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#### MILLENNIUM CELEBRATION CONTINUES

Members of the Year 2000 Coordinating Committee pose with the newly planted Millennium tree outside the New Academic Building. The tree was planted on April 29, 2000 in celebration of National Millennium Arbor Day.

#### COMPUTER SCIENCE GROWING

Enrollment in the Computer Science Department has quadrupled in the last five years with students extremely interested in learning more about software development. The program is a difficult one, but job prospects are phenomenal. Enrollment is evenly divided between the two programs of graduate and undergraduate. The course of study emphasizes software development and is UNIX based, not Windows.

#### ADMINISTRATOR IN JURIED ART SHOW

Vaune Peck, director of the Performing Arts Series, has had one of her sculptures accepted in the Monmouth County Arts Council's annual juried exhibit at the Monmouth Museum. The work is abstract hand-carved tigers eye alabaster. She named it "Mokume Gani," which is Japanese for "soul of wood."

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#### 2000 DISTINGUISHED BUSINESS LEADERS' DINNER

Lewis M. Eisenberg was honored at the 2000 Distinguished Business Leaders' Award dinner on April 6, 2000. He was recognized for his efforts toward improving business education at the University's recently accredited School of Business Administration (SBA).

"It is our honor and privilege to celebrate the leadership and contributions of Lewis Eisenberg," said Rebecca Stafford, president of Monmouth University. "He understands the importance of the exchange of ideas between academia and the business community and his dedication to Monmouth University's School of Business Administration is deeply appreciated."



New Jersey Governor Christine Todd Whitman HN '94 (left), and President Rebecca Stafford (right), presented Lewis M. Eisenberg with the 2000 Distinguished Business Leaders' Award.

#### NEW ASSOCIATE DEAN OF EDUCATIONAL & CAREER PLANNING

Brea Kachelriess has been promoted to Associate Dean of Educational & Career Planning in the LCAC. Her new title reflects her role in the expansion and development of all aspects of LCAC support for Experiential Education, Cooperative Education and Service Learning, and Community Programs.

#### SCHOLARSHIP BALL KICK-OFF PARTY JUNE 2, 2000

THIS YEAR'S THEME: VIVA LA FRANCE



L to R: Scholarship Ball 2000 Honoree Loretta Huddy with Marion Guerrero, chairman; Kristina Ientile, director of Special Events; and Vivian Ruggiero, chairman of the raffle committee.



Ken '65 and Marilyn '65 Rocky (left) with Dennis and Deborah '94 Larrison. Deborah, chair, and Marilyn, co-chair, head the Underwriting Committee.

## NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

The School of Nursing and Health Studies has received initial accreditation for its BSN and MSN programs from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education for a period of five years. CCNE is the only national agency devoted exclusively to the accreditation of baccalaureate and higher degree nursing programs.

"National accreditation is an important achievement for the School of Nursing and Health Studies as only the best programs in the country share this honor," said University President Rebecca Stafford. "It raises the school's status to a level that few others have achieved and is another major milestone for Monmouth University."

Marilyn Lauria was named Dean of the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies effective May 4, 2000. Dr. Lauria has served as Acting Dean since July 1, 1998. During her stint as Acting Dean she led the School to successful accreditation of its undergraduate and graduate Nursing programs. Dean Lauria was also honored with the 2000 Janice M. Marchetti Leadership Award from the Lambda Delta Chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing this past March.

Starting in the fall the School of Nursing will offer a new Masters track. In addition to the Nurse Practitioner program, students may now specialize in Nursing Administration.

"We are very pleased to be able to offer this program of study in response to inquiries from our students and the nursing community," says Dean Marilyn Lauria. "As the health care industry becomes increasingly complex and more nurses are promoted into administrative positions, it is imperative that they develop, in a formal way, the necessary skills required for the positions." Dr. Janet Mahoney added, "We will also offer this track of study as a Post Masters Certificate for those nurses who are already Masters prepared and who wish to enhance their knowledge of administrative issues." The MSN with a specialization in Administration will include the same core as the Practitioner courses with additional courses in accounting, finance, management, and economics for a total of 39 credits. Those who wish may call the School of Nursing or visit the Monmouth University web site for more detailed information.

The School of Nursing has received approval from the New Jersey Department of Education to offer a school nurse certificate program. The new program will be available in the fall.

Last July the New Jersey Senate ratified a law requiring that all schools have certified school nurses as health advocates for school-age children. The certificate offered by Monmouth University fulfills that requirement, enabling nurses to become eligible for these positions.

"There is a genuine need in the community that we serve for a school nurse program and with the University's support, we were able to respond positively to the numerous requests by providing one," said Dr. Marilyn M. Lauria, dean of the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies. "We are very pleased to be able to offer this post-baccalaureate course of study."

The certification program includes courses in education, curriculum design and school nursing, as well as a two-semester field placement in schools with practicing school nurses. Registered nurses with the bachelor's of science in nursing (BSN) degree will be able to complete the requirements with 23 graduate credits. Registered nurses with a bachelor's degree other than the BSN will need to complete 11 additional credits in order to meet the school nurse certificate requirements.



## 2000 REAL ESTATE DINNER

The Seventh Annual Real Estate Institute Leadership Excellence Award Dinner was held May 25, 2000. The event honored Alan B. Landis, chairman of The Landis Group, for his positive contributions to the state and nation throughout his successful real estate career.

"We are proud to celebrate the tremendous success and achievements of Alan Landis," said Dr. Donald Moliver, director of the Real Estate Institute of Monmouth University. "He has provided the Institute with valuable guidance and leadership and we are pleased to honor him."



L to R: 2000 REID Recipient Alan Landis with former honorees Benedict Torcivia, Arthur Greenbaum HN '96, and Charles Klatskin.

## MOST BEAUTIFUL BABY

Emma, 2, daughter of Special Events Director Kristina Ientile, was voted Monmouth County's Most Beautiful Baby 2000 by *The Times at the Jersey Shore*.



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#### 2000 DONALD WARNCKE AWARD RECIPIENT

Eugene Simko, School of Business, presents Marianne Seitz with the Donald Warncke Award for dedication to the University at the Annual Employee Awards and Reception Luncheon held on May 10.

#### MONMOUTH STUDENT RECEIVES PATRICK W. HALLORAN SCHOLARSHIP

The National Order of Omega awarded Nicole M. Pellegrino '99 of Staten Island, NY, a \$500 scholarship.

The Patrick W. Halloran award recognizes scholarship ability, participation and leadership in campus organizations, citizenship, and service to the Order of Omega and campus Greek system. Pellegrino is a member of Theta Phi Alpha sorority and is enrolled in psychological counseling graduate courses at Monmouth. Pellegrino graduated in 1999 with a double major in psychology and elementary education and a minor in Spanish.

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#### MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY BECOMES ONE OF THE FIRST INSTITUTIONS IN U.S. TO OFFER UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Beginning in the fall of 2000, Monmouth University will offer a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Software Engineering (BSSE). With the launch of this program, Monmouth University will become one of the only institutions in the United States to offer a BSSE aimed at this new and rapidly growing field.

Monmouth University has always been a pioneer in the field of software engineering. In 1985 it developed one of the nation's first graduate programs dedicated to the discipline and in 1995 it created the first software engineering department in the United States.

As the use of software as a fundamental and common component in engineering solutions increases and continues to grow in importance, career opportunities in the field are mushrooming. Competent software engineers are in tremendous demand in a burgeoning number of industries and companies.

The Monmouth University BSSE program enables software engineering students to obtain a firm grounding in both computer science and engineering. It is designed to prepare students to become engineering professionals who, from their first day on the job after graduation, can exert leadership in the workplace or go on to graduate school. The program includes a major project to be completed during the senior year, in which groups of students develop a significant software application for a local industry under the supervision of a member of the software engineering faculty.

The program focuses on the principles of engineering science that every engineer must know while simultaneously providing the basic aspects of a broad education in the arts and sciences that is expected of all university graduates. The comprehensive educational approach integrates the humanities, computer science, applied mathematics, physical science, engineering and management science into a strong, practically oriented undergraduate software engineering education.

For more information, contact the Office of Undergraduate Admission at 800-543-9671 or visit Monmouth University on the Internet at [www.monmouth.edu](http://www.monmouth.edu).

#### NEW SOCIAL WORK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Started to assist graduates in networking with each other and local agencies, the Social Work Alumni Association has been created at Monmouth. The group is comprised BSW and MSW graduates and looks to help provide support for alumni and the Social Work Department. Future plans include a quarterly newsletter, sharing of job openings and leads, group volunteer days, and networking events. If you are interested in being part of this new venture contact Denise Wegeman at 732-502-0257.

#### NINTH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP TEA

Rosemary O'Connor (left) and Megan O'Connor (right) with Tara Micciulla (middle), the 1999/2000 Maureen Ann O'Connor Memorial Scholarship recipient, at the Ninth Annual Scholarship Tea on March 29, 2000.



#### ANNOUNCING POLLAK THEATRE

As of July 1, 2000 the name of Pollak Auditorium was officially changed to Pollak Theatre. The new name more accurately reflects the character of the facility that serves as the University's venue for first class performing arts events.



## Dr. Robin Mama

BY CATHERINE S. LEIDEMER

### Recipient of the 2000 Distinguished Teacher Award

**D**r. Robin Sakina Mama and the Social Work Department are enjoying their day in the sun as one of the area's top social work programs. As half of the successful faculty tag-team leadership effort with Department Chair Dr. Mark Rogers, Mama has certainly earned the right to enjoy it.

Since 1992, Mama has added her years of social work expertise to the growing program at Monmouth. She first came on board to teach practical courses and coordinate field internships at a time when the department was combined with the criminal justice program and consisted solely of two faculty members. Eight years and lots of hard work later, plenty has changed. Along with Rogers she has helped to shape and expand the department into one that now includes international field internships, a new master's program that offers the country's only graduate-level international and community development track, and a planned 13-member full-time staff by this fall. In 1998, Mama assumed the role of program director of the bachelor of social work program, though she still stays involved with the developing master's program.

In addition to administering the program itself, Mama is responsible for teaching undergraduate and graduate classes and co-directs a continuing education program called the Social Welfare Institute. A self-proclaimed "macro-social work person," she has a particular interest in working on community development.

"I'd like to find more ways to work with the community, develop an international presence, and eventually be able to effect policy," she says. Her future plans for the department also include an increase in the number of international students and expansion

of the international field study-abroad option, which she hopes will soon include the likes of Israel, Puerto Rico, and Guam.

