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, 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.”

“I would just like to say that what happened last night will not be accepted at Montclair State University,” said Dontae Booth, organizer and speaking representative at the rally.

The discovery of the hateful graffiti messages found on Jan. 26 was met with a sharp inhale felt campuswide, yet what result was a whirlwind exhale of love, organization, unity and justice. Shirts were ordered, signs were scrawled, events were planned and in less than a week, the Montclair State University community showed those mired in hate that this is a campus not to be trifled with.

At the inception of this event, there was an emergency meeting last Wednesday.
On Jan. 30:
A female student reported being harassed by a known male via Facebook and Twitter. The victim declined to file charges in this matter.

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

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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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

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). All calls are strictly confidential.
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.

Additionally, "Presentations shall be subject to reasonable time limits. Speakers who are recognized by the Chair will normally be permitted to speak for three minutes [...] Due to time constraints, ordinarily the number of such speakers at any one meeting will be limited to five."

Cole says there are numerous ways that students can make their views known on campus. "Students sit on a wide range of university committees that address all kinds of issues, from safety, to academic affairs, to food on campus. Students have access at all times to the office of the dean of students that has the staff prepared to hear student suggestions and concerns and to work with students to address those matters."

"We encourage any student that have any ideas or problems on how to improve the university to contact the ROSA, 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 officials. Cole affirms that the Board of Trustees "does not manage the university."

"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."

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Dontae Booth leads a rally the following day in the Student Center quad.
The University increased its security and guidance measures to include Smile Station and WMSC radio. Proposed ideas included a student escort service, improvements to the security cameras and continued presence of extra police presence. The University will continue to be cautious in the event of any additional threats.

Additional reporting done by Haylee Lemkey.
Seeking a job?

Katherine Oakes
Staff Writer

In an article by Bryan Walsh published in TIME magazine called “Are We Entertaining the Climate Change Deniers?” Walsh states that as recently as 2008, climate change denial did not exist. In fact, it was even accepted by Republicans as a legitimate scientific claim. Now, 2012 has the Republican Party whistling a new tune called “Climate Change Isn’t Real (We Didn’t Do Nothing!)”.

The changes made it to the Top Ten hit list of almost all of their followers who now believe the same thing.

Walsh also claims that during this time, oil companies like Exxon and Peabody Energy have teamed up with conservative corporations such as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in order to refute climate change beliefs. These are the facts.

Clearly, Exxon isn’t really in the mood for all to stop using gas or filling up those Chevys, but unfortunately, that is a large part of how we came to be in this situation. A very prominent environmental state that we are in. Regardless of whether or not you believe in climate change, the fact is that the human race has had an immeasurable impact on the environment. Other than the influence of conservatives, there is a plethora of reasons for climate change deniers to turn the other cheek on the topic.

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 ardor here. People dislike our part in global warming. Additionally, as the downward economy is negated for certain jobs because you have those 21st century skills that are needed to compete in an ever increasing global market place.

Skills such as critical thinking are valuable, as are working hard and having a degree.

Climate Change: Shun the Non-Believers

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The second Thursday of February marks the start of Fashion Week in New York City, even if you aren’t thinking about what to wear yourself. If you don’t have your own personal style, there’s a chance you’re wearing clothes that are not your own. The clothing, being paradoxically “borrowed” by Manhattan catswalks, sounds only to the naked ear.

Every wave of feminism has shed light on the issue of fashion as activism. In the early 19th century, women struggled for the right to vote in dark clothes and furs; dresses were decorated with their political portraits’ jeweled pins to their ulterior political motivations. Suffragettes played with a secret language in their dress code: pants represented freedom; white petticoats and green, hope. This color symbolism to wear garments like amethyst, moonstone or emerald as a sign of secret solidarity.

The daughters of these more conservative first-wave feminists, the flappers, took accessorizing politics to a new height with their hair and hemlines. With suffrage and job opportunities during the WWII secured by the former generation, flappers had a lot to celebrate, and they did so in true feminist fashion: the corset, crinolines, bustles and heavy fabrics that kept their mothers bound were breezily tossed aside for short skirts, loosened dresses and beige nylons to accentuate their exposed limbs. In true feminist fashion: the corset, crinolines, bustles and heavy fabrics that kept their mothers bound were breezily tossed aside for short skirts, loosened dresses and beige nylons to accentuate their exposed limbs. In true feminist fashion: the corset, crinolines, bustles and heavy fabrics that kept their mothers bound were breezily tossed aside for short skirts, loosened dresses and beige nylons to accentuate their exposed limbs. In true feminist fashion: the corset, crinolines, bustles and heavy fabrics that kept their mothers bound were breezily tossed aside for short skirts, loosened dresses and beige nylons to accentuate their exposed limbs. In true feminist fashion: the corset, crinolines, bustles and heavy fabrics that kept their mothers bound were breezily tossed aside for short skirts, loosened dresses and beige nylons to accentuate their exposed limbs.

