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Alumni Connections - October 2022

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Alumni News



Four Alumni Among the Newly Appointed University Foundation Board Members

As it grows to serve the University, the Montclair State University Foundation added five new board members, expanding its collective effort for outreach and support to advance the University.

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Featured Events



Save the Date – October 28, 2022

THE BLACK ALUMNI ADVISORY COUNCIL PRESENTS
A Night to Remember
 BAAC GALA CELEBRATION

Event Details

The Black Alumni Advisory Council Gala Celebration

Friday, October 28, 2022
 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

The Conference Center, University Hall, 7th Floor

Honoring James Harris '68 '70 MA, former Associate Dean of Students and University Ombudsman

Cost: \$150 per person, includes dinner, open beer-wine bar, donation

Dress: Semi-Formal Attire

Proceeds from the evening will



Celebrating Rocky

Everyone's favorite feathered friend got a big surprise on Wednesday, October 5, when hundreds of friends, including his mascot pals from other universities, surprised him with a party in the Student Center for his birthday. Staff and students joined the mascots – and a couple of superheroes – for games in the ballrooms, where there were gift card giveaways, a balloon artist, an ice cream truck, lots of selfies and a chance for student clubs and organizations to be on hand to give out information to students looking for ways to get involved.

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University News



Celebrating Indigenous Peoples Day

Montclair welcomed the Red Blanket Singers of the Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape Tribe of New Jersey for a special performance as part of the early evening event, which also served as the formal unveiling of the

benefit the Emergency Book Fund, EOF Book Fund and James Harris Book Fund.

The deadline to reserve your seat is October 24. To reserve your seat please click the link below.

[CLICK HERE](#)



Homecoming 2022 is less than 2 weeks away! Join us on Saturday, October 29.

Check out some of our featured events!

Alumni Welcome Tent

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Tent
Outside Cole Hall (formerly
College Hall)

Street Fair

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Chapin Drive Street Fair / Food
and Drink Concession Stands

Alumni Barbecue and Craft Beer Tents

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Historic Quad (area outside
Freeman/Russ/Chapin Halls)

We invite you back to campus for a day filled with fun, food and football! [View the full schedule](#) of events and plan your day!

[REGISTER TODAY](#)

Upcoming Events

University's new Native American and Indigenous Studies minor and Montclair's formal Land Acknowledgement. [\[View the full story\]](#)



University Again Named Fulbright HSI Leader

The U.S. Department of State has recognized Montclair State University for its commitment to providing life-changing educational opportunities. The Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs announced today that it has named the University a 2022 Fulbright Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) Leader, one of only 43 colleges and universities in the country to earn the federal designation. The honor marks the second-straight year Montclair has been named a Fulbright HSI Leader.

[\[View the full story\]](#)

More University News

Finding Refuge from Horrors of War Collective effort by University partners aids in bringing Ukrainian scholar, psychologist to Montclair

Giving News

October 20

[Virtual: English Conversation Groups](#)

October 20

["What Is Philosophy?" Philosophy for Lunch](#)

October 23

[Virtual Graduate Open House](#)

October 26

[Video Production 101](#)

View the [full calendar of events](#) and check out some [online resources](#).

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Join the Recent Alumni Network Today



[The Recent Alumni Network \(RAN\)](#) works to meet the needs and interests of alumni from the past ten graduating classes. Working with Alumni Engagement, the **RAN Committee**, representing the Classes of 2013 – 2023, will lead the charge in developing, planning, promoting, and delivering quality programs designed to engage recent graduates in the Montclair State University community.



ROCK THE SOCKS

Homecoming 2022: Rock the Socks!

Homecoming is a day when we celebrate school spirit and show off our Red Hawk pride. Make your gift of \$25 in support of our students and receive a pair of limited-edition Montclair State University socks! Be sure to wear them on Homecoming, October 29, and send in your photos to be featured on social media. What better way to do your part and represent your alma mater?

Make a Gift

Athletics News



Celebrating The Legacy of Sam Mills

If you are interested in joining the network or serving on the planning committee, please complete this brief **survey** to tell us a little bit about yourself, your interests, and your thoughts on developing future activities.

