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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.

On Jan. 24: A staff member of the Heights reported an act of criminal mischief in Mills Hall. A double pane window was found shattered on the third floor. This matter is under investigation.

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.

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.

On Jan. 26: A female student reported the theft of her iPad from her secured room inside of Freeman Hall. This matter is under investigation.

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

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

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.

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.
Weekend Shuttle Service Becomes Reality

Continued Pain Felt Over New Roadblocks

Mike Carletti

The Student Government Executive Board, along with Facilities Services and Student Development and Campus Life, has been working diligently to provide students with the opportunity for expanded shuttle routes. The shuttles will bring students from campus to shops in the downtown Montclair area and Clifton on Saturdays.

The shuttles will be running to the Red Hawk Deck, Valley Road shops, Bloom, Bay Area shops, the Bay St. train station and Clifton Commons. Students tackle any chore but while utilizing an environmentally healthy approach with public transportation.

"As the need and customer request is demonstrated, we would look to add Sunday runs as well," said Dr. Karen Pennington, vice president of student development and campus life.

Students without cars will now have greater access to go to the stores, movies, restaurants or any downtown establishment they choose.

"Since I always have to ask for rides, this will be a much better change for me to get off the campus and get things done on my watch," said an N-tiered junior. "I always have somewhere to be but never have gas money to give people to get me there. If this all works out, I will probably be taking advantage of it almost every day it's available," said Joseph Giuliano, sopho.

Connor Brooskel, sophomore, has a car, yet still sees many positive advantages of weekend shuttle services. "Being broke 99 percent of the time can put a hurt on the wallet, so my gas tank sits around the empty line just as much as I find myself without money," he said. "Whether you have a car or not this is a great idea."

As the economy suffers from low employment and low consumer spending, this is an opportunity for students to bring into Montclair's shop areas, stimulating the local economy. Meanwhile, students are enjoying their time in college in a variety of locations.

Having shuttles provide the transportation is environmentally sound as well. Fewer cars on the road are only part of the benefit of this plan envisioned by students.

Those worried about the economy as it relates to their own pockets have little about which to worry. When asked about the cost, Pennington noted that they are "still working that out," but it will be less than $10,000 a semester.

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Katie Winters

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 everyday to get from her car to Calkin 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 service and all other MRU vehicles drive down the road. It’s crazy that they won’t let the disability van down the road," said Marco Joyce, art and design department bookkeeper.

Associate vice president of facilities services, Timothy Carey, informed members of the campus community utilizing the PWD shuttle of the change. The email states that “bol- lards [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 bollard locations, not to the front door of particular build-

"I have trouble walking any dis-
tance," 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 Carey 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 conven-

venient [than] door-to-door service, but we are confident all areas of campus will remain accessible except for the strategic location of the bol-

lards and our pathways from those locations to the buildings on cam-
pus [...] We have consulted careful-

ly and thoroughly reviewed these changes in order to fully guarantee continued accessibility for persons with disabilities to all of our build-

ings on campus.”

"I’m very upset the university is discriminating against disabled people in this manner," said Joyce. Mickle also feels she is being discriminated against. "Our handi-
caps are a real need. [Walking this distance] is making my disability worse," said Mickle.

Both women believe this new pol-

icy is in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act. "ADA says you can’t block entrance to a build-

ing," said Joyce.

The MSU faculty handbook states, “Programs and activities conducted by Montclair State University shall be made accessible to all qualified participants regardless of disabil-

ity. No individual, solely by reason of disability, shall be excluded from participation in, denied the ben-

efits of, or be subject to discrimi-
nation by any program or activity conducted by Montclair State Uni-

versity.”

"Falling is a real fear for me," said Mickle. "Falling means having to stay home from work.”

Despite complaints, faculty, staff and students utilizing the PWD shuttle have to walk to University Hall, no matter the conditions. The women commented that they have seen students struggling on crutch-

es and wheeling through the rain to reach the drop-off point.

They have also witnessed one fac-

ulty member receiving a ride from a golf cart. “They should do that for everyone," said Joyce. "What’s the difference between letting a golf cart and the van drive down?"

