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CORRECTIONS:

There were several errors in the article, titled "The Kislak Real Estate Institute," published in the 2006 spring issue of Monmouth University Magazine. The errors concern members of the Red Bank office of CapMark Finance.

• Gina Melicor's (M '06) name was misspelled as 'Melicore'.

 Andrew Roland (M '98) is a Vice President at CapMark Finance not an Analyst. Mr. Roland was an analyst in 1998 when he joined the firm, then called GMAC Commercial Mortgage.





AEOLIAN NAME ETCHED IN STONE

Just wanted to share that I work in the Aeolian building at 93 North Avenue in Garwood, NJ—this is where your Aeolian organ was built. Aeolian vacated the building in the early thirties when Aeolian merged with the Skinner Organ Company.

The name Aeolian is etched in stone above the front entrance of the building.

Susan Lordi

Editor's note: Photo courtesy of George Bogatko.

WRITING CENTER A LASTING INFLUENCE

I truly enjoyed the piece on the Writing Center. I am a former adjunct/Monmouth Alum, and I am currently writing my dissertation in the field of Composition/ Rhetoric at Lehigh University, where I also teach.

Working in the Writing Center not only improved my writing skills but also inspired me to know what I really wanted from my English Ph.D. I am happy to say that I am now the Assistant Director in Lehigh's Writing Center, which likely would not have happened if not for my time at Monmouth.

The folks I worked with during my short stay at Monmouth really have made a difference in my life and career path.

Unfortunately, many people do not realize the role that a Writing Center plays on most campuses, and I believe the magazine's previous issue on the Writing Center expresses the seemingly global outreach that Writing Centers are beginning to have not only on university campuses but also with high schools.

I think it is safe to say that the Center has come a long way since it was located in the basement of Wilson Hall on top of the old swimming pool.

Brian Zaleski '98

Adjunct Faculty/Tutor '00-'02

STAR LEDGER FOLLOW UP FOR YVONNE SINGER

I would like to thank Irene Towt for writing the brilliant piece on me.

Shortly afterwards, another article, entitled "Her Greatest Lesson is Her Tenacity" was published in the Star Ledger. It is my hope to reconnect with old friends.

Remember, I am only an e-mail away.

Yvonne Singer '99

Adjunct Professor Middlesex County College ysinger@worldnet.att.net

CAUGHT ON CAMPUS



Can you identify this Monmouth University Hawks baseball player? Hint: He was later featured on a 1968 Rookie Stars baseball card. Readers who correctly identify the player will win a copy of the handsome coffee table book *Great Steps*. If you are up on your Monmouth University sports trivia, please write:

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a ribbon for a new library," declared Leslie Burger, president of the American Library HEY ELLIOTT DENMAN

Association. Burger was the keynote speaker at a gala ceremony rededicating the Monmouth University Library on September 13.

"It is a good day in library-land when we cut





ABOVE LEFT ARTIST'S RENDERING WITH NEW WING IN THE FOREGROUND **ABOVE RIGHT** TRUSTEE WILLIAM MULLANEY AND SANDRA MULLANEY, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION **ABOVE RIGHT BOTTOM** DR. RAVINDRA SHARMA, LESLIE BURGER, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, JOAN BERNSTEIN, PRESIDENT OF THE NEW JERSEY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION AND PRESIDENT PAUL GAFFNEY

Members of the university's administration, faculty, staff, and student body, along with an array of invited guests, gathered to celebrate the expansion and renovation of the library. The result of the three-year \$14.5 million project is a new wing and dramatic improvements to the original structure. The architectural and its open space plan allows student, faculty and community visitors every possibility for individual and group study and research.

New seminar and reading rooms provide vitally needed working space. Its network of computers has been hugely expanded and the whole building transformed into a wireless internet hotspot. Ms. Burger, whose own domain is the Princeton Public Library, had an emphatic reply to such questions.

"Many are questioning the need for libraries in the age of Google and the World Wide Web," she told the audience. "But I know that when libraries are transformed, either by new service programs, or renovations, new buildings,

"The world is much more difficult to navigate these days. There is no better institution to facilitate learning and conversation than a university's library. The opportunities are endless."

firm Einhorn Yaffe Prescott led the overall design with construction work by Benjamin R. Harvey Co., Inc. of Ocean Township.

The white stucco, Beaux Art-style library building - erected as the "summer cottage" of Murry and Leonie Guggenheim 101 years ago - has never looked better, or been put to better use. Its lighting, furnishings and seating are new and improved, Library architects and planners wrestled with visions of this library's future in turning their concepts into reality.

"What would be the impact of furtherreaching technologies?" asked Stephen M. Parks, chairman of the University's Board of Trustees in his remarks. "How much space would be given to books when some experts said that print would rapidly become obsolete and all resources would soon be just digital?" new staff, whatever that transformation may be, that the communities we serve are themselves transformed."

"Monmouth University has taken an important first step in transforming the campus community by investing in this new library. Although we are much more technologically connected than ever before, one of the lessons we've learned in this post-9-11 world is that we need to be socially connected, as well.



ABOVE KEYNOTE SPEAKER LESLIE BURGER

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Monmouth University President Paul Gaffney considers the entire library project to be continuing evidence of the University's total dedication to its educational mission.

"We have started a new academic year and we are in an incredibly beautiful place, not just physically, as you can see, but a wonderful work environment," he told the crowd.

"We affirm today our assignment to educate tomorrow's leaders, who from this beautiful place will enter a world that requires people to embrace respect. In so many troubled spots today, we see ignorance and hatred, people living without hope, but worse, living without self-respect, without a feeling of self-worth. They lash out in frustration, violence occurs, and civilization disintegrates. This is a terrible disease and we cannot let it affect us.

"Our students must learn, learn from all of us, and find pride in their capabilities. Then they must transfer that notion of respect to their peers, they must care for each other.

A Brief History of the Monmouth University Library

"One hundred years ago Long Branch was the Monte Carlo of America, absolutely anybody who was anybody summered here," noted Mary Weir, president of the Monmouth University Library Association at the recent library rededication. "In 1861, Mrs. Abraham Lincoln arrived to summer here, and for the next 60 years Long Branch was the summer capital for seven presidents."

Magnificent estates were built by the champions of American industry and the greatest names of industry at the time. Murry Guggenheim (1858-1939) made his fortune in mining, becoming chairman of the finance committee of American Smelting and Refining, a director of Kennecott Copper and, after the death of his brother Daniel, presiding over the Guggenheim nitrate monopoly in Chile.

In 1887 Murry Guggenheim married Leonie Bernheim, member of a prominent Alsatian Jewish family, whom he had met on a business trip to Switzerland. By all accounts theirs was a very happy marriage. They had two children, a son, Edmond and a daughter, Lucille.

Murry and Leonie decided to build a summer home in New Jersey. They bought a site in what is now West Long Branch in 1903 and engaged the New York firm of M. Carrere and Thomas Hastings to design a summer cottage. The building, completed in 1905, was intended exclusively for summer use. The architects were awarded the gold medal of the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects for 1903 for the design of the building. Thomas Hastings and John Melvin Carrere also designed the New York Public Library at Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street.

Murry Guggenheim died on November 15, 1939, but Leonie continued to spend summers at West Long Branch. After her death in 1959 the estate became the property of the Murry and Leonie Guggenheim Foundation. The Foundation first offered the estate to the Monmouth Medical Center. The offer aroused a great deal of opposition from local residents who stated that they would prefer the estate to be donated to Monmouth College.

On September 9, 1960, the estate was formally conveyed to then-Monmouth College. After some modifications designed to convert the summer cottage into a college library, the library was dedicated on September 24, 1961, and opened at the start of the 1961-62 academic year.

In 1964 the Monmouth College Library Association was officially chartered as a tax-exempt organization, with the goal of adding books and periodicals to the University's library collection. Over time, the Library Association's mission has increased in scope raising more than \$2.5 million for its cause in funding a wide variety of improvements.

In 1977 the former Guggenheim cottage was placed on the State Register of Historic Places followed by inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places in March 1978.

Current renovations to the library were funded in part by a gift of \$500,000 from the Bruns Fund managed by the Finance Committee of the Monmouth University Library Association. The fund was established with a charitable bequest made to the Library Association by Mrs. Margaret O. Bruns, a life member of the Association. In her will Margaret Bruns specified that the bequest be identified as "a gift from me in memory of my father and mother, C. Henry Offerman and Matilda J. Offerman."

Former president of the Monmouth University Library Association Sandra Mullaney believes the Guggenheims would be very pleased with the recent renovation and expansion of the library. "The outcome of the entire project went far beyond my wildest expectations," she added.



ABOVE MEMBERS OF THE MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION WAIT IN ANTICIPATION OF THE RIBBON CUTTING.

"We must do our part to create leaders, who would rate respect as a necessary feature of a mature and influential citizenry if this world of ours is to remain civilized and progressive."

The Monmouth University Library will surely stand out as the epicenter of the campus-wide effort to achieve all these noble ambitions.

Dr. Ravindra N. Sharma, dean of the Monmouth University Library, beams with pride at his surroundings. "I have traveled in a lot of foreign countries, as well as within the United States, on library missions. I have seen many library buildings, but this is definitely one of the most beautiful I have ever seen.

"Now, for the foreseeable future, this facility will serve not only the teaching and scholarship needs of Monmouth University but will also serve our neighbors in the surrounding community.

"Our dedicated library staff, our print collection, our archives and stateof-the-art technological support add up to a resource of unmeasured value in a building that artfully blends the historical and the modern."

Joan Bernstein, president of the New Jersey Library Association, agrees noting, "The library has become more important than ever as the bewildering array of sources of information and communication continue to expand with what sometimes seems to be the speed of electricity itself."

Assistant Librarian Eleonora Dubicki stressed the impact of comprehensive training offered by library staff for Monmouth University students. "All freshman Information Technology 100 classes come here for instruction now," she said. They're shown how to use the catalog, how to use the database, everything. It's getting a whole lot more popular. Students are finding it a very comfortable place to study. We always encourage them to explore the building. Once they're here, and see what's here, they're definitely more inclined to come back."

Just as its planners envisioned, the user-friendly Monmouth University Library saw major upswings in traffic its very first month. Extended hours (8 a.m. to midnight most days) are just part of it.

Sure to become one of the most popular gathering places on campus will be the library's own café. Need a snack break? Sandwiches, salads, pastries, soft drinks and coffee are all on the menu for the facility.

"I can actually do so much of my work here, the computers are so useful, I love coming here," said Kat McCosker, a freshman business major from Wildwood Crest.

"The library's a lot better and that makes the whole school a lot better," said Ryan Gashlin, a sophomore criminal justice major from Toms River.

"The library was so small, so limited, before," said Joe Malizia, a senior from Washington Township majoring in TV production. "I like what I see now. I'm definitely going to be here more often."

Dr. Sharma, the 2005 Association of College and Research Libraries' (ACRL) Academic/Research Librarian of the Year, shares all that student enthusiasm.

"We are on top of everything and we want to make this library one of the best," he said. "We still need to add to our collections, add more journals and databases.

"I have been here only six months, and I have a lot of work to do, but I am confident that with the help of the administration, our president, our provost, deans and faculty, everybody, it will happen. It is very good now, but I know it can get even better." **MU**

"Education is simply the soul of a society as it passes from one generation to another". -Gilbert K. Chesterton, a prolific writer in the early-1900s

THE BLUE HAWKS RISE TO MEET THE WORLD:

FOUNDERS' DAY

In 1933 between 13 and 14 million Americans were without jobs, 4,004 banks failed in the first two months, and breadlines were growing longer. The country's Depression stifled the prospect of most young people

to leave home to attend college...

Monmouth Junior College provided opportunity. It was one of six junior colleges established by New Jersey that year with funds from the Federal Emergency Relief Administration.

"In 1933 the Depression had deepened. Then Monmouth opened up. It gave me hope that things would get better. It was a ray of light to the future," said William Lopatin, one of the first students of Monmouth.

As the University celebrates its 73rd year, nationally acclaimed medical researcher Stephen L. Hoffman, M.D., DTMH, provided a hopeful ray of light to a future without the devastation of malaria, a parasitic infection which claims the lives of thousands of children each day.

Dr. Hoffman delivered a stirring address at the annual Founders' Day Convocation on October 11 in Pollak Theatre, urging students to become involved with global health issues. Professor Emeritus Richard W. Benjamin '61, who retired in 2001 after teaching at Monmouth University for 40 years,

BY HEATHER MCCULLOCH MISTRETTA

accepted the University's Distinguished Alumni Award.

Observed on the second Wednesday of each October, Monmouth's first Founders' Day was held in 1983 as part of the institution's 50th anniversary celebration and has since become a tradition.

"It has been exciting to start with a college that needed to grow and be able to say 25 years later, I don't think we could have a better operation if we sat down and tried to do it over again," Richard Benjamin said back in 1983. "I'm proud of Monmouth. It's been a great pleasure to teach here."

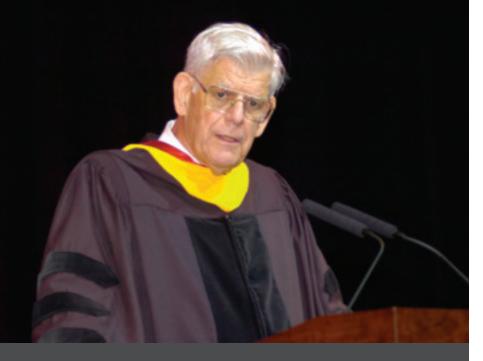
The Founders' Day celebration, centered on the Convocation ceremony, was presided over by President Paul Gaffney, and attended by faculty in academic regalia, Honors Scholars, student leaders, staff, administrators, and invited guests.

This year's Founders' Day began with a formal academic procession and a concert rendition of "America the Beautiful" by the Monmouth University Chorus. Stephen M. Parks '68, chairman of the Board of Trustees, welcomed the guests, followed by a short speech by the President of the Student Government Association Brandon Bosque.

