WE REMEMBER

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On May 24: Non-student Victor Garcia, 21, of Belleville, was arrested and charged with theft of a roof rack from a vehicle parked in Carparc Diem. The suspect was scheduled to appear in Little Falls Municipal Court.

On June 14: A staff member reported the theft of three buffing machines valued at $7,000 from University Hall. This case is under investigation.

On June 15: A staff member reported a set of building master keys stolen from a desk in a office sometime in May. This case is under investigation.

On June 28: A faculty member reported a burglary that occurred in the ADP Center located in University Hall. Seven Apple iMac computers were reported stolen.

On July 13: A faculty member reported a student harassing and making terrorist threats towards a teacher. No charges were filed but this case was referred to the director of Student Conduct.

On July 23: Officers responded to the Village at Little Falls in response to a report of an assault. The male victim stated three unknown black males had assaulted him and a female friend after an altercation at a club in Paterson. The victim declined to pursue criminal charges in this matter.

On Aug. 2: Staff member Judith Miller, 49, of East Orange, and her friend Willis Nero, 53, of Roselle, were arrested and charged with multiple burglaries and thefts of computers out of the ADP Center and other office areas located in University Hall during the summer months. Upon Miller’s arrest, she was found to be in possession of the master keys that were reported stolen.

On Sept. 6: Officers responded to Bohn Hall on a report of underage drinking. The following students were charged with underage possession of an alcoholic beverage: Megan B. Kappock, Colby Jade Forman, Nicholas A. Ravez, Jasmera L. Rogers, Michael C. Donnelly, Joseph D. Small, Tyler J. Copeland, Charles A. Williams, Jr. and Corey J. Ryan. All suspects are scheduled to appear in Clifton Municipal Court.

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Fraternity Raises Funds for Wounded Warriors Project

Pike has hosted several events including "Dan the Man" in 2010.

"I think the misconception comes from people who sit at home and just watch the news," said Ali. "They don't know who has a good practicing Muslim wouldn't feel that way."

"The MSA has been responsible for many activities on campus to correct this opinion of Muslims, such as weekly general meetings that are open to Muslims and non-Muslims alike, MSA events on campus and an Islamic Awareness Week on campus. MSA has provided help to any students that have assignments or projects related to Islam."

Facing Prejudice, Promoting Tolerance

"This is a great way to bring the campus together," said Salandra. "It's such a big event and we're trying to get as many people as possible. It's not just a Pike event. It's more of a campus event. Anyone who wants to may help."
"71 West Broadway: Ground Zero"

K Atatürki

Directly in the face of danger, a loyal Tribeca artist remained in her element.

A freelance filmmaker at the time, Beverly Peterson breathed in the raw creativity surrounding her community while 9/11 history was being made just blocks away. On the morning of 9/11, I was standing in front of my building, on the corner,” Peterson said. “The plane went over my head and into the building, as I watched it disappear.”

Peterson lived two blocks from the World Trade Center. Landing gear had fallen on the roof of a neighboring building. “I remember trying to close my eyes. I watched it disappear.”

As she watched her neighborhood crumble before her eyes, Peterson reflected, “The thing that haunted me was the people jumping out of the windows.”

Reunited with her husband Farrell the corner,” Peterson said. “I ran to find him and he ran to find me.”

Both artists, Peterson and Brickhouse, grabbed their cameras and immediately began documenting the horrific events. What would follow was the birth of a 20-minute documentary entitled “71 West Broadway: Ground Zero.”

“My film says that someone told me they gave them out,” Peterson said. “That was probably the best advice that I could have gotten, but I did not take it.”

Despite government assistance and the distribution of business loans, many artists living in Tribeca at the time reflected, “The thing that haunted me was the people jumping out of the windows.”

Peterson was working as a freelance filmmaker and had done some adjunct work at Hunter College.

“We had just finished voting, my husband was a block and a half around,” Peterson said. “I lost my business, I lost everything.”

It’s not there anymore. It doesn’t exist the same way anymore. It’s not the same community,” Peterson said. “I don’t know if I’ll ever have another home. I love my home, I really do, but it just isn’t the same.”

“We had so much loss, but coupled with that is the fact that we did not lose our lives,” Peterson said. Beverly Peterson’s documentary can be found online at: http://bepfilms.net/
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Health Issues of First Responders

The police, firefighters, and EMs who first responded to the attacks have often been called selfless. Not all of them even knew the day of the attacks and when certain situations occurred. They were working to save lives, but we are now discovering that they put themselves at risk for serious health problems caused by exposure to the dust from the fallen buildings.

It is estimated that 75 percent of first responders developed new or worsened respiratory issues, most often a chronic cough and decreased lung function. Others developed asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease typically affecting the lungs, showing respiratory issues not to be definitively linked to exposure to the dust at Ground Zero. Studies have also suggested that those who performed search and rescue were at the greatest risk.

The James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act follows in the footsteps of many other federal efforts to compensate those affected by the attacks on the World Trade Center. However, unlike the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund and the World Trade Center Health Foundation, the Zadroga Act was not the result of multiple hearings in Congress or extended negotiations.

At the request of thousands of first responders and their families, the Zadroga Act was signed into law by President Obama on September 24, 2010. The act became effective immediately, allowing first responders and survivors to access health care and compensation for the first time.

