The field hockey season came to an end on Tuesday with a bloody breakup. More controversy over Baraka.

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RIDER STUNNED BY DEATHS

Community suffers dual tragedies

Michael San Andres

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Freshman Michael San Andres, a resident of Conover Residence Hall, died Saturday, Nov. 9 as a result of a congenital heart condition while playing intramural flag football.

San Andres collapsed and suffered a seizure. He was given CPR on the field by two in attendance. CPR was again performed on him by paramedics upon their arrival and en-route to Helene Fuld Medical Center in Trenton, where he was later pronounced dead, said Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, Anthony Campbell.

Campbell said that San Andres accomplished many things in his short time at the University.

"You never know how much students touch lives," said Campbell. "Michael was only here as a freshman. He touched lives in the Greek community and he was an escort for security. People loved him, they absolutely loved him."

Vickie Weaver, director of safety and security, said, "The department is deeply saddened by [San Andres'] passing. Even though he was only involved for a short time, he became a valued member of the patrol and the staff."

Some of San Andres' interests included cooking and cars. He was a member of the Car Club of Freehold and also enjoyed the water and fishing, according to the obituary provided by his family.

"He was a great friend," said freshman Allison Negron. "Friends and family really mattered to him. They were the most important things in his life."

According to Campbell, San Andres enjoyed playing football so much that he would often tape other intramural games in preparation for his own.

"He would scout other teams for players," said Campbell. "He did all that because he was never allowed to play high school football because of his condition."

Senior Geoff McBride, director of Rider's intramural program, elaborated on Campbell's comments.

"He was an extraordinary kid. He loved playing. He worked really hard, and other teams picked up on that," said McBride.

A mass at the Gill Chapel last Sunday was celebrated in San Andres' honor. Visitations are set for Thursday and Friday. See "Michael" on page 2

Jonas Penn

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Jonas Penn, a Rider sophomore and resident of Gee Residence Hall, was found dead in Wharton State Forest in Tabernacle Township, N.J., 35 miles south of Rider on Sunday, Nov. 10, officials said.

A local first aid company responded after Penn was found by a hunter. Penn was "unconscious and unresponsive," said Lt. Al Della Fave of the New Jersey State Police.

Penn had apparently taken his own life as a result of a long bout with clinical depression. Friends said he had stopped taking his medication.

Anthony Campbell, associate vice president for student affairs, said that Rider was notified by Penn's parents that he was missing.

"The last time we had seen him was on Wednesday," said Campbell. "People just say he knew people's names even though he had only met them once."

Penn was involved with a number of community service activities. He was an advocate for Children's Mental Health and he received an award for Youth's Striving for Excellence from the Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health.

He was also the founder of Youth Partners of Burlington County.

Funeral services for Penn were held Wednesday, Nov. 13, at Platt Memorial Chapels in Cherry Hill, N.J. According to those who attended the funeral, there were many Rider students present to pay their respects to Penn's family and to bid their farewells to a dear friend.

"Jonas' funeral captured the true person that he was," said sophomore Kate Sell. "They See "Jonas" on page 2