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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 location 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. Ribeiro, Jasmere 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.

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Wounded Warrior Project

Volunteer

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Students and Rocky the Red Hawk cleaning up a local park.

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Facing Prejudice, Promoting Tolerance

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An open letter to the members of the Montclair State University community from President Susan A. Cole

September 8, 2011

Ten years ago, on a clear and beautiful sunny September day, thousands of students, faculty and staff were present at Montclair State University, attending classes and working. That day was shattered suddenly when a few miles away a sequence of explosions brought the World Trade Centers down. Our campus community, like so many communities in New Jersey, was deeply affected by that event. Family members, friends and neighbors died that day. Anxiety was great as students and employees tried to reach people to find out if they were safe. Hearts were broken as cars parked at New Jersey train stations in the morning remained there in evening, their drivers never to return to claim them. Everybody wanted to do something to help as the impact of this tragedy became apparent over the succeeding hours and then days and weeks.

Over the years since Sept. 11, 2001, we have seen a succession of students enter the University who come with this event as part of their personal history. First came the students who were in high school in 2001, and then came those who were in elementary school. These students were changed by the experiences associated with that day and its aftermath. They were more focused on international issues, they were more aware of the power of hate and its ability to unite us as a country.

Back in September of 2001, in writing to the campus community about what our response should be to these terrible events, I said that it was critical for us to do everything we could to help our students continue their education and to prepare them to shape a world in which such things do not happen. I said then and I still believe that the tragic events of Sept. 11 were the product of profound hatred and ignorance. When people do not know each other or understand each other, a fertile ground exists for the breeding of hatred. The only effective antidote to hate is knowledge, understanding and a commitment to a common humanity.

10 years later, as the nation continues to attend to issues of how to make the United States safe from terrorism, we must not forget that the knowledge and understanding that we achieve through education is the most powerful weapon we have to combat the ignorance and hatred that creates the kind of tragedy that Sept. 11 represented.

For those among you who still mourn those you lost, I offer the comfort of a university community that cares about you. For all of us, I offer the hope we see in a generation of students who will take up the difficult challenge of forging a better world.

Sincerely,
President Cole

Katie Noll

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

A freelance filmmaker at the time, Beverly Peterson breathed in the raw creativity surrounding her community while the tragedy 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, and I watched it disappear."

Peterson lived two blocks from the World Trade Center. Landing gear fell on the roof of a neighboring building.

"I remember trying to close my eyes. I could see the fireball, eyes open, eyes closed–you just couldn't escape that part," Peterson said.

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 Brickhouse a block and a half away, the couple went upstairs to their loft.

"We had just [finished] voting, my husband was a block and a half around the corner," Peterson said. "I ran to find him and he ran to find me."

Both artists and 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."

"What I understood at the time, and I'm so glad that I acted on, was that there was something that I was witnessing and living," Peterson said. "I was witnessing history and that I could capture that. That was important to capture, that's bigger than me."

The couple was living in the Red Zone and were evacuated a short time after the towers were hit. "They would let us come in for 10-minute periods, to get what we needed," Peterson said.

Despite all of their neighbors moving out of the community, the couple still felt a connection to their home and did not leave permanently.

"They told us it was safe to clean our houses. We used hazmat suits because they gave them out," Peterson said.

"My film says that someone told me that I should move," 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 what they did for a living and opted to change career paths.

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

"When my friends would come and visit me, I would have to go up to the barricades and walk them back to our house," Peterson said.

"It was hard for me to do business, I lost my business, I lost everything," Peterson said. "After 9/11, we had to apply for a business loan, which we will probably still be paying back for another four years."

Despite the tug she felt after living in Tribeca for 15 years, Peterson relocated to Staten Island and began teaching at Monmouth University.

"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://bpfilms.net/
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With the coming and passing of Sept. 11, 2001 there was a rise in American unity, and a nation was born from the ashes, sweating never to forget. Ten years later, we were able to finally step back from the atrocity that day. It was huge in scale, but could any of us truly forget?

I distinctly remember watching the news, being proned by a digital sign that said New York City closure, then I watched the video that said Sgt. Paul Giardino of Montclair State University Police Department. “We were standing over the hole in the ground, torn and twisted. We were there in the beginning, and throughout, as we get closer the dust and debris was just everywhere,” said Giardino. “I remember the burning smell, it turns you right back even months later.”

