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COMING TO CANADA

Peter Fourlaris Student Life

This week I was very fortunate to interview Dr. Rossitza S. Marinova. We had a pleasant conversation, which spanned across her job at Concordia, her journey to Canada, and much more!

Peter Fourlaris: "Can you tell the reader about your role at Concordia, What faculty do you work in?"

Rossitza S. Marinova: "I am in the Faculty of Science, at the Department of Mathematical and Computing Sciences. I am currently the chair of the department, and an associate professor in mathematics in computing science, teaching primarily computing science, information technology and, sometimes, mathematics courses."

PF: "What attracted you to this area?"

RM: "Well, I always loved mathematics and later computers of course, at the time I was young as a child, computers were not around as they are now, but later on it was interesting again as part of this problem solving and logical thinking to construct algorithms and write programs, so I liked that as well."

PF: "What classes are you currently teaching right now?"

RM: "At the moment, Information Technology 101 (Introduction to Computers and Computer Networks), and Computing Science 111 (Introduction to Computing Science), so two courses."

PF: "How many years have you been teaching at Concordia?"

RM: "Ten, this is my eleventh year."

PF: "What is the most strange or funny thing you have seen on campus?"

RM: "I remember when one student started snoring in class. Maybe he was a bit bored but I want to believe that he was tired because he did some work during the night before and he couldn't stay awake."

PF: "What would you say your favorite hobby or activity outside of work is?"

RM: "I like to volunteer, particularly in my field (math and science). I devote a lot of time to promoting math and sciences in Canada and the Edmonton area. I like to make students think that they can do better in math. I organize classes for children to attract them to math. I also volunteer in science and engineering so I can demonstrate how they can be interesting so that young students can get attracted to the sciences. I think this is really important because you use math in your daily life."

PF: "Where were you born?"

RM: "In Bulgaria. In Eastern Europe, this was one of the socialist countries, now it's a part of the European Union. It is north of Greece, there are lots of mountains and beaches, it is a beautiful country. Bulgaria has been famous with the strong IT industry, it was even called the Silicon Valley of the Eastern Block."

PF: "It sounds very nice there, why did you choose to come to Canada?"

RM: "Life in Bulgaria, after the changes in the 1990's, was a bit difficult; lots of governments change, different parties came in and there was huge inflation. We always had good prestigious jobs, such as teaching at University; however life was hard, and we couldn't do our work properly. Sometimes they would close the University because it would be cold in the winter and they did not have money for heating. These kinds of things piled up in time and we decided that we should look into immigrating into a place where we can do what we love to do and don't think about survival."

PF: "Was Canada your first choice, or were you considering another place?"

RM: "We checked several other countries, but we liked Canada the best. We first went to Japan, but it was not for the purpose of immigration, it was just for research. We worked there for two years, and at that time

it was clear that we wanted to apply for immigration; Canada was our first choice."

PF: "Do you have any advice for students entering their first year?"

RM: "At first many university disciplines can be difficult, but it is important to have perseverance and to never give up. Students should also do what they feel is best for them and what they like to do, they can always switch programs and change courses, but they should never give up once they've decided what they want in life. Also they should ask if they need help, and they should try to make friends (especially in the beginning), you can't discover everything on your own, and there are many people who can help guide you. Concordia students are extremely friendly and supportive. Instructors also love to help students in learning."

Thank you very much Dr. Rossitza Marinova for a great interview, and great advice. I hope this article can show everyone what a wonderful and interesting individual you are.

Finally, if you, the reader, have anyone in mind that you would like to see featured in one of my articles, you can send in your requests to me. I can be reached through my email pfourlar@student.concordia.ab.ca or via twitter @PeterF_94

PROJECT ZERO: SUSTAINABILITY

George
Visan

Reader Submission

We've always been told to notice the little things in life such as the color of the leaves changing, the exciting smell of our coffee grounds in the morning, or perhaps the quirky qualities in a person we may overlook on a day-to-day basis. I guess what we're not made aware of is ways the little things around us impact who we are and how we function as people, and as a society. Awareness is a very important aspect of life because through awareness we create change, which allows us to move forward as a society in a positive manner. As an example, some of us may open the blinds to provide sunlight to a room, but leave a light on as well, without noticing

the redundancy in that. As a whole, I think our society greatly overlooks the small changes we're all capable of making. The lack of activism isn't your fault, really! I'm sure most of you reading this article recycle, don't idle, and are somewhat frugal with water use. We all try to think globally and act locally, right? Well I am introducing a new club to Concordia called "Project Zero: A Sustainability Effort", which will attempt to bring the scholastic community together to decrease Concordia's emissions, as well as those created by the students and staff. Project Zero aims to provide a learning experience for any of those who are interested by surveying the schools utility usage and creating methods to increase efficiency whilst keeping spending low. Now