By the 1980s and 1990s, another wave of feminism began. Many of the women who make up this taskforce are grossly underpaid and mistreated in sweatshops, but this stigma bled into perceptions of the self. Although revolutionary countercultural subcultures were often celebrated by the press, many feminist non-conformists were viewed as “bra-burning” feminists. This early use of feminist symbolism translated to wearing colors that represented the conventionalTeXT continued
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6. Cupid shoots you with this
8. The next big step in a committed relationship
9. Famous Valentine's candy
10. Color typically associated with this lovely day

Down
1. Typical Valentine's Gift
2. Popular symbol for Valentine's day as well as a pertinent human organ
3. Greek Goddess of love
4. Month Valentine's day is in
5. The famous baby archer

Last week's Answers
Put Your Adult Pants On

H
ow 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 fills 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, eight 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 unnaturally 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.

Students Speak

Do You Feel Safe On Campus?

Minelle Gayya
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 Saer
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.”
Alzheimer’s Breakthrough Tracks Disease Spread
Researchers discover progression of degenerative disease

Alzheimer’s is one of the most feared neurodegenerative diseases in the world. It affects over 5 million Americans, with the number expected to triple by 2050. The disease primarily affects the brain’s frontal and temporal lobes, leading to memory loss, cognitive decline, and eventually, death. However, the exact mechanism by which Alzheimer’s progresses is still not fully understood.

An important aspect of Alzheimer’s research is the role of amyloid plaques and neurofibrillary tangles, two hallmark pathological features of the disease. Amyloid plaques are clumps of a protein called amyloid beta (Aβ), which accumulate in the brains of individuals with Alzheimer’s. On the other hand, neurofibrillary tangles are clusters of another protein, tau, that becomes hyperphosphorylated and aggregates within neurons.

A recent study published in the online peer-reviewed journal site PLoS Medicine has shed light on the progression of Alzheimer’s disease. The researchers at Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health have noted a progression of the disease. Researchers from the Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health have observed that the disease progresses in a specific manner, which could be valuable in developing new treatment strategies.

The study identified a specific protein, Aβ, that is involved in the progression of Alzheimer’s. Aβ is a fragment of a larger protein called amyloid precursor protein (APP). The researchers found that Aβ is produced in the brain, where it is initially present in a soluble form. Over time, Aβ aggregates into insoluble plaques, which can then lead to neurofibrillary tangles.

The significance of this finding lies in the potential for early intervention. If Aβ can be targeted at an early stage of the disease, it may be possible to prevent its aggregation and halt the progression of the disease. This could lead to the development of novel therapies that could slow or prevent the progression of Alzheimer’s.

In conclusion, the study by the researchers at Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health highlights the importance of understanding the progression of Alzheimer’s disease. By identifying the role of Aβ in the progression of the disease, they pave the way for potential new treatment strategies. Further research in this area is crucial to finding effective ways to prevent and treat Alzheimer’s in the future.
Vincent Romagnuolo 
Columnist

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 revolts and demonstrations along with the subsequent government retaliation. This response to violence is one that reverberates throughout the world, and there is no place safe from the ears of the crowd. This specific sport of terror is one that is particularly popular across the world, as it is (as it's called in this part of the western world).

Delays in large part to the Egyptian soccer riots that took place this past week between two rival soccer teams, Al Ahly and Al Masry in the city of Port Said, it has become ever more apparent that soccer fascism does still exist, and it has spread to cities and countries across the world in this case, giving rise to some political provocation.

The mere fact that “diehard” fans are able to massacre so many 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 rival teams capable of evoking such death and harm? Or was it to send a national message of what was really the target of this riot?

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

The theme of this story is post-ecstasy, post-rape, and proves that equality is far from achieved in this particular country.

The objective is to raise awareness about women's rights and about the main function of Planned Parenthood, especially in the context of lower income societies, where the organization is incredibly vital.

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Susan G. Komen’s Race Against the Care

Foundation puts politics before progress, endangering uninsured

APOLLOXOPHIS
Assistant Opinion Editor

When I was in fourth grade, my sister (who was 17 at the time) found a lump on her breast.

