Hate Messages Reach New Heights

A Rally for Unity
The Campus Community Comes Together

MSU Community Meets Hate with Hope

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Hundreds of students and faculty members gathered outside of the Student Center on Tuesday afternoon to help support the LGBT community against the threats they have received over the past couple weeks. A sea of purple transformed the quad, since everyone was asked to wear the color that represents unity and equality. Many students proudly carried signs that varied from “I’m a little bi-furious!” to “Man-on-man is cool-on-awe-some.” Red Hawks from all over the community gathered in the quad to show their support in the Rally for Unity.

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Hateful and derogatory messages targeting African-American women were found on the door and walls of a suite in Mills Hall, located in the upper Machuga Complex of the Heights. The incident was reported at 10:33 p.m. by a student staff member of residential education and services, according to sources. The hateful messages came just hours after a peaceful day of unity was held on campus in support of the LGBT community.

Lt. Kieran Barret reports, “We met and provided campus resources to the victims in this case of criminal mischief and bias intimidation.”

“In addition, the bias response task force has been alerted for a comprehensive victim and community response to the incident,” he said.

Since the initial report, police have been working on the case, investigating this crime, working with the Passaic County prosecutors office.

Students have reacted with clear vehemence and disgust, feeling unsafe and rattled from this second incident.

“I think it’s really scary how someone could, you know, threaten a community like the black community, especially after the whole LGBT thing was so huge,” said student Chesnie Cain. “It’s just, are they doing it for attention? Is it really a threat? I don’t know how to feel. It’s very unsettling.”

When the instance occurred, pictures of the door immediately surfaced on the web. African-American students expressed their frustration at the situation and planned a rally at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday and declared that they would wear all black to represent the message that “black is beautiful.”

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Pelican Police Report

2 On Jan. 30:  Charly Carelus, 23, of Orange, was arrested on outstanding warrants out of Union Township. He is scheduled to appear in Union Township Municipal Court.

3 On Jan. 30:  A staff member reported an act of criminal mischief inside of the women’s bathroom inside of the Student Center. Graffiti was discovered inside of one of the stalls. This matter is under investigation.

4 On Jan. 31:  Seth Pennington, 26, of Morristown, was arrested and charged with violating a final restraining order. He is scheduled to appear in family court.

5 On Feb. 1:  A male resident reported the theft of his secured bicycle from a bike rack located at the Heights. This matter is under investigation.

6 On Feb. 1:  A female resident reported damage to her parked vehicle in Lot 45. This matter is under investigation.

7 On Feb. 2:  Juan Otalbaro, 29, of Hawthorne, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol on Route 46 East. He is scheduled to appear in Little Falls Municipal Court.

8 On Feb. 2:  Ali Hammoud, 21, of Paterson, was arrested on outstanding warrants. He was released on bail and scheduled to appear in Little Falls Municipal Court.

9 On Feb. 2:  An act of criminal mischief was reported at Hawk Crossings. Graffiti was found spray painted on the stairwell leading to Clove Road. This matter is under investigation.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at T-I-P-S (8477).
Students Create a Spontaneous and Informative Reaction Piece

This presentation was an online broadcast. Other broadcasts last semester covered events, such as the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11.

The idea was sparked by student reactions on campus to the events that occurred during the past few weeks.

All content for the show, including guests who were gathered specially for this event, were made possible by students' efforts.

Students Speak Out at B.O.T Meeting

The hour-long anti-bullying special was compiled with only one week of pre-production.

Lindsay Fernandez

"Please pardon the interruption" was the line students used to interrupt the Board of Trustees meeting that took place on campus last Thursday.

The Board of Trustees meeting turned controversial when a handful of students started to "mic check" the members of the board by taking words spoken by SPECKTRUM president, Alan Akins, and repeating them in unison. A video of the protest, posted to YouTube by Montclair State SDS, has gained almost 2,000 views in less than a week.

According to President Susan Cole, "When very few students sit on a wide range of university officers, it makes their views known is within the organizational structures provided within the university for just that purpose.

"We encourage any student that have any ideas or problems on how to improve the university to contact the SGA, Alex or me," student representative Jon Aronoff said.

The student government, student representatives, students in the university senate and students in positions of leadership around campus all have opportunities to be heard by the administration and other university representatives. Cole affirms that the Board of Trustees "does not manage the university." Further more, "The most appropriate and most effective places for students to make their views known is within the organizational structures provided within the university for just that purpose."
The University Health Center (UHC) has been expanded to offer weekend hours to students and faculty. "It's a beautiful thing to see the students and faculty back here on campus on weekends," said Donna Barry, director of UHC. "The staff will adjust their hours during the week, so we can continue to implement policies geared toward students in the college as well. The police are there that the coward that wrote it knew that they were out here," said Leslie Cole. "He's worked diligently alongside SGA members and university administrators to make Saturday operating hours a reality," Barry said. "Weekend services will be by appointment just as regular work day services. Urgent care for illness and injury as well as immunization services will be available. Preventive care and nonurgent visits will not be available at this time."

