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JEFF KELLER, CLASS OF 1970, RETURNED TO CAMPUS IN NOVEMBER TO SUPPORT "AN EVENING WITH PETER MONDAVI, JR.," AN EVENT TO RAISE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS FOR THE KISLAK REAL ESTATE INSTITUTE. KELLER, THE FIRST AMERICAN TO PLAY TITLE ROLE IN "THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA," AND ONE OF THE ORIGINAL CAST MEMBERS OF THE BROADWAY PRODUCTION.

### **CORRECTIONS:**

In the article "A Decade of Mama Fellows," Dr. Saifuddin Mama's name was incorrectly spelled as "Saifudden."

In Class Notes, Carol Kyle was incorrectly listed under the class of 1976. She should have listed in the Class of 1977. We also regret publishing information contained in Meridian Healthviews without obtaining her prior consent.

We apologize for the errors.

# LETTERS READERS RESPOND TO THE FALL ISSUE



## COUSTEAU SHORTCHANGED

I was very surprised and upset about the extremely short article written about the famous oceanographer, Jean-Michel Cousteau. He spoke for almost 2 hours!

Sure, there was a big photo of Cousteau on the front cover, but after turning to pg. 22, I found only basic information. A co-worker was also astonished and then said that your three page spread about the drunken frat boys, "Delta Sigma Phi 50 Years Later," was just absurd.

I wonder about the quality of Monmouth University's magazine. Apparently you are focused on other unimportant information.

The Cousteau family has worked for decades exploring oceans worldwide. They've educated people about ocean pollution, the life of fish, turtles and other sea creatures, and coral reefs which are slowly dying. And that's only the "tip of the iceberg."

Jean-Michel did an excellent job presenting information about the present state of the oceans. It's disconcerting that very little of that information appeared in the article.

He deserved better.

ROBERTA MARTIN '74

## OCCUPY ONE-SIDED

It is with great pleasure I read the *Monmouth University Magazine*. It helps keep me up to date with the events and happenings at MU and its present and past students and faculty.

I read with great interest your piece on Occupy Wall Street. Of particular concern were the faculty responses to how they perceived these events. The discourse exhibited was shall we say one-sided and disappointing. Nowhere in your piece were any comments about the poor conduct of

the demonstrators that has led to forced dismantling of these encampments by local and state police units throughout the country. No comments were presented about the noise, and harassment, assaults and unsanitary conditions imposed on the people who live in proximity to these Occupy Wall Streeters and are trying to go about their daily lives and earn a living.

I believe in the right to lawfully protest and the right of free speech, but not when it over rides the rights of most freedom loving Americans to go about their daily lives.

All of the professors' pieces were well thought out and presented in a manner that Occupy Wall Street was unable to do. The professors' ability to make sense out of a disorganized mess is a tribute to the faculty at Monmouth. I still believe that a fair and balanced approach would have served your readers far better.

STANLEY BEY '59

## THE LAST DELTA SIG

I read with interest your recent story on Delta Sigma Phi fraternity (fall 2011). However, I'm sure anyone joining the Monmouth community from 1990 or after may have asked themselves "who is Delta Sigma Phi? I've never heard of them." They'd be right; Delta Sig/Epsilon Nu chapter at Monmouth lost its charter, revoked by the national fraternity in 1989, because of (from what I was told) financial difficulties (dues owed, etc.).

How do I know this? I was part of the very last Delta Sig pledge class in the Spring of 1989; I joined Delta Sigma Phi only to find upon my return to campus in the Fall that my fraternity was no more (at least, not at Monmouth) because of the monetary misdeeds of my chapter. Gladly, our fellow Greeks still welcomed us and treated us as such through the rest of our time at Monmouth; despite the loss of our charter, we were still "Greeks" to them! By the time I graduated in 1993, I am fairly certain I was the last remaining Delta Sig on campus.

JOHN S. KAMINSKI '93

## CAR CLUB MEMORIES



MEMBERS OF THE SPORTS CAR CLUB AS SHOWN IN UNCAPPED PHOTOGRAPH IN THE 1965 SHADOWS YEARBOOK.

John Fielder's recent letter (spring 2011) brought back memories for me. Back in the early 1960's, except for the fraternity and sorority houses and a few boarding houses and motels, most Monmouth students were commuters, therefore cars were very important, hence our large parking lot, which is now mostly covered with new buildings. There were very few after school hour activities. This was also the height of the sports car craze, on both coasts, especially English sports cars.

The Monmouth College Sports Car Club had many joint activities with the Wing and Bonnet Sports Car Club in West Long Branch. Back then, you could borrow a parking lot to run a field trial or gymkhana, or use the public roads for Time and Distance and other types of Rallies. No worry about roll bars, fireproof clothing,

medical and fire protection or liability insurance. Though we had some members with dedicated race cars, most of us would work on our cars on Saturday, run them on Sunday and drive them to school on Monday. We also had trips to various race tracks on Long Island and the U. S. Grand Prix at Watkins Glen, New York, and the N. Y. Auto Show. John Fielder's plaque was the symbol for our informal race team.

WILLIAM J. JERVIS '65

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# Ambassador Challenges **Class** to Greatness



## **Nearly 500 students**

lined up for formal graduation exercises at Monmouth's second winter commencement ceremony at the Multipurpose Activity Center (MAC) on January 13. Dr. Michael Oren, Israel's ambassador to the United States, delivered the commencement address.



PRESIDENT PAUL GAFFNEY, AMBASSADOR MICHAEL OREN, HARRY POZYCKI, BOARD CHAIR ROBERT B. SCULTHORPE '63



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**B**efore Ambassador Oren's address, President Paul Gaffney rallied the crowd saying his students were "ready to lead society just when we need it." He was also quick to acknowledge the faculty who have "guided and guarded" the graduating students, calling them "the core of Monmouth University."

But Ambassador Oren, who also received an honorary degree at the ceremony, cautioned the audience that "it's a hard time to be graduating from college." He added that despite the obstacles they may encounter, their "dreams should not be abandoned."

"This is your destiny, to tackle the challenges, to develop the grit and the thick skin ultimately to prevail," the ambassador said, calling members of the graduating class "the new 'Greatest Generation,'" a reference to the term coined by Tom Brokaw to describe the resourceful generation who grew up in the shadow of the Great Depression.

"I don't have to tell you—jobs are scarce out there, people are working longer hours and making less. For the first time in memory, we can no longer assume that young people will eventually earn more than their parents or surpass their standard of living," Oren said.

"Though it may be hard to fulfill your dreams immediately, right now,

**"This is your destiny, to tackle the challenges, to develop the grit and the thick skin ultimately to prevail."**

graduating into tough times actually has its benefits, in that it toughens you and steels you," he added.