you're wondering how that's possible so let me pick at your brain a little bit. Go walk into Tegler and notice how the north wall is just a collection of windows. It provides more than enough light for everyone, yet there are still lights on if you look up at the ceiling. I don't see the lights being necessary during times of daylight, so for example those could be put on a timed cycle. Now imagine what else we could all change just by putting together our brilliant minds! Don't get me wrong, I'm not insinuating that Concordia is pro waste, but having an open mind and a willing to change attitude is important for anyone. Small measures like turning off lights and saving water will save money for Concordia, in turn allowing that money to be put towards more practical

uses. One of my main goals that I very much intend on accomplishing with this club is to bring the ONE card to Concordia, giving the students free access to the city's LRT system and therefore greatly reducing emissions and saving us broke students a little bit of money! Wouldn't that be the dream? Well guess what folks, anything can happen. All we have to do is put together our ideas and bring forth change. If you are interested in getting this club off the ground by joining up please e-mail me, George Visan, at gvisan@student.concordia.ab.ca. There are no judgments within the club, and there is no such thing as a stupid question or suggestion, so don't be scared. We're all in the same boat... broke, stressed and excited. Remember that!

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THE CAPACITY TO LOVE

Kayle
Sieben
Advice Column

We live in a society that appears to be blindly hypocritical. I believe some of these negative attitudes and behaviors result from intentions and are generally aimed towards the well-being of others. To explain the entirety of it would take a novel, but the end result of our actions seems to be negative through my eyes. We tell one another to be open and be ourselves. In theory we are quite liberal with our rights and freedoms. We are being taught how to have a more inclusive, diverse society where no one is to be ashamed of who they are; or so it seems.

Yes, that is the message, but is it the result? Every day I see discrimination on so many levels. Not only enemies, but also between peers, between two supposed allies; there is still discrimination.

You tell me to be happy so I cheer and get excited over my successes; you call me cocky. You tell me to let out the emotions and not to hide them, so I cry. As a male crying there seems to be a stigma attached, you may have heard the term "man

up." We all want to fall in love, but mock those who show affection in public. You say be yourself, but we try new hobbies and are scrutinized for attempting to broaden our horizons.

So, what does it all mean? This is simply one aspect in which we are ironically hypocritical. Our personalities are shaped by not only biological factors but the environment too. We may have these pre-determined behaviors, but this discriminatory type of behavior is adaptive, yet can change with effort. We need to attempt to change the thought processes, alter the way we view differing opinions and interests.

Home is known as a place of warmth, love and tenderness; yet people view the outside world as a cold-hearted, wasteland. As much as we believe we live in such an open society, I don't believe we are being honest with ourselves. Yes, we've come a long way from what it used to be, but the game isn't over. It's not a matter of simply accepting these people who differ from the norm, it's a matter of including them and treating them with dignity.

This goes for anyone in

any race, religion, sexual orientation, and cognitive capability. Everyone has to step up and make a change in attitude and behavior, but it can start with one. Individuals need to cease judgment of our fellow brethren, let us allow one another to live life to its full potential. This potential can only be met if we don't deny another individual's freedoms. How many times have you shied away from doing something because you were scared what others would say? How often does the crowd influence you? Let's allow people to spread their wings and embrace their inner selves. Yes it may be odd to you, but it more than likely won't cause a negative effect in your life.

Love yourself, but love everyone else too. I understand people can be ignorant, rude, impatient, even asinine, but we're all essentially attempting to reach the same end-goal: happiness. I think we can all admit this journey is stressful at the best of times, so let's cut each other some slack. It's not even about just doing good deeds. It's about connecting with our brethren in hopes to create a better society for ourselves,

for our peers and for the future generations to come.

Everybody makes mistakes and everybody has ignorant moments. But, everyone also has the capacity to love, the capacity to be compassionate, empathetic, and to treat others with the courtesy and dignity we all feel entitled to. You don't need to know someone's story to know that they're looking for happiness just like we are. So let's cut some slack to ourselves, to each other and let's continue to drive down this path to create some magic. There is no need to react with intense anger towards the bad driver, to mock those who spit out the wrong answers, and no need to judge someone based on appearance/initial reactions. These judgments are indicative of how we will interact with these people; positively or negatively. Let everyone start with the same slate.

