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Police responded to a report of a suspicious male taking pictures in the Burzan’s office. The male was not located and his purpose for taking the pictures is unknown. This matter is under investigation. (building #17)

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A staff member reported a plaque that was taken from the inside of Calcia Hall. This matter is under investigation. (building #36)

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Pelican Police Report

* A national survey of county health statistics conducted by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and University of Wisconsin voted Hunterdon County as the healthiest county in New Jersey for the fourth consecutive year.

* President Obama endorsed the mayor of Jersey City for re-election. Mayor Jerramiah Healy is running for a third term and is facing three challengers in the May 14 election. Healy was a supporter of Obama during the 2008 Democratic primaries.

* On Monday afternoon, a Sussex County teenager was arrested and charged with criminal mischief and disorderly conduct for imitating the “Gallon Smash” prank video that has gone viral on the Internet. The prank involves taking two gallons of milk, smashing them on the ground and then falling to the floor as if they were an accident.

* Ranking Republican Senator Tom Coburn questioned Sandy debris removal costs in New Jersey. The Senate Homeland Security and Oversight Committee, which oversees federal recovery efforts, expressed concern over the costs of debris removal firm Ashbritt, which was awarded a no-bid contract by Gov. Christie to clean up after Hurricane Sandy.

* This past winter has been the second costliest for snow removal on record. The State Department of Transportation’s snow bill was $50.8 million for materials, labor and equipment.

* The executive director of Colorado’s prison system was shot dead at his home on Tuesday. An unidentified assailant shot and killed Tom Clements as he answered the doorbell at his home. The authorities have no leads to any suspects so far, but a manhunt has been initiated.

* A vicious fire erupted in Acomack County, VA on Monday. No deaths or injuries have been reported. However, officials suspect a group of arsonists are responsible for the fire, as over 70 fires have been reported in Accomack County since November.

* Two high school football players in Ohio were convicted of rape on Sunday. Malik Richmond, 16, was sentenced to a minimum of one year while Trent Mays, 17, was sentenced to a minimum of two years, getting an extra year for taking photos of the naked 16-year-old victim.

* Seven Marines were killed Tuesday during a training exercise in Nevada. A violent explosion occurred during a training exercise at Hawthorne Army Depot in western Nevada. The cause of the explosion is being attributed to a 60 mm round that detonated inside a mortar tube.

* The former governor of South Carolina won an initial Republican primary on Tuesday night for a congressional seat. Mark Sanford, who had an extramarital affair while claiming to be hiking the Appalachian Trail, is now staging a political comeback. Sanford won 37 percent of the vote, which exceeded expectations.

* President Obama visited Israel for the first time since his inauguration in January. The President met with the Prime Minister and President of Israel and reaffirmed the U.S. alliance with Israel. Israeli President Shimon Peres expressed confidence in U.S. foreign policy.

* Pakistani education activist Malala Yousafzai has resumed schooling in the UK 5 months after being shot by a Taliban gunman. The 15-year-old has become a global figure of the campaign for girls’ right to education. She has been nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize.

* Pope Francis calls on global leaders and people of the world to defend the poor and the weak.

* Former Argentinean Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio has been elected as the first Latin-American pope this month. There is much expectation over what changes will be brought to the papacy and the Catholic Church.

* The International Monetary Fund chief’s home was searched in a corruption probe by the French police this Wednesday. Christine Lagarde is being investigated after her decision to order a panel of judges to arbitrate in a dispute between disgraced tycoon Bernard Tapie and the bank Credit Lyonnais, which led to Tapie being awarded almost $500 million. Lagarde has denied any wrongdoing.
In the March 7th edition, the quote by Little Falls Fire Chief Jack Sweeney was originally from Passaic Valley Today.

The Montclarion willingly corrects its factual errors. If you think there is a mistake in a story, please call Editor-in-Chief Lori at ext. 5230.

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they are dealing with. Who is involved? And even the legislators. Their communication between the organizations and the President of Bunk, there is more communication. According to Bunk, there is more communication between the organizations and the President of Pro-Temps, along with the Constitution Review Board and the students. “The process is not the real issue,” said Bunk. “The process is for those who are dealing with. Who is involved?” What are they looking out for? Is the Constitution Review Board looking out for the organization or is it just flipping through the pages and sending them off? Are the legislators paying attention to the organization’s pre-sentation? All of these factors can change how the system works. To boil it down into a short statement, it all depends on the adequate knowledge of how the system works. If the people starting the organization have the force and the drive to make it work. Organizations are reminded to stay in con- tact with the SGA with any questions they may have. Additional reporting by Catherine Baster
The unpredictable nature of such an event was emphasized, as officers will continue to be a part of campus security. The Trenton Times reported that the training took place on the TCNJ campus in Ewing. Officers used modified weapons that fired “soap bullets,” or paintball bullets that splatter red on impact. With the help of the State Police, campus police and county officers were trained in fake scenarios that included civilians and a shooter. The unpredictable nature of such an event was emphasized.

