" is a film produced by the Pancake Sisters of West Virginia
documenting the little known process of mountain top mining (blasting off the
tops of mountains with explosives) in the Appalachian Mountains and the over-
arching impact on the people and the environment.

Please see Exhibit Schedule listed in the front of the program.

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
McAllan Hall 328

Prenatal Care and the Babies Of Kasana-Luweero, Uganda
Laura Kelly – HE 330 01

Mary Goss, from the Diocese of Trenton, has traveled numerous times to Kasana-Luweero and has set up numerous initiatives in her own parish to improve the care for women and infants in Kasana-Luweero.

10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Anacon A

‘Our Daily Bread’: Using the ‘Hunger Banquet’ to Learn, Share, and Shape Our Future – Rekha Datta
Sponsored by PS 377- Women in the World Class, Poli Sci Club, Political Science Department, and MSW students.

Food is one area where we see global inequalities at their greatest. While food is wasted in many parts of the world, thousands die every year of hunger and malnutrition. Following the UNICEF ‘Hunger Banquet’ model, this program will focus on world hunger by emphasizing resource distribution and the realities of world hunger in terms of poverty and how it affects men, women, and children.
Poster Exhibits: Hunger Around the World—PS 377

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Student Center Cafeteria

Silent Auction – Mike Patterson and Katie Field

Take this opportunity to win great prizes by bidding on the baskets. These baskets were donated from offices and clubs from across campus. Get a sneak peak by checking them out Monday and Tuesday in the Student Center Information Desk lobby!!

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
AR 801

Graphic Design and Social Awareness and Communication
Pat Cresson with Luba Lukova – AR 317 01

Luba Lukova, an internationally known graphic designer, who is noted for her strong work depicting both social injustice and freedom and peace will give a slide lecture. After the lecture, she will respond to questions and will do a brief critique of student GUC posters.

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Bey Hall 226

The Role of the Anti-War Movement in the Vietnam War
The Vietnam Era – Susan Douglass HS 385 01

This panel discussion will focus on the Anti-War Movement on the university campus during this turbulent era. Stanton Green and Bill Mitchell will discuss their experiences with special attention to the role the individual can play in influencing government policy in a democratic society.

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium

Global Climate Change: Impacts and Implications—Panel Discussion

Moderator: Tony MacDonald, Director, Urban Coast Institute.

Panelists: D. James Baker, former Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and author of the book, “Planet Earth –The View from Space.” He will address “Global Climate Change: A Time of Reckoning.” Monmouth University President, Paul G. Gaffney II, former President of The Naval Defense University and Chief of Naval Research, will address the “Security Implications of Climate Change”, and Steve Ramburg, former Director NATO Undersea Research Center will address “Citizen’s Challenges Amidst Science, Politics and the Media.”

Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Description

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Front of Wilson Hall

***Blessing of the Earth (Bhûmi-pûja)*– Pasquale Simonelli**

Hindu ceremony performed by a Priest from the Hindu American Temple and Cultural Center (HATCC) of Morganville, NJ. The ceremony will be explained by Scientist Raghavan Pratiwadi (Sanskrit scholar, teacher, founder, secretary of HATCC, and computer scientist at AT&T) and by M. G. Prasad (author, speaker, teacher of Sanskrit and Hindu Scriptures, and professor of mechanical engineering at the Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, NJ). The Ceremony will conclude with the planting of a tree, as a memento of the event, invoking Peace, Peace, Peace (Shanti, Shanti, Shanti) for the entire Planet.

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Club 108-109

***Shared History Project with Two Fulbright Scholars* – Susan Douglass**

Dan Bar-On of Ben Gurion University in Israel and Sami Adwan of Bethlehem University in Palestine are the co-directors of the Peace Research Institute in the Middle East (PRIME) and Scholars-in-Residence at Monmouth University during Spring 2007. At the workshop, Dan Bar-On and Sami Adwan will present their experiences and the experiences of Palestinian and Israeli history teachers in developing and teaching the Dual Historical Narrative booklets to their pupils. The project has existed since 2001.

