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Alabama voters deliver a shock to GOP establishment in Senate primary race



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The former Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court Roy Moore, 70, celebrates his primary win, a victory for the Christian right and blow to the GOP establishment. He will face Democrat and former U.S. attorney Doug Jones in the general election this December but is currently polling 6 points ahead of Jones.

BY KATHERINE COBLE

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News Editor

The Republican establishment was dealt a blow in Alabama last Tuesday evening after Senator Luther Strange lost his bid to represent the state of Alabama in a special runoff election to former Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court, Roy Moore

Strange, 64, was appointed to the position after Jeff Sessions became the U.S. Attorney General within the Donald Trump administration. He received millions of dollars in support from GOP figures like Mitch McConnell and was officially endorsed by President Trump. His aggressive advertising program and involvement of Donald Trump in his campaign were not enough to overpower Moore's rural, evangelical base. Moore has long been a

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controversial figure in Alabama. He has been removed from his position in the Alabama Supreme Court twice, first in 2003 after refusing to remove a statue with the Ten Commandments from the courthouse. He was elected

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Bulgarian team achieves a Guinness World Record after creating large candy mosiac

BY BORIS ZYUMBYULEV

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A new Bulgarian achievement has entered the Guinness Book World of Records book. The employees of Mars Incorporated Bulgaria put together the largest candy mosaic on Friday, the 29th of September. Their project was to take over one million M&M candies and recreate the infamous logo.

Put in place one by one, the classic M&M chocolate candies span 23 meters (250 feet) in length and 7 meters (75 feet) width, which is 161 square me-

tres or 1732 square feet. The logo itself makes up almost a third of the area: a 12 by 4 meters (130 by 43 feet) area or approximately 50 square meters (540 square feet). The size is almost the same a volleyball court covered by one candy thick layer of m&m's. The mosaic contains 1,030,400 individual candies, and the total weight is over one ton.

44 Bulgarian employees participated in the project and managed to finish in just 31 hours and 17 minutes. The mosaic is in

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Photo courtesy of 24chasa.bg A team of Bulgarian employees at Mars Incorporated now hold a world record after putting together the largest candy mosiac in world history last Friday.



Alabama: Republicans react to primary results in Alabama senate race as far-right Moore defeats incumbant Luther Strange



Photo courtesy of the star.com.

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to the position again in 2013 but was suspended and eventually resigned in 2016 for encouraging probate judges to continue enforcing Alabama's same-sex marriage ban after it was ruled to be unconstitutional. Moore was a leading voice in the "birther" movement regarding Barack Obama and is known for his staunch anti-gay and anti-Muslim

beliefs.

Moore's victory was not unsurprising. He had polled well going into election night and was able to mobilize his far-right Christian base despite controversies over racially insensitive remarks given on the campaign and his storied past as former chief justice. There is evidence the Strange campaign did not work hard enough to

pivot to moderate voters who may feel weary about Moore representing their state on a national scale. Some questioned the value of Trump's support after the campaign speech he gave for Strange last an hour and a half, went off-topic, and even included the president questioning whether it was wise for him to be there. His advisors had warned against it, as lending

support to one side of a contested primary can have unintended consequences.

Still, the loss was perceived by many to be a blow to the GOP establishment and is the first case since 2010 of an incumbent with White House support losing their election. Following Strange's defeat, Donald Trump deleted his older tweets supporting the candidate and posted a new one saying: "Congratulations to Roy Moore on his Republican Primary win in Alabama. Luther Strange started way back & ran a good race. Roy, WIN in Dec!" Moore also received congratulations from his avid support and Trump's former chief of staff Steve Bannon, who said in a speech during Moore's victory event that the election results would contribute to a populist revolution.

Roy will be running against the Democratic nominee Doug Jones, a former U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama who came to national prominence during the Clinton administration for prosecuting and convincing two Klu Klux Klan members for their involvement in the 1963 church bombing that resulted in the deaths of four young girls in Birmingham, Alabama. According to AL.com, Jones trailed Moore by six points in the polls on Friday.

