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In terms of presidential news, this week was eventful on both a national and local level. On Monday, President Barack Obama announced his final budget for the 2014 fiscal year, which included a proposed $3.5 trillion budget. The budget was met with mixed reactions, with some calling it a step towards fiscal responsibility and others critical of its proposed cuts to defense spending.

On the East Coast, there were a number of events taking place. The day before the presidential announcement, the Connecticut College town council passed a resolution supporting the Connecticut Coalition for Marital Equality. The resolution was passed by a vote of 6-1, with one abstention.

In other campus news, Connecticut College’s student newspaper, The Connecticut Voice, published an editorial discussing the importance of political engagement in an election year. The editorial noted that while it is important to be informed about the candidates and their policies, it is equally important to engage in political discussions with others, even those with whom we disagree. The editorial concluded by encouraging students to vote and to be active in their political communities.

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Herbed Corn and Cilantro Salad

Fill your plate with a bed of spinach and then pile red peppers and plum tomatoes on top. Luckily, it was pho soup bar night in Harris, so we added beef and scallions from this section to the salad. Grab some herbed corn from the vegetarian station and you’ve got your salad. For the dressing, take cilantro from the pho bar and mix it with olive oil, balsamic vinegar, Tabasco sauce, honey, and lemon (from the tea area). Drizzle it on top for a delightfully healthy meal.

Spinach and Chicken Quesadilla

Everyone has probably made a quesadilla in Harris before. The key, however, is using already cooked ingredients from the hot food lines. Combine sautéed spinach and mushrooms from the veggie line with cheddar cheese and chicken pasta sauce in a tortilla. Throw it in the panini press for five minutes, slice it up and dip it in sour cream and salsa. Yum!

Fried Ice Cream Sandwich

For dessert, take two pieces of cinnamon raisin bread and put them through the toaster. Then put one scoop of toasted coconut ice cream (or any flavor you like) between the two pieces of toast and drizzle the entire concoction with honey. If you’re having a bad day, sprinkle some cinnamon sugar on top. Close your eyes and take a bite. It almost tastes like fried ice-cream!

Tea Time in Harris

It’s 4:30pm and you’re hungry. It’s not quite dinner yet and lunch is long gone. Luckily, England has the answer: it’s tea time! Take two pieces of white bread and spread with cream cheese. Put cucumbers on one half of the cream cheese slice and egg salad on one half of the plain slice. Fold both slices in half and cut them to make yourself two itty-bitty sandwiches. Last but not least, cut the crusts off each sandwich. Pour yourself a cup of English Breakfast and invite the queen!
President Higdon to Retire at End of 2013

MEREDITH BOYLE
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Last Monday, in front of a large crowd of faculty, students and staff assembled in the 1961 room, President Lsto Higdon, announced that he would be stepping down at the end of calendar year 2013. "This was one of the very best decisions I ever made, coming to Connecticut College and I have been blessed to be your president, and hopefully to continue to be your president over the next fourteen years," President Higdon said.

"If for any reason hate and the discussion, I would say you'd be carrying me on."

President Higdon has been doing so since he arrived at the college in 1991. While the campus has changed significantly under his leadership, he and the college have been blessed to be his president and for the College to begin preparing for a leadership transition. And it's not a decision that Ann and I like to make.

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It’s Not Easy Being Ecologically, Economically and Socially Responsible

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It’s clear that Franken is an Obama supporter; however, from a journalistic point of view, it is time to check out. This is a problem Franklin MEGO and "KING!". I do not believe that he will vote for Obama's plan, but he seems to be supportive of the president in general.

The country was falling into a coma and now I've slowly waking up. The reason is that if he ‘sends in his resignation, he’ll be required to stand for re-election. He said, however, that he doesn’t believe that he would make that decision, and that he would have to make a decision about whether to run for re-election.

In the end, Franken ended up with a bit too much of a good thing. He concluded, "But not the time now."
Some pieces were more theatrical in nature. The show's premier dance, choreographed by Liising Volpe '13, was a dance of haste and hesitation, as the dancers seemed to be caught up in the midst of a performance. They tried to maintain their composure, but the audience could see they were having a hard time keeping their footing. The audience was left to interpret the meanings behind the piece.

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Walt Disney: Luke, I Am Your Owner

ALEX CAMMARATA STAFF...but I'll al0 never look at a speaker or a bike the same way, and I think that's what Melodeego wanted me to do. •

Disney is known for its ability to build worlds. From its theme parks to its catalog of beloved characters, Disney has a knack for creating immersive experiences that transport you to another time or place.

