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#### **JUNE 13**

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**JUNE 30** Best of the Met Summer Encore ROMEO ET JULIETTE - Gounod Pollak Theatre 7:00 PM \$22 adults/\$20 seniors

### JULY

#### JULY 1-4, 7-11

Shadow Lawn Stage THE SUNSHINE BOYS

JULY 9

#### JULY 16-18, 21-25, 28-31 Shadow Lawn Stage

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#### **JULY 22**

Best of the Met: Summer Encore LA BOHEME - Puccini Pollak Theatre 7:00 PM \$22 adults/\$20 seniors

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### AUGUST

**AUGUST 1** Shadow Lawn Stage THE AU PAIR MAN By Hugh Leonard Lauren K. Woods Theatre 7:00 PM \$30/\$22 seniors and students

#### **AUGUST 2**

Best of The Met: Summer Encore CARMEN - Bizet Pollak Theatre 7.00 PM \$22 adults/\$20 seniors

#### **AUGUST 9 - 31**

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### SEPTEMBER

#### **SEPTEMBER 2**

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#### **SEPTEMBER 7 - 30** Gallery Exhibition: Ted

Hendrickson M - F 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM 800 Gallery Free and open to the public

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#### **SEPTEMBER 16**

Gallery Exhibition Opening: Ted Hendrickson 4:30 - 5:30 PM Lecture at Wilson Hall Auditorium 5:30 - 7:00 PM Opening Reception at 800 Gallery Free and open to the public

#### **SEPTEMBER 16**

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ON THE COVER: Soccer standout and track and field athlete Mary Wilks became the first woman in MU history to earn All-East honors at the ECAC/IC4A Championships in two events, the heptathlon and javelin on May 17. She was one of three soccer players named to the NSCAA Scholar All-East Region Second Team, and named the Most Valuable Player in the women's soccer Northeast Conference Tournament. PHOTO: Tom Connelly

CORRECTIONS: In the story, "Hawks Help Haiti," Kureé Cain was incorrectly named the president of the Monmouth chapter of the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW). Soliel Farrow is the president of the NCNW. Cynthia Leger, a junior and Haitian native, led the vigil with the help of executive board members of the NCNW

"Special Team Offers Special Care," incorrectly stated that the Schroth School was named for scoliosis pioneer Katharina Schroth. Instead, it was named for the Schroth Family. Janet and Emil Schroth, Jr. are co-founders and avid supporters of the agency. Their son, Emil Schroth III has attended LADACIN's programs since he was a child, and now attends LADACIN's Schroth Adult program. Mr. Schroth's father has served as a LADACIN Network Board member since 1965.

We regret the errors.

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#### **MORE HAWKS HELPING HAITI**

I just wanted to take a moment to say "thank you" to the students and staffers at Monmouth University who reacted quickly to the tragic loss of life and the devastation of Haiti. Our daughter Lindsay was one of I2 students and two professors from Lynn University who traveled to Haiti on a Journey of Hope to make a difference.

My daughter survived [the earthquake] and for that we are so blessed and thankful, but we lost four wonderful young people and two amazing professors. Our hearts go out to their families and the Haitian people who have also lost family. The group of students and faculty members were there for two days before the earthquake hit, lending a hand to the Little Children of Jesus Handicapped and spreading joy at the Maison d' Amour girls' orphanage school.

In the chaotic mess after the tragedy, the Haitian people offered the students rice to eat, and offered their help. It will take time to heal, but we will never forget the tragic loss in Haiti and will continue to support efforts to make Haiti a better place.

#### Thank you.

#### Lynn Doran

## (my husband Scott Doran '77 is an alumnus of Monmouth University)

I would like to bring to your attention to an alumnus who was sent to help the people of Haiti at the orders of his Commanderin-Chief. He was featured in your magazine several years ago ["Reflections of a Marine Bagpiper," Fall 2007] for his service to our country and his dedication to a passion that he is proud to put on display upon a simple request.

His name is United States Marine Corps Major Sean Smith '97, and he recently returned from Haiti after two months of service. Sean's unit (22nd MEU) spearheaded the relief operations aboard the USS Bataan. Sean was instrumental in ensuring that his Marines and all supplies reach the ground via Naval Activity.

After his tour in Haiti, Sean took a week of leave in the Jersey Shore area and met up with some old friends and MU alumni like Joe Peterson '97. Sean recalled his memorable days at MU and the Jersey Shore with a very subdued and solemn visit to his old stomping grounds. As he could attest, he quietly visited MU to see the wonderful changes that have occurred since his graduation. In closing, there are more "Hawks" out serving humanity in many different ways. Respectfully,

#### John A. Sullivan '97 '00M

I believe that everything happens for a reason. It was my destiny to travel for the first time to the United Arab Emirates, one of the richest countries in the world, just four months before I traveled for the first time to Haiti, the poorest country in the western atmosphere.

As soon as I heard about the Earthquake I started looking for a way to get to Haiti. Joining with hundreds of American doctors, nurses and other medical volunteers meant I had to wait several weeks before I was able to reach Haiti, finally joining the Medical Missionaries Organization's team travelling from Washington DC on 02/25/2010.

The smell of smoke from burning trash was everywhere. The earthquake didn't distinguish between the rich or poor, or between small or large buildings. There were several thousand tents along the roads, but what struck us most was seeing the half-naked kids who were smiling and waving to us.

On the first day our team saw over 250 patients. I was able to perform several surgeries, most performed under local anesthesia. We worked until the sunset, when we had to stop due to the lack of electricity.

I continued seeing patients and performing surgeries, which became more and more complicated each day. One surgery that I will always remember was an episiotomy during a difficult delivery, which resulted in the birth of a beautiful healthy baby and happy, healthy mother.

All members of the team returned back to the US on 03/08/2010 except me. I decided



to extend my stay for a full month. I moved to the Medical Missionaries Clinic, which was located up in the mountains in Thomassique.

I strongly recommend becoming a Haiti volunteer for everyone. Despite the help that is still pouring in each day from different countries, the reconstruction of Haiti will probably take more than 10 years. So there are plenty of opportunities to help and Haiti is still calling.

#### Nabeel Kouka, MD, DO, '00MBA

To read Dr. Kouka's full letter from Haiti see: http://ibraini.org/Haiti\_is\_Calling.pdf, and to see pictures from his trip see: http://ibraini.org/Haiti 2010/index.html

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HEATHER MCCULLOCH MISTRETTA

## Hawks on Healthcare

Alumni Experts weigh in on changes to healthcare

The sweeping health care plan requiring all Americans to carry health insurance signed into law by President Obama on March 23 amid fractious debate marks the biggest expansion of federal health care in four decades and arguably the most extensive domestic policy change since Medicare's inception in 1965.

The \$940 billion plan, dubbed "ObamaCare," is designed to reach an additional 32 million people, 1.4 million of whom are in New Jersey. Supporters say the changes will insure more Americans, improve quality, lower the overall costs of providing health care and reduce fraud. But naysayers argue that it's riddled with flaws despite its good intentions. A month after the signing, there were 18 state attorneys general calling it unconstitutional and petitioning for its repeal.

To help make sense of the changes, we spoke with Chet Kaletkowski '70, president and CEO of South Jersey Healthcare; Maureen Schneider '06M, senior vice president of clinical program development/chief nursing officer of Somerset Medical Center in New Jersey; and George Tobin Jr. '89M, who works for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response.

We also spoke with Dr. David Paul, who is chair of Monmouth's Department of Management and Marketing and associate professor of Marketing and Health Care Management. He is also the Coordinator of Graduate Concentration in Health Care Management.

#### Hospital CEO

Kaletkowski joined het South Jersey Healthcare in December 1998, becoming president and CEO the following June. Kaletkowski is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE), a member of the American Hospital Association's Regional Policy Board and a past chairman of the New Jersey Hospital Association. He also served for two years on the Wharton Advisory Board for the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics, which is part of the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

"We had to have reform," Kaletkowski said. "There are good parts," he said, like the ability to provide health care for all Americans and incentives for hospitals to provide better service.

"But there are bad parts," Kaletkowski added, like the legislation's failure to deal with the cost equation in an already cash-strapped industry. How hospitals will deal with the new influx of patients, as the demand for immediate service increases and the shortage of primary care physicians (PCPs) takes its toll on emergency rooms, is also an open question. With many PCPs not accepting new patients, these new customers will have to find somewhere else to go to meet their healthcare needs.

A keystone of the reform is the requirement that, by 2014, everyone must have insurance or face an annual fine of \$695 or 2.5 percent of income, although there will be exemptions for financial hardship and other special cases.

In his March 17 editorial for the Daily Journal, "No One Should Have to Live without Health Insurance," Kaletkowski wrote, "Unfortunately...uninsured families often delay medical treatment for too long, even when it is obviously needed, because a visit to the doctor is not in the budget. Too often, our uninsured friends and neighbors are forced to forgo filling prescriptions because of cost and are unable to visit the specialists to whom they are referred. Many uninsured patients live with serious chronic illnesses that are left untreated for extended periods, such as diabetes, heart disease or asthma."

Although he supports wider coverage, Kaletkowski said that state-mandated incentives would have worked better, giving states more flexibility. Massa-



chusetts was a forerunner in providing health care for its citizens when in 2006 it made health insurance a requirement. Currently, only about three percent do not have insurance, and now penalties are escalating for those not carrying insurance.

"We definitely have to tighten our belt," Kaletkowski said, noting that nine New Jersey hospitals have closed their doors in the past two years and that almost 58 percent lost money last year. This year alone, there will be \$4 billion cuts in Medicare payments to hospitals. By 2019 funding cuts are expected to hit \$155 billion with \$5 billion in New Jersey alone.

Hospitals took a huge hit in 2008 when the recession pared their combined profit margin to just 0.2 percent, according to the 2009 *Financial Status of New Jersey Hospitals* report from the New Jersey Hospital Association. That was the lowest margin since 1999 and a sizable drop from the 1.3 percent margin in 2007.

"There is a whole litany of things we have to do," Kaletkowski said, one of which is migrating to electronic medical records. Government and private studies have found that much of the \$2.5 trillion spent on health care each year is wasted on the duplication of tests and unneeded procedures.

"We already started the process, but we're going to have to accelerate it so that we can get the stimulus money being offered," Kaletkowski said. According to a study from *the New England Journal of Medicine*, only 1.5 percent of U.S. hospitals have a comprehensive electronic-records system, and only 7.6 percent have a basic system (i.e., present in at least one clinical unit). The stimulus package nationwide is expected to be \$19 billion.

#### **Chief Nursing Officer**

aureen Schneider, who is pursuing a doctorate from Seton Hall University, holds certifications in Nursing Administration and Quality from ACHE. Schneider received the Nurse Executive Award in 2008 by the New Jersey Organization of Nurse Executives, and the American Nurses Association Magnet Recognition Award for Nursing Excellence in 2003. She was the first nurse executive appointed to the Board of Trustees for the New Jersey Hospital Association, and currently serves on the Board of Directors for the New Jersey Organization of Nurse Executives.



MAUREEN SCHNEIDER '06M

At Somerset Medical Center, Schneider oversees the areas of Nursing Services, Perioperative Services, Physician Development and Clinical Services, including oversight of The Steeplechase Cancer Center.

Recently honored by Executive Women of New Jersey in its annual "Salute to the Policy Makers," Schneider said she is "cautiously watchful to see what will unfold as both a consumer and a provider."

"It's a platform that allows us to build. I welcome the expansion of coverage. After all, the ultimate goal should be coverage for all. Hopefully now they won't have to wait until their medical problems become more complex."

#### Public Health Employee

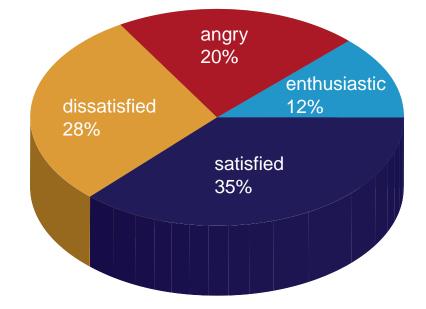
eorge Tobin, Jr., who recently completed his thesis, "A Comparative Study and Analysis of Healthcare and Proposed Healthcare Reform in the United States," for his master's degree in health services administration from Strayer University, is also cautious.

"I'm concerned about the financing of it for future generations," he said, adding that his opinions do not neces-



#### An April 18 Monmouth University/Gannett New Jersey Poll,

showed that nearly half (47%) of New Jersey residents overall describe themselves as being either satisfied (35%) or enthusiastic (12%) about the health care system reforms, while nearly the same number (48%) say they are either dissatisfied (28%) or downright angry (20%) about it.



sarily reflect those of his employer, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. "If I were convinced that the financial numbers were what they are proposed to be, it would be positive."

"But there's a human behavior component that we can't ignore," Tobin said, referring to the number of variables that surround the reform like whether individuals or companies choose to pay the fine instead of paying for insurance, or how hospitals will be able meet the expected rising demand.

Hospital emergency rooms may likely be the safety net for PCPs unable to meet the rising demand in health care. A glut in new emergency room patients could compromise the service they receive.

Tobin also notes the alternative perspective: that because accessibility to health care will be easier, patients will address medical concerns earlier, thereby avoiding more dire health complications that would bring them to emergency rooms and bloat their medical bills.

#### Monmouth Professor



r. David P. Paul III, who practiced dentistry for 20 years before earning an M.A. in Economics and a Ph.D. in Marketing from Old Dominion University, also finds it difficult to assess the changes.

"I don't think anyone can object to giving more people insurance, but trying to predict what its impact will



be is hard. It's up to the bureaucrats to write a bunch of the details."

Dr. Paul said he is concerned about the financial elements of the plan. Using the analogy of Medicaid's onset in the 1960s, he noted, "Payments tripled in two years and have continued to grow ever since. That's a little scary. I'm looking from a historical perspective, but that's all I've got."

Dr. Paul plans to teach a course on current trends in health care, either this fall or the following spring. He said he is very interested in finding out how his students see this reform unfolding.

#### Uncertainty Ahead

The new plan, which will be phased in over the next 10 years, offers both challenges and incentives for hospitals and other health care providers immediately and over the next several years. With budgets already extremely tight, the scramble to adapt will be at the forefront of hospital administrations nationwide.

The total costs associated with healthcare reform are unclear. One study conducted by the Center for American Progress indicates that four million new jobs will be created by the new legislation, while another study by the Heritage Foundation predicts that 690,000 jobs will be lost.