Thomas Pearson, Ph.D., vice president for Academic Affairs and Provost, recognized student leaders. Marti S. Egger '81 then proudly presented Mr. Benjamin with his award. Dr. Hoffman was introduced by Trustee M. Monica Sweeney, M.D. for his honorary degree.

Following Dr. Hoffman's address the chorus and music ensemble finished the ceremony with "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and the "Monmouth University Alma Mater."

Last year's recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award was Noel Hillman '81 who was unanimously confirmed in June 2006, as a federal judge for New Jersey. Israel Hadany, a sculptor, environmental artist, landscape designer, painter, craftsman and poet, delivered the keynote address in 2005. **MU**



RICHARDBENJAMIN

"It doesn't seem right to receive an award for things you like doing," said Richard Benjamin, this year's recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award, who humbly attributed his success to the countless people he worked with at Monmouth University over the years.

The 76-year old Spring Lake native, who informally goes by Dick, was presented with the award at the Founders' Day celebration on October 11. It only seems fitting for him to receive such an award considering his vital role in helping Monmouth College become the institution it is today.

"I became kind of an historian for Monmouth College...Whenever a problem came up, we'd come up with a solution," he said, reminiscing about the days when Monmouth was in its infancy, adding that which was intermittently set off during the night by old rattling windows.

It all began when Benjamin started taking classes at Long Branch High School in 1955. "I intended to just take a few classes, but then they moved to the new campus...The buildings (in 1956) were dilapidated. It was in bad shape." The Shadow Lawn property was occupied by Monmouth College in 1956 after housing the Highland Manor School for Girls.

Mr. Benjamin joined Monmouth as

that others would not even touch, enabled him to be an integral part of organizing the electronic engineering program.

He graduated in 1961 and started teaching at Monmouth College, while attending Newark College of Engineering. He went on to receive his master's degree in Engineering Science from Newark in 1966.

"At this point, I look back at it and I was busy, but it didn't feel like work."

By 1974 Benjamin was the vice chairman of the department, where he worked closely with Dr. Harold Jacobs, a former chair. The two went on to publish about a dozen articles and presentations on microwave theory and devices.

Mr. Benjamin was responsible for supervising the daily activities of the undergraduate program and had a hand in creating the graduate program in electronic engineering.

"I intended to leave quite a few times, but they just kept offering me a new job...I was the utility outfielder."

His talent as an educator did not go unnoticed when in 1977 he received a Distinguished Teacher Award and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Student Chapter Award for Excellence in Teaching.

"Teaching was the best part," he said.

From 1981 to 1986 Mr. Benjamin served as the acting dean and dean for the School of Science and Professional Studies.

His attachment to Monmouth continued with his job as the Special Assistant to the Provost for Collective Bargaining in 1986-1988 and as chair of the Electronic Engineering Department from 1992 to 1996. Simultaneously, he worked on the search committee for a new president in 1993, which resulted in the hiring of Rebecca Stafford.

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-RICHARD BENJAMIN

he fondly remembers being asked to make up a list of general rules for the college.

Another memory he recounted with a chuckle was answering a night watchman's complaints about the alarm system Benjamin had installed in the carriage house, an Electronics Specialist while working on his bachelor's degree in electronic engineering. His ability to tinker in the laboratory, which he in part credited to his many hours working on his first bike during the Depression, and fix things He was interim chair for the Software Engineering Department in 1998 and 1999, and associate chair of the Department of Software and Electrical Engineering in 1999-2000. His successor, Dr. Jim Mc-Donald, who still leads the department, called him his "mentor," explaining that Mr. Benjamin helped him transition from the business world at Bell Laboratories to an academic one. "He is the alumnus that is most deserving of it (the award)... The electrical engineering students loved him," Dr. McDonald added.

Benjamin retired from active teaching in July 2001 with the title of Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Software Engineering, his link to Monmouth University still intact. During the 2003-2004 academic year, he prepared Part II of the ABET Self-Study Report for the B.S. in Software Engineering program, and helped Dr. McDonald edit and publish Part I in preparation for the Fall 2004 accreditation of the new program.

He is a member of the IEEE, the American Society for Engineering Education, Sigma Pi Sigma (national physics honor society), and Eta Kappa Nu (national honors electrical engineering society).

Benjamin and his wife Phyllis moved less than a year ago to Lewisburg, PA, a small town best known for Bucknell University and more privately known for its Wooly Worm Festival, Benjamin noted. The couple moved out there to be closer to their son Rick and his family. Rick, the couple's second child, is a conductor for the Paragon Ragtime Orchestra, the world's only year-round, professional organization performing ragtime-era music, which Rick founded in 1985. Their two other children, Anne and Jonathan still live in New Jersey.

Benjamin admitted that he has been enjoying his retirement. He fishes, spends time with his two grandchildren, and enjoys local Bucknell events.

He said he was glad to return to Monmouth for the Founders' Day celebration and reconnect with old friends and colleagues. But, he said, his visit was to be a fairly short one since he and his wife had to return to Lewisburg to take care of their two aging cats.

"There are so many folks that have contributed so much to Monmouth," Benjamin said. "It has helped with the university's continuity...It was a grand experience." **MU**



JEFFREY, JULIAN'41, AND DR. STEPHEN HOFFMAN (2ND FROM RIGHT) WITH ARTHUR GREENBAUM, ESQ

STEPHENHOFFMAN

Dr. Stephen Hoffman knows first hand how malaria can ravage a human body. Plagued with a raging fever and chills, he contracted the virus in 1987 while undergoing a clinical trial. This was more than a decade after he first rid his body of typhoid. This mosquito-borne disease is responsible for killing more than two million people worldwide annually, according to the World Health Organization (WHO), a total which surpasses AIDS and cancer combined.

Malaria, which means "bad air," robs the lives of at least 3,000 children every day or one child every 30 seconds. And 90 percent of these deaths occur in children under the age of five.

Despite his brushes with death, these startling statistics were the catalyst prompting medical researcher Stephen L. Hoffman, M.D., DTMH, to pursue his goal of eradicating this insidious affliction that predominantly targets Africa.

Dr. Hoffman is the founder and chief executive and scientific officer of Sanaria Inc. of Rockville, MD. Sanaria, which means "healthy air" in Italian, hopes to initiate clinical trials next year aiming to develop a malaria vaccination by 2011. Because of his impressive accomplishments, Monmouth University invited this medical hero to deliver the Convocation address and receive an honorary degree at this year's Founders' Day celebration.

Dr. Michael Palladino, associate professor of biology at Monmouth University, hosted Dr. Hoffman on Founders' Day prior to the Convocation ceremony. Palladino and Hoffman met with biology students including members of the prestigious Monmouth Medical Center Scholars Program. Dr. Hoffman urged students to consider a career in global health and explained how he became interested in infectious diseases.

After the session, Dr. Hoffman visited the Center for Rapid Response Database Systems, learning about software used to model infectious disease outbreaks.

Dr. Hoffman also toured research laboratories in the Biology Department at Monmouth University. Hoffman told the undergraduate student researchers that the scientific equipment they were using rivaled those found at his own company, and that he is a strong proponent of getting involved with high quality research at the undergraduate level.

According to Palladino, Hoffman was pleasantly surprised by the stateof-the-art facilities and research. "It he realized he wanted to apply his education to tropical medicine. He has never veered from that course.

"It has been a phenomenal journey," he said on Founders' Day.

Hoffman said he believes the major focus of a career should be service, adding that he hopes to entice Monmouth University students to pursue a career in global health. He challenged people "to reinvent themselves."

After graduating in 1974, he received a Diploma of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (DTMH) from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. He completed his residency

"I haven't spent 25 years working on diseases of the most disadvantaged and neglected people in the world to start a company that's just here to make money." - STEPHEN HOFFMAN

was an enjoyable experience for Dr. Hoffman," said Dr. Palladino, "I don't think he anticipated seeing this level of science at Monmouth University."

Dr. Hoffman is the son of alumnus Julian Hoffman, who graduated from Monmouth in 1941 and also served as a trustee from 1979 to 1988. Dr. Hoffman has yet another important connection with Monmouth University. In his Founders' Day address, Dr. Hoffman told the audience that he decided to enter medicine after nearly completing his undergraduate degree in political philosophy.

In order to satisfy admission requirements for medical school, he completed a full year of biology and chemistry prerequisites at Monmouth during the summer of 1969. A biology exam kept the young Stephen Hoffman from attending the Woodstock concert for which he had tickets, causing "a terrible deficit in my resumé for which I will always hold Monmouth responsible," he joked.

After completing his B.A. at the University of Pennsylvania, Hoffman attended Cornell University Medical School, where in San Diego in 1978 and began serving the Navy in 1980 as the head of the Department of Clinical Investigation and Epidemiology at NAMRU-2 in Jakarta, Indonesia. It was here that Hoffman and his colleagues discovered a way to treat severe typhoid.

With his main goal of helping people in mind, Dr. Hoffman turned his attention to battling malaria in the mid-80s in New Guinea. This is where he saw how malaria could devastate the poverty-stricken jungles of Africa. He returned to the U.S. in 1984 to lead the Naval Medical Research Program in Bethesda, MD.

In 1992 he won the Bailey K. Ashford Medal, which is given "for distinguished work in tropical medicine." He initiated the Department of Defense's Plasmodium genome sequencing effort in 1995.

This award was followed by the Col. George W. Hunter III Certificate in 1994. And President Gaffney, then Vice-Admiral Gaffney, was the one to present Hoffman with the Navy's most prestigious award for scientific achievement by anyone in any fieldthe Captain Robert Dexter Conrad Medal-in 1998.

Dr. Hoffman retired in early 2001 as a captain in the Medical Corps of the U.S. Navy. He joined Celera Genomics that year as senior vice president of Biologics, where he successfully sequenced the genome of the mosquito responsible for most transmission of malaria in Africa.

The following year he founded Sanaria, where he now works with a group of more than 30. He continues to battle the disease and the reluctance of many to provide funding. It is estimated that commercializing a vaccine could cost in excess of \$500 million.

He also serves as adjunct professor of Preventive Medicine and Biometrics, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, and visiting professor of Tropical Medicine, Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University in Bangkok, Thailand.

Hoffman has also edited two books on malaria vaccine development, been the author of more than 325 scientific publications, and has numerous patents. In fact, he is the world's most cited author for malaria papers between 1995 and 2005.

The scourge of malaria that some historians have linked in part to the demise of the Roman Empire does not seem to scare Dr. Hoffman or quell his convictions. He continues to help the poorest of poor and the sickest of sick.

"I haven't spent 25 years working on diseases of the most disadvantaged and neglected people in the world to start a company that's just here to make money," Hoffman said recently in an interview with Business 2.0. MU

URBANCOASTINSTITUTE

Monmouth University's Urban Coast Institute (UCI) hosted the second Annual Ocean Future Symposium and Champion of the Ocean Awards on October 5.

Proceeds from the symposium support the work of the UCI, which was established in September 2005 as one of Monmouth University's Centers of Distinction.

Located less than a mile from the Atlantic Ocean, Monmouth University is uniquely positioned to study the coastal environment. The mission of the UCI is to serve the public interest as a forum for research, education, and collaboration that fosters the application of the best available science and policy to support healthy and productive coastal ecosystems and a sustainable and economically



DR. ROBERT GAGOSIAN RECEIVES THE 2006 CHAMPION OF THE OCEAN AWARD FROM PRESIDENT PAUL GAFFNEY AND UCI DIRECTOR TONY MACDONALD

vibrant future for coastal communities.

The symposium drew more than 100 professors, business people, elected officials, and surfing and fishing advocates who participated in active discussion, capped by an address by keynote speaker Dr. Robert Gagosian.

"What ocean researchers would like to do and what society needs them to do are actually beginning to converge in a major way," said Gagosian, president and director emeritus of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI) who received the Champion of the Ocean award.

Other participants in the symposium included Dr. Fred Grassle, director of the Institute for Marine and Coastal Science at Rutgers; Dr. Carolyn Thoroughgood, vice provost, University of Delaware; and Alan Steinberg, Region II Administrator for the Environmental Protection Agency.

William Rosenblatt, former mayor of Loch Arbour and co-founder of the Jersey Shore chapter of the Surfrider Foundation, received the Coastal and Ocean Leadership award, and Tom Fote, legislative chairman of the Jersey Coast Anglers Association, was honored as Volunteer of the Year.



ABOVE LEFT TOM FOTE, 2006 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AND UCI DIRECTOR TONY MACDONALD ABOVE RIGHT DR. & MRS. WILLIAM ROSENBLATT

The symposium stressed the need for continued coastal and ocean research. Advances in technology, including in computers, satellite capabilities, data storage and telemetry, "open up whole new suites of opportunity," Gagosian said.

At the forefront of the research are global climate change and the rising sea levels. "Ninety-nine percent of the heat in the ocean-atmospheric system resides in the upper 30 feet of the ocean," Gagosian added.

But only three percent of federal research is devoted to ocean science, said Tony MacDonald, director of the UCI.

Dr. Grassle argued that researchers can do more by sharing information with the public and each other. He noted that California, Oregon, and Washington formed the joint West Coast science initiative.

Underscoring the benefits of joint efforts among stakeholders, Dr. Grassle said his institute developed a model that can predict sea breezes which is currently being used by Public Service Electric & Gas to try to calculate and manage fluctuating power demands along the coast.

The Champion of the Ocean Award honors an extraordinary individual who in a personal or organizational leadership capacity has demonstrated significant and sustained innovation, leadership, or achievement advancing a future where coasts and oceans are clean, safe, and managed for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations, consistent with the vision of the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy.