The law provides for the establishment of a National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) to study the health effects of exposure to the dust from the World Trade Center. The institute will be responsible for conducting research on the long-term effects of exposure to the dust and will be tasked with developing guidelines for the detection and treatment of respiratory and other health problems.

The Zadroga Act also establishes a Victims Compensation Fund to provide compensation for the costs of medical care, lost wages, and other expenses incurred by first responders and survivors. The fund will be managed by a trust fund administered by the Federal Trade Commission. The fund will be funded through a combination of federal and private funds, and will be available to first responders and survivors who were exposed to the dust at the World Trade Center.

The law also provides for a registry of first responders and survivors who were exposed to the dust at the World Trade Center. The registry will be maintained by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and will be available to first responders and survivors who were exposed to the dust at the World Trade Center.

The Zadroga Act is a landmark piece of legislation that will have a profound impact on the health and well-being of first responders and survivors. It is a testament to the bravery and sacrifice of those who answered the call on September 11, 2001.
Welcome to the 2011-12 academic year at Montclair State University. Whether you are a residential or a commuting student, I encourage you to spend as much time on campus as possible and to pursue your studies with diligence. To ensure a successful year, I offer the following advice.

1) Take responsibility for your University life! Although your parents and other family members want to assist you, an important part of the University experience is developing your ability to tackle challenges and problems on your own. Begin to build your own network of advisors and resources to enable you to realize your ambitions, and work at getting the information you need and speaking up for yourself — respectfully, of course.

2) Ask questions! If you have questions, ask. Ask your professors, your advisors, your Student Government Association (SGA) leaders. Ask the professional staff members who are prepared to guide you through all the requirements that organize our lives here on campus. So when in doubt and when you are confused, just ask.

3) See your academic advisor often! Advisors for new students and for returning students who have yet to declare a major are located in Morehead Hall. Advisors for students who have already declared a major are located in their department, college, or school. If you do not know who your advisor is, log on to WESS at wfs.montclair.edu and click on “Faculty and Advisor Self Service." If you are still not sure, go to Morehead Hall and ask. First-year and transfer students should make every effort to develop a relationship with their academic advisors. These individuals are the staff members who worked with you during your summer orientation, and they will be there for you during the entire academic year. First-year advisors can be found in the Center for Advising and Student Transitions in Morehead Hall. Transfer, adult and veteran advisors can be found in the Undergraduate Admissions Office in College Hall. Make yourself known to the people who are here to help you. I assure you that they want to know you, and they want to assist you, an important part of the University experience is developing your extraordinary degree of freedom. For the University to function as it should, its members must be your first priority. One excellent solution for many students is to work right here at Montclair State, where there are many different types of jobs available for students. For example, you could become a shuttle bus driver or work in the Red Hawk Diner. Both are well-paid positions that will help you meet people on campus and get you connected to this community. Check the job postings at www.montclair.edu/CareerServices/studentservices/jobinstructions.html, or drop into the Center for Career Services & Cooperative Education in Room 337 of Morehead Hall.

6) Explore public transportation! The number of cars on campus continues to grow along with the University's environmental benefits — of public transportation. The University has two train stations, and both NJ Transit and DeCamp buses stop on campus. To facilitate the use of mass transit, NJ Transit offers students a 25 percent discount on monthly passes. To receive this discount, students can log on at www.montclair.edu/njtransit.

7) Be respectful! You now belong to a University community whose members enjoy an extraordinary degree of freedom. For the University to function as it should, its members are expected and obligated to behave in a respectful manner toward other members of the community: fellow students, professors, University police officers and staff. As a member of this community, you are also obligated to treat the University’s facilities, equipment and grounds with care so that everyone can benefit from them. In return, you have the right to expect that you yourself will be treated with respect and that your enjoyment of the University’s facilities will not be ruined by the carelessness or disregard of others.

Finally, if you see me on campus, please say hello. I will probably ask you how you are doing, and I will really want to know.

Have an exciting year!
President Susan A. Cole
Enlisting After 9/11
Veterans Share Their Experiences

Katherine Alipio
Editor-in-Chief

Although many Americans feel there is a connection between 9/11 and the current military enlistment, the U.S. Military reported no surge in enlistment following the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001. Students who chose to enlist in the military after the attacks are known as “9/11 recruits.”

MSU currently has over 100 veterans on campus, many of whom served in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Endurance. Robert “Bobby” Hughes ’01 and Edward Winters ’03, both students Dayron Alvarez and Andrew D’Amico While they may not consider themselves “9/11 recruits,” both men served in the military in the wake of the attacks and participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Alvarez, 33, joined the Naval Reserve in August 2005. “My friend and I kept telling me to join,” he said.

“I was in New York when the attacks happened. I saw smoke coming from far away, it was unbelievable,” Alvarez said. “When that happened, I carried a lot of anger with me. In 2005, I joined the military and thought, ‘Let me see what I can do to help out.’”

Alvarez said that joining the military was not common among his friends. “One of my friends joined the Army in 2003,” he said. “Where I live in Passau, I don’t know many other people who have joined the services.”

Nine months out of the year, Alvarez was out to sea. “I was aboard the U.S.S. Wisconsin,” he said. “We would have to launch jets in a matter of 10 minutes.”

Looking back on the 9/11 tragedy now, 10 years later, one question resonates in my mind: Where were you? Every American thinks about where he or she was at that exact moment, because it was at that exact moment that we stopped and wondered if we were safe and how this was going to affect the rest of our lives.