Both sides would likely concur that the number of federal jobs will increase as the government oversees the implementation of the changes. The Department of Health and Human Services in April announced the creation of the Office of Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, a new division that will provide "leadership for implementing the provisions of the health reform bill that address private health insurance." **MU** 



## THE HESS LEGACY

## at Monmouth University Remembering Norma Hess



Even as the Monmouth University community mourns the loss of Norma Wilentz Hess, who passed away on April 22, it is impossible not to celebrate the Hess legacy that has profoundly transformed a diverse range of campus programs including nursing, business, and athletics.

s president of the Hess Foundation, Mrs. Hess was responsible for several remarkable gifts to Monmouth University. Support for Monmouth from the Hess family includes funding the Hess Chair in Nursing Education, a generous grant to name the Leon Hess Business School, and an important contribution to establish the Leon Hess Champions' Hall in

the new Multipurpose Activity Center.

"A kind and generous woman, she gave of herself to education, medicine, and the arts. She was a woman of extraordinary grace and clear vision. We thrive today for having been counted among her friends. We offer our thoughts and prayers to the Hess family for their loss," said President Gaffney.

Mrs. Hess and her husband, the late entrepreneur Leon Hess who died



PRESIDENT GAFFNEY AND MRS. HESS

in 1999, were exceptional friends and benefactors of Monmouth University. The Leadership Initiative at Harvard Business School called Mr. Hess one of the "Great American Business Leaders" of the 20th Century.

Norma and Leon Hess shared a philanthropic philosophy grounded in involvement in American contemporary issues. Mrs. Hess was a champion of medical care and advancement in New York and at the Jersey Shore. In addition to founding the Hess Chair in Nursing Education to meet the special needs of adults and senior citizens, Mrs. Hess provided vital funding to the Leon Hess Cancer Center and the Jacqueline M. Wilentz Comprehensive Breast Center at Monmouth Medical Center.

In 2009 Monmouth University received a generous gift from the Hess Foundation and changed the name of its School of Business Administration to the Leon Hess Business School. In addition, Monmouth University dedicated a section of its new Multipurpose Activity Center to Leon Hess. The life and career of Mr. Hess are celebrated alongside individuals of great athletic accomplishment with a connection to Monmouth University.

Thanks to a generous endowment gift from the Hess Foundation, the Hess Chair in Nursing Education was established in 2008.

Norma Hess' legacy continues with her beloved children Constance, Marlene and John and their families. **MU**  Text from a plaque commemorating the legacy of Leon Hess in the Leon Hess Business School:

LEON HESS March 14, 1914 - May 7, 1999

#### International Business Leader, Visionary



The life of Leon Hess is a classic American success story. Born and reared in Asbury, Park, NJ, he was an Army Transportation Corps Officer with Patton's Army in Europe during World War II. Capitalizing on this experience, Hess honed his entrepreneurial instincts, transforming a single fuel delivery truck into the Hess Corporation, one of America's great energy companies.

Mr. Hess began his business career in his hometown where he recognized that post-refinery residual oil was a profitable commodity for industrial consum-

ers and power companies as they shifted from coal to oil. From those modest beginnings, Hess launched a globally-prominent corporation.

Hess captained a merger with Amerada Petroleum that yielded a successful oil exploration program. During the oil embargo in 1973, the Hess Corporation was among the few operators able to satisfy U.S. market demand. He vertically integrated his enterprise to include exploration, production, refining, and energy marketing. He built what was once the world's largest oil refinery, and developed a national chain of more than 1,000 Hess gas stations.

Leon Hess also created the continuing line of high-quality toy trucks which are prized by collectors. Modeled after the Hess vehicle fleet, the trucks were among the first battery operated toy vehicles with working lights and sounds.

Following his success in the energy sector, Leon Hess led the purchase and transformation of the New York Titans into the well known New York Jets professional football team.

The Leon Hess Business School at Monmouth University is a tribute to the industry, vision, and spirit that made Leon Hess one of the great American business leaders of the twentieth century.

MICHAEL MAIDEN



## WHAT ON EARTH IS A LIONWHALE?

A LionWhale isn't the result of a genetic experiment gone wrong-it is the

entrepreneurial brainchild of Jennifer Hummler '05, Jim Green '04, and

Steven Bowen '04. As partners in Neptune-based LionWhale Music, LLC they

offer in-home lessons in piano, guitar, voice, bass, drums, violin, and most

traditional band instruments to students of all ages in the tri-state area.

ince its inception in 2006, LionWhale Music has expanded its staff to include five additional teachers: student Sarah Clemency (Class of 2011), Dana Capozzalo '08, Anthony LeProtto '09, and Ben Wilton '07. Shannon Magee, the sole instructor without Monmouth roots, graduated from Texas Tech University with a degree in Music Education.

"Our ties with the Music Department remain very strong. We're in close contact with Dr. Tripold, who is our mentor," said Hummler. "When we need a new teacher, we contact Dr. Gloria Rotella or Professor Michael Gillette."

LionWhale also holds student and faculty recitals in the Wilson Hall Auditorium. "Wilson Hall is the perfect venue for our student recitals - the building is spectacular, the room can accommodate a large crowd, and the piano in there is a great instrument," said Hummler.

Their most recent faculty recital on March 14 was also a fundraising event to honor the late Rodney Herbert '06.

Herbert, who graduated with a Music degree, was the team manager of the men's basketball team as a student, and an inspirational member of the Monmouth University community. The recital, held on the third anniversary of Herbert's passing, raised \$1,800. The funds were donated to the Music Department to purchase a percussion instrument that will be used in the theatre. A plaque in memory of Rodney Herbert will also be added.

Although the LionWhale team met at Monmouth University, they boast a "musical genealogy" that connects their students directly to Franz Liszt, Franz Joseph Haydn, and Ludwig van Beethoven. Like a family genealogy, a musical genealogy traces connections from present to past, charting musical instructors instead of family relationships.

"Every Monmouth student who studies under Professor Frangipane already has an impressive musical genealogy," Hummler said. "He attended and assisted Master classes with Igor Stravinsky and Aaron Copland."

Stravinsky is widely acknowledged as one of the most important and influential composers of 20th century music, while Copland's honors include a Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1964 and a Congressional Gold Medal in 1987.

OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP: FRONT ROW: ANTHONY LEPROTTO, STEVEN BOWEN, JENNIFER HUMMLER, SHANNON MAGEE, JIM GREEN, DANA CAPOZZALO BACK ROW: SARAH CELMENCY, BEN WILTON. OPPOSITE PAGE, BOTTOM LEFT: ANTHONY LEPROTTO MIDDLE RIGHT: JIM GREEN BOTTOM RIGHT: JENNIFER HUMMLER



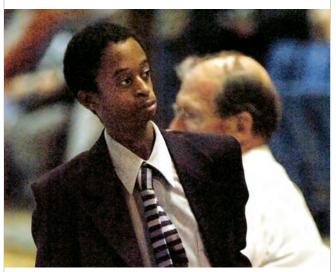
As a company based on musical instruction, the LionWhale teachers continue to take lessons from more experienced musicians and have a heightened appreciation for their own educational experience at Monmouth.

"If you think attending a Music Theory class or a class about Rock 'n' Roll couldn't be life-changing, then you haven't attended those classes taught by Dr. Tripold or Professor Frangipane," Hummler says.

Jim Green credits "the sage advice of Dr. Tripold and the fantastic storytelling of Professor Frangipane," for "helping form who I am as a musician and a person." Steven Bowen agrees: "Without question, Laura DuBois, Ron Frangipane, and Dr. Dave Tripold are the essence of awesome. Knowing them has changed my life."

Recalling his favorite memories at Monmouth as playing in the pit band for *the Rocky Horror Picture Show*, and singing a bass solo behind a full orchestra while performing Haydn's "Mass in Time of War," Ben Wilton also cited Tripold, Frangipane, and DuBois as his favorite professors.

#### Rodney Herbert '06



Stricken with a Bloom's Syndrome, a very rare genetic disorder that left him standing only 4'9" and weighing 80 pounds, Rodney Herbert was both team manager and an inspiration to the men's basketball team. When the Hawks won their first NCAA tournament game in 2006 after beating Hampton University in that year's play-in game, Herbert's roommate, 7'2" John Bunch, lifted him to the net.

Although Herbert lost most of his right leg to cancer as a child, endured 10 surgeries, and struggled with diabetes on a daily basis, he never stopped living life to its fullest. As the LionWhale recital in his honor on March 14 demonstrated, Herbert was as esteemed by his peers in the music department as he was by friends on the basketball court.

"Working with Dr. Tripold and Professor DuBois both during and after college was priceless—they are both brilliant musicians and performers, but their styles and approaches are noticeably different," Hummler said. "I think that it was really important to see that not every great musician (even within the same genre) can fit neatly into the same mold. That's helpful with my own studies and something important that I try to bring into my teaching," she added.

Now full-time business owners hoping to expand into other markets across the country, Hummler, Bowen, and Green have a new perspective on what makes a great teacher. "It's fairly easy to get students," Hummler says, "It's MUCH harder to find good teachers."

"We've done a lot of advertising in some other areas, but most people we interview just don't cut it. We're hoping that when we attend the national conferences [of the Music Teachers National Association] we can make some good connections with qualified teachers."

"We think that it's really important for a music teacher to have a very solid understanding of music. Some people are great players, wonderful musicians, but they don't have a solid background in music theory or music history."

Beyond the financial rewards of building a successful business, Hummler appreciates the unique advantages that teaching offers. "It's very rewarding to see kids that started out not knowing anything about music develop a pretty solid understanding of the basics after a year. I also love having 'technical' conversations with some of the more advanced students knowing that they not only understand everything I'm talking about, but that I taught it to them. "

"We're also filling a need," Hummler added. "Several of our instructors were victims of sub-par teachers when they were younger. When we got to Monmouth we'd often say 'Wow, I wish someone had told me that before!'"

#### Beyond the Lesson Plan

Most of the LionWhale instructors currently study with their own teachers and have active performing careers, or a combination of both. Bowen and Hummler both study piano with Dr. Hendry Wijaya, whose musical genealogy traces to Beethoven.

Shannon Magee recently made an appearance with the Wagner Society in Washington, D.C.; Anthony LeProtto is currently playing with numerous bands ranging from reggae to children's music throughout New Jersey and New York, and recently flew to Puerto Rico for a performance.

Hummler said that although the LionWhale team has worked with a lot of people who have played/toured/recorded with famous musicians, the closest direct brush with fame was when Jim Green met Bruce Springsteen while buying sheet music at Jack's in Red Bank.

"It was music for a student so technically it brought me in contact with a famous musician," Green said. "And yes, Bruce is as humble and laid-back as you imagine him to be."



PROFESSOR MICHAEL GILLETTE, DR. DAVID TRIPOLD, PROFESSOR RON FRANGIPANE

Hummler is also involved with the Pacific Opera/Pacific Encore Performances, which also has ties to Monmouth University. Mary Weir, former president and longtime member of the Monmouth University Library Association, is also a founder and president of Pacific Opera. In 2009 Pacific Opera filmed their premiere television special for NJN in Wilson Hall.

"Mary Weir and Barry Henry have always been strong supporters of the arts at Monmouth," Hummler said.

"They needed someone to stage manage their show at Carnegie Hall sometime in 2004. I'd been the stage manager for some Monmouth student productions and assistant stage manager for several of the professional shows at the Shadow Lawn Stage summer theater, so I was recommended to the Pacific Opera Company, and I've been working with them ever since, always at their yearly Carnegie Hall performance."

#### But what is a LionWhale?

Even the name "LionWhale" finds its roots in Monmouth University. The name derives from two "in-jokes" shared by Bowen, Green, and Hummler. One joke involved the MGM Lion, and other involved a whale...somehow.

Hummler also said that they wanted the company name to be creative and unique. "It's good to be unique when you're registering a company name: it can't be something that someone else is already using," she said. "We thought: why not? LionWhale it is." **MU** 

### Musical Genealogy

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809) Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827) Carl Czerny (1791-1857) Franz Liszt (1811-1886) Bernhard Stavenhagen (1862-1914) Ernest Hutcheson (1871-1951) Abram Chasins (1903-1987) Constance Keene (1921-2005) Dr. Hendry Wijaya

Jennifer Hummler & Steven Bowen

#### FAIRLEIGH S. DICKINSON JR. FOUNDATION GRANT



o further enhance the Pollak Theatre's "Live at the Met" series, the Fairleigh S. Dickinson Jr. Foundation has awarded a \$38,000 grant to Monmouth University.

Beginning in the spring of 2009 Monmouth began screening digital high-definition simulcasts of live and

#### LOWRY HEADS NEW OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES

ol. Robert Lowry, USAR (Ret), '84MBA'06MSW was appointed coordinator of Veteran Services and Special Projects for the newly formed Office of Veteran Services at Monmouth University after serving 13 years as the Director of Resource Management and Logistics for the United States Military Academy Preparatory School at Fort



encore performances by the New York Metropolitan Opera. Trustee Robert Sculthorpe '63 provided the funding for the purchase and installation of the digital sound and video equipment necessary to meet technical specifications required by the MET.

With the new grant from the Fair-

#### Monmouth.

Colonel Lowry served for 35 years as an enlisted soldier and as a commissioned officer in Active and Reserve Component units. He was assigned to units in Vietnam, Germany, Panama, and many posts in the U.S. He commanded a Special Forces Detachment, an armored cavalry troop, a training company and a training battalion. He is a graduate of the Special Forces Officer Course, Ranger School, and the Army Command and General Staff College.

The Office of Veteran Services, located in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, will be a one-stop point of contact for all of our veteran students, active duty and reserve personnel, and dependents of military personnel.

As the coordinator, Lowry will provide assistance, advocacy, and mentoring as well as advisement of the newlyformed Monmouth University Veterans Association. He will also assist in other projects within the Division of Student Services. leigh S. Dickinson Jr. Foundation, Monmouth will construct a new space at the Pollak Theatre to accommodate the four 150-pound speakers used for high definition broadcasts. A portion of the grant funds will also be used to expand marketing of the program.

In 2007 the Foundation awarded Monmouth's Urban Coast Institute (UCI) a grant of \$350,000. The grant supported expansion of the UCI's realtime estuarine monitoring network and the work of a marine scientist to manage the network and associated research projects. The funding also supported the efforts of the UCI's work with local communities to identify and implement priority watershed restoration demonstration projects.

#### **BILLERA IS NURSE OF THE YEAR**



My Billera '10 MSN was selected as the New Jersey State School Nurses Association School (NJSSNA) Nurse of the Year 2010. Amy is a nationally certified school nurse and is active in a number of professional and community organizations. She received a NJSSNA mini-grant in 2009 for a "Yoga for Middle School Students" program, which focused on the development of stress reduction, mediation, and relaxation, which are skills important for students of all ages. She has coordinated CPR staff training, community blood drives and fire safety education programs.

#### CHRISTENSEN IS NEW VP



r. Edward Christensen, formerly associate dean of the Leon Hess Business School, is now a member of President Gaffney's cabinet, serving in the newly created position of vice president of Information Management. Christensen assumed his new responsibilities on April 15.

