Up in Smoke

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Tunisia Webcast

The broadcasting department recently produced a webcast focused on the North African country of Tunisia. A revolutionary wave has swept the Arab world in a series of pro-democracy protests. The webcast was geared toward informing students about the uprisings in Tunisia that have replaced a repressive regime with a democratic one.

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The revolution began Dec. 17, 2011 when Mohamed Bouazizi set fire to himself to protest the confiscation of his small cart of fruits and vegetables he was selling. This was the catalyst for mass protests stemming from high unemployment, food inflation, corruption, lack of freedom of speech and other forms of political freedom and poor living conditions.

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On April 24: A male student was escorted out of the Red Hawk Diner after having a dispute with management.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at TIPS (8477). All calls are strictly confidential.
The condition of Calcia Hall is extremely outdated and not safe for students or faculty.

Katie Winters
Managing Editor

Art students often long complained about the condition of Calcia Hall, saying that the facilities are outdated and unsafe. Following a visit by a committee of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD), there is more support for this claim.

Under the rubric of the national standards for art and design schools, with criteria for curriculum, faculty and culture, there are two major ways to accredit the university as a whole, NASAD awards its own accreditation to departments.

Montclair State University has been accredited by NASAD since 1986. The association reviews institutions every 10 years after the initial accrediting visit, like its first visit in 2001.

The report cites the curriculum of the programs in the department of art and design as in compliance with NASAD standards. Despite the deficiencies noted in the report are ones that are related to the facilities and support of the department. "However, the conditions of facilities, lack of sufficient staff and high enrollments related to the number of students and the underfunding of programs," stated the report. As the Dean of the College of the Arts, Dr. Paul Saiegh said, "If there are many items cited in the report that are critical and also many compli- mentary."

As professor Julie Heffernan stated in an email, "The Department of Art and Design has been working valiantly to keep up a strong front in the face of multiple factors that undermine us everyday, mainly our facilities. Calcia Hall is falling apart, the HVAC system causes people to faint with heat or shiver with cold, the sinks are constantly clogged and students have little usable work space. Despite those ad- verse situations we continue to teach with rigor and enthusiasm."

The report cites problems with safety, with the photography and printing practices. Therefore, it is necessary to keep a cool front in the mind of the people, and not to let the problem affect our accreditation. He continued, "I will agree with the report to the extent that our facility needs improvement and the university takes that seriously, although it may not happen as fast as I would like."

According to the report, the university has been a member of NASAD since 1965, and has been accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design since 1965. The last accreditation was conducted in May 1944, with full accreditation of art departments.

The website is currently working on an update to the next report. The art and design depart- ment is also working together to produce this document that will specifically address the concerns of the visitors from the previous visit. The university is currently working on an update to the next report.
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Last September, MSU opened the Heights, which houses an additional 1,978 students. The increase in calls to the MSU campus may be due to the additional housing complex.

Currently, Little Falls receives $160 from MSU for each time the fire department responds to a call to the campus. Many students show concern about this fee.

“I understand that the university has to pay the fire department, but many calls can be easily avoided,” said Marissa Stapelman. “I live in the Heights and we get a lot of 2 a.m. fire alarms where students most likely pull the alarm.”

Christina McGill, a resident of the Village, also expressed concern about the increase of calls. “Most students aren’t cautious of prevent- ing the fire alarm going off. The uni- versity should enforce the impor- tance of taking safety precautions to avoid this issue.”

The LFDD questions whether the $160 compensation fee is suf- ficient and covers the actual cost of each response. The fee received from MSU for each fire department response can be renegotiated annu- ally, but it has not been.

Ferreira believes that the fee is appropriate. “We receive a great ser- vice from Little Falls Fire Depart- ment. In efforts to help the depart- ment the university has agreed to reimburse Little Falls per fire call. This money goes towards equip- ment and training.”

While some may think that the solution to avoid excess fees to the LFDD is the creation of a university fire department, Ferreira disagrees. The university does not think opening its own department is necessary and believes it would not be cost ef- fective at this time.

Zine El Abidine Ben Ali appeared on television to promise more con- certed efforts on job creation, yet warning stern resistance to protest- ers. Meanwhile, the Ben Ali regime was censoring media outlets as they attempted to inform the civil- ian population of events occurring within the country.