I was in the fourth grade, and it was a normal Tuesday like any other. Everyone was at their desks in the classroom. Suddenly, a panicked teacher ran into the room, telling us to turn on our televisions to see the newest news channel, that the Twin Towers in Manhattan were on fire.

Many of us were confused, scared and unable to understand what was happening. We were all at different stages of understanding. Some, like my father, were in disbelief. My father only came to my house to say goodbye to his wife and daughter.

“I wasn’t sure how to feel,” Barry said. “I was worried and hoped he would be safe.”

“I didn’t know what was going on,” Barry said. “I was at that exact moment, because it was at that exact moment that we stopped and wondered if we were safe and how this was going to affect the rest of our lives.”

I was the third class by the time he left the Navy in 2005. He worked as an electrician and a aviation electrician. He would have to launch jets in a matter of 10 minutes.”

Andrew D’Amico, 27, a nutrition and food science major, joined the Marines in 2002 while he was still in a senior high school through a “blessed entry program.”

“Four days after graduating high school, I went to boot camp,” D’Amico said. “I was actually enrolled in the delayed entry program before 9/11 happened.”

Although he observed that at the time in 2002 “everyone was still hyped up about the attacks,” he had always wanted to be in the military. “It’s something I had always wanted to do. The attacks just made me want to do it even more.”

D’Amico took part in Operation Iraqi Freedom. “We went to 2002 to Iraqi and secured the city when Jessica Lynch was kidnapped,” he said. “I returned to Iraq in 2008. It was a surprise to leave the rank of sergeant and has completed his eight-year obligation.”

Edward Winters, 28, of Branchburg, N.J., entered the Army in August 2003 and separated in June 2006. He is currently studying engineering at Westpoint Institute of Technology in Boston. He attributes his decision to enlist to “I have received nothing but ‘thank yous’ from service members. I have received nothing but ‘thank yous’ from service members.”

“Whenever I was traveling in uniform I was often thanked for my service,” Winters said. “I do feel that only a very small percentage of the public recognizes what they have done.”

“I joined to be a part of a war-time Army, our military and political response was more of a motivation than the 9/11 attack,” Winters said. “I don’t want to be part of a generation forever. So had our country not gone to war, I most likely would not have joined the Army.”

“I wouldn’t do it again,” D’Amico said. “Another person might do it differently.”
At the time, Dr. Rita Jacobs, the first vice president of the business department, said the action the school should take would be best for the safety of our students for things to continue and not to close the campus down or residency halls, "With the events of 9/11 set in the memories of so many people in such different ways, the staff at MSU is looking back to share their thoughts, memories and insights from the days.

Dr. Rita Jacobs, an English professor who was born and raised in New York, was in New York City the morning of the attacks at her future husband's apartment on East 7th Street. West to hear her say that she was not a terrorism expert, but her reaction was shock and panic as she realized what was happening in front of them.

While in her car, she listened to NPR and heard that one of twin towers had been hit by a plane. Her initial reaction was that it was a small plane and that it was an accident. Then she started to report on the other attacks around the country: “it was raining,” she said, “yet, Jacobs.

It was an odd nightmare story at first that was meant to scare people, comparing it to Orion Wells’ “The World of the War” broadcasts.

After talking to a neighbor, who was also in tears wishing to move it, she spotted a friend walking down the street that she knew was a terrorism expert. The two walked down to the corner of Sixth Avenue and 21st Street and saw smoke emerging from the Twin Towers. Her initial reaction was shock and panic as she realized what was happening in front of them.

When she was driven to the hospital, she was already able to take pictures. She immediately returned to the campus as she was at a meeting. As a no one was sure what was happening at the moment, the biggest question noted was if classes should be canceled and what the emergency was. Students evacuated, Waters remembers. The decision was made to continue on as best as possible.

“We decided it would be best for the students of our safety for things to continue and not to close the campus down or residency halls,” said Waters.

In the days following 9/11 the country started to look to the Middle East as responsible for the attacks which led to violence against those who lived and learned in the United States. At MSU, major efforts were put into place to ensure that people were comfortable, including students of Middle East descent.

Dr. Jacobs, a resident of New York, said, “We give our students the chance to learn another culture before they graduate.”

The University decided to use the psychology professors on campus to help with any students or faculty who had issues. The Student Affairs Directors held seminars following the attacks to help students cope.

“We really wanted to help the campus, particularly the students, deal with the events and loss of relatives,” said Waters, “[while] at the same time begin to share their experiences with the audience. More information regarding this can be found at www.montclair.edu/creativeresearch/post911project/index.html.

People who didn’t know you were saying it but you felt it. It was sobering to see them fall with the cloud of smoke and debris,” said West.

When he arrived in Montclair, he noticed that some people were not even aware that it was happening at the moment. "What people were most concerned about was get people to express their feelings on that day and the reasons for those feelings,” said Baldwin.

At the time of 9/11, Baldwin was the executive director of the National Book Foundation in New York at about 29th Avenue where he worked and around no one. A coworker, who worked in the World Trade Center, died that day and Baldwin said that that memory stands out for him in mind, as it gave him a general sense of how people disappeared that day.

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Inside his office the talk was about what had just occurred and how they were going to talk about the attacks the day after. At the time Baldwin was doing a lot of travel. He recalled that the day was a little bit of flying after the attacks, but that there were many, many more flights into the city now, worried about another attack. That day, but the following day, it did not seem that he did not try to repress what happened.