I believe in myself, but I believe in everyone else too. We all have potential we just need to realize it.

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THE MUSIC SCENE OF EDMONTON

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Polo

Politics

This has been a topic I was meaning to touch on for the paper last year, but before hand I wanted to get more acquainted with the vast variety of sounds and people that are around in our city's music scene. After a summer of dwelling deeper into this, I've come across what I believe is beyond sufficient knowledge to present a fair bit of the musical acts in town. Throughout the summer Edmonton's local entertainment has held events such as Bermuda Fest and Endless Bummer, as well as individual music shows at the local venues that provide a lot of interesting acts to look out for. Putting summer aside, there are still tons of activity in all other seasons, as it is to be expected; however, it is time to put forward the question: what are some of the Edmonton music scene's highlights and important landmarks?

Venues in town can come in various forms, from cafes to bars to halls and to other miscellaneous places, all of which have a vast diversities of sounds (genres if I must use such a difficult term to work with at times) and atmospheres. As of the past year, the amount all-ages venues have diminished with Avenue Theatre on 118th avenue and the Creative Clubhouse on 105th avenue

closing down, and The Artery on Jasper Avenue becoming 18+, thus having Naked Café on 108th street and Cha Island on 81st avenue take over the incoming crowds of spectators, musicians, and promoters alike. Aside from these places, there are bars such as DV8 Underground, the Buckingham, Brixx Bar & Grill, Filthy McNasty's, and Wunderbar; however, this last venue has been recently put out for sale, and despite of that, I believe it deserves an honorable mention due to its large contribution to the Whyte Avenue arts community and Edmonton's music scene. Aside from bars and cafes, there is the Do-It-Yourself method of organizing shows which leads me to the next insertion: hall shows. These kind of shows tend to usually be driven by the DIY perspective to bringing about performances and music production, and hall shows can be found more sporadically in any community hall around town. Before progressing forward any further, I must acknowledge that these are not the only places that provide live entertainment of this sort, for these are only examples of some key landmarks in the music scene, as well as some other miscellaneous insertions.

Each venue can provide very different bands playing despite whatever environment a venue tries to portray, and more than often one will realize that bands

of all sorts of genres can be found there. Going back to Wunderbar: the place has featured various sorts of acts, like comedy performances, film screenings, acoustic performances, punk shows, rock shows, and whatever specific genre one wishes to indulge oneself with. So, rather than saying which place to go to find what thing, I much rather attempt to give some examples of different musicians in town and associate them with certain broad genres at the best of my ability, for these matters can get absurdly subjective. From there onwards, any could easily find them online through Facebook and Bandcamp to track them down at live performance. Along the lines of what one can call rock music, there are musicians such as The Archaics, The Sweethearts, Woodhouse, Power-Buddies, D-A-Y-D-R-E-A-M-I-N-G, Good Nature, Carl for Breakfast, Brazilian Money, and Headcase. Punk and Hardcore, as well as some metal in Edmonton are heavily present scene with bands such as lesser man, Cold Lungs, Disabler, Cryptic, Borrachera, Messiahlator, Detroit, Time's Tide, Exits, Etown Beatdown, Ringleader, Slumlord, Anna phora, and the masterfully pizza-inspired Master Splinter (just go to one of their shows, wait for pizza, and then you will get me here). Along the softer sound of things, what most people would call folk and indie: Wares, Marlaena

Moore from The Sweethearts, Jessica Jalbert, Joe Nolan, Rusty, Old Towns, Between Brothers, Small Victories, and Fire Next Time. Rap and Hip-Hop I can only recommend Philip Solo, and the Nasty Boys at the top of my head, for I am not as familiar with that side of the scene, though I am aware there are pretty active rappers, as well as, hip hop, or just generally electronica, producers in town, most notorious Mac DeMarco.

With all of this being said, it is up to one to venture out into these places to find whatever hidden gems might be within here. One particular reason of why I am trying to give exposure to these acts and places is particularly because I've become accustomed to people talking about Edmonton lacking substance or anything of interest, and this is evidently not the case if one dares to look carefully and thoroughly. There are people out there that are giving so much of their time and devotion to make something out of this place and themselves, some way of coping with the lack of something by devoting their creative power to change it, and this can come in so many different ways. In later editions, I will be interviewing musicians, producers, promoters, and venue owners, as well as dealing with issues and concerns within the music scene. Hopefully this topic proves to be of interest to our community as it is to these people and myself.

