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So once again, congratulations on everything you have accomplished while studying here at Montclair State University.
Everyone arrived for the A on their final exam, an internship at a hopeful future employee or keeping a high GPA. Hopefully those goals have all been met.
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In this issue, you can take a walk down memory lane while we highlight some of the important things that have happened during the years you were here.

Nicole Simonetti
News Editor
Welcome MSU Class of 2014!
Welcome everyone to Montclair State University. Upon your entering a new life experience, getting to know people will help you through the process. So why not join a club that can introduce you to many people in our campus community? Being part of MSU’s newspaper, The Montclarion, is not just a chance to report but it is also a place to meet new people.
The Montclarion is a student-run newspaper that has been providing the campus with news for 82 years. There are many sections to be covered and the news section is one of the most important.
Writing for the news section opens many doors to digging into stories and talking to the community, including students, professors and administrators.
Assignments for writers can range from covering a new club gaining charterment on or an organization trying to make a movement on campus, to things like investigating an arrest that took place on campus.
Aside from getting closer to the surrounding community, you also participate in a very professional environment with your peers. There are many deadlines to be met and requests from editors to be fulfilled.
Writing for The Montclarion may also help future reporters in their career. Students receive experience and lessons to build off of to carry with them forever.
My name is Nicole Simonetti and I am the News Editor for the paper, and the more writers, the merrier. I’d love to have you write for my section of The Montclarion.

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Ground has been broken in Surface Lots 22, 23 and 32 for the construction of the new residence halls and dining hall. Coverage on page 5.

Kristie Cattafi | The Montclarion
Students pose for a picture during last year’s Red Hawk Day Orientation.

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Good Luck to All Graduates!

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MSU Celebrates Centennial Anniversary Campus Wide

Students, professors, administrators, alumni, parents and many others all gathered on Montclair State University’s campus for a day filled with fun activities and celebrating.

This article previously ran on Sept. 18, 2008. It was written by Kulsoom Rizvi, who at the time was Assistant News Editor.

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Running from noon to 6 p.m., the festival consists of free performances, including “the world’s most dangerous jug band” Dirdy Birdies, Yosi & the Superdads, Mike Liipersbeck Jazz Trio, Checkered Past, the Montclair Community Band, Desoiville String Band, the Emerald Society Pipe Band, the Chris Moore Jazz Band, Skatalites and the Afro-Brazilian Cultural Center.

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Freshman Epiphany Sams said that she is interested in hearing the different bands and performers throughout this festival. “I have never heard of any of these bands before, so I’m excited to listen to some new music and meet new people. I’m also looking forward to having my entire family come and just have a good time,” she said.

In addition to the live performances, a typical street festival will be taking place throughout the core of the campus with strolling entertainers, food vendors, inflatable rides and “make and take” craft tables, just to name a few.

“Just imagine a street festival on steroids. That is just what this is,” Festival Producer and Montclair alumnus Ers Rosen said.

“There will be something going on at every place on campus. This has been kind of like a labor of love because this university has helped me launch my career. I owe a lot to this university, so for me it has been a pleasure to be part of this celebration.”

Along with the festivities, about 200 to 1000 graduates of Montclair State from all classes will also join the university’s centennial anniversary, and according to Rosen, that has never happened before.

“There is a significant number of alumni that probably have not been back to campus for a really long time,” Rosen stated.

“Before I started working on the festival, it had probably been a good 15 years since I had been on campus. The campus has changed and grown and improved so much in the years, so we really want graduates to come and see how much we have progressed. Actually, a number of our performers during the festival are alumni, including some vendors and a strolling clown, so if there was one day for the alumni to come back, Saturday would be it.”

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The festival will conclude with fireworks and a special performance featuring WAR, the Smithereens and CC Catlett at Yogi Berra Stadium. Discount tickets for Montclair State students, faculty, staff and alumni are $15 and can be purchased at the gate.

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New Dorm: August 2010

Frank Sinatra Hall (above) will be one of the many additions to Montclair State's campus. A future design of the dorm was created by Fletcher Thomas architecture/planning/interior design.

A new student housing complex holding 303 beds is scheduled to be completed in early August 2009, Greg Bressler, vice president for university facilities, said.