Officers were sent into buildings in which fake police, posing as innocent civilians and shooters, would await them. The purpose was to prepare the officers for any possible event. TCNJ student Stephen Fabiano stated that campus police tend to be reliable and that there have been few incidents of any kind in the past. “Preparation can’t hurt,” Fabiano said.

However, this form of training is not new to campus campuses. The Montclair State police department has held similar training sessions once a year for about five years now, reported Lieutenant Kieran Barrett. Lt. Barrett said that the campus police typically train with other local officials such as Essex County police officers and the state of New Jersey Campus Security. The Task Force, which reviews yearly by the New Jersey colleges to the governor, reviews recommendations, live shooter training being one of them. Former Governor Jon Corzine established the Campus Security Task Force in the wake of the Virginia Tech Massacre in 2007. Live shooter training will continue to be a part of campus police training in the future, as officers will continue to prepare for unexpected and unpredictable events.

Police training taking place at TCNJ. These sessions help police with their response abilities in close quarters.
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You've seen the trends. You know what you like, what you don't like and what you just have to have. Now that spring is right around the corner, all that's left to do is shop.

While this is usually your mecca, cardio and therapy all wrapped into one, a fashionista must remember the considerable hardship that buds every spring: high prices for top style. It's easy to get overwhelmed when staring at the brilliant new looks fresh off the runway. However, as easy as it is to get lost in the fabric frenzy, you have to use your mind and top-notch bargaining skills. Otherwise, you'll end up in diabolical debt.

A chic girl’s rule of thumb: Just because it looks to die for in the dressing room, does not mean your bank account should die for it later. If you find a bold-printed pencil skirt that's just your size but way over your budget, put it on hold. Yes, this one is for you impulse-buyers: you can actually put garments on hold, shop around the rest of the mall to find a better deal and come back to buy or deny it later. It's the shopping equivalent of “sleeping on it,” and it's just as healthy for the mind, body, soul and wallet.

You never know what you'll find at the other side of the mall, either. You may be surprised with how bargain-savvy you really are while styling an Aztec print cotton miniskirt from Charlotte Russe for just $12.99. If the recent runway looks have you seeing stripes, head on down to Forever 21. For a whopping $15, you can own your own coral striped maxi dress that’s perfect for the warm weather.

With spring officially started, it's best to pace yourself in the fashion glory and keep your eyes focused on the deals. Remember: The only thing that’s going to be a knockout this season is your outfit of the day, not your spending habits. Take a deep breath and dive in. The best spring deals are waiting for you, just as long as you aren’t afraid to search beneath the surface.
Meditation on Campus Creates Mindfulness at MSU

Chelsea Durocher CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Meditation is a mind-body practice that leaves one clear, rejuvenated, energized and inspired. The Center for Faith and Spirituality at Montclair State University offers about 155 meditation services per year.

Students can take advantage of these services to spark their intrinsic curiosities while opening their minds and their hearts. Meditation can be done through breathing, chanting, prayer, focusing, contemplating arts and dancing.

Dr. Esmaïla Alieu, chair of the Council for Faith and Spirituality and Director of Equity and Diversity, says meditation is especially beneficial to college students. “The benefits of understanding our conscience and ourselves are endless.

Some of these benefits include: clarity of focus, gratitude, memory improvement, self-improvement, skin health, repair benefits in the body, stress management, anxiety diminishments and sleep improvement. The benefits of meditation can aid students in their studies and in their co-curricular activities.

A weekly meditation practice is hosted every Thursday in Sprague Library on the first floor from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. “Students and faculty alike come every week to practice in a quiet, dim-lit room,” said Petrozzello.

Each class begins with a ten-minute relaxation period to let go of the day and become present. This is followed by a five-minute meditation session. Lees has been doing this for as long as she can remember. Her teaching philosophy is that the practice is beneficial for both practitioners and teachers because it allows everyone to sit for a specified amount of time and to think about whatever they wish.

This “teaching-thought” is called “mastery of the task at hand.” Lees says that the act of sitting for five minutes and breathing is a reminder of the part of our lives we often dismiss. She explains that “all of our direction is based in the mind. The theory is that the practice is beneficial for attentive and reflective thought.”

Lees has received positive feedback from students and some even continue the meditation practices after class ends. “The awareness for peace, place and breath that a meditation practice cultivates sets the mind and the body at ease,” said Lees.

This kind of space and place in the mind is great way to work with learning.

Lees believes in seeing the practice as “self-therapy.” She has described the practice to students as “self-care.” She has gained a deep sense of self love through meditating; “It opens my eyes to the beauty of the moment and a single moment is the simplest, yet complicated world,” said Lees.

Handouts and brochures on meditation are free at the Center for Faith and Spirituality. “A student can also meet with various chaplains that practice it,” said Alieu.

With growing interest, meditation is becoming popular on MSU’s campus. Mindfulness and meditation training are the key components in the meditation practices. “It’s like going to the gym to your own heart,” said Petrozzello.

A weekly meditation can be found on campus for anyone to partake in the practice. “Whether you’re looking for a class in which to practice, Cabrera states, “We have a class on campus for a better understanding of my beliefs, thoughts and feelings. This is a whole class.” Cabrera recommends meditation for everyone.

