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COCKTAILS ON THE ROOF Wilson Hall, 5:00-6:30 PM

SPECIAL EVENTS

MARCH 5

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OTHER EVENTS

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FEBRUARY 29 Jim Breuer (comedian), 8:00 PM

MARCH 1 (CHILDREN'S THEATER) Mr. Ray, 2:00 PM

MARCH 15 10 Foot Five, 8:00 PM CLAMBAKE ON THE LAWN

Great Lawn, 6:30-10:30 PM

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JUNE 11

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MARCH 29 Cirque Odyssey, 8:00 PM

APRIL 12 A Day with the Marx Brothers (*Animal Crackers*, 1:30 PM, *Duck Soup*, 3:00 PM, *Horse Feathers*, 4:15 PM)

APRIL 19 An Evening with Groucho (with Frank Ferrante), 8:00 PM

APRIL 23-26 Children of Eden (student musical), 8:00 PM

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ROTARY ICE HOUSE GALLERY

MARCH 3-21

William Hogarth: Selections from the MU Permanent Collection (opening reception March 7, 7:00-9:00 PM, lecture in Wilson Hall, 6:00-7:00 PM)

MARCH 28-APRIL 4 (ALSO SHOWING AT THE POLLAK THEATRE)

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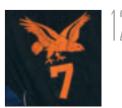
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Gothic façade of Long Branch Senior High School where Monmouth Junior College was established in 1933. Picture taken from the 25th anniversary Monmouth College yearbook in 1959.

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FELL'S BELLS

Thank you for the wonderful portrait of Professor Fell, I remember him well and fondly. In turbulent 1966 he led us gently into a perspective which deepened my life with simple questions that embed profound meaning. His canny responses to our challenges would turn a thrust until we saw the fullness concealed in each guestion. May his bells awaken such in all those fortunate to hear them.

With deep gratitude,

Greg Hillman '67

FATHER MET DR. KING AT MONMOUTH

My father was James G. Gallagher and he graduated in 1967. I actually have his student permanent record, and it says he earned his B.S. on 6/10/1967. He was involved with the student government at the time.

Anyway, he met with MLK when he visited Monmouth College and since I saw your notice in the magazine, I have been searching for a photo of him on stage with MLK. Dad was a tall, skinny guy with dark hair and dark rimmed glasses.

James L. Gallagher



Left to Right: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. James G. Gallagher, Dr. Gilbert Fell, and William G. Van Note, president of Monmouth College from 1962-1971

MONMOUTH REVIEW UPDATE

I want to compliment you for the excellent article in the summer 2007 issue of Monmouth University Magazine about 50 years of Monmouth Review. I graduated from Monmouth in 1961, and in my hectic three and a half years there, I was a member of the Writers Club and served as an executive editor for Monmouth Letters, as it was then called.

I had the good fortune to know and work with the founders of the journal, an experience that laid the foundation for my career as a professional writer.

Monmouth Letters served then, and Monmouth Review serves now, as an opportunity for student creative expression through writing and graphic design. By taking advantage of this outlet, by going public with their ideas, students learn to think more clearly, develop critical and analytical skills, write more expressively and convincingly and - perhaps most important of all - take leadership roles in the academic community. Later, this experience forms part of the bedrock of confidence that educated people carry with them in their lives and careers.

As such. *Monmouth Review* continues to play a vital role in a university education. It's a voluntary activity to be sure for those who choose it as well as an invaluable adjunct to courses in English, history, philosophy, and the arts and sciences – in short, a vital complement to the process of becoming a fully functioning member of society.

I hope that Monmouth Review continues to be a crucible for the next 50 years of students at Monmouth University - an outlet for new ideas and the rethinking of old ideas, expressed with daring, excitement, clarity and creativity. My thanks and my compliments to all who have played a part in a half century of success for Monmouth Review. It's an achievement the editors, students and faculty advisors - and the entire University - can be proud of.

Daniel Breau '61

We enjoyed and very much appreciated your recent feature on the fiftieth anniversary of the Monmouth Letters/ the Monmouth Review. It is wonderful to learn about the positive difference the magazine has made in the lives and careers of so many Monmouth alumni.

We do want to observe that those alumni come from a variety of majors, including those in the Foreign Language Studies department, which juries submissions in Spanish, and the Art & Design department, which juries art submissions and oversees the magazine's design and printing. We encourage alumni from all majors to contact us about the Monmouth Review. Sincerely,

The Monmouth Review's faculty advisors, Stanley S. Blair, English, sblair@monmouth.edu Priscilla Gac-Artigas, Foreign Language Studies pgacarti@monmouth.edu Barbara Powderly, Art & Design, bpowder@monmouth.edu

BRUTE FORCE

My recollection of Steve Friedland is his continuous impersonation of Fidel Castro during our high school days in Asbury Park in the late 1950s. He wore the complete Castro garb-the green fatigues and hat—with full beard.

He later appeared on the Johnny Carson show under the name "Brute Force."

Bruce Crowell Class of 1961

(Editor's note: See Musical Hawks on page 20 for more Brute Force)



A LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

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N.B.: Due to space limitations, we regret that

celebrating **Cats** Part 1: 1933 - 1945

THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH

The Monmouth University Magazine will explore our energetic and sometimes turbulent history over the next few issues, to celebrate the University's Diamond Jubilee. This first issue covers the period from the school's founding in 1933 during the Great Depression, to the end of World War II in 1945.

Humble Beginnings

Michael Maiden

The story has been told again and again: Monmouth was founded in 1933 to provide opportunity for higher education to area high school graduates who, in those Depression-era days, could not afford to go away to college.

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This neat synopsis, although entirely accurate, fails to capture the desperation of Monmouth's early days or the remarkable growth and astonishing transformation from a federally funded two-year institution, holding classes only in the evening in Long Branch High School, to a nationally ranked University offering 28 undergraduate and 20 graduate degree programs 75 years later.

In 1933 the unemployment rate peaked at almost 25 percent from an estimated annual rate of 3.3 percent during the years from 1923-29. Just one day after being sworn into office, President F.D. Roosevelt declared a

"bank holiday," forcing the closure of all banks and financial transactions for four days. Roosevelt also prohibited the "hoarding" of gold, export of gold, and all foreign exchange transactions.

Hoarding regulations meant that virtually all privately owned gold certificates, bars, and coins were slated for mandatory seizure by the government. Temporary bank closings and the lack of physical currency in circulation caused scrip to become widely used as a substitute for government-issued currency, and to provide a way for trade to continue

Prohibition was just weeks away from repeal when Monmouth Junior College officially opened its doors on November 20, 1933. Dr. Edward G. Schlaefer, speaking of the junior college said, "the Depression has done cruel and hard things to instructors and students alike ... the junior college is designed for one year only, a sort of stop gap, with the idea that the country will be nearer normal at the end of that time."

Little did Schlaefer know when he signed aboard as dean of the junior college that he would remain the guiding hand at Monmouth until 1962, serving as dean, director, president and finally chancellor of Monmouth College.

Instructional salaries and building fees were paid by the federal government. Local civic and educational organizations contributed \$1,000 to the enterprise, and the first books were purchased in New York using Long Branch scrip.

Although its genesis was rampant unemployment, Monmouth Junior College was also part of a wider "junior college movement" whose roots stretched back to the dawn of the twentieth century.



Part 1: 1933 - 1945

E. Schlaefer, Monmouth Junior College Dean, Points Out Value Of School Here



OWARD SCHLARFER



LEFT: Early news report announcing the benefits of Monmouth Junior College. ABOVE: An archival image of Long Branch Senior High School where classes began on November 20, 1933.

he drive to extend education past the secondary level, and to use tax money to fund the process, resulted in the founding of the American Association of Junior Colleges in 1920.

Junior colleges proved popular for practical reasons. As urbanization and industrialization increased in America, students needed to adapt to non agriculture-related occupations. A variety of junior colleges developed to meet the need, generally in three categories: private, state-supported, and municipal.

Each school had its own philosophy and objectives. Some prepared students for transfer to a four-year liberal arts college. Others provided technical and vocational training to aid students in getting better jobs. Regardless of their affiliation and orientation, junior colleges usually served only the immediate population of the town in which they were located.

Dr. Schlaefer's daughter, Nancy Bruch '58, says that "as a junior college, Monmouth distinguished itself from the community college by emphasizing academics and offering the first two years of regular college work, the Core Courses of freshman English, languages, literature, intensive science and math courses, accounting, etc."

Bruch also recalls that, "not everyone understood what 'junior' meant. One day, a woman appeared who wanted to enroll her six-year-old son. Another woman came in with her teen-aged son who must have been quite a sight; he had had nothing to eat his whole life but milk. Dad [Dr. Schlaefer] said he had beautiful teeth, but that his skin was all dry and cracked."

From the start Monmouth Junior College was a little different. Born out of desperation, Monmouth was one of six schools that were part of the federally supported Emergency Junior College Experiment. Union Junior College, now Union County College, was the first of the newly chartered schools in New Jersey.

The program of study at Union Junior College was the template upon which Monmouth Junior College was based. Like Monmouth, Union County struggled with classes held in a nearby high school after hours, and the abrupt

To The Pioneers

The first issue of the student newspaper, the not yet named Outlook, debuted December 22, 1933, just a month after the official opening of Monmouth Junior College. The opening lines of the premiere issue ring with eerie prescience 75 years later:

"We are pioneering in a twofold sense. We entered the Monmouth Junior College with nothing but our ability to spur us on. We had no heritages; we had no tradition. It is for us to create a new and splendid inheritance. It is for us to build up this institution.

But we are pioneers in a greater cause. We are part of a national movement. We are part of the material of a long cherished dream. It is in our hands to help vitalize this dream. Upon us rests the responsibility of the future of public junior college education. Therefore, we must remember that in striving for our personal success and that of our college, we are striving for the success of this national movement and the generations that are to follow."

Building an Identity

When Monmouth Junior College opened in the fall of 1933, the school was starting from scratch. The new dean of the college, Edward Schlaefer, initially expected the school to last just a year as a stop-gap measure. Sharing a high school facility after-hours, and with no tradition to build upon, the highly motivated students set about building tradition at a remarkable pace.

The first seal of Monmouth Junior College appears on the masthead of *The Outlook* beginning in the spring of 1936. In a 1999 interview, James Perkins claims credit for the design. The interview with Perkins was done by June West as part of Remembering *The 20th Century: An Oral History of Monmouth County* project conducted under the auspices of the Monmouth County Library Headquarters.



Perkins, who died in 2002, was a resident of the Tower Lodge Senior Citizen Home in Wall, NJ when he described the early symbol to his interviewer.

Ms. West: And so you went to Monmouth Junior College.

Mr. Perkins: I drew the first school shield.

Ms. West: You made a what? Mr. Perkins: The emblem for the school.

Ms. West: You made that?

Mr. Perkins: The first one, not this one now. It was like a fan with a torch and so forth.

Ms. West: What was it supposed to symbolize?

Mr. Perkins: Well, education, you know; study and industry.
Ms. West: And what year was that?
Mr. Perkins: 1935. They used it on the school paper in the front and for different things.

A May 1936 article heralding a graduation when sophomores and faculty would, for the first time, wear gowns to graduation indicates the seal held official status. "The initial order of 35 class pins and keys has been sent," the article continues. "The pins will bear the seal of the college in a slightly modified form."

Although he does not mention it in his interview, Mr. Perkins, who then went by his middle name, Byron, also appears to have contributed to the first version of the Alma Mater developed for Monmouth. A cover story in the March 23, 1936, issue of *The Outlook* reads, "Byron Perkins, designer of the school seal, has written the lyrics for the school song. Mr. Dilsner has written the music to 'Our Alma Mater M.J.C.,' mimeographed copies of the song have already been made and the choir in its last rehearsal practiced it." The lyrics to the forgotten tune follow:

Our Alma Mater M.J.C. All voices raise to shout the praise of our alma mater M.J.C. Which proudly stands near the sun bleached sands On the shores of New Jersey. And as the waves roll on always May the glory of her name be On every tongue both old and young Our Alma Mater M.J.C.

Perkins' design for the school seal appears to have held official status

until March 1939 when a new official emblem was unveiled. The winning design, by *Outlook* editor Arthur Smock, beat out entries from Nicholas Soviero, Allen Osborn, Herman Shapiro, George Shoemaker, and Raymond Woolley.



The emblem was available for immediate purchase as a car window sticker in the official school colors of **orange and black**, with other forms available to eager students in the near future, the article said. Like Perkins' earlier design, the new seal incorporated a torch; like the design that was to follow, it incorporated three statements of purpose: Scholarship, Leadership, and Citizenship.



The more familiar "old" seal, proclaiming *Truth, Service, and Leadership* does not appear in a yearbook until 1950, although Smock's 1939 design appears as a central element again in the 1951 yearbook. The round seal and a definitive location, Long Branch, took shape at around the half-way mark of the twentieth century.

withdrawal of federal funding in 1936.

Seventy-five years later, the contrast between the two institutions is instructive: Union is a county college with an open admissions policy, limited to awarding associates degrees while Monmouth University, as a private institution, is now included in the 2008 edition of The Princeton Review's *Best* 366 *Colleges*, and boasts skyrocketing rankings in Master's North category of the U.S. News & World Report roster of America's Best Colleges.

Close Calls

The transformation from public to

private was not without obstacles and adversity. Indeed, the survival of Monmouth Junior College was anything but certain. Although the college operated for two years under Emergency Relief Administration (ERA) funds, policy changes forced a shift to private funding.

An article from the Long Branch Re-



cord of October 25, 1935, makes it plain just how painful the transition was to be, and how close Monmouth came to facing extinction. "Must Raise \$9,000 to Save Jr. College...Will Close Tonight Unless Sum Raised to Defer Salaries," read one alarming headline.

With tuition fees prohibited by federal decree, students banded together to keep Monmouth alive as a viable institution. "The fate of Monmouth Junior College rests today with its students and their ability to pledge by tonight sufficient funds to maintain salaries of members of the faculty for the remainder of the school year. If the funds—\$9,000 is needed to maintain the salaries at the same level as last year—are pledged the college will continue. If not the institution will close tonight," reported the *Record*.

Students agreed to a pledge which read: "I hereby pledge to pay \$1 each week during the school year, October, 1935, to June, 1936, inclusive, to be applied to the general fund for the maintenance of salaries of all the staff members on the basis of the salaries of 1934-35. I understand that this money will be expended under the direction of the Monmouth Junior College Advisory Board whose chairman is Charles T. Stone, superintendent of schools in Long Branch." Like the Spartans at the Battle of Thermopylae these 300 students made the crucial difference between the extinction and long-term survival of the institution. Thanks to those early efforts, the decision was made to charge tuition and make Monmouth Junior College independent of direct federal assistance.

The Long Branch Board of Education supported the junior college in this step and assumed sponsorship of the institution. The college suffered many growing pains during this period but it managed to survive primarily because of Dean Schlaefer's determination.

Bruch also remembers, "A vital source of support for many years, if not from the beginning, was an annual grant from the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, long headed by Joseph Irwin," adding that because of this Irwin was given the honor of handing out the diplomas.

"As there was no tuition during the first two years of federal support," Bruch said, "the student body was quite large. It dried up frighteningly in 1935, when the government support was withdrawn and students had to pay tuition. Edward G. Schlaefer (EGS) remembered standing in the doorway of the building with Helen A. McQueen (HAM), his new secretary (he'd married the first one, Bernice Wright, the year before), watching the few students trickle in, and saying, 'Someday, we'll have a good laugh about this.'

And, many years later, "Well, we never had that laugh, but we're still here." In those years, office notes were often headed, "To EGS from HAM."

In October, 1940, Monmouth Junior College was awarded full accreditation by the New Jersey State Board of Education. With accreditation came automatic transfer rights for students. A Bulletin of Information for the 1939-40 academic year reads, "A student who has maintained a satisfactory record...and who is qualified in other respects will be admitted to Rutgers University and granted advanced standing at the time of his admission."

Despite the gender-specific language Monmouth was, from the start, a blend of men and women, black and white. The college operated from 4 o'clock in the afternoon until 10 at night, and enrollment continued to grow.

To meet the requirements for accreditation additional facilities were required. The library facilities were enlarged when the Long Branch Board of Education permitted the placing of library shelves in the study hall of the high school to accommodate the growth of the library. The Board also permitted the addition of science equipment to the

Dr. Edward G. Schlaefer

Recounting the history of Monmouth Junior College is impossible without paying tribute to the efforts of Edward G. Schlaefer who gave so many years of service to establish and nurture the University that Monmouth has become. At the time of his death in 1964, Dr. Schlaefer was mourned by Joseph Clayton, deputy commissioner of the State Department of Education as "one of the finest educators I have known. I think his work will never be forgotten in this area or the leadership he gave in developing Monmouth College."

A bronze plaque beneath Schlaefer's bust in Wilson Hall quotes his observations just five weeks into his tenure as director of Monmouth Junior College in 1933: "We shall grow here. We shall explore all fields of the intellect. In discussion, study and in play we shall learn of the world, of work and of ourselves. These truths shall make us freer. We shall do better the good things we like to do and new arts of life shall be opened to us."



PORTRAIT OF DR. SCHLAEFER WHICH HANGS TODAY IN WILSON HALL. THE PORTRAIT WAS PRESENTED TO SCHLAEFER AT MONMOUTH'S 25TH ANNIVER-SARY DINNER.