"I'm not necessary to hire any additional staff and cost was minimal because the current staff will work on Saturdays," said Howell. "The administration has always and continues to be interested in hearing from students."

"When the administration receives feedback from us, it tells them that we have people who are interested in hearing from students," Barry said.

This initiative benefits commuters as well. "Commuters will have an additional opportunity, at no additional cost to students and no increase in health insurance, to seek medical assistance on the weekend, if necessary," Barry said.

"I've been sick a couple times and had to go there. Commuters will have a little more convenience and don't have a car. I'm sure the convenience factor will be appreciated by students."
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munity were looking forward to the rally. "I feel like the rally was a great idea," said Emily Cooper, women and gender studies major and former secretary of Femvolution. "I feel it shows the community is bigger and more adamant than the people who did the attacks thought. It shows we won't back down."

Alongside the students, different organizations all over campus came together to lend a helping hand in planning the rally. Some of the organizations that helped included The Planet, Young Americans for Liberty, SPECTRUMS, the broadcasting department, the radio station and the Christian Fellowship.

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Although many students were questioning their safety on campus, Francesca Scirocco, president of The Planet, Young Americans for Liberty, SPECTRUMS, the broadcasting department, the radio station and the Christian Fellowship.

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Many of the students who came out to show their support at the rally considered the event a success. "I thought the rally was fantastic," said Michael Notarnicola, freshman. "The presentation of speakers was awesome." "I was surprised by how organized the event was," said Kevin Young, freshman. "Also, lots of people were there wearing their purple.""I was surprised by how organized the event was," said Kevin Young, freshman. "Also, lots of people were there wearing their purple." Later in the day, a candlelight vigil was held. The ceremony began at 8:30 p.m. and was also held in the quad. Nearly 80 students came out into the cold later in the day to continue to show their support. "The vigil was more of a reflection," said Scirocco. "We based it more off of the LGTB memorial that was held for Tyler Clemente at Rutgers. The idea was to have a peaceful conclusion to the day." Students stood side-by-side, some holding electric candles. Everyone was able to share their thoughts and feelings about the day and the events that led up to it. Once they were done, they touched their lights to the next person in line in order to light their candle.

After many students spoke their thoughts, Dean of Students Rose Howell came forward with moving words to the crowd. "We are one family," said Howell. "This is your campus. Don't you run scared. Everyone should feel comfortable and at home here because this is your campus."

The Rally for Unity was a success. "I want to thank all the students who showed their support," said Scirocco. "It shows that MSU is really a community. The entire school is taking action. I'm really proud to be a Red Hawk today."

The next day, students rallied again in front of the Student Center in response to more hate messages that were posted in the Heights the night before. Despite the frigid air, many met to speak freely and continue the conversation about the need for change.
Police Provide Campus Security for Students Pending During Rally by Police All Over Campus

The University increased its secu-
rit y in response to the threats to the
LGBT community on Tuesday.
The Montclair State University Police Department augmented their
security presence by having all police
officers on duty, as well as having the
service of many police agencies from
surrounding municipalities of Essex and Passaic counties. Offi-
cers were ready for rapid response in
case of an attack. Their presence
crushed community tension and eased
the fears of students.

Students and faculty were pleased
with the university's response to the
incident.

Cliffus police officer William Bais
said, “I think the response is out-
standing. A lot of departements have
sent guys here. We have a job and we
a do it.”

“I think that it’s good that the
university is taking matters so
seriously for added protection. This
is so that people are able to
get around and know that people
are w a t c h i n g out to make sure
that things stay safe. I feel as safe
as I would if I were in any other
day. I don’t think
I feel more or less safe today,” said
Jill Whitaker, a Montclair State
graduate student.

Undergraduate student, Asia Huye,
was supportive of the MSUPD presen-
tence on cam-

pus. “I think it’s actually
a really good thing. It allows
it makes every
one feel more com-
t a b l e ,” said Huye.

Many stu-
tents chose not to at-
tend classes in response
to the posed
threats.

The uni-
versity de-
cided it was
not neces-
sary to perform a lockdown.

“A lockdown would be for an ac-
event, such as someone with an
identified weapon or actively creat-
ing violence, like an active shooter.”

Liz. Kieran Barrett said.

“While this incident involves a threat, it is not active, but expect
an elevated police presence.”

Ms. Barrett was not the ma-
lor, felt safe with the security on
campus. “I feel pretty safe and I’m
 glad that the university took the
threats seriously. I feel like what is
pretty important is that the univer-
sity didn’t just take it as something
written on a wall.”

“Seeing officers with weapons was alarming, but at the same time,
it was nice to know there was in-
creased security in case something
happened,” said undergraduate
Haylee Lenkey.

The day went smoothly and there
were no acts of violence committed.
The University will continue to be
cautious in the event of any addi-
tional threats.

Additional reporting done by Hay-
lee Lenkey

said to 50+ diverse students and
media personnel that gathered at
the last-minute rally. “What hap-
pened last night has been an
incredibly unfortunate incident and
led to a really good nine
people working this case be-
cause we take it that seriously.