Dr. Gagosian became director of the WHOI in 1994, and served as president and director from 2002 to 2006. He received a B.S. in chemistry from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Columbia University. An active marine scientist, he has made several dives to the ocean floor in the three-person submersible Alvin, operated by WHOI for the national ocean research community. He has participated in 14 oceanographic research cruises, acting as chief scientist for seven, and four major field programs. He is the author or co-author of about 85 scientific publications and three technical reports.

Dr. Gagosian is a member of numerous professional societies and organizations, including the Science Advisory Panel to the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy, The National Science Foundation Advisory Committee for Geosciences, Vice Chair of the U.S. Council on Ocean Affairs, and a member of the Ocean Sciences Board of the National Academy of Sciences.

The Coastal and Ocean Leadership and Volunteer of the Year Awards are open to individuals from the private and public sector, organizations, businesses, and state and local government agencies and their employees from New Jersey and the region who have demonstrated significant dedication to stewardship, conservation, and sustainable management and development along New Jersey's coasts and waterways.

Dr. Rosenblatt has worked closely with federal and state legislators, National Park Services officials, cabinet-level department heads, and aides to New Jersey governors on coastal issues educating public officials on the recreational and economic importance of preserving surfing breaks; assuring beach access for all; and protecting our oceans, beaches, and waves. He was instrumental in preserving one of New Jersey's premier surf breaks at the Cove at Sandy Hook.

A psychologist in private practice, Dr. Rosenblatt holds a master's degree from Rutgers and a doctorate from Lehigh University. He also completed clinical training in behavioral medicine at the Mind/Body Medical Institute at Harvard. **MU**





Middle States COMMISSION

Commending Self-study And Reaccrediting Monmouth University

The Middle States Commission on Higher Education reaffirmed Monmouth University's accreditation on June 22, commending the Middle States Steering Committee at Monmouth for the quality of its self-study process.

"Based on the review and analysis of the Self-Study report, the extensive supporting materials relevant to every subcommittee, and numerous interviews with faculty, students, trustees, staff, administrators and others," the report stated, "the Team concludes that Monmouth University meets the fourteen standards established by the MSA's (Middle States Association) Commission on Higher Education.

Those 14 standards are Mission, Goals, and Objectives; Planning, Resource Allocation, and Institutional Renewal; Institutional Resources; Leadership and Governance; Administration; Integrity; Institutional Assessment; Student Admissions; Student Support Services; Faculty; Educational Offerings; General Education; Related Educational Experiences; and Assessment of Student Learning. Monmouth University earned a remarkable 20 commendations across all assessment categories.

"Over the past decade, Monmouth University has significantly increased its financial resources, almost totally through growth in enrollment," the report added. The report commended the University for attracting a fine, qualified faculty who enjoy academic freedom, in partnership with an "administration willing to listen and find their opinions respected."

The report went on to commend the University for enhancing campus life "to

ensure that proper levels of support services are available to help students achieve their educational goals," noting that technological resources, which include online registration and an initiative for using web-enhanced education, increased by 150 percent.

More broadly, the commission recognized University's improved oral and written communication and study abroad education.

The MSA of Colleges and Schools accredits degree-granting colleges and universities in the Middle States region, which includes Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and several locations abroad.



PRESIDENT PAUL GAFFNEY, DR. JOSE JAIME RIVERA, PRESIDENT OF SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY, PUERTO RICO, AND MIDDLE STATES EVALUATION TEAM CHAIR, AND MR. STEPHEN PARKS '68, CHAIRMAN OF THE MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES.



ABOVE LEFT VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY PROVOST DR. JACK JOHANNES AND PROVOST/VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS DR. THOMAS PEARSON ABOVE RIGHT SUBRINA MAHMOOD '06 AND DR. JULIUS ADEKUNLE, CO-CHAIR OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE.

Although accreditation is a voluntary process, the federal government requires that an institution be accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting organization in order for its students to be eligible to participate in the Student Assistance Programs in Title IV of the Higher Education Act.

Accreditation is an expression of the confidence that the Middle States Commission on Higher Education has in an institution's mission and goals, its performance, and its resources. The accrediting process is intended to strengthen and sustain the quality and integrity of higher education, making it worthy of public confidence.

Prior to approval, the Middle States Evaluation Team met for four days in March with various campus constituencies, including the Middle States Steering Committee, President Paul Gaffney and his Cabinet, Provost Thomas S. Pearson and the Academic Affairs Planning Group, Faculty Council, and student representatives, as well as the Board of Trustees.

The evaluation team was led by Dr. Jose Jaime Rivera, president of Sacred Heart University in Puerto Rico. The others came from Long Island University, Syracuse University, Philadelphia University, Rochester Institute of Technology, Universidad Politecnica de Puerto Rico, Villanova University, New York University, Holy Family University, and Duquesne University. Dr. Glenn Lang, executive director of the Educational Opportunity Fund in New Jersey, represented the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education.

In August 2003, President Paul Gaffney initiated the institutional selfstudy process for the reaffirmation of accreditation, appointing Dr. Saliba Sarsar and Dr. Julius Adekunle as co-chairs of an 18-member Steering Committee. The self-study process fostered a broad campus discussion involving many members of the University community. This inclusive approach was reflected in the organizational structure and memberships of the Steering Committee and its 14 subcommittees, which involved 21 members from the Board of Trustees, 55 faculty members, 67 administrators and staff, 19 students, and 20 alumni. The President and President's Cabinet served as key resource contacts for the Committee.

"The President, his Cabinet, and the Board are to be commended for the leadership being exercised in this transition to create a cohesive and receptive environment for institutional assessment, change, and development," the report stated. The administration, faculty, staff and Trustees were also commended for their fiscal management of the University, noting "fiscal years have consistently ended in surplus, allowing the administration to re-invest in facilities without acquiring debt."

The University submitted its final Self-Study Design to Middle States in June 2004, which was immediately accepted by Middle States. A draft of the Self-Study was shared electronically in October 2005 with the University community for its suggestions for improvement. Two open hearings on the draft were held in November 2005, culminating in final approval in June.

The next periodic review report will be in 2011, with the next self-study evaluation period scheduled for 2015-16. Monmouth University was first accredited by the Middle States Commission in 1952. **MU**



COMMEMORATING 50 YEARS AT SHADOW LAWN

Presentiment is that long shadow on the lawn Indicative that suns go down The notice to the startled grass That darkness is about to pass.

EMILY DICKINSON

Whether you believe the theory that the 19th century poet influenced the name given to the Shadow Lawn property, or that the original owner, John McCall named it after observing how the trees cast shadows on the lawn, one constant remains. The 156-acre expanse, home to Monmouth University for 50 years, provides a beautiful setting for the mansion known as Woodrow Wilson Hall. July 1, 2006, marked 50 years of Monmouth University history in Wilson Hall. Other landmark dates include September 23, 2006—50 years after classes were first held on the campus—and December 2, 2009, which will mark the official deed transfer to Monmouth from the Borough of West Long Branch.

Wilson Hall, visually guarded by two sphinxes and dressed in wrought-copper, limestone and 50 types of Italian marble, was named to commemorate the time President Wilson spent in the original Shadow Lawn Mansion. The original



building was destroyed by fire in 1927, and then rebuilt by 1930 at a cost of \$10.5 million by Hubert Parson, former Woolworth president who bought the property from Captain Joseph Greenhut in 1918.

Philadelphia architect Horace Trumbauer and his assistant Julian Abele, the first African-American professional architect, designed the new mansion in the neoclassical French tradition with a Great Hall measuring 25-feet wide by 110-feet long. Modern conveniences like a central vacuuming system, remote lighting, and a remote control alarm system were also part of the package.

Following the stock market crash of 1929 and excessive spending on the mansion, a financially-strained Parson floundered. He offered his Versailles-like estate for \$10 million, but there were no takers. West Long Branch stepped in as the sole bidder at \$100 in 1939. To heat the 130-room mansion during the winter, the borough charged \$1 to tour the building.

In 1942 Dr. Eugene Lehman, who was the director of the Highland Manor School for Girls, optioned the estate from West Long Branch. Lehman also purchased the Stern estate on the northwest corner of Cedar and Brookwillow Avenues. This served as the student center until it was demolished in 1974.

The property remained the Highland

Manor until 1955 when Dr. Lehman agreed to transfer a contract held with the Borough of West Long Branch for the purchase of the Shadow Lawn estate to Monmouth Junior College for \$350,000. Monmouth moved in on July 1, 1956, and classes began on September 23.

On December 2, 1959, the deed was officially delivered to Monmouth College at a celebration dinner held at Joseph's Restaurant (now Branches) in West Long Branch. William M. Smith, president emeritus of the Monmouth College Board of Trustees handed a check for \$30,825 to Mayor Fred W. Schantz. In return, the deed to the estate was given to Elvin R. Simmill, president of the Monmouth College Board of Trustees.

Monmouth College grew quickly in its new location. At \$15 per credit, the institution started with about 1,000 students. Classroom space and parking were limited. There were no dormitories, dining was done in the Versailles Room, and the controller's office acted as the kitchen and cafeteria. The library remained in Wilson Hall until 1960 when the Guggenheim Foundation donated the summer cottage of Murry and Leonie Guggenheim to the college.

"In the late 50s and early 60s it was not

unusual to have as many as 20 new members join the staff," said former Library Director Robert F. VanBenthuysen.

Monmouth, like its host borough of West Long Branch, continued to grow in the 60s and 70s, and in 1978 Wilson Hall was entered into the National Register of Historic Places. In 1985 it was designated a National Historic Landmark.

The mansion underwent extensive restoration in the 1980s, beginning with the filming of *Annie* on campus, and continuing in 1984 as part of Monmouth's 50th anniversary. Funding for the \$770,000 project came from the McMurray-Bennett Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the State of New Jersey, and private contributions.

A \$270,000 grant was awarded from the New Jersey Historic Trust in 1996, which was matched dollar for dollar by Monmouth University. This money was used to restore and renovate the Wilson Auditorium and to develop a historic structures report for Wilson Hall.

In 2002 a \$750,000 matching grant from the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund enabled Monmouth to begin its roof restoration project. Generous gifts from the John Ben Snow Trust in 1998 and 2003 have also contributed to the repair and enhancement of the auditorium and roof of Wilson Hall.

Today, Wilson Hall opens its doors to approximately 6,000 students, with a faculty base of more than 250. **MU**

THE PRESIDENT HAS A NEW ADDRESS

Flanked by century-old trees the newly-constructed Doherty House is now home to President and Mrs. Gaffney. Doherty House sits in the footprint of an earlier structure that was home to Monmouth University presidents for nearly a quarter century.

President Emeritus Samuel Hays Magill took up residence in the previous structure in 1983, followed by President Emerita Rebecca Stafford who lived in the structure from 1993 until her retirement in 2003. The newly constructed Doherty House will continue to serve as home to the President's family while also providing a first-class venue for University entertaining.

Thanks to the generous contributions to the University by Life Trustee Paul S. Doherty Jr. '67 and his wife Diane, construction of the Doherty House began last year.

A reception was held on September 29 as Trustees and members of the Doherty family gathered to celebrate the latest addition to the unique and beautiful campus of Monmouth University. The formal ribbon cutting ceremony took place on October 26.

Mr. Doherty was elected to Monmouth University's Board of Trustees in 1995. Prior to that, he was an active alumnus and charter member of the Athletic Department's Touchdown Club. He is the



ABOVE LEFT CHAIRMAN STEPHEN M. PARKS '68, LIFE TRUSTEE PAUL S. DOHERTY, JR. '67, DIANE DOHERTY, PRESIDENT PAUL GAFFNEY ABOVE RIGHT LINDA GAFFNEY, PRESIDENT PAUL GAFFNEY AND CHAIRMAN STEPHEN PARKS HELP PAUL DOHERTY CUT THE RIBBON OFFICIALLY OPENING DOHERTY HOUSE

immediate past chairman of the Board and chairs Monmouth's Vision for Distinction capital campaign. In 2004, Mr. Doherty was elected a Life Trustee and awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws.

The two-story building includes a general living area, dining room, kitchen, and library area for entertaining guests. The second floor holds three suites, one of which is designated for the President and his family.

In 2004 after consulting with several architectural and engineering firms, Monmouth University's Board of Trustees concluded that the original house at 10 Norwood Avenue was structurally unsound. "We would have loved to save the house," said Bob Cornero, associate vice president for Campus Planning and Construction, "but it just wasn't possible."

The original building was built in the 1920s by Isaac and Lena Alpern, and acquired by Herman and Nettie Levinson in 1941. The Levinsons donated the house to Monmouth College in 1959. The original structure housed the School of Education from 1962 until 1983. **MU** **MU** ALUMNINEWS

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP ELECTED

t the annual meeting of the Alumni Association, results of Lthe election were announced. Elected for a three year term were Lauren Vento Cifelli '99 of Colts Neck, director of undergraduate admission at Monmouth University; Devon Gottshalk '05 of Branchburg, a mortgage closing specialist with American Federal Mortgage Company; Tara Fredreck Peters '94, '99 of Wall, vice president of media relations (EA Division) for the American Cancer Society; John Riggio '00 of Jackson, a student at the Culinary Institute of America; and Jack Wagner '97 of East Brunswick, an executive search consultant with Michael Page International. They join members Gary Barnett '63, Jason Bentley '01 '04, Keri Branin '95 '98, Michael Farragher '88, Aaron Furgason '92, Alyson Goode '06, Jan Rosenthal Greenspan '71 '80, Sotiris Kaklamanis '99, Kenneth LePosa '71, James Mack '63, William McLaughlin '97, Stephen Muscarella '74, Nicole Pellegrino '00 '01, Jeana Hobbs Piscatelli '01 '02, Matthew Soto '04, Pamela Szabo '03 '05, and Kristi Tinnes '06.

