In March, Montclair State University students felt indifferent after rumors circulated that Miranda Cosgrove, a former Nickelodeon actress, was enrolled at the university. However, this week, Cosgrove decided to make an official announcement about her enrollment at Montclair State through her social media accounts.

Cosgrove is known for her iconic roles in different television shows and movies. Her most popular role was in the Nickelodeon series “Drake and Josh,” where she played an evil little sister named Megan Parker, always torturing her brothers with devious pranks.

When “Drake and Josh” ended, Cosgrove started to work on a new teen sitcom on Nickelodeon called “iCarly,” playing the main character Carly Shay, who created her own web show with her best friends. After “iCarly” concluded in 2012, Cosgrove decided to try voice acting and got a major role in the animated franchise “Despicable Me.” Nonetheless, shortly after the last movie was recorded, Cosgrove felt like there was something missing from her life. That’s when she realized she never really had the true college experience as a result of being homeschooled due to her acting career keeping her so busy.

After she toured through many different universities, Cosgrove decided to choose Montclair State, which was her dream school ever since she was younger.

“If it still feels surreal that I got accepted to my dream university. Deep down I knew that Montclair State was where I was destined to be and everyone has been so nice to me these past few semesters,” Cosgrove said. “Most importantly, everyone has respected my privacy and that’s why not everyone knew I attended here.”

Cosgrove mentioned she

A Montclarion Mystery: The Case of the Broken Computers

Rebecca Serviss
Opinion Editor

On the first morning of April, Dr. Keith Strudler, the director for the School of Communication and Media (SCM), was taking a spring stroll around the back side of the SCM. He was glancing out at the Manhattan skyline when suddenly he heard the sound of broken glass and a loud thud. Strudler turned around and noticed nine PC desktop computers lying on the ground behind him. All of them were broken.

“It was a nice sunny day and I had some free time so I decided to take a walk,” Strudler said. “I was not expecting to almost be crushed by flying computers.”

Shortly after the PCs hit the ground, they burst into flames, sending Strudler fleeing with fear.

“Of course I ran away, I think anyone would have,” Strudler said. “Something did not feel right, and I knew this was no accident.”

Before he left the scene, Strudler noticed that the window of The Montclarion office was shattered. He immediately rushed over to the office, but no one was there.

Demanding answers, Strudler contacted the fire department and Capt. Kieran Barrett from the Montclair State University

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Exception: April Fools!

 Rocky the Red Hawk (left) welcomes Miranda Cosgrove (right) to Team Rocky.

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Traffic: A male student
Saturday, March 30

Lot 60: A pile of broken PC desktop computers from The Montclarion office lie on the concrete in flames after a suspect threw them out the window.

Red Hawk Rap Sheet

Friday, March 29
Lot 60: Various students reported that an unidentified flying object was spotted over Lot 60 in the late afternoon. The UFO was flying in circles for about an hour. This incident is under investigation.

Monday, April 1
Center for Environmental and Life Sciences: Multiple students reported that the hand soap in the labs have been replaced with different shades of food coloring. They are complaining that it won’t come off, and it is ruin- ing everything they touch. UPD suggested that the students try using nail polish remover and rubbing alcohol.

Thursday, March 28
On Campus: A female student commuter reported her pet lizard, Nugget, snuck into her backpack without her knowl- edge. Nugget escaped and is currently on the loose on camp- us. This incident is under investigation and a reward is being offered for finding the lizard.

Saturday, March 30
Student Center: A male student reported that the beloved pool table on the third floor was stolen. Students are now concerned about what they are going to do to pass the time between classes. This incident is under investiga- tion.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station at T-IPS (3477). All calls are strictly confidential.
The Montclarian Staff Gets Hitched

Three members of the student newspaper make ultimate bro sacrifice by tying the knot

Jen Losos
Assistant Copy Editor

The weather could not have been more picture-perfect for a wedding as three men took the term “bromance” to the next level by making the ultimate bro sacrifice by getting hitched.

With the wind howling throughout the ceremony, three Montclair State University students and staff members of The Montclarion gathered in the School of Communication and Media to get married.

