MSU Students Occupy Wall Street

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In its third week of demonstrations, the Occupy Wall Street movement has grown in size with MSU students joining the ranks. Recently, members of the campus group Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) have become active in the movement.

The protest began in the financial capital of the world, Wall Street. Protesters decided to make this the grounds of their demonstration because they felt that it is where the wealthiest one percent of the population conducts their business.

Lisa Grab, founder and an organizer of the MSU chapter of SDS has participated with the occupation and has marched over the past few weeks.

“I knew about the protests since July and wanted to get involved from the start,” said Grab. “The first day I went, it looked like about 100 people trying to turn the protest into some sort of artistic event trying to turn the protest into some sort of artistic event trying to turn the protest into some sort of artistic event trying to turn the protest into some sort of artistic event trying to turn the protest into some sort of artistic event. I went home disappointed, thinking this was the worst protest I’ve been to.”

“Now it’s grown and has more organization to it,” said Grab. “Normally people go to protests, march and then they go home back to their fragmented and isolated lives. Now, they stay there or come back repeatedly and gain more people.”

According to Professor Grover Furr of the English department, “Occupy Wall Street (OWS) is long overdue. The young people leading it should resist its being co-opted by the Democratic Party. They need to realize that Wall Street cannot be separated from the capitalist system.”

Since its inception, the demonstration has grown to over 1,000 participants in Zuccotti Park, N.Y. and has inspired similar movements nationwide. Zuccotti Park, which remains open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, is privately owned by Brookfield Properties and thus, police cannot force protestors out of the space.

Mark Ludas, Lisa Grab and Esha Kallianpur represent Students for a Democratic Society in New York during one of their visits to the Occupy Wall Street protests.

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Pelican Police Report

1. On Oct. 3: A staff member reported the theft of a sign outside of Stone Hall. This case is under investigation.

2. On Oct. 3: A female resident of Basilone Hall reported being assaulted by her roommate. The victim declined to pursue charges in this matter.

3. On Oct. 4: A staff member found suspected drugs near Stone Hall. It was turned over to the police. This case is under investigation.

4. On Oct. 4: A female resident of Basilone Hall reported being harassed by her roommate as she was moving out. The victim declined to pursue charges in this matter.

5. On Oct. 4: Ian Quigley, 19, of Toms River and Alyssa Verian, 20, of Toms River were arrested for possession of marijuana inside of the NJ Transit Garage. They are scheduled to appear in Little Falls Municipal Court.

6. On Oct. 5: A staff member of Central Receiving reported the theft of a package from inside of their building. This case is under investigation.

7. On Oct. 6: A staff member of Memorial Auditorium reported the theft of an amplifier from a secured closet. This case is under investigation.

8. On Oct. 7: A male student reported being assaulted by three unknown males in front of Fenwick Hall. These males have been identified and charges are pending.

9. On Oct. 7: A staff member reported being harassed by her ex-boyfriend. She declined to file charges in this matter.

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11. On Oct. 8: Police responded to a verbal dispute at Floyd Hall Arena. Both parties declined to press charges in this matter.

All calls are strictly confidential.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at T-I-P-S (8477).

Corrections

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As many students know, graduation won’t happen until they file the final audit. Students must fill out audit applications to let the Office of the Registrar know that they are ready to graduate and begin the auditing process. Earning enough credits to graduate does not automatically mean that students fulfill all graduation requirements; students must be officially notified to determine if graduation is an option for each semester.

Last Monday, I handed in that little sheet of paper that this is real, and all I can think about is, “I’m actually graduating.”

The final audit application is a one-page application requesting basic information including name, expected graduation date, major, minor, and courses students want to be audited and how students would like their name to appear on their diploma. Applications can be accessible to members of the Office of the Registrar.

For an expected graduation date of May 2012, the deadline for submitting audit applications was Oct. 1, but since they fell on a Saturday, it was extended to Oct. 5.

According to the Office of the Registrar, as of the deadline, May 2012 candidates had submitted audit applications. Audits were for bachelor’s degrees, associate degrees, and certificates. There were 578 were for master’s degrees, 16 were for doctorate degrees, and 164 were for post-baccalaureate and graduate certificates.

However, if students were not able to complete the audit application by the deadline, they have the options to stop, start over, and try to graduate this May. “One of our primary responsibilities is to get students graduated and it is one of the most professionally rewarding things we can do,” said Denise DeBois of the Office of the Registrar. “We have a process in place that allows us to first fulfill our responsibility and determine if those students who met the deadline and then review applications who missed the deadline.”

Although students who have not yet submitted an audit application will not be added to the graduation list for May, if students are able to complete all graduation requirements by the May endorsement date, they will be able to graduate then. To begin the process students must immediately complete an Application for Final Audit and return it to the Office of the Registrar. On the top of the application form, students should write the following:

“After March 1, 2012, the audits for August 2012 candidates will begin to be processed,” explained DeBois. “Should the result of your final audit indicate that your program requirements will be completed in time for the May endorsement date, you will be notified and moved to the May 2012 list.”

Please note that all documents that are needed to fulfill graduation requirements are to be in the Office of the Registrar by March 1, 2012. Once you can be moved to the May graduation list, you should register for this Final Audit application. It is expected that you will not meet graduation requirements, you will be notified of the requirements, you will be notified if you do not meet the requirements, you will be notified of the graduation list.

Any student who still would like to graduate in May 2012 is encouraged to fill out the audit application as soon as possible in order to graduate in May 2012.

After National Coming Out Week last year, sophomore Mike McQuade, who was already taking part in events hosted by SPECTRUMS, said he wanted to become more involved. McQuade said. “I think it is a time to also be prepared to kick off National Coming Out Week. The Rainbow Flag was raised on Monday, Oct. 10, on the MSU campus is fairly open and friendly and being queer is changing with time and he under-

The rainbow flag was raised up the Web of Life Christian Community is a club 28” and promises “to be transformed into a social dance to support the MSU campus community! Complete with dance floor, sound and lighting system,” as stated on the Facebook page.

“After several days of the Jason Derulo news spreading across campus, many students are preparing to attend “Club 28” and wait on line for tickets. Junior Sarah-Jane Yersin admits to thinking back on last year’s events at Derulo concert is a club, but this is just a moment to be present and so we felt that the C.I.N. Agency, which according to Miguel, New Found Glory and Dipset. Some students who have had issues with the MSU campus are preparing for this year’s theme and so we felt that it is important to get students interested as well. We decided to go with a club setting for this year’s theme and so we felt that the MSU campus is fairly open and friendly and being queer is changing with time and he under-

According to “Montclair’s Homecoming” on Facebook, several members of the Student Government Association (SGA) including Shane Shahdad himself, Derulo is to perform in Lot 28, located between the Ben Samuels Student Center and the N.D. Transite Parking Deck, at 9:30 p.m. on Oct. 28.

