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SGA Votes Against Sanctuary Campus Bill in Secret Vote

74% of Surveyed Students in Favor of Bill, President Cole Hesitant in Endorsing

Gabe Wanissian
Staff Writer

Student Government Legislators vetoed the sanctuary campus endorsement bill via anonymous voting during Wednesday's SGA meeting, causing much discontent with activists behind the initiative.

"I thought the secret vote was very cowardly," said SGA Legislator Wellington Gomez after his bill failed to meet the two thirds majority amongst the 16 legislators who voted by anonymous paper ballot, a stark contrast to the usual public vote by hand raising.

"If you are so passionate about the vote and you feel good about the vote, why do it in secret? This was our chance to protect undocumented students," Gomez added. Legislators who vetoed the bill did not provide further comment.

SGA opposition to the bill contrasted the 74 percent of the 1,016 undergraduate students who voted in favor of the bill in a survey sent out on Friday. The proposal would have had SGA recommend to Montclair State administration to maintain current policies that protect undocumented immigrants in the wake of President



President Susan Cole speaks against discrimination but ultimately opposes the label of sanctuary campus.

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Donald Trump's anti-immigration rhetoric.

"There is no way on Earth that we are ever going to discriminate students based on their immigration status," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole during

her address to protestors and SGA members at the meeting. Cole previously released a letter on January 31, providing support for undocumented students after Trump

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Read this week's editorial, 'Say Nay to SGA' to see what The Montclarion thinks about the outcome of Wednesday's meeting.

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'Behind the Kinks'

Hair Show Encourages African Women to Embrace Natural Hair

Christina Urban
Assistant News Editor

Native African Student Organization (NASO) partnered with AfricansGoneNatural to host an event encouraging women of African descent to embrace their natural hair and inspire them to become entrepreneurs.

Afrikiniky is AfricansGoneNatural's new college tour, and Friday night's event at Montclair State was its first ever stop, according to co-founder Olivia Frempong. She and Cynthia Oppong started AfricansGoneNatural in 2015 with a goal to empower women to love their natural hair and beauty, said Frempong. Their current mission through this movement is called "behind the kinks."

"We are looking at helping ladies embrace their natural hair," said Frempong. "But also looking at other aspects of their lives [like] business, education [and] fitness."

The event featured an entrepreneurship panel, where Lunic Boyd, Natasha Bray and Rejoice Affram discussed their lives and success as African-American businesswomen.

"Just because I had a college degree does not mean I'm going to be successful," Boyd said. The entrepreneur and author talked of her work in radio, her failures, her drug addiction she once faced and the help of God and good relationships with people that put her into a

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Co-founder of AfricansGoneNatural, Olivia Frempong, poses as she gets her hair styled for the Afrikiniky college tour event at Montclair State.

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SGA: Lack of Student Political Engagement a Key Issue Discussed at Meeting Wednesday

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President Susan Cole addresses concern of student political engagement on campus.

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signed his controversial immigration ban. Cole also signed a letter, along with numerous college and university presidents condemning the actions of the federal government to Washington D.C. lawmakers.

"[Montclair State] does not provide any information about and does not keep any records in regards to the immigration status of our students. The university fully enforces the federal laws related to the privacy of the students. It has been our policy forever," said Cole. She added that, while she was in favor of protecting undocumented students, she was not in support of the "sanctuary campus" label.

"There is a difference between saying 'have not' and a future tense of 'will not,'" said student activist Matthew Kelly

in response, urging the college to ensure future support of undocumented students.

Critics of the bill shared concern that Montclair State would face potential cuts if they declared themselves a sanctuary campus. However, no such cuts have occurred to any of the U.S. cities and the nine colleges that have declared themselves sanctuaries. Montclair State receives \$66.4 million in federal, state and private grants, according to their annual report.

In the midst of the heated back and forths, there was a unanimous agreement in needing students to be more involved in democratic processes both on campus and at large. "The survey numbers for the bill speak for themselves as far as campus ap-

proval, and I think we should be sensitive of that," said student activist Liam Reilly.

Activists brought up suspicions of Cole's presence having a direct influence on the legislators' votes, as the SGA has said on record that they meet with Cole on a weekly basis.

"I think [President Cole] doesn't, but she does influence," said SGA legislator Ariana Tringali in last week's meeting.

The SGA gave no timetable as to when they would begin programs to increase student political engagement on campus.

"I think we should encourage these discussions moving forward in the public with the students, not just in closed room meetings," added Reilly.



Matthew Kelly advocates for sanctuary campus bill.

Dan Falkenheim | *The Montclarion*

Red Hawk Rap Sheet



Graphic by Claudia Habrahmsch

Friday, Mar. 17

Bohn Hall: Student Maryam Malik, 19, of Jersey City, N.J., was charged with underage possession of alcohol. Malik is scheduled to appear in the city of Clifton Court.

Friday, Mar. 17

Sinatra Hall: Student David Kascak, 21, of Clinton, N.J., was charged with defiant trespassing. Kascak is scheduled to appear in the Little Falls Municipal court.

Saturday, Mar. 18

Calcia Hall: A student reported an incident of terroristic threats from another student. At this time, the reporting party declined to pursue charges.

Saturday, Mar. 18

Speech Building: A staff member of housekeeping reported an incident of criminal mischief. This case is under investigation.

Sunday, Mar. 19

Essex County: A student reported an incident of sexual assault. A joint investigation between Montclair State University Police Department and the Essex County Prosecutors office's Special Victims Unit is being conducted.

Sunday, Mar. 19

Blanton Hall: A student reported an incident of sexual assault and unlawful use of credit cards. This case is under investigation.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station at T-I-P-S (8477).

All calls are strictly confidential.

Third Safe Space Training Sheds Light on LGBTQ-Related Hate Crimes

Heather Berzak
Contributing Writer

Students of all ages came together in the Student Center Ballrooms on Saturday, March 18, where Montclair State held its third safe space training session of the spring 2017 semester from 1 to 5:30 p.m.

Safe space training is a four-and-a-half-hour program intended to educate students and create a network of support for the LGBTQ community at Montclair State through four key methods: reflection, personal and professional development, education and action.

When entering the program not knowing what to expect, graduate student Ledawn Hall, majoring in educational leadership with a concentration in higher education, said he was looking forward to seeing the diversity of students within the program, regardless if they were a part of the LGBTQ community or not.

With safe-space training being a highly-reputable program at Montclair State, Ledawn mentioned that this program was “highly recommended” to him by one of his graduate assistants within his diversity training course. It prompted him to take what he called a “great training and educational opportunity.”

Participants were immersed in several activities that involved engaging with each

other in groups or one-on-one, visual representations of statistics within the LGBTQ community, and interactive PowerPoint slides presented by the directors of the program Justin Lemley and Evan Weisberg.

In addition, each trainee was provided with a glossary of terms used within the LGBTQ community, along with activity sheets as a fun way to learn about their own specific identities. When released from the program, the group was given rainbow-colored buttons that say “Safe Space Trained” with a URL to the LGBTQ center website below it.

Shante Johnson, a graduate student participating in the Newark-Montclair dual education program, enjoyed the experience safe space training gave to her.

“Getting to hear other people’s experiences during the activities was really powerful to me,” said Johnson. “I would definitely recommend this program to other people.”

Lavender leader and peer educator of the safe space training program Austin Greitz believes that safe space training is essential because it can potentially save lives within the LGBTQ community.

The program gives an overview of hate crimes that LGBTQ people face, puts into perspective these students that often feel uncomfortable in school, and shares statistics of high rates of suicide that



Students sit in the Student Center ballrooms, waiting for the program to start. Heather Berzak | The Montclarion

“Getting to hear other people’s experiences during the activities was really powerful to me.”

- Shante Johnson, graduate student



Students are involved in activities for the LGBTQ Safe Space Training.

Heather Berzak | The Montclarion

the community faces in society today.

“Ultimately the goal is to educate people so we can prevent those tragedies from happening,” said Greitz.

While this particular group was smaller than usual, Greitz still appreciated the dynamic of the entire room and believed that “reaching 70 to 80 people on campus is still going to make a difference in broadening support of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community regardless.”

For those interested in participating in a safe space training session, the next available sessions will take place in the fall 2017 semester and can be registered for on HawkSync.

Montclair State Hosts ‘Walk to End Lupus Now’



Lambda Theta Alpha co-sponsored this event along with the Lupus Foundation on Sunday.

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Students Lobby Against Poverty in Washington D.C.

Deanna Rosa
Editor-in-Chief

Two Montclair State students joined members of ONE, an organization which fights extreme poverty, in Washington, D.C. earlier this month to lobby with senators and representatives about bills in support of their cause.

