Facebook Impacts Grades

Students who spend too much time on social networking sites such as Facebook may not concentrate on their schoolwork. Facebook was created by a college student and has since been adapted to technology that younger generations are adapting to more rapidly these days. Sure, it seems great that younger generations can sign up for an account on Facebook, but how does Facebook affect other, more important aspects of their lives? How does the use of Facebook affect a student’s grades? A few years ago computer scientists at Harvard University, said he was also a professor in the modern languages and literatures department at Montclair State University, said he was also aware of the spying, but he believes that the NYPD should continue to do what it takes to stop spying, because I felt I had a unique story that the board should believe this has heightened paranoia among students.

NYPD Surveillance Affects Local Muslims

Muslim students come together to support each other and rally the NYPD over the confirmed accounts of spying on Muslim communities. Muslims have felt like “they’ve had a target on their backs since 9/11,” said Emad Hamdeh, a youth director of the Islamic Center of Passaic County and a professor in the modern languages and literatures department at Montclair State University. "They have details like the times Muslims pray and they follow their personal stories, fighting against a tuition hike that would hurt MSU’s students, citing that many students are already struggling to pay current tuition costs. Students spoke for an hour, during which about 20 students shared their stories, until the board eventually cut the students off so that other matters could be addressed. "I went to the tuition hearing because I am incredibly annoyed at the fact that tuition keeps steadily increasing every year. It is hard to believe that in just one year, the cost of upkeep for the university rose by an additional $2,000 per person," Matt Chapman, the first student to speak at the meeting, said. The reason I spoke at the hearing was because I felt I had a unique story that the board should be aware of the spying, but he believes that this has heightened paranoia among students.

Students Speak Out Against Tuition Hikes

Many students gathered at the hearing to let the board know that they didn’t want a tuition increase. The reason I spoke at the hearing was because I felt I had a unique story that the board should be aware of. What does it matter how someone eats or prays?” Disappointed, Al-Khatib believes that this has heightened paranoia among students.

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Members of The Montclarion staff recently won three awards in the 2011-2012 New Jersey Collegiate Newspaper Contest sponsored by the NJPA (New Jersey Press Association).

Opinion Editor Jacob Mercer-Pontier won third place in editorial writing at a four-year school for his editorial entitled, “Put Your Adult Pants On.”

Columnist Dylan Soltis won second place in columns/opinion writing for the column, “He Wants More for the Money.”

Sports Editor Nick Verhagen won third place in sports writing for his MSU basketball coverage in the article, “Men Splits Home Weekend.”

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Brian Lehrer is the host of WNMC Radio’s award-winning daily call-in program, “The Brian Lehrer Show,” which, according to the New York Times, is “among the best public radio programs in America.” Lehrer is also a commentator on local and national issues on television and in print. Guest appearances on Lehrer’s show have ranged from politicians such as Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton and John McCain. “The Brian Lehrer Show” won an Edward R. Murrow Award for “Radio that Builds Communities Rather Than Divides,” and has won numerous other awards, including four Associated Press Awards, and three Best Interview Awards.

Jacques D’Amboise studied and performed at the School of American Ballet, the Ballet Society and the New York City Ballet. D’Amboise starred on the ballet stage and also Raymond and Jody Edwards and performed at the School of Creative and Performing Arts Center and the New Jersey Utilities Commission. D’Amboise is the founder and president of The Cryor Foundation and president emeritus of the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies, a leading pioneer in the discovery and study of acid rain in North America. Lehrer is editor emeritus of the Cary Institute’s Ecography, a journal that has illuminated the critical links between ecosystem function and land-use practices. Lehrer has also written a book on the connection between the combustion of fossil fuels and an increase in the acidity of precipitation. Lehrer has served as president of the Ecological Society of America and a member of the American Institute of Biological Sciences. He received a bachelor’s degree in biology from Manchester College, and master’s and doctoral degrees in zoology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Likens is the recipient of numerous awards and honors.