Giardino and Vidro made it down to the site, they were immersed in the debris, dust, and world of triage responders. They were tasked with helping set up a relief station at a nearby bar on 50th and Lincoln Tunnel, and there was nothing. “Outside, the dust was suffocating and overwhelming,” said Giovinnazzo. “We were wearing respirators for protection, and the dust has been washed away, the effects of this day still linger and remind thousands of officers and workers of their past duty.”

Three years after the initial attack Vidro developed a very rare form of cancer called multiple myeloma. He later passed in 2007 at the age of 36. His case was one of many that have been studied to provide proof and support for the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act, [Seidner] The bill was passed in December 2010 and states that there will be medical compensation for first responders and their families if they fall ill. How ever, cancer is still excluded from the definitions of post-9/11 illness outlined in the bill.

Giavinnazzio has developed asthma and other respiratory complications. He along with Barrett and Giardino believes there needs to be some resolution, “With 9/11 there will be some resolution,” said Barrett. “We need to remember that this information will be heeded and that there is hope for the futures of these heroes.”

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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 will really want to know.

4) Get involved in at least one significant campus activity! Students who are active in campus life are more likely to succeed academically, be satisfied socially, and graduate sooner than students who are uninvolved in the University community. The SGA sponsors many clubs and organizations that will welcome your participation. Are you interested in sports, theater, music, foreign languages, service to others, politics or culture? Montclair State has it all. Find the groups to which you can contribute your talents and from which you can learn something new. Don’t be shy about it. You have as much to offer as the next person, and your involvement will be welcome. Commuter students, don’t just come to class and head right home. All activities on campus are just as much for you as they are for resident students. Take advantage of breaks in your schedule to join a club, attend an activity in the Student Center, or work on campus. Get in touch with the Coordinator of Commuter Programs and Services located in Student Center 104.

5) Plan your working hours carefully! We realize that some students must work to cover their expenses and many others choose to work. To the extent that you are able, I urge you to limit the hours you work to preserve time to focus on both your studies and other campus activities. If you are to benefit fully from your opportunities at the University, your studies must be your first priority. One excellent solution for many students is to work right here at Montclair, 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. Try to get out of your cars to explore the convenience — and contribute to the 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
Senior Staff Writer

Although many Americans feel there is a personal connection to the event, Kenneth Barry, a freshman, had a more personal connection to the event. Sophomore Joe Donnelly recalled, “I was a firefighter and died there.”

While they may not consider themselves 9/11 survivors, both men served in the military in the wake of the attacks and participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Although the invasion of Iraq and subsequent wars remain controversial among Americans, Alvarez, D’Amico and Winters said they had only positive feedback upon their return home.

“I have received nothing but ‘thank you’s’ and positive reactions from peo-
ple,” Alvarez said. “I was in New York working in uniform when I was often thanked for my service.”

“It’s sad to say, but it takes some-
thing tragic to bring people together,” Alvarez said. “I do feel that only people with positive things to say to us probably have a bit skewed.”

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

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

Although he observed that at the time in 2002 “everyone was still hyped up about the attacks,” he had always wanted to join 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 in 2002 to Iraq and secured the city when Jessica Lynch was kidnapped,” he said. “I re-
turned to Iraq in 2008.

“One of my friends joined the Army in 2002,” he said. “Where I live in Passa-
icus, I don’t know many other people who have joined the service.

Looking back on the 9/11 tragedy now, 10 years later, one question4nswades in my head: Where were you? Everyone 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 caught up in learning and socializ-
ing, we were all at our most vulnerable. Suddenly, a panicked teacher ran into the room, telling us to turn our television to the nearest news channel, that the Twin Towers in Manhattan were on fire.

Many of us were confused, scared and some, unaffected. However, I quickly recalled that my father worked in the twcres oftren. The girl who sat next to me in class would receive the news that Kenneth’s dad’s first cousins was a New York City firefighter and had died there.

“Towers in Manhattan were hit. We would have to launch jets in a matter of minutes.” Alvarez said.

“Winters was last seen carrying a gun on the 9/11 attack,” Winters said. “I did not want to be part of a group of hero-s.”