There was a time, though, when Mama hadn't planned on a career in social work. The Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania native had originally intended to pursue a career in the field of geriatrics. But while studying at Bryn Mawr College—where she earned her PhD in Social Work and Social Research, Master's of Social Service, and Master's of Law and Social Policy degrees—Mama developed an interest in the occupational and environmental health concentration and began to lean toward social work. After lecturing at the college, she then set her sights on the teaching profession.

"I always thought the best teachers were the ones who could come into it with experience," she says, which led her to work as the associate director of the Philadelphia Project on Occupational Safety and Health before coming to Monmouth.

Since then, she has focused much of her efforts on cultural diversity and setting the curriculum within a global context for her students. "I try to make them community organizers, to help them think about what culture and ethnicity means to them," she says. She makes a point to bring her own diverse background to the classroom as well: "I do a lot of self-disclosure with my students; my husband is Indian and I can even read a bit of Arabic." She's even gone so far as to set up internships for students while visiting family in Singapore.

Thanks to Mama's combination of cultural diversity, enthusiasm, and love for her job, Monmouth University's social work program is no doubt destined for even greater success.

### Reaching out to the Community

Faculty members from the School of Science, Technology and Engineering and the School of Education will be part of a collaborative effort aimed at giving high school teachers experience with modern technologies. The 21st Century Science Teachers Skills Project is a pilot program funded largely by a congressional grant. The primary goal is to give teachers practical experience that will enrich classroom teaching and improve teacher retention.

Monmouth's faculty will both design and manage the program and serve as technical advisors. Deans **Frank Lutz**, STE, and **Bernice Willis**, Education, are the principal investigators. **Bonnie Gold**, chair of Mathematics Department, and **Charlie Pack**, visiting professor of Computer Science, are the Program Directors. Faculty members from Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Biology, and Computer Science will be involved as mentors.

### Dr. Irene Bush

Dr. Irene Bush, Department of Social Work, has written a chapter, *Prevention: A Viable and Critical Component of Intervention* for a new book *Alcohol, Tobacco, and other Drugs: A Social Work Perspective*, published by the National Association of Social Work's Press.

### Dr. Cira J. Fraser

Dr. Cira J. Fraser, RN, CS, PhD, School of Nursing, was awarded the Excellence in Nursing Research Award of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society.

### Dr. Golam M. Mathbor

Dr. Golam M. Mathbor, Department of Social Work, will present his paper "Civil Society, Disaster Management and Coastal Community Development" at the plenary session of the Joint Conference of the International Federation of Social Workers and the International Association of the Schools of Social Work in Montreal, Quebec, Canada from July 29 through August 2.

### Dr. James McDonald

Dr. James McDonald, chair of the Department of Software and Electrical Engineering, attended the Conference on Software Engineering Education and Training in Austin, Texas in March 2000. The annual conference is sponsored by the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) and the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM). While there he presented a paper, "Teaching Software Project Management in Industrial and Academic Environments." The paper was based on McDonald's experiences in teaching software project management at AT&T, Lucent Technologies, and Monmouth University.

### Dr. Robert E. Pike

Dr. Robert E. Pike, retired founder and chairman of the Department of Foreign Language, is remembered for his book *Spiked Boots*, originally printed in 1959 and recently re-released. A folkloric chronicle of the rugged everyday life of loggers at the turn of the century, *Spiked Boots* was based on the oral accounts of lumberman Vern Davison. The Forward of the book, written by his daughter Helen-Chantal Pike, includes several references to Pike's more than 20 years at Monmouth. Pike died in 1997 at the age of 92.

### Dr. Morris Saldov

Dr. Morris Saldov, Department of Social Work, presented his paper "The Ethics of Medical Decision-Making with Japanese-American Elders in Hawaii: Signing Informed Consent Documents Without Understanding Them" to the East West Center in Honolulu this July. The paper was submitted for publication to the *Multicultural Journal of Social Work*.

### Dr. Saliba Sarsar '78

Dr. Saliba Sarsar '78, associate vice president for academic program initiatives and associate professor of Political Science, has had two articles published. The first, "Arab Politics: Can Democracy Prevail?" was in *Middle East Quarterly*, Vol. VII, No. 1. The second article is a critical review essay of three of Sir Martin Gilbert's book on Jerusalem, titled "Martin Gilbert's Jerusalem," in *Jerusalem Quarterly* File, Issue 7.

### IN MEMORIAM

The campus community mourns the loss of:

Nancy Doolen, a graduate admission counselor in the Enrollment Management Division from 1995 to 1999. Nancy died on May 28, 2000.

Brian Putman, a student pursuing a master's degree in Psychological Counseling. Brian worked as a mental health assistant at the Carrier Health Foundation in Belle Mead.

# LOIS BLONDER '74 LEAVES A LIVING LEGACY

BY TOVA NAVARRA

Renowned interior designer Albert Hadley once said, “The curious eye is what is really most important...a need to delve into all sorts of moods and modes of possibilities. There has to be an enthusiasm for such an investigation. You must maintain a lively curiosity, an openness to the unexpected.”

Artist Lois Blonder's openness and willingness to embrace the unexpected will live in the memories of her husband and children. To them she was an individual of an all-encompassing curiosity, fascinated and delighted and moved by everything around her. Before her sudden death last March from an aneurysm, Blonder reveled daily in her personal world of objets d'art.

“For her, her collections were as much an artistic statement as her own artworks,” said her son, Greg Blonder, of Summit, a physicist and partner of AT&T Ventures in Basking Ridge. “She collected teapots, Japanese netsuki, kitchen implements, paintings, whatever. Every weekend, Dad and she would go ‘junking.’ She’d find things and say, ‘That’s a good artist,’ and do research on each thing. She bought as an artist, with an artist’s sensibility, not as a collector per se. Everything had a little ping here and there, and she loved these interesting, wonderful pieces that had their own stories.”

She was quite an exuberant story herself. A professional artist for 55 years, Blonder received a bachelor’s degree in art from Monmouth University and went on to earn a master’s of art from Montclair State University. Her attachment to Monmouth and the region began when she

was a non-traditional student. A Newark native, her move to Marlboro 20 years ago allowed her to become deeply involved in the local art scene. She was associated with the Monmouth County Art Alliance and was an active member of the Monmouth Reform Temple in Tinton Falls, which is now in its 30th year of producing the annual Monmouth Festival of the Arts. From the festival’s inception, Blonder was an exhibiting artist, demonstrator of watercolor technique, co-chair, and frequently, a show designer. She won more than 50 awards for her work, which is included in public and private collections. In addition, she served as a docent at the Newark Museum.

“My mother wanted a piece of Newark before she moved to Marlboro,” said Greg, who was educated at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard University. “So she found a gargoyle salvaged from the old Prudential building in Newark. Although she had started collecting for indoors—brasses and bronzes—the gargoyle suddenly started an outdoor collection—you can’t just have one gargoyle all by itself, of course. After that, she acquired objets-trouves sculptures, iron gates, a cardboard skeleton of a dinosaur that she had reproduced in steel, and a sculpture garden emerged.”



His mother, he said, was so full of life; someone who lived dramatically, and left as dramatically. As a tribute to her flair, Greg, his father, Isaac, and his sister, Terry Golson, decided to donate the sculpture garden to Monmouth University, to be placed upon the patch of living land near the 800 Gallery and the arts building. The donation is much to the delight of the university, said Vincent DiMattio, chairman of the art department. "The Blonder family has been terrific, and they're doing a lot for Monmouth University," DiMattio said. "There will be a plaque to honor Lois at the magnificent front-gate entrance, one of three entrances to the garden. Also, there will be piece-markers, a birdhouse, benches, and wonderful pieces by Lois and other artists. She was one of the best students I ever had. We had a show of her work recently at the 800 Gallery in her memory. The garden is being placed on land that hadn't been well used before, and the whole landscape, staying close to the vision Lois had originally, will be lovely and significant on campus.

"When I was growing up, my mother was going to the university," said Terry Golson, an accomplished author of cookbooks who lives with her husband and three sons in Carlisle, MA. "When I was shown a photograph of the Monmouth University site for the garden, I recognized the building. I used to go there with her when I was ten years old and work on artwork, ceramics. And I remember the figure-drawing classes with the naked model. My mother loved a clever, creative idea. She continued to take courses her entire life. She had a great intellectual curiosity and loved to place things in a social context. For example, each of her teapots was not only visually interesting, but said something about its time, its history.

"She researched everything, even her jewelry. She made a lot of jewelry, too, from found objects from flea markets. For a petite woman, she wore big jewelry, and she could tell you where each bead or piece of material came from. She was

beautiful, vivacious, elegant — as elegant as one could be wearing outrageous jewelry! Her chutzpah comes through in the sculpture garden. There's a great deal of humor and presence there, the cow sculptures, the gargoyle, the 1930s Art Deco iron gates that were the entrance to our spectacular garden. There are also mature flowering shrubs, bulbs, ground cover and extraordinary trees along winding paths, benches and a fountain.

"My mother had vowed to replace every blade of grass at the house in Marlboro with exotic plants," Terry said. "Virtually the whole garden went to the university this March. Greg and I worked

Her chutzpah comes through in the sculpture garden. There's a great deal of humor and presence there, the cow sculptures, the gargoyle, the 1930s Art Deco iron gates that were the entrance to our spectacular garden.

with Rose Young, a landscape designer here in Carlisle, to coordinate the 'transplant.' We had the iron gates refinished as well."

Lois' greatest fear, Terry added, was that nobody else would love the things she loved, so she would no doubt appreciate having the garden in a place where others would have the benefit of it and make use of it.

"She didn't think anything was too precious to be used," said Terry. "We're infinitely pleased that Monmouth University has accepted this gift and taken on the maintenance of it, for which we're going to endow a fund. I wish I lived closer so I could make use of the garden myself, but just knowing it's there is good."

Isaac Blonder, married to Lois for 45 years, agreed to the "reprise" of the garden, as he put it, especially because "she was a remarkable individual, and this is her life."

"If I transfer her to the school mentally," said Ike, as he prefers to be known, after

his favorite U.S. president, "to be with people like Vincent DiMattio with whom she associated, it's a memorial like the Statue of Liberty is a memorial as a 'person' who welcomes others."