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Well-Behaved Women Seem to Make History
The feminism of women acting badly

Linusse Doyle

What do femme fatales, Sylvia Plath, groupies and Nicki Minaj all have in common? They are all silver-screen goddesses, literary prodigies, backdoor fanatics and internationally famous for their untamable behavior. All of them have made their mark through cunning, beauty and an attitude to contend with. If well-behaved women seldom make history, these women know that a bad attitude and genius can go hand in hand. Calling one of these ladies a “bitch” only proves the point.

Women behaving badly have a nasty reputation. If their male counterparts carry on multiplesex partners, they are called studs; if a woman does so, she’s a “slut.” If a male artist has a mood swinging or a full-blown disorder, he’s a tortured genius. In a woman, such behavior is crazy. If a famous male icon behaves like a woman, he was right.

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In the college dating scene, it is sometimes very difficult to gauge physical intimacy and partners who are looking for and how durable they are. In fact, it can even be difficult to know what you want for yourself from day to day. And while monogamous relationships are not common at high school and ages one’s late 20s, college dating seems to be one big question for many students in high school, college and towards one’s late 20s, college student Samantha Frost, 19, claims that many students in college, are looking for and how dateable sometimes very difficult to gauge it. I feel like I’m back in math class and one away or give them the upper hand. Still, the ambiguity can lead to some serious misunderstandings so I think it is important to be open with your partner without springing “The What are we? What are we doing?” question in an intimidating way.

Stay-cation in New Jersey

Chelsea Masterson
Staff Writer

Let’s face it, gas prices are too high. It’s healthier to go to the pump. Just because gas prices are high doesn’t mean you can’t go on vacation this summer. Let me introduce you into the world of a “stay-cation.” It is amazing how relaxing and fun things you can do on your stay-cation right in your backyard.

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We are so close to New York and there are so many cruises that you can take as a cruise ship personally would take a night cruise; the sky-line looks much prettier at night. Go with a group of friends, get all dressed up and cruise the night away.

Changing your mindset can totally change your experience. Think like a tourist. Do all of the touristy things you wouldn’t nor- mally do. Take your friends and family along for the tour. The best thing to do is go with a group of friends and family that you know you can have a great time with. There is so much to do in New Jersey! A stay-cation can be just as fun as a vacation, but you don’t have to break the bank with ridiculous gas prices.

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Katherine Oakes
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In gogeworthy news, we have a storm of chicken inspectors coming in from beyond. The USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) wants to privatize the inspection of chicken and turkey carcasses, which is currently in the hands of government inspectors.

The point of this is so that they can get away with doing certain things that are illegal. By privatizing 1,000 inspecting jobs and speeding up the amount of poultry per minute from 140 between four FSIS (Food and Safety Inspection Service) inspectors to 170 for only that maybe two inspectors at the end. Ludicrous, you say? Me too. In their rebuttal, the USDA claims that the privatization is necessary for not only saving inspectors upwards of 90 million dollars a year but for the prevention of 5,200 food-related illnesses. Yeah, I know, still bogus.

The idea of privatization and job cuts is not something one would ever want to do. Many individuals and veterinarians are concerned about the health of the birds. Just because birds with this residue will carry pathogens into the meat that is going to market and plus the blatant disregard for public health and safety is even more concerning.

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That private business just so happens to be the unconstitutional surveillance of Muslim communities and it stems from ideologically-abetted Islamophobia, the intense fear or dislike of Muslims, which has been a major issue in this country since the World Trade Center attacks on 9/11.

Though its intensity has hopefully flagged over the past ten and a half years, the fear that followers of Islam are a threat to the greater good of our country is still far too prevalent and continues to provide our government justification for many civil rights violations under the veil of safety and security.

Islamophobia justifies training NYPD recruits by forcing repeated viewings of anti-Muslim propaganda specifically created to portray all Muslims as threatening extremists and now it apparently justifies unlawful and unwarranted espionage targeting the unfortunately villainized community.

After an Associated Press investigation revealed that the NYPD were in New Jersey documenting the whereabouts and activities of peaceful Muslim-Americans including where they ate, where they prayed and, in some cases, the details of the sermons themselves, the question of "how far is too far?" comes predominantly to mind.