Identity and Sports

Nothing shapes an institution in quite the same way that athletics do. There is something primal about teams of "us" versus "them," even when competing for bloodless victory in the most innocuous circumstances. Whether victorious or defeated, team sports helped shape the identity of Monmouth Junior College.

On January 12, 1934, Monmouth played a basketball game against Middlesex Junior College, located in New Brunswick. As the game ended, Monmouth pulled a stunning upset over Middlesex, defeating them 26-14. The game, covered in the January 18 issue of *The Outlook*, was not only Monmouth's first basketball game, but the first athletic event that Monmouth had participated in against another school.

Coverage of intramural games in *The Outlook* marked the beginning of sports coverage at Monmouth. Women's basketball and intramural programs would follow men's basketball later in the school's first decade.

Records are sketchy, but the formation of a school Athletic Association was announced in the December 6 issue of the 1934 *Outlook*. The association would organize and plan athletic events for the school's teams and coordinate intramural events.

Progress was reported in the November 9, 1936, edition of *The Outlook*, noting that Monmouth was participating in meetings in order to join the Inter-Junior College League teams.

As the 1930's drew to a close, the school realized that its athletic programs needed a name to rally around. Monmouth needed a mascot, or emblem that would assist in the job of shouldering the Monmouth pride.

The school held a contest to determine what the name of the team should be. The winning name came from the designer of the second college emblem, *Outlook* editor Arthur Smock. The "Nighthawks," who were named in honor of the night-only schedule of the junior college, made their debut in 1939.

As the 1940's arrived, tectonic shifts in global politics brought changes that would shake the foundations of the still-fragile educational experiment underway at Monmouth. With the Nighthawks basketball team in full swing, and a newly formed baseball team, women's and men's tennis teams getting started – all of the sports teams vanished suddenly.

World War II arrived and the local community and students from Monmouth Junior College responded. To make students available where they were needed, Monmouth Junior College dropped its competitive sports programs in favor of supporting the war effort. A three-year period of athletic inactivity ensued, lasting until 1945, when *The Outlook* announced in mid-December that the Nighthawks would hit the court and take to the fields once more.

Monmouth's return to athletic competition had problems stemming from a prolonged absence of competition. A fresh batch of inexperienced players meant the school had a rough start getting back into competitive play. As a result, many of the games that Monmouth played during the 1945 season came up as losses. As the school approached the end of the ill-fated decade, some teams regained strength and stability.

Even the most ardent fan of Monmouth athletics could scarcely imagine the changes in store for the school as the 40s gave way to the 50s and new benchmarks for competitive college sports at Monmouth made a quantum leap forward. science rooms to accommodate advanced courses of chemistry and physics offered by Monmouth Junior College. For administration purposes the Junior College purchased 422 Westwood Avenue and moved the offices of the Dean and Bursar to that building.

"In 1941," Bruch said, "Dad hired as his secretary a young woman who had just graduated from Long Branch High School, Helen Wardell, who remained in that position for more than 40 years through five heads of the college. Among many other skills, she was a fast and excellent typist. Sadly, she died in 2007."

Prior to her retirement from then Monmouth College in 1987, Miss Wardell worked in the Office of the President as Executive Secretary to each of Monmouth's presidents. Upon her retirement she was awarded an honorary master's of fine arts at Commencement.

But back in 1941, even as the fledgling school hired staff members who would remain at Monmouth for many years, MJC still faced formidable challenges. On December 7, 1941, the Japanese Imperial Navy under Fleet Admiral Yamamoto attacked American forces at Pearl Harbor, galvanizing public opinion and leading the United States to enter World War II.

World War II

Even before the "day of infamy," war and the prospect of war dominated student conversations at the school throughout the 1940s.

In a 2006 conversation, Helen Wardell described the problems associated with running a night school during wartime. Blackouts occurred frequently, and windows had to be covered over. Often there were no street lamps whatsoever.

In a brief history of *The Outlook* from 1933-1989, Kevin Dickerson '97, noted that "every single edition of the *The Outlook* starting from the beginning of 1940



A Ballad of MJC (from 1949 yearbook)

By many a waving evergreen tree The good old college stands; The Dean a mighty man is he And bound by loyal bands To all upon his faculty And to all college fans.

Thus has it been for many a year... For fifteen years and more... Since a group of men with vision keen Launched forth upon the Jersey shore A project which, in promise fair, Quite justified the hype it bore. The first three years were financed by Funds from the national coffers; Then plans were changed, and fees were Charged To meet the cost of subject-offers. Great gain ensued, for now the school Can freely choose whate'er it proffers. October nineteen-forty soon Rolled around in order due. A date auspicious in our tale; The State Department true Approved the status of our school And gave it life anew. Dire war came next and called to all... And all gave of their best. Then MJC opened wide her doors And cordial welcome pressed On those whose service of their flag Required a classroom test. We won the war. Yet still the work Of training youth went on; The veterans came crowding back Most avid books to con. And skills to learn, and credits mass, To build life work upon.



Nancy Schlaefer Bruch '58 and President Gaffney.

on through the February 26 edition of 1946, had at least one front page story that was war-related. The front page of the January 15, 1943, edition even had [an] advertisement that read, *Shave Hitler – Save America – Buy War Stamps.*"

peaking of the junior college during World War II, Dr. Schlaefer said, "There were hardly any male students and very few female students, but we carried on, and somehow came out with no injuries."

Schlaefer's daughter Nancy remembers, "The school was small, the number of students attending graduation ceremonies rather small, and the 1000-seat auditorium cavernous. Bodies were needed. Every year from infancy on, our whole family went, often roping in Grandma, as well as the occasional aunt."

"One evening in 1944," she continues, "we drove past the high school building where classes were in full swing, at least for the few students who were not fighting overseas. The building was all lit up and occasionally an instructor could be seen at the blackboard. But this was not a drive across town for an idle gawk. 'How does it look?' Dad asked. 'Can you see any students?'"

Earlier, he had asked the instructors and students to place themselves as near the windows as comfortable, so that the college looked like a thriving concern for, having survived the withdrawal of federal support a few years before and gradually built up a modest student population, the college was once again threatened, this time by the drawing off of people to fight the war."

Under the familiar heading, *Mon-mouth Moves Forward*, the 1949 yearbook of MJC, celebrating the second graduating class awarded Associate in Arts degrees, reflects on 16 years of history and observed that "by reason of its proximity to military camps during the recent war, Monmouth Junior College rendered special educational services to employees of military laboratories and offices. Pilots were trained under the CPT [Civilian Pilot Training], and programs were inaugurated for the instruction of members of the Enlisted Reserve Corps and the Cadet Nurse Corps."

Other junior colleges weren't so lucky. In 1934 Morris and Passaic Counties had opened two-year colleges which did not survive. Caught between inadequate local funding and no financial support from the county or state, and America's entry into World War II, Middlesex Junior College also closed its doors before the end of the spring semester of 1942. By 1944 the only emergency junior colleges left operating in New Jersey were in Monmouth and Union counties.

"Like the cavalry coming over the hill," remembers Bruch, "came the summer of 1945, the end of the war, thousands of returning veterans, and the G.I. Bill of Rights. The college obtained lists of returning county personnel, printed up hundreds of brochures, pamphlets, and letters, Dad's secretary, Helen Wardell, typed hundreds of envelopes, and, one Saturday morning, Dad,

THE OUTLOOK

Mom, Helen, Bob, and I collected at our dining room table."

Down the center of it were different-shaped stacks of pamphlets and materials. We set up an assembly line that first organized the materials into individual mailings, then stuffed the envelopes, then sealed them. I think it took just several hours. Seems to have paid off because, although the college's enrollment continued to vary over the years, there were no more deep concerns about its viability."

When the G.I. bulge arrived, every corner in the Long Branch High School had to be used to accommodate the 720 who enrolled. To give perspective to the growth, the enrollment of 720 was more than double the initial enrollment of 299 when the tuition-free school opened in 1933.

During its early years, Monmouth

came within a whisker of being closed on several occasions – due to a lack of federal funding in 1935 and again in 1941 due to a wartime shortage of students. The post-war stability was a new state of affairs that promised more change for the school. Burgeoning enrollment meant greater tensions between the blossoming junior college, now more than a decade old, and its host venue, the Long Branch High School.

Look for more history of Monmouth in the next issue of the *Monmouth Uni*versity Magazine. **MU**

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Already slated for display at the exhibit are freshman "dinks" from the 1960's, original signs from the Monmouth Junior College administration building in the 1950's, and publications dating to the 1940's.

Contact the Alumni office at (732) 571-3489, or alumni@monmouth.edu for more information about donating artifacts to the Scholarship Ball, or to discuss a loan of material.

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EDUARD HELLY IN 1914. PHOTO COURTESY DR. WALTER HELLY.



personal recommendation from Albert Einstein, who escaped from Nazi Germany in 1933, helped him secure a teaching position at a Paterson Junior College during the Great Depression. The job paid about \$1,000 annually.

Albert Dresden, writing in a 1942 issue of the American Mathematical Monthly, placed him alongside Einstein and other notables as an intellectual asset to be cherished by America.

His name is "familiar to most mathematicians," wrote Karl Sigmund in a 2004 Mathematical Intelligencer article, because his "work contributed substantially to the development of analysis in the early part of the twentieth century." He is regarded as the father of the Hahn-Banach theorem and the Banach-Steinhaus theorem.

He is also responsible for several significant theorems and mathematical concepts that bear his own name, including Helly's Selection theorem and the Helly-Bray theorem.

This renowned mathematician, Eduard Helly, was also once a Monmouth faculty member. As Einstein had five years before him, Helly escaped from Nazi persecution, making his way to the United States. The 1938 Anschluss, or annexation of Austria into Germany by the Nazi regime, meant that Helly's academic career was finished and his life was in real danger.

In tow were Helly's wife Elise, who, like Eduard, earned her Ph.D. under Wilhelm Wirtinger, and their young son Walter. Elise's fellow students included Nobel Prize winner Erwin Schrödinger (best known for his Cat Paradox) and Kurt Gödel, winner of the first Albert Einstein Award in 1951 and the National Medal of Science in 1974.

While it would be a stretch to call Helly's fellow Viennese mathematicians Schrödinger and Gödel household names, Helly remains unknown to the general public, despite, as Roger Webster wrote in his 1994 book, Convexity, a theorem that "has been the focal point of literally hundreds of research articles."

When asked for an assessment of the significance of having a named theorem, Monmouth professor Dr. Bonnie Gold likened it to discovering a new star or species. "It's much less common than an Oscar or a Nobel Prize, but certainly not everyone who discovers a theorem has it named after them," she said. "It has to be interesting enough that other people want to refer to it."

Michael Maiden

Helly's explanation of intersecting convex sets is included in Béla Bollobás' 2006 volume, The Art of Mathematics: Coffee Time in Memphis, published by Cambridge University Press, and Set Intersections and Helly's Theorem was the subject of a 2005 workshop by the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute (MSRI) in Berkeley.

Yet when Helly left his teaching post at Monmouth Junior College in 1942, he was still an underappreciated scholar whose academic career had been seriously derailed by the outbreak of World War I.

After volunteering to serve in the military, Helly saw active duty as a lieutenant on the Russian front where he was shot through the lung and shipped off as a POW to a Siberian internment camp. He was kept from his home in Vienna for five long years, but used the time to learn English.

When he returned to Vienna, he married Elise Bloch, to whom he had dedicated mathematical theorems before his military service. Like Eduard, Elise Helly would move from Paterson Junior College and go on to teach at Monmouth Junior College. Elise Bloch Helly was an accomplished mathematician vastly overqualified for her teaching duties at the junior college in Long Branch.

Based on interviews published in The Outlook, both Hellys were warmly welcomed by Monmouth Junior College when they arrived. "Strange as it may sound, Hitler **has** given the United States something besides a lot of trouble," gushed a March 4, 1942 *Outlook* article, "He sent Dr. Helly to our country, and eventually to Monmouth Junior College."

"Helly is dead, but it is not too late to give him the credit that he so richly deserves."

– Harry Hochstadt

Ithough *The Outlook* article consistently refers to Dr. Elise Helly as 'Mrs. Helly,' the anonymous writer acknowledges her degree saying, "Yes, Mrs. Helly, too, is a Doctor of Mathematics."

The same article by an unknown reporter captures lighthearted aspects of Helly's personality that seem at odds with the dour portraits of him that survive:

"Doctor Helly's favorite composer is Beethoven, especially his chamber music...Gone With The Wind, too holds a high place on Dr. Helly's list. Jitterbugs fascinate him, and one of his favorite pastimes is to lie on the lawn and look at the sky. Roast beef, good steak, elevators, and American hot dogs are his other favorites, while unnatural people and sweet potatoes constitute his pet peeves. His hobbies are photography, meeting people and philosophy."

Based on a schedule of final exams

published in the May 15, 1942, issue of *The Outlook*, the Hellys were part of a small, if not intimate, teaching staff. Eduard and Elise together were about 12% of the sixteen total faculty members.

When they left for academic promotion, *The Outlook* reported, "the sudden departure of these two splendid faculty members is a source of regret to the student body and faculty alike."

The unknown student reporter acknowledges that Helly would be teaching at a higher level, writing, "Dr. Helly is now instructing in the Illinois Technical Institute in higher mathematics, presumably this means higher than Calculus."

Little could Helly know when he left Monmouth in 1942 for the Signal Corps Training Program in Chicago that a series of heart attacks would soon cut short his academic career and end his life.

In a tragic stroke, Helly's fatal heart attack came shortly after he was offered a professorship at the Illinois Institute of Technology. Helly's health problems were a direct result of a dislocated heart stemming from his World War I combat injury.

Although Eduard Helly's academic career came to an untimely end, the mathematical concepts he is credited with discovering are far from slipping into obscurity.

"Perhaps the most delightful aspect of the theorem," wrote Webster in 1994, "is the ease with which it lends itself to a wide variety of impressive



DR. ELISE HELLY IN A 1922 PICTURE TAKEN BY EDUARD HELLY. COURTESY OF DR. WALTER HELLY.

applications, enabling new discoveries to be made and providing the basis for the first short proofs of some classical results."

Despite a career that Harry Hochstadt described in the *Mathematical Intelligencer* as "sufficiently atypical...to warrant telling the story in some detail," Eduard Helly's contribution to mathematics has demonstrated remarkable endurance. Scores of computational and mathematical theses continue to rely on variations of the Helly and Hahn-Banach theorems. The Helly theorem even appeared recently as the subject of a math blog.

If eponymous theorems are less common than Oscars or Nobel Prizes, Monmouth should take pride in having served, even for a short time, as the academic home of Eduard Helly. Helly's legacy includes two theorems bearing his own name, Helly's Selection theorem, and the Helly-Bray theorem, as well as the misnamed Hahn-Banach and Banach-Steinhaus theorems. **MU**

Schrödinger's Cat



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Schrödinger's Cat is a thought experiment devised in the 1930's by Erwin Schrödinger. Often described as a paradox, it attempts to illustrate the problems of quantum mechanics.

Imagine an apparatus containing just one atom of Nitrogen-13 and a detector that will respond when the atom decays. Connected to the detector is a relay connected to a hammer. When the atom decays, the relay releases the hammer, which then falls on a glass vial containing poison gas.

Take the entire apparatus and put it

in a box. Also place a cat in the box, close the lid, and wait 10 minutes.

Is the cat alive or dead?

The answer according to quantum mechanics is that it is 50% dead and 50% alive.

When we open the box, we "collapse the wave function" or "collapse the state" and have either a live cat or a dead cat. Only when observed is the cat alive or dead. The imaginary experiment serves to illustrate the strangeness of quantum mechanics and the mathematics necessary to describe quantum states.

As Monmouth University athletes prepare to enter a new era, with the coming of the Multipurpose Athletic Center (MAC), Hawks of previous ages are joining the cheerleading.

Joe Gachina, Professor Abraham (Abe) Schwartz, and Walter (Wally) Mischler lead the cheers.

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oe Gachina played for the Nighthawks of Monmouth Junior College (MJC) under the direction of Coach Schwartz, whose own field of specialty was chemistry, and found his own formula for building Monmouth teams into winners.

By 1956 Monmouth had closed the doors on its junior college, two-year program era and moved a short distance south to the current Shadow Lawn campus, where it became the four-year, degree-granting Monmouth College. And among the brightest lights of that era was basketball center Wally Mischler.

Mischler became Monmouth's first All-American in basketball in his senior season, 1961-62, and was named a charter member of the college's sports Hall of Fame in 1981. A revived Sports Hall of Fame held November 9 inducted Professor Schwartz into the roster of distinguished honorees.

He suited up over six decades ago, but Joe Gachina is still remembered as a "pure" performer in the art of lighting up the scoreboard. "There's a big difference between a pure shooter and a good shooter," he tells you.

"A good shooter is a guy who gets on the basketball court and practices and practices and practices. He has a pretty good eye and every now and then he has a pretty good game." A pure shooter always has his eye on the target (the hoop.) When the ball's in flight, he's not looking at that ball. His eye is always on the target. He's staring at it. He'd know, by the time the ball is halfway there, whether it's going in or not.

"Even if you're off balance, and your eye is still on the target, a pure shooter's chances of getting that basket are still over 50-50. You can either aim for the front of the rim, or the back of the rim. For me, it was always the back of the rim. It seemed to work."

