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— News —

‘Global Young Voices’ to Present Panel

By Dustin Niles
Layout Editor

(TEANECK) - Sands of Time is one of FDU’s experiential programs run by adjunct Eli Amdur and Associate Provost Craig Mourton. On Nov. 30, Sands of Time is taking its students across the Hackensack River to Global Young Voices’ first event here on FDU’s Metropolitan Campus.

They are hosting a panel of students titled “Stories from Across Borders,” and is taking place in Wilson Auditorium at 7 p.m.

Topics will include women in the workplace, the status of women in a patriarchal society, women’s roles in countries of economic development, and young women breaking away from sexual grooming. Panelists will be onstage and streamed in, and will consist of students as well as faculty. Students can email questions to eliamdur@aol.com.

Beginning in 2008, Sands of Time has taken FDU students on trips around the New York metropolitan area to events, museums, concerts,

speeches and other internationally-focused events. This panel discussion fits well with Global Young Voices, and Associate Provost Mourton isn’t surprised.

“The fact that many of the Global Young Voices are also former/current Sands of Time members weaves all of this together,” Mourton said. “The Sands of Time program is designed to expose the campus community to great ideas and it is very rewarding to see that this program has been developed to feature our own homegrown greatness.”

FDU alumni Edy Semaan and Camilla Curnis founded Global Young Voices in Feb. 2015 during their time here at FDU.

Their organization seeks to “create an international community of millennials who are interested in sharing thoughts and information on what is happening in their respective countries,” according to Curnis.

“We live in an era in which prejudices on other cultures, religions and lifestyles are surging,” Curnis said. “Individuals tend to judge occurrences and facts through second hand information that is often provided by people who don’t live in that specific country, who haven’t been immersed in that specific culture, and therefore don’t fully fathom it.

“Our goal is to reject this barrier and foster constructive exchanges among the young people of different countries so that we may become more aware about other cultures, lifestyles, religions and ways of doing business.”

The project started out humbly, and was inspired by the diversity that Semaan and Curnis saw in their own friend group.

“During one of our conversations over WhatsApp in early 2015, Camilla proposed that we start a blog where we can fulfill our responsibilities as young ambassadors by representing our countries’ youths and sharing their stories,” Semaan said, “and I welcomed the idea and was excited to start the online project.”

Global Young Voices is a network of millennial journalists from around the world that tell stories and experiences from their own countries.



Photo Credit: Global Young Voices


Semaan used the platform to write stories about youth struggles from his home country of Lebanon and Curnis researched the phenomenon of femicide in Italy.

Global Young Voices has grown from two to 45 members representing more than 30 countries and five continents.

“We have gained the sponsorship of large companies and have been recognized by established institutions such as the United Nations, FAF, Global Learning and many other private and public entities,” said Curnis.

TV Studio Q&A with Dean Mills

By Theresa King
Managing Editor & Senior Reporter



University College Dean Patti Mills
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editing studio. The new Multimedia Lab (MML), formerly located in University Hall, was completed last year and is open for classes. The second phase of this project, the new TV production and digital editing studio, is currently scheduled for Summer 2020 according to the FDU Facilities Master Plan. There were some upgrades this past summer to the current studio located in University Hall, including new set monitors, a high definition video switcher, a new lighting board and LED lighting.

interest, the MML is also envisioned as having a campus-wide role since it serves students across majors seeking to harness multi-media technology to explore their interests or to enhance their career prospects by taking coursework based in this lab. Indeed, our students led the way in this – instructors in the area reported an increasing number of students from business, technology, and other majors taking their classes to supplement their major courses. We hope the new TV studio will play a similar role.

The Equinox: What stage of planning is the university at for the multimedia/television studio for Becton Hall?

Equinox: What has delayed the development of this project and what has the university done to move it forward?

Dean Patti Mills: This project involves the fourth floor of Becton Hall and consists of two main parts or phases – an expanded and upgraded Multimedia Lab; and an expanded and upgraded TV production and digital

Dean Mills: As explained above, the first phase of this project has been completed. Just like any other institution with a large amount of physical plant, FDU has to prioritize its building, renovation, and other such improvements. A high priority for the Metro Campus has been to

Equinox: How do you think this project could benefit students and the campus community?

Dean Mills: One reason for relocating the Multimedia Lab and TV studio to Becton Hall was to stress the linkages with engineering and computer science given how technology has transformed communication and media. While communication and computer art students have a natural

Equinox: Could this project result in the development, or improvement, of courses related to TV and film production?

Dean Mills: Film production is a strength of the Florham Campus; the focus at Metro is on TV news, sports, and entertainment. A big benefit of the new studio will be more space for instructors and students to work and the ability to offer new types of classes, such as lighting design.

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Election Night Open Newsroom

By Theresa King
Managing Editor &
Senior Reporter

(TEANECK) - Montclair State University hosted an “Election Night Open Newsroom” Tuesday night, led by The Center for Cooperative Media and NJ Spotlight.

The Center for Cooperative Media and NJ Spotlight enlisted the help of volunteers to help create a live New Jersey election result map, showing real-time results of each county’s votes regarding the presidential and congressional elections, as well as state questions.

According to The Center for Cooperative Media’s website, “All publishers, journalists, freelancers, students, and media-minded people” were invited to help tally results and

populate NJ Spotlight’s live election results map.

The night consisted of a large newsroom in MSU’s Morehead Hall, led by Associate Director for Center for Cooperative Media Joseph Amditis, with volunteers repeatedly refreshing each county clerk’s website for voting updates in that county.

Each volunteer was assigned a county, then those county’s votes were updated continually in a spreadsheet, creating the live map on njspotlight.com.

Most volunteers were students from various colleges, including FDU and the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

In 2015, the New Jersey chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists awarded NJ Spotlight and NJ News Commons an Excellence in Journalism award in the category of

Online Deadline Reporting for its live election results map in 2014. That night, similar to this Election Night, enlisted the help of “students, data junkies and journalist volunteers to update spreadsheets as election results came in, while Colleen O’Dea, data cruncher for NJ Spotlight, reported on the data,” according to NJ News Commons.

The night concluded after midnight as the country still closely watched the presidential election unfold. As a reward for those volunteers who stayed to update the map until the last NJ vote, The Center for Cooperative Media raffled off two \$100 Visa gift cards.

“We really couldn’t have done it without you guys,” Amditis said at the conclusion of the night. “Thank you for all the help, we really appreciate it.”

“It was really cool to be a part

of something that people actually relied on and looked to for results,” said Jose Cortez, junior at Montclair State University.

“It was a great experience and I’m looking forward to doing it again next election.”



Photo Credit: New Jersey Spotlight

Genetically-Modified Babies on the Rise

By Dennis Pearson
Staff Writer

(TEANECK) - A Jordanian couple traveled to Mexico with Dr. John Zhang of the New Hope Fertility Center in New York City to escape restrictions on mitochondrial donation, also known as Oocyte Modification. It is a reproductive process that helps eliminate mitochondrial genes that are mutated.

Mitochondrial genes are passed down genetically from our mother and is the organelle that creates energy for cells. If the genes are mutated, diseases like Leigh’s disease and Barth syndrome can develop in a potential child which affects body development.

Mitochondrial donation techniques include Pronuclear, Cytoplasmic and Spindle Nuclear Transfer.

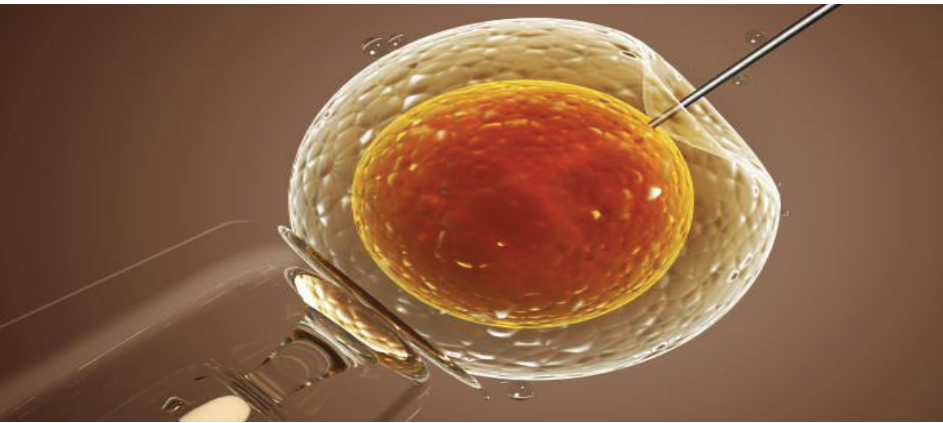
Each technique has its own way of extracting mutated mitochondria from a potential mother’s egg and implanting healthy mitochondrial genes from a female donors egg. Once the mitochondria is switched, the egg

is fertilized with the potential father’s sperm, and implanted into the mother’s womb where pregnancy can occur.