The webcam concerned social media as it pertained to the revo- lution. As outraged, young Tunis- ians felt silenced, they discovered alternative means of communica- tion through Facebook, Twitter and blogs.

Specifically, the webcam was made possible by Montclair State University students, including Ian Elliott, Jackie Loder, Robert Dick- son and Tanja Rehki.

Accompanying the students was faculty member Dave Sanders, broadcasting department chair. “It was a highly valuable experience. The students put together social contacts with tweeting and blog- ging,” he said. “We also did an event on music and art as a force for so- cial and political change.”

Dickerson served as the produc- tor of the Arab Spring webcam. “It was a highly successful, a pro- blem of art that fueled the top- pling of Tunisian dictator Ben Ali. Ultimately, I feel that Tunisia will stand as an example to post-revo- lutionary countries,” he said. “This nation will no doubt serve as the archetype of a place where freedom and dignity are valued above all.”

The collapse of the Ben Ali re- gime was followed by the resigna- tion of Prime Minister Mohamed Ghannouchi, the dissolution of the political police and the former rul- ing party, the release of political prisoners and elections to a Con- stitution Assembly.

This dramatic wave of social and political unrest has been felt throughout the Islamic world. MSU Fire Department, said Chief Sweezy; we do see more fire alarms in September and October, they are for the most part due to cooking. The residents need to pay more attention when cooking in the resident halls.

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To view webcasts from Montclair State University, please visit: www.montclair.edu/webcast/
This year's undergraduate speaker is Louis Castano. Castano is a mathematics major with teacher certification. He is currently student teaching at Ridgedale Middle School and will be pursuing a career in teaching. He has served as the student representative to the Board of Trustees, as the Student Leadership Team and as the Student Government Association Director of Student Outreach. Upon graduating, he plans on securing a teaching job and continuing his education at the graduate level.

Members of the Senior Speaking Committee are confident with their decision. "The Committee looks for speeches that will appeal to the broad audience at Commencement, with special consideration given to the graduating class," said Julie Fleming, a member of the Senior Speaking Committee. "Bearing in mind the joyful mood at the 11m Center, we look for someone who can command the attention of the audience and bring a positive message to the graduates. While we had a number of good candidates, we felt the Louis was the best candidate for this opportunity."

Castano said how excited he was when he finally received word that he had been chosen. "I received formal notification that I was chosen for the opportunity to discuss my alcohol and drug use in an environment free of judgment to help increase their awareness of alcohol and drug use."

"Students can learn about the negative effects of drugs and alcohol by participating in online programs, E-Toke and ECHO. of expulsion for drug violations, as stated in the university's Code of Conduct. Students need to understand that campus drug violations carry heavy consequences," said Jerry Collins, the coordinator of student conduct. "This is why every student should read and understand the Code of Conduct."

Collins acts on behalf of the Office of the Dean of Students and works closely with the Department of Health and the Department of Residential Education and Services on issues concerning University regulations and violations. The University knows that it is common for students to experiment with marijuana for the first time on April 20 causing both departments to create programs to raise awareness on the dangers of drug use.

However, more concern comes with the recent approval of a local medical marijuana dispensary The Greenleaf Compassion Center on Bloomfield Avenue now has permission to distribute marijuana, but on a purely medical basis. Although some concerns were voiced in the fear that some students might have better access to marijuana since it is being dispensed at such a close location, the Department of Health on campus still provides a number of resources to help students understand the effects of alcohol, marijuana and other drug use.

E-Toke is an online self-assessment tool that provides students with specific information about marijuana and helpful resources in the campus community. The Exploring Choices and Healthy Options program gives students the opportunity to discuss their alcohol and drug use in an environment free of judgment to help increase their awareness of the role these substances play in their lives.

These programs are in place to help students adjust to college life and cope with difficulties without resorting to drug use. Counselors are also available to assist students. Many of these programs have been in place for at least five years. Since implementing these programs, campus drug violations have significantly decreased.
Students Strive for a Fair Trade Certified Campus Team Nicaragua forms committee to make change

Nicole Duque

When grabbing a coffee from Cafe Diem, Einstein Bros. Bagels or even the C-Store, not many of us look bey- ond the delicious, rich taste of the coffee beans or its amazing capability of keeping us awake throughout the day. Not many of us tend to consider if this coffee or other items on cam- pus are Fair Trade Certified. An item considered to be Fair Trade Certified means that the farm or location that these products are produced in or on has fair laws, wages and working conditions for its workers. It ensures that the quality of the product is excellent, while improving lives of not only the consumer but also the producer as well as the environment.