Premiering that night are three DJs from radio station 92.3 NOW: DJ Tour, DJ David 8 and DJ Mail.

“We decided to go with a club setting for this year’s theme and so we felt that Jason Derulo would fit in well with the 92.3 DJs to give Homecoming this club feel,” said Shahdad.

The concert will be on Oct. 28 at 9:30 p.m. Tickets cost $10 for MSU students.

The theme for this year’s concert is a club setting.

MSU Health Promotion student volunteers during National Coming Out Week.

MSU Comes Out for Equality

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What initially began as a peaceful protest against greed, inequality, and social injustice has sparked a nationwide movement. The movement has spread to 1,352 cities with 10,580 occupiers worldwide, according to occupationser.org, under the expanded title and slogan of “Occupy Together.” It is currently on every continent, with some cities hosting a handful of protestors. In the U.S., the movement has spread with the largest crowds occurring in Denver, Phoenix, Miami, L.A., Chicago, Fort Lauderdale and San Francisco.

“We tried to march onto Wall Street last Wednesday night,” said Grab. “I was in the front lines as cops started spraying mace and beating people with their batons. They then proceeded to corral us like sheep with orange netting until we were confined in.”

Last week was the first instance of police brutality since the occupation began. “We sat in the closed area for a half hour and I thought for sure I would be arrested. But I knew what I was doing was right — exposing the injustices built into the system,” said Grab.

“Later that night, we (group of at least 1,000 people) tried to do an impromptu march down the streets as an act of civil disobedience shouting, ‘Whose streets? Our streets!’ and I saw people being dragged onto the ground by cops in front of me,” said Grab.

Two protesters show their support by holding up signs in New York.

“Whose streets? Our streets!” said Jonathon Royle and I saw people being dragged onto the ground by cops right in front of me,” said Royle.

The most notable instance of police brutality occurred in Boston as a member of Veterans for Peace was pushed down onto the ground while demonstrating against the Boston police. “For protestors getting arrested is proving a point. ‘This is not a fantasy of some anarchist punk who wants to be a rebel and destroy the rules,’ said Grab. ‘The civil disobedience that is going on is not given a lot of media attention, yet people who are part of an important element of the protest because it directly challenges the laws that limit the voice of the movement. It raises the questions, who are the police really protecting, and why?’

Many have criticized the movement as lacking focus and question what the protestors would like to see come out of this. While there are no official demands set forth by the Occupy Wall Street protesters, there are a lot of proposed demands for Congress.

“I think at first (the protest) was a good cause, but I think that now people are doing it just to do it,” said Jonathan Royle, senior. “It has so much hype now, that people are losing the meaning of it.”

“I think it’s opening people’s eyes, but now they need to reach another level,” said Royle. “They need to do something else that is going to make an impact on a larger scale.”

“I don’t think the lack of demands is a weakness either. The list of demands is always growing and I don’t think people should limit their visions of a better world to a list of demands,” said Grab.

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“Occupy Together Meetups as of Oct. 12

New York: 82 Occupiers

Nyack: 24 Occupiers

Brooklyn: 22 Occupiers

Jersey City: 12 Occupiers

Morristown: 10 Occupiers

Bronx: 5 Occupiers

Montclair: 4 Occupiers

Newton: 4 Occupiers

Information courtesy of meetup.com

Some of these proposed demands include the passage of laws eliminating influence of lobbyists and a passage of the Buffett Rule regarding taxation.

The Buffett Rule was named after Warren Buffett, who has urged Congress to tax wealthy citizens relative to what they earn. Buffett has spoken out about the inequality about taxation, including median megalopolis report Med- dicus and JP Morgan CEO Jamie Di- mond, among others.

The Millionaire March, in response to the Millionaires Tax set to expire at the end of the year, was organized by members of Strong Economy for All, United for New York and the Working Families Party, calling themselves the 9 New York.

The youth of today need to make the 21st century the era when capitalism — the exploitation of the overwhelming majority by the evil few — is buried for once and for all,” said Furr.

“The protests are not impacting the wealthier class because they’re still getting paid and making money. They need to do something bigger.”

Jonathon Royle
Senior

For additional photos and video of the protests visit themontclarion.org

“We are outraged with the way society is functioning right now. We are going to recreate our own version of society and show you that it is possible, fun and honorable to take care of one another instead of living a greed-filled life,” said Grab.

Though the movement is increasing in participation, a resolution is yet to be seen.

“I have no idea what will be resolved by the protests. I hope a lot. Like I said earlier, the people educating those there overnight are set up to stay for a long time,” said Grab.

Zuccotti Park has been transformed from a park into a community including a security center, library, medical unit, information center, comfort station and kitchen in which food has been donated and dishes are washed.

“It’s not like a bunch of hippies just hanging out and having a good time. Everything they do has a deliberate political message,” said Grab.

People are talking politics every-where, learning from one another, sharing ideas, connecting on a level that is otherwise denied by the constructs of private lives and eight-hour work days. This is the political message, the equality among people, the system.

“The capitalists run the country and both Republican and Democratic parties. Finance capitalists, symbolized by Wall Street, created the current depression, then put their blankens in both parties to bail them out with public money — yours and mine,” said Furr.

“If we don’t give the people rights that are otherwise denied by the constructs of private lives, it will be a weak economy, but it will nev- er shut them up for good,” said Grab.

“People will always organize for change as long as the risk is.”

The richest country on earth is a social state of millions without health care, millions unemployed; live in slums; suffer from social injustice. Hundreds of millions have no health care; no pensions; are unemployed or underemployed; live in slime; suffer from miserable prison-like schools, pay huge amounts for ‘people education’ and Furr.

Students for Democratic Society will be hosting a teach-in about Occupy Wall Street on Oct. 28 at 2:30 p.m. in the outdoor Amphitheater or in Dickson 112 in case of rain.

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Sophomore Success Series is a series of activities designed just for Sophomores! Developing relationships, choosing a major, deciding whether to study abroad, and finding an internship are just some of the decisions students make during the sophomore year. Check out these events happening around campus!

October 19—November 2

Wednesday, October 19
RESUMANIA! 2:30pm–4:00pm, MO – 337, Career Library
Employers provide feedback on your resume; Register at montclair.edu/CareerServices/studentservices/workshops.html

Climbing the Corporate Ladder 3:00pm, PA 113
Featuring Andy Teach, the author of From Graduation to Corporation, what do you do once you land the job of your dreams? Priority given to School of Business students, Please register at: tinyurl.com/corporateladder

Study Abroad Information Session 2:30pm, Global Education Center
22 Normal Avenue, opposite Panzer Athletic Center

Thursday, October 20
Job Interviews: What to Expect and How to Prepare 10:00am - 11:30am, MO – 334
Register at montclair.edu/CareerServices/studentservices/workshops.html

Viva Las Vegas: Sophomore Social 7:30pm, Sinatra Hall
Casino games, board games, and a Wii tournament, and win Red Hawk Dollars!

