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Bond on ballot could give MSU thousands in funding

SGA Speaks Out Against War

The Student Government Association has made a decision to come out against the war in Afghanistan on its 11th anniversary in order to show students that not only are they a decision making body that takes important stances on issues, but that they truly are invested in the needs of students.

On Wednesday, Sept. 26, the SGA spoke about a resolution that takes a stand on the 11-year conflict in Afghanistan.

"I am going to convince
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Homecoming 2012 Preview

This October 13th marks the day that Montclair State University students, like many other college students across the nation, celebrate their very own holiday: Homecoming.

A screening of the movie 21 Jump Street is just one of the many events planned for this year’s Homecoming.

Having a Police Station on campus sure has its perks. Peace of mind comes from knowing officers are on watch 24/7, cruising through campus in close proximity to any emergency on campus, and now there is even a student escorting system.

Montclair State University is proud to announce that it is bringing back the “Hawk Walk” student escort program.

The Hawk Walk has been offered at certain times throughout the past 20 years here at MSU, but with collabora-
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On Sept. 22:

Jasmiere Roystier, 21, of Princeton, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol while on Clove Road. She is scheduled to appear in Little Falls Municipal Court.

On Sept. 23:

A male visitor was assaulted by a group of males while at Dinallo Heights. This matter is under investigation and charges are pending at this time.

On Sept. 24:

A staff member of University Hall reported the fraudulent use of his lost credit card. This matter is under investigation.

On Sept. 24:

A female staff member reported the theft of her hang tag from her unsecured vehicle inside of the Red Hawk Parking garage. This matter is under investigation.

On Sept. 25:

A female student and her friend reported being harassed by a known male via email. This matter is under investigation.

On Sept. 25:

A female student reported the theft of her ID and keys which were left unsecured inside the Recreation Center. This matter is under investigation.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at T-I-P-S (8477). All calls are strictly confidential.

Corrections

The Montclarion will gladly correct its factual errors. If you think we’ve made a mistake in a story, please call Editor-in-Chief Lori at ext. 5230.
the legislator that coming out against the war is for the students' best interest,” said Rudas, Legislator at Large for the SGA.

According to Rudas, the amount of money that has fund- ed the war in Afghanistan is equal to approximately one mil- lion Pell Grants. One Pell Grant alone is worth $3,550. Many stu- dents could have received those grants to help them financially – if the money had not already been used to fund the war.

Aside from the obvious finan- cial negativities that spans from the war, there is a much more ob- vious downfall to this war. Since the start of the war on Oct. 4th, 2001, there have been 2,000 mil- itary deaths and 12,000 Afghan deaths.

Gil Balanzat, chief justice of judiciary and distinguished member of SGA, is an Iraq vet- eran. Balanzat spoke against the war at the hearing for the resolution as well.

“Taking a stand is not going to stop the war,” said Rudas. “How- ever, both political parties have decided whether or not events get underwrit- ten. That's something the SGA just doesn’t do right now. We want to use our power to af- fect positive change.”

Along with the resolution that is trying to get passed, the SGA is also planning on having a can- didlight vigil to commemorate those lives that have been lost.

“The plan is to have 140 candles, each candle represent- ing 100 casualties,” said Rudas. These candles will be set up in the Student Center Quad.

The planned date is Oct. 4th to com- memorate the day of the 11th anniversary of the war. Students will be notified when the date and time of the vigil are deter- mined via their MSU email ac- count. Students can also check online for further information as it becomes available.

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Homecoming

week is going to be filled with fun and just a hint of magic. Students are anticipating this year’s Homecoming to be even better than last year.

“I’m excited about the ‘once upon a homecoming’ theme! I think that was a fun choice and I just hope we have good weath- er for all of the events this time around, but I’ll be wearing my snow boots just in case,” said sophomore-Jannan Hall.

Good weather, however, isn’t the only new asset students should expect to see this home- coming season.

Student Government As- sociation (SGA) Pres- ident Michelle Pisarri explains that the Student Life at Mont- clar (SLAM) organization has worked hard to organize events that have been successful in the past and new events that they feel students will enjoy attend- ing this year.

Some of the events that will be going on during Homecoming week are Laser Tag, a taco bar, a giant movie screening of 21 Jump Street, inflatables, raffles, free spray t-shirts, student per- formances and even an undis- closed musical performance on Friday, Oct. 12.

Pisarri also mentioned that the SLAM organization put a lot of thought into using their mon- ey wisely and getting students the best possible “bang for their buck.”

“As of right now, I can tell you that all of the money being spent for all of the events, is over $15,000 (this does not include the undisclosed Friday Event). As a school that is watched closely about how money is dispersed- SGA and SLAM tried very hard to ensure that we were not aim- lessly using our allotted money. We worked diligently to make sure the students could receive the best at a price truly worth the buy,” she said.

Students will also get to en- joy a little friendly competition at any of the football, volleyball or soccer games taking place throughout the day. Whatever the event is, students this year will have no trouble finding ways to have a great time with their friends. Seniors like Michelle Bermudez are just happy to en- joy the Homecoming holiday one last time.

“Homecoming is one of those classic, collegiate moments that I’ll be able to look back on and remember all the fun and silly times I had at MSU. As a senior, I'm definitely trying to make ev- ery moment count this year,” she said.

As for the performers this year, students will have to wait just a little longer before that informa- tion is released.

“We will be having two large events to accommodate more students,” said George Jordan, SGA President. “There will be two separate events on separate weekends, one falling directly on the weekend of the 11th.”

The names of the perform- ers are planned to be released Friday once the contract is final- ized.

Students can check online on Friday at thethemontclarion.org for further information on perform- ers once the information is re- leased.

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The Montclair Television Center will have a new building directly next to it for the new school.