Besides management of information services, Christensen and his team will lead strategic planning efforts in the areas of information and technology. He will be assisted by two associate vice presidents: Wendy Savoth (Instructional Technology Services) and John Sonn (Administrative Information Services, Network Computing Services).

#### ENGINEERING HONORS FOR GAFFNEY

President Paul G. Gaffney II was elected in February as a member of the National Academy of Engineering, which is among the highest professional distinctions accorded to an engineer. It honors those who have made outstanding contributions to "engineering research, practice, or education."

Gaffney was elected for technical leadership in naval research and development and its impact on U.S. defense and ocean policy. He holds an engineering degree and commanded both the Naval Research Laboratory and Office of Naval Research during his Navy career.

#### **CUPPIE AWARDS FOR MAGAZINE**



"Just because you've been locked up doesn't mean you don't have something to contribute." -Stacey Kindt, founder and director of Redeem-Her

Imagine yourself left on a street corner with only \$20 in your pocket, no place to call home, and the stigma of having a criminal record. Imagine your first contact with the world outside prison is a call from your probation officer telling you to "get a job."

Add the siren song of a likely drug addiction to the scenario, and, needless to say, the odds of success are stacked against you. Helping to ease the transition from prison back into the community is Redeem-Her, a New Jersey-based non-profit inmate and ex-offender ditected, self-help service organization. Developed specifically for women, the Monmouth County group hopes to reduce the number of repeat offenders by offering them alternatives as they reintegrate into society. BOVE: SECOND CHANCES CED BEN EVENDEN AND EDEEM.HER FOUNDER STACEY KINDT AT RIBBON LITTING CEREMONY FOR OPENING OF SECONO HANCES THRIFT BOUTIQUE IN NEPTUNE

Normally the preserve of social service groups, or faith-based ourreach efforts, an unlikely ally joined forces with Redeem-Her when the entrepreneurship class, aught by Professor John Buzza (71, helped to open Second Chances, A Thrift Boutique, in Newrone schopping Dlaza.

a Neprune shopping plaza. The store, which offers an array of items including designer clothes, furniture and makeup priced as low as \$1, opened its doors on Third Avenue on October 30 and celebrated a grand opening on November 12.

WINTER MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY MAGAZINE 3

he Monmouth University Magazine received two "CUPPIE" awards in March from the College and University Public Relations Association (CUPRAP). More than 300 entries were received for the 2009 competition.

The 2008 Honor Roll of Donors (produced in 2009) won a silver award. The same Honor Roll also won a Silver JASPER award from the Jersey Shore Public Relations and Advertising Association.

An article about Professor Buzza's entrepreneur class project with the "Sec-

ond Chances" thrift store took a bronze CUPPIE award for feature article.

CUPRAP is a voluntary organization of communications professionals from 100 colleges, universities and independent schools dedicated to advancing the understanding of higher education. Members come from private and public colleges and universities, junior colleges, community colleges, independent schools, as well as other organizations involved in higher education.

#### **IOREBA SCHOLARSHIPS**

uring the annual meeting of the Industrial and Office Real Estate Brokers Association of the New York Metropolitan Area (IOREBA), President Charles Logan announced \$29,000 in scholarship money will benefit 14 students at Monmouth University's Kislak Real Estate Institute.

"These hard-working students are the future of our industry," said Logan, who is also CEO of The Aztec Corporation. "We are honored that our organization can help provide them with the tools they need to be successful in this and future real estate cycles. We wish them all the best in an exciting, ever-changing industry."

The recipients are: Parul Amin, Lisa Bennett, Casey El Koury, Devon Fenske, Chris Gaglione, David Hough, Ryan Lawless, Anthony Magno, James Maguire, William Miller, Megan O'Brien, Julie Papetti, Nicholas Santangelo and Anthony Viola.

With roots dating back to 1927, IOREBA (www.ioreba.com) is one of the nation's largest regional commercial real estate groups; the group has grown to more than 300 members that conduct business in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Connecticut.



TOP ROW: DR. ROSEMARY BARBARA, DR. KELLY WARD, DEAN JANET MAHONEY, JENNIFER RISTOW '10 MSW BOTTOM ROW: DR. NANCY MEZEY, DR. CAROLYN BRADLEY, DR. LAURA KELLY.

wo social work professors, Kelly Ward, PhD, LCSW, LCADC and Carolyn Bradley, PhD, LCSW, LCADC, and one former Monmouth professor, Tina Maschi, PhD, are the editors of a new book, *Forensic Social Work: Psychosocial and Le*gal Issues in Diverse Practice Settings. The book explores all aspects of social work including education, child welfare, mental health, addiction treatment, juvenile and criminal systems, and immigration services.

A team of faculty and graduate student, Jennifer Ristow '10MSW, contributed chapters to the interdisciplinary book. Faculty contributors include Dr. Nora Smith and Dr. Rosemary Barbara of the School of Social Work, Dr. Nancy Mezey of the Political Science Department, Dr. Rebecca Sanford of the Communication Department, Dr. Marie Mele of the Criminal Justice Department, and Dr. Laura Kelly and Dean Janet Mahoney of the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies, who co-authored a chapter with Dr. Morris Saldov, who recently retired as a professor of Social Work at Monmouth.

Dr. Ward said, "We always conceptualized it as a collaborative effort amongst many people who had interest in the field, and from a multi-disciplinary approach."

Social Work can encompass many

different areas, and, according to Dr. Ward, "There are a lot of social workers who are working in forensic areas, probation officers, parole officers, social workers in jails and prisons, and there is not enough teaching material on the topic." Dr. Bradley said, "The book expands the definition of forensic social work beyond the traditional view of expert testimony and working with people who are involved with the justice system."

According to Dr. Ward, "This [book] will help highlight Monmouth's many strong scholars, and perhaps increase students who might be interested in coming to Monmouth."

#### **KRISTOF: GLOBAL UNDERSTANDING CONVENTION**



apping off a week of roundtables, lectures and exhibits at the ninth annual Global Understanding Convention (GUC) in April was a talk by *New York Times* columnist and winner of two Pulitzer Prizes, Nicholas D. Kristof.

"Women hold up half the sky," Kristof said as he spoke in Pollak Theatre about the worldwide oppression of women. His lecture, "Between Oppression and Opportunities: How Women Are Facing Change and Stability in Global Environment," dealt with human trafficking, the spread of HIV and the inordinate need for education and action.

"Women and girls aren't the problem. They are the solution," he said.

Kristof recently co-authored with his wife, Sheryl WuDunn, the book, *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide.* 

This year's GUC, "Change and Stability in Global Environments," focused on the multiple environments such as economic, social, cultural, philosophical, biological, political, geographical, and physical. The emphasis was on how in the context of globalization these environments tend to converge and change.

More than 40 sessions were held, including: Water for People (NGO); the historical narratives of Israelis and Palestinians; HIV AIDS in vulnerable populations; Corporate Social Responsibility; Sustainability for Poverty Eradication, Haiti; how to join the Peace Corps; and sport as global culture.

Also in the week's program was a showing of the film, *Vanished Empire*, a post-Soviet drama from director Karen Shakhnazarov.

#### DEAN KELLY TO RETIRE

ean Frederick Kelly will retire effective July 1, 2010. Since his arrival at Monmouth in 2001, Dean Kelly led the Leon Hess Business School to maintenance of AACSB accreditation for the maximum six-year period, the naming of the Kislak Real Estate Institute, and the recent name change to honor the late Leon Hess. During his tenure the MBA program has been consistently named by Princeton Review as one of the top 300 in the country.

In May Dean Kelly received a Certificate of Appreciation for Achievement in Trade from the United States Department of Commerce, U.S. Commercial Service. The Certificate was awarded in recognition of Kelly's establishment of a collocation agreement between Monmouth University and the U.S. Commercial Service.

Dr. Donald Moliver, the Steven and Elaine Pozycki

Chair in Real Estate, will serve as interim dean until June 30, 2011, or until the position is filled, whichever comes first. Dr. Moliver is professor of Economics and Finance and Real Estate. He is also the director of the Kislak Real Estate Institute.

In April Provost Thomas Pearson announced a national search for a permanent dean.





r. Richard Veit and research from his archaeological dig at Joseph Bonaparte's home in Bordentown, NJ, was featured in the March/April issue of *Archaeology* magazine.

For the past three years, Veit and his team of archaeologists have excavated at Point Breeze, uncovering some 20,000 artifacts.

Dr. Veit is associate professor of Anthropology, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses on Historical Archaeology, North American Prehistory, Early American Material Culture, particularly vernacular architecture, pottery, and mortuary art, New Jersey History, and Public History.

Veit is the author of the award-winning book, *Digging New Jersey's Past: Historical Archaeology in the Garden State*, and co-author of *New Jersey Cemeteries and Tombstones: History in the Landscape*.

#### DEBATE HAWKS: PROGRAM OF THE YEAR



onmouth's Debate Hawks were named the 2010 Policy Debate Program of the Year by the Society Advocating More and Better Argumentation (SAMBA). Each year for the past 25 years SAMBA recognizes a university policy debate program that participates in competitive policy debate for its "Program of the Year" Award.

Professor Samuel Nelson, the director of the Debate Program at Cornell University and the chair of the selection committee for this year's SAMBA Awards noted: "Monmouth students compete against schools with much more established debate programs and expect to win. To have their level of success so quickly is very unusual in this highly competitive activity."

During the 2009-2010 academic year, the Debate Hawks competed at the West Point Military Academy tournament, Western Connecticut University's tournament, the University of Miami (FL) Hurricane Debates, and Towson University's tournament in Baltimore. The Debate Hawks won approximately 10 team and individual speaking awards this year. Team captains Krissy Mikulka and Bryan Tiscia also attended Arizona State University's debate camps in July. Dr. Joseph Patten, associate professor of political science, coaches the Debate Hawks. Team members include Krissy Mikulka, Bryan Tiscia, Tamari Lagvilava, Richard Moriarty, Kevin Sanders, Stephen Alex, Greg Morga, Arielle Giordano, Marilyn Fatturouso, Michael Borkin, Julie Miller, Andrew Stein, Ali Matz, Anthony D'Elia, Brandon Karkovice, Fred Strahl, Kuree Cain, Mark Schechtler, Alex Sprunch, and Mark Cosentino. Grant Lucking, a public policy graduate student served as the assistant coach.

Monmouth will be hosting a national tournament November 13-14. In addition, Debate Hawks, in partnership with the Institute for Global Understanding, recently received a \$7,000 grant from TD Bank to mentor Asbury Park High School students in debate.

SAMBA was founded 25 years ago to promote quality competitive debate and includes members residing in Europe, Africa, North America, and Asia. This year's award selection committee included Debate Coaches from Cornell University, the University of Rochester, the West Point Military Academy, the University of Vermont, and SUNY Binghamton.



#### THAT'S DOCTOR BON JOVI

Jon Bon Jovi HN '01 gave a humorous nod to his doctor of humanities *bonoris causa* from Monmouth University on a February episode of the NBC comedy *30 ROCK*. As a guest on the episode, "Anna Howard Shaw Day," Bon Jovi offers to review a contract for Liz Lemon (Tina Fey) citing his honorary degree.

The Valentine's Day themed episode takes its title from Anna Howard Shaw, a leader in the women's movement who died in 1919. Because Shaw was born on February 14, Liz Lemon celebrates Anna Howard Shaw Day in preference to Valentine's Day.

#### **5K RUN TO HELP HAITI**



Progistering 7.0 on the Richter scale ravaged Haiti, with the epicenter in the capital city of Portau-Prince, it was estimated that nearly 300,000 people had died, more than a million were homeless, and aid was spotty at best.

With the large-scale food distribution winding down and many foreign doctors gone, some makeshift schools had opened and local doctors and nurses



were working long hours for free with very limited supplies and resources. Electricity was still being rationed, potable drinking water was not universally available, and many people were living in tents and under tarps.

More than \$12.7 billion had been pledged by foreign governments, agencies and organizations, including \$2.8 billion for humanitarian response and another \$9.9 billion promised at the March 31 U.N. donors conference.

Here at Monmouth University, students, staff and community members were trying to do their part to help.

At the inaugural 5K for Haiti, a race held on campus on April 9, more than \$1,500 was raised for the non-profit organization, Lamp for Haiti.

With a time of 18:28, Junior and track team member Shawn Platz was the first to cross the finish line. Sophomore and track team member Myra Dabkows-ki was the first woman to finish with a time of 21:41. She was followed by Jenna Intersimone (22:38) and Nicole Kelso (22:42).

Taking home the silver was Matt Schaad (19:11), who is the husband of Suanne Schaad, MU's Substance Awareness Coordinator. David Wong '08MBA came in third (19:34).

The race was sponsored by the Global Understanding Convention, the Political Science Club, Sociology Club, Phi Kappa Psi, and Global Service Club. Food and water were donated by ARA-MARK.

Lamp for Haiti (www.LampforHaiti. org) focuses on health care and human rights issues in Haiti. It is an apolitical, nonsectarian humanitarian organization, founded in 2006 by Thomas Griffin, Esq and James Morgan, MD.

Cynthia Leger, a junior and Haitian native, will travel to Haiti in June along with her father, Dr. Pierre Leger. They will visit Dr. Leger's hometown of Archaie, which is about 40 miles outside of Port-au-Prince. This will be his second trip to Haiti since the earthquake. He first traveled there two days after the quake as part of the Association of Haitian Physicians Abroad of which he is vice president of the New Jersey chapter.

## **19<sup>TH</sup> SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION** Honors donors and student scholars



The 19th annual scholarship reception brought student scholarship recipients together with their educational benefactors in Wilson Hall on April 16, 2010.

Scholarships for Monmouth students generally fall into two categories: endowed scholarships and sponsored scholarships. Sponsored scholarships are renewed and awarded annually, can be established with a minimum of \$1,000. Endowed scholarships are established with a minimum of \$25,000, which can be paid over five years to establish a perpetual funding source.

Among the scholarship sponsors at the event were Joseph and Elizabeth Lynam. The Lynams met with two students at the reception, Melissa Helmstetter and Kristin Notarangelo, who are recipients of the Allison M. Lynam Memorial Sponsored Scholarship named for their late daughter. Allison Lynam was a sophomore majoring in criminal justice when she was involved in a tragic accident on her way home from class. The annual scholarship reception gives both benefactors and beneficiaries an opportunity to put a human face on the importance of supporting education. Donors meet students and learn about current fields of study and post-graduation goals, while scholarship recipients are often surprised when they discover the personal side of scholarship philanthropy.

For more information about sponsored or endowed scholarships, contact Jeff Mills at (732) 571-3411.

