The Montclarion, February 02, 2012

The Montclarion

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.montclair.edu/montclarion

Recommended Citation
https://digitalcommons.montclair.edu/montclarion/972

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Student Newspapers at Montclair State University Digital Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Montclarion by an authorized administrator of Montclair State University Digital Commons. For more information, please contact digitalcommons@montclair.edu.
Hate Messages Targeting LGBT Students Found

Campus community responds with shock and disgust

SGA to SDS: You’re Dechartered

Chief Paul Cell and Dr. Karen Pennington address the student body in a meeting held on Feb. 1.
Pelican Police Report

2 On Jan. 24: Brandon Trojak, 20, of Lumberton, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams and drug paraphernalia while in Whitman Hall. He is scheduled to appear in Little Falls Court.

3 On Jan. 24: An employee of the C-Store reported a fraudulent $20.00 bill had been passed through her register. This matter is under investigation.

4 On Jan. 26: A staff member reported an act of criminal mischief inside of the Student Center. Graffiti was found written on the wall across from her office. This matter is under investigation.

5 On Jan. 28: A female student reported the theft of her iPad from her secured room inside of Freeman Hall. This matter is under investigation.

6 On Jan. 27: A staff member reported receiving a threatening note under her office door. This matter is under investigation.

7 On Jan. 27: A male student reported being harassed by his ex-girlfriend. This matter is under investigation.

8 On Jan. 28: Albruce Appesh, 22 of Haledon, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol while on Route 46. He is scheduled to appear in Little Falls Municipal Court.

9 On Jan. 30: A staff member of Hawk Crossings reported seeing three individuals spray painting the dumpsters located in Lot 29. 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.

The Montclarion

The Montclarion is a freely distributed newspaper providing one copy per person. Additional copies are $0.25.

Corrections

The Montclarion accepts corrections. If factually incorrect, we’ll trade a mistake in a story, please call Editor-in-Chief Katherine at ext. 5230.
Continued Pain Felt Over New Roadblocks

The administrators who are making these decisions are not going home feeling pain,” said Charlene Mickle, art and design department secretary. Mickle utilizes the shuttle for persons with disabilities every day to get from her car to Calcia Hall where she works. Following the introduction of the roadblocks on University Promenade, the PWD shuttle stopped door-to-door service and now stops at the roadblocks near University Hall or the DuMont Center to discharge passengers.

“They let W.H. Macon, mail services, and all other MSU vehicles drive down the road. It’s crazy that they won’t let the disability van down the road,” said Marge Joyce, art and design department bookkeeper. Associate vice president of facilities services, Timothy Casey, informed members of the campus community utilizing the PWD shuttle of the change. The email states that “bolts [roadblocks] will be placed in locations around the campus to prohibit regular vehicular access to the core of campus […] The bollard installation project also means that the PWD shuttles will only be able to drive to bollarded locations, not to the front door of particular buildings.”

“I have trouble walking any distance,” said Joyce. Both Mickle and Joyce have trouble walking and need door-to-door service because of their disabilities. After sending emails to both President Susan Cole and Casey and receiving no response, Joyce received a response from Michael Owen, the assistant vice president for employee relations. Owen said, “Perhaps it will be a little less convenient [than] door-to-door service, but we are confident all areas of campus will remain accessible due to the strategic location of the bolts and our pathways from these locations to the buildings on campus […] We have consulted carefully and thoroughly reviewed these changes in order to fully guarantee continued accessibility for persons with disabilities to all of our buildings on campus.”

“I’m very upset the university is discriminating against disabled people in this manner,” said Joyce. Mickle also feels that she is being discriminated against. “I’m very upset the university is discriminating against disabled people in this manner,” said Joyce. Mickle also feels that she is being discriminated against. “I have trouble walking any distance,” said Joyce. Both Mickle and Joyce have trouble walking and need door-to-door service because of their disabilities. After sending emails to both President Susan Cole and Casey and receiving no response, Joyce received a response from Michael Owen, the assistant vice president for employee relations. Owen said, “Perhaps it will be a little less convenient [than] door-to-door service, but we are confident all areas of campus will remain accessible due to the strategic location of the bolts and our pathways from these locations to the buildings on campus […] We have consulted carefully and thoroughly reviewed these changes in order to fully guarantee continued accessibility for persons with disabilities to all of our buildings on campus.”

“I’m very upset the university is discriminating against disabled people in this manner,” said Joyce. Mickle also feels that she is being discriminated against. “I have trouble walking any distance,” said Joyce. Both Mickle and Joyce have trouble walking and need door-to-door service because of their disabilities. After sending emails to both President Susan Cole and Casey and receiving no response, Joyce received a response from Michael Owen, the assistant vice president for employee relations. Owen said, “Perhaps it will be a little less convenient [than] door-to-door service, but we are confident all areas of campus will remain accessible due to the strategic location of the bolts and our pathways from these locations to the buildings on campus […] We have consulted carefully and thoroughly reviewed these changes in order to fully guarantee continued accessibility for persons with disabilities to all of our buildings on campus.”

“I’m very upset the university is discriminating against disabled people in this manner,” said Joyce. Mickle also feels that she is being discriminated against. “I have trouble walking any distance,” said Joyce. Both Mickle and Joyce have trouble walking and need door-to-door service because of their disabilities. After sending emails to both President Susan Cole and Casey and receiving no response, Joyce received a response from Michael Owen, the assistant vice president for employee relations. Owen said, “Perhaps it will be a little less convenient [than] door-to-door service, but we are confident all areas of campus will remain accessible due to the strategic location of the bolts and our pathways from these locations to the buildings on campus […] We have consulted carefully and thoroughly reviewed these changes in order to fully guarantee continued accessibility for persons with disabilities to all of our buildings on campus.”

“I’m very upset the university is discriminating against disabled people in this manner,” said Joyce. Mickle also feels that she is being discriminated against. “I have trouble walking any distance,” said Joyce. Both Mickle and Joyce have trouble walking and need door-to-door service because of their disabilities. After sending emails to both President Susan Cole and Casey and receiving no response, Joyce received a response from Michael Owen, the assistant vice president for employee relations. Owen said, “Perhaps it will be a little less convenient [than] door-to-door service, but we are confident all areas of campus will remain accessible due to the strategic location of the bolts and our pathways from these locations to the buildings on campus […] We have consulted carefully and thoroughly reviewed these changes in order to fully guarantee continued accessibility for persons with disabilities to all of our buildings on campus.”

“I’m very upset the university is discriminating against disabled people in this manner,” said Joyce. Mickle also feels that she is being discriminated against. “I have trouble walking any distance,” said Joyce. Both Mickle and Joyce have trouble walking and need door-to-door service because of their disabilities. After sending emails to both President Susan Cole and Casey and receiving no response, Joyce received a response from Michael Owen, the assistant vice president for employee relations. Owen said, “Perhaps it will be a little less convenient [than] door-to-door service, but we are confident all areas of campus will remain accessible due to the strategic location of the bolts and our pathways from these locations to the buildings on campus […] We have consulted carefully and thoroughly reviewed these changes in order to fully guarantee continued accessibility for persons with disabilities to all of our buildings on campus.”
students at Montclair State University who wish to exercise their constitu-
tional right to free speech and to associ-
ate freely recognized by the Student Government Association and Greek Council.”

If the lawsuit is filed, every frater-
nity and society that has not recog-
nized the interest group, including the individual presidents of those groups, as well as the entire Greek Council, its executive board, the Student Government Association and the university’s final members, will be sued.

The amount that Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity is seek-
ing is still to be deter-
minded. However, their goal is to make enough to recover the expenses associated with the interest group’s time and the law pro-
cedures. This could reach thousands of dollars.

An additional fraternity claims to have more than 400 pages of docu-
ments and at least 60 students and admin-
istrators willing to testify on behalf of this interest group, saying that this case applies not just to the interest group, but to every student that is a victim of aggressive and unconstituent practices. They state that the MSU Greek community prac-
tices this much of rights that have been employed against the Mont-
cial State University students in Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.

Because of the nature of this situa-
tion, these student organiza-
tions have been discouraged from speaking to the press and were in-
formed that the SGA would be han-
dling any questions. Members of the SGA, including the press secretary and vice president, were contacted yet unable to comment on what remains clear is the intentions and feelings of Alpha Sigma Phi.

