Registration Address Mix-ups Prohibit Students from Voting in Campus Polling Booths

Amid Tuesday’s controversial election in which Donald Trump emerged victorious, Montclair State University students voted on campus in numbers that Residence Life Director John DeBakey deemed a “good turnout,” however, some students faced unexpected registration mix-ups that prevented them from voting in the polls. According to Delene Borsque, a resident director, “It’s kind of this systematic ‘departments on campus compounding errors’ kind of thing.”

Debree Mcknight, 18, who voted at Clifton Public School #16, said that he had to fill out the forms in. “I’ve only heard cases of one or two [students] having address issues,” said Matthew Borsque, coordinator for the Office of Civic and Voter Registration. “It’s cases where they filled the registration form out, and the thing is, they have their home address but they don’t have the school address.”

He explained that his department compiled an instruction manual which they passed along to the community director (CD) of each residence hall, who then distributed it to the RA of each floor. “The manual ‘extensively’ outlined, according to Borsque, the process of registering residents to vote on campus. “It’s kind of this trickled down deal,” Borsque said.

Alex Gambord, a resident of The Village and The Montclarion’s Photography Editor, said that he had to fill out a provisional ballot instead of voting in this election, but it didn’t bother me that much because New Jersey is typically Democratic.” According to the New Jersey Department of State website, a provisional ballot is a paper ballot given to registered voters who either failed to report a change of address before Election Day or have registration information missing in the poll book. Each provisional ballot, along with an affirmation statement signed by the voter, is placed in a sealed envelope by the board worker and delivered to the county commissioner of registration office to be verified and counted separately.

“We did not hear of any issues at the polls,” DeBakey responded when asked about the difficulties some students experienced. “All voter registration forms were mailed in by the University, so I am unaware of any issues.”

Alex Arrabito contributed to reporting this story.

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- Dean Mulzac, member of MSU’s spoken word club

Trump is ‘Biggest Bigot’

Poems and Spoken Word Decry America’s New President-Elect in Quad Protest

Students address a crowd of about 100 students, fighting injustice and decrying racism and sexism.

Deanna Rosa
Editor-in-Chief

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Revisiviendo la Noche de Poesía y Escrivivientes

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Montclair State Dietetics Organization Hosts Animal Activists

Victoria Alito
Contributing Writer

The Montclair State Animal Activists Organization began this official this semester, but has already tackled the obstacles facing vegans and vegetarians on campus and urged students to sign the Meatless Monday pledge.

"I've been vegetarian for the past 5 months because I want to decrease my carbon footprint. I personally believe that the industrialization of meat production is harmful to the environment and the health of the animals. I don't mean to try and convince you to eat vegetarian, just to raise awareness through my actions," she said.

Then, she noticed some male students doing her actions, she decided not to control him because "I felt a little disappointed afterwards" for not saying anything. "I was kind of disappointed in myself. I'm not one of those people who has the courage to speak up and tell him he shouldn't do that or anyone else," she said.

Broadening her view, she feels that being educated about this topic is important. "We need to learn more about it and understand it," she said.

"We need to understand the effects of our actions on others and the environment. It's not just about us and what we want. We need to consider the impact of our choices on the world and the people around us," she said.

She encourages others to learn more about the topic and take action to make a difference. "I'm not saying everyone has to become a vegetarian or vegan, but we should be more open-minded and considerate of others. We should respect each other's choices and beliefs, as long as they don't harm anyone," she said.

The Montclair State Animal Activists Organization is committed to raising awareness about the suffering of animals and the environmental impact of meat production. They believe that by educating others, we can create a positive change in the world and make a difference for the animals we share it with.

Montclair State Dietetics Organization promotes awareness of veganism and health-conscious living by providing information and resources to students on campus. They offers a variety of vegan food options and educate students on the benefits of a plant-based diet.

The Montclair State Animal Activists Organization is an organization of students who are interested in animal rights and veganism. They hold events and meetings to educate others about the suffering of animals and the environmental impact of meat production. They also work to promote a plant-based diet and encourage others to make lifestyle changes to reduce their impact on the environment and animals.
The Day After the 45th Presidential Election
Krista Cerminaro, Daniel Collins, Luis Lopez Wei, Aleksandra Mufceska, Adriano Natoli, Lucie Bulh Godoy, and Victoria Testa
Contributing Writers

“I think that there is too much negativity about the outcome, the people need to think about not being so rude to each other because you can’t really rely on the candidate to fix all your problems. You can only change your actions and try to influence how other individuals feel.”

Miguel Hernandez
Junior, business marketing major

“I’m ready for The Purge honestly. And, a party boat back to my country.”

