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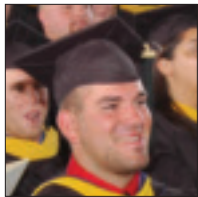
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ON THE COVER:

Pictured (L-R) in front of the Kislak Real Estate Institute are three generations of Kislaks: John, Jason, and family patriarch Jay. The Kislak Family's generous \$2 million dollar donation will ensure a bright future for Monmouth University's new undergraduate major in real estate, slated to start in fall 2007. The program will be the first of its kind in New Jersey.



Hail to the Hawks 2005-2006 Basketball Team!

the cover photo and caption about the NCAA tournament on the last issue of *Monmouth University Magazine* immediately caught my eye. It brings me great joy to see my alma mater share the accomplishments of her students with the American public.

In addition to the feature story, I thoroughly enjoyed the article on the Writing Center, as well as the biographies in the article. As noted, Jane DeTullio has truly revolutionized the organization and set-up of the Writing Center, making it a highly effective resource. As a former adjunct instructor of history and faculty tutor, I appreciated the extensive information about the Writing Center. Thanks for the great issue.

Kathryn Patrick '01 (Hist. / Pol. Sci.) M '04 (Hist.)

Singing the Praises of Yvonne Singer

What an incredible use of time, talents, intelligence, and determination! Not that this should be a surprise. Yvonne persevered just as boldly as humanly possible when pursuing her A.A. degree at Brookdale Community College. She worked the hard way then—manually—with photocopied pages. When she completed her studies at Brookdale, she left us with one of her first writing accomplishments from the soul: a huge, humane article in the college newspaper, *The Stall*. And that was just the beginning! I am so happy that she has been rightfully hired as a college professor. Her writings and insights are stupendous, and with her enthusiasm and determination, she is impacting a world of friends.

Susan Rosenberg,
Library Professor,
Brookdale Community College

More Celli Memoirs ...

iI can't imagine how I overlooked the photo of WMCX DJ John Celli, which appeared in the spring 2005 issue of the *Monmouth University Magazine*! John and I were good friends and fellow 1973 graduates of Long Branch High School, then went on to Monmouth College together. Whenever I knew that John was broadcasting, I'd go up to see him and "pull" records for him. Once when someone didn't show up to give the weather report, he threw a set of headphones on me, shoved a piece of paper in my hand, and pulled my chair into an adjoining booth, despite my protests. Then he said, "Here's Cheryl with the weather report." Well, I managed to stammer through it, ever mindful of how odd my voice sounded to me coming through the headphones.

Cheryl (Morris) Miller '77

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KISLAK REAL ESTATE INSTITUTE



The Kislak Family in front of the Real Estate Institute. From L-R: John, Jason, Sima, Jay, David, Paula and Phil.

The Kislak Real Estate Institute

Home Sweet Home of New Jersey's First Undergraduate Real Estate Major

BY DAN WEEKS

June was an eventful month for the Real Estate Institute at Monmouth University. On June 1, the institute held its Annual Leadership Excellence Award Dinner, at which it honored Emanuel Stern, the president and COO of Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc. One of the highlights of this year's gala was the announcement of a gift of \$2 million from the Kislak Family Fund, which will enable the institute to meet its long-term goal of establishing an undergraduate program in real estate.

"The gift will enable us to finally introduce a real estate concentration as part of the bachelor's degree in Business Administration," says Dr. Donald Moliver, the institute's director. "This puts us in elite company because only about 65 colleges and universities nationwide have an undergraduate program in real estate, even though there are about 1,800 business schools in the country."

The program will be the first in New Jersey to offer undergraduates a real estate concentration for academic credit. Monmouth will join New York University, which Moliver says has established “a hugely successful program;” The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania; Johns Hopkins in Baltimore; and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, all of which have recognized the importance of real estate as a profession and have established undergraduate programs.

“The Kislak family decided to make the donation to mark the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Kislak Real Estate Co., which began as a small commercial brokerage in Hoboken under the leadership of Julius Kislak and has grown into a nationwide full-service commercial real estate company. The Kislak Company, Woodbridge, is one of the largest real estate companies in the state. The University has renamed the institute the Kislak Real Estate Institute in recognition of the family’s donation,” explains Vice President of University Advancement Jeff Mills, who facilitated the naming of the gift.

“We wanted to make a substantial donation to our industry,” says Jay I. Kislak, Julius’s son. Julius Kislak, a Ukrainian immigrant, died in 1979. “Our contribution is one way of giving back to the profession.” He noted that the gift would also honor his father. Mr. Kislak is chairman of the board of J.I. Kislak, Inc., Miami Lakes, Fla., the parent company of the Woodbridge firm.

According to Moliver, undergraduate education in the field has become increasingly necessary as real estate has gained recognition as a profession. “For decades real estate had been viewed as a trade, but today it is really a profession.” He notes that in 2005 half of the wealth in the United States was related to real estate—either through personal property and investment or through allied professions, such as engineering, architecture, construction, planning, assessment, insurance, and law. Proof of “professionalization” can be seen in the interest that premier institutions



Jay I. Kislak and Vice President of University Advancement Jeffery N. Mills, PhD, in front of the Real Estate Institute that bears the Kislak family’s name.



Left to right: Don Moliver, Ph.D, Director of Monmouth University’s Kislak Real Estate Institute; William T. Kitley, Senior Vice President with Capmark Financial Group and an adjunct faculty of the Real Estate Institute; Monmouth graduates and Capmark analysts Gina Melicore M '06 and Andy Roland M '98

of higher education are beginning to show in the real estate field. According to Moliver, in addition to the 65 or so institutions of higher education that have instituted undergraduate programs, Cambridge University has recently initiated a master's degree in real estate.

Jeff Mills says the Kislaks' gift will allow the University to overcome the prohibitive expense of introducing a new undergraduate program that will meet accreditation criteria. Says Moliver: "The Kislak gift has enabled us to move forward," he says. "We will be able to increase our resources and to hire additional qualified professionals to join our faculty."

The new concentration will give Monmouth students a significant advantage in the job market. "Most business majors who go into real estate have to learn on the job," says Moliver. "Our students will have a leg up because they will be exposed to finance, development, law, construction, and all facets of the real estate business. This should also be a significant advantage to the companies that hire them."

Moliver says the undergraduate concentration should be in place by fall 2007. The School of Business Administration currently offers a bachelor of science degree in Business Administration with concentrations in accounting, economics, finance, management, and marketing.

While the Kislak gift allows the Real Estate Institute to achieve one of its major objectives, Moliver says the real work has just begun. In addition to instituting the program, which requires hiring faculty and designing curriculum, the institute will continue to pursue ongoing goals of becoming a regional research center and database for real estate and economic development. The institute will also continue to furnish employee training and executive development in real estate and related fields.

"Down the road we would like to endow one more professorship," says Moliver. He expects that the funds to do so might be raised through the institute's annual Leadership Excellence Award Dinner. He says the second endowed professorship would support a faculty member who

specializes in public policy and law, environmental concerns, eminent domain, affordable housing, and smart growth.

Dr. Moliver, who was instrumental in establishing the Real Estate Institute in 1992, currently holds the first endowed chair in real estate—the Steven and Elaine Pozycki Professorship of Real Estate. Steven J. Pozycki '73, who created the endowed chair with a \$1 million gift in 2001, is the chairman and chief executive officer of SJP Properties, a commercial real estate investment, development, and management company based in Parsippany. Mr. Pozycki, who is also currently a member of

the University Board of Trustees, received the Real Estate Institute Leadership Excellence Award in 1996.

Moliver credits Mr. Pozycki and Arthur Greenbaum with "putting the Real Estate Institute on the map," through their leadership and philanthropy. Mr. Greenbaum, Esq., of Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith, Ravin, Davis & Himmel, LLC, received the first Leadership Award in 1994. Monmouth University awarded him an honorary degree in 1996. Both men serve on the Executive Advisory Council of the institute.



THE INSTITUTE'S FACULTY, SAYS MOLIVER, "ARE PRACTITIONERS, NOT THEORISTS." EACH ONE HAS AT LEAST TWELVE YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN THE BUSINESS. CURRENT FACULTY INCLUDE:

STEVEN J. BRODMAN, a partner with the law firm of Ansell Zaro Grimm & Aaron. The firm specializes in real property tax appeals, commercial and residential real estate, and borrower and lender financing.

JOHN GIUNCO, an officer in the law firm of Giordano, Halleran & Ciesla, PC. Mr. Giunco specializes in land use and development, and the sale, acquisition, and financing of real estate.

WILLIAM T. KITLEY, a senior vice president of origination with GMACCM, now called Capmark Financial Group. Kitley has more than thirty years' experience in commercial real estate finance, development, and investment sales and has closed more than \$6 billion in commercial financing.

PETER S. REINHART, senior vice president and general counsel for K. Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. Mr. Reinhart was a member of the Real Estate Task Force of New Jersey's Economic Master Plan Commission under Gov. Whitman. He also served as president of the New Jersey Builders Association.

ROBERT C. SCHACHTER, a partner at Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis and chair of the firm's real estate department. Mr. Schachter is considered one of the top lawyers in the nation of those who specialize in real estate practice.

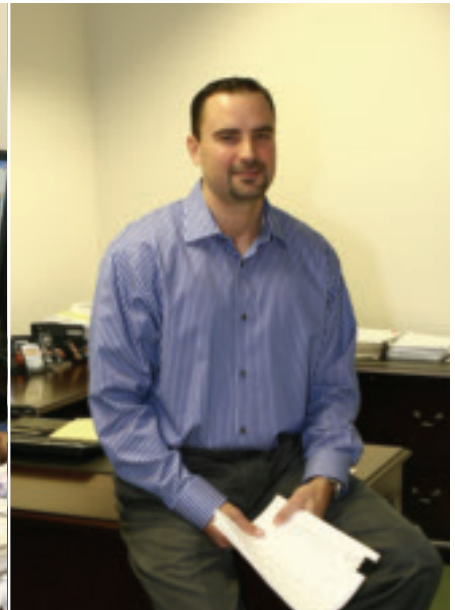
JOHN A. SOMERS, retired executive vice president of TIAA-CREFF and head of TIAA Investments. Mr. Somers supervises the acquisition of publicly traded bonds, direct placement loans to business and industry, commercial mortgage financing and real estate at TIAA-CREFF.



GINA MELICORE M '06
Monmouth graduate and Capmark analyst



WILLIAM T. KITLEY
Senior Vice President with Capmark Financial Group
and an adjunct faculty of the Real Estate Institute



ANDY ROLAND M '98
Monmouth graduate and Capmark analyst

For decades **real estate** had been viewed as a trade, but today it is really a **profession**.

Stephen B. Siegel of Insignia/ESG and Patrick Murphy of CB Richard Ellis also made significant financial contributions to help establish the institute. Mr. Siegel donated \$100,000 to fund the annual real estate lecture series, and Mr. Murphy established a \$50,000 scholarship for children of public servants. Mr. Siegel also serves on the Executive Advisory Council. The fact that the Real Estate Institute at Monmouth was already well-established helped to convince the Kislaks to fund an undergraduate program.

From the beginning the Real Estate Institute has offered a certificate program for professionals in the field. To earn a certificate, one must complete a five-course program. The curriculum covers investment, asset management, consulting, development, and finance. Courses are offered on a ten-week basis.

The program is currently the only executive education real estate program in New Jersey, and those

who have taken courses see immediate advantages. "Novice real estate professionals are only exposed to a few aspects of business," says Andy Roland, who earned an MBA at Monmouth in 1998. "If one enrolls in the Real Estate Institute, one will see multiple sides of the business, including development, leasing, financing, valuation, and real estate law." Roland enrolled in the certificate program's night classes in 1998 after landing a job as a real estate analyst at GMAC Commercial Mortgage.

In fall 2005, the institute initiated a real estate track as a component of the master's degree in business administration. The MBA requires completion of 51 credits, including 15 dedicated specifically to real estate. Required courses include Real Estate Law; Real Estate Analysis; Real Estate Finance, Investment & Taxation; Real Estate Lease & Negotiations; and Real Estate Regulations & Development.