Public Health graduate student Pauline Chalet was one of them. She founded a ONE chapter at Montclair State last October, and thus joined the ranks of 7 million members worldwide advocating for the poor, particularly in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Chalet explained that their main goal while in Washington, D.C. was to convince politicians to support the International Affairs Budget, or 150 Account, which allocates less than 1 percent of the federal budget for foreign appropriation to help those in need internationally.

"It's a little bit at risk right now, so [the percentage] might get lowered, and we can't really afford that," explained Chalet. "We can't do what we

do without that budget being stable."

The main concern with that decrease, according to Chalet, is that it would hamper the Re-enforcing

Education Accountability in Development (READ) Act of 2017, a bill which provides education for more than 250 million children and adolescents who otherwise wouldn't have access to schooling.

"If women don't receive an education or don't find a husband, they usually get subjected to human trafficking and dying at a young age from not having education and getting a job," said Chalet.

She explained that other negative outcomes include increased susceptibility to terrorist organizations, which prey on the poor and vulnerable by offering them money and gifts, and risk of Ebola and HIV.

"They need an education to further their lives," she added.

Chalet, along with Montclair State ONE Vice President Michael Shehata, a senior linguistics major, met with Congressman Rodney



Senator Marco Rubio shows his support for ONE.

Photo courtesy of Pauline Chalet

Felinghuysen and staff members of senators Corey Booker and Robert Menendez. While Booker and Menendez were already in support of maintaining the International

Affairs Budget, Chalet and Shehata took the opportunity to thank them for their support and talk to them about poverty alleviation, security assistance and agency operations.

"It's not up to them," Chalet said of those she met with. "It takes a lot of senators all together to kind of convince their higher-ups to pass and to support the international affairs budget."

When they're not lobbying in our nation's capital, members of the ONE organization at Montclair State hold two "challenges" per semester, during which they write letters to local politicians, urging them to advocate for the cause.

Their next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 5 at 2:15 p.m.

Afrikinky: AfricansGoneNatural Visit Montclair State Campus as Part of College Tour to Empower Women and Embrace their Natural Beauty

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Natural hair model, Alex Green, walks in front of entrepreneur and hair stylist Rejoice Affram at Afrikinky.

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"Although [Afrikinky] is based on African culture and their fashion and different ways of self-care, I think it's going to bring a lot of different cultures together."

- Sophomore
Amanda Alston

better position.

Boyd didn't want to do anything unfulfilling, which meant she had to bartend seven nights a week to work toward her career goals.

"No one told me that passion doesn't pay the bills," Boyd said. Boyd's aunt saw her passion to be an entrepreneur, and helped her figure out how to get loans and gain capital.

AfricansGoneNatural also brought a few African-American women on their mentorship team, a program that they are developing to help students with their future business goals.

Bloggers Janet Yeboah and Temitope Olatunbosun gave the audience natural hair tips. Many audience members were given free natural hair products, and African-American, women-owned small-businesses had items to pur-

chase in the back of the room.

Toward the end, a few students modeled natural hair as well as clothing and makeup inspired by African heritage. NASO dancers also performed.

Business Marketing major and NASO event coordinator Roseline Conteh, 20, has been working with hair since her youth, and was able to style some of the models. She wants to show people you can "rock your natural hair." There is a stereotype that natural hair looks unruly, but there are ways you can style it to look presentable, according to Conteh.

"Although [Afrikinky] is based on African culture and their fashion and different ways of self-care," said 20-year-old sophomore Amanda Alston, "I think it's going to bring a lot of different cultures together."



Senior family and child studies major, Alex Green, gets her hair styled by junior business marketing and NASO event coordinator Roseline Conteh.

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Resident Assistant Robert Berentes to the Rescue

Unsung Heroes of Montclair State University

A series featuring stories about people within the university community whose jobs are unusual and often go unnoticed



Montclair State student and resident assistant Robert Berentes in front of Machuga Hall.

Hannah Wigandt | The Montclarion

Hannah Wigandt
Contributing Writer

Robert Berentes starts his day like any other student here at Montclair State University. He wakes up, goes to class and goes through his day learning like the rest of people on campus. But he also carries a great amount of responsibility that many don't see. He might start his day off like a student, but he ends his day as a hard working Resident Assistant (RA).

"I think people forget that we are students just like them. We are still people," said Berentes. "There are times where I'll have an 8:30 class the next morning and I'll get a call at 5:30 in the morning and have to wake up because a student came in either inebriated, in need of medical assistance or was simply being too loud. So here I am, a student at 5:30 in the morning waking up and making sure that you are okay. Once that's done, I have to come back and write up a report. Then I have to take the RA hat off and go to class."

Becoming a RA was not a hard decision for Berentes. He had work experience and felt that he could use those skills in order to do a great job as a resident assistant. After transferring from a community college and coming to Montclair State University, Berentes wanted to get involved in something that was going to make a lasting impression on campus. After talking with his own RA, he started the vigorous process of becoming a resident assistant himself.

Since becoming an RA, Berentes has made a lasting impression on all of his residents past and present. He enjoys making long-term friendships with them and he can tell that, by getting to know them, a bond of trust is formed.

"A lot of people only think of RAs in terms of their individual resident and then their experience with that RA, and it's in the same respect as teachers are thought of: 'Oh, teaching must be so easy, they only have to deal with 30 kids.' But, in reality, they have to deal with 150 kids in nine other classes besides yours. We are not just restricted to our residents. RAs are not just handling one student with an issue, but two or three and so on."

Berentes said that, despite the bad rap resident assistants get, he sticks to his job and handles everything calmly. By forming good relationships with his residents, he doesn't have to play the role of the "hall police."

There are many things that RAs do that residents do not see or think about. They are up until 1 a.m. putting door tags on residents' doors and decorating bulletin boards. Then there is also the more life-changing things that they do as well. They are the first ones on the scene when a life or death situation is unfolding, and they talk to residents who need serious counseling. Berentes believes that an RA has to have a lot of

people skills to truly be good at the job.

"I think patience [is] something an RA has to have," said Berentes. "You are going to encounter a lot of situations, big and small, that require you to take a step back and be patient with residents, staff [and] supervisors. A good RA has a good sense of compassion."

Aside from all his resident assistant responsibilities, Berentes also finds time to organize the 909 committee whose goals are educating residents about serious problems that could happen when partying and trying to feed residents before they go out. He is the president of the committee and works with other campus partners to educate residents as much as possible. He also mentors new resident assistants and trains them for the job.

"I was super lucky to have Rob as my mentor," said Emily Louka, Berentes' protégé. "He was probably the most helpful tool I had in getting into the RA roll. All the RAs are brilliant at what they do, but he stands out. He's a true leader, and he knows what he's doing. He will always come to help you if you need it, even if it's difficult for him to do so."

Being an RA takes its toll on a person, but if they weren't here there would be a lot of problems. Berentes is proof that resident assistants truly are unsung heroes.

"A good Resident Assistant has a good sense of compassion."

- Robert Berentes, Resident Assistant (RA) at Montclair State

Mad Style at Montclair State: A Fashion Column By Carlie Madlinger



Student and costume designer for Montclair State's production of "West Side Story," Samantha LaScala, standing fashionably on stage.

Carlie Madlinger | *The Montclarion*

Lights flashed, illuminating the dark theater and revealing two distinct gangs. The Sharks dominated the stage in lavender, dusty rose, black and red, while the Jets, dressed in sage green, blue, mustard yellow and burnt orange, stood strongly united.

"If you squinted and you couldn't see skin tone you could [still] tell who was in what gang," said student and costume designer for Montclair State University's production of *West Side Story*, Samantha LaScala.

After two years of dedication, LaScala finally saw her vision come to life on Feb. 19, during tech week at Alexander Kasser Theater.

"I felt like such a soccer mom," said LaScala smiling. "I just wanted to stand up, clap and cheer because it's like seeing your kids."

She continued, "I hit this rut

for a really long time. I thought, 'I don't even know if it's going to look good.' Just looking at it on a rack is hard. [When] you don't see it on bodies, it's flat on a hanger. But then, seeing it on stage, you're like, 'wow.'"

Fashion defines who people are, therefore costumes were an important part of the show. To this LaScala said, "Nobody talks at all in the beginning number. Everybody is running around, dancing, trying to fight each other. You need to distinguish who they are as characters before they speak and show their personality."

Exploring backstage, vibrant colors and intricate pieces mirroring 1950s ensembles were neatly organized in the halls and dressing rooms. The clothing exuded a personality on its own.

The senior spent around 40 hours a week sketching, preparing clothing, shopping and do-

ing fittings. The Victorian-esque Bond House across the street from Montclair State acted as the costume shop, housing the characters' ensembles.