Montclarion members Ben Caplan, sophomore English major and photography editor, Anthony Gabbianelli, senior journalism major and sports editor, and Thomas Neira, sophomore communication and media arts major and entertainment editor, were wed by Fiorella Medina, senior English major and chief copy editor.

The three men have become “bros” this past semester and their bromance cultivated into the ultimate three-person wedding.

The ceremony for the three men took place on Sunday, March 31 in The Montclarion staff office. No one showed up on time. The ceremony had the perfect ambiance of March Madness and music played from a tiny violin. The three men were led in ceremony as they held hands in a circle and exchanged vows.

Gabbianelli went first in exchanging vows.

“Love is something special. Special has seven letters and we are three people,” Gabbianelli said. “Seven minus three is four, four, I am for this marriage. Forever.”

Medina was then asked to control her laughter so the ceremony could continue.

Caplan went next, showing true love for his bros.

“I noticed that the way we are holding hands is in the shape of heart,” Caplan said. “I think that’s really beautiful because it also symbolizes the love I have in my heart for all of you.”

Caplan was not done, showing how far he would go for his bros.

“Most people think that I only like two things in my life, Rita’s and dogs,” Caplan said. “And while that is somewhat true, I love you two more. I swear to you, I will give up Rita’s for a week for you guys.”

Neira went last, proclaiming his love and appreciation for his bros.

“I remember joining at the beginning of the semester and being super nervous because I didn’t think that I would fit in well,” Neira said. “I want to thank both of you for making that journey so easy and comforting and so welcoming.”

Neira continued by making promises to his bros.

“I vow to continue to be the best entertainment editor I can be and now I vow to be the best husband that I can ever be,” Neira said.

The three men were then led in ceremony by Medina, who got officiated for this staff wedding. The wedding had no objections besides an ill-timed phone call.

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ing skills to go to waste so she
said she might as well use them
to play everyone’s favorite
mascot.

Casper currenty dorms in Hawk Crossings with her
roommate Nickie Ledeon, a ju-
ior majoring in television pro-
duction.

“It’s been an honor to dorm
with someone who I have
looked up to my whole life.
When I first found out she was
my roommate, I thought it was
a prank or some other girl with
the same name as her,” Lede-
on said. “I remember the first
night after we moved in togeth-
er, she cooked spaghetti tacos
for us, and we just chilled and
watched ‘School of Rock.’”

Ledeon continued saying that
besides the ghost they swear
was haunting their apartment,
Casper and Ledeon have had
such a great time at Montclair
State and have made a strong
bond.

The students in Casper’s class
have been shocked by the
fact that a celebrity is in the
same room as them. Commu-
nication and media arts junior
Danny Fanton has slowly de-
veloped a crush on the former
web star.

“She’s so cute. Every time she
talks in class it’s like sparks fly
like electricity, and I might die
because I forget how to breathe
when I see her,” Fanton said.

“I love when she makes our
class do random dancing in the
middle of lectures. At first, our
professor used to get so mad
because he didn’t know where
the music and disco lights were
coming from, but he has grown
used to it.”

Casper wished that every-
one treated her like a normal
student instead of a celebrity.
She is flattered with all of the
selfies she’s been taking with
other students but for now, she
just wants to live a normal life
and enjoy her college experi-
ence as much as possible.

“It really is all here,” Cos-
grove said. “I’m so happy to be
a Red Hawk and I can’t wait to
see what Montclair State has in
store for me.”

“Casper the Friendly Ghost Inspires New Hawk Crossings Conditions

Haley Wells
Editor-in-Chief

The age-old legend is true. Hawk Crossings at Montclair State University is haunted, but not by ones anyone would ex-
pect.

Casper the Friendly Ghost and his uncles, of the Ghostly
Trio, were caught by multiple
residents of Hawk Crossings. Reports were made to the Uni-
iversity Police Department re-
garding the rowdy spirits. After
a thorough investigation, it was
revealed that the poor condition
of the apartments is what was
keeping the ghosts active for all
these years.

The Montclarion was able to
gain exclusive interviews with
Casper and his uncle Fatso.

“My uncles have created this
bad reputation for Hawks,” Casper
said. “It’s so bad that the
university hasn’t bothered to
renovate the apartments in
years because students already
hate their lives here with the
ghosts, so people didn’t think
nicer buildings would make the
experience better.”

