

The McDaniel Free Press

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Welcome from the Free Press

Rachel Allen
Editor-in-Chief

On behalf of the McDaniel Free Press, we would like to officially welcome everyone to campus!

The Free Press is a student-run publication with a community of writers who are ready to give a voice to the unheard, inform, and educate our community about what is happening both on and off campus.

Our small campus allows the student body to be connected in more ways than one. Whether it's engaging with peers in the classroom, at a club meeting, on the field, or simply taking a late-night walk through red square—we are all shaping the McDaniel community. One of the goals the Free Press has is to highlight different experiences on campus. This coming semester, we will continue to write stories that you will want to read: ranging from feature articles, news pieces, arts, culture, sports, and commentaries.

As I step into my first year as Editor-in-Chief, I remember what it was like when I first wrote for my high school newspaper, with no journalism experience. I remember how intimidating the Editor-in-Chief was, how terrifying deadlines were, but most importantly, how good it felt to have my first story published.



(Rachel Allen/ McDaniel Free Press)

My goal is to make all new writers feel comfortable from the minute we first meet. I want to encourage your questions and ease your fear about starting your journalism experience.

I encourage you to reach out to us, despite whether you intend to join our staff. Feel free to give us ideas to make the paper the best it can be. Tell us what type of stories would make you want to pick up a copy of our issue.

You can stop by one of our weekly Tuesday meetings at 6 p.m. in the Free Press office (Hill Hall

111), reach out to us via email (freepress@mcdaniel.edu), or contact anyone on our staff with story ideas.

We understand how hard it may be to get involved on campus, but the McDaniel Free Press is a great way to start. Our Editorial Staff has the training and experience to help writers of any level. We hope you consider contributing to the Free Press. There is a space here for anyone who is open to learn and ready to write.

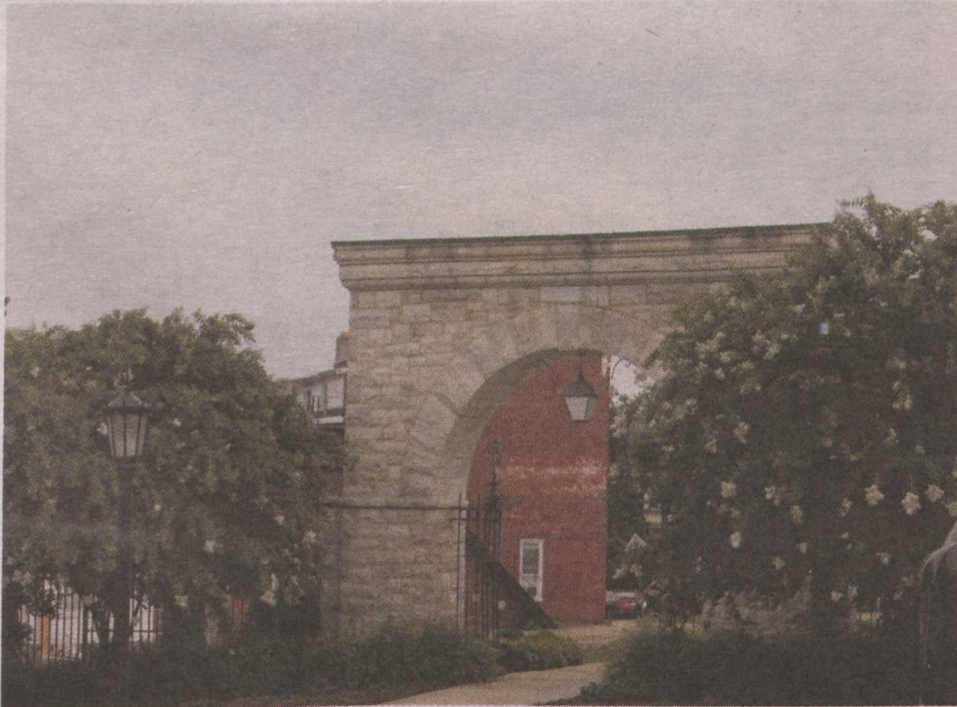
If you are not interested in writing, but still want to be a

part of the Free Press, we always welcome photographers and graphic designers.

The Free Press will continue to be a bridge between students and the community. We have the privilege of having both print issues and a website where our stories are published. We encourage you to visit our website to read past stories and learn about the types of stories our writers have done.

We are looking forward to another successful year on the hill. Have a great school year!

A Breath of Fresh Air: Advice for first-years and returners



(Rachel Allen/ McDaniel Free Press)

Max Engle
Assistant Editor

After a short, sweet, and obnoxiously hot summer, the beginning of the school year certainly crept up on all of us, it seems. But after years of COVID restrictions, online learning, amidst the regular life of being a college on top of it all. However, this semester, this year, is certainly different from the last few.

Not only can we celebrate what will hopefully remain as the first post-pandemic year on the Hill, but we can fully appreciate all the changes we've gained since 2020.

New and old students alike can enjoy the brand new Roj Student Center to its full capacity, with its study and relaxation spots, perfect for doing homework or Tuesday Night Trivia with Green Terror Programming.

Seaking of which, new students should keep an eye out for all of GTP events on their Instagram or through one of the many posters and advertising throughout campus—it could turn a dull Thursday night into an unforgettable time with your friends! Not only does GTP or the OSE put on great programming, but most of the clubs across

campus are always hosting events that are open to the public. Be sure to follow some of those clubs, even if you're not a member, on social media for a curated list of fun stuff to do every week.

Are you maybe looking for a little extra cash to pay for expensive weekend trips to Baltimore or DC, or maybe just to pay for your Disney+ and Hulu addiction? Well, there are plenty of jobs available year-round on campus that can fit perfectly between or around your class schedule. There are jobs ranging from camera crew at sporting events, answering the phone for Alumni Relations, to full on giving tours for Admissions. Always be on the lookout for new jobs and opportunities, as college is one of the few times you can buff up your resume while still getting to try and experiment with different careers and work experiences.

On campus, if you're looking for leadership positions or a community around a hobby or passion, there are dozens of clubs and organizations all across campus. There are gaming clubs, conservation clubs, writing clubs, intramural sports, sororities and fraternities, and much more. Keep and eye out for clubs tabling for certain events or for recruitment as the semester begins. Most clubs will be present at the annual club fair hosted in the Quad. Don't be afraid to try something new—maybe you'll find something new to love

during your time on the hill.

At McDaniel, there is always a place to learn something new and grow as a person. And for new and existing students, at times it may seem trivial to pursue new opportunities, or switching up your job, your major, your classes. It's easy to feel bogged down each week until eventually it's fall break, or winter break, or summer break. Nothing is impossible, and at McDaniel College, now is the time to explore and experience new things. It's important to remember the support you have in these new endeavors; your professors, the administration, but also your friends and your families. Give yourself the opportunity to have fun, be safe, and enjoy your time on the hill. And remember to keep up to date with current trends, events, and news on the Hill with the Free Press. Welcome back!

STAY CONNECTED
follow us on social media



Clubs and organizations on the hill

McDaniel Yearbook

Julia Hurlock

Our mission is to take photos and create a yearbook for each school year. We want to expand your knowledge about cameras and take photos of clubs, organizations and sports teams! As well as work with students. Reach out on Instagram and we will get you in contact with our Editor-in-Chief!

Instagram: @McDanielYearbook

Black Student Union

Clarity Willoughby

The purpose of the Black Student Union is to: Stimulate African American unity, respect and self-consciousness.

- Provoke awareness of local, national and international issues of interest to the African American community,

- Serve as an organizational base from which the concerns, views and needs of African American students can be addressed in the most efficient manner possible,

- Plan and implement artistic, intellectual, and constructive activities and programs of particular interest to African American students,

- Help the McDaniel College community understand the heritage of various Black cultures

- Serve as a support system for its members and those who express an interest in the organization's goals.

You should get involved and become a member because it's important to participate in political, cultural, educational, and social events in order to enhance the experience of our community

here on campus. With growth and elevation, the presence of the black student union will catapult our school's culture overall to even higher heights than a mere brochure with snapshots of diversity.

BSU is a place for ALL students.

Though our community is primarily made up of Black and African-American students, we still think it is extremely important to create and educate current and future allies! Everyone is strongly encouraged to join. There is a place for you here. :) Contact President, Clarity

Willoughby, via email: Cjw008@McDaniel.edu Instagram: @BSU_McDaniel

Student Alumni Council (SAC)

Alegha Bush

Our mission is to connect students and alumni over their mutual love of the hill and the desire for philanthropy. Getting involved in SAC gives students a chance to network with alumni and learn about their times on the Hill when they were students. It gives them a chance to see the differences between the campus then and now.

If you want to get involved, contacting our advisor Jordyn Border jborder@mcDaniel.edu or our president Allie Lockemy ajl0101@mcDaniel.edu

Instagram: @mcdaniel_sac

Alpha Phi Omega

Erika Lucas

Our mission is come together to serve our community and nation while making long lasting friendships. Alpha Phi Omega gives students an opportunity to serve the

community and help others Reach out to Erika Lucas at eml0100@mcDaniel.edu Sunday evening Instagram is: @apo_mcdaniel

Green Terror Programs (GTP)

Julia Hurlock

The mission of GTP is to plan and host fun events for students on campus to attend and enjoy. Help to plan events to win cool GTP swag and prizes! Attend our club meetings to get involved!

We meet every other Monday at 6 PM in Hill Hall 106

Social media: Green Terror Programs on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter

American Sign Language (ASL)

Kaeana Aguon

The ASL Club focuses on providing a safe and fun learning environment for students who would like to practice or learn about Deaf Culture, ASL, etc. ASL is not only a beautiful language, but one that you may be able to use sometime in your life. You never know who you will run into. So stop by a meeting and learn more about Deaf Culture, practice ASL, etc. Utilize this skill now, while you can!