Since the introduction of the road-

blocks, some dangerous behavior has been noted. Joyce said she has seen people driving on the sidewalk to circumvent the barricade. The PWD shuttle must pull to the side of a busy road to discharge passen-

gers. “It’s not a good spot to stop, but there is nowhere else to stop,” said Joyce.

“It doesn’t seem to be a concern [for the University],” said Mickle. “There’s no support here.”

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Room Change Process Goes Online

Students given more privacy when changing rooms

Students at Montclair State University who wish to exercise their constitu- tional right to choose their roommate are now able to do so online. The change was prompted by a lawsuit filed by the MSU interest group Alpha Sigma Phi. The lawsuit was filed in response to the university's decision to penalize the fraternity for allowing posters to be put up in dormitories.

The process of applying for a room change is now available online through the university's portal. To apply for a room change, students must first log in to their portal account. Once logged in, they can access the housing application and select the room change option. Students are required to fill out a form describing why they wish to change rooms and what their desired room situation is. The form is reviewed by a housing coordinator, who then assigns a new room according to availability.

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Room 113

Writers and Photographers wanted!
Free Pizza!
Students in large classes are often asked to buy clickers to check in for attendance.

Nate Bajar

Clickers: Help or Hindrance?

Students paying for clickers:

Staff writer

Clickers can be a costly investment for students.

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Students working hard towards healthy goals.

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Clickers allow me to get the whole class, even those who are painfully shy, involved in a really fun way. [They] allow everyone to contribute and feel ownership of the class.

I personally don’t like raising my hand to answer questions in class, and I guess the clicker makes it easier, but I must always remember to have it with me in order to participate. I like it just because it’s easier to answer questions in class, and I can make sure I’m in class, but it’s an additional cost to class attendance since the advent of the clicker system. Most students find the clicker system is good, and should be used more. It’s a great way to get everyone involved. We certainly enjoy it. In Psychology 101, I actually raised my 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:

Sophomore Brianna Cole said, “I think the clicker system is good and should be used more. It’s a great way to get everyone involved. I personally enjoy it.”

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 receives my answers.”

Senior Jade Leon says 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. There are no more books; technology has clearly taken over.”

Rec Center Rewards Healthy Living

Students doing Xercise.

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tailed in Dr. Cole’s message to the community. We are actively pursu-
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Dr. Karen Pennington has ex-
pressed her feelings about the crime. “I am appalled at the inci-
dent. The university community has been very clear about the kind of institution we are and the kind of university we want to be,” said Pen-
nington.

“One of the great things about America is the diversity of its peo-
ple. In an educated society, know-
ing 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 has done adequately assured safety. In a statement issued to The Montclarion Mike McQuade, PR and student project representative of the LGBT Center, said, “This mit-
ing and bigoted messages defiled the door of Alice Paul Hall, the LGBT Center, messages that went beyond.

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Lindsey Kwame

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FEATURE
Winter Indi-visuals: Snowboarding Style Edition
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 alley-ops at the make-shift ski resort by the Village. However, there is still no need to fret your snowboarding ambitions 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 tips and tricks. Just like a tacky fluorescent highlighter, or Worse! Instead of trying 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 outside the box. Graphic motifs, textured prints and fur trimmings are winter must haves!

The Jacket - Wild Style Done Right!
If you’re feeling a little in-tune with your wild side, this Nuptse Leopard print bubble North Face created by the lovely people over at supreme, will probably prove why you’re the king of every jungle, no matter the terrain. This jacket is definitely a spiffle at $800.00, but who can really put a price on looking cool while you’re tearing up the slope?

Priced at: $800

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.

Priced at: $2,000 & Up

The Boots - Soave Sophistication for Every Slope

The Boots

The Gloves - Gloves With The Midas Touch

These Celtic checkpointed gloves from Vans add that special personality any snowboarding outfit. Priced at only $49.05, these gloves are definitely a fashion forward accessory for those backcountry snowboarding antics.

Priced at: $50

Ride 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 hasn’t, take it as your chance 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 shoulders, as well as balance. This is what snow sports athletes focus on training but for starting out my main suggestion, since most of the time you’ll spend picking yourself back up and squating, 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 you keep up with those 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 the snow” can’t be 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 on top.