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School of Communication and Media to Get a New Home

Schmitt Hall, among other facilities, has become temporary housing for the new School of Communication and Media. Montclair State has plans to make the new school more comfortable in two new facilities. One, an addition to Morehead, the other, replacing the building next to DuMont.

Dr. Harry Haines explained the plans for the building replacing the one next to DuMont.

"The new building will be a state-of-the-art media production center that will be in sync with all the technological and organizational requirements of the new system. And so, we’re going to be in the forefront of communication education in a number of areas, one of those areas being production. It’s going to be demolished and the site will be used to build this rather large production center."

In the meantime, Schmitt Hall is being equipped with modern, cutting edge technology. On the third floor of the building, the same floor that NJTV operates on, the new campus radio station is being built. This radio station is going to be cutting edge, taking campus radio into the 21st century.

The radio station right now is transitioning from being a club to becoming a school; this will bring a whole new dimension for students interested in this career path. Schmidt Hall will be included in the progress of this new school, but keep in mind, it is transient.

The projection has varied from time to time, but the production center is rumored to be finished within 1-2 years. When prompted in regards to the significance of the changes, Dr. Haines went on to stress the importance of the new department in terms of Montclair’s status among other schools.

“It’s going to be the major building for the school, and that’s an absolute necessity. In order for Montclair to continue to be an educational player in the New York City Area, it must advance the new school of Communication and Media,” Haines said.

These new changes in the School of Communication and Media will greatly affect the paths that students invested in majors such as Documentary, Electronic Journalism, Filmmaking, Communications and Media Arts will take.

The foresight of the school is proving to be an invaluable asset to this emerging School of Communication and Media, including key partnerships with NJTV, jazz giant WBGO, WNYC radio, coupled with the magnificently equipped rooms on Schmitt Hall, and soon, the new production center. Students should feel pride that their school is leading the way in terms of the technological and education aspects of Communication and Media.
What made you shift from your position at Brooklyn College to become the Dean of the Arts here at MSU? I actually had a nightmare one night in which I was 65 years old and I was pitching story ideas to a 24-year-old executive. That was before my kids got out of school. And now the dream is even more terrifying because they have finally arrived at that age. What’s more, I realized it was just my subconscious. There are very few people that can carry their writing careers into their fifties or sixties because they are not safe well being located and the older people are going out, just like I am. I felt as though I did not attain the critical mass to carry me through to the middle of my life. So, like colleges, I liked college when I was there. I had a number of friends who had been faculty members and taught some classes for me. I really enjoyed that and that’s what got me thinking. I took an as- signment to try it out and realized that I liked the environment and acted as encouragement to look for a full- time position as a professor. And I really took it.

When I was a professor I took a principal’s position in the police department was run and I started to take part in those activities and I really got interested in what moved me to administration at the college. I worked along with a project at the Brooklyn Navy Arts. We were creating a school of the arts and the department will be situated at Steiner Studios which will be the largest facility for TV and film production outside of L.A.

This will be the only graduate film department located on a studio lot, about 400 students. In doing that, I took on a lot of extra responsi- bilities and I found it ideal. They line up with what I do now as Dean and it really encouraged me to think about making another move. The great thing about Montclair State is that there is just so much going on and a variety of opportunities and chal- lenges. It’s been a lot of fun.”

What would you like to change/improve in the Art department? It’s a very big department. Some of the challenges are that it’s spread over multiple buildings. One building that a student enters has in particular issues and I am mindful of that and trying not to be right at the start. Overall, my sense of the students and faculty there is very positive. And this is something great things over there. We have a large cadre of students so the fashion design program and the graphics department is involved in some great things. I am sure there are things that can be improved here; traditional art is important. There has been a fair amount of commentary on your deci- sion to close Calicia at night. What would you have to say to the students that have their studios in Calizia? “They will be able to access their work after dark.”

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What are your thoughts on the Arts building? “The problem is that they are situated in different buildings. It’s very much in progress but there is not much to report on.”

What are your first impres- sions at Montclair State? “I’m having a blast. It’s been so much fun for me. My job is everyday. I am someone that I’m not expecting and it’s fun. It’s a great challenge. Everyone is pretty welcoming and helpful. They give me a lot of support and I couldn’t be happier. I made a great move!”

What’s your favorite movie? “I am an old movie man. My response is ‘it’s not like that.’ I don’t order them or try to quantify them. They are like movies I can watch any time of the day. But it’s a wide range. Usually it’s films that are not too terribly current for me. I would ‘Put the Godfather’ on that list. ‘The Godfather’ is a fantastic movie. It’s a perfect modern western. There is a British film, “In Bruges” that is a great movie. ‘Midnight in Paris” The Hemingway charac- ter especially. As an undergraduate I was fascinated with Hemingway and Fitzgerald’s relationship, so for me, it was the perfect movie.”

What are your thoughts on the Arts department? “It’s a great challenge. Everyone is very positive.”

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Students Can Soon Charge Freely Around Campus

With the 2012-2013 school year finally underway, Montclair State University Campus Recreation’s Club Sports is gearing up for what is projected to be their most active season to date. The commencement of the season has come with a few changes, most notably the increase of staff members within their organization.

Changes this year also include the addition of five new sports teams under “Club Sports” management: softball, running, women’s soccer, wrestling and tennis. Dealing now with a considerably larger schedule and close to double the number of staff members, “Club Sports” is determined to provide excitement for students and staff alike this landmark season.

Junior Sean Gillian, who was recently employed by the Campus Recreation Center’s Club Sports as a financial coordinator, commented on his organization’s overall agenda and growing popularity.

“The goal of this year’s Club Sports organization is to expand our realm of influence...we want to have more sports, we want to have influence on the campus, lead people to have more active lifestyles and be able to compete without having to be at a varsity level.” Gillian continued, “We know after the interest meetings held at the Recreation Center that there were a lot of people willing to participate in our programs. We pretty much doubled our staff this year, and brought in a lot of new different sports.”