Casper arrived on the scene
last year and informed Resi-
dence Life that updating the
buildings would disgust his
uncles and force them out of
haunting Hawk Crossings.

“My uncle Stinkie would es-
pecially hate the newer apart-
ments because he loves the
smell of the moldy carpets,”
Casper said. “He’ll miss blend-
ing in with them.”

Casper’s uncle Fatso has been
haunting Hawk Crossings with
his brothers Stretch and Stinkie
for years. The three of them call
themselves the Ghostly Trio.

“Everything was fine and
spooky until Casper told the
university to ‘change the look’
of Hawks,” Fatso said. “My
brothers and I only stick around
to tease the residents with bees
and strange smells.”

Some apartments in the 200
building were renovated and
created a safer environment for
students.

Miranda Cosgrove, former
web star and current Hawk
Crossings resident, explained
how her apartment felt so much
more livable when the moldy
carpets and ancient appliances
were replaced.

“It was like the ghosts only
wanted to come into rooms
from the 70s,” Cosgrove said.
“My apartment last year was
terrifying with a bee infesta-
tion, a broken oven and creepy
ghosts, instead of a celebrity,” Fat-
so said. “But I have a reputation
to uphold!”

It seems like renovating resi-
dential buildings on campus
can actually have a positive
impact on students and protect
them from the haunting images
of the 70s.
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There’s Snow Place Like Club Penguin

Online addiction resurfaces and melts student success

Haley Wells
Editor-In-Chief

The best memories of college students’ childhoods consisted of creating octopus pizzas and asking Aunt Arctic for advice. The Club Penguin Times and the Pizzatron game were just a few highlights of the iconic website, Club Penguin.

People were devastated on March 29, 2017, when the website closed down. Visions of snowball fights and trying on wacky theater costumes were destroyed when longtime users realized they would no longer be able to pass the time on this dear site.

Luckily, Club Penguin returned with a rewritten website. After its initial open in February 2017 and then its brief close in February 2018, the site has been up and running since April 26, 2018. With the website’s return also comes the return of the Club Penguin addiction.

Montclair State University students are no strangers to the interactive game. Students are playing Club Penguin before, during and after their classes, and the addiction is showing in their grades.

Sophomore acting major Adelie Penguin hasn’t stopped playing Club Penguin since she realized last week that a rewritten version was out. “My friends told me about a rewritten site becoming available, and now we skip class to act in the plays at The Stage,” Penguin said. “We’ve been in three plays so far, and we always get a big audience. I finally am becoming a star with my acting degree!”

Penguin said her grades have dropped significantly, and she has stopped coming to her acting classes. “Why go to class when I can gain credits on the Club Penguin stage anyway?” Penguin said.

Senior English major Flip Pers feels similarly to Penguin and has been publishing his poems in the Club Penguin Times for weeks. “I’ve been published in the Club Penguin newspaper about five times now,” Pers said. “My poetry is being read by hundreds of users. I haven’t botherred to read any class assignments because I’ve been so busy writing for my fans.”

Pers said he’s been approached to sign autographs in the Club Penguin coffee shop and that he even plans to create Open Mic Nights there.

“There’s no better place to share your art than on Club Penguin,” Pers said.

Not all students are happy with the Club Penguin addiction. Junior business management major Ice Kween believes students need to be
Penguins are able to own and care for puffles, the designated penguin pets.

Different exhibits were added to the island during April Fools, including this painting at the dock.

“Tipping the iceberg is a legend users have been trying to prove for years.

Club Penguin Times, is happy to see so many students forgoing their studies to explore the island.

“Students ditching class and homework has been a blessing for the Times,” Arctic said. “Penguins are reading more newspapers on the island than they are reading articles for classes. Print has never been more alive!”

Now that college students are in charge of their own bank accounts, they can forge parental permission to use the social chat of the website and buy their own memberships. Club Penguin will be funner than ever, and professors will have to learn how to incorporate the site in their lessons if they want to avoid teaching empty classrooms.

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“This website is very addicting for students and can impact a student’s GPA, attendance and overall success at the university. But, I do really want to see if the iceberg will tip or not!”

