



Alumni News



Get ready for virtual Homecoming 2020 - this weekend!

Homecoming 2020 is this weekend! Get your "Stay-at-Home" coming tailgate gear ready and join us at 10:00 a.m. for a welcome address from President Susan A. Cole to kickoff the day! To wrap up the festivities, tune into closing remarks and hear a live update from Vice President for Student Development and Campus Life, Dr. Karen Pennington and Vice President for Development, Colleen Coppla. You'll hear exclusive updates about the Soar campaign, happenings on campus, and more. It's not too late to register for any and all events! [\[Visit Homecoming website\]](#) [\[Send us your Homecoming photos!\]](#)



Get in on WIN: The Women's Initiative Network

Digital Events

October 22
[Philosophy for Lunch: This Is Not Propaganda](#)

October 23
[Choices Matter: Complicity and Action During the Holocaust](#)

October 25
[Seule, Music for Flute Alone](#)

October 26
[Sustainability Series: Improved Sustainability of Bridges through Better Diagnostics and Deeper Understanding of Deterioration Processes with Dr. Nenad Gucunski](#)

October 28
[New Jersey Law Admissions Day Information Session](#)

October 28
[Mobile Video Production 101](#)

To find out more about online events and resources, visit our [website](#).

Weekly Women Entrepreneurship

On Montclair State University's campus, the 7th annual Weekly Women Entrepreneurship began virtually in September and runs through November 13, 2020. We will feature talks and interviews with female founders and entrepreneurs weekly. New this year, any college, university, business or nonprofit is welcome to participate, by organizing an event featuring a female founder.

To register to receive our weekly agenda, please complete this [registration form](#). We will also post to [Montclair Entrepreneurs MeetUp](#) and our [YouTube channel](#). [\[View the full lineup\]](#) [\[Register now!\]](#)

Career Corner

The Women's Initiative Network (WIN) was created to engage Montclair State's nearly 85,000 alumnae in the intellectual, cultural and educational life of the University. The group's purpose is to create a vibrant community of alumnae and friends to inspire and empower women to become leading volunteers and visionary donors, increase the number of women meaningfully engaged in University programs, empower the next generation of leaders and strengthen ties between and among alumnae and the University through a strong network of women committed to supporting Montclair State. [\[View full story\]](#)

University News



PEAK Performances in High Def

Lights flash, bodies twist, pianos sound, voices rise, blood rushes and minds engage – all upon a stage brought to viewers virtually. A genius move begun two years ago by Montclair State University is providing arts lovers with free, world-class PEAK Performances this fall – at a time when most arts organizations have canceled their seasons. “With the Alexander Kasser Theater now equipped as a first-class broadcast venue for the performing arts, we’re sending the message that the performing arts will overcome the COVID-19 pandemic as they have all other obstacles,” says Arts and Cultural Programming Executive Director Jedediah Wheeler. “The doors that are open are the doors of our ideas. Everybody is welcome. All seats are available. There is no social distancing to the imagination.” [\[View full story\]](#)



Virtual Fall Graduate Open House – Sunday, October 25, 2020

This event is designed for you to have the freedom to explore all of the graduate programs offered by Montclair State University. During the virtual graduate open house, you will also have the opportunity to learn more about Montclair State Online. Developed with the working professional in mind, our online master's degree and certificate programs afford students the flexibility and convenience needed to balance life's demands while building career-enhancing skills and credentials. [\[View full story\]](#)

Giving News



By Adam Mayer, MA, GCDF,
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Miles Davis said, “Time isn’t the main thing, it’s the *only* thing.” Considering the various levels of quarantine, and their effect on our use of time, have we become any better at managing what Miles considers paramount? An [HR study in HigherEdJobs.com](#) indicates “94% of 800 employers surveyed by [Mercer](#) said productivity was the same as or higher than it was *before* the pandemic, even with employees working remotely.” Ok, time management and productivity work hand in hand—so we’re looking good there, and as Carl Spackler might say, “At least we got that goin’ for us, which is nice.”