Montclair State Remembers

As we mark the 10th anniversary and remember the tragic loss of lives on Sept. 11, 2001, we honor our MSU alumni who perished that day:

Jean DePalma ’80
Robert “Bobby” Hughes ’01
Dorota Kopiczko ’99
Joseph Pick ’03
Steven Schlag ’82
Khalid Shahid ’95
Dennis Taormina Jr. ’88

Where were you?

Edward Winters shooting an M-19 grenade machine gun at a ramp on Fort Caron.
Waters and his wife, who both live in Montclair, know people from their church and community who lost their lives on 9/11. "It was a painful event and I thought the campus responded to it the best possible way," said Waters.

Dr. Rita Jacobs, an English professor who was born and raised in New York, was in New York City the morning of the attack at her future husband Don's apartment on East 7th Street. He raced to get to campus and found Third Avenue, before the metro would expire at 8 a.m.

She got into her car and drove home to Chelsea. Along with neighbors, she stood at a corner on the opposite side of the street, as alternately side parking in the street and cars passing by.

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. The next thing she did was to report about the other attacks around the country. "I was doing it to soothe," she said. "Yet, I was being the first line of story that at first was meant to sooce people, comparing it to Ooroo Wellness ‘The War of the Worlds’ broadcasts.

After talking to a neighbor, who was also in unleashing mode, it moved to a spotting friend walking down the street that she knew was a terrorist report. The woman walked down the corner of Sixth Avenue and Broadway and saw smoke rising from the Twin Towers.

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He raced back to her car to call Jim, who was on his way to work at the World Trade Center. She arrived for her meeting that morning in the World Trade Center at 9:50 a.m. She attempted to call him on his cellphone, but it was busy.

After her car was not being ticked that day, she went into her apartment building to look for a message on her answering machine from Jim, saying that he was all right and had evacuated the building after the first plane hit and that he was headed upstairs.

Jacobs then focused her attention to the world she visited occasionally as she has been hit by a plane. Her initial reaction was shock and panic; she was not sure what to do.

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"I was dancing on the 9/11 being a very big thing, especially with people in the city," said West.

Inside his office the talk was about what had just occurred and how they were going to go about the day and not think about the event any longer. He described how he walked from the World Trade Center, dying that day and Baldwin said that that one memory stands out the furthest in his mind, as it gives him a general sense of how people disappeared that day.

The second memory he recalled is when he would walk out in the days and weeks to follow in the ash and the ash was still drifting on the air. He noticed the change in how people reacted to each other in the street. Being born and raised in New York, Baldwin said people always knew what was going on in their neighborhood, but after 9/11 people would look at and acknowledge others.

Baldwin went on to say that he was flying away from the attacks that day, which initially included flying right in to the area she works, worried about another attack as well, but he also said he can never regret the decision he made.

On Oct. 12, Baldwin will be the moderator at a panel discussion "Imagination in the Post-9/11 World" under the sponsorship of MSU's History Department. Baldwin personally could not stay home. On his first day back into the city now, worried about another attack as well, but he also said he can never regret the decision he made.

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Brian Lehrer of WNYC radio broad- casted a show of New Jersey-based panelists from Kasser Theater last week. The show, titled “Decade 9/11,” hosted former New Jersey govern- or and head of the 9/11 Commission, Tom Kean, and the mayor of Hoboken, Dawn Zimmer, among others.

Mr. Lehrer opened the show with a ques- tion and answer session. His uplifting words were met with a resounding of how 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.

Times have changed. Al Qaeda is now considered to be behind the attacks on 9/11. “There’s no question in my mind,” Kean said. “There’s no question in my mind that Al Qaeda is behind the attacks on 9/11.”

However, Kean continued to explain that the attacks on 9/11 were not only managed by Al Qaeda but also by terrorists from the United States. “There’s no question in my mind that Al Qaeda is behind the attacks on 9/11,” Kean said.

Kean emphasized the importance of understanding the relationship between the United States and the world. “It’s important that future generations understand the concept of terrorism and the role of the United States in the world,” Kean said.

His conclusion was that the attacks on 9/11 were not only an act of terrorism but also a result of the United States’ policies and actions. “It’s important that future generations understand the concept of terrorism and the role of the United States in the world,” Kean said.

In Lehrer’s segment called Teaching 9/11, Mary Ellen Salamone and Diane Filali discussed the challenges of teaching history and terrorism.

Salamone, co-founder of the Families Belonging to the Islamic Center in New Jersey, the entire curriculum has been released for this initiative, the organization that created the curriculum.