The Board of Directors re-elected President Marti Egger '81, account manager of supplier relations at IMS Health in Totowa. The other officers are Eric Bonham '04, operations manager at Synergy Sports, Judy Cerciello '96, director of social services at Leisure Chateau Care and Rehabilitation Center in Lakewood; Peter Bruckmann '70, a personal financial representative with Allstate Financial Services in Middletown; and Cheryl Szabo Jones '98 '01 '03, a department chair of curriculum and instruction at the East Brunswick Board of Education. Immediate Past President Thomas Porskievies '82 '86 continues to serve in that capacity. Porskievies and Egger are university Trustees.

Alumni are encouraged to "Stay Connected". To find out what's happening, attend a quarterly Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting. Call the alumni office for dates and reservations.

MAKE YOUR MARC ON THE FUTURE OF MONMOUTH

hat connected you to Monmouth University in the first place? Perhaps it was a particular major we offer, our great location, or a "savvy" guidance counselor. Or, maybe you "discovered" Monmouth by speaking with an alumnus. After all, is there anyone more able to talk about the University than our alumni?

That first-hand experience is what makes a good recruiter and why Monmouth asks alumni to get involved in its future. The Offices of Undergraduate Admission and Alumni Affairs encourage alumni to join MARC—the Monmouth Alumni Recruitment Connection—to assist in the recruitment of future classes. Alumni volunteers work with our offices to represent MU at college fairs, write letters promoting MU, or serve as experts at the annual prospective student Open Houses. Alumni from all years and majors are welcome.

While more high school students than ever before are making Monmouth their first choice, your involvement in MARC is as important as ever. Look forward with us and help us find the leaders of tomorrow. Please join MARC to spread the word about everything that makes Monmouth such a special place. Meet the students who will become the next generation of Monmouth alumni.



SAVE THESE DATES FOR CLASS REUNIONS

1982 CELEBRATES THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION

MAY 16

Silver-robed alumni lead the Class of 2007 graduation procession at the PNC and enjoy cocktails immediately following the ceremony. Call now to reserve your place in the line of march!

JUNE 2-3

The class convenes on campus for more reunion events

1997 CELEBRATES THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION

JUNE 2-3

The classes of 2000 through 2004 will come together in a "cluster" to celebrate the 5th Anniversary Reunion

JUNE 2-3

Highlights of reunion weekend include class cocktail parties on the roof of Wilson Hall, a huge clambake on the lawn, and a very special brunch on the sweeping Doherty House verandah.

Mail and e-mail announcements will be sent to reunion classes. Reunion details will be posted online. Visit the homepage often:

www.monmouth.edu/alumni

ALL alumni are welcome to participate in campus festivities.

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MONMOUTH GRADUATE DIES IN IRAQI BOMBING



A lumnus Christopher Cosgrove '05 died on October 1 in a car bombing incident in Iraq while serving with the 25th Marines.

"I knew Chris from my first days at Monmouth," said President Paul Gaffney II. "He was always eager to talk about service to his country; service as a Marine." Cosgrove enlisted in the Marines a year before he graduated from Monmouth.

Cosgrove received word that he was being shipped to Iraq during the spring of 2005. He was a reservist with G Company of the 2nd Battalion, 25th Marines at Picatinny Arsenal. That unit had participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003 and was not scheduled to return. But Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines, 4th Marine Division was being deployed to Iraq and needed more Marines.

Richard Veit, one of Cosgrove's professors remembers, "He had talked about becoming a police officer, but he was very patriotic. He was very proud to be serving. I think there was a practical side, but I think there was a deeper patriotic side. It's just sad that it came to this."

In honor of the 23-year old, the flags around the University were flown at halfmast for a week following his death.

"He thought of us when he chose his vocation. We think of him now," President Gaffney said.

MONMOUTH ALUMNUS CHOSEN AS SUPREME COURT CLERK

ill Consovoy '96 has been selected to serve as a law clerk to Associate Justice Clarence Thomas, of the U.S. Supreme Court. He becomes the first graduate of the George Mason School of Law (2001) to be selected for a clerkship on the Supreme Court.

After graduating from Mason Law, Will clerked on the Arlington Circuit Court and joined McGuireWoods in Virginia. From 2003 to 2004, he completed a one-year clerkship with Judge Edith H. Jones for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Following this clerkship, he joined the appellate practice group at Wiley Rein & Fielding, where, among other things, he has drafted several briefs to the Supreme Court and was among lead counsel on the brief filed in behalf of the George Mason amici in Rumsfeld v. Forum for Academic and Individual Rights.

Will has published several articles, including pieces in the *George Mason Civil Rights Law Journal* and the *Utah Law Review*.

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE WE?

The 2007 alumni travel program promises beautiful scenery, adventure, and true educational experiences. Alumni Holidays International presents the following trips:

Italy, June 24-July 5

Featuring the area surrounding Sorrento including the Amalfi Coast, Pompeii, and the Isle of Capri; plus Orvieto and the surrounding area of Florence, Perugia, and Assisi.

Eastern Europe (Poland & Hungary,) July 30-Aug. 10 Visit Krakow, Budapest, Warsaw and more. Tour the famous Herend porcelain factory and museum.

The French Riviera, Sept. 5-16

Discover two distinct regions of France including Provence, where you will stay in Avignon and the Cote d'Azur with a stay in Nice.

Peru, Nov. 1-8, 2007

Including the UNESCO-recognized antiquity of Machu Picchu, an ancient complex of palaces and temples, and other ancient Incan sites.

In addition to these exciting locations, you are invited on a guided tour of Russia May 21-31, 2007 with University Provost and Professor of Russian History, Thomas Pearson. Dr. Pearson has planned an exciting itinerary with visits to Moscow, Suzdal, and St. Petersburg.

For more information, please visit the alumni home page: www.monmouth.edu/alumni



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Photo courtesy of James D. Smith.

FORMER MONMOUTH FOOTBALL STAR NOW A DALLAS COWBOY

Rommer Monmouth wide receiver Miles Austin, now a member of the Dallas Cowboys, suited up to defeat the Houston Texans in October by making a pair of special teams tackles.

In September Austin became the first Monmouth University player to make a NFL 53-man roster. Former Hawk wideout Will Holder signed on with the Oakland Raiders after a four-year successful Arena Football League run, but was released after training camp.

Austin, a 6-3 wideout, signed with Dallas as an undrafted free agent a few days after the April Draft with an outside shot of making the roster. But Monmouth's all-time record holder in receptions, receiving yards and touchdown catches put his talents on display in a game against the New Orleans Saints.

After making two special teams tackles, Austin hauled in a 48-yard touchdown reception from Cowboy's quarterback Tony Romo to seal Dallas' 30-7 victory.

2006 ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD GOES TO JEFFREY CROSS

he 2006 Alumni Service Award was given to Jeffrey Cross '69, the Monmouth University Alumni Association Awards and Recognition Committee announced in September.

Mr. Cross has been an active participant in the Alumni Association Board of Directors since 1987, where he served one term as vice president and two more as treasurer.

His tireless efforts include volunteering at the annual admission open houses, drumming up donations from fellow alumni for the Annual Fund, and being a member of the online Career Connections mentor program.

In 1993, Mr. Cross was appointed to the presidential search committee that resulted in the hiring of Dr. Rebecca Stafford, and then another in 2003 as a participant in the search for President Paul Gaffney II.

Mr. Cross received his award during the Homecoming half-time program on October 28. Last year's recipient of the award was Patricia Swannack '02, vice president for Administrative Services.

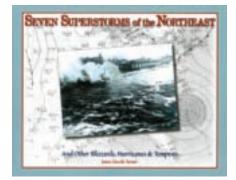
HOMECOMING GRAND MARSHALL IS SURVIVOR CONTESTANT

Romer three-time all-Northeast Conference lacrosse player for the Hawks, Stephenie LaGrossa '02 was Grand Marshall for this year's Monmouth University Homecoming parade on October 28.

Ms. LaGrossa is a two-time contestant on CBS's *Survivor* television show. She competed in *Survivor: Palau* and *Survivor: Guatemala*, in which she came in second.

Her most recent accomplishment is being hired by the Philadelphia Flyers to be their new in-arena host during hockey games.

As a former captain for the Hawks, Ms. LaGrossa is an active member of the Blue and White Club. She continues to be involved with local high schools and Monmouth University to help coach lacrosse clinics.



ALUMNUS SIGNS NEW BOOK AT HOMECOMING

ames Lincoln Turner '59 signed copies of his recent book, *Seven Superstorms of the Northeast* at this year's Homecoming.

The book provides a fascinating history of seven great "superstorms" that ravaged the Northeast. Included are the "Blizzard of 1888" and the "Great Atlantic Hurricane" of 1944, which caused tremendous damage to the Jersey Shore.

Mr. Turner taught junior high school social studies and English in New Jersey. His articles about hurricanes and weather have appeared in publications ranging from *The New York Times* to boating magazines. He lives in Spring Lake.

FORMER BASKETBALL STAR JASON KRAYL STILL DEFENDING

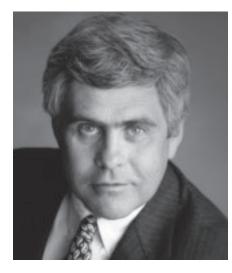
s a Monmouth University Hawk, Jason Krayl '04 knew the meaning of defending his basket. As a member of the intelligence bureau of the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, he now works to defend New Jersey.

Mr. Krayl is responsible for administering, coordinating, leading, and supervising the state's counterterrorism and preparedness effort. He works most days at the Law and Public Safety Technology Complex in

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Hamilton. But his efforts often take him to New York and Philadelphia.

Mr. Krayl, of Point Pleasant Beach, is the son of Ron Krayl, a long-time men's assistant coach for the Hawks. He is now seeking a master's degree in international affairs at New York University.



MULLEVEY NAMED ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

ames A. Mullevey '71, '77, principal of Marlboro High School was named Administrator of the Year by the New Jersey Association of Student Councils (NJASC). Each year the NJASC selects an individual who has made significant contributions to the Student Councils in the State of New Jersey.

Mr. Mullevey holds a B.S. and a M.S.E. from Monmouth University.

The NJASC is the nation's oldest student leadership organization. Since its inception in 1927 as the New Jersey Association of High School Councils, the NJASC has been at the forefront of student leadership and student issues. The NJASC is dedicated to helping middle and high school student councils to be more active and engaged in their schools and communities.

The Administrator of the Year Award will be presented to Mr. Mullevey at the NJASC Fall Conference on October 23 at the College of New Jersey in Trenton.



MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SER-VICE AWARDED TO MITCHELL SHIVERS

onmouth alumnus and former trustee Mitch Shivers '70 was awarded the Secretary of Defense Medal of Outstanding Public Service by Donald Rumsfeld in July. This medal is awarded to individuals who have performed exemplary deeds or services for his or her country or fellow citizens.

The citation recognizes Mr. Shivers for his work as Economic Sector Coordinator for the Afghanistan Reconstruction Group from November 2004 through October 2005. Drawing from his private-sector career as an international investment banker and financial systems analyst, Mr. Shivers played a key role advising Afghanistan's Karzai Administration on wide-ranging economic policies including development of a commercial banking system and encouragement of foreign direct investment.

Mr. Shivers was previously awarded the New Jersey Distinguished Service medal, and the New Jersey Vietnam Service medal. In 1986, Mr. Shivers was given the Monmouth University Distinguished Alumni Award. Mr. Shivers is a member of the President's Society and Vision Society of Monmouth University.

2006-07 SPORTS SCHEDULES



2006-07 MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE		OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME	
2006 COX COMMUNICATIONS CLASSIC @ OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY					
Fri., Nov. 10		Old Dominion	Away	6:30 PM	
Sat., Nov. 11		Clemson	Away	6:30 PM	
Sun., Nov. 12		Arkansas State	Away	2:00 PM	
Sat., Nov. 18		University of Houston (Hofheinz Pavilion)	Away	12:00 NOON	
Mon., Nov. 20		Texas A&M-Corpus Christi	Away	7:00 PM	
Sat., Nov. 25		ST. PETER'S COLLEGE	HOME	4:00 PM	
Tue., Nov. 28		University of Pennsylvania	Away	7:00 PM	
Thu., Nov. 30		Rider University	Away	7:00 PM	
Mon., Dec. 4		Seton Hall University @ Continental Airlines Arena	Away	7:30 PM	
Thu., Dec. 7	*	LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM	
Sat., Dec. 9		UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD	HOME	7:00 PM	
Fri., Dec. 29		LEHIGH UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM	
Sun., Dec. 31		LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:30 PM	
Thu., Jan. 4	*	WAGNER COLLEGE	HOME	7:00 PM	
Sat., Jan. 6	*	MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM	
Thu., Jan. 11	*	Quinnipiac University	Away	7:00 PM	
Sat., Jan. 13	*	Sacred Heart University	Away	7:00 PM	
Sat., Jan. 20	*	Central Connecticut State University	Away	7:00 PM	
Mon., Jan. 22	*	St. Francis College (NY)	Away	7:00 PM	
Thu., Jan. 25	*	ST. FRANCIS UNIVERSITY (PA)	HOME	7:00 PM	
Sat., Jan. 27	*	ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM	
Tue., Jan. 30	*	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM	
Thu., Feb. 1	*	Long Island University	Away	7:00 PM	
Sat., Feb. 3	*	ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE (NY)	HOME	7:00 PM	
Thu., Feb. 8	*	Wagner College	Away	7:00 PM	
Sat., Feb. 10	*	Fairleigh Dickinson University	Away	7:00 PM	
Thu., Feb. 15	*	CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM	
Sat., Feb. 17	*	Mount St. Mary's University	Away	7:00 PM	
Sat., Feb. 24	*	SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM	
Mon., Feb. 26	*	St. Francis University (PA)	Away	7:00 PM	
Thu., Mar. 1		NEC Quarterfinals	TBA	TBA	
Sun., Mar. 4		NEC Semifinals	TBA	TBA	
Wed., Mar. 7		NEC Championship	TBA	TBA	