Megan Lubrecht
Junior, sociology major

“In a way I feel like I saw it coming because of the kind of person he is. He wants to make himself known, I feel like people got that and I feel like most of them went toward that.”

Salman Anjun
Freshman, political science major

“I cannot believe that America is so ridiculously stupid and has chosen to have a President as Donald Trump, after everything that this country has been through.”

Frankie Kisly
Junior, marketing major

“I just don’t believe our vote really matters. I do not really like any of the candidates personally, that’s why I decided not to vote.”

Kenya Williams
Junior, drawing major

“I was nervous, you know. Not exactly thrilled about it. I was hoping for a different outcome, either a third party or Hillary, I didn’t want him to win. I found out this morning.”

Dana DeSimone
Sophomore, psychology major

“I don’t like him, but I don’t like Hillary. But I voted for Hillary so I’m a little upset, but I’ll get over it within the next day. He might do a good job, but I don’t think he will. He might surprise me.”

Axel Tattegrain
Sophomore, justice studies major

“I’m really surprised actually, I don’t think anybody expected it, not even people who really supported Trump. There was clearly people who weren’t too vocal about it, it’s surprising.”

Martin Czajkowski
Freshman, BFA acting major
...Students Give Unfiltered Feedback

“I was really disappointed. I didn’t expect that to happen after what he said and what he did this past year. I just started crying. You think about the future and when I grow up, how are we going to explain that to our children?”

Kevin Zheng
Sophomore, accounting major

“My heart hurts for people who really didn’t want Trump to win. I’m just trying to stay positive and not be a sore loser.”

Sydney Laks
Junior, sociology major

“I strongly disagree with the decision that was made. I was really not for Trump at all, so I don’t think that this was the best decision that America could have made. I have no words, I was just really against this.”

Tooba Ahmad
Sophomore, information technology major

“I was surprised. To be honest, I didn’t want to vote for either of them. I guess we’ll just have to see what happens.”

Monique Mejia
Senior business major

“I feel like it was an atrocity to be honest. I just think that it’s not a good look for America to be honest. It was either Hillary or Trump so it wasn’t really a good decision… It wasn’t a good choice either way. So, it is what it is, we got four years with him.”

Amanda Tarantino
Junior, business major

“I couldn’t be happier. I didn’t really think initially that it would go anywhere, but as the election itself progressed, I had newfound faith. As I was watching all the electoral votes come in, I was like, ok, he has it in the bag.”

Melissa Haag
Sophomore, english major

“‘I’m disappointed but it’s not that big of a deal. Today is a lot of angry people, they’re upset. It might take some time to sink in, but he’s our President now. The American people have spoken.’

“‘I’m personally a Trump supporter so I was happy with the results. Before the race started I didn’t expect it, but as the electoral votes were coming in, and Trump was winning, then I was like, wow, maybe this had like a turn and Trump will win.’

Kristen Hasch
Freshman, family and child studies major

“‘My sister and I, we were really devastated and not really accepting it. We won’t probably ever refer to him as that.’

Karla Castro
Freshman, undeclared

Tooba Ahmad
Sophomore, information technology major

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Human Hungry Hungry Hippos

On Wednesday, October 12 at 7 p.m., the Student Recreation Center hosted a life size board game event—Human Hungry Hungry Hippos. It was hosted by the campus recreation president Stephen Blaziejewski. The event consisted of a pair of MSU students trying to collect as many balls as they could and beat their opponents. There were various prizes, from shirts to a television. It was an exciting event to take part in as well as watch.

During any breaks, the crowd was asked to join in on a dance, or even a side game trying to knock down cups. Everyone was excited to be out and about. The event had snacks and refreshments in every corner, as well as a DJ to keep the beat up. It was definitely a successful night.
The best diner/restaurant in Montclair. Period.

As human beings, the exercise of love and care should extend beyond one's comfort zone. That is what makes us vibrant citizens within the communities we inhabit, because when affection is at equilibrium outside of your home, it encourages you to share memories with other people, in addition to your family and your inner circle of friends. One place in Montclair that has given me this expression of comfort and acceptance is The Montclair Char-Broil, also known to many as simply "Montclair Diner." Think Pops Barber shop in "Luke Cage" or the Central Park coffeeshop from "T.B.L.E.N.D.S.." Montclair Diner serves as the diner where you get delightful meals for prices that will certainly surprise you once you get the tab. Combined with the cordial demeanor everyone commits to in the diner, it would be preposterous to believe you could find a better place in Montclair to relax and eat than here.