Waterproof gloves, jacket and pants that are lined inside for warmth are necessary, but they need to be big enough for the layers so you can move around easily. Any warm com-fy hat 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 if it’s a cold windy day and you bake too hot in your face, you can put on a pair to protect your eyes. A pair of ski or sunglasses will work. You will just be stuck in the snow as you try to teach yourself, so don’t worry 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 will start spending keep roading. And don’t wear your jacket, gloves or snow pants to the mountains, put them on when you get there, trust me you’ll stay warmer on the mountain.

Next, next 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 bride 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 daily rental is around only $30, while a snowboard- ing package, from somewhere like Sports Authority, starts at $300. If you are going for a few days, most places even buy your multiple day discounts as well.

Next will be your lift ticket, your ticket to a winter wonderland, be- cause they won’t let you up the mountain without it. A group lesson starts at $45 for smaller mountain like Shawnee in Pennsylvania but can be as expensive $75 at a larger mountain like Jay’s Peak in Vermont. Being a poor college student pays off though, because most mountains give a stu-dent discount, but only around ten bucks. Again, there are multiple day lift ticket discounts but unless you are determined, I’d suggest against it. You barely save any money, and you can’t predict the weather. But if you are going for a few days consider ordering online, most places take up to three days off the lift ticket.

The last, but the most important, tip is take a lesson. Don’t 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 and are worth it. Every mountain also offers private lesson at about $100 for an hour for those who think they need some more personal help.

Pick the meat according to your needs. 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 will be intimidated. If you are going local, head over to the Poconos and check out Shawnee Mountain, which is smaller mountain with fewer trails for the more advanced. If you head up to Mountain Creek, the most popular in the area, go on a weekday afternoon 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 for your first time be- cause there’s no way down but the trail.
Poetry as Feminism

Louisine Doyle

Slam poetry has long been a site of lyrical activism. Women of color are among the most celebrated poets of this realm and have chosen this scene wisely. Slam is characterized by its raw power as performative poetry and unapologetic embrace of myriad experiences. With its authentic expression of oppressed identities, slam poetry is utilized by African-American women as a form of feminist activism.

In recent years, black women have carved a niche as poets. Maya Angelou is one of the most decorated poets around. In 1991, Audre Lorde served as the State Poet of New York, and not only was Rita Dove the first African-American to become the United States Poet Laureate, she was also the youngest of any ethnicity.

Looking more broadly at the role of minority groups — especially those who are both African-American and female — in poetry may create a more dissonant void around these stars. Specifically, let’s examine the evolving role in poetry for women of color in the past century: this blanket term describes lyrical, performative poetry that originated during the Jazz Age. African-American women have continued this development. These groups may hopefully inspire many more women who recognize the poetic power of voices of color. Not only do these individuals already identify with the tenets of feminism, but they perform in a space that demands an inherent degree of feminist autonomy and insight. These self-identified “strong” and “independent” activists are gendered revolutionaries with the tenets of feminism, but they are not the official terminology. Further, more, slam is a fertile site for possible feminist and creative growth with its emphasis on community support.

If you’re planning on doing some casual shopping for house supplies or cosmetics this Sunday at Target, I recommend you re-plan your to-do list. Unless you plan on waiting on long lines behind countless fashionistas, “Why,” you may ask, “are we going to be moaning our lo- yalty is like a 53-year-old?”

The answer is Jason Wu. High fashion designer, Jason Wu has been winning over the likes of the fashion community since the debut of his first full collection in 2006. He has dressed celebrities like Michelle Williams, as seen in last week’s Golden Globes recap article, and has especially won over our first lady, Michelle Obama. Therefore, Target has thankfully come up with another solution for the fashion lover on a budget. Wu’s Target collection is equipped with classic silhouettes of colors and patterns that can be mixed and matched for a young and energetic look. Some pieces even come with a playful “MuMu” fingerprint, 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 designer style wear 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 going on. If you’re planning to purchase from their website when the Missoni collaboration dropped in September, I would recommend you start your shopping two days in advance. 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!
The book is interdisciplinary. It asks questions that no one had ever thought of asking before. “In the post-war era, teachers were taught about cultural minorities, but they teach about race until 1954. My main argument is that before World War II, teachers talked about race as a nation. During the war, drawing on work of anthropologists, race and color collapse into one,” she said. “In the post-war era, teachers didn’t teach about racial minorities, but they teach about cultural minorities.”