Check us out at the involvement fair! Can't make it? No worries!

Contact either presidents via email kda0100@mdaniel.edu or jad0100@mcDaniel.edu

Instagram: @aslclub_mcdaniel

Email: aslclubmcdaniel@gmail.com

Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Evan Darr

Our mission is to advance the highest standards of friendship, scholarship, leadership and service for our members throughout life. People should join because it's a great way to build friendships that

last forever here on our campus and around the world. It's a great way to build connections that can help you in any field or career. A way to be involved around campus and the city of Westminster. And of course, its also a way to let loose and have fun with friends. Reach out to us and show up to our events! By joining our chapter you can immediately become a position holder! Email: mch0101@mcDaniel.edu Instagram: @McDanielSAE

Africa's Legacy

Kramoh Mansalay

The purpose of Africa's Legacy is to provide an environment in which students are enriched by the study of many cultures, develop a positive self-image, and benefit from mutual support. This organization will work to educate peers, acquaintances, faculty, and staff through cultural events and experiences. African diaspora cultures are emphasized, but all cultures are welcome. Africa's Legacy provides a platform to discuss and understand topics in contemporary Africa, as well as an avenue to explore and engage the diverse cultures in the continent of Africa. We meet every thursday at 7:30pm.

Instagram: @africas_legacy

Jewish Student Union

Ricki Lebowitz

Our mission is to educate the McDaniel community about Jewish culture and holidays. We welcome Jewish and non-Jewish students alike. We have very laid back services and almost always make some s'mores!

Email me at rbl0100@mcDaniel.edu!

Instagram @jsumcdaniel

Getting to know David Colquhoun

Nikhil Niyogi

Going into Julia Jasken's second year as McDaniel College's President, the college has gotten to know not only her, but her family as well. David Colquhoun, her husband, has a lot to say about his life on and off campus, before Westminster, and how he has enjoyed his time at McDaniel as the President's husband.

"I was born and raised in England in a city called Sheffield and I moved over to America as a foreign exchange student and came back to do my master's degree in Michigan Tech and that is where I met Julia," Colquhoun said.

David currently lives in the President's house with President Jasken and their family, and is getting to know a new lifestyle on the Hill.

"[Moving] was a bit of a transition because we had our house and our neighborhood before, so it was a little difficult to leave that behind.... I was worried that it was going to be isolated, but there is always something going on and it's nice to be close to events and stop by at theater and sports events. There's also a lot of friends close by," said the president's husband.

David and Julia met each other 20 years ago in graduate school. "We met when she was finishing up her Ph.D. and we got married

in Michigan.... "We were connected by mutual friends on a blind date and we literally just hit it off right away and went on from there. It was interesting that we had different backgrounds, and that I was a scientist and she was an English major, so it was kind of cool finding common [interests] and then enjoying each other's differences. This year is our 20th anniversary," he said.

"While looking for jobs as a professor, we found McDaniel and moved down here and have been here ever since. While she was at McDaniel, I did my Ph.D. at Johns Hopkins and worked there for about 7 years as a research scientist, then I transitioned into the biotech industry," Colquhoun said.

When David is off campus during the day working, he works at a company called SCIEX that requires lots of time on the road away from McDaniel. He also does work for Johns Hopkins and the National Institute of Health.

"I support a sales team from Connecticut down to Virginia, so I spend a fair amount of time on the road visiting customers and giving scientific presentations and when I am not traveling, I am usually up in my office on my computer working," he said. "I also coach and play soccer," he added.

David attends a lot of campus



David Colquhoun with Julia Jasken, the Green terror, and staff at Westminster Welcome
(Photo courtesy of McDaniel College)

events with President Jasken and has been enjoying what faculty and students have to offer the community. He has also helped host his own events, as it is tradition at the President's house.

"Yes, I have been involved in several things. We have had a number of events here at the house which I have helped with and cooked dinner for people which has been fun. One of the events I enjoyed [on campus] this past year was the Icons of American Animation that was put on by the art department," he said.

Colquhoun also attends soccer matches, due to he and his boys' love of the sport, and they always try to attend matches and games. "... it is important to see the [students'] effort. It's important to support their work."

Colquhoun had some additional

insight to give about himself and how he really enjoys living on campus and getting involved with activities whether it was for his sons or part of campus.

"I think we're both really happy, enjoying it, and Julia is really busy and will continue to be. I am excited to get to know the people at the college more.... I think McDaniel is a really special place, very welcoming, and... I think it is important that I continue to be involved just to be supportive of the students that are doing great things here," said the president's husband.

David has been enjoying living on campus with his family and is busy during the day either in his office, or on the road for SCIEX. Their two sons are now adults and some of his family are in England.

Academic Tips: Healthy habits to start

Rachel Allen
Editor-in-Chief

Learn the dates

A college syllabus has everything you need to know about a course. Look over the syllabus for each of your classes. It has due dates, test dates, late-work policies, classroom etiquette, etc.

Use McDaniel's school size to your advantage

McDaniel's small student and staff body makes it easy to build bridges and make connections. Don't be afraid to reach out to staff and peers.

Get a planner

As cliché as it sounds, a planner is a lifesaver for college students. Whether it's managing classwork, sports, or extracurriculars, a planner can help you keep track of it all.

Go to campus events

A key part in succeeding academically, is being able to take breaks from schoolwork and finding hobbies outside of the classroom. McDaniel hosts a variety of events on campus and it is easy to find something to get involved in.

Find your interests

At a liberal arts school, it's easy to take classes that may be outside of your major field or comfort zone. The McDaniel Plan allows you to take electives you normally wouldn't take. Make sure to put the same effort into these classes as you would any other class, you may find a new interest!

Office hours

If you feel stuck in class, go to your professor's office hours. Professors have these allotted times specifically to help students. Even if you aren't having difficulty in class, office hours are a great way to build a connection with your professor!

Find a healthy balance

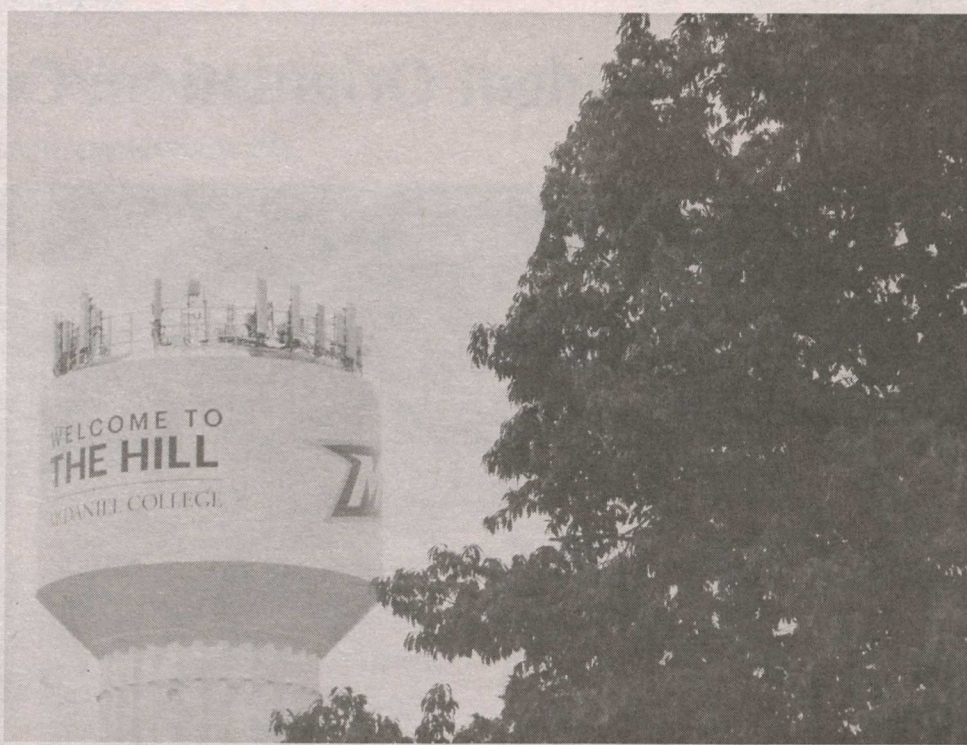
As the semester begins, it will be easy to become heavily involved on campus. Remember to make time for yourself and keep a healthy balance between your social and academic life.

Study outside of your dorm

When exam season approaches, it will be easy to cram and study in your dorm room. Try to find different locations on campus to study in, for a change of scenery. Some spots could be Hoover library, Red Square, or even Glar while you are having a meal.

Try to take a break from technology

It can be easy to become reliant



(Rachel Allen/ McDaniel Free Press)

on computers and cell phones for everything. However, you should remember to vary your study habits. Write things down, use flashcards, sticky notes, etc.

Study groups

Reach out to classmates and create group chats with each other. You can use each other to help out with any questions that arise as the semester gets busy. It will make it easy to find a study partner too!

Don't let a bad grade discourage you

No one is going to get perfect grades all of the time. Instead of

letting a bad grade keep you down, reflect and use it as a learning moment to improve in the future.

Take care of your mental health

Above school work, is your mental and physical wellbeing. If you are struggling, remember you have a community of people ready to support you. Reach out to peers, campus staff, or the Wellness Center if you need help. Email: wellness@mcdaniel.edu Phone: 410-857-2243

The students faces behind move-in

Rachel Allen
Editor-in-Chief

This year, a variety of different student groups helped new students move in to campus. Some of these groups were peer mentors, athletes, and ROTC.