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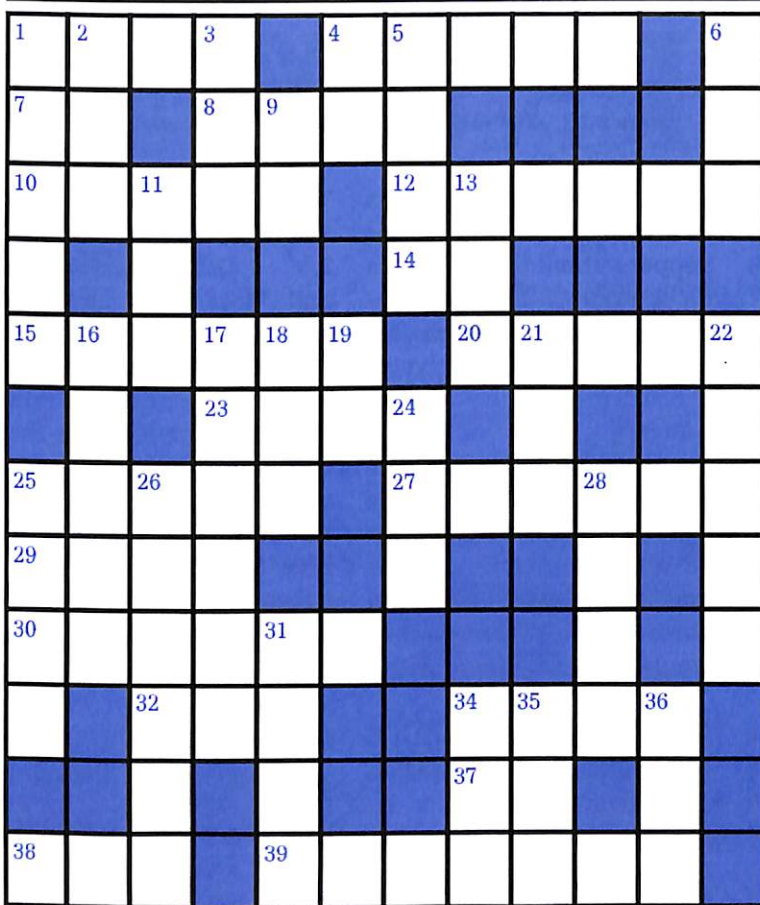
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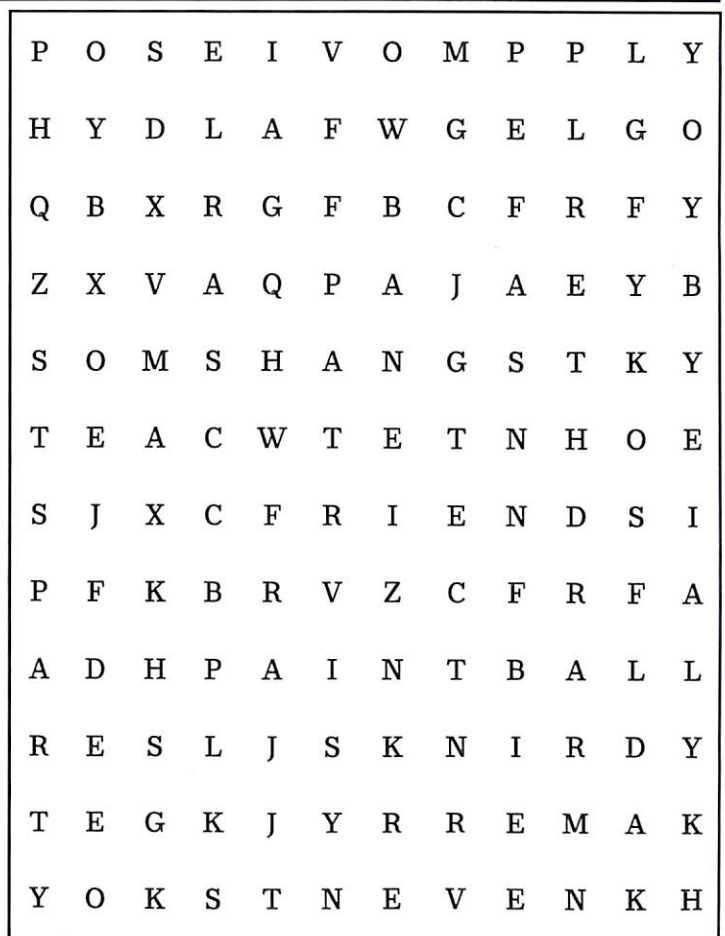


