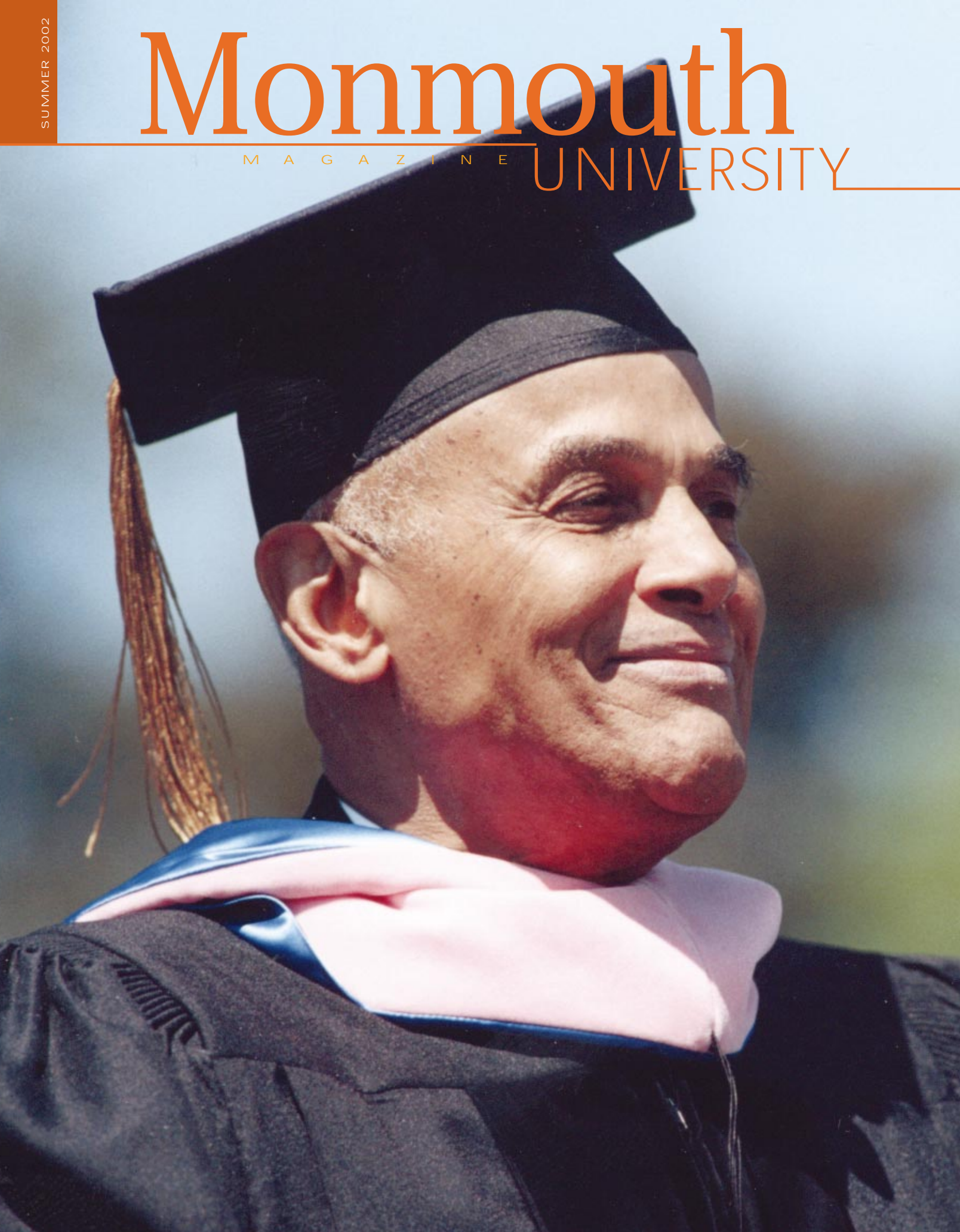


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NEW DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE ADMISSION

Kevin Roane of Scotch Plains has been named director of Graduate Admission. Roane will be responsible for the management of recruitment and admission processes for graduate students and the achievement of graduate enrollment objectives. His responsibilities include supervision of the communication to prospective students as well as maintenance of admission standards and management of the admission evaluation process.

Roane joined Monmouth University in 1993 as an admission counselor. He was later promoted to associate director. Prior to coming to Monmouth University he worked as an admission representative at Brick Computer Science Institute.

Roane is a member of the New Jersey Association of College Admissions Counselors. He holds a bachelor's of science in Business Management from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

NEW DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Jan Connolly of Neptune City has been named the new director of Special Events and Programs. Connolly brings more than 15 years of special events and marketing experience to Monmouth University. As director, she will be responsible for raising funds and cultivating friends for the University through the planning and implementation of special events and recognition dinners, including the University's Scholarship Ball, Distinguished Business Leaders' Award Dinner, Real Estate Institute Leadership Excellence Award Dinner and other donor-supported events.

Before joining Monmouth University, Connolly served as marketing director for United Teletech Federal Credit Union in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, where she was responsible for marketing, public relations, product research and community outreach. Prior to that she was community relations manager at the Asbury Park Press in Neptune, New Jersey, where she coordinated hundreds of community outreach, civic and charitable events and oversaw regional grant distributions for the Gannett Foundation.

Connolly has served on numerous non-profit and civic boards and committees, including the Monmouth and Ocean Development Council, Jersey Shore Public Relations and Advertising Association (where she was a past president and winner of the 2001 Jasper Service Award), Asbury Park Chamber of Commerce and the Coalition for Service Learning. Currently she serves on the board of directors of Prevention First and the United Way of Monmouth County.

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IN MEMORIAM

The Monmouth family mourns the loss of Deanna M. Scherrer '89, a long-time employee in the Department of Human Resources, who died May 12, 2002. She will be missed.

Save the Date CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF MONMOUTH FOOTBALL

Saturday, October 12th

Monmouth vs. Stony Brook - 1:00 PM

Don't miss this special day as we celebrate 10 years of football at Monmouth. We invite all former players, coaches and their families to join us as the Hawks take on Stony Brook in a key Northeast Conference matchup at Kessler Field. Monmouth football alumni and their families along with our current players and families are invited to a postgame barbecue on the practice field after the game.

For ticket and postgame barbecue information, contact Dan Sullivan, Associate Athletics Director for Marketing at 732-571-3675 or at dsulliva@monmouth.edu.



NATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO PROMOTE LIBERAL EDUCATION

Dr. Rebecca Stafford has joined more than 375 other presidents from institutions across the country in an unprecedented campaign by the Association of American Colleges and Universities. The groundbreaking initiative is called the "Presidents' Campaign for the Advancement of Liberal Learning".

This national effort seeks to increase public understanding of liberal education and to foster a societal commitment to providing a quality liberal education to every college student, regardless of his or her field of study. By signing the CALL statement, President Stafford has pledged to speak out on the benefits of a 21st century liberal education and the practices and programs that will help every student receive this kind of instruction. The aims of a 21st century liberal education are to develop intellectual and ethical judgment, expand cultural, societal and scientific horizons, cultivate democratic and global knowledge and engagement and prepare for work in a dynamic and rapidly evolving economy.

In addition to college presidents from around the country, several national organizations are also supporting the campaign, including the: American Association of Higher Education; American Association of University Professors; Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching; Campus Compact; Educational Testing Service; Great Lakes Colleges Association; Center of Inquiry in the Liberal Arts (Wabash College) and American Conference of Academic Deans.

In August, AAC&U will release a national report on the aims and purposes of a 21st century liberal education as part of its national initiative, Greater Expectations: the Commitment to Quality as a Nation Goes to College. It will be funded with grants from the Pew Charitable Trusts, Carnegie Corporation of New York and the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education.

REAL ESTATE INSTITUTE LEADERSHIP EXCELLENCE AWARD DINNER

The ninth annual Real Estate Institute Leadership Excellence Award Dinner was held on Thursday, May 30. The event, which was the largest to date, honored Mitchell E. Hersh for his distinctive contributions to the state and nation throughout his successful real estate career.

Hersh is chief executive officer, director and member of the executive committee of the board of directors of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation. He is responsible for the company's strategic direction and long-term planning. Hersh is also responsible for creating and implementing Mack-Cali's capital overall investment and markets strategies.

Prior to becoming chief executive officer of Mack-Cali in 1999, Hersh was its president and chief operating officer. Before joining Mack-Cali in December 1997, he served as a partner of The Mack Company since 1982 and as chief operating officer of the Company since 1990 where he was responsible for overseeing the development, operations, leasing and acquisitions of The Mack Company's office and industrial portfolio.

Hersh is a member of the Real Estate Roundtable, serves on the board of trustees of the New York University Real Estate Institute, on the board of directors for both the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, and the New Jersey chapter of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties.

Honorary co-chairmen at the award dinner were John A. Somers and Bruce S. Schonbraun. Somers is executive vice president of Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association. Schonbraun is managing partner of Schonbraun, Safris, McCann, Bekritsky and Co., LLC.

The Real Estate Institute was founded in 1992 and is the sole provider of executive real estate education in the state of New Jersey. To date, more than 600 real estate professionals including attorneys, bankers, brokers, appraisers, assessors, developers and investors have taken a curriculum of rigorous courses at both the Institute's main campus and at the East Brunswick location.



From left to right: Arther M. Greenbaum, Donald Moliver, Mitchell Hersh, Charles Klatskin.



From left to right: Mitchell Hersh, Cheryl Hersh (wife), and Steven Pozyski.



From left to right: Rebecca Stafford, Mitchell Hersh, Donald Moliver.

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Software Engineer
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NEW DIRECTOR OF ADMISSION PROCESSING

Deanna Campbell of Middletown has been promoted to director of Admission Processing. As director Campbell is responsible for undergraduate and graduate domestic and international admission records and oversees the management of enrollment related correspondence.

Campbell joined Monmouth University in 1998 as an undergraduate admission counselor. She was promoted to assistant director of the department in 1999 and in 2001 she was named interim director of admission processing.

Campbell is a member of both the National Association of Foreign Student Advisors and the National Association for College Admission Counseling. She holds a bachelor's of arts in industrial/organizational psychology from Moravian College.

TOWN HALL MEETING HELD IN WILSON HALL



Dr. Rebecca Stafford presents Governor James E. McGreevey with the University's recently published coffee table book at the April 29, 2002 Town Hall Meeting held in Wilson Hall.



From Left to Right: SGA President Lauren Ccenteri, SGA Attorney General Andrew Amendola, Governor James E. McGreevey and Vice President Mary Anne Nagy at the Governor's Town Hall Meeting held on 4/29/02.

STUDENT AWARDED FELLOWSHIP

Lawrence Perruzza, a biology major from Old Bridge, was awarded an undergraduate research fellowship from the American Society for Microbiology (ASM). He is using the fellowship to continue his research on sources of fecal contamination in the Manasquan River's estuary.

Perruzza is comparing his research of bacterial samples found in the water with fecal bacteria present in animals living in the surrounding areas. He has developed a file of multiple antibiotic resistance (M.A.R.) profiles and DNA fingerprinting patterns for fecal E. coli from numerous species including humans, cattle, poultry and a number of other domestic and wild animals. These findings serve as databases for comparing M.A.R. profiles and DNA fingerprinting patterns for fecal E. coli isolated from the estuary.

Bacterial contaminants reach waterways such as the Manasquan River estuary from a variety of sources. These can include run-off, storm water discharges, septic systems, sewer lines, pets, wildlife and boat waste. This contamination in the Manasquan River estuary has resulted in shellfish harvest restrictions and poses a potential health threat.