This isn't to say that the surveillance of suspected criminals is wrong and that we should leave matters up to chance, but crusading against a group of people based on their religious beliefs seems to be splitting in the face of the very American ideals we are told are in danger.

But, let's be honest, this is really just old news simply with another scary face emblazoned upon the ever-growing list of threats to the greater good.

Whether it's the English tax, the commie spy, the black revolutionary or the Mexican laborer, the list of public menaces seems to find no resolution nor does it have an end in sight.

Maybe now, with the country's focus back on the blatant discrimination that has riddled our country's economical and social development since its birth, we can become the country we have always believed we are where people are actually free to speak their minds, follow their hearts and even practice their own religions without duress.

As the world's melting pot, we owe a lot of our contemporary culture to the subtle, and sometimes not-so-subtle (I'm looking at you, English skinny jeans), influences of people from all around the world.

How we repay these fine folks, however, is by distancing ourselves and then denying them even the chance to be equal members of a society that they help forge day in and day out.

We can't change everyone's minds one-by-one, maybe the first step is doing something to change a system that constantly encourages prejudice towards other cultures.

Students Speak

Do you think that George Zimmerman should have been arrested?

Judissa Martinez
Sophomore
French Translation/Religion

"I do definitely think it's good that he's arrested. It definitely won't be enough justice for Trayvon's family though."

Ariel Flood
Senior
Business Management

"Considering his actions afterwards and the fact that it was a kid, then yeah, there is really not much in his defense."

Erin Doyle
Senior
Fine Arts/ Painting

"I do think it is just. From what I understand, there wasn't much justification in the reason for his shooting. Also, based on his background, I think it's a little sketchy."

Graham Howard Preston
Junior
Fine Arts/ Painting

"Yeah, for sure. I think the main issue is that this whole thing could have been avoided if the neighborhood watch weren't allowed to carry guns. Just make the police do their job."
**Monika Bujas**, a communications major, is in her first semester at Montclair State University.
Laughs and Learning With Lewis Black
Comedian delivers a heartfelt performance

David Aronst
Staff Writer

Stand-up comedian Lewis Black took the stage at Memorial Auditorium Tuesday in a no boundaries act that left the crowd laughing, applauding and most importantly, learning. After a quick entertaining opening act by John Bowman, Black took the stage and walked onto loud applause from the audience and began his stampede of comedy, facts and life lessons. From taking on topics from his life as a child Deal ing with four channels on the television, to his proposal for his generation have a lasting effect on the country by getting marijuana legalized instead of being known as the generation who could “hang out better than any other generation ever.”

Black’s act dealt heavily with politics and the Republic primary elections for a majority of the night. After informing the audience of news in the world including foreign aid and the war in Afghanistan, Black repeatedly stated that he sided with neither Democrats nor Republicans and stayed in the middle after complaining about both parties. Black then single-handedly exposed all of the GOP candidates and informed the audience of his anger about the conflicts between Demo-
crats and Republicans and how the two parties need to find a common goal on all the conflicts in the country. Black has the personality of a very frustrated man who suffers from ADD and anxiety, as he stated and his opening act revealed his building anger and frustration throughout his act in a way and largely loved part of his comedy and personality. Yelling at the audience, cursing every other word and most importantly, getting his point across while keeping the topics and jokes funny; that is the general overview of Black’s comedic style.

Black, 63, finished his act with an inspirational section. He told the audience that as the current youth and generation, we have to do what makes us happy. “College are some of the best years of your life and I know you hear this over and over but it’s because it’s true” Black left the audience questioning what makes them happy and how to achieve that in our lives, as well as leaving us with a night of laughs, fun and knowledge.

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What I’m Playing this Week
Skullgirls destroys clichés

Alan Vallee
Online Editor

It’s noon right now and I’m in my living room with some friends. On the television is the newest game to take residency in our apartment — Skullgirls. Just released on Xbox Live and PSN, it’s a fighting game made by independent studio Reverge Labs and spearheaded by veteran designer Mike Zaimont, better known by his moniker “Mike Z.”