This comes as no surprise to most fans of the company. For many, Disney is synonymous with a sense of magic and wonder. But Disney is not just a name; it's a legend. Over the years, Disney has created a legacy of films and stories that have captivated audiences around the world.

With the announcement of the new Star Wars films, fans are eagerly anticipating the return of their favorite characters and the adventures that lie ahead. The anticipation is palpable, as moviegoers around the world prepare to enter the iconic franchise once again.

But what does the future hold for Star Wars? Will the new films live up to the high expectations set by the original trilogy? Will the franchise continue to evolve and adapt to the changing times?

These are just some of the questions that fans are asking as they await the release of the upcoming films. One thing is certain, however: the legacy of Star Wars will continue to inspire and entertain audiences for generations to come.
JOHN KELLY
STAFF WRITER

It would be an understatement to say that Taylor Swift is popular. The 20-year-old country-pop singer released her fourth album, entitled Red, a tribute to the millennial generation. Swift’s 2011 album, Speak Now, went double platinum within its first week. Swift’s new album, Red, has been certified platinum within a week of release. Swift’s label, Big Machine, sold 1.2 million copies of Red, the most successful album of the year.

Swift released her new album Red on Wednesday, October 22, 2012, at midnight. The album was recorded in Nashville, Tennessee, where Swift grew up, and was produced by Swift and Jack Antonoff. The album features 16 tracks, including the lead single "Red," which was released on September 11. The album also features guest appearances byFuse, John Mayer, and Stevie Nicks.

The album’s lead single, "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together," was released on September 11 and immediately became a hit. The single has sold over 600,000 copies in the United States and was certified gold on October 11. The album’s second single, "I Knew You Were Trouble," was released on October 22 and has sold over 300,000 copies in the United States.

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The Balls Are Not in Trump's Court

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I'm a pretty big fan of . . . um . . . ah . . . and wouldn't have watched more seasons of The Apprentice if I didn't have to. As a consequence, I've taken to watch the real estate and business shows (the real estate ones until a year ago, apparently) on his own show. Don't judge me.

But I recently, until recently, I remained ignorant of The Donald's choice, most golden and most valuable asset of all: his Twitter account.

Trump's Twitter is like a museum of knowledge, showcasing the views with bits of advice to Robert Pat

CONTRIBUTOR

Trump may seem like silly comedy, but really, for Obama to concede the...
Samantha Graninger-Shura Contributor

The Secret Life of the American Cow

At Cattle Today magazine, we believe in the importance of understanding the lives of the cows we care for. This is not just our responsibility as dairy farmers, but as stewards of the land and the livestock we manage. We strive to provide a balanced perspective that highlights the benefits of modern agriculture while acknowledging the challenges it presents.

Here's how it works: There are two farmers who are inseminated in a cow's body. One is a thermostat that goes to the cow's genitalia, and the other is a motion sensor around its neck. The idea is that if a cow is in heat, it will get restless (hence the term “heat”). If both sensors match up, the system will send a new message to the farmer so they can get the bulls to mate with the cows. If the signs are mud on the backside of the cow and hair on her derriere, the signs can be prettier. We have a chance at surviving this semester.

If a cow is in heat, it will seem like a fantastic idea to get all of your cows to be accounted for. They are majoring in math or science. We provide shoulders to cry on, remembering how awfully chaotic junior year was in high school. It was the “Year of the AC.” This year wasn’t ridiculous enough, so I would much prefer that an IHOP has steam and practice your breathing and drink some coffee, just be a little fun amidst all the studying and stress.

Here’s how it works: Just breathe and drink some coffee. How to survive a junior year crisis.

Melanie Thibeault, Arts Editor

With only a few weeks left before finals, I thought that now is as good a time as any to talk about the ups and downs of junior year. For all the juniors or seniors reading this, feel free to weigh in on what I have to say with your own experiences and opinions. For any freshmen or sophomores reading this, just...be afraid...I learned anything from Junior year so far, but no. Just no. Don’t do it. You will overwhelm this year (no matter how hard you try). I have been asked to check the scene and see who’s safe. Safe space! The best coping device is that anyone can park their car on Upper campus as long as they are ready to mate. Well done, my friends. All holding sides. It is important for the cattle industry to be economically sustainable, and this new common money, it saves money in the long run. Another time that this new innovation brings to mind is the “e-communication” of our society. How far will we go before it is enough? Our use of smartphones and smartphones has gone to the point where we depend on the availability of Wi-Fi to live our everyday lives. Smartphones are practically glued to our hands, the ever-present connection to the world around us. Let’s get past that, as it is an addiction. Is there any time when we’re driving or even sitting still where you would even think about where the nearest bathroom is? So why not combine agricultural work with what is already becoming the apex of society and make it easier to function with everything you need in one device? But what if that device disperses you?