My mother kicked my sisters and I out of the hotel room, so I was left at Planned Parenthood. Josieka met us in the parking lot, hugged my sister and walked with her inside, holding her hand while measuring medical facts about the disease and in part with her maternal nature, an attribute that cannot be taught or read about in a medical journal and a key reason to why Josieka loved and cared for Josica for many years.

During the exam, my mother and Josica stood on either side of my sister while both hands while another technician performed the examination. The procedure was painful, but was indeed just a scare. The lump was benign, but the day would have been far worse if Josica did not have the support of her sister and assist my mother. She knew our family.

When my sister turned 17, she went to Planned Parenthood with her mom, and Josica told her about sex in the context of a teenager's life.

Josica was my father called when he didn’t know how to discuss subjects of this nature with his daughter. She was our medical specialist and provided my family with physical and mental guidance councilors, and without a doubt necessary to our family.

To imagine a world where she doesn’t exist because Planned Parenthood doesn’t have the proper funding to compensate their employees is positively frightening.

And Senator Barbara Boxer (D-California) and Senator Clinton said the same.

After the Susan G. Komen Foundation's reversal of its decision to cut funding to Planned Parenthood purely due to public's protest of the initial, adverse decision, these governing ladies are finally able to hear what their people want.

The senators are initiating a bid to gather one million citizens in defense of Planned Parenthood. The movement is called “One Million Strong for Women.”

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To the Editor:

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

MSU Students for a Democratic Society, founded to condemn the hate speech contained against the LGBTIQ community. It is thought and worded like those found in the Student Center that perpetuate oppression in the world and that equality is the ultimate goal for the LGBTIQ community.

However, we should be careful not to condemn just the individuals that committed such hateful crimes, but more importantly, the society this expanse of people that are spreading such ideas and thoughts in their minds.

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To the Editor:

I was very pleased with the recent article titled “SGA to SDS: You’re Dechartered”.

I thought that it was very strong in structure the article in such a way that it seemed like a dialogue between SGA and the SDS. I had many questions about the article because I can’t say that I know what is going on.

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

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

The reason I had an issue with that specific part of the article is not to be used as a group that bullies our way into tabling without any respect to other organizations.

If another organization reserved a space we were using, we would happily give it to them, we’ve done this before.

The reason I had an issue with that reservation is that I was not given the chance to not use the space, thus, we do not see the problem with using it.

Otherwise, I was very happy with the article.

Sincerely,

Greg Turtell

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Azari and III: Who says HOUSE is dead?

Azari and III, a Canadian quartet, produces pulsating dance tracks that are eerily reminiscent of the underground New York club scene of the early 90s. In a time when music is filled with personal agendas and safe in their trancy tunes.

His vocals are combated with the rough and some- times sadistic growls of backup vocalist Fritz Holder, who usually is seen wear- ing wigs of various lengths and colors. DJs Dinamo Azari and Alexander III ac- company the two, rounding out the artistic group that always delivers a deep mes- sage in their trancy tunes. They have been receiving some major viral circulation.

This year is definitely the female MC! There is no denying that since the success of New York rapper Nicki Minaj, an array of female MCs have been receiving some major viral circulation. Recently, Banks performed for Karl Lagerfeld, head designer for Chanel, at his privateorraine. Her second video for her next single “Liquorice” is much anticipated solidify- ing Banks as the female rap- per/singer to watch out for.

Since the video for her sin- gle “22” dropped, this pow- erful presence, contributes to any theater enthusiast.

The emotion of this cast makes you forget you are watching a staged produc- tion at times. They react to the gripping acts of this tur- bulent love affair brilliantly. The costume design leaves you breathless.

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Picture this: you’re alone and outside in a cool, dark forest in the middle of the night. It is peaceful and mysteriously serene as you gaze through countless tree branches to the night sky and into a deep, indigo sky scattered with stars. Now, what do you hear through the darkness? I hear the tantric, electro-indie pop rock sound of the new Maccabees album, *Given to the Wild*.