Oren, a New Jersey native, reminisced about his own path to being appointed as ambassador in 2009. He moved to Israel in the 1970s, acting as an Israeli Emissary to Soviet Jews who were refused permission to emigrate, and later as an advisor to Israel's delegation to the United Nations, and as the government's director of Inter-Religious Affairs.

Leading up to his appointment, Oren was the Lady Davis Fellow of Hebrew University, a Moshe Dayan Fellow at Tel-Aviv University, and the Distinguished Fellow at the Shalem Center in Jerusalem.

Oren also spoke fondly of his role as a teacher. "You know, I came into teaching relatively late in my life and found it to be deeply fulfilling. In fact, I feel I have learned more from my students than they have learned from me." >>



GENA BRODUS, ALEXIS CANADAY



POOJA MEVAWALA

# WINTER COMMENCEMENT Snapshot

Dr. David Strohmetz, associate vice president for Academic and Institutional Assessment and professor of Psychology, surveyed 59 percent of students graduating with a baccalaureate degree and 54 percent of students graduating with a master's degree.

Overall, 26 percent of the baccalaureate graduates reported having a full-time position at the time of commencement. Thirty-seven percent indicated that this position was related to their major, and 40 percent said that this full-time job was temporary until they found a position more relevant to their career aspirations. Eighty-three percent indicated that they were employed in the State of New Jersey.

The median starting salary for all baccalaureate graduates was in the \$40-\$49K range.

Nineteen percent of the graduates reported that they will be attending either a graduate or professional program after commencement. Sixty-one percent said that they are returning to Monmouth University for their graduate work.

Students were asked to provide a few final thoughts about their overall Monmouth University experience. Dr. Strohmetz created a “word cloud” that depicts the words the baccalaureate graduates most often used in their comments. The larger the word, the more often it was used in the comments.

Overall, 51 percent of the master's degree graduates reported having a full-time position at the time of commencement. Eighty percent indicated that this position was related to their major. Sixty-four percent reported that they had this position before starting their degree program at Monmouth, and 43



percent said that this full-time job was temporary until they found a position more relevant to their career aspirations. Ninety-six percent reported that they were employed in the State of New Jersey.

Graduate students were also asked to provide a few final thoughts about their Monmouth University experience. Shown below is a “word cloud” that depicts the words the master's degree recipients most often used in their comments.



The Ambassador has been a visiting professor at Harvard, Yale, and Georgetown. He is also an author, writing extensively for major newspapers as well as his bestselling books, *Six Days of War: June 1967* and the *Making of the Modern Middle East* and *Power, Faith, and Fantasy: America in the Middle East, 1776 to the Present*.

“I enjoy, the most, putting myself in a position of what I am writing about. There’s a tendency for historians to, sort of, sit on judgment in history...they actually call themselves the ‘hangmen of history.’ I don’t view myself as a ‘hangman.’ My goal as an historian was not to pass judgment, but to understand,” Oren said.

Also receiving an honorary degree at the ceremony was Harry Pozyccki, chairman of The Citizens Campaign, who challenged the graduates to be “citizen leaders” as they embark on their future careers. The Citizens Campaign, founded by Pozyccki and his wife, Caroline, in 1998, is a non-partisan volunteer civic empowerment group that teaches citizens that they don’t need to be elected officials to get things done in the public sphere.

In 2004 he developed New Jersey’s anti-pay-to-play law, which has been heralded as the strongest in the nation and has served as a model for laws



HARRY POZYCKI, CHAIRMAN OF THE CITIZENS CAMPAIGN

adopted in Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, and Philadelphia. He is also the author of *The Citizens’ Manual: Paths to Power for Regular Citizens*. Pozyccki called on the graduates to be an “example,” and an inspiration to all Americans.

One student at the ceremony looking forward to continued success following her academic career at Monmouth was Pooja Mevawala, who graduated summa cum laude in the Leon Hess Business School with a 3.99 GPA.

Before crossing the stage to receive her diploma, Mevawala said she appreciated the personal experience she had

at Monmouth. “The small classes were helpful, and the Honors School was great.”

As a result of her hard work, the 2008 Rahway High School valedictorian and recipient of the Mort Pye Scholarship was awarded the opportunity to present her thesis on jobless growth and the U.S. economy to the Eastern Economic Association. The rare honor also resulted in her thesis being published in the prestigious *Referred Journal for Economics*.

Since June, Mevawala has been interning as a client service associate at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney in Shrewsbury. She said she is looking for a full-time job and putting plans for additional education on the back burner for now. “I owe a lot to the professors I had at Monmouth. They guided me along the way.”

Dr. Nancy Mezey, an associate professor of sociology and new director of the Institute for Global Understanding, was honored with the Distinguished Teacher Award. Also the director of Gender Studies, Dr. Mezey specializes in family sociology, race-class-gender studies, gender studies, the sociology of sexualities and African studies. [MU](#)



MAE-YUNG TANG, MICHAEL CORSEY, NEIL MULCAHY



# Where in the world?

From the mysterious monument of Stonehenge to the frozen north of Alaska...from the heights of Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania to the depths of the Gathering of the Juggalos Festival in Cave-in-Rock, Illinois, Monmouth Hawks are jet-setters.

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

Please send it to [mailquad@monmouth.edu](mailto:mailquad@monmouth.edu), and you might wind up in a future edition of the magazine.



**TOP ROW, LEFT:** GRADUATE STUDENT AND ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY PHOTOGRAPHER BLAZE NOWARA HOISTS A MONMOUTH FLAG ATOP UHURU PEAK, THE HIGHEST POINT OF MT. KILIMANJARO IN JULY. **TOP ROW, RIGHT:** DR. RYAN SCALLY '06 BRAVES AN ATTACK FROM A STUFFED POLAR BEAR DURING A SUMMER VISIT TO ANCHORAGE, ALASKA. **BOTTOM ROW, LEFT:** DENIS '68 '77MBA AND ANNE HRUZA '81 MBA VISITED STONEHENGE, A MYSTERIOUS PREHISTORIC MONUMENT IN THE ENGLISH COUNTRYSIDE IN SEPTEMBER. **BOTTOM ROW, RIGHT:** MICHAEL BENNETT '10 BRAVES THE CROWD AT THE 12TH ANNUAL GATHERING OF THE JUGGALOS FESTIVAL IN AUGUST. ROLLING STONE MAGAZINE DESCRIBES THE EVENT AS "FOUR DAYS OF FAYGO-SOAKED HORRORCORE IN ILLINOIS."

# HOLIDAY BALL

*Building Scholarships, Building the Future*

The annual Holiday Ball in historic Wilson Hall is the capstone event in a yearlong effort to build scholarship funds that help make higher education a reality for Monmouth University students.

Attended by local business leaders, alumni, parents and friends, the annual Holiday Ball has a longstanding tradition of raising money for scholarships. The 37th annual gala held on December 3 pushed the total amount of scholarship funds raised in 2011 to \$721,082.