Stephanie Ozuna, a double major in psychology and Italian, said meditating clears and cultivates her mind to help her ease through everyday situations. Ozuna described the practice as “self-care.” She has gained a deep sense of self love through meditating; “It opens my eyes to the beauty of the moment,” said Ozuna.

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Benefits of Apple Cider Vinegar

Dana Baardsen
Staff Writer

An apple a day keeps the doctor away, right? So can vinegar do the same thing, too? Apple cider vinegar is created after the apples undergo fermentation. During the apples’ fermentation process, their natural sugars turn into alcohol. Prolonged fermentation is what actually takes the product a step further, creating the vinegar. The acetic acid in the apple cider vinegar creates antiseptic and antifungal properties which make it a great healing product. It can be ingested or topically applied. One of the most well-known benefits of apple cider vinegar is its ability to promote and aid weight loss.

Apple cider vinegar has a lengthy list of health benefits.

Some health claims include:

• Ridding toxins from the body
• Relieving allergies
• Lowering cholesterol
• Aiding fat breakdown
• Clearing acne
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• Preventing colds and flu
• Easing the inflammation of joints
• Clearing acne
• Relieving heartburn
• Lowering cholesterol
• Relieving allergies
• Ridding toxins from the body

If you have interest in trying it, you have a few options. Apple cider vinegar is actually sold in pill form, but if you want to indulge naturally on a daily basis, I would recommend adding a splash of the vinegar to a glass of water or fruit juice. Do not take apple cider vinegar straight because the acidity can damage the linings of your throat and digestive tract.

Although, I would recommend mixing more than one tablespoon (three teaspoons) into your drink. If you are applying the product topically to your skin or scalp, mix it with water first to see how your skin reacts. Remember, “everything in moderation.”

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The Weekly Debate

How far can you go with an April Fool’s Day prank without crossing the line?

He Said

It’s that time of year again. Suddenly, pulling pranks on people is globally accepted, so everyone is fully embracing the gory evil within us all. I was never a fan of April Fools Day. No, I don’t want to come into work and see my computer and desk covered in sticky notes or have someone swap the cream in my Oreos with toothpaste (not to give you any creative ideas). Let April Fools Day be the day you learn to appreciate boundaries. There is a limit, like putting your health in danger or annoying me to point where I put your health in danger. Just respect that.

She Said

I would say that any prank that involves being naked in front of anyone who hasn’t already seen you naked is a prank gone too far, as well as anything that causes traumatic experiences to resurface. For instance, if a rabbit gnawed my leg off, to wake up to a hundred stuffed (or really real) rabbits in my bed would probably be a scarring experience and should be a no-go. Anything that jeopardizes a job or relationship is also off-limits. Ultimately, I would say that if I break a bone, lose a job or have to go back to therapy, then the prank has gone too far. Everything else, however, gets a green light.

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These past two weekends, both Siermn Johansen, an MSU student, and I decided to do some impromptu travelling. Two weekends ago, we decided to take a cross-country trip across Scotland.

We started by taking the Megabus from Newcastle to Aberdeen. Even though the trip took almost six hours, it was worth it when you compare the price of train tickets. We then headed west, taking the most scenic route. Our first stop: Loch Ness.

Loch Ness, home of the famous Loch Ness Monster, or Nessie, is definitely a place that should be on everyone’s sightseeing list. At the base of the Loch lies a beautiful town called Fort William.

A bit further up the Loch is Urquhart Castle. Its ruins have been beautifully restored. Even though it does cost about £14 to get in, you get your money’s worth. Another option was to buy an explorer pass for £18, which gave unlimited access to a number of castles, abbeys and cathedrals across Scotland.

The next day, we headed north to the Isle of Skye to Kilt Rock Falls. This is a waterfall off the edge of a massive cliff into the Atlantic Ocean. The view was absolutely breathtaking.

On that night, we managed to find a hotel which we later realized was at the base of Ben Nevis, the highest mountain in the UK. The view from the base was amazing. We’re even considering planning a return trip to hike up Ben Nevis sometime in May.

On our last day, we made our way to Stirling Castle and the William Wallace Monument. We also made a bonus stop at Doune Castle, the castle where Monty Python and the Holy Grail was filmed.

The castle itself was almost a trip back in time. There were actors dressed as the royal family and court members walking around and making history fun. They knew all the facts and stayed completely in character. The castle was also very well preserved and let you in on some amazing things that happened during its peak use.

On the following weekend, all 16 international and exchange students ventured to Dublin, Ireland for St. Patrick’s Day.

St. Patrick’s Day in Dublin was a sight to see. A sea of green engrossed the whole street and you could not move anywhere. After the parade was over, everyone took to the streets in a massive party. We had an early flight home the next morning and headed to Dublin Airport and back to Newcastle.

With only three days left before our three-week Easter holiday, you can be sure that we have many more adventures to come. Next up: Paris, France and Cologne, Germany.

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Fun & Games

HOROSCOPES
By Madame Carley

Aries March 21 - April 19
Something that you have been putting off for a long time will turn out to be an opportunity to befriend others whom you normally don’t associate with.