Dr. Baldwin believes it’s better to talk about the day and not think about what might happen every second, but he remembered looking up in a year later, people would stare at the planes when they flew overhead.

On Oct. 12, Baldwin will be the moderator of the panel discussion, “Imagination in the Post-9/11 World.”

Dr. Neil Baldwin uses a classroom tech- nique to show students about diversity. with faculty from the University along with a question and answer portion from participants in the audience. More infor-

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The group left the roof not long after the second tower fell. Jacobs said that she heard the sound of the collapsing buildings from her office, “I think it’s very important that you remember the meaning of this is extremely different among the generations,” said Baldwin. “As a teacher coming to MSU after 9/11, I was struck by the way people have expressed to me how they expected that day to go by and how they were able to get on with their lives as usual was a very big thing, especially with people in the city.”

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Lehrer opened the show with a question and answer session. His uplifting words were met with harmonious applause that America is safer today than it was 10 years ago. “No question, we’re safer. We’ve done a lot of things to make the country safer,” Kean said.

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Where were we?
Pelicans Remember 9/11

It was a hectic time. I honestly remember very little of that week [...] I’d say the general feeling was one of fear and uncertainty; we were close enough to the city to see the smoke rising.
-Jim Davison
Editor-in-Chief 2001-02

I was walking through hallways and they were dead quiet. You could see into rooms and everyone was just huddled around TVs.
-Jenn Winski Colodney
Graphics editor 2001-02

We tell ourselves we’re the best in the world. It took a toll on our collective ego.
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I was in middle school at the time. One of my friends’ dads worked in the twin towers. When he heard about the attack, he jetted out of the lunchroom. I don’t remember seeing him again that day.
-Joe Lisnow
Assistant News Editor

The scariest memory I have is how dead silent my town was. Everyone disappeared.
-Ian Elliot
Webmaster

Information was so limited that it really did look very possible that this was the start of an all-out war against the U.S. It was days, then weeks before we had enough information to realize that it was an isolated terrorist attack rather than an existential threat to the entire U.S.
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I was in fifth grade. My teacher got a call and ran out of the room crying. She came back in and told us that the twin towers were hit by airplanes. My dad was taking a plane that day and I was scared because I didn’t know where the planes were heading.
-Lori Wieczorek
Opinion Editor

Interviews with Jenn Winski Colodney and Jim Davison were conducted by Katherine Milep, Editor-in-Chief, and Katie Winters, Managing Editor.
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Beverly, diagnosed in 2001
Counterpoint

Cancer, despite all the evidence to the contrary, still a baffling disease. We don’t understand why certain people are affected by it, while others exposed to the same carcinogens do not develop the disease.

Even in those who do develop cancer, the disease can manifest itself in different ways, despite similarities in exposure.

We’re at The Montclarion understand that it must be frustrating for those first responders who have developed cancer or lung problems to be turned away from services they received under the bill regardless of their cancer’s cause.

The majority of those men and women do not have cancer. Asthma and other respiratory diseases are the most common among those exposed to the dust of the fallen towers.

Others have developed sarcoidosis, while a myriad of other injuries and diseases were also a result of the attacks and the subsequent searches and cleanup.

The government feels the burden to compensate as many people as possible, however; they have a limited amount of money.

Currently there is only $4.2 billion set aside by this act. Unfortunately, we must realize that our country simply does not have the money to compensate the first responders.

So the government has chosen to cover diseases they can conclusively link to working at ground zero.

Cancer cannot be conclusively linked to this, even after 10 years of research.

We know that the dust from the World Trade Center slow cell growth and increase cell death in lung tissue. We know the firefighters who were exposed to the dust had a 10 percent increase in occurrences of cancer over the general population.

But the scientists conducting these studies, following their training, do not have the proof to declare time spent at ground zero is the cause of cancer in any of these individuals.

Furthermore, as cancer is still an enigma, we can’t be sure that the cause of any first responder’s cancer was the dust, rather than any of the other carcinogens we are exposed to daily.

This leads to the possibility that a first responder would make a claim for compensation even if their cancer had another cause.

Many could even unwisely do this, as it’s unlikely that most can pinpoint the cause of their cancer.

Many have said that this doesn’t matter, we should compensate first responders for costs incurred for the treatment of their cancer, because they deserve it after their heroic actions.

However, this ignores the greater number of first responders who developed debilitating respiratory illnesses.

If we covered the costs of those with cancer, there would be much less money for everyone, possibly leaving those with “less serious” diseases uncompensated.

We may have to accept that the solution to this problem would be to allocate more money to the fund and following the review committee in 2012 that there would be more money for all.

But the question remains: Where exactly are our priorities? Those people risked their lives, going ashore and beyond what a job entails, in order to serve their country in its time of need. They were not being paid extra nor did they receive any sort of reward for their efforts.

Their actions were a true testament to patriotism and the value of community. Their symptoms are beyond the imagination of a healthy individual.

The service that they provided Americans has left them with disabilities that they now have to live with for the rest of their lives, some struggling for breath so desperately that they cannot even walk down the street.

A compensation act is not a new concept and has been smarter before. There will always be people who will take advantage of a loophole in a bill, even if the act itself is designed to help those truly in need of its services.

It is simply a shame that the people that have developed cancer from ground zero’s dust will not be qualified for coverage under the new act.