The Jordanian couple’s baby boy was born April 6 of this year. They used Spindle Nuclear Transfer

his mitochondrial genes are from a female donor. Technically, their child has three parents.

Oocyte modification is an extension of in vitro fertilization which involves artificial insemination.



Mitochondrial donation is a reproductive process that helps eliminate mitochondrial genes that are mutated.

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25, 1978.

In 1996, Jacques Cohen and his team at the Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, NJ discovered cytoplasmic transfer one of the earliest techniques of Oocyte modification. A year later, Emma Ott became the first person conceived using this technique.

Over the years, there have been between 30-50 people conceived using cytoplasmic transfer alone. Countries like Mexico, India, Italy, Ukraine and Taiwan allow these techniques to be used in Medical Centers.

In February of last year, the House of Lords and Parliament legalized Oocyte modification in the UK.

February of this year, the United States legalized research on OM techniques but have not legalized the practice.

OM has been surrounded by controversy and has been called “playing god”. Many bioethicists are fearful that OM could lead to genetic engineering of physical, intellectual and personality traits which could lead to a eugenics based agenda.

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Opinion

Editor’s Desk - An Uncertain Future



Melanie Perez, editor-in-chief

Election day was arguably the worst day in American history – the day “America” voted to “make America great again.” While undoing years of fighting for equality of genders, races and class.

I guess America was “great” when we had slavery, segregation, no women’s rights, put Japanese in camp in WWII, and virtually wiped

out the Native Americans.

The country has spoken – Donald Trump has won the presidency – by 51 electoral votes. And what does this decision say about our country?

It says that slightly over half the country supports a man who sexually assaults women, hates Mexicans, and thinks all Muslims are terrorists.

Trump might have won the presidency, but he won a deeply divided country.

Unsurprisingly, Clinton called to concede and congratulate Trump, and President Obama invited Trump to the White House to discuss the presidential transition over the next few months.

This is more than anybody can say about Trump, who both said that the election was rigged and that he wouldn’t accept the results of the election.

The worst part about Trump’s win is that our political system

completely enabled his brashness and bigotry.

The way our political system works is that we have checks and balances – executive, legislative, and judicial branches all check the others. But the biggest issue with Trump being president is that non-republicans have no possibility of checks and balances of being the country’s “saving grace.”

Republicans have control over the House of Representatives, The Senate, and the Supreme Court. And while there are many Republicans who do not support Trump, it is unlikely that they will block his policies. Part of is party etiquette. But the other major factor is that past behavior is an indicator of future behavior, so it’s unlikely they’ll stop him in the future.

I literally fear for my life. I woke up Wednesday morning knowing in my bones that the U.S. will literally never be the same.

I’ve always tiptoed around life – I’m both a woman and a minority (Mexican, Puerto Rican, and Costa Rican) – but that was when we were fighting the good fight in a world with a black president who showed all minorities that we can make it in a white male-dominated world.

But now, am I going to have my citizenship questioned? Do I have to simply “put up” with sexual harassment and assault?

How can I feel safe in my country if my president boasts about sexually assaulting women? How can I feel safe in my country if my president spreads hate everywhere he goes?

I feel like I died and went to hell, because a transition to a life with the hope of totally equality and inclusion to a life filled with hate and fear isn’t easily done. And I’m questioning if it’s even worth it. Hello New Zealand.

David Miles on Student Safety



Director of Public Safety David Miles

This column will give you information on some of the important resources that the university has to assist in keeping the campus safe.

On the Metropolitan Campus, Dean of Students Michelle Heins, formed a Behavioral Intervention Team. The goal of the team is to meet and try to share information so that individuals that may be a high risk are identified and investigated.

While the Behavior

Intervention Team can only deal with individuals that have been identified to be a risk, we also have to make sure that in the event of a serious emergency or incidents, all members of the campus community are aware of the incident and procedures are given as to what they should do.

To handle this, the University has an emergency notification system.

The full details on the emergency notification system are on the University website and listed as FDU Alert and Smart Communications.

It is important that all members of the campus community familiarize themselves with the emergency notification system and more importantly to make sure that all your contact information is correct so that in the event of an emergency you are getting a voice, text or email message.

In conjunction with these initiatives, the Department of Public Safety also has an anonymous reporting system. It is on the Metropolitan

Campus Department of Public Safety section of the University website. It is called Silent Knight. This system allows anyone to provide information to the Department of Public Safety on any type of crime, incident or behavior. The person reporting does not have to provide their name or contact information.

While we hope that we never have to use any of these systems because of a large incident that has occurred, we want you to know that they are available and in this day and age you should take advantage of any system or information that can aid in the safety on campus.

Please remember to like the Department of Public Safety on Facebook at FDU Metro Department of Public Safety or follow us on Twitter @FDUMetroPS.

If at any time you have any questions or concerns regarding Public Safety, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Public Safety Blotter

10/29/16 – Student reported harassment in Northpointe

10/31/16 – Student reported an item was moved in her room in University Court 3

10/31/16 – Student reported another student entered her room illegally in Linden 1

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Opinion

Hand Sanitizer Should Be Banned from Campus

By Daniel Clarke
Staff Writer

Hand sanitizers infiltrated our society after studies begun showing hand sanitizers as more effective than hand washing back in 2002.

They picked up widespread use and even made their way to our own campus. Many hand sanitizers have antibacterial agents—this makes them better than soap and water at killing germs, and thus better for you—right?

When asked, many students on campus said that they use hand sanitizer to clean their hands. While many felt that soap and water may be more effective than hand sanitizer, few students were aware of any potential hazards of antibacterial agents.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) suggests using alcohol-based hand sanitizers only when soap and clean running water is unavailable. It states very clearly that sanitizers are not as effective than washing with soap and water.

A number of studies support using soap and water over hand sanitizer, but many more suggest that antibacterial products, including antibacterial soaps, may be doing harm. In recent years, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has questioned the safety of active ingredients in such products.

On June 29, 2016, the FDA issued a “request for additional information to address data gaps for consumer hand sanitizers.”

The request came when an independent advisory committee of outside scientific and medical experts shared their thoughts on active ingredients of antibacterial products.

Ag glance at one of the dispensers on campus reveals the use of Metrex VioNexus Antiseptic Handwash; its active ingredients are 65.87% ethanol and 0.10% benzalkonium chloride.

On Sept. 2, 2016, the FDA issued a rule banning over-the-counter consumer antiseptic wash products



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containing certain active ingredients. This applied to 19 specific active ingredients, most notably, triclosan and triclocarban.

Decisions on other

ingredients, including benzalkonium chloride, used in on campus hand sanitizers, benzethonium chloride, and chloroxylenol have been deferred by a year to allow industry to either phase out or present research supporting them.

One research paper published in 2007, titled “Consumer antibacterial soaps: effective or just risky,” demonstrated a potential risk of drug resistance and a lack of additional health benefit associated with consumer soaps.

The risk of drug resistance is a globally pervasive issue has been exacerbated by the ingredients banned by the FDA. The long-term use of anti-bacterial products across the globe are contributing to dangerously elevated levels of antibiotic resistance, according to The World Health Organization (WHO).

WHO reports on a number of antibiotics which are becoming significantly less effective against new strains of bacteria. In many countries, WHO reports, there are growing percentages of bacteria such as Staphylococcus aureus (e.g MRSA), E. coli, Enterobacter and K. pneumoniae that can no longer be cured by available antibiotics.