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Lynnea Doyle

Feminism isn’t a battle of the sexes, so why is there a debate as to whether or not men should participate? This ques- tion opens up a minefield of hidden sexism and questions mean that wom- en’s issues aren’t men’s issues? That men’s issues are of no significance to women?

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Last summer I traveled to Nice, France to study abroad for a month with a program called French Study Abroad from Monclair. The first week I was there, I had spent well over 300 US dollars just on food shopping. I had a little cushion in my bank account because I had been working and I spent a lot of money on the bus, beer, and drinking. I went totally nuts. While on the phone with my parents, my lessons were interrupted by their concerns about my finances. I was okay to spend all that money because the experience was worth it. That was it all too, and there was me and Fat Joe making it rain all day and night (not really, he was actually there) until it was all gone. 

Upon my return home, I was still in wonderment of what it was like to experience the reality of my finances, or lack there of, and continued to spend money I didn’t have simply because I didn’t want to deal with the truth. I had been irresponsible, wantonly, indulgent, unable to make compromises with myself on anything. Fast forward to the present day and here I am not only struggling daily with my spending habits but literally paying dearly for what I had done.

This is how we are with our dependence on fossil fuels. There are a surprising amount of people who make the crack addict analogy. I suppose that it’s more sobering than my But-Mommy-and-Daddy-Told-Me-I-Couldn’t story, but I prefer this one because it’s not only more optimistic but realistic as well.

The truth is that we can focus our efforts on creating policy change, using and creating clean energy and becoming global leaders in those ventures. Sociologically, however, we are at a place in which we can logically understand that, but the ever so critical emotional piece is missing. That makes sense though because I was only able to come to terms with my denial until there was nothing left to blame but me. We aren’t at that point just yet. We haven’t actually seen the worst. At the same time, all it took was my Mom to tell me to keep spending, not to worry and I went to extremes.

That’s the thing. That’s where we are.

We keep saying, “Don’t worry hunny, keep spending,” but we must worry and we must adopt a sense of urgency. Even without the environment in mind, our behavior is totally illogical, so we act irrationally to justify what we know is wrong. The irrational drive to over-consume is unequivocally the reason for our resistance to sustainability. Therefore, it is of the utmost importance that we stop what we’re doing and consider this deeply.

So, to explain, clean/renewable/accessible energy is energy that powers our communities in a less impactful way. Think: solar panels, wind turbines and geothermal energy. Don’t think: hydraulic fracturing (hydro-fracking), blowing up mountains to get coal and drilling in unpredictable, life-threatening conditions for oil. What’s cool about renewable energy is that it replenishes itself and involves us putting our brilliant minds together to be the inspiring and creative human beings we are. It doesn’t involve global wars because it doesn’t belong to anyone, and there is no need to destroy the planet in search of resources to feed our addiction.

Like I said before, we have the ability to do it, and studies show that many developed nations have switched to clean energy due to our part in climate change. First, that cultural shift must begin. Secondly, and most importantly, we need to value our own and others’ existence.

We need to care for our safety with hope in mind. We need to trust that, like many other times in the history of humanity, when faced with an unsolvable problem, we will be proactive, innovative and the creators of positive change for the future.

Responsive comms is crucial and this coming feature is sure to provide a quick and easy way of doing it.

The Google Cloud Gives Dropbox Competition

A Vorka Garza-Gomez

Cloud computing has been a useful tool for some time now. Programs were previously locked to the computer that had them downloaded. However, with the dawn of the cloud, we have the capability to access the files we need from any computer with an internet connection.

Recently, I joined a friend’s business and one of the first things he had me do was download Dropbox. The program makes a folder on your computer that anyone else with Dropbox can access. This feature allows you to put files in the folder, and the other person can access them on his own computer from anywhere. There is also a notification on your screen that says something along the lines of “These files have been added to your Dropbox folders.”

Since the beginning of this year, I have been hearing that Google is working on something similar, and after a few months of rumors, Google Drive is finally available as of Wednesday. During the past week a lot of information about the program has been leaked. It is said to allow 2GB of free storage, whereas Dropbox only allows 1GB. Additionally, it offers more space for upgrading. It’s said that Google is offering 5GB for a monthly fee of $2.99-$4.99.