Mr. Blonder is former chairman of Blonder Tongue Laboratories, a manufacturer of electronics and systems equipment of the cable television industry. He founded the firm with his partner, Ben Tongue, in 1950, during television's infancy. Based upon their inventions (Blonder holds 40 patents), amplifiers, the firm took off and developed into a formidable component of the boom in the private cable industry. In 1989, at

the time of sale, Blonder Tongue was posting \$10 million in sales.

A physicist and businessman, Blonder was also considered an American expert in international standards for cable and TV and represented the United States at international standard meetings all over the world. He received his bachelor's degree in physics from the University of Connecticut and his master's in physics from Cornell University in 1940. He developed his skills and inventions, and to this day he remains involved with high technology through Stevens Institute of Technology, Monmouth University's Junior Science Symposium and his own active family and community life.

A grandfather of five boys, Blonder doesn't hesitate to tell witty stories about his past experiences or praise his grandsons. He said he and Lois had a great life together and traveled the globe.

"As a child, I lived under the Puritan



film. He and Lois were obviously a great match. Their children would agree.

"My favorite memory of my mother is that she always managed while having a family to practice her art," said Greg. "For years, the kitchen doubled as a studio. Pot roast smelled like turpentine; the lasagna would be on the counter, and there was always a painting drying in the corner. She tried oils, watercolors, lithography, sculpture. In her last 15 years, her work took on a Nevelson-like style, with egg-crate boxes, and some were strange, such as hundreds of kewpie dolls, some with their heads cut off, etc., to make a pro-choice statement. Some of the pieces were hard for me to look at. Generally, kids don't believe their parents are human, and art by one's parent can fall into that category. But she was an artist

philosophy that it was a sin not to work, and it was a sin to enjoy anything," Ike said. "In addition to that, my mother, a remarkable lady, told me that all women are perfect and must be obeyed. I followed her dictates, and they won!"

He did manage to overrule the tenet about not enjoying anything, thank heaven, and tells of going on expeditions to find the Loch Ness monster, his adventures as a radar officer in World War II, and his enthusiasm for collecting any instrument made to project

and a curator. She had an uncanny sense of how to arrange things. To her, placement was extremely important."

Greg recounted conversations he and Terry had with their mother about which pieces each of them could have after she was gone. "It eventually became a joke," said Greg. "And she'd say, 'You can have them all — it's your problem.' She didn't want to impair her joy of collecting."

Riggers have transported the components of the Lois Blonder memorial sculpture garden to Monmouth University, all of which have deep personal meaning to the Blonder family. The university's donation of the land and labor augmented their pleasure, in light of the fact that Ike always encouraged Lois to go to school. Her coursework may be over, but her legacy has just begun. MU



# COMING HOME TO MONMOUTH THE HOMECOMING TRADITION



BY MICHAEL FARRAGHER '88,  
HOMECOMING 2000 CHAIRPERSON

The University campus is more alive with spirit and activity every October as thousands of Monmouth Alumni make the annual pilgrimage back for Homecoming festivities. The enormous trees may bear the burnt red and orange colors of autumn, but underneath there is a sea of blue and white. The past, present, and future of this fine institution come together to celebrate their connection to Monmouth: alumni walking the campus to witness the changes; students looking to blow off steam after completing some arduous mid term exams; children of alumni running after the squirrels that scamper around the great lawn.





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 AT THE **VAST** PARKING LOT.  
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 IS IN THE DISTANCE.  
 EYES SQUINTED  
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 SPINE WRAPPED  
 INTO A COIL,  
**THE HUNT**  
 BEGINS."

Police force who married April Bowman '91. "Homecoming strengthens your connection to the past and at the same time pushes you into the future."

Apart from a connection to the past, I'm afraid there's a certain "peacock factor" which plays an integral part of Homecoming as well. Deep down, there's a small part in each of us who is out there to see and to be seen. Who got old? Who got fat? Who lost his hair? Who ended up with whom? To support this fact, just look at the scores of Alumni who check out the "who's here" message board that the Office of Alumni Affairs coordinates in front of Kessler field.

True, they may be there to look for that old friend, professor, drinking buddy or sorority sister. Rest assured that they also cast an eye in hopes of finding "Mr. Right Who Got Away," "Ms. Right Now," "Mr. Wrong that felt so Right," "Ms. Should Have Been," and "Mr. What the Heck was I Thinking." When this special person is uncovered, the alumni's eyes light up like

Each year a small, but dedicated, group of former students work alongside the University's Alumni Association staff to make the experience of "coming home" a memorable one. The Homecoming Committee selects the Homecoming theme, decides the meat and cheese combinations for the 110 feet of subs that must be ordered, gets the liquor permits for the 3168 ounces of beer that is served at the blockbuster barbecue, gains all necessary parade permits from the township, arranges for entertainment, coordinates workshops and "networking" activities, and picks the entertainment. If you would like to join the party that plans the party, then we encourage you to contact the Office of Alumni Affairs!

Walks on campus are always an uplifting trip down memory lane. Modern day troubles and responsibilities seem to melt away as we are reminded of a time before we were saddled with the responsibilities of a hefty mortgage, minivan payments, and provisions for a growing family.

Student loans were a distant hindrance on the horizon and something we'd worry about when the time came. Back then, our big money worries revolved around scrounging for pizza and beer money among the rest of our suite mates and whether or not we'd get a good exchange rate for books at the end of the semester. What a difference a few years make.

For many of us, Monmouth is where we "picked-up" a spouse while we were picking up our degrees. Memories of romantic campus dinners that we had, before booster seats and bottle bags, always puts me in a relaxed state. There's always a warm flutter in my heart as I walk past the Samuel Hayes Magill Dining Hall (known in the Eighties as "the house that Rose built." Guess you had to be there). This is the hallowed site of countless romantic dinners where my wife, Barbara Miskoff '89, and I would exchange sleepy doe eyes with one another. For others, Homecoming itself holds treasured memories. "Homecoming is a

little more special to me because I met my girlfriend at the 1994 Homecoming," says Christopher Blumberg '94. He works for the Department of Defense as a contracts manager.

For some, a trip through campus in 2000 could be somewhat troubling. We want our memories to be perfectly preserved, and everything to be just the way we left when we graduated. There has been such growth and renewal on campus, many Alumni may be surprised at the changes.

"I love to go back to Homecoming to see how much of my college tuition was actually used to build new buildings and cooler dormitories AFTER I graduated," says Nina Troth '89. "I also like to see the football team that 'never was' when I was at Monmouth."

"It gives you perspective and makes you feel proud of what you have done. It helps you realize where you still need to go," explains Rob Garofalo '89. Rob is a Sergeant on the West Windsor



*The year the rains came—  
 Homecoming 1996*



a mobster who's just found their informant in the Federal Witness Protection program. They almost always spin around and cast an eye at the vast parking lot. The prey is in the distance. Eyes squinted and spine wrapped into a coil, the hunt begins.

"I love to see who else from my class shows up," adds Nina Troth. "I like to see the new 'hottys' on campus and to see who's still a 'hotty' from the past!"

Gentlemen, you have been warned.

To about 3000 Alumni, Homecoming means the football season is kicking off with a bang. These diehard fans worship at the gridiron altar. They raid the bookstore stand in search of Monmouth memorabilia. They are equipped with foam stadium benchwarmers, blue and white flags, and a "Go MU" thermos. This is the fourth Homecoming weekend in which I have played a major role in the planning of all activities. In all my years on the committee, I have yet to attend a single Monmouth football game because:

a. I'm so busy hawking 50/50s in the parking lot that I forget that there is a game going on.

b. I loathe football.

c. There's so much fun going on out in the parking lot that it's a crime to stop the shenanigans.

Joining the three thousand football fans is another thousand alumni who never make it to the game.

There seems to be an interesting phenomenon that has arisen along with the many other Homecoming traditions. The parking lot is divided into three distinct groups. The first one is located nearest to the field. They are men and women of wealth and taste: diehard season ticket holders and distinguished alumni who know how to party! Within the wicker picnic baskets of this elite set are fine wine and cheese, catered sandwiches, and matching flatware/utensil sets.

The second wave, representing the largest contingent, is the minivan crowd in the middle of the parking lot. Alumni run free in this area, half-bent as they chase their toddlers. Bags of chips and submarine sandwiches are strewn across faux



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wood folding card tables. Oddly enough, new friendships are hatched in this section. Alumni who never gave each other the time of day while students are reacquainted by the common bond of parenting. At knee level, young toddlers are busy bonding with other future Monmouth students.

The third group creates a carnival-like atmosphere at the back of the parking lot. Recent graduates return to campus to test the mind-altering powers of beer with their friends who remain on campus. Rap and heavy metal music do battle on dueling car stereo systems. Young men who are flush with new career cash scratch their six-pack abs as they swig elixir from red plastic pint cups. Young sorority sisters tearfully embrace their alumnae vaguely aware that there is some sort of sporting event on campus somewhere.

The Alumni Association sponsors a float building contest for students each year, and this is always the highlight of the weekend. Colorfully elaborate floats made from chicken wire and tissue weave through the parking lot, much to the delight of the young children in the crowd. Area towns lend their shiny emergency vehicles to add color and screech-

ing sirens to the mix. A few years ago, during the infamous monsoon-like rains that put a damper on Homecoming, an older alumnus (Noah, class of 2000 B.C.) walked away with first prize. How he got all of those live animals onto his boat-like float is a mystery to this day.

Many alumnus go through an elaborate planning process to celebrate the day as well. "The Winnebago idea started last year," remembers Christopher Blumberg. "It turned out to be a lot of fun. We actually drove it around all weekend and slept in the parking lots of the Sea Bright police station and Tradewinds. It's amazing who visits you when you have a bathroom inside! Next year, we will try to top ourselves!"

I've been wrestling about how I should close this article, and I keep coming back to an email that I received from Ed Aslanian '88. Ed is the vice-president of sales & marketing at Group Contract, Inc.