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Record: Bulgarians celebrate achievement to be featured in Guinness Book of World Records

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the Pardise Center mall in Sofia, Bulgaria. The whole process was tracked by representatives of the Guinness Book of World Records, who came to the country specifically for the event.

Paulina Sapinska, the official judge from the Guinness Book of World Record, congratulated the participants: "Your achievement is truly impressive. Often people around the world attempt to put together mosaics much smaller, enough to beat the older record. But here I saw something much bigger. I observed the arrangement of the candy and I was left fascinated by the enthusiasm by the Bulgarian people, who worked through the long hours."

"Setting a new world record for the Guinness Book is an extraordinary experience and feeling. I'm happy that the biggest chocolate candy brand in the world M&M's was awarded the new title. Together with the Bulgarian employees of Mars Incorporated Bulgaria we managed to break the record and enter the Book", said Martin Dimitrov, the brand manager of the Mars Incorporated.

Up until the Bulgarian achievement, the previous record for the same category in the Guinness Book was held by the USA. It spanned a total area of 11.5 square meters or approximately 125 square feet. The owner of the previous title was Jackson McKenzie, then only 17 years old, from Idaho earned it in 2014 with the help of friends and family. Using 70,980 candies he finished the mosaic in 6 days.

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CRIME WATCH

Friday, Sept. 23, 12:22am - The Department of Public Safety (DPS) cited a student for public urination at 514 W James St.

Friday, Sept. 23, 12:49am - DPS cited an intoxicated student at 405 W James.

Friday, Sept. 23, 2:15am - DPS cited an intoxicated student at 534 W James.

Friday, Sept. 23, 10:50pm - DPS cited another student for urinating in public outside of 614 W Charlotte.

Friday, Sept. 23, 11:43pm - DPS reported a liquor law violation at the corner of N Mary and W Frederick.

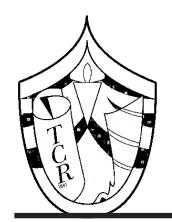
Saturday, Sept. 24, 12:36am - DPS cited an intoxicated student at 526 N Charlotte St.

Saturday, Sept. 24, 2:52am - DPS responded to a report of a disturbance in Bonchek College House.

Monday, Sept. 26, 11:30pm - The New College House fire alarm was unintentionally activated by a student vaping illegally.

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 1:25pm - DPS received a report of the odor of marijuana in Ware College House.

Thursday, Sept. 29, 11:39pm - DPS received a noise complaint on the 400 block of W James.



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Full Staff Opinion

After all the damage left by multiple hurricanes and other natural disasters in the last few months, arguably one of the hardest hit territories was Puerto Rico. This U.S. territory, with over 3.4 million U.S. citizens, was hit by Hurricane Irma on September 17, then again by Hurricane Maria just three days later, causing even more devastating damage. Puerto Rico was already in a state of high vulnerability before the storms came, experiencing a huge financial crisis.

Once the hurricanes subsided, Puerto Rico was left with an islandwide humanitarian crisis. Electricity is not operational throughout the island, water is scarce,



Photo courtesy of www.electionprojection.com.

On Sunday, San Juan Mayor Carmen Yulín Cruz publically asked for more support from the federal government to deal with the destruction from the storm in Puerto Rico. Trump has publically criticized Cruz's leadership at this trying time.

food and medicine are going bad due to lack of refrigeration, and other supplies are running low. Most hospitals are not operational and others are struggling as morgues reach capacity. The number of deaths are rising. It is clear that Puerto Rico cannot do it alone.

As a result, the Mayor of San Juan Carmen Yulín Cruz gave a televised and emotional plea for aid September 29 due to the lack of quick assistance from the United States. She stated, "We truly are dying here. And I keep saying it, S.O.S. If anyone can hear us, if Mr. Trump can hear us, let's just get it over with and get the ball rolling."