Burkholder plans to continue writing, currently co-authoring a book on race in American education that will serve as a textbook for student teachers. She continues with this theme, while sending the message that lessons can be learned from our history.

“But it is possible for scientists and educators to work together to create good curriculum and to provide materials that would promote a richer understanding of race relations in America.”

So, this political talking point walks into a bar and asks, “Any good stories for me?”

“Not really,” the bartender said. “I’m 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 overreached State of the Union address from President Obama.”

The President made quite an effort to bring all science and technology folk to his side by promising clean energy and independence from foreign oil companies with our own red, white and blue resources. According to Obama, America is overflowing with oil, and we have an enormous supply just bubbling under the surface of our patriotic soil. He claimed we have a 100-years worth of natural gas, however, it turns out that this timeline is a little shorter than he, and the Energy Information Administration (E.I.A.) 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, wherein 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 factoid made its way into 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 and job inflation.

Yet, with the time that has passed since that study two years ago, the E.I.A. spent it updating its research and acquired new data that stands in stark contrast to the aforementioned. Urbina, in an article by Ian Urbina published in the New York Times, Urbina relayed the news saying, “Under the agency’s new estimates, the Marcellus shale, which was previously thought to hold enough to meet the entire nation’s demand for 17 years, now contains enough in a six-year supply.”

This is awkward, but also pretty juicy, huh? I mean, come on, that’s a really big difference. Of course, new data is constantly being acquired through studies and the amount of oil we consume is accelerating at an alarming speed, so there’s no use in worrying about this now. Still, it is worth noting that when Obama referred to our having a 100-year supply, he included data from shale (as in Marcellus shale) wells offshore and wells from the Bakken.

Despite his statement, scientists do not suggest that we should think we actually have a 100-year supply of natural gas left at our disposal. Urbina says, “Many energy experts question these types of projections because they include substantial amounts of natural gas that many scientists and engineers say may never be tapped. Drilling proponents, including investors and many politicians, tend to embrace optimistic projections, even though estimating resources is an inexact science.” Okay, so let it, you’re, hoping for the best right?

Politicians really want those specific pieces of data to not only be true but reliable as well. That’s fine. A guy can dream. However, setting politics aside, it’s extremely risky to assume that those resources are definite, when clearly such assumptions are so quickly disproved through the accumulation of new data. It’s not fun when your president is wrong and you’re poppin’ off about it. But it is worth noting that these resources are definitely greater in liquefied oil exporters in a mere thirty-ish years.

Politicians say this problem will be solved through more hydraulic fracturing, which is kinda-so-so. There are really questionable side effects of the program. So the minor issue of contaminating our water supply and environmental pollution. The issue has many citizens fired up (see what the environmental pollution is) and greatest in liquefied oil exporters in a mere thirty-ish years.

So, the government is set to seriously investing in alternative energy forms like solar and wind power as replacements. If the Norwegians can do it so easily, so can we… they have their own cruise line, talk about free time.
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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 Ministry has been here for over 40 years!
7 The nickname for the Caribbean lounge!
8 This club is up in the ranks of Spielburg.
9 This club promotes awareness of the Indian culture by organizing events that involve both traditional and nontraditional cultural activities.
10 This club knows how to pump up your spirit!
11 Hey, you’re reading it right now!
12 Whether it’s hip hop, jazz or pop, this club can step to any beat!
13 Their purpose is to provide a safe and clean environment for students to gather and participate in community games and activities.
14 Indian Student Organization
15 The student organization dedicated to educating the community about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues.

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Last week’s Answers

THE TRAVEL TRUCK ON AVENUE OF THE AMERICANS

Husband's Birthday, Valentine's Day, Parent's Day...now what else?

- Breakfast with Santa
- Student walking around with giant green balloon ones
- Running of Rules! Be nice, don’t make people laugh!
- Enjoy the weather-“I know what’s wrong ...
- Turtles made with candy, milk, and ice cream
- Not too many people to choose from

Dilemma- with dry lasagne

Oh... Yes!! Yes!!!

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The only sauce there is!

THE NEW CONRAD J. SCHMIDT HALL HAS BEEN NAMED TO HONOR THE LOCALIZING PROFESSOR.
There are few things that will bring a community together quite like an attack on one of our 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 well-being 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 is, the damage has been done and new 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.