ABOVE LEFT: QUANIESHA FROST, QUANASIA FRONT AND TONI BROWN. ABOVE RIGHT: JOSEPH LYNAM, MELISSA HELMSTETTER, KRISTIN NOTARANGELO, ELIZABETH LYNAM, DANIEL LYNAM. TOP RIGHT: RUTH HARMS, BRITTANY PRIOLO, AND GUEST. BOTTOM RIGHT: ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT PETER BRUCKMANN '70 WITH LIANNA BASS AND MARY ANNE RICCA.



#### FIRST YEAR SERVICE PROJECT: HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



Students picked up hammers and drills on April 16 as part of the First Year Service Project for the class of 2013. Working with Habitat for Humanity of Northeastern Monmouth County, students assembled materials on campus that will form panels for a house in Asbury Park.

Through fundraisers like the Battle of the Bands and a Winter Festival, the First Year Service Project raised over \$2,500 for the build. The framework was assembled on campus in parking areas, and then moved to its final location.

Habitat for Humanity works to build and rehabilitate houses through volunteer labor and supplies paid by donations. Homeowners who are approved for Habitat Housing must not only pay for a down payment and a monthly mortgage, but must invest hundreds of hours of their own labor into the house, so called "sweat equity."

The First Year Service Project is a new program which engages first year students in service projects with the intention of raising awareness of and promoting social justice issues. This year the focus is homelessness awareness and students have partnered with



various local organizations including Linkages Transitional Housing Facility and Habitat for Humanity.

#### MACE FOR NBC'S BRIAN WILLIAMS

"An Evening with Brian Williams & Friends" and presentation of the 2010 Monmouth Award for Communication Excellence (MACE) will be held at the Multipurpose Activity Center at Monmouth University on September 23, 2010.

The Middletown native has been anchor and managing editor for NBC Nightly News since 2004. He had previously been the network's chief White House correspondent and host of The News with Brian Williams on CNBC and MSNBC. In 2007 Williams was listed among Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People in The World.

The event will feature a VIP cocktail hour followed by the tribute and award presentation.

Previous MACE recipients include White House Correspondent Helen Thomas, newspaper publisher Jules L. Plangere, Jr., founding financial editor of CNN Myron Kandel, and CBS Sports Commentator Jim Nantz.



#### **NEW TENNIS COURTS**



ribbon-cutting ceremony April 13 officially unveiled new oncampus tennis courts. Members of the men's and women's teams, local officials and neighborhood residents attended the event. The previous tennis courts were relocated as part of the construction of the Multipurpose Activity Center. "We are excited to add the tennis courts to our athletic facilities and look forward to some great tennis matches there," said Vice President and Director of Athletics Dr. Marilyn McNeil. "We also look forward to the courts being a good addition to the local community," she added. The new courts are open to the public when not in use by the tennis teams. The facilities, which are locked at dusk, are located on the corner of Pinewood and Beechwood Avenues in West Long Branch, right behind the university's dorms.

#### FABERGÉ EGG FOR LIBRARY

Fabergé egg now sits in a glass case on the second floor of the library thanks to Ira Jacobson, former owner of the Brielle Galleries, who donated the piece of art to Monmouth University in May.

It was created by Brielle Galleries in 2000 to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the White House. It is the only Fabergé egg ever made in the United States under the direction of the late Theo Fabergé, who was the grandson of the Russian Imperial jeweler Carl Fabergé.

"The Monmouth University Library Association is honored to accept this gift,

and we are pleased to display it in the Monmouth University Library where its beauty and historical significance can be enjoyed by students, faculty, and library visitors for many years to come," said Cathy Bertole, president of the Monmouth University Library Association.





#### **TRIO OF TRACK HONORS**

The Shore Athletic Club of NJ honored three hawks in January. Jill Evarts '91M took home the Mary Conry Memorial Award as Women's Distance Runner of the Year, and Kerri Walker '09, who coaches cross country and track at Rumson-Fair Haven High School, was named Womens' Rookie of the Year.

President Gaffney was awarded the Wisner Brothers Award for Distinguished Service to the Sport of Track and Field. He was a member of the NCAA Division I track & field and cross country teams at the U.S. Naval Academy.

Founded in 1932, The Shore Athletic Club is one of the most diverse and inclusive organizations with more than 500 members dedicated to all the specialties within the sport of track and field.

#### ACCOUNTING STUDENTS VOLUNTEER

group of accounting students volunteered with the United Way of Monmouth County and Community Enterprises Corporation in 2010 to help low and moderate income families prepare tax and earned income tax credit (EITC) forms. The earned income tax credit is designed to help low income working families improve their financial condition.

Professor Doug Stives organized the campus program at Monmouth. "This is a fantastic opportunity for students to give back to the community, get valuable work experience preparing taxes, and receive college credit," said Stives.

The program is called "VITA - Volunteer Income Tax Assistance." Monmouth University students were trained by the IRS and passed the IRS Volunteer Tax Assistor test. Once trained, the students established a satellite base in McAllan Hall and assisted low income families with filing their taxes from February 10 through April 15.

#### **EMPLOYEES GIVE MORE**



r. Jeffery N. Mills, vice president for University Advancement, announced in February that employees contributed \$243,165 to support Monmouth University during the 2009 calendar year, a 28% increase over 2008 and surpassing the goal of \$190,000 by more than \$50,000.

"Seventy-seven employees were members of the President's Society in 2009, up from 66 in 2008," said Dr. Mills. Members of the President's Society contribute a minimum of \$1,000 during the calendar year.

The total number of full-time employee donors rose to 633, up from 540 in the previous year—far above the goal of 481. This represents 63% of full-time employees.

Dr. Mills also noted that the \$243,165 raised represents a 92% increase over employee giving in 2006.



## AKERS FINDS NEW FOCUS

Following a successful career at Texaco, Jim Akers '70 hung up his suit and briefcase for a camera and tripod. "I left at the top. I never looked back," said Akers. In 1991, he left the Houston-based company to relocate to California and pursue other interests, one of which was photography.

#### "I had always been one of those people taking photographs," Akers said in a recent interview when asked how he got his start in photography.

e also recalled his days at Monmouth in the 1960s when he was a member and historian, of the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity on campus, where he first explored the art of photography.

Reigniting his keen interest in photography was a trip to Kenya in 2008, Akers said. Two

lasting results of the photo safari trip were better equipment and a book, "Kenya—Photographic Inspiration," which he published in 2009.

Akers said he continues to take his camera wherever he goes. His attachment paid off last July while traveling near the Getty Center in Los Angeles. Akers saw billowing smoke and flames from an out-of-control brush fire, and rushed to capture the event. The resulting photograph, "Getty Fire," garnered him a

first place ribbon for Photojournalism from the Santa Clarita Valley Photography Association.

This photo was also entered in a regional competition sponsored by the Professional Photographers of California (PPC). It received a state merit, missing a national merit by only one point.

Also last year, his "Birth of a Flower" was one of 64 pieces of art selected from 1,410 entries nationwide for exhibition at The Artists Gallery in Santa Monica, CA.

He has also published "The Homeless in Santa Monica," a not-for-profit book project designed to highlight the ever-present problem of homelessness on the streets of Santa Monica.

When Akers is not snapping pictures, he is running Jim's Home Management Service, a business he started shortly after retiring from Texaco. Akers realized that there was a market-need to help the elderly complete everyday tasks. He said he plans to retire from that job when he turns 66, in about three years.

His latest photography project, "Working People in Black and White," includes photographic portraits of diverse subjects, from a blacksmith to a local Vietnamese priest. Akers is also working on a project called "Wings and Petals," a series of photos using birds, butterflies and flowers as his theme.

"I hope to earn more awards," Akers said. "I know

I will. I'm a goal-oriented achiever."

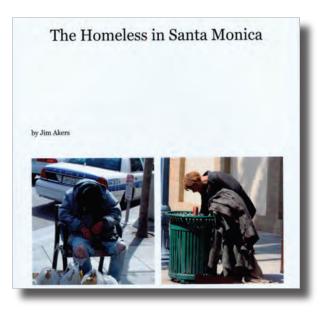
He and his wife, Rita Mahon, who also graduated from Monmouth in 1970, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in January. They have three daughters and four grandchildren.

> When asked what advice he had for an aspiring photographer, Akers said, "Become an apprentice. Don't worry about the money at first. Work for nothing to get the experience...And don't be complacent. The business is always changing."

> He also stressed the need to network, mentioning that he is a member of four photography networks, including Professional Photographers of Los Angeles County (www.pplac.com) of which he is the fundraising chair.

He added, "Be humble, ask questions,

expect disappointments and setbacks...But remember your last shot could be your best shot."



See more of Akers' work, including galleries of photographs from his "Homeless in Santa Monica" and Kenya projects, visit www.jimakersphotography.com.



# TAKE NEC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Men's team moves to highest rank • Compagni breaks NEC Coach of the Year Record



For the second consecutive year the women's and men's track & field team each captured Northeast Conference Outdoor Track & Field Championship titles. The competition was held at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD, over the weekend of May 1-2.



The women's team put together their best showing in program history (201 points) and in NEC history. In 21 events scored, the women's team won the title by more than 50 points over 2009 NEC Indoor T&F Champions, Long Island, who finished second (145 points) and NEC Championships' host Mount St. Mary's, who finished third (100 points).

The women's 2010 victory marks their seventh championship in MU history, while earning three individual awards. Junior Mary Wilks took Most Outstanding Field Performer honors—only the second Blue and White member in school history; freshman Rachel Watkins won the Most Outstanding Rookie Performer award; and Head Coach Joe Compagni earned a new NEC record with his 21st and 22nd career Coach of the Year honors. "The team was tremendous all weekend long," said Coach Compagni. "The conference has so many great athletes, but we responded well to the challenges in every event area."

Wilks, who is also an All-NEC First-Team honoree on the MU women's soccer team, took home medalist wins in both javelin (143' 7") and high jump (5' 7"), tying the school record she already owns, while finishing fourth in the 400 meter hurdles (1:03.38). Watkins became only the second freshman in MU history to earn the Most Outstanding Rookie Performer honor in outdoors after her performances in 100 meter hurdles (sixth place - 15.56), 400 meter hurdles (second place - 1:03.38) , 4x400 meter relay (third - 3:57.53) and high jump (third - 5' 4.5").



In 400 meter hurdles, graduate Sonya Sullivan took home the medalist win and All-NEC First-Team honors, with her winning time of 1:01.71. Watkins earned her second career All-NEC honor after finishing second (1:03.28): Wilks finished fourth (1:03.38): and Lindsey Walsh and classmate Colleen Rutecki finished sixth (1:04.07) and seventh (1:04.09), respectively.

Alongside Wilks' top finish in high jump, teammate Walsh finished second overall, clearing the 5' 5.25" standard, while senior Kelly Dantley and Watkins tied for third place overall by hitting the 5' 4.5" mark. In triple jump, Brittany Gibbs posted an All-NEC Second-Team performance, with the third best mark in MU history, as she earned second place overall with a mark of 39' 3".

Sophomore Jessica Toritto led the throwers in discus with her sixth place finishing mark of 126' 4". In shot put, freshman Sandra Jean-Romain took home a sixth place finish with a toss of 41' 5". The Hawks took three of the top-four spots in javelin as junior Allyson Cardullo and freshman Ann Moccia finished three-four with marks of 133' and 127' 4", respectively.

The men's track & field team also made history, winning the program's eighth NEC Outdoor Championship while posting the second best team score in NEC history (214.50 points), with 28 different athletes scoring team points in all but two events. In 21 events scored, Monmouth won the team title by more than 70 points as they defeated 2009 NEC Indoor T&F Champions Long Island, who finished second (137.50 points) and CCSU, who finished third (79 points).

Vincent Elardo took individual honors as Most Valuable Performer and Most Outstanding Field Performer. After winning both shot put and hammer throw, Elardo took home his third gold of the weekend in discus with a winning toss of 157' 11", earning All-NEC First-Team honors – making Monmouth and NEC history as the first to win all three events in either an indoor or outdoor championship.

Teammate Shawn Sabo took home the silver and earned Second-Team honors with his throw of 154' 10", while fellow thrower Larry Lundy finished fifth (141' 8"). In the final throwing event, javelin, the Hawks took five of the topten finishes, including the top-three spots. Seniors Marion Easley and Victor Rizzotto and freshman Vincent DuVernois went one-two-three in the event with Easley (215' 7") earning First-Team honors, while Rizzotto (207' 1") won his second-straight Second-Team award in javelin in two seasons.

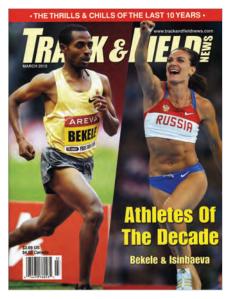
Junior Ben Hutterer took home All-NEC Second-Team honors in the 5000 meter run as he finished second overall in a time of 15:18.32. The hurdle combo of former Most Outstanding Track Performer/Rookie of the Year Chris Rutherford and graduate Terrell Gissendanner each took home a hurdle title. Gissendanner won the 110 meter high hurdles (14.40), with Rutherford taking fourth (14.74), while Rutherford took home the 400 meter hurdle title in 51.94, and Gissendanner took fourth in 54.09.

The 4x100 relay team of junior Zachory Krupka, Navarro, junior Jason Kelsey and Taiwo took home Second-Team honors as the sprint crew crossed the line in 41.00 to earn second place overall. Finishing sixth overall, the 4x400 relay team finished in 3:19.00.

The pole vault squad had a solid outing as three Hawks finished in the top five. The sophomore trio of Peter Matano, Jason Timmons and Brandon Cabral finished in third (15' 1"), fourth (14' 9") and fifth (14' 9"), respectively.

Following the NEC Championship victories, the men's team moved up a notch to sixth place—the best ranking in team history— in USTFCCCA NCAA Regional Rankings. Teams competing in the Mid-Atlantic region include Big East, Ivy League and Big Ten teams. The men's team has 20 athletes who are ranked in the top 20 in the region in various events ranging from sprint to throws.

#### **TRACK & FIELD GREATS RANKED**



Former track & field All-American throwers Bobby Smith '06 and Jon Kalnas '02, and senior standout Larry Lundy, all carry U.S. rankings in javelin and shot put, according to the March issue of *Track & Field News*.

Smith, who took home the U.S. Na-

tional Javelin Title at the 2008 Olympic Trials, ranks eighth overall in javelin, while Kalnas and Lundy have both been added to the U.S. rankings in shot put.

Smith continued the tradition of Monmouth All-Americans in the throwing events when he claimed the honor in javelin in 2005. At the NCAAs, Smith unleashed a school-record toss of 229' 7" to best his own school record by six feet and earn him a fifth place finish. The All-America performance wrapped a banner 2005 for Smith, who claimed the NEC title in the javelin, as well as becoming only the second athlete in school history to win an Eastern Championship, claiming the IC4A javelin title.