On a typical day like today, you are greeted by Gus Makris, the owner of Montclair Diner. He is the father of the establishment. I know he is reading this right now so I won't tell every- one that he told me he's 76 years of age now. Oops. Did I do that?

Regardless of the number, Gus displayed his family attitude towards me ever since I can remember. Every time I go there now, I am greeted with a powerful Greek handshake and the best chicken noodle soup, on the house. I can't even call the servers, "servers." They are more like my caretakers who grace me with the lovely meals that perpetuate the cravings of my hyperthyroidism. Today, my hyperthyroidism cried for some fresh apple pancakes, butter-caressed what boasts, beautifully mashed home fries and last, but not least, a gratifying cheddar-dilled omelette. Also, if you know anything about me or if you are still reading my reviews since the first one (thank you, thank you), you will know that the one thing that must always greet my taste buds before any meal is the most important part of any meal in the world: water. Since Montclair Diner is the best restaurant/diner in Montclair, you should also know that the water was on my table within a minute. Yes, one minute.

As the water lubricated the nooks and crannies of my body like a new oil change for an engine, the food came out, within four minutes of the water delivery. To my surprise, the apple pancakes came with warm, caramelized apples diced in between three large flapjack-like pancakes, almost like a burrito. Cinnamon was handed to me by the lovely waitress as she smiled, encouraging me to saturate my pancakes with the saddle brown spices. After the sugar, spice and everything was added to the pancakes, I did a wonky wax on/wax off treatment with my good ol' pal Land O Lakes dinner butter, right on the decorated pancakes. The wheat toast sat in between the pancakes and the omelette like a good boy, buttered up and ready for my attention. It wouldn't get it until the end of my meal, but more on that later. For now, the apple pancakes and cheddar omelette were at the center of attention. The apple pancakes excelled charmingly within my mouth. The omelette did as well. I felt a sense of care and adoration for the preparation of the omelette because of how the cheddar oozed out of the whisked, fried egg mixture. It didn't feel like Kraft's cheddar cheese singles.

Fifteen minutes later, I was seeing stars. My stomach was full and the wheat hadn't been touched yet. The omelette was 90 percent finished, as well as the apple pancakes. I couldn't touch my eating utensils any longer. Just for the sake of respecting the wheat toast, I picked up a piece of the triangular-shaped grain and gave it the attention it needed, a nice, flower-shaped bite. I couldn't even finish the rest. I was defeated.

Now, with three apple pancakes, two wheat toast pieces and a full omelette, you would think the price would amount to $25, possibly $35 if you were in the city. Well, I received the tab and it was only $13. Amazon couldn't even beat that. With unbelievable prices and a family atmosphere too pleasing to pass on, if you don't get your behind to Montclair Diner right now, you are losing by the second.

Diners can enjoy wheat toast at the Montclair Diner. Montclair Diner's apple pancakes with cinnamon.

The Montclair Diner is just a few minutes away from Montclair State's campus.
A Suicide Prevention Workshop was led by Dr. Jude Uy on Tuesday Nov. 8 to a group of 14 students as part of Veteran’s Week.

Uy is a psychologist for Montclair State’s Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). According to Dr. Uy, suicide is ranked as the second leading cause of death for college students, and more than 1,110 college students kill themselves every year.

One of the most staggering facts revealed through Uy’s presentation was when he displayed a group of 15 students on the screen. He originally asked the room of students to pick which three they thought had committed suicide and then revealed that all of the students, ranging from 13 to 19 years old, committed suicide at their respective ages.

“Suicide doesn’t discriminate,” Uy said, adding that no one can know exactly what’s going on with a person until you talk to them.

Babee Garcia, secretary of Montclair State’s Veteran’s Association and a staff writer for The Montclarion, expressed her appreciation for everyone who came to the workshop and said the seriousness of suicide “goes beyond the military.”

According to Uy, 80 percent of students who commit suicide don’t seek help. If they do decide to talk to someone, Uy said students who go through a crisis are more likely to go to a peer for advice instead of an administrator or professor.

It’s vital for those thinking about suicide to feel like they are being heard and understood by those they decide to open up to, according to Uy. The biggest mistake that could be made is for someone to minimize the problem and disregard a person’s feelings of committing suicide.

Luckily for Montclair State students, they can seek help at CAPS in Russ Hall for free and confidential counseling services. Students can also download the “Just in Case” app associated with CAPS for more information.

"Suicide doesn't discriminate."

Dr. Jude Uy, psychologist at CAPS

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Looking to Make EXTRA $$$ No Base, great commissions. MAKE EXTRA MONEY, MONTCLAIR

Looking for infant care providers for our 8 month old daughter. The position, beginning in September, will be 20-25 hours per week, Mon-Thurs (Fridays off), 7:45-8:45 am, getting the girls ready for school, and 2:45-7:00 pm. We have flexibility with the hours, but looking for someone who can care for our three-year old. If interested please email Lauhona: bulldog.

