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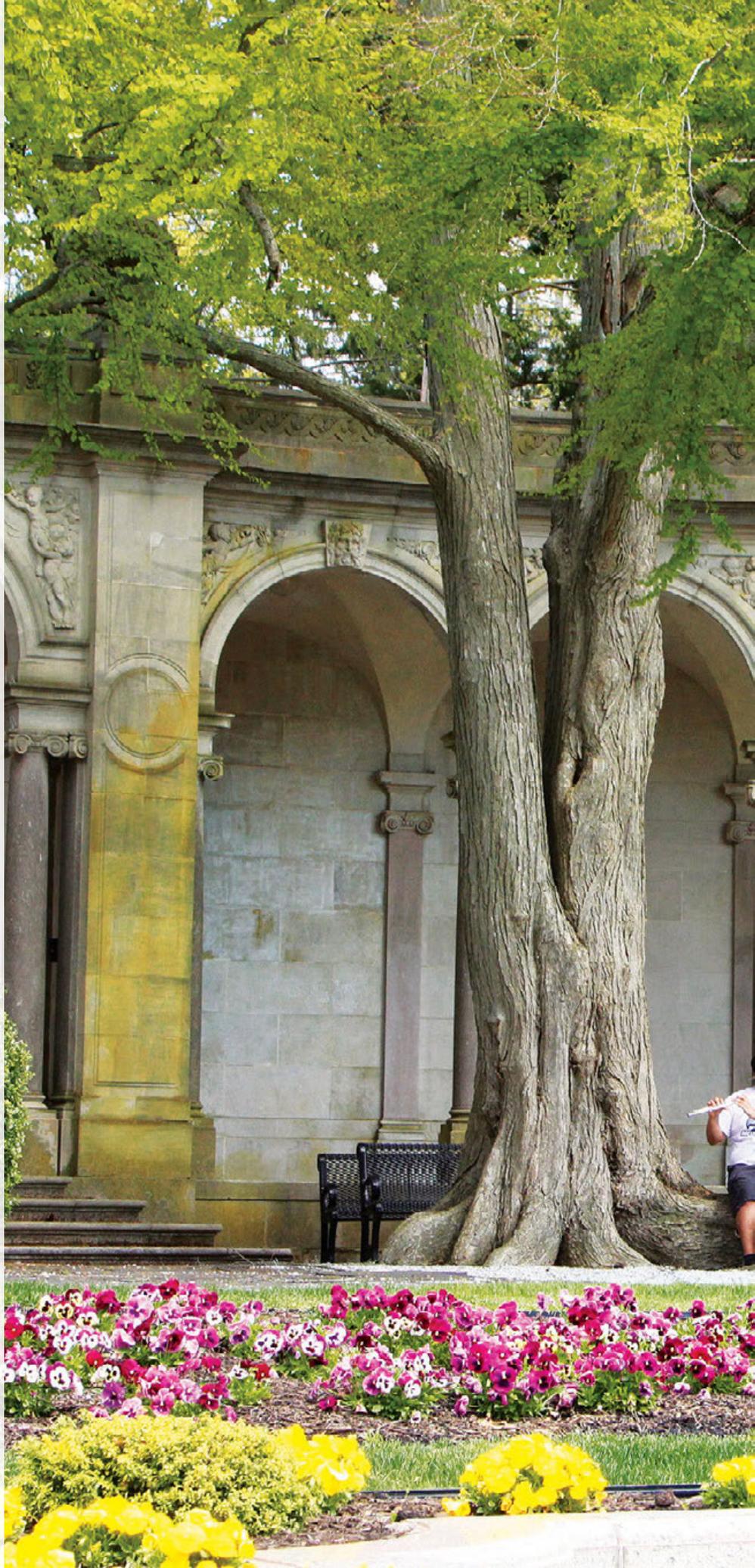
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LEFT: JOSEPH CARLO TOSCANO, A FRESHMAN, PLAYS THE FLUTE IN THE ERLANGER GARDENS OUTSIDE OF WILSON HALL. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY PEP BAND

LETTERS READERS RESPOND TO WINTER ISSUE



Thanks for another great issue of *Monmouth University Magazine*! I especially enjoyed the article, "Transforming Monmouth." I'm continually astounded by the changes to the campus over the past 14 years since I first visited as a prospective freshman. I cannot wait to see the planned upgrades to the School of Science building and the stadium, and the brand new residence hall and academic building. Thanks for keeping us all up to date!

MELISSA ZIOBRO '05 '07M

I enjoyed reading the article in the "On Campus" section of the winter 2014 magazine about Professor John Buzza's Entrepreneurship class. The class is a great "hands-on" experience for the students and a valuable means by which the entrepreneurial spirit can be cultivated.

This unique program truly sets Monmouth University and the Leon Hess Business School apart from other universities. Professor Buzza does an amazing job of supporting the students and sharing his impressive experience with them.

KARYN CUSANELLI '89

Thank you for the story covering the Miles Austin Jersey retirement. What an awesome night in the MAC! As a new Blue and White member, it was great to see so many alums and their families come back for the event. Thanks again for featuring the memorable night.

R. JAMIE MANALIO '94

I really enjoyed the short snippet from Dr. Michael Phillips-Anderson about presidents and humor in the winter issue of the *Monmouth University Magazine*. As a publicly elected Fire Commissioner, I'm regularly faced with tense situations and I've always found that a bit of strategically placed humor can help warm the situation, and it's refreshing to hear that I'm in the likes of Abraham Lincoln and John F. Kennedy with this notion. Both were quick-witted and personable, and I have a lot to learn from them! Now if we could just get some of our other politicians to take this approach, we would be good to go!

HENRY HANSCH '00



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CORRECTIONS:

In the winter 2014 issue of the *Monmouth University Magazine*, on page 49 under class note for Kelli A. Isaksen, Kelli's sister, Kristen Isaken '01M, was incorrectly identified as the Director of Financial Aid. She is the Associate Director of Financial Aid.

On page 50, under the Class of 2003, Lia Kusch was misidentified as Kia Kusch.

We regret the errors.

It was so nice to see that the Leon Hess Business School and Business Council sponsored a panel discussion surrounding the topic of equal pay for women. It is something that too often gets brushed aside because I think the general consensus is that it is not an issue anymore. In reality, women still make 77 cents to every dollar earned by men on average. Thanks for highlighting such an important topic!

KATE STEVENS '02

REGARDING THE GIANTS AND KNICKS ARTICLE [FALL 2013]...



LEFT TO RIGHT: GIANTS COACH ALEX WEBSTER, E.J. "MIM" TRUPPA AND Y.A. TITTLE, GIANTS COACH AND FORMER QUARTERBACK

Alex Webster lived in our neighborhood for a few years. In fact my dad owned a Real Estate company and personally sold Alex the house, and we frequented his bar often. His daughter Debbie and I went to school together.

Small world...

KATHLEEN BODALL '81
RAYMOND MICHAEL BODALL '93

Heather McCulloch Mistretta

JOURNEY TO india

Global classroom experience
inspires students and professors

Political Science Professor Dr. Rekha Datta lives her life according to the wise words of the venerable Mahatma Gandhi: "Be the change you want to see in your life." And it is this philosophy that has enabled her to help so many of her students over the years. But her profound influence stretched into another continent in January when, along with Dr. Richard Veit, she led a group of students on an international service learning trip to India.

STANDING: SAM MAYNARD '14, MICHELLE COLLETTE '14, CLAUDIO INNOCENTI '11, JESSICA ROBERTS '14, RICH VEIT, DAVE ANNUN (SENIOR), EMERITUS PROFESSOR SHELIA BALDWIN, SARAH MUSTAFA (SENIOR), REKHA DATTA, NADIA JETER. **KNEELING:** DYLAN MAYNARD '14, RAY BOGAN '14, KATRINA BOYLE (SENIOR), ADRIANNA PIRONE (JUNIOR).

THE PHOTO IS IN FRONT OF THE 'DARWAZA' OR THE MAIN GATE LEADING TO THE TAJ MAHAL, IN AGRA, INDIA. THE GATE HAS MOTIFS FROM HINDU AND MUSLIM ART, SIGNIFYING RELIGIOUS HARMONY. IT, ALONG WITH THE OTHER GATE, HAS 11 SPIRES EACH, SIGNIFYING 22 YEARS THAT IT TOOK TO BUILD THE TAJ MAHAL, ONE OF THE SEVEN WONDERS OF THE WORLD

From a transcendental classroom without walls to a street side monkey show to a beautiful, serene cemetery, Dr. Datta and her group experienced the many contradictions that the country of 1.2 billion people carries.

The trip is part of her course, International Service Seminar (PS 371), which provides students with experiential education credits and a model for other service travel projects throughout the world.

Accompanying her this time on the trip were History and Anthropology Professor Richard Veit and Emeritus Professor Shelia Baldwin as well as Dr. Datta's daughter, Amrita, and students, David Annun, Katrina Boyle, Sarah Mustafa, Michelle Collette, Jessica Roberts, Dylan Maynard, Sam Maynard, Ray Bogan, Adrianna Pirone and Nadia Jeter. Claudio Innocenti '11 also joined the group.

"Our trip bridged the gap between perspectives," said senior Sam Maynard who called the country a natural contradiction. "I began to see where the complexities lie." He remarked about the difficulty in striking a balance between efficiency and civil society.

Dylan Maynard echoed that sentiment when he said, "It gave us the opportunity to understand the differences instead of shutting them out." He cautioned that one needs to not fear the differences but instead learn from them.

Dr. Veit, also a professional archaeologist, offered a perspective that was absent back in 2010 when Dr. Datta and her group of students ventured to India for the first trip. His fascination with archeological sites, particularly cemeteries, prompted Veit to entice the group on a detour to South Park Street Cemetery.

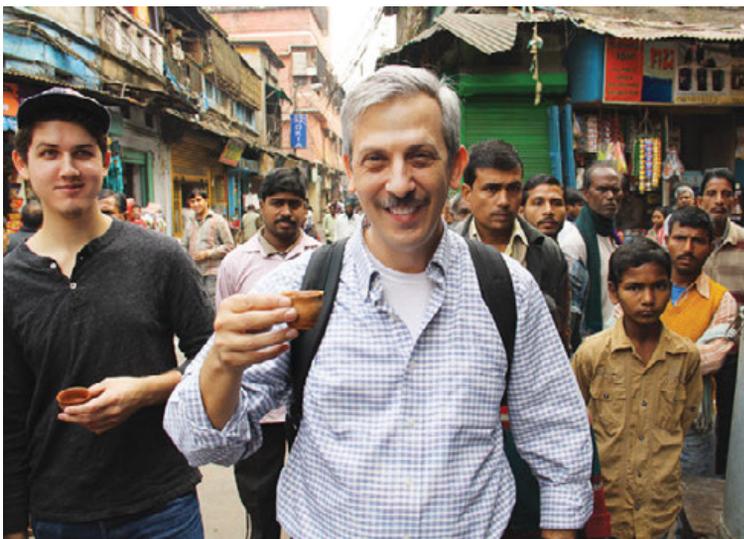
"It was an island of calm in the midst of a storm," said Veit, who called the quiet, beautiful place founded in



EMERITUS PROFESSOR SHELIA BALDWIN WITH ONE OF THE STUDENTS AT LORETTA DAY SCHOOL

1760 a symbol of the blending of cultures. "Apparently in India when you cut school, you go to the cemetery," joked Veit who said that during their daytime tour they met several Indian students. Veit is the co-author of *New Jersey Cemeteries and Tombstones: History in the Landscape* and *Digging New Jersey's Past: Historical Archaeology in the Garden State* as well as the soon-to-be-released *The Archaeology of American Cemeteries and Gravemarkers*.

South Park Street Cemetery contains the tomb of Colonel Vansittart, whose wife was a descendant of Oliver Cromwell. Other graves of note include those of Lt. Col. Robert Kyd, the distinguished botanist and founder of the East India Company's Botanical Gardens, down the river; Lt. Col. James Lillyman, who supervised the building of Fort William; sons of Captain Cook and Charles Dickens; and many others, such as Charles Short and Sir John Royds, after whom streets in Calcutta were named. It is also the final resting place of ordinary men and women, who built the metropolis of Calcutta from a simple, trading establishment.



DYLAN MAYNARD '14 WITH PROFESSOR RICH VEIT



ALTHOUGH OFFICIALLY BANNED IN MANY PARTS OF INDIA, STREET MONKEY PERFORMANCES ARE STILL COMMON IN KOLKATA



In 1985 a group of students at the Loreto Day School who were participating in a community leadership initiative began to feel uneasy about the number of children living on the streets and at nearby Sealdah Railway Station.

With the support of the school's leadership, the pupils conducted a survey of the local street children to ascertain their needs. They raised the issue with teachers at the school and took it up with the school's principal, Sister M. Cyril Mooney.

In response, a proposal followed, which resulted in the creation of a school-within-a-school for street children who "drop in like rainbows, giving joy as they appear."

Sister Cyril, a native of Ireland and an internationally-recognized educational innovator, has been living and working in India since 1956. She is the 2007 winner of the Padma Shri Award, the Government of India's fourth-highest civilian honor. Thanks to her work at Loreto, she has emerged as a nationwide leader in bringing quality education to urban and rural poor children.

In 2011 Sister Cyril received the Global Visionary Award from Monmouth University. The award was presented at the 10th Global Understanding Convention. After receiving the award, Sister Cyril stressed the need for a "conscience." She said, "We are not born for ourselves alone."

“The students were so happy and gracious. The day school made me focus on the humanitarian aspect much more.”

But paramount to this trip, as was the case back with their 2010 trip, was a visit to the Loreto Day School in Kolkata where Dr. Datta received both her primary and secondary education.

Loreto Day School, Sealdah, cares for about 1,400 female students, about half of which are so poor that every need has to be taken care of by the school—food, medicines, rations, shoes, books, uniforms, even money to meet the rent when eviction threatens. As part of the Rainbow Home Program, which was founded by the Partnership Foundation in 2002, no one is turned away. The school even takes in young boys and cares for them until they can be placed in other schools. Instrumental in dramatically changing the orphanage was Sister Cyril Mooney who in 1985 recognized the need to educate all children regardless of their class.

Sixty percent of the students live in sprawling slums amid mounting piles of garbage, narrow alleyways and serpentine tunnels. In such conditions, rows of tiny one-room structures are separated by a brick wall or at times a bamboo partition.

"The students were so happy and gracious," said senior Jessica Roberts. "The day school made me focus on the humanitarian aspect much more."

Other places the group visited included the Institute of Social Sciences, dedicated to a systematic and scholarly study of contemporary social, political and economic issues from an inter-disciplinary perspective; the Taj Mahal; the Centre for Environmental Management and Participatory Development, an independent, non-profit, public interest organization focused on community-centric participatory environmental management; Shri Shikshayatan College, an undergraduate women's liberal arts college in Kolkata affiliated with the University of Calcutta; and A World University, a classroom without walls where science and art come together.

"One of the highlights of this trip for me was the opportunity to have conversations with people who live in Calcutta from whose perspectives we learned about life in a densely populated struggling democracy," said Professor Baldwin.



“ Our trip bridged the gap between perspectives, I began to see where the complexities lie.”

An overlying theme of the journey was the realization of how well different cultures coexisted. “We became more accepting of a different culture,” said Michelle Collette. “And it was amazing how they all knew at least three different languages.”

In response to their trip, the students organized a fundraiser for the Rainbow Program on April 10. “The Rainbow Connection: A Festival Celebrating a Journey to India” featured Indian food, henna art, Tarot Card readings, an Indian fashion show, live music, and a short presentation about the students of PS 371 and their trip to India. The students raised money for sleeping mats for the kids they visited in the Rainbow Program while in India.

Dr. Datta's influence is apparent. Her students are globally open-minded thinkers who embrace religious and cultural pluralism. The 2003 Distinguished Teacher and founding director of the Institute for Global Understanding until 2011 is the author of *Beyond Realism: Human Security in India and Pakistan in the 21st Century*, (2008, 2010), *Why Alliances Endure: The United States-Pakistan Military Alliance, 1954-1971* (1994) and co-editor, with Judith Kornberg, of *Women in Developing Countries* (2002). In 2013 she co-founded Women and Girls Education – International (wageintl.org), a non-profit organization that seeks to work with community organizations that help families and support women and girls facing violence. [MU](#)



PHOTOS BY TINA COLLELA

BORN FROM FIRE

WMCX Celebrates 40 Years

ANGELA CIROALO '14 & CASEY WOLFE, CLASS OF 2015*

On the evening of March 29, 1984, disaster struck WMCX. A fire, sparked by a faulty piece of equipment, devastated Monmouth's student-run radio station, then a 10-watt operation with a broadcast reach that ended at the perimeter of the parking lots on campus.

But the fire, which students thought ruined everything, laid the foundations for today's 1,000-watt WMCX radio station, now reaching listeners as far away as Australia via streaming radio over the internet.

On May 1 and 2, WMCX alumni returned to campus to mark the 40th anniversary of the station, which was launched in 1974 by students eager to pursue careers in radio. During the two-day celebrations many returned not just to campus, but to the broadcast booth, taking to the airwaves to host the same shows they ran as students.