Gina Melicore, who received her MBA with a concentration in real estate this June, is one of the first graduates of the new master's program. "More business majors should consider the real estate concentration," she says. "Bill Kitley and Don Moliver were two of my key professors at Monmouth, and getting to know them has helped me to learn so much about both the industry and the successful professionals who drive it."

Melicore entered the program in 2003 as a graduate assistant. She began working full time as an analyst at GMAC Mortgage, now CapMark Financial Group, Inc., in September 2005. There she was mentored by another Monmouth alumnus, none other than the aforementioned Andy Roland.

"Real Estate is a great industry to work in," says Melicore, who is now considering working toward a Ph.D. in real estate at either the University of Pennsylvania or the Manhattan Business School at the State University of New York. **MU**



Emanuel Stern Honored at 13th Annual Leadership Excellence Award Dinner

Ara Hovnarian (left) with Kislak Real Estate Institute Dinner Honoree Emanuel Stern



▶ Nearly 600 luminaries turned out for the Kislak Real Estate Institute's 13th Annual Leadership Award Dinner, June 1, at Wilson Hall. This year's recipient was Emanuel Stern, president and chief operating officer of Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc., Secaucus. The dinner raised \$330,000 to support the Institute.

"He's a dominant player in the real estate industry," says Dr. Donald Moliver, the director of the Kislak Real Estate Institute. "Hartz Mountain has about triple the holdings of the nearest competitor in industrial and commercial real estate in the state."

Indeed, since its founding in 1966, Hartz Mountain has become a regional powerhouse and one of the largest private owners of commercial real estate in the United States. Today, the company owns and operates 200 buildings in the New York/New Jersey area. It represents

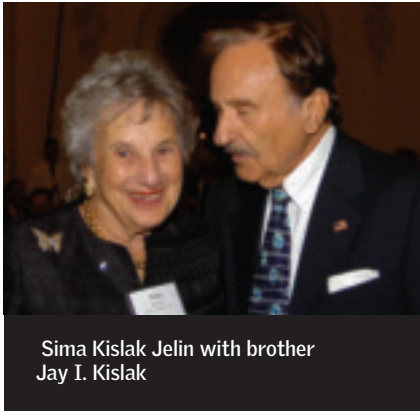
more than 38 million square feet of retail, hotel, office, and industrial space. The company also owns more than 200 acres of prime land in Northern New Jersey for future development.

Mr. Stern has been the president and COO of Hartz Mountain since 1997. He has been instrumental in the redevelopment of the Jersey City waterfront and has recently undertaken the redevelopment of the Ford Motor Co. plant in Edison. Both projects will serve as models for the redevelopment of urban and industrial space. Mr. Stern has also

helped to revitalize lower Manhattan by developing two premier hotels—the SoHo Grand and the Tribeca Grand.

He is also active in public and cultural affairs. He is a trustee of the New York Historical Society and the Citizens Budget Commission of New York, as well as a board member of the Jewish Community of Manhattan.

"Emanuel Stern has really made a distinctive contribution to the industry through his vision and entrepreneurship," Moliver notes. "And fortunately for us, both he and his corporation have



Sima Kislak Jelin with brother Jay I. Kislak

been very philanthropic.”

The Leadership Excellence Award is given each year to recognize “an outstanding individual for his or her distinctive contributions to the State of New Jersey and to the nation through a career in Real Estate.” It also recognizes “the interdependent relationship between Monmouth University and the real estate industry.” Recipients must either be residents of New Jersey or “regard New Jersey as an important locus of their corporate identity.”

Previous recipients include: Arthur M. Greenbaum, Esq., HN '96, of Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith, Ravin, Davis & Himmel, LLC; Kevork S. Hovnanian of K. Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc.; Steven J. Pozyski '73 of SJP Properties; Anne Evans Estabrook of Elberon Development Co.; Benedict J. Torcivia, Sr., of Torcon, Inc.; Charles Klatskin of Binswanger/Klatskin; Alan B. Landis of The Landis Group; Stephen B. Siegel of Insignia/ESG; Mitchell E. Hersh of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation; John A. Somers of TIAA-CREFF; Patrick Murphy of CB Richard Ellis; and Ara Hovnanian, president and CEO of Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc.



Arthur Greenbaum, President Gaffney, and Chairman of the Board Stephen Parks '68



Chairman of the Board Stephen Parks '68 and David Kislak discuss the newly minted program addition to the MBA program: a concentration in real estate



Jay I. Kislak, whose family foundation donated \$2 million to the Real Estate Institute that is now named in their honor, is congratulated by John Kessler '69 with a standing ovation from the Real Estate Institute Dinner attendees.



MONMOUTH STEPPING

INTO THE FUTURE

A RECORD NUMBER OF GRADUATES ARE HONORED DURING MONMOUTH'S 2006 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

BY ELLIOTT DENMAN

“I am just beaming right now,” admitted Linda Kelly of West Long Branch, trying to hold back tears of joy, but not really succeeding. Linda and Ed Kelly might have been the proudest parents in the universe at this moment, the late afternoon of May 17, 2006. Their son, Brian, had just graduated *summa cum laude* with a degree in biology and marine environmental sciences during Monmouth University's 72nd commencement ceremony at the PNC Bank Arts Center, Holmdel Township.

Brian Kelly had never seen the need to travel to a distant campus for his college education. A resident of West Long Branch, he knew all along there was a quality institution in his hometown, on a campus little more than a mile from his North Locust Avenue home. “I have never regretted staying close to home,” he said.

And his parents saw him blossom as a Monmouth undergraduate. “Monmouth was just an awesome place,” said Ed Kelly. “His professors really turned the light on for

Brian. They were always right on. They were the best.”

Brian Kelly will at last head further afield this fall, armed with a 3.94 grade-point average and a scholarship for graduate studies at Rutgers University.

Brian Kelly and 1,049 of his classmates constituted the largest graduating class in Monmouth history. A total of 740 earned bachelor's degrees, 300 acquired master's degrees, 10 took home associate's degrees.



Monmouth University Chairman of the Board Stephen Parks '68 and President Paul G. Gaffney flank honorary degree recipients (from L-R) Charles Gibson, award-winning former co-host of ABC-TV's "Good Morning America" and the new anchor for ABC's "World News Tonight"; Sara J. Bloomfield, director of the United States Holocaust Museum; and Frankie Valli, an original 'Jersey Boy' with the Four Seasons.

The joys of graduation day seemed to ripple in all directions from Shadow Lawn. Monmouth's diverse student body now includes the representatives of most of the nation's 50 states as well as more than 28 other countries. They are enrolled in seven undergraduate schools and the single graduate school. They have the choice of 48 undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

And now it will be up to Monmouth's Class of 2006 to put their education to best use in "the real world."

"It is your mission to learn how to think, how to handle life, how to interpret, how to form an argument and defend it," they were told by commencement speaker **Charles Gibson**, the award-winning co-host of ABC-TV's "Good Morning America" and new anchor of ABC's *World News Tonight*, who was presented an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters by Paul G. Gaffney II, Monmouth University's President.

"But perhaps most important of all, in these four years," reminded Gibson, "it was your mission to develop a personal

code of ethics. You are going to be tested at many places in your life. These tests will define you as a human being."

Wherever their future travels take these new Monmouth graduates—their "halfway house to life" now over—Gibson identified five things they'll need to carry with them always: "compassion, honesty, fairness, trustworthiness, and respect for others."

For **Frankie Valli**, an original "Jersey Boy" of the legendary Four Seasons group (whose record sales now number over 100 million and whose story is now being sung out as a Tony Award-winning Broadway hit), the path to his newly conferred honorary title, Doctor of Music, was a very special American odyssey. Although he never graduated from high school, Valli achieved international renown on stage and screen and in the recording world during a career that included many appearances on this same PNC Bank Arts Center stage. To him, the journey represented "a sound track of our lives."

"Only in America could this happen to a high school dropout," he said.



In a unanimous vote of confidence by the U.S. Senate, Noel Hillman '81 was confirmed in June as a federal judge for New Jersey. Hillman was instrumental as a lead prosecutor in the Jack Abramoff corruption case. He had worked since 2002 as the chief of the Public Integrity Section in the Criminal Division of the Justice Department. Prior positions included a stint in the U.S. Attorney's Office in New Jersey, where he served as deputy chief of the Criminal Division before his departure in 2001.

"I love all you guys out there," he told his appreciative audience. "There is so much ahead for you."

Sara J. Bloomfield, director of the United States Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C., was presented the honorary degree of Doctor of Public Affairs. Bloomfield joined the Holocaust Museum not long after its founding in 1986 and has since seen it welcome more than 23 million visitors, among them more than 80 heads of state. The museum is more than "a living memorial" to horrific events of the past: it serves as a moral compass to those working to alleviate current horrors and to prevent future ones.

"Travel abroad, live abroad," Bloomfield said, urging Monmouth graduates to explore lands beyond America's shores. In whatever paths they chose, she asked them to strive to "repair a broken world" while "having a good life's adventure" along the way.

Dr. Bruce R. Normandia, an assistant professor in Monmouth's Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the School of Education, was saluted as

2006 recipient of the University's Distinguished Teacher Award.

Class of 2006 members venture forth knowing they have received a first-rate education and carrying with them memories and friendships that will endure for their lifetimes.

For Russell Anderson, who came to Monmouth from Chester, New York, in the fall of 1999, the present ceremony was as much a thrill for him as it was two years ago. Anderson earned a bachelor of arts degree in public communications in 2004 and now was back to receive his master's degree in corporate and public finance. Currently working as a certified personal trainer, he would like to explore future business opportunities combining both of those major interests.

It was on the hardwood of Boylan Gymnasium, however, that Anderson learned some of life's greatest lessons, in the give-and-take of varsity basketball. The former star forward and his Hawk teammates advanced to the "The Big Dance" of the NCAA Tournament in 2001 and 2004. While they bowed out in the opening round each time, it was the drama of getting-there through the Northeast Conference playoffs that he'll never forget.

"We've (Monmouth sports teams) never declined, we're always going for the top," he said with pride. "That's one thing about Monmouth, we have great coaches and administrative individuals. They always bring in the right people. Attending Monmouth was one of the greatest decisions of my life."

Shannon Weir of Millstone Township earned a degree in business management, but is in no hurry to leave the campus. "I've applied to grad school here and am waiting to hear if I've been accepted. So I hope I'll be back in the fall," she said. The human resources field now heads Weir's list of career destinations. And tops on her list of Monmouth memories are "all the great people I've met. They'll be my friends for life," she said. But the thrill of the ceremony itself will linger, too. "I think I'm going to be crying all day," she said.

Class of '81 Celebrates its 25th Anniversary



Other special commencement guests included members of Monmouth's class of 1981. Twenty-five years after their own graduation, they were back—appropriately garbed in silver academic gowns.

Mark Weres of Union, New Jersey, may be the new recipient of a business marketing degree, but he still has a huge undergraduate assignment ahead. As the starting third baseman on Monmouth's baseball team, he is heading to the NEC championship playoffs, hoping for a spot in the NCAA tournament—something that has eluded the Hawks since 1999. His greatest Monmouth memories: "Four years of varsity baseball with the greatest group of guys in the world." Arizona now beckons to Weres. "Hopefully, I'll get into something out there in advertising and commercials. And if it works out that it's in baseball, that would really be great."

For Falie Alexandre of Asbury Park, the emotions of the commencement ceremony ran deeper than for most. Ten years ago, her family had come to the U.S. from Haiti, seeking a better life, and here she was living out an American dream. With her undergraduate degree in accounting, Alexandre plans to be a CPA. "All my classes, all my teachers, they were wonderful," she said. "Everyone was so friendly. They always made me feel right at home. I can never forget any of this."

"Sure I'm sad to be leaving, but I know I couldn't have spent the last four

years at a better place," said Tyler Azzarelli of Tampa, Florida, who received a bachelor's degree in marketing. Monmouth hoops enthusiasts are equally sad to see him depart. A star guard on the varsity basketball team, Azzarelli helped lead the Hawks to Northeast Conference titles and NCAA appearances in 2004 and 2006. When the Hawks needed extra punch to defeat Central Connecticut in the 2004 NEC title game, Azzarelli leaped forward to deliver 19 points and four key assists in a 12-point triumph. All this was a joy to headline-writers. At last, his numbers on court had topped those he earned in the classroom. Azzarelli, who hopes to continue playing in Europe or to venture into coaching, leaves Monmouth with a 3.93 grade-point average and *summa cum laude* distinction.