Bacteria will continue to adapt to our antibacterial products eventually becoming fully resistant. Highlighting the fact that no major new types of antibiotics have been developed in

the last 30 years, WHO predicts that, without urgent action, we may be entering a post-antibiotic world where minor injuries can once again kill.

Dr. Alice Benzecry, a microbiology professor at FDU, has been skeptical about antibacterial products for a long time. Benzecry explains that bacteria are very much a part of us and protect us from other dangerous microbes.

“The indiscriminate usage of antimicrobial products are not only killing the good bacteria and disrupting the symbiotic relationship we have with them, but also making us more vulnerable to infections by antimicrobial resistant ‘superbugs.’” Benzecry said.

Benzecry asserts that this disruption could have a slew of repercussions that may not be immediately obvious. “Being more susceptible to infections could in the long run disrupt our internal biome resulting in severe health issues including allergies and other more debilitating conditions,” Benzecry said.

The use of anti-bacterial products has been called into question and contributed to the increasing resilience of bacteria.

The FDU Community as a whole should try to limit use of these products. While no immediate personal safety concerns have been identified, the FDA is questioning that notion formed in the 1970s.

School Work: How Much is Too Much?

By Emily Weikel
Staff Writer

The amount of homework students in grade school get, compared to those in succeeding grades is comparing mountains to molehills. With each grade you are expected to do more and be responsible in getting the work you are given done.

Homework should serve the sole purpose of reinforcing what was learned in the classroom. Assigning homework just for the sake of assigning does not serve that purpose due to the amount students are already assigned.

Denise Pope, a senior lecturer in Stanford University’s School of Education, said in a co-authored research paper called “Hazardous Homework?” the following: “Any student who is doing more than 3 1/2 hours of homework a night is actually at risk for higher stress levels and poor mental and physical health.”

Having more than three hours of homework is a very real possibility for college students, and can result in a condition known as burnout - a state of chronic stress that causes physical and emotional exhaustion that

feelings of detachment, cynicism and ineffectiveness, according to an article in Psychology Today.

For example, anxiety in its early stages can manifest as slight tension. And one burnout symptom can lead to another. A loss of appetite can lead to increased vulnerability for illnesses, and as apathetic feelings worsen it is likely they develop into severe depression.

On the flip side, little amounts of homework are also detrimental. When there is no homework at all there is a lack of retention among students.

Both of these are not ideal, so where is the right amount of homework? The National Education Organization, nea.org, says that “The National PTA recommendations fall in line with general guidelines suggested by researcher Harris Cooper: 10-20 minutes per night in the first grade, and an additional 10 minutes per grade level thereafter.”

At the college level it can reach up to 150 minutes. Two and half hours of work a night seems reasonable until other activities that need to be done by the student are considered.

For students who commute home, driving time is part of the equation. If a student takes more than one class with two and a half hours of work expected each, it can be a challenge to get that work done. For




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college students this can be even more so.

A National Survey of Student Engagement found that the average student spends about 17 hours each week preparing for classes.

In addition, many students have part time or full time jobs to handle along with school work, with more than half of 71 percent of college undergraduates working more than 20 hours a week as reported by cbsnews.com. With a job and extracurriculars, homework can seem near impossible

to get done.

Elementary education major Akua Addo said “I took a history class on ancient civilizations last year and there were ridiculous amounts of readings. Over the course of the class we read about 7 books, and we were expected to read about 70 to 80 pages a night. On top of that class I had reading and other assignments for other classes.”

Studying for tests and quizzes can take a toll on students as well. “I get stressed out on the studying the most,” Bergen Community College student and radio major Alana Navarro said.

A mental break from studying or assignments can be beneficial for students even if they might feel guilt for taking one.

“There are a lot of surprising benefits to this rest time. First and foremost to your levels of productivity, working for long periods of time can be detrimental to your level of engagement with a certain task,” said Julia Gifford in an article for The Muse.

“Repeating tasks leads to cognitive boredom, which in turn halts your ability to thrive at whatever you’re doing,” she said.

—Opinion—

A Trip to the Spanish Coast

By Elizabeth White
Wroxton Correspondent

(WROXTON, ENGLAND) - The long-awaited break halfway through the semester finally arrived, and I went off to Spain with four of my new friends. We opted for a more relaxed vacation, choosing an all inclusive resort in a beach town in southern Spain.

One of the first things we noticed upon our arrival to the resort was the fact that we were literally the only young people staying there. It may seem like this would not be a huge deal, but we were treated like total outsiders. They would stare and gape at us wherever we went, be it the pool, the lobby or the dining hall, like we were some zoo creatures at the zoo.

I also still haven't figured out how people just know we're American. Before I even open my mouth and my accent can fall on their ears, they know that I am American. How is this possible?

None of us spoke Spanish, a factor we did not take into consideration while planning our trip.

I took three years of French in high school but I could not speak it to save my life. I did the best I could by

at least saying please and thank you in Spanish but I felt so awkward as a white person butchering their beautiful language.

At some point I almost said "merci", French for thank you, because

that was the only language I could kind of speak.

Luckily, since we were in

left the resort for the day to explore a local town, we got by on the very little Spanish that we did know.

It wasn't until we were in the airport trying to get back to Wroxton that we truly experienced the language barrier.

My friend was trying to find the place in the airport where she could pay to check in her luggage.

We were both walking around the airport, asking various people how to do this, and none of them spoke enough English to help. One lady told her it was the office on the right even though there were no offices in sight and another guy told me it was the "near the red plastic thing in the middle."

By this time we were getting anxious because it was taking so long and we had a plane to catch. Finally, after asking at least ten people, we located our airline's office and they helped out. We reached our gate only ten minutes before it closed.

Although we didn't do much sightseeing, I was so glad we were able to go to Spain and relax for a few days before the renewed stress of the second half of the semester.



Elizabeth White enjoys her week-long travel break in Spain, part of her studies in Wroxton.

Photo Credit: Michael Saunders

‘Free’ Internet: Selling Yourself to the Devil

By Elizabeth White
Wroxton Correspondent

(WROXTON, ENGLAND) - We live in an age where we have sacrificed our own privacy for access of information and we don't even realize it.

By having a Facebook account, we are giving ourselves up to advertisers by telling them everything: how we identify ourselves; where we live, go to school, work; where we shop, eat, vacation etc.

ProPublica discovered a hidden feature within Facebook's advertisement targeting that allows advertisers "to exclude specific groups it calls 'Ethnic Affinities.'" This is a loophole, as it is illegal to exclude people based on "sensitive factors" such as gender and race.

This exclusion of "ethnic affinities" is a violation the Fair Housing Act of 1968, which makes it illegal "to make, print, or publish, or cause to be made, printed, or published any notice, statement, or advertisement, with respect to the sale or rental of a dwelling that indicates any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin."

It also violates the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which makes it illegal to publish "advertisements indicating prohibited preference, limitation, specification or discrimination" in employment recruitment.

Basically, advertisers can select whom they want to advertise to and whom they don't want to advertise to. This is blatant discrimination.

Facebook also recently changed their Terms of Service to say that even if you delete your account, they can use your content in whatever way they want.

"You hereby grant Facebook an irrevocable, perpetual, non-exclusive, transferable, fully paid, worldwide license (with the right to sublicense) to (a) use, copy, publish, stream, store, retain..." - the jargon goes on. Reading the terms of service, it is scarily obvious that we are giving up our information so that Facebook can sell us more stuff. They weren't lying when they said that what you post on the Internet stays there forever, at least in some form.

And these practices are not just limited to Facebook.

According to Forbes, "Google is bringing together more than 60 privacy policies so it is able to gather all the data it has on each person, creating individual profiles to connect the dots from one service to another."

You can't even prevent Google from using your information if you are a registered user; you can only minimize the data it's collecting on you.

It is also worth mentioning that Google uses the data it has collected on each individual in order to tweak search results.

According to The Register, not only does Google tailor to the specific country that you're currently in, it gives you results that are similar to links that you've visited in the past.

For example, if an individual is a Democrat and typically visits more liberal websites, their Google results when they type in "Hillary Clinton" will be more in favor and positive towards her. A Republican with the opposite search history typing in the same keywords will have different results.