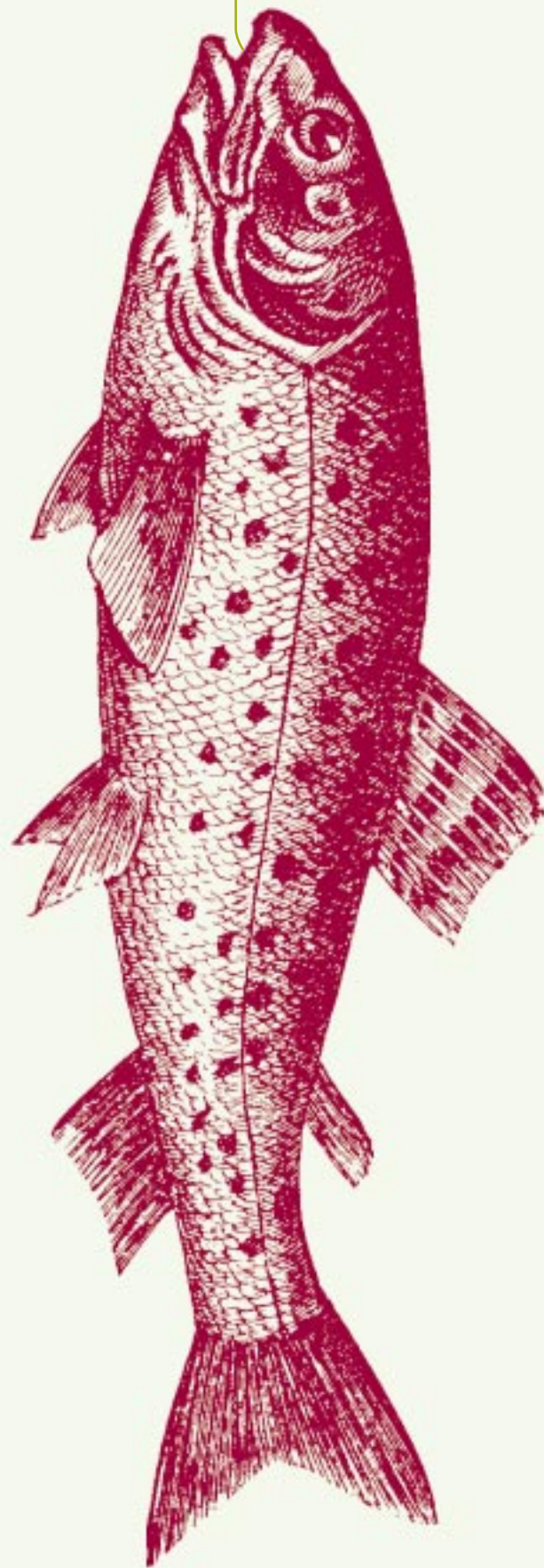
"When I graduated from Monmouth College, I realized that I was closing an exhilarating chapter in my life, one that I would never be able to visit again. Through Homecoming weekend each year, I have been able to keep in touch with well over a dozen TKE Brothers that

I would never have been able to stay in touch with on my own. As we move on in our lives, our families become our highest priority and staying in touch with old friends becomes difficult. However, each and every year, through the gathering of many TKE alumni at Homecoming, I have been able to rekindle and maintain many old friendships. Although I no longer keep in touch with many Monmouth alumni, there is a special bond with my old fraternity brothers. With TKE and Monmouth University together, I have been able to preserve a little bit of that old "college feeling" every October. Although it has been several years since I graduated, when Homecoming arrives in October, I feel like I'm living back in Elmwood Hall. In fact, I feel so reminiscent that I even bring my dining hall card for Rose to check off!"

I'll drink to that. On behalf of the Homecoming Committee and the Alumni Association, I'd like to welcome you back to campus this October. If you've never been to a Homecoming weekend, I encourage you to join the party! MU

# A Story of Mission, Vision, Commitment, & Success

Using Monmouth's academic Mission Statement as a compass, the administration and Board of Trustees set course in the closing years of the last century to secure Monmouth's position as a teaching university. Their overriding objective was to serve the needs of undergraduate and graduate students and to be a resource for the Central Jersey Shore community.



Resources were needed to accomplish the goal. The number of full-time faculty and the number of students had to increase. Existing buildings, classrooms and laboratories needed upgrading. New facilities had to be funded and created.

It was University President Rebecca Stafford who conceived the plan – a vision – for how the University would fulfill its Mission, and it was her vision that guided

million capital campaign, “To Ensure the Vision,” would fund a portion of the building cost as well as help to finance renovations planned for the 30-year-old Edison Science Building.

Trustee Thomas Unterberg stepped forward with the first gift. A Nucleus Committee was established and consisted of trustees Charles T. Parton, chair, Donald R. Burnaford '72, Bartholomew P.



*The ribbon cutting ceremony on May 5, 2000 at the New Academic Building*

trustees, faculty, students, alumni, and the entire Monmouth community through the renovation of Edison Science Building and onward to the May 5, 2000 dedication of the New Academic Building. It is her vision that steers Monmouth's journey to distinction as a teaching University.

## Board of Trustee Commitment

In October 1996, the Board of Trustees authorized construction of a three-story, 27,000-square foot building with a 9,000-square-foot basement to house the School of Education, the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies, and the Departments of Social Work and Criminal Justice. The estimated cost was \$5.2 million. A \$5

Donohue III '60, Donald J. Leonard, Nancy Roberts, Benedict Torcivia Sr., Mr. Unterberg, H. R. Young, President Stafford, Dennis C. Macro, vice president for Institutional Advancement; Dr. Thomas Pearson, vice president for Academic Affairs and provost; and Dr. Frank Lutz, dean of the School of Science, Technology and Engineering.

## Campaign, “To Ensure the Vision”

On campus, work began to determine how the work in Edison could be accomplished without taking the heavily used building out of service. During the summer of 1997, faculty with offices on the second floor of Edison packed up and moved out, making room for construction

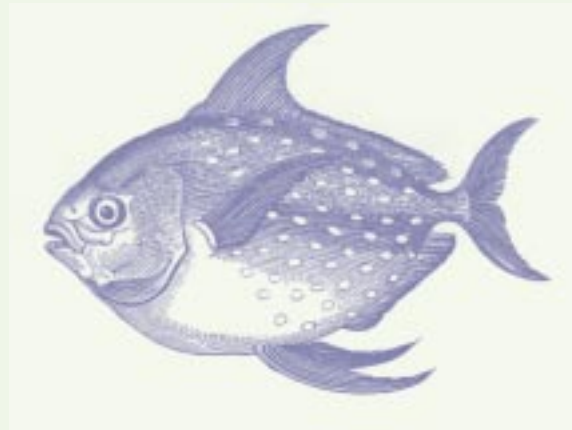
# Celebrating the NAB



MU Trustee Alfred J. Schiavetti, Jr. and Barbara Schiavetti



MU Trustee Judith A. Eisenberg and Lewis Eisenberg, Distinguished Business Leader 2000



Trudy Parton and Charles T. Parton, chairman MU Board of Trustees and member of the Kresge Task Force



MU Trustee and Chair of the Kresge Task Force Peter J. Novello and Renee Novello



Margot Warters and Dr. William D. Warters, MU Life Trustee and Kresge Task Force member



Robert E. Murphy '79, Ruth Murphy, Vera Ciavaglia and James Ciavaglia, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Ciavaglia represent the McMurray-Bennett Foundation



Joan Parks and MU Trustee Stephen M. Parks '68

## The Vision

### Excerpted from The President's Report 1998 – 1999

As we stand at the threshold of the third millennium, I cannot help but reflect on the goals we established in 1994 when we laid the foundation for Monmouth 2000. What seemed so far in the distance is now upon us, and the past years have proven to be both challenging and rewarding as we have taken bold strides toward our vision of becoming a university of distinction...

crews who worked to conclude the renovation of the second floor and roof before the start of the fall semester. The following summer, work was completed on the first floor and lower level in time for the start of classes in August.

Construction of the new building got underway with the start of 1999, and two months later, word was received that The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Michigan, had approved a challenge grant of \$500,000 for Monmouth University. (See sidebar.)

The glow of prestige from being selected for the challenge grant was short lived as trustees and staff began strategizing about how to raise \$1.4 million in 15 months. Dollars alone would not be enough, the University also needed to demonstrate to Kresge that it had the financial support of alumni.

All traditional methods of fund raising—direct mail, phonathons and personal visits—would be utilized. Alumni and friends would be asked to give two separate gifts, one to the annual fund and one to the “To Ensure the Vision” campaign. In some cases, if people responded to an appeal prior to receipt of the Kresge Challenge, they were asked to give again. One might expect these requests to be met with hostility, but the Monmouth family was receptive and enthusiastic with its support. Gifts and pledges, some large, some small, all-important steps toward the goal, rolled in daily.

### The Kresge Task Force

A task force of the Board of Trustees was formed in the fall to make the face-to-face contacts essential to the success of any campaign. Chaired by Peter Novello, the Kresge Task Force consisted of Paul Doherty '67, Board Chairman Parton, President Stafford, Unterberg, William Warters. Macro, and senior development staff Nadja Andreev, Jan Smith, Jennifer Thomas, and Georgina West.

By May, the University had received enough commitments to secure the Kresge challenge grant. The \$5 million campaign goal had been met. The effort to reach the \$5 million campaign goal involved every member of the Board of Trustees; numerous faculty, staff and administrators; countless alumni and friends as well as commitments from corporations and foundations.

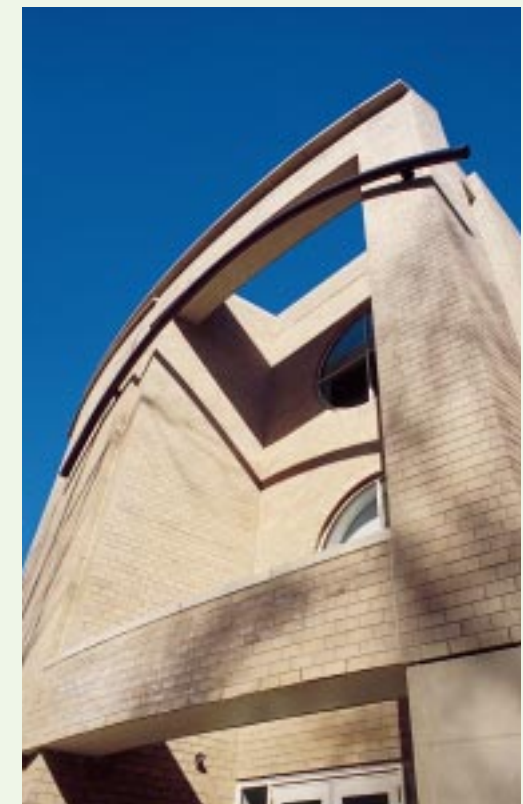
### NAB Dedicated

### Edison Renovation Celebrated

Faculty began moving from the antiquated Withey Hall into the New Academic Building in February, but classes were not held in the building until summer. On May 5, the University community dedicated the New Academic Building and celebrated the renovation of Edison Science with tours of the buildings and a reception in the NAB.