Gillian also mentioned that Club Sports is pushing for a men’s soccer league this upcoming spring, but nothing concrete has been established as of yet. Regardless, the new sport teams offered this year only complement the pre-existing club sports that were offered at Montclair in the past, which include men’s volleyball, men’s baseball, women’s volleyball, ballroom dance, swim, men’s basketball and tennis.

Consistently, men’s baseball and basketball annually rank as the more popular club sports managed by the Recreation Center. Nick Tomasso, who works for Campus Recreation’s Intramural Sports and is also apart of University’s club baseball team, says he can testify for the baseball club’s ever-increasing popularity, unity and strength. Considering the trials of his team last year and the upcoming hopes for this year, Tomasso had this to say about his club: “Our Secretary Bryan Fredrick spoke a few words to me sometime after practice, and he said this group is different from the past. It isn’t a bad thing but think about it. The first year we thought we could win, but we didn’t really win too many games. Last year, we were very confident and we won many games but not all of them. This year we are confident, and we know we can be the number one team in our division.”

Tomasso also commented on the changes in location for the baseball club, which has undoubtedly been met with praise by both club and fans alike, “This year we have been granted the opportunity to play on the college campus field along with the Jackals and the school team. Don’t fret, you will have plenty of opportunities to come out and support us.” The club baseball team’s first home game is at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 5th against Rider University at Yogi Berra Stadium.

It is important to clarify that club sports management at Montclair State University is primarily split up between two organizations: The Campus Recreation Center and the SGA. To further complicate the dynamic between groups, there are also club sports that like to operate between groups, there are also club sports that like to operate more independently, an example being the MSU Ice Hockey Team.

Often times, both organizations have teams that will come and go, which is usually determined by the amount of management that particular club sport has internally that season. If you are interested in signing up for a club sport this year, or if you would like to find out more information on how to start your own sports club, you can visit the Recreation Center’s Club Sports website at montclair.edu/campusrec, or you can call 973-655-3346. You may also contact Carolyn Garrone, Program Coordinator of Intramural and Club Sports at 973-655-4041 for more information.
The facility would include:

- Specialized spaces for instruction and symposia and spaces for symposia and faculty offices.
- There are new labs in Science Hall, but Richardson Hall still lacks in quality," said Madison Mazur, biology major. "That's where most of my classes are. Richardson Hall is outdated and Science Hall isn't, and it doesn't give students equal opportunity who happen to have classes in Richardson Hall.

The facility would also house the Sokol Institute for the Pharmaceutical Life Sciences, the PSEG Institute for Sustainability, and the Northwestern Mutual Trading Center, as well as faculty offices and student study space.

The third and final priority is in facilities for the University's high-demand programs in Communications, Media, Broadcasting and Film, all of which currently have a severe shortage of space for the specialized instructional activities required by these high-technology, high-equipment disciplines, as well as severe shortages of space for faculty and student project work.

The project would include the construction of a new facility for specialized television, radio and multimedia studios, as well as renovation of existing space for classrooms, faculty offices, technical and academic support services, and student project and study space.

Many students are hoping that the bond is passed. "Since I'm a film student, I think the bond's a great idea," said Ryan Moore, film major and Student Assistant. "Though our state is just getting out of debt and it's a lot of money, I hope we can handle it. I'm definitely a supporter of getting better facilities." Students are encouraged to register to vote, so they too can have a say in the approval or denial of this bond that would give MSU an immense amount of funding.

If the $750 million bond is approved...

- $300 million would go to research universities
- $247.5 million would go to state colleges and universities (like MSU)
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An Apocalyptic Opera

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Sept. 29 - Oct. 7

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Set and Video Design by Jim Findlay  Lighting Design by Matt Frey  Costume Design by Vita Tzykun

Dog Days is produced by Peak Performances at Montclair State (NJ) in association with Beth Morrison Projects.

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The transformation has started from flip-flops to this standard fall footwear. When fall hit, there was an outbreak of boots on campus.

As a standard, I think I can make an acceptable rule that once the leaves start to change, open-toe shoes need to get the “boot.” I want to break up the overall category of boots into four subdivisions of styles.

First, there’s what I like to call the “Catwoman” style. This style of boot is typically black and consists of studs, chains, buckles and zippers. This look gives a bad girl vibe. Try not to overload the rest of your look with zippers and chains — you don’t want to look too bad.

Second, my personal favorite, the “Indian” style. This has fringe and native patterns.

Third is the “riding” boot that is usually in a solid color, classic cut and is flat.

Lastly, is what I call the “rug ged” boot. This is where military-style boots fit in along with an oxford inspired look.

Now that you have the basics, how do you choose the right option for you? For muscular or curvy figures, a boot with a sleek pointy-toe that is either above or below the widest part of your leg is best. To add more dimension to thinner legs pick a pattern or fringe.

Overall, before you consider buying any type of boots, make sure they fit your personality and style. Either way, boots can really pull your outfit together for a more sophisticated look, not to mention, great for when the temperatures begin to fall.

Jacquelyn Loder
staff writer

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Bringing Home the Bacon
Success stories from women shedding light on the future

In trying to catch up on some required reading in my first couple weeks at MSU, I came across a curious looking book on the campus library’s “New Books” shelf titled “The Richer Sex. How the New Majority of Female Breadwinners is Transforming Sex, Love, and Family.” I knew I had plenty to read already, but I could not not check out this book. I read through it in less than a week and then told everyone about it. Now I’ll impart the information to you my fellow readers.

You have to admit you’re intrigued as much as I was. Why? Because most of us know that men have traditionally been the breadwinners and as much as we don’t want to admit it, some of us still expect them to be. As much as I would like to do a little victory dance for the thought of women everywhere when coming across this title, I also began to wonder how members of the more masculine sex will take the news.