Perruzza is one of only 26 students who have received fellowships this year from ASM. As part of the fellowship, Perruzza must perform research in the laboratory of an ASM-member scientist and agree to present at next year's national meeting in Washington, D.C. Perruzza will receive a \$2,500 stipend and \$900 in travel expenses from his fellowship to attend the ASM national meeting. Fellows will be recognized at a reception at the national meeting and his poster presentation will be included in a special session for ASM undergraduate fellowship awardees.

Perruzza is working with Monmouth University professor Michael Palladino, with whom he began his research on the Manasquan River E. coli project in the summer of 2000 as part of the University's Experiential Education research course BY 250 – Research in MCP.

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GARY HANDELL,
M.A. in Psychological Counseling
Licensed Professional Counselor,
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SENATOR JON CORZINE RECEIVES A MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY COFFEE TABLE BOOK



President Stafford presents Great Steps, Monmouth University's coffee table book, to Senator Jon Corzine who spoke at Global Challenges in the 21st Century Convention on 4/22/02.

19TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP BALL

Monmouth University and the 2002 Scholarship Ball Committee honored Charles and Trudy Parton at the 19th annual ball on Saturday, May 4 in historic Woodrow Wilson Hall.

Charles and Trudy Parton were honored in recognition of their tireless dedication and commitment to Monmouth University and the community. Mr. Parton is the immediate past chairman of the board of trustees and was elected a Life Trustee in June. Mrs. Parton has also spent many years volunteering her time to the University. As a token of their appreciation, the Partons generously underwrote 20 Monmouth University scholarship recipients to attend the ball as their guests.

Chairwoman Tindra Lanfrank of Little Silver created this year's theme "Rose Ball." The black tie affair offered an elegant evening of dining and dancing with additional entertainment provided by stand-up comedian Eric McMahon, Frank Sinatra stylist Johnny O'Blue Eyes and performance artists from New York City.



DR. GILBERT FELL: RECIPIENT OF 2001 ALF AWARD

At the 41st Annual Summer Conference 2001, REALIA and the Institute for Advanced Philosophic Research presented its Alfred E. Koenig Memorial Award, "ALF," to Dr. Gilbert S. Fell, professor emeritus of Philosophy and Religion. The award is given in honor and gratitude to those who have made remarkable contributions to the work of REALIA and IAPR. The Alf was presented to Gill for his tireless and generous support as an advisor and editor on the staff of Contemporary Philosophy, and for his commitment to provocative and scholarly debate of the issues that concern all humanity.

FROM THE EDITOR:

In the Spring issue of Monmouth Magazine the names under the photographs of Gloria and Norma Monty were inadvertently switched. We apologise for this error.



Gloria Monty (left) with her sister Norma (right).

PERFORMING ARTS SEASON 2002/2003

An exciting array of professional music, dance and comedy performances is scheduled for this season:

September 29, 2002 at 7 PM – **Nell Carter**, \$45, \$43

October 5, 2002 at 8 PM – **Roger McGuinn with Vance Gilbert**, \$30, \$28

October 19, 2002 at 1 PM – **Philadanco (Master Class)**, \$25, \$23

7 PM **Philadanco** (Pre-Performance Lecture), \$0, \$0
8 PM **Philadanco** (Performance), \$34, \$32

November 2, 2002 at 8 PM – **Phoebe Snow**, \$45, \$43

November 16, 2002 at 8 PM – **Don McLean**, \$45, \$43

December 6, 2002 at 8 PM – **Orchestra of Saint Peter by the Sea**, \$30, \$28

December 8, 2002 at 7 PM – **Shawn Colvin**, \$45, \$43

January 24, 2003 at 8 PM – **The Chapin Family (Harry Chapin: A Celebration in Song)** \$40, \$38

February 8, 2003 at 8 PM – **Garth Fagan Dance**, \$36, \$34

March 1, 2003 at 8 PM – **B.J. Ward: Stand-Up Opera**, \$30, \$28

March 8, 2003 at 1 PM – **Forces of Nature (Master Class)**, \$25, \$23

8 PM – **Forces of Nature (Performance)**, \$34, \$32

March 22, 2003 at 8 PM – **Lucy Kaplanski, Susan Werner and Toshi Reagon**, \$28, \$26

April 5, 2003 at 8 PM – **Forbidden Hollywood**, \$30, \$28

Ticket prices vary for adults, senior citizens and alumni, and children 12 and younger. They can be purchased through the Pollak Theatre box office by calling (732) 571-3483.

STUDENTS CELEBRATE AMERICA WITH PATRIOTIC ART EXHIBIT



Students get to show and sell their artwork at the Monmouth Beach Cultural Center. Front Row, left to right: Crystal Gallagher; Maria O'Connor; Alexandra Hagstoz; Catherine Gay; Ross Maszczak. Top left: Nicholas Tidrick. Top Right: Hala Mouaket.

Nineteen students from the Department of Art and Design were featured at the Monmouth Beach Cultural Center this past March. The title of the patriotic exhibit is "One Symbol." Professor Nicholas Aristovulos asked the students to interpret the American flag and its symbolism to them, in a three-dimensional presentation. The sculptures – with names such as "Shooting Stars," "Rising Pride" and "American Wave" – were created out of clay, wood, paper, cast stone and shells as well as other material.

FIRST UNION GIVES TO THE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS AT MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY



President Stafford and MU student Krista Langkamer accept a \$100,000 check from First Union's Susanne Svizeny (president, Southern NJ Region) for endowed scholarships at Monmouth University.

"ARE YOU PREPARED FOR DISASTER?" PANEL DISCUSSION



Assemblyman Steve Corodenus hosted "Are You Prepared for Disaster?" on May 17, 2002 in Anacon Hall. Faculty members, Dr. Tepfenhart and Dr. Christensen participated in the panel discussion. Left to Right: Dean Frank Lutz, Assemblyman Steve Corodenus, President Rebecca Stafford, Dr. William Tepfenhart and Dr. Ed Christensen.

DEDICATION OF

ROBERT E. McALLAN HALL

PAUL S. DOHERTY JR. '67, CHAIRMAN OF MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PROCLAIMED THE NEW ACADEMIC BUILDING TO BE NAMED ROBERT E. McALLAN HALL ON SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2002. ABOUT 60 ALUMNI, FRIENDS, AND FAMILY ATTENDED THE NAMING RECEPTION. PRESIDENT REBECCA STAFFORD AND MR. DOHERTY PROVIDED COMMENTS AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION OF THE McALLAN GIFT TO THE UNIVERSITY. MR. McALLAN PRESENTED A PLAQUE IN HONOR OF JULES L. PLANGERE, JR. AND E. DONALD LASS. THE PLAQUE WILL BE DISPLAYED IN McALLAN HALL. MR. McALLAN WAS PRESENTED AN ORIGINAL WATERCOLOR OF THE BUILDING IN RECOGNITION OF HIS CONTRIBUTION.



From Left to Right: Paul S. Doherty, Jr. Chairman of the Board of Trustees; Jules L. Plangere, Jr.; Rebecca Stafford, President; Robert E. McAllan; and E. Donald Lass.



Excerpts from Mr. McAllan's speech:

"There is a reason why I chose this building among the many that are being offered by the University as part of its building program. I believe education is the core of our civilization. It is where we shape the values of our young, care for their physical and mental well being, and teach preservation of order so that we may live in relative peace and harmony. It is where the climate is set for productive entry into the workforce while setting the standards for the day-to-day business activity upon which our society is based. A strong educational system, particularly at the college level, is why we, as a nation, are the envy of most peoples around the world.

How did higher education become so important, and why did it become so widely available in the United States? I firmly believe it is embodied in a few extraordinary sentences we call the First Amendment. Let me quote New York Times columnist Randy Cohen as he elaborates, 'Free speech is not just a Constitutional protection; it is a profoundly moral principle: There can be no meaningful human freedom without freedom of thought, and thought requires access to and the exchange of ideas.' Can there be any stronger argument for independent forums of higher learning?

I attended Monmouth in the mid to late 60s. It was a time of great transition, for our nation and particularly for Monmouth. The



now 4-year University had only recently moved from its home as a two-year institution at Long Branch High School to its new campus here on the Parson's estate. It took enormous foresight and intestinal fortitude to make as bold a move as was made in those years. But those moves pale in comparison to what has been achieved since then. Graduate programs, greatly expanded fields of study, state of the art facilities, and a waiting list of applicants all attest to our advancement.

The men and women who have built Monmouth, who have taught here and the many students who have studied here (not to mention the parents who paid their tuition) all have one thing in common. They all believe in the need for private, independently operated institutions of higher learning. But they also need to be educated as to the need for their continued financial support.

This is why I have elected to be a benefactor of Monmouth University. Certainly one of the reasons I am making a gift to the University is because of the solid education that has served me so well throughout my career. But more significantly, it is my way of making a statement to other Monmouth alumni as to the importance of fostering Monmouth's work now and into the future. I hope they will, within their means, follow my lead."

"FREE SPEECH IS NOT JUST A CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTION; IT IS A PROFOUNDLY MORAL PRINCIPLE: THERE CAN BE NO MEANINGFUL HUMAN FREEDOM WITHOUT FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, AND THOUGHT REQUIRES ACCESS TO AND THE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS."

BEING ALL THAT HE CAN BE:

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TIMOTHY COOK '99

WHAT DRIVES A MAN WITH A COLLEGE DEGREE AND A SUCCESSFUL CAREER TO ENLIST IN THE MILITARY? FOR PRIVATE FIRST CLASS TIMOTHY ALLEN COOK '99, IT WAS A RELATIVELY SIMPLE DECISION. "IT WAS JUST SOMETHING I HAD ALWAYS WANTED TO DO."

A criminal justice major at Monmouth, Cook, as his friends call him, had originally intended to do law enforcement after college and had hopes of joining the Federal Marshals. Instead, after graduating from Monmouth, he began work as a private investigator. His job was to validate or invalidate workers' comp claims. "I was often sent out to watch people who had filed claims their companies suspected were false, to see if I would find them moving furniture or anything else they claimed they could no longer do because of an injury."

It was a job he found on the Internet after making the decision to move from South Jersey, where he grew up, to North Jersey, to live with his college roommate,



Tim Stoops '99. "I had applied to seven companies as a private investigator. The one I eventually worked for came up with the most money and seemed the coolest."

Despite the cool job, the cool roommate and a romance that began budding during his application period, Cook still saw the military as the way to go.

"My dad had been in the Army and my uncle had been in the Air Force and when I was growing up, they used to tell me stories about Vietnam."

He laughs. "You know, you always think about playing G.I. Joe when you're a kid. When I was 18, I almost joined the Navy. I was pretty big into it." In hindsight, he realizes the timing was not right for such a move. At the

time, however, he recalls that a girl he was dating was the reason he decided at the last minute not to join. "She asked me to stay and I couldn't refuse."



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"IF I HAD GONE INTO THE MILITARY AT THE TIME, I WOULDN'T HAVE GONE TO COLLEGE AND MET EVERYONE AT MONMOUTH, SO IT WAS BETTER THAT I HADN'T GONE."

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"If I had gone into the military at the time, I wouldn't have gone to college and met everyone at Monmouth, so it was better that I didn't enlist."

Despite the continuing desire to enlist, Cook recalls that there was always some reason not to. He told himself that if he didn't do it by the time he was twenty-five, he would let go of the idea entirely.

"As I began the application process (for the Marine Corps) I told myself that if I had any doubts or questions, I would leave. I'd say no thanks, put down the pen and walk out of the office." But the doubts and questions never came.

Cook opted to go the enlisted route rather than being commissioned as an officer; an unusual choice for someone with a college degree and professional

experience. His reason is a straightforward one. "Being enlisted first makes you a better officer," he says simply. "Ultimately, I'll get more respect if I work my way from enlisted to an officer, who knows what it's like to be at the bottom. It's a different situation when compared to some guy who comes straight out of college and jumps in and tells guys what to do."