President Rebecca Stafford



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... we can look back on our initial accomplishments with tremendous pride and with confidence in the future. We now offer our students small classes, a high-quality, expanded faculty, a full range of undergraduate and graduate studies, distance learning through the Internet, and an administration and Board committed to seizing new opportunities presented by technology and the changing market place. With a cutting-edge curriculum and new, modern facilities, Monmouth University is emerging from a solid academic past to the university of the future – the university we envisioned as Monmouth 2000.

## History Making Grant Was a Team Effort

In November 1998, Monmouth University applied to The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Michigan, for a \$500,000 challenge grant. In March 1999, Monmouth was notified of the Foundation's intent to award the half million dollars, provided the goal of \$4.5 million was reached by the end of the challenge period, June 2000. The prestigious award was a sign of confidence in the University: In 1998, Kresge awarded challenge grants to slightly more than 200 institutions out of 600 applicants.

Basking in the glow of this accomplishment was energizing, but brief. There was no time to lose. So, with a mixture of excitement and trepidation, the University began to carry out careful, detailed plans to meet the challenge.

There was one unforeseen obstacle: One of the anticipated lead gifts had not been realized, leaving the campaign nearly \$400,000 below the targeted level for that point in the campaign. Furthermore, the Board of Trustees mandated the completion of the entire campaign by the February 2000 meeting as a condition of approving future capital projects. After a discussion with

a consultant, a task force was formed and charged solely with raising the funds to meet the Kresge Challenge.

The Kresge Challenge Task Force members, recruited from the University's Board of Trustees, met for the first time on October 4, 1999. These five trustees: Paul Doherty '67, Charles Parton, Tom Unterberg and Bill Warters, led by task force chair Peter Novello worked miracles. They met often to strategize. They made more than 60 solicitations. They gave additional gifts themselves. All told, their hard work netted nearly \$1.4 million for the Kresge Challenge, and they did it with time to spare before the February 2000 board meeting.

Never in the history of Monmouth have so many alumni come forward to meet a challenge, and never before has a small group, in this case The Kresge Challenge Task Force, achieved so much in so short a period of time. As you read this, the final report to The Kresge Foundation is being submitted in order to collect a check for \$500,000 dollars.

Raise a cheer for all who have propelled Monmouth in a quantum leap on the road to distinction!

Featuring technologically advanced classrooms that can be made larger or smaller as needs change, the New Academic Building was designed with flexibility in mind. The exterior of the building blends architecturally and in the construction materials with the one-of-a-kind grandeur of its landmark neighbor, Woodrow Wilson Hall. Each floor utilizes seminar rooms to provide a more intimate setting for classes or meetings and to eliminate barriers between students and faculty. The building is an important addition to the Cedar Avenue side of the campus, and it represents the beginning of a major shift in activity to this sector of the campus. This shift will be even more dramatic when additional building projects—a building for communication studies and instructional technology and a multipurpose activity center—are undertaken.

Entering the new building from the southeast takes a visitor through the vestibule and lobby. To the west is the department office of the School of Education. Down the hall to the north are the Curriculum Lab, Literacy Center, computer labs and faculty offices. A certification support center and the dean's suite of offices are at the north end of the building along with a circular conference room.

The second floor features seminar rooms, computer laboratories, classrooms and faculty offices as well as the offices for the Department of Criminal Justice and the School of Education. On the third floor, visitors will find the office for the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies, a computer lab, a nursing assessment lab, classrooms, and seminar rooms. Also on the third floor is the Department of Social Work office and numerous faculty offices.

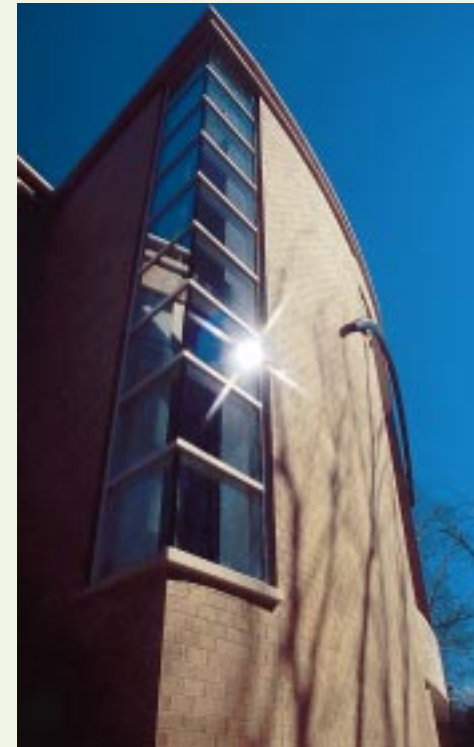
Across campus, faculty and staff showed off the improvements in Edison Science Building, and contributors toured facilities named in their honor.

In each building, individual rooms and offices are named for contributors of

\$10,000 or more to the campaign, "To Ensure the Vision." Some donors to the campaign preferred to be recognized in other locations on campus.

### Assessing the Distance

The Monmouth story thus far has been one of remarkable growth, from a small junior college to a respected and dynamic university. It has also been a story of hard work and perseverance. A story of people who believed and continue to believe in Monmouth's future. That story is still unfolding as Monmouth continues to grow, not simply in size and scope, but also in quality and stability. MU



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...The growing student body has placed new demands on campus facilities, especially the athletic facilities, library, and academic buildings. There is a need for new classrooms, laboratories, and faculty office space and we must provide the most advanced and student-friendly research and library facilities possible. With the renovation of the Edison Science Building and the completion of the new academic building, we are progressing confidently. But much remains to be done...



# For Love of Argument

BY GEORGINA WEST

**Paul E. Kovacs '66** loves practicing law. When he talks about a particular case, his eyes sparkle, a grin brushes across the corners of his mouth, and his conversation borders on exuberant. He's been litigating lawsuits since before he graduated from the University of Missouri Law School in 1969, and he says, "The best I could hope for would be to continue to do what I'm doing for another 7 to 10 years..."



**"Law is the only profession where people who are argumentative can excel and still be socially acceptable."**



At the time, Domino's advertised that orders would be delivered in less than 30 minutes, or the pizza was free. A serious traffic accident in St. Louis resulted in a lawsuit that linked the cause of the accident directly to the policy. After hearing all the testimony, the trial jury returned a judgment against Domino's for \$78 million in punitive damages and \$750,000 in actual damages. The decision was announced on December 18, 1993. Five days later, Domino's discontinued the 30-minute delivery guarantee. Despite

The clients he defends include healthcare corporations and construction companies, their employees and associates. Unlike many lawyers who specialize in representing either plaintiffs or defendants, Kovacs also represents clients who bring suits against corporations and individuals regarding defective products, malpractice, or flawed business practices. The 1999-2000 directory, *Best Lawyers in America*, lists him in both categories. A biography supplied by Armstrong Teasdale LLP, the St. Louis law firm that serves as his home base reports, "He has tried over 200 cases to a jury verdict and has been involved in some of the largest cases tried in the State of Missouri."

In 1993, Kovacs represented the plaintiff in a lawsuit involving Domino's Pizza.

the jury's award, a final, "much lower" settlement was negotiated. However, the outcome was sealed, and Kovacs could not disclose the amount.

Openly pleased with the outcome, his satisfaction comes as much from the change in delivery policy as from winning the largest verdict rendered in the State of Missouri and the seventh largest jury verdict rendered in the United States in 1993. Domino's policy was flawed according to Kovacs, who added, "It's encouraging when a case has that sort of impact on something that needs to be changed." The trial and the decision allowed him to play a role in effecting that change.

A case in 1996 against Goodyear Tire and Rubber was equally gratifying. Besides the \$7.5 million in actual damages and \$18.4 million in punitive damages awarded by the jury, Goodyear changed the tire's design, eliminating the defect that prompted the lawsuit. The jury's award was the largest verdict in Missouri that year.

He also holds state records for 1994 and 1996 for saving important clients substantial sums based on plaintiffs' final demands before the juries returned their verdicts.

A few years ago, at age 52, Kovacs decided to leave the Clayton (Missouri) law firm where he began his career to join Armstrong Teasdale. With its 200 lawyers and large administrative staff, it was a better match for the large cases that he was increasingly recruited to bring to trial. In addition, he was able to eliminate administrative responsibilities and focus on trying cases. Today he has the freedom to choose the cases he will accept as well as the staff – legal and administrative – who will assist him. Essentially, he "brings in business and tries lawsuits."

From his first case, in which he represented himself when he sued the State Bar Examiners for refusing to allow him to take the Bar exam before completing his final semester of law school (The case went to the Supreme Court of Missouri before Kovacs was permitted to sit for the exam), to his recent cases involving medical malpractice and product liability, he has been enamored with litigation.



**“The Socratic method of teaching is an outstanding way to teach people to think. I didn’t learn truly how to think until law school.”**

“Law is the only profession where people who are argumentative can excel and still be socially acceptable,” he explained. Confessing that he is easily bored, he finds his law practice a constant challenge. “Every case is different.”

Kovacs believes in the U.S. legal system. “It’s the only thing that keeps us from having the problems that afflict other countries in the world. It doesn’t always work, but it’s still a good system.” He admits that individual cases sometimes make him cynical. “That’s just life, humans make mistakes. I think that I have lost cases by having a jury trial and understood why, even though I didn’t agree. Still, I’d rather have a jury decide a case instead of a single judge; the jury system works.”

A product of a parochial education until he entered the then Monmouth College, he found great freedom of thought in his English, history and psychology courses, and he believes they may have been the forerunner of his decision to become a lawyer. In literature courses

taught by Phil Jackson, Kovacs was challenged to begin the process of inductive and deductive reasoning that would be so essential to his success in law school and especially in his practice of law.

Advocating law school even for students who don’t choose law as their profession, Kovacs maintains: “Going to law school and becoming a lawyer are not the same. The Socratic method of teaching is an outstanding way to teach people to think. I didn’t learn truly how to think until law school. A law degree can be used in all kinds of professions...the experience of going to law school is invaluable.”

Conceding that an abundance of lawyers is responsible for the frivolous litigation taking place throughout the country, he added, “Law schools have turned out too many lawyers, but there is always room for good lawyers.”