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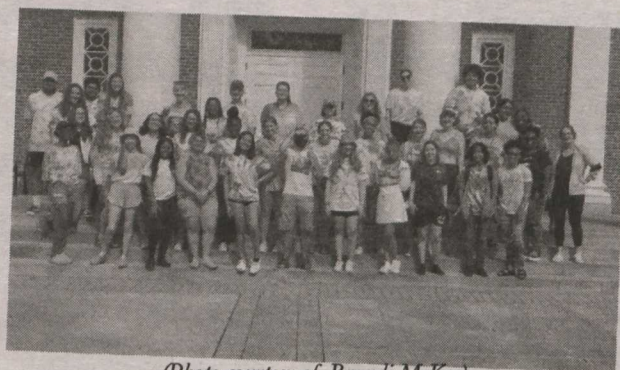
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Do you want to share what your organization is up to on the Hill? Email us at freepress@mcdaniel.edu

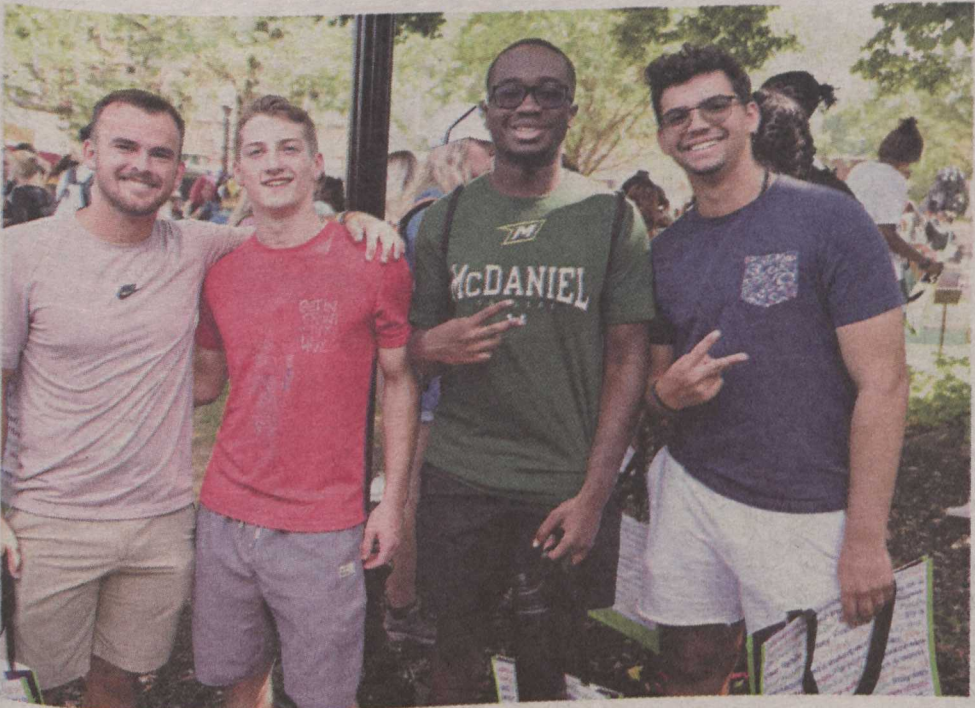
New Student Orientation: Convocation and Bell Ringing

(Photo courtesy of McDaniel College)



Westminster Welcome

(Photo courtesy of McDaniel College)



Letter to the Editor: Advice for first-years

Ciara O'Brien '22

Starting your first year of college can be scary, especially after everything you've been through these past few years. You made it through high school despite the pressures of online learning and a global pandemic, piled on top of all the normal high school stressors. You should take a moment to be proud of all you've accomplished – you finally made it!

As a (very) recent McDaniel graduate, I've realized just how much the world, McDaniel, and I have changed over the years. I learned a lot of lessons during my four years on the Hill; here's a few pieces of advice I think my first year self would have benefited from.

I'm a firm believer that a liberal arts education is invaluable. Take advantage of it. Although they may seem silly at times, some of the lessons you'll learn in those McDaniel Plan required classes are the things that will stick with you for years to come. That diversity of thought, along with newly strengthened skills such as empathy and an excitement to become a lifelong learner, are what will ultimately make you a more interesting, well rounded person.

Which leads me to another big lesson: stay open minded. Don't be afraid to try something new in pursuit of something you think is really important or enjoyable. I



(Photo courtesy of Ciara O'Brien)

decided to minor in environmental studies even though I was already minoring in marketing and majoring in writing + publishing because of a newfound love for the environment and agriculture. I took a chance on a brand new major because I loved the courses and cared deeply about the department. There are a plethora of opportunities available to you all over McDaniel's campus, you just have to find the right ones. Some of them may even surprise you.

Although it's important to study hard and learn a lot, one of my biggest lessons in college is the importance of self care. Absolutely nothing is worth putting your mental or physical health in danger, not even good grades. Make sure to go easy on yourself. Take time to go on a walk, take a yoga class, or have a chat with a good friend. Sometimes the best cure is even pulling the covers straight over your

head and taking a nap. Listen to your body and see what it needs. Without it, you're headed straight to burn out.

Although it's basically instinct at this point to hype up the Free Press at any given opportunity, (it's where I found dear friends, mentors, and some of the people I love most in this world), the bonds that I made there could be applied to any student organization or group. Don't be afraid to get involved! Whether you're interested in Greek life or ultimate frisbee, there is something perfect for you on the Hill.

Although it's probably not at the top of your priority list, you never know, it could even lead to professional opportunities later. My journey with the Free Press has left me with an ePortfolio full of published articles, freelance writing opportunities, and a sure-

fire conversation starter at any job interview.

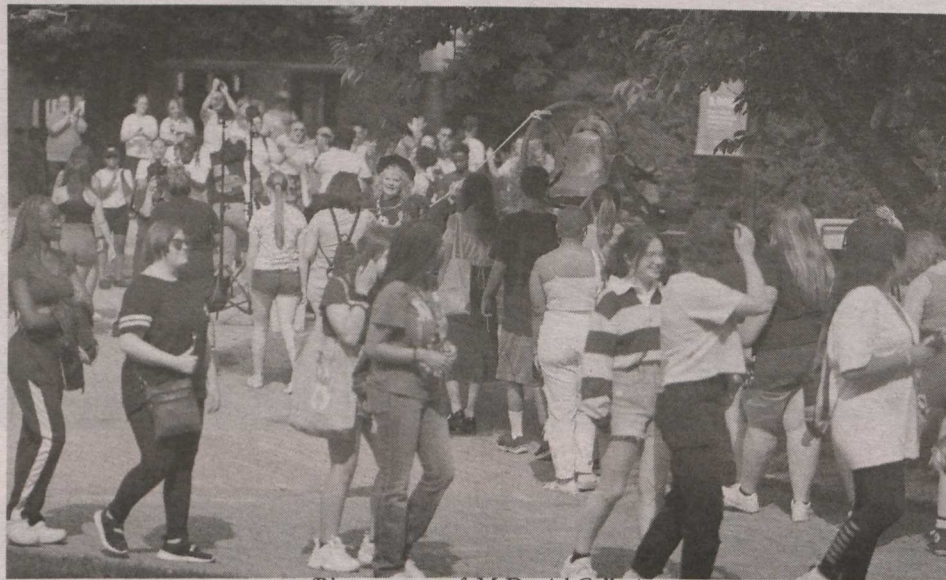
Although stepping away from the Free Press has felt like abandoning my two year old at times, I know that it is in capable, strong hands. If you think you might be interested in getting involved with the Free Press, Rachel is ready and excited to help you during any stage of your journalistic journey, and you will undoubtedly be met with kindness, patience, and an answer to all your questions.

I just graduated in May, and I still have a lot to figure out. However, I can say this with 100 percent certainty: If you choose to stay, you will come out of McDaniel as a totally transformed person by the end of four years. How exciting is that?

Good luck, and welcome to the Hill!

Who are the students in the class of 2026?

Rachel Allen
Editor-in-Chief



(Photo courtesy of McDaniel College)

This year, with over 5,000 applications received, McDaniel welcomes over 550 freshmen and transfer students. These new students arrived on Thursday, Aug. 18, 8 a.m. on move-in day. Then, students had orientation from Aug. 18-22.

Orientation consisted of both new and traditional activities, like the annual "ring in" at Old Main Bell, a Downtown Westminster Walk, and their first meeting with their First-Year Seminar professor.

The class of 2026 represents students from various places. With over 10 countries represented including Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Hong Kong,

Kazakhstan, Kenya, Pakistan, Trinidad and Tobago, Uzbekistan, United States

Over 20 states are represented including Maryland, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin, West Virginia.

49 percent of the class are students of color and over 40 percent are first-generation college students.

McDaniel is thrilled to learn about what these students will bring to the hill.

Tips from returning students

"Make friends with professors and professional staff, they're here to help. CEO and OSE are specifically designed to help students, use their services. Make your college experience, YOUR college experience. Don't let others control what makes you happy and brings you joy." -sophomore, Dan Johnson

"Never be afraid to ask questions. Always believe in yourself, college is challenging but it's also fun!" -sophomore, Lacy Newhouse

"If you're questioning whether McDaniel, or even college itself, is the right the thing for you, do yourself a favor and give it your all for one semester first. Join clubs, go to events, just get involved as much as you can before you decide. That way, you can be confident in your decision." -sophomore, Kayla March

"Get involved! If you find clubs, extracurriculars, or even a good friend group; you're time on the Hill will be incredible! College isn't just about the books." -sophomore, Bria Hill

Fall 2022 Editorial Team

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JOIN OUR STAFF

The Free Press welcomes all students interested in writing, photography, editing, videography, design, and more!
No experience necessary.