Granted, the cause of cancer is not conclusive, but we just can’t help but feel as though this exclusion is an injustice to the first responders.

Maybe we are expecting too much from the government, all we want is for the people who now suffer as a result of their own selflessness to receive aid. Is that too much to ask?
The first ones in are the first ones out of 10th anniversary guest list

I was in the sixth grade when the World Trade Center towers were collapsed. I was young and didn’t realize how important the city was at the time. I wasn’t then, and I don’t think that anyone in the city was then, that we are lost in the global, the entire world. It wasn’t until researching for this issue that I realized that my brother was one of the many who had his part of his impetus for joining the army. He completed two tours of duty in Iraq that were emotionally draining. There were long stretches of time when we didn’t hear from him, and yet the information we received was good news and that he was still able to hold on to the front lines of the conflict. He wasn’t the bravest, but I cannot say that I am unappreciated. Most likely, none of us can ever understand him. I initially was angry with my brother for leaving school and putting himself in danger. I didn’t support the war, I thought it was a mistake at the result of an injured country that day for obvious reasons). Granted, I don’t expect any president to be out of safety conscious and understand that (though NYC in my mind will be the most secure place in the country that day for obvious reasons).

The one word that comes to mind when I think of the men and women from that tragic day is “brave”. These courageous servants have been embolden a decade later for their bravery. Yes, they were doing their job; some were very brave. The only exception to this rule, in my mind, was a long-time New Yorker and taken on the 9/11 memorial services. There are obvious reasons why near-ground zero on the 10-year anniversary of 9/11. Not only do they deserve it, it’s a disgrace that they’re not allowed. Show them the respect they have so bravely earned. That they’re not allowed. Show them the respect for their bravery.

The one who was there, all that day, and did not see any politicians there is Rudy Giuliani. The only exception to this rule, in my mind, is former NYC mayor Rudy Giuliani. The one word that comes to mind when I think of the men and women from that tragic day is “brave”. These courageous servants have been embolden a decade later for their bravery. Yes, they were doing their job; some were very brave. The only exception to this rule, in my mind, was a long-time New Yorker and taken on the 9/11 memorial services. There are obvious reasons why near-ground zero on the 10-year anniversary of 9/11. Not only do they deserve it, it’s a disgrace that they’re not allowed. Show them the respect they have so bravely earned. That they’re not allowed. Show them the respect for their bravery.

The final symptom, “idling empathy,” is not a malady similar to that but one that is rather introspective. One who is idling may be experiencing anxiety, and the other may be the number of people who are suffering the result is an entire nation of people who belittle their problems as a result of American conscience. It’s not that we think we are better than others; it’s that we have a level of compassion necessary to recognize the right and wrong. What we all need to do, sooner rather than later, is step back from our grandiose view of the world and in, as doing so, deemed ourselves the pinnacle of civilized society, but when, it comes down to it, what is the difference between an infant dying of malnutrition in East Africa and one that dies in the Chicago projects? The homeless population of America is no less significant than those in Mexico or the Middle East or Asia. Do you think that the welfare citizen of Libya isn’t hearing for the first time? Putting it simply, our inability to find common ground with someone who has never eaten a KFC Double Down or watched an entire season of “Jersey Shore” on Netflix in one sitting is purifying us from making the same mistakes to make our country, and then the world, a better place. It’s the same as when, on an airplane, because there are other dots on your map before helping a child with theirs. What we all need to do, sooner rather than later, is step back from our grandiose view of the world and in, as doing so, deemed ourselves the pinnacle of civilized society, but when, it comes down to it, what is the difference between an infant dying of malnutrition in East Africa and one that dies in the Chicago projects? The homeless population of America is no less significant than those in Mexico or the Middle East or Asia. Do you think that the welfare citizen of Libya isn’t hearing for the first time? Putting it simply, our inability to find common ground with someone who has never eaten a KFC Double Down or watched an entire season of “Jersey Shore” on Netflix in one sitting is purifying us from making the same mistakes to make our country, and then the world, a better place.
HOW NJ COMMUNITIES HAVE CHANGED SINCE 9/11

In the next session of Lehrer’s program, he welcomed eight of New Jersey’s influential people on the stage. He went down the row to get everyone’s opinion of their individual community’s changes.

Cris Thorne, filmmaker and recent college graduate, said that there has been more reflection in his community of Maplewood and South Orange. “I’ve noticed a lot of community togetherness. The community definitely bonded from that experience,” he said.

Nancy Gagnier, executive director of the South Orange/Maplewood Community Coalition on Race, agreed with Thorne. “It definitely helped our community to bond. The CCR was already in place, but we had plenty of opportunities after 9/11 to bring our programs out to the community,” Gagnier said. “One of them being Conversations on Race, an event we run every year. This gives the community an opportunity to talk to one another in a safe space about racial issues.”

Most towns have rediscovered the definition of community over the years. Melissa Walker, musician and director of Jazz House Kids in Montclair, also agreed that togetherness resulted from the attacks on 9/11. “I think since that time, as an artist, so many of our friends came together to really foster a togetherness and celebrate our unity as a people,” Walker said.

Dawn Zimmer, mayor of Hoboken, agreed and saw change during the Sept. 11 attacks and immediately afterwards. “On the local level, I think there is a stronger sense of community. I know that Hoboken was a place where people were coming across the river and everyone was gathered on Pier A. That’s where we were taking as many people as we could to Hoboken University Medical Center,” Zimmer said. “Everyone wanted to help as much as they could.”