The on-campus housing facility is designed to meet sophomore and junior students’ needs. Brockwell & Carrington are the contractors working on construction. At the July 24 Board of Trustees meeting, a contract increase of $1,181,203 was approved for the project.

Susanne Ferrin, director of residential education and services, explained: “It is more often that sophomores are getting squeezed out of housing,” she said.

A typical apartment suite will include two double and two single bedrooms, two bathrooms and two showers. A future design of the suite was created by Fletcher Thomas architecture/planning/interior design.

It’s exciting that the new residence hall is on the move,” Dr. Karen Pennington, vice president for student development and campus life, said. “It is going to provide more on-campus beds for students.”

Originally, Sinatra Hall was scheduled to be completed in August 2009, as said in our article. However, the construction was delayed because of contaminated soil. Sinatra Hall is scheduled to be completed in August 2010.

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Montclair State University will start construction on two new student-housing units by the Recreation Center this spring. The new dorms are planned to be built in lot 24 A, a parking lot between the Rec. Center and lot 22, a parking lot north of the Rec. Center.

The new dorms will hold 2,000 beds for freshmen and sophomores students, according to Gregory Bressler, vice president of University Facilities.

"This will be the first new construction project under the New Jersey Economic Stimulus Act of 2009, signed by former Gov. Jon Corzine this past August," Bressler said. "The bill allowed public universities to hire private contractors to build on campus."

"It gave us the authority to enter into a public-private contract on our campus," Bressler said. "Before that we were working with private developers off campus."

MSU was recently planning off-campus housing in downtown Montclair, but since the stimulus bill was signed, plans were canceled. Capstone Development Corporation, who at the time was Editor-in-Chief, was working with private developers part," Bressler said. "They have to operate it within our facility."

"It's kind of a balancing act on the structure. It's important to the advancement of our student life programs, bringing 2,000 new student beds to our present housing of- ferings."

The two new dorms will be “H shaped” buildings, with laundry rooms, common space and a new dining area. The two buildings, known as the Hillside Site and the Rec. Center Site, will be “H shaped” buildings, with laundry rooms, common space and a new dining area. The two new dorms will also be joining our latest addition, Frank Sinatra Hall, which is located in between the Village Road Apartments and the Village Apartments.

The university will, technically, be leasing the land to Capstone, and students will have to pay rent directly to them.

"They have to operate it within our current room rates," Bressler said.

According to Bressler, Capstone has to put the price together as a total package.

This includes factoring the cost of designing, building and operating the dorm to pay off the debt of construc- tion and calculate the lease rate of the property in the current room rate structure.

"It's kind of a balancing act on the developers part," Bressler said. "They have to develop it and put it together in a fashion that a person living here would be paying the same rate as someone living in the village."

Construction is anticipated to be completed by August 2011, and students will be able to move in on that date.

This article previously ran on Feb. 4, 2010. It was written by Kristie Cut- tafi, who at the time was Editor-in-Chief.

Montclair State University has finally begun the construction for new residence halls and a new dining hall on May 11th. The first move was to close down parking lots during the week of this semester’s finals.

Gregory Bressler, vice president of Facilities Services, stated in a campus-wide e-mail, “This project is very im- portant to the advancement of our stu- dent life programs, bringing 2,000 new student beds to our present housing of- ferings.”

Yet, to begin the construction of two new residence halls and a new dining hall, parking lots had to be shut down. On May 7 an e-mail was sent out to students with yellow or orange hangtags were even given permission to park in the Village and Clove Road apartments because many students had already moved out. Pictures of the newest residence halls that show what they will look like and where they are located on campus.
CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

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Employers Give Green Light to Apply for Jobs: More Grad Students will be Hired than in Previous Years

Students are used to waiting. They wait in line to buy books at the Montclair State University bookstore. They wait to use a computer in the computer lab. They wait for a parking space. They wait for the green light.

Karen Hood-Kasim, a Mahwah resident who is pursuing her master’s in public health, was one of 328 job applicants to get the green light. The applicants handed their resumes to 60 employers at the career fair last Thursday in University Hall’s conference center.

“Networking is about being open to possibilities.”