In a press release, a spokesperson noted that ev-
ey student at Montclair State Uni-
versity will be paying to defend the Student Government Association and if this case goes all the way to the trial, it will likely cost the students of Montclair State University in ex-
cess of $100,000 in legal fees,” said Hermigier.

More information is expected to be released on this situation at a later time.

Additional reporting by Craig Mc-
Carthly and Catherine Baxter.

First Amendment and still its po-
tential.

However, the Executive Board said it was taking action to address the organization.

“If the judicial board was to re-
ceive this [case and ruled against them], they would have no one to appeal to, said Jared Shahab, in a brief statement.

“We are hoping to have this re-
solved by the end of the semester.”

Representa-
tives of the uni-
versity, such as Dr. Karen Penning-
ton, vice president, as well as mem-
bers of the MSU interest g r o u p ,
were also contacted but either declined or were
discouraged from commenting.

As more information concerning this appeal becomes available, more remains clear is the intentions and feelings of Alpha Sigma Phi.

In a press release, a spokesperson noted that ev-
ey student at Montclair State Uni-
versity will be paying to defend the Student Government Association and if this case goes all the way to the trial, it will likely cost the students of Montclair State University in ex-
cess of $100,000 in legal fees,” said Hermigier.

More information is expected to be released on this situation at a later time.

Additional reporting by Craig Mc-
Carthly and Catherine Baxter.

First Amendment and still its po-
tential.

However, the Executive Board said it was taking action to address the organization.

“If the judicial board was to re-
 receive this [case and ruled against them], they would have no one to appeal to, said Jared Shahab, in a brief statement.

“We are hoping to have this re-
solved by the end of the semester.”

Representa-
tives of the uni-
versity, such as Dr. Karen Penning-
ton, vice president, as well as mem-
bers of the MSU interest g r o u p ,
were also contacted but either declined or were
discouraged from commenting.

As more information concerning this appeal becomes available, more remains clear is the intentions and feelings of Alpha Sigma Phi.

In a press release, a spokesperson noted that ev-
ey student at Montclair State Uni-
versity will be paying to defend the Student Government Association and if this case goes all the way to the trial, it will likely cost the students of Montclair State University in ex-
cess of $100,000 in legal fees,” said Hermigier.

More information is expected to be released on this situation at a later time.

Additional reporting by Craig Mc-
Carthly and Catherine Baxter.

First Amendment and still its po-
tential.

However, the Executive Board said it was taking action to address the organization.

“If the judicial board was to re-
 receive this [case and ruled against them], they would have no one to appeal to, said Jared Shahab, in a brief statement.

“We are hoping to have this re-
solved by the end of the semester.”

Representa-
tives of the uni-
versity, such as Dr. Karen Penning-
ton, vice president, as well as mem-
bers of the MSU interest g r o u p ,
were also contacted but either declined or were
discouraged from commenting.

As more information concerning this appeal becomes available, more remains clear is the intentions and feelings of Alpha Sigma Phi.

In a press release, a spokesperson noted that ev-
ey student at Montclair State Uni-
versity will be paying to defend the Student Government Association and if this case goes all the way to the trial, it will likely cost the students of Montclair State University in ex-
cess of $100,000 in legal fees,” said Hermigier.

More information is expected to be released on this situation at a later time.

Additional reporting by Craig Mc-
Carthly and Catherine Baxter.

First Amendment and still its po-
tential.

However, the Executive Board said it was taking action to address the organization.

“If the judicial board was to re-
 receive this [case and ruled against them], they would have no one to appeal to, said Jared Shahab, in a brief statement.

“We are hoping to have this re-
solved by the end of the semester.”

Representa-
tives of the uni-
versity, such as Dr. Karen Penning-
ton, vice president, as well as mem-
bers of the MSU interest g r o u p ,
were also contacted but either declined or were
discouraged from commenting.

As more information concerning this appeal becomes available, more remains clear is the intentions and feelings of Alpha Sigma Phi.

In a press release, a spokesperson noted that ev-
ey student at Montclair State Uni-
versity will be paying to defend the Student Government Association and if this case goes all the way to the trial, it will likely cost the students of Montclair State University in ex-
cess of $100,000 in legal fees,” said Hermigier.

More information is expected to be released on this situation at a later time.

Additional reporting by Craig Mc-
Carthly and Catherine Baxter.
OPEN HOUSE TODAY!

The Montclarion
February 2nd, 2012
5:00-8:00pm
Student Center Annex
Room 113

Writers and Photographers wanted!

Free Pizza!
Since 1999, when the rate was 14 in high school to college students, the rate has risen from 15 percent to nearly 30 percent from 2000 to 2008. The surging rate of obesity that no vaccine can protect us from: ease, a rapidly spreading epidemic, has expanded Group X’s ability to offer a number of large group sessions that allow students to earn points and now they are offering rewards points that are based on certain checkpoints that the students reach, based on tiers. At 20 points (50 hours of workout), students can receive a small reward, such as a water bottle or hand towel, and every 10 points after that (until 50), they receive larger prizes.

Rec Center Rewards Healthy Living

**Students working hard towards healthy goals.**

**Students taking individual time after group Xercise classes.**

While costs may be high and some technology glitches may occur, many students find the new technology very beneficial to their learning experience.

Sophomore Briana Cole said, “I think the clicker system is good and should be used more. It’s a great way to get everyone involved. Especially with Group X; it’s like raising your hand to answer questions in class and this is a great way to let me answer without speaking.”

Although, most students seem to be adapting well to the clickers, others still have slight reservations about the new technology.

Senior Troy Loveland said, “I feel the clicker answering system is a good way to involve all the students in the classroom during a lecture. At the same time, however, it frightens me to have to rely on technology, because I don’t know it always receive my answers.”

Senior Jade Lusha sums it all up by saying, “I think the clicker system is a great way to gather responses and class participation. It’s the way of society these days. These are no more books, technology has clearly taken over.”
predicted that after a message of outrage from the S.P.E.C.T.R.U.M. president was sent out to the community on campus there is a person, or even a group, who would do such a thing. They saw the S.P.E.C.T.R.U.M. president as Dr. Cole’s email was sent our way, we immediately alert our student body that there was any danger. We were expected to continue living as though there was no threat upon our very lives.”

According to sources, Cole’s email was sent out to the community after a message of outrage from the LGBT Center does its best to try to truly educate themselves both inside and outside of the classroom, which includes opening themselves up to new and different ideas.”

The attempt to reach the standpoint of Amie MacMach, program assistant of the LGBT Center, at the time the October note was found, MacMach stated, “Any time an incident like this occurs, the LGBT Center does its best to respond in a loving and respectful way.”

“Reaching out in a harmful way to an act of hate is counterproductive for everyone. Instead of focusing on how this incident can divide communities, we can try to think about ways that this can unite folks around a common goal of creating safety for all members on campus,” said MacMach.

Bekki Davis, adjunct faculty member, said, “It is a cowardly and juvenile act to leave threatening notes like the ones we’ve seen recently at the LGBT Center. It saddens me that somewhere on our campus there is a person, or even people, who would do such a thing. To all Montclair students, we are angry and disheartened by this act. I say counter it with compassion and love.”

Cole’s message assured the student body that “Montclair State University is a vibrant community that is committed to providing a working and learning environment that is inclusive, free of discrimination, bullying or harassment, and is welcoming to persons from all racial, ethnic, social and cultural backgrounds.” She stressed that a level of mutual respect should be reached by all students in order to achieve overall success as an institution.

McQuade said, “We sincerely hope that this is a wake-up call for folks to remember the powers that be. We hope that this threat will be dealt with only the utmost of significance and seriousness. And most of all, we hope that this threat will never again be used as an excuse by this university to practice what it has always preached.”

Those offended by the message are encouraged to reach out to Dean of Students Rosemary Howell in the Student Center 400 or at (973) 655-4118.

Students can use the recently launched Hawk Ryva program via text message at 67283. Students can also use the confidential tips line at (973) 655-8477 or contact UPD at (973) 655-5222.

It’s impossible not to notice the solar panels in Lot 60. The two panels which are planned to be powered up in late February or early March, will be providing Alise Paul Hall with power.