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Wilson Hall
Front Stairway

***Diversity Stride* – Heather Kelly and Brad Bennett**

The Diversity Stride is a rally and a symbolic walk through campus to help raise awareness about diversity at Monmouth University. It may also help raise money for an organization (The American Conference on Diversity) that often partners with Monmouth University in our efforts to create a society that embraces social justice for all. Walkers may donate \$1 or \$2 to have their name posted at the Student Center as a benefactor and receive a number for the symbolic walk.

6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
The Great Hall

Featured Speaker: Rajiv Chandrasekaran – Author of *Imperial Life in the Emerald City*—Introduction by Thomas Pearson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Monmouth University R. Datta—MA-PP Colloquium Series and PS 222

Rajiv Chandrasekaran, the author of the national best seller, *Imperial Life in the Emerald City* (finalist for National Book Award, 2006) and the *Washington Post*'s former bureau chief in Baghdad, will provide a first-hand account of life inside Baghdad's Green Zone, a walled-off 'little America'. Drawing on hundreds of interviews and internal documents, Rajiv Chandrasekaran will discuss America's attempt to build a Jeffersonian democracy in an embattled Middle Eastern states. Sponsored by the Global Understanding Project, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Graduate School and departments of History and Anthropology, Communication, and Political Science. A book-signing will follow.
Poster Exhibit: Making War, Keeping Peace: A Journey through Iraq—PS 222

7:30 p.m.—9:00 P.M.
Anacon A

“Dreamworlds 3”

The highly anticipated update of Sut Jhally's groundbreaking *Dreamworlds 2* (1995) examines the stories contemporary music videos tell about girls and women, and encourages viewers to consider how these narratives shape individual and cultural attitudes about sexuality.

7:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
HR Young Auditorium

***What the U.S. Can Learn From a Third World Nation About Biofuels* Subrina Mahmood and Roy Nersesian – BM 556 50**

As fossil fuel prices increase, biomass promises to play a more active role primarily as a motor vehicle fuel. However, fossil fuels can never be replaced, although their dominance can be reduced. The role of biofuels in Brazil is quite unlike that of the United States. What can we learn from Brazil in utilizing biofuels as a motor vehicle fuel?

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10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Bey Hall 223

***Millennium Development Goals – South Asian Perspective*
Golam Mathbor and Pamela Ferdinand - SW 326 01**

This presentation will examine the progress of the countries of South Asia in achieving Millennium Development Goal 1 (MDG1). The eight countries of South Asia are: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. Each country will be examined for factors affecting poverty such as topography, population, economy, adequate access to water, nutrition, sanitation and disaster impacts.

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Club 107

One World: Discussing Environmental Concerns and Wonders by Writing Eco-Literature – John Morano

John Morano discusses how he draws on actual environmental problems and wonders to write novels about endangered species and imperiled habitats for his Eco-Adventure Book Series. He will explain where story ideas come from, how they are researched and the writing process. Examples will be provided .

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Bey Hall 225

Gender and Sexual Identities Around the Globe –Nancy Mezey-SO/SW 398

Students from SO/SW 398 01 (Gender and Sexual Identities) will present their posters concerning gender and sexual identities around the globe. The posters will be on the display in Bey Hall from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. this day only.

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Howard Hall B1

***Religion and Politics from Global Perspectives – Julius Adekunle – HS 314*
Panelists: Saliba Sarsar, Golam Mathbor, Mustafa Aksakal, and Oty Agbajoh-Laoye. Moderator: Julius Adekunle**

Many countries of the world experience the interface of religion and politics. The panel will discuss how religion influences politics, policy-making procedure, policy makers, and governance. Panelists will talk about religion and politics in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and the United States.

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
McAllan Hall 120

***Looking at Education Around the World – Laurel Chehayl – ED 320 03*
Poster Session**

In this poster session, pre-service teachers will present their research on educational systems in various cultural around the world. They will also share their thoughts on how classroom teachers can accommodate students entering the American educational system from those cultures.

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
McAllan Hall 19

***Shaping Peace through Language and Culture*
Priscilla Gac-Artigas and Maria Simonelli**

A panel of students of Foreign Languages organized by foreign language faculty will do a presentation in English about how learning foreign languages and getting to know and respect other peoples and cultures can help in the shaping of durable peace in the world and within our own communities.