The capstone event was an anniversary party on May 2, 40 years after WMCX's first radio broadcast. One of the featured guests of the event, held in the lobby of the Jules L. Plangere Jr. Center for Communication and Instructional Technology, was Associate Professor Emeritus Everett "Rett" Rich, WMCX's first faculty advisor. >>



WMCX'S FIRST FACULTY ADVISOR, RETT RICH, RECEIVED MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY'S DISTINGUISHED TEACHER AWARD IN 1985; THE SEARS ROEBUCK FOUNDATION TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD IN 1991; THE STUDENT CHOICE AWARD FOR BEST TEACHER IN THE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES IN 1986, 1989, AND 1991; AND THE ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM EMERSON COLLEGE IN 1996

*Ciroalo is the former news editor of the *Outlook*. Wolfe will be the Editor in Chief of the *Outlook* in the coming 2014-15 academic year

Rich, also known to students as “PR,” was a faculty member in the Department of Communication for 39 years, and WMCX advisor for 21 years. During the ceremony he took the audience on a sentimental journey of WMCX’s history.

Rich explained that after the radio station caught on fire in 1984, he was asked by the Monmouth College president, Dr. Samuel Magill, to take the role as the first advisor for WMCX.

“He didn’t tell me what to do; he didn’t tell me how he wanted it done,” Rich said. “He trusted that I’d get it done,” which was exactly what Rich did.

WMCX returned to the air in February 1985, 11 months after the fire. “It was still only 10 watts broadcasting at 88.1 on the dial,” Rich said. “We knew, however, if we were really serious about doing more with the station, we needed more power. An engineering study showed us that if we changed our frequency to 88.9, we would be able to go to 1,000 watts.”

It took three years of planning and organization before the station made the jump.

In December 1988, “The New WMCX” debuted at 88.9 on the FM dial. The station’s improved non-directional signal provided a broadcast range of 35 miles, seven times the range of the old signal.

Reaching these new distances opened doors for future Monmouth University students. One student who was particularly impacted by the new opportunities was Ray Michelli '99.

Michelli, afflicted with Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD), loved hosting his sports talk radio show on WMCX. He did whatever it took to get to his show and talk about sports, even if it meant using a wheelchair or relying on the assistance of his fellow WMCX members.

“In the beginning I can remember Ray was getting along pretty well

“Nine out of the top 10 radio stations in Monmouth and Ocean Counties have a WMCX member on staff.”

– Dr. Aaron Furgason,
WMCX Faculty Advisor

with his canes, but Ray’s condition was progressive and there reached a point in time where he needed a chair,” Rich said at the end of his speech.

“But Ray loved the station and we took him in and we helped him whenever we could and did whatever we could to help him.”

Michelli received the help he needed and was able to graduate from Monmouth University. Unfortunately, in October 2011 he passed away due to complications from DMD. To commemorate his love for radio, his senior portrait was unveiled during the ceremony and now hangs just outside the WMCX studio, which was previously dedicated to Michelli.

Tears filled the room as Rich’s powerful voice announced the dedication. As he pulled the cover off the portrait for everyone to see, he looked directly at Ray’s parents, Tom and Roseanne Michelli.



PORTRAIT OF RAYMOND MICHELLI '99 UNVEILED AT ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



TRUSTEE TOM MICHELLI, DR. AARON FURGASON,
DAVID WILSON '80

“We’re appreciative of everything that you’ve done for us and the parents that you were to Ray. We loved him as you did,” Rich told the Michellis.

To say that the radio station has made an impact on the WMCX alumni is an understatement. The passion still exudes from within them each day.

“These folks are people that I cherish and who are important to me,” said Amelia Simonelli '92 who flew in from London to attend the anniversary. “It is always so great to come back. The years just melt away,” she said.

Current faculty advisor, Dr. Aaron Furgason, said that it is dedicated members of WMCX like Simonelli who keep traditional radio alive and thriving.

Furgason’s wish for WMCX is that it will help listeners remember that radio will never disappear. “People still like to hear human voices, not just one song after another on Pandora, repeating the same sounding artist over and over again,” Furgason said.

“You don’t get that online, you don’t get that on Pandora, you don’t get that on Netflix. You get that on radio,” and that’s just what the members of WMCX seek to fulfill during their next 40 years.

POWERFUL INFLUENCE

"I had no idea what I wanted to do with my life, I just knew I was a communication major and that's pretty broad, and WMCX made me realize that I want to do radio for the rest of my life," said Nicole Calascibetta, a 2014 graduate of Monmouth University. "Now that I work for a radio station, I can't imagine doing anything else."

Calascibetta has worked with WMCX since her freshman year. When the time came for her to graduate, she was offered a part-time position at 95.9 The WRAT, and after only four months she was offered a full-time position as the host of "Jersey Rock."

Michael Hildebrandt, the program director for WMCX, got involved with the station in the summer of 2013. After only one year of involvement, he was offered a full-time job at New Jersey 101.5. Hildebrandt said that even though he was put on the overnight shift, it was an exciting opportunity because it was his first gig on a commercial radio station.

Calascibetta and Hildebrandt are just two of the many WMCX alumni who are pursuing professional careers in radio after their experience at the college radio station.

WMCX moved from a 10-watt station at 88.1 to a 1,000-watt station at 88.9 following a devastating fire in 1984. Today, the station has a global reach and more than 500,000 listeners both domestically and internationally thanks to a streaming radio feature on their official web site, wmcx.com.



LEFT: LAURENCE SACHS '87

BELOW: EMILIA LEESE '92

MIDDLE ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: BRIANNA MERRIMAN, SOPHOMORE, LISA CONSIGLIO '90

BOTTOM ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: PHIL COOPERSMITH '09, SEAN QUINN '08 '11M



Today, nine out of the top 10 radio stations in Monmouth and Ocean Counties have a WMCX member on staff, Furgason said. He explained that one of the benefits of WMCX is that it “trains [students] to do this professionally; to learn to make your mistakes here and hopefully not make them out in the real world,” he explained.

Since WMCX started 40 years ago, the station has never stopped developing and thriving, which Donna Mancini, office coordinator for WMCX, believes will only continue. “The interest is still there; it is fed by the students,” she said. “If the need is there, we will grow and obviously it is there so we are still growing.”

Nick Sommons, production director for WMCX, hosted a weekly radio show, “Nick vs. Nick,” which received a surprising response. As the semester



LEFT TO RIGHT: JOHN MANIGRASSO '91, KAREN LIVINGSTONE '92 AND RETT RICH

came to a close, Sommons announced to his listeners that the show was ending. Moments later, he said they received numerous phone calls from people expressing their disappointment in the ending of the show.

Though the WMCX audience is smaller than its commercial counterparts, there is a dedicated audience that admires the passion the students deliver through their radio shows. “[The audience is] entertained; they’re informed about this specific content, and I don’t think you can get that in any other medium,” Furgason said.

While getting involved in WMCX has provided the students with the skills to pursue a career in radio, many also believe it has also offered the opportunity to develop new relationships and gain valuable lessons.

“What I really learned here at ‘the X’ were the intangibles—the sense of family that this place has, the stories, the traditions and history of this place,” said Tom Hanley '04. “You won’t find an organization like this in many places.”

Hanley, an on-air personality for 95.9 the WRAT, said what he enjoyed most about his experience at WMCX was the inspiration he received to pursue a career in radio from his fellow members. “The X carries heritage that makes you want to push yourself forward to do good to make everyone proud,” he said. [MU](#)



BOB MARLEY DURING HIS LAST TOUR ON JULY 6, 1980. PHOTO: EDDIE MALIN

On Monday May 11, 1981, WMCX made radio history when global reggae sensation Bob Marley died. WMCX was the first media outlet to break the news, hours ahead of CNN, MTV & WNEW, who called the college station within 20 minutes of the announcement to verify the report of Marley’s passing.

Jeffrey Steinberg '84, then a student disc jockey, fielded the calls. “As the phone

lines were all blinking, I quickly became aware of the frenzy I had just caused,” Steinberg said. Hours later Steinberg aired Marley’s last recorded interview, done just a week earlier with Steinberg by phone while Marley was in a West German clinic being treated for cancer.

In 2006, Marley’s last interview with Steinberg was added to the archives of the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame.

Bright Promise *for the* Future



PHOTO: MARK LUDAK '81

THE INAUGURATION OF PAUL R. BROWN

Eighth President of Monmouth University

A bright, clear, and warm afternoon on April 10 set a cheerful tone outside the front steps of historic Woodrow Wilson Hall when Monmouth University formally inaugurated its eighth president, Paul R. Brown. Alumni, family, and friends celebrated the symbolic transfer of leadership, joined by local and state officials, students, administrators, and members of the faculty who were seated prominently at the ceremony.



PHOTO: LLOYD P. RAVITZ, CLASS OF 2016

The inauguration ceremony, a mainstay of academic institutions, marked President Brown's second introduction to members of the Monmouth University community since officially taking office on August 1, 2013.

Board Chair Robert B. Sculthorpe '63 presided over the ceremony, which included investing President Brown with his chain of office, worn at formal academic occasions. The chain, which bears the names of Monmouth's previous leaders and supports the University seal, will continue to be passed along to future presidents, symbolizing an unbroken chain of leadership.



PHOTO: CHRIS SPIEGEL

FOLLOWING THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY, PRESIDENT BROWN IS INTERVIEWED BY HAWKTV REPORTER ALEXANDRA APPOLONIA, A SENIOR WHO GRADUATED IN MAY WITH A DEGREE IN COMMUNICATION, CONCENTRATING IN RADIO AND TELEVISION

"We are confident that the hopes we place in you will be justified," Sculthorpe said. "I charge you to support and build a strong faculty, to be innovative, and to help our students to reach their full potential... and inspire us with your vision."

Student Government Association President Kelly Craig said she is optimistic about the new president and enjoys having him as such a familiar face on campus. "I think President Brown is dedicated to working on improving the overall atmosphere at Monmouth and strengthen its academic offerings," she said.

Craig said President Brown has already started the process of change through the Strategic Planning Committee, which he implemented this year. "It is basically a way to look at the campus as a whole, with a focus on personal learning, and determine what aspects need to be changed," Craig said. "President Brown is involving members of the community from all levels by creating committees that are made up of faculty, staff and administrators."

The formal change of leadership symbolized in a presidential inauguration reaffirms long-held academic traditions, but also signifies the promise of new beginnings. Brown's inaugural address, the culmination of ceremony that took months of planning, provides insights into his aspirations and goals for the future of Monmouth University. »

“As one member of our Board of Trustees reminded me in a recent planning session on campus, the only thing that is constant in life is change. Thus, today we formally celebrate a change of leadership in the spirit of stewarding Monmouth University to greater heights as we mark our 80th year as an institution of higher education. It is with tremendous gratitude for the support of the students, faculty, staff, alumni, community members, and friends of Monmouth University, that I accept my presidential responsibilities to lead this fine university into our shared future.

To New Jersey Secretary of Higher Education Rochelle Hendricks and the other public servants with us today; Those who diligently serve our towns, our state, and our nation; To Chairman Sculthorpe, my “confidant in arms” and my inspiration to do everything I can to make Monmouth the very best it can be; To the members of the Board of Trustees with us today who serve our institution in such dedicated fashion; To my fellow colleagues serving the academy and particularly those with us today from my undergraduate alma mater, Franklin & Marshall College; To my fellow faculty members; To my cabinet, administrative and staff colleagues, and of course, to the students who are the heart and soul of our university, thank you tremendously for allowing me to take this journey with you.

I am humbled and honored to lead us to a Monmouth University that we will shape together; one I know will be filled with excitement, energy, and an abiding passion to make a difference in the lives of our students, and our society at large. It is a tremendous opportunity, and I remain grateful and excited by the possibilities we can achieve together.

On behalf of both myself and my wife, Joan G. Fishman, thank you also for making our collective immersion into the fabric of Monmouth University, and Monmouth County, an extremely rewarding experience. You have made us welcome, beginning with the warmth of the summer of 2013, through the beauty of the fall, into the challenges of a cold and snowy winter, and now in the season that inspired Igor Stravinsky to compose the “Rite of Spring.” Joan and I are thankful, appreciative, and inspired for our journey with you. Thank you very much for opening your homes and hearts to us.



PHOTO: CHRIS SPIEGEL

PRESIDENT PAUL BROWN AND HIS WIFE, JOAN FISHMAN, WITH STUDENTS CAROLINA CARVALHO (AT FAR LEFT) AND KELLY THOMAS (AT FAR RIGHT). CARVALHO AND THOMAS, BOTH SOPRANOS, CONCLUDED THE EVENT BY SINGING TWO ARIAS FROM THE PERCH SECOND FLOOR BALCONY OF WILSON HALL. THOMAS PERFORMED “UN MOTO DI GIOIA,” FROM *LE NOZZE DI FIGARO*, WHILE CARVALHO PERFORMED “O MIO BABBINO CARO,” FROM *GIANNI SCHICCHI*

Like all of my academic and administrative colleagues here today, I am very fortunate to serve the academy because we make a profound, life-altering difference for our students. The transformative power of education is addictive, awe-inspiring, and the driver behind everything that I hope to achieve for our fine institution.

Our magnificent campus and our academic goals all exist for one reason: To improve the lives of our students, making it truly both a privilege and a responsibility to serve the academy. It is important that we never lose sight of this important charge as we progress through our daily challenges and responsibilities here on campus. These challenges and responsibilities have become clearer to me since I accepted this distinguished post, now over a year ago.

Since my appointment we haven’t missed a beat in building upon all that makes Monmouth University such a wonderful and distinct university. And frankly, we don’t have a choice. The days of academic contemplation without action are over. Higher education is an extremely competitive industry. We are competing for the best students, the best faculty, and the best administrators, all overlaid with the conviction that what we do is relevant and continues to provide life-long value to our students, and long term benefits to society.

I set forth some of my goals and aspirations for Monmouth University in a recent “State of the University” memo, the first of what will be an annual message to our community, and it is clear to me that we are not only ready for the challenges ahead, we are *already* facing them head-on.

I am especially pleased to report that we are fully immersed in a comprehensive, transparent, and all-inclusive strategic planning process that will define our strengths and collective goals, and set a path to excellence in the years to come.

Change is inevitable given all that is happening in higher education in general and in particular for mid-size, primarily residential, private universities like Monmouth University.

Given the current environment and its challenges, it could be easy to become jaded about the future of higher education if not for the fact that those of us who serve this industry view it as more than a job, but instead as a calling.

“Monmouth University’s tomorrow is full of bright promise. Our future success will be built by a collaborative community that embraces and supports our faculty in their efforts to inspire and engage our students to nurture and develop their best efforts as citizens and as scholars.”

Those of us who follow this calling know that the real value of higher education is measured not simply by the rate of employment of our students six months after graduation. Rather, it is about preparing them to think in critical and creative ways for the rest of their lives.

While I actively embrace the drive for more accountability and transparency, and specifically, measurements to quantify our performance, I simultaneously reject the notion that a life-long love of learning can be fit neatly into a series of checked boxes based on short-term yardsticks.

My faculty, my student support team members, my coaches, and my administrators *really do get it*.



PRESIDENT BROWN EMBRACES BOARD CHAIR ROBERT B. SCULTHORPE '63 FOLLOWING CONFERRAL OF THE PRESIDENT'S CHAIN OF OFFICE

We understand that the cost of college can be a hardship, but we know the payoff is greater than the well-documented financial rewards that university graduates enjoy. We also understand that helping to lighten the financial burdens on our students, through scholarships and cost containments, is vital to our mission as educators.

Please believe me when I say that our most fervent desire is to serve young adults by helping them pursue their interests and find their passion, and helping them translate those interests and that passion into a meaningful and productive life after graduation. This is my goal for every graduate and undergraduate student who steps on our campus. And I will say that this goal underpins the entire strategic planning process underway now.

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It is a future of success that also depends upon all of us helping to deliver on the promise of a personal and transformative education—an education that begins from the moment our students step on campus until graduation—and even far beyond.

It is a future that demands we develop and deliver programs that serve both the short and long-term needs of students and our society. And it is one that must involve compassion and understanding for the wide and wonderful world that we live in.

Change, as I’ve noted, is always certain. We can only imagine what our ever more globalized world will look like in 50, or 80 years’ time for the class of



WITH FINAL REVISIONS TO HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS COMPLETE, PRESIDENT BROWN MAKES HIS WAY THROUGH THE COLONNADES IN ERLANGER GARDENS TO PREPARE FOR THE CEREMONY. PHOTO: MARK LUDAK '81

2014. I doubt that the graduating class of Monmouth College in 1956 could have envisioned the world we inhabit today, but the fundamental underpinnings of their liberal arts education continues to serve them so many years later.

Our many successful alumni, some of whom now serve as trustees, are powerful testimony to the power of education rooted in the foundations of Monmouth's tradition of providing a personal and transformative education.

Monmouth University's tomorrow also demands that we tell our story in a bigger, bolder, and broader fashion. Let's not keep this gem to ourselves. As an institution, we have come very far in 80 years, but you know, so have many other institutions. Our collective task—for each student and faculty member, each alumnus and friend of Monmouth here with us today—you are the best ambassadors to tell our story, our many great stories, within your community, within our state, outside of our state, and outside of our nation.