President Trump responded with shocking tweets the morning of September 30:

- "The Mayor of San Juan, who was very complimentary only a few days ago, has now been told by the Democrats that you must be nasty to Trump."
- "...Such poor leadership ability by the Mayor of San Juan, and others in Puerto Rico, who are not able to get their workers to help. They..."
- "...want everything to be done for them when it should be a community effort. 10,000 federal workers now on an Island doing a fantastic job."

The San Juan Mayor's message was clear: People are dying and they need help. Through his tweets, Trump is suggesting that Puerto Rico is not doing enough to help itself, instead of responding like a decent human by answering her call for help and increasing assistance to the island. The U.S. must do its part with the same enthusiasm that it would put towards other parts of the country like Texas and Florida, if not more. We at The College Reporter urge you to get involved in relief efforts on campus and beyond for all areas affected by the storm, and to put pressure on leadership when you perceive it to be slacking. When human lives are on the line, Americans do not sit back and watch. They help others as generously and quickly as they would their own. The fact that the U.S. won't respond in the same way to fellow U.S. citizens on a small island should outrage each and every one of us.

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Opinion & Editorial

Contributing Writer Commentary

Writer shares thoughts on Professor Allison Troy, TCR Professor of the Week

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When I was first offered to write a piece about a professor of my choosing, I, without any hesitation or doubt, immediately thought of Professor Allison Troy to put in the spotlight. This vibrant and dynamic woman deserves the utmost recognition for her ability to effortlessly leave a positive impact on all of the students she encounters. As a Psych 101 professor, Troy has the opportunity to teach students of all different backgrounds and interests due to the general education requirement this class fulfills. And she most certainly does not take advantage of this fact! From the moment that I first stepped into her classroom, I knew Allison Troy was going to be one of the best professors I've ever had at this institution. Without even acknowledging this accomplishment, Troy is able to flawlessly integrate required material and engaging topics into her curriculum to keep all of her students on-task and captivated. While using real-life examples and fun thought-experiments during class sessions, she creates an environment in which students are actually excited to learn. This quality is undeniably rare in the realm of professors across the nation and I, as well as the majority of her other students, definitely appreciate the opportunity she has given us that promotes the enjoyment of learning in a standard college setting.

However, Troy genuinely does not see this attribute of her teaching style as a reason to be recognized or rewarded. Instead, she describes the honor and happiness she feels when she notices the continuous engagement of her students during class sessions. For example, her favor-

ite memory from her time at F&M actually occurred in one her classes last week while she was teaching about the psychology of personality. The students were so cheerfully immersed into the subject that they actually expressed overt disappointment when the class period had to come to an end. This fond memory brought a twinkle into Troy's eyes as she thought back to her feeling of blissful content when her students revealed their reluctance to leave her classroom. She never felt the need to be recognized for the positive impact she leaves on students because just knowing that she made a difference in their appreciation for learning was enough to make her happy.

At this point, I am sure that I have convinced most readers that Allison Troy, without a doubt, is an amazing, one-of-a-kind professor. However, I feel that it would also be beneficial for those reading this article to discover how this woman has further fueled my admiration for her character as well. Besides being extremely approachable and sweet in general, Troy displays different personality quirks during her class sessions that result in students having an even higher level of respect and adoration for her. Whether it's relating topics in class to personal anecdotes about her adorable 2-year old daughter, or including a reference to Game of Thrones in a PowerPoint, Troy effortlessly maintains the engagement of her students throughout the entire class period. She has no qualms about sharing embarrassing stories or revealing her "nerdy" side during class in order to better relate to her students. She even professed her love of science fiction, multiple popular TV shows, and other things to me during our



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students due to her passion for teaching gue with most people. For example, and her care and concern for her students. the smiling Allison Troy retells the

interview that she considered quite "nerdy". Fortunately, the way her eyes lit up while talking about these passions with me is exactly how she teaches the ideas of Psychology to her students.