Tradition and emotion were again served with "Pomp and Circumstance," the day's theme song. But the refrains of "Alma Mater," music by Beethoven, lyrics by alumnus Louis P. Nappen, held just as true—"High above the ocean's roar, the Blue Hawks rise to meet the world."

"Go out now and write history," said President Gaffney at the ceremony's end. "Be well."

It was time to meet the world. **MU**

Some seventy years ago on the west side of campus, the Parson estate's one-time horse stables morphed into a new kind of form and function: Monmouth University's Department of Art and Design. The spaces—both inside and out—have become dynamic workplaces and showcases representing a broad range of creativity. From the outdoor artistry of the Blonder Sculpture Garden



CULTIVATING THE FINE ARTS ON CAMPUS

to the art studios smelling of potter's clay and the scents of the painter's linseed and pigment, the artist's individual form of expression is worked, reviewed, retooled, and revisited until the artist—or the course deadline—announces its completion.

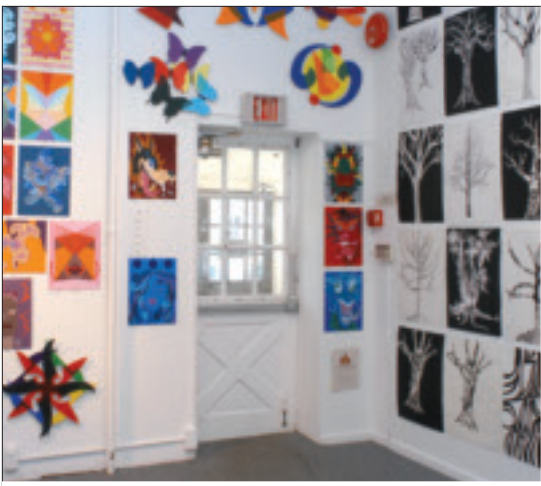
Dean of Humanities Stan Green, Associate Dean Golan Mathbor, and Acting Co-Chair of the Department of Art and Design Michael Thomas have worked to revamp the curricula, spending a year streamlining and broadening the program as well as forging a B.F.A. degree in graphic design. An M.F.A. program may also be on the horizon.

The department has revamped the foundation program by splitting it into two areas. Program Director of Design Karen Bright oversees design and media. Program Director of Studio

Art Tom Baker heads up the studio art area, including painting, intaglio and relief printing. Rounding out the department are Professors Vince Di-Mattio, who teaches drawing, painting, basic design, and participates in several lecture courses; Professor Edward Jankowski, an expert in nineteenth and twentieth century art; Associate Professors Pat Hill Cresson, who specializes in computer graphics, design, and illustration; and Assistant professor Jing Zhou, who teaches graphic and web design, flash animation, and fine arts.

Many well-placed alumni of the Monmouth University Fine Arts program have forged successful careers using their talents and skills—everywhere from major publishing corporations such as Time Inc. Magazines and Simon and Schuster to advertising and design firms from New Jersey to D.C.

Says Cresson: "When I first started teaching at Monmouth in 1994, there were a few dozen arts majors, all of whom were focused on education or fine art; today there are approximately 200 art and design students across all disciplines. Our growth has been extraordinary, and a big draw for talented and committed students considering the program has been the realization that our art department alumni have forged successful careers." **MU**



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THE ART OF LIVING

BY ERINN DEIGNAN, A STUDENT IN THE HONORS SCHOOL

Life is the greatest gift we are given. We are born with the ability to think, perceive, and feel in ways which no other species can. This is the result of the existence of the soul.



The soul cannot be perceived through sensory experience. It can only be felt in brief moments that come to a hasty end all too soon. Yet the strength and power of these supernatural experiences attest to the fact of the soul's existence. The highest aspects of humanity are reflected in our souls, and through the creation of art it is possible to release the goodness and power which is held within us. Art allows us to express ourselves: our feelings, our emotions, and our humanity. Through it, we can transcend to a higher goal, and achieve a stronger purpose in our lives through a greater awareness of ourselves and others.



As humans, we are plagued by the idea of the event which we know is inevitable, yet which we can not predict. Death must come to all and is the only true certainty. It is a sobering thought, yet one which calls us to a higher purpose and gives us responsibility. If our time on earth is merely borrowed, there is a responsibility not to waste it. The only time spent constructively is time spent with others, and for the good of others. We can never be truly noble if we do not attempt to better the lives of our fellow men through charity. True art holds one purpose; to help people reach a higher goal through the viewing, reading, or hearing of the work. Through a greater understanding of ourselves, we will gain knowledge of our place in the human experience. This will lead to a desire to help others achieve this goal. When art leads us to an understanding our place and purpose in the world, the artist has acted nobly.



Art gives us a vision of the world as it should be. The world we live in is fraught with war, violence, depression, and anger. Life's complexities sometimes lead to confusion and despair. Many do not realize that their actions have the power to influence others. Yet, art has the power to take us away from the sometimes disturbing world we live in to an interior place where the imagination can roam free. It offers a glimpse of a world where we are not the center of the earth but rather a link in the endless chain of humanity. By showing us that our decisions have the power to change the state of our world, art gives us a priceless gift. Art's vision can only be realized if we allow it to affect our lives in a humbling way. If we do, we will learn the art of living.



OLDEST KNOWN LIVING ALUM IS 96 YEARS YOUNG

In the same year that the U.S.S.R. was admitted to the League of Nations, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) was established, and Bonnie and Clyde met their demise, Cora B. Williams received her diploma as part of Monmouth Junior College's first graduating class in 1934. Cora, who still resides in her hometown of Red Bank, is distinguished as Monmouth University's oldest known living alumni. We recently paid Cora a visit, and got her toes tappin' and fingers snappin' to a guitar rendition of "Young at Heart" (1954 music by Johnny Richards, lyrics by Carolyn Leigh.)



Cora is shown here with Vice President Jeffery N. Mills, PhD, who presented her with a certificate to honor her distinction as the oldest known living alumni.



JANUARY BEER TASTING

The Alumni Association, prompted by a group of enthusiastic young graduates, sponsored a tasting of unique beers earlier this year. The beers were carefully chosen to help the tasters enjoy a sampling of brews, aimed to please even the most discerning of palates. The January event attracted a large crowd, the majority of whom graduated within the last several years. Plentiful food and chance drawings for souvenirs contributed to the enjoyable event, but alumni especially had fun just meeting up with good friends.



TOP LEFT Paul Kostrowksi '75; President Paul G. Gaffney and Linda Gaffney TOP RIGHT Donny Minto '01 '04, Thomas Lord '05, Brian Wagner '02, Eddie Zurawski '01, and Thomas Angiolino '01 BOTTOM LEFT Matt Soto '04 and Noelle Durett '04 BOTTOM RIGHT Tim Stoops '99, Meaghan King, Tim Cook '99



FEBRUARY WINE TASTING

The Alumni Association's annual international wine tasting event in February attracted dozens of alumni and friends of the university, who sampled several varietal and sparkling wines in the elegant setting of Wilson Hall.



TOP LEFT Guests Allyson Cavaluzzi and Chris Matts; Lory Napolitano '01, '04; Donald Minto '01, '04; and Jason Bentley '01, '04
TOP RIGHT Guest Gabriella Zito with Patrick Connelly '00
BOTTOM LEFT Guest Mary Sciarrillo with Kathy Miller '94M, '98M
BOTTOM RIGHT Federico Lucas '01; guests Shirley Muchmore and Kristina Neushoff; and George Levins '01



TKE

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF TKE CELEBRATE IN APRIL

Monmouth University's first fraternity celebrated its 40th Anniversary at an April reunion event in Wilson Hall. The evening's festivities included dinner, dancing, and years of note comparing. Originally founded as TKB (Tau Kappa Beta) 50 years ago, the fraternity was renamed TKE (Tau Kappa Epsilon) in 1966.

TOP LEFT Gregg Doyle '91, Lance Surdez '90, Scott Holsten '91, Marc Ciangiulli '89, Tara Dinuzzo (finance of Ian Hughes), and Ian Hughes '91
TOP RIGHT Mernie Libonate, John Zawrotnak '66 (one of the organizers of the reunion), and Tom Libonate '69
BOTTOM LEFT TKE founders at Monmouth University Elliott Weinberg '61 and Steve Giddio '60
BOTTOM RIGHT TKE "Band of Brothers"

More photos of the guests attending all events can be viewed on the alumni home page "Photo Gallery".

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a day in the life of the president

DATELINE: APRIL 18, 2006, WEST LONG BRANCH

For Paul G. Gaffney II, there is no such thing as a “typical day.”

Aside from seizing each and every one of them as Horace, the military man turned scholar and poet advised some 1,900 years ago, Monmouth’s president is accustomed to a workday that keeps him actively engaged in most of its 24 hours. A seasoned multi-

tasker, talented educator, and able CEO, President Gaffney has parlayed his many skills to affect major strides in the areas of curricula, athletics, the arts, campus life, and community involvement—all in just three years as Monmouth University’s leader. ...



 5:32 AM



...Responds to the sound of reveille: in the Admiral's latest career, that means an electronic alarm clock that declares the beginning of another busy day. President Gaffney's "office" is far more than an area on the second floor of Wilson Hall: it includes the lion's share of the 155 acres of land on Monmouth University's campus—most of which he has combed by foot—from the athletic fields through the art galleries, into the library, and around the academic buildings...



 6:08 AM



...Warms up on the campus gym's treadmill, settling in to a 10-minute-mile pace in his Nike MaxAir running shoes. The well-worn treads of his favorite footwear reveal the toll of having logged hundreds of miles on West Long Branch land and in the University's Boylan Gym Fitness Center since he made Monmouth County his workout gym as well as his home...



 7:29 AM



...Grabs a light breakfast at the Student Center, taking time to greet the early-rising faculty and staff who are also starting their workdays on campus...then stops to chat with a group of students before continuing on with his morning...



 8:12 AM



...Heads to his Wilson Hall office, and detours to the top of the south lawn to catch a few minutes of soccer practice...chats briefly with Women's Soccer Coach Krissy Turner and new Assistant Coach Bonnie Young, the dynamic duo who leads the team in one of their off-season workouts...



 8:36 AM



...President Gaffney strides over to the Wilson Hall office, reviews his schedule for the day, responds to phone calls and e-mails, and—seated before the stacks of papers on his desk—systematically works through the piles and methodically tackles his in-box. (He works by the rule that he will never leave for the day without clearing his desk of action items.)



🕒 9:02 AM



...Presides at the meeting of the University's Cabinet, which brings the twelve senior members of his staff to the table. The agenda includes discussions about recent student and faculty accomplishments and awards, community relations with our neighbors, donations to the University, improvements to the campus, and the exciting news that the entering freshman Class of 2010 has been filled well ahead of schedule. "Every vector at the University is good...academic strides, classroom dynamics, successful athletic teams, and a lot of continued optimism and confidence about the future of the campus and its community. ..."



🕒 12:04 NOON



...Meets with two officials who recently joined the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders—Lillian Burry, who was elected in November 2005, and Anna Little, who was appointed to the post—over a working lunch in the Commons conference room...then welcomes the Christie Todd Whitman Scholars who are convened in the Club Lounge. ...



🕒 1:01 PM



...Introduces and attends a lecture, slide show, and video presentation on African Ceremonies: an Exploration of Ancient Cultures in the Pollak Theatre. The riveting event draws a large crowd from the campus and local community, and acquaints the audience with authors and photographers Carol Beckwith and Angela Fisher, whose research and travels stretched from Swaziland to Morocco. The event, followed by a lively reception, is sponsored by longtime friend of the University, Mrs. Betty G. Young, the Office of the Provost, the Office of Academic Program Initiatives, and the Global Understanding Project. ...