- Susan Cole, University President
In recent events, College Hall has been under construction for several semesters now. As said by countless faculty members, it is likely to have the latest renovations and resources for upcoming students; however, it will come with a hefty price.

University President Susan Cole explained the choice behind financing the upgrades.

“College Hall is perhaps one of the costliest buildings we’ve had to invest in,” Cole said. “This is because we’ve decided to implement a state-of-the-art movie theater on the upper floor as part of the entertainment attractions.”

A poll was conducted on Montclair State’s Instagram story where students were able to vote to omit all stairs from the inside of the building and only desire to have escalators installed.

Felicia Arrando, a junior studying fine arts, explained her vote to install escalators on the Instagram poll.

“I do enough walking from Carpe Diem to the disgustingly old Calcia building,” Arrando said. “I pay out of pocket anyway. I might as well treat myself with a fun escalator ride.”

However, not all students reacted with a positive outlook. Jackeline Roberson, a political science major and current freshman, shared her frustration.

“I should’ve chosen Rutgers University,” Roberson said. Thomas Franklin, an assistant professor for School of Communication who is also a professional photojournalist, is looking forward to the renovations but empathizes with students.

“Imagine all the pleasing pictures I can take once the renovations are complete,” Franklin said. “It’s too bad the students had 50 percent of their tuition aid unfairly taken from them. However, I’ll gladly take a picture of them standing in front of the building.”

Cole mentioned how the money from the students will help achieve more school spirit in College Hall and on campus.

“Picture this: Another 12-foot bronze hawk statue in the middle of College Hall,” Cole said. “Admittedly, it would cost us another $210,000 to have it assembled, but Montclair State can make headlines again in the NBC local newspaper.”

Many students living on campus were frustrated when they heard how much money will be spent on the reconstruction.

Undeclared sophomore Jackson Robbery is a resident at Bohn Hall and thinks the funds should be spent elsewhere.

“Our water pipeline recently broke on the fifth floor,” Robbery said. “I would like to borrow some of that money for my needs instead.”

Rumors spread all over the campus about the new construction and many faculty members are telling their students there will be a rooftop pool open to the student body.

“Imagine all the pool parties we can do,” said George Ramos, a senior majoring in film studies. “This spring semester is going to be lit if you ask me. I guess you can say, ‘It’s All Here.’”

According to Cole, due to the many mixed feelings from both the students and professors, each school department will design their own floor plans of College Hall in order to accommodate their needs. However, there will be an ultimate rock-paper-scissors competition. The winners will be in charge of designing the building.

Undergraduate Tuition Aid Cut by 50 Percent to Fund College Hall Entertainment Attractions
Director of the School of Communication and Media Keith Strudler (left) has challenged former reigning rap battle champion University President Susan Cole (right) to a rematch in the form of a poetry slam contest.

Keith Strudler Challenges President Susan Cole to Poetry Slam Rematch

Gabriella Dragone
Staff Writer

Director of the School of Communication and Media Keith Strudler has announced that he will once again challenge current Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole for the position of president. After losing last year’s rap battle against Cole, Strudler vows that he will not stop until he becomes president of the school.

“It’s going to happen,” Strudler said. “I’m becoming president, I don’t care what anybody says.”

This year, Strudler is challenging Cole to a poetry slam contest. The contest will be judged by none other than the students of Montclair State.

“I wanted to do a poetry slam because I feel like the only reason I lost the rap battle last year was because it was too fast, you know?” Strudler said. “That was her strength. If we could slow it down, I think I could win.”

Strudler announced the news on the Montclair State Twitter and Instagram accounts at 4 p.m. on April 2. Cole responded with a lot of confidence in winning this year’s battle.

“I mean, I didn’t think we were going to have to do this again,” Cole said. “I obviously proved that I’m the best. I dominated him. I don’t know why he wants my job so badly, he has a great position here at Montclair State. I honestly don’t have time to participate in this challenge because, you know, I’m running a university here, but if I have to dominate him again, I will.”

After hearing the news, many Montclair State students and faculty started preparing for the event. They also had their own opinions on the announcement.

“Again? Didn’t he do this last year?” said senior Justin Ramirez. “I watched last year’s rap battle, and it was dope. I was obviously Team Cole, but doesn’t he have like a job to do? I don’t know. I’m going to go Team Cole all the way!”