By tonight we are going to take every step possible to make this a safe
campus.”

This was followed by a meeting
held by student organizations at
8 p.m. in Dickson Hall, which
focused on discussing actions taken
this far, grievances and proposals
for what next steps should be in
place.

Groups that attended included
SPECTRUMS, NJUS, Phi Sigma
Spectrum, Foundation, SGA, ROTC,
Psychology Club, SIDS, The Planet,
Smile Station and WMSC radio.

Proposed ideas included a student
safety event, improvements to the
freshman seminar class to include
sensitivitiy training and work to de-
lever messages that counter hateful
messages, open dialogue with student
organizations and more town hall
discussion style meetings.

While campus officials inform stu-
dents that the grounds are safe and
monitored, some feel more comfort-
able going home on the weekends.

This situation only adds fuel to any
feelings of hesitation. In response
to this, residential education and
services can only offer support in
the event of any addi-
tional threats.

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Let’s Talk” meetings which will be
held by the university at 1:00,-
2:30 p.m. in the Recreation Center;
and the Montclair State University
Center for Student Involvement;
Wednesdays from 4:00-5:30 p.m.
in Morehead Hall and
Fridays, from 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
in Bohm Hall.

These recent events have raised
counters about the anxiety on
The university may differ
agree, some believe there is a need
for security cameras and continued
extra police presence.

“We would say that [having cam-
cams on campus] can be a useful tool that we can use in investigation,”
said Barrett.

“This particular threat is not
date- or violence-specific, but that
doesn’t mean we don’t take it seri-
osly by any means, but what it does
do is we don’t have any spec-
tive time like we did like let’s say
we had with our LGBT threat. And
that means we don’t know if there
was going to be a specific threat.”

One resident of the suite, Tana-
sha Linton expressed her frustra-
tion at the incident. However, she
was not available for interview.

If students have any informa-
tion relating to these incidents
please contact the university police
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by sending a text message to 67283
from any mobile device.

Additional reporting done by Katherine Mileo, Haylee Lenkey and
Mike Conforti.
Seeking a job?

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Most students are asking themselves how are they going to get there? How are they going to land their dream job? Adam Fyn, a music performance major, says, “To prepare myself for the future, I’m working hard in college isn’t the only answer.” Heather Krygoski, a music education major, says, “To prepare myself for the future, I’m working hard in college isn’t the only answer. We are inclined to think college is how we prepare ourselves to get a career. However, to some, college isn’t the only answer.”

In conclusion: the problem is changing huge when the solution to the problem is changing huge. And the apocalyptic tone of climate change overrides any of those small tasks many people do because in reality, they don’t even make a dent in the problem so they give up. People don’t see people crashing beach clean-ups with the same ardent fervor that people disdain our part in global warming. Additionally, we are inclined to think college is how we prepare ourselves to get a career. However, to some, college isn’t the only answer.

The Inconvenient Truth

Andrew Revkin elaborates on this idea in his article “The Inconvenient Truth” via Dot Earth, on his blog on the NY Times website, “And of course there’s the hard reality that the risks posed by an unabated rise in greenhouse-gas emissions are still mainly somewhere and someday while our attention, as individuals and communities, is mostly on the here and now.” So, while we’re trying to repair our damaged economy, we’re supposed to worry about the planet? Walsh states that to find ways to get students and help 26-30% of plant and animal species at risk of extinction if increases of global average temperature exceed 1.8-2.5°C.

In India, wheat yields could decrease by 6-10% per one-degree rise in temperature.

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Global warming has been a prominent issue for quite some time now, and with the amount of research and attention being dedicated to it, it seems hard to believe that people could so vehemently dispute it. So, what’s up with all the non-believers? Well, first and foremost, climate change is not a sunny topic, and neither is politics, but we don’t see people crashing beach clean-ups with the same ardent fervor that people disdain our part in global warming. Additionally, we are inclined to think college is how we prepare ourselves to get a career. However, to some, college isn’t the only answer.

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Fashion and Feminism

Lusia Doyle
Free Verse

What's the first thing you notice about the woman in question? Have you ever made your own clothes? Do you think the way you dress is important? What does your style say about you?

The second Thursday of February marks the start of Fashion Week in New York City. Even if you aren’t thinking about it, chances are you have a style that is influenced by fashion trends. But what’s behind the fashion industry, and what’s the connection between fashion and feminism?

By the 1980s and 1990s, another generation of feminists was clear on the need for further changes. The “second wave” of feminism, as it is sometimes called, fought for the recognition of women’s rights outside the home. Women demanded equal pay for equal work, access to education and professional opportunities, and the right to vote. The women’s rights movement was a catalyst for change, and many women took active roles in advocating for equal rights.

In the 1960s, the feminist movement gained momentum, and women began to challenge traditional gender roles. The women’s liberation movement, which sought to promote equal rights for women, gained widespread support. This movement, and the fashion industry that emerged from it, became intertwined with the feminist movement, and the two have been linked ever since.

