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### JULY 2, 3, 5, 9-12

Performing Arts: Shadow Lawn Stage  
The Complete Works of William Shakespeare  
(abridged)

Lauren K. Woods Theatre  
8:00 PM (July 2-3, 9-11)  
3:00 PM & 7:00 PM (July 5, 12)  
\$25

### JULY 10

Best of the Met: Live in HD  
Puccini – LA BOHEME

Encore Broadcast  
Pollak Theatre  
7:00 PM (Total Running Time: 2:11:56)  
\$22

### JULY 16

Children's Theatre: The Cow and the Beanstalk  
Pollak Theatre

10:30 AM  
\$12

### JULY 17-19, 23-26, 30-31

Performing Arts: Shadow Lawn Stage  
Shining City

By Conor McPherson  
Lauren K. Woods Theatre  
8:00 PM (July 17-18, 23-25, 30-31)  
3:00 PM & 7:00 PM (July 19, 26)  
\$25

### JULY 18

Alumni: Young Alumni Summer Reunion  
Erlanger Gardens  
6:30-9:30 PM  
\$28

## AUGUST

### AUGUST 1-2

Performing Arts: Shadow Lawn Stage  
Shining City

Lauren K. Woods Theatre  
8:00 PM (Aug 1)  
3:00 PM & 7:00 PM (Aug 2)  
\$25

### AUGUST 6

Children's Theatre: The Sword in the Stone  
Pollak Theatre  
10:30 AM  
\$12

### AUGUST 7

Best of the Met: Live in HD  
Belinni – I PURITANI

Encore Broadcast  
Pollak Theatre  
7:00 PM (Total Running Time: 2:51:33)  
\$22

### AUGUST 20

MU Alumni, Friends & Family Day

Lakewood BlueClaws  
FirstEnergy Ballpark, Lakewood  
7:05 PM  
\$7  
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## AUGUST 28

Best of the Met: Live in HD  
Rossini – BARBER OF SEVILLE  
with Juan Diego Florez, Joyce Di Donato  
Encore Broadcast  
Pollak Theatre  
7:00 PM (Total Running Time: 2:45:33)  
\$22

## SEPTEMBER

### SEPTEMBER 12

Best of the Met: Live in HD  
Tchaikovsky – EUGENE ONEGIN  
Encore Broadcast  
Pollak Theatre  
7:00 PM (Total Running Time: 2:51:03)  
\$22

### SEPTEMBER 16

Opening of the Multipurpose Activity Center

### SEPTEMBER 23

Alumni: Alumni Speed Networking Event  
Anacon A  
6:30-9:00 PM  
\$6

### SEPTEMBER 25-27

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musicologists, and fans will gather to explore  
scholarship regarding Bruce Springsteen and  
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## OCTOBER

### OCTOBER 6

Monmouth Award for Communication  
Excellence (MACE)  
Honoring Jim Nantz, CBS Sportscaster  
5:30 PM Reception (\$75 includes panel)  
7:00 PM Panel Discussion (\$20)  
Multipurpose Activity Center

### OCTOBER 24

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### OCTOBER 30

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### OBAMathematics

There are several references in your winter 2009 edition to President Barack Obama as America's first Black/African-American president: the President is America's first biracial president! His father was Black and his mother was White. Fifty percent is never 100%.



PHOTO: JACKIE FRITSCHÉ

Mathematically, genetically, and etymologically, Obama is biracial. Give credit to his White mother who carried him and helped raise him; in fact, Obama's father wasn't much of a factor in his son's life unless one counts abandonment!

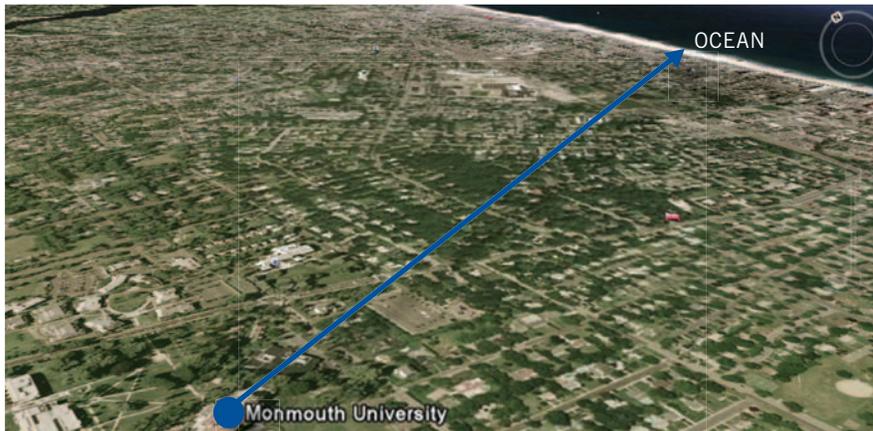
Yes, I know about the Jim Crow "10 percent" rule from the segregationist days; that "rule" didn't make sense then and certainly doesn't in 2009.

**Ed Pigut '68 '71M**

### Where on Google Earth?

Thank you all for your outreach to alumni and for all the news and articles in the MU Magazine. As an alumnus ('75) I often experience warm recollections of my years on campus while scanning the background for familiar sights in the

SATELLITE IMAGES ON GOOGLE EARTH SHOW PROXIMITY OF WILSON HALL TO NEARBY BEACHES AND THE ATLANTIC OCEAN.



ample photographs of campus and alumni functions.

I recently indexed West Long Branch on the Google Earth website in order to further explore the changes on campus since 1975. I invite you to do the same. The paucity of campus photos posted is nothing short of a disappointment. Also, the MU website has no virtual campus tour.

I encourage you, who are in such position, to encourage posting activity on the universal public access database sites, such as Google Earth. I believe the University could only benefit from increased global exposure.

I am sure that many campus exiles like myself as well as other interested persons would find such online features gratifying.

Thank you,

**Bruce Hillman '75**

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**N.B.:** Because of space limitations, we regret that we can publish only a small sampling of the letters we receive.



Saving the environment + Saving Money =

## Monmouth energy

Bold action contains energy costs  
— and reduces carbon footprint

**Look around campus these days, and it's almost impossible to find an area that isn't a little bit greener. For more than five years, Monmouth has been moving forward on a path of sustainability, incorporating widespread changes and programs across the University to save time and money.**

One of the most recent is an agreement signed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in January, which outlines goals to improve the school's energy, water and fuel use, waste disposal and landscaping. According to Jim Ferris, director of special projects in facilities management, Monmouth is the first private institution in New Jersey to enter into this voluntary program.

"This is something we take very seriously, and we're constantly looking at new ways to be more sustainable in everything we do," says Ferris.

Ferris is quick to credit that commitment to President Gaffney, saying that the catalyst for being green comes from

the very top of the University's leadership. Gaffney has long been a proponent of sustainable practices because of their environmental and cost benefits, and Ferris says that he routinely challenges the University community to do better when it comes to sustainability.

"Monmouth University constantly strives to create a greener, cleaner campus for all of our students, faculty, and staff and our community," says Gaffney. "We are trying to be good stewards of the Earth and, in many cases, save money at the same time. I am impressed with the initiative of Ms. Swannack and Mr. Ferris."

According to Patricia Swannack, vice president for Administrative Services, "Ongoing campus-wide environmental initiatives have not only helped the environment, they have kept overall energy costs flat over a three-year period during a time marked by extreme fluctuations in the cost of fuel and natural gas."

Swannack is responsible for implementing the wide vari-



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ety of green campus initiatives, while keeping her eye focused on the bottom-line.

One look at Monmouth's wide range of environmental programs shows that the University is leaving no stone unturned when it comes to reducing its carbon footprint and environmental impact:

### **Taking Action**

Building on progress made by the former Energy Resource Management Committee, the Sustainability Advisory Council (SAC) was created in December 2008 to include students, faculty, staff and administrators in promoting and facilitating environmentally sound programs on the campus. According

to the group's mission statement, the SAC "encourages the development of an environmentally responsible and sustainable campus community in its operations, education, research, outreach and services."

Ferris, who is chair of the group, says the interdisciplinary nature of the SAC brings viewpoints from a wide range of campus perspectives. That's important in finding solutions because varied thinking can lead to creative solutions.

Even though the group is just a few months old, it has hit the ground running, evaluating opportunities within a committee structure that includes Academic Programs and Research, Energy and Greenhouse Gases, Finance and Procurement, Land and Water, Out-

reach, and Waste Management.

These committees are evaluating more than 50 different initiatives for new sustainability efforts, which include examining how to turn food service waste oil into biofuel for diesel engines on campus; promoting ride-sharing; awarding student prizes for engaging in sustainable activities on campus; and holding information-sharing events with other colleges and universities to find new opportunities to be green.

### **Saving Energy**

Four years ago, Monmouth installed the largest university-based solar power project east of the Mississippi River. The 454kW solar-powered system sits

## **Gettin G on Board with the ePa**

**Under an agreement signed in January with the U.S. EPA, Monmouth will participate in a variety of voluntary EPA environmental stewardship programs, including:**

- › GreenPower Partnership (Sustainable power and energy conservation)
- › ENERGYSTAR® Building & Plant Partnership (Building efficiency)
- › GreenScapes Partnership (Landscaping)
- › WasteWise Partnership (Water conservation)
- › Coal Combustion Products Partnership (Cleaner energy)
- › National Clean Diesel Campaign & Clean Construction USA (Green construction)
- › WaterSense Products (Water conservation)



ABOVE: TWO GLOBAL ELECTRIC MOTORCAR (GEM) VEHICLES USED BY MU POLICE DEPARTMENT.

on the roofs of four of the University's largest buildings, generating approximately three percent of the University's electricity needs, saving at least \$2.7 million in electricity costs over 25 years, in addition to reducing the peak load cost.

In addition, the system has already reduced carbon dioxide emissions by approximately 800 tons—the equivalent to removing 151 cars from the road for a year; not driving 1,885,480 miles; or planting 212 acres of trees. The system has also resulted in avoiding the emission of other greenhouse gases, including more than 1,900 pounds of nitrogen oxide and 6,000 pounds of sulfur oxide from the atmosphere.

The \$2.8 million cost of the system was offset by a \$1.7 million rebate from the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, and will earn back its investment

in approximately eight years. Ferris says the University is currently examining expansion of the solar program.

### Conserving Resources

Throughout the campus energy-efficient light bulbs have been installed. According to Energy Star, each qualified compact fluorescent light bulb (CFL) will save about \$30 over its lifetime and pay for itself in about six months. The bulbs and Energy Star fixtures use 75 percent less energy, and bulbs last about 10 times longer than incandescent bulbs.

"We have employed energy efficient lighting technologies, including motion sensors, energy efficient compact florescent bulbs, lower wattage bulbs, and newer, energy efficient fixtures. We are currently evaluating various lighting control technologies to further our energy efficient lighting programs," says Swannack.

To further conserve water and energy, Monmouth has retrofitted water fixtures and decreased the temperature of non-food prep hot water heaters across campus. Faculty and staff are encouraged to become partners in this effort, and asked to report any signs of wasted water or faulty equipment. The new water-efficient fixtures alone will save an estimated 11,000 gallons of water each year.

Wet hands on campus are now dried by new Greenspec-approved hand dryers, which are 80% more efficient than the previous equipment. The new devices promote hygiene and qualify for LEED environmental credits. In addition, paper products in all restrooms are made from 100% recycled paper.

### Driving Savings

Monmouth has added two energy-efficient Global Electric Motorcar (GEM)



## Green Initiatives

- › 100% recycled paper products used in all restrooms
- › Installation of 1,100 energy-saving light bulbs throughout Wilson Hall.
- › Replaced EXIT signs on campus with LED fixtures
- › Installed 65 classroom occupancy sensors to control lighting while rooms are unused
- › Reduced water heater temperatures in all campus buildings
- › Installed water saving shower heads in all University showers
- › Retrofitted lighting system in Boylan gymnasium
- › Use only Green-certified cleaning products
- › Conducted energy audits of campus buildings



vehicles to the fleet of the University Police Department. With fuel efficiency equivalent to 150 miles per gallon or two cents per mile, the GEM models cost just pennies per day to operate and produce no tailpipe emissions, leaving almost no carbon footprint.

The GEM cars join three rugged four-wheel drive hybrid sports utility vehicles (SUVs) on the fleet. The hybrid SUVs use electricity when traveling at speeds below 25 miles per hour. A solar powered golf cart is also being tested as an on-campus alternative for non-police use.

Participation in the EPA's National Clean Diesel Campaign and Clean Construction USA program means the University will employ further means of reducing vehicle emissions from automobiles and construction vehicles on the campus. The SAC is looking at ways to promote bicycling on campus as another method of reducing exhaust emissions.

### Building Green

In addition to retrofitting all renovated residence halls with reflective cooled roofs, two current construction projects, the Multipurpose Activity Center and new residence hall, incorporate a variety of environmentally-efficient features.

The new Center is being constructed with passive solar design principles, and features a solar reflective roof membrane, super-insulated window glazing, high efficiency heating and cooling systems, and energy efficient LED (light emitting diode) fixtures throughout the building. A large portion of the superstructure was also built using recycled steel.

### Reducing Waste

By eliminating dining hall trays and launching a composting program, the University's food service is reducing the amount of waste produced in its dining centers. Monmouth already has

a robust recycling program in place, participating in the interscholastic Recycle Mania competition for colleges and universities, sponsored annually by the EPA. Ideas on the horizon include eliminating plastic utensils and investigating solar trash compactors.

### Earning Accolades

As the scope of energy-efficient projects has expanded over the past five years, Monmouth has gained national recognition and accumulated an impressive array of environmental awards along the way.

In June Monmouth won the 2009 NJBIZ Green Leadership Award in the category of Energy Conservation. In 2007 the National Wildlife Federation selected Monmouth as a winner among more than 100 colleges and universities in the "Campus Ecology Chill Out" contest. The same year the University received an award from the Monmouth County Planning Board. In 2006 the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities named Monmouth as the Clean Energy School of the Year.

### Sharing Knowledge

Patricia Swannack, who is responsible for turning Monmouth's energy conservation policies into practical reality, was recently tapped as a member of the Monmouth County Greenhouse Gas Advisory Committee. Her invaluable experience on campus, ranging from overseeing energy audits to investigating the most effective green-certified cleaning products, is now being put to use to help the wider community become more energy efficient.

Other community outreach programs include a Green Building Conference co-sponsored by the Monmouth University Urban Coast Institute (UCI). The conference and technology fair is aimed at helping municipalities, builders and residents learn about green technology and how to reduce their carbon footprint.

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"Green building will help ensure sustainability for the Jersey Shore and also will help reduce the carbon footprint that each of us and each of our buildings have on the environment," said Jennifer DiLorenzo, Sustainable Coastal Community Liaison for the UCI.

### Going Even Greener

Participating in the EPA's GreenScapes program means Monmouth will adopt more sustainable landscaping that includes drought-resistant plants and trees. In addition, the University is reviewing new options that reduce and reuse landscape waste and industrial materials. Other options under consideration include expanding the number of rain gardens on campus and using more perennials that can be maintained year after year.

The SAC is also looking at more outreach to increase awareness of these and other programs while increasing involvement both within and beyond the campus boundaries. Committees are examining sustainable events on campus, such as sustainable concerts where everything is recycled, and inviting community leaders to learn more about Monmouth's green activities.

For Ferris, the results are inspiring. "The SAC and other people on campus are really making a difference in how we reduce, reuse, and recycle, all of which have an impact on the environment. And every cent we save can help the University better serve our mission." **MU**

# Bringing The Metropolitan to Monmouth

Thanks to a gift from Robert B. Sculthorpe '63, vice chair of the Board of Trustees, arts programming at Monmouth has taken a giant leap forward. In March, Pollak Theatre became the first location in the Monmouth and Ocean County region—and only the ninth location in the state—to host performances of New York's Metropolitan Opera digital, high definition (HD) simulcast program, *The Met: Live in HD*.

Students and local residents can now experience performances by the Metropolitan Opera, the most widely heard and well known opera company in the world, without fear of Manhattan gridlock or exorbitant parking fees.

Dr. Frederick McKittrick, chair of the Department of History and Anthropology, and a passionate advocate for opera, was the driving force behind bringing the Emmy and Peabody Award winning program to Monmouth. »

The Metropolitan  
Opera **HD**  
LIVE



PHOTO: MARTY SOHL/METROPOLITAN OPERA

“We are thrilled to host these broadcasts for the entire region,” McKitrick said. “It fits with our broader goal to be a destination for the arts.”

“The quality of our brand new digital HD projection equipment and sound system is state-of-the-art. This is a great way to experience opera for both long-time fans and those seeing opera for the first time,” he said.

Working closely with Monmouth’s Center of Distinction for the Arts, McKitrick marshalled support for the program from across the University.

He is quick to credit the diverse backers who made the initiative possible, including Vaune Peck, counselor and coordinator of Arts Programming and Promotion, and her team, Stanton Green, dean of the McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Datta Naik, dean of the Graduate School and Continuing Education, Provost Tom Pearson, and President Gaffney.



ROBERT B. SCULTHORPE '63

### The MET: Live in HD

As part of its efforts to reinvigorate opera and reach out to a broader public, the Metropolitan Opera launched a groundbreaking program in December 2006, a series of opera performances transmitted live via satellite to movie theaters around the world.

Seen as something of a gamble when they were introduced, the broadcasts proved so popular that additional showings were scheduled almost immediately. Building on the initial success the Met expanded its broadcasts—from six productions in the inaugural season, to eight productions the following year, to 11 productions in the 2008-9 season—at more than 850 locations in more

than 32 countries around the world.

