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# AlumniConnections

The monthly newsletter for alumni and friends of **Montclair State University**

## Alumni News



### Homecoming is just 25 days away!

Homecoming is less than one month away! Join us on Saturday, October 14, for fun, food, football and festivities for the whole family. Stop by the petting zoo, photo booth, carnival, Beer Garden, Car Show, student showcase, and more! College of Science and Mathematics will host Science in Action, the School of Communication and Media has a day full of activities, and the Feliciano School of Business is hosting a lecture. Visit the website to plan your day and register! [View full details](#) [Register Now!](#)

### Upcoming Events

#### Ongoing - October 1

[Peak Performances: The Merchant of Venice](#)

#### September 23

[Graduate Programs Information Session](#)

#### September 24

[Shakespeare in the Ghetto, Ghetto in the Shakespeare](#)

#### September 25

[Mathematical Sciences Seminar](#)

#### September 26

[Entrepreneurship through Franchising](#)

#### September 26

[Offshore Wind Power: Can NJ Find a Place at the Table?](#)

#### September 26

[Venice as a Metaphor for the World](#)

#### September 27

[SCM Colloquium Series: Trouble with Reality](#)

#### September 28

[School of Communication and Media Workshop](#)

#### September 29

[Film Screening Series](#)

#### September 30

[Linda Gould Levine's Production of La Casa De Bernarda Alba](#)



## Announcing a new benefit: PerksConnect is back!

We are excited to announce that alumni now have access to PerksConnect! Search PerksConnect to find local and national deals and discounts, search for event tickets, cash back rewards, and much more! As a graduate of Montclair State, you now have access to everyday savings made easy. great local discounts, exclusive offers, travel and more. The best part? It's free, just for being a Montclair State University graduate. Sign on to MONTCLAIRconnect, the exclusive online community, to access your alumni perks today! [\[Sign on\]](#)

## University News



## President's Opening Day Address

On Tuesday, September 5, Montclair State's opening day, or Red Hawk Day, created a buzz across campus. To kick off the day, President Susan A. Cole gave her annual opening day address to faculty and staff of Montclair State University. [\[View full speech\]](#)

## Full Event Calendar

Plan ahead, mark your calendar, and tell a friend..

## Peak Performances

Check out the upcoming calendar of events.

## Carpe Diem

Tune in to the School of Communication and Media's weekly show.

## Montclair State Athletics

View the entire athletics schedule and cheer the Red Hawks on to victory!

## Save on Auto Insurance with GEICO!

As a graduate of Montclair State University, you could receive an exclusive discounted rate on auto insurance from GEICO. Find out how much you could save! 15 minutes could save you 15% or more on car insurance.® [\[Learn more\]](#)

## Go Big! Go Six Flags!

You have access to discounted tickets and season passes to Six Flags Great Adventure and Hurricane Harbor. Enjoy fun in the sun – [buy and print your tickets online!](#)

## Support Montclair State with Amazon Smile!

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## College of Education and Human Services Alumni Reception- October 23

Join Dean Tamara Lucas and university leadership as we





## Hollywood East Comes to Montclair State University

Since offering its first courses in fall 2012, the School of Communication and Media at Montclair State University has established a national reputation for preparing students for career success in rapidly evolving industries. With the September 26 opening of its new home – the most technologically advanced broadcast and media production facility in any university in the nation – students, faculty and professionals in the state and the metropolitan region gain access to the latest production capabilities. [\[View full details\]](#)

## Giving News



## Emergency Book Fund Surpasses Goal

Thanks to the generosity of the Montclair State University community, the Emergency Book Fund Campaign surpassed its goal of raising \$5,000 by September 8, to ensure students have the resources that they need to succeed in the classroom. Open to all students, the book fund provides assistance for those who would otherwise be unable to purchase needed textbooks due to financial hardship. [\[View full details\]](#)

## Athletics News

recognize Montclair State's educational ties with the City of Newark and Essex County. Celebrate dynamic partnerships with neighboring communities through the Montclair State University Network for Educational Renewal, the Woodrow Wilson Teaching Fellowship and the Newark Montclair Urban Teacher Residency. [\[Learn more\]](#)

### Law Admissions Day - October 25

Interested in law school?

- Come learn about law school admissions
- Speak directly to law school representatives to obtain information
- Receive LSAT information
- Get a head start on the admission process

[Learn more!](#)

### The Newark Montclair Urban Teacher Residency (NMUTR)

*...now accepting applications for the 2018 Cohort!*



The NMUTR is an initial teacher certification program for college graduates and career changers with a deep commitment to urban education. Students pursue a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) with teacher certification in either Early Childhood (P-3)/Special Education or Secondary Education (K-12), Mathematics or Science. MSU faculty and staff provide Residents with opportunities for on-site education, intensive classroom experiences with a master teacher, and mentoring and professional development during



## Red Hawk Open a Success

Montclair State University's Fifth Annual Red Hawk Open took place on Monday, September 11, at the Forest Hill Field Club in Bloomfield. More than 140 golfers came out for a beautiful day on the course to benefit Montclair State Athletic teams and programs, raising \$120,000. The funds will go towards the purchase of strength and conditioning equipment for the Panzer Athletic Center, and will also be allocated to each of the 18 varsity athletic programs to assist with each program's individual needs. Teams can use this money for travel, equipment or special events. [\[View full details\]](#)

## Alumni Spotlights



### Irving Dennis '81

Irv has over 35 years experience with EY including 22 years as a partner. Irv

the resident's three-year commitment to teach in the Newark Public Schools after graduation. Residents in the NMUTR also benefit from a partial tuition waiver and a living stipend of \$26k to \$30k.

For more information including eligibility requirements and application deadlines, [please visit our website](#), or contact program staff at [nmutrp@montclair.edu](mailto:nmutrp@montclair.edu).

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### Food Truck and Craft Beer Festival - October 21



Alumni are invited to enjoy food trucks and craft beer at Yogi Berra Stadium on October 21!

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### Dr. John J. Kirk, Director of NJSOC for nearly 40 years

It is with sadness that we share with you the passing of Dr. John J. Kirk. In 1963, John became director of the New Jersey School of Conservation (SOC). He was instrumental in building the SOC into the third largest environmental field center in the world and in establishing Camp Wapalanne, a model ecology summer camp program as well as a myriad of environmental education programs for people of all age groups and professional backgrounds.

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### Career Corner

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### Magdalena Doris '12

Magdalena Doris '12, a broadcasting alumna and reporter at CBS, always knew that's what she wanted to do since watching TV news as a child, but gives a lot of credit to her professors for her success. "Some of my favorite courses have been taught by adjunct professors—those who are working in the field and have the ability to help you get your foot in the door through internships," Doris says. [\[View full details\]](#)

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Have you considered creating your own networking business card? They're fairly simple to develop considering online printing services like [vistaprint.com](http://vistaprint.com), whose current deal boasts 500 business cards for \$9.99. They're easy to make, they look good, but why have one? The card is tangible, colorful and a representation of your professionalism. Some people may remember your face, even your name, but they're not likely to remember your phone number, email address, and skill set—your networking business card has you covered. Tip: leave one side of the card blank as some networkers like to jot down information of interest. [\[Learn more\]](#)

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