"We wanted the people to be the life of this gray, dangerous world," said the costume design major, with a double focus in wig and makeup design. "The set is like a dangerous jungle gym. How the director described it, he wanted the people to be this glimpse into this poetic documentary."

"It was very realistic but also very theatrical and beautiful in a sense of color and silhouette because we are trying to still keep it very [centered around the time] period."

With 178 costumes ranging from head accessories and distressed apparel, the costume designers created three items: Anita's and two of Maria's dresses.

"This dress is just so stunning on stage. It's literally my favor-

ite thing to see when she walks on," LaScala said, proudly holding Anita's lively purple dress, which cost \$500 to make. This show-stopping look was designed with three petticoats underneath and tiered so that, when Anita kicked up with her sparkling purple heels, it emulated a "sexy flower," in LaScala's words.

"I want them to look good because if you see yourself in something bad, it ruins your performance a little bit," LaScala said about being in fittings with actors. "I wanted to make sure everybody was as comfortable as possible."

LaScala made sure that every character had something special about them.

"Action [a character in the show] loves being a Jet [in the play]. There's one line in the song that says, 'Like a capital J,' so what we did was, since he's a hoodlum, he stole paint

from the street and he just painted [the 'J' on his shirt]. He also works with [the shirt] on stage in that one line he goes like this," she said while simultaneously pointing at her top like Action does in the show. "That's a very special moment," she adds.

"Samantha did a great job at tailoring it to my body to make it very flattering," said dance and musical theatre major Alexa Racioppi, who plays Velma, while watching "The Bachelor" in her dressing room.

Racioppi acknowledged how costumes help her get into character: "Once you have it all on and you're on stage with your cast mates, it's like you've been dropped into the story officially."

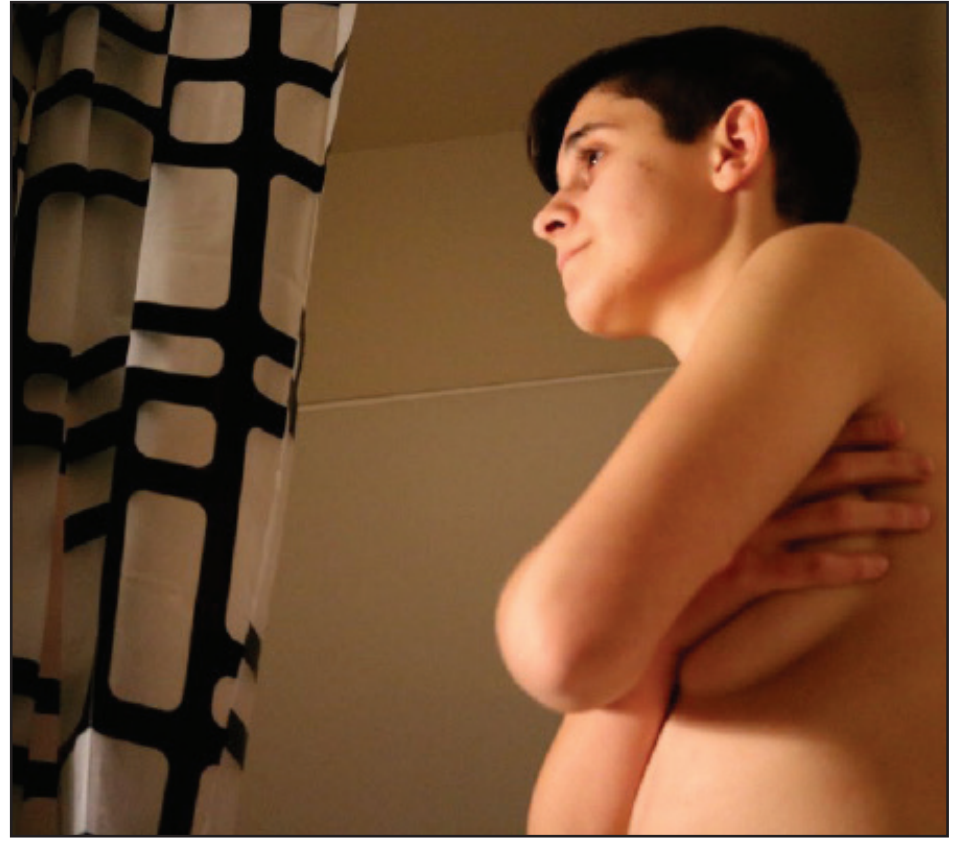


An abundance of vivacious crinolines fill the racks backstage.



LaScala displays Anita's handmade, breathtaking, ornate dress.

Photos by Carlie Madlinger



'This is who I am'

Montclair State Student Logan Kay on Being Transgender



Logan Kay, 21, a senior theater studies major, puts on his shirt after putting his binding on, an article of clothing he wears to constrain the female parts he still has.



Logan Kay holding a picture of himself of a time when the world knew him as a female. Logan knew at a young age that he felt more comfortable as a male. At right, Logan hugs Krystal Aguilar.

At age 6, Logan Kay would play house with his friends, taking on the male roles such as the dad, uncle, etc. He always felt extremely uncomfortable in his body and girls clothing. At this young age, he knew that he felt more comfortable as a male. In high school, his mom would take him to the mall and take him to the girls section of the stores. "I would buy something in the girls section to make her feel better, but I knew I didn't want to wear it," said Kay, a senior theater studies major. "She even bought me a prom dress and was heartbroken when I refused to wear it." During his junior year of high school, Kay felt compelled to tell his peers and teachers that he identifies as a male. However, it wasn't until August of 2015 that he told his family. "They weren't very accepting...they still aren't," he said. Logan's younger brother, who he shares a room with, still calls Logan by his birth name and female pronouns. "My parents don't want him to know," said Kay. He recalled an incident when he left a name tag out while he got in the shower. "When I got out of the shower, I found the name tag tucked around my books because my mom was afraid my brother would see the name Logan printed on it." He describes his situation at home as difficult because he feels like he takes on a different persona while there. "This is who I am...and I am not changing for anyone," Kay said.



Photos by Madison Glassman

Lambda Theta Phi Becomes a One-Man Fraternity



Senior and president of Lambda Theta Phi, Aldwing Catano in University Hall promoting awareness of lupus.

Teanna Owens | The Montclarion

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Teanna Owens
Feature Editor

Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity Inc. is a national fraternity. It was the first Latin fraternity to be founded in the United States. The fraternity is also making history this semester at Montclair State University because for the first time ever, there's only one active member.

President of Lambda Theta Phi, Aldwing Catano, became the last active member on campus after many of his brothers recently graduated.

"We have a high graduation rate," said Catano. "So pretty much each semester, the brothers on campus would graduate. A few graduated one semester, a few graduated the next, and it just kept going that way."

Catano, a senior psychology major, is not only a full-time stu-

dent, but also works full-time as the program coordinator at the Youth Advocacy Program—a non-profit organization in Paterson, New Jersey that pairs juveniles with mentors as an alternative to being placed in a juvenile detention center.

When asked how he manages his time as the only member of his fraternity, Catano admitted that he gets a lot of support from alumni and founding brothers.

Although he is the only active member on campus, according to Catano, there are two other members on campus who are currently inactive as a result of their demanding work and school schedules. Catano explained that they, along with the alumni, help out with funding and hosting events when they can.

Recently, the organization was re-chartered. After 26 years of service at Montclair State, the

one-man chapter defeated the odds as such a dilemma could potentially lead to the downfall of the whole organization.

When asked how an organization is re-chartered, Catano explained how he had to attend three meetings in which he presented to the Student Government Association what the organization has done as a chapter in the last two years and answer why Lambda Theta Phi should stay at Montclair State.

Catano said he didn't do it alone. With the help of alumni Orlando Castillo, James Romero and founding brother Rey Acevedo, Lambda Theta Phi will continue to provide educational and community service programs at Montclair State.

In an effort to recruit more members, Catano explained that he constantly promotes at the organization's events as well as through Instagram, email, flyers

and word of mouth.

Lambda Theta Phi was founded at Kean University in 1975. According to Catano, the Greek organization was founded at Montclair State in Stone Hall in February of 1991. One of the founding members, who was part of a group that called themselves "The 8 Bad Boys," was inspired by his brother, who had joined the same fraternity at another college.

When asked why he joined the fraternity, Catano explained that it was after befriending some of the brothers and being inspired by the way they carried themselves on and off campus. After going to an informational event where Catano was able to see his friends as "professionals" at such a young age, he knew that was where he wanted to see himself.

Catano recalled another event that also inspired his decision to

join the fraternity.

"I went to an annual picnic with all the brothers and their families," said Catano. "We ate and played games and it was seeing that bond that made me feel comfortable around them. It was something I knew I wanted to be a part of."