Taurus April 20 - May 20
Putting yourself in another’s shoes is a good way to understand their actions. You will find it useful this week, as it will help in avoiding misunderstandings with friends.

Gemini May 21 - June 20
You will benefit from something that you have done a few weeks ago. Even though you may believe that certain things aren’t worth trying, remember that any amount of effort always counts for something.

Cancer June 21 - July 22
Think twice about the words you say when explaining your difficulties and problems to others as they can become defensive. Be cautious in avoiding trouble.

Leo July 23 - August 22
Seeing that spring is here and that the climate will be changing, you may feel the need to change as well. Perhaps a new look or a new environment will satisfy this new ambition.

Virgo August 23 - September 22
Counting down the seconds, minutes and hours for something to come, may sound great but really isn’t. Remember that patience is a virtue and that time will only fly by if you keep your mind on many things. After all, a watched pot never boils.

Libra September 23 - October 22
Do not be quick to judge, for those who you assumed were bad could turn out to be good, and those who you deemed good could turn out to be bad. Keep in mind that looks could be deceiving.

Scorpio October 23 - November 21
Although you have never been great at choosing between two options, a decision of yours will become very clear this week.

Sagittarius November 22 - December 21
You will be completely booked this week. However, it should be fun. Just be cautious when planning out how to spend your days. You do not want to overwork yourself and make promises that you cannot fulfill.

Capricorn December 22 - January 19
A last-minute change of plans will not be as bad as you thought it would be. Believe it or not, sometimes the best plans are the most spontaneous ones.

Aquarius January 20 - February 18
A friend who has been acting strange will surprise you. While it may be a good surprise, it is also a secret, so keep your word in maintaining its secrecy.

Pisces February 19 - March 20
Something out of the blue will make you notice a person whom you have never bothered to pay attention to. This could be the start of a new friendship or perhaps something better.

Hum Bucking Harold

Ok boys, we have strict contracts to fulfill.

We have 2 weeks to before they expire and I got a plan to get Harold once and for all...

First we break into the Sheriff’s office after hours.

Then we have a serious jam sesh to connect with our inner voices.

We set up the trap.

err Hey Angel, yeah its me, Harold
Can you bring me 10 gallons of banana gelato? . . . I know its late...

Finally we re-feng shui the room...

Sounds like a dumb idea and I like...

We will have to act fast before the rooster lays the egg...

By Ashley Markach

THE RED HAWK PALS

By Ashley Markach

Power maps, coffee and... excellent, you’re mapping already.

Zzzz...

MSU

With classes back in session, my sleeping patterns are off.

Why are you wearing your PJs?

By Ashley Markach
Food For Thought: Facts For The Body

Do you think it should be mandatory for nutrition facts to be posted in campus dining facilities?

**Eugene Busteia**
Biomolecular Biology

I think that it's important for the nutrition state in America to know what's going into our body. Personally, I don't think that the food places tell the nutritional information, but for people who have dietary restrictions, or are watching their diet, I do think it is important for them to know. In general, it is beneficial to know what you're eating before you eat it.

**Stephanie Kudlack**
Biomolecular Biology

Personally, I don't think that it's a good idea for nutrition information to be mandatory. College is a time where students typically get really out of shape, and I think that many students are not aware of the calorie content breakdown of everything, so I don't think that it should be mandatory.

**Nick Versace**
Nutrition

I think it would be helpful if every campus dining facility was required to have nutrition information on their menu. As a nutrition major, I can speak firsthand on the importance of this.

**Monica Connors**
Chemistry

"I don't think that it should be mandatory but I don't think that we should put there because there are other important issues that need to be put on labels on our foods. I think that the students need to be aware of what they are eating."

**Katie Frasier**
Senior
Theater Studies

"I think that nutrition information is something that people should be aware of, that needs to be on labels on our foods. In the case of the dining hall, the workers even know what is surrounding the food. It's a big concern, especially for me. I'm trying to get healthier and make sure that I'm eating things that are good for my body, and I can't do that if I don't know what the nutritional information is looking like."

**Jeanette Martinez**
Junior
Political Sciences

"Yes, I feel that school should post nutritional information about the food they're serving. If there are people on diets or keeping track of how much they are eating, like calorie counting or anything, it would be helpful to know and also just to know what we are eating."
Venezuela Says Adiós To Hugo Chávez

Chávez’s complex policies leave behind a questionable legacy

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Ride Into the Theatre with Equus

Do You Receive His Meaning?
Talking with Actor Taylor Dear

Senior BFA acting major Taylor Dear was last seen on Alexander Kasser Theater’s stage as strict father Frank Strang in Peter Shaffer’s classic Equus. He was given the chance to do some different acting, particularly as Alan’s divine savior and spiritual, sexual outlet.

As much as Dyant and the Strang family carry the story of Alan’s trauma, Dora is a religious fanatic and Frank is an old-fashioned, strict father. “I was given the role because I really wanted to play and it was a really profound experience,” said Dear.

“I’m so grateful to have it,” said Yarish. “I’m trying to enjoy every second of it. It is amazing.”