The project, which cost nearly $1.2 million, was funded by a grant from the state of New Jersey. The project began last March with the designing of the panels and construction began in September.

“Dr. William Thomas, director of the Solar Renewable Energy Center, was the driving force behind the university’s application to receive the funding to design and install the solar fields,” according to Greg Bressler, vice president of university facilities.

“I think they are great. They should have more of them to power the rest of the buildings,” said Alise Paul resident Sara Cleary.

The construction of the solar panels is expected to be completed Feb. 10. Following completion of construction, code inspections and permitting, the electrical utility provider, the panels will be usable and able to generate power.

The panels will generate 200 kilowatts of electrical power. Alise Paul resident Requia Kaimi has her doubts. “If the power is going to be the same, then good.” If the power will stay on during outages, that’s even better.”

How much the university will save is not yet known. Bressler estimates the attributable savings to be approximately $75,000 annually. However, this value does not include the monetization value of the Solar Renewable Energy Certificates, which will become available upon energization of the solar field and its generation of electrical power,” said Bressler.

Solar Panels in Lot 60 to Power Alice Paul Hall

Lindsey Kawrowski Staff Writer

Solar panels in Alice Paul Hall

New solar panels confuse students, but are for a good cause.

Continued From Page 1

The Montclarion \ Joey Cohen

Dr. Pennington speaks to a large crowd of students

February 2, 2012 | The Montclarion

Dr. Pennington expresses her feelings about the incident. “I am appalled at the incident. The university community has very been clear about the kind of institution we are and the kind of university we want to be,” said Pennington.

“One of the great things about America is the diversity of its people. In an educated society, knowing and working with individuals who are different from ourselves enriches us all,” said Pennington. “No one is forcing those for whom those values are contrary to be here. They are always welcome to find a place that better suits their needs.”

Some students feel the university does not have adequately assured safety. In a statement issued to The Montclarion Mike McQuade, FR and student project representative of the S.P.E.C.T.R.U.M., said, “This morning and bigoted messages defied the door of our campus’s LGBT Center, messages that went beyond ‘We hate you’ to the point where they stated that the gay community was going to be killed. The university is not meant to alert their student body that there was any danger. We were expected to continue living as though there was no threat upon our very lives.”

“The information should have been put out when it happened on Jan. 26. There was a lot more that could’ve been done differently,” said Perez.

“I am confident that we are taking all necessary steps to ensure the safety of the community,” said Pennington. “We have no reason to believe that this is a credible threat. However, we want to make the university aware of it because it is a violation of our community norm.”

The university held an event on Wednesday in which officials addressed safety. Perez feels that it is very important for the LGBT community to reach out to individuals of the straight community as allies. “The threat will be treated with only the powers that be. We hope that this threat will be dealt with only the utmost of significance and seriousness. And most of all, we hope that this threat will never again be used as an excuse by this university to practice what it has always preached.”

The Montclarion | Madeline Sweeney

The letter stated: “You will feel the wrath of Allah/ Your thoughts and feelings at the Montclair campus are somewhat disturbing. However, I really think it means we, the community and all of Students Rosemary Howell in the Student Center 400 or at (973) 655-4118.

Students can use the recently launched Hawk Ryva program via text message at 67283. Students can also use the confidential tips line at (973) 655-8477 or contact UPD at (973) 655-5222.
So, Santa didn’t bring you the 40 inches of snow you asked for, so there’s not really any way to land those sick slope-ops at the make-shift ski resort by the Village. However, there is still no need to fret your snowboarding amigoes because I am dishing out some of this season’s hottest snowboarding styles to stock up on before the winter escapades begin. Don’t bail on any of these fashion-steps and risk looking like a tacky fluorescent highlighter, or worse! Instead of paying money snowboarding looks in various vibrant colors, try animal and geometric prints that also allow you to stand out from the snow while avoiding the visual assault of other snowboarders. Also, for those must have accessories like gloves, hats, goggles and helmets don’t be afraid to think out-side the box. Graphic motifs, textured prints and fur trimmings are winter must have’s.

Save a Couch: Rent a Snowboard

So your significant other or family member has been trying to convince you to take a shot at snowboarding for the last few years. This is the year he or she has finally taken you up on it and now you’re panicking. Or, maybe you have always wanted to channel that inner Shaun White in you but never knew where to start. Well, here’s the breakdown of how to get into those boots and bindings to make your first snowboarding attempt more than just putting your feet up in the lodge while drinking hot cocoa by the fire. First off, let’s cover the physical aspect so you aren’t falling down from sheer exhaustion. Snowboarding uses your core muscles, which includes your abdominals, hips, lower back and quads, as well as balance. This is what snow sports athletes focus on training, but for starting out on the main suggestion, since most of the time you’ll spend picking yourself back up and squatting, is just making sure you have enough endurance to run a little. Not marathons or anything but you should be able to run at least two miles without having to stop for a smoke. Even though gravity is doing a lot of the work on the mountain, it is a workout.

So, since we have some physical ground rules to keep up with these mountain moguls, what are you supposed to wear for a sport like this, besides that funny hat that is so common on the lift? An easy way to think about what layers you should have on is think “playing in snow with the ability to run.” Start with thermal pants and shirt for your first layer. Next pop on a pair of sweatpants or your favorite flannel pajamas and two pairs of socks, one pair should be tube socks and tuck your thermals into the socks. For your top half, put on a tee shirt with a long sleeve shirt or sweatshirt. Generally, a day rental is big enough for the layers so you can move around easily. Any warm cotton half-bat will do, but you might want to rent a helmet, generally around $10, so a more traditional hat is best. Don’t worry about goggles because you won’t need them on the bunny slopes, but it’s a cold, windy day and ski goggles will keep you on your face to protect from windburn. If you are still super worried about boots, just something to get you to the mountain will do. If you need to buy all this clothing, you can get away with keeping it under $300 but you will start spending keep reading. And don’t wear your jacket, gloves or snow pants to the mountain, put them on when you get there, trust me you’ll stay warmer on the mountain.

Next, assume you ran your two miles and you laid out your boarding threads let’s talk money, so you know what you’ll be shelling out for some snow fun. Don’t head to Toys R Us and pick up that snowboard for one hundred bucks that you wear with work boots, because you will hurt yourself. But also don’t go out drop-ping $600 on boots, bindings and board and another $400 on clothing because you might not like the sport. Start off with renting, even if you are going for a few days. Your bank account will thank you in the end and the staff at the mountain will make sure you are riding the right size board and your bindings are set up right. Generally, a day rental is only around $30, while a snowboarding package, from somewhere like Sports Authority, starts at $300. If you are going for a few days, most places even have multiple day discounts as well. Next will be your lift ticket, your ticket to a winter wonderland, be sure there’s no way down but the bunny slopes the first time be sure. One, you are looking at around $275 to $300 for the more advanced. If you head up to Mountain Creek, the most popular mountain also offers private lesson at $110 for an hour for those who think they need some more personal help.

The last, but the most important, tip is take a lesson. It’s not a struggle in the snow as you try to teach yourself or have your significant other touch you, which will just lead to a fight. They only cost around $40 for a group lesson, or $45 for one. Every mountain also offers private lesson at about $30 an hour for those who think they need some more personal help. Pick the mentor accordingly too. Don’t go to the most popular place on a Saturday afternoon expecting to really learn. You will just be stuck in a sea of snowboarders and skiers and be intimidated. If you are going local, head over to the Pocore and check out Shawnee Mountain, which is a smaller mountain with fewer trails for the more advanced. If you head up to Mountain Creek, the most popular mountain in this area, go on a weekday around lunch when the slopes are clear. So if you have none of the clothes and can’t borrow them from some-one, you are looking at around $275 to go snowboarding for the first time. And no matter what your partner says, do not try to go anywhere but the bunny slopes the first time because there’s no way down but the trail.

WEb Editor: Craig McCarthy
St. Art Edi tor: Rashard Bradshaw

The Gloves - Gloves With The Midas Touch

These Celtic-chicken gloves from Vans adds that little bit of junior personality any snowboarding outfit. Priced at only $49.95, these gloves are definitely a fashion-forward accessory for those backcountry snow-boarding antics.