I am so fortunate to have had, and to continue to have, stimulating academic roots. I had the benefit of inspirational faculty mentors at Franklin & Marshall College and the University of Texas at Austin, and then incredibly good faculty colleagues at Yale University, New York University, Lehigh University, and now Monmouth University.

And along the way I have had the privilege of interacting extensively with the academy beyond the borders of the United States, primarily in Europe, South America, and Asia. The journey at each step along the way has been meaningful and deeply personal; and making education personal for each of our students is what it's all about.

There are so many experiences that have shaped my philosophy as an educator; learning squash at Yale – while teaching financial analysis; establishing a life-long friendship with a colleague from Ghana at NYU; hiring one of the first female Chinese students in the U.S. as a teaching assistant; leading a set of students to Mumbai to experience India's financial capital and the Bollywood film-making industry; these are just some of the experiences that have established my view of education as transformative, and why I believe our collective duty as educators is more than a profession. It is a calling.

These are just snapshots, but I hope they convey why I see my tenure as president of Monmouth University as an exciting and ongoing academic adventure that we will share together.

And although our journey is just beginning here, at least on a ceremonial level, of course it has already begun for us all on a personal level.

Some of my favorite “new” memories include meeting a student at orientation who told me she can't wait to start her marine and environmental biology studies; spending time with artists who come to our beautiful campus to perform and inspire our students and the communities we live in; seeing Monmouth almost beat Lehigh in football.

And every time I hear about faculty members who inspire our students by sharing research and their scholarship, whatever their field of study, I am renewed and inspired by the value of our mission.

And fortunately for all of us here today, there are so many more journeys to come. Let me once again thank you for your support, your dedication, and your love of this fine institution.



events calendar

JULY

JULY 6

Performing Arts: An Evening with Crosby, Stills & Nash

Multipurpose Activity Center
7:30 PM (Doors 6:30 PM)
There is an eight ticket limit per household.
Order by phone at (800) 745-3000, or in person at the box offices.
\$104 - \$51
Parking fee \$10

JULY 8

Performing Arts: AMERICAN IDOL LIVE! 2014 TOUR

Multipurpose Activity Center
8:00 PM (Doors 7:00 PM)
Order by phone at (800) 745-3000, or in person at the box offices.
\$104 - \$51
Parking fee \$10

JULY 9



Met Opera Summer Encore Puccini's *La Rondine*

Pollak Theatre
7:00 PM
\$18

JULY 16

Met Opera Summer Encore Verdi's *Otello*

Pollak Theatre
7:00 PM
\$18

JULY 23



Met Opera Summer Encore *The Enchanted Island*

Pollak Theatre
7:00 PM
\$18

JULY 30

Met Opera Summer Encore Gounod's *Roméo et Juliette*

Pollak Theatre
7:00 PM
\$18

AUGUST

AUGUST 6



Met Opera Summer Encore Puccini's *La Fanciulla del West*

Pollak Theatre
7:00 PM
\$18

AUGUST 17



Alumni: Hawks & Horses: Family Fun Day

Monmouth Park
11:30 AM
Call the Alumni Office to reserve your tickets: (732) 571-3489.

AUGUST 23

Pre-season Men's Soccer Monmouth vs. Adelphi

Hesse Field at the Great Lawn
7:00 PM
Free and open to the public

AUGUST 24



Women's Soccer Season Kickoff Monmouth vs. American

Hesse Field at the Great Lawn
1:00 PM
Free and open to the public

AUGUST 30

Football Season Kickoff Monmouth vs. Delaware State

Monmouth Stadium
1:00 PM
\$10 adults/\$6 student/senior

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 1

Men's Soccer Season Kickoff Monmouth vs Lehigh

Hesse Field at the Great Lawn
7:00 PM
Free and open to the public

SEPTEMBER 12

Alumni: 50 Year Reunion Luncheon

Golden Reunion for Class of 1964
Call (732) 571-3489 for details

SEPTEMBER 18



National Theatre: Live in HD *Medea*

Pollak Theatre
7:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 20

Alumni: Hawk Crawl

A Tour of Asbury Park's Pubs
Please Call the Alumni Office at (732) 571-3489 to register

SEPTEMBER 29

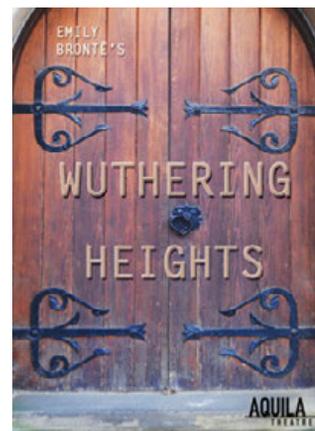


Kislak Real Estate Institute Annual Golf Outing

Hollywood Golf Club
For more information call 732-571-4412

OCTOBER

OCTOBER 7



Aquilla Theatre's *Wuthering Heights*

Pollak Theatre
8:00 PM

OCTOBER 11

Alumni: Homecoming

Best of the MET: Live in HD

Verdi's *MACBETH*
Pollak Theatre
1:00 PM
\$23

OCTOBER 17



Children's Theatre: *The Lightning Thief*

Pollak Theatre
10:00 AM
\$15/\$12

Events Subject to Change

For information about Alumni events, call Alumni Affairs at **732-571-3489**.

For information about Performing Arts and Opera events, call the box office at **732-263-6889**.

For information about other events, contact Special Events at **732-571-3509**.



Gary Kowal '13

LONG JUMP

to the

NCAA

MARIAH TOUSSAINT
Breaks Records on the way
to MAAC Championships -
Sets Sights on the Olympics

IT HAS BEEN A STELLAR SEASON for senior long jumper Mariah Toussaint, who in February became the first Monmouth athlete ever to qualify for the NCAA Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships. After completing an impressive indoor season, Toussaint was named the Most Outstanding Performer in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) at the outdoor championships on May 4.

Toussaint has put together one of the best seasons in the history of Monmouth track and field, setting multiple school records and helping the Hawks win MAAC championships in both indoor and outdoor track and field. As much as Toussaint has impacted the program, the Monmouth track and field has also made a lasting mark on Toussaint.

"I feel like when I leave the Monmouth track and field program, it will always still be with me," said Toussaint. "I know when they have track meets I'm going to come support them because I know I'd want that for people who have been here before just like me."

TOUSSAINT, a transfer from Midland University in Nebraska, found Monmouth after deciding to leave her previous school and come east. With family in the area, Toussaint surveyed New Jersey for her best fit. She traveled to Monmouth at the conclusion of her season at Midland, visiting campus and meeting with the track and field coaching staff.

“I came from Nebraska to my aunt’s house in New Jersey and took a visit,” recalls Toussaint. “The first coach I met that initially I was being recruited for was Coach Devin Barry, for my jumping skills, mostly for high jumping because I was better in that my sophomore year. I talked to Coach Brian Hirshblond about sprinting also, and from there, it came together that initially I was supposed to be mostly a jumper, and then I became a sprinter and jumper.”

Entering as a transfer, Toussaint had a lot of adjustments to make, including getting used to living in a new part of the country as well as joining a team as a junior that had a reputation as one of the top track and field programs in the region.

“Initially it was hard to adjust because everyone had their own groups,” said Toussaint. “I had to see what role I could fit into. This year was better because new people came in and they knew that I was also new. The teammates I knew from last year started to become more of my friends, so it’s been progressive.”

At the Blue/White Invitational on January 11, Toussaint recorded a long jump of 20 feet, eight inches, which stood at the time as the top jump nationally for the indoor season. She won four events at that meet, also placing first in the 60 meter dash, the high jump and the 200 meter dash, propelling the Monmouth women’s team to a meet victory. Following her stellar performance, Toussaint stood at tenth in the country, qualifying for NCAA’s to earn her trip to Albuquerque. Only the top 16 marks in the nation in each event qualify for the NCAA Championships.

“We are very proud of Mariah,” said Head Coach Joe Compagni. “Qualifying for this meet with the best of the best from more than 300 Division I schools is very difficult.”



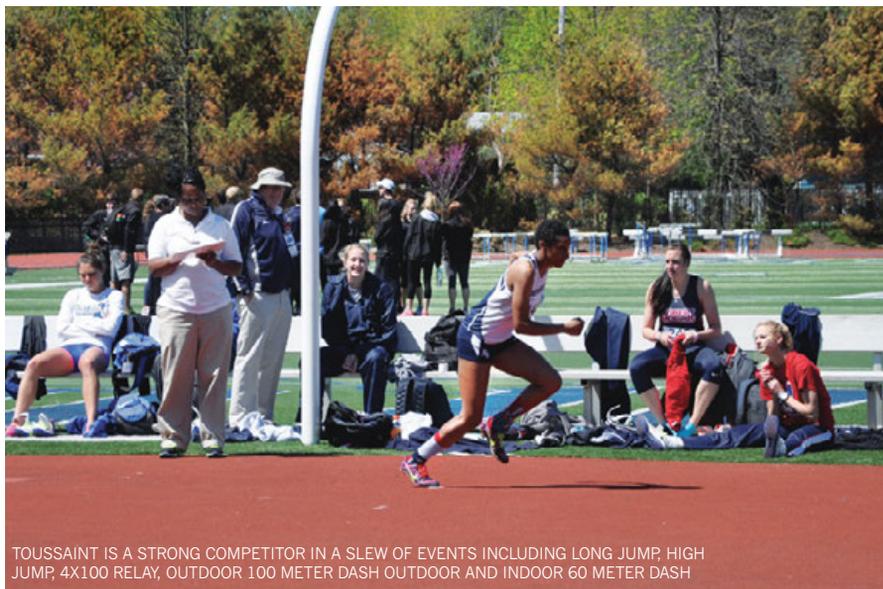
TOUSSAINT WAS NAMED MAAC MOST OUTSTANDING PERFORMER AT THE OUTDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS IN MAY

Toussaint helped the indoor team win a MAAC title on February 21 at the New York Armory, totaling 37 points on the day. At the conference meet, she won the 60 meter dash, the 200 meter dash, and the long jump while also taking second place in the high jump. At her next meet, Toussaint was named All-East at the ECAC/IC4A Championships at Boston University; becoming the first female ECAC Indoor Track & Field Champion in Monmouth’s storied track and field history. She placed first in the long jump at the meet to earn her All-East accolades.

“She’s been tremendous for the program,” added Compagni. “Of course you wish you had her for more than two years, but she’s made the most of those two years.”

Toussaint was named a Second Team All-American in Albuquerque after finishing 13th in the long jump, just 3.5 inches away from a spot in the finals. “Her efforts capped off arguably our best season of indoor track ever for the women and the men, with wins at the MAAC Championships and our best finishes ever at ECAC/IC4A’s,” Compagni said.

Toussaint’s achievements have welcomed her into two elite cohorts; she joins Jon Kalnas '02 as the only two Hawks to earn All-America honors in indoor track, and joins Tisifenee Taylor '08 and Rachel Watkins '13 as Monmouth’s only



TOUSSAINT IS A STRONG COMPETITOR IN A SLEW OF EVENTS INCLUDING LONG JUMP, HIGH JUMP, 4X100 RELAY, OUTDOOR 100 METER DASH OUTDOOR AND INDOOR 60 METER DASH

female All-Americans, among a total of 11 All-Americans, four of whom have earned the honor within the past three years.

The outdoor track and field season proved to be equally as successful for Toussaint, who also competes in multiple events in the spring.

“I feel like I have to be ready to endure longer events, be able to do better at certain events and go out and be strong,” Toussaint said. “The 60 turns into the 100 which is a lot longer so it’s a different mental preparedness that you need to have.”

Another major difference between the two seasons is that Toussaint transitions from competing in individual events adding a group event, running in the 4x100 relay. She joined Laura Williams, Lachelle Wallace, and Kate Frye, four athletes at four different ages who come together to make a strong relay group. This year, Toussaint’s squad set a school record at the Penn Relays, racing to a time of 45.89 seconds in the Eastern 4x100 relay event, finishing just .02 seconds behind the winning team from the University of Connecticut, to take second.

“We have all become closer. When we started out it was difficult but as we went through our experiences together we became more trusting of one another. We all respect the other members of our team because we really want everyone to do well together.”

Toussaint earned further accolades at the MAAC Track and Field Outdoor Championship on May 4, when she was named the league’s Most Outstanding Performer after accumulating 36.5 points to contribute to her team’s victory in the two-day meet.

“When we woke up we were all anxious and ready to show them what we were made of,” Toussaint said. “We started doing our chant early on, everybody was pumped and it was crazy.”

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—MARIAH TOUSSAINT

After taking a big lead in the first day, the Hawks built their lead with the team winning by more than 100 points to take the league title. The team attended the MAAC Awards Banquet, before returning home for the Monmouth Student-Athlete banquet, where the team was greeted warmly.

“When we got to the banquet the standing ovation was incredible. So many of my teammates were just astounded that the other athletes were able to appreciate what we had just accomplished that day. I’m really happy a lot of them were able to support us. The whole day was incredible, it felt like a dream. It was so long and it was great.”

Toussaint did her part at the outdoor championships, beginning with her 4x100 relay team setting a MAAC record with a time of 46.87 seconds and winning the event. She claimed second in the 100, and then crossed in 25.04 seconds in the 200, good for first place. Finally, Toussaint took second in the high jump with a leap of 1.70m and completed her only season in the MAAC as its Most Outstanding Performer.

Mariah went out and helped Monmouth earn its top ever finish at the ECAC/IC4A Championships on May 17-18 at Princeton University, accumulating yet another first place finish in the long



jump. The Hawks took eighth place out of 86 schools and Toussaint garnered All-East honors.

In addition to praise for her fellow Hawks, Toussaint holds Head Coach Joe Compagni, who has been at the helm of the Monmouth track and field teams and cross country squads for 18 years, in high regard.

“I think Coach Joe [Compagni] is a great leader and a great head coach, obviously he’s been voted the best head coach in the MAAC [for indoors and outdoors]. He knows how to take a bunch of different people with different personalities, different views, and different talents and put them together to make a really good team that can show everyone who we are, what we can do, and that we can do it with class.”

Toussaint will complete her eligibility this spring, but will remain in school at Monmouth to complete her degree next year. She plans to train with Monmouth track and field, and has set some high goals for her life after Monmouth.

“After I’m finished competing, I’ll still be here academically,” Toussaint said. “My collegiate athletic career will be over, but I plan on training and trying to qualify for the Olympics next year.” [MU](#)



JOE LOPARDO '11

A NATURAL ENTREPRENEUR

Jumpstarts Sigma Pi Tradition

Joe Lopardo '11 has an insight and a passion for life beyond his years. He started his first business during his junior year at Monmouth. Equipped with a real estate license at 19, he recognized a need connecting home rental properties with students.

“I’ve always been involved in creating something,” Lopardo said, adding that he likes motivating others and pushing the boundaries of success for both himself and others.

Since his days at Monmouth, he has started several small companies like urJelly, an online advertising site that tailors products, businesses, places and pictures based on user interests, and Plush Engagements, a wedding service company showcasing the talents and services of top quality wedding specialists to prospective brides and grooms.

Lopardo now works for Contently, a small technology company in New York, whose mission is to empower talented journalists and creative storytellers to strike out on their own as traditional publishing outlets are disrupted by digital technologies.

In his spare time, Lopardo helps budding entrepreneurs start up their own businesses. One of his recent stints was with Lean Startup Machine, based on ideas from Eric Ries’ book *The Lean Startup*. Lopardo said he hopes to eventually own a large company driven by a philosophy of serving a greater social good.

Despite his focus on building businesses, Lopardo readily cites Associate Dean Michael Thomas, a poet and Fellow of the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, as one of his most influential professors as a student. “During my senior year I was forced to take an elective, so I enrolled in a poetry class thinking it would just be another class,” Lopardo said.



Professor Thomas [who is also the director of the Visiting Writers series] and the work he shared became an absolute inspiration to me over the course of that semester.”

“He opened my mind up to a whole new way of thought—full of selflessness, generosity, and understanding. He made a huge impact on my life both in and out of the classroom as I still use and teach the lessons he shared with me several years ago. I stay in touch with him and am honored to call him a friend.”

The mutual respect is evident. “Of the many students I have taught over the past 17 years at Monmouth, Joe Lopardo is one of those students I will never forget,” said Thomas. “His sense of wonder and his generous spirit inspired me to teach freely and passionately during that spring semester of 2011. He helped me to understand the real rewards of teaching a poetry class to a range of students from all majors. I have taught that same Perspectives course every semester for four years. His section was unique and truly memorable, but it was Joe who brought out the spontaneity and joy in learning for others.”

Lopardo is good at taking experiences and using them as a learning tool. When he decided to make it his mission to organize a reunion of his Sigma Pi fraternity brothers, his entrepreneurial spirit helped make the event a huge success.

“During my four years as an undergraduate at Monmouth I had the hunger to become a part of something bigger than myself and to leave a lasting impact on the University and some of the students who have the opportunity to walk the beautiful halls of Wilson,” Lopardo said.