Thorne said that many members of his community are still attending therapy sessions and working through the traumas of Sept. 11. “It’s certainly not just Sept. 11. It’s what we call the cur- riculum we did, to help kids understand the concept, which is a huge concept,” Salamone said.

Salamone continued to explain that the curriculum has been developed with the input of experts in the field. “For the Muslim community here in North Jersey, the entire curriculum was put under siege because of the act of a few people who don’t even belong to the idea that we call Islam.”

Mohamed El Filali, executive di- rector of the Islamic Center of Passaic County

El Filali continued to explain that his name is “baffled” in airports. Not only does he feel that his neighbors, but also his country, is attacking his re-

For the full broadcast of Lehrer’s show, visit WNYC.org

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The twin tower lights represent where the towers stood.

For N.J. Communities Have Changed Since 9/11

In the next session of Lehrer’s pro- gram, he welcomed eight of New Jer- sey’s influential people on the stage. He went down the row to get everyone’s name, starting with his name.

“Are you aware of the reports of terrorism for children, and that may limit their understanding of the concept?”

“Times have changed, Al Qaeda has changed. Al Qaeda now considers the attacks on 9/11 as a result of the United States’ policies and actions. “It’s important that future generations understand the concept of terrorism and the role of the United States in the world,” Kean said.

Thorne explained that it was orga- nized around seven themes: human behavior (relationships), aggression and violence in our world, historical aspects of terrorism, 9/11 as a con- temporary case study, consequences and challenges in a post 9/11 world, memories and creation of memory post-9/11 world.”

“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.”

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Salamone continued to explain that the curriculum has been developed with the input of experts in the field. “For the Muslim community here in North Jersey, the entire curriculum was put under siege because of the act of a few people who don’t even belong to the idea that we call Islam.”

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While we at The Montclarion understand that it must be frustrating for those first responders who have developed cancer to not receive compensation, we understand why the government is declining to cover these costs. The media has latched onto this topic, bringing the exception of cancer to the forefront of the discussion. However, the James Zadroga 9/11 Health Compensation Act passed in January compensates first responders for health problems that resulted from their time spent at ground zero.

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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.

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 stress on cells, however, we know the firefighters who were exposed to the dust have a 15 percent increase of occurrences of cancer over the general population.

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The government is also protecting itself. In the past, when governments have offered compensation for diseases, such as after Chernobyl or the Vietnam War, many claimed eligibility.

Not to say that we believe first responders would purposely deceive the government, but it simply is a shame that the government side's argument would lead to the government paying exorbitant amounts of money, running out before all rightful recipients receive funds.

Perhaps the solution to this problem would be to allocate more money to the fund and requiring the review committee to feel assured they had enough money for all.

We run into the problem of our country's deficit. We may have to accept that the money does not exist for this purpose, or we can choose to sacrifice other services for this reason.

As the situation stands, this was the proudest decision the committee in charge of the administration of the act could have made. We hope that in the future, coverage can be extended to those suffering from 9/11-related illnesses. It is simply not a sustainable option right now.

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First Responders Elicit Response from Government

Counterpoint

The majority of those men and women do not have cancer. Aehoma 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 clean-up.

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First Responders Barred From 9/11 Ceremony
The first ones in are the first ones out of 10th anniversary guest list

I was in the fourth grade when the World Trade Center towers were collapsed. I was too young to understand in what way I was in the city at that time, I was rather infrared. I was told what had happened, but it didn’t affect me in the same way that it did so many others.

For a long time I stuck by the idea that I wasn’t even being particularly upset at the time. It seemed like just another murder and terror event, like the ones we see on the news every day, during the course of the globe, all times.

I wasn’t even watching for this time that I remembered that my brother once said that he had done his part of his impetus for joining the army. He completed two tours of duty in Iraq with USAF, but that was not really anything. There were long stretches of time when we didn’t hear from him, which was not too bad, and we were all good news and that he was still alive and on the front lines of the conflict.

In fact, “First-World Guilt” could almost be defined as an action known in layman’s terms as dis-agitation.

Dining morality is at one single shift, but rather, as a routine coordination and personal decision justified by a sliding scale of moral justification. There are many people who belittle their problems as a result of their lives?