Since last year’s loss, Strudler decided to up his game by rallying faculty and students to support him during this year’s battle. He can be seen, Dunkin Donuts’ coffee in hand, talking to faculty members outside of the communication department and giving tours of the school to try to sway them to support him.

“I don’t really know who he is,” said Dr. Sangeeta Parashar, a sociology and statistics professor at Montclair State. “I was walking to the cafe by the library to get lunch, and he just sat next to me and started talking to me about a poetry slam battle he’s in against the president, and then asked me to be ‘Team Strudler.’ I only said yes so he would leave me alone.”

Along with T-shirts, other merchandise, such as bracelets and baseball caps with the phrases “Team Cole” and “Team Strudler,” are being sold for two dollars as a fundraiser for the school. Communication faculty are also using this event, like last year, as an assignment for their students. Some are even canceling their original idea for a final and using this event as their new final.

“I think this is a great way to get students to experience what it’s like to broadcast something,” said communication professor Thomas Franklin. “It’s great practice, and it’s going to be a lot of fun, too.”

Tickets for this event go on sale April 5 at 12 p.m. for $5. The event will take place in Memorial Auditorium on April 17 at 5:30 p.m. Make sure you get your tickets. The fate of Montclair State’s presidency is in your hands.

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Across
3. You’re ____ when you’re really surprised at something
6. It’s ____
7. Netflix and ____
8. Let’s get this ____

Down
1. You have ____ when your friends hang out without you
2. Stay ____, fam
3. You’re ____ when you’re bitter about something
4. You’re ____ when you’re excessively dramatic about something
5. Throwing ____

Slang Words/Phrases Word Search

Really Hard and Impossible Sudoku

*For answers to the puzzles, please check
The Montclarion Facebook page every Thursday.*
Montclair State’s New Sarcasm Minor is Totally Idiot Proof

Starting in the fall of 2019, Montclair State University will offer a new minor in sarcasm as part of the English department. With the widespread use of sarcasm by many college students and even some faculty members, the university thought it was about time to get on board and start accepting this part of the modern English language. Many students agree that the addition of the minor is a great idea and can’t possibly backfire.

To be accepted into the sarcasm program at Montclair State, students must make it through a complicated interview process that is a breeze since Walter has the brain of an 85-year-old man that can’t keep up with the use of meme references, text abbreviations and emojis. Students also found their best defense strategy is to keep referring to him as the neighbor who chases young children off his lawn with his moped and a can of Lysol.

If you make the puppet cry, you automatically get expelled from the university because that’s just mean. Students who make it past the interview process are guaranteed to get them a job in the worst thing to happen to the university since the Life Hall sewage leak. There has been lots of criticism and some people think that just like the sewage leak, the sarcasm program will end in a giant pile of feces, cost the university thousands of dollars and make both students and faculty run away with fear and disgust.

Advocates for the program think that people in opposition are just jealous and wish they had these special skills. They say sarcasm is the modern version of Shakespearean English and believe that no matter who uses it, sarcasm makes them sound smarter and more qualified than they really are. It is the perfect opportunity for students to learn a variety of important verbal skills from professional wise guys who have smooth-talked their way up the career ladder, even though anyone can guess that they weren’t really qualified for their jobs nor did they deserve them in the first place.

No one should care because they are learning the proper ways to make stuff disappear without people noticing, or at least that is the main goal of declaring the minor. There are also many exciting trips where students can utilize their new skills in a public setting like starring at a masterpiece in the MOMA that is simply painted black. Students would criticize the fact that they could have done a better job with the artistic skills of a second grader and then try to submit an identical one. After they are rejected, their assignment is to go on a five-hour Twitter rant demanding to know why the one on display is superior. The more retweets, the better their grade will be.

With all of these new, unnecessary and expensive opportunities to come, the Montclair State English department promises that declaring this new sarcasm minor is not a stupid decision that students will immediately regret. It is guaranteed to get them a job the day after graduation.

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Let Me Study in a Ball Pit, You Cowards

Popular opinion: Students want to finish their degrees wherever they please!

Hi! I'm from Montclair State University in New Jersey. Is this Ball Pit 101?