While Troy has always loved the subject of Psychology, her love of teaching did not come until much later. As she progressed further into her study of psychology at NC State, she continued to believe that her future career would involve some form of research and analysis. However, after having been forced to accept a teaching position during her time in grad school in order to pay her bills, it was this occurrence that allowed her to realize her passion for teaching. And while she is a self-proclaimed introvert, Troy has gradually learned over time how to effortlessly speak in front of large crowds. Teaching a whole classroom of students has helped her develop these skills as well due to the fact that students often have the tendency to ask random and/ or weird questions. With a slight fandm.edu.

chuckle, she described to me how her students frequently like to apply what they are learning in class to the subject of drinking. She is amused by the fact that students can relate any topic of psychology to a question about alcohol and bad-decision making. But it's these situations that really do perpetuate the engagement of her students in the classroom.

However, she does not judge those who ask extremely random questions, and she completely understands their motivation due to her experience in raising her 2-year old daughter. Her daughter, named Rosemary Troy, has quite a strong Professor Allison Troy is beloved by her personality and is not afraid to arstory of the time when her daughter refused to acknowledge her mother's presence unless she was referred to as Strawberry Troy. And with the consideration and understanding that only a good mother could possess, she did just that! It, therefore, has become obvious that the responsibilities of being a mother and a professor can overlap enormously as both positions require an immense amount of patience. So, with the help of caffeine, of course, Troy has managed to successfully balance her responsibilities as both a mother and professor and continues to demonstrate this skill through her unwavering energy in the classroom. Franklin and Marshall College is lucky to have such an energetic and motivated woman as a part of its faculty, and I am beyond grateful to have her as my Psych 101 professor for the rest of the semester.

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Student discusses problems associated with sexual assault on college campuses

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"Dropped 120 pounds today" was the caption on his Instagram picture. The reference to "120 pounds" was to the girl he had recently broken up with after she accused him of sexual assault. The picture was of him with his arm

"Increased communication is a good thing; so is awareness of the problem of sexual assault on campus and a willingness to deal with it.

Riley Brook '21 **Contributing Writer** around the girl, her face and body blocked out by a white box.

Sexual assault is in the headlines. College campuses are struggling to deal with it. Title IX of the Civil Rights Act – long thought of as the law that requires equality in funding for men's and women's sports on campus - is now the source for demanding a college environment free from sexual discrimination and harassment. Doesn't sound like too much to ask. But let's face it, many college experiences include sexual exploits. Things that would never be acceptable outside of college are somehow deemed acceptable on campus. Lurking in the shadows behind what many would consider typical college behavior is the ugly truth of sexual assault.

Colleges have stepped up to the plate, rushing to teach their students the new and true meaning of "consent." And they're getting creative. In a particularly jarring example, the New York Times reported on a power point presented to freshmen at the Rochester Institute of Technology, in which it was suggested that the urge to commit sexual assault could be reduced through masturbation. Showing the Winnie the Pooh character Roo (Kanga's son), the acronym R-O-O was used to suggest that instead of sexual assault, we should "Rub One Out". The Rochester Institute of Technology was quick to apologize, confirming that there is no evidence to suggest that masturbation reduces sexual assault. jbrook@fandm.edu.

now They should probably apologize to Disney as well. The spokeswoman for the Institute explained that it was a misunderstanding and that they were merely trying to increase communication on the

> Increased communication is a good thing; so is awareness of the problem of sexual assault on campus and a willingness to deal with it. Sexual assault is real, and it is serious. It destroys lives, opportunities and dreams. It has a profound impact on all of us. All ROO-ing aside, sexual assault needs to be taken seriously and stopped.

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Campus Life

Common Hour speaker Peter Marra talks negative impact of cats, solutions

BY CHRISTA RODRIGUEZ

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This past Thursday's Common Hour speaker, Peter Marra, discussed the negative impacts of cats on biodiversity, based on his book, Cat Wars: The Devastating Consequences of a Cuddly Killer. Marra is the head of the Smithsonian Migratory Bird Center; however, his recent book was formed from work outside his day job.