Quick thinking and fast negotiating by Carol Stillwell turned a bidding war for a private dinner in Wilson Hall into *two* private dinners.

Stillwell, who was honored with a Maurice Pollak Award for Distinguished Community Service in 2010, split one dinner with George Kolber, who won the same award in 2011. Nick Brown of Locust placed the winning bid for the second dinner.

John Brockriede, Jr. '07, '10M and his wife Kenna served as co-chairs of the event. John, a 20-year veteran of the Wall Township Police Force, is vice president of the Senior Officers Association (Wall PBA #234) and is on the board of directors of the Central Jersey Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF).

Kenna, a former Ford and Victoria's Secret model, is a 10-year member of the advisory board of the JDRF and has chaired its gala for the past several years. She is also active

with the Hospital for Special Surgery Pediatric Fundraising Committee and has served on the Monmouth University Holiday Ball committee for four years.

Members of the Monmouth University Student Veterans Group, including Hunter Brockriede '11, were on hand to greet guests and serve as University ambassadors.

Colleen Laffey, a senior Education major, described the importance of scholarship funds to her quest for a degree. "If not for the generous benefactors that have endorsed the scholarships that I have received, being a full time student would not have been possible," she said. "I will be eternally grateful for their generosity, and I hope that I can prove to be a worthy recipient when I enter my new profession."

Karl Gordinier, Jr. '62 was again Master of Ceremonies for the event, and for the 19th consecutive year professional designer Susan Musica created the table centerpieces and decorated festive trees in the Great Hall with ornaments selected from her personal collection.

If you are interested in sponsoring a scholarship or securing an invitation to the next Holiday Ball, please contact Jan Connolly, director of Special Events at 732-571-3509.



**TOP LEFT:** CHRIS DERESZ, JACKIE DERESZ, KAREN LEONCAVALLO '98M, RICHARD L. RICCIARDI '98M.  
**TOP RIGHT:** STUDENT VETERAN GROUP MEMBERS DAVID BROWN, HUNTER BROCKRIEDE, AND JASON KING.  
**CENTER TOP:** GEORGE KOLBER, CAROL STILLWELL.  
**CENTER LEFT BOTTOM:** COUPLE DANCING TO THE MUSIC OF NEW LIFE CRISIS.  
**CENTER RIGHT:** A.J. BROCKREIDE, AMANDA KLAUS '09, PRESIDENT GAFFNEY, HUNTER BROCKRIEDE, KENNA BROCKRIEDE, JOHN BROCKRIEDE '07 '10M, CAROL BROCKRIEDE, LINDA GAFFNEY, LINDA BROCKRIEDE.  
**BOTTOM LEFT:** JOHN WEILAND AND KATHY WEILAND; FAR RIGHT, LESLIE HITCHNER AND KENNETH W. HITCHNER III.  
**BOTTOM RIGHT:** CARLI FIGLIO, JUSTIN BAUGHAM.





REUNION FOR

# ALPHA THETA CHI



Heather McCulloch Mistretta



**Chuck Hassol '61 celebrated the 50th anniversary of his graduation with the brothers of his fraternity, Alpha Theta Chi (now Sigma Pi), over Homecoming weekend last October. AOX, Monmouth's third oldest fraternity, was founded in 1959.**



"Many of us had not seen each other in 45-50 years, but we were able to gather 26 of the grey-haired/bald brothers together for the two-day reunion," Hassol said.

Following the Homecoming on campus, the group gathered at the Draft House in West Long Branch for a reunion. "Way back in 1962 the place was called Linda's Cliff House, and it was the first sponsor of our 'Chi Dogs' touch-football team," Hassol recalled.

"We had a wonderful time reminiscing about our fierce games on the Great Lawn against the 'Chinese Bandits' and so many of our escapades back in the 60s," he said.

"We were a pretty wild bunch. Like the Delta Sigs, we always felt we were the 'Animal House' on and off campus—although we were honest enough to admit that the distinction belonged more to Phi Delta Sigma than it did to us."

In the past 50 years the group has lost 12 brothers including its faculty advisor, Lauren K. Woods. "We raised a glass (several) to their memory, and we look forward to reuniting again next year," Hassol said.



JERRY AMEDEO '90, CHUCK HARRISON, BUTCH WELCH

Hassol remembered his fraternity sponsoring Homecoming Queen Contestants and winning the float-building competition at Homecoming almost every year of his college career. He also recalled bringing gifts to children in the hospital each Christmas.

"We were also the loudest group (with horns and drums) of supporters at home basketball games at Convention Hall in Asbury Park, and we also supported the founding of the Nu Theta Chi Sorority," he said.

He also recalled April 9, 1965, when they ran their own Rock 'n' Roll Show at Convention Hall.

"We had nine of the biggest Rock 'n' Roll acts at the time—Del Shannon "*Run-away*," The Chiffons "*He's So Fine*," The Crests (with Johnny Maestro) "*Sixteen Candles*," The Crystals "*The Doo Run Run*," The Tokens "*The Lion Sleeps Tonight*," The Tymes "*So In Love*," The Emotions "*Echo*," The Angels "*My Boyfriend's Back*," and The Dovells "*The Bristol Stomp*."

"We sold out both shows," Hassol said, adding that the WMCA "Good Guys," Joe O'Brien and Jack Spector, emceed the shows.



**MEMBERS OF ALPHA THETA CHI IN THE 1960 YEARBOOK. STANDING:** BILL KAELI '63, WILLIAM JELLEY '61, FORMAN VAN SCOICK, NOEL MOORE '62, ROBERT BRAY '64, THOMAS BOYCE '61, FRED KAELI '61, GARY FENDELANDER, MICKE GAREAU, BUD MCKNIGHT '61, WARREN REECE, HOWARD NEWMAN '63; **SEATED:** ROBERT WEISS '61, WILLIAM MCNIGHT, AL FALVO '61, JACK BRIGNOLA '62 '75M.

Hassol said he has retired for the second time, following his first retirement in July 2005 after a 26-year career as a sports writer and editor. After serving 3 1/2 years as a director on the board of his 1,500-home gated community in Leesburg, FL, Chuck “retired” from that responsibility last March.

In his first career, Hassol was twice voted N.J. Sports Writer of the Year by the National Sportscasters and Sports-writers' Association. He also had a 17-year career as a community association manager in Raleigh, NC.

Hassol also provided updates for some of his fraternity brothers who are now spread across 16 states.

Among the brothers attending reunion were former AOX president and current Monmouth University Trustee, Jerry “Sleepy” Amedeo '66, former AOX vice president Gary Fendelander '62, Mike Fogg '64 '70M, Tom Gallagher '62, former Monmouth University Trustee Frank Gudicello '67, John Hollister '64, Howard Newman '63, Chuck Rupy '64, Richie “the Shiek” Schenk, Richard Silberberg '66 and Richard Towers '65.