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Students spent as little as 30 seconds to five minutes to persuade employers to pick up the phone and call them for an interview. “It is so competitive, especially now,” Hood-Kasim said, whose black and white ensemble was appropriate attire for a career fair. Even though the rough job market is disappointing, she refuses to cease applying for jobs. “If you give up,” she said, holding her resume, “I’m going to keep networking and sending this resume as if it were my job.”

Hood-Kasim has developed a full-time job in itself. And it takes patience, which is a skill that Hood-Kasim has developed over time. “I am just doing the right things to get myself out there. I am not impatient to finish my degree, I am not impatient with the job hunt,” she said.

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In fact, the average job hunt lasts six months. With the current scarce job market, it may take longer than students expected. According to Adam Mayer, director of career counseling at the Center for Career Services and Cooperative Education, “Searching for and eventually procuring employment can take a long time, and some graduates may not have expected the process to be so prolonged.”

But in the current market, Hood-Kasim attended a networking opportunity at the Chamber of Commerce. “Networking is about being open to possibilities,” she said.

Mayer advises students to devote time during the week to job searching. Students should treat this task as if it were part of their job, which is to be proactive and not passive. In other words, simply applying to jobs on the computer may not be enough for students to stand out during this highly competitive time.

Mayer suggested that students polish their business correspondence. During this highly competitive time, students should tailor their cover letter to both the company and the hiring manager, and research employers prior to interviews. “They’ll know you did your research, which will give you a leg up in having them contact you for an interview,” he said.

Students should also volunteer, investigate part-time jobs in their fields, network, attend career fairs and take computer training classes. “Employers will want to know how they were spending their time,” Mayer said.

Students should never ask, “What do you have to offer me?” Instead, students should ask, “What can I offer to your company?”

Despite statistics from the Department of Labor and Workforce Development that put New Jersey’s unemployment rate last month at 9.8 percent, Mayer said there is a sign that the job market will improve for graduates. “Hiring is actually projected to go up 5.3 percent,” Mayer said. The most recent report from the National Association of Colleges and Employers stated that employers plan to hire more graduates this year than they did in 2008-09. In addition, the number of employers from last year’s career fair has doubled from 35 to 70.

However, some employers that students are prepared to face reality. Completing an internship helps students become familiar with the working world prior to graduation. Students who do not have internship experience may have just made the job search much more difficult and frustrating. Many programs require an internship. By the time Hood-Kasim graduates next year, she will have rotated through her career goal as a senior clinical research associates. Visiting the career center may also help students in obtaining employment and identifying career interests.

The center offers career counseling, drop-in counseling, resume/cover letter critiques, Career Directions job postings, workshops and the Alumni job search seminar on June 17 in University Hall. From an employer’s perspective, Spano said the hiring process is time-consuming for both the applicants and hiring managers. He encourages students to be proactive in their job search, rather than sit and wait for opportunities to come to them.

“Waiting is just part of the process,” he said. “Just like waiting for the traffic light to turn green,” Spano said. “But one thing students should not wait to do is visit the career center,” he added.

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Karen Hood-Kasim, Public Health Major

“The light just turned green. What are you waiting for?”

Karen Hood-Kasim, Public Health Major
Montclair University Gamers Leader Leaves Behind

James Carolan

Three years ago I started college. Like any other kid, I was unsure of how my life would change in such a big new world after leaving high school. It was Red Hawk Day — the day in the beginning of the year when all the student organizations are tabling in the quad. I walked up to a table that had a picture of a dragon in a baseball cap, two guitar hero controllers and a man sitting behind the table.

Little did I know then that the man who so easily convinced me to join the Montclair University Gamers (M.U.G.) would become one of this campus’ great leaders and, more importantly, one of my best friends.

Later that day I met Samantha Siegel, who is currently a graduating senior. She introduced me to her friend. She promptly called this man and he came running. The man who walked in the door was no other than the man behind the table from earlier that day. This was when I learned the name of the man that was soon to become what I hope is one of my life long friends.