After crossing over into Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity Inc., Catano eagerly expressed that he's learned a lot.

"I wouldn't be able to do my job [at the Youth Advocacy Program] without learning the skills I learned during my undergraduate as a brother," said Catano. "I see today in my job that I am able to show leadership, network, find resources and how to run events and meetings. I learned a lot from the older alumni."

Add Some Spring to your Plate

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Spring is a time of rejuvenation, and that includes freshening up our plates. The hardier fruits and vegetables of winter give way to the verdant, bright, crisp produce of spring. As the weather gets warmer in New Jersey, local farms begin serving up the bounty of spring. Here are some fruits and vegetables to look out for at your local grocery store or farmer's market this spring and some reasons why they are healthy additions to your plate.

Asparagus

Asparagus is very high in vitamin K, which is important for blood clotting, and folate, which is necessary for metabolism. It is a very good source of fiber, which helps regulate digestion and keeps you fuller longer. The high amount of fiber designates asparagus as an excellent prebiotic, which is important for a healthy gut. Asparagus also contain antioxidants which help fight damage to our cells. Try asparagus steamed whole with a squeeze of lemon juice or chopped up in an omelet.

Spring Peas

Spring peas are very high in vitamin K, which is important for blood clotting, vitamin B1, which is crucial in energy metabolism and nerve function, and manganese which is needed for antioxidant protection. Peas also contain protein, and when combined with grains such as rice or corn, give our bodies all the protein building blocks they need. Spring peas are a good source of antioxidants which help fight damage to our cells. Try them sautéed with garlic and tossed with whole wheat pasta.

Strawberries

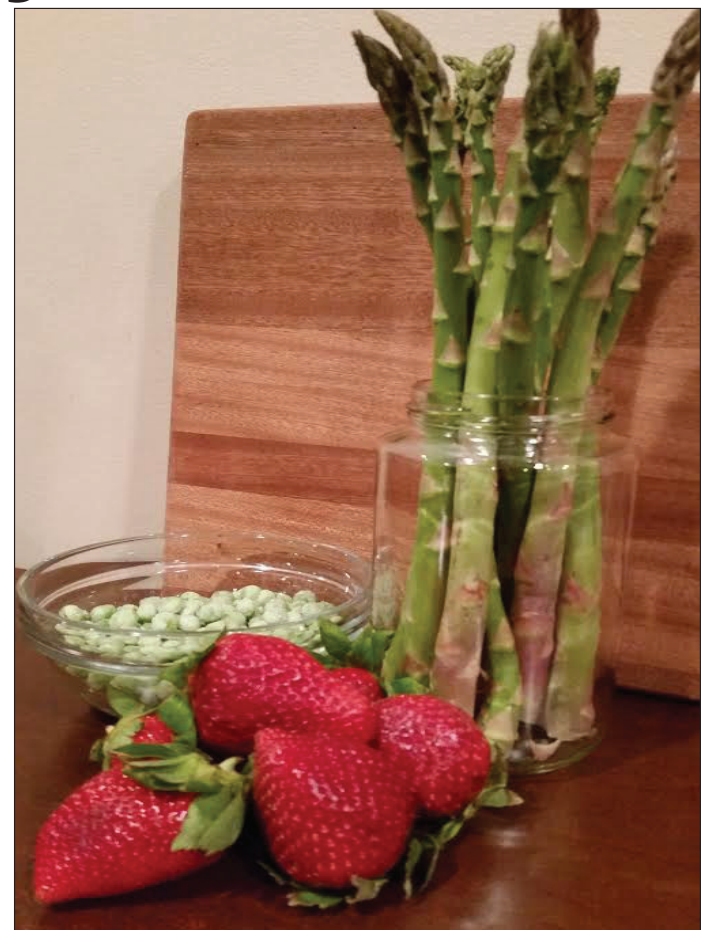
Strawberries are very high in vitamin C, which is essential for proper bone formation and joint health. They are also full of manganese, which is needed for antioxidant protection. They have strong antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties. Strawberries are delicious eaten raw. Also try them spooned over yogurt with a little drizzle of honey.

Spinach

Spinach is incredibly high in vitamin K, which is important for blood clotting, vitamin A,

which is needed for vision and immune function, manganese, which is needed for antioxidant protection, folate, which is necessary for metabolism, magnesium, which is critical for bone structure and nerve and muscle function, and iron, which is critical in delivering oxygen throughout our bodies and for immune function. Spinach grows incredibly well in the temperate weather of spring, so the best time to eat it is now before summertime. Add spinach to soups or use it as a base for a salad. The best way to get the most iron from spinach is to squeeze a little lemon or lime on top.

If you are new to eating seasonally, spring is a great time to start. There is a lot more variety in produce offerings than in winter, so there is a lot more to choose from and experiment with. If you are not sure what to choose, head over to a farmer's market and ask the farmer or a fellow customer. Produce grown in season generally has been allowed to fully ripen before it is sold and is often times more fresh. It also has retained more nutrients than fruits and vegetables not in season.



This season try adding asparagus and strawberries to your diet.

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Seeking energetic & reliable person with a flexible schedule to help care for our 8 month old daughter. The position would begin immediately and would entail watching her in our home while I am there. We would need someone 2-3 days a week for approx. 3-5 hours a day. There will also be occasional overnight help needed. Start ASAP! Experience with infants and references required. Education Major a plus! Email resume to: Greta.velevdevilla@gmail.com.

AFTER-SCHOOL SITTER, GLEN RIDGE
We're looking for an after-school sitter Monday-Friday 3 - 6:30pm / Can be 4 days a week for the right candidate. Responsibilities include, picking up kids from school, helping with homework and driving them to their after-school activities. Must be "dog friendly". Two kids, 8 & 6 years old.
Email: ceng01@gmail.com

\$15 /HR, AFTER-SCHOOL & EARLY EVENING CHILD CARE, MONTCLAIR
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\$15 /HR, BABYSITTER, MONTCLAIR
Looking for a reliable, responsible & energetic sitter for our 21 month-old son. Two afternoons per week (days flexible) while we are home, and potential for other occasional days & nights. Experience with infants & toddlers a must. Immediate start. Please email your information to: Lauren1039@mac.com.

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Say Nay to SGA

Montclair State University's Student Government Association (SGA) must be accepting applications due to the insufficient and cowardly student leadership on display in the wake of the sanctuary campus bill.

After two weeks of excuses and unproductive meetings, the SGA finally made a decision on the bill proposal. Against the will of the Montclair State community, the SGA anonymously voted against the bill, which would have made Montclair state the first official sanctuary campus in New Jersey.

While many are upset over the outcome of the vote, nothing is quite as upsetting as the

way in which the SGA handled the entire matter. On the SGA's HawkSync page, it says the SGA is run by student leaders who work "closely with [the] administration to serve the student body." Yet, since the inception of the sanctuary campus bill, the SGA has only acted as a disservice to the student body.

In anticipation for the vote, many students attended the March 8 SGA meeting in order to show their support for the bill, but were only disappointed to find that uninformed legislators wanted to delay the vote.

With such quick and drastic policies being made regarding the lives of undocumented im-

migrants, the SGA should have put forth extra effort in order to ensure that voting would take place in a timely matter, but they simply did not seem to care enough. Another delay occurred on March 15 as legislators instead voted to survey students to see if they supported the measure.

The survey was created with minimal effort and sent out to students. The survey only featured the text of the bill, which was likely confusing to many students, and a single question to determine whether students supported the measure.

Yet, the survey successfully helped the SGA gain an understanding of what the student body wanted. The survey found

that 74.11% of the 1016 individuals who voted supported the sanctuary campus bill. Even with this information on hand, the SGA chose to ignore it, effectively doubling back on the purpose of the SGA.

If the SGA is created to serve the student body, it needs to do so. Being part of the SGA should be more than a line on a resume. It is an opportunity to gain a unique glance into the needs of Montclair State students, not ignore them.

Yet, while the SGA completely disregarded the opinions of surveyed students, they did not ignore the opinions of President Susan Cole. To many, it seemed that the SGA looked toward the administration to hand them

the right answer when it came to this difficult and controversial bill.

To top it off, the SGA chose to vote anonymously. By doing this, the SGA legislators did not have to face students who had supported the bill every step of the way. It was an incredibly cowardly action.

The SGA is supposed to be a body of student leaders who have the best interests of the Montclair State community at heart, but the handling of the sanctuary campus bill proved otherwise. To ensure leaders who want to serve the student body are part of the SGA, make sure to vote in the upcoming SGA elections.

MAKE SURE TO VOTE IN THE SGA ELECTIONS ON APRIL 3-5, 2017



Students and President Susan Cole talk about the sanctuary campus bill.