🕒 3:39 PM



President Gaffney finds a shaded table outside the Student Center, where he catches up on his messages via cell phone and returns time-sensitive calls. ...Never out of touch with his busy office for long, he discusses updates regarding his evening schedule with Executive Assistant to the President Janet Fell. ...



4:10 PM



...After the softball team's narrow 5-4 victory over Sacred Heart in the first-game of a doubleheader, Monmouth shuts out the Pioneers 2-0 in the second, spurred on by the cheers of the Hawks fans in the bleachers—including President Gaffney; Ms. Nancy DiLeo, mother of catcher Lisa DiLeo; and Ms. Cindy Mignona, mother of outfielder Gina Mignon. ...



5:23 PM



...Joins avid Monmouth sports fan and alumni parent Jim Barlow in the Hawks' baseball bleachers, where they cheer on the team to a 6-3 victory over Iona—Monmouth's 15th win in its last 16 games. Barlow has shown his support of the athletic program off the field as well. The Robert B. and Mary F. Barlow Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to student-athletes who have achieved a 3.0 academic average or better, and who possess the desire and ability to compete in sports at a level consistent with the established athletics program. Says Barlow: "I've yet to run into a athlete who hasn't been a great kid. ..."



6:45 PM



...President Gaffney greets Congressman Holt, along with his aide and District Representative for Military Affairs, Steve Hildner '03, as they enter the Political Science Club's Nuclear Threat Roundtable. Holt moderates a panel that includes Dr. Barbara Reagor, Director of the Monmouth University Center for Rapid Response Data Systems, Dr. Joseph Patten, professor of Political Science, and Monmouth University students. ...



7:09 PM



On this atypical unscheduled night and rare of days when Linda Gaffney is not participating in any official business with the President, it is family man Paul G. Gaffney who travels the short distance to his home on Cedar Avenue, where he enjoys a late dinner and quiet evening with his wife.

2006 FALL SPORTS SCHEDULES

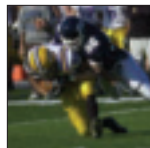
2006 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Sep. 2	Fordham University	A	TBA
Sep. 9	MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Sep. 16	ST. PETER'S COLLEGE	H	1:00 PM
Sep. 23	Colgate University	A	1:00 PM
Sep. 30	* STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Oct. 7	* SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Oct. 14	* Wagner University	A	1:00 PM
Oct. 21	* Robert Morris University	A	1:00 PM
Oct. 28	* CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE U.	H	12:00 NOON
Nov. 4	* ST. FRANCIS UNIVERSITY (PA)	H	1:00 PM
Nov. 11	* University at Albany	A	1:00 PM

*Northeast Conference Game

HEAD COACH: Kevin Callahan

ASSISTANT COACHES: Andy Bobik, Mark Fabish, Scott Van Zile, Brian Gabriel, Brev Creech, Jeff Gallo, Chris Damian, Ryan Monday, Larry Zdilla



2006 FIELD HOCKEY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Aug. 26	Hofstra U. @ U. of Connecticut	A	1:30 PM
Aug. 27	Virginia Commonwealth @ U. of Connecticut	A	2:00 PM
Aug. 30	Villanova University	A	4:00 PM
Sep. 2	BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY	H	12:00 NOON
Sep. 3	WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Sep. 10	Providence College	A	1:00 PM
Sep. 13	La Salle University	A	4:00 PM
Sep. 16	Temple University	A	1:00 PM
Sep. 17	UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND	H	1:00 PM
Sep. 24	* Sacred Heart University	A	2:30 PM
Oct. 1	Princeton University	A	4:00 PM
Oct. 6	* QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY	H	4:00 PM
Oct. 8	* FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Oct. 13	* SIENA COLLEGE	H	4:00 PM
Oct. 15	* ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY	H	12:00 NOON
Oct. 18	Lafayette College	A	7:00 PM
Oct. 20	Rider University	A	4:00 PM
Oct. 27	* Lock Haven University	A	6:30 PM
Oct. 29	* St. Francis University (PA)	A	12:00 NOON
Nov. 3	△ NEC Championships	TBA	TBA
Nov. 4	△ NEC Championships	TBA	TBA

* Northeast Conference Game

△ At highest seed

HEAD COACH: Monica Morgan Levy

ASSISTANT COACH: Carli Figlio

2006 MEN'S SOCCER SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Aug. 17	MERCER COUNTY COLLEGE- Scrimmage	H	3:00 PM
Aug. 19	HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY (Scrimmage)	H	11:00 AM
Aug. 25	George Mason University	A	7:00 PM
Aug. 29	RIDER UNIVERSITY	H	3:00 PM

MU HAWK SOCCER POST CLASSIC

Sep. 1	MANHATTAN COLLEGE	H	1:00 PM
Sep. 1	Seton Hall vs. Adelphi University	H	3:00 PM
Sep. 3	Manhattan College vs. Adelphi University	H	1:00 PM
Sep. 3	SETON HALL UNIVERSITY	H	3:00 PM
Sep. 6	New Jersey Institute of Technology	A	7:00 PM
Sep. 13	Columbia University	A	7:00 PM
Sep. 16	Adelphi University	A	1:00 PM
Sep. 19	PHILADELPHIA UNIVERSITY	H	3:00 PM
Sep. 23	St. Peter's College	A	1:00 PM
Sep. 29	* Quinnipiac University	A	3:00 PM
Oct. 1	* Central Connecticut State University	A	1:00 PM
Oct. 6	* ST. FRANCIS UNIVERSITY (PA)	H	3:00 PM
Oct. 8	* ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Oct. 15	* Mount St. Mary's University	A	1:00 PM
Oct. 20	* Long Island University	A	4:00 PM
Oct. 22	* St. Francis College (NY)	A	5:00 PM
Oct. 27	* FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY	H	3:00 PM
Oct. 29	* SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Nov. 3	△ NEC Championships	TBA	TBA
Nov. 5	△ NEC Championship	TBA	TBA

* Northeast Conference Game

△ At highest seed

HEAD COACH: Robert McCourt

ASSISTANT COACH: Matt Friel and Art Satterwhite

FALL 2006 WOMEN'S SOCCER SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Aug. 27	UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY	H	2:00 PM
Sep. 1	Seton Hall University	A	3:00 PM
Sep. 5	Rutgers University	A	7:00 PM
Sep. 10	ST. PETER'S COLLEGE	H	1:00 PM
Sep. 15	Lehigh University	A	7:00 PM
Sep. 20	LAFAYETTE COLLEGE	H	4:00 PM
Sep. 22	Rider University	A	4:00 PM
Sep. 24	TEMPLE UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Sep. 29	* FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY	H	3:00 PM
Oct. 1	* SACRED HEART UNIVERSITY	H	1:00 PM
Oct. 6	* Quinnipiac University	A	2:00 PM
Oct. 8	* Central Connecticut State University	A	2:00 PM
Oct. 13	* ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY	H	2:00 PM
Oct. 15	* ST. FRANCIS UNIVERSITY (PA)	H	1:00 PM
Oct. 19	New Jersey Institute of Technology	A	7:00 PM
Oct. 22	* Mount St. Mary's University	A	12:00 NOON
Oct. 27	* Long Island University	A	6:00 PM
Oct. 29	* Wagner College	A	1:00 PM
Nov. 3	△ NEC Championships	TBA	TBA
Nov. 5	△ NEC Championship	TBA	TBA

* Northeast Conference Game

△ At highest seed

HEAD COACH: Krissy Turner

ASSISTANT COACH: Bonnie Young and Harvey Meldrum

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MONMOUTH ELECTS NEW TRUSTEES

Dr. Rosa Chaviano-Moran, Mr. H. William Mullaney, and Dr. Monica Sweeney were elected to serve on the board of trustees effective July 1, 2006.



Dr. Rosa Chaviano-Moran is an assistant professor in the Department of Community Health, and the Director of Extramural/Diversity Programs at the University of Medicine and Dentistry in New Jersey. She has been a dental practitioner since 1986, and is involved in a wide range of community outreach programs, as well as acting as the Hispanic faculty advisor for the Hispanic Dental Association Chapter of NJDS. She is also an active member of the National Center for Cultural Competence.

Mr. William Dioguardi '80 was elected to the Monmouth University Board of Trustees in the Class of 2010 at the June 22 Board meeting. Full details will be in the next issue of the magazine.



H. William Mullaney founded Mullaney Insurance Associates, Inc., in 1961. After merging with Commerce Bank in 1999, Mr. Mullaney became the vice president of the company and held this position until his retirement in 2001. Currently, he is a member of the Corporate Executive Board of Family and Children's Service, Monmouth University's Business Council, and the 200 Club of Monmouth County. Mr. Mullaney has been awarded the Certificate of Meritorious Service by Governor William Cahill, a Service Award from the Mercy Center of Asbury Park in 1990, and Monmouth Ocean Development Council's Silver Gull Award for Community Service. Mr. Mullaney attended MU with the proud Class of 1960, and was a founding member of Phi Sigma Delta.



President Gaffney, Chairman of the Board Stephen Parks '68, and Life Trustee Charles T. Parton recognize Lloyd F. Christianson for his leadership and many contributions to Monmouth University over his 47 years of service. The Board recently elected him as a Life Trustee Emeritus.



Dr. Monica Sweeney has served as the vice president of Medical Affairs at the Bedford Stuyvesant Family Health Care Center in Brooklyn for fifteen years. She was appointed to the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS by President George W. Bush. In 1998, Dr. Sweeney was inaugurated president of the Medical Society County of Kings as the first black woman president of this organization. In addition to these outstanding accomplishments, Dr. Sweeney is currently a faculty member of the City University of New York, and the State University of New York.

Special Events

ANNIE RETURNS TO MONMOUTH'S 25TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP BALL

Leaping lizards! Monmouth University's Annual Scholarship Ball in April brought actress Aileen Quinn to Monmouth University's Wilson Hall to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the filming of "Annie," the role in which she starred in 1985. To welcome her back to Monmouth, Wilson Hall was once

again transformed into the mansion of Daddy Warbucks, using period-piece recreations to commemorate the sets in the film. The scholarship ball raised \$207,000 to provide scholarships for students needing financial assistance.



LEFT 2006 Scholarship Ball Committee (*Designates former committee chairs) Jim Barlow, *Maureen Bay '75 (2004) Cathy Bertole, *Joyce Borden-Vernon (1992), Keith Buscio '90, Denise Calloway, Eva Cavallo, Sylvia Cohen, Mary Cosentino, Diane Cusa, Linda Delaney, Marti Egger '81, Vera Fernicola, Linda Gaffney, *Marion Guerrero (2000), Dave Hiers '97, Joanne Hoffman, C. J. Johnson, *Tindra Lanfrank (2002 & 2003), Harriet Lakusiewicz, Judy McClellan, Diana Montonya, Sandy & Bill Mullaney '60, Carol Nissim, Jennifer Nissim, Vaune Peck '87, Marilyn & Ken Rocky '65, Anita Roselle, Barbara Rumsby, Sarah Schiavetti, Diane Schneider, Kate Stevens '02, Annie Swartz '95 (Shapiro), Marilyn Tomaino, Irene and Richard Walter '77, *Juliet Winokur (1998 & 1999). MIDDLE L-R Paul G. Gaffney II, President; ABC radio news correspondent Jim Hickey; actress Aileen Quinn; and Loretta Huddy. Hickey and Huddy were co-chairs of this year's event. RIGHT Board member Oleta Hardan and husband Phil "Puttin' on the Ritz"

STUDENTS AND BENEFACTORS GET REACQUAINTED AT THE SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION



LEFT Arie VanEverdingen and Bonnie J. Lewis Scholarship recipient Chritina Cella MIDDLE Ben Waldron with Monmouth Ocean County Development Council Scholarship recipient Noelle Martines and Mrs. Martines RIGHT President Gaffney with Jane Freed and McMurry-Bennett Foundation Scholarship benefactors James and Vera Ciavaglia

PRESIDENT GAFFNEY HOSTS A VOLUNTEER APPRECIATE BRUNCH DURING NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK



LEFT Ilona Aquila and Tony Aquila '73, '77 from the Mentor Program and Jack Wagner '97 MIDDLE Mark Greenspan and Jan Greenspan '71, '80, Susan Ellsweig, and Gary Barnett '63 RIGHT Paul G. Gaffney II, President; B. Daniel DeMarinis, and J. David Hiers '97



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS LEADERS DINNER

Thanks to Chair Bob Rumsby and the Advancement Office's special events staff, the Business Leaders Dinner held on March 9 was a huge success once again. Established in 1983 as part of Monmouth University's 50th Anniversary celebration, the event pays tribute to individuals or groups that have made distinctive contributions to the tri-state business community through outstanding corporate and civic leadership. This year, John Croddick, the President and CEO of Cosmetic Essence, Inc. in Holmdel, was honored. The dinner netted close to \$156,000.