In the play, psychiatrist Martin Dyant (Sasha Hafedi) investigates his patient, Alan, in Southern England’s Rokeby Psychiatric Hospital in the early 1970s to determine why he committed such a shocking act. Dear does this by using different psychiatric techniques, such as tape recording and hypnosis.

Alan has issues with his strict parents Frank and Dora Strang (seniors Taylor Dear and Linda Armstrong), whom ultimately are the causes of Alan’s trauma. Dear says that Noah lived with, and it often refers to as “Equus,” are Alan’s divine saviors and spiritual, sexual outlets.

After a failed night of passion with low interest, Jill Mason (senior Angelika Shreiber), Alan’s world finally erupts. These class help Dyant discover Alan’s disturbances and dreams as well as his own. Dear realizes that horses, particularly one Alan often refers to as “Equus,” are his divine saviors and spiritual, sexual outlets.

Jill Mason and Dora are both played by BFA acting majors attend and looked through it after I graduated. “It was my second for my senior year as Bobby, per- formed the final kick line in A Chorus Line, as his defining moment in the field. “It was beautiful and overwhelming being a part of something that represented professional stage performances as honestly.” Dear is excited about what the future holds after graduation. He plans to move to the city for theater gigs, but also dreams of working on a comedy TV show much like New Girl and the Big Bang Theory, or perhaps a long running series like The Office, one of his favorite TV shows.

However, Dear still must traverse some stepping stones. Right now, he and his fellow seniors are preparing for the annual Senior Showcase, which will take place later this semester in New York where they will meet and perform for agents and other big names in the business. “We have three showcases, one for four big name agents, another for four agents and then the third for any professional connections that anyone in the senior class has accumulated over the course of our careers,” said Dear.

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Bowie’s Newest Album Starts New Life

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The Next Day

It’s been eight days since David Bowie released his 30th studio recording, The Next Day, and I’ve listened to it from beginning to end at least once a day. If you were anywhere near me during this time period, you could see the scowl on my face as my headphones played track after track. For an artist who, throughout his career, made his money and accolades through the creation of characters such as The Thin White Duke, Major Tom, Aladdin Sane and Ziggy Stardust, The Next Day strikes me as an attempt to create David Bowie himself.

However, unlike Ziggy Stardust and the others, David Bowie is not apoplectic and it shows in each and every track. His album is getting older and that he is a reminder that David Bowie is not ageless and that Bowie wrote something that’s a relative term because this is his last release since 2003) by Bowie still gave that aura that is uniquely his. His track ‘I’m Afraid of America’ from his 1997 album Earthling, gave listeners the feeling that even if they didn’t know who David Bowie was, they could at least synthesize an image of him through the song.

As I continued to listen to The Next Day cover and cover again, I slowly came to the realization that the purpose and direction of the album was not to continue the immortal image of late seventies to early eighties Bowie, but as a reminder that David Bowie is getting older and that he is no longer “David Bowie,” but David Bowie. The Next Day’s cover is originally the cover to his album Hunky Dory with a white box obscuring his face with the title placed in a sans serif font. If you look at each cover for every successive album, you can tell that The Next Day is a complete departure from who and what David Bowie really was.

With the perspective that a baby boomer wrote this album, not an androgynous alien from mars, my opinion changed from ‘I can’t believe that Bowie wrote something like this’ to ‘Shame, Bowie’s getting old.’ I think that’s the fatal flaw with an artist like David Bowie; that his name and music is synonymous with youth and vigor. The Next Day has its tight a grip, although the majority of the tracks just feel as if they’re missing essential Bowie.

One of the biggest criteria for albums that I listen to is that I want such song to have its own separate identity. With The Next Day, aside from the first two songs, the whole album flows together in a way that feels like an opus with different movements.

While that is signature Bowie, I feel that it detracts from the experience that each song individually gives the listener. The first two minutes of the album, that one song really jumped out at me in a way where it feels like an opus with different movements.

Two songs that I can actually recommend to anybody from this album would be “Valentine’s Day” and “(You Will) Set the World on Fire.” Out of the seventeen songs in the album, those two jumped out at me because of the drum beats that most of the songs contained.

Although “Valentine’s Day” did fall into that rhythm, the lead guitar lines and lyrics kept me fully immersed in the duration of the song. The lyrics to “Valentine’s Day” allude to the quick change of a young person to a dark heart with the intention to commit violence in his school.

Although that might be a bit inappropriate considering the relatively recent events in the Northeast, within the confines of the song, the subject matter lends perfectly to the singing guitar and voice.

With “(You Will) Set the World on Fire,” the track begins with a loud guitar riff that immediately reminds me of Jack White and his myriad of projects which open the door to Bowie’s lyrics. Within this song, Bowie sings about the folk scene within New York City with names drops of Janis Siegel, Bob Dylan and others within the scene. The first couple of lines to this track doesn’t indicate this because most of reference requires a little research to understand, but the hook of “setting the world on fire” is plenty enough to captivate the listener through the song in a brief flash of energy that is classic Bowie.

