

# The

# Broad Street Journal

## Messiah College Philadelphia Campus

### Student Spotlight

By Sarah Baranik

Meet YeEun Oh. This native of Seoul, South Korea returned to Philadelphia for a second semester because, in her words, "it's a city...I used to live in the city and I was not used to forests... [in Grantham], you don't even have a bus and I couldn't have a car..." Here in Philadelphia, YeEun enjoys the fact that she can get anywhere she wishes by bus or train. She attends a huge Korean church in the city and enjoys the support of the large community there, but is also very busy with classes on Temple's campus.

As a sophomore Advertising major, YeEun was decided to study in Philadelphia in order to take the necessary classes. Temple is one of the few universities in the United States that ac-

tually has an Advertising Department. This semester, she is taking classes such as advertising research, visual communication, and marketing. When she graduates, she hopes to work in freelancing in the USA or perhaps another country where she can have opportunities to achieve what she wants to.

YeEun smiled when asked about missing Korea. "That question always comes up," she laughed. "Food. Family." She added that this semester, she had been surprised by the fact that she missed Messiah College's main campus: "I thought I would never miss Grantham, now I kind of miss, fresh air, nature..."

If you spend any time with YeEun, you will immediately notice her sense

of humor. Her favorite English phrases are "You do" and "Don't go" because they sound like words in Korean. When I asked what she wanted people to know about her, she joked: "I speak English, so don't be afraid to talk to me!"



Ye Eun Oh

### A Weekend in the City

By Cara Thomas

CALLING ALL GRANTHAM STUDENTS!!!! If you have a desire to visit Messiah College Philadelphia Campus and see what it's like for possible study abroad or just to visit current students, take a B-Line Trip to MCPC and spend a weekend in the city.

Tickets are \$5 and are sold at the ticket office in Eisenhower Campus Center. What does this \$5 ticket include you ask? It covers the van trip that's transporting you to and from MCPC, two tokens for Philadelphia's public transportation system (SEPTA), and two meals in Temple's cafeteria.

The van departs from Messiah at 6 p.m on Friday from Eisenhower Circle

and will bring you back at 2 p.m on Sunday.

Be sure to pack your own toiletries and sleep items and arrange to stay with a student who is currently at MCPC. If you don't know anyone here, no worries, just contact Kate Nicely, and she will find you a place to stay.

You can do just about anything while you're here visiting. There is a lot going on in the city and also events happening right on Temple's campus. MCPC students are more than willing to fill you in on cool places to explore or eat. There are lots of museums and historical sights to see and also an amazing shopping district to explore. For other ideas, you can go to [www.phillyfunguide.com](http://www.phillyfunguide.com).

The next and last B-Line trip this semester will be April 16-18 so be sure to sign up!

If you are interested about coming to MCPC for a semester or even a year

you can find more information at [www.messiah.edu/philly](http://www.messiah.edu/philly).



Welcome to MCPC, this is a front view of the 2026 building, Photo courtesy of Amy Griffith

# Beware the Single Story

By Josh Boden

We all remember the record-breaking snowstorm a few weeks ago. But, then again, how could we ever forget such snow-induced spontaneity and blizzard-born bliss?

Well, if you happened to glance at the news in the midst of all our February frolicking, you might have noticed something similar to what I spotted on the BBC News website. A world leader for up-to-the-minute international news, the BBC ran a story on February 4<sup>th</sup> entitled, “Snowstorm Paralyzes U.S. East Coast.”

As I read the account of devastating power-outages, car accidents, and numerous fatalities, I received several concerned emails from family and friends, worried about my safety in the midst of such calamity.

If a reporter were to have knocked on MCPC’s door during the storm, shoved a microphone in your face and asked you what sort of devastation you’d witnessed, what would you have said? What is your story of the storm?

It’s likely that for you the storm was wet socks and hot chocolate. That’s your experience. That’s your perspective. That’s your story.

But it's not really true. Or, at

least, it's not *completely* true.

About the same time, we watched a fascinating lecture in Dr. Peterson’s EcoUrban Footprints class by an African author named Chimamanda Adichie. While your brain works on her name, I’ll summarize the speech. She cautioned her audience on the danger of a “single story.” We too easily listen to one story – in her case, the American story of Africa – and assume that it is the *full* story. In actuality, a place as diverse as Africa cannot be summed up in a story of AIDS and malaria, but that’s often the story we hear – and accept.