Unfortunately, Muslim, especially Sikh, communities faced prejudice and ignorance as a result of the attacks. This was felt throughout communities of Paterson and Newark, among others. Mohamed El Filali, executive director of the Islamic Center of Passaic County in Paterson, reported negative effects. “For the Muslim community here in north Jersey, the entire community was put under siege because of the act of a few people who don’t even belong to the idea that we call Islam,” Filali said. “However, that called for us to put our best foot forward and [we] reached out to our friends and family members across the line of the religious divide.”

El Filali continued later to say that his name is “flagged” in airports. Not only does he feel that his neighbors, but also his country, is attacking his religion. “The CIA has infiltrated a lot of centers. We are not talking about the FBI, but we’re talking about the CIA,” Filali said.

Ravinder Bhalla, Hoboken City councilman, encountered similar racism. “Both as a member of the community in Hoboken and an American, but also a sense of otherness that there were a lot of misperceptions as to who the Sikh community was,” Bhalla said. “There was a backlash in the form of hate crimes and racial profiling.”

The city of Newark was also impacted by the attacks on the world trade center. Reverend Bill Howard of the Bethany Baptist Church in Newark said that many members of his congregation are still attending therapy because “they still suffer the trauma from that event.”

Joey Rizzolo, a 16-year-old youth reporter with WNYC’s Radio Rookies program from Paramus, has made progress in his town. At age six, Rizzolo watched the horrific attacks of Sept. 11 on television. Being so young, he didn’t really understand what happened. However, “growing up, you have a different point of view on life,” Rizzolo said. Instead of just watching fundraisers on television, Rizzolo organized a freedom walk at the age of 11. On average, his event brings together over 1,000 people from all over New Jersey each year. He also said that, in the aftermath of the attacks, more teenagers have been joining the military and emergency forces in his town.

“Any time we reflect on 9/11, we have to reflect on the world itself,” Thorne said.
New York is an obvious place to set comic books, with its soaring skyscrapers, larger-than-life characters and a historic tendency to greatness and heroism. But even these four-color fantasies felt the pain of a country under attack.

In the days immediately following 9/11, Marvel, DC and a collective of independent publishers all published special issues. In some cases these were in their marquee title and in others were special anthologies unrelated to other titles. Many of these issues donated the proceeds from sales to charities benefiting families of victims from the attack.

Equally important to note is the after-effects of the attacks on future stories: the 2002 movie, “Spider-Man,” famously had to remove the twin towers as part of their advertising and remove scenes with the twin towers from the final movie.

The series “Ex Machina” is set in a world where only one of the twin towers fell.

Garth Ennis’ “The Boys” has a world where superheroes saved the World Trade Center at the expense of the Brooklyn Bridge.

Marvel Comics as a whole experienced an era of paranoia which culminated in their 2008 limited series, “Secret Invasion,” in which a group of aliens, who happen to be religious extremists, infiltrate and attack the Marvel universe at a time when disunity and strife is at an all-time high. DC comics had memorial issues and featured first responders more prominently in their regular series.

It is heartening to realize that even an escapist medium such as comics has been affected enough by these tragedies and that they continue to provide a method in which to find some form of relief from the horrors of the real world while providing an outlet for the people.

In a world where Dr. Doom has a time machine and Superman flies to space to save the world daily, it is always comforting to know that the real world is just as important.
Memorial Exhibit
Tragedy remembered

On September 3 the exhibit “Sep-
tember 11: Remembrance and Reflec-
tion,” opened its doors and contains
more than 50 items collected over the
years, bringing the public as close as
possible with no obstructions between
them and 9/11.

Items collected include pieces of the
north and south towers, a flag recov-
ered from the rubble, a teddy bear
found near the wreckage of Flight 93
and some items donated by the TSA,
including a metal detector and confis-
cated items from the flights.

The museum’s exhibit will run un-
til Sept. 11, commemorating a decade
since the attacks.

Music of Memory
A Healing Sound For All

Alan Vallee
Arts & Entertainment Editor

By now, most have heard of mov-
es such as “United 93” or “Loose
Change,” movies which deal with the
events of Sept. 11 in totally different
ways. But those two examples are not
the only films about the attacks; nor
are they the only pieces of media cre-
ated to remember them.

In the years
since, comics have explored possible
variations on the event as well as
mourned them, books have brought
closures to those protagonists and
chronicled the changes in the world,
music has made us weep for what we
lost and rejoice for what we still have.

Of these, music is perhaps the most
easily accessible for the general public,
which is a great reason for the spate
of performances this weekend.

This Sunday there will be a perfor-
manoe by musicians, politicians and
first responders in Ocean Grove; the
Meno Performing Arts Center in Mor-
rstown will feature the New Jersey
Youth Choir; and perhaps most tell-
ing, a number of composers who were
in Manhattan during 9/11 will share
their response in the form of a free
music marathon, “Music After.”