Toms River resident Gachina, now 81, kept his Nighthawks flying high. Those Nighthawks existed from 1946 to 1955. It took 13 more years - years spanning the Great Depression and World War II, a stretch when there were far more important things on the nation's agenda - for Monmouth to venture into organized athletics. Classes were held from 4 to 10:30 p.m, and basketball practice usually ran from 10:30 to midnight.

It is thanks in part to Professor Abe Schwartz that those early Monmouth teams existed at all.

Dr. Edward Schlaefer, then Dean of Men at MJC, saw the need to provide constructive outlets for the considerable energy exuded by the school's young men, many of them returning veterans. Women's teams would come much later.

So Professor Schwartz, who'd been a huge sports fan since his days growing up in Long Branch, volunteered his service to the MJC rookie teams in both basketball and baseball. His teams represented Monmouth winningly.

"We won a lot more games than we lost (in both sports)," he once told an interviewer. Now 93, the Ocean Township resident keeps tabs on the current Hawks while maintaining the legacy of the Nighthawks.

Playing other two-year colleges from around the state, as well as military teams, the "Schwartzmen," as headline writers of the *Long Branch Daily Record* tagged them, found much success. Team colors were orange and black.

Blue and white? Still years down the road.

TOP: Coach Abe Schwartz far left. Joe Gatchina shows his game jersey from his days on the 1949 basketball team. The school colors were orange and black when Gachina played for Monmouth Junior College.

Those Nighthawks boasted of such other stars as Dick Homan, Eddie Mueller, Tom West, Jim Williams, Jack "Zeke" Zezula, Irving Tebor, and Bill Donigan.

Gachina ranks right up there with those early aces.

He'd been a basketball standout at Newark Central High School before his life, like that of so many of his contemporaries, took a major turn.

"Two weeks after I graduated from high school, I was inducted into the service," he said. "They gave me a choice, Army or Navy. I thought I was a pretty



ABOVE: Abe Schwartz and Joe Gachina at a 2007 Basketball game. ABOVE RIGHT: Walter Mischler '62 at the 1981 Hall of Fame induction. BELOW: Walter Mischler in a 1960 Yearbook photo.

good swimmer, so I chose the Navy," he said.

Not long after completing basic training at Great Lakes (Illinois), he joined the crew of Landing Ship Medium (LSM) 211. It sailed from Philadelphia, through the Panama Canal, up to San Diego to pick up its cargo of tanks, and into the Pacific War.

Gachina and LSM 211 saw action at Iwo Jima and were fortunate to go unscathed. "We were lucky," he said. "Our damage was minimal, but we saw loss of life all around us." By the time he returned to civilian life, his family had moved to Toms River.

He got back into basketball in the Monmouth-Ocean County League, serving as a both a player and a mentor. "A lot of the other guys, they didn't know what a fake was, they didn't know how to box out, they didn't know a lot of fundamentals," he said.

As a married man, Gachina relocated to Asbury Park, enrolled at MJC as a sociology-psychology major and soon joined Coach Abe Schwartz's Nighthawks. Team captain for both his MJC seasons, he scored in double figures "just about every game."

After Monmouth, he went on to earn a bachelor's degree at Rutgers and then on to a successful civilian career at the Fort Monmouth and Lakehurst Naval Air Installations.

In all his travels, Monmouth has remained close to his heart. "The school has come a long, long way since I was there," he said. "Who would have believed the things going on there now?"

The creation of Monmouth College in 1956 coincided with the arrival of Bill Boylan. The former Rahway resident came aboard as Monmouth College's first athletic director and basketball coach. With students no longer forced to attend night classes, his teams, now simply Hawks, began flying to new stardom.

Mischler had never played varsity basketball while at Asbury Park High School, but still became Monmouth's first All-American.

He overcame a series of knee injuries to blossom into the rugged center-rebounder who first brought national recognition to Monmouth College. "There was a special kind of spirit back then at Monmouth," Mischler has often said. "It was truly a great time at Monmouth."

Mischler has forever given credit to Boylan for bringing out the best in him and the other Hawks. "No coach ever got more out of his players," said Mischler. Boylan was also a consummate gentleman.

"In my four years at Monmouth, I never heard him curse once," said Mischler. For obvious reasons, Boylan was the winner of several sportsmanship awards.

From Monmouth, Mischler went on to a distinguished career in teaching, coaching and administration, and was athletic director at Neptune High School for many of the school's greatest competitive years. An ardent golfer and golf coach, he also stays active as a basketball referee.

Sure, Gachina, Schwartz and Mischler look back on past glories - but it's what's ahead that has them really delighted. The new MAC will be the culmination of a long journey.

The Nighthawks' home base was the Long Branch High School gymnasium. Mischler's Hawks played most of their home games at Asbury Park's Convention Hall. In between, all of them used gyms like the Long Branch YMCA and West Long Branch's Frank Antonides School for practice sessions. On occasion, they even drilled on the outdoor tennis courts.

Gachina, who has already donated one of his old jerseys for display in the new MAC, sees nothing but good things ahead at Monmouth. "More and more of the good talent is going to gravitate to Monmouth," he predicted. "I can see Monmouth being competitive with the best teams in the nation. The recognition they'll get is going to be wonderful."

Mischler added, "I've seen Monmouth grow by leaps and bounds; to me, it's already one of the most beautiful campuses in the United States of America, and this is going to make it even better.

"Now, add a building like the Multipurpose Athletic Center to the campus, that's just going to help Monmouth grow in every way.

"You know we'll be there. Just save us some good seats." **MU**



Heather McCulloch Mistretta

HERO CAMPAIGN KEEPS MEMORY OF ALUMNUS' SON ALIVE

Stefanie Godfrey/Ocean City Sentinel

Nearly eight years ago Bill Elliott '95 uttered the words, "We have work to do, let's begin," at the end of his eulogy to his 22-year old son who was killed by a drunk driver while returning home to attend his mother's birthday celebration.

Bill has never looked back, keeping his promise to honor John by tirelessly working with his wife, Muriel, his daughter, Jenny, and countless others to prevent drunk-driving. This is in addition to his job as a professional hospital fundraiser.



ABOVE: Suanne Schaad '01 M, substance abuse counselor, and Bill Elliott '95 M.B.A. RIGHT: The Elliott family: Bill, Jennifer, John and Muriel.

Just two months earlier John had graduated from the Naval Academy with a degree in Systems Engineering and honored as the outstanding Human Education Resource Officer (HERO) in his graduating class. He was also a literacy volunteer in the Annapolis area school system, and a discussion leader for the Plebe Summer Character Development Seminar series.

He was looking forward to Flight Officer School that September and becoming a naval pilot.

But those dreams were never realized. John and his girlfriend, Kristen Hohenwarter, were returning from the Naval Academy July 22, 2000, when their car was struck by a drunk driver who had been arrested by police three hours earlier and charged with Driving While Intoxicated. Two hours later he was released to a friend, and got behind the wheel.

Almost immediately Bill and his family embraced designated drivers as their cause. They were rewarded for their efforts in 2004 when they received the 2004 Citizen Activist Award by the National Commission Against Drunk Driving.

"The primary goal is to save lives and prevent drunk driving as a living legacy for our son. He had everything to live for."

Named the HERO Campaign, the not-for-profit effort is designed to encourage people throughout the country to participate in designated driving programs. It works in cooperation with schools, businesses, law enforcement agencies, and other community-based organizations.

In addition to the 20-member Board of Trustees, there are thousands of others involved in the project, including school administrators, police departments, the New Jersey Restaurant Association, Licensed Beverage Association, Wawa, Pepsi and CVS.

"We'd like to see it be a national campaign. We're looking to change behavior nationwide. We want to make it as easy as using a seatbelt," Elliott said, adding that Monmouth University has been the leader in creating a model that can be used on campuses throughout the U.S. "It's a turnkey program perfectly tailored for colleges" that is positive and has a clear call to action.

Monmouth University became a part of the HERO Campaign in April 2007, largely thanks to the efforts of MU's Substance Awareness Coordinator Suanne Schaad, LCADC (M.A. Psych. Couns. '01). Two months later HERO stickers were placed on all MU vehicles.

"Monmouth has done it right. The key is to have a HERO on campus, and Suanne is that HERO. She's doing such an admirable job," Bill said, adding that participation by President Gaffney and Vice President for Student Services Mary Anne Nagy has also been instrumental in making the project a success.

He added that he has used the skills he learned while earning his M.B.A. from Monmouth in 1995 in making the project so effective. "I'm a proud alumnus of your M.B.A. program."

The latest event on campus was a demonstration of the dangers of drunk-driving last October. Goggles and golf carts were used to simulate driving under the influence. Also that month the HERO logo was added to Homecoming T-shirts. In November, posters were placed in major campus locations, and the first HERO Campaign Committee Meeting was held with both students and employees.

In December an MU student won a \$100 shopping spree to Monmouth Mall for the "Best Designated Driver Story."

The University plans to put a team of graduate student volunteers together, who will go into the community and recruit local restaurants and taverns to become HERO Campaign establishments. Bill said some local bars and restaurants have agreed to offer free soft drinks to those designated HERO drivers.

The effort will work together with a training program for restaurant and tavern operators, teaching them to better handle intoxicated customers, and to ensure that they all find alternatives to driving while impaired. The owner of Tigers Tale and Chapter House restaurants, Cory Wingerter, last April addressed these concerns. "This is a very worthy cause, and our restaurants will be signing up," he said.

Schaad also said the HERO Committee is starting to work with some local high schools like Long Branch and Ocean Township, with an expected speaking engagement planned for April.

In addition, efforts are underway to make the HERO Committee a student club on campus. Right now all incoming MU freshmen receive a HERO Campaign packet in their dorm room at the start of the school year. The packet includes information on safe and sober driving alternatives, as well as a listing of local cab company phone numbers. Monmouth also provides free cab company vouchers that students can use for rides

"The ordinary man is involved in action; the hero acts—an immense difference."

-Henry Miller (1891-1980)

back to campus.

Another unique element of the program at Monmouth includes having local cab company phone numbers entered directly into student cell phone address books. Students are eligible to win a mini shopping spree at a local mall for taking the time to have the phone numbers entered into their phones.

The HERO Campaign has also implemented a "pick-a-pal" program in high schools in Atlantic County, where students carry a card displaying phone numbers of two people who can act as their designated drivers.

"The designated driver can be the life of the party," Bill said.

The Elliott family's plight has made a difference. In 2001 New Jersey passed John's Law, which allows police to impound a drunk driver's vehicle for as long as 12 hours.

John's Law II, signed by James E. McGreevey, goes a step further by giving



Signing of John's Law by New Jersey Governor Donald DiFrancesco, April 19, 2001.

municipalities the power to enact laws that require authorities to keep a drunk driver in protective custody for eight hours or until the driver's blood-alcohol level drops below .05 percent.

The U.S. Senate in 2004 passed an amendment designed to encourage states to adopt a New Jersey-style John's Law to allow police agencies to impound the vehicles of drunken drivers. The following year President Bush signed a federal John's Law that included \$120 million in incentives to states to adopt similar laws.

In 2006 Governor Jon Corzine signed a proclamation making New Jersey the first state to officially launch the HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers. Delaware and now Connecticut have implemented similar programs.

Statistics show that in 2006 there were 17,602 people killed in the United States in alcohol-related motor vehicle traffic crashes, of which 13,470 involved a blood alcohol level of 0.8 percent or higher. In New Jersey the number of deaths was 341, or 44 percent of all accidents. More than 36,000 drunk driving arrests were made in the state that same year.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, alcohol-related motor vehicle crashes kill someone every 31 minutes and nonfatally injure someone every two minutes. Traffic crashes are the number one killer of teens and over one-third of teen traffic deaths are alcohol-related.

But the HERO Campaign is re-

sponding to these startling statistics in a proactive way, instituting projects that include the distribution of decals, wristbands and ribbons; the construction of billboards; toll booth signs on the New Jersey Turnpike and Atlantic City Expressway; a HERO Campaign banner flown over the beach from Brigantine to Cape May every weekend for the past five years; a HERO Campaign booth set up at the Meadowlands stadium in Rutherford, NJ, and Citizens Bank Park in Philadelphia; an annual awareness campaign set up originally by John's sister, Jennifer, on the campus of Maryland University; and similar annual events at the University of Delaware, College of New Jersey and Drexel University.

Another response to the campaign came in 2006 when a group of 20-somethings bought a bus for \$511 from a Long Island school district to be used in the summer as a safe form of transportation to bars or clubs. One person is designated to drive the bus that has a capacity of about 15.

The possibilities seem endless, as does Elliott's energy and conviction. Also in the works are plans to organize a run from one campus to another, spreading the clear and positive message along the way.

"We can't bring him back, but we can preserve his memory in a meaningful way," said Bill, adding that "there are a lot of John Elliotts out there who need our help." **MU**

NEW JERSEY COLLECTION: A HIDDEN GEM

By Lauren Papapietro





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he newly renovated Monmouth University Library is chockfull of interesting history and noteworthy special collections including

the Juvenile Literature Collection, the Lewis Mumford Collection, and the New Jersey Collection. As its name implies, the New Jersey Collection contains books, catalogued documents, periodicals, and clippings relating to the Garden State, with particular emphasis on Monmouth County. After a period of dormancy and limited access necessitated by the recent renovation of the library, the collection has returned to the library in a prominent new location that offers greater access to the public.

The New Jersey collection, assembled over more than 30 years, boasts an excess of 3,700 items. These items include books, monographs, periodicals, directories, maps, diaries, and rarely seen photographs all related to the history of New Jersey. Together, the diverse items give researchers, students, and local residents a better understanding of the history of New Jersey and the Jersey Shore.

For scholars, the collection offers access to hard-to-find primary resources, some dating back as far as the early 1800s. Associate Professor Richard Veit, author of *Digging New Jersey's Past: Historical Archaeology in the Garden State*, described the collection as "one of the hidden gems of Monmouth University." Dr. Veit says the collection "allows the history of the state to seep into society – helping create a better understanding of New Jersey."

Since its reintroduction to the Library late last summer, the Collection has seen increased traffic from local residents and members of the Monmouth University community. Located in room 222 in the Guggenheim Wing of the Library, the collection is open to all visitors during regular library hours.

During the expansion and renova-

"Libraries are not made; they grow."

Augustine Birrell (1850-1933), English author and politician

tion of the Library, the collection was forced into off-site storage for several years. Before that, it had been housed in the former kitchen of the Guggenheim Cottage. Access to the collection in its former location was problematic. The area was secured and visitors could gain access to the collection only by signing in and attaining a key to the locked room.

The new location affords intentional scholars and casual browsers convenient access to the diverse collection. Improved public access may account for the increased popularity of the collection, says Chris Ellwood, collections manager of the Library.

The core of the New Jersey Collection was compiled by former library director Robert F. Van Benthuysen (1924-1990). An employee at Monmouth for 33 years, Van Bethuysen was for his knowledge of and contribution to the preservation of New Jersey history. A plaque on the wall just outside the room housing the collection also pays tribute to Van Benthuysen's efforts for the New Jersey Collection and the University.

Ellwood said that with its return to the library, the collection "serves the greater campus community as a rich resource for researchers exploring an array of interests and disciplines." Ellwood also said that more than 500

items have been added to the Collection catalogue since September 2006. The Collection is due to expand even more in the coming year thanks, in part, to recent accessions from the Lending Li-



region and its inhabitants. The New Jersey Collection brings history closer to students, researchers, and members of the local community.

When asked what makes the New Jersey Collection important, Ellwood

"An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest." - Benjamin Frank

widely regarded as a bibliophile and scholar. He was the author or co-author of a dozen New Jersey-themed books or pamphlets including *Monmouth County*, *New Jersey: A Bibliography of Published Works, 1676-1973, and Monmouth County, a Pictorial History.* An article in the *Asbury Park Press* noted that although "developing the New Jersey Collection was a small part of Van Benthuysen's work at the library...it became part of his life."

The New Jersey Historical Commission honored Van Benthuysen in 1979 brary of the Archaeological Society of New Jersey.

The New Jersey Collection will continue to evolve and serve as a valuable resource for understanding the history of the state. The Collection will also preserve the legacy of Van Benthuysen, as the collected material enhances the unique character of the holdings of the Monmouth University Library.

Although other colleges around the state have their own New Jersey related collections, Monmouth's collection maintains a strong focus on the shore observed, "it celebrates the diversity of a unique locale, the vast natural and cultural heritage of the Shore." **MU**

MUSICAL HAWKS

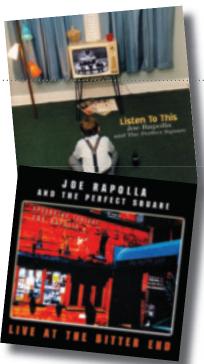
Alumni responded to the call for information about musical Hawks. Here is a small sampling of musical offerings from alumni.

Stephen Friedland '63 (Brute Force)

Friedland recently released *Tour De Brute Force*, a compilation of old and new tracks, some dating from his previous albums *Confections* and *Extemporaneous*. The CD includes the song, *King of Fuh*, with post-production and remix done by George Harrison of The Beatles. *King of Fuh* holds the title of being the rarest single released by Apple Records.

In addition to his solo efforts, Friedland was a member of The Tokens, and appears on the cover of their best known effort, *The Lion Sleeps Tonight*. Friedland is furthest on the left in the back row. Readers of the *Monmouth University Magazine* will also recognize him as the mystery man from the summer 2007 "Test your MU I.Q." contest. More information about Freidland's performances is available at www.brutesforce.com.