How often do we think we know everything? Or perhaps we don't think we know everything, we just don't bother to learn anymore, to dig any deeper. In this lecture, which I would highly encourage you to watch in its entirety ([www.ted.com](http://www.ted.com)), Adichie explains her experiences as an African woman and successful author in America -- the prejudices she endures and the misconceptions she deals with daily.

Her tone is gentle and even humorous, but her message is strong and sharp: don't be blinded by the single story. Do not think that your personal experiences or observations—with people, countries, ideas, cultures—have given you a full understanding. For instance, when Adichie moved from Nigeria to the U.S. for university, her class-

mates knew only the American story of Africa. They were shocked beyond belief to learn she grew up in a house, not a hut, was part of a city, not a tribe, and listened to Mariah Carey ... on a CD, no less.

I’m challenging myself to think the same way here in Philadelphia and I’d encourage you to do the same. Every person we encounter, whether they are homeless on the street or sitting next to us in class, has a story. And it’s a story worth hearing, because these are people worth loving.

That storm was tragic for thousands of people, but I wouldn’t have known it. My eyes and my story only capture a fraction of the full truth. Likewise, that guy begging for money looks like a mess. His eyes are puffy, his clothes are dirty, and his face is scruffy. And the story I’ve been told about guys like this is that they’re total bums who will use my spare pennies for drugs. But what else is going on here? What’s *his* story?

What it comes down to, I believe, is this. God’s creation is too complex to be understood by a single story. There is always something more. Another perspective. Another story to be told. We can never see it *all*, and we never will. But God does. And praise Him for that. So let’s try our best to see the world how God sees it—we may learn some cool stories in the process.

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# A Rainbow Leading to a Pot of Gold

By Brian Ritterpusch

I have a love/hate relationship with corporate chains. I suppose it’s mostly hate. I love chains because they’re so convenient. But I loathe the fact that my money essentially goes straight to powerful few on top of the corporate ladder and does little to support the local community. And to be honest, North Philly needs my support a lot more than the corporations do. So today, my roommate and I decided to visit Temple Rainbow for lunch; a small, cozy, independent diner right near MCPC by Susquehanna Ave. I think it’s safe to say that we have no regrets. Frequented by the locals and students alike, Temple Rainbow is similar to many of the diners

you would find by Grantham, hosting staples such as breakfast foods and deli sandwiches. The food is stellar with very modest prices. And if that’s not reason enough to go, perhaps the top-hat shaped ice cubes will change your mind.

But unlike in Grantham, Temple Rainbow also has what any good diner in Philly should have: Cheese Steaks! I however, opted for a short stack of pancakes, (despite what the menu said, I refuse to call them “Hot Cakes”) scrambled eggs, and turkey sausage. The result was one of the best lunches I’ve had in quite some time. So

think twice next time before blowing off a local “mom and pop” joint and heading straight to Starbucks or McDonalds, you might not know what you’re missing!



You can't see it but underneath the snow the sign says Temple Rainbow, Photo courtesy of Brian Ritterpusch

## Something New...

By Sarah Baranik

Everyone is always talking about meeting at a cafe in the city, but how many times does that end up being a chain like Cosi or Starbucks...but there are so many more! This past Saturday, I did some Philly cafe exploration in South Philadelphia and unexpectedly discovered Mazag Cafe: Mediterranean Bites and Coffee Shop. Located on the corner of 10th and Carpenter streets (about 6 blocks down from South Street), this cafe offers free WiFi and a selection of coffee, tea, espresso, turkish coffee, omeletes, parfaits, baklava, panini, spinach pies, soups, and more! Every Wednesday, the cafe has an Egyptian Koshary Dish and features live music on some evenings. Hours are 6:30am-8 pm Monday through Friday and 8am-8pm Saturday and Sunday. The owners are extremely friendly, the food is DELICIOUS, and it is even vegan friendly! It is DEFINITELY worth a taste!