The Boots - Save face for Every Slope

Those chic boots have the same silhouette and function as regular snowboarding boots without forfeiting the wearer’s style. Made by New Balance, in partnership with HUF, these boots are definitely a fashion conscious snowboarder’s dream. Sadly, these boots are very rare & start at three hundred dollars, however snow.vans.com has a nice select of similar boots for less.

The Board - High Fashion On Deck

For those fashion week fanat-s with an abundance of disposable income I have found the snowboard just for you. Priced at $2,000, Karl Lagerfeld and the historic house of Chanel has produced a very clean board that combines style and class. With a natural finish and a very neutral color palette this board will make you a stand out amongst the rest. Chanel also carries an all black snowboard as well as skis, just an FYI.
can-Americans maintained the racial themes of jazz poetry, and picked up by the largely white beat that originated during the Jazz Age. 

Today, slam poetry stars include women like Staceyann Chin, Sonya Renee and Aya de Leon; just as important, some poetry contests are the individual artists who step up to the mic every day. 

It speaks to the empowerment these individu- als and their unique experiences more so than the elite San Francisco Beatnik scene or the so-called “tronge rap” recording industry. 

Lyrical poetry is a site for personal reflection and passion; otherwise, Afri-Can-American female poets will take the opportunity to spit about raw experiences like sex, abortion and intimate partner violence. Similarly, those issues plague feminists, who advocate for discussion on experienc- es of oppression. In this sense, these poets are practicing a fundamental aspect of feminism in action: con- sciousness-raising. During the 1970s, college coeds and housewives alike began vocally struggling “problems without a name,” according to Betty Friedan, but many African-American women were excluded from these conversations. Through slam, these women have found the megaphone through which to proudly voice their sentiments. In slam competitions, a marginalized identity is celebrated and authenticates the poets’ work.

Feminist poetry has been used as an act of counter-cultural resis- tance, and recently Jasmine Mans mad- e a perfect example of this when she attacked rapper Nicki Minaj for perpetrating traditional beauty ide- als. In her performance, Mars crit- tiques Minaj while exercising her knowledge of early hip hop: “Too many women before you have laid down tracks — U.N.I.T.Y./So you wouldn’t have to record on your back,” and “Look into the mirror, the world’s too big for you to slt’/h out of you, nose neck hang from Zaire, Lauren Hill you. The miseducation of a Barbie Doll com- ing soon.” 

Currently-sassy poets work at fellow insiders with references to other forms of jazz poetry, like hip hop. This dose of pop culture makes it easier to rap about real feminist is- sues like, in Mans’ case, beauty stand- ards and sexual discrimination. Despite the popularity of slam among African-American women, and the remarkable influence they hold, many of these poets are unlike- ly to identify openly as social activis- ts — much less as feminists. They are more likely to call themselves “strong,” “independent” or “smart” than feminist, but their idea of proper womanhood follows feminist ideals. They tend to criticize societal stan- dards for romanticizing dependance on men, while they may recognize their own beauty, they scorn women who rely on sex appeal to get ahead; they preach to their men to treat women with dignity and they will- ingly tell their darkest secrets to their audience in the hopes of empowering other women. These poets work to build a support system through their testimonials. 

Overall, the performance aspect of slam creates a sense of communi- ty and personal growth — typically slam contests rate contestants from one to ten, and favorites are chosen. Performers may travel the city or world and find a circle of lyricis- ts who watch them grow and offer criticism. A true marriage of feminist and creative utopias may be realized through slam.

Additionally, gender plays a large role in spoken word and hip hop. Not only is sexuality a universal con- cept, but it permeates the language of the poets themselves. When women are not directly communicating their gender, their male counterparts oft en express their love of strong, typi- cally maternal women, or display a subconscious fear of effeminization through machismo and misogyny. In response to these acts of hypermas- culinity in the rap and slam worlds, some female poets have banned together to react with “hyperfemi- nism,” like the groups SisterSpit and Slamblers.

These groups may hopefully inspire many more who recognize the poetic power of women of color. Not only do these individuals already identity with the tenets of feminism, but they perform in a space that demands an inherent degree of feminist autono- my and insight. These self-identified strong and “independent” poets are gendered revolutionaries with- out the official terminology. Further- more, slam is a fertile site for possible feminist and creative growth with its emphasis on community support. It’s just a matter of picking up a mic for yourself or supporting the poets. You can not only hear them speak, you can hear the revolu- tion.

If you’re planning on doing some casual shopping for house supplies or cosmetics this Sun- day at Target, I recommend you re-plan your to-do list. Unless you plan on waiting on long lines behind countless fashionista- stas, “Why,” you may ask, “are we going to be mobbing our lo- cal Target this Sunday?” 

The answer is Jason Wu. High fashion designer, Jason Wu has been named creative director of Target to bring you their latest design- er collaboration. 

Jason Wu has been winning over the likes of the fashion community since the debut of his first full collection in 2006. His celebrated career has brought him to the forefront of fashion through his unique approach to color and pattern that has been mixed and matched for a young and energetic look. Some pieces even come with a playful “FUIC” feline print, inspired by Wu’s own cats. 

Target has collaborated with designers like Missoni, Zac Posen and Thakoon in the past. These designer collaborations have been a great way to score design- er style way under budget. Wu’s entire collection for Target ranges from only $19.99-$59.99! 

So keep it Target, we love what you’re doing! However, I hope they have prepared their website for the high volume of online-shopping that will be go- ing on within the first two days. I hope that their website when the Missoni collaboration dropped in Septem- ber crashed under the weight of two days. I hope to be sporting my new Jason Wu threads this Monday and hopefully all of you will get your hands on something from this amazing and affordable collection!
So, this political talking point pops up into a big blast. I’m just kidding. I’m no good with political-environmental humor, although it would be nice, considering the topic at hand is a bit grim without it. In current events, we have the overexposed State of the Union address from President Obama. The President made quite an effort to bring all the American folk to his side by promising clean energy and independence from foreign oil compared to our own red, white and blue resources. According to Obama, America is overwhelming with oil, and we have an enormous supply just bubbling under the surface of our patriotic soil. He claimed we have 100-years worth of natural gas, however, it turns out that this timeline is a little shorter than he, and the Energy Information Administration (EIA) once thought. Now, in order to remain neutral, I’ll stick to the facts.

It has been estimated that there was 66 percent more oil in the Marcellus shale region, where natural gas is extracted, than there is now and will be in the future, as concluded from studies conducted in 2010 and 2011. Unfortunately, this sparkling gem of a resource is rather a bust. After the president’s speech and provided him with a great way to revitalize the American spirit, in the Democratic Party and beyond, by ensuring independence from foreign oil, the president appears to not be making it into a good book,” Burkholder said. The book’s concept stemmed from the dissertation Burkholder wrote with Har- vard University, being the youngest scholar invited.

During her fellowship, Burkhold- er had time to do additional research and revise her dissertation. Once the revision was complete, it took one year to write, edit and to then submit eight months of final revisions. “I had to revise the dissertation and make it into a good book,” Burkhold- er said. Framing the work was one of her greatest challenges because she had to include more research while cutting the pages in half to produce the 252-page book it is now.

“It makes you realize when you are writing this as a historian that you are in charge of interpreting the material and that there are different ways it can be interpreted,” Burkholder said of the challenge. Identifying as a his- torian more than a writer, she wanted to convey all of the information while telling a story.

“Historians are storytellers by na- ture,” she said. “It’s one great story with lots of little stories in it.” Burkholder plans to continue writing, currently co-authoring a book on racism in American education that will serve as a textbook for student teach- ers. She continues with this theme, while sending the message that lessons can be learned from our history.

“American schools can do a bet- ter job teaching about race, culture and human diversity,” Burkholder said. “It is possible for scientists and educators to work together to create good curriculum and to provide ma- terials that would promote a richer understanding of race relations in America.”
ASSISTANT NEEDED FOR WORKING MOTHER.
Looking for an experienced, flexible and reliable recent grad or graduate student to help entrepreneurial mom with household errands, office administration, light chores, after-school child care (2 girls ages 7 and 10) and homework 4 days a week, 5-7 hours per day (afternoon) for a Llewellyn Park family. Ideal candidate will be smart, organized, honest, caring and patient. Candidate must be fluent in English. Must have own car and excellent references. For further info, e-mail resume to madamemichaud@gmail.com

Sitters wanted. $12+ per hour. Babysitting, housesitting, petsitting. Register free for jobs near campus or home and start earning cash now! www.student-sitter.com

THE MONTCLARION is looking for cartoonists! Email msuproduction@gmail.com for more details!