Currently, Cook is in infantry training which will last another few weeks. After, he expects to be on Presidential duty, which could entail guarding Camp David when the President or foreign dignitaries visit, White House duty or HMX duty (guarding the helicopter and following the President). He won't know his specific assignment until he finishes training.

Although his decision to join the Marine Corps seemed to veer from the professional track he'd chosen, no one in his family was especially surprised. "My mom always knew I would go into the military. It was really just a matter of when. She didn't think I'd ever put myself directly into harm's way, and that's something she's been struggling with." As an only child, the Marine Corps will not force Cook into combat. He is, however, planning on volunteering for combat duty.

"My mom's dealing with it a lot better now because she can talk to me. In boot camp, I wasn't allowed to talk to her. The only contact was through letters and not hearing my voice was tough." His father and uncle were both proud.

"It was a little tougher on my friends, I think. Stoops got a little choked up, told me he was proud, and to come home safe. My girlfriend at the time (another Monmouth University '99 grad) was supportive. She expressed some concern, but I think she kept whatever she was really thinking to herself." Cook says remaining in contact with both his former roommate and former girlfriend keeps him grounded. "Sometimes, you just need to talk to someone who knows about real hockey and decent beer."

And why the Marine Corps over the Navy, Army or Air Force? Cook grins. "The uniform looks damn good."

Cook credits Monmouth for preparing him for the military. "I realized that no one would get me through college except myself, that while there would be help if I needed it, whether or not I graduated was ultimately up to me."

Despite being away for months at a time, he hopes to be able to attend the summer reunion and Homecoming. "The key players in my life are MU alums. Staying involved means I get to stay in touch with a part of my life that seems pretty far away at the moment." MU

Looking for Things to Do?

Here are Some **FUN** Activities for Fall

BY LISA MARINO-DELUCIA

As summer starts to wind down thoughts turn to back-to-school necessities and the impending end of our warm summer days. For some of us it has been a summer filled with activities, for others a time of relaxation by the pool. However you spent the last few months, odds are you weren't home as much as in the colder months. But don't let the weather be your only guide...there are many, many fun activities just around the corner all over New Jersey that can be enjoyed as much in the Fall as in the Summer. Before the chill in the air gets too brisk, plan some fun weekends at these lesser known New Jersey spots.

Bergen County Zoological Park

216 Forest Ave.
Paramus, NJ 07652
201-262-3771

Nestled in the midst of Van Saun County Park is the Bergen County Zoological Park. Numerous animals call this place home including the endangered Andean condor, the exotic green iguana, boa, and other not-so-exotic animals such as ferrets, mountain lions, bison and the like. The zoo also contains a domesticated farm animal exhibit and a bird aviary. Special programs are available including animal birthday parties, programs for visiting school children of all ages and other on-site and off-site activities.



Twentieth-Century Dinosaurs

54 Hollywood Ave.
Farmingdale, NJ 07727
908-938-6281

New Jersey artist Jim Gary has turned his front lawn into a modern-day Bedrock. Using car parts and metal scraps, Gary has sculpted a number of life-size "thunder lizards" — including a brontosaurus, a pterodactyl, a T-Rex and a triceratops. During the holiday season, the dinosaurs are decorated with Christmas lights to add to the festivity. One of Gary's dinosaurs can be found on Monmouth's campus in the Blonder Garden.

From Here to Eternity: The Museum

417 Monroe St.
Hoboken, NJ 07030
201-659-9440

Are you a Frank Sinatra fan? Visit this tribute to one of this century's most towering cultural figures. This 600-square-foot room is filled with photos and letters, plus a few other items like a handkerchief Sinatra once gave a fan during a show, and a menu from the resort in Englewood, where Sinatra began his career. A painting of the Academy Award adorns the front door, a nod at Sinatra's two Oscars. Though it doesn't necessarily have the stamp of approval from Sinatra's family, it has a bit of historical accuracy on its side; it is located next door to an empty lot that once featured the now-demolished building where Sinatra grew up.

Swing-a-ding-ding, Baby!



Space Farms Zoo & Museum

Route 519
Sussex, NJ 07461
973-875-5800

You've probably seen the commercials growing up...this 400-acre zoo and museum is named after Ralph and Elizabeth Space, who opened a wild animal shelter, general store and repair shop here in 1927. Still all in the family, the Space's children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren now operate the largest private collection of North American wildlife in the world. The zoo includes bobcats, tigers, lions, buffalo, monkeys, llamas and even yaks, among other creatures. The connected museum includes an exotic collection of objects, both animal-related and not. They include a doll museum, Civil War weapons, dinosaur bones, Native American skulls (some with flesh still attached) and shelf after shelf of animals.





Yogi Berra Museum

Eight Quarry Road
Little Falls, NJ 07474
973-655-2377

Through Hall of Fame-type exhibits, displays and films, your knowledge of Yogi will be greatly enhanced by a trip to the campus of Montclair State. See the very mitt that Yogi used for catching during Don Larsen's perfect 1956 World Series game, along with other artifacts (some on loan from Cooperstown). You will gain an appreciation for Yogi's commitment to kids and learn about his days before baseball. The museum also gives you a look into the emergence of the Yankees and the building of Yankee Stadium, and displays a collection of artifacts reflecting 19th- and early 20th-century baseball history.

Van Wickle House at The Meadows

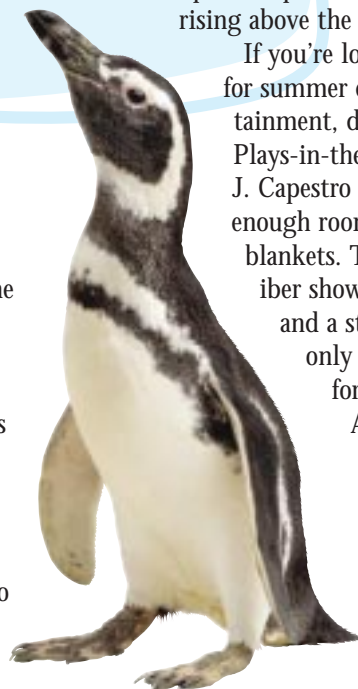
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732-828-7418

The Meadows Foundation, a Franklin-based historical preservation group in Somerset County, bought this 277 year-old house in 1976 from a couple that was only too eager to sell. It's not because the house isn't beautiful or is lacking in modern conveniences — renovation has turned it into a contemporary-looking residence, and its history is an interesting parallel to the rise of Jersey's Dutch middle class in the state's colonial days. The problem, to put it simply, is that the house is haunted — very haunted, by its original owners, Evert and Cornelia Van Wickle. Luckily for the caretakers and former owners, the Van Wickles (who are often described as being accompanied by three ghostly cohorts) are gentle and pleasant landlords.

Jenkinson's Aquarium

300 Ocean Ave.
Point Pleasant Beach, NJ 08742
732-899-1659

Jenkin's Aquarium, located just yards from the water on the Point Pleasant boardwalk, wants to share what's wonderful about the Atlantic with Jersey shore visitors. In addition to the aquarium's fish and coral reef displays, the museum houses sharks, seals, alligators, stingrays, penguins, macaws and more. A hands-on touch tank allows visitors to feel some of the fish (including small sharks and crustaceans) and is the home to Bounty, the original boat used in the film *Mutiny on the Bounty*. Every Saturday during the summer there's a walk on the beach with museum docents, who point out marine life in the water and sand.



Roosevelt Park

17 Pine Dr.
Edison, NJ 08817
732-548-2884

This park in Edison is not your everyday park. There are several characteristics that really set it apart. Chief among them is a rather creepy fountain entitled "Light Dispelling Darkness," created by WPA artist Waylande Gregory during the Great Depression. Though much of the statuary — such as "Famine," "Greed," "Materialism" and "War" — seems to embrace evil, the center pillar depicts the Earth rising above the fray.

If you're looking for summer entertainment, don't pass up an opportunity to attend a Plays-in-the-Park performance at the park's Stephen J. Capestro Theatre. The outdoor amphitheater has enough room for 2,800 people, lawn chairs and blankets. The main stage features Broadway-caliber shows enhanced both by talented performers and a state-of-the-art sound system. Tickets can only be purchased on the night of each performance, so beat the rush and arrive early. And if having so much fun makes you hungry, head to one of two food stands that sell concessions like hot dogs, popcorn, soda and Italian ices.



Princeton Art Museum

Nassau and Witherspoon Streets
Princeton University
Princeton, NJ 08544
609-258-3788



Though its entry is unmistakably marked by Pablo Picasso's sculpture "Head of a Woman," Princeton's art museum may be best known for its collections of Chinese and pre-Columbian art. The museum boasts important pieces in Chinese bronzes, tomb figures, painting, and calligraphy as well as remarkable examples of the art of the Olmec and Maya. The permanent holdings range from ancient to contemporary art, including collections of old master prints and drawings, a comprehensive collection of original photographs, as well as African art and Northwest Coast Indian art. The museum offers highlight tours and talks geared toward children every Saturday, and regular gallery talks are given during the spring and fall semesters on Fridays and Sundays.

Morris Museum

6 Normandy Heights Road
Morristown, NJ 07960
973-971-3700

Few museums cater to adults and children equally. Set in a majestic mansion modernized to include a 312-seat theater and a basement minizoo, the Morris Museum aims to enthrall everyone, regardless of age. For kids, the dinosaur collection owns the most space, and possibly makes for the finest prehistoric lizard exhibit in the area besides New York's American Museum of Natural History. Adults, meanwhile, can soak up the notable collection of 18th- and 19th-century portraits and an equally stunning collection of colonial and 19th-century children's toys and furniture. For those with more modern tastes, 20th-century American and European art abounds, including ceramics, furniture and glass.

Liberty Science Center

251 Phillip Drive
Jersey City, NJ 07305
201-200-1000

Intended to encourage lifelong learning, the museum is made up of three floors and has a lot to appeal to all ages. The basement-level Invention Floor has an area where visitors can bring in broken appliances (small calculators, phones, radios) and, by figuring out how to repair the items, earn points redeemable for fixed items. The middle-level Health Floor is home of the Touch Tunnel, as well as a real ambulance to explore. The Environment Floor, perched on top with panoramic views across the Hudson River to New York City, Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty, allows visitors the opportunity to learn about our natural world.

Bowcraft Amusement Park

Route 22W
Scotch Plains, NJ 07076
908-233-0675

A smaller amusement park, Bowcraft is perfect for families with little ones. The place is full of the kind of kid-friendly rides that older children will surely consider tame, but young kids will love. Soar through the sky on the Flying Carousel or thunder up and down the Dragon roller coaster. Once you've regained your balance from the rides, enjoy 18 holes of miniature golf. Or if the kids don't find enough action in golf, move on to the park's midway games and video arcade.



Newark Museum

49 Washington St.
Newark, NJ 07101
973-596-6550

This is a fine and diverse museum, featuring six outstanding art collections and a series of rotating exhibitions that reflect the remarkable diversity of Newark (recent exhibitions have highlighted Yoruba shrine paraphernalia and Puerto Rican Santos de Palo), as well as a children's theater and a planetarium. While you're in town, don't forget to stop for dinner at one of the many fine Portuguese restaurants. Pork and Clams can be a welcome addition to a day at any museum.

Turtle Back Zoo

560 Northfield Avenue
West Orange, NJ 07052
973-731-5800

Kids love a zoo. Nestled in the South Mountain Reservation, the Turtleback Zoo has catered to child-sized expectations for more than 30 years. It offers a prime spot for a birthday party, a picnic (food is also served) or a splendid afternoon. Beyond its 200 different species of 500 animals in all, the Turtleback Zoo also provides an interesting look at the original, pre-development habitat of New Jersey. Wolves, eagles, mountain cats and even bison used to roam the Essex/Passaic hills, and the zoo presents kids with a fresh perspective on the prehistoric history of their current stomping grounds. But the Turtleback doesn't stop at New Jersey wildlife: otters, llamas, sea lions, and others will also widen the eyes of the little ones.