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Do you find yourself recapping games to your friends or imaging yourself as a commentator?

Did you miss McDaniel Sports? Are you excited to attend games on the Hill again and share the experience with your fellow Green Terrors?

Come report on sports for the Free Press!

Join us in Hill 111 on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. or email freepress@mcdaniel.edu to get started.



McDictionary

Rachel Allen
Editor-in-Chief

ANW
Albert Norman Ward Hall, the dorm building located next to Gill Center.

Big Baker
Baker Memorial Chapel, also known as BMC.

Blanche Ward Hall
upperclassmen housing across from McDaniel Hall.

Campo
Slang for the Department of Campus Safety

Casey's Corner
The Starbucks coffee shop located in Hoover Library.

DMC
Daniel MacLea Hall is a mixed-year honors residence hall, located across from across from Rouzer.

Free Press
The best publication on campus, but we aren't biased or anything.

FYS
First year seminar, required for every first year McDaniel student and an integral aspect of the McDaniel Plan.

Gardens
The apartments located across from Campus Safety.

Glar
Englar Dining Hall.

Gleggs
Glar's notorious scrambled eggs.

Green Terror
McDaniel's mascot.

Herbie Hoover
Hoover Library's mascot.

Jan Term
January Term, a three-week term between the fall and spring semesters, and a requirement of the McDaniel Plan.

Little Baker
Baker Chapel, located between Peterson Hall and the theater.

Meal Exchange
Every meal plan comes with a certain amount of meal exchanges. These can be used in the Pub or at Casey's Corner.

Memorial Bell
The bell located in Red Square, where students "ring in" the start of their first-year and "ring out" at graduation.

North Village
Campus apartment complex located behind Gill.

ODEI
Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
This office works to bring people and cultures together through events and programs. They make sure everyone feels at home on the hill.

OSE
Office of Student Engagement
This office hosts large campus events, coordinates Greek Life, and helps student-led organizations.

PA Ave.
Pennsylvania Avenue, the road that runs parallel to campus, where some student housing is located.

SASS
Student Academic Support Services
An office located in Merritt Hall that helps provide students with documented disabilities.

WMC
Western Maryland College
The former name of the college until 2002.

Whiteford
A first-year residence hall, located behind Hill Hall.

Learn more about the ins and outs of McDaniel slang on our website at mcdanielfreepress.com

Pub
A campus dining option, with a new late-night menu option, located in the student center.

Red Square
Formally known as Memorial Plaza, the outdoor gathering spot located between Hill Hall and Hoover Library.

Roj
Roj Student Center, formally known as Decker Student Center, is a spot for students to relax, study, or eat.

Find your favorite McDaniel Words

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Football Celebrates Homecoming Win: Views from on and off the field

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The McDaniel Football Team celebrated a win against Dickinson on October 1, at the Homecoming Game. The Green Terrors beat Dickinson, with a final score of 21-13.

Despite the cold and cloudy weather, students and alumni came out to support the Green Terrors and show their school spirit.

Athletes reflect on their experience and emotions during the game.

"The homecoming game was a great experience, being a sophomore in the program, I'm still somewhat new to things. When I felt the atmosphere on the field, I [knew] everyone was ready to play, under whatever the circumstances of weather," sophomore quarterback Eric Grinwis said.

Grinwis recognizes the importance of alumni when it comes to their ability to play football at McDaniel, but Grinwis didn't feel any extra pressure knowing alumni were watching.

"McDaniel is known for the huge tailgate [atmosphere] and large number of alumni, it was huge; but pressure is something you create yourself. Grinwis said. "The alumni allow us the opportunity to play but they're just another spectator to the game."

One of Grinwis's favorite plays of the game was done by junior wide receiver, Hunter Sigler, when he scored his first touchdown. Sigler recalls the excitement he felt after scoring, knowing his friends and family were watching in the stands.

"It felt great scoring my first touchdown of the game! Especially since it was my first of the season and lots of my friends and family were there to see it and celebrate it with me," Sigler said.

Sigler is thankful for the support he had on the field from his teammates.



(Photo courtesy of Collin Beattie/ @througcollinsyes)

"My teammates that were on the field at that time did their job and helped contribute to that first touchdown, so I want to thank them for giving the maximum effort that they could give," Sigler said.

Sigler appreciates having the ability to play and celebrate the historic aspects of McDaniel.

"The homecoming game is different because you are playing for your school and all of the history behind it," Sigler said. "For me personally, the bigger crowd and alumni doesn't add more pressure, it just makes the environment more electric."

Any win of the football team is thrilling for the players, but the

special day made it even more meaningful.

"When the final whistle blew and we had won the game it was a feeling like no other; especially since it had been so long since we last won a homecoming game or beat Dickinson," Sigler said.

Students on the hill value the

gives, it definitely gets much more energetic," junior Shaun Bolten said.

Apart from the school spirit for the team, students find it easy to meet new people while watching the game.

"There were tons of students to talk to and I met a few new friends," Bolten said.

As the game went on and the temperatures remained chilly, students continued to cheer on their peers on the field.

Students appreciate how many people continue to support McDaniel, no matter if they are a student, a family member, or an alumni.

Although most students watch the game from the grassy hill behind the goal post, senior Collin Beattie experienced the game on the sidelines. Beattie is a photographer on the football team's PR team. He follows the team through all practices, walkthroughs, and home games.

"The on-sideline experience is always fun, being so close to the action. I always have a front row seat," Beattie said.

When comparing this year's game to last years, Beattie is thankful the rain held out.

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Food station in Englar Dining Hall
(Nikhil Niyogi/ McDaniel Free Press)

Nikhil Niyogi
Staff Reporter

Englar dining hall has taken away the option to take out food, takeout boxes used to be an option because of COVID-19, to give students a choice on where they ate. Many students are upset about the takeout boxes being removed. Takeout boxes were a big favorite among students. Students have said it made their lives easier when it came to scheduling classes, participating in sports or clubs, having to do homework, and in general, for convenience.

"It really upsets me because it ruins my schedule. I now have to sit in Glar when I have other things to do. I was just really helpful when

they were here," said Junior Katie Kolb.

Another student feels a similar way in a sense that after the pandemic, cases are still on the rise and feel safer taking food to go for sanitary reasons.

"Personally, I don't like it because I didn't really have to after COVID and everything that it made you see how unsanitary everything was and I still could not put my forks in hot water to this day and seems unsanitary that they got removed and I don't really like that," said senior Leslie McFadden.

Many students feel that the takeout boxes should have remained due to convenience and having the option to eat in your room, and having some food and then having

leftovers for another day.

"I think they should have kept them because a lot of people don't have time between classes to eat lunch and sit down. It was a good alternative, especially for athletes after practice if you're hungry and Glar was closed, so you could have something to eat in your dorm," said sophomore Sarah Youssef.

Other students also relate to takeout boxes making their athletic life more convenient.

"I feel like they should have kept it. I felt it would be convenient for different students who have classes like at the nighttime who can't go to Glar or people who have sports practice and can't go to Glar, so I feel like they should bring them back for those specific reasons," said senior Caleb Evans.

These students feel that it would be convenient for everyone including athletes and those who are in a rush to go to class or have too much homework. Not having takeout boxes poses some stress on students who are involved around campus.

A large number of students prefer the system of having a takeout and eat-in option because then they can choose what they want to do based on their schedules.

"Having a take-out option and

eat-in because they allowed people a choice in where they wanted to eat whether that was outside, in their room, or other places on campus," said junior Monty Clay.

Students have liked the option of saving food so that if they don't have time to eat, then they have something waiting for them when they are hungry.

When the takeout boxes were around, students who went to Glar would get the food to go very often, almost every day for some or all meals.

"I used them pretty much at least once a day. Normally for lunch," said junior Emma Ryan.

Some students would also get their food to-go, because it gave them more time to do their homework.

"I did, fairly often. I would go down to Glar and only get a to-go box because I had a lot of homework to do," said sophomore Victoria Walston.

Students agree it helps them to have the option to save food.

"I think, having a take-out option was good because not everyone wants to sit in Glar and eat as much as food as they can. It

The Relatively Unknown Software Tools for Undergraduate Students

Jahan Hosseini
Staff Reporter

In the digital age, knowledge of software is essential when looking for employment. While employees must use their critical thinking and self-advocating skills to adapt themselves to new software or other work challenges on the fly, students and staff believe there should be more exposure to these programs before entering the workforce.

Some of McDaniel faculty agrees, but in an interview, Economics professor Nick Kahn, Ph.D., admitted that using software like Microsoft Excel and Gretl is not much of a component of business and finance-related curricula. What is included in each department's curriculum also varies drastically.

Though, Kahn explained that since he joined McDaniel in 2017, the Business Administration, Economics, and Accounting departments have attempted to implement more software into their required courses' curricula.

Daniel DeHollander, the associate director of the Career Center, agrees that software skills—and computer skills more broadly—are “needed for candidates to be successful.”

There are options available for those interested in taking courses that specifically teach students how to use Excel efficiently. BUA-1T02 “Introduction to Excel,” along with the session being taught now, will

be a summer course available for all potentially-interested beginners. BUA-2T02 “Excel for Business” will not be open during the summer but will be for the 2023 spring semester for undergraduate students.

DeHollander mentions other



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resources students can access via MyMcDaniel and Handshake. Powered by Goodwill, My Career Advisor under Handshake resources contains content for basic computer literacy, including online training and computer skills 101, 102, and 103.

INFOBASE, formerly called “Who Knew It,” contains office essentials covering basic and advanced components of Excel. This can be accessed through the portal. Questions about this process can be directed to David Brennan.