WANT TO ADVERTISE OR PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS?
Are you looking to hire or have rooms for rent?

Advertise with The Montclarion!

Email montclarionad@gmail.com for more information and details.
Clubs and Organizations

College life isn’t all about the classroom. At Montclair State, you can choose from over 200 exciting extracurricular clubs. Try and figure out some of the clubs and organizations!!

1. This club is an interdenominational Christian ministry reaching out specifically to New Jersey college students.
2. Student run theatre organization whose plays are held in the commuter lounge.
3. Club Motto: “We do everything with style”
4. The purpose of this organization is to have a better understanding of the Japanese culture.
5. This club knows how to shred the mountains.
6. This club is up in the ranks of Down.
7. The nickname for the Caribbean Student Organization
8. This club is in the student organization dedicated to educating the community about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues.
9. This club promotes awareness of the Indian culture by organizing events that involve both traditional and nontraditional cultural activities.
10. Hey, you’re reading it right now!
11. Whether it’s hip hop, jazz or pop, this club can step to any beat!
12. Their purpose is to provide a safe and clean environment for students to gather and participate in community games and activities.
13. Famous
14. The official literary arts publication of Montclair State University
15. This club is the official literary arts publication of Montclair State University

Across
1. Student run theatre organization whose plays are held in the commuter lounge.
2. Club Motto: “We do everything with style”
3. Club Motto: “We do everything with style”
4. The purpose of this organization is to have a better understanding of the Japanese culture.
5. This club knows how to shred the mountains.
6. This club is up in the ranks of Down.
7. The nickname for the Caribbean Student Organization
8. This club is in the student organization dedicated to educating the community about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues.
9. This club promotes awareness of the Indian culture by organizing events that involve both traditional and nontraditional cultural activities.

Down
1. This club is an interdenominational Christian ministry reaching out specifically to New Jersey college students.
2. Student run theatre organization whose plays are held in the commuter lounge.
3. Club Motto: “We do everything with style”
4. The purpose of this organization is to have a better understanding of the Japanese culture.
5. This club knows how to shred the mountains.
6. This club is up in the ranks of Down.
7. The nickname for the Caribbean Student Organization
8. This club is in the student organization dedicated to educating the community about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues.
9. This club promotes awareness of the Indian culture by organizing events that involve both traditional and nontraditional cultural activities.

Last week’s Answers

Across
1. Red
2. Bumpy
3. Aldo
4. Planet
5. Galileo
6. A
7. Gesture
8. A
9. Red
10. Red
11. Flotation
12. Charlie
13. Famous
14. Debbie
15. Ad

Down
1. Boyfriend
2. Girlfriend
3. Baseball
4. Infants
5. Mountains
6. Nontraditional cultural activities.
7. Indian culture by organizing events that involve both traditional and nontraditional cultural activities.
10. Clean environment for students to gather and participate in community games and activities.
Even Montclair Haters Hate Hate

There are few things that will bring a community together quite like an attack on one of its ranks. We say “our ranks” because, despite the deranged beliefs of some sick individuals, the Montclair State University campus community is not segregated by gender, race, sexual preference or otherwise.

Sadly, no matter how far we advance as a country with civil rights for minorities and equal opportunity action, it seems that there will always be those whose archaic prejudices will fuel their ignorance.

But we’re not angry. We’re disappointed.

We’re disappointed that there are still people who can hate someone they don’t know (and most likely never will) simply because their lifestyle doesn’t align with their idea of “correct.” We’re disappointed that people can justify threatening the innocent lives of those fellow human beings for any reason and that they can be proud of inspiring fear.

We’re disappointed that this is the second time in one academic year that there have been threats toward the LGBTQ community at our school. Most of all, we’re disappointed that this person has not yet been ousted by their peers and brought forward to face the consequences of these hurtful, terroristic acts, and we refuse to believe that no one on this campus has any relevant information that could end up saving lives.

At this point, even if this is an idle threat, which we all hope it isn’t, the damage has been done and now people are walking around afraid simply for living life the way that they feel. History has taught us time and time again that hateful and harmful deeds like this only happen because no one will step forward to do the right thing. This is not an appeal to the anonymous perpetrator or perpetrators of this week’s “bias incident” (a politically aware, non-alarming phrase spun from “hate crime”) because we refuse to believe, and would be personally offended to find out, that this person was intelligent enough to even browse a newspaper.

Rather, this is an appeal to the rest of MSU – students, faculty and administration alike – to stand up in support of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) community in their time of need, and show these bigots that intolerance will not be accepted in this day and age.

Standing on your Facebook pulpit, preaching tolerance and support through status updates and wall posts is no longer enough. If you really want to show your support, then report any information you may know before it is too late.

We all know what it is like to be scared, and we all know how much, in times like these, we need to know there is a safe haven that we can go to for comfort and support.

We are all part of one community, and what hurts one of us hurts all of us.
TransCanada’s Pipeline a Sticky Situation

Public has a duty to oppose damaging Keystone project

Presidential Chastises Heights Residents
Student demands less tongue-lashing and more action

Dylan Solits
COLUMNIST

OPINION

Jan. 18, the residents of the Heights complex (a group in which I include
myself) were welcomed at an assembly with President Susan Cole.
I say “assembled” — and not “meet-
ing” — as the flyovers pointed at each of
students preferred to label it — because President Cole is more like an elementary school principal chiding a group of small children.
meetings between adult of edu-
ing, there was no question of rational
discussion and no meeting.

While I am aware of the dam-
gaes that have occurred at the Heights throughout this semester and last, I do not believe that the administration has
handled the situation without fault, nor do I believe that every resident of the
Heights complex should be held accountable.

Certainly the small number of stu-
dents who have perpetrated these crimes — because they are crimes — deserve
punishment, as do the students who have witnessed these crimes.

I would like to report them (although that number is far smaller than President
Cole would have one to consider when she claims that “most” students
witnessed these crimes and intentionally left them unreported.

However, the vast majority of resi-
dents of Heights complex (a group that includes more than a dozen different
other people, including faculty, staff, and students) have not been charged
with the crimes.

In fact, innocent students have been taken advantage of by the administra-
tion.

Instead of taking serious action to pre-
sent such damages, instead of accusing the students $314.00 for every bag of garbage left
behind, the administration chose to

“Essentially, the administration has depu-
ted the responsibility to the students of the
complex, charging them all the while for the
damages while Susan Cole as-
sure that all of this is in the name of
breeding citizenship among the unruly
and irresponsible ‘Heights residents’

The Montclarion
March 2, 2012

Dylan Solits

TransCanada’s Pipeline a Sticky Situation

Public has a duty to oppose damaging Keystone project

Liberal Arts Helps Your Smarts

A first-hand account of the overlooked value of liberal arts education

Stephy Milot

4 PHD

Stopping by the
theatre, the first
thing I do is try to
get the names of
the productions they
are putting on.

Dylan Solits

Dylan Solits, an English major, is in his first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

Alexa Coppola, a fine arts major, is in her first year as assistant opinion editor for The Montclarion.

Concerning Editorials and Columns

Main editors appear on the first page of the Opinion section. They are unsigned articles that represent the opinion of the editorial board on a particular issue. Columns are written by individuals and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of The Montclarion staff.
Christie Washes His Hands of Same-Sex Marriage

Referendum cowardly way to deal with a civil rights issue

F or an issue that he is certain he will inherit, he has done pretty serious disservice. Christie’s stance on same sex marriage is being praised like a political football. However, it is not getting the attention it deserves. Concerning the latest incident, I am obviously not in the same boat as him.

Just a few months ago, I made a statement saying that I felt safe on this campus and felt 100% comfortable coming here. This past week, I felt like I had to constantly second guess myself.

The past two weeks have been an emotionally charged time for the students of Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY. This is the worst year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

KEVIN BORTZ
COLUMNIST

Student Remembers Fatal Fire at Marist College

Former Marist student reflects on tragedy and fire safety

Having something hit a door is to have a room enter upon a new kind of chaos, in a room that should have been empty. It was that time.