Students

MONMOUTH STUDENTS RECOGNIZED IN WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES 2006 EDITION

Twelve Monmouth students were recognized in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges* in the 2006 edition. The students are Heather Bachman, Paolo Basile, Kelley Casey, Jessica Chapman, Jacki Murray, Renee Rivera, Theresa Soto, Lindsey Stetson, Kristi Tinnes, Mathew Weisfeld, Pamela Williams, and Cara Williamson.

STUDENT RECEIVES NEW JERSEY PROJECT'S SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Senior Lisa Renk was one of eight recipients of the prestigious award in the New Jersey Project's Seventeenth Annual Student Achievement Award for Excellence in Feminist/Multicultural Scholarship. Lisa received three hundred dollars and an award certificate for her essay entitled "Women's Empowerment in the Islamic Republic of Iran". Her work will be e-published in a volume of award winning essays. Her essay was based on an independent study she completed with Dr. Saliba Sarsar, and argued that an inclusive and pro-feminist interpretation of Islam is necessary for Islamic democracy.

BIOLOGY MAJORS HONORED AT SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

At the Joint Meeting of Eastern Colleges Scientific Conference and Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society held at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia in April,

students Joseph McLaughlin, Joshua Wayne, and Ahmed Rizvi were honored for their research projects. McLaughlin received an award for outstanding platform presentation in the undergraduate category for his research on strain specificity and a possible target of alcohol actions in an animal model of early onset alcohol dependency. His work was supervised by biology professor Dr. Dennis Rhoads. Joshua Wayne and Ahmed Rizvi received an award for outstanding poster presentation in the undergraduate category on cell biology for their research on ERK and JNK regulation upon contact inhibition. Both Wayne and Rizvi's work was under the supervision of biology professor Dr. Dottie Hutter.

FIFTH ANNUAL STUDENT RESEARCH CONFERENCE HELD ON APRIL 12, 2006

The School of Science, Technology, and Engineering sponsored the fifth annual student research conference in Wilson Hall in April. Poster presentations of original work from the Biology, Chemistry, Medical Technology and Physics, Computer Science, and Mathematics departments were presented, as well as the inaugural presentation of the Dean's Award for Undergraduate Research Excellence.

SHALL WE DANCE?

NJN News aired a feature segment on Monmouth University's "Dancing Robot" Competition. The talented tinmen were the results of a final project for students enrolled in Dr. Milewski's "Introduction to Software Engineering" class. The segment aired on Channel 13.

COMMUNICATION MAJORS HONORED BY NATIONAL BROADCASTING SOCIETY

Ten alumni and current students from Monmouth University were the recipients of awards from the National Broadcasting Society in Washington, D.C. Tom Hanley '04 (Hist.) and Pat Perrotto '05 (Comm.) received two grand prize awards in the documentary program category for their video entitled "Shadows of Shadow Lawn." Jon Guarana '04 (Comm.), Seniors Ed Occhipinti and Terry Trahim, received the grand prize in the sports program category (audio) for "Monmouth Basketball Recap: Year in Review."

Senior Joseph Carey, Freshman Ed Hollema, and Junior Richard Meeker won honorable mention for their magazine program (video) entitled "Hawk TV News Special: Two River Film Festival Edition." Joseph Carey also won an honorable mention for his industrial/promotional program video titled "Issues and Insights." Richard Meeker won a second honorable mention for his feature package (audio) "Gods of Heavy Metal." Senior Matthew Siciliano was awarded honorable mention for his feature segment (audio) "Monmouth University in Review: Finale." Ed Occhipinti and Junior Steve Bazaz won honorable mention for their sports play-by-play programming (audio) work entitled "Monmouth University Basketball vs. CCSU". Matthew Siciliano and Junior Joseph Keating won honorable mention for their station imaging (audio) piece entitled "More Cowbell." Senior Edward Gargano won honorable mention for his documentary program (audio) "The Day the Sky Fell: A Student's Retrospective Look at September 11th." Cheryl Costea, '05 and Jessica Skarzynski '05 (Comm.) won honorable mention for their documentary program (audio), "A Day in the Life of a Blanket."



SGA HOSTS 5TH ANNUAL CHARITY AUCTION

The Student Government Association hosted the fifth annual charity auction in April. Proceeds benefited the Michael Gerard Puharic Memorial Foundation also known as Michael's Feat. This is a local non-profit organization which supports the parents of seriously ill newborns.

STUDENTS DONATE PROM DRESSES FOR LONG BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL

Monmouth University students participated in the PRSSA (Public Relations Student Society of America) prom dress sale open to the students of Long Branch High school. The dresses were donated, cleaned, and sold to students. Proceeds from the sale went to the Long Branch High School Prom.

SIGMA PI FRATERNITY'S ACE PROJECT EARNS PRAISE

Recently the Sigma Pi Fraternity held its annual ACE Project designed to help students to understand the dangers of excessive drinking and drug use. Featured speakers were Mrs. Patty Spady, Mr. Reza Zedah, and Mr. Christopher Brown.

COMMUNITY DAY A SUCCESS

Monmouth University hosted a Community and Family Fun Day sponsored by the Student Activities Board. The event featured twenty different carnival booths— including spin art, photo key chains, crazy hats, and gel candles.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY STUDENTS "TAKE BACK THE NIGHT"

Monmouth University's student activities department and the Gender Studies Club hosted a "Take Back the Night" event on March 30. Over two hundred students participated, joined by many faculty who marched with lit candles from Wilson Hall, across campus, past residence halls, and back to Wilson. Students made a pledge to work toward ending the cycle of violence by supporting one another and speaking out against rape, assault, violence, and fear.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY ATHLETES PARTICIPATE IN "READ ACROSS AMERICA" WEEK

Over one hundred student athletes showed their dedication and support for local elementary school children by participating in The National Education Association's 9th Annual "Read Across America Week" this past winter. Athletes from Monmouth's baseball, basketball, men and women's soccer, track and field, football, softball and lacrosse teams visited the A.W. Clark and Anastasia Schools in Long Branch, NJ, and read books chosen by the students in grades three to five. This has been the fourth year students have taken part in this event. The nationwide reading celebration takes place each year on March 2nd, Dr. Seuss's birthday.

Academe



NEW DEAN OF THE LIBRARY IS CHOSEN

After a national search, Dr. Ravindra Sharma was chosen as the Dean on the Monmouth University Library. Before coming to Monmouth, Dr. Sharma was the director of the University Library at West Virginia State University from 1996-2006. He has also served as the director of the World Institute of Library and Information Science in Evansville, Indiana, as well as the director of the University Libraries at the University of Evansville. Dr. Sharma is the author of ten books and over three hundred articles and book reviews and has won the Academic/Research Librarian of the Year Award in 2005 from the Association of College and Research Libraries / American Library Association.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY'S FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS AWARDED

Monmouth University was awarded a Fulbright Scholar in Residence grant funded by the State Department and the Council for International Exchange. This will enable Israeli psychologist Dan Bar-On and Palestinian educator Sami Adwan to come to Monmouth University for the spring 2007 semester to co-teach courses designed to address common issues facing the Israeli and Palestinian people. Adwan and Bar-On are co-directors of the Peace Research Institute in the Middle East and are involved in the never ending effort to build peace in the academic world and in society. The pair has collaborated on a "history curriculum project" for Israeli and Palestinian schools that focuses on the Middle East region common to both Israeli and Palestinian peoples.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL H.R. YOUNG LECTURE SERIES

Sam Stovall, Chief Investment Strategist, Standard and Poor's spoke at the sixteenth annual H.R. Young Lecture Series in Young Auditorium in April. Stovall's roles include analyst, publisher, and communicator of Standard and Poor's outlooks for the economy, market, sectors and stocks. He is also a Certified Financial Planner and is a member of the Standard and Poor Investment Policy Committee. Stovall has authored a book entitled *The Standard & Poor's Guide to Sector Investing*. He currently writes a page on *businessweek.com* called "Stovall's Sector Watch".

PRESIDENT GAFFNEY AND LILLIAN BORRONE JOIN THE "SEAWEED REVOLUTION"

President Gaffney and former assistant executive director of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Lillian Borrone, wrote an informative article entitled the "Seaweed Revolution" that called for a greater response to protect the oceans in an effort to protect the health of the people. Because ocean ecosystems are inextricably linked to life on land, there is a dire need to protect the oceans. Recent threats facing ocean ecosystems and aquatic life include ocean currents which show signs of shifting patterns, large fish species whose populations have declined more than ninety percent, and harmful algal blooms: all the result of human pollution and neglect. If we are to restore the oceans' ecosystems, action must be taken to reverse the harmful cycle of ocean abuse. President Gaffney and Mrs. Borrone were honored in July as Stewards of the Estuary for their work on the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy by The Coastal Marine Resource Center (CMRC), a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the conservation of the New York-New Jersey Harbor.

SHARKS COME TO MONMOUTH...YIKES!

The Urban Coast Institute of Monmouth University and the American Littoral Society and Shark Research Institute hosted a presentation and film entitled *Sharks, Sharks, Sharks* to benefit the Shark Research Institute and the American Littoral Society. Film commentary was given by Stan Waterman. A noted underwater photographer and the president of the Shark Research Institute, the footage shows Waterman and his colleagues swimming with sharks, and studying and tracking sharks. Waterman also shared information on the ongoing effort to protect sharks from exploitation.

DR. MICHAEL BADEN SPEAKS ON THE MEDICO-LEGAL DEATH INVESTIGATION



The Criminal Justice Department presented a five-day course on the medico-legal investigation of death. Guest lecturer, Dr. Michael M. Baden, Director of the MDI Unit of the New York State Police and chief forensic pathologist for the New York State Police, presented “Time of Death” as well as “Electrocution, Explosives, and Fire Related Deaths”. Baden is the former Chief Medical Examiner of New York City. He has been a medical examiner for forty-five years and has performed more than 20,000 medico-legal autopsies. He also is currently the host of the HBO “Autopsy” series, and has co-authored more than 80 professional articles and books.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY/GANNETT NEW JERSEY POLL REPORTS: BOTH ACCURATE AND AVAILABLE ONLINE

The April issue of *New Jersey Monthly Magazine* commissioned the Monmouth University Polling Institute because of its reputation as a “real Jersey” pollster. The Institute was asked to complete a poll for the magazine which would reflect a “statistical snapshot of the quality of life in the state for the annual “Best Places to Live” cover story”. The Polling Institute was asked to crunch every number to objectively quantify each of the states 566 municipalities. If you would like to check out some of the polls, the latest Monmouth University/Gannett New Jersey Poll Reports are now available online.

New Jersey’s opinion on the proposed property tax convention and the housing market can be found online.

To keep abreast of recent reports and news visit <http://www.monmouth.edu/polling>.

LITERACY CENTER FEATURED

The Monmouth University’s School of Education’s Literacy Center has been recognized for outstanding accomplishments of its graduate students, who worked with the third and fourth grade students of Fairview Elementary School during the spring semester. The graduate students devoted their time and efforts for several weekday afternoons in order to foster development in literacy, word recognition, vocabulary building, writing skills, and reading fluency.

DIVERSITY LECTURER COMES TO MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY

The Monmouth University School of Humanities and Social Science and the Department of History and Anthropology and Africana Studies hosted a diversity lecture in April featuring Zebulon V. Miletsky, who spoke on “The Boston NAACP and the Dilemma of Intermarriage, 1912-1927”. Miletsky is Monmouth University’s 2005/2006 Minority Dissertation Fellow, and is currently completing a doctoral program in Afro-American Studies at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. His dissertation is on interracial marriage in early Twentieth Century Boston particularly during the years from 1912-1927.