Joe Rapolla M.B.A. '90

Listen to This is the debut album from Joe Rapolla and The Perfect Square. Singer/ songwriter Rapolla continues to perform at many popular venues at the New Jersey Shore. His songs have been described as "a unique and seamless blend of The Beatles, Van Morrison, Matthew Sweet and Bruce Springsteen." Joe's musical roots are based in acoustic performance.

Rapolla's most recent release is *Live at the Bitter End*, capturing a December 1, 2004, performance at New York City's oldest rock club. More information about upcoming shows can be found at www.JoeRapolla.com.

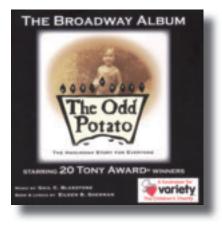
Both albums feature alumna **Diane Doolittle '82 '87**. Doolittle, who has performed with Bruce Springsteen, has also been a favorite at alumni reunion events for her impromptu musical jams.

Fred Stein '73

Between Lost and Found is the 2001 release by Fred Stein The Experiment, an evolving band of versatile musicians from the East Coast. Described as "an ambitious attempt to reflect the mirror image of all of us," the effort was favorably described in an Amazon.com review as "uplifting."

The album lyrics span the spectrum from romanticism to novelty songs. There are melodic and catchy tunes that are about money, shopping, Christmas, working, love, and one cool cat. The cool cat could possibly be Fred who appears on the back cover ready to rock-and-roll in a red tiger print shirt.





Gail Bluestone '69

In 2006 The Odd Potato Broadway Album was nominated for a Grammy Award. Based on Eileen Bluestone Sherman's children's book The Odd Potato, the story is now a fundraiser for children's charity Variety. Gail Bluestone wrote the music for the adaptation of her sister's book. The CD boasts performances by 20 Tony Award winning performers including Jim Dale, Hal Prince, John Mahoney, and Hal Linden.

Sometimes called "The Hanukkah Nutcracker" or "The Jewish Christmas Carol," The Odd Potato tells the story of the Levy family's adjustment to the first Hanukkah following their mother's death. The Odd Potato Broadway Album is narrated by Judd Hirsch and accompanied by Jay Kerr on piano. For the full story behind the 20+ year history of the book, the Emmy Award-winning television adaptation, live musical performances and the all star cast CD recording, visit www.theoddpotato.com.

Lee Lozowick '66

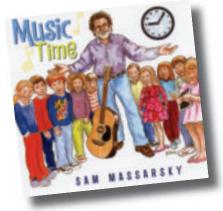
L'Ange Brisé (Broken Angel) is the second solo album from Lee Lozowick, who is a spiritual teacher and founder of the Hohm Community in Prescott, Arizona. With songs like *Changing of the Guard*, dedicated to his deceased mentor Yogi Ramsuratkumar, Lozowick fuses bluesy rock-and-roll with lyrics that recall his commitment to bringing the wisdom of the Begali Baul to American students.

Lozowick has been teaching in the *Western* Baul tradition for over thirty years. The Bauls have a strong tradition of disregard of social constraints and an unorthodox devotional tradition influenced by Hinduism, Buddhism, and Islam. The author of numerous books, Lozowick was previously a member of the rock group *Liars, Gods, and Beggars.* For more information about Lozowick's books or CDs visit www.hohmpress.com. If you are seeking enlightenment do not bother to visit www.leelozowick.com.



Kelly McDermitt '70

McDermitt's 1998 album, Labor of Love, includes ten tracks all written and performed by Kelly. You can listen to MP3 samples of five songs (Lately, Labor of Love, How Can I Lose, Oh Yesterday, and Look What You've Done) from her album at www.themanger.net. With "one of those voices that just blows you away," Kelly's album is a labor of love that many alumni will also love.



Sam Massarsky A.A.'70

Sam Massarsky's album, *Music Time*, won a 2007 iParenting Media Award for Outstanding Children's Products. The album features ten original songs in 60's Rock, Country, & Folk styles designed to inspire kids and parents to sing, dance, clap, listen, learn, have fun, & most importantly...think!

Affectionately known as "Sam the Music Man," Massarsky is a pre-school music specialist teaching classes at several Marin County preschools as well as a performer presenting children's music programs in the San Francisco Bay area. In his classes, and on his album, kids learn about manners, playing, friendships, respect, dinosaurs, the ABC's, and other "kid essentials." Visit http://cdbaby.com/cd/massarsky for song previews and more information.





SIX JOIN SPORTS HALL OF FAME



Ron Kornegay '69 '74 M, Ed Halicki '74, Henry Moore '72

ack Ford, former trustee and Emmy and Peabody-award winning journalist, was the master of ceremonies at the 2007 Sports Hall of Fame induction dinner held November 9. Ford said he was "thrilled" to help reintroduce the Hall of Fame tradition to Monmouth.

"The group that we honor tonight, coaches, educators, innovators, team leaders, record-setters, professional athletes – Olympians – they are all emblematic of what is so wonderful about college athletics," he said. "They are certainly emblematic of the quality of this University and the quality of the people that it continues to produce."

Ford introduced Monmouth basketball legend Ron Kornegay '69 '74 M, who served as Chair of the revitalized Hall of Fame. Kornegay, a member of the inaugural Sports Hall of Fame class of 1981, still holds the scoring record in Monmouth men's basketball with 2,526 points. He is also the only men's basketball player at Monmouth to have his number (22) retired.

Despite good-natured teasing about

Christie Pearce Rampone '99



L-R: Ed Halicki, Wendy Boglioli, Christie Pearce Rampone, Doris Steadman, Abe Schwartz, James LaRusso.

Kornegay "being the most exciting player I ever saw when I was in grammar school," Ford said, "He is one of the great athletes of all-time in the State of New Jersey."

Kornegay welcomed guests to the

third induction ceremony, promising a more regular schedule, since the last induction took place in 1984. He thanked President Gaffney and Athletics Director and Vice President Marilyn McNeil for "their support and commitment to

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re-establishing this outstanding and worthwhile event."

After recognizing past inductees and members of the Hall of Fame Committee, Kornegay introduced the members of the class of 2007. The roster includes Wendy Boglioli (Swimming), Edward Halicki '74 (Baseball and Basketball), James LaRusso '70 (Baseball), Christie Pearce Rampone '99 (Soccer), and Abe Schwartz (Administration/Coaching). Boglioli and Pearce Rampone are both Olympic medal winners.

Richard Steadman (Coach/Swimming, Diving, Waterpolo) was inducted into the Hall of Fame posthumously. His award was accepted by his widow Doris Steadman. Also representing the family were son Rick Steadman '72 and daughters Nancy Martin '76 and Susan LeGlise '69 '75 M. LeGlise, a champion diver, is also a member of the Hall of Fame, inducted into the class of 1981.

The Monmouth University Sports Hall of Fame was established in 1981 to recognize, honor, and perpetuate the achievements of members of the Monmouth University family who have made outstanding contributions to Monmouth University athletics. These individuals have helped to bring recognition, honor, distinction, and excellence to Monmouth University and its athletic programs.

RAMPONE NAMED CAPTAIN OF NATIONAL TEAM



hristie Pearce Rampone was named captain of the U.S. National Women's Team by Head Coach Pia Sundhage in January. With the appointment, Rampone succeeds Kristine Lilly becoming the ninth official captain in the 23-year history of the U.S. National Team. She has been a member of the team since 1997.

Rampone, who starred at Monmouth from 1993-96, was named the Northeast Conference Player of the Year in both 1995 and 1996, while leading the Hawks to backto-back NEC regular season and tournament championships. She still holds all of Monmouth's scoring records, including career points (212), goals (79) and assists (54).

At her induction into the Sports Hall of Fame Jack Ford called her "arguably the greatest athlete in the history of Monmouth." Ford

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also noted that she was a four-year basketball player and still holds the record for women's basketball steals.

She is an Olympic Gold and Silver medal winner, a Gold Medal winner in the 1999 World Cup, and is a founding member of the U.S. Women's Soccer League.

The U.S. Soccer Federation, governing body of soccer in the United States, recently observed that Rampone "has quietly built one of the most impressive international careers in U.S. history, starting 148 of the 176 games she has played, and appearing in the past three Women's World Cups and two Olympic Games."

In January, Rampone and the U.S. Women's National Team scored a 1-0 victory over China to win the 2008 Four Nations Tournament.

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2008 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

DAY/DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	
Fri., Feb. 29	East Carolina University	Away	5:00 PM
Sat., Mar. 1	East Carolina University	Away	2:00 PM
Sun., Mar. 2	East Carolina University	Away	1:00 PM
Fri., Mar. 7	University of Central Florida	Away	6:30 PM
Sat., Mar. 8	University of Central Florida	Away	1:00 PM
Sun., Mar. 9	University of Central Florida	Away	1:00 PM
Mon., Mar. 10	University of Pennsylvania in Boca Raton, FL	Away	TBA
Wed., Mar. 12	Florida Atlantic University	Away	7:00 PM
Fri., Mar. 14	Navy	Away	3:00 PM
Sat., Mar. 15	Duquesne University in Annapolis, MD	Away	11:00 AM
Sun., Mar. 16	University of Maine in Annapolis, MD	Away	11:00 AM
Thu., Mar. 20	St. Peter's College	Away	3:30 PM
Fri., Mar. 21	UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT	HOME	2:00 PM
Sat., Mar. 22	UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT (DH)	HOME	12:00 NOON
Wed., Mar. 26	TEMPLE UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:00 PM
Fri., Mar. 28	NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	HOME	3:00 PM
Sat., Mar. 29	New Jersey Institute of Technology	Away	1:00 PM
Sun., Mar. 30	NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	HOME	1:00 PM
Tue., Apr. 1	PRINCETON UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:30 PM
Wed., Apr. 2	RUTGERS UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:00 PM
Fri., Apr. 4	*Sacred Heart University	Away	3:00 PM
Sat., Apr. 5	*Sacred Heart University (DH)	Away	12:00 NOON
Sun., Apr. 6	*Sacred Heart University	Away	12:00 NOON
Tue., Apr. 8	Princeton University	Away	3:30 PM
Wed., Apr. 9	LAFAYETTE COLLEGE	HOME	3:30 PM
Fri., Apr. 11		Away	3:30 PM 3:00 PM
Sat., Apr. 12	*Wagner College *Wagner College (DH)		
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Sun., Apr. 13	*Wagner College RIDER UNIVERSITY	Away HOME	12:00 NOON 3:30 PM
Tue., Apr. 15			
Fri., Apr. 18	*QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:00 PM
Sat., Apr. 19	*QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY (DH)	HOME	12:00 NOON
Sun., Apr. 20	*QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY	HOME	12:00 NOON
Tue., Apr. 22	Rider University	Away	3:30 PM
Wed., Apr. 23	St. Peter's College	Away	3:30 PM
Fri., Apr. 25	*Central Connecticut State University	Away	3:00 PM
Sat., Apr. 26	*Central Connecticut State University (DH)	Away	12:00 NOON
Sun., Apr. 27	*Central Connecticut State University	Away	1:00 PM
Wed., Apr. 30	Rutgers University	Away	3:30 PM
Fri., May. 2	*MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:00 PM
Sat., May. 3	*MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY (DH)	HOME	12:00 NOON
Sun., May. 4	*MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY	HOME	12:00 NOON
Fri., May. 9	*FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:00 PM
Sat., May. 10	*FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY (DH)	HOME	12:00 NOON
Sun., May. 11	*FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY	HOME	12:00 NOON
Fri., May. 16	*Long Island University	Away	3:00 PM
Sat., May. 17	*Long Island University (DH)	Away	12:00 NOON
Sun., May. 18	*Long Island University	Away	12:00 NOON
Thu., May. 22 -	NEC Tournament, Atlantic City, NJ	Away	TBA
Sat., May. 24	NEC Tournament, Atlantic City, NJ	Away	TBA

2008 SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

DAY/DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Mon., Mar. 10	Rebel Games, Orlando, FL	Away	TBA
Sat., Mar. 15	Rebel Games, Orlando, FL	Away	TBA
Tue., Mar. 18	Stony Brook University	Away	3:00 PM
Fri., Mar. 21	MONMOUTH INVITATIONAL VS MAINE & UNIV OF PENN	HOME	TBA
Sat., Mar. 22	MONMOUTH INVITATIONAL VS MAINE & UNIV OF PENN	HOME	TBA
Wed., Mar. 26	St. John's University	Away	3:00 PM
Sat., Mar. 29	*Fairleigh Dickinson University	Away	1:00 PM
Sun., Mar. 30	*Sacred Heart University	Away	12:00 NOON
Wed., Apr. 2	Seton Hall University	Away	3:30 PM
Sat., Apr. 5	*MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Sun., Apr. 6	RIDER UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Wed., Apr. 9	MANHATTAN COLLEGE	HOME	3:00 PM
Sat., Apr. 12	*WAGNER COLLEGE	HOME	1:00 PM
Sun., Apr. 13	*LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY	HOME	12:00 NOON
Wed., Apr. 16	RUTGERS UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:00 PM
Sat., Apr. 19	*Robert Morris University	Away	1:00 PM
Sun., Apr. 20	*St. Francis University (PA)	Away	12:00 NOON
Thu., Apr. 24	St. Peter's College	Away	3:00 PM
Sat., Apr. 26	*CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Sun., Apr. 27	*QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY	HOME	12:00 NOON
Thu., May. 1	Columbia University	Away	3:00 PM
Fri., May. 9	NEC Championship	TBA	TBA
Sat., May. 10	NEC Championship	TBA	TBA
Sun., May. 18-	NCAA Championships	TBA	TBA
Tue., May. 20	NCAA Championships	TBA	TBA

*Northeast Conference Game

Head Coach: Carol Sullivan Assistant Coaches: Gregory Lamanna, Michele O'Toole







*Northeast Conference Games

Head Coach - Dean Ehehalt

Asst. Coaches - Jeff Barbalinardo, Chuck Ristano, Mike Campagna

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2008 MEN'S GOLF SCHEDULE

DAY/DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Mon., Mar. 10 -	Spring Trip, PGA Village, Port St. Lucia, FL	Away	8:00 AM
Sat., Mar. 15	Spring Trip, PGA Village, Port St. Lucia, FL	Away	8:00 AM
Fri., Mar. 21	George Washington Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
	Bear Trap Dunes, Bethany Beach, DE		
Sat., Mar. 22	George Washington Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
	Bear Trap Dunes, Bethany Beach, DE		
Sat., Apr. 12	Lafayette Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
	Center Valley Club, Center Valley, PA		
Sun., Apr. 13	Lafayette Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
	Center Valley Club, Center Valley, PA		
Fri., Apr. 18	Mount St. Mary's Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
	Quail Valley Golf Club, Littlestown, PA		
Sat., Apr. 19	Mount St. Mary's Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
	Quail Valley Golf Club, Littlestown, PA		
Tue., Apr. 22	St. Peter's Invitational	Away	10:00 AM
	Neshanic Valley Golf Club, Neshanic Station NJ		
Tue., Apr. 29	MU HAWK INVITATIONAL	HOME	1:30 PM
	DEAL GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, DEAL, NJ		
Fri., May. 2	NEC Championship	Away	8:00 AM
	Hershey Links, Hershey, PA		
Sat., May. 3	NEC Championship	Away	8:00 AM
	Hershey Links, Hershey, PA		
Sun., May. 4	NEC Championship	Away	8:00 AM
	Hershey Links, Hershey, PA		
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2008 MEN'S TENNIS SCHEDULE

DAY/DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Fri., Jan. 18	Army Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
Sat., Jan. 19	Army Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
Sun., Jan. 20	Army Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
Fri., Feb. 1	Queens College	Away	12:00 NOON
Sun., Feb. 17	Concordia College	Away	2:00 PM
Sat., Mar. 1	Army	Away	9:30 AM
Tue., Mar. 11	Barry University, Miami Shores, FL	Away	3:00 PM
Thu., Mar. 27	Villanova University	Away	2:30 PM
Sat., Mar. 29	St. Johns University	Away	3:00 PM
Wed., Apr. 2	Hofstra University	Away	3:00 PM
Fri., Apr. 4	*Quinnipiac University	Away	3:30 PM
Sat., Apr. 5	*Sacred Heart University	Away	10:00 AM
Sun., Apr. 6	*NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	HOME	12:00 NOON
Tue., Apr. 8	*FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY	HOME	3:00 PM
Sun., Apr. 13	*MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Tue., Apr. 15	*ST. PETER'S COLLEGE	HOME	3:30 PM
Fri., Apr. 18	NEC Championship, Mercer County Park	Away	10:00 AM
Sat., Apr. 19	NEC Championship, Mercer County Park	Away	10:00 AM
Sun., Apr. 20	NEC Championship, Mercer County Park	Away	10:00 AM

*Northeast Conference Game Head Coach: Mickey Cook







Head Coach: Dennis Shea

2008 WOMEN'S LACROSSE SCHEDULE

DAY/DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Fri., Feb. 29	COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Sun., Mar. 2	LA SALLE UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Fri., Mar. 7	Le Moyne College	Away	3:00 PM
Sun., Mar. 9	BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY	HOME	12:00 NOON
Thu., Mar. 13	St. Mary's College	Away	3:30 PM
Sun., Mar. 16	STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Thu., Mar. 20	*Sacred Heart University	Away	4:00 PM
Sat., Mar. 22	*Quinnipiac University	Away	12:00 NOON
Fri., Mar. 28	*CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY	HOME	4:00 PM
Sun., Mar. 30	IONA COLLEGE	HOME	1:00 PM
Fri., Apr. 4	Villanova University	Away	7:00 PM
Sun., Apr. 6	*LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Wed., Apr. 9	Rutgers University	Away	7:00 PM
Fri., Apr. 11	*St. Francis University (PA)	Away	6:00 PM
Sun., Apr. 13	*Robert Morris University	Away	12:00 NOON
Fri., Apr. 18	*WAGNER COLLEGE	HOME	4:00 PM
Sun., Apr. 20	*MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY	HOME	1:00 PM
Fri., Apr. 25	NEC Championship - Semifinals	TBA	TBA
Sun., Apr. 27	NEC Championship - Final	TBA	TBA

*Northeast Conference Game

Head Coach: Kelly Van Zile

Assistant Coaches: Brianne Tierney, Sarah Masterson

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NEW FIELD HOCKEY TURF GETS A "SWEET" NAME



Jane Freed '81 and members of the field hockey team.

onmouth University's new field hockey turf is now the "So Sweet A Cat" field, named in memory of a horse owned by alumna Jane Freed (Anthro. '81), who recently made a generous donation to the Department of Athletics.