Amedeo, the president of AOX in the mid-60s, was appointed to the

“Graduates have distinguished themselves as: members of the Peace Corps, officers in the military, state and federal government employees, teachers, and businessmen...The past has, indeed, been great. The future will be even greater”

N.J. Juvenile Justice Commission in 1999 and also served on the transition team of N.J. Governor Chris Christie. In 2005 he was awarded the Humanitarian of the Year Award from the NJ Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Gary Fendelander is a retired airline pilot and still makes his home at the Jersey Shore.

Mike Fogg served in Europe and Vietnam as a member of the Navy Reserve. He was a teacher in the Tuckerton School District for 25 years and retired as Superintendent of Schools.

Tom Gallagher entered the Peace Corps, and later became the youngest chief of a diplomatic mission in modern U.S. history when he served as



**LEFT TO RIGHT:** DON MUNIZ '67, AIDA MUNIZ, FRANCINE FISCHER, HENRY “HANK” FISCHER '68, CAROL BARNA, JOE BARNA '64



**LEFT:** PLEDGE CLASS, SPRING 1961: MANNY CADIMA '68, JOE BARNA '64, TIM MAXWELL, CHUCK HASSOL '61, ED FREDA '64, TOM GALLAGHER '62. **RIGHT:** "CHI DOGS" TOUCH FOOTBALL TEAM IN 1963 YEARBOOK

Consul General in Ecuador at the age of 34. He also spent several years in San Francisco running the largest public mental health clinic in the U.S.

Gallagher later worked for the State Department serving in numerous foreign countries including Ethiopia, Saudi Arabia, Nigeria, Ecuador, Spain, Belgium, the Congo, Tanzania, Uganda, Dubai, Guainía, Cameroon and France. He recently returned from a stint in Kinshasa, the capital city of the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Frank Gudicello practiced general surgery at Monmouth Medical Center for 20 years. He was an assistant clinical professor of surgery at Hahnemann Medical School in Philadelphia. He also served as president of the Monmouth College Alumni Association and was a member of the Monmouth University Board of Trustees from 1990 to 1997.

John Hollister went into the Army Reserve after graduation, but started his own corporation in 1980 and de-

veloped products for national big box customers sourcing products from Asia, South America, Latin America and Europe. In 1983 he came in second in the National Volvo 4.0 Tennis competition.

Howard Newman was the former editor-in-chief of *The Outlook* as well as student body president. He has practiced law in Monmouth County for more than 40 years.

Chuck Rupy worked for General Dynamics in Groton, CT, for 35 years and became program manager for the Trident Submarine Strategic Weapon System. He was elected National Chairman of the Human Resources Panel, which was tasked to help the U.S. shipbuilders become more globally competitive and address safety problems.

Richie Schenk, the fraternity's first member of Monmouth's varsity basketball team, went on to become the principal at West Caldwell and then assistant superintendent of schools in the Caldwell-West Caldwell School District.

Jack Schweitzer served in Vietnam where he was left partially paralyzed. He is living with his brother, Kirk, and mother in Cloudcroft, NM.

Rich Silberberg is one of several AOX brothers who became attorneys. He has practiced law in several different categories in Newark, Woodbridge, Edison, Springfield and East Brunswick.

Rich Towers, a former class president, went to Wake Forest Law School and passed the N.C. bar in 1968. He served in the Marine Corps from 1968 to 1972 with time in Vietnam. He moved to High Point, NC, in 1972, first working in the Public Defender's office. He opened his own practice in 1976 and is still working.

Fred Kaeli Jr. '61, a Monmouth University Trustee since February 2010, is president of the Fairleigh S. Dickinson Jr. Foundation and a former senior vice president of investments at Smith Barney in Shrewsbury.

Hassol said that the fraternity members who gathered in October also remembered their classmates who are "gone but not forgotten." They include Bob V. Anderson '65, Bob Boerum '65, Neil Forman, Warren King '72, Bill Loffio, Ray McNabb '67 '71M, Paul Poetsch '63, Roger Schenone '63, Frank Schmidt, John Seyler '68, Stanley Sharaga '68, and faculty advisor Lauren Woods.

A quote from the 1965 *Shadows* Yearbook captures the spirit of the fraternity, "Graduates have distinguished themselves as: members of the Peace Corps, officers in the military, state and federal government employees, teachers, and businessmen...The past has, indeed, been great. The future will be even greater." [MU](#)



TIM MAXWELL AND TOM GALLAGHER '62

# SPORTS SCHEDULES

## 2012 MEN'S BASEBALL

2/17	at Wright State	1 p.m.
2/18	vs. Saint Joseph's*	11:30 a.m.
2/18	vs. Youngstown St. #	3 p.m.
2/19	vs. Marshall#	10 a.m.
2/24-26	at Virginia	3/1/1 p.m.
3/24	at Virginia Commonwealth	3/2/1 p.m.
3/9-11	at Troy	7/7/2 p.m.
3/13	at Georgia State	4 p.m.
<b>3/16-18</b>	<b>FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON*</b>	<b>3/1 [DH]/1 p.m.</b>
<b>3/20</b>	<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
3/23-25	at Wagner*	3/1 [DH]/ 1 p.m.
3/27	at Saint Peter's	3:30 p.m.
3/31	at Temple	12 p.m.
<b>4/1</b>	<b>TEMPLE</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
<b>4/4</b>	<b>LAFAYETTE</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
<b>4/5-7</b>	<b>QUINNIPIAC*</b>	<b>3/1 [DH]/ 1 p.m.</b>
4/11	at Rider	3 p.m.
4/13-15	at Central Connecticut State*	3/1 [DH]/1 p.m.
<b>4/17</b>	<b>RUTGERS</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
<b>4/20-22</b>	<b>MOUNT ST. MARY'S*</b>	<b>3/1 [DH]/1 p.m.</b>
<b>4/24</b>	<b>SETON HALL</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
4/27-29	at Long Island*	3/1 [DH]/1 p.m.
<b>5/4-6</b>	<b>BRYANT*</b>	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
5/8	at Seton Hall	3:30 p.m.
5/10-12	at Sacred Heart*	3/1 [DH]/1 p.m.
5/17-20	at NEC Championships	TBA

#Game to be played in Cary, N.C.  
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## 2012 WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