We have reached this conclusion of the “richer sex” from research that shows in seven years time, women will become 60 percent of the undergraduate students and 61 percent of the post-baccalaureate students. As an advocate of good research, I decided to try a variation of the experiment. I tallied the number of women and men that walked past me in two minutes time. Seven men, 14 women. The conclusion of my experiment is that according to the research mentioned above, students at MSU are ahead of seven years in the future! Vive la revolution of female empowerment, you may say.

Perhaps some of us will adapt and perhaps others will want to stay more traditional. Perhaps some of us will say that we don’t need a man. The point I’m trying to make is that I enjoy having men in my life. They are not only people to share our lives with, but some of their numerous attributes include the ability to fix things, carry heavy objects and lend you their jacket when you’re chilly.
A message from the NBA and its players

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6 James Potter's nickname
11 ‘Lucky’ potion
12 Durmstrang’s champion
13 Keeper of keys and grounds at Hogwarts
14 ‘Real’ Hogwarts champion
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19 Wizard prison
23 Harry’s pet owl
25 Most popular boy wizarding school student
20 Professor Umbridge
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24 Fastest broom in the world
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2 Black’s nickname
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No Battery Left Uncharged

This presidential election is an extremely important one for the future of our nation. Presidential elections always seem to be neck-and-neck until the end with politicians consistently trying to tap into the force that is the youth vote. America’s youth is historically a demographic all political parties seek to capture each election season. This is largely due to the fact that so many of this nation’s youth population are not registered to vote and their collective power has the potential to swing elections.

During the 2008 election, Barack Obama had countless youth and numerous celebrities representative of “Young Hollywood” promoting his platform, making it hip and cool to vote. This certainly didn’t hurt Obama and may have even given him the extra push he needed to win the presidency against John McCain.

This election has been considerably more dim than 2008 with a lack of star-power (perhaps because of Obama’s incumbency compared to his initial election in 2008 to get to The White House), making the job of registering new voters harder than ever. As students of one of the largest universities in New Jersey, we need to make sure we get out and vote and make all our voices heard.

Many students today find themselves torn between political parties, struggling to connect to either one. At a time when the economy is high and the economy is struggling, it would be all too easy to sit idly by and let other people decide our future. We need to stand up for the America that will soon be ours and make sure we start shaping it today.

It would be irresponsible of us to complain about the status of our government and not give ourselves the option to vote and change what we see wrong.

For many of us, this will be the first election that we’re old enough to be able to vote. As the future leaders, thinkers and designers of our nation’s future, the decisions we make today, in this election or even in future elections, will undoubtedly have a profound impact on all of our futures.

We need to make sure we register to vote and eliminate the reputation that the youth has of not registering to vote.

We have the power to turn this election around and it’s important that we stand up for the things that matter to us, now and in the future. The Montclair State community has been making quite an effort so far this semester to make sure students register to vote and are aware of the process.

Kudos go out to Reenvo- lution, who have been head- ing registration drives, as well as Residential Educa- tion. CAs have approached many resident students with registration forms, whether it is a first time registration or an address change. For the first time, polling stations will be located on Montclair’s campus on Election Day, eliminating any excuse not to vote.

Registering to vote could not be easier through all the organizations on campus willing to help any confused, busy or undecided student through the process.

However, if for some reason you’re not able to register with one of the organizations around campus, through the wonders of the Internet, registration forms are also available online at rockthevote.com and many other websites.

Six million people didn’t vote in the 2008 election because they did not know how to register or because they missed their state’s voter registrata- tion deadline, according to the US Census. Rock the vote. Don’t be one of them.

Even if you’re unsure how you want to vote, make it a point to get out and register before it’s too late. Don’t leave yourself unable to vote on Novem- ber 6. Take a stand for anything and everything you feel passionate about. You’ll be glad you did.

No Battery Left Uncharged

This presidential election is an extremely important one for the future of our nation. Presidential elections always seem to be neck-and-neck until the end with politicians consistently trying to tap into the force that is the youth vote. America’s youth is historically a demographic all political parties seek to capture each election season. This is largely due to the fact that so many of this nation’s youth population are not registered to vote and their collective power has the potential to swing elections.

During the 2008 election, Barack Obama had countless youth and numerous celebrities representative of “Young Hollywood” promoting his platform, making it hip and cool to vote. This certainly didn’t hurt Obama and may have even given him the extra push he needed to win the presidency against John McCain.

This election has been considerably more dim than 2008 with a lack of star-power (perhaps because of Obama’s incumbency compared to his initial election in 2008 to get to The White House), making the job of registering new voters harder than ever. As students of one of the largest universities in New Jersey, we need to make sure we get out and vote and make all our voices heard.

Many students today find themselves torn between political parties, struggling to connect to either one. At a time when the economy is high and the economy is struggling, it would be all too easy to sit idly by and let other people decide our future. We need to stand up for the America that will soon be ours and make sure we start shaping it today.

It would be irresponsible of us to complain about the status of our government and not give ourselves the option to vote and change what we see wrong.

For many of us, this will be the first election that we’re old enough to be able to vote. As the future leaders, thinkers and designers of our nation’s future, the decisions we make today, in this election or even in future elections, will undoubtedly have a profound impact on all of our futures.

We need to make sure we register to vote and eliminate the reputation that the youth has of not registering to vote.

We have the power to turn this election around and it’s important that we stand up for the things that matter to us, now and in the future. The Montclair State community has been making quite an effort so far this semester to make sure students register to vote and are aware of the process.

Kudos go out to Reenvo- lution, who have been head- ing registration drives, as well as Residential Educa- tion. CAs have approached many resident students with registration forms, whether it is a first time registration or an address change. For the first time, polling stations will be located on Montclair’s campus on Election Day, eliminating any excuse not to vote.