Lopardo said he found his calling when he joined the Sigma Pi fraternity at Monmouth. “This group of men became not just my fraternity brothers but my family,” Lopardo said. “The lifelong friendships and bonds that we created are unmatched in our eyes.”



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He introduced a new tradition for Sigma Pi by meeting on February 28 as part of a yearly Founders Day celebration. The result was a reunion of more than 50 Sigma Pi brothers ranging from age 18 to 70.

“When our Founders Day came around this year I wanted to make sure to do something special. In the past, it had been a forgotten tradition. Undergrads knew of the day, but nothing was ever planned,” Lopardo said.



Lopardo decided to mark the day and turn it into a celebration of Monmouth Sigma Pi members, both past and present. “With brothers ranging from undergrads 18 years of age to alumni 65 and older, we brought together all generations for one amazing event,” Lopardo said.

He said he hopes to double the number for next year. “There were a lot of tears, happiness and rekindled relationships.”

This spirit of camaraderie and leadership pervades the 117-year-old Sigma Pi fraternity whose mission is “to advance man’s quest for excellence.”

Two members of the Delta-Beta chapter at Monmouth University, Anthony Horan (chapter president) and Andrew Mucci (recruitment chairman), were recipients of two scholarships from the Sigma Pi Educational Foundation thanks to fellow Sigma Pi brother and Monmouth University Trustee, David Reale '96 who sponsored both the Red Clover Award and the Dr. Joseph B. Mosca Scholarships.

The Red Clover Award, established in 2009, awards \$500 to recognize the contributions made by newer fraternity members toward the ongoing success of the chapter. The annual scholarship is open to any initiate from the prior academic year who is a full-time, matriculating student at the time of application.

The Dr. Joseph B. Mosca Scholarship, established in 2013, was created to honor Dr. Joseph B. Mosca and his contributions to the chapter. Dr. Mosca is associate professor in the Leon Hess Business School’s Department of Management and Marketing. The annual \$500 scholarship is open to all active, undergraduate members of the Delta-Beta Chapter in good standing with at least one full semester remaining as a full-time student at the time of application. [MU](#)

CENTER PHOTO, FROM LEFT: ANDY WILDER '73, ANDY SMITH, FRANK RIZZUTO '92, BILL STACK '70, BARRY REICH '70, AND JOHN MCCOURT

Where in the world?

Alumni responded to our call for photos demonstrating Monmouth pride in unusual destinations.

Have a picture of yourself in an unusual location while showing your Monmouth pride?

Please send it to mailquad@monmouth.edu, and you might wind up in a future edition of the magazine.



TOP ROW, LEFT: ANN (MURRAY) BENVIGNINI '67 AND HER HUSBAND, BRUCE TRAVELED TO SICILY IN MAY. THE PICTURE IS SHOWN ON THE BEACH OF CEFALU. **TOP ROW, MIDDLE:** RYAN QUILTY '06 VACATIONED IN IRELAND IN MAY. THE PICTURE WAS TAKEN IN FRONT OF THE TOWN SIGN OF QUILTY, WHICH IS IN COUNTY CLARE. HE IS A STAFF ACCOUNTANT AT EY, A GLOBAL LEADER IN ASSURANCE, TAX, TRANSACTION AND ADVISORY SERVICES. **TOP ROW, RIGHT:** SALIBA SARSAR, PH.D. '78, ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR GLOBAL INITIATIVES AT MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY, STANDS ATOP THE ROOF OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE IN JERUSALEM DURING A VISIT IN MAY. **MIDDLE ROW, LEFT:** KAREN LEONCAVALLO '98M, A FORMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, RECENTLY TRAVELED TO PALM BEACH, FL. HER TRIP INCLUDED A STOP AT THE PGA NATIONALS. SHE SERVES ON THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND CO-CHAIR THE HOLIDAY BALL IN 2013 AND 2014 WITH HER PARTNER, RICH RICCIARDI '86M. **MIDDLE ROW, RIGHT:** ANNE '81M AND DENIS '67 '78M HRUZA ARE SHOWN IN LYON, FRANCE. DENIS, A CHEMIST, IS A CONSULTANT TO GLOBAL ESSENCE, INC. ANNE RETIRED AS A MANAGER FROM INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAGRANCES (IFF) IN HAZLET IN 2002. **RIGHT:** KARL '62 AND VERA GORDINIER CELEBRATED THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY ON A EUROPEAN VACATION, WHICH INCLUDED DINING AT THE LOBKOWICZ PALACE IN PRAGUE. KARL RECEIVED THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD IN 1984



Planning a trip and want to show your Monmouth pride? Contact the Alumni Office at alumni@monmouth.edu for your own MU bandana.

HAWKS SWARM AT SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP

Will Hill, the assistant dean of Career Services and Jeffrey Mass, a career counselor in the Career Services department, paid a visit to the headquarters of SHI International Corp, a software development company with 2,500 employees across more than 30 offices, in February.

SHI currently employs more than 30 Monmouth University alumni in sales, purchasing, project management and technology based positions. Jeff DeModna, SHI's senior corporate recruiter, and other members of the SHI management team, have been impressed by the quality of the University's graduates and said they will continue hiring more in the near future.

"SHI and Monmouth's relationship has grown tremendously over the last few years, and we now have more than 30 Monmouth alumni working here. Their preparation and search for professional excellence has been very apparent," DeModna said. "Monmouth graduates tend to come to SHI and grow with us into bigger and better roles. We are excited to continue working with Monmouth in the future," he said.



BACK ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: CHRIS WILCOX '04, ANTHONY MOSCA '13, NICHOLAS SGROI '10, KEVIN HEDGES '13, ALICIA BACZKOWSKI '07, ALICIA MOLLENKAMP '12, RONALD LAUCH '09, RYAN HOTCHKIN '09, JOSEPH IANNAcone '09, ANTHONY RESASCO '12, STEPHANIE CATAUDELLA '12, JOSEPH LAUER '09, ANDREW BAICHER '09

MIDDLE ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: KILEY MINTON '12, MIKE MATTERN '05, LINDSAY GARRET, SEAN CANDILORO '13, RACHAEL GARRIS '13, DAVID BALZER '12

FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: ANTHONY GEREMIA '07, JESSICA GOGLIA '11, SCOTT LOVETRO '07, NICHOLAS CONTINANZA '09, CHRIS CASHIN '05, NICHOLAS BLACK '12

"Monmouth University is a great pipeline of local talent and SHI provides a fantastic local employer option to our graduates," Mass agrees. "We have developed a great relationship between our organizations that has resulted in a beneficial business relationship, and we hope this continues to grow for years to come."

SHI has transformed itself from a \$1 million regional reseller of software into a \$5 billion global provider of information technology products and services. Hill said that Career Services has established a strong relationship with SHI over the past three years.



WHITMAN POSES FOR SELFIE

Former New Jersey Governor Christie Todd Whitman posed for a "selfie" with President Paul Brown and members of the Debate Hawks, Monmouth University's debate team, during a visit to campus on April 14.

Whitman, who served as Monmouth's Public Servant in Residence during the 2013-2014 academic year, joined the students for a lunch discussion following a taping of "Neighbor to Neighbor." The episode, which aired on channel 20 on the Long Branch cable system and is available online at YouTube, includes an interview between Governor Whitman and President Brown.

DAN ROMAN, JESSICA ROBERTS, GOVERNOR WHITMAN, PRESIDENT BROWN, AND MICHELLE GRUSHKO

ONCAMPUS

CANCRO IS DISTINGUISHED BUSINESS LEADER



PRESIDENT PAUL R. BROWN AND PETER CANCRO, FOUNDER AND CEO OF JERSEY MIKE'S FRANCHISE SYSTEMS

Peter Cancro, founder and CEO of Jersey Mike's Franchise Systems, who was honored at the 2014 Distinguished Business Leaders Award on March 20, made a surprise pledge of \$100,000 to support the Leon Hess Business School and an additional \$10,000 to the men's basketball program. The announcement was made by Cancro's daughter, Caroline, at the event.

During the presentation of the award, President Paul R. Brown recognized Cancro for his "entrepreneurial vision, corporate and civic leadership, and charitable commitment to the communities he serves."

Jersey Mike's, which began as a single sub shop in Point Pleasant, now operates more than 730 restaurants in 35 states from New Jersey to California and is

headquartered in Manasquan. Since 2010, Jersey Mike's locations throughout the country have raised nearly \$7.5 million for worthy local causes.

The pledge to Monmouth University coincided with Jersey Mike's "Month of Giving," which culminates in a "Day of Giving" on March 26. On the "Day of Giving," Jersey Mike's Subs donates 100 percent of sales to more than 100 local charities including hospitals, youth organizations, and food banks.

A portrait of Cancro was unveiled at the event and will be displayed in the "Distinguished Business Leaders Gallery" located in Bey Hall, home of the Leon Hess Business School.

Established in 1983, the Distinguished Business Leaders Dinner pays tribute to individuals or groups who have made an outstanding contribution to the tri-state business community. Proceeds from the event ensure that the Leon Hess Business School continues to offer its undergraduate and graduate students the demanding curriculum, well-trained faculty and state-of-the-art facilities they expect and deserve.

AHMED WINS HERO AWARD

Aziza Ahmed, a sophomore health and physical education major and a record-setting thrower on the track team, was named the winner of Monmouth University's fifth HERO of the Year Award in 2014.

The John R. Elliot HERO Campaign, founded by Bill Elliott '95M, promotes the use of sober designated drivers to prevent drunken driving tragedies. Health Services Substance Awareness Coordinator Suanne Schaad '01M said the HERO award is a prestigious honor presented to an individual at colleges and universities participating in the HERO Campaign.

Runners up for the award included freshman lacrosse player Nick Hreshko,

who took second place, and senior football player Stephen Andes, who was awarded third. All three of the finalists are student athletes, which did not come as a surprise to Dr. Marilyn McNeil, vice president and director of Athletics. "Much of the focus of the [HERO] award involves teamwork, cooperation, looking out for each other, and responsibility," McNeil said.

A community award was also presented to Assemblywoman Mary Pat Angelini, the executive director of Prevention First, which provides educational programs and services to schools, businesses, and community organizations to counter the negative effects of drug abuse and violence.



BILL ELLIOTT '95M, AZIZA AHMED, SUANNE SCHAAD '01M

U.S. NEWS RANKS MBA PROGRAM AMONG THE BEST

The Leon Hess Business School's part-time Master of Business Administration (MBA) program was recognized as one of the best programs in the nation by *U.S. News & World Report* in its annual "Best Graduate Schools" rankings.

The program is ranked among the best part-time MBA programs in the nation. Each program considered had to meet the conditions of being accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

"I am thrilled that our MBA program was recognized with this honor," said Don

Moliver, dean of the Leon Hess Business School. "The ranking is a direct reflection of the commitment of our faculty, staff and alumni. Our personalized education for busy professionals prepares graduates to compete and prosper in today's global marketplace."

The MBA program includes core and advanced courses in the key business disciplines of accounting, finance, economics, marketing, management, and business law, with strong emphases placed on international, ethical, and technological perspectives within a broad framework.



Monmouth's graduate programs in Nursing and Social Work were also included in the 2015 *U.S. News & World Report* rankings.

PARTNERSHIP WITH GERMAN UNIVERSITY



PROVOST THOMAS PEARSON AND DR. ULRICH DELLER

A memorandum of understanding between Monmouth University and Catholic University of Applied Sciences (CUAS) in Koeln, Germany, was signed on April 7 during the 13th Global Understanding Convention convened by the Institute for Global Understanding (IGU) under the leadership of IGU Director Dr. Marina Vujnovic.

The new accord, signed by Provost Thomas Pearson and Dr. Ulrich Deller, a professor and former provost at CUAS,

paves the way for cooperative efforts between the two universities to advance the academic interchange of faculty and students, and share academic and research information.

The agreement was one aspect of the week-long convention that featured more than 50 lectures, panels, films, and exhibits committed to raising public awareness of the plights for global equality and pluralism across the world.

"Monmouth University is committed to global and cultural

awareness," said President Paul R. Brown. "This convention is inclusive and interdisciplinary, and presents important ideas on advancing equality in our interdependent world," he said.

Before the formal agreement was signed, Dr. Azza Kareem, senior advisor on social and cultural development for the United Nations Population Fund delivered the keynote address, introducing the Convention themes drawing upon her extensive experience as lead facilitator for the United Nations Strategic Learning Exchanges on culture, religion, and development issues and as co-chair of a UN Inter-Agency Task Force on Faith-Based Engagement.

John K. Werner, a TED speaker, co-founder of Citizen Schools, and project innovator of the Camera Culture Group at the MIT Media Lab, led a discussion on "Innovative Education Initiatives," later the same day.

On April 9, David Zirin, renowned author, public intellectual, and sports correspondent for *The Nation* discussed the ways in which the commercial platform of sports can be used to speak out against social injustice.

BLUE HAWK RECORDS RELEASES THIRD ALBUM

Monmouth's student-run record company, Blue Hawk Records, released its third album on April 30. The album includes original music from The Trusties, Abby Devey, L.G.S., and a collaboration between Blue Hawk artists JPiFF, Jax The Genius (student Jamier Gee), and Joe Faenza.

Under the guidance of professor and music industry veteran, Joe Rapolla '90M, the Applied Music Industry II class tackled all aspects of the project from production to manufacturing and marketing. The students, which include some of the featured artists, split into teams in March with designated roles including marketing, A&R, and public relations.

The students are also launching a full-fledged marketing campaign in support of the album. This includes video and radio promotions, press releases, fliers and tabletop displays, stickers, and promotions through other social media channels including Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.



ASBURY PARK PEN PAL PROJECT



FIFTH GRADE STUDENT KERVENS BARTHELUS AND PEN PAL KEVIN HOLTON, AN ENGLISH MAJOR FROM LONG BRANCH

Writing assistants from Monmouth University's Tutoring and Writing Services Department welcomed the Asbury Park Middle School students they mentor through a pen pal program on April 23.

The pen pal project began as a pilot during the spring 2013 semester. Neva Lozada '03 '05M '09M '10M, assistant director of Writing Services and Supplemental Instruction, designed the program after reading an article describing a pen pal project that other writing centers across the country had developed to connect with young writers in nearby communities.

Lozada met with Marilyn Ward, former coordinator of Service Learning and Community Programs at Monmouth, who introduced her to Joyel Furges, a culture and climate coach for the Asbury Park Middle School. Furges embraced the idea and was instrumental in coordinating the program between Monmouth University and students in Asbury Park Middle School Teacher Kevin Williams' class.

The writing assistants and their respective pen pals exchange letters throughout the academic year. In late April, the fifth-graders visit Monmouth University, tour the campus, and meet their pen pals. In May, the writing assistants visit Asbury Park Middle School and work on a writing assignment with their assigned pen pals.

Lozada explains, "Not only do our writing assistants benefit by connecting with and inspiring future college students in our community, but the fifth-graders also benefit by enhancing their writing skills throughout the semester, learning the proper way to format letters, building self-confidence in communication skills, thinking about college and their future aspirations, and having a mentor at the university level."

CAMPUS GOES CARBON NEUTRAL

Monmouth University went carbon neutral on Earth Day, April 22, with the help of Hess Energy Marketing, a Direct Energy Company, which provided the University with Verified Emission Reductions (VERs) equivalent to the University's energy consumption for that day. The carbon off-sets were the equivalent of taking seven passenger cars off the road for a full year.

Also on Earth Day, the University hosted an Earth Day Celebration on the patio of the Student Center with Clean Water Action and several other University energy partners. The event included music, giveaways, environmentally-themed games, and information tables.



BROADCASTING AWARDS



ERIC BREWER, COURTNEY CARR, JESSICA ROSSI, ERIK MASSIMINO

Five students from the Department of Communication earned grand prize awards at the National Broadcasting Society (NBS) annual conference on March 15. Students attending the convention were able to benefit from workshops, talk to industry

professionals, and participate as audience members at television show tapings of “The Price is Right” and “Conan.”

“Monmouth students have done very well in past competitions at the NBS,” said Dr. Chad Dell, associate professor and chair of the Department of

Communication. “The halls of the radio and television facilities in the Plangere Center have a multitude of award plaques from NBS on display. They reflect the passion, creativity and drive our students possess. It’s an important national confirmation of the strength of our students and our program.”

The grand prize winners include Eric Brewer for an audio comedy segment “007 Hickfall,” Erik Massimino and Joe Callandrillo for an audio sports segment, “HDHH: Homecoming Football Game 2013,” and a tie for drama program scriptwriting “Bumpers” by Courtney Carr and “Shock Therapy” by Jessica Rossi.

The NBS is a student and professional society with more than 85 chapters on college, university, and community college campuses. Its goal is to encourage and reward scholarship and accomplishment among students of broadcasting and to establish meaningful communication between student and professional broadcasters.

FILM AWARD FOR LAWRENCE

Specialist Professor Matt Lawrence won the “Homegrown Feature” film award from the Garden State Film Festival in March for his film, “Two Pints Lighter,” a feature film about a nerdy vampire who is trying to stop drinking blood.