"This is the first major capital gift made by a woman for women, and we are excited and delighted that Jane has made such a commitment to us," said Dr. Marilyn McNeil, vice president and director of athletics. "We look forward to great field hockey success on 'So Sweet a Cat' field."

This project was also made possible by another generous donation by West Long Branch resident, Kathleen Stefanelli.

The field, located between Kessler Field and the Monmouth University Softball Complex, was dedicated October 12 before the game between the Hawks and Saint Francis [Pa.] and Fan Appreciation Day.

The name, "So Sweet A Cat," is taken from a poem titled "Mistress Gurton's Cat: A Domestic Tale" by Mary Darby Robinson. The horse of that name was a mare that won her first race as a twoyear old, and her last race as a five-year old, with earnings totaling \$432,704. The horse also claimed a win at Saratoga Park and was named Horse of the Year in 2004 at the Finger Lakes. WMCX ADDS BILINGUAL PROGRAM



onmouth University's radio station WMCX-FM 88.9 has broadened its scope, adding in November a new bilingual program devoted to Hispanic issues and interests.

"We are thrilled to have a Spanish-language program for our students and the surrounding community," said President Paul G. Gaffney.

The addition is part of the Department of Foreign Language Studies and features music, news, cultural events, and interviews with prominent members of the Hispanic community.

The show, run by students at the university, airs Tuesdays from 9 to 10 A.M. Student announcers and reporters include Esmeria Paulino, Alexandra Perez, Cynthia Soto, and Alexis Trujillo.

Carlos Abad from Monmouth's Department of Foreign Language Studies is coordinating the program in collaboration with Aaron Furgason from the school's Department of Communication.

INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR ALBREHT

van Albreht's hard work as an artist has paid off as evidenced at the Fourth World Ceramic Biennale 2007 Korea.

Monmouth University specialist professor of Art & Design received a Special Prize award in the category of Ceramics as Expression. His winning piece, *Stack*, is now in the permanent museum collection at the Icheon World Ceramic Center.

The title of Albrecht's work partially describes its visual appearance: a series of identical faces that appear like rubber masks is presented neatly stacked in a pile.



The World Ceramic Biennale features the world's best ceramic artists focused on defining new values and creative direction for the 21st century ceramic arts.



SWEENEY HONORED WITH LIBERTY AWARD



Dr. Sweeney with Regis Philbin. © www.SullivanSnaps.com

r. Monica Sweeney, who has been a Monmouth University Trustee since 2006, was one of 10 recipients of the 2007 *New York Post* Liberty Medal in October.

The Community Medal was given to Sweeney to recognize her nearly 20 years of work in Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brooklyn, educating residents about AIDS prevention and health care. She is an assistant city health commissioner for HIV prevention.

While educating New York residents, Sweeney was responsible for expediting the passage of New York's "Baby AIDS Law," which offers testing and counseling to every pregnant woman in the state and requires every newborn to be tested for the disease.

The award was presented at a reception at the New York Academy of Sciences, which overlooks Ground Zero. The medals were first awarded in 2001 to honor the city's heroes following the 9-11 attacks.

Television host Regis Philbin was the Master of Ceremonies for the event which honored "unsung stars" and "everyday heroes who go the extra mile and enrich our lives with their spirit, ingenuity and compassion."

In 1998 Sweeney was inaugurated as president of the Medical Society of the County of Kings, serving as the first black woman president of the organization.



HITCHNER ELECTED TO BOARD



enneth W. Hitchner, III was elected at the October 24 meeting to the Monmouth University Board of Trustees to the class of 2011. Mr. Hitchner is

a partner and managing director of the Global Healthcare Practice Group of Goldman Sachs, a leading global investment banking, securities and investment management firm.

Mr. Hitchner joined Goldman Sachs in 1992 as a member of the Corporate Finance Department, and in 1995 he became a founding member of the healthcare group. In 1998 he assumed responsibility for heading Goldman Sachs' global medical device banking practice, and the global pharmaceutical banking practice in 2001.

He became a managing director in 2001 and a partner in 2002. Mr. Hitchner currently serves as the co-chief operating officer for the healthcare group.

Hitchner served the United States Navy with distinction as a naval aviator, including two tours of duty in the Persian Gulf. During his naval career, he was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal, and was a fighter bomber pilot aboard the USS Enterprise, tactical jet flight instructor, and aide to a two star general in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Hitchner and his wife Leslie, are contributors to Prevention First, Rumson Country Day School, and Teach for America, which is a national corps of recent outstanding college graduates who commit to teach two years in urban and rural public schools and to become leaders in an effort to expand educational opportunity.



Charles and Trudy Parton with Vanessa Buhler at the spring 2007 Scholarship Reception.

LIFE TRUSTEE PARTON NAMED TO IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

Iniversity Board member and former Chair Charles T. Parton HN '01, was appointed in January to a position on the Monmouth County Improvement Authority (MCIA).

Mr. Parton has been active in banking for more than 40 years, and currently serves as Chairman of Community Partners Bancorp, the holding company for Two River Community Bank and The Town Bank. His term on the Improvement Authority will run through February 1, 2010.

The Authority was formed in 1986 by the Board of Chosen Freeholders to explore cost-saving alternatives to the traditional methods of public capital finance for municipalities, boards of education, local and regional utility authorities and other local and county government entities.

For more than 20 years the MCIA has saved taxpayers tens of millions of dollars helping to maintain a high quality of life for County residents through capital projects it has financed including Open Space preservation programs. The MCIA has surpassed the \$1 billion mark in financing the capital needs of municipalities, county government entities and school districts as well as local and regional utility authorities.

Mr. Parton is a Life Trustee of the University, and has served on the Board since 1987. In 1992 he was awarded the Maurice Pollak Award for Distinguished Community Service. Mr. Parton and his wife Trudy are Four Pillar members of Monmouth University.

As members of the *President's Soci*ety (annual giving of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year,) *Legacy Society* (gifts of \$50,000 or more to establish an endowment,) *Vision Society* (lifetime giving of \$100,000 or more) and the *Shadow Lawn Society* (recognizing lifetime and estate gifts,) the Partons have demonstrated a deep commitment to supporting Monmouth University's educational mission.

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POZYCKI NAMED PUBLIC SERVANT IN RESIDENCE



s Monmouth University's new Public Servant in Residence for the 2007-2008 academic year, Harry S. Pozycki will give several lectures and participate in on-campus classes.

The public servant in residence program, coordinated by the Office of Academic Program Initiatives and the Department of Political Science, was created in 2000 to provide a venue for public officials who wish to share their expertise with students and the campus community at Monmouth.

Pozycki, brother of alumnus and Trustee Steven J. Pozycki '73, is the founder and chairman of the Center for Civic Responsibility and its Citizens' Campaign, a non-partisan and nonideological movement empowering citizens to take responsibility for rebuilding our nation's culture of public service standards.

The Citizens' Campaign's "Academy for Citizen Empowerment" has over 100 volunteer teachers who teach citizens about the legal rights and political skills they need to bring constructive, responsible leadership to the service of our communities and our country. Citizens who take the training are also equipped with a resource book called The Citizens Manual: Paths to Power for Regular Citizens, written by Pozycki, describing the legal paths to citizen power.

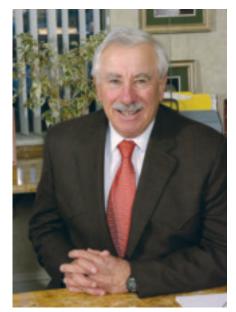
The Citizens' Campaign has secured adoption of local and state laws to improve the integrity and cost-effectiveness of government contracting, and has advanced a revolutionary citizen empowerment civics curriculum that was created by Mr. Pozycki in partnership with the University of Pennsylvania.

Pozycki is a graduate of Brown University and holds a law degree from Fordham Law School. In 1973 he founded a law firm specializing in growth planning and environmental law. He then served as the chairman of the committee that drafted and gained adoption of New Jersey's Fair Housing Act. Together with David Frizell, he co-authored an encyclopedia of Land Use Law (West Publishing Co. 1989), and is credited by Governor Tom Kean for his leadership in developing and gaining passage of "The State Planning Act."

In 1992, after serving in a number of local political and governmental positions, Pozycki was elected to chair the Middlesex County Democrats, reputedly the most powerful county political party organization in New Jersey. In 1995 he was elected to a county government position with executive and legislative power serving 750,000 residents, where he drafted and gained adoption of a "Code of Conduct" requiring government competitive hiring and competitive leasing. In 1997 Pozycki and his wife, Caroline, founded the Center for Civic Responsibility, a nonpartisan, non-profit organization which serves as the prime sponsor of the Citizens' Campaign. Pozycki is a full-time volunteer.

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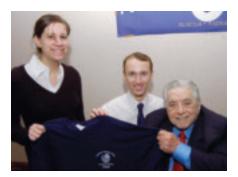
eorge Harms, founder and CEO of George Harms Construction Co., Inc., will be honored at the Distinguished Business Leaders Dinner to be held on March 5, 2008. Now in its 48th year, Harms is one of the leading and most highly respected heavy highway construction companies in New Jersey. With 250 employees and annual revenue of \$85 million, George Harms Construction, Inc. reflects the entrepreneurial spirit and team approach



of its chief executive officer.

After completing critical New Jersey infrastructure projects like the Route 9 Bridge and the Route 35 Victory Bridge, both over the Raritan River, Harms has been awarded the largest project ever awarded by the New Jersey Department of Transportation, the \$140 million replacement of the Route 52 causeway in Ocean City and Somers Point. Established in 1983, the Distinguished Business Leaders Dinner pays tribute to individuals or groups who have made an outstanding contribution to the tri-state business community.





SENATOR PALAIA HONORED

embers of the Political Science Club held a reception in December honoring Senator Joseph Palaia HN '99, who retired from public office at the end of his term in 2007. Palaia, who served as Senate President Pro Tempore since 1994, was made an honorary member of the Political Science Club and presented with a University Captain's Chair and a T-shirt.

Newly elected members of the State Assembly from the 11th district, David Rible and Mary Pat Angelini, paid tribute to Palaia's many contributions over a long and distinguished career. Palaia's political resume includes service as a councilman, mayor, county freeholder, and assemblyman before becoming the 11th district state senator in 1989.

Senator Palaia good-naturedly teased Vice President for Administrative Services Patricia Swannack at the event. Swannack was a student at Wanamassa Elementary School when Palaia served as teacher and principal before entering political life. Swannack in turn thanked Senator Palaia for his work on behalf of Monmouth, including assistance with the student underpass and help securing state funding for the Multipurpose Athletic Center (MAC).

Palaia urged student members of the Political Science Club to "not give up on our political system," even as he acknowledged that money and a constant need for campaign fundraising was driving many good young people out of politics.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AWARD FOR PRESIDENT GAFFNEY

President Gaffney received the Firepower Award from the Picatinny Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA) on November 15, 2007, for his outstanding contribution to the defense of our country. He was also a guest speaker at the event held at The Skylands in Randolph, NJ.

The intent of the award is to increase awareness on the part of NDIA members, other government and industry personnel, and the general public of the significant roles played by the recipients in support of a strong defense preparedness posture.

President Gaffney spoke to the 500 assembled guests about the "great community-wide effort of Army employees, local industry, civic organizations, Congressional representatives and staff, all pulling in the same direction during the 2005 Base Closure review." He also mentioned the Picatinny Arsenal's commitment to work across all military departments and its great contribution as "America's Arsenal."

\$1 MILLION FOR RAPID RESPONSE

Monmouth University's Rapid Response Institute (RRI) has been awarded a \$1 million contract from the Department of Defense to develop the first phase of an All Hazards Tool and Exercise Deployment Program.

Phase 1 will develop the specifications and requirements for an All Hazards Software Exercise Tool aimed at improving military effectiveness and National Guard preparedness.

The proposed effort addresses the development of an exercise system (that can be implemented and replicated throughout the military, guard and the world) that most effectively ensures a rapid response to all hazards whether natural (flood, fire, earthquake), manmade (sabotage, accidental), the fight on terrorism or an act of war.

The program would enable military personnel to create and maintain their own exercises and plans of action designed for their location and potential threats.

The Rapid Response Institute works with the military, including Fort Monmouth and Fort Dix, to develop a coordinated communications system that will allow local, county, regional, state and federal agencies to exchange information and thus respond more effectively to a biological or chemical attack, disease outbreak or a natural disaster.

While the current goal is regional and statewide use, university officials have said the center ultimately would be able to exchange data worldwide, assess danger elsewhere and decide whether that danger could affect New Jersey residents.

MOODY'S BUMPS BOND RATING

oody's Investors Service upgraded Monmouth's bond rating in September 2007 to A3 from Baa1. Moody's cited a "strong and consistent" operating performance including a 14-percent increase in freshman applications since 2002.

Years of careful fiscal management also contributed to the positive revision. Moody's noted that financial reserves of \$93.5 million at the end of the 2006 fiscal year represented an increase of 46 percent over the previous four years.

Success in the Vision for Distinction capital campaign that raised \$51 million was cited in an earlier upgrade in April 2007 by Standard & Poor's from BBB to BBB+.

A Moody's rating of a public entity is much like an individual's credit rating. The more credit worthy a school is, the lower the interest rate it is likely to pay on debt, and the greater the long-term savings to the institution. Ratings strive to present objective opinion regarding

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the likely direction of any medium-term rating actions, typically based on an 18month horizon.

GENDER STUDIES CONFERENCE

He Gender Research Center in collaboration with Counseling and Psychological Services, the Department of Athletics, and The Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences hosted a Gender Studies Conference, "Our Daughters, Our Sons, Ourselves: Creating a Healthy Image" on November 16, 2007.

Dr. Diane Levin, author of the book, So Sexy, So Soon, and co-founder of the Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood was the keynote speaker.

Conference workshops included: "Play Fair: Ponytails on First Base"; "Mean Girls and Boys"; "Talking to Kids About Sex"; "Media and Body Image"; "Holistic Approaches to Well-Being"; and "Psychologically Speaking: Living Well." Workshop presenters included Judy Sweet, senior vice president for championships and education services at the NCAA; Dr. Don Erwin of Monmouth Psychological Associates; Karen Gillespie of 180 Turning Lives Around; and Stephanie Martel of Vibrant Health and Wellness.

MACE PANEL DISCUSSION NOW ONLINE



overage of the September MACE Symposium, Following the Money: the Media and the Financial World, aired nationally on C-SPAN in November and December. Panelists discussed how reporters cover business and the recent purchase of Dow Jones and Co., parent of the Wall Street Journal, by Rupert Murdoch, and its impact on the media and financial world.

Symposium participants included Myron Kandel, financial editor and anchor, CNN Financial News; Andrew Serwer, Fortune Magazine editor and CNN commentator; Anne Thompson, chief correspondent, NBC News; David Kansas, editor of Money & Investing for the Wall Street Journal; George Kolber, chairman and CEO, WestView Capital Partners; Ara K. Hovnanian, president and CEO, Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc; and David Wilson, editor of Bloomberg News. Mr. Wilson was moderator.

The panel discussion is available for viewing over the internet via stream-

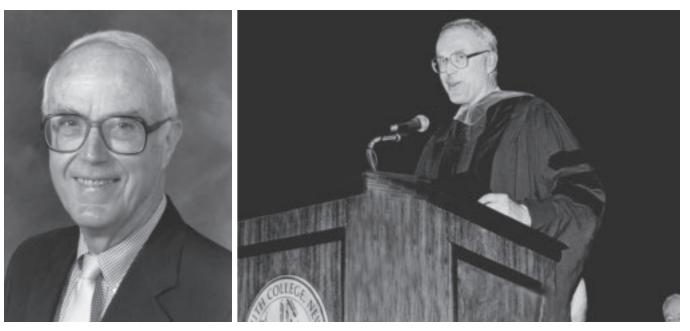


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http://www.c-spanarchives.org Following the panel discussion, Myron Kandel received the national MACE Award, and radio host "Big Joe" Henry was honored with the first Regional Award for Communication Excellence.



WILLIAM D. WARTERS, PH.D.



ife Trustee Emeritus and recipient of the 2000 President's Vision Award, William D. Warters, Ph.D., died October 23, 2007, at the age of 79.