*Northeast Conference Game (NEC Games are subject to changes for TV)

HEAD COACH: Dave Calloway

ASSISTANT COACHES: Ron Krayl, Mark Calzonetti, Chris Kenny

2006-07 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE		OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Fri., Nov. 10		RICE UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM
Fri., Nov. 17		RIDER UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM
Mon., Nov. 20		ST. PETER'S COLLEGE	HOME	7:00 PM
Thu., Nov. 23		The Caribbean Classic, Moon Palace Resort, Cancun, Mexico, vs Marshall University	Away	3:30 PM**
Fri., Nov. 24		The Caribbean Classic, Moon Palace Resort, Cancun, Mexico, vs Bucknell University	Away	3:30 PM**
Wed., Nov. 29		LEHIGH UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM
Sat., Dec. 2		St. John's University	Away	2:00 PM
Wed., Dec. 6		GAZELLES (Exhibition Game)	HOME	7:30 PM
Sun., Dec. 10	*	St. Francis College (NY)	Away	2:00 PM
Sat., Dec. 16		Drexel University	Away	2:00 PM
Fri., Dec. 22		AMERICAN UNIVERSITY - Take A Kid to a Game Day	HOME	7:00 PM
Sun., Dec. 31		LAFAYETTE COLLEGE	HOME	3:30 PM
Wed., Jan. 3	*	LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM
Sat., Jan. 6	*	MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY - Girl Scout Day	HOME	3:00 PM
Mon., Jan. 8	*	WAGNER COLLEGE	HOME	7:00 PM
Sat., Jan. 13	*	Sacred Heart University	Away	2:00 PM
Mon., Jan. 15	*	Quinnipiac University	Away	1:00 PM
Sat., Jan. 20	*	Central Connecticut State University	Away	3:00 PM
Tue., Jan. 23		New Jersey Institute of Technology	Away	7:00 PM
Sat., Jan. 27	*	ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:00 PM
Mon., Jan. 29	*	ST. FRANCIS UNIVERSITY (PA)	HOME	7:00 PM
Sat., Feb. 3	*	ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE (NY) - Women in Sports Day	HOME	3:00 PM
Mon., Feb. 5	*	St. Francis University (PA)	Away	7:00 PM
Sat., Feb. 10	*	Fairleigh Dickinson University	Away	4:30 PM
Mon., Feb. 12	*	Wagner College	Away	7:00 PM
Sat., Feb. 17	*	Mount St. Mary's University	Away	3:00 PM
Mon., Feb. 19	*	CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM
Thu., Feb. 22	*	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:00 PM
Sat., Feb. 24	*	SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY - Senior Day	HOME	3:00 PM
Tue., Feb. 27	*	Long Island University	Away	7:00 PM
Sat., Mar. 3		NEC Quarterfinals	TBA	TBA
Tue., Mar. 6		NEC Semifinals	TBA	TBA
Sat., Mar. 10		NEC Championship	TBA	TBA

*Northeast Conference

**Central Time

HEAD COACH: Michele Baxter

ASST. COACHES: Jim Baxter, Felicia Burroughs, Jewonda Bright

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MONMOUTH RISES IN COLLEGE RANKINGS

onmouth climbed to 62 in U.S. News & World Report's annual list of America's Best Colleges in the Master's North category-including Northeast institutions providing a full range of undergraduate and master's programs. This is up from last year's 74th ranking. The formula for the rankings includes variables such as graduation and retention rates, student selectivity (SAT/ACT test scores and class ranking of enrollees), faculty and financial resources, and the percentage of alumni donating money to their alma mater. Key to the University's rise in the rankings were improvements in freshman retention, SAT scores, graduation rate, and the larger percentage of full-time faculty.



MONMOUTH FEATURED IN THE PRINC-ETON REVIEW COLLEGE GUIDE

onmouth is one of the nation's best institutions for undergraduate education, according to The Princeton Review's new 2007 edition of its annual book, *The Best 361 Colleges* (Random House/Princeton Review, August, 22, 2006, \$21.95). Only about 15% of the four-year colleges in America and two Canadian colleges are in the book. The book's profile commends Monmouth University as "a comfortablysized school with helpful faculty and staff members and many opportunities for real-world experience." The ranking lists in the 2007 edition are based on a survey of 115,000 students (about 300 per campus on average) attending the 361 colleges in the book.



WILLIAM DIOGUARDI ELECTED TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

illiam Dioguardi Jr. '80, elected in June to the Monmouth University Board of Trustees in the class of 2010, is president of Spencer Trask Ventures, Inc. and a principal shareholder in Spencer Trask & Co.

Based in New York City, Spencer Trask Ventures is a leading private investment firm that finances early stage companies with high growth potential. Under his management, the company has raised and invested more than \$1 billion in a diverse range of startup companies. One such venture that Spencer Trask has co-funded was Myriad Genetics, which discovered the breast cancer gene.

Mr. Dioguardi is general partner and member manager of the Spencer Trask Private Equity Funds I, II, III, the Illumination Fund, Garfield Associates and Lincoln Associates, all of which are diversified venture capital funds that invest in Spencer Trask Ventures private equity opportunities. He also serves as co-member manager of the newly formed real estate enterprise, A&D Main Street, LLC.

Prior to joining Spencer Trask Ventures in 1994, Mr. Dioguardi was a founder and president of Vantage Securities, a NASD and SIPC member firm, which specialized in private and public offerings for emerging growth companies. A seasoned business advisor, Mr. Dioguardi is a member of the Board of Directors for Multi Spectral Imaging, Health Care Providers Direct, Inc. and The Concord Equity Group. He also serves as an advisor to more than 30 private companies, and throughout his career has guided more than 25 private companies through their initial public offerings, as well as managed successful M&A transactions.

Mr. Dioguardi has been active in community affairs for many years in Avon. He served as Commissioner of Revenue and Finance from 1991-2003. He is a member of ANSWER, the Area Network of Shore Water Emergency Responders, as well as the Monmouth University Entrepreneurs Task Force.

A graduate of Montclair Academy, Mr. Dioguardi received a B.S. in Business Administration from Monmouth in 1980. He was also captain of the Swimming team and a member of the Water Polo team. Mr. Dioguardi is a member of the President's Society and Blue & White Club of Monmouth University. He and his wife, Esther, who graduated from Monmouth in 1979 with a B.S. in Computer Science, have four daughters. **MU** ONCAMPUS



THOMAS MICHELLI ELECTED TO MON-MOUTH UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

homas J. Michelli was elected to the Monmouth University Board of Trustees in the class of 2010 at the October 26 Board meeting. Mr. Michelli is the president and chief operating official for Michelli Associates, Inc., a consulting practice firm specializing in business development activities relating to the U.S. Army requirements for Information Technology, Command, Control, Communications (C3) and Intelligence Systems.

Mr. Michelli has an extensive background in the public sector. As the former Director for U.S. Army Information Systems Management Activity, he directed the day-to-day operations of more than 300 project management personnel in the implementation of telecommunications and information systems projects totaling in excess of \$6 billion.

Among his most challenging projects was the total renovation of the Pentagon's information and telecommunications systems. Mr. Michelli also served as the Deputy Program Executive Officer for the Program Executive Office for Strategic Information Systems and managed the overall execution of acquisitions in the area of strategic information systems, including the Sustaining Base Information System and the Army World Wide Military Command and Control System.

As a former Director, Plans and Programs, for the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Joint Tactical Command Control and Communications Agency, Mr. Michelli was responsible for developing and coordinating integrated production plans for Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps procurements of tactical C3 equipment, including voice and message switches, system and network controllers, multi-channel radio systems and voice and data terminals.

Mr. Michelli did his undergraduate studies at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and New Jersey Institute of Technology (BSEE), later receiving an MSEE from Rutgers University and an MBA from Farleigh Dickinson University. Mr. Michelli also attended the Defense Systems Management College and the Air War College.

Mr. Michelli is an active member of Monmouth's Vision for Distinction capital campaign executive committee. He also serves as an advisor to the Monmouth University Computer Science and Software Engineering Advisory Board.

He and his wife, Roseann, have two sons, Raymond and Richard. Raymond graduated from Monmouth University in 2000 with a degree in communications.

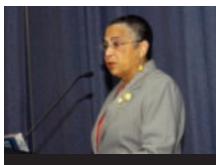
Thomas and Roseann Michelli have been past presidents of the Monmouth and Ocean County Chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. In 2002, Roseann Michelli was awarded the local Muscular Dystrophy Humanitarian of the Year Award. Mr. and Mrs. Michelli are members of the President's Society and Vision Society of Monmouth University.



BUSINESS LEADER HONOREE NAMED

ohn K. Lloyd, president and CEO of Meridian Health has been named as the honoree of the Distinguished Business Leaders Dinner to be held March 8, 2007. Mr. Lloyd is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives. Meridian Health spans Monmouth and Ocean Counties and includes Jersey Shore University Medical Center, Ocean Medical Center, Riverview Medical Center, K. Hovnanian Children's Hospital, and numerous health partners. With annual revenues of \$725 million, and 7,700 employees, Meridian Health is the largest employer in Monmouth and Ocean counties. Established in 1983, the Distinguished Business Leaders Dinner pays tribute to individuals or groups who have made an outstanding contribution to the tri-state business community.

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Debbie Amis Bell speaks at the Rebecca Stafford Student Center

MONMOUTH COMMEMORATES 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR VISIT

ctober 6 marked the 40th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s speech at Monmouth University. To commemorate this anniversary, a display of photographs was featured in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center during the week of October 2-6. On October 3 pictures from Dr. King's visit to campus were presented as a slide show in the Wilson Hall Auditorium as his historic speech played. Attendees received transcripts of the speech to take home with them. On October 5 Debbie Amis Bell, a former field organizer for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), addressed an audience at the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, sharing her experiences in the Civil Rights movement. Ms. Bell worked with the community, schools, churches, and the African American business community to desegregate the restaurants and businesses in Atlanta. She canvassed streets, campuses, talked at churches, held rallies and meetings. She recruited the community to picket, march, and sit-in. Through her work she often faced violence and jail. She represented SNCC in Southern Christian Leadership Conference meetings where she worked with Dr. King, the Reverend Ralph Abernathy and other "big names" in the Civil Rights Movement. The focus of King's speech 40 years ago was that we had "come a long, long way; but...that we still have a long, long way to go before the problem of racial injustice is solved."



DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.'S VISIT REMEMBERED

"I was enlisted to pick Dr. King up at Red Bank Airport," recounts Dr. Gilbert S. Fell, associate professor emeritus of Philosophy and Religion. "I had never met him before, but I was active in the civil rights movement in the county, and I followed him with great interest.

Dr. King accepted an invitation to deliver the inaugural speech in the Student Union Lecture Series on October 6, 1966, and Fell said the invitation was not popular in some quarters of Monmouth. "The country was torn apart, you know, and locally, what was true nationally was true in the microcosm as well."

"His coming was controversial, so controversial, in fact, that it was rumored that William Van Note, the president of the college, was under pressure not to introduce Dr. King before his speech."

"I went and talked with Dr. Van Note and told him I didn't see how our college could just ignore the man who was a Nobel Prize winner that fall. To his credit, Van Note gave a fine introduction to Dr. King."

The audience in the Boylan Gymnasium was mostly students and faculty, and included some hecklers.

"He was well received except when he was introduced, some of the more vigorous right wingers booed him, but they were drowned out by the applause," Fell said.

"The atmosphere in the gymnasium became tense and moved toward celebratory because he could really preach," Fell recalled. "He gave a powerful speech. It began quietly and built up to a crescendo. People were moved. Even those who had come in anger left with a sense of profound respect for the man. Even if you didn't agree with his position, he had this charisma great leaders always have.

"Of course, his speech was not fundamentally political," Fell noted. "It was about the same thing that brought about the Civil War in this country, a profound sense of the value we have. He spoke about that, about the equality of all men, that we are all God's children and the imperative of integration.

"I was impressed by him. He had dark, penetrating eyes, and he looked right at you as he spoke. It was as if you were looking into truth itself. He was a genuinely great man."

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LEFT President Paul Gaffney and Dr. Franca Mancini, winner of the 2006 Donald C. Warncke Award MIDDLE President Paul Gaffney and Dr. Saliba Sarsar, winner of the Stafford Presidential Award of Excellence RIGHT 2006 Teacher of the Year Dr. Bruce Normandia and Provost Thomas Pearson

PRESIDENT GAFFNEY PRESENTS STAFF AWARDS

This year's Stafford Presidential Award of Excellence was given to Dr. Saliba Sarsar, who is professor of political science and associate vice president of academic program initiatives. Dr. Sarsar recently served as co-chair of the Middle States Self-Study Steering Committee.

The award, named for former Monmouth President Rebecca Stafford, was established to recognize outstanding members of the University staff or administration for his or her tireless efforts, dedication, creativity and evident commitment to supporting and enhancing Monmouth University.

Dr. Franca Mancini, head of Monmouth's Psychological Services, Life and Career Advising Center, was presented with this year's Donald C. Warncke Award. The Faculty Association of Monmouth University (FAMCO) sponsors the award in memory of Donald Warncke, the first president of FAMCO.

Any member of the university community, except current members of the FAMCO Executive Committee, is eligible for the Donald C. Warncke Award. Recipients of the award are distinguished by outstanding service over the years.

Dr. Bruce Normandia was awarded the coveted Distinguished Teacher of the Year award for 2006. Dr. Normandia is an assistant professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the School of Education who has taught at Monmouth since 2000. Since arriving at Monmouth University, Dr. Normandia's research has focused on communication in the mathematics classroom and issues of equity and access in mathematic education.