McKitrick explains that despite global enthusiasm for the program, before Monmouth secured the new digital equipment needed to participate in the program, “the closest movie theater in our area to carry these events was a multiplex in North Brunswick about 35 miles away.”

Most opera performances at other locations in New Jersey regularly cater to sell-out crowds. With only 700 seats in 20 rows, the Pollak Theatre offers an unusually intimate setting for opera fans to enjoy world-class entertainment.

Each broadcast is transmitted in HD video and Dolby Digital 5.1 surround sound. Because each performance is produced using at least 10 cameras, with multiple points of view, close-ups, and special camera zooms, viewers engage with the performance in a way not possible when attending an opera performance in person.

### Backstage Access

Viewers not only see the orchestra and performers from all new angles, but they now see backstage activities and can watch cast interviews during the intermission, and even between scene changes. The behind-the-scenes features offer an unprecedented look at what goes into the staging of an opera.

At the March 7 premiere of Puccini’s *Madama Butterfly* at Monmouth, Marcello Giordani who performed the role of Pinkerton, hoisted co-star Patricia Racette, in the role of Cio-Cio-San, and carried her off-stage at the end of the first act. Audience members in Pollak Theatre audibly groaned in sympathy as Giordano tried to navigate the narrow stage wings still carrying Racette as cameras followed the pair backstage.

At the beginning of the same performance, a member of the audience at the Met in New York experienced a coughing fit. The global digital transmission meant that not only nearby rows of seats heard the coughs, but also virtual viewers from the UK to Uruguay, from Paris to Peru, and from Denver to Dublin, experienced the vicissitudes of the live



FREDERICK MCKITRICK, CHAIR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND ANTHROPOLOGY.

performance.

Susan Graham, a mezzo-soprano, who has hosted several broadcasts and played Marguerite in the broadcast of Berlioz’s *Damnation de Faust*, said singers now worry about things that are usually invisible to house audiences, like spraying saliva when singing consonants, or turning upstage to clear one’s throat.

Even the stage makeup worn for HD performances is different, and less exaggerated than the makeup used for stage-only performances.

The *Los Angeles Times* agrees that, “The Met’s experiment of merging film with live performance has created a new art form,” adding that the new format actually “heightens attention to the narrative elements of both performance and production.”

### Rave Reviews

In April, the HD series won a Peabody Award for the “vividly designed, smartly annotated productions of *Hansel and Gretel*, *Doctor Atomic*, *Peter Grimes* and other operas.” Created in 1941 to recognize the most outstanding achievements in broadcasting, the Peabody committee noted, “the Met used state-of-the-art digital technology to reinvent presentation of a classic art form.”

For Peter Gelb, the general manager of the Met who initiated the HD program, winning the Peabody is an affirmation that his efforts have made a difference. “It’s obviously the most distinguished award in the media, and I think the fact that it’s being given to new ventures such as ours shows that the

people presenting the award are keeping abreast of what is happening in the world of media outside what have been the standard channels of distribution.”

The Met also won a special Emmy Award in October 2008 for “advancing technology through ongoing, live, global transmission of high-definition programming to movie theatres.”

The transmissions have also received wide and generally favorable press coverage. The Met reported that 91% of available seats were sold for the HD performances. During the 2007-08 season, the eight HD series events were seen by more people than those who attended about 220 live performances in the New York opera house over an entire season.

### Engaging Students

More than simply entertaining audiences, McKitrick believes the HD program offers unique educational opportunities. Thanks to accommodations from program directors at the Met, who McKitrick describes as “the nicest people,” Monmouth students pay a discounted rate of only \$5 for each performance, as compared to the normal rate of \$22. When they are available, ticket prices for live productions at the



Met range from \$20 for Family Box seats to \$375 for premium seats.

In addition to incorporating content from *The Met: Live in HD* into existing curricula, McKitrick believes the program will augment ongoing collaboration with the Two River Theater in Red Bank, and enhance the Music and Theater Department at Monmouth.

The Met offers students and teachers a variety of online educational background material to supplement the *Live in HD* schedule. Each opera-specific guide includes full story synopses, and a variety of resources helpful for students to become familiar with and understand each production before viewing.

McKitrick also has practical experience to gauge the potential success of the program with students. McKitrick says that each semester Dr. Pasquale Simonelli, of the Philosophy and Religion Department, organizes a student opera trip to the Met. “The bus always fills up,” he says.

On the most recent trip to see *La Bohème* at the Met, Simonelli and McKitrick distributed a survey to the students, asking: “What best describes your reason for coming: 1) I enjoy opera and this was a good opportunity to go; or 2) I have never seen opera and this was a good opportunity to see something new.

To McKitrick’s surprise, three-quarters of the students answered that they had never before seen an opera. “That means that we have a tremendous chance to expand their horizons,” he said.

According to the Met, the *Live in HD* productions are chosen to represent a variety of styles and showcase a wide range of the Met repertoire and artists. While stylistically different, they all feature great storytelling, great singing, and extraordinary production values. On-screen English subtitles also make it easy for viewers to understand the action, no matter what the native language of the opera.

LEFT: SCENE FROM ACT ONE OF *MADAMA BUTTERFLY* WHICH PREMIERED AT MONMOUTH ON MARCH 7. PHOTO: METROPOLITAN OPERA.



### Expanding Horizons

In June, the Pollak Theatre hosted the inaugural live HD event from the National Theatre (NT) of London. *Phèdre*, starring Helen Mirren, winner of three Golden Globe Awards, four Emmy Awards and an Academy Award, is the first of a four-part series announced by the NT.

The new digital equipment and satellite feed mean that Monmouth can further expand opportunities for arts programming. Monmouth University is now plugged in to the brave new world of arts programming that brings world-class live performances in digital HD to campus.

As the new season of *The Met: Live in HD* looms on the horizon, McKitrick is eager to both expand and refine the program. He hopes to offer food (and maybe even champagne) during the standard 30 minute opera intermission. Seat-specific online ticketing is also a goal.

Before the next season begins, Monmouth will also host five encore performances in the Best of *the Met: Live in HD* summer program. The Met offers this advice to patrons unsure of the appropriate attire for an HD opera event, “Feel free to wear whatever you would normally wear to go to a movie theater, although some patrons have told us they enjoy dressing up for the operas.” **MU**

# TWENTY QUESTIONS FOR SHADOW THE HAWK

Although his real identity is sworn to secrecy, the *Monmouth University Magazine* scored an exclusive interview with Shadow the Hawk. The interview was only possible with the help of sophomore Devin Menker.

Menker, majoring in History/Education, is reported to be a very, very close associate of Shadow, but friends observe that the two have never been spotted together. Some even complain that Menker now seems to always be “busy” whenever they ask him to attend sporting events.

We asked Shadow twenty questions and this is what he had to say:

**Q How did you get started as Shadow?** I got started as Shadow during my freshman year. Shadow’s presence is a great way to boost morale at different sporting and charity events on campus. My love for, and dedication to, Monmouth made me want to become Shadow and represent my school in an exciting way.

**What was your first day like?** My first day was very exciting, but yet I was very nervous at the same time. I did not know what to expect, and how fans would react. I was also nervous about how I would be able to communicate with people with a mask on, since my high school mascot costume was a Patriot Soldier, and I did not have that predicament.

**What types of appearances do you take part in and how often?** I participate in all sporting events, charity events, student employment appreciation day, open house, and any other school events where Shadow’s presence is requested.

**How long does it take you to get ready?** It takes me about ten minutes to get ready because I need to make sure all of my costume is intact and operational.

**Does everyone love Shadow?** Shadow is adored by everyone! Young children who attend MU events are attracted to Shadow and come up and say hello. They always want to have a picture taken with him. Shadow is also a very exciting attraction on campus. Students come up and greet Shadow and show their appreciation for him. Occasionally, there is always the opposing team’s fan, who decides to tease Shadow by pulling on his tail, but I don’t let that bother me.

**Who was your mascot inspiration?** My mascot inspiration was my predecessor in high school as the Patriot Soldier. He took me under his “wings” (no pun intended) and trained me to do the job. After his training, I became the Freehold Township High School Patriot, and now I am Shadow the Hawk at Monmouth.





**Is there a mascot code of conduct?** A mascot has to have utmost respect for all fans and use proper manners while in costume. His or her job is to be cheerful and boost morale during University events.

**Does the costume get hot?** The Hawk costume gets extremely hot, especially during indoor events. Eventually you get used to it, and it does not bother you anymore.

**How do you keep the costume from getting, um, *fragrant*?** The costume is washed quite often in a tub of soapy warm water. Between events the costume is hung out in the fresh air. An odor-eater disc is placed in the carrying bag to keep the costume smelling like “roses.”

**ABOVE LEFT:** DEVIN MENKER, SHADOW'S VERY CLOSE FRIEND, IS INTERVIEWED BY A NEWS CHANNEL 12 ANCHOR AT THE ON-CAMPUS SCREENING OF PRESIDENT OBAMA'S INAUGURATION. SHADOW COULD NOT ATTEND THE EVENT. **ABOVE RIGHT:** MINI-SHADOW DOLL AVAILABLE FROM THE MU BOOKSTORE. **BELOW RIGHT:** SHADOW AND FRED KAEI '61 AT A BASKETBALL GAME.



**What has been your favorite experience as a mascot?** My favorite experience as a mascot has been being able to meet so many administrators, students, and professors on campus. I think that I have been able to bring the morale up on campus and increase the school spirit. Being the mascot allows me to represent Monmouth in a fun and exciting way.

**Worst part of being a mascot?**

There is not really a bad part in regards to being the mascot, other than the hot costume. I love the job that I do, and I am excited about my job every day.



**How do you entertain kids?** I entertain kids by doing silly movements and trying to get them to cheer on the team. I shake their hands and make them feel important. I also try to get them involved in the intermission games and join in on the fun.



**How do you energize a crowd?** I energize the crowd by getting everyone to clap, yell and cheer for the team. I am also the drummer in the MU pep band, and many times I play the drums in my Shadow costume, and the fans go crazy!! They love to see Shadow on the drums. It is great fun, and everyone gets involved.

**How much of a game can you actually see in the costume?** I can follow the entire game in costume, because I walk around and greet people while also cheering on the team during the event.



**Most embarrassing moment as a mascot?** My most embarrassing moment was when I was at West Long Branch Day, at MU. I was playing soccer with some little kids, and I went to kick the ball, and my shoe flew off!! Everyone was shocked, and one



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of the mothers came over and helped me put my shoe back on.

**Tell me something about being a mascot that most people don't know, but should.**

Being a mascot is a really tough and challenging job. You are constantly required to be energetic and available at a moment's call, whenever Shadow is needed. You need to be extremely patient and tolerant with children. Being Shadow requires a great deal of dedication and commitment at all times.

**What's the most trouble you've gotten in as a mascot?**

The most trouble I had was when a young boy was relentlessly pulling at my tail. I was unable to see behind me because of the large head-piece, and it was very frustrating. I had to be extremely patient with him and wait for assistance. It was an interesting day, to say the least.

**Which other mascot are you fairly certain you could beat up?** Shadow the Hawk is a friend to all.

**Do you have any career goals as a mascot?**

I would love to become a professional mascot if something became available.

**What personality traits are most important for being a mascot?** The most important personality traits for being a mascot are as follows:

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| 1. Patient     | 6. Spirited   |
| 2. Kind        | 7. Gregarious |
| 3. Caring      | 8. Dedicated  |
| 4. Charismatic | 9. Committed  |
| 5. Energetic   | 10. Likeable  |



ABOVE LEFT: EVERY YEAR NEW RECRUITS ARE SOUGHT FOR THE ROLE OF SHADOW. LEFT: SHADOW ALSO PLAYS THE DRUMS IN THE PEP BAND. ABOVE: CHILDREN LOVE SHADOW THE HAWK!



# EVOLUTION of the HAWK



In 1939 the Press Club at Monmouth Junior College held a student campaign to pick an athletic team nickname. The long list of entrants was cut to 15 suggestions which included the Bearcats, Bees, Bisons, Commuters, Orange Fliers, Trojans, and Nighthawks. After a student ballot, **MJC athletic teams became the Nighthawks by a margin of six votes.**

The “Nighthawks” name reflected the evening-only class schedule available within the host premises of the Long Branch High School for the nascent junior college. Unrelated to true hawks, nighthawks belong to the genus *Chordeiles Virginianus*, and more closely resemble owls.

Despite the substantial physical and biological differences between hawks and nighthawks, the former orange and black school colors of MJC depicted a more-or-less standard hawk image.



ACCORDING TO THE CROWN ENCYCLOPEDIA OF 1903, THE NIGHT HAWK IS “A SPECIES OF GOATSUCKER.” MONMOUTH IS INDEED FORTUNATE TO HAVE AVOIDED A TEAM NICKNAME OF “THE GOATSUCKERS.”

When Monmouth Junior College became Monmouth College and the school began offering daytime classes in 1956, athletic team names were changed to the Hawks.

A live hawk mascot came to the Monmouth campus in 1961 from the Charone Wild Animal Farm in Nebraska. The hawk, named Phoenix, accompanied the Blue Grenadiers, the college drill team, until his death in late 1962.

Writing in the December 12, 1962 issue of *The Outlook*, Marilyn (Egolf) Rocky '65, noted that the Grenadiers were, “planning to have the hawk preserved and mounted to serve as a reminder of the inspiration created by this plucky little bird.”



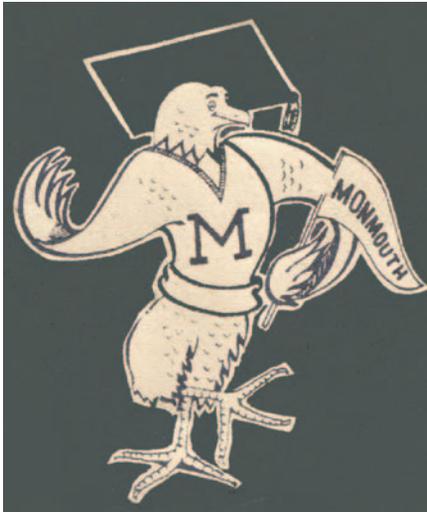
1949 HAWK FROM BASKETBALL JERSEY OF FORMER TEAM CAPTAIN JOE GACHINA.



STUFFED HAWK FOUND IN THE MU BOOKSTORE. NO RELATION TO ONETIME MASCOT, PHOENIX.

Bookstore manager Bill Rainey steadfastly denies any rumors that the stuffed hawk found in the stacks of his establishment has any connection to Phoenix, the former hawk mascot.

Since the transformation from Nighthawk to Hawk in 1956, the University mascot has undergone many official and unofficial image makeovers.



HAWK MASCOT FOUND ON 1967 HOMECOMING PENNANT.

The mascot has evolved from a generic bird on basketball jersey, to live bird named Phoenix in the 1960's, to a pop-eyed, chicken-legged oddity in the 1980's, to the more clearly defined figure now known and loved by legions of Monmouth sports fans.



UNDATED PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS POP-EYED HAWK CIRCA 1985.

Whatever its appearance, the Hawk has been a University tradition enjoyed by generations of students.



HAWK MASCOT CIRCA 1987.



HAWK MASCOT CIRCA 1995.

In 2003 after a two-year process of research, strategic planning, concept development, and design execution involving many University constituents, the hawk mascot and logo received a makeover with the help of Asbury Park-based design firm Knockout Graphics. The official Hawk logo now graces the refurbished central patio area of the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, where a recessed fountain area once stood.



HAWK MASCOT CIRCA 2003

In 2005, Monmouth sponsored a student contest to name the Hawk. Joan Mayorella's fifth grade class at the Frank Antonides School in West Long Branch, and kindergarten students in the Elberon School chose the name "Shadow" as for the Hawk mascot, from five final choices.



SHADOW SEES HIS OWN SHADOW LOOKING AT THE 1949 MASCOT AT THE FINAL GAME IN BOYLAN GYM ON FEBRUARY 28.

Since being named, Shadow the Hawk has delighted visitors, students, athletes, and fans alike. Shadow epitomizes the energy and optimism felt everywhere on the Monmouth campus. The next time you see Shadow, please be sure to thank him for a job well done! **MU**

## MEMORABLE MASCOT MOMENTS?

DiD yOu EVeR DON ThE hAwK CoStUmE?

wANT TO ShARE ANY ENCOuNTeRS wiTh ThE MASCOT?

PLEASE EMAIL CLASSNOTES@MONMOUTH.EDU TO ShARE yOuR STORiES.



# GOOD WILL {HILL} {JOB} HUNTING

Heather McCulloch Mistretta

WILL HILL EXPLAINS THE POSITIVE SIDE OF THE JOB MARKET TO JENNIFER PACETTI '09 AND SAMANTHA REHDEES. REHDEES IS PURSUING HER MASTER'S IN EDUCATIONAL COUNSELING.



**When William Hill started working at Monmouth in 1977 Jimmy Carter just started his four-year term, Star Wars and Saturday Night Fever debuted in theaters, and Walt Frazier and the New York Knicks held training camps in Boylan Gym. There were no cell phones, internet, email, or voicemail on campus. Cutting edge technology meant one photocopier machine in Wilson Hall.**

**The jobless rate in 1977 was 6.4 percent, according to the Education Resources Information Center, a far cry from the 9.4 percent cited in May by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.**

Employment numbers fluctuate over time, but Hill's determination to help students has remained steadfast, and grown to match the burgeoning campus and student population during his years on the job.