The problem with this is that it demotes critical thinking and looking at

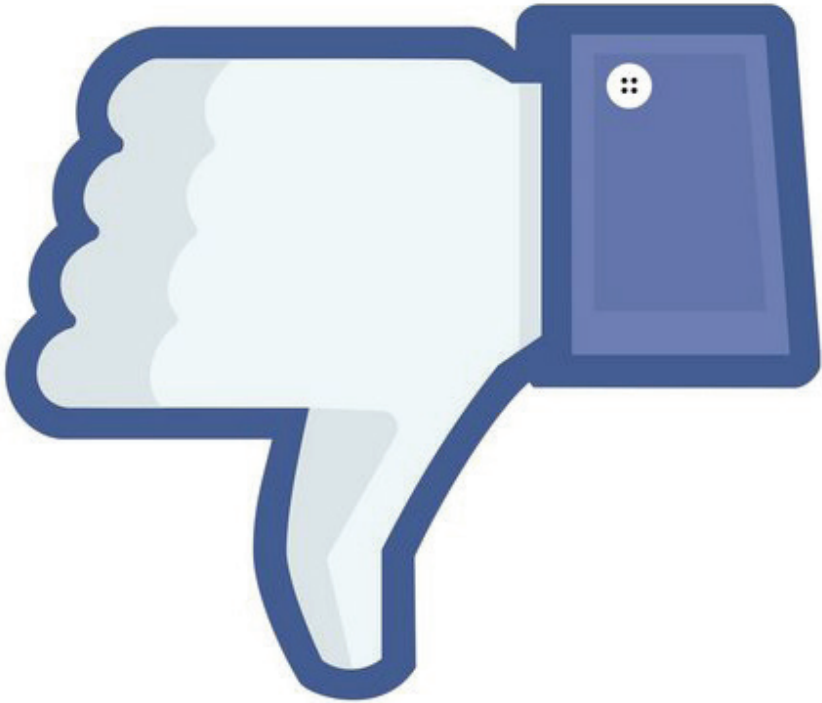
both sides of an issue, especially when it comes to politics. People on different ends of the political spectrum are only going to see articles that support their current way of thinking.

So the next time you go to post on Facebook your latest vacation photos, take a second to consider how they are using your information for their own benefit.

"If you're not paying for it; you are the product" -MetaFilter

Facebook's advertising enters murky waters on discrimination.

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Student Lifestyle

Students Turn Out for Blood Drive

By Mariuxi Mansfield
Staff Writer

With the nation’s blood supply facing significantly low inventory levels, the American Red Cross has issued a critical appeal for blood and platelet donors across the country.

According to Carol Brown Taylor, RN, BS, campus Nurse at the Student Health Services, Fairleigh Dickinson University has hosted the Blood Drive for more than ten years. And last Oct. 27 was not the exception; more than 50 students showed up to donate blood at the SUB.

Even though they need all the blood they can get, donors must meet height, weight, and health requirements.

According to the American Red Cross website, here are some fact about blood needs:

- Approximately 36,000 units of red blood cells are needed every day in the U.S.
- Nearly 7,000 units of platelets and 10,000 units of plasma are needed daily in the U.S.
- The average red blood cell transfusion is approximately 3 pints.
- The blood type most often requested by hospitals is type O.
- It is estimated that sickle cell disease affects 90,000 to 100,000 people in the U.S. About 1,000 babies are born with the disease each year. Sickle cell patients can require frequent blood transfusions throughout their lives.
- More than 1.68 million people are expected to be diagnosed with cancer in 2016. Many of them will need blood, sometimes daily, during their chemotherapy treatment.

- A single car accident victim can require as many as 100 pints of blood.

Also present at the Transylvania Blood Drive was “Be the Match” who allowed students to register at the international Registry Database for bone marrow.

Although, there are some misconceptions about bone marrow dona-

some type of blood cancer (leukemia, lymphoma, sycle cell); bone marrow is the last lifeline that they may possible have; patients turn to the registry after they have exhausted all aspects for hope; only 30% of the time an individual has a match within their own family so 70% of the time it’s a complete stranger that save their life.”

Dee Farrington, a resident

their registration, they are not only providing hope for just one individual, they are providing hope for everybody.

“So many people, until it hits their door step, don’t realize what bone marrow donation is, so we have a hard time going out and doing an educational outreach within the community and getting people to step up and register. All it takes is a cheek swap and less than 10 minutes to register.” Johansen said.

Most of the time people are scared of the simple expression “bone marrow” because people think it is a painful procedure. But these days, according to “Be the Match” 80% of the time, this procedure is done on your arms and only 20% need a surgical procedure under anesthesia.

Amanda Salazar, Student Coordinator for Special Events and Projects at FDU and a sister from Alpha Sigma Tau, lived through the experience of receiving an umbilical cord that saved her life. Salazar was born with sickle cell anemia, however, Salazar was lucky enough to find the perfect match when she was 15 years old.

Salazar’s sorority knows firsthand how valuable this procedure is and that is why they co-host “Be the Match” event. Salazar said that all the Greeks are involved because they are well aware of the benefits of the registry for bone marrow.

The next Blood Drive will be in February on Valentine’s day. For more information, visit <http://www.redcrossblood.org/donating-blood/eligibility-requirements> and <https://bethematch.org/>



(From left to right) Kyle Atchison, Ellicia Moure, Merien Polanco, Sara Thomas, Busra Saral, Taylor Stafford and Layla Smith in the Multipurpose Room of the SUB on Oct. 27 for the Red Cross Blood Drive.

Photo Credit: Mariuxi Mansfield

tion, students like Taylor Stafford, decided to register.

Elise Johansen, Community Engagement Representative from “Be the Match” said, “920 people are searching for a match in New York and New Jersey; every 3 minutes someone is been diagnosed; 480 people by the end of the day will be diagnosed with

from the area, found the Blood Drive online at “Be a Match” Farrington’s cousin was diagnosed with leukemia AML in 2015 and now her cousin is waiting for a bone marrow donor. Farrington decided to register herself to help someone else.

Johansen took the time to explain to the students that thanks to

David Graham Selected as RA of the Month

By Tyler Williams
Staff Writer

The Office of Residence Life has announced David Graham (Linden 6) as their September RA of the Month.

He has been selected for going above and beyond the call of duty in providing outstanding service to his residents and excelling as a member of the Office of Residence Life team. The Equinox had the opportunity to interview him about his achievement.

Graham is a Biology major and an Art minor in his 3rd year, anticipating to go to medical school. He is currently in the 5-year combined degree program in order to graduate with a master’s degree. The art minor’s purpose is his interest for digital visual art such as Photoshop, 3-D animation, and video cinematics.

Aside from being a Resident Assistant (RA), he is currently involved as the treasurer for the Student Government Association (SGA); a treasurer for the Commuter Council, a proud brother and treasurer for the Sigma Pi Fraternity International.

When he was asked about the purpose of becoming an RA, he said that he wanted to be more active on campus.

“I wanted to interact with

people more by being involved on campus. The only complication is that it’s hard to be here for certain nighttime events as a commuter,” he said. “Being an RA isn’t about telling people what to do or do what the Office of Residence Life tells me, but it is about working with the students to try to build a strong community and build connections and bonds that may last a lifetime,” said Graham.

The Equinox asked about him making an impact on students as an RA. He said that he is not sure, however, for other organizations that he is involved in, he has in some ways and he continues to work towards that.

“At the end of the day, it is about who I impact and who is the recipient of whatever actions I take; that determines what lasting effects I will leave on this school,” Graham said.

When asked about the RA application process, he said that the process was not a very difficult one.

“I feel like the ones who will review the applications have the most difficult decisions,” he said. “Realistically for the applicant, it is not a very stressful process.”

The Equinox asked about his unique character that made him stand out from his peers, he said the beauty is in the eyes of the beholder.

“My superiors felt that I was an individual worth hiring and that’s why I am here today,” Graham said.

When asked about what he does in his free time, he said that he attends church, works at a company called Armc Financial Services as an insurance collector, and plays video games.

The Equinox also asked about the building events that he has hosted for his assigned residence hall. He held two events in Linden 6.

“The first event was Show of Hands, it was meant to show diversity to bring our residents out together,” he said. “It was to bring the unique character out of the residents.