After a deadly mishap with a convenience store clerk, the bespectacled bloodsucker finds himself in a Jersey seaside town where he falls for Lucy, a beautiful punk rocker, and vows to change his ways. Shot primarily in Asbury Park, the production took nearly three years to complete.

“I enjoy immersing myself in subcultures often overlooked by the mainstream, while finding personal

stories that (hopefully) have heart and humor. Whatever the type of film may be, I love to swim in the strange and make people laugh,” Lawrence notes in his biography.

“The award is a well-deserved recognition of Lawrence’s cinematic talents,” said Dr. Chad Dell, chair of the Department of Communication. “We’re lucky to have an ambitious, cutting-edge filmmaker early in his career. Matt’s energy and creativity translate into a wonderful opportunity for the students fortunate enough to take his classes,” Dell said.

Before its award-winning reception at the Garden State Film Festival in 2014, the film premiered at a benefit



for victims of superstorm Sandy and the Foodbank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties, and later earned a screening at the Montclair Film Festival.

ONCAMPUS

VISITING SCHOLARS AID DANCING ROBOTS



XUEYI LIU, A STUDENT FROM CHINA, HELPS ORCHESTRATE A ROBOT DANCE ROUTINE. SHE WAS RECENTLY ACCEPTED TO MONMOUTH'S MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Students from Professor Jiacun Wang's course "Embedded Software" used AmigoBots, small differential-drive robots, to execute a dance routine to songs including "Who Let the Dogs Out" on May 5. The dancing robot assignment from the introductory course provides students with hands-on experience in designing and implementing small-scale embedded and real-time software.

The robotics laboratory was designed with the help of visiting international scholars in the Department of Computer Science and Software Engineering (CSSE), Bo Ma and Bin Hu, who are professors in the School of Computer Science at Xi'an University of Posts and Telecommunications (XUPT) in Xi'an, China. XUPT is one of Monmouth University's partner institutions. Ma and Hu worked with CSSE faculty to enhance

the positioning and navigation system of the robotics laboratory.

Dr. Wang, chair of the Department of Computer Science and Software Engineering, said that international scholars have made significant contributions to the areas of emergency management, real time system design and engineering, and embedded software systems at Monmouth.

"Aside from their knowledge and expertise in the field, teamwork with international scholars enhances the learning experience for our students," Wang said. "Students and scholars alike share ideas with one another. These leave lasting impressions and influence our students in ways that would otherwise not be possible—and the same is true for the scholars when they return to China," he said.

STAFFORD AWARD FOR INZANA



COREY INZANA '10M AND PRESIDENT PAUL R. BROWN

The Stafford Presidential Award of Excellence was presented to Corey Inzana '10M, an area coordinator in residential life, at Monmouth University's 35th annual employee awards and recognition luncheon held on May 14.

The award, named for President Emerita Rebecca Stafford, was established in 2003 to recognize outstanding members of the University staff or administration for tireless efforts, dedication, creativity and commitment to supporting and enhancing Monmouth University.

Inzana was recognized for his development and commitment to "Alternative Break," a service project for Monmouth students who travel to Haiti during their fall break, or Guatemala during their spring break, to help build schools and educate local children. The project has been so popular that there is a waitlist to participate.

"Corey's work in developing the alternative break trips is exemplary, and his devotion to this program and the students involved clearly merits his receiving the Stafford Presidential Award for Excellence," said Mary Anne Nagy, vice president for Student Life and Leadership Engagement. "I am proud of Corey and his going above and beyond to provide our students a life altering experience."

President Paul R. Brown presented Inzana with a citation, an engraved desk clock and a \$1,000 honorarium at the luncheon.

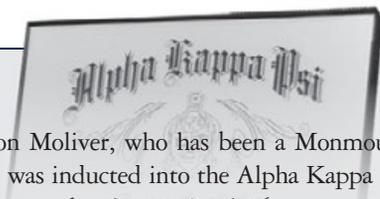
ALPHA KAPPA PSI FOR MOLIVER

Leon Hess Business School Dean Don Moliver, who has been a Monmouth faculty member for nearly 35 years, was inducted into the Alpha Kappa Psi (AKPsi) business fraternity as an honorary brother on April 16.

AKPsi Faculty Advisor William Gorman said, "This ceremony is testament to the positive relationship that the chapter has fostered and will continue to foster with the Business School on campus."

The fraternity now has 55 brothers including Business Council Chair Rich Ricciardi '86M and council member Lou Miceli whose daughter, Danielle, earned both her bachelors and masters degrees from Monmouth.

Alpha Kappa Psi, the oldest and largest business fraternity, was founded in 1904 and now includes nearly 240,000 initiated members and more than 200 chapters.



HAWKS UNVEIL NEW LOOK



The Department of Athletics unveiled a new brand identity and logo sets, including a new primary athletics logo and letter mark, at Monmouth Pride Day on May 2.

The changed visual identity reflects a new era for Monmouth Athletics, with a recent move for the Hawks to the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) and also to The Big South Conference in the fall of 2014 as an associate member of the league for football.

“Athletics is very excited about the new marks,” said Vice President and Director of Athletics Dr. Marilyn McNeil. “I believe our students, especially our athletes, will love the dynamic look of our new Hawk and the bold statement made by the spirit ‘M’. This is a perfect time for change, with our new conferences, our new president, and our new men’s lacrosse team. The new logos are the visual identity of Monmouth’s movement upward.”

The project includes a new primary athletics logo, two secondary logos, a primary wordmark and letter mark as

well as sport-specific logos for each team and many athletics department support areas. In order to be fiscally responsible, the project is slated for a soft release, with the new logos and marks appearing around campus, on athletic facilities, and on the uniforms of student-athletes and coaches in the coming year, replacing the old Hawk logo and interlocking MU mark that has been used since 2003.

The new primary logo for Monmouth University Athletics is the Hawk with the word ‘Monmouth’ in a modernized athletics typeface. A new Monmouth ‘M’ will replace the previous ‘MU’ letter mark. The two new marks will serve as the primary national identity of the Monmouth Hawks. In addition to the primary marks, there is a family of secondary logos that Monmouth Athletics will use as part of this new redesign.

As part of the visual identity and branding redesign, the official Monmouth University Athletics website will now be MonmouthHawks.com although links and bookmarks associated with GoMUHawks.com will continue to function.

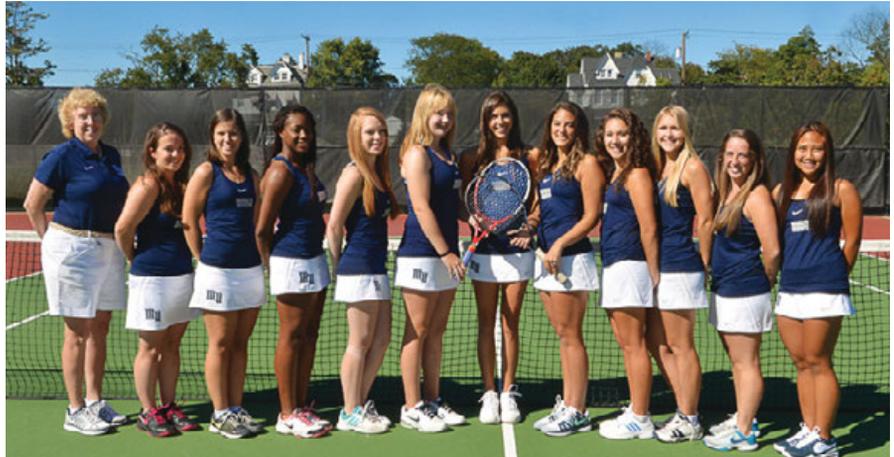
ABOVE: VICE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS DR. MARILYN MCNEIL AND ASSISTANT ATHLETICS DIRECTOR FOR MARKETING EDDY OCCHIPINTI '06 '09M UNVEIL NEW LOGOS ON MONMOUTH PRIDE DAY

WOMEN'S TENNIS EARNS NCAA ACADEMIC HONORS

For the ninth straight season, the women's tennis team was recognized by the NCAA for its multiyear Academic Progress Rate (APR) and placed to the Division I Academic Performance Program (APP). The Hawks were one of 146 teams across the country to claim the honor every season over the past nine years and one of 16 women's tennis squads to earn the academic accolades.

Each year, the NCAA honors select Division I teams by publicly recognizing their latest multiyear NCAA Division I APR, intended to highlight teams that demonstrate a commitment to academic progress and retention of student-athletes by achieving the top APRs within their respective sports.

"At Monmouth, we make academic success a high priority for our student-athletes, and I am very proud of our team to be recognized for the ninth year in a row by the NCAA," said Head Coach Patrice



Murray '82. "The administration sets the parameters and provides the necessary guidance to allow our student-athletes to strive in the classroom to the best of their abilities," said Murray, who was inducted into the Monmouth University Sports Hall of Fame in 2011.

In the 2013-14 academic year, Brooke Verdiglione, Sarah Turner, and Erica

Larson were all added to the MAAC All-Academic Team, while Turner was joined by Erica Tenpenny in the National Athlete Honor Society, Chi Alphi Sigma. Tenpenny and Turner were also named to the Dean's List in the fall semester.

MEN'S TENNIS FALLS SHORT AGAINST MARIST IN MAAC TITLE MATCH



The second-seeded men's tennis team fell to top-seeded Marist, 4-2, in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Tennis Championships, April 27 at Mercer

County Park. With the loss, the Hawks' best season in recent memory came to a close at 16-8, while the Red Foxes improved to 15-4 and clinched a berth in the NCAA Tournament.

"I could not be more proud of our guys and the way they fought and competed until the final point," said second-year Head Coach Cory Hubbard. "The difference was just one or two points, but Marist was able to convert. I feel for our guys because we have had such an incredible season and we came up just a few points short. This will be a tough loss to swallow, but I feel so lucky to coach such a great group of guys, who play with heart and play for each other. I hope they will hold their heads high because we had an incredible season. Our team showed we are on the rise and next year we will be even stronger."

Monmouth returns 11 letter winners to next year's team, including all four All-MAAC singles players and Pugliese, the MAAC Player of the Year, along with three all-league doubles squads.

ATHLETICS

THREE HAWKS TO NFL MINICAMPS

Seniors Tevrin Brandon, Mike Hunchak and Mike McLafferty were offered spots in May at rookie camps with the New York Jets, Oakland Raiders, and Atlanta Falcons.

“These guys have worked very hard to get to where they are today and we’re very happy that all their hard work has paid off with a spot in NFL camps,” said Head Coach Kevin Callahan. “To have three guys land with NFL teams in the same year says a lot about the quality of players that are in our program.”

Brandon started every game at cornerback and returned kickoffs for the Hawks. The UConn transfer had 15 passes defensed, including three interceptions. His 12 pass breakups was the fourth most among FCS players. A physical player, Brandon was second on the team in solo tackles with 43 and fourth in overall tackles with 51 stops. He also blocked a pair of kicks and had a fumble recovery in his only season with the Hawks.

“I’m really excited just to get the opportunity to prove myself to these teams, being a part of an organization is important to me,” said Brandon. “Coming from Monmouth with the other two guys, it is huge for the school but it also is making dreams come true for ourselves. Jose [Gumbs], Miles [Austin], [John] Nalbhone and [Chris] Hogan paved the way for us, and for us to have the ability to sign proves it doesn’t matter what level you play, if you perform on the field you are going to get an opportunity. Monmouth is still a relatively young program but it goes to show you how far the program has come. To have players get NFL looks year in and year out shows that the staff knows what they are doing.”

Hunchak, who attended mini camp with the Oakland Raiders, started 33 consecutive games on the offensive line for Monmouth. He was an integral part of an offensive line that was part of a



unit that led the way for two 1,000 yard backs in K.B. Asante and Julian Hayes, the only team in the FCS to have a pair of rushers eclipse that plateau. The versatile Hunchak played center the last two seasons after starting at right guard as a sophomore in 2011.

“It’s been my goal forever, from when I started playing football, to get a shot in the NFL,” said Hunchak. “When my agent called me, I was in the car heading back to my house and I was almost speechless.”

McLafferty finished with a school tight end record of 501 yards receiving on 24 receptions, despite missing three games with an injury. The Morgan, N.J. native recorded a Monmouth tight end record 119 receiving yards against Wagner and rattled off 113 against Duquesne. As a senior he averaged a team-high 20.9 yards per reception. After his breakout year in 2013, McLafferty, who graduated in December with a degree in communication, finished his career sixth all-time in reception yardage at Monmouth.

“This means everything for me, this has been what I have been working for since I was a little kid,” McLafferty said.

“It’s a dream for me and to be able to represent Monmouth University, the team that gave me the opportunity to play college football, it means even more. I was really excited to finally be able to show my abilities on the field as a starter.”

Monmouth University, which enters the Big South Conference for football starting this upcoming season, currently has three former players in the NFL ranks. Second-year safety Jose Gumbs (Redskins), third-year wide receiver Chris Hogan (Bills) and two-time pro bowl selection Miles Austin (Browns).



MIKE MCLAFFERTY AND TEVRIN BRANDON AT A MINICAMP WITH THE KANSAS CITY CHIEFS IN MAY

RUNNER-UP FOR GOLF AT MAAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

The men's golf team concluded the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Championship as runners-up, April 27 at Disney's par-72 Palm Course. The Hawks, playing in their first year in the league, posted their highest finish at a conference championship event since earning the 2007 Northeast Conference Championship.

"I give the team tremendous credit for finding a way to climb the leaderboard, on moving day from sixth to second, the biggest move we have ever had," said Head Coach Dennis Shea. "Brady [Goodling] has been a great player for us all season and played well this weekend. I am positive he will return for his senior season a stronger golfer."

Goodling, who started the final round on the 10th hole, shot a 41 on the back-nine before posting a two-over par 38 on the front-nine to finish the day with



a 79. The junior ended the tournament with a 227 after rounds of 77, 71, and 79, two strokes behind medalist Alex Taylor of Fairfield, to finish with his fourth top-five result of the season. Carrick finished off his last collegiate event with his tournament-low score of 76 after 38 on both the front and the

back nine to finish with a 232, four shots in front of Cody Gross who posted his weekend-best score of 77. Kyle Deisher ended the 54-holes with a 241 (82-76-83), followed by Colin Buckley who turned in his second-straight round of 81 to total 244 (82-81-81).

PUGLIESE IS TENNIS PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Junior Victor Pugliese was named the MAAC Player of the Year, league officials announced April 25. Pugliese becomes the first Hawk to win a major conference award since 2009, while all three doubles teams and four singles players earned all-league distinction.

Pugliese, the three-time MAAC Tennis Player of the Week, notched a perfect 6-0 record against MAAC opponents and ran his overall singles match record to 21-4 dating back to the fall slate. The junior began his spring campaign ranked 19th in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Regional Rankings.

"I am so proud and excited for Victor," said Head Coach Cory Hubbard. "At the beginning of the year this was his main individual goal. I knew he was going to be one of the best players in our region, but he has had one of the best seasons of



any player I have coached. He is a great competitor and, more importantly, I know his main goal is about getting the team a MAAC Championship and into the NCAA Tournament. This award is well deserved and our program is proud of what Victor has accomplished this season."

Joining Pugliese on the All-MAAC First Team is rookie Christian Vieira who enjoyed a stellar freshman campaign

compiling an 8-1 mark at No. 6 singles. The Blue and White landed a pair of players on the All-MAAC Second Team as Przemyslaw Filipek and Freddy Marcinkowski were honored at No. 2 and No. 4, respectively. Filipek earned 11 victories overall, seven of which coming from his No. 2 slot, since joining the team in January, while being named MAAC Player of the Week once. Marcinkowski finished the regular season with an 8-5 mark at No. 4, while also earning seven tournament singles victories during the fall slate.

In addition, league officials announced that Ramy Bekhiet, Jason Prezant, Jason Rothstein and Joe Talafous were named to the 2014 MAAC Tennis All-Academic Team. To be eligible for the MAAC All-Academic Team, a student-athlete must complete two semesters at their institution and hold a cumulative GPA of 3.20 on a 4.0 scale.

ATHLETICS

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD WIN MAAC OUTDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS



With strong performances from nearly every event area, the men's and women's track and field teams won the 2014 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Outdoor Championships at Rider University on May 6. Mariah Toussaint was named the Women's Most Outstanding Performer, and Head Coach Joe Compagni was named the MAAC Coach of the Year on both the men's and women's sides.

On the men's side, Jalen Walker won the 110 hurdles with a time of 14.54 seconds. The 4x100 group of Jalen Walker, Eric Kahana, John Malespina, and Ahmier Dupree took second with a time of 41.90. Dupree also won the 100

with a time of 10.96 seconds, followed closely by Kahana in third. The men's 4x400 group also took first, finishing in 3:21.26. That group was comprised of Malespina, Ben Boyd, Luis Reyes, and Dylan Capwell. Capwell was the winner in the 800 at 1:51.87 as the Hawks claimed the top three in that event, with Andrew Langille taking second and Alex Leight claiming third. In the 400 hurdles, Reyes claimed first with a time of 56.47 seconds. Dupree continued his

big day with a win in the 200, finishing in 22.07. Kahana took second and Boyd finished fourth.