"Students are our customers. They're the reason we're here," the Assistant Dean of Placement and Student Employment said. When asked to share the best advice he had for students, he said, "Don't give up." "I think graduating seniors are in the best place," Hill said.

“A recent graduate is more attractive when it comes to cost.” Toddi Gutner of *The Wall Street Journal* echoes Hill’s sentiments, “In this belt-tightening economy, getting more for less is an attractive option for many firms.”

Hill also says that recent graduates tend to be more flexible. With fewer encumbrances and responsibilities, they are more inclined to take a job that is less desirable for older workers, either because of location or unusual hours.

### Location

Hill is also ready to point out the advantages of Monmouth’s unique location. In addition to opportunities in a vibrant local economy, graduates are within commuting distance of two major employment markets—Philadelphia and Manhattan. Hill reminds students that their employment prospects are brighter because “they aren’t graduating in a one company town.”

His optimistic outlook is not limited to recent graduates. Although unemployment rates are expected to climb to

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**Unemployment for college graduates was 4.8%, “up considerably from 2.3% a year ago, but well below the rate for people with less education.”**

—The Wall Street Journal.

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10 percent by the end of 2009 or early 2010, the jobless rate is dramatically different for those with college degrees from that of the wider population.

Unemployment for college graduates was 4.8%, “up considerably from 2.3% a year ago, but well below the rate for people with less education,” according to *The Wall Street Journal*.

### Making Connections

Although his schedule is varied, a good portion of Hill’s day is spent speaking directly with students and alumni. He meets face-to-face with

hundreds of job-seeking students each year, and connects with many more via telephone calls and e-mail.

“I have a lot of favorite parts of my job. I like bringing people together, and seeing students begin a career.”

The students he helps also appreciate his advice. One student quoted in the Princeton Review’s 2009 roster of the *Best 296 Business Schools* said, “The placement director at the University is energetic and caring.”

Evidence of Hill’s commitment to helping others extends beyond even students and alumni. “I spoke recently with the father of one of our alumni,” Hill said. “He had just been laid off from a well-paying executive job in the transportation industry.”

“His son suggested that he call me, based on his own experiences with the Placement Office,” he said. Hill considers the connections he is able to foster as paying long-term dividends. “This man is facing a tough situation, and he is part of the wider MU Community.”

“Once he lands in a new position, he may also be more inclined to hire Monmouth students,” Hill added.

### Finding the Right Job

In an economic climate dubbed by some as “The Great Recession,” students are naturally anxious about not only finding a job, but charting a career.

According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers, an accounting degree carries the most hiring potential, followed by computer science, business administration, marketing and economics.

But Hill is quick to point out that he avoids recommending certain fields for students. “It’s about their motivation, their communication skills,” he said, adding that he is there to guide students toward a positive job interview.

Getting to the interview stage in a job search also involves avoiding potential pitfalls made possible by advances in technology impossible to imagine when Hill joined Monmouth in 1977.

Web sites such as Facebook.com and MySpace.com are regularly discussed



JOB FAIRS BRING LOCAL AND NATIONAL EMPLOYERS TO CAMPUS

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**Alumni Affairs has also ramped up efforts to connect students and alumni with jobs in the current economy.**

**Speed Networking Events and Business Card Exchanges have joined the mix of more social alumni events during the past year.**

**Marilynn Perry, director of Alumni Affairs, is expanding efforts to increase participation in the long-standing mentor program, “Career Connections,” available to students and alumni.**

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in career counseling sessions. “Students need to know that public sites like MySpace and others are legitimately open to outsiders and could be used to form important initial impressions,” Hill said.

“More than one interview has been derailed by an employer search that revealed embarrassing information posted online,” he said.

Hill embraces proactive use of technology to help connect students with jobs using a regular e-mail distribution list of fresh job opportunities, many unique to the connections he’s established between the University and local employers. Listings include full and part-time positions that range from summer childcare positions to openings seeking advanced computer software engineering skills.

### Taking Action

Hill offers seminars with titles like, “The Internet and Your Job Search,”

## “The placement director at the University is energetic and caring.”

—*Best 296 Business Schools* (2009)  
Princeton Review

but also provides practical advice for students that involves more than navigating the virtual world of online job search engines like Monster.com.

The Placement Office schedules a series of “drop-in” office hours and workshops designed to help job-seekers create winning resumes, prepare for job fairs, and learn the “art of the interview,” from deciding on the best wardrobe to answering tough questions.

Hill’s ambition is for student success is contagious. Instead of waiting for National Student Employment Week (April 12-18) to get the ball rolling, he launched several programs in February in an effort to help students cope with a bleak job market.

The Placement Office scheduled a total of ten workshops and career programs in March and April alone. Events and seminars included, “Educators Career Day,” “Preparing for Spring Career Day,” and “Last Minute Job Search.” On March 3rd, Hill hosted a panel of three experts from business, government and the non-profits sector to discuss “Surviving and Thriving in a Challenging Job Market”. Over 70 students and alumni came to Wilson Hall to listen.

In addition to helping students find a job off campus, he and his staff, including Placement Office Coordinator

Barbara McGill, are also responsible for student employment on campus. Aimee Parks '98, assistant director of placement for student employment, supervises the placement of more than 1,000 student employees in on-campus jobs each year.

Hill also is quick to point out the help he receives from his MU colleagues. “Faculty can be a great source of job leads. I’ve had the pleasure to work with many professors who’ve shared their resources. I also enjoy a great working relationship with the Alumni Office, with whom I’ve collaborated on a number of programs.”

### Digging for Jobs

After almost 35 years of experience in boom and bust job markets, Hill shirks off economic doomsayers, and looks for creative ways to help students and alumni gain practical resources to land a job.

“The most frustrating part of my job is not being able to control the economy.”

—Will Hill

Hill’s own education may have something to do with his calling to make connections and uncover new job opportunities.

After earning his bachelor’s degree in theology from St. Peter’s College, and a master’s in religious studies from Manhattan College, Hill set his sights on Biblical archaeology. Without a Ph.D., however, his career ambitions hit a road block.



EVEN A GRADUATION CAP CAN BE A JOB-SEEKING TOOL. UNEMPLOYMENT FOR GRADS IS SUBSTANTIALLY LOWER THAN FOR THE WIDER POPULATION.

“Then, a friend from St. Peter’s College recommended me for an assistant director’s job in their career planning office, where she worked,” Hill said.

Although he initially took the position to pay the bills, Hill grew to realize later how much he liked working with students and helping them plan their careers.

### Benefits of Education

In defiance of the floundering job market, some students are choosing to take a different route. Instead of settling for low wages, some students are opting to stay in school and pursue master’s degrees.

According to the Council of Graduate Schools, graduate applications for 2007-2008 were up eight percent nationwide compared to the previous year. Some colleges are boasting double-digit increases this year. The hope, economists say, is that by the time students have another degree in hand, the economy will have improved and they will be able to command a higher wage.

As far as the rest of the outlook for Monmouth students in 2009 goes, Hill thinks the next six months are critical in determining the future of our economy. “The most frustrating part of my job is not being able to control the economy.” **MU**

Alumni with job leads for prospective MU graduates are encouraged to contact Will Hill by phone at (732) 571-3580 or email at [hill@monmouth.edu](mailto:hill@monmouth.edu).

A “JOB HUNTING HANDBOOK” IS ONE OF MANY RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS.





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**GAFFNEY CELEBRATES REVELLE**



PRESIDENT GAFFNEY AND DISTINGUISHED OCEANOGRAPHER DR. WALTER MUNK

President Gaffney joined a distinguished group of speakers in March at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in San Diego for a symposium marking the 100th birthday of the late Dr. Roger Revelle. Revelle, who headed Scripps from 1950 to 1964, is considered a giant in the field of oceanography, and one of the true pioneers of climate change research.

President Gaffney spoke about the

legacy of Revelle and his impact on employing both military and civilian research for the advancement of science and society. The presentation is available online through University of California Television at: <http://www.uctv.tv/search-details.aspx?showID=16410>.

Following the symposium, Gaffney attended the invitation-only award ceremony to see former Vice President Al Gore receive the inaugural “Roger Revelle Prize” for his contributions in exposing a worldwide audience to the issues raised by environmental and climate change.

Gore, a student of Revelle’s at Harvard University in the 1960s, created the 2006 Oscar-winning documentary “An Inconvenient Truth” about global warming. In 2007, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. Gore credits Revelle, often cited as the “grandfather of the greenhouse effect,” with sparking his life-long interest in global warming.

**GOVERNOR TAPS ALEXIS FOR COMMISSION**



DR. ALEXIS AND GOVERNOR CORZINE

Gwendolyn Yvonne Alexis, Ph.D., J.D., assistant professor of management and marketing, has been appointed by Governor Jon S. Corzine to serve on the New Jersey Corporate and Business Law

Study Commission for a term expiring on January 11, 2011.

The New Jersey Corporate and Business Law Study Commission consists of three members—two appointed by the New Jersey Legislature and one appointed by the Governor. Members of the Commission must be admitted to practice law in New Jersey and must have earned distinction in the fields of corporate and business law.

Dr. Alexis is a graduate of Harvard Law School. Her doctorate degree in Sociology and Historical Studies is from the New School for Social Research. Additionally, she possesses an M.A.R. in Ethics from the Yale Divinity School and a B.S. in Business from the University of Southern California where she was inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma, the international honorary society in Business.



Monmouth University is the winner of the 2009 NJBIZ Green Leadership Award in the category of Energy Conservation. The awards recognize New Jersey executives and businesses for their environmental achievements and initiatives.

“We educate 6,000 students a year, and this is a large critical mass of people that we can educate and that we can lead by example,” said Susan Doctorian, who oversees government affairs, media relations and community outreach at Monmouth.

“As the school’s carbon footprint shrinks, Monmouth is being a steward of the environment for the entire region,” she said at the award ceremony.

In an ongoing effort to conserve energy, Monmouth has installed 33,000 square feet of rooftop solar panels, retrofitted lighting to slash energy consumption 30 percent in the gymnasium, added energy-efficient police vehicles and replaced 1,000 light bulbs with bulbs that use one-third less energy.

An independent panel of industry professionals judged the nominations and selected finalists in eight categories: Alternative Energy Use, Energy Conservation, Environmental Innovation, Green Building, Green Education, Pollution Prevention, Recycle/Reuse and Green Executive of the Year.

Emanuel Stern, president and chief operating officer of Secaucus-based Hartz Mountain Industries, was named Green Executive of the Year for the company’s effort to launch green initiatives in its real estate portfolio. In 2006 Stern was honored with a Leadership Excellence Award from the Kislak Real Estate Institute at Monmouth.

University Trustee Steven Pozycki '73 was a finalist in the Green Executive of the Year category. Pozycki is the chairman and CEO of SJP Properties.

**ARTS FELLOWSHIP FOR THOMAS**

**M**ichael Paul Thomas, assistant dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences and Director of the Visiting Writers Series, has been awarded a fellowship by the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts (VCCA).

Thomas received his MFA in poetry from Syracuse University in 1995 and has been teaching at Monmouth since 1997. This spring he has forthcoming work in the journals, *The Great River Review*, *The Idiom*, and *The Broken Shore*. In 2008, his book manuscript of poems, *Jacket of a Ghost*, was selected as a finalist (top 50 out of 1,200) in the National Poetry Series.

Serving more than 300 artists a year (over 3,000 since its inception), the VCCA is one of the nation's largest year-round artists' communities. VCCA fellows have received worldwide attention through publications, exhibitions, compositions, performances, and major awards and accolades, including MacArthur grants, Pulitzer Prizes, Guggenheim fellowships, National Endowment for the Arts awards, Rome Prizes, Pollock-Krasner grants, National Book Awards, Broadway and Off-Broadway productions, and Academy Award nominations.

**NEW NAME FOR SCIENCE SCHOOL**

**M**onmouth University's School of Science, Technology and Engineering will officially be renamed the School of Science beginning July 1. The change reflects a more accurate representation of current program strengths and faculty expertise.

With the change, the Departments of Computer Science and Software Engineering will be merged to form the Department of Computer Science and Software Engineering.

Existing curricula and programs in the CS/SE departments will remain in place.

**SWEENEY HONORED FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EFFORTS**

PHOTO: BOB GORE

**M**onmouth University Trustee Dr. Monica Sweeney was honored in April at the Bronx Community College (BCC) Foundation's annual Gala Awards Dinner, where she received the Robert L. Clarke Award for Scientific Achievement.

This award is given in memory of chemistry professor Robert L. Clarke who taught at BCC for 30 years, of which Dr. Sweeney is an alumna.

She is the assistant commissioner for the Bureau of HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control at the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. For more than 17 years, she served as the medical director and vice president of medical affairs at the Bedford Stuyvesant Family Health Center.

Dr. Sweeney is presently serving as an associate professor at the Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Education at The City University of New York Medical School and as an assistant professor of medicine at the School of Public Health at the State University of New York Downstate Health Science Center of Brooklyn.

In addition to clinical medicine, teaching and policy advocacy, Dr. Sweeney has done extensive work toward bringing HIV/AIDS prevention to the forefront. She is also the recipient of numerous awards from professional, civic and government groups.

**RESIDENCE HALL CONSTRUCTION BEGINS**

**I**n March construction crews broke ground to build a new student residence hall, located at the corner of Pinewood and Cedar avenues. The project is slated to be completed in fall 2010.

The new hall is expected to house 196 students, which will mean that all first-year students will have the

opportunity to live on campus. Also part of the construction project are a small parking lot, six tennis courts and a drainage basin.

Local contractors on the site include Fitzpatrick & Associates, Inc., Eatontown, D&D Utility, Long Branch, and C&J Hesse, Atlantic Highlands.



PHOTO: MATT RAINEY

## CATINO HONORED AS DISTINGUISHED BUSINESS LEADER

The 2009 Distinguished Business Leaders Award Dinner in March called attention to a leader in the health care industry by honoring Annette Catino, president and CEO of QualCare, Inc.

"Ms. Catino is an exemplary businesswoman," said President Gaffney. "She has made important and long-lasting contributions to her company, the health care industry, and the community by exhibiting exceptional leadership, strength of character, entrepreneurship, and philanthropy. Her vision, expertise, courage, and energy are inspiring. I think she is a terrific example for young business people."

For nearly 30 years, Catino has been a proven executive in the health care industry. She founded QualCare in 1991 as part of SSM Health Care Ministry Corp., the parent of St. Clare's Riverside Medical Center in Denville, NJ.

In 1993 she reorganized the company and ownership and recruited seven additional sponsoring hospitals to capitalize the company. In 1995 she again reorganized QualCare, Inc. and converted to a stock corporation to bring in additional capital and further grow the company.

James S. Vaccaro, chairman, president, and CEO of Central Jersey Bancorp and chair of the Business Leaders Award Committee, says, "Ms. Catino is the consummate professional and epitomizes the

realization of the America Dream. Her hard work, dedication, unwavering ethical standards and willingness to give back to society are all characteristics which are consistent with the teachings of Monmouth University. As such, Ms. Catino is not only a deserving Distinguished Business Leader, but truly represents the essence of the award."

Ms. Catino earned her BS degree from Montclair State University and her MBA from Bernard Baruch College—Mt. Sinai School of Medicine, CUNY, with a major in Health Care Administration. She serves as a board member of Northfield Bankcorp (NFBK) and Middlesex Water Co. (MSEX), as well as the Caucus Educational Corporation and the Val Skinner Foundation, both 501(C)(3) corporations.

QualCare, Inc. is a full-service managed care organization that offers PPO, Point of Service plans, Workers' Compensation, third-party administration services and utilization management services including case management, utilization review and pre-certification. Headquartered in Piscataway, NJ, QualCare is owned by 12 hospitals and physician organizations. It contracts with 84 acute care hospitals in New Jersey, as well as more than 17,000 physicians and other health care providers. QualCare currently administers health plans for 500,000 New Jersey members.

## MENTAL HEALTH DEGREE IS FIRST IN NJ

The Masters of Science degree program in Mental Health Counseling at Monmouth University has been accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), making it the first in New Jersey.



The degree offers a curriculum that explores foundations of counseling procedures, intervention skills, assessment methods, and quantitative skills necessary to read relevant research findings.

CACREP was created in 1981 as the independent accrediting arm for the American Counseling Association, a membership organization of more than 50,000 practicing counselors. From its inception, CACREP has provided an effective measure of quality assurance for counselor preparation programs. CACREP also provides leadership to programs interested in furthering their own capacity for self-evaluation.

## NAGY ELECTED TO HELP LEAD NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Vice President for Student Services Mary Anne Nagy is the national co-chair elect for the NASPA Alcohol and Other Drugs Knowledge Committee, a position that will become effective in March 2010 at the NASPA Annual Conference in Chicago.

NASPA Knowledge Communities provide an opportunity for NASPA members to access information and resources in a specific subject matter that pertains to the student affairs profession.

NASPA, Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education, has more than 11,000 members at 1,400 campuses in 29 countries.

NEW LINKS WITH UNIVERSITIES IN CHINA



L-R: DR. JUN ZHANG, DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF INFORMATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, GUANGDONG UNIVERSITY OF BUSINESS STUDIES (GUBS) GUANGZHOU, PRC; YANG MENG, DIRECTOR OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE, GUBS; MICHAEL PALLADINO, DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY; JIACUN WANG, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY.

Monmouth has signed Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with five universities in China. These agreements are primarily designed to facilitate entry of students who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree into an appropriate MS program in computer science or software engineering at Monmouth University.

“We look forward to developing and supporting relationships with our MOU partner schools to create mutually beneficial opportunities for students and faculty,” said Dean of the School of Science Michael Palladino.