<b>Norfolk State University Tournament</b>		
2/25	TBA	TBA
2/26	TBA	TBA
<b>Texas A&amp;M Tournament</b>		
3/9	TBA	12:15 PM
3/9	TBA	3:00 PM
3/10	TBA	10:00 AM
3/10	TBA	12:15 PM
3/12	at Stephen F. Austin State	2:00 PM
<b>Seton Hall University Tournament</b>		
3/16	TBA	TBA
3/17	TBA	TBA
3/18	TBA	TBA
<b>3/24</b>	<b>Sacred Heart (DH)*</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
<b>3/25</b>	<b>Quinnipiac (DH)*</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
<b>3/28</b>	<b>St. Joseph's</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
3/31	at Robert Morris (DH)*	1:00 PM
4/1	at Saint Francis (Pa.) (DH)*	12:00 PM
4/3	at La Salle (DH)	3:00 PM
<b>4/6</b>	<b>Wagner (DH)*</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
<b>4/12</b>	<b>Villanova (DH)</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
4/14	at Fairleigh Dickinson (DH)*	1:00 PM
4/18	at Temple (DH)	3:00 PM
4/21	at Bryant (DH)*	1:00 PM
4/22	at Central Connecticut State (DH)*	12:00 PM
<b>4/25</b>	<b>Rider (DH)</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>4/28</b>	<b>Mount St. Mary's (DH)*</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
<b>4/29</b>	<b>Long Island*</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>

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## 2012 LACROSSE

2/18	at Fairfield	at Fairfield, Conn.	12:00 PM
<b>2/22</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>West Long Branch, N.J.</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>2/26</b>	<b>Stony Brook</b>	<b>West Long Branch, N.J.</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
2/28	at Saint Joseph's	at Philadelphia, Pa.	4:00 PM
<b>3/3</b>	<b>Canisius</b>	<b>West Long Branch, N.J.</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
3/13	at Jacksonville	at Jacksonville, Fla.	4:00 PM
3/17	at Rutgers	at Piscataway, N.J.	12:00 PM
3/20	at Lafayette	at Easton, Pa.	7:00 PM
<b>3/23</b>	<b>Saint Francis (Pa.)*</b>	<b>West Long Branch, N.J.</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>3/25</b>	<b>Robert Morris*</b>	<b>West Long Branch, N.J.</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
3/30	at Sacred Heart*	at Fairfield, Conn.	3:00 PM
4/1	at Quinnipiac*	at Hamden, Conn.	12:00 PM
<b>4/5</b>	<b>Central Conn. State*</b>	<b>West Long Branch, N.J.</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>4/7</b>	<b>Bryant*</b>	<b>West Long Branch, N.J.</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
4/13	at Wagner*	at Staten Island, N.Y.	3:00 PM
4/15	at Long Island*	at Brooklyn, N.Y.	11:00 AM
<b>4/20</b>	<b>Mount Saint Mary's*</b>	<b>West Long Branch, N.J.</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>2012 NEC Tournament</b>			
4/27	NEC Semifinals	at Highest Seed	TBA
4/29	NEC Finals	at Highest Seed	TBA

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## 2012 TRACK & FIELD

2/11 - 2/12	NEC Championships @ Prince George's Sports and Learning Center, Landover, Md.	TBA
<b>2/18</b>	<b>Monmouth Blue-White Invitational</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
2/23	Armory Collegiate Challenge @ at N.Y. Armory, New York, N.Y.	TBA
2/25 - 2/26	USA Indoor Championships @ Albuquerque, N.M.	TBA
3/03 - 3/4	ECAC Div. 1 & IC4A Championships @ Reggie Lewis Center & Boston University	TBA
3/09 - 3/10	NCAA Division I Championships Boise State, Boise, Idaho	TBA

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# AZZARELLO on the **RISE**

Heather McCulloch Mistretta

**Patty Azzarello '86** likes to accentuate the positive in both herself and others. This philosophy, she says, is what drove her to be the youngest general manager at Hewlett-Packard at the age of 33 and what now she hopes to pass along to the readers of her debut book, *Rise: How to Be Really Successful at Work AND Like Your Life*.

"There's no problem too hard to get started on," Azzarello said, adding that her time at Monmouth taught her to not be scared of hard problems. While registering for classes as a freshman, she impulsively decided to switch her major from art to electronic engineering to challenge herself to take on a very difficult and ambitious program.







She never looked back. Azzarello also attributes this life lesson to her mother, who encouraged her to challenge herself, be positive and always contribute something.

The hard work and ability to face challenges obviously paid off. Today, she is the founder and CEO of Azzarello Group, a unique services organization that works with companies and individuals to build success and develop talent.

Her resume is impressive, but the balance between being successful and contributing something positive is at her core, and it is something that she hopes the readers of her new book will glean and be able to use on their career paths.

“I had a lot of help building my career, and I have a lot of knowledge. I wanted to share this with people by putting it all together in one place.”

She added that her midterm goal is to reach as many people as she can who need help eliminating road blocks in their quest to achieve their goals.

She visited Monmouth’s campus last October and spoke to professors and students in different academic areas including the School of Science and in the Center for Entrepreneurship offering them support and giving advice on how to address the challenges they may be facing.

Azzarello also met with a small group of staff and alumni about her journey at Monmouth and beyond. “Never fail alone,” she told the audience. “In order to succeed there needs to be a willingness to not do things by yourself; you have to know how to ask for help.”

She has put her ideas into practice at Monmouth as supporter of the Summer Research Program in the School of Science. The 12-week program allows students to work on collaborative research projects under the supervision of School of Science faculty and staff. Supporters like Azzarello help fund student salaries and travel funds so students can present their research at academic conferences.

Azzarello, who has been dubbed “the Maximizer,” also recommended putting one’s energy into strengths rather than concentrating on weaknesses. “Strengths always overshadow weaknesses,” she said.

It is this advice along with many other tools that she hopes to share with her readers. *Rise*, which was first self-published by Azzarello, has been picked up by Random House and will be available on May 1 anywhere books are sold. The review states, “Patty Azzarello’s *Rise* is like getting all the answers to the career final exam up front!”

Channeling positive energy is a predominant theme of Azzarello’s book. “Trust yourself to follow what you care about and what gives you energy,” she

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Azzarello has 25 years of experience working in high tech and business. She has held leadership roles in general management, marketing, software product development and sales, and has been successful in running large and small businesses.

She ran a \$1B software business at the age of 35 and became a CEO for the first time at the age of 38. The former electronic engineering student at Monmouth has also held top positions at Siebel Systems and Euclid Software.

Despite her track record of business leadership and a natural gift for public speaking, it comes as a surprise that Azzarello describes herself “a raging introvert.” This trait has paid off for Azzarello as it has allowed her to be a good listener and find out what matters most to the people she meets.

“I’m not a natural networker, but I’ve learned to overcome that,” she adds. “The first thing I notice about people is their energy and how engaged and interested in the world they are.”

In an effort to bring her positive message to a wider audience, Azzarello said she plans to write two additional books, *Strategy Into Action* and *Why I’m Not Fat...Anymore*. [MU](#)



# END OF MISSION in IRAQ



On 23 January 2010, the U.S. Marine Corps turned over responsibility for the Al Anbar Province of Iraq to the U.S. Army, ending nearly seven years of Marine combat operations in that country. By early February, nearly all Marine units had left Iraq. This included the 230 Marines and Sailors of Marine Wing Support Squadron (MWSS) 472. The departure of Marines from Iraq marked an important and historic milestone in the transformation of that country from brutal totalitarian dictatorship to fledgling democracy.