In the men's field events, Errol Jeffrey took first in the discus with a mark of 52.12m, and Taylor Bernstein finished second at 50.87m. Jeffrey also won the shot put at 17.54m, Shane Carle finished second, and Kirby-Stewart claimed third at 17.18m.

On the women's side Toussaint's outstanding performance began when the 4x100 team of Toussaint, Lachelle Wallace, Laura Williams, and Kate Frye set a meet record, finishing first in 46.87. The 4x400 group also claimed first, as the group of Williams, Tionna Garner, Antoinette Isekenegebe, and Frye finished in 3:51.15. Frye also finished first in the 400 with a time of 56.02. In the 800, Garner took first in 2:12.19, with Jenna Cupp taking second and Zoya Naumov in third. Wallace was second in the 100 at 12.11, with Toussaint in third at 12.26 and Lauren McDonald in fourth. Williams won the 400 hurdles with a time of 1:01.43, and Nia Driver took second at 1:02.37. Toussaint continued her streak, taking first in the 200 at 25.04. Wallace was second, just behind at 25.25.

In the women's field events, Rachel Aliotta set a new meet record in the shot put with a mark of 15.15m to finish first. Taylor Johnson and Tilah Young also scored in the shot. Johnson also won the discus at 47.88m, with Aziza Ahmed in third. Toussaint claimed second in the high jump at 1.70m, and Victoria Miskel scored in the triple jump.

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FIVE INDUCTED INTO ALUMNI ACADEMY

Five alumni were inducted on March 3 into the inaugural class of the Communication Alumni Academy, an honorary association founded by the Department of Communication in 2013.

The inductees were: Peter Miller '71, Evan Krachman '85, Alitia Faccione '86, Susan Jalali King '90 and Haskell Berman '86.

Induction into the Academy is an honor bestowed on a select group of the department's outstanding graduate and undergraduate alumni based on their body of personal and professional achievements.

Peter Miller is the president and founder of PMA Literary and Film Management. He has been a literary and film manager for more than 30 years, representing more than 1,000 books, including 11 *New York Times* bestsellers. He is also head of PMA's sister corporation, Millennium Lion, Inc., a production entity that brokers potential film properties to television networks, studios and film production companies.

Evan Krachman works in marketing and product development for the Medical Division of Sony Electronics. Over the past 13 years he has launched and marketed many new products including HD cameras, storage and capture systems for the operating room, diagnostic film imagers for radiology, and ophthalmic microsurgery. In 2012 he received his first US Patent with Sony for a method and apparatus for transporting medical images.

Alitia Faccione is the director of Marketing at McCarter & English LLP and works to develop and implement the marketing and business development initiatives of the firm. She is also chair of McCarter's Women's Initiative Steering Committee, an active member of the National Association of Women



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: HASKELL BERMAN '86, PETER MILLER '71, PRESIDENT PAUL BROWN, ALITIA FACCONI '86, EVAN KRACHMAN '85 AND DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION CHAIR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR CHAD DELL. NOT PICTURED WAS SUSAN JALALI KING '90

Lawyers and an Advisory Board member of the Women in Law Empowerment Forum. In 2011 she received a Defining Moments award from the Women's Venture Fund.

Susan Jalali King is a senior producer of Headline News "Morning Express with Robin Meade," a position she has held since 2008. She launched the program as an executive producer, which was originally called "Robin & Company," before she was named to her current role. King has also helped produce "Veterans in Focus" for CNN and HLN and also worked with the United Way in Kentucky to raise \$50,000 for a Kentucky battalion trying to get home before deploying in 2008.

Haskell B. Berman has spent 27 years in New Jersey state government, politics and public affairs. He currently serves as senior vice president of State Affairs for the HealthCare Institute of New Jersey (HINJ), a trade association

representing New Jersey's research-based biopharmaceutical and medical technology industry. Berman also serves on the New Jersey Council on Innovation, and as a trustee of the NJ Society for Environmental, Economic Development and the NJ Policy Research Organization. In addition, he was a co-founder of InnovationNJ, a coalition of business, higher education and government entities established to strengthen the culture of innovation in New Jersey.

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ALUMNINEWS

DEUTSCH SHARES JOURNALISTIC WISDOM



Associated Press' Linda Deutsch '65 lives and breathes journalism. When asked what she would do as a career if she had the opportunity to do it all over again, she said, "Be a journalist."

She has covered the stories of Sirhan Sirhan, the Manson murders, John DeLorean, Angela Davis, Patty Hearst, the Exxon Valdez oil spill, the Menendez brothers, William Kennedy Smith, Rodney King, and the O.J. Simpson trial.

So when the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL), which was founded in 1958, was looking for a mentor for budding journalists, Deutsch was the obvious choice. With nearly 50 years of experience in court reporting under her belt, Deutsch recently traveled to Washington, DC, where she took part in a new series of tutorial videos aimed at assisting journalists interested in covering the criminal justice system.

Criminal Justice and the Media is a three-part series exploring how journalists can effectively inform the public. Deutsch stressed the importance of "being objective and not taking sides."

NACDL Executive Director Norman L. Reimer said, "Our ultimate goal is a public that is better informed and more keenly attuned to the nuances of the nation's criminal justice system."

Deutsch, who is the co-author of *Covering the Courts: An Associated Press Manual for Reporters*, is featured as a guest in the second segment, "Covering Trials." The discussion is led by NACDL member and prominent New York criminal trial lawyer, Susan J. Walsh, who is a partner at the law firm of Vladeck, Waldman, Elias & Engelhard, P.C.

Deutsch is focusing on the upcoming 20th anniversary of the deaths of Nicole Brown Simpson and Rob Brown in June. She is the co-author of *Verdict: The Chronicle of the O. J. Simpson Trial*.

EMMY FOR WORTH

Adam Worth '02, a local filmmaker and DJ, won a New York Emmy award in March for Video Journalism for his piece, "After Hurricane Sandy," a look at the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy in New Jersey and how affected communities reacted.

You can see the video, and more of his work online at atomworth.com. Worth was also nominated for an Emmy for editing "Food Fighters," which explores food equality issues in the aftermath of Sandy. Also nominated last year was his documentary short, "Don the Potter," about a West Long Branch resident and pottery artist.

Working as a freelance editor, Worth has an extensive list of credits on commercials, brand marketing videos, corporate profiles, event sizzle reels,

and Public Service Announcements including Buick, Febreze, Duracell, Energizer, Old Spice, Smuckers, Advil, Bayer, Pfizer, Zyrtec, Kotex, Depend, Susan G. Komen for the Cure, Sammy Davis Jr., LeSportsac, Family Dollar, and many more. He also recently worked as Cinematographer/Editor on a PSA for the New Jersey Aids Walk.

Beginning his career in television production in 2002, his roles have included Camera Operator at MSNBC, Associate Producer for Emeril Lagasse's *Emeril Green*, Production Coordinator for the Food Network (*Iron Chef America*, *Emeril Live*), B-Unit camera for the Food Network's *Ultimate Recipe Challenge*, and more. He has also worked in a freelance capacity for MTV, A&E, Biography, Nickelodeon, HGTV, as well as on a



number of feature films, short films, music videos, and TV pilots.

HARMON IS SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR...AGAIN

Football play by play announcer and basketball color analyst Matt Harmon '96 '04M was named for the fourth time National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association New Jersey Sportscaster of the Year, tying with Tom Williams of Prime Events.

Harmon has served as Monmouth's play by play announcer for football on The Shore Sports Network (1160 AM/1310 AM) for four years, but has been doing high school football play by play announcing on SSN for 16 years. He is also the color analyst for the Hawks men's basketball program.

As a full-time faculty member in the Communication Department, Harmon teaches classes on Announcing, Media Ethics, Public Speaking, Sports Broadcasting, History of Sports & Media, Performance in Radio, and Issues in Sports Media.

The first NSSA NJ Sportscaster of the Year was awarded to Bryan Field of CBS in 1959.



TRAMMELL HONORED TWICE



MONMOUTH COUNTY FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR LILLIAN BURRY WITH HONOREES CAROL STILLWELL AND WEBSTER TRAMMELL '70 '73M

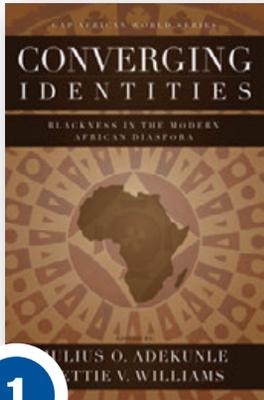
May was a big month for Dr. Webster Trammell '70 '73M, Monmouth University trustee and vice president of Development, Community and Governmental Relations at Brookdale Community College. He received a Diversity Champion Award from the South Central Jersey Regional Network of the American Conference on Diversity, and he was also recognized, along with fellow Trustee and 2010 Maurice Pollak Award for Distinguished Community Service recipient Carol Stillwell, as an honoree at the 2014 Brookdale Scholarship Ball.

Proceeds from the scholarship ball will help fund scholarships for the American Conference on Diversity signature Lead for Diversity program, reaching more than 20,000 youth each year.

Trammell has been involved in many community and professional organizations throughout his 45-year career in educational administration. He has served as chairman of various organizations, including the board of

directors of the Monmouth Family Health Center, the board of trustees of Monmouth Medical Center, the Monmouth County Board of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services and the Monmouth County Urban League. He was also chairman of the Monmouth County United Way Board of Directors and currently chairs the Public Policy Committee. He has been a member of the board of directors of the Monmouth County Workforce Investment Board.

Trammell currently serves as chairman of the Monmouth County Committee on Homelessness Population. He is a member of the Monmouth County Strategic Planning Committee and serves on the board of directors of the Two River Theater Company and the SCAN advisory board. He is a member of the Legislative Affairs and Governance committees of the New Jersey Hospital Association and is an active member of the Monmouth-Ocean Development Council.



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CONVERGING IDENTITIES: BLACKNESS IN THE MODERN AFRICAN DIASPORA

Julius O. Adekunle, Ph.D.; Hettie V. Williams
(2013, Carolina Academic Press, \$42.00)

Converging Identities is a volume of 16 essays analyzing the issues of blackness and identity of the African Diaspora in global perspective, but focusing on the United States, the Caribbean, and Latin America. Given the historical factors that prompted Africans to populate different parts of the world, the subject of blackness as a form of identity becomes relevant. In modern times, blackness and identity are popular subject matters in view of the historic election of Barack Obama as the President of the United States of America in 2008. *Converging Identities* provides a stimulating and enlightening perspective to blackness and identity of the African Diaspora. This book is part of the *African World Series*, edited by Toyin Falola, Jacob and Frances Sanger Mossiker, Chair in the Humanities, University of Texas at Austin.

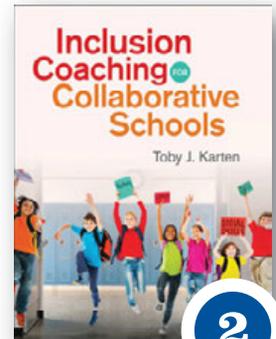
Dr. Adekunle, professor of History at Monmouth, is the author or co-author of several books including *Politics and Society in Nigeria's Middle Belt: Borgu and the Emergence of a Political Identity*, *Color Struck: Essays on Race and Ethnicity in Global Perspective* and *Slavery* (Williams is co-author) and *The Birth of an African City: Lagos, 1760-1900*. Professor Williams, who also teaches History at Monmouth, is the author of *We Shall Overcome to We Shall Overrun: The Collapse of the Civil Rights Movement and the Black Power Revolt (1962-1968)*.

INCLUSION COACHING FOR COLLABORATIVE SCHOOLS

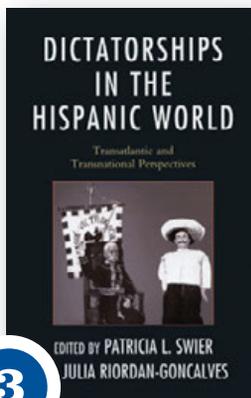
Toby J. Karten
(2013, Corwin, \$31.95)

Inclusion Coaching for Collaborative Schools is a hands-on guide for educators looking to implement inclusion in the classroom. Inclusion, a term that is not defined in educational legislation, occurs each day in neighborhood schools when students with and without disabilities learn side by side with their age-level peers in the general education classroom. Coaching offers professional and respectful support and feedback within trusting pedagogical relationships. Karten discusses methods for establishing coaching baselines, introducing research-based inclusion strategies, and promoting inclusion schoolwide.

Professor Karten is an adjunct professor of Curriculum and Instruction. She has taught populations of learners ranging from kindergarten to graduate level. Several of Karten's books are international best sellers. She has been recognized by both the Council for Exceptional Children and the N.J. Dept. of Education as an exemplary educator, receiving two "Teacher of the Year" awards.



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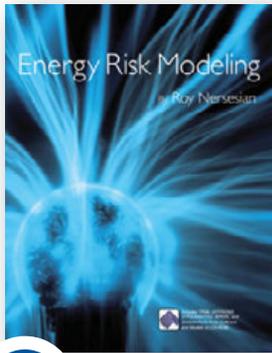
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DICTATORSHIPS IN THE HISPANIC WORLD

Edited by Julia Riordan-Goncalves, Ph.D. and Patricia Swier, Ph.D.
(2013, Fairleigh Dickinson, \$90.00)

Dictatorships in the Hispanic World provides a comparative and interdisciplinary approach in its exploration of the phenomenon of the dictatorship in the Hispanic World in the 20th century. Themes explored through a transatlantic perspective include testimonial accounts of violence and resistance in prisons; hunger and repression; exile, silence and intertextuality; bildungsroman and the modification of gender roles; and the role of trauma and memory within the genres of the novel, autobiography, testimonial literature, the essay, documentaries, puppet theater, poetry, and visual art. By looking at the similarities and differences between dictatorships represented in the diverse landscapes of Latin America and Spain, the editors provide a more panoramic view of the dictatorship that moves beyond historiographical accounts of oppression and engages actively in a more broad dialectics of resistance and a politics of memory.

Dr. Riordan-Goncalves is assistant professor of Spanish in the Foreign Language Studies Department.



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ENERGY RISK MODELING

Roy Nersesian
(2013, Palisade Corp., \$59.95)

Growing out of energy courses Professor Nersesian delivers at the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University, *Energy Risk Modeling* is a reference for simulation, decision trees, and optimization techniques for energy applications. The book is loaded with real-life examples that demonstrate how software applications including @RISK, PrecisionTree, and Evolver can be used to make better financial decisions within the oil and gas, electricity, and renewable energy industries. Nersesian’s step-by-step approach makes his techniques accessible to anyone who uses Microsoft Excel. All examples covered in the book are provided in Excel spreadsheets.

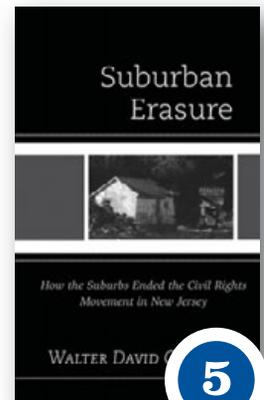
Professor Nersesian is a professor in the Leon Hess Business School at Monmouth University and an adjunct professor for the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University. Professor Nersesian holds a B.S. in physics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, followed by eight years in the U.S. Navy with his last position as chief engineer on a Polaris submarine. He graduated from Harvard Business School with an MBA and worked for a shipping company, a bank in shipping finance, and as a consultant for a ship brokerage firm all before beginning his academic career in 1985. He teaches quantitative analysis and is involved with various research consulting projects. Professor Nersesian is also the author of *Corporate Financial Risk Management* (2004) and *Energy in the 21st Century* (2010).

SUBURBAN ERASURE: HOW THE SUBURBS ENDED THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN NEW JERSEY

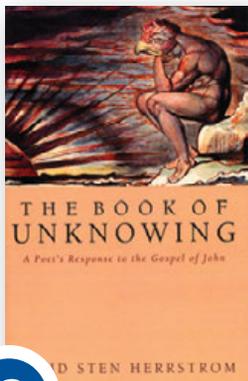
Walter D. Greason, Ph.D.
(2013, Fairleigh Dickinson, \$75.00)

Suburban Erasure documents forgotten chapters in the northern Civil Rights Movement, while explaining the failure of racial integration to address economic inequality. The study contributes to the most recent developments in historical writing by recovering dozens of previously undiscovered works about the African-American experience in New Jersey. Greason’s insights into the newly discovered documents complicate traditional understandings about the Great Migration, civil rights activism, and the transformation of the United States as a global, economic superpower. Greason details the voices of black men and women whose vision and sacrifices made the dream of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. possible.

Dr. Greason is an Instructor in the Department of History and Anthropology. He serves as the treasurer for the Society for American City and Regional Planning History. In 2011 Dr. Greason won a grant from the Mellon Foundation for his innovative pedagogy, earning him recognition as an International Master Teacher.