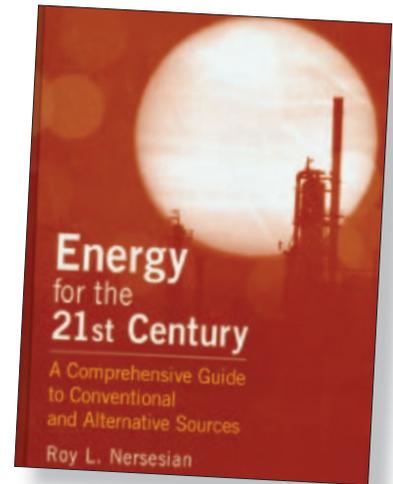
Monmouth and the Chinese universities will also collaborate and exchange scholarly ideas and expertise, develop pathways for recruiting undergraduate and graduate students, and support opportunities for student and faculty exchange.

The Chinese University partners that signed MOUs are Nanjing Univer-

sity of Science & Technology (NJUST), Jiangsu Teachers University of Technology (JTUT), Guangdong University of Technology (GDUT), Guangdong University of Business Study (GUBS), and Shandong University of Science and Technology (SDUST).

Palladino and Software Engineering Professor Jiacun Wang were in China January 6-17 and visited eight institutions in six cities to participate in meetings related to STE student recruitment, opportunities for faculty exchange and collaboration and to formalize the MOU-partnerships.

BRIGHT IDEA AWARDS FOR BUSINESS FACULTY



Professors Roy L. Nersesian and Gwendolyn Yvonne Alexis in The Leon Hess Business School were selected in November to receive Bright Idea Awards at a ceremony at Middlesex County College.

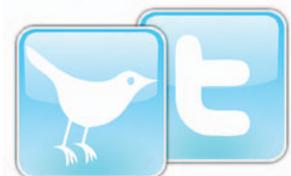
Dr. Nersesian’s book, *Energy for the 21st Century: A comprehensive guide to conventional and alternative sources* was selected to receive the Bright Idea Award in Energy. Dr. Alexis’ paper, *Second-Guessing Management: The Board Autonomy Budget*, was selected to receive the Bright Idea Award in Corporate Governance.

The Bright Idea Awards are sponsored annually by the Stillman School of Business at Seton Hall University and the NJPRO Foundation, the public policy research affiliate of the New Jersey Business and Industry Association.

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**FORMER NJ FIRST LADY SPEAKS OUT**



**F**ormer New Jersey First Lady Mary Jo Codey is trying to make it easier for many women to talk about their problems. At a lecture entitled “Dealing with Maternal Depression: Speak Up When You’re Down,” Codey spoke to attendees in Wilson Hall on March 25 about postpartum depression, a condition that affects about one in eight women.

“Postpartum depression is treatable. But first you have to ask for help,” Codey has said. First Lady from November 2004 to January 2006 and a lifelong resident of New Jersey, Codey spoke openly about her own postpartum depression.

Mrs. Codey helped launch a groundbreaking statewide campaign that raised awareness of postpartum depression and offered education and resources to women, their families, and healthcare professionals.

The campaign featured the First Lady in radio and TV spots. The Codeys also played a key role in the passage of New Jersey’s groundbreaking Postpartum Depression Screening and Education law, which took effect in October 2006.

She has made several trips to Capitol Hill in support of the Melanie Blocker-Stokes MOTHERS Act, sponsored by Representative Bobby Rush (IL) and Senators Robert Menendez (NJ), Richard Durbin (IL), and Olympia Snowe (ME).

In 2008 her efforts were recognized with the Welcome Back Lifetime Achievement Award from Eli Lilly. She currently teaches at an elementary school in West Orange.

**ENTREPRENEURS HOPE FOR BLACK INK**



**F**or the first time Monmouth University entrepreneurship students are partnering with a franchise. Along with Professor John Buzza, 34 students have linked up with Cartridge World in Oakhurst to form a unique partnership.

Monmouth University is a fully vested 1/3 partner in the venture, along with the current franchisees Joe and Joy Betesh, and the Cartridge World corporate headquarters.

Professor Buzza said, “This project is giving the students real-life experience

in running a business and working with a franchise organization.”

Students will handle sales, marketing, real estate, publicity, store management, accounting, and web design for Cartridge World. The grand re-opening of the store was in April.

Cartridge World was rated #1 in its category by in 2008, and #39 on the 2009 Entrepreneur roster of Fastest Growing Franchises.

**MBA PROGRAM RANKS FIRST FOR WOMEN STUDENTS**



**T**he Leon Hess Business School has received national recognition for its MBA program. *U.S. News & World Report* ranked Monmouth first in the nation for percentage of full-time female students.

Female students represent 62.5 percent of all full-time Monmouth MBA students, higher than any school on the roster.

The rankings are part of *U.S. News & World Report’s* annual survey of the Best U.S. Business Schools. The magazine analyzed 1,200 schools before releasing its current rankings.

**EMPLOYEE GIVING SURPASSES GOAL**

**D**r. Jeffery N. Mills, vice president for University Advancement, announced in February that employees contributed \$189,230 to support Monmouth University during the 2008 calendar year, surpassing the goal of \$175,000.

“Sixty-one employees were members of the President’s Society in 2008, an increase of 11% over 2007,” said Dr. Mills. Members of the President’s Society contribute a minimum of \$1,000 during the calendar year.

Dr. Mills also noted that the participation by full-time employees also exceeded targets. “We hoped for 50% participation, and were delighted to see 57% of all full-time employees make a contribution.”

Jacqueline Bartley-Oxley, associate vice president of University Advancement, said a total of 540 full- and part-time employees contributed to the campaign, an increase of 11% over 2008.

She said the goal for 2009 is \$190,000 in total giving, with participation from at least 55% of all full-time employees. “Even small gifts have a way of adding up quickly when participation levels increase,” she said.

Because employees choose where to direct their funds, some interesting



trends emerged. More than \$18,000 was directed to support student scholarships, \$18,000 to support academic programs and initiatives, and over \$4,000 to support Music & Arts. Employees also provided almost \$20,000 in unrestricted funds, which allow the University to direct funds where the need is greatest.

“Employee giving is an important benchmark for many foundations,” said Dr. Mills. “Outside donors like to see employee support for the mission of the institution. Employee giving has a ‘multiplier effect’ when it is used to make the

case for outside support,” he said.

Anthony Delfranco, director of the Annual Fund, noted, “In four years, the number of donors has doubled from 239 to 540, and the participation rate by full-time employees has increased from 23% to 57% since 2004.”

Delfranco said that 30 team captains, Monmouth employees representing all areas of the University, helped raise awareness and generate excitement for the campaign. “We are excited about reaching our goal for 2009,” he added.

**DUO SCORE TOP ARCHAEOLOGY PRIZES**

**T**wo Monmouth students won the top prizes for undergraduate and graduate research paper at the Middle Atlantic Archaeology Conference in Ocean City, Maryland in March.

Undergraduate anthropology major Keri Sansevere won the best student paper award for her paper, “The Most Ancient Village in Our Country: Interpreting Forgotten Colonial Material from the Salisbury Site.”

Graduate history student Sean

McHugh won best graduate student paper for, “Charles Rau and the Keyport Shell Heap, Understanding New Jersey’s First Archaeological Excavation in its Historic Context.”

The victory marks the first time one university has captured both the undergraduate and graduate prizes. The Hawks competed against students from Temple University, American University, University of Delaware, College of William and Mary, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, West Chester University, and others.



KERI SANSEVERE, SEAN MCHUGH, DR. VEIT, BLAIR FINK

AACSB ACCREDITATION FOR B-SCHOOL



The Leon Hess Business School at Monmouth University has maintained its business accreditation by AACSB International (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business).

Some of the world's best known business schools, including The London Business School, INSEAD, University

of Pennsylvania, Harvard University, Yale University, Columbia University, EDHEC Business School, Warwick Business School, and University of Toronto are among the 559 business schools in over 32 countries accredited by AACSB.

Fewer than five percent of business schools worldwide have earned this distinguished hallmark of excellence in management education.

To maintain accreditation, a business program must undergo a rigorous internal review every five years, at which the program must demonstrate its continued commitment to the 21 quality standards relating to faculty qualification, strategic management of resources, interactions of faculty and students, as well as a commitment to continuous improvement and achievement of learning goals in degree programs.

"It takes a great deal of self-evaluation and determination to earn and

maintain AACSB accreditation," said Jerry Trapnell, chief accreditation officer of AACSB International.

The Leon Hess Business School has 36 full-time faculty serving approximately 1,200 undergraduate and 225 graduate students. Undergraduate specializations include accounting, finance, economics, marketing, management, and real estate. The School also offers a joint program in Spanish and International Business with the Department of Foreign Language Studies.

At the graduate level the School offers the MBA with tracks in general management, accounting, finance and real estate, as well as an accelerated MBA program. The Leon Hess Business School is home to the Kislak Real Estate Institute and the Monmouth University Center for Entrepreneurship.

LAUREATE PINSKY RETURNS TO CAMPUS

Long Branch native and former U.S. Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky HN'97 spoke as part of the Visiting Writers Series in April, which was National Poetry Month. This was a return trip for Pinsky, who last visited Monmouth's campus in 1997 when he received an honorary degree and was the University's commencement speaker.

"This reading is the most exciting event we've hosted in our Visiting Writers Series," said Michael Thomas, assistant dean of the Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences and director of the Visiting Writers Series.

"Not only is Robert Pinsky one of our greatest living poets, he is our greatest literary citizen; a man whose influence as a poet and critic, as a teacher and editor, and also as Poet Laureate is unmatched."

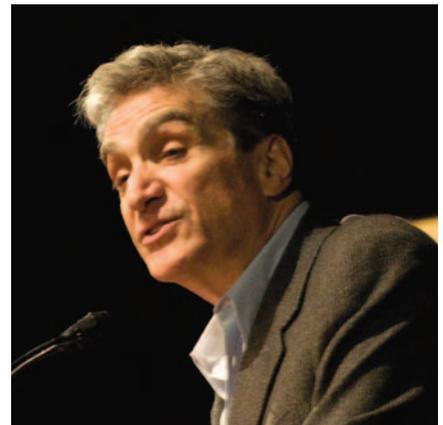
As Poet Laureate he became a public ambassador for poetry, founding the Fa-

vorite Poem Project, in which thousands of Americans—of varying backgrounds, all ages, and from every state—shared their favorite poems. The project sought to document the wide participation, and give voice to the American audience for poetry.

Pinsky's first two terms as U.S. Poet Laureate made such an impact that the Library of Congress appointed him to an unprecedented third term.

His book, *Gulf Music* (FSG, fall 2007) is his seventh volume of poetry. *His The Figured Wheel: New and Collected Poems 1966-1996* was a Pulitzer Prize nominee and received the Lenore Marshall Award and the Ambassador Book Award of the English Speaking Union. His most recent book is *First Things to Hand* (Sarabande, May 2006).

When Pinsky is not writing, he is teaching in the graduate writing program at Boston University. He is also the winner of the PEN/Voelcker Award,



the William Carlos Williams Prize, the Lenore Marshall Poetry Prize, and the National Foundation for Jewish Culture's 2006 Jewish Cultural Achievement Award in Literary Arts. He is one of the few members of the American Academy of Arts and Letters to have appeared on *The Simpsons*.

The event was co-sponsored by The Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County.

**SEAHAWK AIDS URBAN COAST INSTITUTE**

**T**hanks to a recent acquisition, the Seahawk, the Urban Coast Institute (UCI) at Monmouth University can now make high resolution, three-dimensional maps and detailed surveys from the bottom of bays and shallow ocean waters.

The Seahawk is a versatile, 27-foot fiberglass hulled survey vessel that can be hauled by a trailer.

“Habitat mapping is an essential tool for monitoring important habitats over time and for developing resource management strategies and restoration priorities, which are of particular importance to the New Jersey coastal area,” said James Nickels, a marine scientist and hydrographer at the UCI and head of the benthic mapping project.

The Seahawk is rigged to support a variety of scientific work including single and multibeam hydrography, sub-bottom profiling, side scan sonar, and benthic and water column sampling. The benthic zone is the ecological region at the lowest level of a body of water such as an ocean, bay or lake, including the sediment surface and some sub-surface layers. Organisms living in this zone are called benthos.

The Seahawk also is equipped with a heated and air conditioned cabin for year round use and lighted for night time operations. As many as six people can work on the vessel at any given time. The seabed classification and benthic mapping project was funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Availability of the data will enable the UCI to work on a continuing basis with local, state and federal resource managers and regional partners to assess the impacts of run-off from degraded watersheds on benthic habitats. It also will allow the development of restoration strategies to protect the beneficial uses of these estuarine waters. The data are valuable for navigation, flood monitoring and the development of coastal tidal and storm surge models.

The Seahawk will be used for UCI research and training Monmouth University students, as well as for support-sponsored and contract research projects.

The benthic mapping project ties in with the UCI’s estuarine water quality monitoring network that has been

**INAUGURAL NURSING DEAN TO RETIRE**

**T**his summer Dr. Marilyn Lauria, first dean of the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies, plans to retire.

“When we arrived, we had no faculty, no staff, no students and no offices dedicated to nursing,” said Dr. Lauria as she reminisced about her 28 years at Monmouth University.

Just a few months after she was hired in 1981, 72 students entered a brand new nursing program. Since then, there have been more than 700 graduates. The school now has 19 full-time faculty and staff members, 15 part-time faculty and more than 450 students.

In addition to the BSN program, Dr. Lauria was instrumental in adding the Women’s Studies program in 1984, the M.S. degree in nursing in 1995, the Health Studies minor in 1996 and the Health Studies major in 2007.

She is also still involved in the preparation for a Doctorate of Nursing

established at eight locations in the northern and central estuaries in New Jersey. The monitoring network uses automated, near real time water quality monitoring instruments that enable scientists to understand the ecosystems and to determine links between water quality, biological activity and stress-induced events. The monitoring system and Mr. Nickels’ work are supported in part by the Fairleigh S. Dickinson Jr. Foundation.

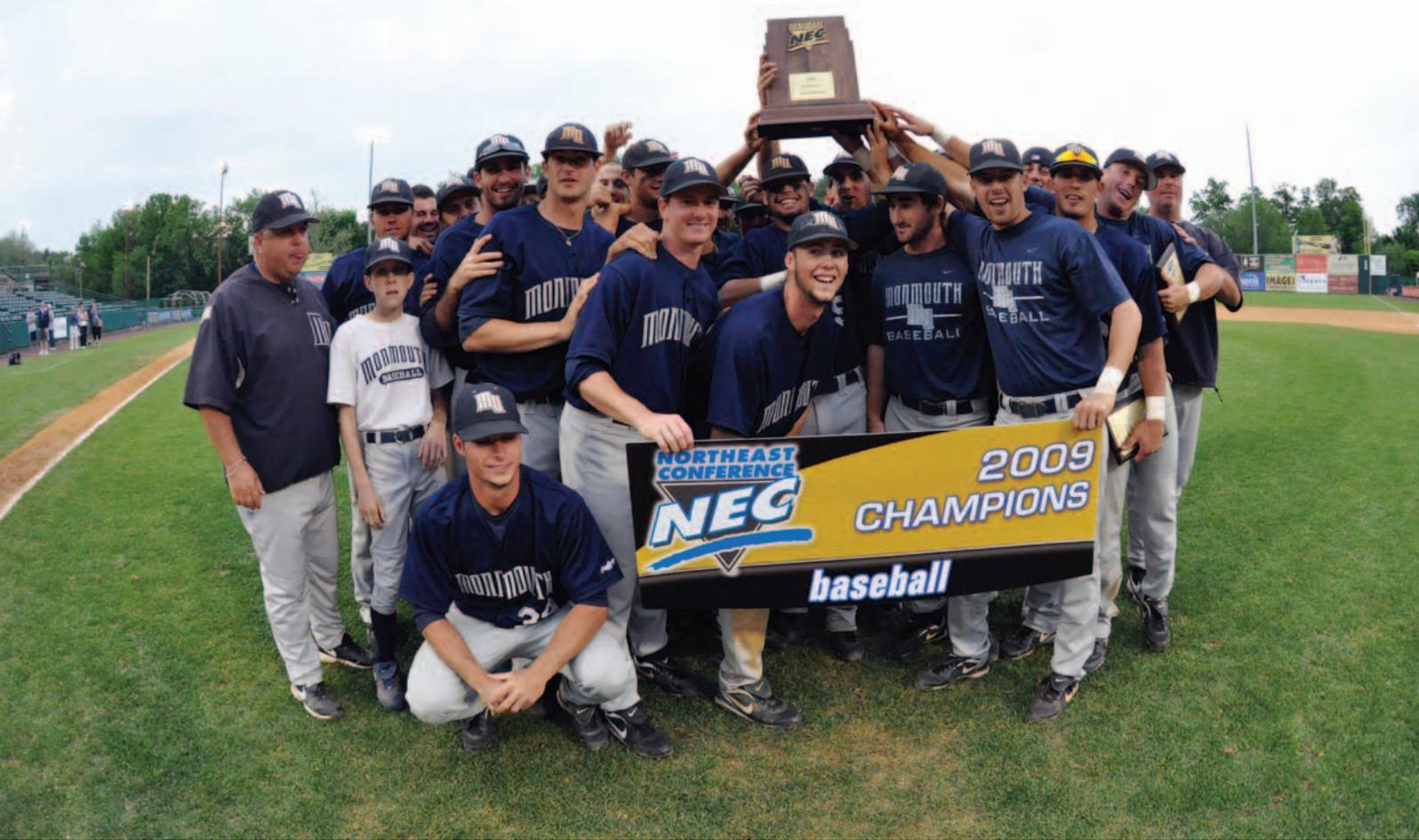
The automatic collection techniques of the network eliminate the need for frequent trips to the monitoring sites and benefit scientists by allowing them to track environmental conditions at any given moment and more readily respond to sporadic events. This, in turn, makes planning and decision making more accurate.