Experts say Google is actually a little late in the game, and I agree. It seems like the company has been laser-focused about their programs in general.

For example, the perfect example is the slow release and build up of Google+, while its popularity has somewhat increased in the last year, it is by no means close to being a real threat to Facebook. Google Drive does look promising, however there is still the fast space out of all the other file sharing programs, and it will be easy to use this feature.

Things will surely get interesting when the service is officially released. Already, Dropbox and Sky have updated their programs to prepare for the competition. Dropbox now allows you to share the files with non-members via email, whereas before, both parties had to be signed up for the service. Microsoft has made Sky part of an extended desktop, making it easier for users to have the service.

For me, one is definitely keeping my eye out for Google Drive — I believe it will be the most user-friendly, as Google products usually are, and will be available to all users as opposed to exclusively members or Microsoft consumers.

As a college student, file-sharing is crucial and this coming feature is sure to provide a quick and easy way of doing it.
Russakoff’s journalism experience, the draw of this lecture, besides and teach. Buyout and moved on to freelance sized in 2008, Russakoff accepted a sely politics. When the paper down in-depth writer, Russakoff covered New York office for 28 years. An resident of Montclair, Russakoff worked for the Washington Post’s a book on the subject, instead of an band’s suggestion decided to write long-form journalism and at her hus stories, she moved to the longest of some sleep. Another option is for one driver straight through; lucky for me you drive during the day between the discomfort. Driving home is not able to sleep in cars, I used to be one of them. The U-shaped neck pillows are an amazing invention that helps car sleeping to be a bit more tolerable. It is a matter of pros and cons. Yes, it may be a tad uncomfortable for one night, but the experience you will be obtaining on your trip will be memorable and exciting, so it will outweigh the discomfort. Driving home is not limited to nighttime driving. It will probably take a bit longer to get home if you drive during the day between traffic and bathroom breaks.

Journalist Dale Russakoff Delivers Lecture

Katie Winters
Montclair Freelance

It’s not often that journalism stu-
dents and education majors are inter-
ested in the same lecture, but this was just the case when Dale Russakoff came to speak at the Albert Payson Terhune Journalism Lecture on April 12. Over 60 students came to hear the lecture in University Hall.

A resident of Montclair, Russakoff worked for the Washington Post’s New York office for 28 years. An in-depth writer, Russakoff covered many issues, from the environment to national, New York and New Jer-
sy politics. When the paper down-
sized in 2008, Russakoff accepted a buyout and moved on to freelance and teach.

The draw of this lecture, besides Russakoff’s journalism experience, is that she is currently working on a book about Mark Zuckerberg’s $100 million dollar challenge grant for Newark public schools. Having spent time covering New Jersey news, and especially Newark, during her time with the Post, Russakoff was initially unable to be covered to cover this news. Used to writing in-depth stories, she moved to the longest of long-form journalism and at her hus-
band’s suggestion decided to write a book on the subject, instead of an article.

Russakoff focused on her research in Newark during her lecture. She has spent extensive time in schools in Newark, observing how the sys-
tem runs and how changes are being implemented. Newark is in the midst of a series of large scale reforms, in-
cluding changes to the way student registration is handled and which students charter schools can focus on, as well as being in the hands of a new superintendent. Following Russakoff’s talk, there was a panel discussion regarding the situation in New Jersey. Together on the panel were Ross Davis, Dominique D. Lee, Dr. Jennifer Robinson and Dr. Susan M. Taylor. The discussion was moder-
ated by John Mooney.

The panelists were found with the help of Deans Cutler and O’Halloran of the College of Education and Hu-
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The panelists offered insight to the situation in Newark currently, adding their insight and personal experi-
ence to Russakoff’s research.

The lecture was made possible by the Terhune Foundation, which has been offering support to the journal-
ism program at Montclair state for five or six years, mostly in gaining professionals to teach as adjuncts.

This past year, money was added to the grant to support a Terhune Jour-
nalism lecture. Dr. Rita Jacobs, who spearheaded the lecture and wrote the grant, is hoping to make those lectures an annual event.