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Carpe Art

Are you looking to purchase art as a gift or for your own home? Now you can do so AND support Montclair State University student artists and alumni as we host an exhibition of art at the Montclair Innovation Lab, an outreach center for the Feliciano Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation. Student art will be exhibited (free



Mask up, Montclair State!

Masks are our new normal, so let's make the most of it! Make a gift in support of our students and as a special thank you, receive a limited edition Montclair State mask to show your Red Hawk Pride! What better way to do your part and represent your alma mater? Plus, you'll be supporting The Fund for Montclair State! Annual gifts to The Fund for Montclair State have a direct and meaningful impact on the lives of our students by providing much-needed support for scholarships; improvement to classrooms; laboratories and campus facilities; new program development; and technologies that give our students an edge in an increasingly competitive world. [\[Learn more\]](#)

Athletics News



Montclair State Celebrates 50th Anniversary of Knute Rockne Bowl Champions

In the 89 years of football at Montclair State, there have been plenty of outstanding seasons producing great victories, incredible individual performances, and championship campaigns. A half-century ago, all three came together in what can be called the greatest season in program history. In 2020, the Red Hawks will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the 1970 squad. That dominated throughout the season, finishing the year off with the NCAA Knute Rockne Bowl title that signified Montclair as the best team in the East Region. [\[View full story\]](#) [\[Tune in at Homecoming 2020 to relive this moment!\]](#)

Alumni Spotlights

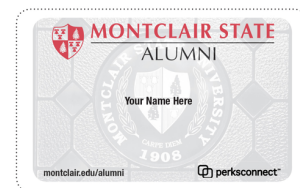
and open to the public) Tuesday - Friday, 11:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m., until November 6. [\[Learn More\]](#)

GEICO Alumni Discount



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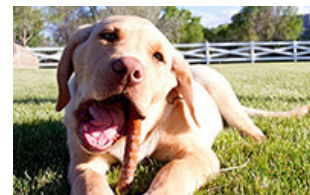
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Working Advantage



As alumni, you have exclusive access to the Working Advantage discount network which allows you to save up to 60% on ticketed events and online shopping. Access these discounts and get started today! [\[Learn more\]](#)

Wilson's Family Saved \$2,998 in Vet Bills!



Wilson needed emergency surgery after ingesting a tennis ball. Luckily Wilson's parents had Healthy Paws pet insurance, which covered 90% of Wilson's vet bills.



Nicole Romero '20

The Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) program at Montclair State University's College of the Arts requires dedication and hard work. But for Nicole Romero '20, reaching her goal of a bachelor's degree meant more than the usual academic and artistic challenges. Born in Peru and raised in Paterson since the age of 2, Nicole learned early what it meant to be cautious. She felt her parents' fear when news reports of immigration raids came out. Anxiety was part of her life. She learned why at the age of 16, when her parents told her that she was not a legal resident of the U.S. [\[View full story\]](#)



Taras Petryshyn '14 MEd

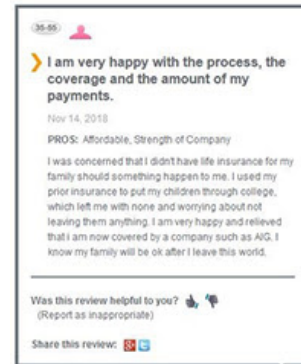
When Taras Petryshyn started as an assistant principal with Clifton Public Schools this past August, it was the culmination of years of hard work for the district that began with his first job as janitor there 18 years ago. For the Ukrainian immigrant, who came to the United States as a teenager, it was his perseverance through continued education that helped him achieve the American Dream. He graduated from Clifton High School in 2000, and a year later he was cleaning the district's administration building by night and attending classes at Bergen Community College by day. After BCC, he went on to get a degree from William Paterson University in 2006 and then worked as a teacher while pursuing his Master of Education in Educational Leadership at Montclair State, attaining the degree in 2014. [\[View full story\]](#)

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