DR. LAURIA, PRESIDENT GAFFNEY, DR. JOY JACKSON.  
DR. JACKSON IS ALSO RETIRING AFTER EIGHT YEARS AS  
DEAN OF ADVISING AND ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES.

Practice Degree at Monmouth and is hosting the School Nurse International Conference in July. “The Universality of School Nursing: The Privilege of Caring for the World’s Children” will be co-chaired by School Nurses from New Jersey and Delaware, with the assistance of the National Association of School Nurses ([www.NASN.org](http://www.NASN.org)).

# BASEBALL CAPTURES NEC TITLE



The Monmouth University baseball team captured its fourth Northeast Conference Championship, with a 14-8 victory over No. 2 seed Sacred Heart, on Saturday, May 23 in the 2009 NEC Championship at New Britain Stadium in Connecticut.

After trailing 7-0 in the third inning, the team rallied with 10 unanswered runs over a four-inning span, while the bullpen allowed just one unearned run over the final six innings, en route to the victory.

Monmouth, which improved to 32-23 overall with the win, earned the fourth NCAA tournament berth in its program history (1998, 1999, 2007). Senior second baseman Chris Collazo was named Tournament MVP, and

was joined on the All-Tournament Team by senior Brett Holland, sophomore Ryan Terry and freshman pitcher Matt Goitz.

Goitz, who worked just three innings during the regular season, tossed 4.1 frames for Monmouth, scattering six hits, with two strikeouts and no walks, to earn his first career victory.

The Hawks, who last advanced to an NCAA Regional in 2007, have won 30 games in each of the last three seasons,

and four out of the last five campaigns.

Unfortunately for Monmouth, the NEC winning streak ended in the Northeast.

The Hawks traveled to the University of Mississippi where they fell to Ole Miss, the number-one seed in the region and the No. 10-ranked team in the nation, at Oxford-University Stadium in front of 8,511 fans.

In the second game of the Regional, Monmouth was shut out for just the second time all season, by Missouri starter Kyle Gibson (the No. 4 overall prospect according to Baseball America in this year's MLB draft) and eliminated from the 2009 NCAA Tournament.

Despite the NCAA setback, the Hawks' season journey provided unique lessons along the way. During their climb to the NEC Championship, the



Hawks were inspired by 13-year old Ty Godfrey.

Monmouth's batboy for the 2008-09 season, Godfrey is a seventh grade student at Howell North Middle School who runs cross country, loves to watch and play baseball, and has been battling a malignant brain tumor for the past six years.

Godfrey, the subject of a May 20 profile by Colin Stephenson in the

*Newark Star Ledger*, provided the Hawks real-life lessons on how to cope with adversity.

He has already received the maximum amount of radiation that a human being can safely have in a lifetime, and had to learn how to walk again after suffering slight paralysis on the right side of his body.

"[Ty] gives us support," said freshman Tom Augustiniak. "It reminds us

just to keep on striving—to see him and see how he just keeps going on."

Godfrey became the batboy for the Hawks through "Friends of Jaclyn," a program that seeks to improve the lives of children who have had pediatric brain tumors by having them "adopted" by local college sports teams.

"It was just like an immediate connection that we made," Monmouth Coach Dean Eehalt said.

Godfrey attends practices and goes to all of the Hawks' home games. He helps tidy up the dugout, retrieves bats from home plate, and brings the balls to the home plate umpire. He also gets to play catch, shag flies and even take some occasional batting practice with the team.

Ty's mother, Theresa Godfrey, said, "I am telling you, they have made Ty's life wonderful. He is on Cloud Nine. You can't believe how much he loves this."

**OPPOSITE PAGE:** HAWKS CLAIM NEC CHAMPIONSHIP AFTER VICTORY OVER SACRED HEART. **ABOVE:** TY GODFREY, BATBOY FOR THE 2008-9 SEASON. GODFREY IS A STUDENT AT HOWELL NORTH MIDDLE SCHOOL. **BELOW:** FRESHMAN PITCHER MATT GOITZ.



11 NJCBA ALL-STATE HAWKS



**ABOVE:** HAWK SENIORS: TIM BALLARD, PAUL BOTTIGLIERO, MIKE CASALE, CHRIS COLLAZO, RICK NIEDERHAUS, BRETT HOLLAND

The New Jersey Collegiate Baseball Association (NJCBA) named 10 players to All-State teams, with junior right-hander Brett Brach named the Co-Pitcher of the Year. Five Hawks were tabbed to the first-team, a trio of freshmen were named All-Rookie, and head coach Dean Ehehalt was named Coach of the Year.

Brach is the third Hawk to receive the NJCBA Pitcher of the Year honors, as the junior earned six wins, while striking out a career high 65 and only walking 11 during the regular season. Brett received the same honor as older brother, Brad, who earned Pitcher of the Year with the Hawks in 2006 and 2007.

Catcher Bobby Dombrowski, third baseman Ryan Terry, second baseman Chris Collazo, outfielder Nick Pulsonetti and starting pitcher Ryan Buch highlight the First Team selections for the Hawks.



Dombrowski, who started 46 games, sported a .324 average, while throwing out 14 would-be base stealers. Dombrowski, in his first full season with the Hawks, added 45 hits, which included eight doubles and five home runs, and batted .370 in Northeast Conference contests.

Terry makes his second appearance in the NJCBA All-State selections. The 2008 NJCBA Rookie of the Year, Terry earned first team honors after collecting 59 hits and five home runs while batting .319 for Monmouth during his second season in West Long Branch.

Collazo, who ended the regular

season with a career high 14-game hitting streak, became the 10th player in Monmouth history to collect over 200 hits earlier this year. The second baseman, who started all 52 games, led the team in two offensive categories including hits (78) and runs (53) - both career-bests. Collazo has also contributed a career-best 40 RBIs and 12 doubles.

Pulsonetti made his second straight NJCBA First-Team All-State appearance in the outfield. The sophomore ranks second in average (.358), hits (64), home runs (10) and RBIs (47) on the squad, and has tallied 95 RBIs in 95 career games in his two-year stay in West Long Branch.

Buch, the last of the Hawks' first team selections, made his third straight appearance in the NJCBA post season award list. The 2007 Rookie Pitcher of the Year earned First-Team honors for the second straight year. In his 12 appearances during 2009, Buch struck out a career-high 80 opponents in 65.0 innings of work.

Paul Bottigliero, the lone Hawk on the Second-Team, as the senior first baseman set a new single-season home run record this year, knocking 17 round-trippers. Collecting a team-high 122 total bases, Bottigliero also ranks first in RBIs, driving in 54 runs, and is first with 14 doubles.

Jamie Rosenkranz, Josh Boyd and David Jacob were all placed on the New Jersey All-Rookie squad for Monmouth.

Head Coach Dean Ehehalt earned his second consecutive and seventh overall, NJCBA Coach of the Year Honors in 2009. In his 16th year at the helm of the Monmouth program, Ehehalt has a 425-385-2 overall record, including his 14th straight 20-win season, while guiding his squad to its 12th NEC playoffs during his tenure.



#### BENDER SCORES ALL-CONFERENCE NOD

Senior basketball forward Jennifer Bender was named to the All-Northeast Conference First Team, while freshman guard Alexis Scott has been named to the league's All-Rookie Team.

Bender becomes the first Hawk since Niamh Dwyer in 2005-06, and

the 15th overall, to be named to the first team after earning the nod as a second-teamer a season ago. Scott becomes MU's first freshman on the all-rookie squad since 2005-06 and only the 11th Hawk ever to appear on the team.

Bender finished her career at Monmouth with 16.2 points and 7.9

#### ALL-ROOKIE TEAM FOR FRESHMEN

Two freshmen basketball players, forward Travis Taylor and guard Will Campbell, were named to the 2009 Northeast Conference All-Rookie Team.

"We are very happy for both guys," said Head Coach Dave Calloway. "Hopefully, through more hard work and dedication, they will become all-league players, and more importantly, lead Monmouth back to future NEC Tournaments and championships."

Taylor, a 6'7" forward, led Monmouth in both scoring and rebounding in his first season, averaging 12.4 points per game and 5.8 rebounds, while adding 52 assists, 25 blocks and 22 steals. Taylor, who started the final 10 games of the season, registered 54.2 percent shooting from the floor, which led the Hawks, and ranked fifth overall in the NEC.

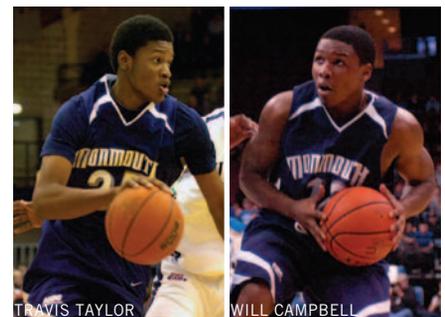
Campbell, a 5'10" guard, finished the season ranking second on the team in scoring, posting 9.1 points per contest, in four starts. He scored in double-digits in each of his last 11 games, which included six 20-point outings. Over those 11 games, he averaged 18.1 points, lifting his season average to 9.1. Campbell ranked second on the Hawks with 42 three-pointers, which was five shy of Chris Kenny's freshman record at Monmouth.

Taylor and Campbell become the first freshman duo to earn postseason league honors since 1999, when Alpha Bangura was named the Newcomer of the Year and Andre Williams was named to the All-Newcomer squad. In conference games, Taylor posted 12.8 points, while Campbell jumped to 12.0 points per game.

rebounds per game, figures that place her sixth and fifth in the NEC, respectively. She also ranks ninth in field goal percentage shooting, hitting 45.1% of her attempts, and 15th in the league in free throw shooting, connecting on 75.3% of her attempts. Bender logged eight double-doubles on the season and played in 33.9 minutes per game, which ranks 13th in the conference.

In March she became the 14th Hawk in program history to record her 1,000<sup>th</sup> point when she connected on a jumper with 2:50 left in Monmouth's game with Sacred Heart. She came into the game with 982 career points and ended the contest with 1,002 after scoring a team-high 20 in the game.

Scott averaged 8.6 points and 4.6 rebounds per game while starting 26 of 29 games. She hit a team-high 24 three-pointers (31.2%), and was the squad's third-best rebounder. Her scoring average upped to 10.1 points per game in league play, and she is tied for second on the team with 25 steals.



Monmouth's three freshmen, Taylor, Campbell and guard/forward Mike Myers Keitt, ended the year as the Hawks' top three scorers, marking the first time in program history the team has been led offensively by three rookies. The trio accounted for 48.9% of the Hawks' offense on the season, and combined to average 30.4 of Monmouth's 62.1 points per game.



## OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD 2009 NEC CHAMPS

The men's and women's track & field teams captured the 2009 Northeast Conference Outdoor Championship at home on May 3.

"We won here in 2007, and we wanted to do that again this weekend," said Head Coach Joe Compagni. "We needed a lot of great efforts in every event to make that happen, and the team came together and made that happen."

Compagni was named NEC Women's Coach of the Year after guiding the women's team to its sixth, and the men's team to its seventh outdoor league title.

The men's team tallied a NEC meet record 232 points for the title, its first outdoor title since winning it at home in 2007, eclipsing the previous record of 221 points. The men won a total of seven events, the most gold medals in the history of the program.

The women's team tallied 160.66 points for the title. As a team, the Hawks have lost just once at home since 1996.

"We have a great staff here but our team really was the star of the show this weekend," said Compagni. "They made up their minds that they wanted to win the championships and gave tremendous effort in every "event to win." Compagni is assisted by Abe Flores, Brian Hirsh-blond, Devin Barry, Taryn Landers, Chris Tarello and Meagan Drapkin.

Junior Michelle Losey was named the NEC Most Outstanding Track Performer for the second straight outdoor season.

Losey won the 200m, 400m, 4x400 relay and took third in the 4x100 relay. Losey has been named Most Outstanding Track Performer four times in her career (two indoor, two outdoor).

Freshman Chris Rutherford took home NEC Most Outstanding Track Performer and Most Outstanding Rookie after winning two events and coming in second in another. Rutherford won the 110m hurdles, clocking in at 14.67. He was also part of MU's second place 4x400 relay team.

The women's team had three athletes in the 400m final, with juniors Losey and Crystal Stein going first and second and Illiana Blackshear coming in seventh. Losey ran a time of 55.21, which was the fourth fastest time in school history going into the season. Stein's time of 56.00 was an Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) qualifying time, while Blackshear ran a time of 1:00.38. Losey also took first in the 200m, clocking in at the 24.50 mark.

The women's triple jump found Hawks Brittany Gibbs claiming third and Marykate Walsh earning a fourth place finish. Gibbs hit a mark of 38' 10 1/4", while Walsh jumped 38' 5 1/2". Monmouth's 4x100 relay team of Losey, Stein, Blackshear and Dotday took home third place with an ECAC qualifying time of 47.88, earning six team points for the squad.

Colleen Rutecki picked up Second Team All-NEC honors in the 400m hurdles, crossing the tape in 1:04.50.

The men's team took the top four spots in the men's shot put, with junior Larry Lundy winning the event with his throw of 57' 3/4". Senior Chris Keller threw 53' 6 1/4" for second, Vincent Elardo was third with his mark of 52' 50 1/2" and sophomore Tom Ciccoli rounded out the scoring spots for MU.

Lundy placed second in the hammer (184' 3"), while Keller claimed the bronze with his throw of 177'. Elardo's throw of 170' 1" was fifth, and Shawn Sabo claimed sixth (168'6").

The men's 4x100 relay squad ran the fourth fastest time in school history to capture the gold. The squad, made up of Dave Martell, Geoff Navarro, Jason Kelsey and Chris Taiwo, ran an IC4A qualifying time of 41.61 to earn first team all-conference honors. Navarro also took gold in the 200m, claiming his medal after a time of 21.69, while Taiwo finished fourth in the event.

Senior Chris Vuono won the 400m with his time of 49.22, while freshman Kevin Merrigan took home the bronze medal (49.93). The 100m dash found Navarro earning a third place finish (10.83), while Taiwo's time of 10.99 was fifth place. Taiwo earned a second place finish in the triple jump with a distance of 48' even.

## ALL-EAST HONORS AT IC4AS



LARRY LUNDY

Seven men's track & field athletes earned All-East honors on the final day of the 2009 IC4A Division I Championships at Princeton University May 17. The IC4A region is comprised of 109 Division I schools from Maine to Virginia.

Monmouth tied with Princeton University for 17th at the 133rd IC4A Championships. The Hawks have been in the top 20 at this meet seven times in the last nine years.

Dave Martell, Geoff Navarro, Chris Taiwo, and Jason Kelsey all earned All-East honors after their fifth place finish in the 4x100 relay. The quartet's time of 41.14 was just two-hundredths of a second off the fourth place squad.

The Hawks also had three place winners in the shot put, with Larry Lundy picking up third place with his toss of 58' 10 1/4". Sophomore Vincent Elardo was fifth (56' 10 1/4"), while Chris Keller was seventh overall (55' 5") to round out the All-East Hawk performers.

## WOMEN'S TRACK: 2009 NEC INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS



Monmouth University's track and field team captured the 2009 Northeast Conference Women's Indoor Championship team title in February for the second consecutive year.

Freshman Jessie Gaines claimed the NEC Most Valuable Performer award while also being named the NEC Most Outstanding Track Performer and the meet's Most Outstanding Rookie Performer. Her honors came on the heels of her triumphs in both the 60-meter dashes and 60-meter hurdles as well as a runner-up finish in the triple jump and a fourth-place showing in the long jump.

The winner of both horizontal jumps was Gaines' senior teammate Heather Patton, who also claimed the NEC Most

Outstanding Field Performer award for the second consecutive year.

The Hawks scored a victory in the day's first running event, totaling 20 team points in the mile run. Juniors Cailin Lynam and Laura Embrey accounted for a one-two finish. Lynam, who was seeded second, turned the silver she won in last year's mile into gold by clocking in at 5:08.61.

Junior Crystal Stein joined Lynam atop the medal stand by claiming victory in the 500-meter run (1:16.42).

Monmouth piled on more points in the 400-meter dash where Michelle Losey successfully defended her title when she spearheaded a 1-2-5 Hawks' finish by posting an ECAC-qualifying time of 56.62. Senior Illiana Blackshear claimed silver.

## MEN'S TENNIS TRIO ALL-NEC AWARD WINNERS



LEFT TO RIGHT: LAURANCE HEADS, COREY FORREST, IAN TERPILOWSKI



**M**en's tennis, who advanced to the finals in the NEC tournament, recently had three players named to the All-Northeast Conference teams, and received its first major award in program history. Freshman Laurance Heads picked up Rookie of the Year honors along with a spot

on the First Team All-NEC Team in fourth singles.

Sophomore Ian Terpilowski took home his first career all-conference honor making the All-NEC Second Team at sixth singles. The duo of Heads and junior Corey Forrest, who earned his second career nod, teamed up to earn All-NEC Second Team honors at second doubles.

Heads led the Hawks to a 7-14 victory while posting a team-high 16-4 overall singles record. Heads stepped in to replace teammate Forrest, who

missed a portion of the season, at third singles earning a 6-1 record, but his 8-3 fourth singles record earned him a spot on the all-conference first team – the only freshman with the first team honor.