Marra prefaced his talk by saying, "I didn't want to write this book." To him, sometimes scientists get to a point where they see such overwhelming evidence that it would be irresponsible to not make people aware. He confessed that he loves cats and even owns his own. But this does not diminish the fact that they are predators. and, left unattended, their predatory behavior comes out. Left to their own devices outdoors, cats both impact wildlife and spread many diseases by "just doing what comes naturally to them."

He blame humans as responsible for spreading cats around the world as well as ignoring the problems they cause. Marra argued that we have to be more responsible cat owners, himself included, in order to reduce these issues. The science is a little fuzzy on how wild cats came to be domesticated, but now cats "occur in no native ecosystem around the world," similarly to pigs and cows. However, they have also reached a popularity in our culture from Garfield to Grumpy Cat that erases their potential harm in the public's view.

To provide perspective, Marra noted that there are 90 million owned cats in the world. Of those, approximately 66% go outside. Looking at unowned cats, of which there is an estimated 60 to 100 million, comes to a total of anywhere between 90 to 160 million outdoor cats. Marra believes that number is growing. The amount of cats is an issue for biodiversity, especially for birds. He noted that 38% of bird species have declined in the last 40 years. These declines are alarming to Marra, as he said, "If we don't step in, they're going to extinct." In fact, some numbers of a bird species are so low, they are directly threatened by cats. This threat needs to be removed in order to keep these birds in existence.

Furthermore, he added that cats have contributed to at least 63 species extinctions, including birds, reptiles, and amphibians. It is estimated that 1.3 to 4 billion birds are killed by cats per year. But Marra is confident that the real number is closer to 4 bil-

In addition to extinctions, cats also spread parasites and diseases. Marra spoke at length on toxoplasma gondii, which affects both humans and other animals.

One possible solution Marra offers to this cat problem, besides keeping owned cats inside, is treating cats like dogs. It used to be more common for dogs to roam around, carrying rabies and getting hit by cars in the 1960's in America. Then communities took initiative and became more responsible owners. Marra believes that cats, too, can be kept on leashes when they go outside. Another solution is to build outdoor "catios" for your feline pets. This way, the cat can see the outdoors and breathe fresh air, but they



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Peter Marra, head of the Smithsonian Migratory Bird Center, spoke at Common Hour on the negative impacts of cats on the environment and possible solutions.

over the place.

suggests that people must stop abandoning their pets as well as neuter cats. He discussed one posa stray cat, neutering and sanitizing it, and releasing it back again. This is problematic to Marra because these cats then are left to die in inhumane ways like getting hit by cars. In addition, the neuter rates must exceed 75% for this method to be successful, which that needs to be protected. He crodrigu@fandm.edu.

won't have free reign to roam all made it clear that he is not saying we must get rid of cats, although For unowned cats, Marra he did propose that one solution was euthanasia. Marra believes it is OK to kill one species to save another. He noted is already hapsible solution, Trap Neuter Return pening in Australia and New Zea-(TNR), which consists of catching land, where unowned cats are being euthanized.

For the time being, Marra remains optimistic to the idea that humans can make positive change, not only for the world at large, but for the betterment of cats as well.

it hasn't. To him, humans must Junior Christa Rodriguez is the think about the whole ecosystem Campus Life Editor. Her email is

Iraqi-Canadian rapper Narcy performs original music for Arab Arts Festival

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The Arab Arts Festival, which consists of five events throughout this semester featuring hip-hop, novels, comics, and film, is a celebration of the arts and culture of the Middle East and diaspora. Among the talented guests participating in the festival is hip-hop artist, Yassin Alsalman, better known as his stage name, Narcy. Narcy is an Iraqi-Canadian rapper who uses his music to educate the public about the complexities of being a young Arab living in a post 9/11 world.