Popcorn Park Zoo

Lacy Road
7 miles from the Parkway
Forked River, NJ 08731
609-693-1900



The only federally licensed rescue zoo, you won't see any animals confined in small cages. The same tiger that was injured in a three-ring spectacle finds a peaceful and safe home here. The zoo fills 7 acres and there is much to see. Some tame animals roam among you and many lions, and tigers, and bears are housed in the zoo's large pens. For only \$3.50 (\$2.50 for children and seniors) you can take the family exploring and see animals in their natural environments. There are few better ways to spend a day.

Island Beach State Park

S. Route 35
Seaside Park, NJ 08752
732-793-0506

Beach State Park is a narrow barrier island stretching for 10 miles between the Atlantic Ocean and the quieter Barnegat Bay. It is a refuge for migrating birds and monarch butterflies as well as a favorite with walkers, runners, hikers and cyclists. The park contains incredibly diverse plant (over 300 types) and animal life, including some big and hungry mosquitoes. The state's largest osprey colony is found here, as well as peregrine falcons, wading birds, shorebirds, waterfowl and migrating songbirds. The wind-swept sand dunes and beach heather brush make for a stunning border against the ocean. The park has a public bathing area as well as designated places to fish, kayak and hike.

Fairy Tale Forest

140 Oak Ridge Rd
Oak Ridge, NJ 07438
973-697-5656

Winding pathways at this quaint old-fashioned children's attraction lead visitors past more than 20 decorated cottages where scenes from fairy tale favorites like Cinderella, the Three Bears, Pinocchio, Little Red Riding Hood and Hansel & Gretel jump off the page. Originally opened in 1957 by German immigrant Paul Woehle, Sr., the park features a centerpiece shoe, built by Woehle, still standing tall over the town of Oak Ridge. It may not be Disneyworld, but the intricate detail lavished on the storybook cottages sprinkled throughout the Enchanted Forest fascinates children and adults alike.

Black Beard's Cave

136 Route 9
Bayville, NJ 08721
732-286-4414

During the early 1700s, Black Beard was the most notorious pirate infesting the waters of England's southern colonies. In addition to stealing stuff, the guy also couldn't hold a relationship, marrying 14 different women without bothering to get a single divorce. Black Beard's Cave (the theme park) features a 20-hole, par-59 Miniature Golf Course, a Formula 1 Go-Kart track, and crazy caves to drive a Bumper Boat through and act like a pirate. There is also jousting, as well as a state-of-the-art Arcade.

Washington Crossing State Park

355 Washington Crossing-Pennington Road
Titusville, NJ 08560
737-062-3991

This beautiful park, which sprawls along the Delaware River in Mercer County, has more than history going for it. Of course, there's plenty of history: a museum and visitors center commemorate the location's role in the Revolutionary War, and the Johnson Ferry House and Nelson House illustrate the period. There are less educational diversions available, too, from fishing, horseback riding and hiking to cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. There are miles of trails, too.

This is one of the most beautiful stretches of open space in the state.



Aviation Hall of Fame

Teterboro Airport
Teterboro, NJ 07608
201-288-6344

There's a lot more to the Aviation Hall of Fame than the obvious. Sure, you'll get to see a Martin 202 airliner and other planes, but you'll also get a lesson about the entire world of flying. Want to learn about Lindbergh, Earhart, Chamberlin, and other pioneers? Interested in seeing artifacts of the early age of aeronautics? Or maybe watch a film or two about flying? All this and much more is available to patrons of the museum. Besides the historical aspect of the museum, it's also attached to the Teterboro Airport so you'll be able to witness firsthand the ins and out of a working airport.



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COMMENCEMENT 2002

On graduation day the Great Lawn is filled with rows of black-robed students, waving at parents, laughing with friends, and awaiting the moment when they can switch the tassel on their caps and become official graduates.



Molly McCluskey '99 '02

While each has individual concerns, many are thinking the same things: Will I get a job? Will I have to move home with my parents? Will I lose touch with my roommate? Will my master's degree earn me more prestige in my career? And most importantly, what will I be when I grow up?

And to these questions, I answer yes, maybe, not if you don't want to, definitely, and anything you want.

The class of 2002 is no different than any of the classes that have gone before. Regardless of the individual Monmouth experience, on graduation day, commuters and residents, undergraduates and graduate, international and domestic students sit together and think universal thoughts.

To some, graduation is the pinnacle of four (or five, or ten or twenty) years of smaller achievements: an A on a paper, a lead in a play, a sports victory. For others, it is the beginning of the eternal question: What now?

For Harrison Sangster '00, a Business Administration Finance major, graduation was spent thinking about a career. "I wasn't really thinking about the ceremony. I was thinking about all the resumes I had sent out, and the interviews I was going on." Although he had one credit left to complete over the summer, and was trying desperately not to have to think about finding a job, the thought was there. "I just wanted to play golf and hang out with my friends, but I knew that sooner or later I was going to have to get to work. In a

BY MOLLY MCCLUSKEY '99 '02



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way, graduating reminded me that, yeah, I had completed my degree, but the hard part was just beginning."

Students who graduate in the winter are more often than not already hard at work by the time graduation comes. Says Susan Danilewicz '99, who completed her degree in Music: "I graduated in December, and by the time I walked the following May, I had already been working at a job for six months that I would stay at for another year. Monmouth completely prepared me for my career, most importantly, because it was networking through one of my professors that got me my first job. I'm grateful because I learned a lot there. That job got me the job I have now."

Regardless of worries about finding a job, moving out, and becoming independent, graduation is a chance to reflect; to cling to events and faces and turn them into memories before the mind forgets.

"The hardest part about graduating was knowing I was leaving all the people I had become really close to," says

Margaret Amery '01, a Communications major. "But I stayed in touch with the people that really mattered to me."

One graduate from the Class of 1999 always laughs when he recalls graduation. "My friends and I had a joke that the second I got my diploma, I was going to grab the first girl I saw and give her a kiss. Well, one of my female friends got to me first and planted one on me. It was a little startling. I ran into her two years later at a reunion and had to return the favor."

Vivien Aspdin '02 completed her Masters in Social Work just a few short weeks after giving birth to her first child. The feeling of relief was almost overwhelming. "Graduation day was everything it was supposed to be. I remember sitting there, watching my friends process in and all I could think about was that this was it. All the papers and my field study and finally, all the papers were done and I could just enjoy the day."

As I was walking to the podium on Great Lawn for the second time in three years, I kept thinking: It's really over. My

days at Monmouth are over and it's time to do something else.

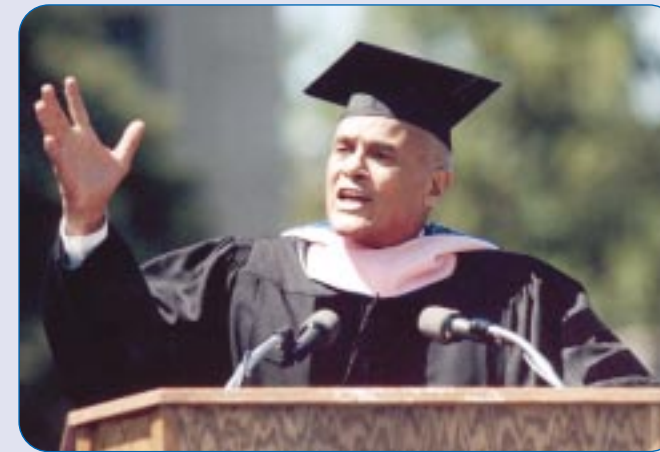
There is something comforting about our University; the nooks behind Wilson Hall perfect for studying, the Student Center where it is impossible not to see an acquaintance or friend, the feeling of time defined as one semester ends and another begins.

But it's not over. If we're smart, we know that we will always be students and occasionally teachers. Even years after we've earned the right to be called alumni, Monmouth will always be a place to come home to. Here, we will find people who will help us find another job should the first (and second and third) fail us, and a place to see classmates at Homecoming and reunions. Here, we will rediscover friends and be caught off guard by an old acquaintance.

We found jobs we never dreamed of while cramming for finals. Some moved out of parents' houses and some stayed just a little while longer. Others returned to Monmouth for graduate school. Friends stayed friends because the good ones never leave and the bad ones seem to stick around. We discovered that growing up is a lot more fun than staying put, and that while it seems to stand still at the time, the world does not end with graduation. **MU**



Harry Belafonte



Harry Belafonte has been called "the consummate entertainer" - a formidably talented singer, actor, and producer, who has made his mark on the concert stage, the recording industry, in films and on Broadway, and on the television screen, in an extraordinary career that has spanned five decades.

He is also a "consummate humanitarian," whose activities on behalf of human rights have been felt around this country and around the world. A deep and long-time friend of the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., he was the driving force that united the cultural elements behind the needs of the civil rights movement, including the 1963 Freedom March in Washington, D.C. A strong advocate for the countries of Africa, particularly its children, he set the wheels in motion that led to the creation of USA for Africa and the We are the World Concert to benefit African famine relief in 1985, as well as the subsequent Hands Across America to relieve hunger in America. In 1987, he was appointed a Goodwill Ambassador for UNICEF - only the second American, after Danny Kaye, to hold this position - and in 1990, along with his fellow UNICEF Ambassadors, served as host for the World Summit for Children, held at the United Nations. His close personal relationship with Nelson Mandela led to his hosting the South African leader throughout Mandela's triumphant visit to the U.S.

Born in Harlem in New York City, Mr. Belafonte lived in his mother's native Jamaica for five years during his early adolescence. This exposure to life on the island in all of its variety became a cultural reservoir that he drew upon for his later artistic expression. He attended the American Negro Theater and at the same time became immersed in the world of the jazz musician, spending his nights at the famed Royal Roost. He was soon offered the opportunity to perform as the intermission singer.

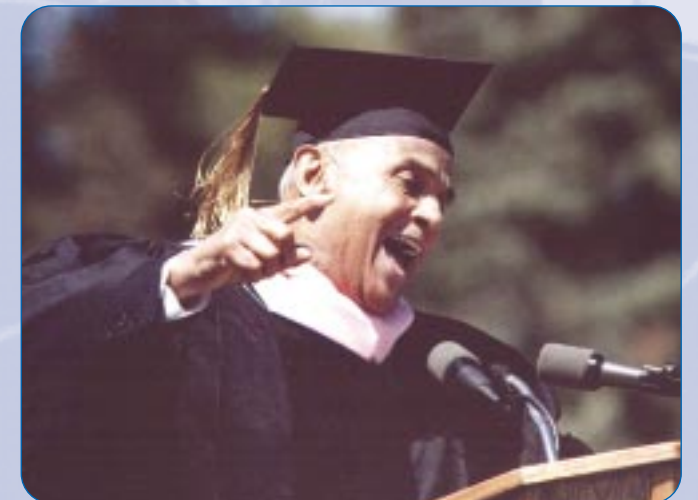
He discovered The Village Vanguard and the world of folk music. This art form would become his ultimate expression.

A succession of nightclub appearances at The Blue Angel, the Copacabana, and Cafe Society led to Broadway and his first musical, John Murray Anderson's Almanac, where, astoundingly, in 1953 in his first Broadway role, he won the coveted Tony Award for Best Supporting Actor for his performance.

At that time, he entered into a recording contract with RCA Victor and, in 1955, his third album, Calypso, became the first pop album to sell over one million copies, setting industry standards. Hollywood beckoned, and in his first film he was teamed again with Dorothy Dandridge, first in Bright Road and then in Otto Preminger's Carmen Jones as "Joe." The overwhelming success of this film placed Mr. Belafonte along side Sidney Poitier as the most sought-after African-American actors in the history of film.