Many Montclair students have probably never heard of Marist College — a small school of only about 2,500 undergrads, sitting on the Hudson River — and may not even be aware of the tragic fire. But if there is one thing you should know about Marist, it is that the students, teachers and administrators there are a family.

By placing the heavily charged issue on the table, the government is allowing same-sex marriage to be a referendum, Christie essentially washes his hands of it. He doesn’t have to go against his long-time antagonist, the Geschke family. Nor does he make a decision that might be seen as anti-Christian by some voters. If Christie has his eyes set on the White House, it’s best that he not align himself too closely to any liberal causes that might alienate him from Republican supporters.

In this way, he further delays any decisive action and can remain uninvolved on the fence while doing so.

But same-sex marriage is a civil rights issue, and one that transcends a popular vote. Putt ing civil rights for African Americans in the South on a referendum during the 1960s, for example, arguably would not have brought about progressive legislation.

We are to promote tolerance and civil rights, we should start by affirming gay citizens the same rights as heterosexual citizens. N.J. Gov. Andrew Cuomo took the initiative by signing a same-sex marriage bill into law. It was a hopeful sign when Christie nominated Bruce Harris as the first openly gay Supreme Court Justice. Christie openly condemns bias and hate crimes, as well as bullying among children and youth.

Opposing gay marriage, however, does little to erase the stigma and only furthers the notion that gay citizens are not entitled to the same rights as the rest of the population. Christie is taking an indecisive stance on something that’s been in the state and national spotlight for years. In 2006, the State Supreme Court ruled that same-sex couples are entitled to the same rights as heterosexual couples (although the rights and protections of marriage remain dissimilar).

Last week, the Senate Judiciary Committee had already approved the same-sex marriage bill. In February, the New Jersey State Senator Stephen Sweeney (D) suggested that Christie’s proposal is irrational. He recently said in an interview, “Why would he put this on the ballot when everything that’s been important in this state in the last two years has been handled by the Legislature?”

In a recent New York Times article, Andrewbn Read Gescieszcz (D), commented on the prospect of passing same-sex marriage through a referendum. “At the end of the day, gays are a minority and they can’t match the crazies, who are out there and really motivated to vote against it.”

Then again, what did we expect from Christie? Throughout his term, his declared war on public school teachers and labor unions. His abrasive manner has come off as offensive and diagnosed others. He can hardly be called socially progressive.

A decision to legalize same-sex marriage is neither Democratic nor Republican. The decision is made by the votes of citizens.

If N.J. voters receive this pass, let’s hope they realize the strength and conviction to do the right thing.

The Montclarion Mailbag

All letters must be typed via e-mail and be submitted to The Montclarion by Monday at 9 p.m. Once received, letters or comments are the property of The Montclarion and Montclair Publishing, Inc. and may be edited for length, content, profanity and libel. No submissions will be printed unless they include the author’s name, year and major for students, and the author’s name and title for non-students or a un mane for online comments. Only one letter or comment by an author will be printed each month. Letters and comments must pertain to issues addressed by Montclair articles for the current issue. Letters or comments that advertise for a business or website will not be printed. Letters must be submitted through e-mail as Microsoft Word documents to msuopinion@gmail.com.

Hello fellow student!

My name is Mike McQuade, and I am a PR for SPECTRUMS and resident student. Concerning the latest incident, I am obviously not in the same boat as him.

Just a few months ago, I made a statement saying that I felt safe on this campus and felt 100% comfortable coming here. This past week, I felt like I had to constantly second guess myself.

The past two weeks have been an emotionally charged time for the students of Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY. This is the worst year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

Kelyn Bortz, a broadcasting major, is in her first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

KEVIN BORTZ
COLUMNIST

“Any clod can have the facts; having opinions is an art.”
- Charles McCabe

Student Remembers Fatal Fire at Marist College

Former Marist student reflects on tragedy and fire safety

Having something hit a door is to have a room enter upon a new kind of chaos, in a room that should have been empty. It was that time.

Many Montclair students have probably never heard of Marist College — a small school of only about 2,500 undergrads, sitting on the Hudson River — and may not even be aware of the tragic fire. But if there is one thing you should know about Marist, it is that the students, teachers and administrators there are a family.

By placing the heavily charged issue on the table, the government is allowing same-sex marriage to be a referendum, Christie essentially washes his hands of it. He doesn’t have to go against his long-time antagonist, the Geschke family. Nor does he make a decision that might be seen as anti-Christian by some voters. If Christie has his eyes set on the White House, it’s best that he not align himself too closely to any liberal causes that might alienate him from Republican supporters.

In this way, he further delays any decisive action and can remain uninvolved on the fence while doing so.

But same-sex marriage is a civil rights issue, and one that transcends a popular vote. Putting civil rights for African Americans in the South on a referendum during the 1960s, for example, arguably would not have brought about progressive legislation.

We are to promote tolerance and civil rights, we should start by affirming gay citizens the same rights as heterosexual citizens. N.J. Gov. Andrew Cuomo took the initiative by signing a same-sex marriage bill into law. It was a hopeful sign when Christie nominated Bruce Harris as the first openly gay Supreme Court Justice. Christie openly condemns bias and hate crimes, as well as bullying among children and youth.

Opposing gay marriage, however, does little to erase the stigma and only furthers the notion that gay citizens are not entitled to the same rights as the rest of the population. Christie is taking an indecisive stance on something that’s been in the state and national spotlight for years. In 2006, the State Supreme Court ruled that same-sex couples are entitled to the same rights as heterosexual couples (although the rights and protections of marriage remain dissimilar).

Last week, the Senate Judiciary Committee had already approved the same-sex marriage bill. In February, the New Jersey State Senator Stephen Sweeney (D) suggested that Christie’s proposal is irrational. He recently said in an interview, “Why would he put this on the ballot when everything that’s been important in this state in the last two years has been handled by the Legislature?”

In a recent New York Times article, Andrewbn Read Gescieszcz (D), commented on the prospect of passing same-sex marriage through a referendum. “At the end of the day, gays are a minority and they can’t match the crazies, who are out there and really motivated to vote against it.”

Then again, what did we expect from Christie? Throughout his term, his declared war on public school teachers and labor unions. His abrasive manner has come off as offensive and diagnosed others. He can hardly be called socially progressive.

A decision to legalize same-sex marriage is neither Democratic nor Republican. The decision is made by the votes of citizens.

If N.J. voters receive this pass, let’s hope they realize the strength and conviction to do the right thing.

The Montclarion Mailbag

All letters must be typed via e-mail and be submitted to The Montclarion by Monday at 9 p.m. Once received, letters or comments are the property of The Montclarion and Montclair Publishing, Inc. and may be edited for length, content, profanity and libel. No submissions will be printed unless they include the author’s name, year and major for students, and the author’s name and title for non-students or a un mane for online comments. Only one letter or comment by an author will be printed each month. Letters and comments must pertain to issues addressed by Montclair articles for the current issue. Letters or comments that advertise for a business or website will not be printed. Letters must be submitted through e-mail as Microsoft Word documents to msuopinion@gmail.com.

Hello fellow student!

My name is Mike McQuade, and I am a PR for SPECTRUMS and resident student. Concerning the latest incident, I am obviously not in the same boat as him.

Just a few months ago, I made a statement saying that I felt safe on this campus and felt 100% comfortable coming here. This past week, I felt like I had to constantly second guess myself.

The past two weeks have been an emotionally charged time for the students of Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY. This is the worst year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

Kelyn Bortz, a broadcasting major, is in her first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.
Polanski’s Carnage is a Night of Insanity
A family smackdown that’s filled with laughs

Kelly McGeary
Staff Writer

What do you think happened when two seemingly normal, well-to-do young couples met to deal with the behavior of their unruly children? A calm, rational discussion becomes adults about the need to discipline their children, or a chaotic night of name-calling, finger-pointing, tears and a burst of vomit all before bedtime? Roman Polanski’s Carnage answers this question with this hilarious interpretation of French playwright Yasmina Reza’s God of Carnage.