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THE BOOK OF UNKNOWNING: A POET'S RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

David Herrstrom, Ph.D.
(2012, Wipf & Stock Publishers, \$26.00)

The Book of Unknowing is a poet’s perspective on John’s confrontation with the incandescent Jesus, a figure of our desire for immortality. Guiding us through the Gospel’s coming to grips with Jesus, the poet David Herrstrom prefers sparking the imagination to arguing a thesis, as he explores John’s own obsessions, such as image (light), symbol (water), sign (water to wine), shapeliness (symmetry), loves (Peter, Mary’s), and above all, words (the Word, the body of Jesus). The author calls on other poets, from William Blake to Emily Dickinson and Miguel de Unamuno.

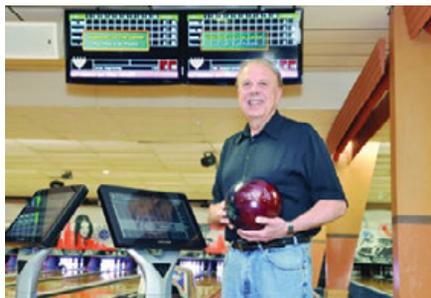
Dr. Herrstrom, an adjunct professor in the Philosophy and Religion Department, is a poet, lecturer, and president of The Jacob Landau Institute. He is also the co-author of *Appearing by Daylight* in 1994 and *Jonah’s Disappearance* in 1989.

CLASSNOTES

CLASS OF 1961

MARY L. GEORGE (Ed.) received the 2013 Louis G. Libutti Community Service Award on April 4 at the 80th Annual Chamber Awards Dinner. She taught English at Shore Regional High School and then became an integral part of the West End business community when she managed Salton Block China in West End from 1992 to 2006. George has been a member of the Board of Directors of the greater Long Branch Chamber of Commerce since 1992 and secretary for the last eight years. She has served on the Finance, Buildings and Grounds and the Board Policy Committee since then. In 1995 she received the Community Service Award from the Rotary Club of Long Branch and has served on the Ronald McDonald Advisory Board. In 1996 she was appointed a trustee of the Long Branch Free Public Library and has served as treasurer for 10 years. She is also the proud mother of five - WILLIAM '97M, DANIEL '92M '98M, ALEXANDER '96M '01M, Thomas and MARY '93 and the loving grandmother of 17.

CLASS OF 1967



PATRICK C. CINIELLO (Bus. Adm.), president of QubicaAMF, was featured in the February 14-20, 2014, issue of the *Business Observer*, which highlighted his plans to build a new generation of bowling centers in Fort Meyers, FL, as a showcase for his company's newest equipment. Plans include a 45,000-square foot building one mile from the airport, featuring a bowling alley called Head-Pinz with 24 synthetic lanes, convertible furniture, and a new ball-return and scoring system as well as a two-story laser tag area.



LORRAINE WILLIAMS (Elem. Ed.) (M.S.E. '77) recently published her fourth book of poetry, *Split Poems*. She has won many writing awards for her works, but her most recent award

was the National League of American Pen Women Biennial Convention First Place Award for Poetry: "From My Window." She also writes a weekly column, "Poetry Place," for the *Santiva Chronicle*, an online newspaper for Sanibel and Captiva Islands in Florida.

CLASS OF 1971



PETER MILLER (Sp./Comm./Theat.), president and founder of PMA Literary and Film Management, was part of the 2014 class of the Communication Alumni Academy. He has been a literary and film manager for more than 30 years, representing more than a thousand books, including 11 *New York Times* bestsellers. He is the author of *Author! Screenwriter! How to Succeed as a Writer in New York and Hollywood*, which was a finalist for the 2006 L.A. Times Book Prize.

CLASS OF 1974

FRANK J. FALOTICO (Art), director of the duCret School of Art, will be featured by the Westfield Art Association who will host a presentation on artistic anatomy. The acclaimed sculptor also served in the U.S. Navy from 1966 to 1970 as a hospital corpsman including a tour in Vietnam with the 1st Marine Division.

J. DAVID GRANT (Ed./Bio.) (M.A.T. '81) recently retired from Brookdale Community College, where 30 years ago he launched the Ocean Institute at Sandy Hook - each year introducing thousands of educators and students to marine biology. A USEPA Environmental Quality award-winner, he has presented teacher workshops in every coastal state, written extensively on marine science education, and sailed with NOAA for climate studies in the Humboldt Current off the coast of Chile and in the Gulf Stream. He continues to merge science and education working through the National Network of Climate Change Interpreters, and participating on projects through NASA, NOAA, Teachers In Space and SETI; and in ecotourism - having traveled to the Arctic and Antarctic, and most recently lecturing with Holland American Lines on Mediterranean and Atlantic cruises.

CLASS OF 1975

MAURO V. BALDANZA (Bus. Adm.) (Crim. J. '90), the Oceanport Emergency Management Coordinator, has been asked to serve on a tri-state Program Steering Committee for Sea Grant on the development of a Coastal Storm Awareness Program. The committee will consist of 15 people drawn from the National Weather Service and emergency response community in Sandy-affected areas. The goal is to develop a program to save lives by creating tools to better inform people of the severity of coastal storm hazards and for residents to remove themselves in affected areas from danger. He has also served as a consultant/researcher with the Rapid Response Institute.

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CLASS OF 1976



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REV. JACQUELINE CARR-HAMILTON (Elec. Eng./Comp. Sci.) was among a group of 15 people and organizations honored in March at the 29th annual Wilbur Ray Scholarship Dinner at Brookdale Community College for her outstanding community work in Monmouth County. She is the associate minister of Calvary Baptist Church in Red Bank and had the distinction of being the first woman minister in the 100-year history of the Second Baptist Church in Asbury Park. Wilbur Ray is a former police chief at Brookdale.

GLENN W. LEBOEUF (Hist.) has created BruceTours.net where he will take fans around Freehold and Asbury Park for the day. Named after local icon Bruce Springsteen, LeBoeuf's new venture will offer full-day and half-day tours of some of the places Bruce has frequented over the years. He is also a senior vice-president, Financial Advisor and Chartered Retirement Planning Counselor with Freedom Capital Management in Lincroft.

CLASS OF 1977

SUSAN MONAS-FUNK (Art) has recently published *It's Ok to Feel This Way*, which is a healing art coloring book. It addresses a child's range of emotions following a traumatic event.

NELLY SEGAL (Engl.), a member of the board of directors of Chhange for 10 years, was the coordinator of its traveling exhibit, *Survival of the Human Spirit: Triumph over Adversity*; editor of *Flowers from the Ashes*, an *Anthology of Students'*

Writing and Art on the Holocaust, Vols. III and IV; director of the Tribute to the Holocaust Survivors in our Community Project, and editor of *A Tribute to the Holocaust Survivors in our Community*. Segal has been involved in Chhange's new initiative, The Generations, Descendants of Holocaust Survivors, and edited a Hanukkah-related personal stories collection, authored by local survivors and their descendants. For the last 30 years, Segal has lectured and led discussions on Hebrew Literature at various community organizations. As a member and historian of Congregation B'nai Israel, Rumson, Segal has researched and documented its history.

CLASS OF 1979

DIANE I. CORRADO (Bus. Adm.) is the new executive vice president, Sales and Marketing, at Decision Resources Group, one of the world's leading firms focusing on healthcare insights, data and analytics, and services. The company is based in Burlington, MA. She was previously global vice president of sales for Wolters Kluwer Health - LWW.



ANDREA L. ZAPCIC (Sp./Comm./Theat.) was sworn in as a councilwoman for Brick Township. She serves as director of recreation in Rahway.

CLASS OF 1980

JODY WEINBERG (Bus. Adm.) was recently named vice president, commercial loan officer at Two River Community Bank in Tinton Falls. She was previously vice president and commercial relationship manager at HSBC. She also volunteered with the Women Investing In and Guiding Women program through Rutgers University.

CLASS OF 1982

KEITH R. LOWY (Bus. Adm.) is a new sales associate at Resources Real Estate in Rumson. He has also spearheaded,

along with his son, Move for Hunger, a nonprofit organization that collects nonperishable food for those in need in 45 states.

CLASS OF 1983



MICHAEL D. GREENBLATT (Psych.) was featured in the April 2014 issue of *Cat Fancy* in the article, "Running Partners," which chronicled his cat, Roadrunner, and highlighted the plight of others to draw attention to other rescue cats.

JOAN WILLS (Bio.) a registered nurse, was recently appointed regional assistant vice president of geriatrics at Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch. She was previously coordinator of the Barnabas Health Transition Program for the Frail Elderly with Dementia at Monmouth Medical.

CLASS OF 1984



DAVID M. HEALY (Psych.) is the new superintendent for the Toms River School District. He was previously superintendent for the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District. After

earning a master's degree from Seton Hall University, he began his first teaching job at the N.J. Department of Corrections at the Bordentown Correctional Facility.

CLASSNOTES

RICHARD S. MCGARRY (Bus. Mrkt.) was among three people recently inducted into the Point Pleasant Hall of Fame. He graduated from the high school in 1980. McGarry is managing director of The Jersey Shore Financial Group in Wall.

MICHAEL N. MEGILL (Bus. Mgmt./ Mktg.) recently joined Summit Financial Resources, Inc. as a wealth management advisor after 22 years as a managing director and financial advisor with Northwestern Mutual Financial Network. His office is based in Red Bank. Also, he serves on the Red Bank Regional Board of Education and acts as chairperson for the finance committee.

CLASS OF 1985



EVAN H. KRACHMAN (Sp./Comm./Theat.) was recently inducted into the 2014 class of the Communication Alumni Academy. He works in marketing and product development for the Medical Division of Sony Electronics, and in 2012 he received his first U.S. patent for a method and apparatus for transporting medical images.



RALPH REAL JR (Poli. Sci.) was recently featured in the *Asbury Park Press* in the article, "Family Businesses Battle to Last More than One Generation: Keeping it Going." He is shown alongside his family, from left, Roni Sue; Christopher,

17; McKenna, 13; Ryan, 19; and Ralph, at his business, Monmouth Bottle Shop Wine Cellar in Ocean Township. His father, RALPH REAL SR. '59 built the business in 1957.

CLASS OF 1986



HASKELL B. BERMAN (Sp./Comm./Theat.) was recently inducted into the 2014 class of the Communication Alumni Academy. He has spent 27

years in New Jersey state government, politics and public affairs, which included a stint as chief of staff to Assemblyman Bob Franks. He is currently senior vice president of State Affairs for the HealthCare Institute of New Jersey.



ALITIA FACCONO (Sp./Comm./Theat.) was recently inducted into the 2014 class of the Communication Alumni Academy. She is director of Marketing at McCarter & English LLP where she develops and implements the marketing and business development initiatives of the firm. Previously a partner with the firm, Faccono has focused on all aspects of data preservation, privacy and records retention, legal and technical. She was also among a panel of five women at a Monmouth University Women's Forum addressing equal pay in November.

CLASS OF 1987



STACIA (MANZO) MCDONOUGH (Engl.), the CEO of the award-winning doll company, Neva Dolls, was once again involved with New Jersey's "Hope for Veterans" program, which provides homeless veterans with shelter, food and other necessities. This past holiday season, she held her second annual "They Kept Us Safe, Let's Keep Them Warm" hat and scarf drive, which resulted in providing a gift for each veteran housed at the Lyons, NJ, facility. She exceeded her goal of collecting 167 items for each veteran housed at the facility, with each veteran receiving three wrapped gifts, especially hand-delivered by McDonough. In addition, she was recently appointed chairperson for the Hope For Veterans Annual 5K Flag Day Run in Basking Ridge on June 12. McDonough became involved with the organization to honor her late husband, John McDonough, who was a highly decorated Vietnam veteran. For more information, see www.communityhope-nj.org, or email her at info@nevadolls.com.

CLASS OF 1988

ERIK W. MATSON (M.B.A.) in March joined Boyden Global Executive Search's New York office as a partner. He was previously the top executive at an Allianz U.S. entity running the P&C Commercial Lines business. Matson is also a retired lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force.

CLASSNOTES

CLASS OF 1989



Theresa F. Fontana (Bus. Acct.) was recently hired as an accountant for Monmouth University. She was previously the director of Finance and Human Resources at Med Prep Consulting in Tinton Falls.

CLASS OF 1990



Thomas A. Ando (Bus. Adm.) was appointed senior vice president/senior relationship manager in the commercial lending department of OceanFirst Bank in Toms River. He has more than 25 years of experience

assisting businesses in Monmouth, Ocean and Middlesex Counties. Ando was previously a senior vice president at Sun National Bank in Edison.

Sheilagh M. Clarke (Bus. Econ.) was elected senior vice president, general counsel and secretary for Foot Locker, Inc. She has been with the company since 1988.

Susan Jalali King (Sp./Comm./Theat.) was recently inducted into the 2014 class of the Communication Alumni Academy. She has been a senior producer of Headline News "Morning Express with Robin Meade" since 2008. As an executive producer, she launched the program, which was originally called "Robin & Company," before she was named to her current role.

CLASS OF 1991



Christopher C. Wojcik (Bio.), a marine biologist and artist, was one of six people inducted into the Point Pleasant Beach Hall of Fame this year. He is the owner of Ionature, a creative counseling firm that designs and builds naturalistic animal enclosures for public zoos and museums. In 2012 he designed and built an artificial reef in the shape of a horseshoe crab (see Fall 2012 issue of magazine). He is also an adjunct at Monmouth where he teaches SCUBA.

CLASS OF 1995



Bill D. Elliott (M.B.A.) visited campus in March for the annual Monmouth University Designated Hero of the Year Award ceremony. The HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers was established in memory of his son, John, after he was killed by a drunk driver in July 2000.

CLASS OF 1996

Victoria Ali (Crim. J.), who works for TD Ameritrade, is the owner of Elite Events LLC, a boutique firm that caters to private, corporate, political and charitable organizations. She is also on the board of directors and vice president for the Ashley Lauren Foundation, a non-profit in New Jersey dedicated to

helping children and their families facing pancreatic cancer.

Tara L. Johnson (Crim. J.) joined the law firm of Pellettieri, Rabstein & Altman as an associate. She is working in the Mount Laurel office where she will be handling personal injury claims. She was previously with Levinson Axelrod, P.A.



Richard O'Malley, superintendent of Edison Township Public Schools, in April was named the third finalist for the position of superintendent

in the Rock Hill school district in South Carolina. However, he was not selected for the position.

CLASS OF 1998

Robert H. Gilinsky (Bus. Adm.) recently completed a new book, *Monmouth County Through Time*, which features both vintage and modern images as well as references to Wilson Hall and the Guggenheim Library. Gilinsky is also the author of *Asbury Park and Neptune*, which is part of Arcadia Publishing's Then & Now series. He also volunteers at the Hispanic Affairs and Resource Center in Asbury Park and is a lifelong resident of Neptune City.



January M. Zuk (Psych./Ed.) (M.S.Ed. '00) is a wage and hour investigator for the U.S. Department of Labor as well as a private doula in the St. Augustine and Jacksonville areas of Florida.

CLASSNOTES

CLASS OF 1999

FARRAH S. MAHAN (Hist./Ed.) is the new director of curriculum for the Cherry Hill Public School Systems. She begins her new job on July 1. Mahan, who has worked for the district since 2004, was previously principal at Clara Barton Elementary School.

CLASS OF 2000



NANCY J. CAMPIONE (Engl./Ed.), a kindergarten teacher at Midtown Community Elementary School in Neptune, was among the audience at a performance of Dinosaur Zoo Live at Pollak Theatre on April 29. The show took audience members on a tour through prehistoric Australia, bringing an eye-popping array of dinosaurs and ancient creatures to life on stage. Students observed and interacted with the extraordinarily life-like creatures, just like those that inhabited the Southern Hemisphere millions of years ago.



ROBERT T. CAVANAUGH (Comm.), a columnist for the Asbury Park Press, highlighted the increase in injuries among adolescent runners in his April 8 article, "Injuries and the Adolescent Runner." He is the director of Robert Thomas Cavanaugh (RTC) Training where he offers both running and soccer camps for children.

CRAIG E. JEREMIAH (Bus. Mgmt.) was recently promoted to sergeant in April by the Manville Borough Council. He has been with the department since 2000.



PEGGY A. MCKEAN (M.A.T.) finished running her 100th marathon on November 17, 2013, at the Philadelphia Marathon. That equates to 2,620 miles!

KEVLYN J. ZURAWSKI (Hist./Poli. Sci./Ed.) (M.S.Ed. '10) married Jeff Uveges on April 4, 2014. They live in South Amboy. Alumni in attendance included her brother, EDDIE ZURAWSKI '01. Kevlyn is a 7th and 8th grade teacher at Our Redeemer Lutheran School in Woodbridge. Her husband is a laborer for Local 77 Lunia.

CLASS OF 2001



TERENCE H. ARCHER (Comm.), the former wide receivers coach for the Monmouth football team, was recently added to the coaching staff at Sam Houston State. He will manage wide receivers in his new post. As a student, he played for the Hawks from 1997-2000.

CLASS OF 2002



MATTHEW M. ALISEO (Bus. Mrkt.) married Anna Marie D'Amico on April 6, 2014, at Villa Caletas in Costa Rica. Alumni in attendance included groomsman BRYAN ALOIA. Matthew is senior director of Global Accounts at Polycom, and Anna is director, Global Customers for Pershing, a division of Bank of New York Mellon. They live in Hoboken with their four-month old son, GianCarlo Nicholas.