The performances will run from 9:18 a.m.
to midnight and will include pieces
from Philip Glass, Steve Reich, Patti
Smith, Lou Reed and a veritable who’s
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The Red Hawks aren't going too fast, Dan Mendoza, honors along with men's soccer player this year's first MSU athlete of the week. "We've worked hard," said junior goalkeeper and "We started out great and will continue to get too cocky or too ahead of themselves. They know they can't allow only one shot against junior Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, win 24-8. They followed their upset performance such convincing form. They knew the task and team they had those previous opening season losses and show a riveting display of confidence and the last two seasons. Not only did they extra ordinary play from the entire team. The team opened their season in thrilling way with Shahid is a testament to the kind of character he was; bringing a sense of pure joy and love for the game to the courts for all to remember the life and legacy of those lost. Coach McLaughlin recalled the memorial service, the Imam spoke about how amazing it was to see all the different races and religions in the room," said McLaughlin, "Khalid transcended race and religion, which is really the beauty of athletics." On Oct. 24 of that year, Montclair State University remembered Shahid in a memorial service. A plaque in his honor was hung inside the gazebo that sits next to the courts for all to remember the life and legacy of a great athlete, student, fiancé and son. For the Montclair State Athletics community, we remember a particular Red Hawk whose spirit continues to live on. Khalid Shafid of Union Township, N.J., was a computer buff with a passion for all things sports. At Union High School, Shafid was a three-sport athlete and excelled in baseball, soccer and tennis while also playing in the school's marching band. Shafid came to Montclair State University to pursue a degree in computer science and in doing so, he realized his passion for tennis. The "tennis junkie," as described by former coach Brian McLaughlin, played for the Red Hawks from 1996-1999 and was named co-captain in his senior year. It was during this time that McLaughlin, the current men's and women's swimming coach, had the pleasure of coaching Shafid while acting interim coach for Anthony Shutt. "I can't say enough about him," McLaughlin said, "everyone just loved him." Coach McLaughlin's brief but poignant time with Shahid in a testament to the kind of character he was, bringing a sense of pure joy and love for the game to all around him. "He was always around the courts look for someone to hit with," McLaughlin said, "and would often go down there with the women's team working on his game." As Coach McLaughlin favorably reminisced about Shahid, it was apparent that although 10 years may have passed, his spirit still resides in those who had the pleasure of knowing him. It's that very spirit that drew people from all walks of life to Shahid. In March of 2001, he planned to marry his high school sweetheart Jamie Castro. Family played an integral role in Shahid's life and he was eager to start building the family his parents had built for him. Both Shahid and Castro were ready to embark on a new journey, looking forward to a long life spent together in the home they had built in Mt. Olive. After graduating with his degree in computer science, Shahid began working as a computer network administrator for Cantor Fitzgerald. But on that eerily beautiful Tuesday morning of Sept. 11, 2001, Shahid's hopes and dreams of his new life would come to an end at just 25 years old. He was on the 103rd floor of the north tower when it was struck just before 9 a.m. His family, friends and fiancée were left devastated and confused. But now as the tenth anniversary is upon us, it important to remember the life and legacy of those lost. Coach McLaughlin recalled the memorial service held for Shahid at the McCracken Funeral Home in Union, N.J., as... striking. The building was filled with everyone. Christians, Muslims... it was packed and overflowing with people. During his memorial service, the Imam spoke about how amazing it was to see all the different races and religions in the room," said McLaughlin, "Khalid transcended race and religion, which is really the beauty of athletics." On Oct. 24 of that year, Montclair State University remembered Shahid in a memorial service. A plaque in his honor was hung inside the gazebo that sits next to the courts for all to remember the life and legacy of a great athlete, student, fiancé and son. The Women's Field Hockey team defeats Eastern University after loosing to them in the previous two season openers. Kendall Zoppa Sports Editor The Red Hawks aren't going too fast, but they are aware of what kind of talent they have and are extremely confident in themselves this year, especially after their opening victory. Their confidence on the field exemplified how tough of a challenge they'll present this year to their opponents. "We have so much talent and work as a strong unit," sophomore midfielder Brittany Cornell said, "We all expect great things this season." With the season underway at such a fast pace, the MSU field hockey team is in prime position to capitalize on not only their opponents, but the standings and conference standings as well. With such dazzling play it's an easy assumption to put the Red Hawks at the top of the conference standings. The team faces off against their first conference opponent Sept. 15 when they will travel to Kean to play their conference rivals. The main stretch of conference games doesn't really start until the Sept. 28, however, when the Red Hawks have their first conference game home against Ramapo. After a few more home games against non-conference opponents, Montclair Coach Sunny Evans hopes the Red Hawks will complete the regular season in prime condition for conference play. The College of New Jersey game follows home on Oct. 15 and the Red Hawks end their conference set of games on Oct. 26, home, against their adjacent rival William Paterson. Kendall Zoppa Sports Editor The Women’s Field Hockey team defeats Eastern University after loosing to them in the previous two season openers.
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Men’s Soccer set out for a promising season with new Head Coach and Red Hawk Alumn, Todd Tumelty.

The Montclair State men’s soccer team will enter their 2011 season under their new Head Coach Todd Tumelty. After coming off of an excellent season in 2010 in which they went 11-5-3 (6-3 in conference), the team is poised to compete for their fifth conference championship in six years. When asked what the team’s goals were for the upcoming season, Tumelty had only positive things to say. “Our expectations are similar every year,” he said. “Our hope is that we can win the NJAC Championship and compete for a National Championship.”

Tumelty is no stranger to the Montclair State men’s soccer program. He began his Red Hawk career as a student athlete in 2003, when he was a three year starter who led the team to four consecutive NJAC titles. His ability to lead his team allowed him to make the easy transition into coaching and has been a part of the staff for the past five years. His background as a player has helped him become the best coach he could hope to be.