With only the medium of television left to conquer, Mr. Belafonte formed a new production company, Harbel, and teamed up with a young and then little known director from Canada, Norman Jewison. In 1959, they produced a stunning musical epic called Tonight with Harry Belafonte, which received astounding critical reviews and earned Mr. Belafonte an Emmy Award for his performance. Being the first African-American producer in television, his company went on to produce one Emmy-nominated success after another for the three major networks.

Mr. Belafonte's current concert tours include musicians and singers from diverse backgrounds and music with a heavy emphasis on African rhythms and Third World themes. Other current projects include co-producing Taylor Branch's Pulitzer Prize-winning work, Parting the Waters; directing Port Chicago Mutiny for Turner Network Television; and serving as executive producer for the HBO Showcase film The Affairs.



Joseph Buckelew

Joseph Buckelew is president of Commerce Bank/Shore Division, presently serving on the Board of Directors, and vice chairman of Commerce National Insurance Services. He also serves as chairman of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, and is the former owner of Buckelew & Associates and the former vice chairman of the Board of Directors of Jersey Shore Savings & Loan Association.



Dedicated to his community, Mr. Buckelew is chairman of the Ocean County College Foundation and vice chairman of the Kimball Medical Center Foundation, Inc. He served as chairman of the New Jersey Highway Authority for seven years, and is also on the Board of Trustees of Saint Barnabas Hospital. He is the former Chairman of the Ocean County Board of Elections and of the Ocean County Pollution Control Financing Authority, as well as a former member of the Mayor's Task Force on Narcotics in Lakewood.

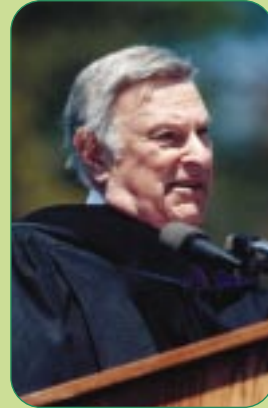
Mr. Buckelew has enjoyed a prestigious and diversified career that has included broadcasting, insurance, and law enforcement. During his 30-year career in broadcasting, Mr. Buckelew served as vice president of Seashore Broadcasting Corporation, radio station WOBM FM, and vice president of North Shore Broadcasting Corporation WOBM AM. Mr. Buckelew was the past president of the Ocean-Monmouth County Chapter of the Independent Fee Appraisers and is presently a member of the National Association of Independent Insurance Agents. He is a member of the Professional Insurance Agents, the Ocean County Board of Realtors, and the Independent Insurance Agents of Ocean County. Mr. Buckelew is also a former Lakewood Township Police Officer and Police Commissioner.

Mr. Buckelew is the recipient of many awards, including the "Good Scout Award" from the Boy Scouts of America, the "Man of the Year Award" from the National Council on Alcoholism of Ocean County, the "Silver Gull Award" for Business Achievement from the Monmouth-Ocean Development Council, and the "Humanitarian Award" from the Ocean County College Foundation.

Mr. Buckelew and his wife, the former Carol Applegate, reside in Lakewood Township. He has two sons, and five grandchildren.

Preston Robert Tisch

Preston Robert Tisch is co-chairman of Loews Corporation and chairman and co-chief executive officer of the New York Football Giants. Prior to 1986, he served as president and chief operating officer of Loews Corporation and its corporate predecessor, Loews Theaters, Inc., a position he held since 1960. In 1986 Mr. Tisch was appointed Postmaster General of the United States, serving his term until March 1988 when he returned to Loews Corporation.



Loews Corporation is one of the country's largest and most successful financial companies, with 2000 revenues of \$21.3 billion and assets valued at close to \$70 billion. The company's history dates back to a summer camp in New Jersey run by Mr. Tisch and his brother Laurence, followed by the purchase of a hotel in Lakewood and the formation of Tisch Hotels, Inc. which acquired controlling interest in Loews Theatres, Inc. in 1959.

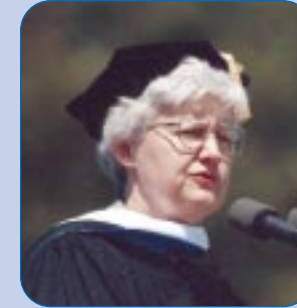
Today, Loews is a major factor in five diverse industries: operation of hotels and resorts through Loews Hotels; property, casualty, and life insurance through CNA Financial Corporation; sale of watches and clocks through Bulova Corporation; Lorillard Tobacco Company; and the operation of oil and gas drilling rigs through Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.

Throughout his career Mr. Tisch and his family have significantly contributed to human services, education, and charitable communities. Prior to being named Postmaster General, he served as chairman of the New York Convention & Visitors Bureau for 19 years, and currently serves as the Bureau's Chairman Emeritus. He was the founding chairman of the New York City Convention and Exhibition Center Corporation and Chairman of the Citizens Committee for the Democratic National Convention held in New York City in 1976 and 1980. In May 1990, Mr. Tisch was appointed New York City's Ambassador to Washington, and until 1993 he served as the city's liaison to the national government.

Mr. Tisch is a native of New York City, having attended Bucknell University before entering the Army in 1944. After military service in World War II, he earned a B.A. degree in economics from the University of Michigan. Mr. Tisch and his wife, the former Joan Hyman, live in New York City and Harrison, N.Y. They have three children.

Dr. Carol Rittner R.S.M.

Carol Rittner, R.S.M., is a Sister of Mercy from the Dallas, PA Regional Community. She received a B.A. in English from College Misericordia, an MA in English from the University of Maryland, an Ed.D. in Higher Education Administration from Pennsylvania State University, and a masters in Theological Studies from St. John's Seminary. She has been highly recognized for her outstanding scholarship and international service to the human community, including being honored by Pennsylvania's Governor Tom Ridge as a "Distinguished Daughter of Pennsylvania."



Between 1973 and 1986, Dr. Rittner was an administrator at Mt. Aloysius College in Cresson, PA, and at Mercy College of Detroit, where she was also a member of the adjunct faculty. In 1987 she was appointed the first director of the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity in New York, where she remained until 1990. She was then appointed to the Inner City Trust and the Holywell Trust, community development organizations, in Londonderry/Derry, Northern Ireland. In 1994 Dr. Rittner was invited to be the Ida E. King Distinguished Visiting Scholar in Holocaust Studies at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey. In 1995, she was appointed Distinguished Professor in Religious Studies, and in 1999, Distinguished Professor of Holocaust & Genocide Studies at Stockton where she is presently teaching. Dr. Rittner continues to serve Holywell Trust as a consultant for their international projects.

Dr. Rittner is responsible for organizing numerous international conferences, including Faith in Humankind: Rescuers of Jews During the Holocaust and Anatomy of Hate. She is also the producer of several short documentary films, including The Courage to Care and Triumph of Memory, which are often broadcast on PBS stations in the United States.

Editor and co-editor of several books, Dr. Rittner's latest collaboration, Pius XII and the Holocaust, was published in January 2002. She is co-editor with John K. Roth of the series, Christianity & the Holocaust: Core Issues. The collection includes eight volumes, with four more under contract. In 1998, Dr. Rittner developed and wrote a Teacher's Guide to accompany a five-part video series, Teaching about the Holocaust & Genocide.

Dr. Rittner is a Fellow of The Aegis Trust, a UK-based initiative for the prevention of genocide, and a member of the executive steering committees for Beth Shalom Holocaust Memorial Centre and of Remembering for the Future.

2002 Distinguished Teacher of the Year

John Morano of Cream Ridge was awarded the coveted "Distinguished Teacher Award" for 2002.

"John Morano is one of Monmouth's brightest stars, a prolific writer who is lauded by the literary world, loved by his students and admired by his peers," said Dr. Thomas Pearson, Monmouth University's provost and vice president for academic affairs.



"Students are excited by his passion for newswriting, his wisdom as an experienced media professional and his Socratic dialogues with them on such issues as ethics in journalism."

Mr. Morano is an associate professor in Monmouth University's department of communication and is a specialist in eco-literature, feature writing and journalism. He serves as coordinator of the University's journalism program and as advisor to the student-run newspaper, the "Outlook" and the men's basketball team.

Mr. Morano has enjoyed a distinguished career in journalism. From 1984 to 1985 Mr. Morano was the youngest editor-in-chief of a nationally distributed magazine in the United States and has since written numerous articles, novels, television scripts and a textbook for aspiring film critics and movie buffs. He was also listed in "Who's Who Among America's Teachers."

Mr. Morano received the Student Choice Award for "Outstanding Faculty Member in Arts and Sciences" five times and won the Monmouth University Education Honor Society's "Celebration of Teaching Award."



FROM THE GREAT LAWN TO THE WHITE HOUSE LAWN

LISA CAMOOSO '01



BY MOLLY E. MCCLUSKEY

If you ask Lisa Camooso '01 how she landed the job of Deputy White House Liaison to the Dept of Commerce, she'll tell you it was luck. If you probe deeper, however, she'll say it was a matter of making the right choices. Those who know her, however, will say it was the natural progression in a life of politics.

It was Thomas Jefferson who said, "I'm a believer of luck. And the harder I work, the more luck I find." Lisa Camooso has worked hard, though she often says it doesn't seem like work. She is passionate about her work, immersed in it, yet careful to maintain a balance between her personal and professional lives.

To see Lisa Camooso's resume is to see a road map to the White House. Ms. Camooso knew in the fifth grade, when she won an election for class Vice President, where life would steer her. A variety of class officer positions followed throughout grade school and high school. "I lost the Senior Class President election in a bitter battle." She laughs. "But even in spite of the loss I always had fun campaigning. I would hand out lollipops with campaign slogans."

During her tenure as a communications major at Trenton State College, Ms. Camooso was able to witness campaigning on a larger scale. As a communications intern with the New Jersey Senate Majority office during her senior year, Ms. Camooso was involved in everything from drafting press releases and fielding phone calls to monitoring the public appearances of Republican senators.

Immediately after graduation came a position in the office of the NJ Secretary of State, Lonna R. Hooks. She spent almost the first two years of her

career learning how to write speeches, arrange press conferences and handle special projects for this member of Governor Christine Todd Whitman's Cabinet.

Her hard work did not go unrecognized. Just as Governor Whitman was contemplating her reelection campaign, Ms. Camooso was offered the position as Associate Director, Government Affairs for the NJ Chemical Industry Council. It was during this time that Ms. Camooso began the Corporate and Public Communication graduate program at Monmouth University. "When I was looking for graduate programs, I selected Monmouth's program almost immediately. Although the program was new, I had heard good things about Monmouth as a whole. Several of my friends had attended and had had valuable experiences."

Initially, Ms. Camooso was concerned with the prospect of working full-time and pursuing a graduate degree. What finally convinced her was the flexibility of the class schedules. "I liked that it catered to working professionals. I didn't have to take a set amount of credits each semester."

After two years with the NJ Chemical Industry Council, Camooso left to manage the New Jersey Assembly campaign for Steve Corodemus and Tom Smith (R-11). "It was a leap of faith, accepting the position as campaign manager." Lollipops aside, the two won by their largest margin ever.

While few would have left politics following such a victory, Ms. Camooso made what seemed like a drastic move when she accepted a position as Director of Public Affairs for B&Y Communications in Montclair, New Jersey.

"I went to B&Y because I thought that taking a position in public relations would give me more balance, more marketability when I re-entered the political job market." Since she was focusing on public relations in the graduate program, Ms. Camooso felt she needed the hands-on experience of working in that industry in addition to the classroom learning. "I enjoyed the opportunity tremendously, but realized during that break from politics how much I truly loved the business."

So when she was offered the chance to be the Political Director for the NJ Republican State Committee, Camooso knew that the break was over. Entering back into the fray during the 2000 election cycle enabled her to assist in the presidential campaign for George W. Bush, as well as working with Bob Franks for the NJ Senate, and several targeted congressional races. An honorary delegate at the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia, Ms. Camooso was present when George W. Bush accepted the party's nomination.