SPRING SYMPOSIUM AN EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS!

Educators flocked to Monmouth University in April for the Spring Symposium for Professional Teachers. Attendees included Penny Deiner PhD., and Laurie Krebs, both published authors, as well as Cathleen Spinelli PhD, Kristine Toland, Robin Stella, and Monmouth’s own, Bruce Normandia, Judith Bazler, William Reynolds, Jose Maldonado, Jane Webber, and Jason Barr. Various workshops were offered at the symposium including “Using Literature to Springboard Writing in the Content Areas 3-6”, “Technology for Teachers”, and Dealing with Bullies in the Classroom P-3”.



Carol Beckwith, President Gaffney, and Angela Fisher share their common interest in African culture.



Authentic tribal jewelry was displayed and available for purchase after the presentation.

AFRICAN CEREMONIES HELD IN POLLAK THEATER

A special program entitled "African Ceremonies" was held at Pollak Theatre in April. The presentation is based on a two volume set of photographs and prose that describe ancient rituals and ceremonies of the African people. Carol Beckwith and Angela Fisher — who spent almost thirty years studying and recording ninety-three sacred ceremonies in twenty-three different countries—shared video clips as well as photographs that allowed the audience to better understand key aspects of African culture. The program was made possible through the support of Betty G. Young, a friend and benefactor of Monmouth University.

THREE NEW JERSEY SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS HONORED

Elisa DiCoio, Shawnee High School, Laurie Hance, Voorhees High School, and Joe Karczewski, West Morris Mendham High School, were awarded the "Monmouth University-William Roberts Outstanding Secondary School Teacher Award" in May. This prestigious award was instituted in an effort to recognize the contributions that outstanding secondary school teachers have made to the lives and education of current Monmouth University students. Dean William Stanley, Monmouth University professors, and students chose three educators as the recipients of this award. Nominated by Jennifer O'Donnell, Ms. Elisa DiCoio, a teacher since 1977, was recognized for her tireless efforts in the field of business education and her work in creating the award winning "Best Practices" program, "Freshman Connection", in the transition from elementary school to high school. Ms. Lorie Hance, a biology teacher since 1998, was nominated by Ryan Scally who credits her with his decision to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Biology. Ms. Hance is the National Honor Society Advisor, Senior Class Advisor, Biology I Advisor, and the Dance Team Advisor. Mr. Joe Karczewski has been an English teacher since 1983. Nominated by his former student, Daniel Walker, Mr. Karczewski's high standards and caring manner help prepare his students for college and the real world. Each teacher received \$1,500 and sat on the platform at MU's May 17th Commencement, where they were recognized for their outstanding achievements in the field of education.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY'S WMCX BOB MARLEY INTERVIEW IS INDUCTED INTO THE ROCK & ROLL HALL OF FAME AND MUSEUM



On May 11, 1981, Monmouth University student Jeffrey Steinberg (Bus.Adm.'81) made history when—just an hour after Marley's death—he aired the last recorded interview with Bob Marley. Steinberg interviewed Marley a week before his death via a phone interview. He holds the distinction as the first to announce Marley's passing on the air. On Thursday, May 11, 2006, a special tribute was made to Bob Marley when his last interview was re-aired on WMCX and then loaned to The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and Museum. Dr. Aaron Ferguson, WMCX faculty advisor and assistant professor of Communication, also took part in the tribute to Marley, along with some special guests.

NEW JERSEY WRITING ALLIANCE CONFERENCE HOSTED AT MU

Monmouth University hosted the Seventh Annual New Jersey Writing Alliance Conference in May entitled, "We're all in it

Together: Solving Writing Problems Across the High School-College Divide." The conference featured workshops given by acclaimed speakers on how to bridge the gap between high school and college writing requirements.

Athletics



MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY HAWKS CLAIM THE NEC'S HIGHEST HONOR

For the third straight year, Monmouth University is the recipient of the Northeast Conference Commissioner's Cup. Cup points are awarded in each NEC sponsored sport. For men's and women's basketball, men's and women's soccer, women's volleyball, football, softball, field hockey, women's lacrosse and baseball, the final regular season standings are used to determine Cup points. In all other sports, points are awarded based on the finish at NEC Championship events. With 198.27 points, Monmouth outdistanced second place Saint Francis (PA) by 15 points. The Blue and White captured its fifth straight men's Cup, while the Blackbirds of Long Island claimed the women's Cup, with the Hawks finishing in fourth on the women's side.

LACROSSE

The Cinderella season of the Monmouth University women's lacrosse team ended in victory as the Hawks defeated the Pioneers from Sacred Heart University

10-5 capturing the 2006 Northeast Conference Championships.

BASEBALL

Monmouth's Nick Massari was named to the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) All-East Region second-team. Massari, the unanimous choice as Northeast Conference Player of the Year, was also named the New Jersey Collegiate Baseball Association (NJCBA) Player of the Year and the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA) District II Player of the Year in 2006.

SOFTBALL

The freshman duo of Lee Simonetti and Nichole Alvarez were recognized by the Northeast Conference as both Hawks were named to the All-Northeast Conference first-team, while their teammate junior Heather Gordon was tabbed for the second-team.

WOMEN'S GOLF

Monmouth's Rae Johnson, the runner-up at the 2006 NEC Championship, was selected by conference head coaches as the NEC Women's Golfer of the Year.

TRACK AND FIELD

Tisifenee Taylor and Bobby Smith finished their careers in Indianapolis with two of the strongest performances ever in the 2006 USA Outdoor Track & Field Championships. Smith finished as the second highest collegiate finisher for the javelin toss, and Taylor became the first woman ever from the Monmouth track and field program to compete at the competition. She finished 16th overall as she leaped 19' 6 1/4" to finish among the nation's best.

FOOTBALL

Recent graduate, Miles Austin, had a record-setting career at Monmouth University. His outstanding performances on the football field have led him to a contract with the Dallas Cowboys. Austin moved to Dallas just after the Cowboys mini-camp, which was held right after the draft. He started training in California in July.

Class notes are published based on the date information is received. If you have submitted a class note and it does not appear in the following pages, rest assured that it will be included in the next issue of Monmouth University Magazine.

CLASS OF 1958

JAMES LINCOLN TURNER (Arts), the author of *Seven Superstorms of the Northeast*, was invited to read and discuss his book at the Lake Public Library in the fall of 2005. He resides in Spring Lake.

CLASS OF 1960

RENEE COHEN (Ed.) returned to the Jersey shore after three years in Tucson, AZ. She lives with her family in Manchester, is an active member of the friends of the Ocean County Library and works as a volunteer tutor for ESL students in Toms River.

CLASS OF 1961

RICHARD WHARTON (Bus. Adm.) has joined the Darien office of William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Association of Realtors, and resides in Darien, Connecticut.

CLASS OF 1964

PETER CATELLI, JR. (Bus. Adm.) and Susan Freeman (Elem. Ed.) were married on August 8, 2005 on the beach at the Four Seasons Resort in Maui, Hawaii. Peter is self employed. His wife is a teacher in Perth Amboy. The couple resides in Edison.

CLASS OF 1965

WILLIAM JERVIS (Bus. Adm.) and his wife Katheryn have relocated to Hot Springs Village, AR.

R. GREGORY QUIRK, Ph.D. (Hist.) was appointed the interim state monitor for the Willingboro School District by the acting

Commissioner of Education, Lucille E. Davy. Dr. Quirk is an adjunct instructor at Kean University where he teaches graduate courses in school administration. He resides in Middletown with his family.

CLASS OF 1969

STANLEY H. COHEN (Bus. Adm.) was appointed senior vice president of retail banking by Interchange Bank in Saddle Brook. He will oversee branch banking and consumer lending.



DR. YVONNE THORNTON (Bio.) was a Commencement speaker at Bluefield State College in West Virginia in May 2005. She was listed in the June 2005 issue of *The Network Journal* as one of "The Best Doctors in New York". In February of 2005, Dr. Thornton was recognized on the cover of *The Network Journal* as one of the top Black Doctors in New York City and was named one of the top ten Maternal-Fetal Medicine Specialists in New York. She is a former Monmouth University Board of Trustees member.

CLASS OF 1970

SUSAN (Freeman) CATELLI (Elem. Ed.) and Peter Catelli, Jr. (Bus. Adm.) were married on August 8, 2005 on the beach at the Four Seasons Resort in Maui, Hawaii. Susan is an elementary school teacher in Perth Amboy. Her husband is self employed. The couple resides in Edison.

CLASS OF 1971

MARTIN PIATKOWSKI (Lib. Stu.) and Cynthia Simonelli were married December 31, 2006 at the Chapel of Love in Las Vegas. He works as a computer analyst for UTRS Inc., Manchester, NJ. His wife is a bookkeeper for Spinnaker Homes Inc., in Palm Bay, FL. The couple resides in Palm Bay, FL.

EDWARD PIGUT (M.A. Ed) was selected as the writer of the best letter of the month by the Asbury Park Press editorial board for the month of December 2005. His letter addressed key issues concerning diversity in education. Edward is a teacher of English and History at Neptune High School.

CLASS OF 1972

SYDNEY J. KOERNER (English & Ed.) recently joined STV as vice president of human resources. In her new position, she is responsible for all aspects of human resources. She resides in Voorhees, NJ.

TED KUTRUMBOS (Bus. Adm.) has recently been appointed to the commercialization team of Competitive Technologies, Inc. as a Business Development Executive.

CLASS OF 1973

MARK LESSER (Soc.) is the general manager of the historic Eastland Park Hotel in Portland, Maine.

ANDREW WILDER (Bus. Adm.) has been appointed a member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of the Audit Committee for YTB International, Inc. Andrew is a licensed CPA and shareholder with the firm of Israeloff, Trattner & Co., CPAs P.C in Garden City, New York.

CLASS OF 1975

BRENDA BISTOCCHI (Elem. Ed.) is the owner and manager of A. Bistocchi's Restaurant in Dunmore, PA. She is an adjunct professor at Keystone College where she teaches students about the restaurant business, and is very active in the community.

CLASS OF 1977

JANET RITT CHOCKY (Elem. Ed.) just published a book *100 (Yes, 100!) Job Search Tips* and is an Adjunct Professor at Ramapo College of New Jersey as well as a teacher of adult education for Passaic County Technical Institute.

CLASS OF 1978

DONNA RUANE (Elem. Ed. / Spec. Ed.) was unanimously named teacher of the year by a committee of teachers, administrators, and school board members at Spring Lake Heights Elementary School. Currently, Donna teaches kindergarten.

CLASS OF 1981

PAUL F. CULLUM III (M.B.A) was featured in the Sunday Star Ledger on May 7, 2006 for his outstanding support of the Fresh Air Fund in Newark, NJ. Paul is the 2006 chairman of the Greater Newark Fresh Air Fund and the coordinator of this year's Battle of the Barristers Softball Tournament, which benefits the Fresh Air Fund. He is an attorney with Gibbons, Del Deo, Dolan, Griffinger & Vecchione.

CLASS OF 1982

PERCY KEYNTON (Bus. Acct.) was appointed the vice president and internal auditor of Northfield Savings Bank. He resides in Tinton Falls with his family.

CLASS OF 1983

REVERAND BRIAN P. CROAK (Phil./ Speech./ Comm. / Thtr.) became the pastor of Lincroft Presbyterian Church in August 2005. He resides with his wife and three children in Fair Haven.

MICHAEL "GREENY" GREENBLATT (Psych.) is involved in Fitness Training at MSNBC-TV, CNBC-TV, Johnson/ Ethicon, Janus Pharmaceuticals, and the Rhodia Corporation. He is writing a chapter of a new book, *Get Fit in New Jersey*.

CLASS OF 1984

JILL LAZARE (Comp. Sci.) ran for Summit's Ward 2 Council position in Union County. Currently, she is a practicing attorney concentrating in commercial and matrimonial law. Lazare resides in Summit with her husband, Rick Levine, and their three children.