How do you feel about the University’s response to the recent bias incidents?

David Grice
Sophomore
Theater Studies

“The thing that bothered me the most about this one was that the incident last semester happened in the same spot. I know they don’t want to put cameras everywhere, but the SGA area is not a private area so why can’t we just do that?”

Joe DeRosa
Sophomore
Marketing

“Not a lot. I don’t know what degree, but they should definitely feel it. They should be forced to work with the LGBTQ and to understand what they are actually against.”

Lina Jaramillo
Senior
Spanish Literature

“I think it was good that they sent the email, but they really have to do much more than that. It’s outrageous that this keeps happening on campus. They have to keep putting out there that this is unacceptable.”

Demetrios Kydonieus
Junior
English/Pre-Law

“I just went to the meeting today and judging by everything that I heard I think they are doing everything they should.”

Joseph Trajanoski
Senior
Pre-Law

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TransCanada's Pipeline a Sticky Situation

Public has a duty to oppose damaging Keystone project

A firsthand account of the overlooked value of a liberal arts education

Liberal Arts Helps Your Smarts

A column by Alex Coppola

Concerning Editorials and Columns
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**Christie Washes His Hands of Same-Sex Marriage**

Reference cowardly way to deal with a civil rights issue

The past two weeks have been an emotional roller-coaster for the students of Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY. after a fire ripped through the school of only about 4,200 undergrads, sitting on the Hudson River — and may not be treated like a hate crime.

Having something hit so close to home is immensely painful and terrifying, and now there must endure four months of school on top of it all. Most Montclair students have probably never heard of Marist College — a small school of only about 4,200 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 senior year, you know everyone and everyone knows you. Your professors are not just people you see twice a week and submit papers to but friends as well. Your advisor doesn’t just sign off on all the classes you want to take, he recognizes your skills and trials as hard as she or he can to see you succeed. Everyone at Marist will come together during the try time and come to another. During the first week of the spring semester, the community attended a memorial service and three funerals, canceled spring events and posted mas amounts of memories on the Internet. This family will stick together and lean on each other through whatever happens next.

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### THE MONTCLARION Mailbag

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Polanski’s Carnage is a Night of Insanity
A family smackdown that’s filled with laughs

Kelly McGarvey
Staff Writer

What do you think happens when two seemingly normal, well-mannered young couples meet to deal with the behavior of their unruly children: A calm, rational discussion between adults about the need to discipline their children, or a chaotic night of name-calling, finger-pointing, tears and a fight of vomit all before bedtime?

Roman Polanski’s Carnage answers this question with a 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.

Polanski’s star-studded cast includes Foster, Chris- topher Waltz, Jodie Foster and John C. Reilly, each ac- tor bringing his or her own splash of color to the vibrant plot. Wiletz plays the that, odd- ly enough, adds to his lustful character directly contrasts her kind, well-mannered husband. John C. Reilly’s polite hospitality is, howev- er, pushed to its limits, lead- ing to a complete and ap- parent change in character. Fosters’ (Jodie Foster and John C. Reilly’s) home to discuss the aftermath of a fight between each couple’s son. Foster puts on a hyste- rical 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, howev- er, pushed to its limits, lead- ing to a complete and ap- parent change in character. Aside from the changed names of the couples, which were originally Alain and Annette Reille and Véro- nice 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 descrip- tion: “a living room. No realism. Nothing superflu- ous.” The set of the film is perfectly fitting — a simple, yet modern living room.

In all, Roman Polan- ski’s interpretation of Yas- mina Reza’s God of Carnage was hysterical, shocking and true to the script. Although, I think I would prefer to see the ridiculous actions of the rowdy couples on the stage rather than on screen. Maybe we’ll see our own MSU actors perform this unpre- dictable comedy on stage — that’s a hint to all of you aspiring actors and directors!

Lana Del Rey: The hipster’s Nancy Sinatra.

Lana Del Rey has garnished major praise in the music world since 2008 under an array of pen names. It wasn’t until 2011 when Del Rey released her haunting ballads, “Video Games” and “Blue Jeans,” that she received some ma- jor attention for her signa- ture look and vocal tone. Del Rey quickly received comparisons to singers of decades past, but one compari- on to recently-deceased singer Amy Winehouse left a not-so-pleasant taste in many listeners’ mouths. With her recent perfor- mance on SNL, receiving some harsh criticism and her “not-so-natural” lips getting more attention than rapper/ singer Nicki Minaj’s derri- eres, Del Rey is proving that that old saying is true: “All publicity is good publicity.”