CLASS OF 2003

ANN MARIE CALLAHAN (M.A.T.) was named Teacher of the Year at H.W. Mountz School in Spring Lake. She has been teaching at the school since 2004. She is also the wife of Football Coach Kevin Callahan.

MICHELLE M. COSTANZO (M.S.W.) was recently named branch manager of Preferred Home Health Care & Nursing Services in Brick Township. She previously worked for more than 17 years in the health care industry during which she developed customer service programs and sensitivity training for employees and directors, among other initiatives.

CLASS OF 2004

JENNIFER M. CONNELLEY (Sp. Ed.) (M.S.Ed. '08) recently received the Educator of the Year award at The Rugby School at Woodfield in Wall Township, a K-12 private school for special needs

students that offers quality academics, clinical and medical services, and vocation/college preparation with hands-on experience.

SAMANTHA J. FRYER (Sp. Ed.) and STEPHEN D'ANDREA (Bus. Fin. '04) welcomed their first child, Taylor Emerson, on November 26, 2013. She is a special education teacher for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District, and he is a consultant for Accenture. They live in Oakhurst.

STACY L. SYDLO (Comm.) married Monmouth alumnus, MILES AUSTIN on March 1, 2014. BRENDAN KENNEDY '07 was the best man, and SEAN HEFFERON '04 was the groomsman. They first met at Monmouth where he played football and she played lacrosse. Austin, who was previously a Dallas Cowboy wide receiver, had his jersey retired by Monmouth during a ceremony at a basketball game on February 22.

CLASS OF 2005



JEFFREY R. GALLO (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. '12) was recently promoted to assistant head coach of the Monmouth University football team. He has been part of the coaching staff since 2005, taking over control of the tight ends in 2007 while still serving as director of Football Operations.

MICHAEL J. VENEZIA (Poli. Sci.) was elected mayor of Bloomfield and officially took office on January 1 at a ceremony at Bloomfield College where he was sworn in by Essex County Executive Joseph DiVincenzo. Prior to his successful bid for mayor, he served on the Bloomfield town council for three years. He also served on the staff of notable politicians such as the late Senator Frank Lautenberg and Congressman Bill Pascrell. He is currently the second youngest mayor in New Jersey.

SARAH J. WEINBERG (Anthro.) (M.A. Anthro. '12) and her husband, Jesse, welcomed son, David Michael, on October 29, 2013. The family lives in Hamilton.

CLASS OF 2006

KEISHA R. RHODEN (Bus. Mgmt), who uses the alias of Kei Renae, held a book signing on March 27 at Kiss My Art gallery in Asbury Park. Her book is *Single Moms Rock! How to Survive and Thrive as a Single Mom*, and she is founder and president of Single Moms Rock Organization.



JESSICA L. WOJEWODZKI (Comm.) along with co-owner Gee Ranade opened up White Birch Wellness Spa on Cedar Avenue in West Long Branch. As a Hawk, she was one of the first six members of the MU sailing team. Her father, RICHARD WOJEWODZKI, graduated in 1978.

CLASS OF 2007

RYA J. BUTTERFIELD (M.A. Corp. & Pub. Comm.) is now the vice president of the Association for Chinese Communication Studies, a division of the National Communication Association. She earned a Ph.D. in Communication Studies/Rhetoric from Louisiana State University in May 2012.

RONNIE J. GUIDONE (Bus. Adm.), a certified financial planner and financial advisor in Morgan Stanley's Wealth Management office, was recently named to the Pacesetter's Club. This club is a global recognition program for financial advisors who, within their first five years, demonstrate the highest professional standards and first-class client service. He has been with Morgan Stanley since 2007.



JASON T. LIPPART (Psych.) (M.A. Psych. Couns. '09) was named the 2013-2014 Educator of the Year at Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School. He is the freshman guidance counselor at the school in Monmouth County. A member of the school's guidance department since 2009, Lippart is responsible for the Freshman Guidance Curriculum and has overhauled the program to ease students' transitions from grade school to high school. He is also a member of the School Climate Team, a faculty organization devoted to promoting a positive school environment for students. And in 2013 U.S. Representative for New Jersey's sixth Congressional district Frank Pallone presented him with a Certificate of Congressional Recognition for his volunteer work in the community.

TARA (SCARPONI) DANNIBALLE (Psych.) and her husband, Anthony, welcomed with love their daughter, Gabriella Valentina, on January 22, 2014, at 5:30 AM at St. Luke's Hospital in Bethlehem, PA. She weighed 8lbs, 13 oz and measured 21 inches long.

CLASS OF 2008



BRAD M. BRACH (Hist./Ed.) was called up to the majors on May 2 by the Baltimore Orioles. He is shown here next to his brother and former Monmouth pitcher, Brett Brach. Brad, who was originally drafted in 2008 by the San Diego Padres, was previously throwing for the Baltimore Orioles' Norfolk Tides. Brett is a right-hander for the Washington Nationals' High-A affiliate, the Potomac Nationals of the Carolina League, after signing with them in late May.

CLASSNOTES



HUGH MACDONALD (Comm.) and LAURA EMBREY (Comm.) were married on April 25, 2014, at The Berkeley Oceanfront Hotel in Asbury Park. There were over 30 alumni in attendance. Both Monmouth University employees, Laura works in Alumni Relations, and Hugh is the associate head coach of the Men's Soccer team.

RICHARD PRESSER (Bus. Fin.) was hired in January as an accountant for The Curchin Group LLC, a midsized, full-service accounting firm based in Red Bank. He was previously a bookkeeper for a firm in Deal.

CLASS OF 2009



SALVATORE FIORE (Bus. Mgmt.) and Loren Spann were engaged in August while on vacation with both families in Jamaica. They are planning a wedding for 2015. Sal is a project manager with Auroch Partner V, and Loren works at Provident House of Catholic Charities. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in Dance & Psychology from Rutgers University in 2010 and with a master's degree in Dance/Movement Therapy from Pratt in 2013. They live in Manahawkin.

CHRISSIE T. REILLY (M.A. Hist.) is the new command historian for the Defense Logistics Agency after working for six years at the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command.

JESSICA C. REVOIR (M.A. Corp. & Pub. Comm.), along with NICOLE ANDRETTA, won four awards for First Financial Federal Credit Union thanks to their marketing achievements. The awards include an "Industry's Best" Diamond Award from the Credit Union National Association (CUNA) Marketing & Business Development Council and two Silver Service Industry Advertising Awards (SIAA) for their First Scoop blog and new identity theft protection products as well as a Bronze Award for their new employee onboarding video. Revoir was promoted in January to director of Marketing at First Financial where she has worked since October 2008. In 2013 she was presented with the five-year Employee Service Award from First Financial.



MALLORI SEADER (Bus. Adm.) is the new business owner of Gems & Stems in Somerville. Her floral gift store is expected to open in July. In addition to floral arrangements, she will also sell preserved real insects as art pieces. Following graduation from Monmouth, Seader attended the Floriology Institute in Jacksonville, FL, where she gained certification in Contemporary Design, Basic Elements and Principles and Wedding Design.

LINNEA L. TOBER (M.A.T. '90) was one of the featured artists in February at the Arts By The Bay Gallery in Havre de Grace, MD. Since superstorm Sandy struck her hometown of Monmouth Beach, she has also donated several paintings for various benefits and fundraisers.

CLASS OF 2011

RACHEL FEIRSTEIN (Hist./Elem. Ed.) was recently hired to be the new varsity head coach for Shoreham-Wading River girls lacrosse team in New York. As a Hawk, she tallied 123 goals over her four-year career. The midfielder was also named Northeast Conference Rookie of the Year as a freshman.

MIKAL A. KUHI (M.A.T. '11) is a music teacher for Small Factory Productions, which is owned by CHRIS DUDICK '03 '10M. He is also a private piano instructor. The studio, located in Fair Haven, now offers a technology-infused music program for young digital musicians. It offers lessons in piano, voice, guitar, bass, drums and audio production by using Garage Band.



PAUL N. MANDALA (Bio.) was featured in the April 4, 2014, issue of the *Asbury Park Press* in an article, "Wheels of Fortune." It chronicled his 100-mile bike ride from Alaska to Panama City last July. He left July 1 for Prudhoe Bay/Deadhorse Alaska and biked south from there along the west coast all the way down through Central America to the tip of South America and then to the southern tip of the Pan American Highway in Ushuaia, Argentina.



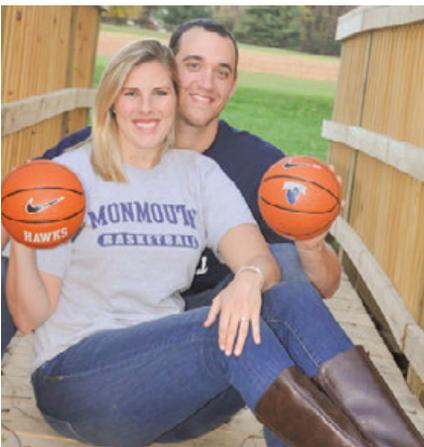
MYCHAL G. MILLS (Bus. Mgmt.) (M.B.A. '13) was featured in the April 8, 2014, issue of the *Asbury Park Press*

in the article, "Asbury Nonprofit Makes Students Push it to the Limit." He is shown working at Asbury Park Middle School as a volunteer coach for Sportz Farm, a company that offers weekly sessions of tutoring, mentoring and athletic conditioning.



NESTOR J. ROLDAN (M.A. Crim. J.) was promoted to vice president/Long Island district sales manager for Valley National Bank where he is now responsible for mentoring and coaching the branch sales managers.

SCOTT G. RUSSELL (Crim. J.) was sworn in as a police officer in January for the East Windsor Police Department along with fellow alumnus, MARCUS GOODE '12. They are assigned to the Uniform Services Division.



SAMANTHA SCHANUEL (Bus. Mrkt.) and SHAWN BARLOW (Crim. J. '09) are engaged to be married on August 2, 2014, in Frederick, MD. They both played basketball for the Hawks. Samantha is a CPA and works as an auditor in public accounting for PwC in the Washington, DC area. Shawn is an account manager for Advanced Specialty Contractors in Elkridge, MD. They live in McLean, VA.

CLASS OF 2012



NICOLE ANDRETTA (Comm.), along with JESSICA REVOIR '09M, are shown holding four awards for First Financial Federal Credit Union thanks to their marketing achievements. The awards include an "Industry's Best" Diamond Award from the Credit Union National Association (CUNA) Marketing & Business Development Council and two Silver Service Industry Advertising Awards (SIAA) for their First Scoop blog and new identity theft protection products as well as a Bronze Award for their new employee onboarding video. Andretta is an e-marketing specialist for First Financial.



CHRISTINE BRYANT (M.A. Engl.) was awarded The Writing Program Scholarship from Columbia University's School of the

Arts for its Master of Fine Arts Program in Writing. She teaches at Hudson County Community College and Brookdale Community College. Some of her work was included in the inaugural online issue of *Wormwood* magazine <http://marcbonagura.blogspot.com/2014/03/wormwood-magazine-spring-2014.html>.

MARCUS T. GOODE (Crim. J.) was sworn in as a police officer in January for the East Windsor Police Department along with fellow alumnus, SCOTT RUSSELL '11. They are assigned to the Uniform Services Division.

LINDA MUHLHAUSEN (M.A. Engl.) had her review of James Arthur's *Charms Against Lightning* accepted for publication by *American Poetry Review*.



FELICIA N. PAPPALARDO (Crim. J.) in March became the first female police officer in Brielle. Following her appointment, she started a two-month field training program in which she rides along with another officer to be evaluated.

MARIANA SIERRA (M.A. Engl.) had three poems accepted for publication in *Feminist Studies* and one poem in *Cliterature*.

RYAN J. TAYLOR (Engl.) is a program manager at One World Education while pursuing a master's in Public Policy at George Washington University.

CLASS OF 2013

CANDICE BELLUSCIO (MA Engl.) is pursuing a Ph.D. at St. John's University. She presented her paper, "If Lady Gaga Met Jane Austen: Gender Construction and Sexual Performance" as part of a panel on Philosophy and Pop Culture at the PCA/ACA National conference in Chicago in April.

CASIE N. ILLIG (Mat./Ed.) is engaged to marry Zachary Wendland in November 2015. She is a math teacher in Red Bank, and her fiance is an investment management intern accountant at The Prudential in Newark.

JOHN MARANDOLA (Math./Ed.) is engaged to marry Jennifer Wendland in January 2017. John served five years active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps, completing a tour in Iraq and being honorably discharged with the rank of corporal. He is now a special education teacher in Middletown. His fiance is working toward a master's in Counseling and Student Assistance at Monmouth.

IN MEMORIAM

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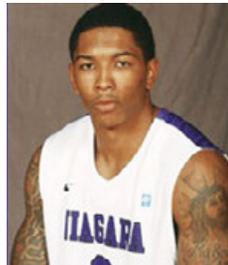


BERNADETTE SABATINI (M.A. Engl.) won First Place for the second consecutive year in the Professional Photography category of the Monmouth County Library Senior Art Exhibit. Her photograph exhibited was "Orange on the Beach."



CARLY A. THIBAUT (Psych.) was recently hired as assistant women's basketball coach at Eastern Michigan

University. She was previously director of recruiting operations for the Florida State University women's team. As a Hawk, she was an All-Northeast Conference (NEC) Third Team selection in her senior year, finishing third in program history with 166 career field goals and garnering the NEC Scholar-Athlete of the Year award.



MARCUS S. WARE (Health Stud.), who will graduate this May from Niagara University with a master's degree in Sports Management, was honored in April as South Jersey Major College Basketball Player of the Year by the Albert J. Carino Boys Basketball Club of South Jersey.

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- 1936 IRVING H. KAPLAN (A.A. Lib. Stud.)
MARCH 22, 2014
- 1940 TWYLER W. DANIELS (A.A. Lib. Stud.)
FEBRUARY 22, 2014
- 1948 ALVIN L. PUTERMAN (A.A.)
APRIL 25, 2014
- 1949 JOSEPH S. GACHINA (A.A. Lib. Stud.)
MARCH 15, 2014
- 1959 PETER A. MCLAUGHLIN (Psych.)
JANUARY 23, 2014
- 1960 ROBERT C. PONTECORVO (Ed.) (M.S.Ed. '74)
MARCH 17, 2014
- 1962 WILLIAM G. FENDELANDER (Bus. Adm.)
MARCH 23, 2014
CHARLES O. MAXSON (Elem. Ed.)
MARCH 8, 2014
- 1963 JOSEPH J. PUKASH (Elem. Ed.)
MAY 8, 2014
- 1966 JOAN E. TRAVERSO (Elem. Ed.) (M.S. Ed. '79)
APRIL 6, 2014
- 1970 EVANGELINE M. STONEBRAKER (Art/Ed.)
APRIL 3, 2014
- 1972 RENEE C. KARU (A.A. Psych.)
MARCH 4, 2014
- 1973 HAROLD F. MCCULLOUGH (Poli. Sci.)
MARCH 4, 2014
ELEANOR A. TWOMEY (M.B.A.)
MAY 1, 2014
- 1974 JOHN R. HARPER (M.S.E.)
FEBRUARY 11, 2014
- 1979 RUTH GROSS (Anthro.)
MAY 2, 2014
JOHN R. NOREK (M.B.A.)
FEBRUARY 27, 2014
- 1980 MARY ANNE O'BRIEN (Music)
FEBRUARY 8, 2014
- 1981 MARLENE J. AHMADIFAR (Health)
FEBRUARY 17, 2014
- 1987 JAMES E. BUSCH (M.S.E.)
MARCH 23, 2014
- 1990 GUY H. ERIKSEN (Elec. Eng.)
MARCH 12, 2014
VIRGINIA KNIGHT (Poli. Sci.)
MARCH 12, 2014
- 1991 PHILLIP DESHEPLO (Psych.)
APRIL 26, 2014
- 1992 IRADELL R. ABNEY (Elec. Eng.) (M.A.T. '05)
JANUARY 30, 2014
- 1993 MARIA E. CANTOR (Art)
FEBRUARY 25, 2014
- 1998 ARTHUR GILBERT (Hist.)
MARCH 27, 2014

FRIENDS

- WILLIAM E. BURKE (former student)
FEBRUARY 12, 2014
- J. EDWARD COOK (former student)
MARCH 27, 2014
- THOMAS J. DAMES (former adjunct professor)
MARCH 26, 2014
- JULIA FEENEY (former Health Center nurse)
APRIL 3, 2014
- JAMES FENNER (former professor at Monmouth Junior College)
JANUARY 25, 2014
- VERA A. FERICOLA (former Holiday Ball volunteer and member of the MU Library Assn)
APRIL 4, 2014
- JOSEPH R. GIACALONE (former faculty member)
MARCH 13, 2014
- ZACHARY D. LEN (former student)
JANUARY 28, 2014
- GARY R. MCANELLY (former student)
JANUARY 27, 2014
- MICHELE O'TOOLE (former assistant softball coach)
MARCH 25, 2014

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