“It’s helped me tremendously,” Tumelty said. “We talk a great deal about being a ‘Montclair Guy’ which, to us, means that you’re committed, hard working, and unselfish. These qualities are ones that I learned as a player and captain here.

“The pride that we all feel is to represent the University is something that I gained from my playing days, and hopefully I can pass on to my players new,” Tumelty said.

The Red Hawks are led by a solid group of veterans. Senior co-captain Kevin Brown anchors MSU’s stout defense and is set to return for a fine senior season. Sophomore forward Daniel Mendoza is coming off of a stellar freshman season in which he led the team in scoring coming off of a stellar freshman season. Senior Midfielder Paul DeMartinis dribbles past a defender early last season.

Senior Midfielder Paul DeMartinis dribbles past a defender early last season.

Tumelty enters the season as the third captain who earned honorable mention all-NJAC last season as a sophomore and plans to be a serious force in the net this season.

“Each player has proven to be great leaders for our team both on and off the field, and because of them we feel very confident coming into the season,” Tumelty said.

Montclair enters the season as the favorites to win the NJAC champion ship all-NJAC last season as a sophomore and plans to be a serious force in the net this season.

Mendoza feels the same way.

“We understand that we are always being targeted as contenders in the NJAC, so being named as favorites to win only fuels us to work harder as a team,” Mendoza said.

“We want to live up to expectations and we feel that we have enough talent with our returning players and upcoming freshmen to be in contention not only for the NJAC championship but a National Championship too.”

With a strong and confident returning crew of players along with an incoming class of 11 freshmen, Tumelty and the Red Hawks are excited to get the season rolling. Tumelty is excited about the quality of players that he and his staff have brought into the program.

The Red Hawks have started off the season strong with a victory over SUNY New Paltz off of a fine kick by Dan Mendoza, and were able to post a tie to New York University in their second game of the season. Early in the second half against NYU, freshman Maxx Wurzburger was able to knock in a goal that slipped by NYU’s goalkeeper. The Red Hawks will play their third home game of the season this Tuesday against John Jay College at 3:00 p.m.

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SUNY Cortland Stadium Complex. The season on Saturday, Nov. 12 at Richard at home. They will play each other this season will likely come from SUNY win, the atmosphere of the Homecoming play them at Homecoming on Saturday, Football determined to maintain their hot start. With a 3-1 record, the Red Hawks are holding off the competition and closing showed resilience and poise throughout, opening up their NYU Labor Day Invitational, giving Red Hawks volleyball team. "Coach Eddie will take this team to his past success into a powerful and dangerous Red Hawks team. Rookie Head Coach Eddie Stawinski was set with a powerful team for a few years, allowing them to grow better and tougher with each practice. If they continue to play as well as they've performed so far they are definitely going to put away teams without contest. The Red Hawks play the Vassar College Invitational this weekend before opening up their NJAC schedule against rival Kean on September 13. The bulk of the conference matches don't begin until after the NYU-Polytechnic Tournament the following weekend. From here MSU looks to further purs the top spot in the conference stand- ings with important home conference matches against Rutgers-Camden on the September 22 and against Rowan on the September 29.
The books are bought, the dorms are filled, and with a new school year comes a new season of football. Football is back at Montclair State University and the Red Hawks are ready for another successful season under Head Coach Mike Garufi. Last season, the Red Hawks finished with a 10-2 record.

The “Dark Horse” is off to a promising start this season. The Red Hawks have won their first three games with a 7-0 record and are ranked No. 12 in the Division III coaches’ poll.

Head Coach and former Red Hawk Pat Naughter, now in his second coaching season, led the Red Hawks to a 7-8-3 record in 2010. Despite a losing record, Naughter led the team to a trip to the NCAA Division III playoffs.

The season ended in a three-way tie for the conference title with Rowan and SUNY Cortland before falling to Wilkes College 44-17 in the second round of the NCAA Division III Playoffs.

During the off-season, MSU was selected as the favorite to win the NJAC Conference. Along with being voted as the conference favorite, MSU has also been ranked No. 12 in Division III football. Montclair State hopes to repeat, if not improve on, their last two seasons. Since 2008, MSU has gone 20-6-1 and made it to the NCAA Division III Playoffs twice.

The Red Hawks will be led onto the field by senior captains Chris D’Andrea at running back, Chad Faulcon at defensive back, defensive lineman Alex Iachetta and wide receiver Dan Keegan. D’Andrea will be returning for a fifth year after suffering from a broken foot during a 21-7 win against Keiser University on Oct. 16.

The injury forced him to miss the last six games of the 2010 season. MSU will not have that much to worry about this season. The Red Hawks will play six of 10 games at home in September, including a game against Morrisville State, Bucknell College and Western Connecticut State University; the three combined for a total of 12-12 record last season.

Even though MSU will play away at Merrimack College and Bucknell College, the Red Hawks have never let home field advantage negatively affect them. Not only did WCU have an easy win to begin the season, but they have also had a successful season so far.

The Red Hawks are ready for the upcoming season, and the team is ready to get back on the field and show the world what they are capable of.

The Red Hawks shut out Westfield State 34-0 during last season’s home opener.

The Red Hawks have shown they are a force to be reckoned with in the NJAC and are ready for another successful season.

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