Terpilowski made the most of his second season, posting an impressive 9-6 overall record including a 5-4 sixth singles record. He ended the season winning his last six matches.

Placing three members of its squad on All-NEC teams is the highest since the Hawks placed four all-conference honorees in 2007.

## FIELD HOCKEY EXCELS IN ACADEMICS



**F**ifteen members of the field hockey team have been honored by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) for their achievements in the classroom this past fall. Sporting a team cumulative GPA of 3.42, a NEC-leading 15 members of the Blue and White were named to the squad, surpassing their record last year with 12 members on the team.

The National Academic Squad recognizes those student-athletes who have achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or higher through the first semester of the 2008-09 academic year. Those qualifying for the Squad this season were Stefanie Bucholski, Theresa Burek, Aubrey Clark, Morganne Firmstone, Kayleigh Kalamar, Melissa Katz, Sarah Keppel, Tara Mangold, Stefanie Moyer,

Elly Rosati, Courtney Stetson and Tori Symonds.

Three senior Hawks also hold the honor of being four-year recipients of this distinguished award including Aileen Bosmans, Megan Kubek, and Molly Passarella. Only 86 seniors across the nation earned the illustrious award.

Passarella was also named to the *ESPN Magazine* District II Academic All-American Second Team. She held a GPA of 3.92 majoring in Mathematics and Education. As a senior, Passarella led the Hawks with a team-high four goals and two assists. The midfielder also garnered All-NEC First Team honors after previously being named to the All-NEC Second Team and Mid-Atlantic Region Second Team in 2007.

The field hockey team is tied with women's soccer for the highest team GPA of all the Monmouth athletic teams. Both teams hold an impressive cumulative 3.42 GPA.



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### VICTORY FOR ICEHAWKS

The men's ice hockey club team won the Delaware Valley Collegiate Hockey Conference (DVCHC) championship February 28. Defeating rival East Stroudsburg, 2-1, in the second of a two-game series, the IceHawks capped off an exceptional 17-2 season with the league's title. Left wing Matt Miller was named MVP of the championship game, capping off a successful campaign for MU club hockey.

The IceHawks fought PSU-Brandywine in the play-in game to nationals, ultimately losing 6-5 in an overtime shootout. Despite the loss, the team finished first in the DVCHC conference and sixth in the region.

A division 3 club team, the IceHawks were led all season by defender Steve Black, who racked up a slew of post-season awards including the Atlantic Regions Most Valuable Player award – an honor shared by only four

players in the country. Black was also named Second Team All-American and First Team All-Atlantic Region. Goalie RJ Hering was also named Second Team All-Atlantic team as the second best goaltender in the region.

The IceHawks dominated the league statistically during the season with three on the team atop the conference in scoring. Steve Black led the conference in goals and points, as he tallied a league high 40 points on 24 goals and 16 assists. Teammates Corey DeFranco and Ryan Melis followed with 17 goals and 14 goals, respectively.

Goalie RJ Hering directed the back line and was a general in the net for the IceHawks this season as his 14-2 record tied for league-high. Hering led the league with a 3.07 goals against average while producing a DVCHC-best two shutouts as well.

For more information on the Monmouth men's ice hockey club team go to [www.muicehockey.com](http://www.muicehockey.com).

### ACADEMIC HONORS FOR CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

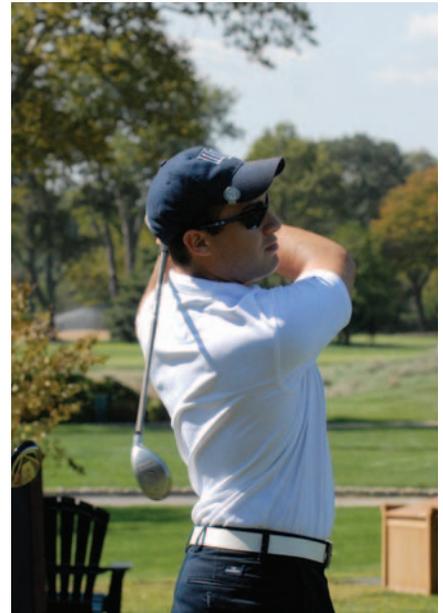
The men's and women's cross country teams were honored by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association as Division I All-Academic Teams.

This marks the eighth straight season, and the 11th time in the last 12

years, that the women have claimed the honor. The men earned all-academic status for the fourth consecutive year.

The women's team made the cut with a team GPA of 3.23, while the men logged a 3.19 GPA.

### ETIMOS: ALL-NEC GOLF SECOND TEAM



Sophomore Greg Etimos was honored for his golfing success by being named a member of the All-Northeast Conference Second Team. Implementing a new system of naming all-conference honorees in golf, the NEC deemed Etimos a second team honoree after final voting from league coaches.

"Greg had a great year and I am very excited to see him receive this honor," said Head Coach Dennis Shea. "His leadership throughout the season was evident, and I look forward to bigger and better things from him in the next two years."

Etimos, the lone Hawk to earn all-NEC distinction, bested the Blue and White with a 75.5 stroke average. He notched six top-ten outings this season, saving his best 18 holes of golf for last as Etimos fired a three under 69 on day one of the NEC Championship to mark his season-low round.

Etimos' distinction maintains the MU streak of having one of its own on the All-NEC list at six straight seasons.



**NALBONE DRAFTED BY DOLPHINS**

Former tight end John Nalbone '08 was signed by the Miami Dolphins in the fifth round of the 2009 National Football League (NFL) Draft in April.

Nalbone finished his four-year career at Monmouth with 100 catches for 1,073 yards and nine touchdowns. He had his best season as a senior, averaging 11.7 yards on 43 catches, with five TDs. He was named to the All-Northeast Conference (NEC) First Team.

Further honors included being named to the 2008 American Football Coaches Association's (AFCA) Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) First Team All-American squad. Nalbone is the second Hawk to earn the distinction. Joe Sentipal, a linebacker, was a repeat member of the AFCA I-AA (now FCS) All-America team in 2002 and 2003.

Nalbone becomes the first player drafted in 16 years of the Monmouth University football program.

"I think I am blessed to have this opportunity," said Nalbone. "I am ecstatic right now. To come from a small school and to get chosen by the Dolphins by a guy like Bill Parcells, and Coach Sparano is amazing... To get drafted from a FCS school such as Monmouth, I have to give credit to the coaching staff.

The entire coaching staff, including Coach Callahan and Coach Gallo, have been great to me over the years. Sometimes the whole [draft] process was difficult and the coaches really helped me through it and prepared me to play at the next level."

"This is a great day for John," said Callahan. "He's very excited to join the Miami Dolphins. It's an organization that he really liked and he felt a positive connection with the coaching staff there. John is very deserving of this; he worked extremely hard to get to this point. This is also a great day for Monmouth football. I think Miles Austin paved the way by being selected as a free agent, and now to have John drafted in the fifth round further substantiates the level of play that is going on at Monmouth University."

Monmouth's other player in the NFL, Dallas wide receiver Miles Austin, recently signed a new contract with the Cowboys as the team looks for him to help fill the void left by Terrell Owens' departure. The 2009 season will mark Austin's fourth year in the league.



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**NEW ROLE FOR RAMPONE**

Olympic gold medalist and Captain of the United States Women's soccer team Christie Rampone '99 HN'05, assumed a new role in February, becoming the new spokesperson for K. Hovnanian Children's Hospital in Neptune, NJ.

As a celebrity spokesperson for the children's hospital, Christie will periodically visit the children on the

pediatric floor, travel to different community events, and speak with children about the importance of exercise, safety and healthy eating.

Rampone is also helping pioneer a new women's professional soccer league, playing as a defender with Sky Blue Soccer FC, headquartered in Somerset, NJ.

## BRACH BRINGS GAME TO FORT WAYNE



**B**rad Brach '08, selected by the San Diego Padres in the Major League Baseball draft last year, is bringing his winning game to the Single-A League. Before heading to the Midwest League, Brach turned in an impressive showing in a Spring Training game against the Seattle Mariners.

"It was a great experience to get to play in the Major League game," said Brach. "It was nice to get to talk to some of the big league guys and then get to pitch two innings as well as I did. I definitely want to...get to be up there on a regular basis," he said.

Dean Ehehalt, head coach of the Monmouth team said, "We couldn't be more happy for Brad. I am sure he was very excited to pitch in that arena, and he made the most of his opportunity."

Since joining the Fort Wayne TinCaps, Brach has continued to prove his mettle. In April, Brach was named the Padres' Minor-League Pitcher of the Month. According to the TinCaps, "Brach was dominant in April, allowing just one hit in nine scoreless innings. He went 1-0 and converted all six of his save opportunities, striking out nine without a walk."

Brach, the all-time leader in career wins at Monmouth, also holds the record for all-time strikeouts with 277. He was also the 2007 Pitcher of the Year in the Northeast Conference, and the only pitcher in Monmouth history to work over 300 career innings.

## O'CONNELL JOINS REALITY TV ALL-STARS

**N**icole O'Connell '08 recently appeared as a contestant on the NBC reality series *Momma's Boys*, which premiered last December. The dating series, executive produced by Ryan Seacrest (*American Idol*) and Andrew Glassman (*Average Joe*), centered on "three possessive yet loving mothers who must help their complacent sons choose the perfect woman."

Over the course of six weeks, 32 single women vied for the attention of the three eligible bachelors and their mothers who live with them throughout the series.

O'Connell survived until the next-to-final elimination round of the show, which brought her to the U.S. Virgin Islands. "Swimming with the sharks" was not just a metaphor for O'Connell's experience, as producers asked her to swim in a shark tank with a prospective bachelor when the competition heated up.

"My biggest fear in life is sharks," she said. "I can go with turtles, I can go with sea lions...but they put me in the tank with the sharks."

In her *Momma's Boys* biography, Nicole wrote, "My amazing college years were spent at Monmouth University in West Long Branch, New Jersey, where I majored in public relations. I joined the sorority Delta Phi Epsilon and studied abroad in Australia."

Nicole, who hopes to become a special events planner, has appeared in a number of magazines including, *Maxim*, *Teen People*, and *Seventeen Magazine*. She has also appeared in commercials and modeled for the Kill Brand and Live Life Organics clothing lines.

O'Connell joins other Hawks who have earned competitive rankings on reality television programming.

Kim Johnson '66 may be Monmouth's first reality-TV contestant. In 2002, Johnson was the first runner-up on *Survivor: Africa*, the third season of



the long running CBS series.

John Piechnik '94, '96M also made a splash in a January 2002, episode of *Fear Factor*. Piechnik won \$50,000 in a challenge round by diving into a tank of nearly 10,000 pounds of dead, putrid squid in 30 degree water to retrieve as many five-pound weights as possible. Piechnik was later invited back to compete in an all-star *Fear Factor*.

In 2005, Katie Gallagher '02 and Stephanie LaGrossa '02 competed on opposite tribes on the tenth season of *Survivor: Palau*. Gallagher, a *magna cum laude* graduate of the MU Communication program and station manager of Hawk TV, earned first runner-up status in the contest.

LaGrossa, who earned All-NEC accolades in 2001, 2002, and 2003, and was the captain of the lacrosse team in her senior year at Monmouth, also competed in the eleventh season *Survivor: Guatemala*. In her second *Survivor* outing, LaGrossa advanced to final runner-up status.

PAPAL HONORS FOR TUZENEU

For the Rev. Kenard Tuzeneu '75, 2009 has already been a momentous year. It not only marks his 30 year anniversary as a priest, but it will also be his first full year as a “monsignor,” as a “Chaplain to His Holiness” after being bestowed with that honor by Pope Benedict XVI last November.

Tuzeneu has been pastor of St. Mary Parish in Barnegat, NJ, since 1992 and is also Secretary for Personnel in Ministry in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton. Fr. Tuzeneu was first ordained as a priest December 1, 1979, in St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral in Trenton.

To be considered for the honor, a candidate must first be nominated by a diocesan bishop. The Bishop of Trenton, the Most Reverend John M. Smith, J.C.D., D.D., submitted Fr. Tuzeneu for consideration. Once decided by the Pope, the Vatican Secretariat of State issues a diploma designating the new title and rank and recognizing the new monsignor’s service to the Church.

According to Benedict T. Nguyen,

in his *Backgrounder on the Papal Honor Bearing the Title Monsignor*, there are today three grades of papal honors that bear the title “monsignor.” The highest rank requires service directly within the Roman Curia. Priests who are monsignors of one rank may be elevated from one rank to another at the will of the Pope.

Historically, the monsignorate dates from the 14th century when the papal court operated for a period of time in Avignon, France. At that time, bishops were referred to as “mon seigneur,” French for “my lord.” Priests who worked in the papal curia, the administrative and judicial offices of the pope, were also referred to as “monsignor” and were allowed to wear some of the regalia of a bishop.

As a Chaplain to His Holiness, Monsignor Tuzeneu is permitted to wear a black cassock with fuchsia piping and buttons, along with a fuchsia sash. Priests who are given papal honors and thus named monsignors are considered to be members of the papal household.



MGR. TUZENEU AND THE MOST REVEREND JOHN M. SMITH, BISHOP OF TRENTON ACCOMPANIED BY A KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HONOR GUARD. MONITOR PHOTO BY CRAIG PITTELLI.

RIGBY NAMED PEPCO CHAIRMAN



Joseph Rigby M.B.A. '83 was elected chairman of the board at Pepco Holdings, Inc., which delivers electricity and natural gas to about 1.9 million customers in Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland and New Jersey, through its subsidiaries Pepco, Delmarva Power and Atlantic City Electric.

Rigby, who also remains president and CEO, succeeds Dennis R. Wraase as Chairman.

Rigby, who earned his bachelor’s from Rutgers, and is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in the state of New Jersey, joined Atlantic City Electric in 1979 and advanced through a number of management positions.

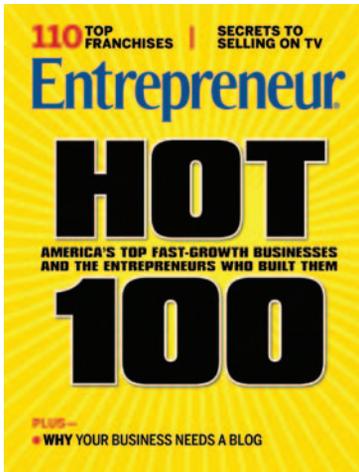
Following the merger that formed Conectiv in 1998, he was vice president/general manager of Gas Delivery, then vice president/general manager of Electric Delivery. He was elected president, Conectiv Power Delivery in 2002. From May 2004 to September 2007, he served as senior vice president and CFO of PHI.

From September 2007 to March 2008, Rigby served as executive vice president and COO. In March 2008, Rigby was elected president and COO. He became CEO effective March 1, 2009, and chairman as of May 15.

## ENGEL JOINS "HOT 100"

**K**en Engel '82, co-founder of Mobileistic, one of the wireless industry's fastest growing master distributors in the Northeast region, has helped the company earn the 33 spot on *Entrepreneur Magazine's* "Hot 100" list of the fastest-growing businesses in America.

Although the list includes companies representing nearly every industry sector, only businesses with annual sales exceeding \$1 million, and positive job growth measured over a four-year period were considered.



Engel is the executive vice president of sales for the Arjay Group of Companies, and is focused on managing corporate, consumer, and carrier relationships. In February, Engel returned to the Monmouth campus to share his insights about hiring in the telecommunication industry with students.

Started in 2002, Mobileistic has grown from five employees to 30 employees, with sales exceeding \$60 million. Mobileistic is an authorized distributor of Motorola, Samsung and LG accessories, and a master distributor for AT&T and Sprint in the New York Metro region.

## JOAN AND ROBERT RECHNITZ HONORED



PHOTO: MARIE MONTE PHOTOGRAPHY

**J**oan '84 and Dr. Robert Rechnitz, founders of the Two River Theater Company (TRTC), were honored at a gala in April. Academy Award winner Philip Seymour Hoffman was among the well-wishers who came to pay tribute to their contributions to theater.

Jim Hickey HN'07, national correspondent for ABC News Radio, was the emcee for the evening. Proceeds from the event will support theatre performances and ongoing education programs.

The celebration marked the 15th anniversary of the TRTC, whose productions first took place in the Lauren K. Woods Theatre on the Monmouth campus, before moving to the Algonquin Arts Theatre in Manasquan for several years.

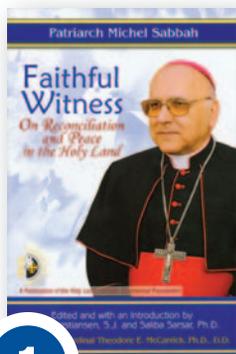
In 2005, the TRTC opened its own spectacular facility in Red Bank. At the opening, Neil Genzlinger of the *New York Times* wrote, "The perseverance of Robert M. Rechnitz, Two River's founder, and others in pushing the project through is admirable; the boost the new building should give to Red Bank is exciting to contemplate."

Genzlinger's prediction has proved to be accurate. Since opening, TRTC has hosted a number of luminaries and award winners, including Bruce Springsteen, Olympia Dukakis, Jackson Browne, Jon Bon Jovi HN'01, and Edward Albee. The company received "Theatre of the Year" awards from the New Jersey Theatre Alliance in 2006, and from *The Star Ledger* in both 2006 and 2008.

Dr. Rechnitz told the *New Jersey Jewish News*, "The theater is thriving. There has been steady progress, but we know there is always more to be done. It's a never-ending process."