"Dr. Normandia's passion for his subject matter, his skill at engaging students to think critically about mathematics and the teaching of mathematics, and his use of humor make for a wonderful learning atmosphere for his students," said Dr. Thomas Pearson, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY NAMED NJ CLEAN ENERGY SCHOOL OF THE YEAR

onmouth University was named the NJ Clean Energy School of Lthe Year in September by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. The award is given to an educational institution that demonstrates that energy efficiency and/or renewable energy is just plain smart when it comes to saving energy, lowering costs, and protecting the environment. Monmouth's recent installation of a 454 kw solar PV system was noted as being the largest installation at an institution of higher education east of the Mississippi River--saving the university an estimated 468,569 kwh a year or \$150,000 in electricity costs. Monmouth has estimated that the new system will save at least \$2.7 million in energy costs over the next 25 years. The \$2.8 million project was offset by a \$1.7 million grant from the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. In addition, the University has undertaken extensive building upgrades and renovations that will save 1,302,386 kwh annually and about \$150,000, which contribute to the University's environmental stewardship and the reduction of greenhouse gases.

MONMOUTH STUDENT RECEIVES SCHOL-ARSHIP AT BROADCASTER CONVENTION

Scally, of Lake Hopatcong, was awarded the 2006 Michael S. Libretti Scholarship at the 60th Annual Mid-Atlantic Broadcaster Convention awards luncheon held in Atlantic City on June 6. Funded by Nassau Broadcasting Partners LP, the scholarship is awarded to outstanding undergraduate students studying broadcasting, journalism, or communications at a college or university in New Jersey. The scholarship is awarded in memory of the late Nassau executive president and CFO Michael Libretti.

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MONMOUTH COMPUTER SCIENCE PRO-FESSOR RECEIVES NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION RESEARCH GRANT

r. Michiko Kosaka, associate professor from the Computer Science Department, has received a three-year research grant as a co-principal investigator from the National Science Foundation (NSF). Dr. Kosaka, along with Dr. Adam Meyers from New York University's Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, were awarded the grant for their project entitled "Collaborative Research: Structure Alignment-based Machine Translation."

The project aims to produce a machine translation system that takes Japanese and Chinese language as input and outputs translated English sentences. The goal of this project is to provide a computational model that overcomes difficulties inherent in machine translation. This is not the first time Dr. Kosaka has been awarded a grant from the NSF. She was co-principal investigator for two previous NSF research grants, one in 1989 and another in 1993.

MONMOUTH STUDENTS INTERN IN DC

Tive Monmouth students have been selected by The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars to intern in Washington, DC, for the 2006 fall semester. Ryan Tetro of Marlboro, a senior political science major, has been selected to participate in the White House Internship Program. Senior communication major Dana Panzone of Oaklyn has been assigned to Gallery-Watch Media, a media consulting firm. Senior political science major Charles LoPiccolo of Manalapan will intern in the U.S. Attorney's office. Senior political science major Alissa Cabrera of South Amboy has been assigned to the law firm of Porter Wright Morris & Arthus, and senior political science major Keith Heckman of Allenhurst has been assigned to the Montgomery County Public Defenders Office.

MONMOUTH GALLERIES EXHIBIT NATIONAL JURIED PRINTS

onmouth University Department of Art and Design ▶800 and Rotary Ice House Galleries sponsored a National Juried Print Exhibition from September 5 through October 13. The exhibition, which was the first of its kind at Monmouth, was open to artists from across the U.S. It featured original fine prints in all printmaking media. Serving as juror was internationally recognized printmaker Tanja Softic', who is known for her evocative imagery. She is of Bosnian Muslim background and was pursuing her MFA in the U.S. when the war broke out in Bosnia. She is now an associate professor of art at the University of Richmond.



Jason Kislak and Kathryn Ackerman enjoy a visit with Shadow the Hawk

PRESIDENT'S SOCIETY BRUNCH HONORS DONORS

On Saturday, September 16, President Paul Gaffney and Mrs. Gaffney hosted members of the President's Society and their guests at Wilson Hall. Members of the President's Society are donors who contribute \$1,000 or more during the calendar year.

2006 marks the second annual donor recognition brunch for members of the President's Society.

The brunch included appearances by the Monmouth University cheerleading squad, dance team, and Shadow, the MU Hawk mascot. The event drew more than 130 members and guests. Each member of the President's Society was presented with a lapel pin by President Gaffney and Dr. Jeffery Mills, vice president for University Advancement.

After the brunch, members were invited to attend the home football game against St. Peter's College. The post-brunch game saw the Monmouth University Hawks soar past the St. Peter's College Peacocks with a 36-12 victory.





Monmouth University student Jennifer Sanpietro receives her laptop from Jeff Mills, vice president for University Advancement and Kris MacDermant '98, sales director of CDW in Eatontown.

SANPIETRO WINS 2006 CDW COMPUTER/BUSINESS AWARD

Jennifer Sanpietro, a junior from Millstone Township, was announced as the winner of the CDW Computer/Business Award for the 2006/2007 academic year. Sanpietro is a Business/Marketing Major with a minor in Information Technology. She currently holds a 3.6 GPA.

The award was established in 2005 to provide a Monmouth University student with a laptop computer to aid in his or her learning experience. The award is open to students entering their junior year in good academic standing who are enrolled in a course of study related to computers/business.

The winning student is selected by The Office of Financial Aid, in conjunction with University Advancement, based on criteria established between CDW and Monmouth University. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is a prerequisite for eligibility.

Sanpietro was presented her laptop by Kris MacDermant '98, sales director of the Eatontown branch of CDW and Jeff Mills, vice president for University Advancement. Last year's winner was Kevin Scally.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION FEATURED IN THE PRINCETON REVIEW'S "BEST 282 BUSINESS SCHOOLS: 2007 EDITION"

onmouth University School of Business Administration is one of the nation's most outstanding business schools, according to The Princeton Review. The New York-based education services company features the school in the just-published 2007 edition of its "Best 282 Business Schools" (Random House/Princeton Review, Oct. 3, 2006, \$22.95).

According to Robert Franek, Princeton Review VP-Publishing, "We chose schools for this book based on our high regard for their academic programs and offerings, institutional data we collect from the schools, and the candid opinions of students attending them who rate and report on their campus experiences at the schools. We are pleased to recommend Monmouth University to readers of our book and users of our website as one of the best institutions they could attend to earn an MBA."

In the profile on Monmouth University, the Princeton Review editors state "professors at Monmouth University have a vast amount of business experience related to the courses they teach." They quote from students attending it who say "Monmouth keeps up with the changing business world. For example, it added a health care program, and it is constantly updating its courses with new practices and techniques."

COMMUNICATION MAJOR PETE LEPORE AWARDED BAYLISS RADIO SCHOLARSHIP

Senior communication major Pete Lepore, of Toms River, is the recipient of a \$5,000 Bayliss Radio Scholarship. The Board of Directors of the John Bayliss Broadcast Foundation selected 14 college and graduate-level students at colleges and universities nationwide to receive awards. Since 1985

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over 300 exceptional candidates have been selected to become Bayliss Broadcasters. These ambitious students were selected to receive the scholarship based on their academic achievement and extracurricular radio activities, passion for radio, and desire to contribute to the overall advancement of the radio industry.



JAMES MADISON VISITS MONMOUTH

ohn Douglas Hall, the nation's premier James Madison impersonator, performed at Monmouth University September 18 in Wilson Auditorium. The visit to campus was in celebration of Constitution Day, a federal initiative to help raise awareness of our Constitution, and as part of Monmouth University's Stand Up and Be Counted series. James Madison served as the fourth president of the United States and is fondly remembered as the "father of the U.S. Constitution." Mr. Hall, who has impersonated James Madison since 1986, serves as the official portrayer of James Madison at Montpelier, the preserved home of James Madison in Virginia.



Dr. Don Lombardi, adjunct professor in the Department of Communication and School of Business

MONMOUTH PROFESSOR AND STUDENTS HELP MARSHALL ISLANDS

Dr. Don Lombardi, adjunct professor in the Department of Communication and School of Business at MU, recently made his third trip over the past 18 months to the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Under the aegis of the U.S. State Department and other agencies, his work has centered on innovating and executing a strategic plan for the education and healthcare efforts of this young democratic nation and American protectorate located in the central Pacific. Monmouth students have joined the effort through their class research, the MU Global Understanding Project, fraternity and sorority support, and in-class projects. More information is available at the web site, which highlights the work of MU students supporting a variety of non-profit organizations dedicated to assisting at-risk children around the world.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT HOSTS "BIG EVENT"

◄he Student Government Association hosted its "Big Event" community service project on October 14. The one-day event, which

was first held in 2000, is an opportunity for the members of the Monmouth University community to spend a day helping local neighbors, social service agencies, and community organizations. Volunteers have worked with the elderly in assisted living facilities, cleaned up local beaches, and assisted food pantries and animal shelters. Volunteers also have painted murals and done landscaping at local schools, as well as many other assignments. More than 300 volunteers participated in the event this year.

MONMOUTH GRADUATE STUDENT **RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP**

Monmouth University graduate student Marie Cooper was awarded the Syms Scholarship at the Executive Women of New Jersey (EWNJ) Banquet on September 21. She is in the master's program in Corporate and Public Communication. The EWNJ Graduate Scholarship Program was established to provide help and encouragement to women advancing to the executive level of their professions. Ms. Cooper is Director of Patient Access for Community Medical Center in Toms River and resides in Ocean.

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ATHLETICS

GREG VISCOMI HIRED AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS

Greg Viscomi has been hired as Monmouth's Assistant Director of Athletics Communications, MU Director of Athletics Dr. Marilyn McNeil recently announced. The Ocean County native has been in media relations for more than four years and has worked numerous NCAA Championships including the 2003 Division I Men's Basketball East Regionals and the 2004 Frozen Four.

Mr. Viscomi comes to Monmouth after serving the last two years at American University. In his first year in Washington, DC, Mr. Viscomi covered the Eagles nationally-ranked field hockey team, along with wrestling, women's soccer, swimming and diving and two tennis teams as Communications Assistant. In July 2005 he was promoted to Assistant Director of Athletic Communications where he oversaw all student workers and was the primary media contact for field hockey, women's basketball and women's lacrosse. Mr. Viscomi graduated from Towson University in 2001 with a degree in Sports Administration. He resides in Brick with his wife Patti.

MONMOUTH FOOTBALL TEAM HELPS LOCAL SCHOOL

ore than 70 members of Monmouth University's football Lteam pulled together for a great cause on September 17 when they volunteered at the School For Children 5k Run and 3k Walk. They helped out by doing everything from setting up water stands and taking photos of the event to motivating the runners as they made their way around the course. The event was held in cooperation with The Jersey Shore Running Club, with the proceeds benefiting the School For Children. The Eatontown school is a non-profit, specialized school for students with multiple disabilities and autism.

FOOTBALL

11 HAWKS NAMED TO ALL-NORTHEAST CONFERENCE TEAMS

David Sinisi named 2006 Offensive Rookie of the Year, Callahan takes home Coach of the Year honors

ith the 2006 Northeast Conference Championship secured and a berth to the Inaugural Gridiron Football Classic secured, 11 members of the Monmouth University football team were named All-Northeast Conference, league officials announced in November.

Monmouth also took home two of the conference's six major awards, with redshirt freshman running back David Sinisi taking home Offensive Rookie of the Year Honors and Coach Kevin Callahan winning the NEC Coach of the Year award for the third time in his career.

Quarterback Brian Boland, wide receiver Adam San Miguel, offensive tackle Matt Connolly, offensive guard Jonathan Dunn, linebacker Mike Castellano, and safety Matt Hill all earned First Team All-Northeast Conference. Sinisi was joined by tight end John Nalbone, defensive back David Jiles, defensive linemen Brian Sweeney and Erik Yngstrom on the All-NEC Second Team.

"I am happy that these players have been recognized for all of their hard work and dedication," said Callahan. "These honors are certainly well deserved."

Callahan picked up his third Coach of the Year Award after guiding the team to its fifth NEC championship and third 10-win season. Callahan has an 85-55 overall record in 14 years at the helm of the Hawks. He was also Coach of the Year in 1998 and 2003.



SOCCER

MEN'S SOCCER SEASON ENDS IN NCAA TOURNAMENT AFTER 14 WINS

he Monmouth University men's soccer team's 2006 season came to a close in November as the #16 Hawks fell 1-0 to #9 St. John's in the first round of the NCAA Tournament at Belson Stadium. In its first-ever trip to the NCAA Tournament, Monmouth played St. John's to a scoreless tie at the intermission, with a Hawks' goal by Damon Wilson called off due to a whistled high boot.

2006 NEC Player of the Year, Steven Holloway, was held to two shots on goal in the match, forcing Jason Landers to make saves on both attempts. First-team All-NEC netminder Daniel Schenkel made five saves in goal for the Hawks. St. John's broke the scoreless tie 4:27 into the second half.

Led by Coach Rob McCourt, the Hawks finished the season with 14 wins, the most in program history, and three 1-0 losses.

WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM REACHES NEC CHAMPIONSHIP

The Monmouth University women's soccer finished 14-4-2, despite a 2-0 loss to Long Island in the Northeast Conference Tournament Championship (NEC) game in November at LIU Field in Brooklyn, NY.

Three Monmouth players were selected to the NEC All-Tournament team, led by NEC Player and Rookie of the Year Andrea Lopez. Lopez tallied two goals, including the game winner, in Monmouth's 2-1 semi-final win over Central Connecticut State. Joining Lopez on the All-Tournament team were Amy Hoyer and Brittani Heller.