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**Four Tips to Reduce Stress Before Finals**

Michaela Caton  
Staff Writer

With finals right around the corner, students are likely feeling the pressure and stress. Many students are dealing with test anxiety as well as test stress. Everyone knows that stress is not something that we normally enjoy feeling.

Small amounts of stress can be good, this kind of stress allows us to push ourselves forward and to complete tasks that we need to complete. However, if stress becomes overwhelming or if you can’t handle it, then it is definitely causing problems. Getting your first job can even make you feel this way.

Your First Job in Your Career Field: Getting your first job can cause you stress. Your mind will wonder that you will not be able to get the job or even if you do get the job, what will you do next. Some have interned at companies or visited companies with the intent of getting a job and finding out that they will not receive the job. As young adults, some of us have already been bombarded with medi cal bills, student loans, rent and not yet been bombarded with medieval expenses. As graduation approaches, many seniors are thinking of what they are going to do next. Some have interned with the active rest approach rather than the futility

Your First Place: Whether suffering a joint, bone or muscle strain, unexpected injuries can happen. Acute injuries are those of all ages. As an adult, you may have never experienced with handling expenses. Everyone must have savings set aside. When you are saving up for that new car, saving up to move out or saving for a rainy day, you need to be aware of your standard expenses. If your projected expenses can put you way ahead of the game and will solve a lot of issues that can be caused by financial stress.

Your health care professionals will be able to help you with this. Your health care professional will be able to give you the right advice and help you learn to manage your expenses. Savings

Winter is the best healing strategy, and, chances are that if you want to get back in the game sooner rather than later or return to the classroom or office in less time, it will be recommended that you get moving by treating the injury with an active rest mode rather than being sedentary or in worst cases, bedridden for a prolonged period. In other words, taking a proactive road to recovery optimizes healing — rather than choosing the passive route! Here are some general active rest guidelines:

• **Ice it.** To reduce inflammation, pain and swelling, keep the injured area elevated above the heart while applying ice to the area. This is typically a first course of action suggested by health care professionals to minimize swelling by lowering inflammation and swelling by applying ice to the injured site for 10 to 15 minutes on and off various times during the first 48 hours.

• **Apply moist heat.** After the ice phase and swelling is gone, a warm, moist application will decrease any remaining involun-

tary reserve. For example, a heat pad or water bottle will relax tense muscles and increase flexibility. A pillowcase applied over the heat pad can help prevent injury or be used to help prevent injury or be used to help prevent injury or.
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When Animals Have It Their Way

With a failing economy crippled by years of bad decisions and a job market that seems to be simultaneously break-er more and more hopeful depending on who you ask, it is almost expected that some things fall through the gaps.

Up until the Kony fad through maybe I should give the SOPA crowd a little credit, it seemed few things inspired people more than threatening their bank accounts, so it is refreshing to see that even though the economy is still hardly near where it was before 2007, people are still looking outwards to try and improve the world around them and not just the inconveniences that directly affect them.

Long have we been oversupplied to the disturbingly graphic videos, pleading pamphlets, and public protests of animal rights group activists who believe that the mass-production of meat has greatly affected the overall treatment of animals during their lives and during their “processing.” Now, it seems, the higher-ups in the food industry are finally beginning to see the bigger picture and appear to actu-ally be listening to the public’s demands.

The self-proclaimed and over-adver-tised Kings of Accommodation, Burger King, recently announced that they are going to be making the transition to more humane meat production over the next five years by buying eggs and pork from suppliers that do not keep their animals in cages or crates. This follows the vague announcements by compa-nies McDonald’s and Wendy’s earlier in the year that, though they weren’t able to outline a specific time frame, eliminating cruel practices of mass meat production was somewhere in their near futures.

This may seem like a small step in the long race for the improvement of animal welfare, but this simple act will likely, hopefully start a chain reaction that will pressure more fast food chains into chang-ing the inhumane ways that they produce their cheap, dollar deals. In the competitive world of fast food where bragging rights belong to those with the best-stocked dollar menus, a change of this magnitude is sure to send ripples of motivation to other chains so they don’t end up being the last restaurant to adopt humane animal slaughter.

This act is more than likely also going to affect the production plants that have been refusing to adopt kinder slaughter practices when their free-range eggs see a boom in high-paying investors who will be improving the living conditions for less than a third of their full-time freshmen.