Dr. Warters was elected to Monmouth's Board in 1970 and served as chairman of the board from 1976 to 1983. He was elected a Life Trustee in 1996 and was made Life Trustee Emeritus in 2006.

"Bill Warters truly was a friend of the university," said Freed Foundation Professor in the Social Sciences/Professor of Anthropology Bill Mitchell.

"Moreover, as Chairman of the Board he was a crucial person during the faculty strike in 1977 and subsequently worked to improve the quality of everyone involved with Monmouth. I consider him as one of the persons who helped turn Monmouth around to become the place it is today," Mitchell added.

Born and raised in Des Moines, Iowa, Dr. Warters graduated from Harvard College in 1949 and received his Ph.D. in physics in 1953 from California Institute of Technology. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and of Sigma Xi. In 1953 he began his 30year career with Bell Telephone Labs in Holmdel, NJ, where he was responsible for the development of the Telstar 3 communications satellites and of the WT4 millimeter waveguide transmission system.

Dr. Warters was named a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers for his work on multimode waveguide systems. In 1983, as part of the breakup of the Bell System, he joined Bellcore (later Telcordia Technologies), where he directed the Network Technology Research Laboratory until his retirement in 1988.

He was very involved in community affairs. He worked with the Monmouth Arts Foundation in the 1950s and 60s to present professional concerts and plays in the Red Bank area. In 1971 he became the first president of the newly formed Monmouth County Arts Council, completing his three-year tenure with the purchase of the Carlton Theatre (now the Count Basie Theatre) in December 1973.

He received an honorary doctor of laws from Monmouth College in 1986. He served as a trustee of the Monmouth Conservation Foundation 1982-2002, as a member of the Middletown Township Planning Board 1990-2006, and on the Monmouth County Planning Board as a member 1988-2006, and vice chairman 2006-2007. Since 2006, he had served on the Boards of the Monmouth Conservatory of Music and the Red Bank Chamber Music Society.

Warters was predeceased by his mother, Lurene A. Warters of Cherokee, Iowa; and his father, Dennis N. Warters of Winnipeg, Canada. He is survived by his sister, Mary Ellen Warters of Bakersfield, Calif.; his wife, Margaret R. Warters; their two sons, John B. of Newport News, Va., and William D. Jr. of Tucson, Ariz.; and four grandchildren, Sam of San Antonio, Texas, and Alice, Mary, and Harrison of Newport News.

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RELIGIOUS LEADER VISITS CAMPUS

is Holiness Karekin II, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, included a visit to Monmouth University on October 29, 2007, as part of his pontifical visit to the Armenian Dioceses of North America.

A special reception was held in his honor with parishioners of the St. Stepanos Armenian Church in the Elberon section of Long Branch. St. Stepanos is celebrating its 20th anniversary. Long Branch Mayor Adam Schneider, Red Bank Mayor Pasqual Menna and state Senator Joseph Kyrillos were in attendance and presented resolutions to Karekin II. Also in attendance were Mr. & Mrs. Kevork Hovnanian, benefactors of St. Stepanos Church and friends of Monmouth University.

Trustee Tavit O. Najarian thanked President and Mrs. Gaffney for understanding the importance of the visit and being such gracious hosts for the unprecedented event. "This visit by the head of the Armenian Church to an academic institution outside Armenia is a rare and auspicious event," Dr. Najarian said.

"His Holiness was able to spend quality time with American academicians and politicians during the visit." Dr. Najarian said, adding, "This is a real feather in the cap for Monmouth University."

Karekin II is the current head of the Holy Armenian Apostolic Church and chief shepherd of the world's seven million Armenian Apostolic Christians. He is the 132nd leader in a tradition that stretches back more than 1,700 years. Armenians trace their church to the Year 301, when Armenia became the first nation to officially adopt Christianity.

Earlier in his visit Karekin II was invited to offer the opening prayer for the



day's session of the 110th Congress of the United States House of Representatives. During his prayer the Catholicos of All Armenians asked legislators to "remember the victims of the Genocide of the Armenians, the consequences of which are still felt by the entire world in new manifestations of genocide."

The plea came on the same day the Congressional Foreign Affairs Committee passed House Resolution 106, recognizing the Armenian Genocide. The current government of Turkey says that while many on both sides died amid the violence of World War I, including many innocent victims on both sides, the action by Turks against Armenians was not genocide.

Despite the attempt to gain political support from the United States for formal recognition of genocide against Armenians by the Ottoman Empire beginning in 1915, the overall visit was primarily pastoral in nature.

Peter Haytaian, who attended the event with his parents John and Marie, was enthusiastic about the Supreme Patriarch and his mission to America. Peter was particularly impressed by the



Dr. Tavit Najarian, President Gaffney, and Kevork Hovnanian greet His Holiness Karekin II.

roster of very small parishes that were included in the official visit.

The visit was possible thanks to arrangements made by His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate of the Armenian Church of the Eastern Diocese. Dr. Najarian also lauded the efforts of the Very Rev. Fr. Mamigon Kiledjian of St. Stepanos Church and Monmouth University's Susan Doctorian as "instrumental in securing the pontifical visit."



33RD ANNUAL HOLIDAY BALL



Mary Farrar, a long time member of the Library Association, Jan Connolly, director of Special Events, and Douglas P. Stives, CPA

oodrow Wilson Hall was transformed into an enchanted forest for the 33rd annual Holiday Ball and "Celebration of Trees" on December 1, 2007. Proceeds from the event, which was founded by the Monmouth University Library Association, are used to support the educational mission of the University.

For the past 15 years, Susan Musica, a professional holiday designer, has donated her time and talent to transform Wilson Hall into a winter wonderland, complete with trees decorated with her personal ornament collection. This year, in addition to the 16 individually decorated trees, she also designed and created each of the 36 table centerpieces.

In recognition of her 15 years of service to the event, Susan was surprised with a Certificate of Congressional Recognition from the US House of Representatives, presented by President Gaffney.

A check for \$45,000 was presented to President Gaffney by members of the Monmouth University Library Association: Diane Cusa, Allenhurst, President of the association, and Mary Weir, Oceanport, immediate past president. Since its inception, the



Members of the Monmouth University Library Association



Monmouth University Library Association has donated nearly \$3 million to the University.

Karl Gordinier, Jr. '62, president of Gordinier Resource Management, was Master of Ceremonies for the event. In recognition of his more than 30 years of service to Monmouth and the community, Gordinier received the Communities and Humanities Award

at the 2005 Holiday Ball.

More than 300 guests enjoyed the black-tie gala which included a silent auction, dinner and dancing. Douglas P. Stives, a CPA and member of the Monmouth faculty, was the winner of the 50/50 raffle. In keeping with the philanthropic nature of the event, Mr. Stives donated his winnings to the University.

Heather McCulloch Mistretta

UCEAN CHAMPIONS Honored

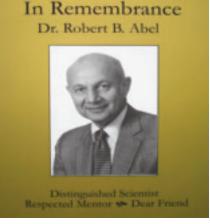
mprovement of coastal and ocean literacy was the focus of the Urban Coast Institute's (UCI) third annual Ocean Future Symposium held last October at Monmouth University's Wilson Hall. At a luncheon the same day, Champions of the Ocean were honored for their leadership efforts.

Entitled "The Future of an Ocean Literate Society: Building Communities for Action," the UCI called on the media and other non-traditional means of communication to make the public more aware of the problems facing our coastal and ocean waters.

UCI Director Tony MacDonald, said, "There is currently no overarching state ocean policy or plan to assure a proper balance between the demands of offshore energy, wind farms, navigation and other productive uses, and the need for conservation of important habitats, fisheries productivity, and biodiversity." He added that the state agencies like the Department of Environmental Protection, Smart Growth and Community Affairs, Commerce and Tourism, and Transportation and Agriculture need to work together.

MacDonald was recently named to the National Research Council Ocean Studies Board committee, a United States Coast Guard-sponsored project examining the effectiveness of international and national efforts to prevent and reduce marine debris by President and CEO of Aquarium of the Pacific, Dr. Jerry Schubel and Director of The Lobster Hatchery in Stonington, ME, Ted Ames, were both given the Champion of the Ocean Awards in response to their tireless efforts to combat threats to the ocean and global fishery ecosystem.

President Paul Gaffney called Schubel "a champion of the first order" and commended Ames for his unique blend as a scientist and fisherman, her-



alding him as "a complete package."

Schubel holds a master's from Harvard University and a Ph.D. in oceanography from Johns Hopkins University. He has published more than 200 scientific papers and is the author or editor of several books, including *The Living Chesapeake* and is co-author of *Garbage & Trash: Can We Convert Mountains Into Molebills*?

Ames is the recipient of a 2005 "genius" grant fellowship from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. According to a 2006 profile in *The New Yorker*, "his novel



Dr. Jerry Schubel and President Gaffney



Kathy Schubel, Dr. Jerry Schubel, Mrs. Margaret Schubel, Tony MacDonald, Robin Alden, executive director of the Penobscot East Resource Center, and Ted Ames.

accomplishment is to have identified lapsed spawning grounds and discrete populations of ancestral fish among an aggregation that had always been assumed to be monolithic, and therefore manageable, like a crop."

The Coastal & Ocean Leadership Award was posthumously given to Stevens Institute of Technology Professor Robert Abel, who died October 10, 2007. Gaffney called him "a brilliant scientist" and "admired researcher."

For more than three decades, Abel worked to preserve ocean and coastal resources, beginning with the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in the 1960s and most recently as director of international programs for Stevens' Davidson Laboratory. The award was accepted by his widow, Nancy Abel.

Long Branch native and former state senator Thomas Gagliano was named Volunteer of the Year for helping to narrow the gap between corporate leaders and environmentalists to ensure proper preservation and funding for renourishment of beaches.

Also in attendance at the symposium were panelists Steven Mayer and Dr. Emlyn Koster. Mayer, who founded Atari, Inc and Digital F/X industries, is also a board member of The Aquarium of the Pacific and stressed the use of technology to address environmental concerns. Dr. Koster is president and CEO of Liberty Science Center as well as a member of numerous other organizations that foster ocean education and preservation of the environment.

elping the UCI achieve its goal will be a \$25,000 grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The grant was awarded this past fall for a pilot project to develop a model coastal resilient community in Monmouth County.

"This grant complements ongoing research on sustainable coastal communities that NOAA also supports," wrote UCI's Jennifer DiLorenzo, in a January 2 letter to the editor in the *Asbury Park Press*.

"Key topics that will be considered in development of a coastal resilient community model include building standards, tax credits, comprehensive flood insurance, improved warnings and forecasts, environmental infrastructure, coastal indicators, flood plain mapping and data availability, social vulnerability and pollution prevention," DiLorenzo added.

Next spring, the UCI will expand its efforts to reach out to communities and convene workshops on coastal resiliency, and community sustainability.

The UCI was established in September 2005 as a Center of Distinction at Monmouth University. Its mission is to serve the public interest as a forum for research, education and collaboration that fosters the application of the best available science and policy to support healthy and productive coastal ecosystems and a sustainable and economically vibrant future for coastal communities. **MU**

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FILM FESTIVAL AWARD FOR HIGGINS

"S nake Hill," the story about a remote community adjacent to the New Jersey Turnpike, was named the "Best Feature Documentary" in October at the annual Red Bank International Film Festival, to the delight of Debra Higgins (Music '76) and her coproducers.



The film also won the "Jersey Fresh" award given to New Jersey filmmakers for a narrative or documentary film. With the award came a \$1,000 prize, which was in addition to the \$200 received for the Best Feature Documentary.

"Snake Hill" tells the story of an area in Hudson County where thousands of terminally ill patients, indigents, lunatics, and prisoners roamed for nearly a century.

About 10,000 people and their belongings, were buried in double graves at the Snake Hill Burial Ground until 1962 when a Turnpike excavation project unearthed the remains.

BLUESTONE TEAMS WITH TONY AWARD WINNERS FOR CHARITY

n November 26, 2007, Gail Bluestone '69 led a special Hanukkah celebration at Barnes and Noble at Lincoln Center. The event celebrated the 25 year "story behind the story" of the children's book and musical CD, *The Odd Potato* (see Musical Hawks on page 21).

Tony Award winners Dick Latessa, Maryann Plunkett, and Lillias White, who are featured on the CD, attended the event, which helped to raise funds for special needs children.

Bluestone has always had a deep love of music so when her sister, Eileen, wrote a story about Hanukkah, it was no surprise that a few years later she turned to Gail to write the music. The original storybook was published in 1984 and remained in print for 12 years. *The Odd Potato* story has gone on to enjoy further success as a radio story, an award-winning television show, and a widely performed musical.

In 2003 Broadway Sings The Odd Potato made its New York City All-Star Concert Debut, serving in part as a special fundraiser for Free Arts for Abused Children of New York.

In 2005 a CD starring Broadway's

Best was released. Entitled Tony Award Winners Sing Out for Variety's Kids, it allowed show business magazine, Variety, to raise money every year for children with special needs.

Since her college days as a member of the singing group, *The Feminiques*, Gail has continued to dedicate herself to music and education, thereby affecting the lives of thousands of inner-city students by using musical theater to build self-esteem.



Gail Bluestone & Kim (Kimowitz) Scally '69 at Lincoln Center

For more than 30 years she has served as a musical director, choral teacher, activities coordinator, Impact counselor, D.A.R.E. coordinator and Performing Arts instructor.

As an educator and performer, Gail has had the opportunity to work with such celebrities as Jon Voight, David Crosby of (*Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young*), Shadoe Stevens, and Esai Morales (of *NYPD Blue*).

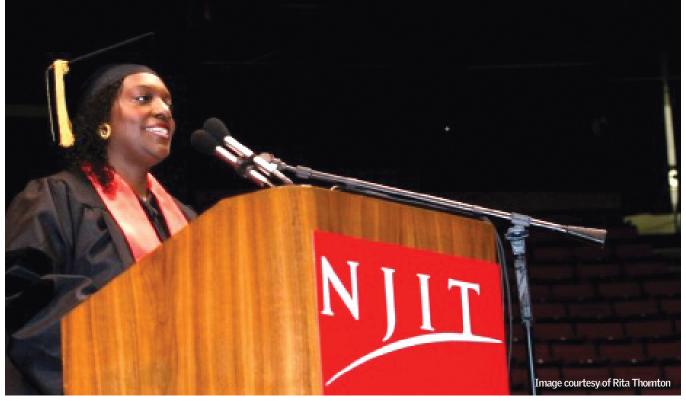
In 1998 the Fulfillment Fund of Los Angeles honored Gail as one of L.A.'s most respected educators. In March 2001 Gail was also honored by the Los Angeles City Council for her contributions to the students of Los Angeles.



The Feminiques in Edinburgh, Scotland, December 1969 L-R: Gail Bluestone '69, JoAnn Papasidera '70, Micki Rodbell '70, Kim Kimowitz '69

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RITA THORNTON: MOVING FORWARD ON ROAD OF SUCCESS



o say Rita Thornton '73 is an achiever is an understatement, but the yearning to succeed and help others seems to run in her blood. Growing up with her five sisters in the 1950s as an African American was not easy, but that never stopped her.

"If you want something bad enough, you get it," Rita said in a recent interview, recalling how her parents used to say, "If the front door is closed, check the back door, and if the back door's closed to you, check to see if a window was left open. If that's closed, go in through the chimney.""

Armed with a law degree and a high-level job with New Jersey's Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Rita felt that something was still missing from her life.

"My sister, Jeanette, said, 'You can either be a woman in her 50s without a Ph.D., or a woman in her 50s with a Ph.D.,'" Rita recalled as she was trying to decide whether or not to go back to school.

So in 2006 this youngest of six daughters attained her Ph.D. from the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) in just four and a half years while still working full time. But one might say she was also fulfilling her father's long ago dream.

Growing up in the 1950s Rita's father, Donald worked 16-hour days to support the family. Her mother, who always encouraged her daughters to write, left college after three years because she couldn't afford the last year. Instead of following her aspirations, she turned to cleaning houses and other jobs to help support her family and pave the way for her daughters.

Mediocrity was never an option in

the Thornton household. Donald built his family's house one block at a time after being rejected for a mortgage because of their race--all the while strongly urging his daughters to become doctors.

The Thornton children were apparently listening. Five daughters went into medicine. Five of them attended Monmouth. Yvonne '69 is an obstetrician-gynecologist and a full professor of OB/GYN at Cornell. She also wrote the 1993 memoir, The Ditchdigger's Daughters, which later became an award-winning movie. Linda '71 is a retired lieutenant colonel from the United States Army, an oral surgeon as well as an associate professor at Temple University and director of the prosthodontics program. Betty is a geriatric nurse. Jeanette '68 has a double doctorate and is a psychiatrist; she and Rita

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self-published their version of the family's story, A Suitcase Full of Dreams, in 1996. Donna, the eldest sister received her associate's degree from Monmouth in 1965 and later became a court stenographer. In 1993 she died of lupus, an autoimmune disease that also afflicts Rita.

Rita graduated on a full scholarship from Monmouth in three short years with a double major in chemistry and biology. Biology professor Dr. Donald Dorfman said he has "good memories of the whole family."

But after two years at medical school, Rita grew bored and quit. She then worked as a chemist, chaired a secondary school's science department, and then spent 17 years at New Jersey's Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in Trenton, rising to become section chief for the Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste. Along the way, she earned a degree in environmental law from Seton Hall University in 1993, taking 18 credits each semester.