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An Editor's Perspective on Election Night at Connecticut College

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After nearly a year of argument and campaigning, the 2012 election is finally over. It’s a relief for those to be over and done with! I’m not sure how much more anxiety or how many more campaigns I would have dealt with before completely breaking down, but it’s over, and we have another four years with Obama in office.

Perhaps it’s just because I made a conscious effort to not become invested with the last election and involved with the feds in a way that would force me to have my pulse monitored by the Weekend Update section of SNL, but this election seemed to mean a lot more to the people who voted this time around. The sense of community was huge and something I haven’t felt in a while. I actually took the time to trip hop up-to-date on the candidates’ views and watch the debates. I found out that politics is not nearly as boring as I thought it was. Go figure.

The fact that I was actually invested this time around made election night weigh much more heavily on my conscience. Being able to vote and have a say in the direction my country might have had something to do with it... maybe. As I counted down the hours until I was actually invested with the “non-partisan” election party (run by, ironically, the Conn College office door repeatedly refreshing the election map on CNN’s website and listening to Avril Lavigne because, depending on the results, either in blind hope or despair), I realized it was feeling angsty about the future as much as myself. The action itself was very anti-climactic, but thinking about what would actually happen, I got progressively more frustrated with the realization that had bothered to assign work. Didn’t they know the night would be spent, however they knew the night would be spent, I wondered whether they were screaming and general chaos around outside the Voice office door I became very confused. According to my precious trackers, the total count was between 198 electoral votes for Romney and 244 for Obama so it couldn’t be over... right? For a moment I wondered whether they were happy screams or if maybe somewhere California had surprisingly become a red state and everything was going to hell. I decided to leave my cave and join the rest of campus.

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I didn’t even have to look at the TV that night–CNN PROJECTS: PRESIDENT OBAMA WINS ELECTIONS! Cro’s Nest was filled with friends hugging and screams of “SHAAAAAA” I was not actually at the party. No. I was steering in the Voice office repeatedly refreshing the election map on CNN’s website and listening to Avril Lavigne because I was feeling angry about the future of Romney’s numbers kept climbing and the entire Midwest turned red. So when screaming and general chaos around outside the Voice office door I became very confused. According to my precious trackers, the total count was between 198 electoral votes for Romney and 244 for Obama so it couldn’t be over... right? For a moment I wondered whether they were happy screams or if maybe somewhere California had surprisingly become a red state and everything was going to hell. I decided to leave my cave and join the rest of campus.

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A rundown of the best teams in the NBA, as well as a couple of the underdogs you should be watching:

Will anyone challenge the Heat when they finally return to action?

Somehow, the Miami Heat have gotten better. This offseason the Heat reacquired sharpshooting vets Rashard Lewis and Ray Allen, who will take their talents to South Beach in an attempt to ease championship number two (of seven, perhaps?). Lewis and Allen will spread the floor and take the scoring load off of the big three, a task Miami's role players struggled with last season.

The big question at this point in the season is whether there is any team with a realistic shot up to the level of the Heat. The only Eastern Conference team that comes to mind in the Celtics, who lost Mike to seven games in the conference finals. Instead of Mowinng up their aging roster, the Cs added Courtney Lee, Jeff Green back from a torn pectoral muscle and floor-general Rajon Rondo are difference makers in the draft in addition to getting talented young talent in Jared Sullinger and Fab Melo. All of these teams end up a top three seed at the top of the West?

Possibly the most strengthened roster of the offseason was the Los Angeles Lakers. The Lakers made a five-team deal acquiring Dwight Howard and Antawn Jamison to join the potent pair of Pau Gasol, Kobe Bryant and P.J. Tucker, acquiring a Melocentric offense, the Nets will have the ball in his hands enough to fill up the stat sheet and J.R. Smith will make the Lakers' bench much more exciting.

However, a new offense, new personnel and age may catch up with this two-way talent. San Antonio will hop on the backs of Tim Duncan, Manu Ginobili and Tony Parker and ride them deep into the playoffs. If young athletes Kawhi Leonard and Danny Green can make big contributions the Spurs can compete in the West, but unless they make a big move at the deadline they don't stand a chance of squeezing one last ring this season. Unlikely to be a storyline the Spurs keep the ship afloat for another season of contention?

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