Looking for a fun, energetic and highly responsible individual for occasional overnight help needed. Start: ASAP! Experience, if that's your preference. References and experience required. Email: bulldog.

MONTCLAIR LOOKING FOR AFTER-SCHOOL BABYSITTER, BLOOMFIELD

We're looking for an after-school sitter Monday–Friday after school. Positions include working with 2 kids (ages 13 & 15) and 3 kids (ages 5, 7, and 9). Some late evenings – ending at 8.30pm – would be necessary. Email: ceng01@gmail.com

AFTER-SCHOOL BABYSITTER, RITTENHOUSE

After school school sitter needed starting Sept 12 for our 2 kids (8 & 10). Wednesday and Thursday afternoons will consist of homework help, driving to activities and have lunch with you. Tentative hours: 3-7pm, paid at $15/hr, 60 min. Start: ASAP. Please email: Lauhonaganguly@gmail.com.

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On election night, Montclair State students and the rest of America eagerly sat at the edge of their seats as Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton lost state after state to her opponent Donald Trump. Election results continued to roll until the wee hours of the morning, just as President Obama had reminded Americans hours before the official election results were announced. Like it or not, the electoral system is that the American people have spoken and Trump will become the 45th President of the United States, and that is something we as Americans must accept.

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A Third Party Candidate Allowed Me to Feel at Ease

Why would I vote for Clinton or Trump?

As a citizen of the United States of America, it is my right to vote. It is my right to express my opinion, beliefs and views and have the opportunity to help elect the next President of the United States.

Once I turned 18, I didn’t only become an adult; I finally became a registered voter. In my excitement, I, like many other first-time voters, would finally be able to have a say in a presidential election.

The debates between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump were interesting at first, but as the election went on, the feeling of horror crept up behind me as I came to the realization that one of these two candidates would eventually be running our country. This fear did not keep the American people or myself from exercising the right to vote. That is when the search for an alternate candidate began.

In all honesty, I did not believe a third-party candidate would become the next President of the United States. By voting for a third party, it takes away a vote from the “lesser of two evils.” Due to this election, many young people refused to register as a Republican or Democrat, and instead chose to vote for Gary Johnson.

While many independent voters, like myself, believe Trump and Clinton made valid points, I couldn’t picture myself voting for either of them.

For many voters, the decision between them was like voting for a louse cannon or a scarab hair. It was almost like opening two doors that lead to the same place.

Due to my indecision as a newly-registered voter choosing a political party, I was unable to vote in either primary. When it came down to the two major candidates, many considered abstaining from the election— the belief being that neither of these candidates deserved their vote. However, voting third party allowed for a different choice.

I went for that different choice. Gary Johnson may have gone through the election cycle unnoticed by many Americans, but not by me. Prior to the election, education was key in understanding the views of third party candidates. Remaining educated made me even more confident in my choice to avoid major parties for Gary Johnson.

Gary Johnson’s campaign presented plenty of reasonable solutions to the problems plaguing Americans. He had ideas on immigration, education, the job market and many other important issues.

I voted for Johnson because with just five percent of votes, history could have been changed by creating a more competitive election. It would change the Americans view of third-party candidates. Voting for the “lesser of two evils” was not an option. Johnson’s campaign was not driven by political insiders, but by everyday Americans. Johnson showed that 65 percent of Americans did not feel that either party in this election represented them.

Fox News also took a poll, and studies showed that 66 percent of Americans believe Clinton is not honest and trustworthy, while 37 percent believe the same about Trump. Over half of the American population did not believe that these candidates were honest and trustworthy, so giving either of them my vote was not an option.

It is my right as an American citizen to vote, and I was not going to let the tension between two candidates ruin this first election. Even though the outcome may not have been what people expected, it is always important to exercise your right to vote, and that is why I voted for Gary Johnson.

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Hike On the Bright Side

New Jersey gas hike has frustrated many, but it has some benefits

Many New Jersey residents filled their tanks on Monday, Nov. 3, in order to avoid the tax increase the next day. On Tuesday, Nov. 1, residents saw the first Garden State tax hike on gas in over twenty-five years. As a result of this newly-enforced tax hike, New Jersey has gone from having some of the lowest gas prices in the country to being among the highest.