Smith trains at the U.S. Olympic Center in Chula Vista, Ca. in hopes of making the 2012 U.S. Olympic team.

Kalnas holds the distinction of being Monmouth's only multiple All-American, earning the honor in the shot put for the 2000 and 2001 indoor seasons and the 2002 outdoor season. He took fourth place at the 2002 NCAA Outdoor Championship with his throw of 68' 8 1/4", while taking home fifth place at the 2002 Indoor Championship. The six-time Northeast Conference shot put champion owns the top five distances in school history for the indoor and outdoor shot put. He also captured the NEC title in the discus and was an eight-time All-East performer and three-time IC4A Champion. Kalnas competed at the 2008 U.S. Olympic Trials.

Lundy enters his final outdoor season looking to improve on his already U.S. qualifying marks in shot put. The threetime All-NEC and All-East honoree placed 11th overall with his toss of 57' 4 ¾" at NCAA East Regionals last season and ended the season with a trip to the NCAA Championships in shot put as one of six MU athletes to participate in the event.

#### CROSS COUNTRY TEAM EXCELS ACADEMICALLY

en's and women's cross country teams were honored by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) in March as 2009 Division I All-Academic Teams.

With a team GPA of 3.39, the women's team was one of 176 women's cross country programs to earn All-Academic Team status. The men's team, toting a GPA of 3.06, was one of 135 Division I men's programs to earn the distinction.

This marks the ninth straight season, and the 12th time in the last 13 years, that the women have claimed the honor. The men earned all-academic status for the fifth consecutive year.

For a team to be considered for the USTFCCCA All-Academic Team



award, they must have competed and compiled a team score at an NCAA Re-

gional Championship and also have a minimum 3.00 team cumulative GPA.

#### **TROPHIES FOR INDOOR TRACK**



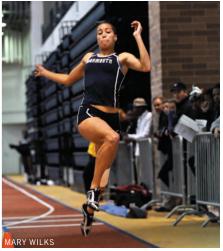
en's and women's track and field teams came away with two All-East honors at the 2010 IC4A and ECAC Division I Indoor Championships in Boston in March.

Two weeks after earning Most Outstanding Field Athlete of the Meet honors at the NEC Championships, junior Vincent Elardo earned All-East honors in shot put for the second consecutive year.

In the pentathlon, junior multieventer Lindsey Walsh earned All-East honors for the second straight year after finishing sixth overall with a personal best 3,416 points. She also finished seventh in the 60 meter hurdles (9.57), fifth in high jump (5' 5"), sixth in shot put (30' 9.75"), ninth in long jump (16' 7.75") and finished the final of the five events, the 800 meter run, third overall (2:24.86) to finish sixth and earn three team points for MU.

Fellow thrower Tom Ciccoli just missed out on earning back-to-back All-East awards as he finished ninth overall with a mark of 53' .75". Elar-





do's top-eight effort marked the fourth straight season that the Hawks men's team has had at least one thrower earn All-East honors in shot put.

The highlight for the Hawks on the track came in the form of the women's distance medley team shattering MU's school record by over nine seconds (11:52.94) as the crew of senior Laura Embrey, sophomore Colleen Rutecki, freshman Emily MacEwen, and senior Cailin Lynam finished 12th overall - just three seconds out of All-East top-eight honors.

Sophomore Symmone Fisher finished 17th overall in the women's weight throw with her best toss of 51' 4.5". In the jumps, senior Brittany Gibbs ended her final trip to the ECAC Championships with a 22nd place finish in triple jump (37' 5").

Leading the men's jumps crew, senior Chris Taiwo posted a leap of 45' 3.5" to finish 15th overall in his last showing at the IC4A's. In the semi-finals of the 55 meter hurdles, sophomore Chris Rutherford finished just outside of qualifying for the finals as he crossed the tape in 7.86 to finish 14th overall.

#### TOP WRESTLER WILL PLAY FOOTBALL

Jimmy Lawson, a star wrestler from Manchester High School, intends to play football at Monmouth in the fall.

The 5'11", 280-pound athlete finished his senior year with a 141-11 career record, winning his final 79 bouts. This past season he went 39-0 with 27 pins, pinning all nine of his opponents in the postseason.

Despite slipping to No. 2 in the state rankings December 20, Lawson was hoping to regain his No. 1 ranking in May at the National High School Coaches Association (NHSCA) Senior Nationals in Virginia Beach, VA.

In 2009 Lawson won the 285-pound 2009 New Jersey state wrestling championship. He won three consecutive NJSIAA championships and became the first heavyweight in 62 years to win three state championships.

#### MCNEIL TO LEAD NCAA BASKETBALL

r. Marilyn McNeil, vice president/director of Athletics, will serve as chair of the NCAA Division I Women's Basket-



ball Committee during the 2010-11 academic year, beginning September 1.

Currently serving her fourth year as a member of the committee, she will succeed Jane Meyer, senior associate director of athletics at the University of Iowa, who is serving as chair of the committee for 2009-10.

"To have had the opportunity to work alongside past chairs Judy Southard, Jacki Silar and Jane Meyer for the last four years has been a great opportunity for me personally and professionally," Dr. McNeil said. "I am honored to serve as the committee chair in 2010-11. It's an exciting time to be working



with the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship."

Dr. McNeil is a former member of the NCAA Division I Committee on Women's Athletics and the Management Council and also served as president of the National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators (NACWAA). In 2001, Dr. McNeil was honored as the NACWAA Division I Administrator of the Year.

"Marilyn's experience as а player, coach, administrator and committee member has allowed her to be an advocate for the game and its studentathletes for many years, and she is an excellent choice to serve as chair of the committee," said Sue Donohoe, NCAA vice president for Division I Women's Basketball. "As a senior member of the committee, she has been and will continue to be involved in many critical decisions regarding the championship and key women's basketball initiatives."

#### NEC SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARDS

onmouth placed 74 studentathletes on the 2009-2010 Northeast Conference Winter Academic Honor Roll, the league announced in April. Each scholar-athlete award winner must have earned a minimum of 60 semester hours, maintained a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.20, and participated with distinction as a member of a varsity team. Of the 74 scholar athletes, 14 were selected to the Commissioner's Honor Roll, which honors those with a 3.75 or better GPA.

Men's and women's indoor track and field occupied 10 of the 14 spots on the Commissioner's Honor Roll with women's basketball rounding out Monmouth's final four honorees. Representing women's track and field was senior Crystal Stein, junior Erin Szulewski, sophomores Colleen Rutecki, Juliet Smith, and Myra Dabkowski, and three freshmen, Alexandra Casares, Kristen Ingegnere, and Melissa Reigles.

The men's indoor track and field squad added junior Zachary Krupka and freshman Vincent DuVernois. Junior Samantha Schanuel led the women's basketball team which also added three freshmen, Carly Thibault, Erin Rooney, and Betsy Gadziala.

The winter academic honor roll only includes sports whose championship is contested during the winter season. The men's and women's indoor track and field teams represent 61 of Monmouth's student-athletes on the list, eight members from women's basketball, and men's basketball placing five players on the respected academic list.

The NEC Winter Honor Roll consists of 545 student-athletes league wide, a 9.2 percent increase from last winter. A total of 116 student-athletes were named to the prestigious Commissioner's Honor Roll.

#### ETIMOS EARNS ALL-NEC HONORS

en's golf standout Greg Etimos was recently honored for his achievements throughout the 2009-10 season by being named to the All-NEC First-Team. Earning his second straight award, and first career First-Team honor, Etimos became the 11th golfer in MU history to earn allconference honors.



Fresh off of earning All-Tournament team honors after finishing 10th overall at the NEC Championships in ChampionsGate, FL, Etimos took home his second award. Etimos led the Hawks throughout the season as he finished with a team-low stroke average of 75.3 and finished first for MU in eight of 12 invitationals including six of the last seven.

The third year golfer finished the season with one medalist win, at the Knights Golf Invitational in October, and also tallied two other top-five finishes, seven top-10 closes and earned a place in the top-20 in every single tournament this season. Etimos also posted four rounds of par or lower this season and had a season-low round of 70.

Etimos joins an elite group of only five other Hawks to earn All-NEC honors two times or more in their career.

#### ALL-NEC TENNIS HONORS FOR BHALLA



en's tennis freshman Harvey Bhalla recently earned All-Northeast Conference honors for his solid performances throughout his first season at Monmouth, conference officials announced in April. The rookie standout earned All-NEC First-Team honors in fourth singles after finishing the year 16-7 in singles action and 11-7 in doubles play.

Playing the majority of the season at fourth singles and second doubles, Bhalla led the Hawks in both singles and doubles records. Bhalla finished his first year sixth in the conference in overall singles wins while pacing the field in fourth singles and finishing third in third singles. Bhalla also teamed up with doubles partners David Sherwood and Oliver Grimbly at second doubles producing an 8-5 record with Sherwood and a 3-2 record with Grimbly.

With the award, Head Coach Mickey Cook's teams have now had a freshman earn All-NEC First-Team honors for the second straight year with sophomore Laurence Heads earning the honor at fourth singles last season. Heads also earned Rookie of the Year honors last year as well.

The Hawks finished the season at the NEC Championships when they fell to top-seeded Sacred Heart, 4-0, in the semifinals.

#### VASY IS BOWLING SCHOLAR

Reshman Mark Vasy was named in March to the National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association (NCBCA) 2009-2010 Academic All-America Team.

To be selected to the NCBCA team, a bowler must be a United States Bowling Congress collegiate athlete who has a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.5 based on a 4.0 scale. Vasy, an Accounting major, earned a 3.94 in his first semester at Monmouth.

The Bowling Club at Monmouth University was re-established in 2007 after an absence of more than 30 years.



#### WOMEN'S BOWLING TEAM GOES VARSITY

omen's bowling will be back on campus later this year, becoming the school's 20th intercollegiate sponsored sport starting in the 2010-11 season.

"We are excited about the addition of women's bowling to our varsity sport offerings," said Marilyn McNeil, vice president and director of athletics. "Bowling is a high participation sport in the Shore Conference and we have a very active club on campus. For those reasons, we believe we can be immediately successful in both the NEC and the NCAA."

Eight current teams compete in the Northeast Conference, including defending champion Fairleigh Dickinson, Sacred Heart, St. Francis (N.Y.), Long Island University and associate

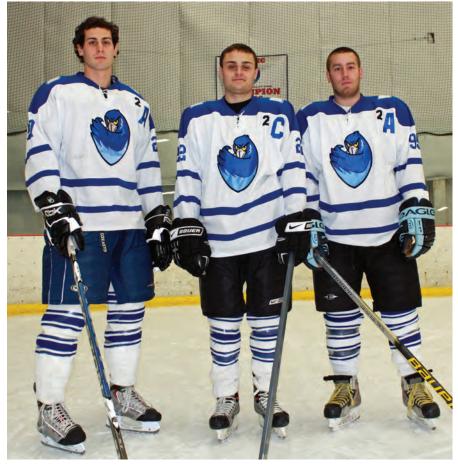


members Kutztown, New Jersey City, Adelphi and Saint Peter's. The NEC is one of two organized conferences in the country, with the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) being the other.

Women's bowling is a non-divisional sport, meaning schools from Division I, II and III can compete against each other. There are no automatic qualifying conferences so an eight-team at-large selected field qualifies for the NCAA Tournament. A total of 62 collegiate teams (34 Division I members) compete for the NCAA Championship, which is held in April. NEC member New Jersey City University acted as host to this year's tournament at Brunswick Zone Carolier Lanes on April 8-10.

The NEC, which named bowling its 23rd sport of sponsorship in 2008, will host two regular season competitions prior to the 2010 NEC Bowling Championship.

#### ICE HAWKS SKATE INTO NEW DIVISION



**ABOVE:** SENIORS STEVE BLACK, ASSISTANT CAPTAIN, RYAN MELIS, CAPTAIN, AND MATT MILLER, ASSISTANT CAPTAIN. PHOTO: SUE KNOTTS

onmouth's Ice Hawks, who were bumped up to the American Collegiate Hockey Association's (ACHA) division 2 of the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Hockey Association, finished third this past season with a league record of 8-6-1 and an overall record of 11-8-2.

Last year, the club team won the Delaware Valley Collegiate Hockey Conference championship, defeating East Stroudsburg to claim the league title and a 17-2 season.

"We decided we needed to challenge ourselves," Coach Fred Berzolla said when asked why the Ice Hawks moved into the more competitive division. "Eventually, I'd like to get to



division 1." The Freehold-native has been coach for the past five years after being approached by Mike Dianora '01, a hockey player Berzolla had coached in high school.

This year's more competitive league of more than 150 teams includes Princeton University, Rider University, Rowan University, Seton Hall University and The College of New Jersey.

Voted First Team All Star in MA-

CHA this year was senior Steve Black, who grew up in a family of hockey players. As an offensive defenseman, he ranked 15th among scoring leaders nationwide, racking up 11 goals.

After tallying 40 points on 24 goals and 16 assists the previous season, Black was one of 25 players selected out of nearly 4,000 to be on the ACHA Division 2 hockey team.

As a result of that selection, Black toured Europe from December 27, 2009, to January 7, 2010, playing six games against teams from Austria, Germany, Switzerland, France and Italy. Their record was 6-0.

Senior Ryan Melis, who is the team's captain, ranked #23 this year among scoring leaders with nine goals. RJ Hering ranked #19 among goalies with a .859 save percentage.

Coach Berzolla is assisted by assistant coaches Randy Walker and Dean Fernandes. Dr. Thomas Jones is the team's trainer, and Megan Martin the manager. They play all of their home games at Gold Coast Arena in Farmingdale, NJ. More information about the team is available at www.muicehawks.com.

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#### FIELD HOCKEY IN ACADEMIC TOP-FIVE



**P** or the second time in three years, the field hockey team has been recognized by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) as a Division I National Academic Team Award honoree and a member of the top five list for team GPA. Coming in fifth place overall, the Hawks finished in the top-five for the second time in Head Coach Carli Figlio's three year tenure.

"This recognition means a lot to our team: the amount of time and effort put forth in the classroom is tremendous" said Coach Figlio. "Our girls continue to impress me both on and off the field."

The Hawks posted an impressive team cumulative GPA of 3.48 to close 2009 with the fifth best academic record of all 78 Division I field hockey programs in the nation. The team finished second amongst Northeast Conference foes with only Robert Morris (3.50) boasting a better overall GPA.

Twelve members of the team also received individual recognition for their academic success during the 2009



fall semester, including three members who have won the award all four years of their career. Seniors Stefanie Bucholski, Sarah Keppel and Stefanie Moyer were three of only 95 seniors across the nation who can claim this distinction.