These programs may be available and user-friendly, but the problem is that not enough undergraduates are aware of their existence.

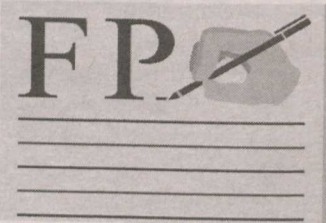
The Free Press reached out to students asking them whether they had heard of INFOBASE or the excel courses. Matthew Hutton

implemented hands-on experience into their curriculums and plan to do more in future years. DeHollander now considers implementing INFOBASE into My Career to make the resource known to a larger audience.

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Book Review: Delilah Green Doesn't Care by Ashley Herring

Sophia Gilbert
Staff Reporter

“What did she care if Astrid was upset, if Isabel's perfect fairy-tale wedding was dissolving behind her parlor doors? She didn't. Delilah Green didn't care. Because they'd never once cared about her.”

Delilah Green had no intentions of returning to her hometown of Bright Falls, especially not for her step-sister Astrid's wedding. After all, she has few good memories of growing up with step-mom Isabel and feeling excluded by Astrid and her friends. However, when Isabel offers Delilah a large sum of money to take photos for Astrid's wedding, Delilah accepts. After all, she'll need the cash if she's going to be able to attend the prestigious gallery that wants to show her photography. However, what she doesn't expect is to get involved with one of Astrid's best friends, single mom Claire. What she really doesn't expect is to get drawn into a plot to break up

Astrid and her groom-to-be or to find love in the process.

While I do love a good gritty thriller, the cool weather has had me itching to curl up with a good romance novel. I had actually made note of Delilah Green Doesn't Care when I saw it on a book list prior to its release, but had just recently had a chance to pick it up. Thus, with a mug of apple cider in hand, I dug into the opening pages and got ready to fall in love with Bright Falls and its small-town cast of characters.

First off, I absolutely devoured this novel. It got to a point where even when I was in class, I was thinking ahead to when I could pick it back up next. I was expecting a light, fluffy read, but I didn't expect to get as drawn into the other character dynamics as I did. Besides the romance between Delilah and Claire, the novel also explores traumatic family relationships, single parenthood, toxic partnerships, and all the messy complexities of

imperfect people falling in love. One of the most compelling aspects of the novel is that most of the characters start off in a place where they have some form of unhealed emotional baggage and act in ways that make them hard to root for. However, over the course of the novel, we see the characters finally start to work through the past and reform new relationships that end up changing their lives for the better. Because of this, when the happy ending comes, it feels all the more deserved. Delilah Does Not Care does a great job depicting the reality of learning to cope with and heal the hurts of the past in order to be able to fully embrace the future.

If anything can be said against this novel, it's that for some of the characters, it feels like their story is only beginning at the end of the novel. However, this is likely due to the fact that Delilah Green Doesn't Care is the first of what will likely be a series, as the sequel Astrid Parker Doesn't Fail has already been announced and is scheduled to drop at the end of 2022. Hopefully for fans of the first book, the sequel



(Sophia Gilbert / McDaniel Free Press)

will shed more light on some of the other colorful characters that the first book introduces.

Delilah Green Doesn't Care is Ashley Herring Blake's debut adult romance novel, published February 22, 2022 by Berkley. If you'd like to learn more about Ashley Herring Blake, you can find her at ashleyherringblake.com.

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“Last year's homecoming wasn't great, because I worked outside in the heavy rain, under a video camera, and I couldn't really do my job because of the rain. I went back to my place completely soaked,” Beattie recalled.

Beattie is thankful for the opportunity to be watching,

supporting, and working on the sidelines.

“Homecoming games are different. I feel like worlds collide every time I get to meet people from McDaniel's past. From the sideline, it feels like winning bragging rights, in a way,” Beattie said.

The McDaniel community is

grateful to witness a win during the unique game of the season. Players are appreciative of their coaches and their openness in allowing players to be themselves.

“A very big reason we won was for head coach Demarcus White allowing us as players to really be ourselves on the field within reason,” Grinwis said.

“Coach White, quarterback coach Matt Johnson, and every other staff member play key roles in all of our success, and all the other success to come throughout the rest of the season,” Grinwis added.

Westminster Fallfest

Nicki James
Contributor

For 43 years, Westminster has hosted the FallFest kick-off parade. It is a treasured tradition for the Westminster community, and many local families come to watch the parade come through town. This special event features floats from various community organizations, marching bands, with candy being thrown into the crowd.

This year was no different. On Thursday, September 22, 2022, the 43rd Annual FallFest began with a bang, coming down Monroe Street and continuing down to East Middle School through crowds of families, friends, and lots of dogs. With a wide variety of participants, from nonprofits to small businesses to sports teams to social clubs to marching bands, diverse interests and groups were represented in the 43rd parade.

John, 8, of the Boy Scouts, was excited to return to the parade for his fourth time to collect more candy during the parade. Kim’s Krypt Haunted Mill traveled to Westminster from Spring Grove, PA, to promote their haunted house attraction. The Tuesday Night Dog Walkers joined the procession with some dressed-up pups to advertise

their club, which meets twice a week in four local counties to walk dogs in over 35 different parks. Westminster High School Football joined the parade for the first time this year, joined by 2019 McDaniel Alum Coach Isaac Murray. When asked why they joined the parade this year, Murray simply stated, “for the community.” Senior football players Mikey Simmons and Andrew Grandinetti added, “Westminster Owls football loves Westminster.”

While it is always fun to watch the parade, visit the 80+ vendors, ride the amusement rides, stuff scarecrows, eat tasty food, participate in the VIP campfire experience, run in the 5k, and play bingo and cornhole, there is a philanthropic side to the event that’s not as pronounced. The City of Westminster hosts the FallFest “to highlight Westminster’s spirit of community and to provide benefits for nonprofit organizations that [serve Westminster] and surrounding communities,” as stated on the Westminster FallFest website. FallFest partners include Crossroads Church, Catholic Charities Head Start & Early Learning, Westminster Municipal Band, and Together We Own It this year. Together We Own It (TWOI), a local community center, “empowers young people to engage, inspire and motivate one another [through breaking] the cycle of trauma by providing a stable and supportive environment, full of



Truck at Westminster FallFest
(Nicki James/ McDaniel Free Press)

opportunity.” This year, they marched near the front of the parade with a float not typically seen by residents until the Christmas Parade: a red truck covered with lights with an inflated snowman in the back. This truck previously belonged to Ryan Hewett, the late son of TWOI mentor Linda Hewett. Ryan drove this truck every year in the Christmas parade since 2013 and won “Best and Brightest” in the 2015 parade until his untimely passing. TWOI staff, mentors, and participants marched alongside the truck to raise awareness for their new memorial scholarship program, Ryan’s Ride. This scholarship will pay for Carroll County youth to go to driving school and get their license.

FallFest represents the essence

of downtown Westminster: community, fundraising for good causes, and family fun. FallFest is a treasured Westminster tradition that every member of this community, including McDaniel students, should experience at least once..

If you are interested in helping any of these organizations, both Crossroads and Catholic Charities are seeking volunteers for multiple different opportunities and the Westminster Municipal Band is looking for musicians to play with them. Together We Own It is specifically seeking McDaniel students as volunteers and tutors. More information can be found on the FallFest website: www.westminsterfallfest.com.

Carroll County Public Schools Ban Pride Flags

Aj Kitzynger
Contributor

In a recent policy decision, the Carroll County Public School System has banned the display of Pride flags, reigniting the fight for equality and diversity among dissenting community members. On June 8, 2022, the Carroll County Board of Education voted on, and enacted, a flag policy which states “the current American flag shall be displayed [in] . . . rooms frequented by students, staff, and guests,” along with an optional Maryland or Carroll County flag.

All other flags or banners are not permitted on school grounds, unless one of the exceptions, which include those of “colleges or universities,” “professional sports teams,” “a temporary unit of study within the approved curriculum,” and “flags of countries . . . as a multi national display . . . provided that no such flags may be as large or as prominent as the current American flag,” as outlined on the CCPS website, www.carrollk12.org.

Many teachers turned to other methods of showcasing their acceptance toward students.

“[The policy] emboldened teachers to decorate their rooms in rainbows, wear rainbow shirts,” Joy Fisher, president of the local PFLAG, chapter and parent to CCPS students, said. “And teachers would never have done that before, so the policy backfired on [the Board].”

Fisher continued, “There were at least two rallies before the meetings, and very well attended.” Students, parents, and others made signs, brought flags, and vocally opposed the proposed flag policy; however, the attempts were unsuccessful, and the board went ahead with their plans.

PFLAG, short for Parents, Families, Friends, and Allies United with People who are LGBTQ+ to move equality forward, is an organization driven to “educate, advocate, and support the LGBTQ+ community and their allies.”

When discussing the repercussions of the policy, Judy Gaver, vice president of the local PFLAG and parent to an LGBTQ+ adult, said the Pride flag and signs of allyship “make [students] realize that someone out there knows they are here.”

A Carroll County teacher, who has a child in the school system and is a member of the LGBTQ+



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community herself, said “I’d had a Pride flag displayed in my classroom- and handed out to many other staff members in our building- for over a year before this became an issue.

“So, the issue was not with the displaying of the flag.” Shortly after PFLAG had donated enough Pride flags so that they would be available for any teacher in Carroll County Public schools that wanted one, the Board of Education proposed the newest flag policy. “Seeing a Pride flag makes me feel accepted,” Christabella Williams, a freshman at McDaniel College, said. “And lets me know how the community views me as an individual.

“If you don’t feel represented in your community, speak up about it

because there are others that feel the same.”