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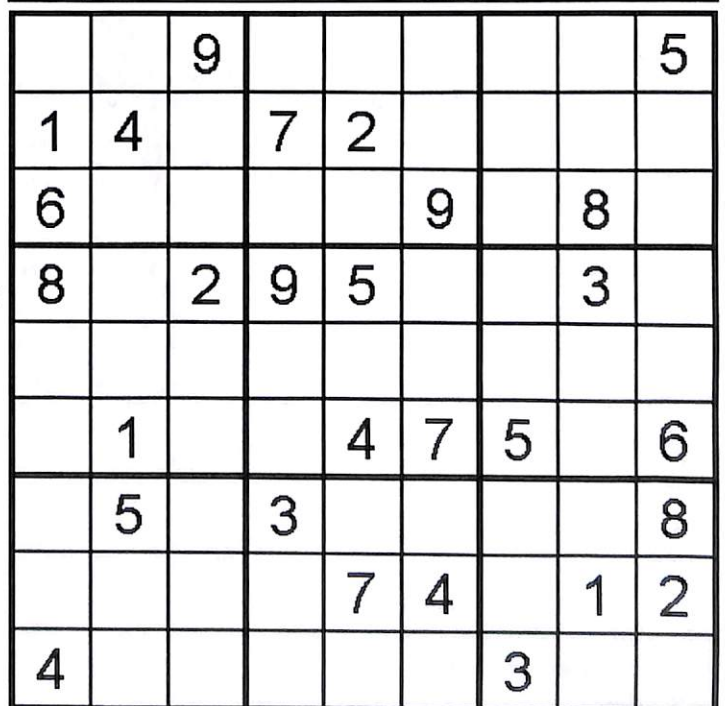
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7. Egyptian god
8. Swedish furniture chain
10. Galileo's birthplace
12. "The Jazz Singer", notably
14. RIF beneficiary
15. TV character with 3,265 siblings
20. Piece of cake
23. Wrinkly tangelo
25. Many-headed monster
27. Racehorse gait
29. Emulated
30. The "se" in per se
32. Make angry
34. Trigonometric term
37. Popular steak sauce
38. Its symbol is Sn
39. Ship's warning signal

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1. Manhattan, for one
2. Granola bit
3. "Shop ___ you drop"
4. You and I
5. Cheerios grain, plural
6. Seinfeld voiced one
9. A type of jelly
11. Vent
13. Rainbow shape
16. Pharaoh's land
17. Rub out
18. Red-and-white supermarket logo
19. Thallium symbol
21. Suffering
22. One of the Seven Dwarfs
24. Car key place: Abbr.
25. Frozen rain
26. Motif
28. Bird on a Canadian dollar
31. Table insert
34. "Zip it!"
35. Wall St. opening
36. Seemingly forever



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A QUICK AND EASY MEAL

Rachel Whipple Entertainment

This meal can be made in under 30 minutes. It's healthy and simple, and a fantastic meal to whip up after a long day of class!

CHICKEN FAJITAS RECIPE:

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons of canola oil (any cooking oil)
 - 2 Boneless Skinless Chicken Breasts
 - 1 package or 12 soft tortillas
 - 2-3 Bell peppers
 - 1 small white or Spanish onions
 - 1 cup of shredded lettuce or cabbage
 - 1 cup of diced tomatoes
 - 1 lime
 - 1/4 Teaspoon of Chili powder
 - 1/4 Teaspoon of Paprika
 - 1/4 Teaspoon of Garlic powder
 - (Or you can opt out and buy pre-made Old El Paso Fajita Seasoning)
 - Hot sauce (optional)
 - A pinch of Salt and Pepper
 - Salsa and Sour cream (Optional)
 - Shredded Cheddar Cheese (Optional)
- *Serves 2 to 4 people.

1. Defrost your chicken.
2. Clean it and slice the chicken breast into strips.
3. Heat up your pan with the oil.

4. Once pan is hot, fry the chicken for 3-5 minutes or until most of the pink is no longer visible.

5. Slice up your onion and add that to the pan along with your seasoning. Feel free to add a little more or less here. If you like it spicy, add some hot sauce. If you want to make this meal fast and you don't have a spice rack at your disposal, go ahead and buy a prepackaged taco or fajita seasoning. No one is watching, it's your food!

6. Slice up bell peppers and add to pan. I like to use half of a green, yellow, and red pepper to add lots of color to the dish.

7. Slice the lime in half and juice half of it into the peppers and chicken. Add more salt and pepper to your taste.

8. Stir fry ingredients for another few minutes. The peppers should still have a bit of a crunch to them.

9. Warm tortillas for 30 seconds in microwave or at 350 degrees in the oven for 5-10 min.

10. Serve the peppers and chicken mix on the tortillas. Add cabbage or lettuce, tomatoes, salsa and sour cream, shredded cheese, or whatever you would like to eat them with!