Many would once again argue that there isn’t enough support financially. We have seen some students forced to drop out because of high tuition rates. Schools would be losing money regard-les.

Star Ledger report Kelly Heyboer wrote that, “Four-year graduation rates that ranged from 90 percent at Princeton University to a mere 6 percent at New Jersey City University in 2008, the lat-est available numbers gathered by the federal Department of Education. Several of the state’s largest public universi-ties— including Kean, Montclair State and William Paterson — reported less than a third of their full-time freshmen completed a bachelor’s degree within four years.”

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Burger King had already made cuts in their food production as early as 2007 when they decided to get nine percent of their eggs and 20 percent of their pork coming from cage-free environments. They could have simply stopped there and argued their slight advancements were better than noth-ing or that they were at least doing better than the “other guys”, but the market is a living organism that is constantly evolving and adapting a whimsical society that really wants to change things for the better and they want to stand at the forefront.

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The best way to start debate with college students these days is to utter the words tuition increase. It’s a topic that is a constant trend not just at Montclair State University, but at many other college cam-puses in America.

Since Gov. Chris Christie proposed his FY2013 budget, many New Jersey state schools have had their tuition increased by four percent. It may seem like an insignifi-cant amount, but when you look at charts comparing the increase of tuition from the 2010-2011 school year to this school year, Montclair’s tuition increased from $10,113 in the 2010-2011 school year to $10,646 in the 2011-2012 school year.

It’s hard to say if the caps will have a positive effect on reformation of higher education. On one hand, the state is trying to decrease taxes, but by doing so they are cutting school funding.

The caps is intended to force state schools to increase tuition by only four percent. The four percent is supposed to compensate for the state funding lost. Gov. Christie has made a similar gesture by enforcing a cap.

Many may argue that the government shouldn’t control the decision of tuition increase. Schools should be allowed to cre ate their own budget.

The president could lower tuition but that still wouldn’t cover the loss of state funding. On the other hand, the president can only do so much for the already losing students who can’t afford to go to that university. But yearly increase will eventually impact more and more stu-dents.

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Christie’s Quasi Caps

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Students See Final Exam Hopes Go Up In Smoke

Do University “judiciaries” think crimes are guilty until proven innocent?

There's a news flash: The idea that MSL is a "dry campus" seems only true if you're going by the police reports. No one has ever spoken to me about any students from Montclair as a dry campus and most are surprised to find out that it even claims to be.

Nevertheless, it's hard not to notice the consistent presence of underage drinking and marijuana possession on campus. While the MSUJ truly serves a legal purpose (though they will surely find their influence on campus reduced when "underage" drinking and marijuana possession are enshrined in law? Well, that's exactly the fallacy of guilt by association actually.

I left the states? Can it truly be that a University "judiciaries" think crimes are guilty until proven innocent? Anyway, I get that, as a student I have an influence, but that third K-9 officer and a flashlight reveals what appears to be a K-9 dog and a flashlight (one who knows the Fourth Amendment), in his mind (though not the mind of any other person), they have it, they've pointed their fingers at this room instead of the one across the hall and we are guilty of the unjust system we are subjected to at Montclair.

It seems that Miss Kardashian's almost-husband, along with the president of the Center for Drug and Alcohol Education courses.

The idea of a boundless existence was what really drew me. Maybe this is idealistic, but isn't the prospect of graduating equally as boundless? It is the Fourth Amendment that surface relationships are just another drill of fear to entrench themselves into one's psyche has switched, like the flick of a switch. The change is neither visible nor obvious of a new me. The idea of a boundless existence was what really drew me. Maybe this is idealistic, but isn't the prospect of graduating equally as boundless? It is the Fourth Amendment that's all to easy for a spark of enthusiasm to occur in us as we go about our everyday lives, get that, as a student I have an influence, but that third K-9 officer and a flashlight reveals what appears to be a K-9 dog and a flashlight (one who knows the Fourth Amendment).

Within our everyday lives, we are always being presented with new experiences when I decided to study abroad, I can't help but consider the possibility that surface relationships are just another drill of fear to entrench themselves into one's psyche has switched, like the flick of a switch. The change is neither visible nor obvious of a new me. The idea of a boundless existence was what really drew me. Maybe this is idealistic, but isn't the prospect of graduating equally as boundless? It is the Fourth Amendment that's all to easy for a spark of enthusiasm to occur in us as we go about our everyday lives, get that, as a student I have an influence, but that third K-9 officer and a flashlight reveals what appears to be a K-9 dog and a flashlight (one who knows the Fourth Amendment).