On September 26 at 8:00 pm,

Narcy had a show in the Green Room Theater. For each song Narcy performed, there was specific video playing behind him, demonstrating his capability in

The videos were not distracting or random, but rather simple and perfectly in sync with the beat of his music. By adding visual imagery during the performance, it reinforced the passion portrayed in his song.

Additionally, Narcy's vulnerability in his songs, such as "Leap of Faith" and "Love Me (Hate Me)," created this kind of intimacy between the listener and the musician.

Narcy not only engaged the audience through his poetic lyrics, but also by having students and faculty be participants during his performance.

At certain times, Narcy would have the audience say a particular line of his song. At other moments. Narcy instructed the audience to either clap their hands in a rhythmic manner or stand up and wave their arms up and down like one would do at a Drake con-

Toward the end of the show, Narcy freestyled. To prove that he was making up the lyrics on the spot, he had students give him different objects to rap about. Narcy

was able to execute the performance perfectly, adding humor in his freestyle as well.

Overall, the performance on Tuesday night was successful. Narcy is a very talented hip-hop artist who knows how to captivate his audience in order to address social and political issues. With the use of visual imagery and sincere lyrics, Narcy takes the audience through a range of human emotions, in an attempt to unify minorities and other social groups.

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Arts & Leisure

Franklin and Marshall College makes Broadway experiences available to students

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Broadway shows have become so ridiculously expensive that most F&M students could save up for an entire year and still not have enough money for tickets. However, there are some instances where students don't have to spend any money but are able to go to New York and see some amazing theatre. On Saturday, September 23, a group of about twenty-five F&M students took a bus to New York City and saw not one but two Broadway shows, and the best part was that they didn't have to pay for any of it. The bus left F&M around nine o'clock in the morning and by the time it arrived in New York, the students on it were ready to get off and explore the city.

The first show that students saw was the musical *Come From Away* with book, music, and lyrics by Irene Sankoff and David Hein and performed at the Gerald Schoenfeld Theatre. The show was based on the true story of what happened to the passengers on the planes that had to be diverted to the Canadian island of Newfoundland directly following the terrorist attacks that took place on September 11, 2001. The cast

was made up of twelve actors and actresses and instead of each person having just one part they all portrayed many different characters throughout the show. The musical began with the people of Newfoundland dealing with the immediate aftermath of 9/11 and preparing to take in thousands of strangers because of what had happened. Meanwhile, those stuck on the plane had no idea what was happening or where they were being taken. When they were finally let off the plane, they found themselves in a strange new place far away from family and friends. As the story developed, the people from the planes gradually began to feel more comfortable in their new environment and formed close bonds with the citizens of Newfoundland as well as with one another. When it was finally deemed safe for them to go back to the United States, they were relieved to be going home but there was also sadness felt on both sides about leaving the people who took care of them when they needed it the most. From the story, to the characters, to the music, Come From Away was an unbelievably touching musical filled with both moments of laughter and moments of tears. When

all the actors came out for curtain call, the entire audience was on their feet cheering and applauding. Some members of the audience even had Newfoundland flags that they were waving proudly.

The second show called A Doll's House, Part 2 by Lucas Hnath was at the John Golden Theatre. The show was written as a sequel to Henrik Ibsen's A Doll's House which was originally performed in 1879. In Ibsen's play, the story ended with the female lead, Nora, making the shocking decision to leave her husband, Torvald, because of his condescending and dismissive attitude towards her. Hnath's A Doll's House, Part 2 took place fifteen years after Nora left and began with her returning to ask a favor of her estranged husband. After she deserted her family, Nora became a successful author using a pseudonym to write about how oppressive the institution of marriage is and she told women that if they were unhappy with their lives then they should leave their husbands. The reason that Nora returned was because she found out that Torvald never filed for the divorce he promised her. Nora initially begged Torvald for a divorce but then once he

begrudgingly agreed to give her one, she told him that this was a problem she needed to fix herself. The two eventually came to an understanding of one another and the play ended with her leaving just like she did at the end of Ibsen's play. A Doll's House, Part 2 was clever, witty, and much like its predecessor in the way that it made some very bold choices. Although the story took place in the late 1800s, it was evident by the reactions of the audience that the themes dealt with in this show are still quite relevant today.