*Sarah Baranik and her visiting friend Alyssa Frey in the Café Mazag, Photo courtesy of Diana Hunn*

## A Word from a Canuck

By Tricia Demmers, Editor

Canada may be the United States' hat, but doesn't that mean that we keep it warm? It's true that there is not much widely known about Canadians, there are stereotypes and there are generalities, but these are not facts. For example, as a Canadian I don't just study American history, I study Canadian history too. My pet polar bear and I are close, but not close enough that I would ride it to school. My igloo is cool. I do say "about" and "out" differently, but that gets old after a while. We have Smarties which are candy covered milk-chocolate morsels of goodness and we have maple cookies, with icing filling that tastes like maple-syrup.

With all of that being said, I am glad the Olympics are being held in my home country. There are things about my country that I simply love. Perhaps it's the country's unknown greatness and its hidden wonder. True we do call hats toques but we are also the country that gave the world the discovery of insulin. True we do say "eh," but we also gave the world sports such as basketball and lacrosse. The Olympics have brought about interest and intrigue into Canada's history, which is great! I'm learning things about my country that I didn't know.

As a Canadian watching the Olympics in the United States, I am very proud of my country. I have what is termed here in the States as national pride. I won't lie, when our curling team beat the Danish, I was very excited. When our men's hockey team played the U.S, I was on the edge of my seat the entire time; just ask those who were with me. I have a large Canadian flag hanging above my bed and I have little Canadian flags on my Mountain Equipment Co-Op back-pack and on my purse, as well as some sweaters. I tell people that never have I ever been so aware of my nationality than when I came to school in the States, but I am proud to be Canadian. I'm happy for all of our quirky ways that seem to be so funny to most people, and I'm happy for our differences, because that is what separates us from our neighbors to the south.

All in all though we are God's creation, and when it comes down to the things that really matter, nationality disappears and what is left is the person. Friend-



*Josh Boden and Tricia Demmers sharing their Canadian pride while holding mugs from Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Photo courtesy of Sarah Baranik*

ship is what matters, and personality is what lets you understand, not nationality. I guess that's how I feel watching the Olympics with my friends here in the U.S, I endure some jokes, but they understand me and care for me as a friend.

In the end the only difference between a Canadian and an American—to me—is the name. Both are people with complex and heartfelt ideals, we are not simply identified by our nationalities but by our hearts.

## The Olympics...



Every medal won at the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter games is a unique piece of artwork. Their artistic form is inspired by ocean waves, drifting snow and the mountainous landscapes found in the Games region and across Canada. Each medal has a unique, hand-cropped section of an orca whale (Olympic) and raven (Paralympic) by Corrine Hunt, a Canadian designer/artist of Komoyue and Tlingit heritage based in Vancouver, BC, making it a one-of-a-kind treasure. Read more at [Vancouver2010.com](http://Vancouver2010.com).

# The Best Academy Awards You'd Never Hear Of...

(For 2009)

By Jon Stutzman & Kyle House

The Oscars are ever so close, but before Hollywood lays down the red carpet, spends tons of money on dresses and tuxes, we will pick our favorite's from some awards that won't be voted on by the Academy. Get some popcorn and enjoy.

## Most Hyped-Disappointment Award:

Kyle's Pick: *GI: Joe*

-So much potential. So much CG (computer graphics).

Jon's Pick: *Transformers 2*

-Yeah, CG instead of character, locations instead of story. At least the guy from *Even Stevens* is in it, though I'd take Ren Stevens over Megan Fox any day.

## Reach for the Tissue Box Scene Award:

Kyle's Pick: *Opening Montage in Up!*

-If your eyes didn't at least swell, little less leak, you're not human.

Jon's Pick: *Opening Montage – Up/ First scene – Star Trek*

-Both had me weeping like a baby... a strong, adorable, and MANLY baby, of course.

## Best Feature by a Newbie (Director):

Kyle's Pick: *(500) Days of Summer*

-I thought about *District 9*, but its use of stereotypes defeated the purpose of its own social commentaries, thus holding it back. Both were refreshing films for their respective genres.

Jon's Pick: *(500) Days of Summer*

-Aw, such a good movie. A refreshingly original romantic-comedy, that is funny but also deep. Finally it's a romantic-comedy for all the guys out there that normally refuse to watch them!