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Student Center Lobby

INTERNATIONAL FOOD BAZAAR – Mike Patterson

Try out and samples great side dishes from around the world. Taste the following: Aloo and Gobi from India; Ethiopian Alecha; Papas a la huancaína from Peru; Soda Bread from Ireland; and Russian mushrooms and Cucumbers.

Thursday, April 12, 2007

Description

1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
Turrell Board Room

Green Living – Sue Polito with Ingrid Justick – HE 340 01

Ingrid Justick is a well-known environmentalist. Much of her work has focused on helping individuals to understand the direct impact they have on the environment. She demonstrates the use of non-toxic, readily available products that can be used in both the home and garden. Her knowledge of recycling provides participants with great ideas of how they can help reduce the materials that end up in our landfills.

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
McAllan 123

Looking at Education around the World– Laurel Chehayl–ED 320 02 Poster Session

Pre-service teachers will present their research on educational systems in various cultures around the world. They will share their thoughts on how classroom teachers can accommodate students entering the American educational system from those cultures.

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Bey Hall 225

Model United Nations Class – Joe Patten – Panel Discussion PS 383 01

Monmouth University's Model United Nations Team participated in the National Model United Nations' Tournament in New York City, March 18-22, 2007. Monmouth students represented the Republic of Chad at the conference. This session will focus on issues important to the Republic of Chad and will simulate a Model UN session.

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Bey Hall 127

Rotary International Shelter Box Project - Kathy Smith-Wenning with Monika Mazurcyk, President, Long Branch Rotary Club – AN 103/104

What does a Rotary Club do when disaster strikes? The Rotary Club solution is to provide humanitarian relief and aid in the form of material and equipment that provides shelter, warmth, and comfort to people displaced by natural and other disasters. The Shelter Box contains one large tent, sleeping bags, cooking utensils, and water purification supplies for ten people. Please join this cultural anthropology class as students bring world-wide news of this humanitarian effort that has thus far helped more than 150,000 people.

4:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium

Sweatshops and Social Justice – Jim Keady, Co-Director of Educating for Justice - Introduction by Anthony Aulffo

The debates about sweatshops and living wages have been raging in recent years on US college campuses. But what is it like to live on a sweatshop wage in a developing country? Educating for Justice found out! They spent one month in an Indonesian factory workers' slum, living on \$1.25 a day – a typical wage paid to Nike's subcontracted workers. Come out and learn more at this powerful program!

7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium

Visiting Writer's Poetry Reading – Brian Turner

Introduction by Michael Thomas

Brian Turner is a soldier-poet whose debut book of poems, "Here, Bullet", won the 2005 Beatrice Hawley Award and the New York Times "Editor's Choice" selection. He earned his MFA from the University of Oregon before serving seven years in the U. S. Army. Brian Turner's "Here, Bullet" is a harrowing, first person account of the Iraq war.

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10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
McAllan Hall 315

HIV/AIDS in Africa/Ghana – Marjorie Bafaty and Morris Saldov SO 655 01
Co-sponsored by Center for Human and Community Wellness*
This presentation is on the HIV/AIDS crisis in Africa

10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Club Dining Room

Finding Self-Esteem in the Sacred Feminine
Joanne Jodry and Amanda Berger with Wendy Turton– PY 517
Co-sponsored by Center for Human and Community Wellness*
The sacred feminine is often overlooked in the patriarchal focused monotheistic traditions. This workshop will look at Judeo-Christian women of the Bible and draw attention to roles, attitudes, and references to their sexuality. Due to historical, sexual marginalization of many women in these religious traditions, the sacred feminine has been disregarded by the mainstream. This interactive discussion will address feminine psyche, self-esteem, and self-efficacy in relation to the sacred feminine.

10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Club 107/108

Peace Corps – Nancy Mezey – SO 101
Come learn about joining the Peace Corps and see slides from Mali, West Africa

10:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
H R Young Auditorium

“An Inconvenient Truth: Where Do We Go From Here?”
Judy Kramer, Sailesh Rao, and Kelly Ward
Judy Kramer and Sailesh Rao are two of the 200 nationally trained speakers who have materials and discussion points on the follow up to Al Gore's movie, “The Inconvenient Truth.” After the movie, there will a discussion.