In her tradition of being in the right place at the right time, Camooso was not looking to make a change when Governor Whitman accepted the position as Administrator for the US Environmental Protection Agency, leaving Donald DiFrancesco as Acting Governor, and looking for a traveling aide.

"At first, it was a little weird." Camooso says of her position as Special Assistant. "We had all these inherited responsibilities."

After the September 11 terrorist attack, New Jersey was thrown into the limelight, and the state's acting governor had responsibilities of his own. DiFrancesco was directly involved in rescue attempts with New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani and Governor George Pataki. Ms. Camooso accompanied the Acting Governor on his many trips to Ground Zero, and was on scene from September 12 until several weeks following. "It was such an important time for New Jersey; our state played a vital role in the rescue efforts and the losses we suffered were immeasurable.."



When she graduated in December '01 with her masters degree, Camooso says it made a difference in the way she was regarded. "People respect that I completed a masters degree while I was also working full time. I think having a masters says that I value lifelong education. It means that I'll show up each day ready to learn something."

When DiFrancesco decided not to pursue a campaign for governor, Camooso began to consider her next move. Deciding the time had come to pursue her dream of working for President George W. Bush, she submitted her resume for consideration at the White House and moved to Washington, DC.

While waiting to hear about a possible opening in the Bush Administration, Camooso worked briefly as a consultant for The Wish List, a Republican Women's organization that promotes a pro-choice agenda. "I'm grateful for the opportunity. It allowed me to become involved in DC and national politics while pursuing a position with the Administration."

The opportunity came quickly and the few days between her interviewing and accepting passed in a blur. Once she was situated in her new role, Camooso realized the largest transition was not in moving from New Jersey to D.C., but in making the move from state government to federal government. "I felt like I had a good understanding of how state government operated. When I started working at the federal level, I realized there were forty-nine other states who had forty-nine other ideas of how they could make their contributions to the country."

What does Ms. Camooso believe is the secret of her success? "Perseverance. Never count anybody out. Everyone you meet is worth following up with. Never take for granted that someone gives you their time: it can be the most valuable thing they give you."

And as for luck? Well, in the long run, luck has very little to do with it.



HOBOKEN PARTY ALWAYS A HIT

Thanks largely to the efforts of Chairman Bill McLaughlin '97, but also to a few other industrious alums, a large and happy crowd of 65 young alumni congregated at the Fourth Annual Hawks in Hoboken party on April 12th. In a departure from previous years, the party was held at O'Donoghues, another Hoboken favorite watering hole.

SAVE THE DATE

Fourth Annual MBA Alumni BBQ

Homecoming Weekend,
Saturday, October 19, 2002.

Watch for details in upcoming mail.

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RIDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB RECEPTION

North Jersey alumni were treated to cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at a reception mid-April at the Ridgewood Country Club. Paul Doherty '67, chairman of the Board of Trustees, hosted. Campus construction projects were explained and architectural renderings displayed.



NEW DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS ELECTED

Results of the election for the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association were announced at the May meeting. The three new directors are:

Jason Bentley '01 of Freehold, a Social Studies teacher at South River High School who as an undergraduate was president of his senior class and also Greek Man of the Year.

Keri Branin '95 '98 of Highlands, a vice president of JP Morgan, who previously served on the Board as secretary from 1998-2001.

Bill McLaughlin '97 of Hoboken, organizer of the Hawks in Hoboken event and chair of the upcoming Class of 1997 Reunion. He is employed by Mediavest World Wide, Inc. as assistant media director.

Two other directors were re-elected. Gary Barnett '63, vice president of loss control at Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co., and Cheryl Szabo '98 '01, an educator employed by the Hillsborough Board of Education. Members of the Board elected Barnett and Szabo to officer positions (vice president of services and secretary, respectively). They join Marti Sarason Egger '81, Fair Haven who is an account manager for supplier relations at IMS Health in Totowa. Egger replaces Tom Porskievies '82 '86 as president. Leslie Fourette Kalembara '78 of Manasquan, a supervisory special agent with the IRS in Edison will continue as vice president of programs. Jeff Cross '68 of Franklin Park, a professor of Business Administration at St. Peter's College, continues his position as treasurer.

Alumni are welcome to attend all meetings of the Alumni Association Board of Directors. Meetings are held in The Club and begin at 7 PM. A phone call to the Office of Alumni Affairs is encouraged prior to each meeting to confirm arrangements.

The meetings will be held on:

September 5, 2002

December 5, 2002

March 6, 2003

May 1, 2003

SENIOR LEADERS AT A RECEPTION WITH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS



ANNUAL ALUMNI AND FAMILY BASEBALL OUTINGS A SUCCESS

New Jersey alumni and families were invited to four minor league baseball games this season: Trenton Thunder, Atlantic City Surfs, Lakewood BlueClaws, and Somerset Patriots. The Lakewood BlueClaws was for the second year in a row the most popular – more than 125 tickets were sold. Prior to that, Trenton Thunder had the most attendees.

Dear Alumni,

As I write this, it is the end of the academic year, and for the Class of 2002, the end of their current academic careers. Maybe we didn't think so at the time, but there are few life transitions more bittersweet than graduation. The "real" world beckons. Friends disperse. What was routine is no more. The trick of course is to make the most of new opportunities, to make new friends, to awaken to new challenges – while cherishing what has already past.

I was honored the other day to be in attendance as the Class of 2002 presented their gift to Monmouth University: a scholarship. When I consider how this group of fine men and women must think of Monmouth to make this kind of commitment, I am more than ever confident that the Alumni Association I have been honored to serve as President for the past four years will continue to grow in spirit, prestige and commitment – exactly as your alma mater has done.

I am proud to report to you that Marti Egger, Class of 1981, is succeeding me as Alumni Association president. Committed, vibrant and dedicated, she will continue her long record of service to the Alumni Association and Monmouth. She is a wonderful choice. Marti will also find that she has available a wonderful Board of Directors and an invaluable group of alumni volunteers who I cannot thank enough for their help to me.

Being Alumni Association president has given me the opportunity to meet alumni and University honorees at the top of their professions that I would otherwise never have met. I was able to serve with a Board of Trustees that truly believes in the value of alumni to Monmouth's future, as well as an administration and faculty that are second to none. And to have been able to work closely with the remarkable Dr. Rebecca Stafford is an unparalleled privilege.

Most wonderful of all however has been the opportunity to work with students and our newest alums. Enthusiastic and caring, I am completely convinced that Monmouth University has prepared them to do well in their professions. I am equally convinced that Monmouth University has prepared them to do good for their community and alma mater. As alums, I have no doubt they will do both, making both the Alumni Association and this University ever stronger and ever prouder.

Warm Regards,
Tom '82 '86
Thomas A. Porskievies

Dear Fellow Alumni-

It is with great excitement and anticipation that I write my first message to you as the new President of the Monmouth University Alumni Association. For each of us, this represents a new beginning.

After four extremely successful years as President of the Alumni Association, Tom Porskievies has stepped down but will continue to serve on the Board of Trustees. In addition, he is serving on the Search Committee to select a new President. Speaking on behalf of the entire Alumni Association and its Board of Directors, I want to express our sincere gratitude to Tom for his years of dedicated service and leadership. Tom has set some very high standards and I am proud and privileged to follow in his footsteps.

As Dr. Stafford prepares to pursue her "new beginnings" I want to take this opportunity to thank her. We are deeply indebted to her for her visionary leadership that has produced wonderful new campus acquisitions as well as attainment of University status.

At the time I graduated from Monmouth "College" in 1981, there was no active Alumni Association. Wanting to stay involved with the school, I volunteered for the Phonathon to help raise money for Monmouth's Annual Fund. The Alumni Association was re-established in the early 1980's and, fortunately, I was asked to join as a Board member. Throughout the years, I have participated in many campus events and on many committees as well as serving on the Executive Committee as both Secretary and Vice President of Services.

My Monmouth volunteer activities have been a rich and rewarding experience. Most importantly, they have afforded me the opportunity to stay involved in the Monmouth University community. Our Association's ultimate aim is to afford you that same opportunity as we will look to the future to determine the best way to further alumni involvement, to develop more alumni interest and to deepen alumni bonds.

Our goal is both to represent the alumni as well as to strengthen and support Monmouth University. There are many ways to participate in this experience and become a part of the alumni community. I urge each of you to lend your voice and support to the Alumni Association. If you haven't already, I hope you will join us in becoming a part of a "new beginning".

Warm Regards,
Marti '81
Marti Sacason Egger

Alumni survey

FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Name & Class Year:

In times of economic uncertainty, when layoffs and hiring freezes are harsh realities, a strong alumni network of career volunteers can make a huge difference within our alumni community. Responses to this survey will help our students to prepare for their careers and fellow alumni make connections as they search for a new job or, perhaps, a new field. Please lend a helping hand. Complete this survey and mail it to the alumni office without delay. If you have already provided career information and your situation has changed, please let the alumni office know or redo the survey. Thank you.

1. What is your current career position? (title required, company name optional) _____
2. Describe what you do in a typical workday. _____
3. How long have you had this position? _____
4. How did you obtain this position? _____
5. What was your major and year you graduated from Monmouth? _____
6. What was your first position after graduation? _____
7. While studying at Monmouth, did you work in a related field or participate in an internship, co-op, volunteer, or experiential learning position? If so, how did you benefit from the experience? _____

8. What was your biggest "surprise" about work? _____

9. What was your most significant experience while you were at Monmouth University? _____

10. What advice would you offer to today's Monmouth University student? _____

If you are willing to correspond with students or alumni about your career experiences

through e-mail, please provide your e-mail address in the following space: _____

If you are willing to receive phone calls at home or at work from students or alumni interested in your career field, provide one or both numbers in the

following spaces: Home: (____) _____ Work: (____) _____

Please check if you...

- are willing to come to campus to speak about your career
- are willing to have students spend time with you on the job (shadowing)
- are willing to bring a "problem" or "project" into the classroom
- are willing to sponsor co-op or internship students
- are willing to provide job vacancy information from your company
- will provide information to people relocating to your area

Class NOTES

CLASS OF 1942

SHELDON WOLPIN was elected to the Lakewood High School Hall of Fame this past May. Sheldon is retired and lives in Lakewood.

CLASS OF 1959

BARBARA LIGO retired in 1999 from ATT/Bell Labs after 20 years of service. She resides in Avon-by-the-Sea.

CLASS OF 1966

RONALD C. DUCCESCHI died April 3, 2002. He resided in Long Branch for 30 years. He was a salesman for Tru Green-Chemlawn Co., Farmingdale. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity and served on the alumni committee at Monmouth. He was also an Army veteran of the Vietnam War. A brother, Louis, a nephew Louis Jr., a niece Nicole, two god-children Rae Leigh Farinn and Ross J. Farinn, survive him.

TERRY PARSONS recently made news in Vero Beach, FL recalling fishing adventures on jetties from Asbury Park to Sandy Hook. He is charter captain fishing out of Sebastian, FL and a partner with his brother of Wabasso Tackle.

JOSEPH E. PHELPS recently retired from Unilever Best Foods after 34 years.

CLASS OF 1969

MARY ANN FERENCZI died April 13, 2002. She resided in Edison since 1960. She was an executive secretary for Johnson & Johnson in New Brunswick. She is survived by her husband of 41 years, Joseph, and three daughters.

CLASS OF 1970

ALAN GRUTMAN died. His wife Jill and two children, Michael and Staci, survive him.

CHARLES LARSSON has been promoted to the position of senior vice president and department head of consumer services for UnitedTrust Bank, Bridgewater.