DICKERSON (RIGHT) WAITING TO BOARD A HELICOPTER AT CAMP KOREAN VILLAGE, A MARINE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT BASE NEAR AR RUTBA, IRAQ.

TOP PHOTOS. LEFT TO RIGHT: EXTERIOR OF CHAPEL, MARINES REMEMBER SSGT JASON LEHTO, KILLED IN 2004, DICKERSON'S SPARTAN QUARTERS IN IRAQ, VIEW OF A BOEING VERTOL CH-46 SEA KNIGHT TRANSPORT HELICOPTER FLYING OVER RAMADI.

Ten years and more than 3,500 miles from my Monmouth University graduation, I was not only a part of history but I was also recording history as it was happening. As Assistant Squadron Historian, I was responsible for preparing the unit's periodic Command Chronologies. Per Marine Corps Order, every command in the Marine Corps is required to submit periodic reports about their operations to preserve the historical record of the Marine Corps. The Chronologies are submitted by the unit commander and sent up the Chain of Command to the Commandant of the Marine Corps. Eventually, the Command Chronologies are added to the Marine Corps Archives in Quantico, VA.

Preparing the Command Chronologies was a unique experience. While pursuing my master's degree at Monmouth, I spent hundreds of hours interviewing World War Two veterans, reviewing historical documents, and piecing together events that had happened more than 50 years before I began my graduate studies. Here in Iraq, I was interviewing the Marines and Sailors with whom I served, preparing historical documents that future historians would later read and experiencing the history that I was writing about.

### From Monmouth to Iraq

On a rain-soaked day in May 1999, I graduated from Monmouth University with a Masters of Arts degree in American History. As I participated in the traditional rituals celebrating the successful earning of academic degrees, I could not have foreseen that more than 10 years later I would be aboard that flight carrying the members of MWSS-472 home from Iraq.

I earned my Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Rowan College and soon after went to work in municipal government administration. The following January, I entered Monmouth University as a graduate student. After completing the required course work, I researched and wrote my master's thesis on the emergence of the U.S./Soviet Cold War as demonstrated by events in Czechoslovakia in 1945.

Two and a half years later, terrorists attacked the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. U.S. forces were deployed to Afghanistan and other places in a global war on terrorism. In early 2003 I decided that I could no longer sit by idly while other Americans were fighting to protect my freedom. After much contemplation and prayer, I enlisted in the Navy Reserve. Recognizing my strong Catholic



DICKERSON BOARDS FLIGHT HOME FROM IRAQ

background, my recruiter suggested that I become a Religious Program Specialist and volunteer for cross-assignment to the Marine Corps.

A Religious Program Specialist (RP) serves as an assistant to a Navy Chaplain. He or she provides the Chaplain with administrative support and assists with religious ministry and worship services. When assigned to a Marine Corps unit, the RP provides personal protection as the Chaplain's bodyguard because the Geneva Convention prohibits Chaplains from bearing arms.

Over the next two years, I trained to deploy for service in the Global War on Terrorism. I completed Recruit Training in Illinois and was assigned to Marine Aircraft Group 49 at Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base (NAS JRB) Willow Grove, PA. Later, I completed RP training schools in North Carolina and Mississippi.

My turn to deploy came in August 2005. On one week's notice, I was mobilized and sent to Camp Lejeune, NC. I was assigned to Commander David Rodriguez. A Navy Reservist from California, Chaplain Rodriguez was the pastor of a Presbyterian Church and one of the finest Chaplains I ever served with. We served on a succession of temporary assignments with Marines in North Carolina, Iraq and California. In early February 2006 I returned home to New Jersey, got married and returned to a Reserve status.



DICKERSON LEADS A TRUCK INTO THE MCLC LOT



### MWSS-472

In January 2008, I reported to Marine Wing Support Squadron (MWSS) 472, a Marine Reserve unit also located at Willow Grove. An MWSS provides aviation ground support to Marine aviation units. Their responsibilities are diverse: aircraft fueling, fire fighting, military police, runway lighting, motor transportation, runway and road construction, building construction, utilities, weather forecasting, food services, communications, and explosive ordinance disposal, among others. Attached Navy personnel provide medical, dental and religious services.

In early January 2009, MWSS-472 officially received orders to mobilize and deploy to Iraq later that year. Our mission would be to perform aviation ground support to Marine and Army units and to retrograde Marine Corps equipment from Iraq as part of the U.S. drawdown of forces.

MWSS-472 mobilized in May of 2009. That summer we completed our pre-deployment training in North Carolina. Due to the size and complexity of our missions, our Squadron was heavily augmented by Marines and Sailors from 10 other units, bolstering our strength to 672 members.

**ABOVE:** SYMBOL OF MARINE WING SUPPORT SQUADRON 472 (MWSS-472), NICKNAMED THE "DRAGONS." MWSS-472'S MISSION IS TO PROVIDE ALL ESSENTIAL AVIATION GROUND SUPPORT AND SELECTED COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT TO A DESIGNATED ROTARY WING ELEMENT OF AN AIR COMBAT ELEMENT.

This mobilization and deployment proved to be much more difficult than my first in 2005. This time, I was leaving behind my wife Lisa and our two-year-old daughter. Leaving them at the airport for North Carolina was the toughest walk I've ever taken. Needless to say, overseas deployments place a great strain on military families. I got through this deployment through faith...faith in God and in my wife.

### Return to Iraq

I returned to Iraq with MWSS-472 in early October 2009. Iraq had changed a lot in the intervening years. Sectarian violence, much of it perpetrated by foreign terrorists, had peaked in 2007. That year, General David Petraeus led a "Surge" of U.S. forces into Iraq. He orchestrated a vigorous campaign of counter-terrorism and built cooperative alliances with various Iraqi groups. U.S. Marines, Army soldiers, and our Coalition allies undertook numerous, hard-fought, operations to clear out terrorist strongholds. In Al Anbar, this included battles in such violence-prone cities as Ramadi, Fallujah and Hit.

By early 2009, the Surge was working and the withdrawal of U.S. forces was well underway. One of the most important factors for the Surge's success was the Iraqi people. Tired of the violence, the Iraqi people began taking ownership for

the future of their country. They began cooperating with U.S. forces, volunteering for the new Iraqi Army and police forces and actively working to build a democratic Iraq.

MWSS-472 arrived in Al Anbar, Iraq in October 2009. The largest of Iraq's provinces, Al Anbar stretches from Baghdad west to the Syrian and Jordanian borders. Most of the Squadron was located at Al Asad Air Base, one of the largest U.S. installations in Iraq.