My first year in M.U.G. was a fun one. I can say that it really made a difference in my college experience to have such a great place to go with a strong group of people to support each other, and a person who shined above all of them. I feel this person was none other than Justin Towe. The President of M.U.G. Eric Strickland, who is also a graduating senior, shared my feelings. I watched as he took Towe under his wing and moulded him into a great leader. Towe was in training to take over the organization as president of M.U.G. when Strickland moved on to other challenges.

Towe learned from Strickland and eventually was elected as president of M.U.G. I had the pleasure of working on the executive board with Towe the following two years. Seeing Towe in a leadership role showed me see a lot of things I would have never expected. At every meeting, he would make sure to talk with everyone who come into the room. If he could, he would have played a game with each of them. As our leader on the e-board, he made sure that we were always heard and that no one was neglected.

Most importantly he made it his job to train the future generation of gamers. Taking many people under his wings, he taught them how to run for an e-board position or any leadership position beyond M.U.G.

Towe was not just a great leader but a great president. I would argue that his years with M.U.G. were some of the best that the organization has ever had. The SGA agreed and awarded M.U.G. with Class II Organization of the Year this year.

While Towe was such a great leader of M.U.G., this is not the only capacity where I have seen him lead. I have worked with him many times as a member of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences Tech Team. Towe graduates with the Outstanding IT Student of the Year Award for the highest GPA out of the graduating computer science majors.
Matt Boyle, a cadet major in the Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) program at Seton Hall University, is one of 20,000 cadets currently enrolled in Army ROTC across the country and will be part of the more than 40 percent of current active duty officers who are commissioned through ROTC after he graduates from MSU this May.

Before the sun comes up, Matt Boyle leaves his house in Clifton and is behind the wheel of his car. He commutes to Seton Hall University to promote ROTC to prospective troops. Classes, meetings and campus activities at Montclair State University usually keep him going.

“It's tough. I’m not going to lie, especially because a) you’re active and b) you want to do [well] in school,” says Boyle about how he manages school, ROTC and a social life.

Starting September 2010, Boyle will begin serving the U.S. Army at Fort Sill, Okla., as part of the Air Defense Artillery Branch. He will report for his officer basics course, where he will learn advanced skills as a platoon leader in order to lead troops. As a cadet major, he instructs cadets in basic army leadership skills and battle drills, operations and procedures.

“Part of being a good leader is also being a good follower. You learn every single skill that your initial soldiers also learn too. For example, how to shoot rifles, physical training as an officer,” says Boyle.

When Boyle graduated Livingston High School in 2006, he originally wanted to go straight into the army but his high school guidance counselor and youth minister urged him to consider other options. As a child, Boyle’s dream was to become the camouflaged plastic figurine he played with, G.I. Joe. “I was thinking about the Marine corps. It just wasn’t what I was looking for in terms of size and support. My father, he also told me, ‘Don’t be a Marine’ […]. But to be honest here, who wins wars?” he said confidently.

Besides being in the ROTC program at Seton Hall, Boyle is a Justice Studies major who graduates in May from MSU. When Boyle is on campus, Boyle can’t go anywhere without seeing someone he knows. “I guess I like meeting new people, that’s the number one thing. I love people. As you can see, I joined the army because I wanted to protect and defend people. I’m very active too,” says Boyle.

“I sleep on average four hours a night and during the daytime, if I’m not in [class] […], I’m at school, meeting people, shaking hands and making connections with people”. Boyle’s passion for people and his friendly personality is evident beneath his All-American boy looks.

Boyle started out meeting people when he lived in Russ and Blanton during his first two years at Montclair. He joined Newman Catholic and became their president. He has been on the Red Hawk Paintball Team and was part of College Republicans and Young Americans for Liberty for a brief time. He was also featured in the Real Men of MSU calendar in December, which featured men who positively contributed to MSU by taking a stand against violence towards women.

“Matt Boyle is the kind guy that I am proud to call one of my best friends in the whole entire world. He often keeps me in line, and reminds me of who I am and what I stand for,” says Jared Shababb, Boyle’s friend and SGA legislator and president pro-tempore.

Shababb also said, “Boyle is a great guy, and I am so proud of how he chose to serve his country. However, I know that Matt Boyle has also affected my personality for the better. And has taught me to be the best that I could be as a student and friend.”
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Alpha Phi Omega is a class V organization of the SGA
Sudoku Korner

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Good luck.