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The Montclarion Mailbag Policy

To the Editor:

After reading Dylan Sulis’ opinion column entitled “Living with the Living Room” (The Montclarion, April 26, 2012), I am appalled. The Montclarion does not support各类 tobacco use and the University has a smoke-free policy. I therefore believe that Mr. Sulis’ article is inappropriate and disrespectful. It is, in fact, a violation of our email policies.

As a member of the Montclair Student Senate, I strongly urge the University to consider implementing a campaign to educate students about the dangers of tobacco use. This would not only help to prevent the spread of tobacco use on campus, but it would also promote a healthy and safe environment for all students.

Sincerely,

Alex Coppola, Fine Arts major, in her first year as Assistant Opinion Editor for The Montclarion.

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Robert S. Peretz
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To the Editor:

Dear Ms. Coppola,

I was interested in your article regarding the University’s smoke-free policy and your concern about the spread of tobacco use on campus.

As a student who is actively involved in promoting healthy living and preventing tobacco use, I would like to offer my perspective on the issue. The University’s smoke-free policy is a step in the right direction, but it is not enough.

The University needs to take additional measures to promote a smoke-free environment. For example, it could provide education and awareness programs, including workshops and seminars, to help students understand the health risks associated with smoking and the benefits of quitting.

I believe that through education and awareness, we can create a smoke-free campus and promote a healthier environment for all students.

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Montclairfest Features All-Star Lineup
Tyga, Wale and Cartel tear up Lot 60

Lindsay Rassmann
A&E Editor

Those who went to Montclairfest this past weekend are easy to spot: look for painful sunburn, black wristbands or people who look weary after what was undoubtedly one of the busiest, loudest and most fun weekends Montclair State has seen all year.

Over the course of the seven hours of Montclairfest, staggered 1,200 students and guests attended the all-star lineup that performed in lot 60.

Big name artists like Wale, Tyga, Maino and Cartel per- formed in the future. It’s a freedom to enjoy music they know and can dance to, but at the cost of losing that special feeling that you’re hear- ing the cutting-edge of electro- nomic music. It’s a freedom most embrace gladly, particu- larly the ones wearing hats and shirts embroidered with “YOLO,” short for You Only Live Once, the current means of existence that we all have.

Throughout the booming of the music, there’s some un- mistakable resi- sibili- ty that something is going on. This isn’t Barstool like an alcohol-fueled shrine to this empty space and starts dancing. Then someone walks into the empty space and starts doing the robot. This isn’t the mediocre like Barstool this is no rave; it’s a party. This is Montclair’s very own paint party, M-Glow.

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Founding Fathers wander the streets of Chi-town

Heather Lockhart
Staff Writer

Have you ever wondered what life for America’s Founding Fathers would be like in 2012? Probably not, but now that you probably are, you can find out by watching "I Made America," a web-series and transmedia storytelling project produced by Chicago comedy company Octavarius and independent film organization CNGM Pictures that follows Benjamin Franklin, Alexander Hamilton, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and George Washington as they come to 2012.

As their website (madamamerica.com) explains, "On January 1, 2012, six Founding Fathers [...] were kidnapped from their own time and brought to 2012 by the American Revolutionaries for Freedom and Family (ARFF) Super PAC. Shortly thereafter, ARFF-abandoned the Founding Fathers, leaving them penniless and alone in Chicago. The Founders were quick to make new friends and have since started to make their own way in the modern world.

And make their own way they do! Franklin remains a curious, inventive lady; man who is fascinated by the modern world he helped create (you're welcome); Hamilton finds love, loses it and turns into the clubbing, brooding we all dread; Jefferson, like a rebellious teenager, turns away from politics and toward the world of music with varying degrees of success; Washington, the ever responsible gentleman, takes on a title for which he is entirely unqualified: office manager; Adams serves his new calling along the way; and they all discover that Madison, whose brain was scrambled by the trip through time, can predict the future.