Yet, his conversation suggests that practicing law is as much about preserving democracy as it is about defending clients. In spite of the proliferation of lawyer jokes,

it is clear that Kovacs believes in what he does and believes that, at least in a small way, he has made a difference.

Kovacs finds his practice fatiguing, yet interesting. With each case he must learn everything he can about a particular industry or issue. “There are all kinds of things that I have to know about in order to prepare a case for trial,” he explained. When the case is over, he “purges out (the knowledge he learned preparing for trial) and starts learning about the next case.” Recent cases have included issues involving large animal farming, cerebral palsy, aeronautics, avionics and pharmaceuticals.

Although he does not spend much time volunteering for civic causes, he has numerous professional affiliations. He is a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers serving on its Federal Judiciary and Federal Rules committees and a Fellow in the International Society of Barristers. In addition, he is a member of the American, Missouri and Metropolitan

St. Louis Bar associations, the Missouri Association of Defense Counsel, the Defense Research Institute, the Practicing Law Institute of the American Bar Association and an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association. For five years, he was an adjunct professor in construction law at Washington University in St. Louis. Sporadically he has served as a judge for moot court competitions.

Kovacs considers himself fortunate. He sometimes reads studies reporting responses that indicate that most lawyers in the United States would prefer to be doing something else. “If the day comes when I wake up and don’t want to go to work, I won’t go,” he said. Until then, he’ll be happy continuing “to match wits with the very cerebral people” he encounters in the courtroom.

He attacks his personal life with the same passion that propels his litigation. With a golf handicap that fluctuates between 8 and 11, he’s still looking for improvement. He bikes or jogs about

three times a week when his schedule permits, and he entertains himself at the piano with “mostly simple renditions of classical music and popular stuff like Phantom.”

But it’s in his garden that he finds the most pleasure. Flowers of all sizes and varieties – bulbs, annuals, perennials, and flowering shrubs like rhododendron and azalea landscape his one-acre yard. With the exception of occasional spraying and fertilizing, he cares for all of it. But his favorite flower is the Jamaican Night Blooming Cirus. Each of its pinkish white flowers blooms only once before succumbing to morning light.

His family life has been equally satisfying. He and his wife, Susan, have reared four children – Scott, 29, Kristin, 27, Karen, 25 and Paul, 17. The women are both married; Scott is engaged, and Paul is considering his options at colleges in the West and South.

Only one goal remains elusive—reducing his golf handicap. MU





# THE CLASS OF 2000 Commencement

"Be sure to look at each and every face." This was the advice from a long time Trustee on how to best pass the time on the Commencement platform as more than 1000 diplomas were awarded on May 17, 2000 on the Great Lawn. I took his advice. What I saw was moving.

I saw a young humanities major so overcome with relief and joy that she was sure to burst into tears when she received her diploma. The tears were headed off and replaced with laughter only when a gust of wind blew her mortarboard across the podium.

I saw the usual messages and fraternity and sorority notes on top of the hats. To all of the "Thank yous" I saw the moms and dads in the crowd answer with both "You're very welcome" and "I love you." While I'm sure of the parental responses, I cannot predict whether or not the one student's request for a blonde will be fulfilled.

I saw the nursing graduates, a fraction in number compared to the business school graduates, finally get their moment at the very end of the ceremony. Many of these faces bespoke years of juggling swing shifts and night classes and the added sense of achievement such effort brings.

I saw the quiet dignity of a graduate, perhaps seventy years old, receiving his degree. Was he fulfilling a dream missed fifty years ago or continuing a lifelong commitment to education? I could not tell.

I saw the courage of the degree recipients that fortune required to accept their diplomas in a wheelchair or with an arm of support to ascend the platform. I could see in their faces that the ramp was just another challenge accepted and overcome.

I saw true joy and admiration in the faces of the social work majors when their Undergraduate Department Chair, Dr. Robin Sakina Mama, was recognized for her educational achievements. And I saw the exact same feelings returned by her in the true spirit of collegiality.

Most of all, I saw the pride of more than 1000 new alumni who will forever be linked to this University and to each of us who have taken similar walks on the Great Lawn, in Alumni Gymnasium, or at Long Branch High School. We alumni are forever joined in the achievement and the resultant opportunity our commencement marked.

What would I have seen on your face that day?



Regards,  
Tom  
Alumni Association  
President  
Thomas Porskievies '82 '86

*Alumni Association President  
Thomas Porskievies '82 '86  
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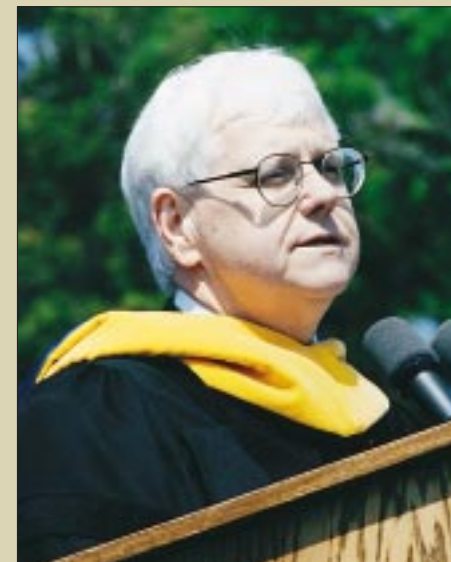


Deborah T. Poritz, chief justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey, received an honorary degree at Monmouth's 66th graduation. Judge Poritz is the presiding justice of the highest state court of appeal and the administrative head of all of the courts in New Jersey. She has held this position since 1996.

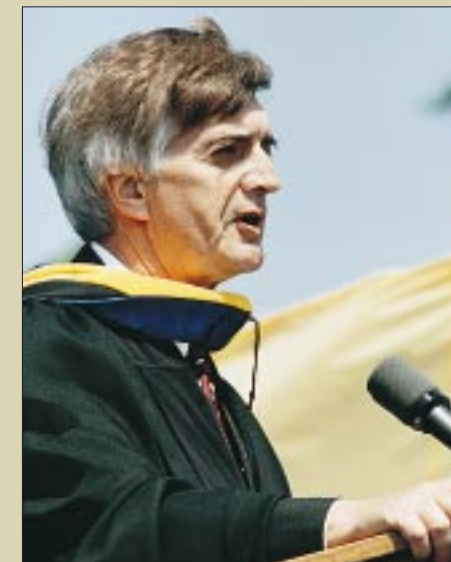
Judge Poritz has held high-level positions in many areas of the legal profession. She was a partner with the law firm of Jamieson, Moore, Peskin and Spicer, served as Governor Thomas Kean's chief legal counsel and headed several New Jersey state departments. Prior to becoming chief justice Judge Poritz served as New Jersey's attorney general, acting as the chief law enforcement officer and head of the Department of Law and Public Safety that includes the divisions of Law, Alcoholic Beverage Control, Civil Rights, Consumer Affairs, Criminal Justice, Gaming Enforcement, Highway Traffic Safety, Motor Vehicles and State Police.



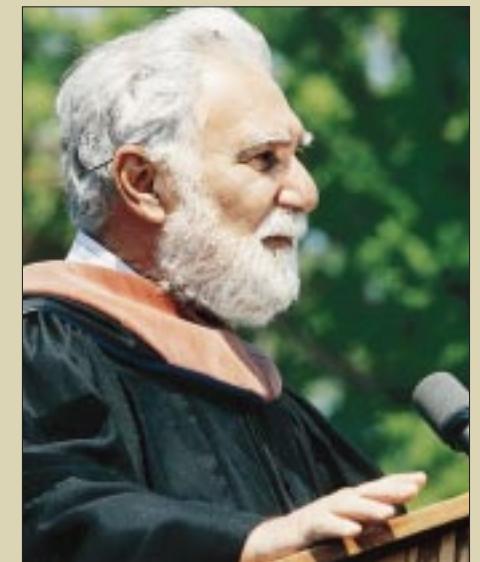
President Rebecca Stafford (red) and Chairman of the Board of Trustees Charles T. Parton (blue) with Honorary Degree recipients L to R: Herbert L. Axelrod, Deborah T. Poritz, James M. Oleske, and Robert W. Lucky.



James M. Oleske, MD, MPH, was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Science degree. Dr. Oleske is a Francois-Xavier Bagnoud professor of pediatrics and director of the division of allergy, immunology and infectious diseases at New Jersey Medical School. He co-founded Children's Hospital Aids Program (now Francois-Xavier Bagnoud Center for Children) that is a model for comprehensive care and research programs for HIV infected children and their families. He has authored more than 100 peer-reviewed articles and he has presented at meetings worldwide. In addition to his major clinical, administrative and research responsibilities, Dr. Oleske is a devoted public advocate for women and children with HIV and AIDS.



Robert W. Lucky, PhD, received a Doctor of Science degree. Dr. Lucky is a renowned engineer who has led premier research laboratories in telecommunications over the last several decades, most recently at Telcordia Technologies, where he currently serves as vice president, applied research. He invented the adaptive equalizer, the key enabler for all of today's high-speed modems. Dr. Lucky is known worldwide for his writing and lectures on the topics of technology and society. He co-authored a textbook on data communications that was the most cited reference in the field over the period of a decade. Dr. Lucky is most recognized by engineers for the monthly column that he has written for *Spectrum Magazine* over the last two decades.



Herbert L. Axelrod, PhD, was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree. Dr. Axelrod is undoubtedly the best-known tropical fish expert in the world. He is an author, musician, professor, lecturer, publisher, editor, employer, adventurer, and scientist. Dr. Axelrod has written 16 definitive texts on ichthyology, published more than 30 smaller books on individual species of fish for the hobbyist, and has written hundreds of articles. He has discovered hundreds of unknown species, six of which were named after him and he has rediscovered several species that were lost to science for many years. Dr. Axelrod is a proud supporter of the Monmouth University Performing Arts Program.

## HAWKS IN HOBOKEN

Hoboken-area Alumni came together for an evening of fun and socializing on April 14, 2000.



MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY ALUMNI RACE  
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MONMOUTH PARK



Alumni Family Day at Monmouth Park.

## IN SEARCH OF ALL MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY ALUMNI



Have you ever tried to get in touch with an old classmate, only to find that the last address you have in your telephone directory is eight years old? Well, your troubles are over. Soon an impressive directory of our alumni will be available to help you locate all your old friends.