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Nintendo Switches it Up

New Gaming System Has Questionable, But Hopeful, Launch



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Two weeks ago, Nintendo launched their latest console, the Nintendo Switch, with

current sales at 1.5 million units worldwide. One of the Switch's biggest selling points is the ability to take it on the go—a hybrid between a home console and handheld device—while maintaining the best graphics ever produced on a portable game system.

As with any new console, the Switch has seen its fair share of problems at launch. From a significantly weak launch lineup, expensive accessories and controller malfunctions, the Switch certainly doesn't seem like it was ready for its early-March release.

Nintendo's marketing tactic for the Switch is rather questionable as well, as it appeals to a specific audience with only one killer app for the system, "The Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild." It's safe to say that if you aren't a Zelda fan, there is almost no reason to purchase a Nintendo Switch at its current state.

The other available games, such as Nintendo's latest "1-2-Switch," are short, simple experiences that certainly aren't worth the \$300 price of admission. While there is a promise of future titles, including popular sequels like "Splatoon 2" and "Super Mario Odyssey," those games aren't releasing until the summer and fall seasons respectively.

It's baffling to think Nintendo would repeat the same mistake they made with their previous home console, the Wii U. Released back in fall of 2012, the Wii U also had a poor launch lineup and maintained a troublesome drought until fall 2013 when Super Mario 3D World gave Nintendo fans a reason to show optimism for the console.

A small launch library is common for new consoles, and it isn't a recent trend for Nintendo



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Nintendo released their new gaming system on March 3.

P Games on the go with great graphics
R Reasonably priced console
O Future Releases

C Lack of game titles
O Overpriced accessories
N Lack of online features

either. Even back in 1996, Nintendo launched the Nintendo 64 with just 2 games: "Super Mario 64" and "Wave Race 64." However, the Nintendo 64 was the only way to experience those two titles, while "Breath of the Wild" is also available on the Nintendo Wii U.

If a consumer already owns a Wii U, they can easily purchase that version of the game, which offers the exact same experience. Sure, the Wii U version won't let you continue your adventure on the go, but unless that is a top priority for the

player, it's a small drawback to picking the game up on last-gen hardware.

Setting aside the reasonable \$300 price tag for the Switch, the abundance of accessories for the console still cost an absurd amount. In Nintendo's latest attempt to innovate their controller design, they introduced the "Joy-Cons," a pair of controllers that can be connected to a central charging unit or a handheld screen, or separated to be used individually. An exciting new feature at first glance quickly becomes stressful when a new

consumer realizes Nintendo doesn't package the Switch with a portable charging unit for the controllers.

A charging grip costs an extra \$30, with an additional \$80 for any extra Joy-Con controller pairs. Since the Switch is marketed with multiplayer advantages in mind, it's a hefty investment to provide enough controllers for group gaming sessions.

New consoles will generally launch with some technical issues, such as the Switch's reported controller malfunctions

and dead pixels on screen. These can and will be fixed over time, but Nintendo still has a lot to learn from their past mistakes. They need to release more exclusive first-party titles instead of ports, and improve their marketing tactics to bring in more than just previous Nintendo customers.

Phillip Berardo, and English major, is in his first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

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Do Not Bow to the Hypocrisy of the Media

Bow Wow's Offensive Tweet Pushed Aside, But It Needs Needs More Coverage



NICHOLAS
DA SILVA
COLUMNIST

If you ever doubted that Bow Wow would end up in politics, think again.

Just last week, things got heated between the rapper and the presidential family.

The whole incident started after President Donald Trump posted a tweet criticizing Snoop Dogg for his music video, which featured a caricature of Trump in clown makeup being assassinated. Soon after Trump sent out the tweet, Bow Wow lashed out at Trump on Twitter by threatening in flattering terms to pimp out his wife Melania Trump.

While Bow Wow was defending his uncle, Snoop Dogg, there

is nothing in the president's tweet that could have justified Bow Wow's tweet. Bow Wow's comment is truly despicable because it champions the idea of taking a woman and devaluing her as sexualized property. It is even more cowardly of a statement to make due to the simple logic that Melania Trump had nothing to do with her husband's criticism of Bow Wow's uncle.

As wrong as Bow Wow's actions were, it was dismaying to see a lack of coverage in the media regarding the issue. Even though there were comments on Twitter regarding the incident, many major news outlets seemingly swept the whole issue under the rug. When the incident was at the peak of its publicity, many of the news outlets were covering Trump's wiretapping allegations against former President Barack Obama.

Shortly after, Bow Wow deleted his comment, but that is not an actual punishment for his actions. He was essentially allowed to get off with a warning for making incredibly lewd comments about the First Lady of the President of the United States.

When Trump made incredibly disgusting comments about various women, the media rightfully hounded him for his behavior. Bow Wow's comment was only somewhat less offensive than what Trump said, but it was still incredibly degrading to a whole gender of people.

Nobody should be allowed to say something offensive without suffering some sort of consequences for it. People still hold Trump over the fire for the comments that he made—and rightfully so. Does anyone really believe that the comments made by Bow Wow are going to be re-

membered in a few months? In fact, it already seems like most people have forgotten about the whole controversy.

To be fair, that is because Trump continues to be the biggest tabloid queen since Britney Spears in 2007. Yet, the overall point is that this incident speaks to a larger issue regarding the media's criticism tending to lean more heavily toward one side of the political spectrum. When a major Democratic figure makes an incredibly offensive statement, the media should cover that person the same way they would cover a major Republican figure.

One of the reasons why a lot of people do not trust the media is because they believe that it has an agenda that leans toward one-sided storytelling. Bow Wow's comments deserved to be plastered on the headlines of newspapers to exemplify how

sexism would not be tolerated no matter what side of the political spectrum you stand on. Instead, letting Bow Wow's comments go virtually unseen set the wrong example and furthered many people's beliefs regarding media bias.

The media has many stories to cover and not a lot of time to do it, but they should always make an earnest effort to give every story a platform for praise and criticism from the public. Even if it means making some of the members of pro-Democrat Hollywood look bad, fair and balanced criticism of all offensive commentary is essential in today's highly divided society.

Nicholas Da Silva, a journalism major, is in his third year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

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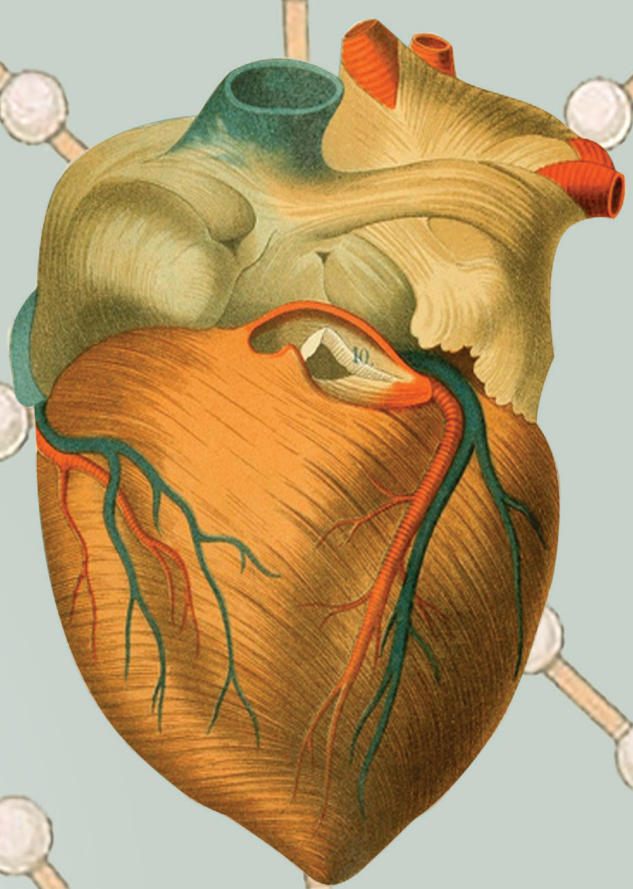
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March 23 – 26

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MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

Arts Advocacy Week

So far this week...

Make Your Mark for the Arts!

Where: Alexander Kasser Theater Lobby

When: March 21 at 1 p.m.

Student Peak Ambassadors were decorating a banner in the Alexander Kasser Theater lobby to draw attention to President Donald Trump's proposed cut of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). "As campus art advocates, we wanted to do something to show that students appreciate all the arts programming that's on campus currently," said Hannah Rolfes, the cultural engagement assistant. When asked what the Peak Ambassadors and herself are trying to achieve, she said mostly awareness. "A lot of students come in here and they don't know what the NEA is, even arts students. It's good to promote that education," she added. In the next few days, the banner will be hung up in the Kasser theater lobby for everyone to see.