For students who might normally feel out of place, Pride flags are “a widely known accepting symbol,” said the CCPS teacher, who requested to remain anonymous due to fear of repercussions.

Her advice to students is to not let what other people think, and how other people act, determine your self-worth. “Be proud of who you are.”

Fall Sports



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Fall Events on Campus



McDaniel Garden's Produce Stand
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Grilled Cheese Truck, OSE event
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Tailgating on the hill
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'Breathtaker'--The Rice Gallery Exhibit with Norman-Rockwell Museum: An Exclusive Interview with the Curator, Robert Lemieux

Aaliyah Williams
Contributor

The Rice Gallery, known for its many exhibits such as the "Icon of American Animation" Exhibit and the Student/Staff Exhibits and more; recently started an Exhibit called "Breathtaker" in collaboration with the Norman-Rockwell Museum. In addition to being curated by Robert Lemieux.

Previous Exhibit Experience

Robert Lemieux has completed four exhibits, five including the current "Breathtaker" exhibit.

"This is the fifth exhibit. I've been fortunate to put together... All of the previous exhibits that I've been fortunate enough to put together have been museum quality." Following this response, he briefly explained his previous experiences with creating gallery exhibits," Lemieux said.

His first exhibit was the history of comic strips from the first half of the 20th century.

Robert explains, "History of comic strips, the first half of the 20th century, generated a considerable amount of interest and that was in 2000. It was the first one, in 2011, I want to say. It generated interest from folks in DC. You know the museum world in DC was very interesting. The National Gallery of Art came up to sort of look at the exhibit."

His second exhibit was a collaboration with the Carle Museum.

"We followed that up with an exhibit on Caldecott award-winning children's books. If you're familiar with the Caldecott award, it is the premier award for illustrated children's books. And that was a beautiful, sweet, little exhibit because it brought in school kids," Lemieux said. "The local school system was involved, the state library system was involved, they paid a visit to the gallery. And the people who we were borrowing art from for that place called the Carle Museum and a number of individual well-known children's book artists."

He shared that his third exhibit was focused on circuses. "We did the circus exhibit. Focusing on the history of the circus, the first half of the 20th century and we just kind of hit that right when the ring was saying, "we're done doing circuses." And so everyone had this kind of nostalgic desire and our exhibit fulfilled that.... And we had a considerable amount of interest from the greater Baltimore area, somewhat from the DC area, and we borrowed art from the Ringling Museum, the Whitney in New York;

some very high-end places."

The "Icons of American Animation" was Lemieux's fourth exhibit, featured earlier this year. He briefly explained, "It was the largest show we've done. It was 150 pieces of art, which was way too much for the Rice art gallery. So we partnered with the Carroll Arts Council in downtown Westminster. They had about 60 percent of the art, we had about 40 percent [that covered] a span of the 20th century. The original hand-drawn look of that show generated a lot of interest. The Maryland State Art Council helped fund the exhibit. The Library of Congress was very interested in it, and The National Gallery of Art was interested in it as

his experiences with gallery exhibits, he describes the possibilities that could have occurred with many of the exhibits, if not for Covid. In addition to how he feels about his exhibits. Lemieux states, "I would have never guessed that after the first one. Each one has something unique about it, in terms of how it's grown. The Children's book one that I mentioned, the Caldecott one, we had interest in that traveling. We actually packed that up and shipped it off to another exhibition place. If it wasn't for covid, I'm certain that the animation exhibit would have traveled somewhere else. Just because of the quality of the art and the interest in it. So each of them has kind of grown and been

well known, and that they are very connected to the Comic-Con world. It's kind of a no-brainer. I would be happy to do that..."

When creating the exhibit, he wanted to leave his own imprint while also taking into consideration the artist's approach and ideas. As well as shares his curatorial perspective. He states, "Two things we did, essentially there are 4 books. A series of four books. Let's just set the gallery up, so that you're designating four locations for each of the four books. Like four pods if you will. Then let's angle the walls that give each space its own separate look, distinct from the other pods... Then how do you bring the walls to life? Not that you have to but let's see what we can do. I can become intrigued with the colors on the back of each book. If you flip over the back of each book, that's where the color came from. You know there usually two to three colors on the back of each book and we just decided on "let's go with that color." And it's kind of a roll with the dice. Those colors are pretty bright... We just painted a strip cause if you painted the whole wall, it would be overkill I think. But just enough to break up all that beige that's there in the gallery. Then hang the art right on it, some of the text panels on it, and everyone's commented, "hey, that's a really nice look." So that's a good feeling. When that's your imprint, and it's simple. You know it's not an elaborate design or anything. It's simple, create three or four pods and let's add some color. Simple, but very, very effective. That's sort of the curatorial aspect, that the glass case.

He also gives insight into the interactive art piece. He states, "if you think about the interactive piece, where you can lift that piece of acetate to see the watercolor background and the acetate. I kind of learned some of those ideas from the experiences of the previous four exhibits. There's been color, there have been interactive prospects, and we've used that glass case on at least three of the previous exhibits. So the elements of the past kinda play into what we did for this. But in a simple kind of way."

His explanation of the interactive artwork, how the gallery exhibit was organized, and the process of finding out what he should do to leave his own imprint gave a great curatorial perspective.



(Photo courtesy of Ben Sprague)

well. That show was huge."

His current exhibit, "Breathtaker," is a collaboration with the Norman-Rockwell Museum. He shares that, "[The Norman-Rockwell Museum] is a nice place to collaborate with, especially with a small college such as ours. It was sort of different in the sense it was a graphic novel, a very influential graphic novel. And it's different in the sense that we had to have a little tag that said that there was mature imagery here. It's not uncommon for graphic novels to have violent content and sexual content. That was a little unique feature in terms of the maturity aspect of it. But I know that has generated interest. The Library of Congress was up here looking at that show."

In addition, he shared that earlier in the semester, he was able to present the exhibit to a visitor from Columbia University.

At the end of his response about

unique in their own right. And everyone's been pleased and that's kind of what it's all about. Having the viewing public satisfied with what they see, having the people that are funding you happy with what they see, having McDaniel College happy with what they see; It's a good feeling."

The Process of Creating the "Breathtaker" Exhibit

Lemieux wanted to share that his main inspiration for wanting to work with Mark Wheatly, whom he collaborated with in 2014 on a documentary short, and Marc Hempel's artwork was due to the help that he previously received from Mark. He states, "when the Norman-Rockwell offered up this opportunity for us to the first stop, they're hoping this is a traveling show, offering us the first stop knowing that Mark lives locally in Westminster. Marc Hempel lives in greater Baltimore. Both of them are widely respected and widely

Get to know Jason Eichelberger: The New Director of Athletic Communications

**Jeremy Hasson
Staff Reporter**

Mentoring and getting to know students at McDaniel College are two things that Jason Eichelberger, the new Athletic Communications Director loves to do.

Eichelberger, who is beginning his 23rd year in Athletic Communications brings a lot of experience and knowledge to the table, and those 23 years does not include his time as a student worker at Randolph-Macon College, a Division III school in Ashland, Virginia, where he was also a Tight End on the school's football team.

Prior to working at McDaniel, Eichelberger worked at Randolph-Macon College, Thomas

More University, Shippensburg University, Stevenson University, and Catholic University.

Eichelberger has a long history with McDaniel. He mentioned that he was "recruited to play football here, when it was Western Maryland College and had a \$16,000 a year scholarship." Jason was just about to commit to Western Maryland, however his guidance counselor recommended he checked out Randolph-Macon College first.

Eichelberger jokingly said his parents wouldn't let him forget he gave up that scholarship.

Throughout his time in Athletic Communications, the production methods have changed a lot. When Eichelberger was a student worker, he kept stats by hand. But it didn't take long for Eichelberger, well versed in technology, to implement digital methods for stat keeping at Randolph-Macon.

Eichelberger's big accomplishment was "getting [Randolph-Macon] in the computer age of keeping stats."

Before his implementation of digital stat keeping, a message was left on a phone line and people called in to check the scores of games.

His goal with his student workers is seeing their horizons grow.

"It's graphic design... if they have a love for graphic design or art," Eichelberger said. "Maybe they've never thought about how it applies to athletics... that's athletics specific but it still involves graphic design."

Athletic Communications may seem like it's just about sports, but it's graphic design, photography, videography, and social media, in addition to the stat keeping, and the more sport focused aspects.

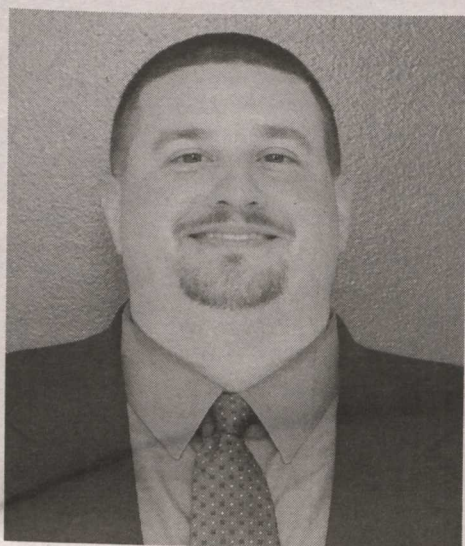
Eichelberger wants more students to be involved in the Athletic Communications team, as it's a great way to not only be paid, but build a portfolio, and do something you enjoy.



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New Music Festival produced with involvement from McDaniel Alum

**Kyle Sarnowski
Staff Reporter**

The inaugural celebration of Teller Fest took place on Saturday September 10. The event featured 15 different artists and was organized with the help of a former McDaniel Alum. LITZ, Seven Teller, and The Lovable Idiots are just a few of the featured groups that performed at the event. The bands played a variety of different genres from punk, rock, and electronic, to soul, reggae, and blues.