Saturday, October 22
Open Mic & Karaoke Night time TBD, Sinatra Hall
Sponsored by the Sinatra Hall CA staff and Bonner Leaders, donate canned goods to a local soup kitchen, and learn more about the Bonner Leaders Service Leadership program

Monday, October 24
Career Fair Preparation, presented by TARGET 2:30 – 4:00pm, UN – Courtyard Lounge
Register here: montclair.edu/CareerServices/studentServices/workshops.html

Tuesday, October 25
Applying to Graduate School 2:00pm–3:00pm, MO – 334
Register here: montclair.edu/CareerServices/studentServices/workshops.html

Wednesday, October 26
Professional Science Series 6:00pm, Sokol Room, First Floor of Science Hall
Guest Speaker Dr. Rosa Bjorkeson, Vice President of MS Business Unit for Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation

Sophomore Advising Session 2:00pm—4:00pm, Sinatra Hall
Have a chance to meet with an advisor from the Center for Advising & Student Transitions (CAST) to discuss your transition from undeclared student to a major and what it means to change your major. Undeclared students: Come early and learn about choosing a major and thinking about career choices

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Thursday, October 27
Study Abroad 202: Study Abroad Tips for Sophomores 12:00pm, Cohen Lounge, Dickson Hall

Tuesday, November 1
Fall Career and Internship Fair 1:00pm—4:30pm, UN 7th Floor Conference Center
For all majors. No registration required for students.

Wednesday, November 2, 2:00pm
New York Times Guest Speaker David Carr 2:30pm, UN 1050
New York Times media and culture columnist David Carr will speak about pursuing your passion

Career Counseling Drop-In Hours EVERY Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 2 - 4pm
Questions? Contact the Center for Advising & Student Transitions
Virtual EMS Request System

The University has recently adopted a new EMS Request system that is conducted entirely online. The program is designed to make the process of booking rooms and facilities easier and more accessible for students, faculty, and staff.

The new system also enables organizations to submit requests online, rather than only being able to do so during regular business hours. The turnaround time for scheduling a room is approximately two weeks, according to Frost. Students and staff now have the option to log into Vir- tual EMS to check the status of their requests. They also get an e-mail once their request is processed.

The University has recently adopted the new system and the difficulties it has encountered. President Megan MacIntire expressed her disappointment with the problems. The new system is reviewed by CSI and then sent on to the University Facilities, who make the final decision on the availability of the room. It should be noted that while the University has made an effort to improve the system, it is not perfect.

Organizations are required to indicate the time and prospective location for the event, and must also indicate whether police officers will be needed, if food will be served, and the number of ex- pected attendees. Other factors in- clude the type of funding required for the event, as well as additional items needed, such as tables, chairs, micro- phones, projectors, etc.

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Finley Hall is nearly completed. The new complex, which houses part of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, as well as the College of the Arts, is being renamed the studio door unlocked. [When I returned] I was relieved to find that the building was secure and that the damage to Finley South or Finley Annex remained limited.
Fashion happens at all times of the year. In my opinion, fall is one of the best seasons to watch students strut their stuff down the MSU campus fashion runway. From chokers to loud floral prints, MSU is swarming with fashionistas. Everyone jumps on board for fall fashion, showcasing their personal style. Fashion Week in New York proved that bright colored hair is soon to be in...again! The ’70s and ’80s have returned with their leg warmers (which is the bookcase in the Student Center sell), jeans and blazers. As the seasons change, the jackets and sweatsuits come out to play. You can't go wrong with a printed blazer (or plain black) to any t-shirt for an on-the-go professional look. Oversized sweatsuits paired with leggings have been resurrected once again. Not only are they comfy but leg- gings are still in fashion. They're one of those items that will never disappear. It’s also the time of year to pick out your favorite jeans to wear with your favorite skinny jeans — again, a style that we won’t see anytime soon. So far this season, buckles and zippers on choker boots seem to be the trend. The height of the boot also determines your look (Warning: Please don’t wear heeled boots in the snow and ice!). These fashions are easy to find. Most clothing stores carry the season’s hot, new looks. However, if you’re looking for something completely unique, fashion stores are the way to go. And, yes, students are also hip to thrift stores. They are not just for old ladies. These fashions are easy to find. Most clothing stores carry the season’s hot, new looks. However, if you’re looking for something completely unique, fashion stores are the way to go. And, yes, students are also hip to thrift stores. They are not just for old ladies.

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If you liked the Rob Zombie sweatshirt your wardrobe to show off extra spunk. Band merch is always a nice addition to your wardrobe. If you're going to wear school stuff you buy one from namamica.com. Oversized sweatsuits paired with leggings have been resurrected once again. Not only are they comfy but legg- gings are still in fashion. They’re one of those items that will never disappear. It’s also the time of year to pick out your favorite jeans to wear with your favorite skinny jeans — again, a style that we won’t see anytime soon. So far this season, buckles and zippers on choker boots seem to be the trend. The height of the boot also determines your look (Warning: Please don’t wear heeled boots in the snow and ice!). These fashions are easy to find. Most clothing stores carry the season’s hot, new looks. However, if you’re looking for something completely unique, fashion stores are the way to go. And, yes, students are also hip to thrift stores. They are not just for old ladies.

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If you want to be fashionable but don’t wear heeled boots in the snow and ice! So the leather bracelets worn by Bayley are a must-have. Pick up a pair at the nearest H&M or order from hm.com for $7.50.

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Facebook is unavoidable. Mark Zuckerberg’s nerdy plot to meet girls has officially reshaped our generation. Facebook is a verb, a noun and even an adjective in some countries, probably. It has become a universal all-age networking tool and a place to share almost every form of multimedia. Those girls with braces in the public library who should be reading “Battler’s Club” novels? They’re updating their statuses. Your grandma who would normally be watching her afternoon soaps and eating on Wethers’ Original Alphabet Crackers? That is a Facebooker. “Who’s your BFF?” I think that Facebook is awesome. I don’t think it’s wrong, but it also shapes the way we live a lot more than we think. Because I always have to go against the status quo, here are the five reasons I love to hate Facebook:

1. Old flames always appear along the side of your page: Like a nemesis or a friend, your ex-boyfriend (or ex-girlfriend) could see your crush, XMichaelMurder’s Club” novels? Those girls who somehow manage to do this. Along the left side of your page, it shows the world your best friend based on the amount of tagged photos and interactions you have with a person. However, more often than not, this means a romantic interest or an ex will stalk, too. They get bored sometimes just like we do and might be bitter because they didn’t get to go to a great school like Montclair and might take it out on you. They might lose a job or internship, change your display name, adjust your privacy settings accordingly or delete the pictures altogether.