Awije Bahrami | The Montclarion

Hannah Rolfes, left, and Peak Ambassadors posing in front of the banner that is to draw awareness to Trump's proposed National Endowment for the Arts cuts.

Films and Filmmakers

Where: University Hall

When: March 21 at 7 p.m.



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Montclair State alumnus Jamison Locascio (right) talks about his feature film "The Depths".

Jamison Locascio, a Montclair State alumnus, gave a presentation at the weekly film forum on Tuesday, Mar 21. He showed his feature film, "The Depths," and then gave a commentary about the production of the film. "The Depths" was about an hour and twenty minutes long, and the genre would be a combination of a drama and thriller. Locascio said that the film was on a \$65,000 budget and that his biggest inspirations are David Fincher and Christopher Nolan. He also talked about his most recent project, "Film Valor," which is a look behind the scenes at Locascio's company Halycon Valor Productions. Locascio is currently working on another film that is set to premiere in Manhattan next month. The biggest piece of advice that Locascio gave to the forum was to make connections now because you never know who could help you in your career. It was arguably the most interesting forum we've had this semester. The moderator, Professor Roberta Friedman stated that it was the most silent forum thus far. "It was so silent you could hear a pin drop," she said.

In honor of Arts Advocacy Montclair State University Peak Ambassadors, will be and performances amongst Read about what events what is still

"This year, [the week] is the Trump administration eliminate the National Arts. We are encouraging petitions...to support

-Hannah Rolfes



Babee Garcia | The Montclarion

Students dress for success at the Montclair State University's Arts, Communication and Entertainment Fair.

Arts, Communication and Entertainment Career Fair

Where: Student Center Ballrooms

When: March 22 at 3 p.m.

In support of Arts Advocacy Week, Montclair State held an Arts, Communication and Entertainment Career Fair in the Student Center Ballrooms from 3 to 5 p.m. Students were able to bring necessary documents for employment and internship opportunities. Participants from the fair included Kleinfeld's Bridal Shop in New York City, NJ Motion Picture Commission, Pearl Media and NJ 101.5-Townsquare Media Trenton.

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Coming up...

The Masks We Wear: Returned Peace Corps Volunteers Share Stories of Service and Identity in Africa

Where: George Segal Gallery

When: March 23 at 6 p.m.



One of the West African masks on display in the George Segal Gallery.

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On Thursday, March 23 at 6 p.m. the George Segal Gallery will host the event "The Masks We Wear: Returned Peace Corps Volunteers Share Stories of Service and Identity in Africa." The event will take place in the George Segal Gallery in conjunction with their current exhibit "African Figures and Masks from the Montclair State University Permanent Collection." Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs) will reflect on their experiences living and volunteering in the same countries as the masks represented in the installation. These countries include Benin, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast), and Guinea.

Week, March 20 - 26, the Student Advocate Group, conducting a series of events the diverse artists on campus. have already happened and to come!

particularly important because has proposed to Endowment for the students to sign the NEA."

Cultural Engagement Assistant

New Works Initiative: Michigan Murders

Where: L. Howard Fox Theater

When: March 23 to 26



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As part of the New Works Initiative and in conjunction with Montclair State's Producers in Residence, Bisno Production, the Department of Theater and Dance is presenting "Michigan Murders." From 1966 to 1969, several young college women were murdered in the Michigan area by a fellow student. Meghan Finn and Julia May Jonas created a multi-disciplinary play with music based on the real events that surrounded the crime. "Michigan Murders" pits the exuberant chaos and freedom of the 60's against the real and palpable terror of victimization that women faced at the time. It also reflects on the state of feminism today. "Michigan Murders" can be seen at the L. Howard Fox Studio Theater on March 23 and 24 at 7:30 p.m., March 25 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. and March 26 at 2 p.m.

QUIXOTE

Where: Alexander Kasser Theater

When: March 23 to 26

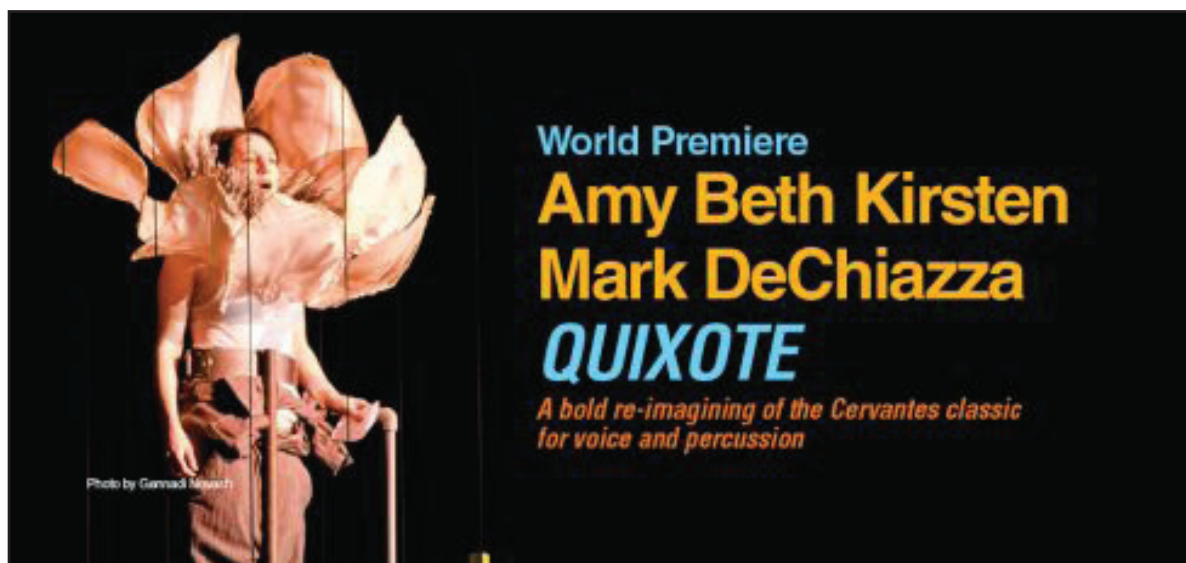


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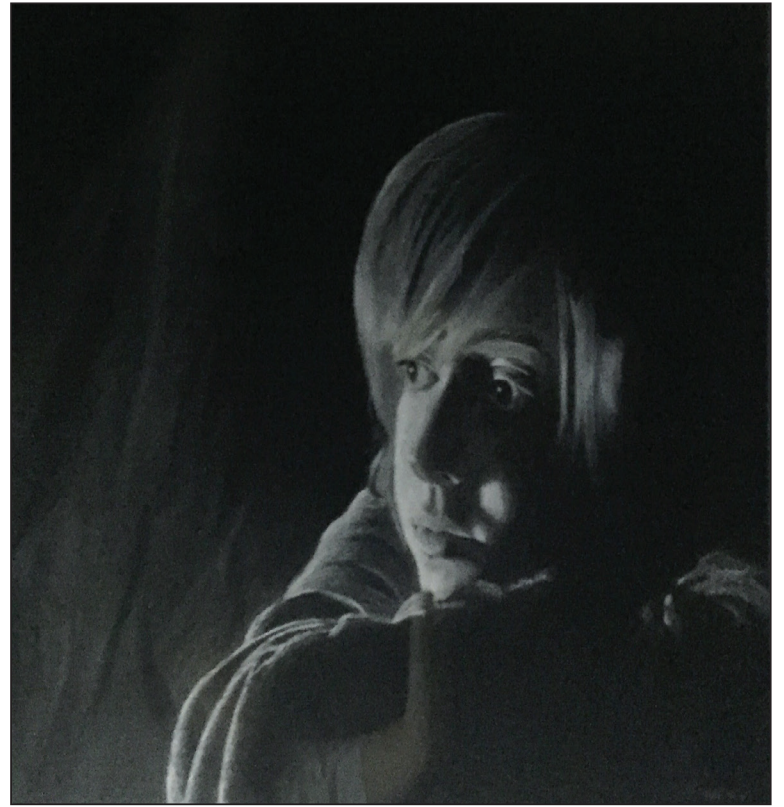
Commissioned by Peak Performances as part of its new extended residency program, "Quixote" is a bold reimagining of the Cervantes classic "Don Quixote." With new music and direction, "Quixote" gives the audience a new look inside the iconic character's mind. A soprano, mezzo-soprano, contralto and four singing percussionists provide the voices accompanying Don Quixote's hallucinations. This simple and gorgeous production is equal parts storefront theatre and expressionistic opera. "Quixote" can be seen at the Alexander Kasser Theater on March 23 and 24 at 7:30 p.m. It can also be seen on March 25 at 8 p.m. and March 26 at 3 p.m.