Last week, Montclair State University announced plans for a new study abroad program that doesn’t actually take you abroad. The naming, then, is almost as interesting as its premise. Students can study at a number of other institutions within the United States so they can experience more of the country and try something new, no passport required.

Let’s go somewhere fresh. Somewhere fun. Let’s go to Chuck E. Cheese. Nothing says innovation quite like a business that thrives, despite the fact that its mascot looks like it has definitely murdered at least four, probably five, people. I don’t want to tell the Montclair State administration what to do, but if I were to suggest a new site just off the top of my head, without thinking much about it at all, I would probably suggest the ball pit in the Chuck E. Cheese at 3108 Alpine Ave. Walker, Michigan, postal code 49544, which is open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

This home of Chuck is nestled between a Buffalo Wild Wings and an Olive Garden, forming a veritable trinity of American culture. There’s no better place to broaden your horizons and your waistband.

I'm not sure why it wouldn’t be, but if studying in a ball pit isn’t your thing, Montclair State should offer the option to study in a sewer. The kids in that Stephen King thing certainly learned a lot in their sewer.

Montclair State can’t accurately say that “It’s All Here” or even “It’s Not All Here, but at Least You’re Just Paying In-State Tuition” if we don’t offer the opportunity for students to study in sewers and ball pits.

I’d like to see Montclair State get with the times and send us below street level so we can rise above all of the challenges that will face us in the real world. I’d also like to see Montclair State lower the cost of attendance and provide sufficient parking for all students, but who are we kidding?

Kristen Milburn, an English major, is in her first year as a staff writer for The Montclarion.

Thumbs Up

The Montclarion staff celebrates the wedding of Anthony Gabbianelli, Thomas Neira and Ben Caplan

Montclair State University finally soundproofs their residence halls

The Montclarion receives new office computers after the old ones were ‘accidently’ thrown out the window and caught on fire

Thumbs Down

The Montclarion love polygon scandal between Athony Gabbianelli, Thomas Neira, Ben Caplan and Robert O’Connor

People who use FaceTime in crowded elevators

The Montclarion editorial board is accused of property damage and arson

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Hey America, Be Nice to Mice!

Last week, Congress failed to pass a bill that would protect mice against lethal, cheese-oriented mouse traps. Once again, politicians continue to be made puppets by greedy corporate lobbyists, in particular, the lobbyists of lethal, cheese-oriented mouse traps.

The bill has been pushed by left wing politicians for months, including Bernie Sanders of Vermont and presidential candidate who needs a comb, Alexei, and spunky first-term representative, Joe Biden, and would not have meant an end to the lack of respect mice have had to endure, but it certainly would have started a new chapter in American society.

Apparently, Bernie is the only one who understands. Of course, the mice in “If You Give a Mouse a Cookie” and “Steamboat Willie” did not have to scurry, but you know who did? The mice having their tails sliced off.

Christopher Giacomini, a communication and media arts major, is in his first year as a contributing writer for The Montclarion.
COME SIP THE TEA WITH THE MONTCLARION!

BECOME A CONTRIBUTOR!
Student Artist Profile: Tommy Wiseau

Tommy Wiseau is a film director best known for directing, writing, producing and starring in the hit 2003 cult classic, "The Room." For whatever reason, he has just enrolled as a student in the film program here at Montclair State University. Entertainment Editor Thomas Neira and contributing writer Brian Hernandez somehow got him to sit down long enough to do an interview.

Q: What sparked your interest in a career in film?
A: I like to watch cool detective movie and romantic movie. Very nice. Very very smart and charming people, but I am not in them. I make a movie on my own instead, yes?

Q: What was it like working on “The Room”?
A: Very fun, and very beautiful experience. Actors are top-notch, exactly what I was looking for. Classic Hollywood movie. There will never be other movie like it.

Q: How did you react to the film’s unexpected success?

Q: What have you done after the release of “The Room”?
A: I plan to make movie like ‘Fight Club.’ Very intense movie with many beautiful men and even more beautiful friendship. Maybe I add song, too. Beautiful men sing words like angel. Mmm...

Q: What brought you to Montclair State University?
A: Well, my friend, many superstar do the college to make classic Hollywood movie. I want to see how they do it, so I can make second blockbuster! Then I will go back to Hollywood and get to work. Very hard work in store for me.