With times as troubling as they are, the tax hike is only piling on to the dismay of New Jersey residents. Many people viewed the low gas prices as one of the primary incentives to travel to New Jersey. Now, these low prices are gone and people are left feeling as if they have been cheated. Yet, there are some silver linings in this situation that many people are choosing to consider.

In spite of the fact that New Jersey’s tax on gas has increased dramatically, it is still lower than the tax in the neighboring states of New York and Pennsylvania. In New York, the tax is about 43 cents per gallon, and Pennsylvania’s gas tax is even higher at about 51 cents per gallon. By comparison, the new tax price for gas in New Jersey is 35.7 cents per gallon. To when it comes to traveling among these three northeastern states, New Jersey is still the most preferable option when it comes to purchasing gas.

Going even further, it is important to understand the purpose of this gas tax hike. The New Jersey gas tax hike is the result of a deal between New Jersey Governor Chris Christie and lawmakers that will be beneficial to consumers and hopefully improve the roads and bridges throughout our state.

New Jersey has a higher sales tax than the majority of the country, so this deal will decrease the sales tax is beneficial for consumers. Our state is already exempt from sales tax when it comes to unprepared foods, medicine and clothing. This new cut only adds to the list of things we have when dealing with sales tax.

Also, there are some great properties in New Jersey where the expensive price tag leads to an enforcement of the considerable estate tax. Through this hike on gas taxes, the estate tax will decrease and major parties for people to buy some of the finest homes New Jersey has to offer.

If things go according to plan, the increased gas tax will ultimately lead to the improvement of roads and bridges all around the state of New Jersey. Damaged roads and bridges are detrimental because they can result in car accidents. If it is necessary to have higher gas prices to increase road safety and convenience, it looks like a reasonable trade-off.

Now, this deal is not a perfect plan that will magically fix everything. Yet, it is important to remember that we must always try and understand the intentions of a certain idea and give it a chance before writing it off.

America was built on trying uncertain ideas and giving them a chance to see if they would work. Given how far our country has come, we have a pretty good track record with trying uncertain ideas.

To be more even more positive, residents of New Jersey will still have their gas pumped for them even with the higher tax on gas. So before setting off on this plan to dramatically increase the gas tax as a disaster, let at least give it a chance and show some optimism in this pessimistic time.

Nicholas De Vito, a columnist for The Montclarion, is in his first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.
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Nov. 17 - 20
WMSC Channels Energy into 30+ Hour Live Broadcast

Babee Garcia 
Staff Writer

WMSC, Montclair State’s campus radio station, celebrated the sixth annual College Radio Day on Nov. 4 with 30 continuous hours of live broadcast.

The concept of College Radio Day was created by Rob Quicke, the general manager of WMSC at William Paterson University, who wanted all listeners and participants in college radio to unite. The mission was intended to raise a greater awareness of how college radio is still alive and kicking.

This event featured unsigned, local and independent artists throughout the 30 hours of broadcasting.

“When a person thinks of college radio, they usually think of on-campus stations,” WMSC Station Manager Juan Cortina said. “College radio has truly grown here at Montclair State and at WMSC. I remember back on my freshman year when I first joined this day. We usually celebrated by playing music out of the boom boxes in the quad and handing out CDs.”

The WMSC radio team got the party started at 7 p.m. on Nov. 4, with an on-campus pre-show. The Kick-off Extravaganza followed at midnight. WMSC provided a special live broadcast from the Red Hawk Diner and had New Jersey Broadcasters Association President Paul Rosella and Quicke on the air.

“It is in celebration of a terrific outlet for on-the-job training, the love being on the air and it is great how everyone can come together to discuss their passion for radio like I do,” said junior Nick Flaherty, who has a flair for sports media and broadcasting. Flaherty has been actively involved with WMSC as a sports commentator since his freshman year.

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Students don’t need to be a communications major to join the WMSC team.

‘Twelfth Night’ Proves Players Should Play On

Olivia Wilinski 
Staff Writer

When a person thinks of Shakespeare, a few things come to mind: puffy shirts, gowns, pantaloons, and tights, ostentatious language and the cramped desks from school English classes as we painstakingly attempted to understand this language.

However, the Montclair State Players, a class one SGA club, changed this mindset with their performance of Shakespeare’s classic comedy “Twelfth Night.” With the main character wearing a flannel and the speaking in modern fist bumps, the Players performed a vintage comedy in a way that was more modern and digestible fashion for a younger audience.

The delivery of the opening soliloquy, with the famous line, “If music be the food of love, play on,” set the tone of the play with Benjamin James as an impeccable Duke Orsino cool, collected, but consumed. A true heart-throb.

The scenes that I personally waited for included Rachel Riezzo as Feste, the fool. She added her own flair to the part by interacting with the audience and acting hilarious ad-libbed bits, including her shrilling interpretations of the choruses.