Student Artist Highlight: Tayllor Cunningham

Tayllor Cunningham is a senior animation and illustration major. She started drawing at the age of 3 and has been pursuing and developing her artistic skills ever since. One of her current projects is a series of portraits of her family and friends. The portraits range in size and are done in charcoal and oil paint.



Two Student Artist Highlight paintings by Tayllor Cunningham's.



Photos courtesy of Tayllor Cunningham.

When and why did you decide to pursue art as a career?

I decided to pursue it as a career after my sophomore year at Montclair State. I felt I was in the wrong major. I was previously a film major. I was hesitant at first because I was afraid if I pursued art as a career, my passion for it would die and it would become regular work to just get done. However, I missed making art and realized no matter what, I could never grow tired of it and so I decided to switch and study what I love.

What experiences have you had drawing?

I have had no professional experience outside of school assignments.

What have you learned by being an artist?

As an artist you have to constantly keep practicing and trying various mediums and methods until you find your own unique artistic style. I like to say I am a multi-media artist, and practice every day to further develop my skills. Through lots of practice I was able to teach my-

self to draw photo-realistic portraits and other realistic objects.

What is your biggest motivation?

My biggest motivation is my mom, my family and friends and my own determination to better my skill and build a name for myself.

How has Montclair State University fostered you as an artist?

Montclair State has been amazing in that the faculty is very helpful in critiquing my work

and fostering a great environment where I feel comfortable sharing my work. The professors are all talented artists with amazing connections and helpful advice to give to young artists trying to start their career. Montclair has also provided me with useful supplies in a couple of my classes that I still use to this day.

Who are your biggest supporters?

My family and friends are my biggest and most helpful supporters.

Who are your biggest inspirations?

My biggest inspirations are some of the classical artists of the past, mixed with the many artists of today that I find through social media and networking. Seeing other artists work and them being successful is motivating and reassuring to continue pursuing art as a career. To name a few artists, I love Rembrandt and Monet, along with Aaron Blaise, Hillary Scott and Jake Parker.

Tale as Old as Time Reimagined Beautifully in New 'Beauty and the Beast'

Julia Siegel
Staff Writer

It is rare for a film to be deemed a classic from the first time it graces the silver screen, but "Beauty and the Beast" defied all odds as an animated tale in 1991. Flash forward 26 years, three direct-to-video releases, a live-action television series and a global Broadway smash hit later and the story is still thriving in pop culture today. Disney's latest live-action remake is almost everything anyone could want from the tale as old as time. "Beauty and the Beast" (2017) is wonderfully reimagined with an expanded story, gorgeous set and costume designs and the perfect cast to bring one of the most beloved Disney animated films to life again.

One element that makes the 2017 rendition a standout in the franchise is its ability to further expand the story. If you watch the 1991 version enough, there is no doubt you will start to question small story elements. A lot of the missing pieces are solved in the new film, so the story as a whole made a lot more sense. For example, the opening prologue sequence has been updated to have the prince be transformed into the Beast as an adult with everyone in the castle being stuck in time and not aging. In the original film, this did not make sense because the prince was at least a teenager in the original prologue and

had to find love by the time he turned twenty one. Meanwhile, Lumiere mentions in the song "Be Our Guest" that they have been cursed for ten years. In the 2017 version, the lyrics of "Be Our Guest" are changed to include the updated curse stipulations.

All of the story additions are smart and add more context to help keep the film fresh. Another way the new version stays relevant is by updating the look of the sets and costumes. Everything has a gilded, antique look that really highlights the French provincial setting of the story. The sets are stunning and spectacular to look at, and the amount of detail is fantastic. Belle and the Beast's costumes are especially regal and beautiful, particularly in the final scene. Emma Watson looked just like the animated character, which will make any fan extremely happy.

Speaking of Watson, her character is very different than the Belle you might remember. The new Belle is extremely intelligent, an inventor, the only girl with brains in the town, clever, and does not put up with anyone. She boldly denies Gaston's frequent advances and stands up for herself to the Beast as well, which seemed out of place for the time period. Belle has transformed into a very strong female character, which is great for all the young girls that will see this film. Watson's facial expressions and singing were off

at times, but it is forgivable for all the times she nailed it.

Watson wasn't the only perfect casting. Dan Stevens (the Beast), Luke Evans (Gaston), Ewan McGregor (Lumiere) and Emma Thompson (Mrs. Potts) all especially killed it in their performances. The entire cast was wonderful, and I applaud all of them for a job well done. Evans easily gives the best acting performance of the film, which is highlighted in his fantastic singing voice and a hilarious narcissistic moment. Stevens has a lovely voice as well, which he shows off during a brand new song toward the end of the film.

As a whole, the film combines the elements of a stage production with the animated original to create a new version that the whole family will love. The live-action "Beauty and the Beast" is simply not a repeat of past iterations, but its own film from the start. The darker yet lighter feel works perfectly to create another Disney masterpiece. The new songs also fit in well, as do the expanded supporting character roles. All of the character progressions and pairings feel very natural, and Disney deserves praise for the way they integrated interracial couples and the first two openly gay characters without dragging attention to them during the film. The live-action film will live on as another instant classic.



Theatrical release poster for 'Beauty and the Beast.'

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Ed Sheeran's 'Divide' Conquers Billboard Charts

Chanila German
Assistant Feature Editor

Hearts around the world melted on March 3, when Ed Sheeran released his newest album called "Divide." It came to no one's surprise that his third studio album is conquering Billboard's Top 200 album charts, and has already become double platinum. In the short two weeks since "Divide" has been released, it has broken global streaming, while Sheeran's ticket sales for his upcoming tour have been skyrocketing—many already sold out around the world.

When discussing Sheeran's new album, it is important to recognize the song that is often playing on the radio, and constantly stuck in everyone's heads. "Shape of You" is one of Sheeran's biggest hits, and with good reason. While it might be overplayed, this song is perfect for a sing-along with some of your friends during a lengthy car ride. Even without the lyrics, the song is fast-paced enough to dance around to with a group of friends or a special someone.

"Eraser," the first song on the new record, is one of Sheeran's most honest songs as it sheds light on his own experiences of being a singer in the public eye. "I'll find comfort in my pain" is just one of the many lyrics of the song that give the fans a bit of insight of the singer's struggles, from being a young boy wanting a dream to man who has achieved that dream.

He compares how his career has become mainstream, and how everything isn't as marvelous as he thought it would be. While his experiences might not reflect your own, the song still mirrors the struggles and pains that many go through

when they lose themselves trying to chase a dream.

If you are feeling nostalgic, "Castle on the Hill," might be the right song for you on those days that you are feeling homesick. It's upbeat, light, simple and the best four minutes of your life in one song. Sheeran sings his heart out about the ones that he loves best, who might not be flawless, but have taught him the value of family and love. So instead of feeling down about not being with your loved ones, turn on this song and relive your rebellious teenage years with Sheeran.

If you're unsure if you should tell that special someone about your feelings—even if you are dying to tell him or her—well, "Dive" right into it with this slow beat, heart-warming, and guitar-driven song. Sheeran does a perfect job of wearing his heart on his sleeve, so the rest of us don't have to. The song is meant for those that are ready to "Dive" right into a relationship with that special someone, but might be too shy to tell them.

Take the example of the legendary 1998 movie "Say Anything" by playing this song from a boombox (or your laptop nowadays) over your head right below that special someone's window. Trust Sheeran in helping you to win over that person—without even having to utter a single word.

Here is the "Perfect" song for a romantic night out with your boyfriend or "Galway Girl." Both songs are love songs; the only difference is their beats. "Perfect" is more slow-paced for a night dancing under the stars, while "Galway Girl" is just right for a night out in an Irish pub. "Galway Girl" shows how an Irish girl and an English man can truly make some

catchy tones, while "Perfect" reminds you how wonderful that person is that you keep daydreaming about — you know the one.

Now if you are looking for a "Happier" beat, this song might not be for you. Sheeran reminds us how much it hurts to see your ex with someone else, especially only after a month apart. The song is meaningful, powerful and moving, making this one of Sheeran's best songs — even if it isn't number one on the billboards.

Sheeran just dissed your "New Man," with this catchy tune. Just remember, if you ever break up with Sheeran, he might end up writing a song about your "New Man," and not in the most flattering light.

"Hearts Don't Break Around Here," reminds us that not all love songs are about heartbreak, and that love can bring you happiness.

"What Do I Know," has a sweet, and slow melody written as a love song for the whole world, and reminds us that a bit of love can go a long way in making the world a better place.

"How Would You Feel (Paean)" about this song on repeat on your phone for a couple of days straight. This love song transports you to a time when you fell in love for the first time, and the incredible feelings that person gives you.