For the third album for the London-based group, the Maccabees have fine-tuned their punchy, indie-rock sound to cultivate this intriguing new album. The album has taken a sharp and direct turn from their usual sound. In fact, the two minute instrumental prelude, “Given to the Wild (intro),” draws in the listener in a completely different manner than in their first two albums. The hypnotic electronic sound softly and smoothly sets the mood and leaves you wondering what the hell will happen next. This strange calm-before-the-storm opener transitions right into “Child,” which elaborates on the prelude, adding clear vocals to round out the full electro-symphonic sound. Upon hearing the first few songs, I wondered if I would grow bored of the tantalizing and tantric noise paired with pop-rock percussion, but I was thoroughly impressed by the variety of the album. The boys incorporate intricate time signatures, catchy melodies, addictive gang vocals and unexpected instrumental, which add an interesting yet unconventional quirk to their indie-punk sound. Highlights from the album include “Ayla,” which features a fantastic arpeggiated piano introduction paired with a simple but epic set and trumpet feature, “Pelican,” which was the album’s debut single back in December.

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.

Kelly’s Grade: 4 out of 5 Stars
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Bowl XXV in 1991, they don’t talk. When people talk about Super Bowl rings, if the Giants get another, they won’t be facing the Patriots again. Only have one Super Bowl in which they lost to their most hostile rivals. The Eagles’ “Dream Team” and why they were favored by Vegas: their immortality of Phil Simms. Since the first Super Bowl in 1987, from the fans Ignore the Red Hawks are currently tied for fifth place in the SECHL with New York University. Last time the two teams met on the ice, NYU walked out of Floyd Hall with a 5-4 win over MSU. The Red Hawks plan on going to NYU and avenging their loss earlier in the season.

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 jump now 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 smack the ball out of tight-end Rob Gronkowski almost caught it, even though it bounced off the ground before he could see it. But what’s this? Tom Brady’s trophy wife, Gisele Bündchen, is screaming at the Pats’ wide receivers for not catching 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. After all, 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.

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Fans Ignore a Giant Threat
Nick Taylor Column Copy Editor

Hockey Falls to Boston College
Steve Rizzi Sports Writer

When the Red Hawks (4-6-3) score three or more goals in a game, their record shows they are a strong team to face. They have nine wins, three losses and two ties with a total of 20 points in 15 games. This was not the case when they took a five-hour road trip up to Boston College to face the Eagles last Saturday. Montclair State University’s defense did not seem to be up to its game, and took a long trip home thinking about their 5-3 loss. After Brian Manning scored his first goal of the year to give the Red Hawks an early 1-0 lead at the 13-minute mark in the first period, the defense seemed to shut down and the Eagles’ offense took advantage. Boston College scored a late goal with three minutes remaining in the first to tie it and took full control of the game in the second. With three straight goals and four unanswered, the Eagles took a 4-1 lead into the third. Only with 32 seconds passing in the third, captain John Tully put the puck past BC goalie Ryan Pelcak to pull the Red Hawks within two. Another goal by the Eagles midway through the third all but sealed the deal even though Nick Lieback put in a state goal, as we like to call it, making the final score 5-3 in favor of Boston College.

The Red Hawks only have two losses, three ties and a strong team to face. They have nine wins, three losses and two ties with a total of 20 points in 15 games.
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,” he 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 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 January’s Small College Player of the Month by NJHoops.com, averaging 21.6 points, 8.1 rebounds and 3.6 assists per game, leading the Red Hawks to a record of 5-2 in January.

The Red Hawks are currently fourth in the NJAC-North and will begin their push toward a conference tournament title on Feb. 18. 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. While it was a special experience for him, it 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.

He is a communication studies major with a concentration in speech communication. He dreams of getting involved in sports media and being on TV. His dream job is to work on SportsCenter. As the NJAC conference tournament approaches, August says winning the NJAC “would mean the world to me; words couldn’t describe it.” August finds his motivation from the feeling of losing in the championship game. “Winning would be the icing on the cake,” he says.

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

The women’s basketball team did not let last Wednesday’s close loss to William Paterson get to them. The Red Hawks were able to narrowly beat Rutgers-Newark in an other close match by a score of 58-53. The team committed just 10 turnovers and did not let last Wednesday’s close loss to William Paterson get to them. The Red Hawks went on a 6-0 run and maintained a lead until the half. Montclair State finished the first half up 31-22.

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 had a very close match throughout 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 crucial win gives the Red Hawks a punch to the first place in the NJAC North division. The Red Hawks will end their regular season with an away game against Rampo College. Last time the two schools met, MSU defeated Rampo 67-51.
Thanks for leaving your car here last night and not ending my family’s lives.

Manoj Ponjabi

SAVE A LIFE. DON’T DRIVE HOME BUZZED.
BUZZED DRIVING IS DRUNK DRIVING.
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.

Winning puts a huge target on your back. 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. I think it raises their confidence. However, it gives a team that added swagger.

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 unbeatable 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 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).

Madonna 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.