In the 1970s and 1980s, the fashion industry began to incorporate more diverse styles and shapes. Women began to experiment with different looks, and the fashion industry began to recognize that there was a market for alternative styles. Women also began to use their clothing as a form of political expression, and many women began to wear clothing that expressed their political beliefs.

Today, the fashion industry remains a powerful force for change, and it continues to be a platform for feminist activism. Women are using fashion as a way to challenge gender norms, to promote social justice, and to raise awareness about important issues. The fashion industry is an important part of the struggle for gender equality, and it will continue to be a powerful force for change in the years to come.
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2. Feeling of deep affection
3. Popular symbol for Valentine’s Day
4. Typical color of Valentine’s Day candy
5. Greek Goddess of love
6. Cupid shoots
7. Month Valentine’s Day is in
8. The next big step in a committed relationship
9. Famous Valentine’s candy
10. Color typically associated with this lovely day

Down
1. The Montclarion
2. Student organization dedicated to clubs and organizations
3. Their purpose is to provide a safe and inclusive environment
4. The purpose of this organization is to educate the community about gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender issues
5. This club is an interdenominational Christian ministry reaching out specifically to New Jersey college students.
6. This Ministry has been here for over 40 years!
7. Hey, you’re reading it right now!
8. Whether it’s hip hop, jazz or pop, this club knows how to pump up your spirit!
9. The official literary arts publication of Montclair State University
10. The student organization dedicated to extracurricular clubs. Try and figure out some of the clubs and organizations!!
11. The nickname for the Caribbean lounge!
13. Their play schedule for the semester
14. The Red Hawk Plays by Montclair’s New Actors
15. The Spectrum Student Newspaper

Dilemma - at closing time

Last week’s Answers

The President of the CFA is Chris and Chrisna is wearing the Savvy Students shirt.
How do you measure a hate crime? Where does it fall on the spectrum of petty misdemeanors to serious crimes?

According to Montclair State University’s administration, it apparently falls somewhere in between saving face by showing support through unity rallies but not quite actually making the changes necessary to create a safer campus for all students regardless of race, creed or sexuality.

Before you jump to conclusions, we all know change doesn’t happen overnight. After all, it has been our country’s motto ever since the 2008 presidential election slogan “change” promised us expectations of immediacy but left us wanting for more, faster.

But even global warming policies and the country’s rising unemployment numbers seem more like trivial annoyances when faced with death threats on our own campus.

There’s a matter of urgency here and it makes rallies with cheering, flag waving and well-written speeches seem kind of... hollow.

We had one day of unity, but did it change anything? Would a week?

We’re not calling for vigilantes, masked or otherwise, but it is time to put on our adult pants and take matters into our own hands. We are all adults here, or at least developing into the people we will be as adults, and we need to take responsibility for our actions and those around us.

You see, right out of the 12 months of the year, Montclair State University is the home away from home to over 3,500 students ranging from first-year freshmen to super seniors and the school away from home for another 15,000 commuters.

We have put our trust, whether consciously or subconsciously, in this institution to provide us with the best possible education (for the money), the opportunity for social and personal growth and the safety and security to achieve these modest goals and graduate with all of our limbs intact.

Maybe this unusually warm winter weather has upset the balance of the universe and, just like the geese who have arrived to terrorize campus sooner than planned, coaxed the crazies out of hibernation.

Then again, maybe it was just someone’s really bad week (though that would make me seriously afraid of midterms).

We at The Montclarion assume, with uncharacteristic optimism, that only a very small percentage of the student body are the bigoted lunatics that have been bullying campus this week through various acts of vandalism.

We want to take this opportunity to remind the MSU community that we have a dedicated and capable University Police Department that is committed to the safety and security of all campus members and guests.

They provide an escort service as well as a GPS-assisted tracking application called Mobile Guardian that provides voluntary monitoring of movements from one area of campus to another. If a person does not reach their intended destination in the period of time specified, an alarm is sounded in police headquarters and police will respond to the user’s location.

Whatever the cause is for this sudden outburst of violent hatred, it needs to end now.

One hate crime in a week is terrible, two is outrageous but three is just plain embarrassing.

Put Your Adult Pants On

Hannah Scherba | The Montclarion

Students Speak

Do You Feel Safe On Campus?

Minelle Gaya
Sophomore
Fine Arts

“No, it’s a little unsafe.”

Pat Golden
Sophomore
Undeclared

"Not really. It’s scary that it’s happening like that and that there are things going on here. I didn’t think it would happen at this school.”

Alexandra Dadon
Sophomore
Violin Performance

“I’ll be honest, I do. I have faith in our police force and our security around here. I’m a little concerned, but I don’t feel like my life is in danger.”