While these two tracks are definite favorites of mine, some tracks just stick out for different reasons. “If You Can See Me” contains a lyrics song in an atonal manner with confessional topic that parallels Kevin Barnes from the band of Montreal and his most recent album, Parachute Stakes. While this style fits Kevin Barnes perfectly in his avant-garde outfit, it just seems old and forced within David Bowie’s voice.

In its entirety, The Next Day is unmistakably a David Bowie album, but it’s not a David Bowie album at the same time. The person is the same, but the soul is different, a soul that has been active within the music industry for more than forty years now. To casual listeners, I would recommend this album if this is going to be their first David Bowie album. Then after The Next Day, they could listen to his other albums in a reverse chronological order in a “Benjamin Button” fashion to soul at the glory days of David Bowie. For fans of Bowie, though, I feel like you should look at it as a new era of music, a new era where the character isn’t an alien from mars or a duke, but David Bowie himself.
Keith Urban sat poised and Carey, Randy Jackson and the stage in a perfectly tailored mannerisms. However, personalities and downright bizarre wardrobe choices, proving even more irritating with smoke and fog. Urban was walking off stage, learning from the situation of the lighting the peak moments in their career and reminding them that past struggles only strengthen their nearby 20-year bond.

During the years, the band released more singles and albums that kept them on top. Their style, depending on the album, would range from heavy rock to softer melodies, storytelling of forbidden love and misery.

In 2011, with a contract from Universal Music Finland, The Rasmus is producing their eighth studio album. In several European countries, the self-titled album was released on April 18, 2012, and was re-issued as The Rasmus later that year. The band continues to tour and is waiting for their 20th anniversary to celebrate their success at its finest. They do not plan to disband anytime soon, leaving fans with more to look forward to.

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Arts & Entertainment

Judging Punctuality: Nicki Minaj

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Nicki Minaj has become a musical icon in the rap/hip-hop genre since making her debut in 2010. The 30-year-old is known for her outrageous wardrobe choices, unusual accent, multiple personalities and downright bizarre mannerisms. However, American Idol fans, judges and contestants will remember her for a slightly different reason.

On March 13, American Idol’s first live show of the 2013 season. Everything seemed to be in order. Contestants waited anxiously backstage, host Ryan Seacrest took to the stage in a perfectly tailored suit, and judges Mariah Carey, Steven Tyler, and Keith Urban sat poised and ready to go. But, wait—where was Nicki?

Upon opening the show, Seacrest was forced to address the situation of the missing judge, informing the audience that there was some contention on Interstate 405 and that the star would arrive momentarily. Minaj confirmed this via Twitter, saying she was “stuck in traffic.” Seacrest tried to joke about the situation with the judging panel, saying that there were no against slipping into her seat wearing a black hoodie and sunglasses. She and Seacrest exchanged a few private words, while Urban piped in with a few criticisms of his own. Jackson and Carey ignored her completely.

Contestants, who noticed Minaj’s lack of appearance from backstage, were also rather flabbergasted. One contestant, Amber Holcomb, revealed the artist, best known for her cursing antics, would make a grand entrance of her own, complete with smoke and fog. While the contestants seemed more anxious about her arrival than irritated, Seacrest and executive producer Nigel Lythgoe were furious. The finished product was an embarrassment to the judges and viewers alike, and it was seen as an embarrassment to the Fox television program.

The female rapper proved even more irritating by actually taking the time to primp backstage, disregarding the fact that she was already late and didn’t even offer an apology. Talk about being a diva.

This isn’t the first time Nicki Minaj has caused some drama due to her inability to be on time. In summer 2012, the star arrived four hours late to a photo shoot in New York City, acting as though nothing was wrong while emitting a sense of superiority over the staff. In American Idol’s case, she had many people to remind her of her place.

Due to her late arrival, Curtis Finch Jr., a contestant who highly respects Minaj’s input, was forced to perform without the star and her critique. Finch expressed his disappointment, claiming that it felt like a piece of the puzzle was missing.

To his surprise, however, he passed Minaj as he was walking off stage, learning that she had watched his performance from off-stage. Although he didn’t get to hear all of the fancy judge’s remarks, he did manage to receive a “good job.”

It seems that Nicki Minaj has some work to do with her punctuality problems. Maybe she should consider taking a starship to the next show, just in case.
"At first I was embarrassed. Me, a cat, living with a single guy. But when I watch him pick something up with his hands and eat it, I can't help but love him."

-Maru
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“Bitches get stuff done,” the phrase Tina Fey and Amy Poehler have made famous during the latter’s run on Saturday Night Live. During the years since their departure from the sketch comedy show, they have gotten a lot of stuff done. From Emmy nominations to hosting jobs, their two long-time pals have been all anyone talks about these days.

Since her departure, Tina Fey has made a name for herself. She successfully created, wrote, and starred in the comedy series 30 Rock and starred in movies opposite Steve Carell and Paul Rudd. Fey had a non-stop congratulatory tour since her departure from SNL, but what about Poehler?