If you ever saw the tutorial videos that came with the original Skullgirls you may remember him for those, as I do. Skullgirls is his baby. After the “Dead Era” of fighting games from 2001-2008, there has been a resurgence of the fighting genre with Capcom leading the way with Street Fighter IV, the game that single-handedly reestablished a genre and lead to the development of Marvel vs Capcom 3, Street Fighter x Tekken and the newest entry, Reverge Labs’ Skullgirls.

Over the years in this game, the most striking aspect is the visuals. Each sprite was animated at twice the resolution modern systems are capable of and also features the most frames of animation in any fighting game in history. When combined with its compelling anime/art deco city style, the game is a joy to look at even if you don’t play.

The running commentary of character comparisons, callouts, strategies, moves performed and gaming in general makes it a little hard to hear the soundtrack, composed by Michiho Yamanaka of Castlevania fame. However, having heard early leaks of the tracks, the only word to say is “wow.” The jazz tunes for all eight characters suits the deco looks of the game and makes you nostalgic for an era that never actually existed. But that’s just the presentation, the raw meat and bones of the game are far more impressive.

Skullgirls was designed primarily by Mike Zaimont, a tournament veteran and legend in the fighting game community. With this perspective, Zaimont designed the game with tournament players as the target audience as opposed to more typical design choices of making it accessible to casual players and having the tournament level players discover the advanced strategies. In spite of this focus on hurting the most serious fighting game in history, the game is highly accessible to the most casual of players thanks to the single best tutorial mode in the history of videogames.

Whereas typical tutorials only teach you how to do special moves and specific combos, Skullgirls teaches you everything you need to know to compete at a high level. From the basics of movement to high-low mix-ups with tick throws can-trolled into supers, it walks you through the process and holds your hand the entire way until you’re ready for your first real match. The gameplay is a little bit odd as it borrows from other long-standing franchises to ultimately make the game both fun and unique. With only eight characters, the game can be learned fairly quickly which is good since tournament season is in full swing.

For anyone who wants to get into fighting games, there are far worse places to start than Skullgirls. When every aspect is as excellent and filled with love as this game, the reason really is no excuse not to buy it.

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Is the World Ready for Out Artists?

G.I.A.N.T Showcase at Fat Baby NYC

Rashard Bradshaw
Asst. A&E Editor

Progressive rapper Will Sheridan made a major splash on the web when the former Villanova starter came out of the closet. This gutsy move was followed by an even riskier one. After he was done dominating the basketball court, Sheridan decided to set his sights on recording music. Sheridan is now producing fast-paced dance tracks like "Welcome to the Jungle" and even some hard-core hip hop tracks like "302," which can be downloaded on iTunes.

On April 3, Sheridan headlined a concert at Fat Baby in the Lower East Side of New York with a slew of other out performers. These performers are defying the odds by making music that spans across various genres while staying true to themselves. The show was two hours of pop, rock and hip hop music from fresh faces and showed that the future of music may have to make room for openly gay artists.

The lineup included Swaggjesty, a pint-sized rapper that packs a major punch. His flow, which he laid over upbeat instrumentals, kept the crowd swaying from side to side of the dimly lit bar. His content ranged from overly vulgar to full on narcissistic, and the crowd loved every minute of it. He definitely lived up to the swag in his name as he confidently tugged at the brim of his snap back hat while he danced to his own tracks.

The host, house singer SAMN, added his own flair of dance music to the showcase. He performed two tracks off his latest project, Synthet-ic Hearts. His humorous way with words kept the crowd, of about 25 people, entertained between each set.

The crowd was enchanted by the vocal performance of drag queen superstar Sir Honey Davenport. With her face illuminated thanks to an amazing spotlight, she twirled and sashayed across the stage. A slight malfunction occurred when she lost her wig, but like a true performer she recovered quickly.