The final dilemma, “suffering empathy,” usually takes the physical form of a faint, expressionless face when one is reading a newspaper or watching TV. “Suffering empathy” is a phrase that has come into use in recent years to describe the inability of the reader who has never even seen Monday Night Football or at least one of the Chicago plays.

The homeless population of America is no less affected by the suffering empathy felt in the Middle East or Asia. Do you think that the welfare citizen of Libya isn’t learning for the first time from that?

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 “Dexter” on Netflix in one sitting is purifying us from making common ground with people who have never had a meal in thought because we are all human beings that eat, sleep, and then the world, a better place.

Gentle readers, we are a country of people who belittle their problems as a result of our lives? in thought because we are all human beings that eat, sleep, and then the world, a better place.

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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 attacks.

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

Alan Valle
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Ten years, four airplanes, nearly 3,000 deaths and countless amounts of suffering ago, the September 11 attacks changed the landscape of our country irreversibly.

This great nation persevered, and through the last 10 years it has remembered the tragic events of that day.

In the spirit of remembrance and as an attempt to honor both those who perished and those who survived, the National Museum of American History has installed a new exhibition commemorating the event and the era since.

On September 3 the exhibit “Septembe 11: Rememberance and Reflection,” 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 recovered 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 confiscated items from the flights.

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

Music of Memory
A Healing Sound For All

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By now, must have heard of movies 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 created to remember them.

In the years since, comics have explored possible variations on the event as well as mourned them, books have brought closure 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 funday there will be a performance by musicians, politicians and first responders in Ocean Grove, the Mayo Performing Arts Center in Morristown will feature the New Jersey Youth Choir; and perhaps most telling, 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 who of New York music.

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Remembering a Fallen Red Hawk

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Third Time’s a Charm

The Women’s Field Hockey team defeats Eastern University after losing to them in the previous two season openers

Jay Hirsz

Montclair State University’s field hockey team opened their season in thrilling fashion, upsetting ninth-ranked Eastern University 2-1 in a match that featured extraordinary play from the entire team.

With a brutal fought victory the Red Hawks were left devastated.

“Just as Coach McLaughlin said, we had to do our best and we won!” McLaughlin said.

With the season underway at such a challenging time, it is important to remember the life and dreams of Khalid Shahid.

For the Montclair State Athletics community, we remember a particular Red Hawk whose spirit continues to live on.

Khalid Shahid of Union Township, N.J., was a computer buff with a passion for all things sports.

As Coach McLaughlin feverishly reminded us, it is important to remember the life and dreams of Khalid Shahid.

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, friend and son.

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Come to
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Open House!

When:
Thursday, September 15, 4-8 p.m.
and
Thursday, September 22, 4-8 p.m.

Where:
Student Center Annex Room 113

Why:
Meet the Staff!!!
Free Pizza!!!
The Montclair State men’s soccer team will enter their 2011 season under new Head Coach Todd Tumelty. After coming off of an excellent season in 2010 in which they went 15-5-3 (8-2 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. “We expect to 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 2001, when he was a three year starter who led his 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 me, means that you’re committed, hard working, and unselfish. These qualities are ones that I learned as a player and can carry here.

“The pride that we all feel to be representing the University is something that I gained from my playing days, and hopefully I can pass it on to my players now,” 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 his senior season. Sophomore forward Daniel Mendoza is coming off of a stellar freshman season in which he led the team in scoring with 16 goals and 3 assists. Mendoza was named the team all-NJAC. He has been named co-captain as a result of his ability to lead both on and off the field.

Junior goalkeeper Anthony Rupie is Montclair’s 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.

Mentor enters the season as the favorite to win the NJAC championship. Tumelty and his team realize that pre-season rankings do not mean much of anything, and plan to work just as hard as bring another NJAC championship back to Montclair. Sophomore Ben Mendon feels the same way. “We understand that we are always targeted as being contenders in the NJAC, as being named as favorites to win only fuels us to work harder as a team,” Mendon 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 free 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.

Come down and support your Montclair State Red Hawks on their quest for another NJAC championship.

Not Your Average College Cafe! Sam’s Place, our new 640-seat dining facility at the Height’s, named after the late Montclair State University and National Football League star linebacker Sam Mills is the place to visit when your stomach grows.