The field hockey team currently leads all Monmouth athletic teams with the highest team GPA and has led or tied all Hawks squads for the highest team GPA each of the three seasons of Coach Figlio's tenure at Monmouth. The Hawks have been at, or near, the top of the NEC academically every year since the NFHCA has given out honors in 2000.

This past season, the Blue and White reached the NEC Championship game for the first time in program history after defeating top-seeded Rider, 2-1, in overtime of the semi-finals. The fourth-seeded Hawks eventually fell in the championship game to Lock Haven, 2-0, to end their most successful year (nine wins) since 2004.

## **ALUMNINEWS**

#### UFC CONTRACT FOR SOTO

Greg Soto '09 recently signed a four-fight contract with the UFC (Ultimate Fighting Championship), an international MMA (mixed martial arts) promotion company. *The New York Times* describes the UFC as "the industry leader, putting up the most highly regarded fight cards and producing a reality television show [The Ultimate Fighter] that has helped lead the sport into the mainstream."

Soto made his UFC debut as a welterweight, stepping in on short notice to take the place of an injured fighter, facing Matthew Riddle at UFC 111 on March 27, 2010, at the Prudential Center in Newark. Riddle was a contestant on the seventh season of "The Ultimate Fighter." Soto, who wrestled for Ocean Township High School and was a twotime state place winner, entered the match with a professional record of 7-0. Despite being knocked out by Soto, Riddle was declared the winner via disqualification, after an illegal upkick was performed by Soto in round 3.

Before Soto was signed to the UFC

#### **OLYMPIC SWIMMER RECOGNIZED**

The USA Swimming Foundation named Olympic medalist Wendy Boglioli the January 2010 Alumnus of the Month.





he earned his brown belt in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu at Kurt Pellegrino's MMA Academy in Belmar. He has won numerous grappling titles (Grappler's Quest, NAGA) as well as two MMA titles. He graduated from Monmouth with a degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Psychology. His application has been accepted by the New Jersey State Police and he plans to continue pursuing that after he is done fighting.

Soto is now expected to face Nick Osipczak on August 28, 2010, at UFC 118 at the TD Garden in Boston.

Boglioli attended Monmouth from 1973 to 1976 and is one of the most decorated athletes in Monmouth Athletics history. In 2004 she was named Distinguished Alumna of the Year, and in 2007 she was inducted into the Monmouth University Sports Hall of Fame.

She was the American record holder in the 100-meter butterfly, the 100meter freestyle and 100-meter butterfly in 1976, 1977 and 1978. At the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal, Boglioli received a gold medal in the 4x100 freestyle relay, which set the World and Olympic Records, and a bronze medal in the 100-meter butterfly.

## GALLOWAY JOINS LT. GOVERNOR'S SENIOR STAFF

endy Galloway '77 '80M is now an executive director in the Department of State led by Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno after retiring January 1 as a major in the N.J. State Police Community Affairs Office.

"It was an honor to be asked by Kim," said Galloway, who now manages about 10 community-based boards and commissions as the Director of Programs.

Among those groups she oversees are the Martin Luther King Commissions, the Office of State-Based Initiatives, the Hellenic American Heritage Commission, the Historical Commission, the Israel Commission, the Office of Faith Based Initiatives, the Amistad and the Office of Volunteerism/AmeriCorp.

"She was a highly decorated major with the State Police and highly valued in that organization for many years," said Press Secretary for the Office of the Governor Michael Drewniak.

Galloway was a Commanding Officer with the State Police for 27 years, becoming the first African American woman to attain the rank of Major.

## **ALUMNINEWS**



#### MADDEN 11 FEATURES MILES AUSTIN

allas Cowboy wide receiver, pro bowler and former Hawk football star, Miles Austin is prominently featured in "Madden NFL 11," a football videogame series developed by Electronic Arts and named after Pro Football Hall of Famer John Madden.

Austin's likeness was one of the first screen-shots released to promote the new edition of the popular videogame, which was first developed in 1989. The new edition of the game is expected to debut in August.

#### MICROSOFT HONORS MILLINES-DZIKO



rish Millines-Dziko '79 was honored in November by the Microsoft Alumni Foundation for her distinguished contributions to the Seattle, WA, community since leaving Microsoft in 1996.

"Words cannot adequately express the extreme pride and admiration I have for Trish," said Ronald Simons, Columbia School of Business, Columbia University. "She saw a need, had a strong and clear vision, and executed on it. More inspiring is her vision keeps growing and expanding and she keeps delivering. She is leaving a lasting legacy on our community and one that communities around the nation should embrace."

Millines-Dziko, cofounder and executive director of Seattle-based Technology Access Foundation (TAF), is dedicated to increasing the representation of people of color and women in the Pacific Northwest's thriving high tech industries. She is a former trustee of Monmouth University and the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni of the Year award in 2007.

Since founding TAF in 1996, more than 300 teens have earned paid technical internships through TAF afterschool programs, and over 80 TAF alumni have graduated from college.

#### GIRL SCOUTS HONOR ALUMNA AND TRUSTEE

arbara McMorrow '70 '76M and Monmouth Trustee Virginia Bauer were two of five women honored in April with the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore's Women of Distinction accolade, which is given to Monmouth and Ocean County residents who exemplify the Girl Scout edict and serve their communities.

"All [women] put service before self," said CEO Susan H. McClure. "They are philanthropic in their own ways and work very hard to make the world a better place."

Bauer is the senior vice president of development at the Covenant House in New York City, a shelter for homeless youth. McMorrow is on the Freehold Housing Authority. A former Monmouth County Freeholder, she was also nominated last November for the prestigious Athena Award from the Greater Monmouth Chamber of Commerce.

## ALUMNINEWS

#### TOXIC COWORKERS EVERYWHERE

Dr. Alan A. Cavaiola '73, co-author of *Toxic Coworkers: How to Deal with Dysfunctional People on the Job*, reports that his book about working with difficult personalities has been translated into Chinese, Korean, Polish, and Hebrew.

Cavaiola's research supported the conventional wisdom that some problem workers are "just nuts": a sizeable number of employees do in fact have full-fledged personality disorders.

International translations also suggest that coworkers with personality disorders from hyperactives, histrionics, and sociopaths to narcissists and obsessive-compulsives, present problems everywhere from Chicago to Shanghai. The concrete techniques for coping with, and surviving, *Toxic Coworkers* offered by Cavaiola and Neil Lavender are helpful in almost any language.

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#### MARTIN LEADS BANK FOUNDATION

hristopher Martin '90 MBA, president and CEO of The Provident Bank, was recently



appointed to the board of directors of The Provident Bank Foundation and elected as its president. Martin has served as vice president of the foundation since 2004.

Since its founding, The Provident Bank Foundation has provided more than \$13 million in grants to communities for programs that focus on education, health and wellness, recreation, the arts, and social and civic services.

Martin is also a member of the investment committee for Raritan Bay Medical Center, and serves on the board of directors for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Monmouth County.

#### LEADERSHIP AWARD FOR SHIVERS



itchell Shivers '70 was given the Global Understanding Leadership Award at the 2010 Global Understanding Convention on April 9. Until recently, Shivers served as Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense in the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Policy), The Pentagon.

After retiring from Merrill Lynch in early 2002, Mr. Shivers joined the U.S. State Department's Afghanistan Reconstruction Group at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan as Senior Advisor for Economics and Finance to the U.S. Special Presidential Envoy and U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan, Zalmay Khalilzad. For his service, he was awarded the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service and an Award of Excellence from Afghanistan President Hamid Karzai.

A former trustee, Shivers has also served his alma mater as a lecturer on financial economics and policies, and as a member of the former Board of Visitors. In 1986 he was given the Distinguished Alumni Award; in 1998 he served as Executive-in-Residence in the School of Business Administration, and also received the Outstanding Business Alumnus Award.

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#### FUNDAMENTALS OF PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF COMPUTER AND TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Mohammad S. Obaidat, Ph.D. and Noureddine A. Boudriga, Ph.D. (2010, John Wiley & Sons, \$110.00)

*Fundamentals of Performance Evaluation of Computer and Telecommunication Systems* is a textbook on state-of-theart technical performance evaluation of computer and telecommunication systems, treating computer and telecommunication systems as inseparable issues. The basic concepts of performance evaluation, applications, performance evaluation metrics, workload types, benchmarking, and characterization of workload are followed by a review of the basics of probability theory. The ideas are supported by case studies and examples.

Dr. Obaidat is an internationally known academic, researcher, and scientist. An accomplished author and writer, he has been an editor for numerous scientific journals including being the Editor-in-Chief of the *International Journal of Communication Systems* and Editor of *IEEE Wireless Communications*. He is the author of several books and over 435 journal and conference publications. His books have been translated to several languages and have been used as text books and references worldwide. He is the president of the Society for Modeling and Simulation International. He has received numerous awards including the Society for Modeling and Simulation International most prestigious McLeod Founder's Award for his outstanding technical contribution to modeling and computer simulation, the IEEE AICCSA 2009 Best Paper Award, the IEEE GLOBCOM 2009 Best Paper Award, Nokia Research Fellowship Award and the Fulbright Distinguished Scholar Award.

#### MY CHOSEN PRISON

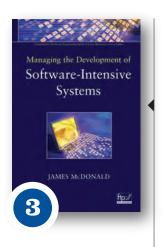
Christine Kaye Severson, Ph.D. (2009, WriteLife, \$7.95)

*My Chosen Prison*, a book of verse, is Severson's first volume in a heptalogy consisting of more than 300 poems, numerous short stories and other miscellaneous works. It examines the complexities and frustrations that exist within that fundamental common denominator, language.

Divided into four chapters, Severson examines word choices through the eyes of a writer, creative forces, teacher, and student. In "Words", literature and books and the writing process take precedence and transform "those subjective shells" into carefully planned pieces.

Dr. Severson is a professor in the Department of English. Her interests include nineteenth-century American women writers, literary sculptors, working-class literature, American studies, cultural and gender studies, and biography.





#### MANAGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOFTWARE-INTENSIVE SYSTEMS

James McDonald, Ph.D. (2010, Wiley, \$79.95)

Managing the Development of Software-Intensive Systems discusses the application of project management and general management techniques to large software development projects and complex software/hardware systems. The guide allows readers to reliably develop large software applications and systems that require the simultaneous development of electronic hardware and the software that controls the hardware.

Each chapter is accompanied by a case study based on an actual situation with which the author is familiar, allowing the reader to use their own experience to improve the way they manage projects and provides a method for reviewing successes and failures to help increase their capabilities in the future.

Dr. McDonald, an associate professor of software engineering, has an extensive industrial background in both software and electrical engineering. He has worked for AT&T, Bell Laboratories, Bellcore, and Lucent Technologies, managing hardware and software development projects from 1980 to 1999. He has taught numerous courses and workshops in the areas of operations research, microeconomics, quality management, and software project management. Dr. McDonald is also a Senior Life Member of the IEEE, the IEEE Computer Society, the ACM, and ASEE.



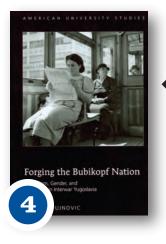
#### FORGING THE BUBIKOPF NATION: JOURNALISM, GENDER AND MODERNITY IN INTERWAR YUGOSLAVIA Marina Vujnovic, Ph.D.

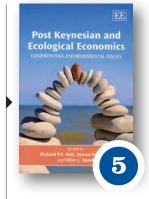
(2009, Peter Lang Publishing, \$74.95)

The term, "bubikopf," roughly translates as "bobbed hair" and symbolizes changes in women's lives during the 1920s and 1930s. *Forging the Bubikopf Nation* explores Yugoslavia's most popular interwar women's magazine, *Ženski* list, published from 1925 to 1938.

The book is targeted at readers interested in mass communication, history, gender, and politics at a pivotal time in the history of a highly complex part of the world.

Dr. Vujnovic is assistant professor of journalism in the Department of Communication. She is the author of several research articles and book chapters on the political economy of journalism, popular culture, and media.



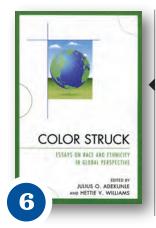


POST-KEYNESIAN ECONOMICS AND ECOLOGICAL ECONOMICS: CONFRONTING ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES Richard Holt, Steve Pressman and Clive Spash, editors (2010, Edward Elgar Publishing, \$135.00)

*Post-Keynesian Economics and Ecological Economics* explores the limitations in mainstream economics, arguing that it lacks the ability to analyze and develop adequate public policy to deal with environmental problems and sustainable development. Addressed in each chapter are environmental problems such as global warming and sustainable growth.

Building on the strengths and insights of Post Keynesian and ecological economics and incorporating cuttingedge work in economic complexity, bounded rationality and socio-economic dynamics, this book provides an interdisciplinary approach to deal with a broad range of environmental concerns. The editors show how and where the two traditions share common ground concerning environmental problems and shed light on how the two schools can learn from one another.

Pressman, professor of economics and finance, has written several other books including *Fifty Major Economists*. He has also co-authored others including *The Ethics and Economics of the Basic Income Guarantee (Alternative Voices in Contemporary Economics)* and the *New Guide to Post-Keynesian Economics*. He is also associate editor and book review editor of the *Eastern Economic Journal*.



#### COLOR STRUCK: ESSAYS ON RACE AND ETHNICITY IN GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

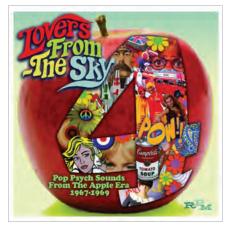
Julius O. Adekunle, Ph.D. and Hettie V. Williams '99M, Editors (2010, University Press of America, \$59.95)

*Color Struck* is a compilation of expositions on race and ethnicity, written from multiple disciplinary approaches including history, sociology, women's studies, and anthropology. This book is organized around a topical, chronological framework and is divided into three sections, beginning with the earliest times to the contemporary world.

Adekunle teaches undergraduate and graduate courses on the history, religions, and cultures of Africa and the Caribbean. He is the author of *Culture and Customs of Rwanda* and the editor of *Religion in Politics: Secularism and National Integration in Modern Nigeria.* He has had several articles and book chapters published on African/Nigerian political and social history.

Williams teaches Western Civilization in World Perspective and upper-level courses in African American History and the 1960s. A graduate of the M.A. program at Monmouth, her research interests include the history of African Diaspora and theories on race and identity.

#### CLASS OF **1963**



STEPHEN FRIEDLAND (Psych.), who performs as "Brute Force," had his most notorious song, "King of Fuh," included on a new anthology of psychedelic pop music recorded by Apple Records artists from 1967-1969. The CD, *Lovers from the Sky*, was released on the RPM label April 20.