CLASS OF 1985

VICKI S. MORSE (Bus. Mkt.) was hired as the employee benefits officer at Glens Falls National Bank in New York.

CLASS OF 1986



DECLAN O'SCANLON (Psych. & Bus. Fin. & Bus. Adm.) ran for 12th District Assemblyman in November. O'Scanlon is on

the council's Personnel Committer, is the Police Commissioner for Little Silver, and owns FSD Enterprises. Show with him in the photo is his running mate, Jennifer Beck.

LOUIS PODBELSKI (M.B.A.) is the Vice President of Marketing for SAGE Electrochromics, Inc. He resides with his family in Eagen, Minnesota.

CLASS OF 1989

ELAINE BERMAN (M.A.T. '89) was recognized as a Community Maker in the Lincroft Journal for her outstanding achievements as principal of St. Leo the Great School in Lincroft. Elaine is an active member of the National Catholic Education Association and resides in Ocean with her family.

CLASS OF 1990

EILEEN MARIE (Chester) BLAIR (Bus. Fin.) is C.E.O. of a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization called "Women's Empowerment League. She resides in Queens, New York with her husband and three children.

NANETTE (Monteleone) GURER (Bus. Mrkt.) and her husband Altug welcomed daughter Tara on September 14, 2005. The family resides in Tinton Falls.

CLASS OF 1991

KERRI GRENGER (Bus. Acct.) was recently promoted to Controller for Foley, Inc. where she is the chief accountant in the Finance Department. She also serves as an advisor to the management team.

CLASS OF 1992

ANDRIAN PARTEE (Math) has been named head coach of the men's basketball team at Colorado College.



DEAN SMITH (Comm.) was nominated for a Northern California Emmy Award for his work as a photographer with KNTV. Dean was also honored as the Dick Terry Videographer of the Year for his work with NBC11. He is pictured above with Tom Brokaw.

CLASS OF 1993

DAVID A. CAROLLO (Soc.) and Kristin Strimer were married August 27, 2005. David is the assistant manager at Bill's Army/Navy Outdoors in Millburn. His wife is a dental receptionist in Elizabeth, where the couple resides.

LOUIS GALLIRIO (Bus. Mgmt.) attended a business class with Dr. Mosca, an associate professor at Monmouth University. He resides in Richmond, Virginia.

JEFFREY PEDONE (Engl./ Ed.) and his wife Kerry welcomed daughter Emma Grace on October 8, 2005.

CLASS OF 1994

BRETT LAROSE (Comm.) and his wife Abbey welcomed daughter Julia Emma on May 1, 2006. The family resides in Basking Ridge.

CHRISTIAN O'REILLY (Hist./ Pol. Sci. Inter.&Ed.) and Young Yi were married April 1, 2005. Christian is employed as a project manager at Stewart Title Insurance Company, New York, NY. His wife is a graduate of Vassar College.

DENNIS J. SMITH (M.B.A.) and Michelle L. McFarlane were married on January 8, 2006. Dennis is a pilot with United Airlines and a lieutenant colonel in the New Jersey Air National Guard 108th Air Refueling Wing. His wife is a flight attendant with United Airlines. The couple resides in Newtown, PA.

JOSEPH F. SUMMONTE, JR. (Pol. Sci.) was awarded the Florida Bar Young Lawyers Division Pro Bono Service Award. He was also selected as the recipient of the Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award for 2006 from the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, and will be honored by the Justices of the Florida Supreme Court in Tallahassee, FL. He is an attorney with Judd, Ulrich, Scarlett & Dean, P.A, and resides in Sarasota, FL with his wife Madeline Mora-Summonte (Engl.)

CLASS OF 1995

LISA CYMBALUK-WEILAND (Bio.) and her husband Matthew welcomed son, Matthew Paul Weiland, Jr. on January 18, 2006.

CLASS OF 1996

LEONARD VALENTINO, JR (M.B.A.) was appointed Vice President of business development, purchasing, and warehousing for Rita's Water Ice Company, LLC. He and his family reside in south Jersey.

HELENE KOGOS (M.S.Ed.) is an adjunct professor at Northeastern University in Boston, MA. She has taught a required education course during the summer and fall semesters since 2002.

KERRY (Mulholland) PEDONE (M.A.T.) and her husband Jeffrey welcomed daughter Emma Grace on October 8, 2005.

CLASS OF 1997

KEVIN BUCHBINDER (Comm.) and Lara Thurber were married May 28, 2005. Kevin is a visual effects artist and educator with the Katharine Gibbs School, Piscataway. He is pursuing a master's degree in adult learning from the University of Phoenix online. The couple resides in Weehawken.

THOMAS CARDINALE (Bus.Adm.) has been promoted as a supervisor in the Amper, Politziner & Mattia, Certified Public Accountants and Consultants firm's tax department.

STEPHANIE (Jumper) NUNN (Spec.Ed.) married Michael Nunn on June 24, 2005. Stephanie is a fifth grade teacher employed by the Old Bridge Board of Education. Her husband is a client data analyst with Princeton Financial Systems, Plainsboro. The couple resides in Milltown, NJ.

MICHAEL LILOIA (Comm.) and Dana Magliacano were married in the summer of 2005. Michael is employed by Qwest Communications International. His wife is a teacher with the Union school district. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii.

CLASS OF 1998

TOM BIRO (Bus. Adm.) was named director, new media strategies, for MWW Group, a public relations firm headquartered in East Rutherford. Tom is responsible for developing marketing efforts involving blogs, podcasting, mobile phone marketing, and other elements.

KEITH FLEMING (Bus. Adm.) and his wife Lora welcomed daughter Emily Marie, on March 7, 2006. Emily joins her sister Megan Elizabeth who is fifteen months old.

BETH KNOX (M.S.N) has received the Oncology Nursing Society's "Fatigue Initiative Through Research and Education (FIRE)" excellence award for 2006. She is the associate director of Advanced Practice Nursing at The Cancer Institute of New Jersey.

COLLEN O'CONNOR (Comm.) is the associate editor for *IDD Magazine* and was re-elected to serve on the board of directors of the New York Financial Writers Association. In fall 2005, Colleen performed in the play "Financial Follies", sponsored by the New York Financial Writers Association to raise money for college scholarships. She resides in New York City.

ANTHONY PIZZIMENTI (Bus.Adm.) and Erin Catton were married May 21, 2005. Anthony is employed by Kendall Healthcare in medical device sales. His wife is a human resources manager for Cap World Inc. The couple resides in Melrose, MA.

CHERYLAN (George) SHEA (Spec. Ed.) and her husband Michael welcomed son Matthew Jacob, on March 14, 2006.

BETH (Gallini) SHEPARD (Psych.& Ed.) welcomed a daughter, Morgan Elizabeth in April 2005. Beth earned her Master's degree in Elementary Education with a concentration in reading and literacy.

CLASS OF 1999

RODNEY G. COLEMAN (Bus. Adm.) and Tasha Cooper were married on August 20, 2005. Rodney is an accountant with Price Waterhouse Coopers, NJ. His wife is an assistant general counsel with Movado Group in Paramus, NJ. The couple resides in Caldwell, NJ.

MARCO DRAGONE (Comm.) and Melanie O'Neill (M.S.W.) were married September 30, 2005 at the Westmount Country Club, West Paterson, New Jersey. Monmouth alumni in attendance include Tony Almeida (Bus. Mrkt. '02), Melanie Barry (M.S.W. '00), Ethan Bergsman (Bus.Adm. '99), Darren Carew(Comm. '99), Rob Cassiliano (Bus. Mgmt. '04), Amanda Cilento (M.S.W. '00), Timothy Edge (Psych. '98), Anthony Francica (Comm. '00), Christina Francica (Soc.Work '99), Tina Grecco (Comm. & Ed. '02), Andrew Hegt (Poli. Sci. '99), Greg Levine (M.B.A. '01), Gina (Lipari) McCullough (Crim. J. '98), Laurie Naklicki (Bus. Adm. '00), Nicole Oetken (M.S.W. '00), Scott O'Neill (Comm. '01), Kathryn Ottilio (Comm. '00), Andrea (Kalman) Radimer (Bus. Adm. '99), Vicki (Porcelli) Schwartz (Spec.Ed. '98), Denise (SanFillippo) Salvatore (Comm. '98), Cheryl Szabo (M.S.Ed. '03), Chad Wagenheim (Bus. Adm. '98), & January Zuk (M.S.Ed. '00). Marco is an entrepreneur. His wife Melanie is employed as a school social worker. The couple resides in Hawthorne.

SABRINA DIGUISEPPE (Crim. Just.) is employed as a broker and salesperson at Re/MAX Shore and County Realtors. She resides in Neptune.

CHRISTIE PEARCE RAMPONE (Spec. Ed.) is currently training for her third World Cup in soccer in 2007 and her third Olympics in 2008. Christie was a member of the gold medal 2004 Women's Olympic Soccer Team. On September 29, 2005, Christie and her husband welcomed a daughter.

VIVIAN TAORMINA (Comm.) owns and operates TaoMassage, a therapeutic massage office in Long Branch, NJ. TaoMassage was featured on the front page of the Asbury Park Press Local News and in the Press' Long Branch Reporter. Vivian@taomasage.com

JENNIFER TUMA (Comm.) is the owner of two Curves women's fitness facilities in Edison and Cobblestone Village in Ocean Township. She is the creator of the Lunch 'N Learn lecture series and is a personal wellness coach. Her first video, "Diet's Don't Work" was released in November 2005.

CLASS OF 2000

JOHN RIGGIO (Bus. Mrkt.) is currently attending the Culinary Institute in Hyde Park.

MELANIE (O'Neill) DRAGONE (M.S.W.) and Marco Dragone (Comm.) were married September 30, 2005 at the Westmount Country Club, West Paterson, New Jersey. Melanie is employed as a school social worker and Marco is an entrepreneur. The couple resides in Hawthorne.

JOSEPH CIOFFI (Bus. Adm.) and Marni Beth Luciani were married May 29, 2005. Joseph is the co-owner of Cioffi's Deli in Springfield. His wife is the owner of Poka-Dots in Warren. The couple resides in Warren.

JAMIE (Gurwitz) WEISS (Comm.) and Adam Weiss were married in June 2005. Monmouth University alumnae Jennifer Reilly(Comm.'00) and Nikki (Sussman) Stern (Art '00) were bridesmaids. Other Monmouth University alumni in attendance were Frank Dee (Comm. '00), Elizabeth Moubert (Comm. '00), Irene Smith (Engl. '00), and Jamie Weiss (Comm. '99). The bride is currently pursuing her master's degree in Elementary Education at Dowling College. The couple resides in Long Island, New York.

MICHAEL LAMONACO (Crim. J.) and Jenny Baumgartner were married May 1, 2005 at the Walt Disney World Resort in Lake Buena Vista, FL. Michael is a New Jersey state trooper. His wife is a flight attendant with United Airlines in Newark. The couple resides in White Township.

JOSEPH ANGELO LOURO (Inter.St.) and Cynthia Puskas were married June 18, 2005. Joseph is the vice president of Louro Development Group, Wall. His wife is a nurse and case manager for Liberty Mutual Insurance, Somerset. The couple resides in Lake Como, NJ.



SUSAN (McCormick) CLARY (Crim. J.) and John Clary were married September 17, 2005. Monmouth alumna Jeannette Iraci (Bus. Acct. '00) was the maid of honor. Other alumni in attendance were Noelle Amoresano (Bus. Acct. '00), Trish Facciponti (Engl. '01), Kevin Keany (Bus. Mgmt. '00), Larissa McCann (Inter. St. '00), Laura McCarthy (Bus. Mgmt. '00), John Stuffo (Bus. Economics '01), Chuck Welch (Psych. '01), and Peter VanBlaricom (Comm. '00). Susan works as a Regional Recruiting Specialist for CareOne in Fort Lee. Her husband is a Senior Sales Representative for Ocean Garden Products in Upper Saddle River. The couple resides in Hackensack.