5. It’s addictive. Finally, Facebook can engage someone to such a reason that is probably linked to human evolution in some way that I could not make — not yours.

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Coming Out Week: Understanding and Support for All

Amrada Balhi  Features Editor

“Coming out of the closet,” as the saying goes, is tougher for most people. Sometimes, being gay is a secret that a man or woman keeps with until, one day, they blurt it out.

Coming Out Week is a national celebration of being gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender. MSU handed out together to understand and support equality this week.

Sponsored by campus groups such as SPECTRUMS, the LGBTQ center and the Center for Faith and Spirituality, this week was for promoting campus support.

Coming Out Week started on Monday, Oct. 10 with a traditional flag raising and speeches by President Susan Cole and Joan Vadean. The sudden nice weather proved to be a starting point for a momentous week.

SPECTRUMS held a “Sharing Our Stories” event in which the members shared their stories of coming out as well as welcoming anyone up to the podium to share their stories as well. Students accepted this challenge with open arms.

Official Coming Out Day was Tuesday, Oct. 11. The day consisted of discussions as well as events to promote public awareness.

To celebrate, the show included strutting your stuff in a “likes” t-shirt exclaming “Likes Men,” “Likes Women,” “Likes Everyone” or “Likes Men and Women.” One shirt even read “Likes Equality.”

Three-hundred t-shirts were made and handed out to anyone who signed up for men, gay or not. The parade of pride brought a smile to my face and a tear to my eye as I connected across cultures: LGBT communities.

A momentous week.

Sunday, Oct. 11 was “Likes Equality:” as the skies randomly opened up intermittently during the day, cancelling the peace rally. However, HIV testing was still available in the Student Center.

Thursday’s events are scheduled as discussions: Safe Space training, Connecting Across Cultures: LGBTQ communities around the world and Study abroad: special courses for the LGBTQ community.

This Friday night, LGBTQ is holding a Pride Dance.

Saturday afternoon, there’s a trip to New York City to see the musical “Priscilla, Queen of the Desert,” which is about three drag queens trying to find their place in the world.

Anyone can be a part of these events and tickets are still available for the show. You can pick them up at the CSI office in the Student Center annex. They’re $80 for student tickets and $55 for non-students.

No matter how difficult coming out can be, there are great campus resources for your benefit.

Student organizations are located in the Student Center annex.

My best friend told me he was gay. How should I react?

He Said

Even if you’re homophobic, why would you get the sudden fright that your friend is going to come on to you, or check you out? Your friend is still your friend: he isn’t going to try to turn into your lover overnight. Besides, you might not be his type to date anyway. Don’t get so ahead of yourself.

The only way you two are going to act differently is if you start treating the way you hang out differently. The next time you two sit on the couch and watch the football game together should be the same. It’s just a new week and a new friendship. Last week he/she was just as gay as they are this week — you just didn’t know it so it didn’t bother you, and it still shouldn’t.

We are urged by society to separate ourselves on the couch subconsciously as if we were infected with cooties. Truthfully, this whole thing is hard on your friend than it is on you. He’s worried you don’t treat them any different.

Best friend, friend, coworker, classmate, etc. — regardless of who they are, the situation shouldn’t be any different than it was the day before they told you.

She Said

You should react the same way you would if someone told you he or she were human, take it like a grain of salt and just continue respecting them as if nothing has changed.

Okay, I realize we live in a world of stereotypes, and what I am recommending is easier said than done, but it’s important to be bigger than the stereotypes. After all, if you were unaware of your friend’s sexual orientation to begin with, it’s most likely because his or her manliness and personality contradicted the homosexual stereotypes engraved in society.

Granted, your very first reaction may not have been a smooth transition. However, the follow-up to this reaction leaves room for recovery. Take as much time as you need to process his or her decision, but sexual orientation aside, this person is still your best friend.

A friend of mine confronted me not too long ago with a similar situation.

I asked her how she felt, she responded with, “Ew, she’s seen me naked before.” So I asked, “And what makes you think you’re her type?” Just because your friend is gay doesn’t mean he or she wants to date you; it means they need a friend to talk to.

Instead of worrying about how their sexual orientation affects your life, try changing your perspective coming out isn’t easy. Disallowing the fact that he or she is interested in the same sex may have sent a 90 mph curveball in your direction, but it also unleashed a secret he or she has been holding in for years. The fact that they chose to tell you over anybody else shows just how much you mean to them.

If you can’t accept his sexual orientation, as his best friend, then who will? Some people hear “gay” and react as if it is an incurable disease. Discriminating against someone because of their sexual orientation is as wrong as it is to discriminate against someone for their skin color.

Jay Hrina  Assistant News Editor

If your best friend came up to you and announced that he or she is gay, surely, you may have been shocked a little bit, but if it changes any way you act or react in front of them, then you aren’t being a good friend.

If this occurs, it’s most likely something you didn’t know about your friend. This thought never arose that your friend could possibly be gay.

So if nothing changed the way you two acted in the past when there were straight, why should anything change now?
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1. Serpent
2. Serious?
3. No. of Ron's brothers - no. of fingers on a goblin's hand
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5. Least money
6. Dursleys, to Harry
7. Serious?
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9. Fred
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14. Stan's passenger
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18. Norbert pickup point
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33. Jupiter moon
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35. Mandrake grower
36. Where Harry sleeps
37. Headless Harry
38. Key to entering London Wizarding street
39. Argument in London
40. Frozen dessert
41. Griff. Divin. whiz
42. Characteristic of Gringott's tunnels
43. Third floor doors
44. Do follower
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56. Chocolate_____  
57. Fog
58. Entry to the Chamber of Secrets
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63. Between semesters
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**Check out next week’s issue for the answers!**
Imagine this: Your day starts off as any other. You wake up, have breakfast and get ready to head to campus. Let’s just say in this situation that you are a member of the MFA program.

Last night your muse decided to rear its head and you have a near-perfect concept for a new painting. Upon entering Finley Hall you head to your private studio, only to find your door unlocked and one of the walls of your coveted studio missing. And not only that, but your work is exposed and covered in dust and dirt. As well as all of your electronics that you had thought were safe in your studio.

This was the site that greeted one of the artists in the MFA program. These students were not notified that there would be construction on their studios nor were they warned that their work would possibly be damaged.

We here at The Montclarion could hardly believe that the University would assume such a nonchalant approach to construction in the very place that houses delicate artwork. It would be one thing if the students were notified that their work might be compromised due to the construction, but we have received reports that the MFA students were not informed in the slightest.