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Goodbye, everyone! Thank you! We’ll see you later!

THE STARE

by Jess Sims

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Let Your Voice Be Heard: Write for Opinion!

LORI WIECZOREK
OPINION EDITOR

When I began my college career at Montclair I wanted to distinguish myself from the thousands of other students. I didn’t want to be just another face among the masses, a silent mind that voiceless complaints behind closed doors. The Montclarion has been the voice of Montclair State students for approximately a century. And my expanding thoughts and opinions have contributed to that voice over the past year. In college, it is your sole responsibility to rise above the mindless crowd and become a voice.

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A columnist can express her or his ideas about politics, the arts, upcoming elections and results, legislation and campus events. The possibilities are nearly endless. The opinion section is the epitome of the first amendment, freedom of speech.

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The opinion section provides a medium through which students express how they really feel about important issues. When writing for this section, it’s up to you to decide exactly how involved you are in The Montclarion. You can be a guest columnist, or you can stop by the office on a Wednesday night to help with the actual production.

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Anyone from the obvious free-speech that writing for the opinion section provides, the column itself is a blank canvas. Your column can be satirical, humorous, angry or just plain poignant. The best thing I want is for my voice to be the only one expressing the ideals and values of Montclair State students.

I can only provide one perspective, it’s up to the other students at this university to take the initiative and voice their valued opinions. Don’t become just another body in a classroom, write for opinion and be heard.

Lori Wieczorek, an English major, is the first year opinion editor of The Montclarion.

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Gov. Christie, What are You Thinking?

LORI WZCZEK
OPINION EDITOR

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Buildings Erected, Arts Affected

The Wellmont, Kasser Theater and Cali School of Music have opened their doors and made MSU a hub for the Arts

Emily Golloub
Arts & Entertainment Editor

The past four years have been huge for the performing arts community in Montclair. The Wellmont Theater, Kasser Theater and Cali School of Music have all opened their doors, welcoming both students and the general community into the world of acting, singing, dancing and more.

The Wellmont was built in 1922 on the corner of Seymour St. and Bloomfield Ave. as a performance theater and converted into a movie theater seven years later. The theater went through many changes but in early 2008, the theater belonged to new owners, and was renovated and reopened in November 2008 as a concert hall.

The Wellmont Theater we know today has truly become a gem for all in Montclair. The theater is constantly mentioned on classic rock radio station, Q104.3, and the online schedule is checked often by students of MSU.

The theater has comedians and bands of all genres perform in the theater’s intimate setting for very reasonable prices. Keep an eye out for upcoming performances by Tracy Morgan, Jeff Beck and Mabley Mouse.

The Alexander Kasser Theater has also been a very positive addition to the town of Montclair, as well as MSU. Located right here on campus, attached to the Red Hawk Deck, the 500-seat theater opened its doors in 2004.

The theater has held many prestigious performances by musicians, dancers and actors from throughout the world. It also showcases our very own MSU students. Like the Wellmont, the theater is intimate. Lectures are often held after performances which enhance the intimacy and strength of Kasser as part of a university campus and a place to learn and grow.

Lastly, and most recently, the John J Cali School of Music opened its doors this past Fall. The new building provides a much more vibrant, spacious and inspirational place for students to study music of all genres.

The building includes the Joel Leshowitz Recital Hall. The hall’s acoustics are impeccable and provide yet another place for both MSU students and professionals to perform. The hall seats 235 people.

These three influential buildings have made both the town of Montclair and MSU a hub for the performing arts. Students of all ages have a variety of places to learn and grow as performing artists. Montclair is known as a place “where the city meets the suburbs.” Now, it’s where Broadway meets the suburbs.
A Note from the Arts & Entertainment Editor: Emily Golloub

Get a jump start on building your résumé!
If you are interested in writing for the Arts & Entertainment section in Fall 2010, contact Emily at MSUARTS@GMAIL.COM.

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Ian, we congratulate you on completing your degree in Business Administration with a dual concentration in Management and Marketing. In addition, to be honored by receiving the prestigious Montclair State University Student Carpe Diem Award - a worthy and distinguished honor.