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Club 107

Towards A Better Understanding of AIDS: How Assumptions Keep Us in The Dark – Laura Kelly and Bojana Beric
Co-sponsored by Center for Human and Community Wellness*
This will be an interactive workshop that will allow for safe and confidential disclosure of feelings, recognition of differences, and discussion of how assumptions keep us in the dark about the local impact of AIDS.

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Club 110

New Jersey Global Educators Meeting – Saliba Sarsar
NJGE was established in 1979 to promote and enhance curriculum, teacher education, student program development, and research in the areas of international and intercultural education.

1:15 p.m.—2:30 p.m.
Wilson Auditorium

Global Health: Towards Human and Community Wellness
Gene Cheslock, Congressman Frank Pallone, Bojana Beric and Fran Trotman
Co-sponsored by Center for Human and Community Wellness*
Moderator: Dean Marilyn Lauria, Marjorie K. Unterberg, School of Nursing

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Friday, April 13, 2007

Description

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Club 107

Indexical Expressions Used In Medical Consultations to Refer To Antiretroviral Medications and the Pragmatics of Emotive Communication: A Case Study In Uruguay, South America – Roxanna Delbene

Using the theoretical framework of the pragmatics of emotive communication (Caffi and Janney 1994), it is argued that naming is a way of being in control of our life experience as well as an expression of emotional involvement. In spite of the antiretrovirals' downside, it is well known that without them, the HIV infection is a death sentence. For this reason, it is speculated that naming the antiretrovirals by using either their generic or commercial names is an expression of the participants' attachment to and commitment with the medical treatment.

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
H R Young Auditorium

Maintaining Psychological Health: Body, Mind, and Spirit Connections **Lauren Rigney and Joanne Jodry—Panel Discussion**

Co-sponsored by Center for Human and Community Wellness*

There is a fast growing movement within the mental health field that explores the mind, body, and spirit connections. Instead of staying within our academic disciplines and focusing only within its boundaries of knowledge, this panel will explore the importance of treating the whole person and all aspects of his/her humanness. This panel will also present experiential exercises that allow the participant to use introspection to evaluate and incorporate the information personally.

4:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
Turrell Board Room

Substance Abuse: A Global-based Problem in Need of a Community-based Answer – Keith Morgen, Alan Cavaola, Carolyn Bradley and Laura Jannone **Co-sponsored by Center for Human and Community Wellness***

Substance abuse is a global problem encompassing myriad cultural aspects. This panel will review some key areas of cultural importance when trying to both understand and alleviate the epidemic. The panel will cover the historical and cultural roots of America's drug laws, cultural and ethnic-based adolescent intervention plans, the cultural elements of alcoholism in women, and how to create a culturally-relevant bridge between the research and practice components of the substance abuse treatment field. All panelists have numerous years of experience in the clinical and/or research fields of substance abuse.

4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
H R Young Auditorium

Film “Monsieur Ibrahim” – Golam Mathbor and Nazim Uddin

In this French film, Omar Sharif plays the role of Monsieur Ibrahim, a Muslim shop owner in a working class neighborhood of Paris. Though an elderly widower, his life takes on new meaning when he befriends Momo, a lonely Jewish boy in the neighborhood. As their friendship grows, they find in each other something that had been missing from their own lives, and it leads them on an adventure which would change both of their lives.

Saturday, April 14, 2007

7:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.
Student Center – Anacon Hall

International Festival

\$3 for MU Students, \$7 for All Others.

Come check out great food, culture and entertainment from around the world. There are Indian, Russian, Turkish, Brazilian, Eastern European, and West African Dancers. Sponsored by the International Club.

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—Rekha Datta, Chair of Political Science

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Some thoughts on peace...

They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Isaiah, II:4

Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding.

Albert Einstein

One day we must come to see that peace is not merely a distant goal we seek, but that it is a means by which we arrive at that goal. We must pursue peaceful ends through peaceful means.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

There is no time left for anything but to make peacework a dimension of our every waking activity.

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