We understand that the reason for the construction is to improve upon the building’s integrity. Honestly, we are glad that the building is receiving attention. Finley Hall has not been renovated since its completion in 1957.

It would be a completely different matter if the construction were occurring in, say, McKee Hall. Our objections seem painfully obvious: There are art students in Finley Hall. They are creating artwork that requires precision and careful attention. Humidity and contamination are prominent factors in maintaining paintings, especially. How someone could just knock down a wall of someone’s studio is completely beyond us.

Various MFA students are citing the construction as a serious disruption to their work. They feel that if they are paying tuition and studio fees they should not have to suffer such errors by the University.

They do have a point, but isn’t this a prominent issue among all art students? We have heard many undergraduate art students complain that even though they have to pay fees they have to buy supplies, which cost a hefty amount of money. It’s hard to say whether or not the fees that the art community has to pay even out in the long run, but we doubt it.

When approached about the construction mishap Facilities did not offer any comments concerning the matter. It would be refreshing to see the University own up to a mistake and offer something as simple as an apology for damaging the property of its student. We hope that in the future the MFA students will be notified of any possible construction on their studios and that Facilities will exercise more caution when renovating a building that houses artwork.
Taking a Big Bite out of Apple

Will Apple suffer the loss of Steve Jobs? Or is success in their future?

Since the death of the former CEO on Oct. 5, the biggest question on everyone’s mind has been: "Who is going to be the next Apple?"

These were men in suits, the working class, people with whom Jobs had much in common and who had watched as the nation has spiraled into economic oblivion. Jobs’ presence at the parade indicates that upon graduation there will be no ye.

"I don’t know what the right thing to do is, but I know what they say it. "We are the 99 percent.""

"We don’t want an absurdly uneven distribution of wealth or capital. We just want to boot out corporate lobbyists who are responsible for such national disdain, the reason why I attended the Occupy Wall Street march in Washington Square Park and ended on the steps of City Hall."

These people left their homes, classes and even work to attend the march. And no, it wasn’t to protest the New York Giants jammed the Super Bowl. It was to rise up from New York on Oct. 5.

Blue flags and handmade signs floated above the thousands of protesters. Those rains oozed across Foley Square and spilled into the surrounding streets.

On this particular day the protestors were not just snarling Wall Street, but had taken their message to the doors of Washington Square Park and ended on the steps of City Hall."

"This is the reason why I attended the Occupy Wall Street march, which is the biggest thing to happen to the country’s awareness. It is a statement that we will not be intimidated, not only by the lies that people are saying but by the way we are being treated."

"As a matter of fact, we are more than being treated, we are being treated more than what I think is fair."

"I am going to change the world."

"It is a vote of no confidence in a system that has increasingly become not only a system that we can no longer trust, but a system that we can no longer support."
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Is College Social Drinking a Real Problem? Agree or Disagree? 

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Reflection on Modern Religious Intolerance

The shocking realization that religious discrimination is still running rampant.

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Whether the response was the effect of the other countries, or the result of people other than that of Christianity, will be greatly

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Few recently came across an article that sent chills down my spine and elicited to the part of my mind that has to do with impulse control, thinking logic.

Recently, I was reading an article that was 32-years-old regarding the incident that prompted this piece. What occurred was reprehensible.

The author is a 2011 graduate of Montclair State University and is now attending law school at St. John’s University.

My question is: When a college students lose their alcohol consumption across the lines of “Social drinking,” it seems to be a bit like drinking with a hangover.

I was a 20-year-old who didn’t have five drinks a day for five days a week to fi ve days a week for five days a week. But a college student who will say it is traumatic events, other will say it is the strong desire to do something and not caring about how it may affect themselves or others.

Drugs, whether with alcohol, be it with drugs, alcohol or even vapor, comes in many forms, is always one that these attun-

The monologue comes from a research that was born a Muslim — a claim that he voluminously denies. Despite the findings of this research, I still believe in Christianity as an adult, the court continues to demand that he recite his faith or other

The problem is, every single student has a different idea of what exactly “too much” is. From the moment that you step foot on the American soil, you are first introduced to the concept of drinking due to peer pressure.

One would think that the traits we share in simply being human would be enough to transcend the differences that arise in our separate belief systems. The world is too confusing, and life too short to see the world through our cultural eyes against one another, constantly berated and constantly persecuted for something as simple as our belief systems.

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"Moneyball" Scores a Home Run
Statistics was never this entertaining

Max Weinstein
Staff Writer

If economic prosperity rests in the hands of those under-valued, or in a region of the Buffett-exposed, "coddled" and asinine one that we in our up- per echelon, who will realize their greatness? Is a parcel only as good as the home runs it brings or the on-base per- centage it achieves? "Moneyball.

Brad Pitt’s Billy Beane is a former high school phonem who accepts that to follow his vision may end him work- ing the fires of Dick’s Sport- ing Goods, and accepting this fact grants him the chance to change the game of baseball.

In one sense, Aaron Sorkin’s protagonists are mad-genius capoletti, who exist in a universe in which nothing but rebellious wit and initiative are required to rewrite history. In another, they’re self-lauding machechate with a fiendish im- pulse to scream, "I told you so."

Insofar as it’s about the ob- jective approach of Beane and Yale economist Peter Brand (Jonah Hill) cited by statistical veteran Bill James as "a- supermetrics," to managing the dem- onstrating how one, some of those, I believe in, de- fer: arrogant-minded fashion and popular managerial logic.

When we’re first introduced to them, the A’s are a disenfran- chised franchise. If there ever was one. Observing the gen- eral manager toting his Oberon over his first pre-season meeting remit, that final school-home- work sessions where textbook covers move as page turns. It’s an anti-meeting of the minds when Billy explains to them, "There are rich teams and there are poor teams, then there’s 50 feet of crop and then there’s us." He then adds, "To these guys, new numbers need to clean up their act."

In the exchange of information at- tended to it, and so after a few meetings, the geeky, twenty-something inter- vention from Yale is now an as- asistant general manager.

This updates more than a few of the team’s old-timers, as well as its manager, Art Howe (Phillip Seymour Hoff- man), who sees Beane as de- liberational, wanked away by pet theories. Beane issues them an ultimatum: "Adapt or die."

How does it all play out? A compelling, well-crafted celebration of Beane and Brand as organiza- tors. This is their chap- ter, and it’s written by de- manding that everyone else listen to it and adhere to it, or remain in the gutter. One se- quence, in which our partners in crime (jingle phone lines to land their targeted players be- fore a trade deadline), builds the audience with glorious patience, as we witness a fledgling idea birthed to life through rigorous reanalysis and confidence.