Once the play ended, students boarded the bus to go back to campus and many of them spent the ride home sleeping or conversing with others about the shows. By the time the bus arrived in Lancaster a little after midnight, students were ready to go back to their rooms and go to bed. It had been a long day of traveling and walking around the city but the students were extremely grateful that they were able to see two fantastic shows and that they didn't have to pay anything to do so.

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Autumn marks return of television shows

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'Tis the season for TV shows premiering new seasons! From September 20 to September 31 is when the majority of shows begin to air their new seasons. Shows typically start up again in September and go until May that way the actors can take the summer off.

Ratings have proven that the best time to bring back shows and introduce new ones is in the beginning of the fall. During the summer, many are on vacation and outside, not watching TV as much. That is why companies decide to air in the fall as people are back in school and work, they tend to relax from their hectic days with TV and bringing shows back entices more people to watch as well.

Grey's Anatomy is a long running show on ABC. The show began in 2004 and has been airing new seasons ever since. Although the cast has changed throughout the years, the stories haven't. Grey's Anatomy takes place at Grey-Sloan Memorial Hospital which means that all the episodes are hospital and doctor related. Medical dramas target particularly those in or interested in the medical field and those that don't mind when they view graphic surgeries and medical situations.

This upcoming season will attract many viewers because an original character from the show's earlier seasons may be making an appearance which will get people from all over to view the show's new season.

Modern Family, a comedy series, centers around a family of five, and two other families of three and goes through each of their daily lives. The aspect of the show that makes it super funny is after a situation occurs there is a scene with one of the actors and their thoughts on what just happened. To watch *Modern Family*, you don't have to watch episodes in order to be able to understand the show. Since each episode has a different scenario, you can watch episodes in any order you want. Many will be excited that the show is back to continue laughing aloud.

Shows of all different varieties are coming back this fall and new ones as well. And by downloading the TV networks app, you can watch these shows anywhere and anytime. Whenever you don't have something to do, find out what new show to watch or an old show to continue because the options are limitless when it comes to watching TV.

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Recent Philosophy grad burns diploma to in a statement to prove that he truly knows nothing

BY KT THOMAS

Satirical Columnist

Recent Philosophy grad burns diploma in a statement to prove that he truly knows nothing

Just moments after 500 caps soared into the air, panic spread through the crowd at Franklin & Marshall College's 2017 Commencement ceremony as a dazed John Kerrigan stood by his classmates clutching a flaming diploma.

This mayhem unfolded just minutes after the President of the College gave an eloquent address to the graduating class stating, "The certificates you all hold in your hands are reminders of the knowledge you've all gained in these last four years. Now go forth into the world and share it, so that someday all those who surround you will know as much as you."

Ben Dunbar, Kerrigan's roommate recounts, "I don't know, man. He just burst into tears when he heard that. Haven't seen him cry like that since his Bukowski phase."

When asked about the incident, Kerrigan's parents seemed upset, but not shocked, claiming they saw it coming when his yearbook quote was, "Socrates was right."

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Champions League continues, provides excitement to soccer world

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This past week brought another frenzy of European soccer drama as star-studded teams from all over Europe participated in the second week of group stage competition.

From Tuesday's games, some notable results are Real Madrid beating Borussia Dortmund 3-1 after a pair of Cristiano Ronaldo goals. Additionally, Turkish club Besiktas defeated the German RB Leipzig 2-0.

An important result to come out of Tuesday's games was Tottenham Hotspur's thrashing of Cyprus' APOEL FC 3-0, led by a hat-trick of goals from Tottenham starlet Harry Kane, therefore leading into arguments over whether or not Kane can be considered a "world class" player that matches the ranks of players such as Ronaldo or Messi

Manchester City also notched an impressive 2-0 win against Ukrainian club FC Shakhtar Donetsk after goals from Kevin De Bruyne and Raheem Sterling.