Sam Saez
Sophomore
Graphic Design

"Not exactly with the notes and the bomb threats and someone’s door was written on basically saying ‘you’re gonna die along with the gays.’ A week ago I felt perfectly safe, but two days ago, I saw cops and snipers... it was bad.”
The vacant look in a loved one's face can make you want to try to remember a name or story, a name that is becoming too familiar in the capital of the world. The University of California, San Francisco, is conducting research on Alzheimer's disease, a disorder that affects millions of people worldwide. The disease is characterized by a progressive loss of memory, thinking abilities, and other cognitive functions. In regards to "SGA to SDS: You're Dead,"

"It may be beneficial to you and to SDS members if you came to a meeting or their table and asked them, with whom on why you think it's childish. Maybe they will have a chance to fully explain their stance, rather than have them summarized in a quote in a newspaper,"

- Greg Tuttle

"So according to the SDS every student should be allowed to do anything they want whenever they want. This is what 'freedom' is about. Good luck with that after college, guys." - Luke

In regards to "Tine Arts Seeking Shelter"

"As an art student, that is outrageous, especially concerning the study abroad experience. We are paying full-time rates on paid studio fees I don't think it ever GSCE went back to the class I was taking. Where does the money go?" - Jess Sima

In regards to "Alpa Sigma Phi Directs Lawsuit at Student Organizations"

"To me, these students didn't meet their obligations to the university. They were chartered a organization at this university, which means they are a university organization that was required to say yes, said yes. How are they supposed to sue these organizations that said no?" - Anonymous

In regards to "Bus Gets Burnt"

"No, what MSU should do is run the MSU bus service more efficiently and run the more of the "newer" NJ Transit-owned buses instead of these old "mechanic" buses. The Administration is sitting next to the Campus' Police Dept, ever by the Red Hawk bus company. The University needs at least need a more efficient means of transportation. The students and the administration can both help. The buses need more drivers which would thus, increase running buses during peak hours and would cut the costs for the victims of our poor economy." - Chris

In regard to "Polanski's Carnage is a Movie!"

"Now I am sorry you feel that way. But as far as I know, we are the students — taking the guts to challenge the administration and press on important issues where others merely conform. We need a more efficient administration that can both the more of the executives of this school. Government can provide both the tools and the necessary drivers and workers that would thus, increase running buses during peak hours and would cut the costs for the victims of our poor economy."

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In regards to "Hate Messages Targeting Alumni"

"I had this kind of hatred." - Alum

In regards to "students for a Democratic Society Must With Cake"

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"How sad I am to read this article. I wish a student never had this kind of hatred." - Alum

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Egypt Soccer Riots Hit Close to Home

What the riots can tell us about the future of global politics

VINCENT ROMAGNUOLO COLUMNIST

I n the wake of the civil unrest in the Middle East over the past year, common citizens search for a safe haven where they can disconnect from the clashes of unruly needs and demonstrations along with the subsequent government retaliation. This experience is now prevalent wherever there is a put at ease through emotions immersed in ecstasy at social gatherings, specifically sporting events. The specific sport is one of particular popularity around the world, soccer (as it’s called in this part of the western world).

Dae in large part to the Egyptian soccer riots that took place this past week between two rival teams, Al Ahly and Al Masry in the city of Port Said, it has become even more apparent that soccer has become even more apparent that soccer fandoms still exist, and it has become us the starting point for political issues in this country, starting for some political participation.

The mere fact that “dishecked” fans are able to manage their passion at a soccer match opens the floodgates to discussion of what was really the target of this riot? Are people’s emotions and full-fledged hatred towards rivals teams capable of evoking such death and harm?

Was it to send a national message to the government through the lurid crucible of the beautiful game?

The political situation in Egypt following this disaster has not only heightened the minds of its citizens but mechanized another turn of the news camera on the already vulnerable Middle Eastern nation.

The draw of this story is potent, especially with the past socio-political and historical issues that have and continues to live in the minds and hearts of the nation’s citizens but seeped its way into political divides; and all eyes will be focused on the motives of the country.

Politics.

The brutality experienced in these riots would never amount to as large of an outreach here in the states, but the use of sport as a tool to awaken American sounds like a catchy way politicians can use their lives.

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To the Editor,

To address your article on the recent attacks of hate speech on the LGBTQ community, Studies on a Democratic Society would like to issue the following statement:

MSU Students for a Democratic Society concludes that the hate speech committed against members of their community is hateful crimes, but more importantly, the sociopolitical climate and the political agenda to cater to sports enthusiasts.

Thus, the Egyptian soccer riots have not only sadly written another dark chapter in a country’s history but raised world awareness once again regarding the political motives of the country.

Egypt has created a perspective through sports where public interest towards a political direction.

In 2005 Planned Parenthood’s fact sheet stated the following: 35 percent STD screening and treatment, 35 percent cancer screening, prevention, 3 percent other women’s health care services, 3 percent abortion services and 3 percent breast and cervical screenings.

Whilst these numbers are a reflection of Planned Parenthood’s priorities, they are 100 percent concerned with sexual and women’s rights.

Alexa Coppola, a fine arts major, is in her first year as assistant opinion editor for The Montclarion.