Registering to vote could not be easier through all the organizations on campus willing to help any confused, busy or undecided student through the process.

However, if for some reason you’re not able to register with one of the organizations around campus, through the wonders of the Internet, registration forms are also available online at rockthevote.com and many other websites.

Six million people didn’t vote in the 2008 election because they did not know how to register or because they missed their state’s voter registrata- tion deadline, according to the US Census. Rock the vote. Don’t be one of them.

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No Battery Left Uncharged
Middle child settles into family dynamics

From Diapers to Walking Sticks: Sibling Rivalry Turned Frivolous

Voting With Your Best Interest At Heart
Focus on candidates and their views on major issues not gossip
Week 1

During the summer months, I made the decision to grow out my beard with the initial intent to complement a costume I wish to be donning this upcoming Hallowe'en. If only I knew by making this commitment I'd be putting my very essence into a difficult and arduous transformation. I may have been more hesitant to undertake such an endeavor. It is true: what ostentatiously appears as my chronologial journal-once to the discovery of key factors to consider when addressing issues regarding (but not limited to): the meaning of life, the space-time continuum, alchemy, American History, telepathy, bears, autonomous organisms and the uses for beard hair. This is my story. Please read carefully.

Week 2

It has been one week of growing, trimming. I will continue this regal style beard until I seem fit to cut it off.

Week 3

After sending resumes and cover letters to prospective employers —and the institutional系和 elsewhere— I have yet to hear any responses. I had an interview that was scheduled for a few weeks back, only to be given the run around by a twenty-something year-old with no heart (“Tell me what you regard less!” said the lady that never let me know regardless). Typically, I would be frustrated from the lack of response and common courtesy. However, after looking at my beard this morning, I came to the conclusion that in this world there exists two types of people: people with beards, and people who follow the people with the beards.

Week 4

As my beard continues to grow, so does my confidence in life. Since the last entry, I have written a kick-ass song with beards, and people who follow the beard. I came to the conclusion that in this world looking at my beard this morning, I may even help it grow faster for the upcoming Halloween festivities I'm planning. As you can see, I am becoming more powerful by the day. The beer I am holding was not purchased because the cashier, after seeing my beard, freely gave the six-pack away. I got a first bed this week, I have acquired a second job playing the guitar for little kids on the weekends. Wonder why? I sent in a video of myself playing the guitar and they recognized the power. I'm not sure what your initials I should let you know, but I may need some advice as to gauge the severity of the situation. Will the world applaud? Is my beard to their side? Who knows?

Week 6

Pillars of yesterday tumble to the Earth. Oceans carve new paths onto its surface. We break new ground, pierce, yet my beard still stands. It seems I have transcended standard communications, put on a mask, beards, a sort of telepathy, if you will. An aura of majesty, produced by "it," seemed to have brought one Indian stone carver, straight to his knees today.

Half of my contemporaries thought I was at the school to give a lecture to professors about the duality of Western Imperialism. If only they knew I was trying to use the bathroom, they might have asked to watch. I'm not 100 percent certain what the future holds for me. Be warned. This pipe was not in my room yesterday. It just magically appeared near my beard this morning. I believe that beards have the ability to find something inside me.

Week 7

The beard exists only so that it may abide. Tears of sadness came today following the departure of a great friend, roommate and fellow soldier on the literary battlefield, Wayan Swandani. Coupled with the frustration of loving my car keys at one of the busiest airports in the world, it became obvious that beards, a sort of telepathy, if you will, have gone outside of my realm of understanding. After the tears were shed and wiped up and as a partner a express concluded from the sky, The Port Authority willingly gave me their cruiser to help facilitate my search. Unfortunately, I can't stand on his knees and crying for having forsaken "the power." I may need some advice as to gauge the severity of the situation. Will the world applaud? Is my beard to their side? Who knows?

Week 8

A child gingly bounced up to me on the sidewalk today, identifying me as a baby because I told them to explain to him that I am not his father, his father's name is "No, Johny. This is the man I wish your father was." They continued their way. I decided to put up strands of my beard hair on eBay to help subsidize its increased airliness for microscopes. The result was a worldwide market crash online from the eBay community.

I am one of the main financers for eBay and am an honorary member on its Board of Trustees. For every inch I give, my beard turns it into the Autobahn. See that beard behind me? I misting it with barded pieces of beard. It is now a fully functional, fully autonomous organism that enjoys long walks on the beach, a nice port wine and some jazz to go with its surprisingly keen intellect. There is no Levon, only Beard. What's good for the Beard is good for the jander. Beard is all you need. Money does grow on trees. The beard is mightier than the word and the sword combined.

Week 9

The interlude has concluded. No longer can I idly sit by without regarding the beard as a vital part of my existence. On the advice of a friend, I am now making my own curiosity to understand my beard's forestall attributes. I decided to go on a camping trip this weekend. It's not supposed to be a problem while I was there. One hair from my beard provided the fuel and burning capacity of two full "corps" of wood.

During a solitary hike along a trail on reflect on my hairy existentialism, I encountered a black bear. I have heard that in Native American folklore, the bear is the brother of man, for they both share similar muscle structures and keep on all fours. Of course, this is folklore. The real reason the bear brought me a bear that night was because I was keeping a secret especially on roseated from my face. That is man's common ground with the bear (note: Grizzly was not the bear's name).

After using a Brillo pad fabricated from my beard to clean a dirty paws last night, I awoke to find that they turned into solid gold. This phenomenon also applies to toothbrushes, hence why I'm not showing my teeth in this picture. Yes, friends and colleagues, the key to alchemy is beard hair. I pulled out a white hair from my beard this morning. It is not unusual for the bark to be found by the roots. Following my earthquake rippled throughout Indonesia. I will no longer pull out the white hairs in my beard. "To render the toothbrush a coagulant, Poor Richard says. Count your blessings, and the hairs that make up your beard.