## Award for the Most Dynamic Performance that went Unrecognized:

Kyle's Pick: *Zoe Saldana - Avatar / Sharlto Copley - District 9*

-Saldana did an amazing job conveying emotion despite never truly "seeing" her. -Copley convincingly changed pace from one type of character to another. ...To another.

Jon's Pick: *Sam Rockwell – Moon*

Sam rocks in this movie (pun intended). He was literally on fire... in a metaphorical acting sense. Why wasn't he nominated for an Oscar?!?!?

## Movie You Have to See Twice:

Kyle's Pick: *(500) Days of Summer*

-As I'd said earlier, it's such a refreshing film as well as something fun to watch and discuss with friends.

Jon's Pick: *The Brothers Bloom*

Yes the movie is funny, and slick, but the emotional power hits you even deeper on the second viewing.

## Best "Wait... Whoa- What?" Moment/Award of Goodness:

Kyle's Pick: *Wikus' arm - District 9*

-My jaw literally dropped. Honorable mention goes to the same film when a pig literally flew...

Jon's Pick: *The flying pig – District 9*

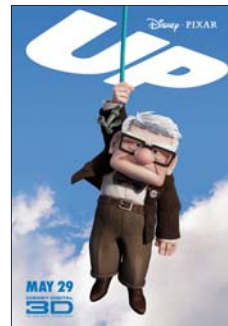
-See above.



The two critics Jon Stutzman and Kyle House contemplating their deliberations on the movies to win these not so well-known Academy Awards.



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## Thought Provoking Questions...

Which ones would you most like to see?

Which movies have you seen?

Of the movies you have seen, what life lessons did you learn that you can apply in a city context?

Do you agree with the choices made here?

More to come Next Issue

# The Smoothest Mural

By Katie Breiter

A lot of us walk past it almost everyday. How could we miss it? It is huge, and its mix of bright colors and dark tones grab our eyes every time we cross the street to return to MCPC.

A tribute to the late Grover Washington, Jr. is painted on the exterior wall of the 2032 building, facing Diamond Street. Every time I've walk passed him I've made a personal note to look him up and figure out why he has been immortalized in mural form. After several months of building up personal notes I finally looked him up on Google.

As it turns out, Grover is not just holding that saxophone for looks. He is the founding father of smooth jazz and an accomplished saxophone player and jazz composer. His Grammy nominated cover of "The Best is Yet to Come" with Patti Labelle and his Grammy Award-winning hit "Just the Two of Us" with Bill Withers are just some of the jazzy tunes Grover has con-

tributed.

Though born in Buffalo, NY in 1943 and not a native to Philadelphia, he found great success here. Before the move, he served in the army and made connections with musicians like jazz drummer Billy Cobham and other New York jazz artists.

Upon returning, he moved to the Big Apple and then to the City of Brotherly Love, all the while taking part in performances that created smooth jazz in the 1970s and continued its life in the 80s. He is often considered one of the greatest sax players in modern jazz. His albums include Mister Magic, Winelight (with "Just the Two of Us") and Come Morning. Although blamed for the introduction of smooth jazz's infamous Kenny G, Grover is also to thank for the introduction of jazz artists like Walter Beasley, Steve Cole and George Howard.

Grover was a smooth guy. Now that I know who he is I am totally fine with his giant likeness grabbing my attention when I'm walking on the sidewalk. Thanks for smooth jazz, Grover. It's smooth.



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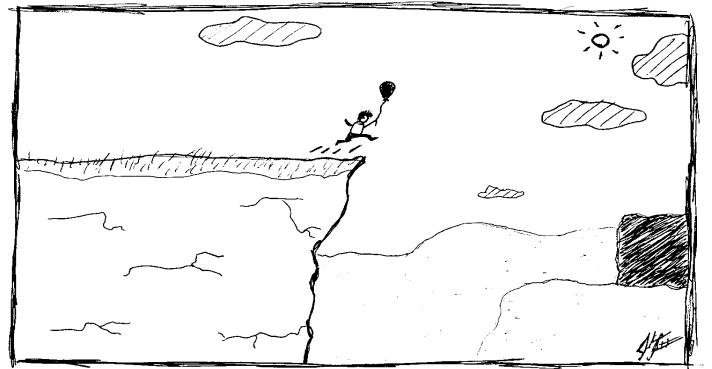
## 4 Ways to Reduce Stress During the Semester