Sam Cochran, leader of the band Seven Teller, was the individual responsible for the event. He described his objective of the event as to "inspire people through a wide range of art and music to be creative and come together collectively," Cochran said.

The event was hosted by Pooles Island Brewing Company located in Middle River, MD and was presented by Seven Teller and Electric Eye Entertainment, a Baltimore-based company with experience in producing other similar local festivals.

Jake Fine, a member of the 2021 graduating class is one of the last McDaniel students to graduate as a Music major. Both the Music major and minor were removed as available for selection, with Fine and other members of the class of

2021 being the final remnants of the major at McDaniel. Fine became involved with Teller Fest through being a member of Seven Teller and helped organize the event under the leadership of Cochran.

Due to this year being the debut of Teller Fest, questions were raised regarding the event's expected attendance.

"Turnout can always be a challenge at any event, especially for newer events that are competing with other music festivals that are occurring on the same day," Fine said.

However, the turnout for the event was both solid and consistent according to Fine, also mentioning how he could clearly tell that members of the audience were music lovers who enjoyed listening to bands that they recognized.

"We had a solid and consistent crowd throughout the day, and it was clear that they were music lovers, discovering new favorites and enjoying bands they were already familiar with," Fine said.

Fine has stated that he plans to continue to play music with bands like Seven Teller, The Lovable Idiots, and more in the future. In doing so, he hopes to help spread the catharsis and joy of music to anyone who will listen.

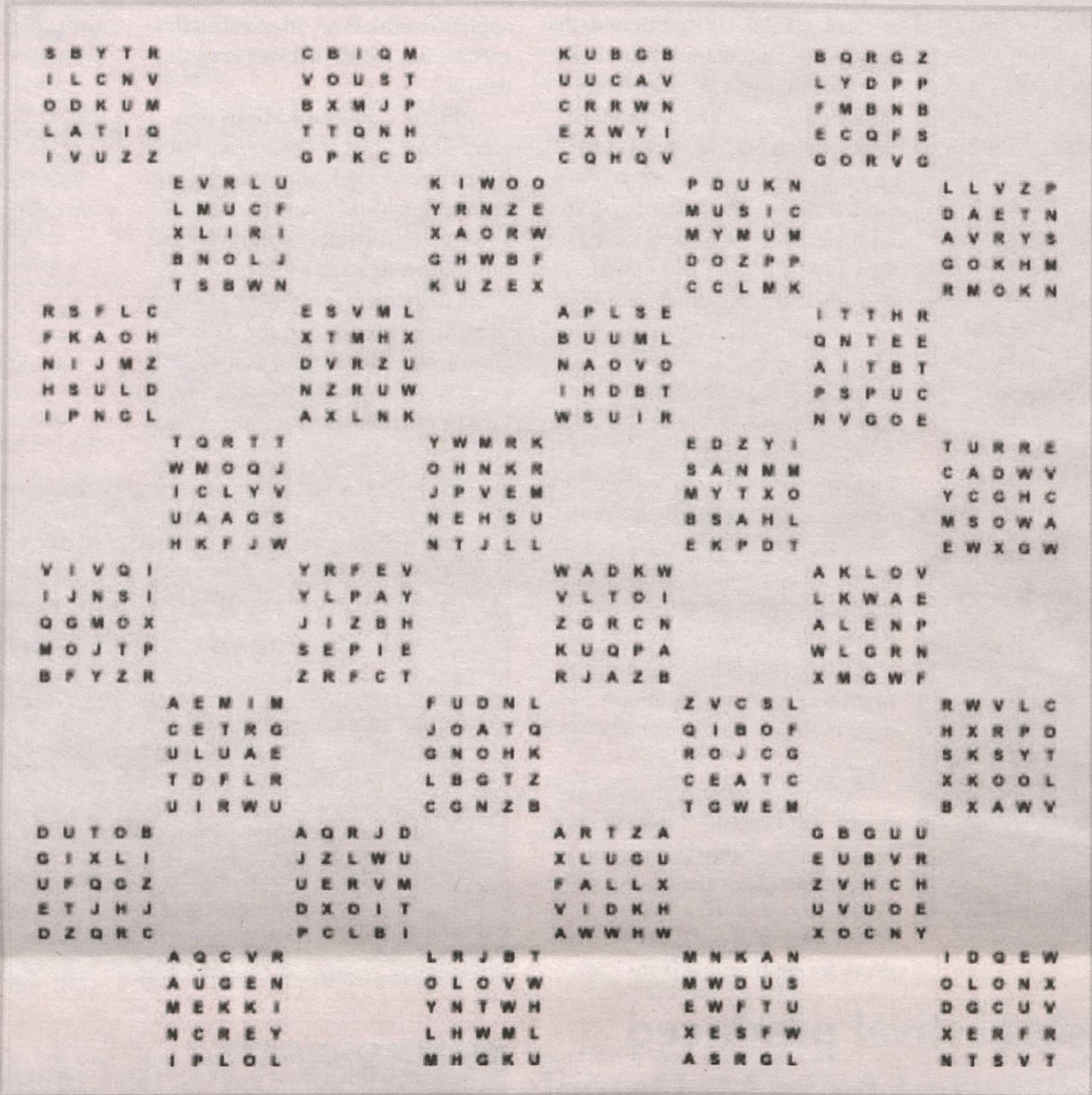


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New McDaniel Women's Football Team

Anonymous

McDaniel women are coming to the football field! The college is excited to announce the official McDaniel Women's football team, starting Fall 2023. The girls are excited to get on the turf.

Try-outs finished last week, and coaches picked a final team of 93 students. The women athletes are excited to play and have a winning season.

"I'm really excited to be a part of the change we will begin to see next season; everyone wants to go to a school with a good team and cheer on wins from the sidelines," said junior Emily, a starter on the team.

One worry of the new team is how they will manage to share the weight room and field with the current men's team. After several discussions, it seems the most viable option is for the men's team to practice on the smaller field located near the baseball field. To assure adequate preparation for their season, the women's team will have first pick on times they weight train and use the gym.

"I know the guys on the team will be upset, but I hope they will come out to support us," said Katherine, a sophomore who will be the starting quarterback.



(Photo courtesy of the writer)

An alumni and former football player heard the news and helped sponsor the women's team. With his grants, they were able to purchase brand new jerseys and equipment.

Come out and see the first game next Fall! Official game schedule will be posted online.

Athletes should refer to papers posted on gym doors for updated workout schedules.

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Food Court set to replace Glar Dining Hall

Food Enthusiast

Englar dining hall is set to be replaced by a brand new food court, with dozens of food chain restaurants ready to serve McDaniel Students.

Some names coming in are Chick-fil-A, Subway, Panda Express, McDonald's, and more. As well as drink places like Dunkin' Donuts, Starbucks, and Smoothie King.

The new food court will also offer yummy places for dessert, with Sweet Frog for frozen yogurt

and Baskin-Robbins for ice cream.

As this will completely replace Glar, students can use their meal plan for purchases using their McDaniel ID. For those without meal plans or guests on campus, restaurants will except cash, credit, or debit cards.

Construction will begin over summer.



April Riddle

One winner will be randomly chosen from the correct responses sent in by the deadline of 4/15/2023

Oh I see someone coming. This is gonna be good. I hope they don't see me. Everyone is going to laugh. Here it comes. I'm going to get squooshed, but it's okay. I like the smaller humans better. They give the most laughter and don't get mad at me. They like to use me over and over for more laughs. I've been around since the 1930's. Can you believe it? Something so simple as me and still well loved especially on April 1. Do you know what I am?

Send your riddle answer to freepress@mcdaniel.edu for a chance to win a \$20 gift card to Starbucks. Subject of email should read "RiddleMeCorrect"

McDaniel Quad will become parking lot

Member of STOP group

The iconic McDaniel Quad could be given a new look as student's petition for it to be turned into a new parking lot. With the ongoing campaign for more parking spots for drivers on campus, the Quad might be the solution student drivers are hoping for.

The Student Transportation Opens Progress (STOP) group is a new campus organization specializing in the rights and priorities of student drivers at McDaniel. Efforts by the group are leading the campaign for a parking lot within the Quad to become a reality.

"We think that driving is the true fundamentals of our society," said Troy Ota, founder, and President of the STOP group. "It's a shame how painful it can be for students to park on campus, and we just want to help fix that."

The creation of a new parking lot in place of the Quad would create more spaces for ANW, DMC, and Merritt Hall. The allotted area for the lot would be able to hold an estimated 18 typical sized vehicles, 9 unnecessarily large

SUVs, or 3 gigantic pickup trucks with untouched truck beds.

Students across campus seem to agree with the proposal by the STOP group.

"Every time that I would walk past that area of campus, I would wish it could be replaced with another beautiful piece of tarmac," said Bradley Michael Wilson, a sophomore driver.

Alexus Vröm, a junior shares the sentiment that more places to park would be better for all and is excited by the idea of having to walk an even shorter distance from her car to her dorm room.

When asked if the STOP group had any plans to create or promote alternative forms of student transportation, such as bus lines or bike shares, STOP group secretary Suzy Uki emphasized that it is the group's belief that all students should be encouraged to drive their cars everywhere they can and that students who don't "are not cool" and "should go ahead and spend way too much money on a depreciating asset already."

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☀️ Spring Word Search ☀️

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BREAKING: This animal was recently spotted on campus

The animal was first spotted in the evening hours of April 1. Initial reports say it may have blown in with the strong winds. Students are encouraged to reach out if they see this strange being on campus. Please keep your eyes open and be on the lookout!