Q: What do you hope to learn during your time here?
A: The beautiful art of the acting, and maybe even songs because I am great singer and beat all the students. Singing is no easy job, though. To sing you need to learn to be brave in front of any people.

Q: Do you have any ideas for student films you’re looking forward to working on as a Montclair State student?
A: Yes, very big plan. [He remained silent, listing to no ideas whatsoever.]

Q: What’s the next step in your career?
A: Make second big movie with new and professional actor. I will make them shine like Lisa did, but they will not break my heart.

Q: That’s an interesting accent you got there... Where are you from?
A: I come from New Orleans! Accent is from being down south all my life. Living simple life, you know? Cajun cooking is very good, too. Very tasty.

Q: What’s your morning routine like?
A: Get up, smell fresh air, hear bird singing, brush my teeth, do my hair, get ready for interview. I have interview every other day — crazy. I am popular so long after I finish my movie.

Q: I heard you’ve become a party animal ever since your big break. Who are some of your favorite celebrities to party with?
A: The beautiful Brad Pitt, and the very, very funny Amy Schumer. If he show up, then I party with Sean Bean, but sometimes he do not show up. Maybe he died.

Q: Do you have any advice for aspiring filmmakers?
A: If no one like your idea, do it anyway. Making movies is for the art and the beautiful emotion. Those are what make classic movie. Very important you do not stop working for your dream to come true. It is only as hard as you make. Good luck to dreaming movie maker, but I will always be challenge. Beat me and you will be champion.

Q: How would you like people to remember you fifty years from now?
A: I am legend [Not the movie]. I want people to build giant statue of me in California, or put my name on the Walk of Fame. I want people to be inspired to make movie like “The Room” and make beautiful and dramatic story come to life. So beautiful.
Sharif Hasan Overthrows Thomas Neira as Entertainment Editor

Hasan was merciless in his triumphant victory over the helpless Thomas Neira. Neira has not been seen since.

Sharif Hasan | The Montclarion

Following his triumphant first-place victory for Arts and Entertainment/Critical Writing in the New Jersey Press Foundation College Newspaper Contest, Sharif Hasan kickstarted a campaign to overthrow Thomas Neira for the position of entertainment editor at The Montclarion. After an investigation was conducted by all of the best people with all of the best qualifications, Hasan’s plans to stage a coup d’état were confirmed and is even believed to be just the first step of an initiative to take over The Montclarion as a whole.

In response to these reports, Hasan stated that he wishes to “see an empire fall.”

“An empire toppled by its enemies can rise again,” Hasan said. “But one that crumbles from within, that’s dead. Forever.”

Neira, who is believed to be a close friend of Hasan’s, has not been seen in nearly three days. After authorities searched Neira’s office desk, the only item found was a copy of J.D. Salinger’s classic novel, “The Catcher in the Rye.” This detail confounds many, considering Neira never actually read anything in his life.

Neira was recently married to Sports Editor Anthony Gabbianelli and Photography Editor Ben Caplan earlier this week. Hasan cites this as one of the main reasons for him ultimately deciding to commit the takeover of the entertainment section. He further goes on to state that Neira has been having a “little too much fun” in his position and that the quality of the section each week has suffered as a result of this, claiming himself to be far superior in status to man the helm.

“Thomas is, like, clueless,” said one anonymous source, “I know Sharif’s attitude about it might be extreme, but I can not say I feel sorry for Thomas.” The person also said they had information regarding Neira’s current whereabouts, but they have mysteriously been unresponsive through all forms of contact since first being interviewed.

Tensions at The Montclarion are at an all-time high, and Hasan’s insatiable lust for power has instilled fear within the hearts of students everywhere. Seemingly whoever reaches out to provide information — even anonymously — has disappeared shortly after. As a result, none have dared to oppose him.

The halls of the School of Communication and Media building are as quiet as ever, an ominous scent of imbalance and dread felt throughout. Students can occasionally be found hiding underneath various tables and chairs scattered across the building, shivering at even the slightest possibility Hasan may be watching them.