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Levon Brys, a Classics major, is in her first year as an assistant opinion editor for The Montclarion.

Kristen Bryfogle has long had an interest in Facebook. She champion, the social networking site designed exactly what it originally marketed for: a platform for people to put their personal thoughts and feelings on the website to find other online mediums. Many students simply feel as if the button on the top left corner without putting oneself out there for the exposure, users preferred the popularities for social growth among users. It just magically appeared yesterday. It just magically appeared.

"It." It shall persevere; it shall remain glorious. New Jersey Lottery now scratches off the Taj Mahal in beard form passing by a now a daily occurrence. What will the end result be? Possibly a large migration of users to whatever novel social networking site is destined to be the next big thing.

And, of course, although Facebook may be losing its gargantuan lead in popularity, the race of social networking, it still boasts close to 1 billion users. Facebook is nowhere near obsolete, and a renaissance may be possible and even necessary for the website to keep its position as the king of social networking.
An Awkward Tale Gets a Film Debut
A look at The Perks of Being a Wallflower

Kristen Bryfogle
Asst. Opinion Editor

When it was announced that The Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chbosky was being adapted into a film, breaching teenagers across the world shrieked with excitement, and I was one of them. After the initial excitement, I—as well as many other fans of the book—were skeptical. After all, this was the book which had gotten us through some of our darkest moments. Could the book we relied so heavily on in our early teenage years translate into a movie just as powerful and endearing?

My answer, at least, is yes. The movie opened last weekend in a handful of theaters across the country, and I was lucky enough to see it opening night in New York City. For the most part, the movie is faithful to the events, flow and mood of the novel, likely because the movie was directed by the novel’s author. It was magical to see Chbosky’s words materialize into scenes and characters. Authors rarely hold authority over how their works are put into motion, so seeing Chbosky’s vision in relation to his writing was truly special to witness.

The movie gained a lot of attention, not only because of the popularity of the novel, but also because it was one of actress Emma Watson’s first roles in her post-Harry Potter career. The actress portrayed leading lady Sam Potter career. The actress portrayed leading lady Sam Watson’s moments in the film were certainlyicago showed how much the actress has progressed since appearing in the Potter films. However, the star of the show was definitely actor Logan Lerman in his portrayal of the novel’s protagonist, Charlie. Perhaps one of the most delightful scenes was Charlie’s wallflower moment at a school dance, when he overcomes his awkward shyness and begins to break out of his shell. Lerman demonstrated similar greatness in scenes of more serious content as well. He acted seamlessly through the bumptious patches in Charlie’s fresh-man year—from the drug use, to his first girlfriend, to his witness of domestic abuse, to mental illness and deterioration. Lerman captivated his audience from his first appearance, and I know that for me, he still hasn’t let me go. Charlie has stayed in my mind all this week.

Actor Ezra Miller was another wonderful addition to the cast. Similar to Lerman, he treated the serious sides of the novel with dignity and earnestness. But, he also created a tremendously endearing goofball personality for Patrick, one of the most delightful scenes in the film. The movie is full of more serious content, but also because it was one of the most delightful scenes in the film. The movie is full of more serious content, but also because it was one of the most delightful scenes in the film. The movie is full of more serious content, but also because it was one of the most delightful scenes in the film. The movie is full of more serious content, but also because it was one of the most delightful scenes in the film. The movie is full of more serious content, but also because it was one of the most delightful scenes in the film. The movie is full of more serious content, but also because it was one of the most delightful scenes in the film. The movie is full of more serious content, but also because it was one of the most delightful scenes in the film. The movie is full of more serious content, but also because it was one of the most delightful scenes in the film.
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Album of the Week

Kala was the second release from the Tamil alternative songstress M.I.A. A mix of dancehall, tribal and techno influences, this project catapulted M.I.A. from the underground into the mainstream spotlight with the commercial success of her single “Paper Planes.” Her look, sound and swag fueled the social network generation to express themselves in ways no one was doing at the time, making her a music and fashion “it” girl. M.I.A.’s journey to fame wasn't free from a few scandals. Her edgy persona and mission to shed light on the genocide taking place in her homeland of Sri Lanka didn’t always translate well in American media and her Twitter feud with the New York Times almost gave her infamous status.

With minimal features that include music heavy-hitters like Diplo and Timbaland and virtually unknown artists like Afrikan Boy, Kala was a progressive project that pushed the boundaries of what American listeners considered dance music.

Editor's Rating:
4.5/5 Stars

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Bioethics and the Body Politic

September 27, 2012
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Keynote Addresses
“Bioethics and the Body Politic”
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

The Constitution is a living document which continues to shape our lives today. Dr. Jessica McCormick, a bioethics expert from UMDNJ and Dr. Leslie Wilson, professor of history at Montclair State will discuss the underlying questions in the book, The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, by Rebecca Skloot and the consequential tension between scientific progress and social exploitation. Dr. McCormick will discuss the challenges presented by the policies and regulations of bioethics then and now and the resulting impact on our lives as citizens. Dr. Wilson, a historian, will address the social issues that surround the question as to whether or not Henrietta Lacks’ rights were violated and if indeed the fact that she was a poor black woman are of relevance to our civil rights as guaranteed by the Constitution.

Dr. Brigid Harrison will moderate. She is professor of political science and law at Montclair State and is an expert on the politics of the Millennial Generation. Additionally, she is a frequent commentator on national and New Jersey politics for print and electronic media, and for television including FOX News, NJTV, ABC News and local affiliates of ABC, NBC, and CBS. She is the author of American Democracy Now, A More Perfect Union, Power and Society and Women in American Politics.

Student Leader Panel Discussion
3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

As a follow-up to the keynote speakers, our student leaders will discuss the relevance of the issues presented and the resulting impact on their lives and their responsibilities as citizens.