ALEXIS C. (Orphanides) OLIVER died this past June. Alexis was a real estate agent living in Hillsboro Beach, FL. Surviving are her husband, Gordon, and daughters, Merissa and Juliane, her parents, Anthony and Mary Orphanides, and a brother, Paul.

CLASS OF 1971

LAURENCE A. FEDORKA is employed by Westfield Corporation Inc. as general manager. He resides in Morristown.

MARIE (Reid) GALLAGHER is the owner of IT Travel. Her previous job was a Spanish Teacher in New Brunswick. She has two children, Corrinne and Tina, both of whom work with her.

CLASS OF 1974

RONNIE ELLEN (Rubin) SIEGEL has been a high school art teacher in the Fanwood School System in Scotch Plains for 26 years. She owns her own business, Straddle a Masterpiece, which specializes in airbrush and customization for motorcycles. Her oldest son, Ben, is a jazz musician. Her youngest son, Russ, attends Johnson & Wales University as a culinary major. She lives in Westfield.

CLASS OF 1976

GLENN LeBOEUF was a guest speaker for the Summit Old Guard where the topic was the role of a New Jersey general in the American civil war. Glenn is currently the first vice president of investments with Salomon Smith Barney in Morristown. He resides in Millington.

CLASS OF 1980

CHUCK ROBINSON and his wife DEBBIE '83 have a successful shelling business. Their hobby has turned into a profession, as the couple writes books about shelling and shares their knowledge with thousands



of people a year. The couple is featured in a July issue of *Martha Stewart Living* where they share tips on beachcombing. *Martha Stewart* is also giving a "Martha Mention" to their book, *The Art of Shelling*. The couple resides in Manasquan.

ELLEN SHAPIRO-SKEHAN and her husband Timothy announce the arrival of their daughter, Meredith Rose, born February 25, 2001. Ellen works for a design magazine. The family resides in Greenwich Village, NY.

CLASS OF 1981

CHRISTINE (Mitchell) O'MEARA joined Prudential Fox & Roach Realtors in their North Brunswick Office as a sales associate. She lives in Monroe Township with her husband, John, and their two children, Colleen and John.

CLASS OF 1987



MARY LOU CICCONE-HILLER is a veterinarian at Laurelton Veterinary Hospital. Her daughter, Haley Marilu, will be 1 in November.

CHARLES DRACE McMANUS celebrated his 35th wedding anniversary with his wife, Alice Irene. Charles is a chief engineer with the New Jersey Highway Authority in Woodbridge. The couple has a daughter, Dawn, and two sons, Russell and Jeff. They have four grandchildren.

CLASS OF 1990

JAMES R. SOCHAN died February 14, 2002. He lived in Sierra Vista, Arizona. He was a secondary teacher at Scotch Plains Fernwood High School for 30 years before retiring in 1995. His sisters, Barbara L. Hower, Donna E. Keener, Joan E. Martinkovic, Pamela J. Sochan, brothers, David J. and Thomas E, survive him.

CHRISTINE (Yarussi) CADMUS is a senior corporate paralegal at he CIT Group Inc. This past May she welcomed her first child, Christian August. The family resides in New Providence.

CLASS OF 1991

KAREN (Devito) HESS is the president of Hess Resources, Inc. She and her husband, Bob, reside in Medford with their two golden retrievers, Katie and Cody.

IAN HUGHES is attending The St. George's University School of Medicine in Grenada this fall. After graduating from Monmouth, Ian earned his master's in



health Services Management and Policy from George Washington University. He worked for Bayshore Community Health Services in Holmdel and the National Committee for Quality Assurance in Washington, DC.

MARIETTE (Pepe) KUPECZ works for Johnson & Johnson as a senior analyst. She and her husband, Mike, have two children, Michael, 3, and Bobby, 16. The family resides in Avenel.

ALLISON (Bretzger) MISKULIN is an adjunctive therapist/art therapist at the Princeton House. She and her husband, Thomas, have one child, Julia, 3.

LORI (Maslowski) PRYMAK works for McDonald's Corporation as an operation-training manager. She is married to Peter since 1997 and they are expecting their first child in September.

TONIA REED is married to Stephan and is a stay at home mom for their two children, Evan, 4 and Hannah Kate, 2. The family resides in Palerma.

KARL RICHTENBURG works for Nicholas Applegate Capital Management as an Investment Analyst.

CLASS OF 1992

MARY LEE BASS completed her EdD in Literacy Education at Rutgers University. Her dissertation was entitled "Influences on Teaching and Learning in Adult Literacy Classrooms." This past February Mary Lee gave a presentation, "Let's Read These Pictures," at the New Jersey Reading Association's annual state conference at the Doubletree Hotel in Somerset. She was recently named as a board member of the New Jersey Association for Lifelong Learning, a professional association that encourages the growth and development of learners in the Garden State. Mary Lee's daughter, Mandy, is a member of the Class of 1999.

JOSEPH BECZA is an elementary school teacher for Tucson Unified School District. He and his wife, Diana, reside in Tucson, AZ.

MARIANNE (Trebout) DeSANTIS is an administrative assistant for District 15

IAMAW. She is married to Robert and they have 2 children, Michael, 3, and Robert Jr., 2.

JAMES FROMHARTZ works for The Vanguard Group of Investment Companies as a manager of the general ledger accounting group. He and his wife, Mary, have two children, Seamus Richard, 4, and Bridgid Maeve, 3.

SHARI GOLDSTEIN works for the Puerto Rican Action Board, Inc. as a director of curriculum.

ANNA M. (Gonzalez) CRUZ is a teacher at the Panama Buena Vista School in Union. She has two children, stepson Michael, 10, and Catherine, 7. She and her family live in Santa Ana, CA.

MARIA G. (Pisani) GREEN works for NIA as an accounting manager. She and her husband, Brian, reside in Woodbridge, VA.

LAUREN A. (Gentile) HAMIL is married to Peter and together they have two children, James Dean, 4, and Julia Lynn, 1.

MARY JO HART works for KPMG LLP as a senior manager. She and her husband, Charles, have two children, Amanda, 2, and Christopher, 1.

MICHAELEEN (Moskowitz) HOBLIT is a teacher assistant for Wake County Board of Education. She and her husband, Robert, have two daughters, Michelle, 8, and Stacy, 6.

DEANNA NICOSIA-JONES is a fifth grade teacher for Upper Deerfield Board of Education. She recently received her MA in the Art of Teaching from Marygrove College. She is married to Steven and they have one child, London Jo, 3.

STEVEN KING is the owner of CPA Consulting. He and his wife, Susan, have one child, Jonathan, 6.

JESSICA KRITZ is the owner of Java Johnny's coffee house. She resides in Rockaway.

ROBIN (Whelan) MARCHI is a stay at home mom for her three children, Adrian, 7, Olivia, 5, and Mary, 1. She and her husband reside in Coral Springs, FL.

KAREN (Labaj) MEGLES married Tom in November 1996. Together they have two daughters, Alexandra Nicole, born August 1998, and Antoinette Rose, born July 2001. Karen is a personal fitness trainer and her husband is a police officer.

JENNIFER (Meisenbacher) MOLZEN is married to Jason and together they have a 1-year-old daughter, Annaliese Marie.

CHRISTINA (Wieske) MILLER recently started her own gift basket business, Fancy Schmancy Baskets, and works out of her home in Point Pleasant. She is still active in the theater throughout Ocean and Monmouth Counties.

ALLISON (Bretzger) MISKULIN works for Princeton House as an adjunct therapist/art therapist. She and her husband, Thomas, have a 3-year-old daughter, Julia May.

SHAUN-MARIE (Coleman) NEWCOMER is an English Instructor at Delaware State University. She is also a short story writer. She and her husband, Noah Silas, reside in Dover, DE with their two dogs, Angel and Diamond.

HEIDI (Schwilk) NYEMCHEK has been married to BRIAN NYEMCHEK '91 for 5 years and together they have a daughter, MacKenzie, 1. Heidi is a stay at home mom and the family resides in Congers, NY.

REGINA (Schau) PALMER is married to John and they have one son Jake, 1.

HEATHER JO PIASKY works for Solomon Smith Barney as a Research Analyst/Assistant. She also owns HJP Fitness Incorporated.

CLASS OF 1993

STEPHEN BRIM and his wife, Libby, have two sons, Stephen A., 4, and Benjamin Christian born June 14, 2001.

ERNEST BROWN JR is a consulting network analyst with Nortel Networks Inc.

CHRISTINYA (Simas) LEIFERT and her husband Brian have two sons, Daniel Thomas, 3, and Gregory James, 1. Christinya was a preschool teacher, but now enjoys staying home with her boys.

VOULA MOSHOS is an optometrist.

JOHN NAPOLITANI is a teacher for the Asbury Park Education Association. He is also a Councilman for the Borough of Interlaken. He is married to Amanda, and they have a son, John Paul Jr., born April 27, 2002.

MICHAEL PIERCE is an associate producer at CBS. He married Nicole Butka this past May, and the couple resides in Matawan.

KRISTIE (Santora) PRIVITERA is the owner and director of her own infant nursery and preschool, ToddlerTown, LLC. She and her husband, Stephen, have one son, Stephen A., 3.



RACHEL SCHRAGER-WEINER and her husband Mark announce the birth of their first child, Brianna, born October 17, 2001. The family lives in East Brunswick.

ANTHONY VACCARELLI has been promoted to vice president and chief information officer at MedPointe Inc., a specialty prescription pharmaceutical and medical diagnostics company.

CLASS OF 1994

STACEY LYNN EINHORN was married February 23, 2002 to Daniel Amery Patrick Strandberg at St. Catharine's Church, Holmdel. Monmouth alumni in attendance included bridesmaids MICHELLE (May) LUTKOWSKI, JULIANA (Perrone) McCANN, BERNADETTE (Morongell) RISPOLI, and MARYANNE WOLANIUK. Stacey earned her MBA at Pace University,

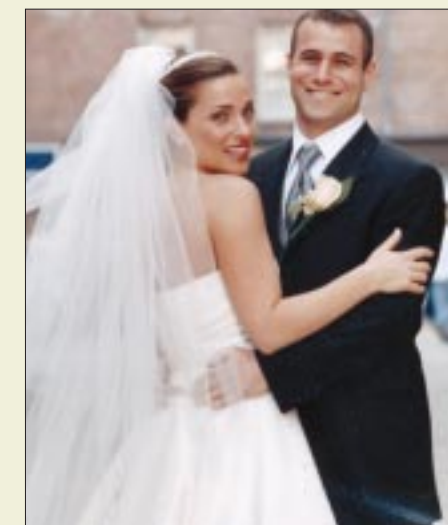


NY. She is employed by Morgan Stanley as a vice president of investments in the private client group. Her husband is a vice president for ABN Amro Inc., NY. The couple resides in Holmdel.

MELISSA KAIL married Neil Keene on March 31, 2001 at the Valley Regency in Clifton. Monmouth alumni in attendance included: JENNA WATSON, maid of honor, ANNETTE (Decarion) DERISI, bridesmaid, LYNDIA JOHNSON '91, bridesmaid, AMY KOVAL '97, bridesmaid, JILL (Kaplan) COHEN '92, bridesmaid, JOHN PANZARINO, groomsman, ALLYSON (Coyle) MULLEN, ARGIE (Protopapadaris) PANZARINO '96, KIMBERLY (Zide) DAVIE, and ERIC SCHUETZ. The couple honeymooned in the Hawaiian Islands.

WILLIAM SANDOVAL along with his wife, Christine, and daughter, Marlette, announce the birth of James Baker born on March 1, 2002 at Leavenworth, KS.