Six themed restaurant stations offer menu selections, that include: comfort food from Flying Hawk Diner, healthy choices from Garden State Fresh, exotic international dishes from World’s Fare, Italian cuisine from Brick Oven along with grilled favorites and deli sandwiches

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Once a Red Hawk, Always a Red Hawk Men’s Soccer set out for a promising season with new Head Coach and Red Hawk Alumn, Todd Tumelty.
Staff Writer
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Rookie Head Coach Eddie Stawinski comes to Montclair with collegiate and Division 1 experience and has replicated the past success into a powerful and dangerous Red Hawks volleyball team.

"Coach Eddie will take this team to the next level," sophomore captain Marta Toper said.

The season opened with thrilling victories over Bridgewater State and Westmont College of Technology in the NYU Labor Day Invitational, giving Stawinski his first two victories as head coach. Even though the tournament ended with a loss in the finals to New York University, the Red Hawks showed resilience and poise throughout, holding off the competition and closing out each of their games.

With a 3-1 record, the Red Hawks are determined to maintain their hot start. The team is perspective it's very optimistic and their play on the court has sparked the interest of many that weren't expecting the team to play as strongly.

This young group has solidified themselves as a legitimate force behind sophomore captains Kaitlyn Irwin and Rhanna Ratta and freshman captain Marta Toper. Freshman Brianna Sielos was also awarded NJAC Rookie of the Week honors for her performance in the NYU Labor Day Invitational.

The Red Hawks refuse to believe what opponents may think: that the team is too young to accomplish anything truly exceptional.

Coach Eddie Toper is expecting "our seventh-place pre-season ranking to be completely wrong," and the rest of her team agrees.

The team doesn't have a long way to go to dispute what critics may say, and it certainly possible for this team to finish in one of the top spots in the standings. "With such a young core of players, Stawinski is set with a powerful team for a few years, allowing them to grow better and tougher with each practice. If they can 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 pursue a top spot in the conference standings with important home conference matches against Rutgers-Camden on the September 22 and against Rowan on the September 29.

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Who's Hot This Week

Megan Bosland
Goalkeeper—Field Hockey

Bosland has helped lead the Red Hawks to a 2-0 record with 15 saves and one shutout. Bosland currently leads the NJAC in goals against average by only allowing one goal in her two starts.

Dan Mendoza
Men's Soccer

Mendoza scored the game-winning goal on a 19-yard free kick in a 1-0 victory over New Paltz. The goal marked Mendoza's ninth of his career.

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Last Week

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Field Hockey

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9/10 vs. Muhlenberg 7 p.m.
9/13 vs. Keen 7 p.m.

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The season ended in a three-way tie for the conference title with Rowan and SUNY Cortland before falling to Wesley College 44-7 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 2009, MSU has gone 20-4, has won the conference title twice and has made it to the second round of 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 Isaac Xochitl and wide receiver Dan Keegan. D’Andrea will be returning for his fifth year after suffering from a broken foot during the 2010 season.

The Red Hawks’ subsequent non-conference games were a pair of 48-0 shutouts delivered by a combined freshman effort of Jessica Belmont, Gina Policastro and Amber Martinez.

In the second game of the season, against Mt. St. Vincent, fellow freshman Francesco Gibson became the fifth player in Red Hawk history to record four goals in one game. 

Junior defender Kelly Palmer not only picked up her first career goal to finish off the match, but was named NJAC Defensive Player of the Week in

The “Dark Horse” is a Surefire Winner

Women’s Soccer starts season 3-0 as they place sixth in pre-season coaches' poll

Head Coach and former Red Hawk Pat Naughter, now in his second coaching season, led the Red Hawks to 7-8-3 record in 2010. Picked to finish sixth in 2011 NJAC Coaches Poll, the Red Hawks are ready for another successful season.

The “Dark Horse” is off to an excellent start as they head out on the road against Kean University on Oct. 1. The injury forced him to miss the last eight games of the 2010 season.

MSU will not have that much to worry about this season. The Red Hawks will play six out of 10 games at our very own Sprague Field and their schedule will come with ups and downs. MSU’s opponents this year had a combined record of 47-55 in 2010. Five of their opponents had a winning percentage of at least .500. The Red Hawks should not face that much dunngeo against Montclair State, Brockport College and Western Connecticut State University; the three combined for a total 4-28 record last season. Even though MSU will play away at Montclair State and Brockport College, the Red Hawks have never let home field advantage negatively affect them. Not only did WCU have

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