The two stand-out performances came from Brenna Fitzmaurice, who played Viola and later doubled as the gender-bent version, Cesario, and Judy Tounsi as Lady Olivia. Both performed their roles with the perfect balance of drama and humor. I thoroughly enjoyed each cast member’s performance.

The only thing I have left to say to the players is: play on.
WARNING

PLEASE BE AWARE that the State of New Jersey laws regarding the sale, distribution and use of alcohol are being enforced around the NJIT and Rutgers-Newark campuses.

VIOLATORS WILL BE ARRESTED AND THEIR NAMES WILL BE PUBLISHED FROM THE POLICE BLOTTER.

Sponsoring student organizations violating New Jersey laws WILL BE subject to campus sanctions.

In Conjunction With:
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NJIT Public Safety
Rutgers University Police Department (Newark Division)
As one of four classical bassists in Montclair State University’s music program, Domenic Croce is working extremely hard as a sophomore music education major to be the best bassist he can be for his future students. Croce could be viewed as a natural talent, having only played the instrument seriously for a short time before auditioning for the program and earning one of the coveted spots.

The Academy Awards season is quickly approaching and the race for Best Picture is off and running. “Hacksaw Ridge” is a must-see, if you don’t mind the bloody, violent and realistic fare that took place during WWII. Other than minor story changes, it is a WWII masterpiece. The film is based on a true story. It tells the story of one of the unknown heroes of WWII, Private First Class Desmond Doss (Andrew Garfield), who saved as many injured soldiers as he could. Since he stayed on the battlefield after the Americans retreated to save as many injured soldiers as he could. Since the movie is based on a true story, it’s no surprise that the story was slightly changed to make a better feature.

One inaccurate is revealed in a video montage at the end of the film. During an interview, the real Doss said that he saved Captain Glover (portrayed by Sam Worthington) after the battle and poured water over his eyes to clean off the caked up blood that prevented him from seeing. During the film, Captain Glover is spared from any injuries, and Doss saves someone else in the same way that was described in the video. It’s odd that they would specifically tell you that they changed a fact of the story. It also doesn’t make sense as to why this was changed.

The first incredible part of this story is that Doss was continuously pressured by his commanding officers to touch a gun or kill anybody in battle, yet felt it was his duty to be the best bassist he can be.

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**Student Artist Profile:**

**Domenic Croce**

Assistant Entertainment Editor

As a fresh graduate. I saw myself in position. I always loved music.

**What do you specialize in?**

Can you tell me about your experiences with this music program? I started studying it my senior years ago as an assistant music teacher at my high school’s summer music program. Along with this [internship and music education] I teach guitar and double bass privately.

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Other than minor story changes, the film is as accurate as imaginable as to how war fare took place during WWII. The film is incredibly gory, bloody, violent and realistic during some of the most intense battle sequences. I have seen this. The practical effects were exquisite and made the action hard to watch. The battles were upsetting with the amount of gore and violence that ensued. Gibson did an excellent job with presenting the story and creating a great film. He is likely to score an Academy Award nomination as well.

One of the surprising elements of the film was Vince Vaughn as Sergeant Howell. Vaughn, known best for his countless comedy works, was fantastic in a very dramatic and serious role. He was a very likeable Army sergeant and did a great job with being intense. He was even able to add some of his signature comedy to the mix while tormenting some of his privates. It was a great surprise to see Vaughn excel in this type of role.

“Hacksaw Ridge” is the first serious Academy Award contender of the season. The presentation, story and writing come together to make a WWII masterpiece. The film is a must-see, if you don’t mind some gore and intense violence. It’s been a while since a great war film has been released, so “Hacksaw Ridge” is a breath of much-needed fresh air.

**Q: When did you start playing basses?**

A: Three years ago at a summer program at my high school, but I’ve been at it the whole year in high school and prepping for college audition in four months.

**Q: When and why did you decide to pursue it as a career?**

A: I decided to pursue music education as a career after seeing my new orchestra teacher as a fresh graduate. I saw myself in this position. I always loved music.

**Q: What do you specialize in?**

Can you talk about how you decided that type of music is your favorite? I specialize in classical music, but I have experience in both classical and jazz. I was deeply inspired by the recordings of the finer musician, Rinat Bragimtsev, so I decided to go to a classical route.

**Q: What experiences have you had teaching?**

Have you learned through teaching? A: I started teaching guitar to newly children and women in Paterson and ended up getting a continued internship two years ago as an assistant music teacher at my high school’s summer music program. Along with this [internship and music program] I teach guitar and double bass privately.