The second event was playing the Mario Kart video game while using alcohol goggles.

“It was interesting to see that some people were able to come in first with the goggles on,” Graham said. “It was quite fascinating.”

When asked about his goals for the rest of the year, he said that he wants to continue to build the community and would like to get to know the students better.

“The last thing I intend to do is to impede anyone’s self growth or personal life in any way whatsoever,” Graham said.

The Equinox asked about his favorite part about being an RA, he said that it is being active with the residents.

“They are actually really cool individuals. And I am really grateful of having the opportunity to get to talk to them,” he said.

When asked about being an RA next year, Graham said definitely.

“If I am fortunate enough to be hired, that would be a blessing,” Graham said.



David Graham, residence assistant of Linden 6

Student Lifestyle

Tension at Election Knight Watch Party

By Reginald Tauscher
Staff Writer

The Office of Student Life held an Election Knight Party on Nov. 8 at 8 p.m. with more than 150 people, including students, faculty and staff attended the event, watching the Election on CNN, CBS and Fox News.

The Multi Purpose Room was packed with anxious viewers watching the election and getting food – students were provided with sandwiches, wings,

and each room had a different news channel showing election play-by-plays.

Students played games of pool and ping-pong in the Knight Club to entertain themselves and combated the tense feeling in the multi-purpose room.

Meanwhile, outside of the Knight Club there were tables with information and games in the foyer that tested student’s knowledge on the candidates and issues that were



Students, faculty and staff gather in the multi-purpose room, anxiously watching the election results of each state.

Photo Credit: FDU Student Life

cookies and drinks.

Laptops were set up close to the snack bar with live results as students talked about the differences between Hillary Clinton, Gary Johnson and Donald Trump.

Posters that compared the candidates on major issues were hung throughout the rooms and in the foyer,

discussed in the debates.

“I am glad I came out to see the election results. We have a great turn out tonight,” Aaron McClendon said.

“I had a lot of good conversations and debates during the course of the night,” Hailey Cohen-Mihailov said.

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Recipe of the Week:
Breakfast Paleo Mug Cake



Recipe from The Wannabe Chef

Ingredients:

- 1 small ripe banana
- 1 1/2 Tablespoons almond butter(or any nut butter)
- 1 egg
- 2 heaping Tablespoons cocoa powder

Instructions:

1. With a fork, mash the banana into a smooth puree.

2. Mix the almond butter, egg and cocoa powder into the banana
- puree until it forms an even batter.

3. Fold in any mix-ins into the batter that you'd like.

4. Pour batter into a mug or other microwave safe container. Be sure to only fill the container up to 2/3rds the way because it will expand in the microwave.

4. Microwave on high for 2 and 1/2 minutes until the center is set.

5. Carefully remove the mug from the microwave and enjoy hot, cold or at room temperature.



Photo Credit: The Wannabe Chef

Campus
Calendar

- Nov. 11**
Veterans Day Parade
Contact Veterans' Services

Nov. 14
R U Smarter Than a Frat Guy, 8:30 p.m.
MPR

Nov 16
Bacon Day
Dining Hall, SUB

Nov. 17
International Fashion Show 6 p.m.

Nov. 18
IGE Annual Showcase 8 p.m.
MPR

Nov. 19
Sands of Time trip to Newburgh
Symphony Orchestra
Bus leaves MC at 5 p.m.

Teaneck
Ticker

- Nov. 12**
The Jam Stampede
Mexicali Live, Teaneck, NJ

Nov. 13
A Jew Grows in Brooklyn
Englewood, NJ
Bergen Arts Performing Center

Nov. 17
Johnny Winter Allstar Band with Paul Nelson
8:00 p.m. Teaneck, NJ
Ethical Brew

Nov. 19
Patty Larkin
Teaneck, NJ
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Nov. 20
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Englewood, NJ
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— Student Lifestyle —

Students React to Election Night

By Armand Butera
Entertainment
Editor & Staff Writer



Press Iyamu, Sophomore

“Regarding the results of this election I am not surprised at all. Personally I am not a Trump supporter, but by watching some of his prior campaign and analyzing the electoral votes he received, it was no shocker Trump won. Now, when speaking of the morals of the country as a whole, it is something of questionable regard. With an election as defining as this, it really goes to show where the hearts of many Americans lie; being that we not only let, but carried, a man such as Trump through the election and into the presidency is beyond me.”



Joy Henry-Goodwin, Senior

““I am truly saddened as an international student and a woman of color that the United States has made this decision for a leader. To elect a president that openly disrespects, insults and disregards the rights of women is truly a disappointment. To know that my fellow women and men who have wives and daughters could make this decision makes me confused. How could this have been the best decision?””



Mark Lindsley, Junior

“I was a little worried in the days leading up to Election Day because of the closeness of the polls, but I had faith that the American people would realize that a man like Donald Trump should never be President. Once the results began coming in I figured out that I had given Americans too much credit.

“I am shocked that voters put more stock into Hillary’s email scandal than they put into the numerous scandals that Donald Trump has been, and still is, a part of. It is a disgrace that our next President is going to be a man that jokes about sexually assaulting women, thinks all Mexicans are criminals, discriminates against the entire Muslim religion and doesn’t feel the need to pay taxes or his employees.”



Cameron Carter, Junior

“I think this election has really sent a message out to people from our parent’s generation and their predecessors: that we are invested in our own country’s politics. I saw how passionate people were when Hillary won a state and how upset they were that Trump was winning or vice versa. You don’t get reactions like those by not being invested in politics. Whether or not their support was based off of a single policy, a catch phrase or because ‘they tell it like it is,’ the support was there. The passion was there.”

Student Lifestyle

Top 10 Things College Students Should Know Before Graduating

By Sonal Tuslyani
Staff Writer



1. The Early Bird Really Does Get the Worm

The benefits of getting assignments done early cannot be stressed enough. If you get your paper done early, you do get free time to catch that movie. But being the “early bird” can do a lot more for you. When you sign up for class, you want to be the first to sign up, especially if you’re a freshman with little to no university credits who gets last pick after all of the upperclassmen. On top of that, there are events that are first come, first serve that you just have to sign up for on the spot. For instance, the winter ball tickets sold within the day, so trying to get tickets the day after was impossible. If you’re the early bird and you get the worm, you’ll get to experience things you won’t want to miss out on.

2. Don’t Be Afraid To Try New Things, They Won’t Bite

Ever hear of giving something the old “college try?” In college, you have at least four years to screw up and get back on your feet or to not screw up and find out what you want to do for the rest of your life. Maybe there’s a club or a sport that you never thought you would or could be a part of that is lingering in the back of your mind. Maybe you’re curious about what would happen if just once, you were a part of something that was completely outside of everything you’re comfortable with. If you’re going to reinvent yourself, now is the time to do that. You have nothing to lose, because you have all of four years to mess up and still be socially accepted.

3. Quality Over Quantity, With Your Papers And Connections

Gone are the days in high school where writing three to five pages with correct grammar and spelling was enough to get you that “A.” Now, it is more important than ever to learn how to write, because the quality of your writing will strengthen your essay.

So go ahead, take that compositional risk and incorporate those metaphors and hyperboles that you spent years mastering. While you’re at it, throw in some humor and rhetoric, because you’re going to need whatever you can muster to help you keep your grades up.

When you’re in college, it’s all well and good that you have your “crowd,” or group of friends that you hang out with all the time. It’s important to network and make a lot of connections, but it is just as important to make good connections, that will last. Bearing that in mind, don’t be friends with the person only because his or her mom or dad or uncle or aunt or cousin owns the company that you’ve been dying to intern that. Choose the friends who you want to be in your life after graduation.



4. Study Groups Are Saviors

I’m sure there are some teachers and professors who would beg to differ, but studying with other people can be more effective than studying by yourself, even if you’re a little chatty. However, don’t be afraid to find new people to study with if it takes way too long for your current study group to get through the material. It doesn’t mean you can’t hang out with your friends, it just means that you have to pencil in people and time to help yourself get better grades.