In six-plus years of operations in Iraq, a staggering amount of gear, vehicles, equipment and supplies had accumulated at some 250 U.S. bases throughout the country. Some 1.5 million pieces of gear, including over 100,000 vehicles, had to be transported out of Iraq.

Other units had started the retrograde of equipment from Iraq; we would help finish the job. Upon arriving in Iraq, we found mountains of gear that needed to leave Iraq, including computers, trucks, fueling systems, radios, weapons, ammunition, fire fighting gear, and construction equipment. We assumed responsibility for \$68 million worth of equipment.

Our Marines and Sailors would evaluate and account for gear and supplies at the bases where we operated. Non-serviceable items were turned over to the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO) for disposal. Unneeded



DICKERSON (RIGHT) WITH MWSS-472 MARINES AND SAILORS RECEIVES CARE PACKAGES SENT FROM HOME

IN AN OCTOBER 2009 CEREMONY AT AL ASAD AIR BASE, MWSS-472 RELIEVES MWSS-271 OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR AVIATION GROUND SUPPORT IN IRAQ.



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serviceable items were also given to DRMO for re-issuance in Iraq or elsewhere in the world. Serviceable items that were still needed by the Marine Corps were processed and turned over to MCLC for shipment out of Iraq.

At Al Asad and Al Taqqaddum the task of turning over vehicles and equipment to MCLC was just a matter of driving it to their staging compounds. At the other bases, however, retrograde was much more complicated. The gear and vehicles had to be convoyed from those outlying bases back to Al Asad before being turned over to MCLC. This entailed heavily armed security and IED clearance teams accompanying the convoys.

Day and night, cargo planes flew into and out of Al Asad Air Base, transporting items as large as helicopters back to the U.S. or to Afghanistan. Most equipment went by truck convoy to either Kuwait or Jordan where it was placed aboard ships for transport to America. We also sent a large number of items directly back to America or Afghanistan.

As the Squadron RP, I had a broad range of responsibilities. I managed the

Flight Line Chapel that was located in our living area. I assisted Chaplain John Mabus, a Navy Reservist and the associate pastor of a Southern Baptist church in Boston, with his weekly Sunday service and bible studies. I also assisted the Catholic chaplain with Sunday Mass at our Chapel. Using gear and supplies provided by the United Through Reading program, I videotaped Marines and Sailors reading books to their children, which were then mailed home to their families.

Like the rest of my Squadron, I had retrograde responsibilities as well. A large amount of religious supplies had accumulated in our chapel and office. I shipped over 50 cubic feet of religious equipment and supplies to Navy Chaplains serving in Afghanistan. This included bibles, religious books, musical instruments, worship equipment such as chalices and candles, and vestments.

Because the Flight Chapel would not be used for worship after we left, I had to remove all religious items from the building. We celebrated the last worship services at the Chapel on 24 January 2010. On 23 January 2010, the U.S.

Army officially took over responsibility for Al Anbar Province from the U.S. Marine Corps. By now, only a couple thousand Marines remained in Iraq.

### Homeward Bound

MWSS-472 remained in Iraq until the first week of February. We boarded a chartered DC-10 passenger jet along with Marines from several other units. Including a refueling stop in Europe, our journey home took nearly 24 hours. Just after midnight, we landed back in North Carolina. Snowstorms in the northeast cancelled return flights home. So, our Marines returned home on charter buses.

The Navy had other plans for us Sailors. We were immediately demobilized, but we still had to wait for the snowstorms to pass before we could fly home. Several days before my wedding anniversary, I stepped off a plane at Philadelphia International Airport and was reunited with family. Few events in life can compare with such reunions.

Leaving Iraq, we could be proud of the tremendous job that we had performed. In four months, we had transferred over 4,500 tons of gear to MCLC for retrograde to the United States and Afghanistan. This included some 180 motor vehicles ranging from HUM-VEEs to large tandem trucks. Of the \$68 million of gear that we inherited in October, nearly all was retrograded with the remainder turned over to other Defense Department agencies for disposal.

Marines had fought to liberate the country in 2003 and remained for six years to suppress the sectarian violence and help the Iraqis build a new democratic nation. I only played a small part in the colossal effort to bring democracy to Iraq and to protect our nation from further acts of terrorism. It is my hope and prayer that my children will learn about terrorism the same way that I learned about Adolf Hitler and Nazism: From a history book. [MU](#)

# events calendar

## FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 23



**Best of the Met: Live in HD (Encore)**  
**The Enchanted Island – Handel, Rameau, Vivaldi & others**  
 Pollak Theatre  
 7:00 PM  
 \$23/\$21 (seniors)/\$10 (students)

### FEBRUARY 24



**Performing Arts: Cowboy Junkies**  
 Pollak Theatre  
 8:00 PM  
 \$55/\$45/\$35

### FEBRUARY 25



**The Met: Live in HD**  
**Ernani - Verdi**  
 Pollak Theatre  
 1:00 PM  
 \$23/\$21 (seniors)/\$10 (students)

### FEBRUARY 29

**Alumni: NYC Happy Hour**  
 STITCH Bar & Lounge  
 247 W 37th St., NYC  
 6:00-8:00 PM  
 To RVSP, email  
[alumni@monmouth.edu](mailto:alumni@monmouth.edu)

## MARCH

### MARCH 1



**National Theatre: Live in HD**  
**The Comedy of Errors – Shakespeare**  
 Pollak Theatre  
 7:00 PM  
 \$22/\$20/\$5 Monmouth Students

### MARCH 5



**On Screen In Person Film Series:**  
**Fambul Tok**  
 Directed by Sara Terry  
**Screening attended by film director**  
 Pollak Theatre  
 7:30 PM  
 Admission compliments of  
 Monmouth University

### MARCH 16-23



**Fine Arts: First Senior Exhibition**  
 Ice House & Pollak Galleries  
**Opening Reception:**  
 March 16, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
 Admission compliments of  
 Monmouth University

### MARCH 21



**Provost Film Series: Rachida**  
 Panelists: Dr. Nancy Mezey, director, Institute for Global Understanding and Dr. Saliba Sarsar, professor of political science  
 Pollak Theatre  
 7:30 PM  
 Admission compliments of  
 Monmouth University

### MARCH 22



**Visiting Writers Series:**  
**Natasha Trethewey**  
 Wilson Hall Auditorium  
 4:30 PM  
 Admission compliments of  
 Monmouth University

### MARCH 22

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Susan Young Memorial Scholarship Fund Gift Auction**  
 McLoone's Pier House  
 Long Branch  
 6:00 PM  
 For more information contact  
[soeevents@monmouth.edu](mailto:soeevents@monmouth.edu)