Susan G. Komen’s Foundation puts politics before progress, endangering uninsured women’s rights and in support of Planned Parenthood, especially the mission of Planned Parenthood, especially in the context of lower income societies, where the organization is incredibly vital.

This is because Planned Parenthood will not have the financial means to continue their mission without additional funding.

They not only provide these services to those who probably not otherwise be able to afford them, but the organization supplies anyone in need with all different forms of contraception, vitamins, pregnancy testing, affordable health care and most importantly, medical and sexual counseling.

This is an organization vital to our society and most definitely underappreciated by these government administrators who lose the events it aims to awaken American sounds like a catchy way politicians can use their lives.

“Peace is not an absence of a war, it is a virtue, a state of mind, a disposition for benevolence, confidence, justice.”

– Baruch Spinoza

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Sincerely,

Greg Little

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The Montclairian Mailbag

To the Editor,

I was very pleased with the recent article titled “SCA to SDS: You’re Dechaired,” and thought that it was very close to structure the article in such a way that it seemed like a dialogue instead of SCA and the SDS. I had made some minor changes to the article because for SCA was not true.

Employees of the Student Center did not call the police on us because we refused to give up a table to another organization.

We were at Union Hall and we were told to leave because we did not reserve the space. No other organization was involved in the incident.

The reason I had an issue with that specific part was that SCA was listed as a group that bullies our way into taking without any respect to other organizations.

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Azari and III: Who says HOUSE is dead?

The Montclair State Theater Department performs Romeo and Juliet with passion

Ernest Maratos
Business Manager

The Montclair State Theater Department is present- ing Shakespeare’s most famous play, Romeo and Juliet, at the Fox Theater today.

The production is directed by Peter Zurralli, and the show is absolutely stunning. The classic tale of love had and lost still runs strong with excellent performances by Tony Knotts as Romeo and Shannon Sullivan as Juliet.

The story of two star-crossed lovers could not be portrayed any better. A solid cast of some of Montclair State’s best actors has made Romeo and Juliet a must see for anyone. The production value for the show is Broadway worthy from its lighting, live composition, and outstanding performances from its supporting cast. The level of drama derived from its actors is more than commendable to any theater enthusiast. An excellent job has been done by fight choreographer Dan Remin for epic and heart-jolting fight scenes.

The most notable fight scene between Mercutio (Alle- hondo Hernandez) and Tybalt (Tony Knotts) will keep you on the edge of your seat. Hernandez’s performance was incredibly fluid in his recitation of some of Shakespeare’s greatest lines, and his portrayal of Mercutio’s death leaves you breathless.

The emotion of this cast makes you forget you are watching a staged produc- tion at times. They react the gripping acts of this tur- bulent love affair brilliantly. The costume design leaves for a more modernized in- terpretation and adds to the timelessness of the tale of young, hopeless love. The music is performed by a live band with impeccable tim- ing, adding pivotal moods to intense scenes. The lighting was spotty at times. However, the crew really picked up on tracks like “Manic” and “Hungry for the Power.”

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   Artist: Say Anything
   Katie Winters, Managing Editor

2. “White Boy”
   Artist: Bikini Kill
   Alan Akins, Feature Editor

3. “Bigmouth Strikes Again”
   Artist: The Smiths
   Katherine Mislop, Editor-in-Chief

4. “Why Can’t We Be Friends”
   Artist: War
   Nick Verhagen, Asst. Sports Editor

5. “Great Mandaia (The Wheel of Life)”
   Artist: Peter, Paul, & Mary
   Nick T., Assistant Copy Editor

6. “Killing in the Name”
   Artist: Rage Against the Machine
   Jacob Maromer-Poat

7. Any Song by Taylor Swift
   Artist: Taylor Swift
   Carley Hussain, Production Editor

8. “Aneurysm”
   Artist: Nirvana
   Joe Trojanowski, Editorial Cartoonist

9. “A Trophy Father’s Trophy Son”
   Artist: Sleeping with Sirens
   Ian Elliott, Webmaster

10. “Windowpane”
    Artist: Opeth
    Alan Vallee, Arts Editor

11. “Cross Out the Eyes”
    Artist: Thursday
    Craig McCarthy, Web Editor

12. “Uprising”
    Artist: Muse
    Enrica Krivida, Graphics Editor

PLAYLIST:
I HATE YOU EDITION

Maccabees Deliver Tantric, Electro-Indie Vibes
Given to the Wild is an unexpected joy

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Kelly’s Grade:
4 out of 5 Stars

While listening to Given to the Wild for the first time, I experienced something very strange. Coming from a hard day of writing, working and epic adventuring, I fell asleep with my head next to my laptop and the music filling my ears. The music on the album quickly turned into the soundtrack that narrated my dreams, leading to quite an interesting and fast-paced journey. Yet, this trippy dream sequence seemed extremely fitting in correlation to the Maccabee sound.

No, I am not gushing about hearing British boy bands in my dreams, but I am merely referring to the dreamy, psychedelic sound quality that the album possesses.