During your 4 years at Montclair, you have worked very hard with an unwavering commitment that resulted in many accomplishments including being the Student Representative on the university’s Board of Trustees and Chief of Staff for the Student Government Association. Moreover, you worked on campus as an Information Officer, IT Help Desk analyst and a Student Ambassador to the Disney International Program. Let’s not forget the fraternity, holding positions of Vice President, Treasurer and Philanthropy of Theta Xi.

Throughout your school years your teachers always said we should be so proud of you. Ian there is simply not enough words to describe how we feel about you and your accomplishments. We know you will continue to excel in all your future endeavors. Always remember that we love you and could not be prouder. Thank you for being you.

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Senior Taylor Bonner was named Outstanding Male Athlete by the Collegiate Athletic Administrators of New Jersey (CAANJ) in Division III for the 2008-2009 school year. Bonner was presented the award by the CAANJ at a luncheon in Somersota, NJ for his achievements in lacrosse and football.

Bonner was shocked when he was informed that he had won the award. He did not think that it was such a big moment for him, until he found out that it was a very prestigious award.

“Our school put in my name, and all the coaches and athletic directors across New Jersey voted, and I won,” said Bonner. “I was happy to receive such a high award, because I didn’t think it was so big.”

Bonner was also named Male Athlete of the 2008-2009 Academic Year at Montclair State last May for maintaining a 3.585 grade point average and possessing strong leadership skills on and off the fields of lacrosse and football.

Last spring, he received local media coverage for helping to save an 11-year-old girl from her burning home.

Last fall, Bonner joined the Montclair State football team for his first season since playing in high school. It was difficult for him to stay away from football his first two years here, though. He was already on the lacrosse team and did not want to risk getting injured playing football. But he trusted his instincts, and tried out for the team anyway.

“I’ve been playing [football] my whole life,” said Bonner. “When I got here, I played lacrosse, and when I went to the football games here at Montclair State I always had the itch to play. So, in the spring of 2008 I tried out, and made the team.” When he joined the team, he was a reserve defensive back throughout the season. He made a great impact on the special teams unit, which was one of the best in the New Jersey Athletics Conference.

The following spring, Bonner was a star midfielder for the Men’s Lacrosse team here at Montclair State, that recorded the best season in the history of the program. He appeared and started in all 18 games, and finished second on the team with 32 goals and first in scoring with 44 points.

When the Red Hawks played Kean for the conference title, Bonner described that game as his favorite moment in his athletic career.

“It was back and forth, and at the last second when the game was over, everyone went on to the field and celebrated and jumped on everyone’s back,” said Bonner. “It was a great moment for me.”

It was also the first time Montclair went to the Division III NCAA championship.

But it hasn’t always been smooth sailing for Bonner here at Montclair State. Not only does he play for two teams, he also took 18 credits last semester.

“Last semester was really difficult,” said Bonner. “So I took 12 credits this semester just to take some stress off me. But, it’s still difficult to play for two teams and maintain an academic schedule.” He is majoring in health education with a concentration in public health, and will be going for his masters in epidemiology after he graduates in the spring.

Bonner also works at a local lacrosse store, in Montclair, which sells lacrosse equipment to people of all ages interested in the sport.

“It’s great because you can help out kids that are starting out [playing lacrosse],” said Bonner. The store and Bonner were also involved for raising money in the “Lax for Autism” campaign that raised several hundred dollars at last April’s lacrosse contest against Kean University.

For now though, Bonner is here to enjoy the ride for his last school year at Montclair State. He is using it for motivation before every game he plays on the grid-iron and on the field. “There’s not too much time left to compete on a high level,” said Bonner. “So say your prayers, and go for it.”

This article previously ran on Oct. 22, 2009. It was written by staff writer Jon Fazio and is being featured as a special “best of the 2009-10 school year” article.
There was buzz around the Panzer Athletic Center on Feb. 3. The Scarlet Raiders of Rutgers-Newark were coming to play the Women's Basketball team. With a win, Montclair State would just about clinch a berth in the conference tournament. Much of the discussion, however, was about one specific player. Catherine Cristino was five points shy of one thousand in her college career. “People kept telling me that I needed a lay-up and a three-pointer,” said the senior forward. “That’s exactly what happened.” Cristino accomplished the lay-up part with a jumper four minutes into the game that gave the Red Hawks a quick eight point lead.

