Meet the Staff!

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Hi everyone! Welcome to our Spring 2014 semester. We have loads of great ideas planned and a wonderfully talented and diverse staff to entertain and inform you this year. We adore you all, our beloved fans, and we implore you to keep reading and loving us back! Also to like us on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter @GriffinRoar to keep up with our new postings! Now allow me the pleasure of introducing myself and my lovely staff-

My name is Amanda Teeter, and I am quirky and adorable. I also have a loud, annoying laugh and a weird sneeze that sounds like a mouse screaming in terror as it has its vocal cords violently removed by zombie mice. But on a more crucial note, I am an English major with a Professional Writing concentration, and that, my darlings, is what has led me here. My passion and love and cheerleaderesque enthusiasm for bringing you this newspaper is liable to burst forth at any moment, so read the newspaper, because not only are you treating yourself to awesome articles when you do, you're making this chick one happy chick. And it's nice to make people happy. Thank you, and good night!

- Amanda Teeter (Editor-in-Chief)

This is my second semester at the Griffin Roar and I'm excited to be back, although not officially. Unfortunately, it didn't fit into my schedule. I will still be writing as much as I can, just not for credit (hopefully this isn't foreshadowing for my future writing career).

My favorite things to write about make people uncomfortable (sex, rape, domestic violence, relationships, being vegan, and the Republican Party). I'm a raging feminist AND a hopeless romantic. I'm one big conundrum, and I like exploring the depths of my personality on paper (and publishing it for you).

While my style is consistent, I'm hoping to expand my writing this semester. Stay tuned, lovers.

Xoxo,

-Brooke Angel (Assistant Editor)

I don't want to be an egg!

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-Tyler Fernandez (Secretary)
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Hello, my name is Arlene Gandy. I am a senior graduating in May of 2014 with a BA in Communications, minor in Sociology. I am a non-traditional student, and very serious about completing this phase of education. My plan is to get my Masters and PhD in Communications. I am a mother of one beautiful little girl named Skylar. She is my world and my reason for returning to school.

I have been a writer for the Banner for most of my time here. I hope all students and faculty alike will read and enjoy the new Griffin Roar. The advice column (Dear Arlene) will be accepting questions and submissions at gandya@fontbonne.edu or fontbanner@fontbonne.edu.

Arlene Gandy (Advice Columnist)

Hello readers and fellow writers, my name is Chris Bush and I'm a senior at our esteemed college. I have done some profiles and blogs recently, which are in the vein of non fiction writing, but fiction is where I am the strongest. While I can venture to high diction at times, my style is rather informal and conversational. My pieces will cover a variety of topics and I hope everyone enjoys them.

- Chris Bush

I have a varied background beginning with instructing children in gymnastic, camp counseling, along with an amazing opportunity to travel to South America as part of an international leadership exchange program in my younger years. In the years following, I owned my own business and worked in the corporate world for over 20 years as an executive assistant and events coordinator, human resources assistant to the VP of HR, an account representative for a staffing agency, and assisted with training new employees. In addition, I was a corporate fitness leader for a well-known hospital, where I led physical fitness and stress management classes for a variety of different corporations. I arrived at Fontbonne knowing that I needed to add a missing piece of the puzzle, which was to achieve my degree. On May 17th, this goal will be reached and I am looking forward to my next adventure.

- Lisa Hirst

My name is Corie Krisch, and I am OFFICALLY a senior. I'm an Advertising major concentrating in Professional Writing, so that one day I can be a copywriter in LA. I'm from the suburbs of Chicago. I love sports; mainly hockey, baseball, and football. Don't hate, I love my Blackhawks and Chicago. I really enjoy watching movies (anything from silent films to horror) and listening to music (everything but rap). I currently have an internship with 'Stache Media. I promote artists and do reports on shows. What is better than that? Netflix is my current addiction, more specifically American Horror Story. Obviously I love to write. It will be my career in the near future and is why I write for the Griffin Roar. Also I am vice president for Geeking2Gether and do some on campus blogging. Well, that's me in a nutshell. I am a senior at Fontbonne, studying for a degree in Psychology with minors in Sociology and Professional Writing. Born and raised in Southern California, moving to St. Louis was quite a transition for this California girl. Since starting at Fontbonne as a freshman, I have come to fall in love with the city of St. Louis. During my time at Fontbonne, I have played on the women's volleyball team and been involved in a number of other extracurricular activities, including being an intern for the Campus Ministry office. In my free time, I like to go out with friends, hang out with my fish, Tim, and also lie on the couch and watch Netflix. After I graduate this May, I hope to find a job and then begin a graduate program in Occupational Therapy.

- Cassie Dougherty

I am a junior at Fontbonne.I am originally from the Rolla area, and transferred to Fontbonne from East Central College. I hold a certificate in Drafting and Design and am currently working towards earning his bachelor's degree in professional writing. When not writing for the Griffin Roar I enjoy playing music and anything involving being outdoors. After college I look forward to traveling more often and learning about various cultures and ways of life.

-Richie Kemper

I am originally from Columbia, Missouri. I am a senior at Fontbonne University majoring in History. After graduation, I wish to enroll in a cultural studies graduate program. This is my first semester writing for the Griffin Roar and I am grateful to be a part of the publication

-Taylor Shortal

Thank you for reading our introductions, and we will see you this weekend with this year's first issue of the Griffin Roar! Stay tuned, my loves!

<3 The Griffin Roar staff