Moments like these par- tite some of Pitt and Hill’s best work, drawing on im- provisation and a grow- ing bond that reinforces the film’s progressive rhetori- c.

Bennett Miller, who previ- diously directed Hoffman in the title role of “Capote,” ap- proaches the lses of “Money- ball” with an appreciation for romance and romantic whimsey.

With flashes of radio snoppers, locker room interviews with brush journalist and zen-like Howe (Phillip Seymour H), he also displaces a keen sensitivity to the exter- nal pressures of players to per- form under exigent conditions and heavy public scrutiny. If we’re to buy the film’s hill of goals, and follow what we know, then the. 2004 Boston Red Sox’s adapt- ation of Sorkin’s methodolo- wery choice. 50 percent of that franchise birthed since 1918 — then the "mone- yball," the anxious story of the little guy, is very real.

If this weekend is your last chance to catch it as reviews bubble that it will be heading to Broadway. Of course, the crowsy music- al atmosphere is still there, but to date a cost of rel- ative male characters, this pro- duction is worth every second.
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“The Ides of March” spares no expense when it alludes to the disguised corruption within our political system. George Clooney directed the film that presents politicians and their advisors in an antagonistic fashion, as they rely not on the integrity and dignity they preach, but upon self-assurance and deception. Another virtue that is beat through-out the film is loyalty, something each character falls victim to. Running an American campaign is cutthroat and potentially soul crushing, sucking the inspiration out and filling the void with animosity. Although, this is something most Americans already know about their politicians and the hoax otherwise known as their campaigns.

The movie revolves around the Democratic primary, rarely acknowledging the Republicans because, quite frankly, they don’t need to. The feelings towards the Republicans are mutual among all Democrats, and Clooney works within a structure solely comprised of competing Democrats. The main character is Stephen Meyers (Ryan Gosling), an experienced young man working under Governor Mike Morris (Clooney) who is belittled to the point of having to lie for a living. Meyers is not a realist, but a self-reliant individual who is the only one not already compromised at the start of the film.

Philip Seymour Hoffman plays Paul Zara, Morris’ campaign manager who has quite a temper. Zara is working against Tom Duffy (Paul Giamatti), the campaign manager of Sen. Pullman, the man running against Morris. The scene between Hoffman and Giamatti stands out as a result of the corruption and animosity between them. They both show fake remorse in their eventual betrayal of Meyers, something which is typical for any politician these days, as dishonesty is simply part of the job description.

Duplicity has its consequences, however, and those consequences are demonstrated perfectly in an intense scene featuring Morris and Meyers towards the climax of the film. “The Ides of March” is well scripted, as it starts out slow, but becomes more and more complex and aggressive as the film plays out. Not only does it become more complex but it becomes more real, and this realism emerges to become a central theme in the film. We know how politicians act, and we know how crude they can be. Clooney’s film simply reminds us of this fact and reinforces it.

The major strength of the film is in its acting, which adds a refreshingly real sense of believability to the film. “The Ides of March” is based on a cynical political stage drama called “Farragut North,” and everything this movie suggests about political idealism is well received. If you can’t make it to the theater to see the message this film is trying to convey, you can always just turn on your television. The theme of deception will never go out of style.
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Is Hip-Hop Still Dead?

BET Hip-Hop Awards say no

Rashard Branhaw
Staff Writer

In 2009, Jay Z, one of Hip Hop’s most prominent figures released a track called D.O.A. (Death of Auto-Tune) which took obvious jabs at T-Pain, a much younger Hip Hop artist. Jay Z was pointing out an issue he had with T-Pain’s use of the auto-tune effect on his vocals. This continued a clash that began three years prior with the release of Nas’ 8th studio album Hip Hop is Dead. This battle, the clash between “old” and “new” has been a recurring issue since Hip Hop began. Many avid listeners believe that Hip Hop is becoming too commercial while others were unfazed by the evolution of the art form. This caused a major divide within listeners. Suddenly it’s not a question of whether or not you liked Hip Hop but when you liked Hip Hop. Some even feared that the golden age of the MC had come to a close and would never return.

The BET network aired the 2011 BET Hip Hop Awards on Oct. 11. This award show, unlike any other award show honors both the pioneers as well as the newcomers in the industry. There have been a slew of new faces trying to prove that they have what it takes to be the next big thing in music and for one night they share the same stage with the same individuals who paved the way for them. Hosted by the comedian Mike Epps the show was star studded and had cameos by Hip Hop heavy hitters Erykah Badu, DMX, Da Brat, Nelly, Busta Rhymes and TI. Some more modern acts included Wiz Khalifah, Roscoe Dash, Rick Ross, DJ khaled, Big Sean and Lupe Fiasco. Even with the long list of big names that were seated and performed on stage overall I was not too pleased with the show. I was definitely not entertained by many of the acts which lacked the excitement that was so fluid in older award shows. However, I was genuinely interested in the mini cyphers that were aired during each break that debuted some familiar and not so familiar talent.

A cypher is formed when a group of MCs get together to recite rap verses for fun or to gain respect from other MCs. One of my favorite cyphers included Eminem, Joe Budden and Yelawolf. I really enjoyed the fact that BET showed cyphers during the award show because it really bridged the gap between the old and new since cyphers are rarely seen now a days. I also liked that they mixed older rappers with younger ones which showed unity and mutual respect between generations. Hip Hop legend Heavy D definitely deserved best performance of the night. His medley that included his famous hit “Now That We Found Love” was entertaining and brought back the swag of Hip Hop that many miss with a touch of new school flavor. The list of nominees and winners were too predictable, and I found myself getting up for snacks during that time instead of during commercial breaks. I was happy that BET honored LL Cool J for his contribution to Hip Hop with the BET I Am Hip Hop award. LL Cool J is definitely a staple in Hip Hop and even to this day is both relevant in highly respected so it was well deserved.

Cyphers featuring Chris Brown, Tyga, Ace Hood and a host of other stole the night
Photo courtesy of Hip Hop DX

What made this award show so interesting, even with the lackluster performances and awards, was the fact that they displayed just how amazing Hip Hop was and still is. Regardless of if you like what’s on the radio or miss those older tracks that are now labeled throwbacks Hip Hop and Rap music is definitely not going away. From Nicki Minaj to Odd Future, Hip Hop is no longer stuck in the cookie cutter mold of gangster lifestyles and extensive word play of the 90s. Many are not buying into this new brand of Hip Hop, but life any art form Hip Hop will constantly change with the times. So no, Hip Hop is not dead. She just got a facelift.
Football

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MSU Ice Hockey Wins League Opener

Steve Biri

The Red Hawks hit the ice again on Sunday, Oct. 9 to face off against a strong Marist College team in their first Super East League game.

It wasn’t a pretty one, but the Red Hawks came out on top with a final score of 6-5.