Before becoming executive director of the TRTC, Dr. Rechnitz taught English and American Literature at Monmouth University for more than 30 years. In 2001, he received the Maurice Pollak Award for Distinguished Community Service.

Co-founder and Associate Producer Joan Rechnitz earned her bachelor's degree in fine arts from Monmouth University. Dr. & Mrs. Rechnitz are also both members of the Vision Society of Monmouth University.



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### FAITHFUL WITNESS: ON RECONCILIATION AND PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND

Saliba Sarsar, Ph.D., Drew Christiansen, S.J., Editors  
(2009, New City Press, \$24.95)

Patriarch Michel Sabbah, the first Arab head of the Roman Catholic Church in Jerusalem, recounts his remarkable journey through both difficult and promising times, including two Palestinian intifadas and the Oslo Agreements.

Co-edited by Dr. Sarsar '78, *Faithful Witness* collects Patriarch Sabbah's reflections and writings about the Holy Land, the role of Jerusalem in a future Israeli-Palestinian peace, and the special nature of interreligious dialogue for Christians in the midst of both Jewish and Muslim majorities. The foreword was written by Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, Archbishop Emeritus of Washington.

As the first Palestinian in the modern history of the see (official center of authority, jurisdiction, or office of a bishop) of Jerusalem, which dates to the earliest period of Christian history, Sabbah's appointment as patriarch took on special significance for the native Christian population.

Dr. Sarsar, professor of Political Science and associate vice president for Academic Program Initiatives, has lectured and written extensively on Palestinian-Israeli relations, Jerusalem, and peace studies. He received the Humanitarian Award from the National Conference for Community and Justice in 2001. In 2006 he received the Stafford Presidential Award of Excellence from Monmouth University in recognition of excellence, creativity, and dedication to his diverse administrative work.

### SCREENING NOVEL WOMEN: FROM BRITISH DOMESTIC FICTION TO FILM

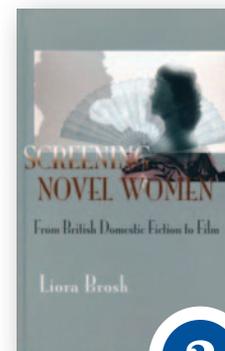
Liore Brosh, Ph.D.  
(2008, Palgrave Macmillan, \$65.00)

Adaptations of the British nineteenth-century novel have been sensationally popular from Hollywood classics like *Jane Eyre* (1934) and *Wuthering Heights* (1944) to the 1990s wave of films based on the work of Jane Austen.

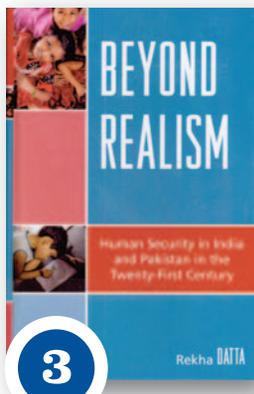
*Screening Novel Women* offers a sophisticated analysis of how cinema has captivated audiences by refashioning nineteenth-century novels into films that reflect twentieth-century anxieties about women.

When gender roles changed rapidly during the Depression, World War II and the 1990s, British and American filmmakers used the idealized portrayal of women found in domestic novels of the past to construct stable gender ideals for the present. Brosh describes how film adaptations and their literary sources offer often contradictory responses to changing ideas about women, marriage and the home.

Dr. Brosh, a lecturer of literature and film, has also published her work in the *Quarterly Review of Film and Video*.



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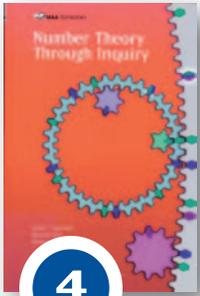
### BEYOND REALISM

Rekha Datta, Ph.D.  
(2008, Lexington Books, \$65.00 hardcover)

*Beyond Realism* provides a timely analysis of India and Pakistan, which are home to a fifth of the world's population. With large numbers of citizens living in poverty amid terrorism and ongoing border disputes, instability in the region remains an ongoing concern to world powers including the United States and China, for whom South Asia remains a key strategic area.

Dr. Datta argues that concern for human security suggests that governments should empower and protect their citizens from serious threats to their survival, as marginalized sections of the population can become breeding grounds for dissatisfaction, disenchantment, and eventually, targets for terrorist groups.

Dr. Datta is associate professor and chair of Monmouth's Department of Political Science. She is a frequent speaker on issues related to human rights, women and development, and peace and security issues in India and Pakistan. In 2004 Dr. Datta received the Humanitarian of the Year Award from the National Council for Community & Justice. In 2005-06 Dr. Datta served on New Jersey Governor Jon Corzine's Transition Team on Higher Education Policy Group.



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## NUMBER THEORY THROUGH INQUIRY

David C. Marshall, Ph.D., Edward Odell, Ph.D., Michael Starbird, Ph.D.  
(2007, The Mathematical Association of America, \$51.00)

*Number Theory Through Inquiry* is a textbook introducing students to number theory. The book has two primary goals. The first is to help students develop mathematical thinking skills, with particular attention to theorem-proving skills. The second goal is to help students navigate the rich landscape of ideas involved in the mathematical study of numbers.

Appropriate for a proof transitions course, for an independent study experience, or for a course designed as an introduction to abstract mathematics, the book contains a carefully arranged sequence of challenges encouraging students to explore ideas about numbers and to discover methods of proof on their own, using an instructional technique variously called guided discovery or Inquiry Based Learning.

Dr. Marshall is an assistant professor and co-chair of the Department of Mathematics at Monmouth. His other writings have appeared in publications including the *Journal of Number Theory*.

## CONDUCTING SCIENCE-BASED PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH IN SCHOOLS

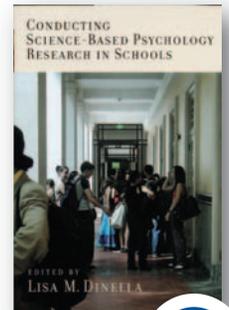
Lisa M. Dinella, Ph.D., Editor  
(2009, American Psychological Association, \$59.95)

In collaboration with colleagues at the University of Wisconsin and Washington and Lee University, Dr. Dinella researches the factors that are linked to young adults' academic paths, with the intention of isolating variables that often lead to disparities between men's and women's levels of financial independence.

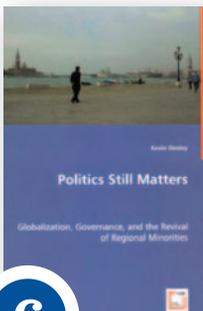
*Conducting Science-Based Psychology Research in Schools* offers a framework for conceptualizing scientifically rigorous research with schools by emphasizing that collaboration with school stakeholders—administrators, teachers, parents—is essential for quality research.

With detailed information on how to build and maintain research programs, and avoid common problems, this volume includes insights from both researchers and the education professionals with whom they collaborate.

Dr. Dinella, assistant professor of psychology at Monmouth University, is a research scientist who investigates the relationships among gender identity, academic achievement, and career development. Her research program is housed at the Gender Development Laboratory at Monmouth, where she studies the social and interpersonal factors that influence individuals' academic and career pursuits.



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## POLITICS STILL MATTERS: GLOBALIZATION, GOVERNANCE, AND THE REVIVAL OF REGIONAL MINORITIES

Kevin Dooley, Ph.D.  
(2008, VDM Verlag, \$75.00)

For the better part of three and one half centuries, the nation-state has been valued as the logical instrument of governance and citizen protection. In *Politics Still Matters*, Dooley argues against the hypothesis that globalization has led to a decrease in the sovereignty of the nation-state.

Drawing on examples from the European Union and the re-conceptualized notion of a 'Europe of regions,' Dooley demonstrates that globalization is not solely responsible for the emergence or re-emergence of the many national/religious identities in the world today. He also suggests that the international system is moving from one that is state-driven to one that is supra-state and sub-state driven.

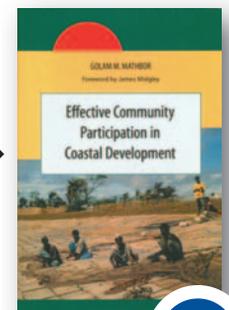
Dr. Dooley is assistant professor of political science at Monmouth, where he teaches courses in international relations and comparative European politics. His research focuses on the impact of globalization on traditional governance.

## EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN COASTAL DEVELOPMENT

Golam Mathbor, Ph.D.  
(2008, Lyceum Books, \$32.95)

Centered in Bangladesh, *Effective Community Participation in Coastal Development* emphasizes the need for community participation in addressing stressors on coastal development like global warming, natural disasters and greenhouse effects. The book explores perspectives from both program officials and local peoples, and combines theory and philosophy resulting in a practical model that can be used by similar communities around the world.

Dr. Mathbor, who grew up in the coastal regions of Bangladesh, is associate dean of the Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences and associate professor in the Department of Social Work. He has published extensively on disaster relief, community preparedness, social development, coastal zone management, migration, health, economics, and international social work education.



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CLASS OF 1959



SAMUEL MORRIS (Hist.) was honored in March at the 16th annual Hall of Fame dinner sponsored by the Point Pleasant Beach Public Education Foundation. A 1953 graduate of Point Pleasant Beach High School, Morris became a judge in 1973, first in Brick Township and then in Mantoloking for 35 years.

CLASS OF 1961

CHUCK HASSOL (A.A. Liberal Studies) has ("sort of") retired again. He retired the first time in July 2005 after a 26-year career as a sports writer and editor, twice being voted N.J. Sports Writer of the Year by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters' Association. He also had a 17-year career as a community association manager in Raleigh, NC. Now, after serving 3 ½ years as a director on the board of his 1,500-home gated community in Leesburg, FL, Chuck "retired" from that responsibility in March. However, for the former sports editor of *The Outlook*, it is an active retirement. He golfs, plays league softball and bowls on a regular basis.

CLASS OF 1964



JOEL BOLTON (Elem. Ed.) has been living in Florida since 1986 after teaching

in Newark and Woodbridge Township for 16 years and then co-owning a business in Jersey City. Now living in Delray Beach with his wife, Barbara, who is a court reporter, the couple celebrates their 45th anniversary this year on a cruise around Ireland and Scotland. They have two sons, Jeff, a CPA, and Brian, an attorney, and three grandsons and a granddaughter, all of whom live in Florida.

CLASS OF 1965

RICHARD TOWERS (Poli. Sci.) is the new representative for Judicial District 18 in North Carolina. Since serving in the U.S. Marine Corps 1968-1972 and then earning his JD degree from Wake Forest University School of Law in 1976, Richard has represented the Alcohol Education Center of High Point, Alcohol and Drug Services, Substance Abuse Services of Guilford, Inc., Developmental Day Care of High Point, the High Point Volunteers to the Court, Urban Ministry, and the Alzheimer's Association.

CLASS OF 1966



LILLIA FRANTIN (Art) displayed some of her artwork at the Wally Findlay Galleries in Palm Beach, FL, in March. The exhibition was entitled "Elements of Color." After receiving her master's degree from The Pratt Institute in New York, Lillia was a professor of painting, drawing and modern art history for many years. Her next series of paintings are expected to feature the rivers and coasts of Brittany in northwest France.

MARILYN KLEIN (Ed.) recently joined Levinson Associates, Realtors, based in Monroe Township. She has more than 35 years of real estate professional experience.

DIANE SCHWARTZ (Ed.) (M.A.T. '76) is the president and CEO of American Conference on Diversity, which was formed to "value diversity, educate and empower leaders, promote inclusion and respect in schools, workplaces, community services, businesses, and communities."

CLASS OF 1968

CONSTANCE MAAS (Hist.) was inducted in March into the Point Pleasant Foundation for Excellence in Education's Hall of Fame. As a lifelong resident of the Point Pleasant area, Maas was valedictorian of the class of 1964 at Point Pleasant Beach High School, and has been teaching in the district for 40 years. She is now advising the high school branch of STAND, a student-sponsored group that raises awareness and funds to help the victims of genocide in Darfur.

BILL WELCH (Ed./Hist.) and his partners have sold their financial services practice. He and his wife, Janet, who has retired from her position as assistant commissioner of education for New York State, are splitting their time between their homes in Naples, FL, and Richmond, VA. They have two children and two grandchildren.

CLASS OF 1973

JOHN EZYSKE (Bus. Acct.), senior partner in the certified public accounting firm of McEnerney, Brady & Co., LLC, has recently been appointed to the board of trustees of the County College of Morris and to the board of directors of a publicly-traded oil and gas company. He lives in Chester with his wife, Marianne.

CLASS OF 1974

JOHN BARONE (Elem. Ed.) was inducted into the Hudson County Sports Hall of Fame 2009 in March. A former bas-

ketball star and free throw record holder at Monmouth College, Barone coached basketball at North Bergen High School from 1976 to 2004. He became a grandfather for the first time on March 23.

CLASS OF **1977**

DONALD WILLIS (Bus. Adm.), executive vice president of the Monmouth County Association of Realtors (MCAR), was honored by the organization for his 25 years of service.

CLASS OF **1979**



RICK BARRY (Bus. Adm.) now works for the Fraud and Forensic/Litigation Services Group of Sobel & Co., a 53-year old accounting firm in Livingston. He left his 25-year post as chief investigator and chief of enforcement for the New Jersey Bureau of Securities at the end of last year.

ROBERT DIKUN (Bus. Adm.) was inducted in March into the Point Pleasant Foundation for Excellence in Education's Hall of Fame. While in high school, Dikun was on the cross country and track teams as well as a member of the Key Club. Since 1989, he has been a full-time police officer for Point Pleasant Beach while also maintaining a private law practice where he specializes in liability consulting and legal training. Also elected into the Hall of Fame was Constance Maas '68 (see "Class of 1968").



ELWOOD MALICK (M.S.E.) was named Citizen of the Year by the Greater Spring Lake Chamber of Commerce. A former mayor of Spring Lake Heights, teacher, guidance counselor, athletic director and basketball coach, Malick has served the community for over 40 years.

CLASS OF **1982**

WILLIAM JEFFERY (Acct.) was hired as the regional practice leader, consulting in the east region for Tatum LLC, the largest executive services firm in the U.S. He is responsible for business development, client services and staff recruitment.

CLASS OF **1983**



KATHLEEN CONNELLY (Poli. Sci.) was named one of New Jersey's Best 50 Women in Business by NJBIZ. An attorney for Lindabury, McCormick, Estabrook & Cooper since 1997, Connelly also is a member of the board of trustees for CPC Behavioral Health Care, a board member for the Eastern Monmouth Area Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Monmouth Ocean Development Council.

CLASS OF **1987**

STACIA (MANZO) MCDONOUGH (Engl.) was chosen as the "Featured Artist" at the Doll & Toy Museum of New York City. Also this year, she released her third fairy tale book, *Morozko*. She is the CEO and designer for Neva Dolls. For more information, send an email to [staciamcdonough@hotmail.com](mailto:staciamcdonough@hotmail.com).

CLASS OF **1988**

JUDITH (D'AMICO) FORDHAM (Bus. Mrkt.) is cancer-free after a three-year bout with papillary cancer. Still an outpatient at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York, she is a sales account manager after more than 17 years in industrial electronics and networking. Judith also handles many infrastructure projects for the New York City Transit Authority and New Jersey Transit. She and her two children, Matthew, 15, and Heather, 11, live in Howell.

CLASS OF **1989**

FERNANDO SANDERS (Sp./Comm./Theat.) was named "Policeman of the Year" by Long Branch Elks Lodge 742. As detective sergeant, Sanders serves as a hostage negotiator for Long Branch and for the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office, where he is attached to its emergency response team. He is also a member of the oral review board for new hires and a certified police academy instructor. He and his wife have three daughters.

CLASS OF **1990**



JOE RAPOLLA (M.B.A.), singer and songwriter, will be performing in June and August at America's Cup, as part of the Songwriters By the Sea tour in Asbury Park. He will also be appearing at the Seagulls Nest on Sandy Hook in June, July, and August 29. From July 30 through August 10, he will touring with his band throughout Italy. For more information, see [www.joerapolla.com](http://www.joerapolla.com).

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Class of 1991

IAN HUGHES (Bus. Mgmt.) and his wife, Tara, welcomed daughter, Brynn Marie, March 28, 2009.

CLASS OF 1992

ANGELA DALTON (Poli. Sci.) and Susan Schroeder Clark (Poli. Sci. '89) are two of the five members of the Howell Township Council. Howell Deputy Mayor Dalton, a member of the council since January 2007, is also an attorney, wife to Dr. Mark J. Dalton, and mother to three daughters, ages 21, 5 and 4. Councilwoman Clark, a neophyte to Howell politics, took office Jan. 1. She is a partner at Clark and Clark, a law firm in Freehold, and is a former Monmouth County assistant prosecutor.

DAN GEORGE (M.A.T.) (M.S.E. '98) was voted New Jersey Wrestling Coach of the Year in March. His Long Branch team, which he has led for the past 10 years, was also voted the No. 1 team in the New Jersey Wrestling Coaches Association Top 25 Poll, finishing its season with a record of 26-1. Dan's mother, Mary George '61, his sister, Mary Mazzacco '93, and brother, William '97 are also alumni.

CLASS OF 1994



JACK MCCLUNN (M.A.T. Ed.) is the new chief financial officer for SelectMinds, Inc., a provider of corporate social networking solutions. He is a licensed Certified Public Accountant and lives in Rumson.