Many people are talking about this New York song- stess, who is enchanting and rugged, dainty and dan- gerous. She is quickly mak- ing her mark, thanks to this year’s release of her sopho- more album, Born to Die, that 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 has that one thing that every artist wants: individuality. With a foul mouth typical of any urban MC, Brown has solidified himself as a stand-out gem with his permed hair and chipped front tooth that, odd- ly enough, adds to his lustful character. In hip-hop, where rappers have recently traded in their lyrical skill for mar- keting gimmicks and fashion sense, Brown is one of the golden age of the MC may have a much-needed revival. A Detroit native with a few stains on his record, Brown has solidified his status as a true original, a prototype, if you will, for what the future of hip-hop music will look like. In 2010, Brown released The Alchemist, which showcased his one-of-a-kind infectious flow. With his punchy delivery and hypnotic metaphors, Brown is definitely the artist to look out for on the Fool’s Gold rec- ords roster. Rapper/mogul 50 Cent had the chance to sign Brown, who sadly didn’t fit the hardcore image of G- Unit — your loss, 50! Down- load his new mixtape, XXX, at www.foolsgoldnces.com.
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Speaking Through Silence hosts excellent event through poetic 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 four rounds, and each poet is judged for each part, rather than the poem as a whole. The poems could either focus on one particular subject or be a combination of several subjects. For those who missed it (hopefully you will make it to the next one), here is a recap:

ROUND 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," "sacred pentameter" and "oxygen" were amply applied.
"We Can’t Be Friends If We’re Lovers!"
A romantic relationship runs deeper than a regular friendship, hence "love is pain." (This, according to its author, is reference to Bill Withors’ “Ain’t no Sunshine.”) Hence "love is pain." (This, according to its author, is reference to Bill Withors’ “Ain’t no Sunshine.”)
"I Can’t Be That Kind of Girl!"
This applies to men as well. One should never have to compromise themselves in order to please anyone, especially a significant other.
"Our Country!"
Whist our nation is one of the most prosperous in the world, there are serious downsides, namely corrupt politicians and police and the struggle for minorities to make ends meet to care for family and loved ones. In other words, freedom is not free!
ROUND 2:
"Nerds!" Be proud of your nerd status, especially all you "geeks!" If a man cannot accept your "nerdiness," then he is obviously not worth your time and energy! Nerds of all sorts will forever make their respective marks in this world. Also, "geekdom" is limited to love of Star Wars, anime, video gaming, computers, Harry Potter and the like — being a nerd about anything will work wonders.
"I’m Your Slang Mother!"
This title is ironic because this author ridicules/frowns upon the use of slang and forms of street talk, including phrases such as "What’s poppin’?" Remem- ber the beauty of the English language as it will help you get far in life.
"Military Relationships!"
Though being in a relationship with someone in the military can bring pride, it also can bring heartache because the chances of a soldier returning home (alive) aren’t always favorable.

ROUND 3:
"Unconditional Love!"
A mother’s love allows her to hide from pain, rejection, etc. She is hurt because her child is hiding his pain behind drugs, and it should not be that way. "A Mind is a Terrible Thing to Waste!" If one cannot stand up for what he or she believes in, then he or she is virtually dead. "Salted Pepper!
This phrase was once an insult, it has turned into a popular culture contest. Nowadays, many who (voluntarily) sit in the back of the bus feel superior.
"Real Women!"
Sadly, some men cannot appreciate a woman who is un- afraid to speak her mind and be honest.
"Sunset Pepper!
This focuses on how interracial relationships/marriages are often frowned upon but shouldn’t be.
Poetry Slams Negativity and Breaks Silence
Speaking Through Silence hosts excellent event