5. Clubs Are Key

The first thing that everyone wants to know is what your major is. But when you get a job, you won’t have

a major. In fact, chances are you’ll be working with people with the same degree as you. But before you can even start thinking of getting a job, you need a hobby. It looks good on your applications for graduate schools and when you apply for a job. Companies like to see that your life isn’t consumed by your work and getting a hobby will show that. It also gives you a break from some of the more intense stuff you go through in college and life. And who knows, maybe you can turn it into a high-paying career. Most importantly, it’s fun!



6. Volunteer

The first thing people hear when they are considering volunteering is that it is something they can put on their resumes. News flash: that’s what internships are for. If you’re going to volunteer, do it because it is something you are genuinely interested in. If you don’t plan on doing so already, consider volunteering because it’s worth the time and effort you put into it. If nothing else, it will give you a sense of community by making you a part of something special.

7. Take Advantage of Resources

Take full advantage of every resource that comes at you and take all the help you can get, because the second you graduate is the last second where all the resources you could ever need will be this close to each other, especially considering that this is a small campus. If you’re stressed, S-CAPS is right around the corner. Need tutoring? Sign up in Robison Hall on the fifth floor. Even if you’re not failing, it’s still worthwhile to get a tutor to bring that “B” up to an “A.”



8. Dress For Success

Remember when you showed up to the SATs dressed comfortably in your sweats? Yeah, well, maybe that

wasn’t your best strategy. According to College Magazine, dressing better increases a student’s self-confidence and could improve test performance. If in doubt try both ways and see what works best for you.

9. Sleep

One thing that almost no one in college ever gets enough of is sleep. According to US News the University of Cincinnati’s survey of about 200 undergraduate students showed that only 21 percent of college students get more than eight hours of sleep. Between working to pay off tuition and bills and studying twice the amount of time you are in class so that you can pass your classes, you don’t have the hours you need to sleep. US News also said that the lack of sleep can affect a student’s memory and concentration, so getting that extra hour or so of sleep could be just what you need to do well on your finals.



10. Avoid the Four-Year Freshman Fifteen

You’ve probably heard of the “freshman fifteen.” Some of you might be experiencing it right now. In fact, some of you might be experiencing the “freshman more-than-fifteen” which isn’t all that uncommon. Part one of beating the “freshman 15” is a maintaining a healthy diet which includes a balance of protein, vitamins, and carbohydrates. Part two of the “freshman 15” is exercising which means balancing between aerobic and anaerobic and working out your upper body, lower body and core. It is recommended that you consume a protein bar or a protein shake within an hour, preferably 45 minutes of completing your workout. It is also recommended that for every gram of protein, the protein bar or protein shake contains four grams of carbohydrates. The fitness center is a great resource for this extra push.

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— Student Lifestyle —

High Hopes for Changes at FDU

By Nishi Naik
Staff Writer

(TEANECK) - Students and faculty at Fairleigh Dickinson’s Metropolitan Campus were asked, “If you could change one thing about FDU, what would it be and why?” The responses were varied yet they provided a strong measure of the changes people are looking forward to see on campus.



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“The timings of the dining facilities here on the Metropolitan Campus.”
-Marcus Henry, student

“The only change I would make to FDU is adding better and healthier food. With the food at the SUB and Jeepers combined there are not a lot of options, considering a lot of the food at Jeepers is either frozen or not fresh and food doesn’t always taste good.”
-Krishna Patel, student

“I would make the appearance of the campus match what is portrayed in the advertising brochure - match the student academics and the co-curriculars, to provide a better overall experience to its students.”
-Childerick Barthelus, assistant dean of commuter affairs and special projects

“New eating options, so students are able to access meals during a later time period.”
-Sedona Hill, student

“More activities and events for the students to participate during the weekends.”
-Michael Liss, Giovatto Library

“So far, I’m enjoying the freshmen experience here at FDU. However, if I could change one thing about FDU, I would diversify the dining options. For instance, having our FDU cards be permitted at other local eating places.”
-Kahira Leach, student

“If I could change one thing about FDU, I would make the Student Union Building more centralized and capacious. It would be more accessible to students and faculty throughout the day.”
-Dean of Students Michelle, McCroy-Hein

“There should be more scholarships accepted by FDU. Since FDU is a private university, not all types of scholarships are accepted.”
-Joselyne Beretta, student

“Increasing the campus security. I would probably build a fence around the campus, so it increases the safety of the students as well as the staff.”
-Matthew Castelli, student

“I would make sure that every Metropolitan student studies abroad for at least a summer or semester at either our fabulous Wroxtton Campus in England, or at one of our superb partner programs in China.”
“As a proud alumnus of our university (Florham Park, BA ‘97) and of the Wroxtton program (Spring ‘95), as well as a faculty member who has recently taught Introduction to Philosophy for our FDU program in Chengdu, China, I can say that there is no better FDU experience than studying abroad internationally at one of our many campuses.”
“You will be united with fellow FDU students and faculty from both Metropolitan and Florham Park. You will experience new ideas, philosophies, friends, and cultures while discovering your own inner voice and self through your travels beyond the physical walls of the classroom. In short, you will experience the trip of a lifetime!”
-Dr. William Zimmerle, assistant professor of digital humanities, Metro Campus

Escape Room Tests Students’ Knowledge & Skills

By Daniel Mora
Staff Writer

“The more that there is the less that you see. Squint all you wish when surrounded by me”
Can you guess what it is?
Well, the more that there is, the less you see, meaning the more of “it” impairs our visibility. Even squinting won’t help, which can only mean darkness.
That was one of the riddles in the Escape from Mount Olympus escape room on Nov. 3.

The escape room featured a variety of mysteries and puzzles. It forced students to put all their knowledge on philosophy, Greek mythology, and ancient history to the test.
With complicated yet simple riddles, one must work alone or together to solve a variety of mysteries that ultimately lead to the end prize - Zeus’ lightning.
Students had 25 minutes to complete the task, and many were up to the challenge.
Twelve people were locked



Fictional depiction of Mount Olympus, home of the Greek Gods.
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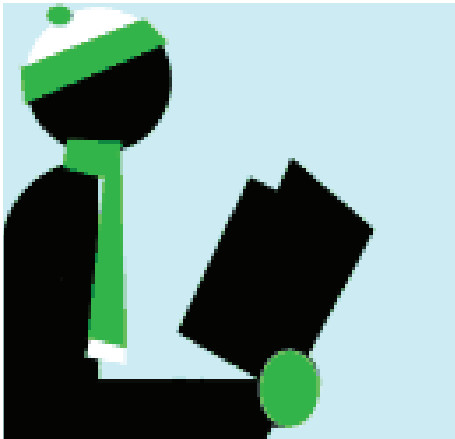


From the left: Matthew Scocco, Christopher Venegas, Michael Lichardi, and Brandon Lau guided students to the escape room where they had 25 minutes to steal Zeus’ lightning before he returned.
Photo Credit: Daniel Mora

in the room, and given one hint coin to either immediately use or save for later.
Unfortunately, our team was not able to complete it. There were just too many puzzles that needed to be solved that were time consuming.
This goes to show that even a well-organized group can get caught up doing too much at once.
Jeremy Loaiza volunteered to help host the event. He said, “I love being involved in anything that student life has to offer, so when I heard about the Mount Olympus event, I was probably one of the first few to sign up.”
Overall, this was a very well thought-out event and an enjoyable one. I would, without a doubt, return and definitely recommend the escape room to many of my friends.

Campus Corner

Periodically Speaking - News from Giovatto Library



Kathy Stein-Smith, Associate University Librarian and Director of Public Services, Giovatto Library

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The Library Café

During the busy final weeks of the semester, be sure to take a break in the Library Café

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Kathy’s Picks
Study Guides and Strategies
<http://www.studygs.net/>
10 Books to Read in November
<http://www.elle.com/culture/books/g29046/new-books-november-2016/>
10 Books We Recommend This Week
<http://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/06/books/review/10-books-we-recommend-this-week>

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This Week @ the Library
Giovatto Library Student Advisory Board – Monday @ 1 o.m.
Giovatto Library Readers Circle – Monday @ 1 p.m.
Getting to Know Your Library Databases – Monday @ 6 p.m.; and Tuesday @ 10 a.m.

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New Books This Week
Accused, a novel

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Friday – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday – 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday – 12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

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Sunday Nov. 13 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.