**BOTTOM ROW KNEELING:** JODI COHEN WRUBLIK '91, LAUREN BURKHARDT SARRACINO '03, SUSAN DEPINHO '07, SARAH LACZ '03, STACY COHEN '03, RENU KRIPALANI '92. **SITTING:** DEBBIE TAPPER-MARUSCHEK '91, TAMMY CAFFREY, MICHELLE BELTEMPO BARKAUSKAS, JENNIFER MARK BERGMANN '88, PATTI KOTUSKY '90, KRISTEN CZEPIEL-EMMA '96, ALLISON WORTMAN MARIBO '92. **STANDING:** JENNIFER SIMON LIGGETT '91 '94, DEBBIE HOLEVINSKI '97, KARYN PAWLKY, CHRISTY EDWARDS IRISH '94 '02, ANDREA ROMANO '94, MELISSA ISRAEL-SURDEZ '91, CHRISTINE DEWITT MURNANE '89, SUZANNE KNIGHT '90, DARLANE REILLY '94, MICHELE KALFUS SISOM '95, LISA ANN DESTEFANO SMITH '95, COURTNEY ATKINS '03, CARLA ANN LEPIS '01. **BACK ROW:** LISA THORNE '91, CHRISTINE EPPLER GALLUCCI '89, ALISA MARINO TOTH '90, KRISTEN KOLOKOTIS '96, VERONICA PRAINITO '92, CHRISTA PETERSON '98, CANDICE BIDNER '98.

ANDREA ROMANO (Sp. Ed.) organized a reunion luncheon March 22 for the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority of which she is a member. (see photo above)

VINCENT VALENZUELA (Comm.) and his wife, Colleen, welcomed daughter, Alexis Clare, January 26, 2009. She joins brother, Andrew, 6, and sister, Gabrielle, 4. Since July 2008 Vince has been the director of admission and enrollment management for the Chestnut Hill Academy in Philadelphia. Colleen is a study manager for Pfizer in New London, CT. The family lives in North Wales, PA.

CLASS OF 1995

MARY KAY HANSEN (M.B.A.) received her M.S. in Library Science in December 2008 from Clarion University of Pennsylvania.

CLASS OF 1998

STACEY FERULLO (Sp. Ed.) is engaged to marry Anthony Melchionne in November. She is a special education teacher in Jackson. Her fiancé is a police sergeant with the South Toms River Police Department.

ROY GALEWSKI (Crim. J.) became a partner at the law firm of Harris Beach in Pittsford, NY, specializing in labor and employment law.

LAURIE JEFFERS (M.S.N) owns Well Woman Care, a holistic, patient-centered nursing practice established in 2002 in Little Silver. As a member of the first graduating class from the MSN program at Monmouth, Jeffers received the academic achievement award for her studies.



LIISA-MARGIT SYRDAHL (Sp. Ed.) and Brad Hennessy (Comm. '98) were married July 4, 2008, at the Chapel on Sandy Hook. Many alumni were in attendance.

CLASS OF **1999**

KELLY (O'FLANAGAN) O'BOYLE (Bio.) (M.A. Ed. '01) and husband, Matthew O'Boyle (M.A. Crim. J. '00), welcomed their first child, Shane Patrick, August 30, 2008.



JENNIFER ROTH (M.B.A.) joined iPay Technologies LLC, the leading independent provider of online bill payment solutions, as senior vice president, Prod-

uct Management. In this new role, Roth will lead strategic product development initiatives within the small business and consumer online bill pay solutions.

CLASS OF **2000**

MICHAEL CATALINE (Crim. J.) and his wife, Jamie, welcomed daughter, Emma Sophia, March 10, 2009. She joins brother, Dominick, 3. Michael's father, Joseph, graduated from Monmouth in 1972.



JACQUELINE GOMES (Bio.) is a registered dietitian who has established a health and wellness e-newsletter called "Eat healthy. Live healthy. Feel healthy." The monthly newsletter features an article related to health and wellness, and Ask Jacqueline question and answer and a "What's for Dinner" featured recipe. For more information, see [www.jacqueline-gomes.com](http://www.jacqueline-gomes.com).



SALLY GOUGH (Med. Tech.) is a laboratory manager at Baylor Regional Medical Center at Grapevine in Texas.

In April she received the awards, Leadership Laboratorian of the Year for Baylor at Grapevine, and Leadership Laboratorian of the Year for Baylor Health Care System.

LISA MARINO (M.S.E.) was appointed assistant principal at the William R. Satz School in Holmdel. She was previously an assistant principal for the Manalapan Public School District.

CLASS OF **2002**



JON KALNAS (Psych.) and his brother, Justin (Comm. '04) started a new clothing line, Jersey Trash Clothing. Five percent of the line's proceeds will be donated to Heifer International. Jon, former two-time All-American in the shot put, is also still training and completed an e-book entitled, *The Student-Athlete Guide: Enhancing the College Experience While Making Easy Money*. More information can be found on his websites, [www.strengthathletes.com](http://www.strengthathletes.com) and [www.jerseytrashclothing.com](http://www.jerseytrashclothing.com).



JEFFREY LINDSAY (Crim. J.) recently joined Cooper Levenson Law Firm as an associate in the firm's Casino Defense Litigation Department. He is also handling employment defense cases for the firm in Atlantic City. Jeffrey is also chairman of the Young Lawyers Division of Cape May County and the Atlantic/Cape May representative of the Young Lawyer's Executive Committee of the NJ School Boards Association.



ALISON PERGOLA (B.F.A. Graphic Des./ Comp. Des.) married Joseph Savoia October 4, 2008. Her sister, Jennifer Pergola (Engl. '05), was the maid of honor. Alison works for *Family Magazine* as a graphic designer, in Mountainside. Her husband is an athletic trainer at Montclair State University.



LISA RACZ (M.A. Crim. J.) was appointed North Brunswick Police Department's first female captain April 20. She has been a police officer there since January 1990 after working for a short time in West Windsor and at Rutgers University. She was promoted to sergeant in December 1994 and then became the department's first and only female lieutenant in January 2002. She is one of 82 officers in the department, only five of whom are females.



ELENA PROVENZANO (Bus. Mrkt. '02) is engaged to be married to Erick Martiak who graduated from Kean University with a B.A. in Economics. Elena is a project manager for Solar Mite Electrical Contractors in Fords. Her fiancé is vice president/chief estimator.

NINA SICILIANO (Comm.) is co-hosting a morning show, "Pork Roll n' Eggs" on the newly-formatted WHTG 106.3/106.5 in New Jersey.

LYNDSLEY WADE (Art) married Aaron Capuano August 16, 2008. She works for Prada in New York City. Her husband is a surgical resident at Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch, where the couple lives.

### CLASS OF 2003

RUSSELL ANDERSON (Bus. Mrkt.) (M.A. Corp. & Pub. Comm. '06) is engaged to marry Caryn Blood in August. A former star basketball player for the Hawks, Russell is now a certified strength and conditioning specialist with Elite Sports Physical Therapy as well as a certified personal trainer at The Edge in Tinton Falls.

ALLISON (BOLTE) CHELLIN (Engl.) (M.A.T. '05) and her husband, Matthew (Bus. Econ. '03) welcomed daughter, Catherine Janice, October 9, 2008. The family lives in Manasquan.

ROBERT TAFEEN (Bus. Acct.) (M.B.A. '05) is engaged to marry Jillian Kahn this April. He is a certified public accountant and works as an accounting supervisor for a software company in Oceanport. They live in Barnegat.

### CLASS OF 2004

HEATHER ADELMANN (Psych.) married Brian Stockhoff October 11, 2008. She is a senior programmer for Rockbridge Associates, Inc. in Great Falls, VA. Her husband, who served two years in Iraq before being honorably discharged, works for the Ocean County Sheriff's Department.

NANCY AHLERT (Sp. Ed) is engaged to marry Michael DiGiuseppe in October 2010. She is a special education teacher at Banyan School in Fairfield. Her fiancé is a wealth management banker with Merrill Lynch.

JENNIFER (ACAMPORA) RESETAR (Comm.) and her husband, Michael, welcomed daughter, Camryn Amelia, January 16, 2009.



PATRICIA RYAN (Bus. Fin.) married Brett Molloy October 11, 2008. Alumni in attendance were Patricia Uribe (B.S.W. '04, M.S.W. '06), Nicole Semey (Sp. Ed. '04), Lisa (Olson) Besler (Psych. '04, M.S. Prof. Couns. '08), and Danielle Mooney (Engl./Ed. '05). Trish is a senior applications analyst with Chubb Group of Insurance Companies. Her husband is a senior mortgage banker at First Hallmark Mortgage Co. The couple lives in Hillsborough.

CLASS OF **2005**

LESTER DONATO (Bus. Mgmt.) recently passed all four sections of the CPA exam and was granted a CPA license by the N.J. State Board of Accountancy. He works for International Flavors & Fragrances as a cost accountant and lives in North Brunswick.

EDWARD GOUGH (Bus. Acct.) and his wife, Jamie, welcomed daughter, Kylie Elaine, April 6, 2009. He is a credit analyst for TD Bank in Toms River.

MELISSA KSIONSKA (Graphic Design/Photo.) married Chris Lituma August 8, 2008. Melissa works at Texas A&M University as a graphic designer and Web designer. They live in Texas but are planning to move back East soon.

LAUREN LENZA (Comm.) and Brian Murray (Bus. Mgmt. '05) are engaged to be married in May 2010. They are both inside sales account representatives.

FRANK MASTRANGELO (Bus. Mrkt.) was hired as marketing manager for Tompkins Rubber Corp. in South Plainfield. He lives in Parlin.

ANTJE MUELLER (M.B.A.) and her husband, Jason Putz, welcome their first daughter, Anaya Grace, December 8, 2008. Antje is a trading specialist for Deutsche Telekom North America, and her husband is an automotive engineer with Nissan.



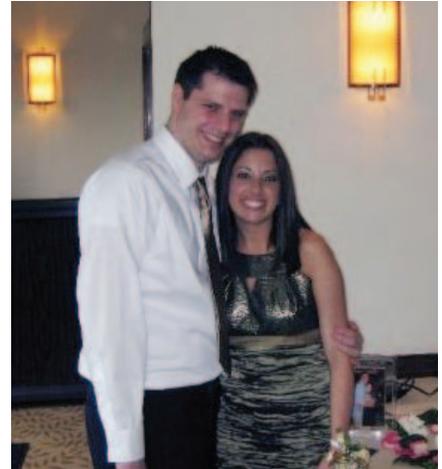
CHRISSEY SKUDERA (Comm.) is a writer/editor for a consulting firm in Washington, DC. She will receive her master's in creative nonfiction writing from Johns Hopkins University in May 2009 and has started writing a book of memoirs.

BRIAN SPECIA (Comm.) was named senior account executive of New Business Development for the front office of the Florida Panthers NHL Hockey Club. He lives in North Miami Beach, FL.

CLASS OF **2006**

ELIZABETH DOUGHERTY (M.A. Crim. J.) is engaged to marry Matthew Sosnicki in June 2010. She is a social worker with the Ocean County Board of Social Services in Toms River. Her fiancé is a N.J. State Trooper.

MICHELLE GOODWIN (B.S.N.) received her MSN from the University of Pennsylvania in August as a Pediatric Critical Care Nurse Practitioner. She passed her certifying exam and is now employed as a nurse practitioner at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia in critical care.



MARISA PICCIURRO (Bus. Adm.) and John Inauen (M.A. Psych. Couns. '08, B.A. Psych. '05) are engaged to be married October 23, 2010. Marisa is a human resources assistant with International Flavors & Fragrances Inc., in Hazlet. Her fiancé is care manager with Monmouth Cares in West Long Branch. Both active in Greek Life while at Monmouth, Marisa was a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, while John was part of the Alpha Chi Rho fraternity.

MICHAEL STURINO (M.A.T.) was named teacher of the month in March at the Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, NJ. A history teacher since 2006, Sturino is also an advisor for the school newspaper and the varsity softball coach. He is currently pursuing his second master's degree in education administration.

CLASS OF **2007**



KELLY GOUGH (Bus. Mktg.) is employed by Ulta in Holmdel, and is engaged to Sean Michael Byers of Middletown. The wedding date is set for September 12, 2009.



PHOTO: KAPFENBERG BULLS

COREY HALLETT (Hist./Poli. Sci.) wrapped up the 2008-09 basketball season with the Kapfenberg Bulls, in the Österreichische Basketball Bundesliga, the top men's professional basketball league in Austria. The Bulls advanced to the quarterfinals.

ASHLEY HOGLÉN (Crim. J.) and Marc Weres (Bus. Mrkt. '06) were married May 31, 2008. They live in Chandler, AZ.

ALYCE QUINLAN (Engl./Sp. Ed.) completed her first year of teaching fourth, fifth and sixth graders in a self-contained behaviorally disturbed class in Pater-son. She has also written and published her first book of poetry, *Reflections of the Heart*, and is pursuing her master's degree as a reading specialist.

## CLASS OF 2008

LOUIS CIMAGLIA (B.S.W.) was honored in December at a fundraiser dinner for him at Milano's Restaurant in McAfee. A former waiter at the restaurant, Louis is at Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation following a car accident November 21, 2008. Updates on his condition can be found at [www.loucimaglia.webs.com](http://www.loucimaglia.webs.com).



CRAIG SARGENT (Bus. Adm.) has joined Harbor Lights Financial Group, Inc. as an associate wealth manager. He will assist with financial planning, retirement income planning, portfolio analysis, and overall client management. He also has earned his Series 7 and Series 66 securities registrations, as well as his New Jersey Life and Health Insurance license.

## in memoriam

### ALUMNI

- 1942** LEROY SMITH (Bus. Adm.)  
OCTOBER 13, 2008
- 1951** ELLA (PASCHETTO) FALIVENE (A.A. Psych.)  
JANUARY 28, 2009  
FREDERICK PALUMBO (A.A.) (M.S.E. '71)  
JANUARY 23, 2009
- 1959** DONALD COOK (French)  
JANUARY 6, 2009
- 1960** WILLIAM EVERS (Chem.)  
APRIL 15, 2009
- 1965** PETER WOOD (Bus. Adm.)  
MARCH 9, 2009
- 1969** ALICE TUFENKJIAN (Elem. Ed.)  
MARCH 29, 2009
- 1970** DONALD VENTI (A.A. Ed.)  
MARCH 20, 2009
- 1971** PAMELA GALLO (Elem. Ed.)  
DECEMBER 30, 2008
- 1972** JEANETTE GRAHAM (M.A.T.)  
AUGUST 25, 2008  
RICHARD MCALLAN (Bus. Adm.)  
MARCH 26, 2009  
Richard was the former President of Emergency Medical Service Local 2507 of District Council 37, and a New York City EMS Senior paramedic. A member of the first Paramedic class to graduate from Jacobi Hospital in 1974, Richard was a dedicated street medic who fought passionately to save lives. Local 2507 President Pat Bahnken said, "I respected and admired him...[he] was a strong defender of the rights of working men and women who never backed away from a fight and never compromised on his principles."
- 1973** JOSEPH HUGGINS (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. '77)  
APRIL 8, 2009  
CALVIN SICILIANO (Bio.)  
JANUARY 2, 2009
- 1985** GREGORY SEREDA (M.B.A.)  
FEBRUARY 5, 2009
- 1993** ARTHUR LIOTTI (Hist.)  
FEBRUARY 19, 2009
- 2000** KATHLEEN DEVLIN (M.S.W.)  
DECEMBER 27, 2008

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<http://www.monmouth.edu/alumni>

### FRIENDS

KEVIN COLLINS JR  
DECEMBER 28, 2008 (former student)

BRIAN CONNELLY  
FEBRUARY 26, 2009 (died in Iraq, husband of pre-med student, Kara Connelly)

WILLIAM SHIELDS  
APRIL 13, 2009

# I can't wait for **MY SEAT!**

I started to follow the Hawks as a die-hard fan in 1965 when Boylan Gymnasium first opened. Jim McIntyre, Ronnie Kornegay, and Louis Sniezak were the three incoming freshmen on the team that year. In their opening game, they played St. Peters. The gym was packed. I had to work that night so I didn't get there till late in the game. It was so crowded I had to peer through the glass window on the door of the gym to watch Monmouth upset St. Peters. I think it was 73-71.

The place went nuts. St. Peter's was really, really good. They used to go to NIT's and they beat up on Duke one year. It was amazing when Monmouth beat them. Since then, I've always been a big fan.

And now here I am, 44 years later, and I'm looking forward to getting into the Multipurpose Activity Center. I've been a season ticket holder and a Blue/White member for years...that's why I can't wait to name my seat.

—Ed King '70

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## READY FOR ACTION

Construction crews are nearing completion of the Center in time for first-class competition in the fall of 2009.

For more information contact Jeff Mills, vice president of University Advancement, by telephone at (732) 571-3411 or by mail at 400 Cedar Avenue, West Long Branch, NJ 07764.

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SEE INSIDE FRONT COVER FOR DETAILS

### **JULY 18**

YOUNG ALUMNI SUMMER REUNION  
ERLANGER GARDENS  
6:30-9:30 PM

### **AUGUST 20**

ALUMNI, FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY  
LAKEWOOD BLUECLAWS  
7:05 PM  
FOR DISCOUNTED TICKETS CALL 732-263-5833

### **SEPTEMBER 16**

OPENING OF THE MULTIPURPOSE  
ACTIVITY CENTER

### **SEPTEMBER 23**

ALUMNI SPEED NETWORKING EVENT  
6:30-9:00 PM

## **SAVE THE DATE! OCTOBER 24**

HOMEcoming

### **OCTOBER 30**

SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION DINNER  
6:30-10:30 PM  
WILSON HALL