“I can not say I am surprised,” said former Entertainment Editor Robert O’Connor. “As soon as I met Sharif, he was giving me ‘Cersei coming for the Iron Throne’ vibes. If I could give Thomas, or whoever is still left, any advice, I would watch your back and hire The Mountain for protection.”

O’Connor’s advice yields true, but perhaps it may be too late. While writing this report, I believe that Hasan has finally discovered where I am hiding. They say the night is darkest just before the dawn, but this time I fear the dawn may never arrive.

My last and only wish is that these words be seen by as large an audience as possible. Only then, perhaps, may Hasan’s dark reign be thwarted. Farewell, my dear readers. It has been an honor.

Javier Reyes
Assistant Entertainment Editor

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This film is not only a fun watch, “fun, fun, fun.”

Not to brag, but I have ears. And my ears recently listened to “Signing Off: The Holiday Album.” The rest of me listened to it, too, but my ears enjoyed the album most of all. It’s just the al-

specific holiday, the album is sure to be a hit all year round, no matter where or when you listen to it. Play it on the beach for the Fourth of July, the silent section of the library, a port-a-potty at Coachella or a sensible funeral to get the party started.

Not only does the album feature a broad range of songs to satisfy every mood, but the fluctuation in quality among the songs makes this album an instant classic that will surely withstand the test of time. “Cool Yule” is sung by someone actual-

The album even features a spoken word com-

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Amateur Athlete Profile: Anthony Gabbianelli

*Photo Essay by Ben Caplan*

Senior journalism major Anthony Gabbianelli might be one of the most underrated and underappreciated athletes enrolled at Montclair State University. He has ice flowing through his veins and more importantly, is a very tall human being. Standing at 6 feet 7 inches, the size-17-shoe-wearing baller can nail any shot from any position on the court. He’s got some pretty nasty handles, too. He’s projected to go first overall to the New York Knicks in next year’s NBA Draft.
Anthony Gabbianelli  
Sports Editor

It’s a bird! It’s a plane! It’s Rocky with no clothes on!
The Montclair State University baseball team had a doubleheader this weekend against Ramapo College that was rudely interrupted by a streaking Rocky the Red Hawk.

Both teams watched in horror as the wild, squawking bird raced around the diamond in his birthday suit. Those watching from the stands could only look away as security tried to catch the bird-brained mascot.

The head of security at Yogi Berra Stadium, where the Montclair State baseball team plays, discussed how they usually catch streakers.

“The just get lucky most of the time,” the head of security said. “Most of us are a little out of shape since no one really jumps over the railings to strip down to their underwear or worse, and run around in the outfield.”

According to the head of security, the university’s mascot was walking around the stadium and waving to fans of all ages. It was when he reached the Montclair State bullpen, where the baseball team’s relief pitchers warm up, that the over five-foot-tall red hawk ripped his shirt off and charged onto the playing field.

The ripped shirt caught one of the relievers in the face and blinded him. Everyone in attendance wished they were that guy.

After jumping over the railing and onto the outfield grass, Rocky danced around the field. He would eventually leave the stadium. Three guards chased after the bird as he bobbed and weaved around them, leaving their ankles broken.

Rocky continued to parade around the infield where he began kicking up the dirt. The third baseman swatted and shooed Rocky away, but this only angered him and this was what he had to do.

“First the reliever, and this was what he had to do,” said one fan who left the stadium after witnessing Rocky in all of his bird-glory. “I want my kids to come to this free college baseball game and say ‘Hi’ to their Red Hawk mascot so I can put it on Facebook for our relatives to see. Now my kids are scarred for life and I have to put them through some kind of therapy to try and forget that this even happened.”

Some close to Rocky the Red Hawk cited that these newer, up-and-coming mascots get a lot of social media love for their antics on and off the field, which is why they believe Rocky jumped onto the field and began streaking.

Rocky’s sister who is also a bird, showed compassion toward what her brother did on the baseball field that Saturday afternoon.

Rocky began by squawking, “My brother is a very intelligent red hawk who knows exactly what he’s doing,” Rosy said. “He did it for the ‘gram, which is what all us mascots do for a living. We have to stay relevant, otherwise we get put back in that huge bird cage [the university] stick us in when we don’t perform our best.”

Rosy also talked about other mascot influences that could have impacted Rocky’s decision to rip his own clothes off and put on the display.

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