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Cracking the Quebec Code: The 7 Keys to Understanding Quebecers

Envisioning New Jersey: An Illustrated History of the Garden State

55 Successful Harvard Law School Application Essays

The Girl from Venice, a novel

Grad’s Guide to Graduate Admissions Essays

Graduate Admissions Essays

The Handbook of Cosmetic Science and Technology

A Lowcountry Heart: Reflections on a Writing Life

The Old Farmer’s Almanac 2017

Peterson’s Graduate Programs in the Physical Sciences, Mathematics, Agricultural Sciences, the Environment & Natural Resources, 2017

Raised at Rutgers: A President’s Story 65 Successful Harvard Business School Application Essays

Supporting Veterans in Higher Education

Upstream, Selected Essays

Working Stiff: Two Years, 262 Bodies, and the Making of a Medical Examiner

New DVDs This Week

Café Society

Outlanders, season 2

New Video Games This Week

W2K17

American Ulysses: A Life of Ulysses S. Grant

Best American Short Stories, 2016

The Cambridge History of Latin American Women’s Literature

Chicken Soup for the Veteran’s Soul: Stories to Stir the Pride and Honor the Courage of Our Veterans

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Friday, November 18th

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Correction

The article, “Benefits of Having an Internship” on page 18 of The Equinox issue four, should list Nidia Rodríguez as the staffing manager at Execu-Search Group and interned at Novo Nordisk and Johnson & Johnson.

Campus Corner

SGA President's Corner - First Student Case



SGA President Melanie Arokiaswami

Through and through, the Student Government Association has been working behind the scenes for the majority of October. One endeavor I would like to highlight is that the SGA has taken their first, as we have coined it, Student Case. What a Student Case is, is a project that has evolved from a concerned student that has come to SGA for help in terms of their interests

as a student, specifically an interest in the Metro TV Studio.

At one of our weekly SGA meetings, the student proposed their case, and ultimately the SGA and said student had a discussion. We did not criticize, but brainstormed as a group to decide how we can help this student. There was a bold motion to call this situation a Student Case, and that we will guide the student and help see through their goals, utilizing all the resources the SGA has. We are excited to have this first case and we are appreciative that such as student believes in our means to facilitate them.

The SGA made larger leaps specifically in the past week; the SGA has hosted their first closed meeting. While the SGA has many unavoidable obligations to the campus community,

every year the new SGA defined differently by their goals and execution. Therefore, at the recent closed meeting senators were asked, “What kind of SGA would you like to be; what would you like to be remembered for?” During this closed meeting the SGA had cohesively ranked the following goals in order of interest, feasibility, and relative importance:

1. University School Spirit
2. Family Weekend
3. Participating in President Capuano’s Strategic Plan
4. Common Hour and Community Service
5. Advocacy and Off Campus Involvement

While this list may be tentative, it serves as a starting point to pursuing

the large goals of SGA. The SGA plans to tackle no more than three of these goals, two heavily dependent on the demand of the top two we choose.

The SGA comprises of twenty-two members, a small fraction of the students on campus. Therefore as SGA we encourage all students to deliver some sort of feedback to re-confirm or dismiss our ideas. Our mission is to work on behalf of the entire campus community.

We have vowed to work in the interests of our fellow students. With that said weekly meetings are held every Wednesday at 2:30pm in the SUB’s Multipurpose Room, where each of us are here to listen and then act on your concerns and ideas. Meetings are not held during holidays or during breaks. Closed Meetings are also an exception to this rule.

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- credit-based
- Proactive candidate, highly motivated
 - Detail-oriented
 - Knowledge of strategic business practices
 - Flexible, quick learner
 - Very organized, able to balance multiple projects simultaneously
 - strong verbal and written communication skills
 - ability to work independently and in teams
 - strong computer and database skills

Internship Program

Multiple Locations

Office of Senator Corey Booker

- The Spring Internship Session runs from January to mid-May.
- The Summer Internship Period is broken into two segments:
- Session One runs from mid-May through June.
- Session Two runs from July to mid-August.
- The Fall Internship Session runs from September through December.
- The internship application deadlines are as follows:
- Summer Sessions One and Two: April 5
- Fall Session: Aug. 5
- Spring Session: Nov. 20
- Upon submitting your application, you will receive a confirmation of receipt via email. Interviews will be conducted on a rolling basis. Please note that we are unable to offer an internship to all applicants.
- Preference will be given to New Jersey residents.
- If you have any questions regarding our program, please email Internship@booker.senate.gov

Applications Accepted Until:
Nov. 20, 2016

PART TIME POSITIONS

Accounts Clerk II

United States (Nationwide)

- Prints, reviews, and verifies timesheets ensuring pay records, overtime, and shift differential are accurate

- rate and takes corrective actions when necessary.
- Computes and maintains individual employee leave records based on earnings and use of leave. Confirms leave usage with timesheets and identifies inaccuracies.
 - Reconciles payroll leave balances with supervisor records.
 - Researches discrepancies by retrieving and examining original records.
 - Corrects and resolves differences and inaccuracies by adjusting records as necessary.
 - Reviews and analyses payroll change notices from Personnel.
 - Communicates, responds, and provides guidance regarding payroll and leave related problems, inquiries, corrections and regulation and procedural issues by telephone, email or in person.
 - Completes, sends, and files forms for wages verifications.

Applications Accepted Until:
Dec. 12, 2016

Part-time Entry Level Desktop Publishing

West Caldwell, New Jersey

- Multilingual Publishing Company is seeking to fill a part time position for its desktop publishing department.
- Candidate must be available to work Monday through Friday. Hours of 10 am – 3 pm preferred, but willing to work around student schedule.
- This is an opportunity for a college student or an entry level person to get exposure to the publishing environment.
- Good computer skills a must and working knowledge in QuarkXpress helpful but not necessary.

English and Language Arts Instructor

Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey

- Excellent communication skills with adults and children
- Sense of responsibility
- Patience, enthusiasm, willingness to work with children
- Hours: Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

- Tuesday,Wednesday, Thursday 3 pm - 8 pm more hours on an as needed basis
- Excellent knowledge in Reading and Composition Writing
 - Provide appropriate academic coaching to students according to the Center policy.
 - Motivate and encourage students
 - Discuss with Director of students’ progress after every session or end of business day
 - Must have a good personality, be friendly and adaptable

Applications Accepted Until:
Nov. 30, 2016

FULL TIME POSITIONS

Legal Assistant

Bernardsville, New Jersey

- Entry-level legal assistant needed to provide litigation, municipal and administrative support to firm partner and associates.
 - Experience preferred.
 - Excellent communication skills required.
- Applications Accepted Until:**
Nov. 18, 2016

Account Executive

Multiple Locations, New Jersey/ New York

- CMS Funding has career opportunities in our New York City location and our headquarters located in Wayne, NJ.
- Bachelor’s degree or equivalent sales experience
 - Positive and resilient attitude
 - You have tons of energy, passion, humor, compassion, and enthusiasm
 - You have superior communications skills
 - You focus on your goals and have a great desire to succeed
 - You pride yourself on delivering results and understand the importance of self-accountability
 - You have the ability to exercise your own judgment and discretion while working independently

Applications Accepted Until:
Nov. 19, 2016

Entertainment

“Popstar” Worth a Shot

By Michael Natoli
Staff Writer

Andy Samberg and other stars from Saturday Night Live star in “Popstar,” a hilarious mockumentary about a pop star who has lost his “pop.” When his album fails to meet the public’s expectations, the rapper goes on a hilarious quest to revive his failing career.

This movie successfully parodies everything that is stereotypical about the music industry and fame itself, including selling out, ego-driven grudges, and the butchering of raw talent. It plays out as a sort of mockumentary - it follows a storyline but is peppered with fake interviews that pertain to that plot.

The style spoofs those inspirational documentaries one might typically find on Netflix or Youtube

about famous singers in the industry.

The film lacks any real substance, but it definitely has the potential to be a cult classic due to its comedic value.

The best way to describe “Popstar” is as one long SNL skit with a storyline; so, if you enjoy sketch comedies in that structure, this is definitely a good watch for you on your next date night.

The film features big Hollywood names, including cameos from Justin Timberlake, Sarah Silverman, and multiple Grammy-Award winning artists. Even though it has a rather beefed up cast, the movie disappointed in the box office.