Furthermore, Wednesday's results further reflect a pattern of English success so far in the Champions League. Manchester United dominated against CSKA Moscow 4-1 after a double by inform striker Romelu Lukaku.

More importantly, last season's Premier League winners Chelsea FC earned a crucial 2-1 win against strong Spanish side Atletico Madrid on Wednesday after a stoppage time winner scored by substitute Michy Batshuayi.

The only English club this week not to win was Liverpool FC after being held to a 1-1 draw by FC Spartak Moscow.

In recent years, the Champions League sphere has been dominated by Spanish clubs such as Real Madrid, Atletico Madrid, and Barcelona FC. Although it is still too early to tell, the recent success of English clubs may signify a "changing of the guard" where Premier League teams are able to compete with the higher level clubs in Europe and possibly challenge them for the Champions League title, which has not been the case in the past five years.

The last time an English club reached the Champions League final was in 2012 when Chelsea FC beat Bayern Munich FC. Since then, English clubs have struggled to have success. The impressive wins so far by Chelsea FC, Manchester United, Tottenham Hotspur and other clubs suggests that English clubs will refuse to be counted out of the European action this season.

In Wednesday's highly antici-

pated matchup of two soccer superpowers, Paris Saint Germain (PSG) and Bayern Munich FC, the Neymar-led PSG side defeated Bayern 3-0. In wake of their embarrassment over such a deafening defeat, the Bayern management fired coach Carlo Ancelotti on Thursday, hoping to inspire their team to live up to their lofty expectations.

Champions League competition continues on October 17th and 18th, with some notable matchups being Real Madrid vs. Tottenham Hotspur, Juventus vs. Sporting CP, and many more.

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Real Madrid, shown above, are the two-time defending champions of the Champions League. They will face stiff competition if they hope to repeat this year.

Contributing writer says goodbye to Sponaugle Williamson Football Field

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This upcoming Saturday afternoon, Sponaugle Williamson Field will host its last football game when the undefeated Diplomats host the rival Muhlenberg Mules. This game will be loaded with emotion as many Seniors are saying goodbye to a place filled with memories of triumph and exuberance.

If one walks by Sponaugle Williamson field today, they would notice a 4,000 seat grandstand adorned in cracked white and light blue paint. The field itself is not much of a sight either. Although football purists would appreciate its natural grass surface, the last remaining grass field in the Centennial Conference. However, this plot of land named after S. Woodrow Sponaugle, a former Franklin & Marshall Football coach, and Henry S. Williamson, a former college trustee. Sponaugle Williamson field has been hosting football games at Franklin & Marshall since the fall of 1895 when the team

nickname was the Nevonians, not the Diplomats. One might find it hard to believe that this early in the 20th century Sponaugle Williamson field hosted Army, Pittsburgh, Rutgers, Virginia, and national powerhouse Penn State. Another little known fact about Sponaugle Williamson field is that it was accidentally burnt down by a bonfire lit by the fans 1916. The grandstand was later replaced in 1920 with the concrete structure we know today. What is known is for over a century Sponaugle Williamson field was home to thirteen conference champions, five undefeated squads, and forty-eight all americans.

The rich football history goes deeper than the accolades that were produced on the field. This stadium was called home by hundreds of gritty Franklin & Marshall "football guys" whose names are mostly forgotten. As a current player, I know Sponaugle Williamson Field will always hold a special place in my heart. Soon the football program will take a leap into the fu-

ture with a state of the art facility, which is both great for the program and player alike. But the memories of Saturday afternoon's at Sponaugle Williamson field will continue to live on through the players, parents, and fans. Although the Old Gray Lady only has one more left

in her make sure you understand her importance to this institution and her place in college football history.

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According to Go Diplomats, over 100 years of football games have played out on Franklin & Marshall's Sponaugle-Williamson Field. The stadium seats 4,000 spectators around its