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(Photo courtesy of the person who spotted this animal)

Just why is there a potato chip flavor of everything imaginable?!

Jeremy the Food Afficiando

We've all seen these weird chip flavors, whether from Lays, Pringles, and Ruffles—some of these flavors are questionable, to say the least. But some are intriguing too. I know I have been curious to try some of these flavors of chips before, like Baconator flavored pringles or chicken and waffle flavored Lays—weird, I know. But I must say, the chicken and waffle Lays were so good—Lays if you see this, bring them back.

But what is really getting me crazy is flamin' hot this, flamin' hot that. Flamin' hot dill pickle Lays?! I've never tried them, but that seems like it would be a party in your stomach after eating just a chip or two, if you asked me, a food aficionado who used to eat salt and vinegar chips with Fruit by the Foot—now that was good.

Some of these weird chip flavors work quite well. When I spent Jan Term in Greece, oregano-flavored chips were everywhere. Oregano for

pizza is totally legit, but I wanted a Greek snack. Those oregano-flavored Lays were pretty... pretty... pretty... good, as my favorite anti-social comedian Larry David would say.

Okay... I will be honest here. I like maple bacon donuts... but apparently, the Kettle brand of potato chips has a maple bacon flavor... To you, that might sound gross. I'm like, is it really necessary for a maple bacon flavor? But I need to try these... I am not even sure if Kettle still makes them—but knowing I liked the Lays chicken and waffle chips, I might like these, but like so many intriguing flavors of snacks, disappointment awaits.

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Nationals Fans: Better luck next season

JehDodger, Baseball Enthusiast who is connected with Drew Storen on LinkedIn

Nationals fans, the season started on March 30th, and you're already eliminated.

Need I say more?

At least you have amazing prospects in the minor leagues, and when they turn into perennial all stars, they'll be traded (probably).

Hey, at least you just signed Juan Soto's younger brother—who, like his older brother, Juan, with two and a three, he'll be out of Washington too when he starts performing.

But guess what you do have, that the Nationals organization won't lose in your trade, your Walgreens-looking looking logo—come on, at least make your logo look like CVS.

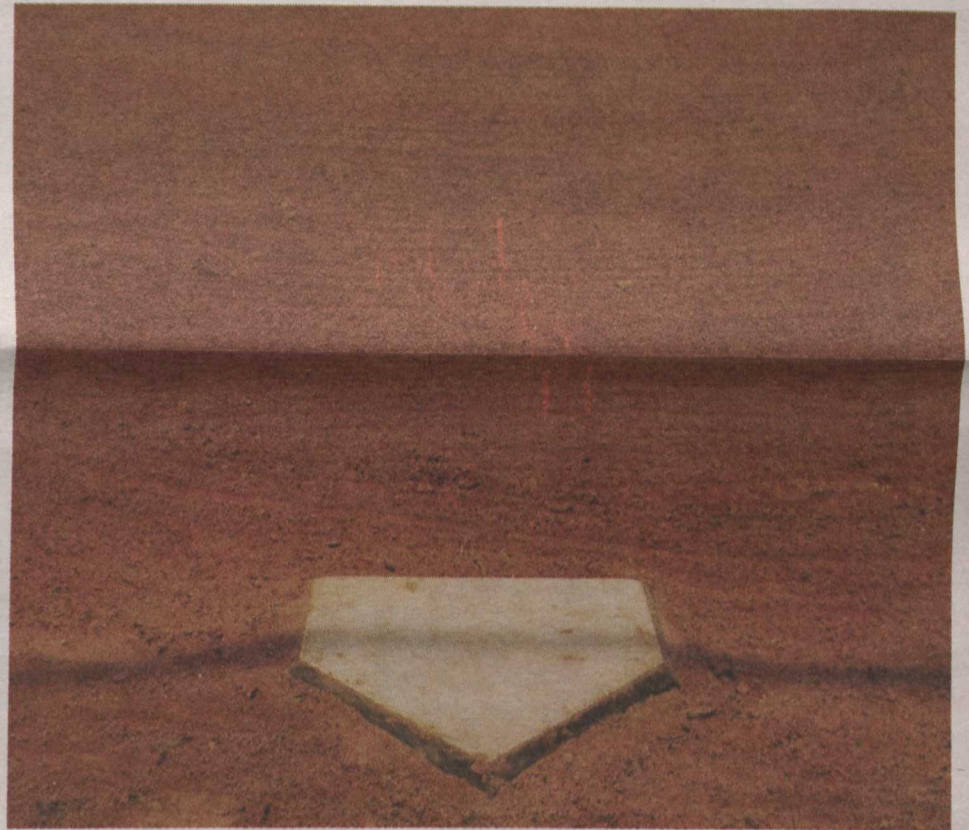
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But in all honesty, I like Nationals Park, only if the Lerner family sold the team.



SPORTS

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PARKING, from page 1

A final decision regarding the fate of the Quad will be determined by the College at a later date.

However, the removal of a tree within the Quad confines has also created questions as to if the project has already been approved by administration and if work has already quietly begun.

Should the Quad transformation project be approved and completed, the STOP group plans to campaign further for more projects to aid with driving on campus. Projects such as replacing bike racks with gas pumps and widening sidewalks to allow for students to easily drive from class to class remain high priorities for the group.



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The McDaniel Free Press is running a contest. To enter, write an article and email it to freepress@mcdaniel.edu with the subject "Article for Contest"

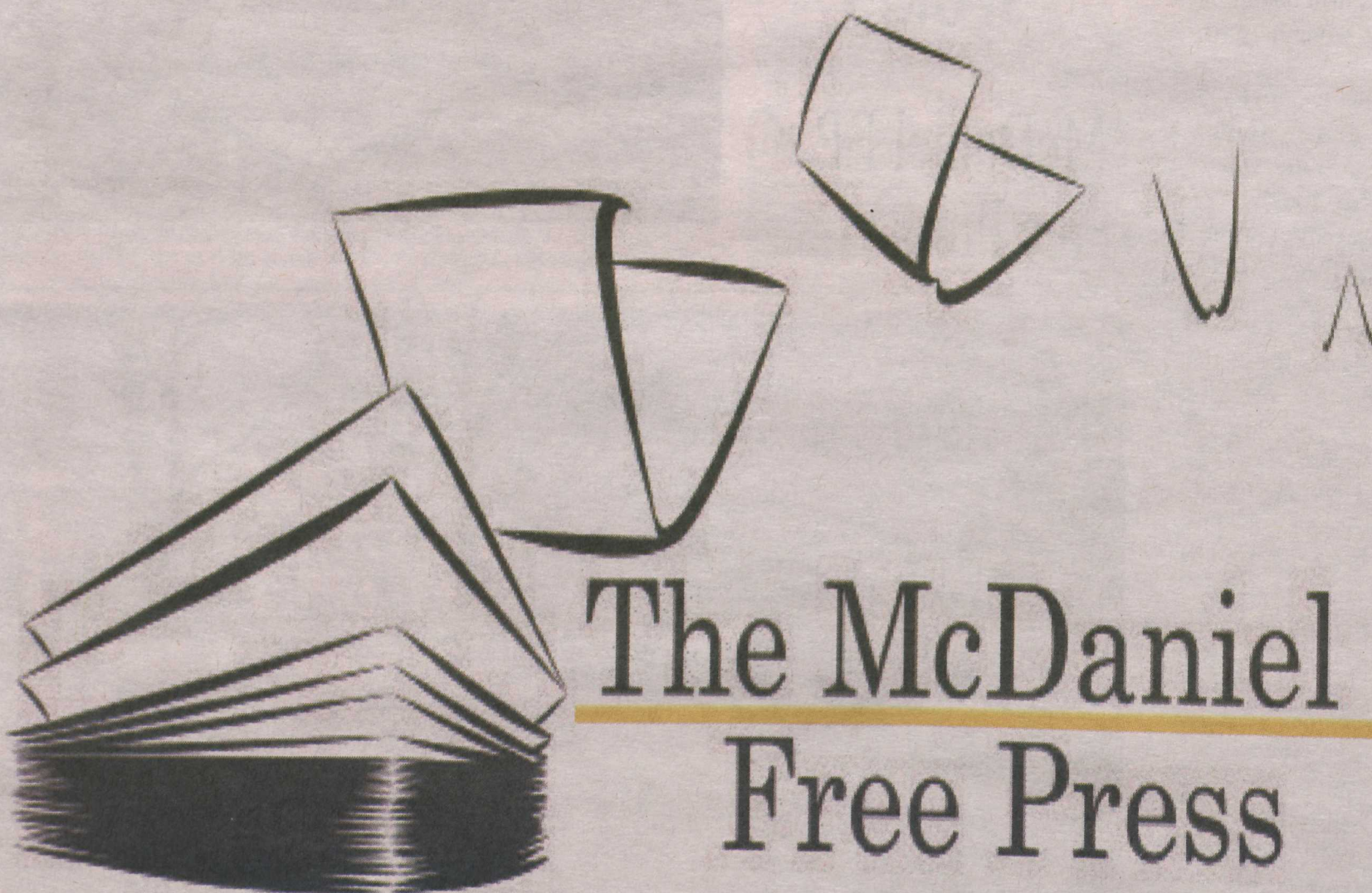
Contest winner will receive a gift card!

Some examples of different categories to write about are--

- Editorials/ opinion articles
- Sports
- Events at McDaniel
- Events around town
- Student life

The contest ends on May 10, 2023. Articles will be judged by staff members at McDaniel. The winner will be announced via Instagram @mcdfreepress and contacted via email. All submitted articles will be reviewed and have the chance to be published on our website and/or in print. Feel free to look at our website for additional inspiration.

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