(Read more at Holistic.com)

1. Pray in the morning for peace and guidance to calm your nerves, this quiets the mind and focuses your heart on God
2. Drink some tea, not the black tea, but the chamomile tea or mint tea, to soothes the throat
3. Exercise, shake off the events that bug you and get the endorphins flowing
4. Reduce the amount of caffeine in your day-to-day activities, this will lower blood pressure



## The Near Side Cartoon Series By Jon Stutzman



IN THE NEXT INSTANT, TODD McTODD KNEW HIS MOTHER HAD BEEN RIGHT ALL ALONG; THERE WAS NO FUTURE IN EXTREME BALLOON JUMPING.

## Phun Philly Phacts

Its not common knowledge that Philadelphia confectioner Elizabeth Coane Goodfellow (1767-1851) gave America its first lemon meringue pie.

Philadelphian John Landis Mason's invention of the hermetically sealed Mason jar revolutionized and simplified home food preservation.

Read more at Phillywired.com.

## Word Jumble

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RENIL \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

YONNEA \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

NIGLAC \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Answer:

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## What Do You See?

See more at Loscuatrojijos.com



# Immersion Weekend

By Tricia Demmers, Editor

On February 26– 29 MCPC students participated in their Immersion Weekend, during which there were planned activities. Friday night students traveled to various ethnic restaurants in the city to test and expand their palate. I personally enjoyed my meal of chicken curry at Thai Shanghai.

On Saturday students participated in a discussion on simplicity with The Psalters and were challenged to be plain and to love Christ and not be a “bigger slave.”

In the society that we all live in today its hard to imagine simplicity. Being able to live life with only what you need rather than what you want. But then at the same time is our view of what we need skewed so much that in reality we also don’t need what we require on a daily basis? Its something to think about. When I see the things that I have and think about my life without them, I must admit that I’m stumped as to what I’d do without them. I find myself questioning whether life would be simpler if I simply took those things away and focused on God and his purpose for my life. It’s a challenge to be simple.

After this the students sang their hearts out in Karaoke and then traveled to Penn’s Landing for some ice-skating. As a Canadian, I can’t lie—it was a good time. Some of us danced in the center of the rink and some of us raced like crazy. At the heart of it all was to have fun and I believe we did.

On Sunday we traveled to the Flower Show exhibit in the Philadelphia Convention Center. I had to walk slowly not only out of awe for the great art and beautiful plants, but for the amazing amount of crowd. People were everywhere and rightfully so, it was gorgeous. I have to say that my favorite was the mesh dangling wires attached to glass jars. In these glass jars were flowers of all colors and it took my breath away. I have to say that plants are one of my weaknesses and I left the flower show with quite a few.

After this came the hockey game. I was on the edge of my seat—quite literally. I watched with nail-biting anticipation as the game progressed to an overtime. In the end Canada won 3-2, and I’ll be honest, I’m happy, it was a great game and I’m glad to have shared it with my fellow MCPC students.

In summation, this weekend was glorious, and I have learned lessons to challenge me throughout the rest of this week and my life for that matter. I’ve created memories with old and new friends that will last and I’ve learned more about myself as a person. I hope that you have too.

# PHOTOS

Right: Larry Williams, Bekah Felts and Kelsey Schwartz singing karaoke in the QDR Saturday night. Photo courtesy of Bekah Felts  
Below right: MCPC students gathered by the rink at Penn’s Landing for some good ice-skating. Photo courtesy of Sarah Baranik



Top: Students forming a Congo line while ice-skating. Photo courtesy of Sarah Baranik  
Right: Becca Schubiger and Erin McRae at the Philly Flower Show Sunday. Photo courtesy of Erin McRae



Estefania Narvaez pictured here with a statue at the Kimmel Center. Photo courtesy of Sarah Baranik

## Up Next...



- Who knows?
- What do you want to see in the BSJ?
- SPRING BREAK!!

## These Words...

Are based on your experiences and so it would be nice if you could write and submit. It would also be nice if you had any responses to what was written here. Don’t be scared! Send it in!

**Questions? Concerns? Responses?**  
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