The team was battling the flu all week long and even had to call in day passes from training sessions from freshmen Phil Devereux, Nick Franzese, and Josephine Settineri. Assistant coach Jim McCarren traveled with the team on Sunday.

Freshman Albert Amasaki scored the first goal of the game and the second of the season for the Red Hawks.

Montclair State University started strong but the momentum quickly shifted to Marist after a turnover by assistant captain John Tully who would give Marist its first goal. Another turnover by freshman Dylan Devereux gave Marist a 2-on-1 going into the offensive zone led to another goal from0 Marist.

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Junior Cody Inglis tied the game up at three with his first goal of the season early in the second period. Marist put the pressure on again serving two unanswered goals to take a 5-3 lead. One of those goals coming shorthanded, which took the momentum right out from under the Red Hawks’ skates.

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Sophomore Nick Lieback scored the game-winning goal for the Red Hawks, ripping a slap shot from under the Red Hawks’ skates. The drive started and things looked a little bleak; promise wasn’t showing itself in the second half for Montclair. Then, a 41-yard strike to Gerald Silvera put the Red Hawks in field goal range.

After a few plays of clock and field management senior kicker DelVento, who had missed earlier in the fourth quarter after his kick was blocked, executed a perfect 32-yard field goal to put Montclair back up 14-13.

Cortland had one final chance to go ahead but couldn’t go up the field as they turned the ball over on downs.

MSU takes on.local rival William Paterson at home Saturday, Oct. 15th at 6 p.m.

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The Red Hawks will face-off against Marist again Saturday, Oct. 15 at 9:15 p.m. at Floyd Hall Arena as they look to take both games of the home and away series.


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Local Athlete Finds His Way Home

Sophomore Dan Mendoza returns to his New Jersey roots to play for MSU

Josh Wentz
Staff Writer

It’s the dream that every high school athlete has and for Hackensack’s Dan Mendoza, his dream was no different. While a senior at Hackensack High School, Mendoza built a fine high school resume in which he earned First-Team All-State and All-American honorable mention in soccer some interest from Division I schools.

“I let the idea of playing at a Division I program pull me away,” said Mendoza, who chose Division I Loyola University over other Division I schools Seton Hall, American University and D-III Montclair State.

Mendoza learned quickly that Loyola was going to be the right fit and took the advice of his parents to pay attention to MSU.

“I felt at home with Montclar,” Mendoza said. “I had a good connection with the coach at the time and he always told me that I had a place if I wanted to come.”

Mendoza transferred to Montclair last season and as a freshman, now immedi-ately acclimated as an athlete. He started all 22 games and led the team in both goals (10) and assists (6). His perfor-mance on the field earned him awards for Second-Team All-NJAC, Loycning Kirkhoff Classic All-Tournament Team, Mayor’s Cup Tournament Offensive Most Valuable Player and Mayor’s Cup All- Tournament Team. However, not every success came easy for Mendoza. Being a freshman and dividing his time between soccer and academics, Mendoza found trouble gaining respect from an already-successful MSU soccer team.

“A top-tier soccer team wants a kid on their team who aren’t determined, or division II soccer,” Mendoza explained. “I had to show that I would work hard not only on the soccer field but also in the classroom and wear the shirt and for the rest of the guys on the team.”

Mendoza’s hard work cannot be ques-tioned. This is evident in his being named one of the captains this year for the team. Mendoza knows there is more responsibil-ity as a captain and he’s up for the task.

“I want to be a good captain that everyone wants to work for, and one that wants to be a leader,” Mendoza said. “I find myself working that much harder not only for myself but for the guys on the team. I was made captain for a reason and I have to keep that mentality going for all new and current players as they can strive for the same.”

Although Mendoza may be the star of the team, he is quick to point out that his teammates inspire him. “No matter what situation I am in, captain or not, I always learn from the guys on the team. Even leaders need to follow sometimes,” Mendoza said.

“Everyone wants to be a leader,” Mendoza said. “I find everyone can follow and one that wants to lead. I find that I have a place if I wanted to come.”

Men’s Soccer Falls to Top-Ranked Rutgers-Camden

Red Hawks fall to NJAC leader after winning six straight

Nick Verhagen
Assistant Sports Editor

The MSU men’s soccer team played a solid game of soccer but lost to the con-ference leading Rutgers-Camden. The loss stopped the Red Hawks’ win streak at six games.

The game was bound to be a big one as two of the top three teams in the NJAC played each other. Both teams knew who they were going against and neither backed down.

From the start of the match, the game reached a fast pace on both sides of the ball. MSU took the first shot of the game just over five minutes in.

MSU played a very aggressive first half. The Red Hawks shot the ball a total of seven times. Three of their shots were saved and one hit off the post during a very strong seven minutes of play that almost gave the Red Hawks an early 1-0 lead.

Even though the aggression almost gave MSU the lead, it also hindered their performance in the second half. The Red Hawks tallied an outstanding nine fouls in the first half.

The second half saw the performance of the teams completely switch. Compared to their overly aggressive first half, MSU had numbers that would show a cleaner, more conservative second half.

The Red Hawks took almost the same amount of shots, taking only one less than in the first half. Along with the decreases in shots taken, the Red Hawks cut their foul count in half, committing only four fouls.

The Red Hawks stepped up after halftime as well and caught the Red Hawks off guard. The Raptors took nine shots in the second half, three more than in the first. The Raptors also almost doubled their foul count for the half.

The Raptors failed the Red Hawks five times in the first half and eight times in the second.

The first goal of the game was not scored until the 60th minute by junior midfielder Zak Piccoline to give the Raptors a 1-0. The goal marked Piccoline’s first goal of the season.

That first goal started what would end in a very exciting six minutes of soccer. Not even two minutes later, MSU tied the game at 1-1 thanks to a goal by freshman forward Brian Cullen.

Just as things started to look good for MSU, the Raptors came back with a go-ahead goal a mere four minutes later credited to freshman midfielder Joe Aubaht.

The Raptors sealed the deal and struck the final blow in the 79th minute with a goal by sophomore defender Bobby Frazier. The Red Hawks were unable to come back from the two-point deficit and the final whistle blew with the Raptors up 3-1.

The Red Hawks went back to action on Wednesday against Kean University. Thanks to a sudden surge of offense in the 49th minute, MSU beat Kean 6-1.

The game was tied 1-1 going into the second half of play. The team needed something to get into the Red Hawk offense.

Cullen, senior defender Mike Rudden and sophomore midfielder Soo Paola scored three straight goals within a five-minute period.

The Red Hawks will play New Jersey City on Saturday, Oct. 15 at 12 p.m. Photo Courtesy of Steve McCarthy

Mendoza edging past defender in a game against C.C.N.Y earlier this month. Mendoza had two goals in the contest.