BONUS RECIPE, QUICK AND SIMPLE GUACAMOLE:

Ingredients:

- 1 Ripe Avocado
- 1 Red Onion
- 1 lime or 1-1 1/2 tablespoons of lime juice
- Cilantro
- Salt and pepper

*Makes about one cup

1. Dice up avocado and toss into a bowl.

2. Dice a small portion of red onion (maybe 1/8 th or even a 1/16 of the onion depending on it's size). Note: Red onion has a nice kick but it can quickly overpower the flavor of the avocado. Dice onion into very small cubes and add to avocado.

3. Take a few leaves of cilantro (4-7). Slice them up and add to mixture.

4. Juice the whole lime and add lime juice

5. Add salt and pepper to taste.

6. Use a fork and spoon to mash it on up.

7. Serve on fajitas or with chips.

Enjoy!



SEOUL SEARCHING

Kelsea
Gillespie

Travel

Hello Concordians! I've decided that before I take you with me through my backpacking misadventures this past summer in Spain and Portugal, I will first take you back to one of my fondest memories from South Korea...

It was late November last winter, and Edmonton was experiencing a cold snap and heavy snowfall. The prospect of going to South Korea, where temperatures averaged around 10°C, seemed almost tropical. I was about to be reminded (despite the fact that I grew up in Nova Scotia), that being close to the ocean and in a region prone to high winds, would not be the warm escape I imagined. Traveling with the Model United Nations' Club (MUN Club), we departed then-chilly Edmonton in search of adventure and a break from the torturous cold. South Korea happened to be my first trip without a chaperon or guide, and my fellow "delegates" and I were

excited to set our own agenda.

I must take a moment to stress that traveling in a group without a set agenda for every day is much different than traveling alone or with a group that has a completely guided trip. It is unlike traveling with family, where everyone is obligated to still love each other at the end of the day. Instead, decisions must be made as a group and compromise must be reached. For our MUN Club, when the two gentlemen accompanying myself and Alacja Weddell realized that we were nearly helpless at navigating the Seoul subway system, this meant conceding to join us on our only day of free sightseeing for the whole trip.

Call it cheesy, but it seemed a priority for Alacja and I to see "Gangnam," the upscale Korean village located in Seoul (yes, the reason is because of "Gangnam Style"). Our travel companions didn't particularly want to go to Gangnam, but they decided to make the most of our day trip and found a "Heritage" site on

the map: the Imperial Palace.

Our wandering in Gangnam that day had a purpose - a destination - and boy, we were on a journey. Walking down rainy and busy Korean street after street, the weather started to turn nasty. We found refuge in a beautiful city park where we could do the most embarrassing thing we could think of: dancing Gangnam Style IN Gangnam. The locals looked at us as if we were mental. As the day went on, the temperature began to drop and the wind began to pick up. We were ill prepared for our day in the big city (and big is no understatement; Seoul is home to the equivalent of over 2/3 of Canada's population), and I cannot stress enough that being Canadian DOES NOT make you invincible to the cold. We found ourselves wandering into knock-off Starbucks coffee shops, fancy car dealerships, Samsung stores (at which point I purchased texting gloves because my fingers had frozen), and expensive Korean pet stores just to escape the cold. When we had to double

back for a misplaced cell phone, the thought of re-walking any stretch in the miserable weather felt like a major set back. We were determined, however, to see the Imperial Palace. What a cool thing for a bunch of nerds to do together, right?

Our journey took us uphill and into more wind, and the rain started to turn to small frosty flakes. We slowly reached the road where the Imperial Palace was supposed to be. The neighborhood was still nice, but no palace gardens appeared before us. Walking closer to the main street and turning our heads once more into the wind, we saw it. It occurred to us all at the same moment that the "H" on the map had not stood for Heritage site, but Hotel. Completely frozen, we stood laughing at our major mistake. We snapped our picture in front of the Imperial Palace Hotel to commemorate our day together, all realizing that this cliché statement really is true: sometimes, it is not about the destination, but the journey.