GOLF

HAWKS FINISH IN FOURTH PLACE AT DON MERSHON CLASSIC

Anthony Campanile, tying for the competition's lowest round, led the Hawks to a fourth place finish at the Don Mershon Classic, hosted by Lehigh University. Senior Andy Beittel finished in a tie for 8th place, carding rounds of 75 and 78 (153). Freshman Michael McComb fired rounds of 76 and 79 to claim 13th place, while senior Dave Marshall finished in 19th position with a 159 (80-79). Sophomore Ryan Beck rounded out the Hawks' scorers with a 164 (84-80). Campanile, a two-time All-Northeast Conference performer, won his first tournament of the year on September 19, leading the Hawks to a victory at

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GOLF COACH HOLDS CLINIC FOR STROKE VICTIMS

the St. Peter's Invitational.

onmouth University Director of Golf Dennis Shea held a clinic for stroke victims in September. Dr. Richard Zaback, who is a former patient of the HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital in Tinton Falls and is a recovering stroke victim, asked Shea to teach stroke victims who are undergoing rehabilitation. Shea, a 13-year veteran of coaching golf at Monmouth, gave stroke victims the opportunity to find new ways to get recreational activity, through golf.

CROSS COUNTRY

FRESHMAN RUNNER SETS RECORD

ross country runner Cailin Lynam set the Monmouth University freshman record at the Paul Short Run in September by running it in 23:32, which put her in 147th place. The men's and women's cross country teams competed at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, PA. The women's team finished in 30th place out of 35 schools while earning 877 points. Princeton won the women's event with 61 points. The Hawks' men finished in 29th place, with 759 points. The winner on the men's side was Villanova with 103 points.

In other cross country news, the team won the SAC Cross Country Series Race #2 title on October 7 at Tatum Park in Middletown. Monmouth placed three runners in the top 10 of the event, including two finishers in the top five.

A selection of books by Monmouth University Faculty

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BREAKING OUT OF THE BOX

By Kelly Ward, Ph.D. and Robin Sakina Mama, Ph.D. (Lyceum Books, \$29.95)

Breaking Out of the Box: Adventure-Based Field Instruction explores the opportunities for professors to use experiential, or adventure-based, learning activities to help students develop skills that are often overlooked in traditional reading and journal writing based field courses.

Integrating these experiential activities as educational tools also emphasizes the importance and potential of methods of alternative learning. By asking students to participate in activities that may challenge their comfort zones, instructors create a situation in which higher risk can lead to greater trust between group members.

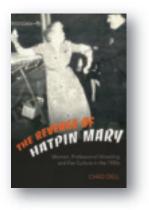
GEORGE ORWELL & RADICAL ECCENTRICS

Kristin Bluemel, Ph.D. (Palgrave Macmillan, \$65.00)

George Orwell & Radical Eccentrics examines the lives, literature, and politics of a group of four "radical eccentrics" who formed a friendly circle around the famously radical and eccentric George Orwell.

Embarking upon a kind of biographical-political-cultural-literary criticism, this book brings the radical eccentrics' vital, potentially transformative conversation to the attention of scholars of English literature for the first time, suggesting fascinating new approaches to the study of literary London during the thirties and forties.





THE REVENGE OF HATPIN MARY: WOMEN, PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING AND FAN CULTURE IN THE 1950s

Chad Dell, Ph.D. (Peter Lang Publishing, \$25.95)

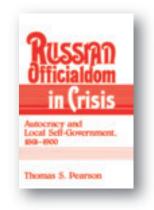
This book may set down the myth of June Cleaver once and for all. Chad Dell deftly details a 1950s revolution in the making: millions of women of all ages flocked to wrestling arenas across the country, drawn to a parade of glistening bodies, purple satin capes and characters such as Gorgeous George and Killer Kowalski while millions more roared their approval as they watched on television.

Dell's analysis of television broadcasts, media artifacts, fan club ephemera and interviews with wrestlers and their fans paints a new portrait of women in the 1950s who embraced the power of their passions.

RUSSIAN OFFICIALDOM IN CRISIS: AUTOCRACY AND LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT, 1861-1900

Thomas S. Pearson, Ph.D. (Cambridge University Press, \$59.95)

Dr. Pearson provides a full account of the development of rural self-government in Russia from the emancipation of the serfs to the counter-reforms of 1889-90. The study illuminates the rural administrative breakdown during Russia's 'crisis of autocracy', beginning in the late 1870s, and reinterprets the role of the landed gentry, prominent state officials, and key commissions, ministries and administrative ideologies in the debates leading to the counter-reforms.





TOXIC CO-WORKERS

Alan A. Cavaiola, Ph.D. ('73 Psych.) and Neil J. Lavender, Ph.D. (New Harbinger Publications, Inc., \$14.95)

Everyone has worked with someone "difficult" - someone who could always be trusted to blow up or say or do something provoking or inappropriate. Psychologists Alan Cavaiola and Neil Lavender have studied this much-discussed but rarely addressed area. Their research showed that the conventional wisdom that some problem workers are "just nuts" was right: a sizeable number of such employees do in fact have full-fledged personality disorders.

In Toxic Coworkers, they pinpoint a variety of personality traits and disorders, showing how they arise and offering effective strategies for coping with them. The authors cover the range of familiar types, from hyperactives, histrionics, and sociopaths to narcissists and obsessive-compulsives and provide concrete techniques for surviving them.

VOICES FROM THE GLOBAL MARGIN

William P. Mitchell, Ph.D. (University of Texas Press, \$21.95)

Voices from the Global Margin looks behind the generalities of debates about globalization to explore the personal impact of global forces on the Peruvian poor. William Mitchell draws on the narratives of people he has known for 40 years, offering deep insight into how they have coped with extreme poverty and rapid population growth—and their creation of new lives and customs in the process.

Mitchell's long experience as an anthropologist living with the people he writes about allows him to put the stories in context, helping readers understand the impact of the larger world on individuals and their communities.





FOOD IS LOVE: ADVERTISING AND GENDER ROLES IN MODERN AMERICA

Katherine J. Parkin, Ph.D. (University of Pennsylvania Press, \$21.95)

Katherine Parkin explores how modern advertising has promoted food in distinctly gendered terms, repeatedly using themes that associate shopping and cooking with women. One recurring theme is that women should serve food to demonstrate love for their families. By identifying shopping and cooking as an expression of love, ads helped to both establish and reinforce the belief that kitchen work was women's work, even as women's participation in the labor force dramatically increased.

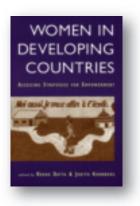
Food Is Love draws on thousands of ads that appeared in the most popular magazines of the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries, including the *Ladies' Home Journal*, *Good Housekeeping, Ebony*, and the *Saturday Evening Post*. The book also cites the records of one of the nation's preeminent advertising firms, as well as the motivational research advertisers utilized to reach their customers.

WOMEN IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

By Rekha Datta, Ph.D. and Judith Kornberg, Ph.D. (Lynn Rienner Publishers, \$19.95)

For decades, researchers and policymakers have examined the impact of development programs on women—and evidence of sustained gender discrimination has inspired local, national, and international policy reforms. But has the empowerment movement increased women's control of resources? Has it had the desired effect on gender relations traditionally defined by patriarchal ideology and institutions?

Addressing these questions, this study explores international, national, and local empowerment efforts in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East. The result is a nuanced account of empowerment goals and strategies at all levels of initiative.



These titles and other works by faculty authors are available online from http://mubookstore.monmouth.edu

MU CLASSNOTES

CLASS OF 1960

ALEXANDER DAVIS JR (Engl.) was inducted into the Red Bank Regional High School Hall of Fame as a Distinguished Alumni in Spring 2006. He received his award for 43 years as a teacher, work as an environmentalist, drug and alcohol counselor, and as a volunteer in the fire service. He and his family reside in Kennebunk, ME, where he is Chaplain of the Kennebunk Fire-Rescue.

CLASS OF 1962

RALPH WESEMAN (Poli. Sci.) is recovering from a large stroke he had in September. He is undergoing therapy for his speech and mobility at Mitchell Rehab Center in Florida. Correspondence can be sent to 5562 West Shore Drive, New Port Richey, FL, 34652. Ralph received his M.B.A. from Fairleigh Dickinson.

CLASS OF 1967

LINDA (GRASSER) LAYTON (Elem. Ed.) was presented with a 2007 Microsoft MVP Award in Windows Security for her active participation in online and offline communities using Microsoft products. Linda, who is retired from the Winston-Salem Forsyth County School System, is a security expert using her teaching experience to train others in analysis and in prevention and removal of spyware, Trojans, and other malware. She also contributes to a weekly local radio program, "Computer Talk", dealing with PC support and internet security, and is lead analyst at Dell Community Forums. Linda lives in Kernersville, NC.

class of 1970

PETER BRUCKMANN (Bus. Adm.) is a personal finance representative for Allstate Financial Services, LLC. He resides in Red Bank and can be reached at pbruckmann@comcast.net.

CLASS OF 1971

MICHAEL KIRK (Elec. Eng.) has retired from Motorola after 35 years. Mike, who was vice president of sales, lives in Ottsville, PA.

CLASS OF 1974

AVIS ANDERSON (Psych.) became the director of the Monmouth Museum and Cultural Center on February 1. Avis said she plans to make the museum, which is located on the Brookdale Community College campus in Lincroft, more accessible to a more diverse audience. She said she also plans to work more closely with Brookdale. Avis lives in Long Branch.

class of 1977

SUE (MONAS) FUNK (Art) has about 20 pieces of artwork on display at Nashoba Brook Bakery at 152 Commonwealth Avenue in Concord, MA. The works range from pen and ink, to oil paint, to watercolor and some in between. She also teaches at Emerson Umbrella Center for the Arts, where she leads classes including story writing and illustration and animals and objects. Sue has lived in Acton, MA, with her husband Bill for 15 years.

CLASS OF 1981

NOEL HILLMAN (Engl.) was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on June 8 to serve as a U.S. District Court Judge for the District of New Jersey in Camden. He was nominated by President Bush on January 25 and sworn into office on June 26. He previously served for 14 years with the U.S. Department of Justice as an assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey; chief of the Department's Public Integrity Section in Washington, DC; and most recently as Senior Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division. TERRY (WILDE) SPEAR (M.B.A.) retired as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S.A.R. and has published her first medieval historical romance, *Winning the Highlander's Heart*. She resides in Crawford, Texas.

CLASS OF 1982

KEVIN MCCANN (M.B.A.) is a senior vice president in Wholesale Operations for Wachovia Bank. He and his wife reside in Toms River.

CLASS OF 1983

MICHAEL GREENBLATT (Psych.) has contributed to a new fitness book entitled, *Get Fit New Jersey*. He wrote the chapter on circuit training for the New Jersey Council on Physical Fitness & Sports. In addition to training more than 150 athletes this summer, Michael continues to do fitness training at CNBC-TV, MSNBC-TV, and at Janus Pharmaceuticals. He also runs three sports conditioning camps at Shore Regional High School, Monmouth Regional High School, and Pinelands Regional High School.

CLASS OF 1986

MICHAEL CONSIGLIO (Bus. Adm.) recently accepted the position of controller at Plantation Building Corp., which is a full-service firm in Wilmington, NC, specializing in custom homes, multifamily homes, beach homes, urban development, and renovation/restoration projects in and around Greater Wilmington. He had previously worked at K. Hovnanian Enterprises in Red Bank for 14 years. He now lives in Leland, NC.

CLASS OF 1987

DENISE (WOJCIECHOWSKI) BOYD (Bus. Adm.) has been named director of admissions at Villa Victoria Academy in Ewing.

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CLASS OF 1988

SALVATORE CACCAVALE (Bus. Adm.) was elected to the Board of Directors of the National Safety Council. He also serves as the vice president of the Business and Industry Division. He works as the director of Environmental, Health, Safety, and Security for Superior Bulk Logistics, Inc., the third largest tank truck carrier in North America homebased in Oak Brook, IL.

MARY ANNE (Reno) RENO-PUENTES (Engl.) and husband Luis welcomed son Alexander Thomas on March 6. The family lives in Wayne.

CLASS OF 1990

JENNIFER (MORANO) MONGOLD (Mrkt.) and her husband Glenn welcomed son Nicholas Alexander on August 4. He joins siblings Zachary, age 7, and Jessica, age 4. The family resides in North Plainfield.

CLASS OF 1992

MIKA ROMANOFF (Bus. Intl.) has relocated to Switzerland with his wife Tarja, in a village called Morcote, which is about 45 miles from Milan. He said he moved there from London for both business and personal reasons.

EMILIA SIMONELLI (For. Lang./Bus. Econ.) has joined the London office of the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP in their Securities Group. A wedding photograph appeared in the July/August issue of Conde' Nast *Brides* magazine. She and her husband Chris were married in August 2001.

MIRIAM (SCHWARTZMAN) SMITH (Bus. Adm.) has changed her name to Miriam Smith. As a student, her name was Miriam Koltenuk.

CLASS OF 1993

CAROLINE (FARMER) BITZER (Psych.) began working for United Airlines in 2001 as a pilot. She had previously flown for Continental Express Airlines. She lives in Freehold.

ERIC TAYLOR (Comm.) is owner of Eric Taylor's Empowerment Group in Tinton Falls, which in part helps companies recruit new salespeople, design customized training programs, and improve sales and customer service. Eric is also the author of *101 Great Ways to Improve Your Life*. He resides in Neptune.

CLASS OF 1994

CHRISTOPHER BLUMBERG (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. '95) and his wife Ellyn welcomed their son Joseph Christopher on March 16. Chris works in Washington, DC, at Architect of the Capitol, which is responsible to the U.S. Congress for the maintenance, operation, development, and preservation of the U.S. Capitol Complex. He and his family reside in Springfield, VA.

VALERIE (ARNONE) RYAN (Psych.) was promoted to assistant vice president, marketing officer at OceanFirst Bank in Toms River. Valerie is also the treasurer of Ocean Fire Co. #1, Ladies Auxiliary, serves on the Celebration Ball committee for CentraState Healthcare Foundation, and is co-leader of Mothers and More, Jersey Shore Chapter. She lives with her husband and son in Point Pleasant Beach.

STACEY (EINHORN) STRANDBERG (Bus. Adm.) and her husband Dan welcomed daughter Ashley Avery on February 1. The family resides in Holmdel.