I highly recommend this album to all indie-rock lovers who are looking for a fix of the melodically unorthodox. I did not expect to enjoy the synthesized sounds of the Maccabees but was extremely pleased with its balance between electronic sound and elements of indie-rock with a touch of tantric eclecticism.

December.
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Fans Ignore a Giant Threat

Nick Taylor
ASSISTANT COPY EDITOR

On Sunday night, I was at a friend’s apartment in Harlem watching the triumphant victory of the New York Giants with a room full of fans, jumping, hugging and high-fiving each other. I jumped to the Upper East Side, where my father was leaving happily from a different, higher-end party. According to my father, he was sitting in the 96th Street station waiting for an uptown six train. A man on the platform, tragically decked out in Patriots merchandise, said, “The Patriots won.” My dad replied with, “No. The Giants won.” How could you say that? They cheated. They hurt Tom Brady.” My father, with a sarcastic tone, said, “This is football!”

This exchange of dialogue reminded me of when the Giants ran over the Philadelphia Eagles 29-16 in week three of this season. In the second half of the game, defensive tackle Chris Canty smacked the ball out of tight-end Rob Gronkowski almost in the last two seconds of the game. All ESPN talked about was how Pats wide receivers for not catching the Hail Mary pass to the end zone. Why is this so surprising? Thousands of Patriots fans had to have been doing the exact same thing.

The Giants’ presence in the NFC East is probably why they are ignored. The New York Giants have only had one Super Bowl in which they were favored by Vegas: their first Super Bowl in 1987, from the immortality of Phil Simms. Since then, the Giants have been overshadowed by their opponents.

When people talk about Super Bowl XLV in 2008 were on the New England Patriots, on their way to becoming the second team ever to have a flawless season. The NFC Playoffs leading to that game had all four analysts on Fox Sports favor the Patriots. The only nod the Giants received was from comedian Frank Caliendo. “Giants win Super Bowl XLV.” It’s not discussed around here. Everybody fa- vored the Ravens on that one anyway. Only bring this whole ordeal up because the day after the Giants’ nail-biting victory, the only thing Yahoo!, Jay Leno and the analysts on ESPN have talked about are how the Patri- ots lost. All anyone can talk about is the Hail Mary play to the end zone in the last two seconds of the game. A ESPN talked about was how easy it was to catch the ball. Why is this so surprising? Thousands of Patriots fans had to have been doing the exact same thing.

The Giants’ presence in the NFC East is probably why they are ignored. All after, for some illogical reason, the Dallas Cowboys, “America’s Team,” are in the same division, with their behemoth stadium and five Super Bowl rings. If the Giants get another ring in the near future, they should be ignored no more. Hopefully, next time they are in the Super Bowl, they won’t be facing the Patriots again.
Nick Patrirea
Managing Sports Editor

The Montclair State men’s basketball team is led by senior forward captain Andrew August. Hailing from Bridgewater, New Jersey, August found his passion for basketball at the age of seven by playing one-on-one games with his brother. In his youth, he also excelled at other sports, such as baseball, football and lacrosse, but basketball was always his passion. He started playing organized recreational basketball in fourth grade.

August’s mother has been the biggest influence on his life. “My mother never pushed me into sports,” August says. “She has always been by my side, and has always been there to give good advice.”

After graduating from Bridgewater-Raritan High School, August began his collegiate career at Felician College, where he helped lead the team to a conference title and an appearance in the third round of the NCAA Division II tournament. However, his career took a negative turn when a coaching change at Felician forced him to take his talents elsewhere. He didn’t need to look very far to find a home right here at Montclair State University where he has become a Division III basketball star.

August has had a hugely successful first season as a Red Hawk, averaging 15.8 points and 7.4 rebounds per game, leading the Red Hawks to the NJAC tournament championship game. As a result of his success, he was named to the NABC regional all-tournament championship game. One of August’s fondest memories of his career at MSU came during a tournament in Rochester last season where he was named tournament MVP. However, what made the tournament so memorable for him is not what happened on the court, but how it almost didn’t happen.

He and a teammate never got the message telling them what color jersey to wear for the game and arrived at the arena with the wrong uniform. They had to rush to take the bus back to their hotel and make it back to the arena with the correct uniform just in time for the game. August went on to be named tournament MVP in what was surely a memorable experience.

The team was lead by freshman guard Jaime Erickson and senior guard Jaime Erickson. The three combined for 42 points and 24 rebounds.

Even though the Red Hawks were in control for a majority of the first half, Rutgers-Newark was able to keep the game close. After Rutgers-Newark took a 9-6 lead, the Red Hawks went on a 6-0 run and maintained a lead until the half. Montclair State finished the first half up 30-22.

Throughout the second half, the Red Hawks fought to stay on top. With 10 minutes left in regulation, the Red Hawks only had a three-point lead. Montclair State finished strong and defeated Rutgers-Newark 58-53.

Three days prior, the Red Hawks went up against the first place Pioneers of William Paterson University. The two teams meet early in the year in a match that pushed both teams to the limit; the Pioneers were able to edge out the Red Hawks by one point for a final score of 62-61.