The new Monmouth University Alumni Directory, scheduled for release Summer 2001, will be the most up-to-date and complete reference of all Monmouth alumni ever compiled! This comprehensive volume will include:

- Current name (with maiden name cross-referencing)
- Class years and degrees from Monmouth University
- Degrees earned from other institutions
- Job title, business name, address, and telephone number
- Residence address and telephone number
- Spouse and children's names
- E-mail address

Monmouth University has contracted with the prestigious Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, Inc. to produce our directory. Harris will soon begin researching and compiling the information to be printed in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to each alumna/us. (If you prefer not to be listed in the directory, please contact the Alumni Office in writing as soon as possible.)

The new Monmouth University Alumni Directory will soon make finding an alumna/us as easy as opening a book. Look for more details on the project in future issues.

## ARC CONTINUES TO EXPAND

The Offices of Admission and Alumni Affairs continue to expand the Alumni Recruitment Corps (ARC) and seek enthusiastic alumni to complement and expand the reach of the undergraduate admission staff.

Alumni volunteers represent Monmouth each year at one or two high school programs where they talk to students who are interested in learning about Monmouth. Training is provided by Admission Office staff.

If you are interested in learning more and live in one of the following geographic areas, please call the Alumni Office:

- All New Jersey counties except Monmouth, Middlesex and Ocean
- Long Island
- Rockland County
- Greater Philadelphia
- Westchester County
- New York City

## LIFE GETS EASIER WHEN YOU'RE CONNECTED

See what we mean by visiting the Monmouth University Alumni Home Page. Without leaving home you can shop, register for a permanent e-mail address and an e-mail forwarding service, write a resume and look for a job, update your address, send a class note, leave a message for a long-lost friend, and much, much more. Visit Monmouth University at [www.Monmouth.edu](http://www.Monmouth.edu) and click on the Alumni button.

## ALUMNI ELECT ASSOCIATION DIRECTORS

Eligible members of the Alumni Association recently elected five new directors to serve on the Board. Their three-year terms commenced July 1st and will end June 30, 2003. They are: John K. Amato '73 '80, Oakhurst, Principal of the Grace Wilday Middle School and Director of Title I Programs for the Roselle School District; Aaron Furgason '93, Point Pleasant, an Adjunct Professor in the Monmouth U. Communications Department and a Ph.D. candidate at Rutgers U.; Leslie Fourette Kalembe '78, Manasquan, a Group Manager for the Internal Revenue Service; Lauren M. Vento '99, Colts Neck, an Undergraduate Admission Counselor at Monmouth U.; and John (Jack) W. Wagner '97, Milltown, an Executive Search Consultant with Account Pros. Active in campus life during their undergraduate years, and now in

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their respective communities and various alumni association activities, the new directors are committed to fostering strong alumni relations and the continued excellence of Monmouth University. They join ten other elected directors and nine appointed representatives and chairs of various committees and constituent groups.

Elections for five directors are held annually and ballots, in accordance with the bylaws of the association, are mailed to the current fiscal year donors and to members of the last three graduating classes. If you are interested in being slated for a directorship, please call Alumni Director Marilyn Perry.

## TRENTON THUNDER

Trenton-area alumn came out in full force to the Trenton Thunder Waterfront Park on April 30, 2000 for Alumni Family Day.





## Foxman Five and Counting:

Creating a Family Tradition at Monmouth

BY MELANIE J. MARTIN '00

For Donna Foxman, a 1983 Monmouth University business school graduate, one of the most important numbers she keeps track of is the number of Monmouth degrees that grace the walls of her Toms River home. Donna is the first of her family to graduate from Monmouth's hallowed halls, but is certainly not the last. Her three daughters are Monmouth graduates, and between them, they hold 5 degrees.

It all began a few years prior to 1981 when her youngest daughter, Jackie, came of school age. That's when Donna decided to attend Ocean County Community College. While working toward her AA in Business Administration, she also was a full-time mom and wife to husband Robert. Because she maintained a steady 4.0 GPA, Foxman received Monmouth University's Trustee Scholarship, the first nontraditional student to be granted the prestigious award. The Trustee Scholarship entitles the recipient to full tuition at Monmouth University. Since then, the University trustees have set aside one Trustee Scholarship per year for a deserving nontraditional student.

"It was a real challenge," says Foxman. "One of the stipulations of the Trustee Scholarship was a course load of 15 credits per semester." She remembers well how she used to do homework every evening with her daughters. "It was a lot of work," she adds, "but the big course load is why I obtained my degree in only a year and a half." After keeping up the 4.0 GPA throughout her Monmouth career, Foxman armed herself with a BS in Business Accounting and went on to obtain the necessary licenses to become a Certified Public Accountant.

Now married for 35 years to Robert, and the proprietor of her own private CPA practice, Donna has been focusing on community service work and on getting her own daughters through college. Her oldest child, Cheryl, obtained her BA in Criminal Justice from Monmouth University in 1990, followed by her sister Sharon in 1992. Cheryl went on for an advanced degree at Rutgers and Sharon now works for a corporation. Youngest daughter Jackie obtained her BSW in 1996 and will graduate in May of 2000 with her MSW.

Given her family's experience at Monmouth, Foxman stays connected. She serves on the Business Council for the School of Business Administration, a volunteer position she's enjoyed for almost 4 years. With three grandchildren and one daughter still living at home, Foxman takes time to enjoy life at a fast pace. She and her husband travel and garden, and are involved with starting a Toms River chapter of Habitat for Humanity. The chapter, named the Northern Ocean Habitat for Humanity, hopes to build their first house this year. Daughter Cheryl is also involved with the organization, and will be helping out with the family selection process.

Foxman offers the same piece of advice to current Monmouth students that she has offered to her own children. "Take time to find out what you really like to do." As evidenced by her community service work and her roles of mother, wife, and successful businesswoman, she follows her own good advice. It's easy to hear the smile in her voice when she says, "When you like what you do, then doing it will be easy."

### CLASS OF 1965

MARILYN EGOLF ROCKY was named the on-air host of "Community Connections," a Comcast Cable TV show airing in the Monmouth and Ocean County areas. The show focuses on programs assisting senior citizens and spotlights exceptional senior volunteers who have made a difference in the lives of seniors through their volunteer work.

### CLASS OF 1966

JAMES W. HOLZAPFEL is serving as the managing partner of Citta, Holzapel, and Zabarsky, Leahey & Simon located in Toms River. He served as the Ocean County



Prosecutor from 1987-1992. In 1994 he was elected to the New Jersey General Assembly representing the 10th Legislative District. He served as chairman to the Joint Committee on Ethical Standards and Assistant Majority Whip. Presently, he serves as chairman to the Law and Public Safety Committee and vice-chairman to the Consumer Affairs and Regulated Professions Committee.

### CLASS OF 1967

MICHAEL COHN retired after 33 years in education, most recently as assistant superintendent with the Orange New Jersey Board of Education.

### CLASS OF 1969

ANDREW M. HORN joined New England Financial of North Jersey, Fairfield as a financial representative.

### CLASS OF 1970

FERRIS J. ANTOON retired as director of the sport camps at Brookdale Community College in September 1999 after 26 years. He had previously retired from teaching and coaching in 1993 from West Long Branch School District after 33 years.

### CLASS OF 1972

SYDNEY J. KOERNER joined Kling Lindquist as director of human resources. Reporting directly to the CEO, Sydney will develop and implement an overall Master Plan for human resources. Prior to joining Kling Lindquist, Sydney served as director of human resources for K. Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. After graduating from Monmouth, she received her MA from Fairleigh Dickinson University and an MS in human resources management from Rutgers University.



### CLASS OF 1973

GLENN UMINOWICZ was named the executive director of the Danvers Historical Society in Danvers, MA.

## CLASS OF 1974

JOHN A. GRECO, JR. was elected by YPPA's Board of Directors as the Association's president and CEO.

M. KAREN THOMPSON, a partner at the Somerville law firm Norris McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A., was reappointed by Governor Whitman to serve a second term on the New Jersey State Commission of Investigation (SCI). She is a New Jersey Supreme Court Certified Trial Attorney, and chair of the Norris McLaughlin Litigation Department.

## CLASS OF 1975

JILL A. MILLER-PIDGEON was promoted to senior contract administrator for Home Box Office and Time Warner Sports. She is married to Stanley Pidgeon and they have a son Matthew, 4.

## CLASS OF 1976

SHEILA ANDERSON has joined RE/MAX Country in Milltown. She is serving as a Broker of Record for the newest RE/MAX in Central New Jersey.

## CLASS OF 1977

MARK F. ARMSTRONG was promoted to vice president of sales and marketing for the tire division of Cooper Tire and Rubber Company. He will continue to oversee all Cooper Tire sales activities, now adding international business development and global sales and marketing to his responsibilities, as well.



## CLASS OF 1980

DIANE BURTON was appointed principal of Riverview School in Denville. Diane has a wide range of experience as a teacher in the Denville Township schools. She also won a Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation grant for independent study and was a PTA nominee for the national Outstanding Educator award.

CHARLES CONNOLLY accepted a position at Suffolk Community College as director of enrollment services.

LISA WESTERFIELD '82 has joined SRE, Inc. a biotechnology firm.

## CLASS OF 1981

CAROL I. RASKIN was elected president of the Morris/Sussex Chapter of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA) for a one-year term. Carol is the director of Accounting Policy at The Prudential Insurance Company of America, Newark. She is a member of the American Women's Society of Certified Public Accountants, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the



Society of Financial Service Professionals. After graduating from Monmouth, Carol earned her MBA from George Washington

University and MS in taxation from Fairleigh Dickinson University. She and her husband, Paul Malc, have one daughter and reside in Morris Plains.

THOMAS P. ROSE was promoted to top financial advisor of Mayor John O' Leary's administration.

## CLASS OF 1982

ROBERT GOODE has joined Columbia Energy's Propane Division as southeastern Human Resources manager. Columbia Propane is located in Richmond, VA.

## CLASS OF 1983

CHARLES FORREST '87 was named vice president and credit risk officer for Commerce Bank's Shore Region.

## CLASS OF 1985

THOMAS HARRIS is a college counselor and is doing private practice work.

MARK WILLIS and his wife, Jackie, welcomed their second son, Matthew Richard, on October 12, 1999. Big brother, Zachary, is 6. The family resides in Brick.

## CLASS OF 1986

CAMERON BRETT and his wife, Lisa welcomed their son, Connor Steven on May 1. The family resides in Campbell, CA.

ALFRED LeDOUX has joined Schlooser Real Estate as a rental agent.