While attaining her doctorate, taking 12 credits per semester, Rita targeted pollution in two Newark neighborhoods and its effects on children's health.

"I wanted a tangible product to be used in the community...I wanted it to have a purpose," she said.

Her research showed how pollution was increasing the incidence of asthma in preschoolers. She also measured the presence of trace metals, such as zinc, in the air and found that they, too, were at high levels. In response to these findings, Rita developed an indoor air-pollution improvement plan for the Newark Preschool Council, and encouraged the residents to take action by educating them about the perils of pollution.

What made her medical education possible was NJIT's Collaborative

Doctorate program. This allows professionals to earn a part-time Ph.D. while employed full time. A scholarship from the Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate—a National Science Foundation-funded program for underrepresented minorities—enabled her to take on the doctorate while still paying off student loans from law school.

Despite her busy schedule, Rita excelled, earning straight A's in her first two 12-credit semesters.

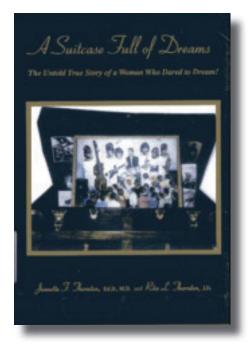
In 2006 Rita was asked to be the graduate speaker, addressing the audience at NJIT's spring commencement alongside keynote speaker, Governor Jon Corzine, who called her "inspirational." She fondly recalled how her advisor, Dr. Joseph Bozzelli, was instrumental in her success at NJIT.

"If you don't have the passion or drive, then you might as well leave," Rita said, adding that Dr. Bozzelli was that support system she needed.

As if being a lawyer, an environmentalist, and a Ph.D. were not enough, Rita is a musician—a keyboard player. When she and her five sisters were young, they had a band called *The Thornton Sisters*. "From the time I was six or seven, when I could first reach the pedals, I was told that I was in the band." They performed on a popular 1950s television show, *Ted Mack and the Original Amateur Hour*. A few years later the band won six consecutive amateur night competitions at the Apollo Theater in Harlem. They even had a recording contract at one point.

Music was important, but their parents made it clear that stardom should not be their goal. Instead, the money they earned would be the vehicle toward education.

At nearly 57 years old, Rita is obviously grateful for her success. In 1991 she founded the Thornton Sisters Foundation, which awards scholar-



ships to minority women in the public New Jersey schools. She is still actively involved as the CEO and has since established an alumnae organization for the foundation.

Rita continues to open new doors. As a follow-up to her dissertation, she has recently submitted a proposal to study the effects of her program in Newark.

While speaking to the NJIT graduates at the May 2006 commencement, Rita said, "My parents told my sisters and me that knowledge is the cutting instrument of life. People perish for the lack of knowledge; but with the proper knowledge, you can cut through any obstacle. And to cut through any obstacle, they said, the cutting instrument must be razor sharp." **MU** ALUMNINEWS

FREEHOLDER MCMORROW REACHES OUT TO TEENAGE DRIVERS

Barbara McMorrow '70 '76 will now add another job to her long list of duties as Monmouth County Freeholder.

Nearly a year after becoming freeholder, McMorrow was appointed to be one of the 15 members of the Governor's Teenage Driver Study Commission, which studies and evaluates the driving education and training programs for New Jersey's teenagers.

The Commission, which is expected to complete its work by March 2008, also assesses the problems of driving under the influence and aggressive driving, evaluates defensive driving and accident prevention programs, and analyzes motor vehicle violations that contribute to teenage driving accidents.

No stranger to educating teenagers, McMorrow started her career as a teacher before becoming Howell High School's principal for eight years. She was also a founding member of Monmouth County's Traumatic Loss Coalition, a group that helps students cope with the death of a fellow student or teacher.

WEBSITE SEEKS AFRICAN AMERICAN ROLE MODELS

In an effort to link young Americans with African American mentors, 2007 Alumna of the Year Patricia Millines Dziko '79 has started a new website, www.africanamericanrolemodels.com.

"There are many schools and community organizations that struggle to find African Americans to talk to student groups, mentor students, or just volunteer," Millines Dziko writes.

During a visit with Monmouth students on Founders' Day Millines Dziko urged African American students to participate in the program. "It takes 5 minutes to register, and then you might end up in the classroom for an hour, she said. "And for that one hour talking to little kids – just that one hour - you are going to change somebody's life."

Millines Dziko is the co-founding executive director of the Technology Access Foundation (TAF) and the CEO of a small startup, Nonprofit Information Systems (NPIS).

TAF has a mission to prepare underserved children of color for higher education and professional success by providing a rigorous and relevant K-12 curriculum.

NPIS produces affordable information technology tools and services that enable small and medium nonprofits to maximize their potential and build capacity. All the work NPIS does is to benefit nonprofits and education.

C.O.L.A. AWARD FOR ROGERS

Gilda Rogers '06 M was honored in October 2007 by the Celebration of Life Awards foundation and received its Leaders in the Community Award. She is the director of The Source, Red Bank Regional High School's youth services program, where she helps students with educational and personal issues. She is also an adjunct professor at Brookdale College, teaching a course in African American History, and is a writing coach at the Hugh N. Boyd Minority Journalism workshop at MU.





CONROY ELECTED TO LEAD NEUROPSY-CHOLOGY BOARD

oseph Conroy '79 was recently elected to a two-year term as president-elect of the American Board of Professional Neuropsychology (ABPN).

The ABPN's primary objective is the establishment of professional standards of expertise for the practice of clinical neuropsychology. Through its credentialing and examination processes and its continuing education requirement, the ABPN offers a process whereby well-qualified professional neuropsychologists can be identified.

Dr. Conroy holds a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology and is board certified by the ABPN and the American Board of Pediatric Neuropsychology. He is a Fellow of the American College of Professional Neuropsychology.

Conroy has an independent practice in neuropsychology in Monmouth Beach and serves as a consultant to the Department of Sports Medicine at Monmouth University. He is also on the medical staff at Monmouth Medical Center, Jersey Shore Medical Center, and Healthsouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Toms River.

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CLASS OF 1951

RICHARD LOWRY's (Bus. Adm.) wife, Muriel "Riel" Howland Lowry died September 24, 2007, at the age of 80. On December 26 the couple would have celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary. After graduating from Asbury Park High School in 1944, Richard's wife worked for the telephone company for 18 years as one of the youngest senior managers in the Traffic Department. Richard Lowrey has two children, son Richard Lowry who married Kathleen, and daughter Debra Krahling and her husband, Steve. They also have two grandsons, Cass and Nick, and one granddaughter, Rachel.

CLASS OF 1967

ROBERT MARCHESE (Ed.) adds to his previous class note (Fall 2007) that he recently celebrated three years of marriage to Helen Marchese, a principal in a K-12 school in East Hartford, Conn. Robert also notes that his two children, Amy and Rob, are both teachers in Connecticut. Daughter Amy and her husband David have two children; Anneliese, age 10, and Colin, age 8. Son Rob and his wife Allison welcomed new son Robbie on 7/29/07. Stepson Eric is a junior at Dartmouth College majoring in chemistry.

$\mathsf{CLASS} \text{ OF } 1969$

RONALD SCHWARZ (Bus. Adm.) retired as vice president of human resources at PPL (Pennsylvania Power and Light) in early January 2008. He had been at PPL since April 2002.

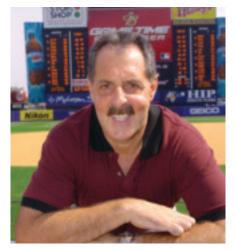
CLASS OF 1972



JIM CASTAGNOLI (Bus. Adm.) retired at the end of 2007 as trial court administrator for the New Jersey State court district covering Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties. He had worked for the state courts for more than 34 years. He is a resident of Vineland.

ROBERT MATTHIES (Ed./Bus. Adm.) (M.S. Ed. '78) was chosen as the next superintendent of the Cape May County Technical School District, effective January 1, 2008. He had been principal of the high school since 1997. He resides in Seaside Park.

CLASS OF 1974



STEVE MOORE (Bus. Adm.) has been a Major League Baseball and NFL Football photographer for more than 25 years. His images have appeared in many publications and on sports cards.

CLASS OF 1976

DOUGLAS WITTE (Bus. Adm.) was reelected as councilman for the Borough of Lake Como. He had been council president for eight years and has lived in Lake Como for 45 years.

CLASS OF 1981

KATHLEEN BOWLBY (Bus. Acct.) has joined Reynolds & Rowella LLP, a tax accounting and consulting firm, as an associate in client services at the New Canaan, CT office.

CLASS OF 1989

KIMBERLY CUNY (Sp./Comm./Theat.)

completed an M.F.A. in Theatre for Young Audiences at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro last August. Her studies culminated in an experimental project which created a partnership between North Carolina Theatre for Young People and the Greensboro Public Libraries with funding awarded by the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro. She currently directs UNC Greensboro's Speaking Center, teaches Storytelling, and is on the board of NC Storyfest.

CLASS OF 1990



HEIDI TOTH (B.S.N.) (M.S.N. '06) was named the 2007-2008 New Jersey State School Nurse of the Year. She is the lead school nurse for the

Freehold Township K-8 district. She lives in Lincroft with her husband, Ken, and daughters, Kellie and Brittany.

CLASS OF 1992



ALLISON DEPALMA (Comm.) joined Maser Consulting in Red Bank as executive business development representative. She is also pursuing a master's degree in engineering management from the New Jersey Institute of Technology. She lives in Colts Neck.

CLASSNOTES **MU**

CLASS OF 1994

PATTI ADORNA (Ed.) has opened her own consulting company for student athletes called Turn 2 Consulting, LLC. Along with her senior consultant Dawn Marino-Smith, Adorna will help parents and student athletes navigate the complex world of collegiate athletics. This follows an 18-year career at Monmouth University, where she was associate athletics director. She resides in Neptune City.

HEATHER (FOX) BALL (Comm.) (M.A.T. '96) has accepted a new job at Georgetown University as assistant director for student employment. She can be reached at heatherfox@hotmail.com or hcfball@gmail.com.

CYNTHIA (MCALLISTER) HICKS (Physics) (M.S. Soft. Eng. '98) and her husband, Matthew (Fine Arts '94), welcomed son, Benjamin, in July 2007. He joins sister, Megan, who was born in 2004. Cindy is a lead engineer at L-3 Communications, and Matt is a scenic designer at Onset Design. The family resides in Hazlet.

VALERIE (ARNONE) RYAN (Psych.) and her husband, Michael, welcomed son, Dylan Patrick, October 15, 2007. He joins their older son, Braden. The family resides in Point Pleasant Beach.

CLASS OF 1996

RAYMOND COMPARI (M.B.A.) has been named associate dean at the Rutgers School of Business in Camden. He is responsible for directing the Rutgers Institute for Management and Executive Development. He resides with his wife, Lynne, and two children in Millville.

JOHN GIRALDO (Comm.) is the top assistant for Coach David Boff, who is a former MU student and now leads the Roselle Catholic high school boy's basketball team in New Jersey. John had been a guard for MU's basketball team. DENISE REHRER-HARPER (Sp. Ed.) and husband, James, welcomed daughter, Autumn, November 5, 2007. She joins brother, Aidan. Denise is a special education teacher at the New Providence Middle School, while her husband is a ceramic engineer for Coherent Inc. in East Hanover. The family resides in Westfield.

CLASS OF 1997



LAURA FRIEDMAN (Sp. Lit.) married Anthony Young September 8, 2007. Laura is an assistant vice president, human resources at Marsh & McLennan Companies, while her husband is a general sales manager with Saturn Corp. They reside in Red Bank.

BILL GEORGE (M.S. Ed.) was appointed Interim Superintendent of the Hazlet Public School District, effective December 1, 2007. He has taught in the Little Silver Elementary Schools and Long Branch High School where he also served as principal.

LIESL HOTALING (Ed.) was hired as the chief education officer for the Beacon Institute for Rivers and Estuaries in Beacon, NY, where she will lead the educational component of The Beacon Institute's River and Estuary Observatory Network project with IBM.



STACEY MAGYAR (Bus. Adm.) married Christopher Coe May 27, 2007. Alumni in attendance included bridesmaid, Susan (Malerba) O'Neill (Sp. Ed. '97), Ralph O'Neill (Comm./Ed. '98), Joe Queli (Comm. '00), and Dana (Tamburo) Queli (Sp. Ed. '98). Wedding guest Eileen (Parks) Sanders also studied at Monmouth. Stacey is a senior financial analyst with A.M. Best, while her husband is Hackettstown Regional Medical Center's chief operating officer. They live in Stewartsville.

CLASS OF 1998

NICOLE ALTSCHULER (Comm.) is a business manager for Alice Shammah Photography in Deal. She resides in Long Branch.

ROBERT DOBILAS (M.B.A.) is engaged to Christina Alexis Higgins, with a May 2008 wedding planned. He is president and CEO of Realpoint in Horsham, PA. His fiancé is a freelance voice-over artist in Philadelphia.

TAMARA (FALVO) FORT (Sp. Ed.) and her husband, Bryan, welcomed their second child, Olivia Ann, August 5, 2007. She joins older brother, Myles. The family resides in Ocean Township.

CANDEE (SCOGNAMILLO) MCALOON (Psych.) (M.S.W. '01) and her husband, Kevin, welcomed son Colin Christopher September 28, 2007. The family resides in Springfield.

MARTIN MICHALSKI (Bus. Adm.) married Michelle Thatcher September 9, 2007. Gregory Paff (Bus. Adm. '98) was the best man. The couple resides in Middlesex.



CLASS OF 1999

STACEY GOFBERG (Elem./Sp. Ed.) married Keith Doherty June 30, 2007. She is a high school special education teacher in the Black Horse Pike Regional School District and earned a master's degree in Learning Disabilities. Her husband works for A&M Masonry in southern New Jersey. The couple resides in Lindenwold.

DANIEL JIMENEZ (Comm.) and wife, Dori Beth, welcomed son, Aidan, September 2, 2007. Daniel obtained his J.D. from the Touro College, Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center in May 2007 and currently works for the Law Offices of Greco and Wolfe, PLLC. He is awaiting admission to practice law in New York State. The family lives in Medford, NY.

JASON ROGATI (Bus. Adm.) married Nikki Collins August 18, 2007. He is employed at Owsinski & Blarr in Red Bank, as a hedge fund accountant, while his wife is a co-op advertising associate with Rolex Watch USA in Manhattan. They live in Tinton Falls.

NICOLE TORRE (Sp. Ed.) (M.S. Ed. '04) is engaged to Kevin Wymbs, with a November 2008 wedding planned. Nicole is a first-grade special education teacher for the Brick Board of Education. Her fiancé is a supervisory engineer for Fort Monmouth, U.S. Army Cerdec, Command and Control Directorate at Myer Center.

BETH WAGENHALS (Hist.) married Dario Chinigo November 23, 2007. She is an office manager for MFR Partners, LLC, in Manhattan. Her husband is an attorney at Hoffman & Associates in New York, where they reside with their eight-year old daughter, Julia.

CLASS OF 2000

RITA DEALBA (Bus. Fin.) has been hired as a mathematics teacher at Pennington School in Pennington. MARIA GRAUSSO (Sp. Ed.) and her husband, Mark (Crim. J. '99) welcomed son, Jack Thomas, November 9, 2006. The family resides in Toms River.

CRAIG JEREMIAH (Bus. Mgmt.) and his wife, Nicole, welcomed twins, Connor and Mikayla, November 29, 2007. The family resides in Hillsborough.

JUAN MADRID (Comm.) is the vice president of Urban A&R for Sony/ATV Music Publishing and credited with signing top rappers, The Game, MIMS, Rick Ross and comback kid Cassidy.



TARA MARSEGLIA (Comm.) married Jamie Gordon October 13, 2007. Tara works as an account executive for Liz Claiborne Inc, and Jamie owns Hudson Pool Management Co. The couple resides in Jersey City.

CLASS OF 2001

JENNIFER (FALVEY) DONEGAN (Sp. Ed.) and husband, Brendan, welcomed daughter, Keira, July 18, 2007. The family resides in Ogdensburg.



LAURA IACONO (B.S.W.) (M.S.W. '02) married Shaun Bodrog August 18, 2007. Alumni in attendance were Carolyn Stolze (Fine Arts '01), Stacy Jakubas (Bus. Fin. '01), Gwen (Van Name) Dibiase (Bus. Mrkt. '01), Ben Dibiase (Sp. Ed. '02), Kyle Porcelli (Comm. '02), Angelo Margaritas (Crim. J. '02), and Maria Angelini (Sp. Ed. '03). Laura is a school social worker for a therapeutic private school. The couple resides in Cherry Hill.

ERIN (COLLINS) TYSON (B.S.W.) (M.S.W. '02) and her husband, Rob (Bus. Mrkt. '01), welcomed sons, Evan and Andrew, November 30, 2007. The family resides in Delran.

CLASS OF 2002

LISA CAMOOSA (M.A. Corp./Pub. Comm.) is the vice president of public affairs at The National Community Pharmacists Association in Alexandria, VA. She resides in Alexandria with her husband and son.