Within the 90 minute comedy, two young, suburban couples turn a civil meeting about the repercussions of their misbehaving children into a chaotic brawl which includes vomit, cussing and behavior that would make even a child shake his head in disapproval. Polanski’s star-studded cast includes Zooey Deschanel, Chris Pratt, Chris Noth, Kelly Reilly, who each act bringing his or her own splash of color to the vibrant plot. Winslet plays the national, yet extremely tense Nancy Cowan who is married to Allan Cowan (Christopher Waltz), a gruff, egocentric attorney whose cell phone never leaves his ear. The young couple is invited to Pénélope and Michael Longstreet’s (Zooey Deschanel and Chris Pratt) home to discuss the aftermath of a fight between each couple’s son. Foster puts on a hysteric performance as the tense, self-righteous and highly overprotective mother whose character directly contrasts her kind, well-mannered husband. John C. Reilly’s polite hospitality is, however, pushed to its limits, leading to a complete and uprooting change in character.

Aside from the changed names of the couples, which were originally Alan and Annette Reille and Véronique and Michel Vallon, it was thoroughly impressed by how well director Roman Polanski stuck to the original script, which was translated from French to English by Christopher Hampton. Polanski even seemed to take the written stage directions into account. Notes in the beginning of God of Carnage provide a simple description: “A living room. No set. No furniture.”

Polanski’s Carnage is an excellent adaptation of a one-act play 

Longstreet’s (Zooey Deschanel and Chris Pratt) home to discuss the aftermath of a fight between each couple’s son. Foster puts on a hysterical performance as the tense, self-righteous and highly overprotective mother whose character directly contrasts her kind, well-mannered husband. John C. Reilly’s polite hospitality is, however, pushed to its limits, leading to a complete and uprooting change in character.

Hip-hop’s new wild card, Danny Brown

Danny Brown has that one thing that every artist wants: individuality. With a font month typical of any urban MC, Brown has solidified himself as a stand-out gem with his percussion and chipped front tooth that, oddly enough, adds to his loathsome mystique. In hip-hop, where rappers have recently traded in their lyrical skill for marketing gimmicks and fashion sensories, Brown is one that the golden age of the MC may have a much-needed revival.

A Detroit native with a few stains on his record, Brown has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet

Danny Brown released his new mixtape, XXX, in 2010 which has garnished major praise in the press. If you’re looking to add some sugar and spice to your playlist, Miss Del Rey is the “it” girl for the moment. Danny Brown

What do you think happened when two seemingly normal, well-to-do young couples met to deal with the behavior of their unruly children? A calm, rational discussion becomes adults about the need to discipline their children, or a chaotic night of name-calling, finger-pointing, tears and a burst of vomit all before bedtime? Roman Polanski’s Carnage answers this question with this hilarious interpretation of French playwright Yasmina Reza’s God of Carnage.

Within the 90 minute comedy, two young, suburban couples turn a civil meeting about the repercussions of their misbehaving children into a chaotic brawl which includes vomit, cussing and behavior that would make even a child shake his head in disapproval. Polanski’s star-studded cast includes Zooey Deschanel, Chris Pratt, Chris Noth, Kelly Reilly, who each act bringing his or her own splash of color to the vibrant plot. Winslet plays the national, yet extremely tense Nancy Cowan who is married to Allan Cowan (Christopher Waltz), a gruff, egocentric attorney whose cell phone never leaves his ear. The young couple is invited to Pénélope and Michael Longstreet’s (Zooey Deschanel and Chris Pratt) home to discuss the aftermath of a fight between each couple’s son. Foster puts on a hysteric performance as the tense, self-righteous and highly overprotective mother whose character directly contrasts her kind, well-mannered husband. John C. Reilly’s polite hospitality is, however, pushed to its limits, leading to a complete and uprooting change in character.

Aside from the changed names of the couples, which were originally Alan and Annette Reille and Véronique and Michel Vallon, it was thoroughly impressed by how well director Roman Polanski stuck to the original script, which was translated from French to English by Christopher Hampton. Polanski even seemed to take the written stage directions into account. Notes in the beginning of God of Carnage provide a simple description: “A living room. No set. No furniture.”

Polanski’s Carnage is an excellent adaptation of a one-act play 

Longstreet’s (Zooey Deschanel and Chris Pratt) home to discuss the aftermath of a fight between each couple’s son. Foster puts on a hysterical performance as the tense, self-righteous and highly overprotective mother whose character directly contrasts her kind, well-mannered husband. John C. Reilly’s polite hospitality is, however, pushed to its limits, leading to a complete and uprooting change in character.

Hip-hop’s new wild card, Danny Brown

Danny Brown has that one thing that every artist wants: individuality. With a font month typical of any urban MC, Brown has solidified himself as a stand-out gem with his percussion and chipped front tooth that, oddly enough, adds to his loathsome mystique. In hip-hop, where rappers have recently traded in their lyrical skill for marketing gimmicks and fashion sensories, Brown is one that the golden age of the MC may have a much-needed revival.

A Detroit native with a few stains on his record, Brown has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet has reached an almost cult-following over the Internet
One Weekend, Two Great Shows!

**Puerto Rico Nació en Mi:**
Tales from the Diaspora

**Miguel Zenón**
February 4 • 8:00pm

A passionate Renaissance celebration!

**Ellen Hargis**
(Soprano)
**Paul O’Dette**
(Lute/Theorbo)

**The Power of Love**
February 5 • 3:00pm

973-655-5112 • www.peakperfs.org • Every Seat $15.

*Undergraduate students at MSU receive one ticket at no additional charge to every event through the Performing Arts Fee with their valid student I.D.
Poetry Slams Negativity and Breaks Silence
Speaking Through Silence hosts excellent event

Christine Byczkiewicz
Staff Writer

Speaking Through Silence performed a poetry slam/open mic event last Thursday. For anyone unsure about what a poetry slam is, it is when individuals perform long poems, one part per round — there are a total of five rounds. Each poem is judged for each part, rather than the poem as a whole. The poems could either focus on one particular subject or be comprised of several subjects. For those who missed it (hopefully you will make it to the next one), here is a rundown of the themes tackled:

ROUND 1:

1. “You Don’t Look Like a Poet!”
   Some people do not understand that it is not the external appearance that determines whether or not a person is a poet… it’s what is spoken or written — above all, what is in the mind, heart and soul. In this piece, English literature nomenclature, such as “schema,” “samite pantomime” and “oxygen” were all applied.

2. “I Can’t Be That Kind of Girl!”
   This was written about an author’s friend whose inability to move on from an ended relationship literally cost him his life.

ROUND 2:

3. “Unconditional Love”
   A mother is hiding his pain by denying he is dead, doing this again the next week, but the son’s intercourse, she goes blindfolded each week in order to make up for the elder daughter and exchanges with the son’s intercourse, she goes blindfolded each week in order to make up for the elder daughter and exchanges.

4. “Brown”
   A skin color does not make a person a poet.

ROUND 3:

5. “Salted Pepper”
   This focuses on how interracial relationships/marriages are often frowned upon but shouldn’t be.

There were also two featured musicians: one sang and played guitar, and the other provided spoken word. I strongly recommend that everyone attend the next poetry slam that comes around, because you can learn quite a lot!
Spring 2012

Study Abroad Fair

Drop In to Discover What’s Out There

There's still time to apply for Summer and Fall 2012 programs

DEADLINES APPROACHING!

WEDNESDAY
February 15
11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. • Student Center Ballrooms

Enter Raffle for $100 flight voucher

Learn more: montclair.edu/GlobalEd/studyabroad
On-Campus Jobs Still Available!

You’re not too late!

University Facilities is still accepting applications from students who want to work as Snow Removal Assistants!

♦ $12.00/hour
♦ Flexible Hours
♦ Training Provided

Help your fellow students by making campus walkways safe!

Interested? Contact us at snow-work@mail.montclair.edu
**Women's Basketball Continues to Dominate Late Season**

**Hockey Ends Month with 3-0 Win**

**Swim Teams Split Meet Against Ramapo, Will Finish Season with Charity Match**

**Current Standings**

**Remaining Schedule**

**Honor Roll Mentions**

**Theresa Towns is currently averaging 10.6 points per game. Towns is third on the team in scoring with 222 points and leads Alenna Moore and Allie Golden, won the 200 individual medley with times of 1:57.63. The two would combine with Kelly Abner and Jos-"
**OPEN HOUSE!**

**Thursday, February 2nd 5-8 p.m.**
Student Center Annex, Room 113

**Writers and Photographers Wanted!**

**Free Pizza!**

---

**Nobody dreams of having multiple sclerosis.**

Some dreams are universal: hitting a ball over the Green Monster, winning the World Series with a Grand Slam in the bottom of the ninth inning. Finding out that you have MS is not one of them.

Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a devastating disease of the central nervous system where the body’s immune system attacks the insulation surrounding the nerves. It strikes in the prime of life – and changes lives forever.

The National MS Society funds more research and provides more services for people with MS than any MS organization in the world. But we can’t do it alone.

To help make the dream of ending MS come true, visit us online at nationalmsociety.org, or call 1-800-FIGHT MS.

---

**The Montclarion**

**OPEN HOUSE!**

**Thursday, February 2nd 5-8 p.m.**
Student Center Annex, Room 113

**Writers and Photographers Wanted!**

**Free Pizza!**

---

**MSU DISCOUNT! 25% OFF AT IHOP**

**STUDENTS & STAFF PRESENT YOUR ID ANYDAY FOR 25% OFF YOUR ENTIRE CHECK!**

- **THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON MEAL TIME.**
- **HOST YOUR NEXT FUNDRAISER WITH US!**
- **FREE MENU SERVICE! NO MORE LINES... EXCEPT AT THE BROAD STREET IHOP.**

** ONLY AT THE BROAD STREET IHOP**

1329 Broad Street Bloomfield, NJ - (973) 399-2151

**BEST FOOD IN TOWN!**

**just give us a call and we’ll be sure to get your order in.**

---

**Instead of just hanging out on Saturdays, I help kids hang in there at school.**

Because I don’t just wear the shirt, I live it.

Give. Advocate. Volunteer. Live United®

Michael Cleveland is part of United Way’s ongoing work to improve the education, income, and health of our communities. To find out how you can help create opportunities for a better life for all, visit LIVEUNITED.ORG.
Not at all. I watch the Super Bowl for the actual game, not any of the sideshows surrounding it. Though I do enjoy the crazy commercials that air during the game, they are not the reason why I immerse myself so deeply into it. I will probably spend halftime talking to my friends or consuming half my body weight in chips, pizza and buffalo wings. Afterward, I will return to watching the game. The halftime show is the least of my concerns. I know some people that are excited and some people that aren’t. Personally, I don’t care that Madonna is performing. I watch the halftime show for the entertainment, not for the artist. The only thing that matters is that the artist puts on a good show. I don’t care who does it. Unlike a lot of people, I don’t watch the Super Bowl for the halftime show or the commercials. I actually watch the halftime show for the entertainment, not for the artist. Though I do enjoy the crazy commercials that air during the halftime show, the only reason I am watching the Super Bowl for the halftime show is Madonna. I don’t care who does it. Unlike a lot of people, I don’t watch the Super Bowl for the halftime show or the commercials. I actually watch it for the football. The halftime show is the least of my concerns.

Andrew August
Forward — Men’s Basketball
August scored a team-high 26 points in Tuesday’s 65-57 victory against The College of New Jersey. With that, August moves into first place as the NJAC conference overall leader in points and points-per-game with 190 points and 21.1 points-per-game, respectively.

Kelsie Donahue
Sophomore — Women’s Swimming & Diving
Donahue was stellar in Montclair’s overwhelming victory against Ramapo. Kelsie won three individual events and contributed to the 200 meter medley relay victory. She won the 100 meter backstroke with a time of 1:03.64, the 200 backstroke in 2:16.29 and the 500 meter freestyle in 5:37.69.

The general audience may enjoy seeing Madonna during the Super Bowl halftime show. It’s the only game of the year that people watch without having to care as to what’s transpiring on the field, thus the big name performer that doesn’t spark any interest in the adrenaline and testosterone-driven football fan. Maybe we’re all hoping for another wardrobe malfunction, but, overall, this halftime show should have never been touched for the very first time.

Andrew August
Forward — Men’s Basketball
August scored a team-high 26 points in Tuesday’s 65-57 victory against The College of New Jersey. With that, August moves into first place as the NJAC conference overall leader in points and points-per-game with 190 points and 21.1 points-per-game, respectively.

Kelsie Donahue
Sophomore — Women’s Swimming & Diving
Donahue was stellar in Montclair’s overwhelming victory against Ramapo. Kelsie won three individual events and contributed to the 200 meter medley relay victory. She won the 100 meter backstroke with a time of 1:03.64, the 200 backstroke in 2:16.29 and the 500 meter freestyle in 5:37.69.

Women’s Basketball
Saturday, Feb. 4 @ 3 p.m.
vs. Rutgers-Newark

The Red Hawks will face NJAC North rival, Rutgers-Newark, with second place on the line. The Scarlet Raiders are one full game in front of Montclair in the NJAC conference. If they win, the Red Hawks would secure second place in front of Rutgers-Newark by half a game.
Teams Set to Face-off in Giant Rematch

The New York Giants and New England Patriots will face off in Super Bowl XLVI on Sunday, Feb. 5. New York has won the last two meetings.

Jay Hrina
Assistant Sports Editor

1. Career: No lawyer could successfully argue that Tom Brady shouldn’t be in the Hall of Fame. The more difficult question to answer is whether Brady deserves to be named the greatest quarterback in the history of the NFL.

Eli Manning is a great quarterback, as well. He was the number one overall pick in the 2004 NFL draft and has exceeded everyone’s expectations. Both are prolific playoff quarterbacks that thrive in what we would say is a pressure situation, but no one performs better each game than Brady. Brady treats each game as if it were his last. Aside from the ridiculous stat lines he can accumulate, Brady makes each pass seem effortless and is guaranteed to make the right play in every situation. Interceptions are either great plays by the defense or miscues by the offense—very rarely are they his fault.

Edge: Brady

2. Mentor: Bill Belichick was wise to select Brady with the 199th overall pick in the 2000 NFL draft. No one thought anything of the pick until Brady led the Patriots to a Super Bowl victory in just his second season. And while “Belicheat” is a genius in his own unorthodox ways, he wasn’t able to accomplish anything without his superstar quarterback.

Tom Coughlin took a newly created Jacksonville Jaguars team in 1995 and led them to the AFC Championship Game a year later in 1996. He’ll shake your hand at the end of every football game and will sincerely admit that the other team deserved the victory. Prima donnas like Tiki Barber, Chad Ochocinco or Albert Haynesworth have no place on his roster. He’s authentic and raises his players to be men, rather than athletes. If you want to follow the right way to handle things, I would suggest Coughlin as the right coach.

Edge: Manning

3. Personality: They are both calm, poised and at their best during pivotal moments. All of the hype leading up to the Super Bowl means nothing to either of them. But this is where the similarities end.

Manning is a soft-spoken, behind-the-scenes leader that will do everything in a professional manner. He’s adored by women and envied by men. But if you were to ask Manning what he thinks about all of this, he would just smile and say, “So what?” He’s happily married, has plenty of money and is content with the way he does things. He’s confident and really doesn’t care about what anyone else is doing as long as it doesn’t affect him.

Their personalities are genuine and fit perfectly with their character, but because of how different they are, it’s hard to say who has the better overall personality; they’re both awesome.

Edge: Both

4. Overall: If I had to choose one of these players to lead my team, I would have to pick Brady. There is an overwhelming confidence that you are going to win every game he plays. When opposing fans look at the schedule, they assume the Patriots match-up is a loss. There is no such thing as a comfortable lead when playing against him. As smooth as Manning is, a few of his passes may go in a different direction than originally intended. Brady’s accuracy is pinpoint and he will capitalize on every mistake the defense makes, regardless of how small it may be.

He knows the right scheme and the right audible to make without all of the flashy hand signals. If I had to settle for Manning as my franchise quarterback, I would be ecstatic; he has everything you want in a starting quarterback and plays the game with the ability to not only outplay the opponent, but outsmart them as well. He’s a true professional and won’t cause any problems on and off the field. Both are model citizens and ideal role models for your children. Neither would be a poor choice and the odds are pretty close, but if my job were on the line, I would rather go all in with Brady.

Edge: Brady