**Q: What's your latest project?**

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**Q: What's your next project?**

A: My latest project is learning various excerpts to hopefully audition for some summer festivals in the future.

**Q: What is your biggest motivation?**

A: My biggest motivation is the fact that there is only so much time here, so for my future students, I work my hardest in order to be the best bassist I can be.

**Q: How has Montclair State University fostered you as an artist?**

A: Montclair State University has offered me an excellent education at the cost of a state school, along with the amazing staff that conservatories offer.

**Q: Who are your biggest supporters?**

A: My biggest supporters are my friends in the bass section and my roommates dealing with my craziness on the topic and me running in and out of the room constantly.

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Field Hockey’s Dream of Being Champions are Crushed by TCNJ and St. Joseph’s

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The issue of sportmanship is something that has engulﬁed the sports world since the ﬁrst ball was thrown. But, as ath- letes grow and switch a pre- vious team to the varsity squad, the line where being a good sport ends and how far you’ll go to win becomes a little fuzzy.

Last week, top athletes from the county’s most competitive sports talked out their opinions on sportmanship at a Sports- manship Summit at the Yogi Berra Museum, in partnership with the Parabolic Performance and Rehabilitation Center.

Moderated by WNYT’s Rick Wolf, former New Jersey Devils Captain Bryce Salvador, Emma Cimo
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Kate Tobie and the Red Hawks have their sights set on another NCAA run this season.

Daniel Falkenheim
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The Montclair State wom- en’s basketball team suffered a heartbreaking overtime loss in the second Round of the NCAA Division II Tournament, but now the team is looking to pick up where they left off.

The Red Hawks enter this season as the 16th ranked team in the country, according to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America preseason poll. No other team in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) was nationally ranked, and Harvey has the unique oppor- tunity to coach essentially the same roster from last season.

But, there are new addi- tions. Freshmen forwards Ashli Stinnett-Cheek, from Winslow Township High School, and Alex McKinnon, from Fairfield Ludlowe High School, join the Red Hawks along with fresh- man guard Cerys MacLelland, from Cranford High School, Colleen O’Connell and Dem- ore O’Connell are also joining the team as assistant coaches.

“On my interview, and it’s fun- ny, I talk about this with Coach Harvey a lot, I was so impressed by the [team’s] work ethic,” O’Connell said. “But, also the narrow focus of the girls. They know what they’re chasing. They are willing to go through the process to get there.”

In prior years, the team had a speciﬁc goal. The Red Hawks’ goal for the 2014-15 season was to make a Final Four run (they achieved that goal and moved to Grand Rapids, Mi. for the Final Four) and the goal for the 2015-16 season was to win the NJAC Championship (they achieved that, too).

But this year is different.

“I’m going to be honest. I’m trying to change our focus a little bit,” Harvey said. “For us, I would like us to stay fo- cused on the process and see where that takes us, instead of saying, ‘you know what, I think we’re an Elite 8 team, or Sweet 16 team or we’re an NJAC Championship team.’”

A mix of junior and senior captains – including juniors Kate Tobie and Katie Stine and seniors Zow Curtis, Ra- chel Krause and Sage Bennett – will be tasked with lead- ing the Red Hawks to another NCAA Tournament run. Har- vey said her senior captains “represent the team perfectly.”

Each player on the team is trending upwards in terms of in- dividual skills, but the team still has one area they are working on: rebounding. The Red Hawks were outrebounded by at least 11 rebounds in their only two games in the 2016 NCAA Tour- nament and were an average rebounding team in the NJAC.

Still, the Red Hawks have a plethora of players that can contribute offensively on a game-by-game basis. Harvey and O’Connell said they were pleased with what they saw in the team’s ﬁrst scrimmage on Nov. 5, but both pointed out the team’s rebounding and ball handling could be better.

Projected ahead, Montclair State will be the team to beat in the NJAC. The team’s roster will have a majority of upperclass- men for the ﬁrst time in awhile, and the 2016-17 season is set up for the Red Hawks to thrive.

The Red Hawks’ ﬁrst game of the 2016-17 season will be at home against Haverford College on Tuesday, Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m.
McKinley Devine-Carter
Staff Writer

The Montclair State men’s soccer team earned an automatic bid to the 2016 NCAA Tournament with a 3-0 win over nationally ranked Rowan University in the New Jersey Athletic Conference Tournament Final. An own goal and tally from Jake Seaman and Colin Mulligan saw the Red Hawks past the Profs of Glassboro, despite the suspensions of Luca Terzi, Rafael Terzi and Michael Cezynski, who all missed the game after picking up red cards in the previous win versus Rutgers-Newark. Despite missing these players, Montclair State put together an excellent team performance to get the win and advance to the national tournament, facing off against Christopher Newport in the First Round at Messiah College in western Pennsylvania.