#### CLASS OF 1965



DR. DOUGLAS T. BROWN (Psych.) is retiring as chief academic officer of James Madison University at the end of June. Dr. Brown served as an administrator and faculty member at JMU for 36 years. Under Brown's leadership as provost and senior vice president of academic affairs, more than 350 new faculty members joined JMU and curricular improvements, including the liberal arts core and 20 new major programs were implemented. As Brown headed the academic affairs division. there were a number of key growth areas-the expansion of health programs, the addition of eight doctoral programs,



JUNE WILSON (Art) remembers one-act plays with Professor Lauren K. Woods in the basement of Wilson Hall, nonviolent protests amid a tolerant administration, dancing in the theatre, and the library where she spent much of her time either studying or working. For the past four decades, June has been pursuing a career as an artist. In 1972 she earned an MFA from the Pratt Institute, but has been painting since she was a child. Her gravitation toward abstract art did not begin until the early 80s when she drew black-and-white deer antlers. Asked why her work evolved into abstract art, June said, "It (realist art) became mechanical. It was taking precedent over the creativity." June's mixed media portraits of Ernest Hemingway and Sylvia Plath will be part of the artwork on display in July at the Middletown Township Public Library. June is married to SAMUEL ANNITTO '71. the implementation of the School of Engineering, the formation of new liberal arts programs and the establishment of the College of Visual and Performing Arts. He also directed the expansion of the university's Honors Program and the creation of the Center for Faculty Innovation for professional development and the division of Outreach Programs for continuing education and workforce development.

#### CLASS OF **1969**

GREGG C. CAMERON (Bus. Adm.), a U.S. Army veteran, recently completed his second novel, *Fragmentation*. His first novel, *The Dark Side of the Lake*, was published in 2005. He retired in 1998 as the general manager of Southern Operations for a division of Siemens Corp. Gregg and his wife, Mary Beth, live in Punta Gorda, FL. They have a daughter, Tracey, and a son, Jonathan.

#### CLASS OF **1970**

BARBARA J. MCMORROW (Ed./Engl.) (M.A.T. '76) was appointed to a seat on the Freehold Housing Authority. She will serve until December 31, filling an unexpired term. McMorrow, a Freehold Township resident, is a former threeterm Monmouth County Freeholder (2007-09).

#### CLASS OF 1971

ALAN CHOKOV (Psych.), CEO/president of eFinance Portal of New Jersey, was recently elected into the New Jersey State Society of Auctioneers.



PATRICK GRIMALDI (Bus. Adm.), owner and president of PLG Automotive Consulting, is planning to retire this year. He has held numerous key manage-

ment and advisory positions within the automotive industry, including a post as vice president and general manager of one of the largest automotive retail dealerships, ranked among the top ten volume dealers in the United States. Pat and is wife, Fran, have two daughters, Kara (Grimaldi) Markiewicz (M.S.E. '99) and Dana (Grimaldi) Solleder III (M.B.A. '04). They recently became grandparents to a baby girl, Emma Rose.

#### CLASS OF **1972**

ARLENE EASTWOOD (Ed./For. Lang.), 1974 graduate of Georgetown University, serves as director of inventory planning for Tommy Hilfiger Accessories in the company's New York office, and works as director of systems implementation and support for information technology in the company's New Jersey office.



TOM MCCARTY (Elec. Eng.) was elected president of the SPEEA-IFPTE Local 2001. SPEEA is the Seattle Professional Engineering Employees Association, The Boeing Company's second largest union. IFPTE is the International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers. Tom, who has worked for Boeing since 1973, lives in Kent, WA.

#### CLASS OF **1974**



CARLO GALLELLO (Bus. Adm.) and his son, Nicholas (Comm. '09) are shown (above) in Wilson Hall following Nicholas' commencement last May. Nicholas now works in communications and sales for Schultz Engineering Products, Inc., a local manufacturing company specializing in aviation and auto racing products. Carlo has been practice administrator since 1987 at Eatontown Medical Associates. He and his wife of 36 years, Denise, have two other children, Richard (34) and Jacqueline (26).

ANDREW V. SHAWN (Socio.) in March celebrated his 30th year as a licensed nursing home administrator. He owns and operates the Rose Garden Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Toms River, which was built in May 2005.

#### CLASS OF **1979**

RAY WILLIAMS (M.B.A.) is managing partner at Human Capital Recruiters, an executive search firm specializing in bank executives. He is also a founding member of South Jersey Field of Dreams, an Absecon-based facility where physically and mentally disabled children and adults can play baseball. More information is available at www. sjfieldofdreams.com. Ray lives with his wife, Maria, in Galloway. They have two daughters, Tara and Liana, and two sons, Michael and Paul.

#### CLASS OF **1980**



RONALD J. ES-POSITO (M.B.A.), a 30-year veteran and former acting director of the William J. Hughes Technical Center, is the new executive director of

the soon-to-be-built Aviation Research and Technology Park in Egg Harbor Township. For the past four years, he had been vice president of operations with Hiasun, a company that provides support to the Federal Aviation Administration. Ronald, who lives in Folsom with his wife, Roseann, has received more than 25 awards, including the National Partnership for Reinventing Government Award.

#### CLASS OF **1981**

THOMAS J. LEWIS (Bus. Adm.) was elected to the Franklin Township Board of Education April 20. He will serve a three-year term in the Somerset County township.

#### CLASS OF **1983**



GREG KELLY (Poli. Sci.) is the author of *Monmouth Beach: A Century of Memories*, a comprehensive history of a seaside New Jersey town that celebrated 100 years in 2006. Complimented by more than 750 photographs and maps, *Monmouth Beach* follows the small town's first settlement in the 17th century to present-day. A Monmouth Beach native, Kelly also has a new website, MonmouthCountyLife.com.

#### CLASS OF **1985**

LINDA HASSLER (B.S.N.) was selected as a fellow in the Geriatric Nursing

Leadership Academy offered by Sigma Theta Tau International. She was also named recipient of the 2009 National Gerontological Nursing Association's Innovations in Practice Award. Linda's project, "Evolution of the Geriatric Clinical Scholar at Meridian Health," was recognized for excellence in gerontological nursing clinical practice. She works at the Ann May Center, Meridian Health in Neptune.

#### CLASS OF **1989**



CHRISTIAN BENEDETTO JR (Bus. Fin.) and his wife, Suzanne Kiall Benedetto, own a commercial real estate brokerage company, HopkinsSampson & Brown Real Estate Advisory Services, LLC, based in Newark. A published author of four books of poetry, a U.S. patent holder and an avid supporter of the arts, Christian also served in the Marine Corps during the First Gulf War. He recently started a website for fathers called www.DaddyOutpost. com. Christian is the brother of Michael Benedetto '90 and the son of Christian Benedetto '64. Christian and his wife, Suzy are the parents of a son, Christian Benedetto III.

GEORGE TOBIN JR (M.B.A.) received his masters in Health Services Administration from Strayer University, Washington, DC, graduating with a 4.0 GPA. His thesis, "A Comparative Study and Analysis of Healthcare and Proposed Healthcare Reform in the United States," discussed the pros and cons of current U.S. healthcare policies and assessed how the U.S. healthcare delivery systems compare to those of other developed countries. George lives in Montgomery Village, MD.

#### CLASS OF **1991**



LORI (MASLOWSKI) PRYMAK (Bus. Adm.) is an operations consultant for McDonald's Corporation, working in the five boroughs of New York. She has been with the company for 24 years and was awarded the New York Metro Regional Director's Award on March 1. Lori lives in Great Meadows with her husband, Peter, and children, Ethan (7), and Zackory (5).

#### CLASS OF **1992**



GUY CALCERANO (M.B.A.) was named the new associate dean of development and alumni relations for the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental

Medicine. He has been with the school since 2007.

#### CLASS OF **1996**



ROBERT K. MARSHALL (M.B.A.) is the new senior vice president of Salmon Ventures Limited in Millville. Formerly with Atlantic City Electric for 33 years, he lives in Linwood with his wife, Pat.

#### CLASS OF **1997**

KELLY (MCCRUM) ROBINSON (M.S.E.) and her husband, Craig, who is the older brother of first lady Michelle Obama, welcomed their first son, Austin Lucas, January 4. President Obama mentioned Austin Lucas by name as a "blessing" in his address remembering Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church on January 17. Craig Robinson is the head coach of the Oregon State men's basketball team, the Beavers.

DINA SPINELLI (Sp. Ed.) won a seat on the Woodland Board of Education on April 20. She will serve for three years. A certified special education teacher with a specialty in autism for the past 13 years, Dina is also a member of the N.J. Education Association, Fairfield Education Association, the Council for Exceptional Children, and an ambassador for Autism New Jersey.

CLASS OF **1998** 



ANTHONY BELTEMPO (Comm.) married Amy Schueler April 11, 2009. Alumnus Frank Harvey (Bus. Adm. '99) attended the wedding. Anthony is the creator of MTV's "Jersey Shore," a reality television series that debuted last summer, following eight housemates spending their summer on the New Jersey Shore. Anthony, who lives with his wife in Manhattan, also is the producer for the weekly VH1 Top 20 Video Countdown.

MELANIE (O'NEILL) DRAGONE (Psych.) (M.S.W. '00) and MARCO DRAGONE (Comm. '99) welcomed son, Julian Daniel, February 12, 2010. They live in Hawthorne.

EILEEN JAVORA (Comm.) is a meteorologist with the KCRA 3 Weather Plus Team in Sacramento, CA. She is also involved with the Big Brother/Big Sister program. With KCRA since 2005, Eileen first started her broadcasting career in New York City as an associate weather producer for ABC's *Good Morning America*.

CHRISTOPHER LI (Poli. Sci.) (M.A.T. '04) is engaged to marry Jordan Power in September. He is a high school U.S. history teacher with the Wall Township Public Schools and captain of Ocean Rescue at Bay Head Beach. His fiancé is a high school math teacher for Wall Township.

DAVID SALISBURY (Bus. Adm.) is engaged to marry Christina Fencik this spring. He is a real estate investor and president of Dawasa Inc.

MICHAEL SALVATORE (Sp. Ed.) is Long Branch's new assistant superintendent of schools. Formerly the district administrator for grades 6-12, Salvatore has worked for the Long Branch Public Schools for the past 11 years.

SHANA STEINBERG (Interdisc.), a member of the honors program while at Monmouth, is the assistant director of The Bridge, a nonprofit organization founded by Sr. Helen Owens in 1979 in Camden as a safe place for young people to talk openly about their concerns. Once a regular participant in the program, she is now helping others who were once on her path in life to do the same through the weekly sessions, which include topics ranging from family issues and school violence to health tips and stress relief.

#### CLASS OF **1999**

CHRISTINA (DEPIERO) FRANCICA (B.S.W.) and her husband, ANTHONY FRANCICA (Comm. '99), welcomed daughter, Ava Dare, January 3, 2010. The couple, along with their two older daughters, Anna (4), and Lia (2), lives in Park Ridge.



CHRISTIE (PEARCE) RAMPONE (Sp. Ed.) and her husband, Chris, welcomed second daughter, Reece, March 6, 2010. She joins four-year old sister, Rylie. Christie was featured on the May/June cover of *Meridian Health Views*, a health publication from Jersey Shore University Medical Center.

#### CLASS OF 2000



DEBORAH KUKURA (Sp. Ed./Elem. Ed.) is engaged to marry James Gohaner III July 30, 2010. She is a fifth-grade teacher in the Westampton School District. Her fiancé works for the U.S. Postal Service in Bordentown. They live in Eastampton.



JIM STEPHENS (M.A. Hist.) is deputy director/education and interpretation coordinator at Historic Cold Spring Village (www.hcsv.org), a non-profit living history museum in Cape May. Working there since 2001, Jim organizes teleconference distance learning programs, gives presentations to local schools and plans the annual spring field trip program.

#### CLASS OF 2001

TRACEY LAZAR (Poli. Sci.), founder and owner of House of Couture, has trademarked a new hair accessory called GLAMZ. For more information, see http://jerseyshorehairextensions.com.



MIKE MEDRANO (Hist./Poli, Sci./Ed.), a member of the AMA Fight Club, won three consecutive fights since losing to Derek Gauthier in Quebec, Canada on October 17, 2009. Medrano defeated Jose Viera, Jr. in the third round of their bout at Ring of Combat XXVIII on February 19 in Atlantic City. On April 16 he overpowered John Salgado at minute 1:07 in the first round of Ring of Combat XXIX. Medrano's most recent victory was a unanimous decision over Sam Jackson at the Urban Conflict Championship at the Jersey City Armory on May 14. His next scheduled fight is June 11 against Ryan LaFlare.

#### CLASS OF 2002



HAZEM IBRAHIM (Crim. J.), fighting with Team Renzo Gracie, won a unanimous decision over Rich Bianchi on April 16 at the MMA competition Ring of Combat XXIX at the Tropicana Casino in Atlantic City.

LOLITA JACOB (M.S.N.) was the recipient of the 2009 Nurse Recognition Award given by the National League for Nursing. She is Nurse Practitioner/PICC Program Coordinator at Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch.



KIMBERLY LYALL (Fin.) (M.B.A. '04) married Timothy Flynn November 28, 2009. Alumni in attendance included matron of honor, Colleen Lyall-Grasso (Bus. Fin. '02, M.B.A. '04), brother-in-law, Paul Grasso (Bus. Fin. '03), bridesmaids, Kimberlee Lombardi-McDougall (Sp. Ed. '04) and Paula Petrocelli (Bus. Mgmt. '03) as well as others. Both contract specialists for the Department of Veterans Affairs in Eatontown, Kimberly and Timothy live in Howell.



KEVIN OWENS (Comm.) is now playing basketball for BC Kalev Cramo, part of the Baltic Basketball League and VTB United League, in Estonia. He also writes a blog, "Waiting for GoDunk," for SLAM Online (www.slamonline.com). You can also follow him on Twitter @Waitingfor-Godunk.

CURTIS J. SCHICK (Comm.) is engaged to marry Sarah Giametta in October. He is a reporter with *Capital News* in Albany, NY. His fiancé works in the human resources department at Warburg Pincus in Manhattan.

#### CLASS OF 2003



MICHAEL DIBELLA (Bus. Fin.) and SABRINA (BOUYAHI) DIBELLA (Comm. '03), who were married May 19, 2007, welcomed son, Roman Fred, September 15, 2009. They own and operate Push The Envelope Public Relations and live in Jackson.



CARLY EDELSTEIN (Comm.) married Evan Kutner October 11, 2009. Alumni in attendance were Jennifer (Gradzki) Harris (Bus. Mrkt. '03, M.A. Corp. & Pub. Comm. '05), Rachel Finkelstein (Bus. Mrkt. '03), Melissa Ciongoli (Sp. Ed. '03), Tara Solovay (Sp. Ed. '03), Dana Angelo (Comm. '05), Rodney Houle (Bus. Adm. '01) and Vlad Starobinets (Comm. '03).