For further information, please contact Carolyn Jones, American Democracy Project Campus Coordinator at jonesc@mail.montclair.edu.

This event is free and open to the public.

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The Montclair State Red Hawks football team improved to 2-0 in conference play with a win on the road over rival William Paterson Pi- oneers by a score of 34-17. The Red Hawks attack was fueled by junior running back A.J. Scoppa, who had a career day rushing for 247 yards and four touchdowns in the victory. Following a defensive stop, the Pioneer offense went back to work, or- chestrating an 8-play, 34-yard drive capped off by a 3-yard touchdown pass from junior quarterback RJ Cretsk to junior wideout Micke Pany. The first quarter ended with the Pioneers leading 10-0. The Red Hawks bounced right back in the second quarter with an eight play, 81-yard drive of their own that finished with a 23-yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback Dan Cathey to senior wideout Bryan Ogden to cut the William Paterson lead to three. The Red Hawks took the lead on the next drive, in which only four plays were needed to march 60 yards down the field for a touchdown scored on a 13-yard run by Scoppa. Montclair State went into the locker rooms at halftime leading 10-7, but trailing 10-10. The Red Hawks defense forced a three-and-out to open the second half, and the offense went back to work. Scoppa rushed for 48 yards on a six play drive that culminated in another Scoppa touchdown on a 31-yard scamper to the end zone. The defense forced another three- and-out, and Scoppa continued on his route to a career day. His 27-yard run took the Red Hawks down to the Pioneers’ 17-yard line. A 16-yard pass from Cathey to Ogden brought them to the one, and Scoppa punched it in for his third touchdown to in- crease the Red Hawk lead to 18. Scoppa would add the final tally to his touchdown total, scoring his fourth on a 1-yard run following a William Paterson fumble. The Pio- neers would cut into the lead with another touchdown reception by Paye, but it was too little, too late as the Red Hawks held on for a 34-17 victory over their conference rival. Scoppa had a career day, putting up 247 yards and four touchdowns, averaging 8.2 yards per carry. It was the best performance by a Red Hawk running back since Eugene Vick’s 249 yard game in 2003. His efforts led him to being named NJAC Offensive Player of the Week as well as being picked for D3football.com’s “Team of the Week.” The victory clinched the Red Hawk of the season for both honors. With the win, the Red Hawks improve to 2-0 overall, and 2-0 in conference play. They have a real challenge ahead of them as they travel to Cortland- land, NY on Saturday for another conference contest head-to-head in the Cortland State Dragons. Big Red’s next two meetings this week are against each of the previous two meetings between these teams was decided by last-second field goals. The Dragons are also 2-0 in conference play. The Red Hawks return home in two weeks, when they take on conference foe and nationally-ranked Rowan Professors.
The Seattle Seahawks scored on a last-second pass that won them the game due to the referees missing the call.

Another major issue has been the safety of the players. In fact, there have been brutal hits on the field that have not resulted in penalties. The league ended up reviewing some of these hits and has fined some of the players, such as New England Patriots wide receiver Golden Tate and Detroit Lions cornerback on Monday. He should have been fined $30,000 for an illegal hit on Atlanta Falcons wide receiver Julio Jones, which initially didn’t receive a flag on the play. Last week, the NFL decided to pull one of the replacement officials out of the New Orleans-Carolina game because “the right man” on his Facebook page revealed that he was a fan of the New Orleans Saints. As you can tell, there has been too much scrutiny from the fans and the teams themselves to sabotage such a fine product. 

Talks are currently in session between the NFL and the National Football League Referees Association (NFLRA) and, hopefully, the NFL will have its experienced referees back on the field this Sunday.

Int-erim Referees Blow Game-Winning Call

Players hope for end of lockout after Monday’s debacle

“The NFL is a Formula 1 race. The replacement refs are the three-year-olds behind the wheel.”

This was tweeted from former NFL quarterback Drew Bledsoe after Monday night’s debacle.

The highest level these replacement referees have officiated would be the equivalent to a Montclair State Red Hawks football game. These referees are coming from Division II and III college football while some are coming out of the Lingerie Football League. It’s simply degrading to the sport to rely on the hands of officials that have zero NFL experience. This is a business that generates almost $10 billion a year. It poses the question: Why can’t the NFL and referees come to an agreement in order to resolve the lockout? Before I try to investigate the logistics into the dispute with both sides, it’s important to go so far as to understand why the replacement refs need to go.

First, the officiating during Monday night’s game between the Green Bay Packers and Seattle Seahawks was atrocious. A call on the drive prior to the Seahawks scoring their last-second touchdown was what gave Seattle another chance to get the ball back with enough time on the clock. The Packers looked to have sealed the deal with an interception, but it was negated due to a “roughing the passer” penalty. A couple of plays later, the Packers yet again got called for “pass interference” when it was, in fact, Seattle wide receiver Sidney Rice who was smothering the Packers corner. He should have been called for “offensive pass-interference.”

Both replays showed that these were very poor calls. Even ESPN commentators Mike Tirico and John Gruden both agreed that Seattle was given a couple of breaks.

The controversial call of the game ended up being the very last play, determining if the Seahawks wide receiver Golden Tate had simultaneous possession with Packers cornerback M.D. Jennings. Ironically, one official was indicating it was a touchdown while the other official was showing that Jennings had intercepted the ball, a call that would have ended the game. If a receiver has simultaneous possession with the defender, the advantage goes to the receiver. It’s simply a “no go” to the turnover rule. I’m not trying to do the play-by-play, as many of you have already seen the highlights. The three instances prove just how awful these replacement refs have been at times.