COLLEEN LYALL (Fin.) (M.B.A. '04) and Paul Grasso (Fin. '02) were married October 20, 2007. Monmouth alumni in attendance included Colleen's sister, Kim Lyall (Fin. '02) as well as Kim Lombardi (Sp. Ed. '05), Paula Petrocelli (Bus. Mgmt. '03), Ellissa Connell (Comm. '03), Beka Murphy (Sp. Ed. '02), Brian Connolly (Bus. Fin. '03), Mike Hoffman (Bus. Adm. '79), Tom Botwin (Bus. Adm. '01), and James Carone (Bus. Mrkt. '03). Colleen is a contract specialist at Fort Monmouth, while Paul is a New Jersey State Trooper. They live in Brick.

CATHY (MAHER) MARONE (Soc. Work) and her husband, John, welcomed their first child, John Frank Jr, February 9, 2007. The family resides in Delran.

CLASSNOTES **MU**

BRADFORD STRATTON (Comm.) and his wife, Christine, welcomed their second child, Aidan Anthony, October 2, 2007. The family resides in Columbia, MD.

GAVIN WALTERS (Comm.) is engaged to Pamela Sherman, with an expected wedding date in July. He is a first-grade teacher with the Rahway Board of Education.



JENNIFER YOUNG (Mrkt.) and Michael Ticehurst (Mrkt. '02) were married August 25, 2007. Alumni in attendance were Pamela Fiore (Ed. '03), Stephanie Mirando (Ed. '03), Nicole McDonald (Ed. '03), Kristin Huber (Comm. '03), Jon Michael (Eng. '04), and Michael Dilworth (Comm. '02). Jennifer and Michael are pursuing master's degrees at Monmouth. Jennifer is a teacher at a private school for children with autism in Princeton, while Michael is a field examiner for Rosenberg and Fecci Consulting in Fair Haven. The couple resides in Long Branch.

CLASS OF 2003



ANGELA COSTELLO (Bus. Mgmt.) married Joshua Roberts August 25, 2007. Alumni in attendance included Paula Petrocelli (Bus. Mgmt. '03), Scarlett Reuter (Comm. '01), Elissa Connell (Comm. '03),and Keith Harper (Bus. Mgmt. '04). Angela is an attorney in Washington, D.C., while her husband is a U.S. Capitol police officer. They reside in Maryland.

RACHEL DONNELLY (M.A.T.) is planning to marry Christopher Lella June 27, 2009. Rachel is a teacher in North Brunswick, while her fiancé is a pharmaceutical sales rep with Forest Labs in central Jersey.



KELLY GANLEY (Sp. Ed.) married Brian Ahlert May 27, 2007. Alumni in attendance were Edward Makowski (Bus. Mgmt. '03), April (Saia) Anderson (For. Lang. '03), and Nancy Ahlert (Sp. Ed. '05). Kelly is a special education teacher in Montville Township, while Brian is a police officer in Florham Park. The couple resides in Florham Park.

ELLEN GEORGE (M.S.W.) married Robert Hudak April 28, 2007. She is an early intervention specialist with the Visiting Nurse Association, while her husband is the deputy director of intergovernmental affairs at the New York City Department of Buildings. They live in Staten Island, NY.



JENNIFER GRADZKI (Bus. Mrkt.) (Corp./ Public Comm. '05) married Thomas Harris Jr., on October 6, 2007. Jenn recently accepted a job at Monmouth University as the associate director of alumni affairs. Her husband is an attorney for the State of New Jersey. The couple resides in Hamilton.

DANIELLE MICELLI (Comm.) (M.A.T. '05) married Blair Robbins June 22, 2007. She is an elementary school teacher in Ocean Township, while he is a Certified Public Accountant and a supervisor for Amper, Politzer and Mattia. They reside in Tinton Falls.

KELLIE NORMAN (Sp. Ed.) is engaged to James Moore, with a July 2008 wedding planned. Kellie is a first-grade teacher for the Little Silver Board of Education, while her fiancé is an insurance agent for an independent contractor in Woodbridge. They live in Neptune City.

JUSTIN ROSATO III (Bus. Fin.) (M.B.A. '05) married Jennifer Basmagy June 22, 2007. Justin is a registered client associate at Merrill Lynch in New York City. The couple resides in Aberdeen.

CLASS OF 2004

JENNA GEILER (Comm.) married William Connett September 22, 2007. Jenna is a client service associate for Smith Barney in Shrewsbury, while her husband is a union carpenter for Spearin/Preston/Burrows in Staten Island, NY. They live in Middletown.

COLLEEN GILL (Sp. Ed.) married Jeff Scoras May 12, 2007. She is a first-grade teacher at Lawrence Brook Elementary School in East Brunswick. He is a customer service representative with New Jersey Coffee Co. in Wall. They live in Spotswood.



KRIZIA JIMENEZ (B.S.W.) (M.S.W. '05) and Joshua Medrano (Crim. J. '02 M.A.T. '04) were married October 5, 2007. The bridal party consisted of



alumni, Helena Branco (Sp. Ed. '05), Neidy Olarte (B.S.W. '04), Lucresia Lopez (Art '04), Denise Holguin (B.S.W. '04), Migdaliz Cruz (Comm. '06), Yadira Santiago (Poli. Sci. '06), Michael Medrano (Hist./Poli. Sci./Ed. '02), Michael Meierdirks (Crim. J. '02), Edwin Urego (Bus. Mrkt. '03), Julio Hernadez (Bus. Fin. '03), Edwin Ortega (Bus. Mrkt. '04), and Jamie Santiago (Art '05). Other alumni and current students were also in attendance. Krizia is an assistant director of crisis unit at Trinitas Hospital, while Joshua is a police officer in Roselle Park, where the couple lives.

CANDYCE MAYERS (Psych.) is a counselor at Catholic Charities. She lives in Elizabeth.



MEREDITH MCGEE (Sp. Ed.) (M.S. Ed. '05) is engaged to marry Michael D'Alessio (Sp. Ed. '03) in June 2008. She is a special education teacher and coach at Mon-

mouth Regional High School in Tinton Falls, while he is a teacher and coach for Middletown Township School District.

MARIA SIKORYAK-ROBINS (Comm.) is director of university publications at Methodist University in Fayetteville, NC.

JOSH SKOLNICK (Crim. J.) married Judith Paterno July 21, 2007. He works for Steven's Institute of Technology, while she works at Carrier Clinic. They live in Hillsborough.

NICOLE SURKO (Psych.) received her M.A. in International Service in 2007. She attended the University of Technology in Kingston, Jamaica, the IPSL in New York City, and Roehampton University in London.

CLASS OF 2005

ISKANDAR ALEXANDAR (M.S.W.) married Sheri Black August 25, 2007. He is a mental health clinician for Juneau Alliance for Mental Health, while she is a clinical director for Gastineau Human Services. They reside in Juneau, AK.

JASON BUSCO (Bus. Acct.), a semisenior accountant with WithumSmith & Brown, Certified Public Accountants and Consultants, has passed the certified public accountant examination. He resides in Lakewood.



LINDSAY CURRIE (Hist./Poli. Sci.) married Joel Yaccarino October 7, 2007. Monmouth alumni and professors in attendance were Laura Casey (Math. '86), Amanda Schmidt (Poli. Sci. '04), Maggie Doucette (Poli. Sci. '06), Eric Oldham (Poli. Sci. '06), Dr. Katherine Parkin, Dr. Chris DeRosa, and Johanna Foster. Lindsay is a communication strategist for documentary filmmakers with Venture Communications of Washington, DC. Joel is a meeting planner for NAEYC.

THOMAS DEBLASS (Sp. Ed.) recently won first place at the American National Jiu-Jitsu Championships as well as a bronze medal at the Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu No-Gi Championships in Carson, Calif. He has also opened a school named Ocean County Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu where he has about 150 students.



TONI FESTA (Math./Ed.) married James Robertelli September 14, 2007. Alumni

in attendance were Kristine Romans (Math./Ed. '05) and Melanie Howley (Comm. '07). Toni is a math teacher at Rahway High School, while her husband is a library technician at GRB Environmental Agency.

HEATHER FORBES (Sp. Ed.) married David McNamara July 14, 2007. Monmouth alumni in attendance were Gretchen DeWynGaert (Sp. Ed. '05), and Jessica Pierro (Comm. '05). Heather is pursuing a M.S. Ed. as a literary specialist at SUNY Potsdam. David is an electrical engineering PhD candidate at Clarkson University. The couple resides in upstate New York.

LAUREN KOVACS (Math.) married Gregory White August 25, 2007. She is a cost analyst for the U.S. Army at Fort Monmouth in Eatontown. Her husband is an in-flight refueler for the Air Force National Guard at McGuire Air Force Base. They live in Neptune City.

SHAUN LEAVY (Comm.) has been named by PR News as the Account Executive of the Year. He works with MWW Group, which is one of the nation's top PR agencies.

CHRISTINE LEMPKA (M.S. Ed.) married John Sulva August 17, 2007. She is a teacher with the East Brunswick Board of Education. Her husband is a sales representative with Frito Lay in Franklin Park. The couple lives in South River.



KELLY PHOEBUS (Comm.) and Brian Pepe (Elem. Ed. '05) were engaged fall 2007, with an expected wedding date of October 3, 2008. Kelly is an account executive at the public relations

firm, Taylor in New York City. Brian is a middle school special education teacher in Hackensack. He is also pursuing his master's in supervision administration at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

CLASSNOTES MU

RICHARD STECKHAHN (Sp. Ed.) married Amy Lands August 19, 2007. Richard teaches for the Ocean Township school district, while his wife is a teacher in Marlboro. They reside in Eatontown.

TOBY WACHSTEIN (M.A.T.) married Michael Bavli August 26, 2007. She is a fifth-grade teacher at Robert Treat Academy Charter School in Newark. Her husband is an associate at the law firm of Goodwin Procter in New York City. The couple resides in Jersey City.

CLASS OF 2006

TARA GRIMLEY (M.S.W.) married Brian Makowski June 16, 2007. She is a health educator/field representative-disease control for the Ocean County Health Department in Toms River. Her husband is director of engineering for Torcon, Inc. in Red Bank. They live in Toms River.

JENNIFER LEONE (M.S.N.) works on the labor and delivery floor of Kimball Medical Center in Lakewood as a registered nurse. She resides in Toms River.

JENNIFER RESTIANO (M.S.E.) (M.S. Ed. '04) was one of two teachers in Neptune Township named 2007 Teacher of the Year. She teaches three- and four-year olds at the Early Childhood Center and is enrolled in the Teacher of Students with Disabilities endorsement program.

CRAIG WEBER (Poli. Sci.) was promoted to the rank of lieutenant for the Middletown Township Police Department. He lives with his wife, Catherine, and their daughters, Emma, 9, Alyssa, 8, and Sarah, 21 months, in Middletown.

CLASS OF 2007

NIKKI GIANCOLA (Bus. Mrkt.) has been named director of marketing for Urbano & Associates Insurance Agency in Marlboro where she will handle the marketing for the agency. She lives in Hazlet.

JOSEPH LUPO (M.S.E.) (M.S. Ed. '05) was one of two teachers in Neptune Township named 2007 Teacher of the Year. He teaches K-1 at the Summerfield School.

ERIN ROSE (Comm.) was hired in September 2007 by the *Bernardsville News* weekly newspaper in Bernardsville as a reporter in Bedminster and Far Hills. She lives in Martinsville.



RYAN TETRO (Poli. Sci.) is expected to marry Jamie Wenersbach in the summer of 2009. Ryan is in his first year at Seton Hall University School of Law, while Jamie is a first-grade teacher in Middletown.

EILEEN WELLER (Psych.) married Thomas Labetti May 19, 2007. She is the director of community relations at Chelsea Senior Living in Tinton Falls, while her husband is a financial systems consultant at Alliance Bernstein in New York City. They live in Red Bank.

CLASS NOTES POLICY

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ALUMNI

- 1947 THOMAS BIRCKHEAD (A.A.) SEPTEMBER 24, 2007
- 1959 GEORGE ROE (Eng.) DECEMBER 1, 2007 1962 ROBERT GOULD (Physics)
- SEPTEMBER 8, 2006 1967 MASSIE ODIOTTI (Bus. Adm.)
- DECEMBER 15, 2007
- 1974 GAETANO MISTRETTA (Socio.) OCTOBER 21, 2007
- **1975** WILLLIAM CHAFFEE (Comp. Sci.) DECEMBER 7 (Lt. Colonel Retired)
- 1980 EARL LIGHTMAN (Bus. Mgmt.) DECEMBER 6, 2007
- 1982 ROBERT MALONE JR (Psych.) OCTOBER 29, 2007
- 2001 MARYANN (MERLETTI) VARRICHIO (M.A.T.) SEPTEMBER 24, 2007

FRIENDS

JOSEPH BRUNO

JANUARY 1, 2008 - Mailroom supervisor until 1989.

MICHAEL KUSHINKA

OCTOBER 14, 2007 - Emeritus Professor of Education who retired from Monmouth in 1994 after 25 years of service.

EDWARD SORIANO

SEPTEMBER 22, 2007 – worked at Monmouth for 29 years, including his post as vice president of Business and Finance until his retirement in 1987.

JONATHAN STEFFEN

APRIL 15, 2007 - attended Monmouth, where he was a two-time Northeast Conference A Flight Singles Champion in Tennis, a four-time MVP and held the team record for all-time career victories. The Jonathan F. Steffen Memorial Fund has been established in his memory. Contact Georgina West at (732) 571-3503 for information about supporting the fund.

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To commemorate Monmouth University's 75th Anniversary, the Scholarship Ball Committee is creating 75 new scholarships to help support deserving students.

For as little as \$1,000, you can sponsor a one-year scholarship for the 2008 – 2009 academic year in your own name, or in the name of anyone you wish to honor.

As a scholarship donor you will be invited to the annual Scholarship Reception, where you will have the opportunity to meet your scholarship recipient. Nothing is quite the same as personally learning about the significance a scholarship gift can make for a student. Year after year, donors and scholarship recipients join to celebrate the importance of personal involvement in education at the event.

As a scholarship donor you will automatically qualify as a member of the President's Society. Members of the President's Society contribute \$1,000 or more during each calendar year.





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Join the 75 for the 75th team now and make a difference in a student's life!

YES! I want to join the 75 for the 75th team and donate \$1,000 to name a one-year scholarship for a deserving student.

Name of Scholarship_____

Donor Name_

For more information about creating a scholarship for the 75th anniversary please contact University Advancement at (732) 571-3411. To name a scholarship now, make your check payable to Monmouth University and indicate "75 for the 75th."

MAC UPDATE



OCEANFIRST FOUNDATION GRANT

OceanFirst Foundation of Toms River made a \$50,000 payment in December 2007 on a three-year grant of \$150,000 to support construction of the MAC.

The check was presented to President Gaffney by Katherine B. Durante, executive director of OceanFirst Foundation, and John R. Garbarino, chairman and CEO of OceanFirst Bank.

OceanFirst Foundation previously made a grant of \$50,000 in 2002, bringing its support for the MAC to \$200,000.

President Gaffney thanked OceanFirst for the generous gift: "Its support of our community, including this university, is enlightened. We are very grateful."

Founded in 1996, OceanFirst Foundation has contributed more than \$17 million to 600 local charities in Ocean, Monmouth and Middlesex counties since its inception.

DMA NAMES SECURITY OFFICE

The Direct Marketing Association, Inc., (DMA) secured naming rights to the Security Office with a gift of \$25,000. Located on the first floor of the MAC, the Security office will be staffed around the clock to ensure the safety of visitors.

Led by President and CEO John A. Greco, Jr.'74, the DMA advocates industry standards for responsible marketing, and promotes relevance as the key to reaching consumers with targeted and appropriate offers. With consumer security a top concern for DMA members, naming the Security office is appropriate.

The DMA represents more than 3,600 companies from dozens of industries in the US and 50 other nations. Member companies include the majority of the Fortune 100 list, as well as numerous national nonprofit organizations.

MAC WEBCAM NOW ONLINE

Alumni and friends can now watch the Center take shape in real-time thanks to a webcam tracking construction progress. Visit www.monmouth.edu/mac to make a gift to the MAC Campaign, see pictures from the Groundbreaking Ceremony, or watch a short video highlighting the features of the MAC.

The new Multipurpose Activity Center will be located in the center of campus and hold 4,100 seats. The 153,200 square foot facility will include a multipurpose gymnasium, 200M 6-lane indoor track, University Bookstore, Sports Hall of Fame, locker rooms, educational and administrative areas, and varsity club and student fitness center. Construction should take approximately 24 months and be completed in 2009.





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APRIL 4

HAWKS IN HOBOKEN ALUMNI RECEPTION BLACK BEAR BAR & GRILL 205 WASHINGTON STREET, HOBOKEN 8:00PM – 11:00PM

MAY 31

ALUMNI REUNION CLASSES OF 1960-1964, 1970-1974, 1983, 1995-1998, 2000-2004

COCKTAILS ON THE ROOF WILSON HALL 5:00PM - 6:30PM

CLAMBAKE ON THE LAWN GREAT LAWN 6:30PM - 10:30PM

RESERVATIONS WITH PAYMENT REQUIRED BY MAY 9. EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT APPLIES TO PAID RESERVATIONS BY APRIL 1. SEE INSIDE FRONT COVER FOR DETAILS

SAVE THE DATE! JULY 19

YOUNG ALUMNI SUMMER REUNION '08

WILSON HALL - ERLANGER GARDENS 6:00PM-10:00PM CLASSES OF 2005-2008

FOR FURTHER DETAILS WATCH YOUR MAIL OR CALL THE OFFICE OF ALUMNI AFFAIRS AT 800-531-2586