Amy Poehler style America’s hearts during her run on the Lance Michaud-produced show. When she left SNL in 2008, she was cast in Forbys and Recreation, which started school but didn’t really gain momentum or a following until its third season. Nowadays, Forbys and Recreation is one of NBC’s top shows and Amy is getting nominated left and right. Poehler has become a household name. People love seeing her on TV and on the red-carpet. People can’t get enough of her, but even though

people love her, why aren’t the critics showing her love? Sure, she received fantastic reviews on her hosting skills when she co-hosted the Golden Globes back in January. She has re- ceived exceptional reviews for Forbys and Recreation as well as her acting on the show. She has even been considered for the Oscar hosting position, but yet with all that praise, Poehler still has yet to win an award. Even celebrities took to Twitter to share their love for her.

Comedian and producer Michael Shur said, “It’s ironic that every year Amy Poehler is the funniest part of every awards show she attends, and every year the awards go to other people.”

Before SNL, Poehler had a few guest appearances here and there as well as her role on Anatomia. She was cast in the cult classic, Wet Hot American Summer as well as Desus Rigelos,Male Gigolo. She also had a recurring role in Late Night with Conan O’Brien, playing Stacy, Andy Richter’s fictional younger sister. During her run on SNL, she starred in a few movies, including Mean Girls, Baby Mama and Blues of Glory, which were all big hits.

Amy Poehler is one of the most talented comedians out there. She performs in various comedy styles and she knows how to do it well. She’s done sketch, political, scripted and improv comedy and has nailed every single one. She is one of the original founders of the Upright Citizens Brigade, a comedy troupe made up of Poehler, Ian Roberts, Matt Besser and Matt Walsh. UCB even got their own show, Accout, which was short-lived, but is now a cult favorite.

Poehler is currently one of the biggest names in Hollywood. She just signed a book deal, she is Best Buy’s new spokesperson and is set to appear in four more films in the coming three upcoming films: A.C.O.D., You Are Here and They Come Together. She is taking the world by storm.

Hopefully, next award season, she finally will be rewarded for all of her hard work. She deserves to be congratulated with people like Julia Louis Dreyfus, Tina Fey and Eddie Fink. She deserves to be a part of the Emmy winners and Golden Globe winners club. I think that next award season, Poehler will become a member of that club.

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The Montclair State men’s lacrosse team improved to 4-2 on the season with a win and a loss in last week’s action. The Red Hawks visited the Bears of Ursinus College by a close margin of 10-8 in their second of back-to-back road games.

They followed up, however, with a dominating 16-5 win over the Manhattanville Valiants on the return home. Shreve came out hot in the first game, scoring three goals in as many minutes before finishing the game with four goals and two assists.

With eight minutes left on the clock, the MSU lead to 7-3 just 25 minutes into the action. Manhattanville’s Nick Osterman added two more before the end of the first, but the Red Hawks were unfazed, however, and added two more before the end of the quarter to take a 5-1 lead going into the second. The 14-8 final score was good enough to bring the Hawks back over .500 on the season.

The Montclair State women’s lacrosse team defeated Collegeville, Penn., in its first ever game, winning 19-5 win over Vassar College.

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The Bears took the lead after just 21 goals with a goal from Mark Stratton. The Red Hawks bounced back just over a minute later to tie it up with a goal from Michael Dorn.

The Bears would add two more before the end of the quarter on a combination of a goal and a free position with a 3-1 lead. The Red Hawk offense exploded in the second quarter with a five-goal run to go into halftime, leading 6-1. Michael Schreck added another goal before the MSU lead to 7-3 just 25 seconds into the second half. He took the lead off of a pass from the faceoff. Schreck scored his second goal of the game with 11 minutes left in the second half, giving the Red Hawks a 10-5 lead. Jack Skeels added two more before the end of the game, bringing the final score to 10-8 in their 18th game of the season.

Skeels added another two minutes later with Jevic’s 13th of the season. Manhattanville attack Billy Metherway was able to pull the Valiants’ first goal of the game to cut the lead to two. The Red Hawks were unfazed, however, and added two more before the end of the quarter to take a 5-1 lead going into the second. The 14-8 final score was good enough to bring the Hawks back over .500 on the season.

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As soon as the papers come out on Thursday, that’s when the first round begins. After this Sunday, we should have a better idea on some of the Cinderella teams that many have already written off.

My personal favorite throughout the recent years has been Shaka Smart’s Virginia Commonwealth Rams. When you’ve got Spive Longo repping your school’s jersey at a game, you know that your team is on the map.

I think the one thing that people enjoy the most about March Madness is fillming out the tournament bracket.

Even if you religiously follow college basketball, you have to fill in your bracket. And since there are only two sets of games, there are only 16 teams.

However, filling out a bracket is a crapshoot, in the diesel, and besides, there wouldn’t be much of a tournament, or viewers watching these games if there wasn’t anything at stake.

You can always take the easy way out and fill in the number one seeds to the Final Four. The tournament usually doesn’t pan out that way, considering the only time that has ever happened was in 2008.

Besides, this year’s number one seeds are as shaky as they come with a combination of upsets.

Power forward Cody Zeller and his Indiana Hoosiers didn’t even win the Big Ten conference, but were selected as a number one seed by default. Another number one seed selection that came as of late has been Rick Pitino’s Louisville Cardinals.