The movie cost an estimated \$20 million to make, and had only grossed \$9,393,835 when it went out of theaters, merely two weeks after it opened. It was awarded a 6.7 out of 10 on IMDB.com, the premiere database site

for information on films and TV shows, and all in all it wasn’t commercially successful. But just because it lacked the real substance or complexity that a Hollywood blockbuster might possess, that doesn’t necessarily mean that “Popstar” is a waste of your time.

The purpose of movies is to provide an escape from the real world; when you’re stressed, sad, or even annoyed, sometimes the best remedy is to sit down and watch something that will pick your spirits up and make you hurt from laughing. Here, a serious or complex plot line wouldn’t really do the job.

That’s where “Popstar” comes in. If you’re looking for a movie that’ll make you laugh and forget about your daily troubles for a short period of time, or if you’re just looking to unwind, this might be the movie for you.



Promotional poster for the comedy, “Popstar.”
Photo Credit: Universal Studios

Colombian Restaurant Debuts in Hackensack

By Selena Christmas
Guest Writer

With the holidays fast approaching, it was a pleasant surprise to find that one of my favorite restaurants – Noches De Colombia - opened a new location on Main Street in Hackensack.

If you have ever eaten in one of their restaurants, then an explanation of why their restaurant is so great is not necessary. But, for those of you who have not experienced the “Nights of Columbia” cuisine, after reading this review, it should be the next thing on your eating list. Noches de Colombia is not just a restaurant – it’s a large, inviting and well-equipped home kitchen.

This is the kind of place where you’d want to take your family and where you can get your “foodie” on - because it’s just like home. The staff

at Noches De Columbia make you feel welcome even if your Spanish is not that great.

Their menu options –

It made me think about holiday celebrations at my cousin’s house - all the furniture would be moved to another room and we would set three

most of all, consider it for business meetings. This place can handle it.

Their new facility is wheelchair accessible, equipped with plenty of parking, has a full bar with three large televisions, and is good for both lunch and dinner. The best nights for happy hour are Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. You don’t have to make reservations and the attire is casual. They also have take-out.

No matter where you live, there is likely to be a Noches De Columbia in your area. There are several locations in New Jersey. To make it more convenient for both current and new customers, they have added delivery service (check locations in your area).



The new Noches de Colombia restaurant at 382 Main Street, Hackensack.
Photo Credit: Selena Christmas

especially their deserts, are amazing. For an establishment this large, their service is impeccable. Walking in to the dining area took me by surprise because of its openness. There are no barriers, and the seating is open and homey.

or four tables together to accommodate about 35 people.

If you are tired of the same old hamburger joints, experience the Latin flavor of Noches De Columbia – it’s one you won’t soon forget. Don’t forget take the family, treat your friends and

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Sports

Knights Romp in Exhibition

By Julian Bell
Sports Writer

With the first game of the season just around the corner, Head Coach Greg Herenda and his FDU Knights have their sights set on Seton Hall. Herenda, who was an assistant basketball coach at Seton Hall in years past, had to prepare his team to play against Merrimack College in their



Mike Holloway scored 16 points and 13 rebounds in an exhibition win over Merrimack on Nov. 3.

Photo Credit: File Photo

preseason exhibition on Nov. 3. Interestingly, Coach Herenda also holds close ties with Merrimack, which is his alma mater. Despite his history with Merrimack College, Herenda prepared his team to dominate the game, and that is exactly what they did. Though the Knights were off to a slow start and Merrimack put together some impressive scoring drives, FDU found their second wind by the second half of the game.

The Men's Basketball team entered their preseason game against Merrimack with some formidable obstacles. With two injured players, the Knights had an impressive performance against a perfectly healthy opponent. After the fans, officials, and players rose for the National Anthem, the action was immediately underway in the Stratis Arena. By the opening bell, the Knights were ready to put on an explosive performance in their 77-62 victory over Merrimack College.

FDU won the opening tip off and immediately gained possession. The Knights were still trying to find their rhythm during the first half, as they had some difficulty against Merrimack's aggressive offense and formidable defense. It was hard for the Knights to secure rebounds and drive the ball toward the basket. By the end



Coach Herenda shown kneeling in middle, lays out his game-plan. From left semi circle: Knights player Daron Curry, Mike Holloway (shown outside circle) Associate Head Coach Bruce Hamburger, Dondre Rhoden, From middle to right semi circle: Nadi Beciri, Kaleb Bishop, Pat Mcnamara, Mike Schroback, Tyrone O'Garro, Malik Miller, Darnell Edge, Stephan Jiggetts.

Photo Credit: FDU Knights

of the first half the Knights were down, but Coach Herenda and a few of his key players had other plans.

FDU sophomore forward Mike Holloway was one of the main contributors in the Knights victory, with 13 rebounds and 16 points

Holloway was not the only Knights player who played aggressively during the second half. Senior forward Tyrone O'Garro scored 14 points and came up with 12 rebounds. Overall, the Knights implemented more aggressive defensive tactics during the second half. Almost 46 percent of the Knights' shots translated into points.

The Knights put on an impressive performance without one of their key players, Earl Potts Jr. After sustaining an injury earlier this year, FDU continues to prepare him for the upcoming season. However, one question remains: Will Earl Potts Jr. be able to play in the season opener against Seton Hall? How long will his injury prevail?

Coach Herenda's team seems ready for their next challenge, the season opener against Seton Hall in South Orange, N.J. The action takes place on Friday, Nov. 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Knights Outplay LIU Brooklyn

By Julian Bell
Sports Writer

The FDU Women's Soccer team hosted their 18th match of the season on Oct. 28 against LIU Brooklyn, winning 4-2.

The Knights are currently 5-1-1 in the NEC. Though they were unable to prevent LIU Brooklyn from scoring, the victory provided them with a clear path to the NEC Tournament which took place on Nov.4.

The first period of the match was marked by aggressive scoring attempts and dominant ball control by the Knights. At goalie for FDU was freshman Amanda Fitzgerald while the goalkeeper for LIU Brooklyn was sophomore Erin Harbison. Fitzgerald had a total of four saves while Harbison made 10 saves.

FDU began the match with effective ball control. FDU sophomore midfielder Jessi Reinhardt executed a corner kick followed by a header shot



FDU Freshman Goalie Amanda Fitzgerald shown above making a save.

Photo Credit: FDU Athletics

by Junior defender Kristina Neri. Both attempts fell short of the goal as the Blackbirds later took possession of the ball. FDU junior midfielder Dara Battistoni was responsible for Knights' first goal of the match. The score was tied, but both teams were far from finished.

Once the second period began, both teams put together even more

aggressive scoring drives. Another goal was scored by LIU player Madison Gomez which put the Blackbirds up 2-1 on us. This was Gomez's fourth goal scored of the entire season. FDU responded with an offensive bust of their own. Scoring three consecutive goals as the game became increasingly one sided.

The Knights executed 15 shots on goal while the Blackbirds attempted six. The Knights also made better use of the corner kick with a total of 11, while LIU did not make any corner kicks during the match. The Knights proved to be the more disciplined team, committing only four fouls compared to the Blackbirds' six.

The scoring leaders for the Knights included Connie Lewis with two goals, and Stasi Torchia with one. Dara Battistoni also scored a goal.

NEC Tournament Update

The Knights fell short in the NEC Tournament on Nov. 4 in a 0-2 loss against Saint Francis U. After losing to Mount St. Mary's on Oct. 30., the tournament was their only hope for redemption.

SCORE BOX

Men's Cross Country

10/29 NEC Championship - Away 8th

Women's Cross Country

10/29 NEC Championship - Away 7th

Women's Soccer

10/28 LIU Brooklyn - Home W 4-2

10/30 Mount St. Mary's - Away L 1-2

11/4 St. Francis U. - NEC Tournament L 0-2

Men's Soccer

10/28 LIU Brooklyn - Away L 0-2

11/1 Army West Point - Home L 0-1

11/6 Sacred Heart - Home L 1-2

Men's Basketball

11/3 Merrimack College (Exhibition) W 77-62

Women's Basketball

11/5 Seton Hill (Exhibition) - Home W 64-51