Mendoza fighting for the ball in last week’s match up. The Red Hawks are now ranked second in NJAC.

Even leaders need to follow sometimes,” Mendoza said. “I am a captain not only because of hard work and dedication but because the guys on the team helped me get there.”

Mendoza has the Red Hawks (5-5-2) up to third in the NJAC. The Red Hawks are currently in second place in the NJAC and have won six out of their last seven games.

Mendoza doesn’t know what the future holds for him. He is currently a physical education major but would like to pursue a professional soccer career.

“I always speak about it to my coaches and family and they tell me to keep my head up and keep moving forward.”

Mendoza said of his professional soccer dream. “If I keep working hard, anything could happen.”

Professional soccer and teaching can be an hold for now because right now, Dan Mendoza is living his new dream: leading the Montclair State Red Hawks.
The Montclair State women's soccer team picked up a big win as they edged out Richard Stockton College 2-1 this past Saturday. The win moves them in a tie with the second-place conference team and moves them into third place in the conference. The win also marks the first time since 2006 that the team has won against the Richard Stockton women's team.

After a scoreless half where the Ospreys controlled most of the possession, freshman forward Francesca Gioberti scored at the 0:24 mark giving the Red Hawks a 1-0 lead and her ninth goal of the season. Minutes later, the Ospreys answered back with a goal of their own quickly evening the Red Hawks lead. As the game reached the 65-minute mark, junior forward Rachel Senyszyn scored what would be the game winner to a close game on the road.

“I knew their defense was having trouble keeping up with our forwards the whole game. I’m just glad I was able to break away and make my shot count,” said Senyszyn, who was also named the NAAC Women’s Offensive Player of the Week.

The Montclair State defense was also back by good goalkeeping from another of the team’s starting freshmen, Gina Pelliccione, who made four saves against the Ospreys in route to her seventh win of the season.

“Go down there and get a win on the road means a lot for our team,” said coach Pat Naughter, who is in his second year with the Red Hawks.

That one goal was very loud wake-up call for the Red Hawks. After the goal, MSU scored three straight goals within four minutes.

McNamara scored her 115th and 116th goals and sophmore forward Brittany Carroll scored her 12th goal to give the Red Hawks a 5-1 lead.

The second half was not much different from the first. MSU continued an exhilirating attack on the Ospreys defense and moved the game further out of reach. McNamara scored her third goal of the game in the 47th minute. The goal not only gave McNamara her 13th goal of the season but it also gave her the infamous hat trick.

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Montclair looked to defend its third-place rank against Kean Wednesday night but ended with a draw in double overtime. The game serves as a stepping stone to other NJAC rival as they prepare to face a first-place TCNJ team at home this upcoming Saturday. The game is set for 1 p.m. at Skver Park.

### Field Hockey

**Who’s Hot This Week**

**Field Hockey**

Jake De Vento

Kicker - Football

DeVento made two field goals, including the game-winner with 1:16 left, and four extra points in an exhilarating 34-33 victory over Cortland State. DeVento averaged his missed game-winning field goal last season in a 10-9 defeat to Cortland State. DeVento was named NAAC Special Teams Player of the Week.

### Women’s Soccer

**Game of the Week**

Field Hockey

Saturday, Oct. 15, 11 a.m.

vs. TCNJ

Sprague Field

Montclair State hosts NJAC rival TCNJ this Saturday in the biggest match up so far this season. The sixth-ranked Lions will be up against our own seventh-ranked Red Hawks.
Montclair State defeated Cortland State 34-33 in an emotional, gut-wrenching win in which senior quarterback Tom Fisher suffered a season ending injury.

“IT was a strange game,” coach Rick Giancola said, “I thought going into it [it] would be the same as last year.” A low-scoring, defensive driven game turned out to be the complete opposite as the first four possessions all led to touchdowns.

The Red Hawks played a tight game against Cortland State last year, losing their only 2010 regular season game to them 10-9. Montclair had a chance to beat Cortland in a situation eerily similar to the one that took place this game. Jack DelVento missed a field goal that would have given Montclair the victory last year.

Montclair had a comfortable lead after a huge 60-yard touchdown run by Chris D’Andrea early in the second half made it 31-14, but poor ball handling and offensive mediocrity brought Cortland State back in the game.

The fumbling miscues could be traced back to late in the first half, right after Fischer went down with an injury; junior quarterback Drew Cathey fumbled the Red Hawks Remain Undefeated

MSU rolls past opponents in unprecedented fashion

The seventh-ranked Red Hawks field hockey team maintained its unblemished record with a 3-0 road win over the 16th-ranked Rowan Profs on Saturday. The Red Hawks improve to 13-0 overall and 3-0 in the conference with the victory, their first over Rowan since 2006.

Midfielder Michelle Hagel opened the scoring early for the Red Hawks with a goal just over two minutes into the first half, putting the Red Hawks ahead 1-0. Sophomore Brooke Hullings provided the assist with a quick pass that Hagel knocked home for the first goal.

Sophomore Jennifer Tafro doubled the Montclair State lead minutes before half-time by converting a penalty stroke. Building on their two-goal halftime lead, the Red Hawks continued to play aggressively and held the Profs scoreless.

With 5:47 remaining in the game, Hagel ended all Rowan hopes for a comeback with a well-placed shot into the lower left corner of the cage for her second goal, making the score 3-0 as it would stand. Hullings and Devin McNamara provided the assists on the game-clinching goal from a penalty corner.

Hagel finished the game with two goals, making this her third two-goal game of the season. Tafro also contributed a goal in the Red Hawks’ winning effort. Hullings recorded two assists with McNamara adding an assist as well. Rowan took 11 shots in the game but only forced goalie Megan Bosland to make one save to record her fifth shutout of the season.

Coach Beth Gotting is very pleased with the victory over tough conference rival Rowan. “It’s always big to get a conference win on the road, especially at Rowan,” she said.

The Red Hawks are now ranked seventh in the national coaches’ poll and will be on the road again as they face Suny-Oswego on Monday, Oct. 10 before a key conference matchup against The College of New Jersey at home this Saturday. TCNJ is 10-2 overall, 3-0 in the conference and currently ranked sixth in the national coaches’ poll.

Coach Gotting is confident going into what will be the Red Hawks’ biggest game of the season thus far. “Our style matches very well with TCNJ, we prefer to play that style than Rowan’s style,” Gotting said.

The Red Hawks have not beaten TCNJ since 2005 and will have their work cut out for them as they face one of the top teams in the nation. Of course, that’s not to say that TCNJ doesn’t have their own mediocrity brought Cortland State back in the game.

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Freshman forward Emily Bland passing to a teammate in a match-up against Alvernia earlier in the month.