JENNIFER FRENT (Music Ed.) (M.S. Ed. '06) married Andrew Wolff November 14, 2009. Alumni in attendance included Kelly Bird (Music '06) and Kerri (Maltese) Ziznewski (Comm. '04) among many others. They both work at Atlantic Highlands Elementary School, where Jennifer is a music teacher and her husband is the health and physical education teacher. They live in Tinton Falls.

SANDRA HUTCHISON (Bus. Mrkt.) is engaged to marry Kieran Lang in June of 2011. She works for the Rutgers University Foundation in New Brunswick. Her fiancé is a regional sales manager at Worldwide Express in Newark. They live in Red Bank.



EVELYN RODRIGUEZ (Comm.) (M.A.L. '07) received her M.A. in American Studies from Rutgers University in May. She is a paralegal at a small law firm in Bloomfield and volunteers as an unoffical intervener for New Labor, a grassroots organization in Newark helping low-wage, immigrant workers in central and northern New Jersey.

JILL TAKACS (M.S.E.) is the director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Testing for the Hazlet Township Public School District. She is also actively involved with Monmouth's School Partnership Advisory Committee and the Professional Development Schools Partnership between Hazlet Township Public Schools and Monmouth.

#### CLASS OF 2004



ADAM CAMPBELL (Hist./Poli. Sci.) is a captain in the Marine Corps in VMA-231 flying Harriers in Afghanistan. He is expected to return to the United States in June 2010.

WENDY REJAN (M.A. Hist.) is a political officer at the U.S. Embassy Nassau. She previously served as command historian for the U.S. Army CECOM Life Cycle Management Command, Fort Monmouth. She lives in Dulles, VA.

LEIGH SANSONE (Psych./Ed.) is engaged to marry Patrick Pisano, Jr. in August. She is an elementary school teacher with Manalapan-Englishtown School District. Her fiancé is supervising accountant of payroll with the Jersey City Board of Education.

LAUREN (STRINA) WILLIAMS (Bio.) and her husband, Deon, welcomed daughter, Carah Victoria, November 22, 2009. She joins big brother, Dominick Jason (7). Lauren is regulatory affairs coordinator for MDS Pharma Services in Neptune. The family lives in Jackson.

WILLIAM YIRCE JR (Hist./Poli. Sci.) married Elizabeth Russo September 26, 2009. He works for McNerney & Associates, Inc. His wife works with Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen in New Brunswick. They live in Morristown.

#### CLASS OF 2005



MELISSA CAIRONE (Bus. Adm.) (M.S. Ed. School Couns. '08) and FRANK PILITOWSKI (Crim. J. '06) were married July 10, 2009. Alumni in the wedding party included Nicole Demmert (M.A. Physics/Comp. Sci. '08), Cipriano Apicelli (Comm. '05) and Marc Tomo (Bus. Adm.). Many other alumni and former Monmouth baseball players were also in attendance. Melissa is a high school guidance counselor at Delsea Regional High School in Franklinville. Frank is a landscape technician at Rowan University while awaiting appointment as a customs and border protection officer with the Department of Homeland Security. Melissa also dedicated a baseball gym locker in Monmouth University's new Multipurpose Activity Center as a wedding gift to Frank.

TRACY HENDERSON (M.A.T.) is engaged to marry Adam Cook in the spring of 2011. She is a sixth-grade math teacher with the Fair Haven Board of Education. Her fiancé is pursuing a master's in environmental engineering at Rutgers University and is a health physicist with Merck & Co. in Rahway.

NICOLE LINQUITO (Comm.) is engaged to marry Jason Gumnitz in May 2011. She is a realtor with Century 21 in Marlboro. Her fiancé is a financial analyst with Neuberger Berman in New York City.

BRIAN MIRFIELD (Anthro.) is engaged to marry Julia Panos in November 2011. They are both special education teachers in Edison Township.

RICK PACHMAN (Hist./Ed.) (M.A. Hist. '09) is engaged to marry Kimberly Lewandowski in January 2011. He is an immigration paralegal with Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy LLP in Matawan. His fiancé is a paralegal with Allstate Insurance Company in Wall.

KATHLEEN ROONEY (M.A.T.) is engaged to marry Alexander Burke June 5. She is a teacher at St. James Elementary School in Red Bank. Alexander is president of Burke Environmental, Inc. in Wall.

PAMELA SARTINI (Bus. Acct.) is engaged to marry Christopher Smith in November. She is a third-grade teacher with PS 42 in Eltingville, NY. Her fiancé is a sanitation worker with the city Department of Sanitation, District 16, Brooklyn.



JOANNA SKOLARCZYK (Elem. Ed.) is engaged to marry Javier Cazares-Ramos July 30. Joanna is a teacher at the McKinley School in New Brunswick.

ALYSSA TRIMBOLI (Psych.) (M.A.T. '07) is engaged to marry James Pappas in October. She is a second-grade teacher in the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District. Her fiancé is a physical education teacher in the same school system.



MELISSA (KOZLOWSKI) ZIOBRO (Hist./ Poli. Sci.) (M.A. Hist) participated in the 14th Annual Archives and History Day in Manalapan. A command historian at Fort Monmouth, Melissa was also the recipient of a Liberty Bell Award for Excellence in Journalism on October 28, 2009.

#### CLASS OF 2006

GREGORY CAMPANILE (Bus. Mgmt.) and SUZANNE HARDIN (M.A. Crim. J. '05) are engaged to be married in September 2011. Gregory is a derivatives trader for Direct Access Partners on Wall Street and partner of Aespen Brokerage in Amsterdam. Suzanne is the senior crime and intelligence analyst for New Jersey Transit and an adjunct professor for Kean University, College of Business and Public Administration. She is completing a Master of Medicine in Homeland Security at Penn State University. The couple lives in Red Bank.

JOHN EVANS (B.S.W.) graduated in the winter of 2009 from Clarion University of Pennsylvania with a M.S. in Library Science.



MARIA MANCINI (M.B.A) married Chistopher Minetti March 12, 2010. Alumni in attendance were her sisters, Teresa Mancini (For. Lang. '06) and Nicole Mancini (Hist./Ed. '08), and bridesmaid, Daria Amoroso McQue (B.S.W. '07). Maria is attending Rutgers Law School in Camden and working for Exelon Corp. in state and local tax/federal tax research and planning in Philadelphia. She will be serving as a law clerk to the Honorable Paul A. Kapalko in September. Her husband works for MRS Associates in Cherry Hill and is studying for his M.B.A. in accounting at Rowan University.

SHANNON SNYDER (Comm./Ed.) graduated this year from Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania with a master's in Special Education. She works as an emotional support teacher at New Story School in York, PA. Shannon, who is also the recipient of the Highmark Graduate Award for Academic Excellence and Outstanding Achievement in the Behavioral Health Field, lives in Mechanicsburg, PA.

VICTORIA VIGNONE (Bus. Mrkt.) is engaged to marry Anthony Foti in May 2011. She is a stylist at DNA the Salon in Holmdel. Her fiancé is an attorney in the Manhattan office of Pillsbury Winthrop Shawn Pittman, where he practices in the corporate and securities group.

CLASS OF 2007



JASON ALLENTOFF (Comm.), former news director at Monmouth's WMCX, married Christina Leo March 21, 2010. He has been working for Millenium Radio's Statewide News Network since August 2006 and was promoted to morning drive news anchor/reporter for the shore stations WOBM-FM and WOBM-AM. He also continues to contribute reports to the flagship station, New Jersey 101.5.

SARA DALTON (M.A.T.) is a new math teacher at Ocean Township High School, teaching Algebra 1 and Math Test Prep. She had previously taught for two years at Keansburg High School.

MARISSA GUZMAN (M.S.N.) joined Jersey Shore Medical Center as the assistant nurse manager. She is also a geriatric nurse practioner in a private practice.



RYAN TETRO (Poli. Sci.) married Jamie Wernersbach July 11, 2009. In May, Ryan will be graduating from Seton Hall University School of Law. He will be working at Archer & Greiner, P.C. in Haddonfield following graduation. Jamie is a first-grade teacher in Middletown. The couple lives in Jackson.

#### CLASS OF 2008



R. DAVID BEALES (M.A. Hist.) won "Best of Show" from the University Photographers' Association of America in December/January for his photograph, "Mauna Kea Summit." He also won third place in the science & research category for his "Remus Ops" and both first and second place for his "Lava Flow" and "Under the Sun" in the personal vision category.

COLIN GRIMM (Hist.) is engaged to marry Ashley Ring in September 2011. His fiancé is pursuing an R.N. degree from Brookdale Community College in Lincroft.



CIARAN HOWARD (Comm.) and RYAN SISKO (Psych. '05) are engaged to be married. She is an employment specialist with Waters and Sims in Red Bank. He is a food service supervisor at Bayshore Healthcare Center in Holmdel.



ALICIA PIZZONE (Bus. Fin.) and Gabriel Caponetto Jr. are engaged to be married in the fall of 2011 in New Jersey. Alicia is an administrative assistant for a New York City-based hedge fund, Coatue Management. Gabriel works for Merrill Lynch within the Heiser Group (Global Wealth Management).



LISA QUACKENBUSH (M.S.W.) is engaged to marry Robert Scott in April 2011. She works for the Division of Youth and Family Services in Adoption

Operations. Her fiancé has worked for Edgeboro International for the past 11 years.

SUSAN TELLONE-MCCOY (M.S.N.), who is Manasquan's nurse and crisis coordinator, was named "Person of the Year" by the Society for Prevention of Teen Suicide in August 2009 in part thanks to the suicide prevention plan she created in Manasquan.

JAMES TUOSTO (Bus. Adm./Econ.) is engaged to marry Lauren Ricardo in November 2011. He is a statistical analyst at Consolidated Edison of New York. His fiancé is pursuing her education in physical therapy and currently works at Jersey Shore University Medical Center.

#### CLASS OF 2009

ANTHONY BILELLO (M.A.T.) is teaching seventh grade at the Sandburg Middle School in the Old Bridge Township School District.

JUDITH (LIEBOWITZ) DRUCKER (M.A. Corp. & Pub. Comm.), founder and instructor at Communication Station for Kids, was a finalist in the Central Jersey chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners' S.E.E.D. Competition.



DEODAT (DENOT) GLEMAUD (M.S. Comp. Sci.) celebrated her 2008 marriage to Simard Lawrence Altidor Glemaud on May 29, 2009. She is a programmer/analyst for MediTech, located outside of Boston, MA.



LINDSAY JENKINS (Psych.) is engaged to marry William Dafeldecker in the fall of 2011. Her fiancé is serving in the Navy as an electronics technician 2nd Class.

JULIA M. KOLAKOWSKI (M.A.T.) is now teaching first grade at Oak Tree Elementary School in Monroe Township. Prior to teaching at Oak Tree, she taught preschool and kindergarten for five years.

ALISA M. SINGER (M.S.E.) joined the staff of Ocean Township High School as a special education English teacher. She is also an alumna of the high school.



ERIKA TAYLOR (Math./Ed.) is director of education and the lead instructor at the newly-opened MATHnasium Learning Center in Middletown. The school serves children from kindergarten to 12th grade.

LINNEA TOBER (M.A.T.) will be displaying her artwork at the Red Horse Gallery at the Freehold Raceway Mall from March 22 to May 14. Her exhibition, "Mermaids," is a collection of her most recent acrylic/mixed-media paintings. She is also displaying her artwork at the Monmouth Beach Cultural Center in July. Linnea lives in Monmouth Beach.

## in memoriam

#### ALUMNI

- 1960 RUSSELL G. SPRIGGS (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. '72) APRIL 21, 2010
- 1963 EDGAR B. BING (Bus. Adm.) MARCH 5, 2010
- 1965 LAURA DEWYNGAERT (Art/Elem. Ed.) (M.S. Ed. '69) JANUARY 16, 2010
- 1970 EDMUND BURKE (Math.) FEBRUARY 8, 2010
- 1970 MARY LU PINGITORE (Span.) APRIL 2, 2010
- 1971 PAMELA GOOLEY (For. Lang.) APRIL 8, 2010
  1971 RONALD A. HUSOSKY (Psych.)
- APRIL 20, 2010
- 1973 ROBERT G. HANLEY (For. Lang.) FEBRUARY 23, 2010
- 1974 HARRY FROENIG (For. Lang.) FEBRUARY 23, 2010
- 1974 ROBERT PACILIO (Math.) OCTOBER 29, 2009
- 1982 MICHAEL A. DURAO (Bus. Adm.) MARCH 29, 2010
- 1984 JOHN DOW JR (Elec. Eng.) MARCH 11, 2010
- 1984 CHARLES F. MOHR (Hist./Poli. Sci.) (M.A.L. '88) MARCH 3, 2010
- 1991 MARY E. MARDSEN-COCHRAN (M.B.A.) APRIL 20, 2010
- 1996 MARY ANN ANTOON (B.S.N.) MARCH 27, 2010

#### FRIENDS

JOSEPH AZZOLINA APRIL 15, 2010 (former state assemblyman) JOHN DONATO JR MARCH 11, 2010 CAROL FELMAN APRIL 20, 2010 (former employee) BURDETT GARDNER APRIL 3, 2010 (Emeritus Professor of English before retiring in 1984) MAE (HOFFMAN) FISHER MARCH 21, 2010 EDITH HAMMEL MARCH 28, 2010 (former student) NORMA WILENTZ HESS APRIL 22, 2010 ALBERT HOCHSTER APRIL 2, 2010 RAYMOND MAGEE APRIL 13, 2010 DAWN M. RICHEY FEBRUARY 23, 2010 JACK RICHLIN FEBRUARY 14, 2010 (Chemistry professor for 32 years before retiring in 1997) JOAN SMITH APRII 12 2010 WARREN W. WILENTZ MARCH 18, 2010

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## building the HAWK WALK

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Use the enclosed envelope, call the Office of the Annual Fund at 732-571-7528 or visit **www.monmouth.edu/bricks**, for more information about the **Hawk Walk**.

As a Student Government Association Senator, I came up with the idea of building a "Hawk Walk" on campus, using individually named commemorative bricks. I think it's a great way to build school spirit and strengthen connections among alumni, current students, parents, and friends of the University.

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-Mia Schwerin '10

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#### SUNDAY JUNE 13, 2010: Backstreet Boys "This is Us" Tour Doors 7pm, all tickets \$46.50

### TUESDAY JULY 20, 2010

Counting Crows' Traveling Circus & Medicine Show

Featuring Augustana & other Special Guests, tickets \$48 general admission



### THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2010

Jackson Browne with David Lindley Doors 7pm, tickets \$75 This is a reserved seating performance