"Supermarket Flowers," is one of Sheeran's most honest, raw and gloomy songs yet. Grab a box of tissues and make sure to call up your grandmother after crying your eyes out.

Get ready to purchase the soonest ticket to "Barcelona" and dance your way onto the airplane after listening to this song. While it is deeply appreciated, Sheeran's attempt



Ed Sheeran's new album debuted on March 3.

Photo courtesy of wikipedia.org

to sing in Spanish on this track wasn't the best. Next time, the British singer should just stick with what he knows — English.

You might not understand some of the words, but "Bibia Be Ye Ye," is a great song. The song has traces of Hawaiian influence with a fast-paced rhythm that makes you want to head to the nearest beach just to lie in the sand and drink coconut all day.

Sheeran gives a traditional Irish sound mixed with pop for his track "Nancy Mulligan," which talks about the magical romance of his grandfather and grandmother. This song shows

glimpses into an everlasting love through the eyes of a caring grandson.

"Save Myself," is the final song of the sixteen-track album. It helps to leave the fans with an undying message that sometimes you need to be the hero of your own story, before you can be the hero of someone else's.

No matter the emotions that you are feeling on any given day, you can find a song in this album that reflects your own feelings.

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DOUBLE HEADER

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6 p.m.

FRI 3/24

Women's and Men's Outdoor Track at Monmouth Season Opener
TBA

SAT 3/25

Men's Outdoor Track at Monmouth Season Opener

Women's Outdoor Track at Monmouth Season Opener

Men's Lacrosse at U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
Noon

Softball vs. New York University
1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.
DOUBLE HEADER

Women's Lacrosse vs. Fredonia University
2 p.m.

SUN 3/26

Women's Lacrosse at The College of Brockport
Noon

MON 3/27

No Games

TUE 3/28

Softball vs. DeSales University
3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.
DOUBLE HEADER

WED 3/29

Baseball vs. DeSales University
3:30 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse at Stockton University
7 p.m.

New Chapter in Skyline Conference for Montclair State Men's Lacrosse

Anthony Paradiso
Staff Writer

The men's lacrosse game vs. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) was postponed on Wednesday, March 22 due to cold weather. Not only would it have been the team's second home game this season, but also the team's last game before the team travels to Kings Point, New York on Saturday to play Skyline Conference rival, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

The Red Hawks trip to Kings Point began the team's "Skyline Grind," which includes a whopping eight consecutive games against Skyline Conference opponents starting with the United States Merchant Marine Academy and ending with a trip to Maritime College on April 22.

This year's men's lacrosse team has big shoes to fill.

Since 2010, seven teams have represented the school's colors, and all seven were crowned Skyline Conference champions at the end of the year.

So far in the 2017 season, the Montclair State University men's lacrosse team has not played a single game in the



Matt Haemmerle looks to get past a defender.

Photo Courtesy of Montclair Athletics

Skyline Conference.

On March 29, the Red Hawks will face Stockton College. The Stockton Ospreys have outscored their opponents 121-66 and have seven players with double-digit points. The Ospreys won the one in-conference game they played, 19-7 against St. Joseph's Long Island.

Seniors Shaun Sterner, Don

Finn, Brady Wulster and sophomore Matt Haemmerle have contributed rather evenly in the scoring department. Haemmerle leads the team with nine goals this season and 11 ground balls.

Men's lacrosse was denied 7-8 in their home opener against Dickinson College and senior goalie Lucas Jones made 12

saves in that narrow defeat.

The original game against RPI on Wednesday, March 21, will be rescheduled for Thursday, March 23 at 4 p.m. RPI returns home from a game in California, off a 16-9 victory on the back of eight goals from senior Breanainn McNeally.

Raising The Bar Montclair State's Campus Rec Holds A Bench-Pressing/Squatting Competition



Contestants were helped by Rec Center employees serving as spotters.

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Keanan Carter
Contributing Writer

The sounds of clanging iron echoed through the Montclair State Campus Recreational Center on Thursday afternoon as students filed in from 3 to 6 p.m. to test their strength in a bench-press and squat competition. Participants crammed into the first floor weights area to spectate fellow weightlifters' sets before giving it a go themselves.

"This event has been around since 2009 or so," said Montclair State Campus Recreational fitness supervisor Jon Gorman. "To be fair, we judge each competitor's sets based on their body weight in comparison to how much total pounds they bench or squat."

Lifters were allowed two turns to reach the highest set of reps they could possibly do as two minutes were allotted in between each set to ensure the

lifters' bodies were not being overworked. Although prizes are at stake for the victor, not everybody signed up strictly to win. Many entrants joined the competition purely to stay in shape and assess their limits as lifters.

"As an aspiring fitness personality who may be covering these types of events, I just wanted to build my confidence up", said Nkechi Okpara, a graduate student studying nutrition dietetics and food science. "I loved it. The spotters were helpful in guiding and motivating you. I overestimated how much I could squat, but now it encourages me even more to keep pushing for a peak performance."

Contestants were invited to sign up beforehand through various emails and flyers sent out to the Red Hawk community but it was not mandatory to fill out a form in advance.

"We like to have it open to

everybody because not everybody gets the notifications of the event," said Gorman. "A lot of gym-goers stroll in for their daily routines and see the commotion figuring, 'Hey. Why not give it a try?'"

The results from the event are still being tallied but the final marks are expected to be posted on Montclair State's Campus Recreational Center's Facebook page by the end of the day, March 23.



A student sets up to squat.

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Red Hawk Recap

Red Hawks Baseball: 2
Oneonta College: 6

Red Hawks Baseball: POSTPONED
Moravian College:

Red Hawks Men's Lacrosse: POSTPONED
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Red Hawks Men's Lacrosse: POSTPONED
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Stella Slams Spring Sports



Yogi Berra Stadium has been covered in snow for days after the potent snow storm.

Anthony Gabbianelli | The Montclarion

Anthony Gabbianelli
Assistant Sports Editor

A week after rocking the East Coast, Winter Storm Stella is still affecting Montclair State spring sports and their schedules.

The ten inches of snow that got dropped on the university, while it is still melting, has cancelled numerous home and away games for Montclair State's baseball team, softball team and the men's and women's lacrosse team. Both baseball and softball teams have yet to play in their first home games of the season.

The baseball team was scheduled to play games to start their home stand against Baruch College, Neumann University, Oneonta and Moravian College, but because of the snow from the past week, those games have all been cancelled.

The games against Oneonta and Moravian College have been rescheduled with Montclair State playing each team in Flemington, N.J., on Tuesday March 21 and Thursday March 23. They have not played a

game since March 12 when they played in the RussMatt Invitational against Suffolk University in Florida.

While the baseball team may not be playing at home, they did make up a game against Oneonta State University of New York on unfamiliar territory.

Upcoming Home Baseball Games

Thursday, March 23
vs. Moravian College
at 6 p.m.

Game Rescheduled
to be played in
Flemington, N.J.

Wednesday, March 29
vs. Desales University
at 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 4 vs.
University of Scranton
at 4 p.m.

Thursday, April 6 vs.
William Paterson
University at 3:30 p.m.



Dom Lampasona had one hit in four at bats against Oneonta, a home run.

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The remnants of Winter Storm Stella impeded the lacrosse teams from continuing their seasons.

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The game was rescheduled to be played in Flemington, N.J., about an hour away from home, where Montclair State fell to Oneonta State University of New York 6-2. The Red Hawks offense was limited to two runs on four hits, including a solo home run by sophomore outfielder Dom Lampasona in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Junior Connor Lindsay, in his third start of the season, gave up four earned runs on seven hits while striking out seven and walking one in 5.1 innings pitched. Max Maarleveld and Taylor Parsons both came on to pitch in relief, combining for one earned run, four strike outs and one walk in 3.2 innings.

The softball team has also not yet played at home this season. Not only was their doubleheader in Montclair against Drew University postponed due to the snow, but their first away game in Staten Island, N.Y., against The College of Staten Island was postponed as well. Neither games have been rescheduled for a later date, but

the softball team is set to play Centenary College in a doubleheader on Thursday in Montclair.

Both men's and women's lacrosse teams had games postponed last week due to the blizzard. The men's team had their game against Purchase College postponed last Saturday with nothing yet rescheduled. They are still slated to play Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute on Thursday. The women's team was set to play in Allentown, Penn. against Muhlenberg College last Friday, but despite trying to move the game to that afternoon, the game ended up being postponed. That game has yet to be rescheduled, but they play Buffalo State on Tuesday and Fredonia University in Brockport, N.Y., on Saturday.

With the weather still frigid and wintery, hopefully the new spring solstice brings games to all the Montclair State spring sports teams.