Montclair State got off to a quick start when a Rowan own goal put the Men’s team up 1-0. Winger Steven Zamudio picked the ball up on the left side of the 18 yard box and fired in a dangerous cross towards Jake Seuman, who was lurking front post. Sensing the danger, Rowan defender Brian Dzidzak tried to head the ball away, but it only found its way into the back of the net past a diving Kyle Dennis. The Red Hawks defended well for the rest of the half, forcing Rowan into several long range shots that did little to trouble goalkeeper Mike Szaut- lirski, who had a strong performance marshalling the 18 yard box against Rowan’s patented set-piece based attack. Montclair was able to stifle Rowan until the first half whistle blow.

The second half started similarly to the first, with Rowan having trouble breaking down Montclair State’s resolute defense that saw Justin Clancy slide over from right back to central defense, and strong performances from Ian John- son and Chris Bobev, as well as the ever-present and ever-physical Mike Taranto. 18 min- utes into the half, a foul on the Red Hawk’s set up a dangerous free kick opportunity for senior winger Mike Cilla. Cilla curled a vicious free kick that Prof keep- er Kyle Dennis did well to save at his near post, but the re- bound fell to the striking Jake Seuman, who slotted a clinical finish into the side netting from a tough angle to put Montclair up 2-0 over their rivals. A few minutes later, Sautlirski would make a key save as he acro- batically punched a point blank header off the crossbar that was later cleared by Mike Taranto.

Controversy ensued in the 72nd minute when Colin Mul- ligan charged forward with the ball and ripped a left foot- ed shot from about 30 yards that the Rowan keeper tried to punch away but was only able to punch the ball into his own net. Dennis appealed to the ref- eree that he had caught it after the punch before it went over the line, but the sideline ref- eree signaled that it had crossed the line, and Montclair went up 3-0. Montclair prevented Rowan from getting back into the game and defended with shape and organization over the last 20 minutes of the match. After the final whistle blew, the Hawk’s celebrated earning their 4th NCAA appearance in a row.

The Montclair State men’s soccer team poses with their new NJAC Championship trophy.

Montclair State Volleyball Lands NJAC Championship, Sets Sights on NCAA

One Down, One to Go

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Sports Editor

The volleyball team hosted the New Jersey Athletic Cham- pionship (NJAC) title match last weekend. The Hawks were defeated by the top-seeded Ramapo College in the NJAC Tourna- ment Championship – earning the college the first Volleyball title in almost a decade, the previous coming in 2007.

"It is a great feeling to see Montclair State back in the top of the NJAC," Head Coach Ed- die Stawinski said, "it was some- ly a memorable run in the post- season this year." With this title, the team earned themselves a bid to the coveted NCAA Tour- nament with an eagerness to earn another banner to hang in the Panzer Athletic Center. The NJAC Championship Tournament is a familiar scene for Stawinski and his team, having lost in the semifinals last season to their rivals, Stock- ton University, last season. Ironically, Stockton was exactly who they met in the semi- finals this season. Despite this, the team took the court with less nerves and more certainty, having played one of the best matches of their season that night against Ramapo, in the opinion of their head coach. The title came at the per- fect time," according to Staws- inski. They have improved as the season progressed, but as the Championship Game ap- proached, he believed that they were playing their best volley- ball of the season. Stawinski felt confident going into the Cham- pionship Game, highlighting the team’s hard work and their strategies in accordance to their specific NJAC competitors.

"We had different game plans for each confer- ence playoff match and the team executed them in the matches," Stawinski said. Their game plans paid off in the NJAC, but this is not the end of the road. The NCAA bracket was released via live stream on Monday and the entire team gathered to watch it together to learn their fate. The team will take the short trip to Stevens Institute of Tech- nology, where they will take on Clark University in Massachu- settes. Stawinski and his fellow coaches will work to develop a new game plan, while look- ing to his reliable team to be as consistent as they always have been throughout the season.

"We have great depth in our program and have been able to maintain a competitive level in practice which has helped us maintain a high level through- out the season," Stawinski said. The team hopes to snatch the first NCAA Volleyball title for Montclair State since 2007. "It is a strong bracket and Clark is a great opponent," Stawinski said. Overall, it is a great feel- ing to be Montclair State Volley- ball announced in the National Championship Tournament.

Headed to the NCAA Tournament

With an NJAC Championship Trophy in hand, Men’s Soccer is eager for Another