With the hunt for October quickly reaching it’s conclusion, some teams have secured their playoff spots, while others are still holding on to the bitter end. This year, the league is doing something different with the wild cards. Each league will send two wildcard to the playoffs, where they will play each other in a one-game playoff to determine who moves on. In the National League, the San Francisco Giants and the Atlanta Braves have already clinched their playoff berths, and the San Francisco Giants and the Cincinnati Reds have clinched their divisions.

Despite the shutdown of young ace pitcher Stephen Stratton and two weeks ago, the Nationals were still holding through their series with the Los Angeles Dodgers and secured their NL East division winner as their ace, sporting a 16-8 record. The AL Central division leaders, the Chicago White Sox, are currently tied. Both the Detroit Tigers and the Chicago White Sox are 86-65. Both of their records are too good for any of the other wild card contenders to catch up, so both teams will be in the playoffs, but one as a wildcard, and the other as the NL East division winner.

Over on the west coast, the San Francisco Giants clinched their division earlier this week against the San Diego Padres. Despite outfielder Matt Cain’s struggles and the use of steroids, who led the team with a .346 batting average, the Giants are still a powerful team, with catcher Buster Posey leading the team in RBIs and home runs.

However, according to ABC News, the Giants organization has stated that despite the fact that Cain’s 50-game suspension ends during the playoffs, he will not be the team’s closer. The Cincinnati Reds clinched the NL Central, despite a difficult week for the team. Manager Dusty Baker suffered a minor stroke last Friday after being hospitalized for an irregular heartbeat, but it has been confirmed by ESPN that Baker will return to the team for the playoffs.

With only one spot left in the playoffs for a National League team, the St. Louis Cardinals are looking to fill that spot. They lead the wild card race with a 84-71 record. Both the Dodgers and the Brewers dropped below where they need to contend after both teams suffered losses to the National League leaders.

The American League, howev- er, is running a much tighter race. As of right now, both the AL East and Central races are within half-games of each other or less. The AL East leaders, the New York Yankees, lead the Baltimore Orioles by a game and a half. However, despite a difficult loss to Minnesota Tuesday night, the Yankees have a better shot of clinching their division than the Orioles.

The Bronx Bombers have won seven of their last nine games, and their remaining two series’ are against teams they have easily handled earlier in the season, the Toronto Blue Jays and the Boston Red Sox. The Orioles play Tampa Bay in their final series, and with Tampa Bay only four games behind Baltimore, it’s a much tighter race for a playoff spot, and the Rays could even end up knocking Baltimore out of the wild card race.

In the AL Central division leaders are currently tied. Both the Detroit Tigers and the Chicago White Sox are 82-72. However, Detroit’s pitching staff is one of the best in the league, with last year’s MVP Justin Ver- lander as their ace, sporting a 16-8 record. Chicago faces Tampa Bay in a four game series, and the White Sox have yet to play them at this year.

However, whichever team does not clinch the division will not make it to the playoffs at all, because both teams are too far below the leaders of the AL wild card standings. In the AL West, the Texas Rang- ers and the Oakland Athletics are four games apart, but are in the midst of a more closely contested series as the A’s took the Rangers 3-2 in extra innings Tuesday night.

However, the Rangers lead this entire American League with a 91-63 record, and so a playoff spot is guar- anteed for them. If the A’s power through the rest of the series, they have a good shot of catching Balti- more in the wild card race, and possibly eliminating them completely.
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Who's Hot This Week

AJ Scoppa
Running — Football
Scoppa blew away William Paterson by rushing for 247 yards and four touchdowns in the Red Hawks 34-17 win over the Pioneers. Scoppa has now rushed for 609 yards and six touchdowns.

Gina Policastro
Goalkeeper — Soccer
Policastro finished an outstanding 12-save week by being named NJAC Defensive Player of the Week. In two overtime wins, she helped the Red Hawks remain undefeated at 8-0-1, their best starting record in school history.

Game of the Week

Football
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September 29, 1:00 p.m.

The Red Hawks will travel to New York to take on SUNY Cortland as MSU hopes to increase their winning streak to three games.

For updates, check out: www.montclairathletics.com and @TheMontclarion on Twitter
Running With the Bulls

Kyle Chmura

It was somewhere around the end of the first period and I was already on the edge of my seat when the Red Bulls began to take hold. I remember saying something like “I feel a little wired, maybe I should go.” Suddenly, there was a terrible roar all around us. The stadium was full of, what looked like huge beasts, jumping up and down, singing around the press box, and I screamed “unbelievable taco spread, what are these things?”

The guy in the suit next to me listened to me with an open mouth, “Did you say something son?” My mind was a frenzy of chanting and screams. What was I doing here? What was the meaning of all this madness? Had I been forced here or had I really come to this place to work on a story? I parked my car in an area that looked like it could have been inhabited by gypsies and thieves. The back end of the stadium was vacant with only a parking attendant standing guard. I approached her and asked her where the media box office was. She answered with a quizzical glance and that’s when I started to smell food.

I had stopped paying attention to what network and who was going to be on my phone with exploding bubbles that you shot at on a basketball killing half my phone battery. I started watching the game again. The ‘Sporting’ formerly known as the Wizards, had managed to score a goal against the Red Bulls after only 12 minutes of play. This was preceded by six minutes of popping the ball into the air by the heads of the players that reminded me of circus seals with balloons. I had to use the bathroom, so I left my seat and wandered back into the inner bowels of the stadium.

I quickly walked towards the bathroom with a fake smile on my face, my legs feeling like a hot lava lamp. The hallway was a short trek, but it felt as if I was climbing the steep cliffs of Kilimanjaro. Nothing seemed to be the same. It was as if I had left through a different door than I had entered. The security guards watched me like creepy paintings in a Scooby-Doo episode, none of them moving. The big one at the end of the hallway with his arm out stretched towards me pointing with his other hand towards the entrance back into the stadium. His Cheshire grin growing bigger as I drew closer, “You enjoying the game sir?”

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