CLASS OF 1996

WILL CONSOVOY (Poli. Sci.) will serve as a law clerk to Associate Justice Clarence Thomas, of the U.S. Supreme Court. He becomes the first graduate of the George Mason School of Law (2001) to be selected for a clerkship on the Supreme Court. Will has published several articles, including pieces in the *George Mason Civil Rights Law Journal* and the *Utah Law Review*.



JENNIFER LOYSEN (Bus. Adm.) has accepted the position of Assistant Director of the Annual Fund at Monmouth, where she will be responsible for the overall management of the university student phonathon. She will also be available to support senior students as they launch a successful Senior giving campaign and will act as liaison with Student Services to coordinate fundraising events. She began her new job September 11. Jen is an active member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, and was previously the Marketing Coordinator of the Partnership in Philanthropy in Chatham.

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CLASS OF 1997

BARBARA RUANE (Sp. Ed.) was honored in September for her achievements in the business category at the second annual Greater Women of New Jersey program, sponsored by Greater Media Newspapers and CentraState Medical Center. She was one of three recipients out a total of 108 nominees. Barbara, the founder and president of the James Thomas Group, was elected last year to serve as a councilwoman in West Long Branch.

CLASS OF 1998

JAMES ANGERMEIER JR (Crim. J.) and his wife Lori welcomed daughter Gianna-Marie on May 22. James works for the East Brunswick Township Police Department in the DWI Unit. The family resides in South Brunswick.

JAIME (PHARES) O'NEILL (Bus. Adm.) and her husband Matthew welcomed their son Cooper on August 2. She and her family live in Hamilton.

CLASS OF 1999

ROBERT NORTHERNER (M.A. Hist.) recently had his masters thesis, "From the Snare of the Fowlers," added to the Daughters of the Texas Public Library Archives at the Alamo in San Antonio, Texas. His thesis about the survivors of the Alamo was also used as reference by director Ron Howard in the filming of "The Alamo," released last year starring Billy Bob Thornton.

JILL (EDICK) TRAINOR (Sp. Ed.) married Joshua Trainor on June 17, 2005. Monmouth alumni in attendance at the wedding were Angela Germano (Comm. '98), Liisa Syrdahl (Sp. Ed. '98), and Brad Hennessey (Comm. '98).

LAUREN VICIDOMINI (Mrkt.) achieved the Certified Manager of Community Associations (CMCA), administered by CAI's affiliate organization, National Board of Certification for Community Association Managers (NBC-CAM) and the Association Management Specialist (AMS). She is a portfolio manager with Executive Property Management in North Brunswick.

CLASS OF 2000



MATT O'BOYLE (Crim. J.) and Kelly O'Flanagan (Bio. '99, M.A. Ed. '01) were married July 16, 2005. Other alumni in attendance were: Heather (Blauvelt) Hayes (Bus. Adm. '99), Anne (Degenhardt) DeCarlo (Crim. J. '96), Brian Getcliffe (M.A.C. J. '00), Farrah Koonce (Ed., Hist. '99), Kellie (Boitz) Malloy (Bio. '98), Kristy Olivo (Bus. Adm. '99), Tara Parsell (Poli. Sci. '99), Bonnie (Rosenthal) Principe (Bio. '00), Michael Principe (Bio. '99), Terra Sarnacki Royer (Hist., Ed. '01, M.A. Hist. '05), David Schaed (Inter. St. '00, M.A. Corp./Publ. Comm. '02), and Katie (Bowles) Budelman (Soc. Work '04, M.S.W. '05). Kelly received her B.S.N. last year from the University of Medicine and Dentistry and is working as an emergency room nurse at The University Hospital in Newark. Matt is employed by the Borough of Matawan as a detective. The couple resides in Manasquan.

CLASS OF 2001

STACY JAKUBAS (Bus. Fin.) graduated with honors from Stevens Institute of Technology, where she earned a Master's in Management, concentrating in Global Innovation Management. She has worked with AllianceBernstein Institutional Investments in Manhattan since 2001. She is an Assistant Vice President and Product Manager for Bernstein Value Equities. She lives in Hoboken.



MICHAEL MENDES (Bus.) and Jill Covino were married on July 7. Michael is a guidance counselor and coach at New Egypt High School. His wife is an account director at Synergy Events in Ocean Township. The couple resides in Toms River.

CLASS OF 2002

THOMAS GIRONE (Bus. Adm./Acccounting) was promoted from semi-senior to senior accountant at Withum, Smith & Brown's Red Bank office. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA). He also chairs the membership committee of the Monmouth/Ocean chapter of the NJSCPA. He resides in Tinton Falls.



CHRIS GUNTHER (Bus. Mgmt.) married Michelle Taylor on May 21. Chris is a District Sales Manager for Kawasaki Motors, while Michelle, who also attended Monmouth Univer-

sity, works for Ocean County. They live in Berkeley Township.

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STEPHENIE LAGROSSA (Bus. Mrkt.) and Michael Ward were married July 7. Stephenie, a former Monmouth lacrosse player, starred on the *Survivor* reality show last year in Guatemala. She has recently been hired by the Philadelphia Flyers to be their new in-arena host.

CLASS OF 2005



CHRISTOPHER PITSCH (Bio.) has entered first year studies at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg, WV. He lives in Brick.

CLASS OF 2006

STACY ARROYO (Sp. Ed.) is teaching kindergarten at Hackensack's Nellie K. Parker School. She lives in Hackensack.

in memoriam

ALUMNI

- 1937 EDWIN BANFIELD (Sci.) June 6, 2006
- 1953 ANDREW SERRINO (Arts) July 26, 2006
- 1966 JOY CALHOUN (Hist., Ed.) May 12, 2006
- 1971 GLORIA FILIPPONE (M.A. Ed.) September 4, 2006 CHARLIE HOPKINS (Bus. Adm.) July 27, 2006
- **1973** DIANE SARRA (Bio.) June 3, 2006
- **1974** ANITA RIPOTELLA (Bio./M.A.T. '90) August 4, 2006
- **1977** ARTHUR WRIGHT (M.B.A.) July 22, 2006
- 1983 PATRICIA GRIGG (Bus. Acct.) August 16, 2006

- 2004 DAVID SERRICCHIO (Bus. Mrkt.) September 6, 2006
- 2005 CHRISTOPHER COSGROVE (Hist.) October 1, 2006
- 2008 JESSICA BLAIN (Poli. Sci..) October 31, 2006

FORMER FACULTY

STEVEN BRODMAN died September 22, 2006. He was an instructor for the Kislak Real Estate Institute and a partner with the law firm of Ansell Zaro Grimm & Aaron.

CLASS NOTES POLICY

Monmouth University encourages and welcomes communications from alumni regarding career changes, promotions, relocations, volunteer work, marriages, births, and other information that is of interest to fellow classmates, alumni, and the University community. For those who specifically request that the information be published in Monmouth University Magazine, we are happy to include it in the Class Notes section. If you would like to include a photograph with your class note, it is required that you submit either a high-quality print or e-mailed JPEG. For digital photo attachments, please make sure that the resolution is no less than 300 dots-per-inch (dpi) to ensure premium photo reproduction. Photos that do not meet these print standards will not be published. Photographs of minors will not be printed in the magazine. Photos submitted to Monmouth University Magazine cannot be returned. Thank you for your anticipated understanding and cooperation.

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ARMENIAN ALPHABET

Monmouth University, in conjunction with the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern), hosted a four day exhibit, The Armenian Alphabet in Word and Image. The program, which ran from November 6 through 9, celebrated the 1,600th anniversary of the Armenian Alphabet and featured multiple Armenian Alphabet artifacts.



TOP LEFT TRUSTEE DR. TAVIT NAJARIAN, PRESIDENT PAUL GAFFNEY, ARCHBISHOP KHAJAG BARSAMIAN, AMBASSADOR ARMEN MARTIROSYAN. **TOP RIGHT** GILDA BUCHAKJIAN-KUPELIAN HIGHLIGHTS AN ITEM ON DISPLAY **ABOVE** DETAIL FROM ARMENIAN ALPHABET BY B. ARZOUMANIAN AND J. CHOULOYAN, 1976. ETCHMIADZNI KANTZER, 1984

The alphabet has played an important role in the shaping and sustenance of Armenian identity over the 16 centuries since its development by Mesrop Mashtots between 401 and 405 A.D.

On November 8, Aram Arkun, a doctoral candidate in Armenian history (C.Phil.) at UCLA, gave a keynote presentation. His address covered the history and geopolitical context of the Armenian alphabet, including the religious and cultural motivations central to its creation.

Mr. Arkun is editor of the periodical *Ararat*, chairman of the Armenian Student Association Arthur H. Dadian Armenian Heritage Award committee, and secretary of the board of directors of the Armenian Center at Columbia University. He also serves as the coordinator of the Krikor and Clara Zohrab Information Center of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern).

The program was attended by more than 100 people including Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern); Armen Martirosyan, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the United Nations; Very Reverend Father Mamigon Kiledjian, pastor of St. Stepanos Church; Dr. and Mrs. Tavit Najarian; and Mr. and Mrs. Kevork Hovnanian. Ms. Gilda Buchakjian-Kupelian, coordinator of Armenian language education at the Diocese, is credited as the inspiration behind the exhibit.

looking forward

visited with Patricia Swannack, vice president for Administrative Services. She oversees Campus Planning and Construction, Human Resources, the University Police, Telecommunications and Network Operations, Facilities Management, and is a member of President Gaffney's cabinet. She is the 2004 recipient of The Stafford Presidential Award of Excellence and the 2005 Alumni Service Award.

She has had a long and varied career at Monmouth University. Most recently she has overseen renovations and upgrades to the Monmouth University Library and construction of Doherty House. During her tenure, she has renovated or overseen construction on almost every building on campus including historic restoration of the Wilson Hall auditorium and roof, construction of the Plangere Center, McAllan Hall, three residence halls, and collaboration with the state on construction of the pedestrian crossing under Route 71.



Q You have had a busy year in 2006! Can you describe some of your projects?

A This year we completed several major multi-year projects including renovations to the Monmouth University Library and Magill Commons Dining Hall, construction of the Doherty House, and installation of a \$2.8 million solar power system on four campus buildings. This year, the University was given our second consecutive Merit Award by the Monmouth County Planning Board.

Q How do these projects position Monmouth University for the future?

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Each of these projects is an investment in the future of Monmouth University. Renovations to the Library provide students and the community with cutting-edge resources for information and research, while preserving a beautiful and historically significant building.

Changes to the Magill Commons dining hall have been very popular with our students. The atmosphere has changed from a cafeteria to a café-bistro like Starbucks or Panera Bread. The lighting is better, seating is more comfortable, and three new flat-screen televisions add to the environment. The Commons are now a desirable destination for students on campus.

Our newest building on campus, Doherty House, was designed to resemble as much as possible the previous structure, built in the 1920s, which could not be salvaged. Doherty House fits beautifully into the surrounding neighborhood and provides a practical and modern face for Monmouth University.

Our biggest commitment to the future is installing solar panels on the roofs of Bey Hall, Boylan Gymnasium, the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, and the Facilities Management Building. Bringing solar power to campus will save a lot of money, and the need for clean energy has never been greater. As energy costs continue to rise, our investment in clean energy will continue to pay off.

What are your plans for the future? How do you plan on making Monmouth even better?

In 2007 we hope to begin construction on a new freshman residence hall. The hall will provide programming space and housing for almost 200 students.

The biggest upcoming project is the Multipurpose Activity Center (MAC). The MAC will upgrade Monmouth University's athletic facilities and provide a new destination for a variety of campus activities.

The state-of-the-art center will include a 200-meter, six-lane indoor track, Monmouth University Sports Hall of Fame, locker rooms, Varsity Club, and basketball court with about 4,500 seats.

But the MAC isn't just about sports. Once complete, the MAC will have classrooms, offices, meeting space for booster clubs, and be the new home of the Monmouth University Bookstore. MAC plans also provide ample space for intramural and student recreation activities.

The MAC is a very exciting project for the future of Monmouth University and the community. We estimate construction will take between 18 and 24 months once final approval is granted by the West Long Branch Zoning Board.

The 'footprint' and location of the MAC between Kessler Field and the Rebecca Stafford Student Center makes it a natural campus center that will blend with its surroundings.

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Unusual choice

When Royal Fliedner '51 graduated from Monmouth Junior College, he never imagined that the small junior college housed in Long Branch High School would become a comprehensive four-year university with a reputation for excellence in teaching and a waiting list of applicants. What he appreciated was Monmouth's accessibility, accommodation and family atmosphere.

"Faculty and staff cared about us," he remembered as he explained how the registrar helped him work out a schedule that allowed him to attend class, study and continue his parttime job – a necessity to meet fees and tuition expenses.

Following a tour of duty with the U.S. Army in Korea, Mr. Fliedner returned to Monmouth County, began a career in banking and eventually resumed his association with Monmouth College, serving on the board of trustees and receiving the distinguished alumni award in 1983.

Mr. Fliedner's sense of obligation is strong. He is proud of the work he did as a member of Rotary to establish the Ice House Gallery on campus and of his service as a volunteer and trustee, but he wanted to do more.

"I just feel that Monmouth is a special place ... as a trustee, watching the kids graduate, I wondered how many of them had had to do what I did" to attend college. He wanted to make it easier for students who had financial difficulties to attend, and he wanted to do it before he retired to assure that illness or unforeseen circumstances would not interfere with his plan.

Mr. Fliedner worked with a representative of New England Life Insurance Company to structure a life insurance policy with accelerated premiums. He named the University as beneficiary. When all premiums had been paid in 1988, he transferred ownership of the policy to Monmouth.

Using an insurance policy to make a gift to Monmouth is unusual, but it is an excellent way of making a planned gift that fulfills the donor's wishes and benefits the University.



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