FUNDAMENTALISM AND ISIS

Ramiro Medina

Polo

Politics

Though this political movement is not new, fundamentalism in Islam, Christianity, and Judaism has developed rapidly to adapt to the current ways of politics. In the globalized world, fundamentalism has gained new prominence in international and national politics due to the incomplete secularization of the state over the past few centuries. Thus, fundamentalism is a reactionary movement to the current state of the world, and this view aims to restore the fundamental sacred values of these religious ideologies. Another key aspect found in fundamentalist ideologies is the importance of Manichaeism in their thought, that means a dualistic philosophy that focuses on the strife between good and evil, thus holding a heavily idealist view of morality and ethics (however, this is not a criticism necessarily). In addition, there is the importance of sacred texts as the law given through a covenant with God; this can be particularly exemplified with the Sharia law being practiced as the state law in the Early Modern Islamic Empires. Modern fundamentalism holds that in this strife, they are wishing to be an active good rebelling against the evil found in the world and that the good winning over evil is granted. Fundamentalism, just as some branches of anarchism and

environmentalism, may not concern itself with legalisms, economics, aspects of politics and social behavior, and so on, for its aim is at something that is deemed to be far more important than holding a secure economic platform, or preserving civil rights, the list goes on. Thus, we must break away from the economics left and right, as well as some other assumptions of political science and theory in order to comprehend certain political movements such as fundamentalism. Now acknowledging that this political stance is not solely Islamic, we are going to continue to focus on this specific fundamentalist view in order to in some way gain an understanding (not a justification though, I must advise) of the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, ISIS

Due to the differences between Sunni and Shia Islam, the movement of fundamentalism in Islam is two-fold at the very least; currently, we are going to focus on the Sunni Islamic movement, for the current events convey that ISIS identifies with the Sunni belief. Sunni fundamentalism has existed for a long time, however, some of its recent rise in the historic overview of it can be appreciated in the movement of the Islamic Brothers in Egypt, 1928. Egypt at this point in time was under British influence and the Islamic Brothers movement saw itself as the just portrayal of the Sunni tradition, which stressed the liberation of Egypt with

the creation of an Islamic government; the Brothers' concept of the Islamic state was primordially focused as one advanced by militant, armed strength. Sunni Islam, for this fundamentalist politic, was viewed by the former professor of Political Science at Tehran University, Hamid Enayat, as "the ultimate path of life, in all its spheres." This was one of the main principles in this fundamentalist ideology, along with that there is the claim that "Islam emanates from two fundamental sources, the Qur'an and the Prophetic tradition" and that "Islam is applicable to all times and places". The source of these quotes are Enayat's essay "Fundamentalism". But, this makes the case more evident that fundamentalism is a political movement that doesn't concern itself with much beyond its fundamentals.

It is time to move on to al-Qaeda and its recent spawn, ISIS, for these are the two most recent examples of Sunni fundamentalism. al-Qaeda's worldly presence often gets associated with terrorism before its fundamentalist views and how it is a spawn of modernity as John Gray (author of "al-Qaeda and What It Means to Be Modern") would say. Gray writes, "Western societies are governed by the belief that modernity is a single condition, everywhere the same and always benign. As societies become more modern, so they become more alike. At the same time

they become better. Being modern means realizing our values--the values of the Enlightenment, as we like to think of them." However, it would appear that the fundamentalism carried on by al-Qaeda and ISIS is as much of a spawn of modernity as the Western views of what we value are, for, again, the fundamentalist aims at responding the modern concern of the secularized world. However, al-Qaeda's idealist views hold that true believers can create the a new world through violence, by deconstructing the structure of what the other claims to be their modernity in order to input the fundamentalist values; this sort of attitude can easily be associated with the terrorist attacks of 9/11. Nonetheless, one must acknowledge that the same is being done in return to some extent, regardless of whether the West is solely being reactionary or bringing this to be, for we are aiming at deconstructing the fundamentalist values in order to insert the West's (but, much of this is up for debate). Now, shortly, ISIS is clearly aiming to insert its values by deconstructing the current society that is present; however, ISIS is a split from al-Qaeda's ideology in the sense in which it aims for a more extremist approach to this. Due to the limitations of my word count, I shall stop here. Next time, we will dwell into details of ISIS and assessing actual news that are related.

BETTER THAN MINIMUM WAGE

Blake
Novak

Business

Students work hard everyday. We go to class, study, join clubs and/or associations, try to have social lives, and somewhere in there we get a job. We work for 15+ hours a week somewhere that pays us to sell people clothes, flip burgers, mow lawns, or to fill space, and we do it with a smile. All of this amounts to a small sum of money that we use to survive. Well, good news all of you minimum wage people, the minimum wage was raised to \$10.20 an hour for most employees, starting September 1st. This increase will mean that you will see an extra 5\$ per paycheck, if you maintain a work week of 20 hours. So that way you can hit the dollar store and get some more of that ramen that you crave.