Hidden Gems: Dogtooth
Foreign film explores strange family dynamic

Imagine living in a world where every day and compete to gain stickers, which depends on how well they behave. The person with the most stickers chooses what the family’s entertain- ment will be that evening. The three teenage children have never been outside of the residence, and the parents tell them they will only be able to visit the outside world when they each lose their dog- tooth. The only person outside they ever see is Christina, who is a secu- rity guard at the father’s company. The father drives her to the house blindfolded each work in order to do sexual favors for the son. One day when Christina is unsatisfied with the son’s intercourse, she goes to the elder daughter and exchanges a headband for oral sex. Christina does this again the next week, but the daughter is unimpressed with the hair gel. Christina plans on giving her and instead asks for the movies she has in her purse. Reluctantly, Chris- tina agrees and that night the elder daughter watches the tapes, exposing herself to the outside world. Dogtooth is a surreal experi- ment that exhibits how hilarious yet disturbing it is to see people grow up in a home isolated from the outside world. The parents’ good intentions of keeping the children safe and protected from the horrors of the world are over- shadowed by just how drastically the lengths are that they are willing to go to keep the children confined. They teach them incorrect defini- tions of words that do not pertain to the family residence and make up lies to scare the children from even thinking of leaving their home. It’s a joyride to see the family tackle new problems, such as a cat suddenly appearing in the garden, and even more so entertaining to see the elder daughter as she gets a taste of what it’s like outside and begins to rebel.
From start to finish, Dogtooth will keep you in the edge of your seat — not your random action and explo- sions but from the weirdly enjoyable plot. Simply watching the trailer gives you the tone of the film and will undoubtedly draw you in.

Aaron’s Grade: 5 out of 5 Stars

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The Montclair State University ice hockey team found themselves on another road trip this semester, visiting Western Connecticut State University in Danbury, Connecticut for their game with the Roadrunners in their dust. The Red Hawks had steady control in the offensive zone, captaining the puck into the ice in pain while play went on. “Why no penalty or whistle was called is just simply amaz- ing to me,” stated forward Brandon Vigorito after the game. With the game on the line, Western Connecticut player was seen spearing his stick into the groin of Kirkbs. The Colonials gained pos- session of the puck, went end to end and Allen Daniel put an unassisted puck into the back of the net securing a 3-2 victory by the Colonials and their first win of the 2011-2012 season.

Notable players in this game for the Red Hawks were Cody Inglis with both goals for MSU and Brian Man- don Vigorito after the game. Accompanying the great de- fense to harass the TCNJ defense was a back-and-forth contest for a majority of the first half. After the amazing comeback win, the Red Hawks had a much easier time in the second half. After sinking all four of her shots throughout the entire first half, Junior guard Melissa Montagna had a solid first half with 10 points and 1 assist, while Abner would help the women’s team to a 1-2 finish in the 500 free- style with a time of 5:37.89.

Junior guard Melissa Montagna scored an outstanding 32 points against Ra- mapo and Temple University (1-11) and Temple Uni- versity for the Metropolitan Confer- ence Championships on Feb. 17-19. The Red Hawks look to finish away in a rematch against Ramapo. Although Ramapo was a tough loss, we are looking forward to METS to see the product of all the training we have done,” said men’s captain, Chris Lee. The team will return to action this Saturday when they take on their ri- val, William Paterson University in arguably the biggest dual meet of the season. The meet will take place at Panzer Pool at 1 p.m. and will be the final dual meet of the season before they travel to Rutgers Uni- versity for the Metropolitan Confer- ence Championships on Feb. 17-19. The Red Hawks look to finish the meeting against William Paterson with a charity event. In a “Swimmers Go Gold” event, all proceeds will go to- wards research for pediatric cancer.
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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 only show on football. The halftime show should have never been touched for the very first time.

**Who’s Hot This Week**

Andrew August  
Forward — Men’s Basketball  
August scored a team-high 26 points in Tuesday’s 68-57 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.

**Game of the Week**

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.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

Are you excited to watch Madonna during the Super Bowl halftime show?

Nick Verhagen  
Assistant Sports Editor

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 enjoy the craziness of it. The only game of the year that people are excited and some people that aren’t. Personally, I don’t care who does it. Unlike a lot of people, I don’t enjoy the craziness of it.

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.
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 Hirna
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 “Belichick” 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; Brady is more vocal when taking command and doesn’t mind jarring back at an opposing player. He lives a celebrity lifestyle, has a supermodel wife and would have no trouble getting just about anything he wants. 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