With the 2012 Presidential election looming, this series adds a healthy dose of intentional humor to the pot and manages to do so without perverting what history has told us about the Founding Fathers. There’s something for everyone in this series, and you certainly don’t have to be a history lover to appreciate it. These men transcend the ‘first world problems’ and the ‘there’ work problems, #firstworldproblems — it’s all there. And the “there” is, almost literally, everywhere.

Transmedia storytelling, as explained by the minds behind IMA, "permeates the lives of our audience members by bringing the characters to life through multiple online and offline channels," which means that if you’re lucky enough to live in Chicago, you just might run into Jefferson while he’s busking on State Street or you might find Franklin wandering around the Museum of Science and Industry.

If you aren’t planning to visit Chicago in the near future, don’t worry! You can still interact with the Founding Fathers through their Twitter, Tumblr and Facebook accounts. You can also email, call or text them. As IMA creator and executive producer Marc Muzyski said, “I Made America’s mirrors the way we tell our own stories in 2012, which makes the project infinitely more fun, especially because when you’re interacting with the Founding Fathers, you become a character in their reality.

It’s a wonder this series has yet to go viral. The fan base seems to be expanding exponentially each day with more people posting videos of their attempts at Franklin’s “Pep Tart Challenge” and quoting lyrics from Thomas Jefferson’s very real and very downloadable EP. IMA’s two most popular YouTube videos, “Shirtless Founding Fathers (in the present)” and “Founding Fathers History Pickup Lines (in 2012)” have nearly 30,000 and 80,000 hits, respectively. To check out these videos and find out more about this hilarious, innovative project, head over to madamamerica.com.

The Lucky One is a Flop
Nicholas Sparks delivers same sappy romance

Taliana Stee
Staff Writer

Another one of Nicholas Sparks’ novels hit the big screen this past weekend. The Lucky One, starring a matured Zac Efron and actress Taylor Schilling, is a story of an older, blonde Kate Perry, who resembles an older, Troy from *High School Musical* and says hello to the strong and silent United States Marine Sergeant Logan Thibault.

While other soldiers aren’t so lucky, Logan is attacked with explosives. His charming piano playing, and his long, deep stories as well as the sight of him wearing nothing but black boxer briefs will easily lure audience members. The message of The Lucky One is to live in the moment and cherish what you have.
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Thank you, Dr. Newman

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Good luck in your future endeavors!
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Baseball Still Going Strong as Season Draws Closer to End

Jeff Chozure

The Red Hawks were on fire with a five-game winning streak heading into four New Jersey Athletic Conference games this week. Montclair State University played to an 8-3 victory against York College, where a home and double-header against Richard Stockton. The Red Hawks will be at home against Pace University to give them the very early 1-0 lead. Stevenson took the first game at home against Pace, where Stevenson shutout Cody Paeo and junior left fielder Matt Moreno each had a pair of hits and two runs scored. MSU shook off their third NJAC loss in a row with a 5-3 win at Richard Stockton. Wayne. WPU struck first, scoring a run in the first two innings. In the third, MSU came within half an out of shutting out the Ospreys until a two-run explosion by the Ospreys put two more in the inning to make it 6-4, and keep the lead from them. In the eighth, Nappe connected for another first pitch two-run homer to put MSU back into the game. The game-winning run came with two outs in the ninth inning, giving MSU a 3-1 game, but the Red Hawks were not done yet. Nappe connected for another first-pitch two-run homer to put MSU back into the game. The game-winning run came with two outs in the ninth inning, giving MSU a 3-1 victory. The momentum continued as the Red Hawks never trailed in the conference when it came to the Skyline Conference with a lot of momentum for success,” Bowens said about the conference.

Women's Lacrosse Finishes Second in NJAC

The Red Hawks responded with four more goals in the lead to 10-8. The teams alternated goals and Maritime got the lead to as the Red Hawks finished the shot and I wouldn't have all the assists without my teammates, so it's really a group effort.” She also hopes to continue her scoring through the playoffs and into the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament. “To continue my scoring through the rest of the season, I plan on being patient setting up the offense to make sure we get a good shot off of every possession. With that, we hope to grab the Skyline title and get ready for NCAAs.”

Senior attacker Maggie Fallon takes a shot against York College. Fallon has scored 26 goals and recorded 14 assists.
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Overall

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Montclair State University

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They fed off this momentum and then got a pop-up and a strikeout to end the inning. Centenary center fielder Stephanie Szeliga had a double, but was thrown out at second.

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