The two teams met again earlier this season when it was determined to end this game with a different result. Unfortunately, the Red Hawks lost 58-53, but they definitely did not make it easy for the Pioneers. Not only did the Red Hawks go into the half up 29-26, but they also led during the first 10 minutes of the second half. William Paterson managed to kick it into high gear during the final minutes of play. With four minutes left in regulation, the Pioneers started to chip away at the Red Hawk lead and eventually overtook Montclair State by one point with one minute left on the game.

With 30 seconds left, Tobie made the score 54-53 and cut the Pioneers lead to one point. The Pioneers were able to score four more points after a layup and two free throws for the final margin of 58-53.

The Red Hawks won their second straight game on Wednesday, Feb. 8 against NJCU in a 70-42 rout. The team was led by Tobie, Jef-

The Mainstream – Sports

Montclair State attempts to end season with three-game win streak

Montclair State has been leading the NJAC with a concentration in the same; we have just gotten better in every aspect since November. Our game plan has remained the same; we have just gotten better as executing what we want to do.”

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The Red Hawks will end their season with a chance to jump into second place in the NJAC North division. The Red Hawks will end their season with an away game against Ramapo College. Last time the two schools met, MSU defeated Ramapo 67-53.
Thanks for leaving your car here last night and not ending my family’s lives.

Mania Ponjabi
I don’t think winning a championship puts more pressure on a team. I think it raises their confidence. However, it gives other teams an increased drive to beat them next season. Every team that plays the Giants next season will have that game circled on their calendar, especially division rivals who now have more reason to raise the level of intensity. Winning a championship puts a target on your back, but it also gives a team that added swagger.

When you win a championship, it makes you the team to beat. Everybody will be going after you. Nothing bothers a team more than seeing another team win multiple titles in a row. The Green Bay Packers had a shot at winning another title and almost had a perfect season. Teams are always out to avenge a loss that ruined their shot at the title. After winning the big game, you put a huge target on your back.

Of course it does. Everyone wants what you just earned: a championship. They yearn for the respect and celebrity that comes with such a huge victory. Teams are going to base their off-season and regular season results off of what you have accomplished. You’ve set the pace for next season. Teams will pride themselves in taking down the champion and will play their game against you with much more intensity because every team plays the game for that top spot.
Man, oh Man, oh Manning

Eli Manning named Super Bowl MVP for the second time in the last four years

Maybe it’s because Tom Brady doesn’t mind giving the Giants a two-point head start or his sudden knack at missing wide-open receivers, but Brady isn’t the magician he once was. That unexplainable aura that intimidated every opponent facing the Patriots has vanished and now belongs to the world champion New York Giants.

Even with one of the greatest quarterbacks and the assistance of the second-best receiver of all time, Randy Moss, the Patriots have only been able to muster one win against the current Giants regime.

The Giants nearly ended the Patriots’ perfect season during the 2007 regular season finale, but fell short with a 38-35 final score. Eli Manning and Tom Coughlin could have been 4-0 against the Patriots, but the Patriots were destined for perfection and were in love with the fact that the Giants were the only team standing in the way of winning the Super Bowl.

They underestimated the Giants and their inability to take them down may have inadvertently given Manning, and most likely Coughlin, a spot in the hall of fame. Scratch that; Manning and Coughlin earned their way into the hall of fame and left the world wondering why no other team could stop the Patriots like they can.

The Patriots can certainly call the Giants their daddies. It’s easy to see why. When the Patriots make mistakes, it leads to the Giants scoring points and when the Giants make mistakes, it also leads to them scoring points—see Ahmad Bradshaw’s sitting touchdown.

Manning’s accuracy is flawless, though the fact that his receivers hold onto the ball doesn’t hurt. He threw a perfect pass to Mario Manningham, who made a spectacular catch that set the Giants up for a huge drive. New England can’t compare. Aaron Hernandez, Wes Welker and Deion Branch all had key drops for the Patriots, all of which came at the worst time (it’s only half Welker’s fault).

Maddonna nearly fell on stage and M.I.A. flipped off the nation during the halftime show, but those weren’t the only things that were fragile during this game. Brady was sacked once near the end of the third quarter and there were questions whether he hurt his shoulder. Manning takes shot after shot in the pocket and pops back up as if it’s routine. No one questions his toughness or his competitiveness.

Though, to his credit, Brady didn’t publicly complain after the game, but that’s why he has his wife. Brady “can’t pass and catch the ball at the same time,” Brazilian model, Gisele Bundchen, said after the game.

Clearly, she showed everyone why she makes her money with her body and not her mouth. While she does have a subtle point, no one has had a better legacy than Tom Brady. But that’s how these spoiled, selfish people think. It’s as if she’s never seen her husband make a mistake. Last Sunday was a way for everyone associated with the Patriots organization to fall back down to Earth. This is what it’s like to be mortal. It’s a lot worse than being a Giant.