Already up 12, Cristino connected on a three-pointer with exactly six minutes remaining in the opening half. Now with a lead of 15, coach Karen Harvey called a timeout after the basket for Cristino to receive her recognition. “I never take myself too seriously, even in practice,” Cristino said. Described by teammates as modest, Cristino was unsure how to deal with the moment of becoming just the 15th woman in MSU history to achieve the feat. “She just kept telling us how embarrassed she was about it,” said teammate Kara Burnham. “I think we were more excited about it than she was.”

Burnham is also Cristino’s roommate and best friend. Coupled with fellow senior Jackie Berry, the trio has been very close in their four-year stint at Montclair State. “All three of us are so close,” Burnham said. “I think it shows on the court.”

Cristino’s 21 blocks this season give her 116 in her career, surpassing former teammates and protégés Ferin Catlett and Stephanie Machin, who were both seniors when Cristino was just a freshman. “They both made me into a better player,” Cristino said. “I become stronger. I didn’t like to get hit, and I became tougher.”

Cristino, who sees herself as “a post player with the heart of a guard,” is the only player in MSU history to be ranked in the top 15 in points, blocks and three-point field goals made. While her 1,088 points places her in 13th place presently, Cristino currently stands as the schools sixth highest in blocked shots (116) and second all-time in three pointers made (83). These accomplishments are all for a woman who broke her foot during her freshman year.

This season may be the best measure of Cristino’s all-around skill. With an average of 14.1 points per game, Cristino is second on the team in points, leads with 21 blocks, third on the team with 31 steals and has a field goal percentage just under 50 percent. In the previous three seasons, the Red Hawks have appeared in two ECAC tournaments, winning the championship in the 2006-07 season. Last season saw a division title for Montclair State, but no postseason appearance. This season has included the NJAC becoming a major power in Division III women’s basketball. Two teams, Kean and William Paterson, are ranked in the top eight of the country. “We played both teams and were close,” Cristino said. “We think we have what it takes to beat them.”

As for Cristino’s place in Montclair State history, statistics may show her to be one of the best forwards in school history. “I’d like to think that I’ll be remembered as a good all-around player,” Cristino’s point total will not reach that of legendary Red Hawk Carol Blazejowski’s 3,199 points, but in the words of her teammate Burnham, “She’s up there.”
Women’s Lacrosse Wins Skyline Championship, Loses in First Round of NCAAs

Nelson DePasquale
Editor-in-Chief

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For the men, it was offense, while senior defenders such as Brian Tweer. Their season culminated in the Skyline Conference Championship. They took home the championship for the fourth time in four years after defeating Rutgers and Ramapo in the playoffs. Cora Delfino earned the Most Valuable Player Award with six goals and one assist. The Red Hawks may have lost in the NCAA Tournament, but they once again showed their dominance in the Skyline Conference. After the past five years, the Red Hawks hold an astonishing 25-1 record against Skyline Conference opponents.

For a team that lost senior top scorer Megan Rosado provided hard nosed defense and goalkeeping. Women’s lacrosse was able to win its fourth Skyline championship in five years. Senior Lauren Adams was an effective two-way player for the team while senior Morgan MacPhee finished second on the team in scoring. Though the Red Hawks fell short in the first round of the NCAA Tournament, losing to Stevens 15-12.

MSU Athletics also had one other victory, and that was at the polls. Nine of MSU’s 13 teams that play at home saw increases in attendance this season. The biggest winner was football, which managed to draw over 6,000 for the homecoming game this season and nearly doubled its average attendance for the year, drawing close to 3,000 patrons a game. Every team managed to average triple digit attendance unlike last year and ten of 13 teams averaged over 200 people per game.

Interest in MSU sports has never been higher and the talent of the teams is at its highest overall in the last decade. Many seniors will come and go with graduation, but there is still plenty of potential on all of the MSU teams and the 2010-2011 school year will be one to bear watching for MSU athletics.

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