## CLASS OF 1987

THOMAS BURKE was promoted to general manager of Station Casino in Kansas City, one of the largest casinos in the United States.

## CLASS OF 1988

NADER ANISE is a nationally recognized law firm marketing expert and attorney, who has authored six marketing/legal/business-related articles for five different publications over the last several months. He is the president of Nader Anise Lawyer Marketing, Inc. located in Boca Raton, FL.



MARIE EMMONS retired as a teacher for Cerebral Palsy of Monmouth and Ocean counties. Marie was awarded a full scholarship to attend Monmouth so she could become a teacher. She sends her thanks for that wonderful opportunity.

BONNIE TIBURZI SRYGLEY and her husband welcomed their daughter, Allison, on January 31. She joins her older sisters, Jillian, 4, and Lauren, 3. Bonnie is an at home mom. The family resides in Chatham.

## CLASS OF 1989

BONNIE SELICK married Mike Rogers on November 10, 1999. In the wedding party were her two sisters, ANNE SELICK AHERN '89 and CAROLYN SELICK '85.



## CLASS OF 1990

KEITH A. BUSCIO received the South Jersey Cultural Alliance's Paul Aiken Encore Award from the Garden State Philharmonic. The Award acknowledges individuals and businesses for their outstanding support of the arts and cultural institutions in South Jersey.

DANIEL K. HOLLY was promoted from retail sales to category/sales technology with Nestlé, USA. He has been with Nestlé, USA for two years.

STEPHEN J. NICHOLL was elected vice-chairman of Saint Clare's Foundation.

## Class of 1991

SUSAN MEAGHER TRAINO has joined Terremark Group Inc. of Miami as vice president of finance.

HEIDI CELLA SCHWEGLER and her husband, Robert, welcomed their daughter, Amelia Rose, born on December 24, 1999.



## CLASS OF 1992

EDWARD MEGARGEE earned his designation as a certified financial planner. The CFP designation demonstrates a high degree of knowledge and competency in all areas of personal financial planning. Edward is a senior financial consultant with Fleet Enterprises Inc. (a subsidiary of Fleet Boston Financial Corporation) serving Cape May and Atlantic counties since 1988.

TRACY NATION and her husband, Mark, welcomed their second son, Trevor Michael on December 18, 1999. Their oldest son, Marc, is 4. Tracy works as a senior manager for KPMG LLP.

## CLASS OF 1993

TIMOTHY BIESIADECKI was awarded the Certified Trust & Financial Advisor (CTFA) designation from the Institute of Certified Bankers. The CTFA designation is awarded to individuals who demonstrate excellence in the field of personal trust banking.

BRYAN HICKMAN married LYNN BAKER '95 on November 5, 1999. Bryan works as an associate director of NASDAQ Trading for Warbourg Dillon Read. Lynn is a systems analyzer for Hewitt Associates. The couple resides in New Canaan, CT.

AIMEE HOAG PORTLEY married Robert Portley on June 27, 1998. Aimee works for Commerce Bank coordinating and closing commercial loans. Robert is a sales representative for Lentz Milling Co. The couple resides in Medford.

ANNAMARIA SILVA and her husband welcomed their son Noah Nicola-James on December 15, 1999. Annamaria works as a 911 dispatcher for the Monroe Control Center in Stroudsburg, PA. The family resides in Swiftwater, PA.

## CLASS OF 1994

JENNIFER CARSON-GANNAIO and her husband, John, welcomed their fourth child, Julia Karris. The family resides in Clearwater, FL, where Jennifer is an early childhood director at a private Christian school.

DENISE (CAPPUCCIO) GIULIANI has been teaching the first grade in Texas for four years for the Pasadena Independent School District. She was married on June 18, 1999.

## CLASS OF 1996

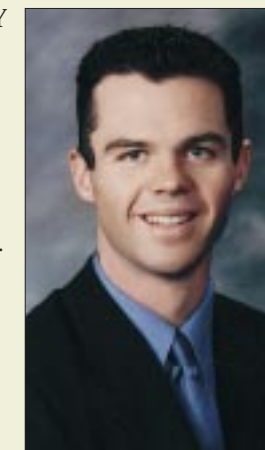
GRETCHEN HARTMAN works in sales and marketing for Final Cut, a supplier of custom engraved crystal, glass, and marble awards and gifts.

ANN MARIE IANNACI married MICHAEL MASON '97 on July 24, 1999. The wedding photos were taken at Monmouth University, where the couple met. Bridesmaids included STEPHANIE (LASPADA) JAVIER '96 and KRISTIN ROONEY '97. Other alumni in attendance: KAREN LADD '96, NICOLE REINART



'97, GLENN CORRINGTON '96, FRED PIAZZA '98, TREVOR DEAL '96, MICHAEL GILL '97, JACK WAGNER '97, and ANTHONY PIZZIMENTI '98. The wedding reception was held at the Grand Marquis in Freehold. Ann Marie is employed by Integrated Marketing Services in Princeton as an account executive. Michael is working as an equity trader for National Discount Brokers in Jersey City. The couple honeymooned in St. Lucia and resides in Edison.

MICHAEL LIDDY was awarded a law degree on May 20 from Roger Williams University, School of Law, Bristol, RI. Michael plans to practice law in Massachusetts.



JEAN PADGETT was promoted to staff II accountant at Withum, Smith & Brown Princeton Accounting Firm.

SUSAN KOSTURA SPRINGFIELD married Aaron Springfield on November 11, 1998. Susan works for Prudential Securities and has her own home based company – Creative Memories Consultant. The couple lives in Howell.



## CLASS OF 1997

HERBERT K. AMES was honored for his professionalism and community service by the Fai-Ho-Cha Organization-which stands for faith, hope, and charity-during their 29th annual honorees awards banquet. WILLIAM G. GREEN graduated from Rutgers Law School, Newark in May. He will be practicing criminal defense and personal injury law.

## CLASS OF 1998

DAVID STOUT and his wife Heather welcomed their daughter Jane Caroline on July 17, 1999.

## CLASS OF 1999

GAIL ANN DOMBROSKI married Robert Pellicone on September 11, 1999. The couple honeymooned in Aruba and resides in Secaucus.

JOE FUSSNER is a police officer with the city of Ventnor in Atlantic County.

LLEWELYN MITCHELL has joined the firm of Amper, Politziner & Mattia P.A. as a staff accountant.

JAMES M. PEASE was named to the Faculty of NJ Governor's School of Public Issues. He created the course "Making Democracy Work: Human Bonds and Social Capital." He is an adjunct professor of history at Brookdale Community College.

TRAVIS J. SEMBLEWSKI is the owner and founder of Inter-Web Design LLC. The company's services include Web Design & Development, Graphics Design, web hosting, Internet Marketing Consulting, Internet Business Development, and Internet Education services.

TIMOTHY STOOPS was hired by Bates Worldwide, a prominent New York City advertising agency, in the account-planning department.

STEPHANIE TRINCERI is teaching seventh grade art at Lawrence Middle School in Lawrenceville.

## Monmouth University Spirit Contest

These winners were up to the challenge! Thank you to all who participated, and congratulations to our winners who showed the most Monmouth Spirit and had the most correct answers!

1st Place: Catherine Ziegler Jung '89  
2nd Place: Kathy Walsh (parent)  
3rd Place: Kathleen Economos '86 '89  
4th Place: Marisol Reyes-Zingrone '96  
5th Place: Vincent Sciarappa '76

RICHARD VERA II earned a certified QuickBooks Professional Advisor designation, is a Diplomat of the American Board of Forensic Accounting and is a candidate for the designation of Certified Divorce Planner. Rich is the founder of CPA & Financial Services LLC, a full service CPA and investment firm.

SHALYN WNEK has joined the firm of Amper, Politziner & Mattia P.A. as a staff accountant.

### IN MEMORIAM

ALFRED R. FOURETT '51  
EDWARD A. VARGA '65  
JAMES MEANEY '72  
RAUL CASTRO '71  
TIMOTHY L. COVEL '74  
RAYMOND D. MOORE '75  
JOSEPH R. HINTELMANN '77  
HARRY HERNANDEZ '82

### ANSWERS

#### People

1. Sam Magill
2. Lewis M. Eisenberg
3. Lloyd F. Christianson HN '89 and the Monmouth University Library Association
4. President Rebecca Stafford
5. Sylvia A. Vidris Wittenberg '99
6. Hastings and Carrere

#### Places

7. 147
8. Long Branch High School
9. Alumni Guestbook
10. Tradewinds, Sea Bright
11. New Academic Building
12. Life and Career Advising Center (LCAC)

#### Sports

13. Christie Pearce '97
14. 19 10 men, 9 women
15. Shannon Poser
16. Football
17. Chris Wajda
18. Basketball

#### History

19. Woodrow Wilson
20. John A. McCall
21. Non-payment of taxes
22. 1956
23. Jeannette Goepfert, No. 10
24. Alumni Memorial Gymnasium

#### Miscellaneous

25. Tim Russert
26. MSW
27. Alumni Family Day at Monmouth Park
28. John Huston
29. Bob Hope
30. Wendy Boglioli '77

## The time was right for me to show my appreciation..

The presence of a university here in Monmouth County has made it possible for so very many to obtain a college education. Having Monmouth within reach certainly made that difference for me. Roy and I felt the time was right for me to show my appreciation by giving back to Monmouth for the many ways it has enriched my life.

Over the years, we have watched the University grow into the vital institution that it is today. Financial support from alumni and friends has helped to make that possible. By participating in the Pooled Income Fund, my support for Monmouth will continue for many years to come. I hope that my decision to contribute in this way will be an example for others to follow.

### Della N. Garrabrant '66

Member: Former Monmouth University Board of Visitors, Educational & Faculty Affairs Committee of the MU Board of Trustees, and past president of Monmouth University Library Association

### For Information about the Monmouth University Pooled Income Fund

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Fourth Annual Alumni  
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*Suneagles Golf Course*

Callahan's Corner  
*Lunch and the game plan with  
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### Saturday, October 21

Reunion 2000  
Classes of 1960, 1975, & 1990

Life Career and Advising  
Center Open House

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*Alumni Discounts (10%+)*

Traditional Tailgating Parties  
and Contests, BBQ, Parade, Post  
Game Party

Football at Kessler Field  
*MONMOUTH vs. Stony Brook*

### Sunday, October 22

Alumni Volunteer Brunch

The Performing Arts Series  
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