He took this year’s Big East Conference and the Atlantic 10 last year’s tournament. I think that this year’s tournament is perhaps the most unpredictable in recent memory. Every person I know of my age has either been a Xavier Musketeer or a Louisville Cardinal fan.

If you ask me, I actually think Louisville’s portion of the bracket is the most difficult. In fact, the Midwest portion of the bracket has a must-see first round game between fifth seed Oklahoma State, which includes their freshman standout point guard Marcus Smart up against the Pac-12 winners, 12th-seeded Oregon.

The winner of that game will most likely meet up with Louisville during the Sweet 16 and could pull off the upset.

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For the first game of the Classic, MSU beat the two-time national champions, No. 3 Marietta. Leftfielder Dylan Papa held a creative atmosphere at hand by striking out eight in his complete game effort. It was his second complete game of the season. In the fourth inning, Stephan Neppe drilled a three-run double to give MSU the lead. It was his first homerun of the season. For the Red Hawks a 2-0 lead. It would not last long as the Yellow Jackets needed. After the game, Papa commented on the win and he complete game shutout, mentioning that it would not have been possible without his teammates and some great plays on defense.

“To start the Snowbird Classic off with a win was great, and the way that we beat Marietta was even better. We knew that we had the capabilities to beat them and that we would be able to beat our all around game and do what we’re supposed to do that. That was completely confidence in myself and the team. I knew that I could win and do what I needed to do. We have always been good in the defensive department, in the past, and it was great to be able to do what I could do,” Papa said.

For the second game, Montclair suffered a loss to Holy Cross with a final score of 6-1. Third baseman Michael Rizzo was Montclair’s onlyateway home plate. He scored on a fielder’s choice in the sixth inning. Kyle Tolerico batted in two runs.

“The game was off to a good start,” said Sperling. “We also had two RBIs each. Kyle Tolerico and left fielder Matt Moreno were the two that helped us win the game.”

Christian Boldt pitched a complete game shutout victory, winning 2-1 on the season. The lone runs of the game were scored in the fifth inning, giving up five runs on five hits for Montclair. For Ohio Wesleyan, Dan Gusovsky doubled and left fielder Jose Carlos Padilla batted in two runs.

In the final game of the Snowbird Classic, the Red Hawks lost to Wheaton College, 2-1. The loss was a tough one for the Red Hawks despite their effort. The game was tied 1-1 until the bottom of the ninth when Wheaton catcher Dan Koppesky doubled and Apolinar De Las Cazas scored from second base to win the game 2-1.

Dylan Papa pitched another great game, going 8 1/3 innings and striking out five batters. His record is now 2-1 on the season. The lone Red Hawk run was scored in the sixth inning when Jesus Carlos Padilla grounded to the shortstop and was thrown away.

“That allowed Matt Moreno to score, as the Red Hawks tied the game at 1. Eric Adams was credited with the victory for Wheaton.”

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“Baseball off to Strong Start

Celebrating the Student Recreation Center’s five years as part of Montclair State University, the Campus Recreation has seen a large variety of free events this week to help students spread throughout the campus.

“We’ve put a lot of work into planning small, quick events and then put together a week with a big, wide-ranging event,” said Ryan Fisher, Area Supervisor of Special Events. “For the events this week, we could,” Fisher continued.

Montclair’s annual Spring Classic, the Red Hawks have had a controlling 5-0 win over the Baldwin Wallace Ursuline. It was his first home run of the season, giving the Red Hawks their first win in the season.

“For this week, we needed to come up with activities that were unlike the other offerings. We did this by deciding on activities as tie-dying and birchum painting. We needed to get the necessary supplies for the students and market them to as many people on campus as we can,” Fisher continued.

“The weekly Rec Board Meetings, the Trike Bowl and everything else has been tied into the anniversary week, which adds to the overall excitement for everyone.”

When asked what he thought about the events, Fisher responded, “Ideally, we want people to realize that the Student Recreation Center is more than a fitness facility or a gym. There is always something going on for everyone, and you don’t have to be one specific type of person to fit in.”

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**Who’s Hot**

**Tierney Conlon**  
Attacker — Lacrosse

In last week’s games, Conlon recorded seven goals and five assists to bring her season totals to 12 and 19. Conlon leads the Red Hawks with 31 points.

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**Who’s Hot**

**Sam Morrissey**  
Attacker — Lacrosse

In the Red Hawks’ last two games, Morrissey recorded five goals and two assists for seven points. Morrissey leads MSU with 17 shots.

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**Who’s Hot**

**Jamie Paulino**  
Infield — Softball

Paulino, who had at least two hits in seven of the eight games, drove in five runs, stole two bases and had a slugging percentage of .655 during the Red Hawks’ 8-0 run in Florida.

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**Game of the Week**

**Softball**

vs. DeSales University  
March 21, 3:30 p.m.

Currently 10-0, the Red Hawks look to extend their winning streak to 12 games with a double-header against DeSales.

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The Lady Red Hawks home opener scheduled against Baruch College on Tues., March 19 has been postponed. MSU’s home opener double-header is slated to be on Thu., March 21 against DeSales University with the first game starting at 3:30 p.m.

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