To **learn more about RAN** please visit our website.

Career Corner



By Adam Mayer, MA, GCDF, CPRW,
Director, University College Career
and Academic Programming

We've all heard it before—it's not what you know, it's who you know.

This maxim still holds true and highlights the need for effective networking techniques. That said, be sure to build alliances and relationships, don't just ask for a job and recognize that networking is a process—it's not necessarily transactional. Use the following questions when networking: What trends/patterns do you see in your field? What advice would you give yourself when you were in college? Would you be open to reviewing my resume and cover letter? Is there someone you recommend I reach out to for additional advice?

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- Expand your network and connect with fellow graduates

Join us for Homecoming 2022 as Montclair State University celebrates Sam Mills '81 with a pregame ceremony and plaque unveiling on Sprague Field at 12:30 p.m. Mills who was once considered too small to play linebacker in the NFL, received the NFL's most prestigious honor on August 6 when he was posthumously enshrined into the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Class of 2022.

One of the all-time greatest athletes to graduate from Montclair, Mills was an NCAA Division III standout from 1977-80, setting school records with 501 career tackles, 142 tackles for a single season, and 22 tackles for a single game. Montclair retired Mills' No. 62 in 1981, inducted him into its Athletic Hall of Fame in 1992 and bestowed an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree upon Mills in May 1998. [\[View the Full Story\]](#)

Alumni Spotlights



Joanne Bowman '82 *Change master*

For Joanne Bowman '82, life's common themes center on building relationships and creating transformation. These tenets have defined her career, where she has devoted her professional life to human resources and organizational development roles primarily for higher education and nonprofit organizations. Her work involves coaching, organizational and leadership development, group relations and interpersonal dynamics, which leads to organizational and individual transformation.

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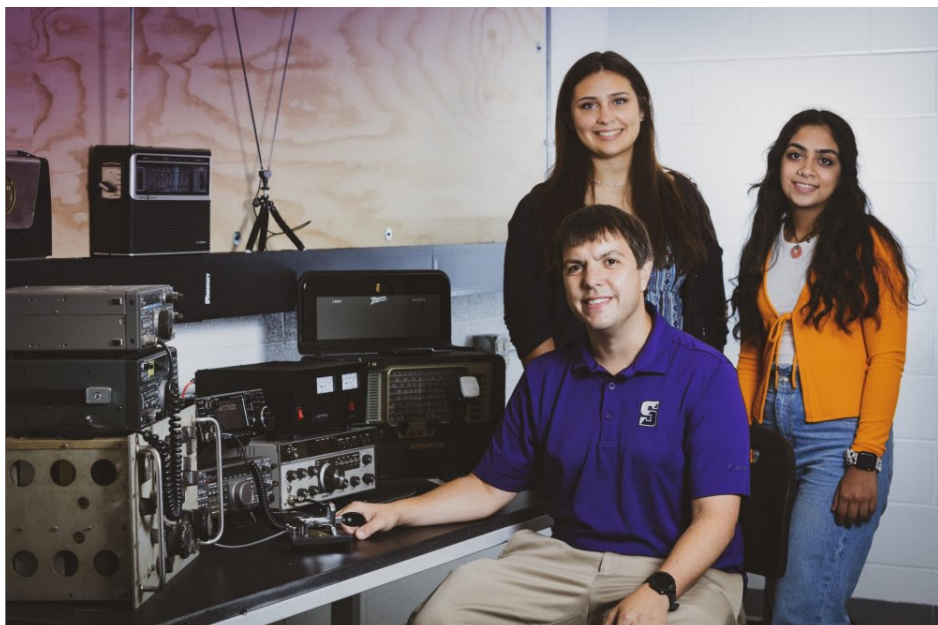
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Nathaniel Frissell '07 *Sound and Science*

At first glance, the space between Frissell's early years as a Bloomfield High School marching band and choir member, ham radio enthusiast and dedicated Boy Scout and his current role as a research scientist might seem like a stretch of the imagination. But passion, hard work and his undergraduate years at Montclair State University blazed a most fascinating career path. [\[View full story\]](#)

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