This clearly brings into question the point of the increase. It cost the government more to create this new legislation than

any one who is on minimum wage will actually earn, and up until now Alberta paid the lowest amount across Canada. Minimum wage is not designed to solve poverty, and it never will. According to study done by Statistics Canada in 2004, of 1433 people living in Alberta surveyed, only 13 of them were on minimum wage. This mean that less than 1% of people in Alberta were working at minimum wage, and our unemployment rate at the time was 4.6%. This reflects the wealth that we have in Alberta. Another study conducted by the Government of Canada in 2011 showed that Albertans also have the highest average after tax family income in Canada. This province prides itself on being the richest and most self sustaining in the country, and we should have citizens who feel the same. However, at the end of the day, students are often left in the dust when it comes to compensation. We are young, inexperienced, misinformed, and often mislead when

it comes to finding jobs because we are needed on the front line of operations to keep businesses functioning. But we need to know that we are more valuable to these organizations then they make it seem. Asking for minimum wage should be your last resort, not your first.

Before going into an interview, regardless of where you look, make sure you know where your baseline is and make sure the interviewer knows that too. Several websites are there to find out the "behind the scenes" of a company. One of my personal favorites is glassdoor.com, which allows you to search job titles, companies and salary ranges of jobs to find one that suits you. You can even read reviews on the company from an employee perspective, which will prepare you for working there. Note that these are user generated answers, so take it with a grain of salt. This should be your next step in job hunting after preparing

your resume. Interviewers are often impressed by your knowledge of the company, as it shows that you have genuine interest in their work. This will only make you a stronger candidate when it comes time to decide who to hire.

So ask yourself before every interview if you are going to but in more than the minimum, cause if you are, then make sure you get paid for it. Do your research on the company you plan on applying to, know what they pay, and ask for the best. Often this will land you a position that pays you a livable wage, and reduce your stress at school.

Also remember to check out the Concordia Business Association, you one-stop-shop for all things Concordia and Business, and save the date for March 7th, 2015 for our Annual Business Conference, and like us on Facebook!

TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES

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I hope everyone has had a great first couple of weeks at Concordia. The Bolt has had an interesting start this year and I want to address a couple things in this article. First of all our "Win Bolt with The Bolt" contest has been extended due to technical difficulties that couldn't be resolved until recently and so you now have until September 26th to get those selfies in! For those who don't know what this contest is allow me to explain. We've posted a bunch of Bolts, the dog, around the school and we need you to take a selfie with him and share it with us via Facebook ([facebook.com/TheBoltNews](https://www.facebook.com/TheBoltNews)), Twitter ([@TheBoltNews](https://twitter.com/TheBoltNews)), and/or Instagram ([instagram.com/](https://www.instagram.com/)

TheBoltNews), that simple. You must also be following us on whatever social media you choose to share your picture on as well. Once you've done all that you'll be entered to win your very own copy of Bolt on Blu-ray/DVD and will be notified if you win! This won't be our first contest either so make sure you check the paper, our website, or our social media often to see what else is coming down the pipeline.

Another thing I want to mention is our new "Trending" section! This is to keep you up to date with news that goes on that we just don't have time to report on, short blurbs about things going on around the world! We hope this keeps you in the know about the stuff we just can't fit into our paper. For instance, Netflix doing

something wild, we'll let you know the gist of the story and you can find more on said story if it piques your interest.

Last update of the issue, details for our get a gift card for submitting an article. Simply put we want you, our readers and people interested in writing, to write articles for us and send them to us at csabolt@student.concordia.ab.ca. If we use your article in an issue of The Bolt we'll e-mail you with a list of gift cards and you pick the one that is most appealing to you. Gift card selection includes: Starbucks, Safeway, Best buy, Chapters, Cineplex, and more. We really want your stories and we feel that you should be compensated fairly for your work! And don't think of this as just an opportunity to buy groceries, but also an opportunity to

get published and have your words read by the masses of Concordia and the internet.

Also don't forget to check out all the great events going on around Concordia this month. The CSA has a great calendar on the office window in case you forget a date or want to see what is going on. From the First Annual CSA Paintball Tournament on September 20th, to Movie Night featuring the Pirates of the Caribbean movies, video games, board games, and free pizza and pop on the 23rd. And of course Thunderwear Fridays, win things and show your school spirit all in one glorious day. The CSA doesn't want you missing out on fun events and neither do we since it's a great time to meet people and make friends.

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AND A JAR OF DIRT.