AIMEE MICHEL (Edmunds) PARKS (M.A.C.P.C) and Kieyn Mark Anthony Parks ('97) were married February 24. Aimee is the assistant director of placement for student employment at Monmouth University. Also present at the wedding was Monmouth alumnus Sivan Sepe (Bus. Adm. '97).

JOHN RIGGIO (Bus. Mrkt.) is currently attending the Culinary Institute in Hyde Park.

ADRIENNE (Concepcion) VISIONE (Comm. & Ed.) and Keith Visone were married May 28, 2005. Adrienne is a third grade teacher employed by the Sayreville Board of Education. Her husband is the owner and proprietor of "Heavenly Ham" in Middletown. The couple resides in Aberdeen.

CLASS OF 2001

THOMAS ANGIOLINO (Bus. Fin.) and Victoria Cannon (Engl. & Ed.) were married on November 4, 2005 at Our Lady of Peace Church in Fords. Other Monmouth alumni in attendance were Tamara Wojcik (Comm. '02), Laura DelPalazzo (Spec. Ed. '02), Shannon Gance (Comm. '02), Jaime (Montana) Grasso (Art & Ed. '03), Jen (Albano) Levinson ('01), Damon Albano (Comm. '02), Dina (Violante) Canonico (M.A.C.J. '02), Neill Violante (Bio. '01), Tom Lord (Comm. '05), Kevin Young (Bus. Acct. '00), Frank Valenti (Bus. Fin. '00), Dave McGrath (Comm. '02), Frank Occhipinti (Crim. J. '00), Christy An-

nunziato (Comm. '01), Ted Bomba (Bus. Fin. '02), and Ed Zurawski (Comm. '01). Thomas is a fixed income trader for Bergen Capital in Hasbrouck Heights, and Victoria is a second grade teacher at the Viola L. Sickles School in Fair Haven. The couple resides in Monroe.

STEPHANIE BULDO (Art) and Matthew Lippincott were married September 16, 2005. Stephanie is employed as a graphic artist for a major arts and crafts supplier. Her husband is employed at Lippincott Marine Canvas in Riverside, NJ. The couple resides in Palmyra.

JENNIFER JAROS-DOMEN (M.B.A.) and her husband Daniel welcomed daughter, Samantha Marie, on October 14, 2005.

MARIA VANDERVORT (Comm.) and her husband Jim welcomed twin sons Michael James and Jude Paul, on May 25, 2004. The family resides in Robbinsville.

KIM (O'Connell) YARSON (Psych.) and her husband Donald welcomed daughter Brooke Nicole on November 5, 2005. The family resides in Delran, NJ.

KEVIN P. WELSH (Bus. Mgmt.) and Ashley A. Astle were married on August 12, 2005. Kevin is a service manager with Team Welsh Jeep Chrysler in Far Hills, NJ. His wife is an administrative assistant at Somerset County Vocational and Technical High School in Bridgewater Township. The couple resides in Far Hills.

CLASS OF 2002



VICTORIA (Cannon) ANGIOLINO (Eng. / Ed.) and Thomas Angiolino (Bus. Fin. '01) were married on November 4, 2005 at Our Lady of Peace Church in Fords. Victoria is a second grade teacher at the Viola L. Sickles School in Fair Haven and Thomas is a fixed income trader for Bergen Capital in Hasbrouck Heights. The couple resides in Monroe.

KRISTIN DEXNIS (Comm.) and LLEWELLYN W. ROSENGRANT (Music) were married July 30 at Sea Girt Beach. The bride is an artistic director and ballet teacher for Basically Ballet Studio in Lacey, and a first-step teacher for the Alvin Ailey Dance School. Her husband is a drum teacher for "Drummers Alley" in Red Bank. The couple resides in Wall.

WILLIAM J. GOLDING (Pol.Sci.) graduated from New York Law School and received his Juris Doctorate on May 22, 2005. In July 2005, William passed the New York and New Jersey bar exams.

AUGUST HECKMAN III (Pol.Sci.) joined the Proskauer Rose Firm in September 2005. He graduated from Seton Hall Law School in 2005 magna cum laude.

ANDREW KATZ (Hist.) and Carolyn Silder (M.S. W. '03) were married on October 1st, 2005. Monmouth alumni in

attendance included Ray Gredder (Spec. Ed. '02), Kim (Psych. '01) and Don Yarson (Bus. Mrkt. '02), Leah Rothfritz (Engl. & Ed. '02), Jenn Reynolds (Comm. '02), Lea Fargano (Spec. Ed. '01), Maggie Bomenblit (M.B.A. '03), Paul Grasso (Bus. Fin. '03), Colleen Lyall (M.B.A. '04), Jen Marianni (Bus. Mrkt. '01), Simon Key (M.B.A. '04), Jason Ledder (Bus. Mrkt. & Bus. Mgmt. '01), Joel Casterline (Comm. '01), and Jonathan (Spec. Ed. '02) and Jessica (Salvesen) Scott (Soc. Work '01). The couple honeymooned in Aruba and resides in Freehold.

MOLLY MCCLUSKEY (Corp./Publ. Comm.) read her play "Illusions of Grandeur" followed by a Question and Answer feedback session on April 5, 2006, in Wilson Hall's Withey Chapel at Monmouth University.

ERICALEE PEROSI (Bio.) and Michael Burns were married in the summer of 2005. Ericalee is pursuing her doctorate in physical therapy at Hunter College, Manhattan. Her husband is a customer-relations specialist with Reliable Van & Storage, Elizabeth, NJ. The couple resides in Arrochar, NY.

JUDITH (Sommers) PETRACCO (Hist. & Ed.) and her husband Matthew welcomed twins, son Andrew and daughter Carolyn, on August 17, 2004. The family resides in Spring Lake.

STEFANIE (Ricco) LAMARCA (M.S.W.) and Lance LaMarca were married July 9. Julie Ricco (Engl. & Spec. Ed.), a student at Monmouth University, was the maid of honor. Stefanie is a school social worker at Voorhees High School. Her husband is the vice president of "L&Z Tool & Engineering" in Watchung. The couple resides in Annandale.

ERICA A. (Scammell) SMITH (M.S.W) and James. R. Smith were married June 11, 2005 at the United Methodist Church in Canandaigua. She currently is employed at Robert Wood Johnson hospital in New Brunswick. Her husband works with the United Bank of Switzerland. The couple lives in Avenel.

BRADFORD STRATTON (Comm.) and his wife Christine welcomed son Alexander Edward on September 19, 2005.

DENISE WEGEMAN (M.S.W.) has opened a private practice, D. Wegeman & Associates, LLC in Sea Girt, which offers comprehensive counseling services for Individuals, Children, Teens, & Families.

DONALD YARSON (Bus. Mrkt.) and his wife Kim welcomed daughter Brooke Nicole on November 5, 2005. The family resides in Delran.

NICOLE ZACCARILLO (Spec. Ed.) and Christopher Dixon were married on July 17, 2005. Monmouth University alumni in attendance were Lauren Webb (Psych. '02), who was the maid of honor, Kristin Castellano (Crim. J. '02) who was a bridesmaid, Melissa Turek (Crim. J. '03), Beth Synder (Spec. Ed. '02), and Heinley Gaspard (Bio. '04).

CLASS OF 2003

GREGORY L. ACQUAVIVA (Hist. / Pol. Sci. Inter. St.) graduated as valedictorian of Seton Hall University School of Law's Class of 2006. In September 2006, Gregory will begin a one year judicial clerkship with Associate Justice James R. Zazzali of the Supreme Court of New Jersey, after which he will join the New York office of Latham and Watkins, LLP, as an associate attorney.

CHRISTOPHER HART (Comm.) was recently hired as a news reporter for the “Star & Buck Wild Show” at the WWPR-FM (105.1) radio station. The show will air from 6:00 to 10:00 am on weekdays.

JESSICA (Mendelberg) DEROSE (Psych./Ed.) and Jeffrey DeRose were married July 24, 2005. Jessica is a kindergarten teacher in Basking Ridge. Her husband is a customer accounts manager at the Wine Library in Springfield. The couple resides in Bridgewater Township.

ALICIA (Mercogliano) HOLMGREN (Bus. Mkt.) and Ryan Holmgren were married on July 16, 2005 at the Magnolia Inn in Matawan. The couple resides in Long Branch.

CAROLYN (Silder) KATZ (M.S.W.) and Andrew Katz (Hist.'02) were married on October 1, 2005. The couple honeymooned in Aruba and resides in Freehold.

CHRISTOPHER WILLEY (Bus. Mkt.) joined the staff of Everlast Coatings, Inc., a supplier of specialty metal finishing and other coatings.

LAURA OSBORNE (Bus. Mkt.) works as a support services consultant at STF Consulting and advises Sickles Market, Little Silver on how to gain the business of the emerging “Twenty- Something” generation.



CLASS OF 2004

VICTOR AVON (Crim. J.) married LINDSEY (Stuck) AVON (Bus. Mkt.) at a ceremony and celebration in Monmouth University’s Erlanger Garden on June 17. The couple met in their freshman year at Monmouth.

JENNIFER CONVERTINO (Comm.) was commended by the *Asbury Park Press* for her outstanding bartending at the Harborside Grill in Atlantic Highlands, where she has worked for six years. She also recently earned her real estate license.

DANIELLE (Doyle) RUCHAEVSKY (M.S.W.) married Dimitry Ruchaevsky on February 26, 2005. She is employed at the CPC Behavioral Healthcare in Aberdeen as a mental health clinician. Her husband works for the Jewish Community Center of Monmouth County in Deal as the assistant health and physical education director. The couple resides in Atlantic Highlands.

PAUL GRASSO (Bus. Fin.) is a New Jersey State Trooper. He resides in Jackson.

AMY (Infantes) MARGOTTI (M.A.T.) married James Ryan Margotti on December 10, 2005. She is employed with the Long Branch Board of Education as an English teacher. Her husband is a field supervisor for UtiliQuest, Hammonton. The couple lives in Brick.

COLLEEN LYALL (M.B.A.) is a contract specialist with the United States Army at Fort Monmouth. She resides in Jackson.

KIMBERLY LYALL (M.B.A.) is a contract specialist with the United States Army at Fort Monmouth. She resides in Eatontown.

BARBARA (Pawlikowski) GROWNEY (M.S.Ed.) and her husband Sean welcomed a daughter, Amanda Catherine, on March 20. She joins Prince Brooks, the foster son of Barbara and Sean. The siblings are only five months apart!

CLASS OF 2005

JESSICA ESTRELLA (Bus. Acct.) was hired by the Edison accounting firm of Amper, Politziner and Mattia as a staff accountant.

MEAGAN (McSweeney) BERKOWITZ (M.A.T.) and Brian Berkowitz were married May 7, 2005. Meagan is an eighth grade English teacher, and her husband works as an auditor for KPMG accounting firm. The couple resides in South Norwalk, CT.

APRIL RIVERA (Bus. Acct.) was hired as a staff accountant at the Somerville office of the accounting firm of Withum-Smith and Brown.

IN MEMORIAM

ALUMNI

- 1946 JOHN NORMAN FRANKS (Electrical Engineering)**
October 25, 2005
- 1947 MILDRED E. OLSEN (Soc.)**
March 26, 2006
- 1969 GEORGE TYBER (Ed.)**
April 17, 2006
- FRANK T. MIDDLETON III (Soc.)**
August 2005
- 1973 DR. ALAN J. ANTON (Bio.)**
September 27, 2005
- 1975 COL. LEROY R. BUCKMAN (Bus. Adm.)**
May 29, 2005

WENDY EISENBERG (Elem. Ed.)
April 1, 2006

1980 SANDRA ELLEN GIROUARD (Soc. Work)
January 27, 2006

1983 JEFFREY S. CONOVER (Bus. Fin.)
April 29, 2006

1988 CATHERINE G. GERAGHTY O'LEARY (Nurs.)
January 23, 2006

2002 KRISTIN A. KINLIN (Comm.)
April 10, 2006

2003 ROBERT CHIAPPONE (Bus. Mrkt.)
January 27, 2006

FORMER FACULTY

RALPH LAMBERT died May 11, 2006. He was an Emeritus Professor of Music and shared his love for music with his students. He taught for twenty four years and retired in 1989.

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