CLASS OF 1995



AMANDA KURTZ married LONNY AGULNICK '96 on May 4, 2002 at Bridgewater in New York City. Monmouth alumni in attendance included: Maid of Honor KIM SHEEKEY '94, groomsman DAVE JANEZIC '96, PAT CARROLL '96, JUSTIN BURROUGHS '96, NANA OTIKU '96, MIKE SCANCARELLA '96, and JOHN SICLIANO '96. Amanda is a human resources generalist in advertising at BBDO in New York. Lonny is a tax consultant at AIG in New York. He is currently earning his MBA at Monmouth. The couple resides in Manhattan.

CLASS OF 1996



KRISTEN CZEPIEL married ANTHONY EMMA '98 on May 11, 2002. The ceremony took place in Florence, with the reception at Crystal Point in Point Pleasant. Pictures were taken at Monmouth University. Monmouth alumni in attendance included Maid of Honor TARA JOHNSON, AMY KOVAL, BILLY CERRA '98, and PHIL EMMA '92. The couple honeymooned on a Caribbean Cruise and in Disney World. They reside in Brick. Anthony is a financial analyst and Kristen owns a human resources consulting company.

TANYA SANTOMARCO married James P. Thoelen on April 13, 2002. Monmouth alumni in attendance were MATTHEW SALVATI '95, TRACIE COLLIGAN-WHITE '95, JANET SAKIN '95, STACIE NUNZIATO '95, BRYN McCALLISTER '95, LAUREN WEISSMAN-LEVINE, VICTORIA ALI, SCOTT MACKENZIE, ALICIA FIERRO '97, and MELISSA GIOR-



GIO-MACKENZIE '97. Bridesmaids included SUSAN TWITCHELL-SALVATI '95 and TAMMY MARSZALEK. Tanya is a human resources manager at Pearson Education in Upper Saddle River. The couple resides in Waldwick.

CLASS OF 1997

SCOTT CRASS is the constituent services director for assemblywoman Linda Greenstein. His day-to-day functions have him handling a number of tasks in the political world. He was a former SGA vice president who followed his dream to get involved with politics. He resides in Monroe.

LINDA R. SCOTT died January 11, 2002. She lived in Scotch Plains before moving to Holmdel, where she resided for 20 years. She was a French and Spanish Teacher in the Manalapan – Englishtown school system. Her daughter, Cara Lynn, who graduated May 2002 with a psychology degree, survives her.

CLASS OF 1998

LAURA LYGAS is a therapist at COPE Center Inc., a nonprofit behavioral healthcare agency with facilities in Montclair and Verona. Laura lives in Nutley.

DANIEL F. PASQUINUCCI is a police officer for the Freehold Township Police Department.

CLASS OF 1999



HEATHER (Farrell) ANDOLSEN and DAN ANDOLSEN '95 announce the birth of their daughter, Brooke Macdonald, born March 13, 2001. Heather is a senior librarian with the Ocean County Library System. Dan is an associate with Goldman Sachs.

CLASS OF 2000

MELANIE POZAEYCKI is currently working as an investigator for a private investigation company out of Boston, MA.

CLASS OF 2001

CHRISTOPHER R. BENNETT is a patrolman for Spring Lake Heights Police Department. He resides in Wall.

VICTORIA BENTIVEGNA married Bobby Redwine on September 22, 2001. Victoria is a store manager for Warehouse Music. The couple resides in Toms River.

HEATHER BRYAN is a health care representative with Pfizer Pharmaceuticals.

JAIME BUTCHER is a resource teacher for Smithville Elementary School. She resides in Palmero.

APRIL CANARELLI was working as a special education teacher for the Hawaii State Department of Education, but returned to New Jersey in June. She recently bought a new home with her boyfriend, Steve Schultze.

DINA M. CANONICO works for Semptra Energy Solutions as an inside sales associate. She graduated May 2002 with an MA in Criminal Justice from Monmouth. She resides in Colonia.

KATHERINE CAPODICI is a first grade teacher for the Toms River Board of Education. She is married to Dale J. Mazza. She resides in Lanoka Harbor.

ANDREA COHEN is a research associate at DGI Biotech.

DEMITRY COURTNEY works for the Department of Treasury as a field representative. In his spare time he enjoys playing the drums and singing. He resides in Trenton.

AMBER CORBINO is a financial analyst at L'Oreal.

HEATHER CZAJKAWSKI is a substance abuse counselor at Preferred Behavioral Health of New Jersey.

REBEKAH FELTY works as an office coordinator at NUMBERSUSA.COM.

MICHAEL J. GALL works for Richard Grubb and Associates as a research assistant and archaeological field technician. He returned to Monmouth for graduate school and is currently an MA candidate in History. He resides in Freehold.

NICOLE (Tomasiello) HOUSTON is a disability claim manager with Prudential Financial. She and her husband, Mel, enjoy sports, traveling, and music.

REYNOLDO "Rey" HUBBARD is a retail sales representative for Verizon Wireless.

KELLI ISAKSEN is a production assistant with Greater Media (WRAT 95.9).

STACY LYNN JAKUBAS is an institutional asset management associate at Alliance Bernstein Institutional Investment Research and Management.

KELLY M. JOHNSON is an office coordinator at Consumer Learning Center. She continues to write poetry and sends her classmates a big hello.

CHRISTINA M. KEHOE is a second grade teacher for St. Cecelia School in Iselin. She resides in Middletown.

JENN KOSTROWSKI is an account coordinator at Advanced Health Media, a pharmaceutical planning company. Jenn keeps close ties to MU, visiting every weekend!

STEPHANIE L. LEONARD is a therapist/social worker for Children's Day Program at the Jersey Shore Medical Center. She resides in West Long Branch.

FREDERICO LUCAS works for Bergen Regional Medical Center as a Mental Health Specialist. He resides in River Vale.

SHANNON LYMAN is an elementary special need teacher in Wakefield, MA.

MICHELLE MALDAV is a social worker with the Union Township Board of Education.

JENNIFER MICHNER is a pre-school teacher for Heather Hill Pre-School.

JAIME McARTNEY is a graphic designer for internal communications at the Home Depot Mid-Atlantic Store Support Center. She is married to MICHAEL CASTELLANA and they have a daughter, Skyelar.

COLLEEN McGUIRE is a seventh grade teacher for Union City Board of Education. She resides in Ocean.

MARIANNE PLOSKONKA is a mathematics teacher at Brick Memorial High School.

PAULA REIS is a chemist for L'Oreal USA and a graduate student at Monmouth pursuing her MBA.

ERIC REISHER writes, "Wow! Has it been a year already? Time certainly does fly. All has been going well for me. I'm on the radio in New Brunswick at Magic 98.3 on the weekends, and during the week I'm a cost estimator for a general construction firm, Milric Construction. I wish everyone the

best, and congratulations to WMCX 88.9 FM. Good luck with the new studio.”

SCARLETT REUTER is a Special Education Teacher for Upper Township Primary School. She resides in Richwood.

PAUL ROBB JR. is a computer science specialist at Fort Monmouth. He is engaged to Carole Perez and has been very busy traveling. He asks that all remember his mom, LuLu Robb who recently died from cancer.

JESSICA SALVESEN graduated from NYU in May 2002 with a master's in Social Work. She resides in Port Jefferson, NY.

NANCY SANTAGATA is finishing up her first year as a graduate student in chemistry at the University of California, San Diego. She resides in La Jolla, CA.

HEATHER A. SCHAAB is a research associate at Titan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

STEPHANIE SCHEIB is a public relations assistant specializing in eyewear and sun wear for Viva International in Somerville.

JAMES M. SCHMIDT has been with Nassau Broadcasting Partners-Shore Group radio stations since interning in January 2000. His title is staff engineer but he sometimes DJs as “Normal Jim” at WJLK and WBBO. He also currently

works as a promotions assistant for WBBO and WCHR. Last September he took on the job of technical supervisor for VT Entertainment and in January 2002 he started his own small company, JMS Technologies. He resides in Brick.

STACEY SCHRAMAN is a learning specialist for eighth graders at the Northern Burlington County Regional Middle School.

ROB SHEARER is the human resources coordinator at MOL America Inc., a Tokyo-based international shipping company. He lives in Red Bank.

RACHEL J. SMITH is a graphic designer at International Flavors & Fragrances. She also has her own graphic design business, Mumford Design.

SHANNON SMYTHE is a sixth grade science and language arts teacher at the Wilson Middle School. She lives in Natick, MA.

KRISTINA SUSCA is a chemist for Cosmetic Essence, Inc. She resides in Asbury Park.

JEANETTE TINNICK is a Mathematics teacher for Jackson Memorial High School. She resides in Burlington.

TRAVIS VENTIMIGLIA is a patrolman for the Spring Lake Heights Police Department. He lives in Bradley Beach.

ERIKA VIRGO is a Special Education teacher for the East Brunswick Board of Education. She is engaged to Matthew Dill.

JAMIE URBANOWICZ works for Arlington Public Schools as a fourth and fifth grade Special Education teacher. She resides in Washington, D.C.

JENNIFER WALLACE is a kindergarten teacher for the Pennsauken Board of Education.

REBECCA NICHOLS-WILLIAMS is enjoying life as a Navy wife while living in San Diego with her husband, Randy. They reported that their first child is due to arrive in September. Rebecca will return to Stone Harbor for six months this fall while Randy is on deployment.

CHERYL WILK is a Special Education teacher at the Toms River Regional Schools.

JASON WOLFF works for Allegiance Healthcare as a field service representative.

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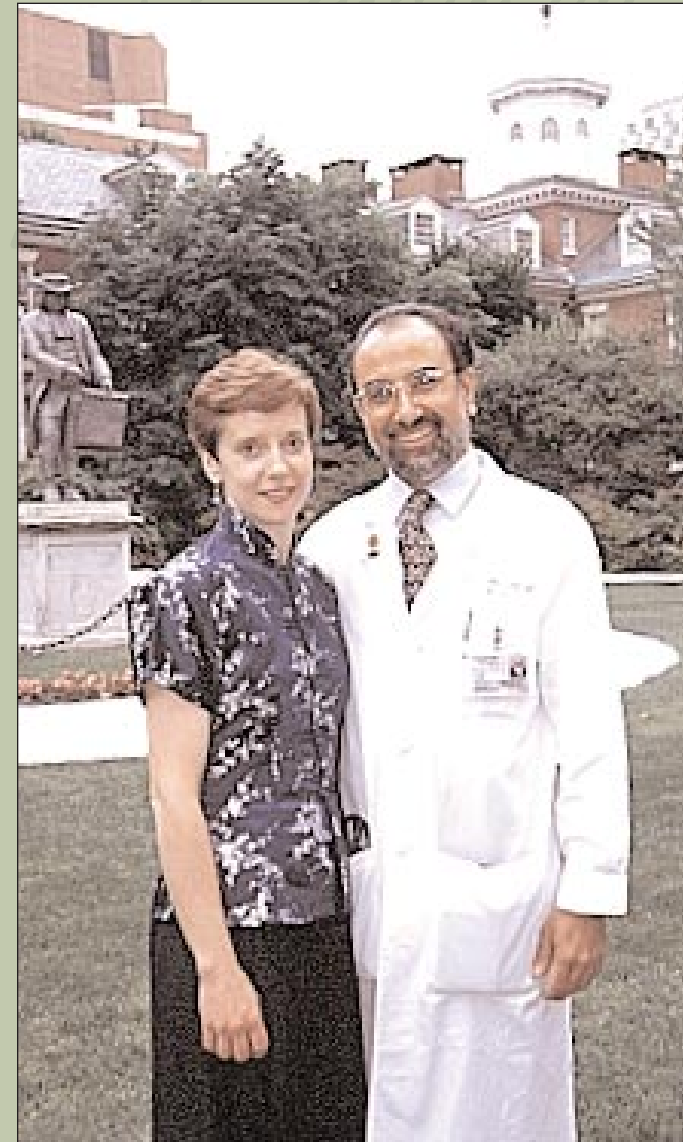
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