The concert was rounded out with new wave pixie Heven whose campy pop music was a nice contrast to the male dominated lineup. Will Sheridan's set was like an off-Broadway production and definitely delivered an amazing show. His use of elaborate props and intense backup dancers prevented any onlooker from looking away as he performed his new single "Here Comes the Sun." The show quickly turned into a full on party since the crowd couldn't contain their energy! The show was a huge success thanks to the intimate setting and the endless energy of the acts. Everyone seemed to enjoy the music as well as each other's company as they danced till the DJ said it was time to leave.

Will Sheridan isn't letting his sexuality stop his flow.

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Rashard’s Grade:
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run for the cup is the longest playoff
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Cup quarterfinals is between the two
first place teams in their respective
divisions and a distraction is the last
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strong leadership required to con-
trol players who have exhibited poor
behavior in the past, such as Carlos
Zambrano, Hanley Ramirez and Lo-
gan Morrison. A manager’s job is to
keep the players on track and needs to
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ers and with the umpire during a
bad call. His job is to keep the teams
fundamentally disciplined and keep
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Game of the Week

Softball
vs Rowan
April 14, 1 p.m.

The Montclair State Red Hawks will defend first place and the best record in the NJAC conference (24-1) against the Rowan Profs, who currently hold the second-best record in the NJAC conference (23-4).

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Red Hawks Still Going Strong

MSU currently 5-1 against NJAC opponents

Sophomore Dylan Papa came on in the eighth and pitched two scoreless innings to split the doubleheader with Kean and give MSU a 15-8 record. The Red Hawks had two days off after the doubleheader, but the rest didn’t translate to much success in Tuesday’s game against Keystone College. The Giants took an early lead against Hille, who was taken out of the game before completing the third inning. Montclair was able to put up only two runs in the fifth, losing the game and falling to 15-9 on the season. The Red Hawks are 5-1 in conference play and are currently tied for first place in the season. The Red Hawks are 5-1 against NJAC opponents.

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Softball Shows No Sign of Slowing Down

Red Hawks still undefeated in NJAC play

The 21-ranked Montclair State University softball team is leading the competition. This time it was Rutgers-Newark’s chance to stop the Red Hawks. The team this week is coming off a 10-0 victory in the second game, completing another doubleheader sweep and detail them from first place in the North Jersey Athletic Conference with a doubleheader in Newark.

The Red Hawks took down Rutgers-Newark as a real-biting 1.0 victory in the first game and a dominating 10.8 victory in the second game, completing another doubleheader sweep while on the road. MSU is currently 1-0 in the NJAC and is currently on a 12-game winning streak. Sophomore Alex Hill pitched a nearly-flawless first game, going seven innings and facing only 20 batters where the minimum a pitcher can face in a game. She recorded 15 strikeouts to go along with no walks, and two hits, the only two base runners that would reach, but not advance, during the game. Hill is 15-0 this season and has yet to allow an earned run. MSU averaged a hit an inning against Rutgers-Newark. Junior pitcher Lance Drastal and only two of them reached second base. Hill’s fundamental softball to bring in MSU’s only run of the game. Junior Kelli O’Brien led off the inning with a double to left field and was then bunted over to third by junior catcher Heather Bergmann. Pitcher Melissa Mendez followed with a single to right field, bringing in pinch runner Nicole Iorio for the game-winning run.

Junior Jamie Miller Pitcher Picillo Camacho hit an RBI single to center, followed by a two-run double by junior left-fielder Jamie Stauli to give the third, slopey play by Rutgers-Newark led to three unearned runs for Montclair. After RBIs by sophomore second baseman Katie Muglia and Bergmann, Camacho reached on an error, allowing two runs to score. Paulino then hit another double to right-center field to score senior center fielder Shamon Mozok for another unearned run. MSU’s final run came as a result of another error and another unearned run in the top of the sixth inning to give the Red Hawks the eventual final score 10-2.

The Red Hawks’ next double-header is Thursday at home against the Polytechnic Institute of NYU. Their next conference double-header is home against Rowan University on Saturday.