### MARCH 24

**Alumni: Wine Tasting**  
 Wilson Hall  
 For more details call 732-571-3489

### MARCH 24



**Performing Arts: On Broadway**  
 Pollak Theatre  
 8:00 PM  
 \$38/\$30

### MARCH 28 – APRIL 5

**Performing Arts: Working**  
 Spring Musical/Department of Music and Theatre Arts  
 Woods Theatre  
 8:00 PM  
 \$15, \$12 Seniors/Alumni,  
 Monmouth Students Free

### MARCH 29



**National Theatre: Live in HD**  
**She Stoops to Conquer – Oliver Goldsmith with Katherine Kelly**  
 Pollak Theatre  
 7:00 PM  
 \$22/\$20/\$5 Monmouth Students

### MARCH 30

**SGA Charity Auction For Michael's Feet**  
 Henni Kantor Kessler  
 Blue/White Club  
 The MAC  
 6:00 PM  
 Call (732) 571-3484 for  
 more information

**MARCH 30**

**Scholarship Reception**  
Wilson Hall  
Call 732-571-3509 for details

**MARCH 31**



**Performing Arts:**  
**Arif Lohar/Sanam Marvi Ensemble**  
Pollak Theatre  
8:00 PM  
\$15/\$13

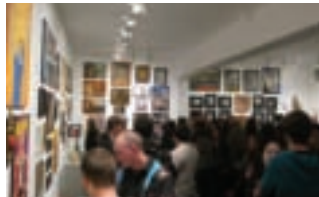
**APRIL**

**APRIL 5**



**Provost Film Series:**  
**Under the Bombs**  
Panelists: Dr. Azzam Elayan, lecturer in chemistry, and Dr. Saliba Sarsar, professor of political science  
Pollak Theatre  
7:30 PM  
Admission compliments of Monmouth University

**APRIL 6-13**



**Fine Arts: Second Senior Exhibition**  
Ice House & Pollak Galleries  
**Opening Reception:**  
March 16, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
Admission compliments of Monmouth University

**APRIL 7**

**The Met: Live in HD**  
**Manon - Massenet**  
Pollak Theatre  
12:00 PM  
\$23/\$21 (seniors)/\$10 (students)

**APRIL 9**



**On Screen In Person Film Series:**  
**BLAST!**  
Directed by Paul Devlin  
**Screening attended by film director**  
Wilson Auditorium  
7:30 PM  
Admission compliments of Monmouth University

**APRIL 10**



**Visiting Writers Series**  
**Naomi Shihab Nye**  
Pollak Theatre  
4:30 PM  
Admission compliments of Monmouth University

**APRIL 12**

**Best of the Met: Live in HD (Encore)**  
**Ernani - Verdi**  
Pollak Theatre  
7:00 PM  
\$23/\$21 (seniors)/\$10 (students)

**APRIL 13**



**Concert: Dead On: Live!**  
**Recreation of The Grateful Dead's 1970 album**  
Pollak Theatre  
8:00 PM  
\$40/\$30

**APRIL 14**

**The Met: Live in HD**  
**La Traviata - Verdi**  
Pollak Theatre  
1:00 PM  
\$23/\$21 (seniors)/\$10 (students)

**APRIL 20**



**Concert: Daughtry**  
Break The Spell Tour  
with special huests Safetysuit & Mike Sanchez  
The MAC  
Tickets: (800) 745-3000 and the MAC Box Office.  
\$52.50/\$42.50  
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.  
Parking opens at 5:30 p.m./\$10 parking fee per car, tailgating is prohibited

**APRIL 20**

**Concert: Rule Americana**  
Pollak Theatre  
7:30 PM  
\$30/\$22

**APRIL 21**

**Alumni: Men's Soccer Alumni Game**  
Great Lawn  
Saturday  
7:00 PM  
Post game celebration at Portuguese Shamrock, Bradley Beach owned by soccer alumnus Dan Pires '05

**APRIL 21**

**Performing Arts: Adam Pascal & Anthony Rapp from Broadway's Rent**  
Pollak Theatre  
8:00 PM  
\$47/\$37

**APRIL 26**

**Best of the Met: Live in HD (Encore)**  
**Manon - Massenet**  
Pollak Theatre  
7:00 PM  
\$23/\$21 (seniors)/\$10 (students)

**APRIL 27**

**Multimedia Arts: Bella Gaia**  
Pollak Theatre  
8:00 PM  
\$35/\$25

**APRIL 28**



**The Paul G. Gaffney II Roast**  
"An Evening of Fun & Tribute"  
Multipurpose Activity Center  
6:30 PM  
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Heather McCulloch Mistretta

# CHARTER SCHOOL STAYS CONNECTED

Hand-painted tiles, a sprawling world map, intermittent laughter and smells of leftover breakfast entice the senses as another day begins at the **Red Bank Charter School (RBCS)**.

Tucked in the middle of a neighborhood is an old blue Victorian connected to a 19th century school house where individuality is rewarded, cultural diversity is appreciated and caring for others and the world around them is expected and nurtured.





**F**ounded in 1998, the RBCS is a K-8 public school that has one class per grade for a total of 180 students. School.digger.com recently ranked RBCS #19 among 1,250 elementary schools.

In 2011 the school learned it was at the top of only four schools nationwide to be given the Effective Practice Incentive Community (EPIC) Gold Gain award for highest gains in student achievement out of 175 nationwide. In exchange for some grants, the RBCS will share some of its knowledge and practices that led to the reward.

Instrumental in making the rare honor a reality is Principal Meredith Pennotti '84, who has been at the school for 11 years. Following her lead are six teachers who also hold Monmouth degrees. They are Meghan Pakalik '10, Linda Bardell '04M, Matt Strippoli '02M,

Devon Worster '08M, Lynn West '03M and Aimee Edson Staley '09.

“Monmouth was the first to place student teachers here,” said Pennotti. “Such high achieving educators are attracted to our model. We attract born teachers because it’s their vocation, their passion.”

Monmouth and RBCS also recently formed a university-school partnership, making RBCS the first charter school to do so. In September, Professor Mary Lee Bass '92M began teaching a literacy course at RBCS. Lynn Romeo, dean of the School of Education, was also named to the Board of Directors.

“With all that is going on in education reform and changes to teacher culture, to have a representative from higher ed and to have that person be the dean of a local university is outstanding,” said Pennotti. “The time could not be better. Dr. Romeo can bring so much to our organization and I believe we, as



MEREDITH PENNOTTI '84



DR. LYNN ROMEO

**In an effort to also be responsive to the community, each grade is required to have a service project. “It’s part of our fiber.”**





**CLOCKWISE STARTING IN TOP LEFT CORNER:** MEGHAN PAKALIK '10, DEVON WORSTER '08M, LYNN WEST '03M, AIMEE EDSON STALEY '09, MATT STRIPPOLI '02M AND LINDA BARDELL '04M.

representatives of the charter movement, can add to the curriculum content at the university.”

Dr. Romeo’s stint on the board follows a five-year term by Vice President and Athletics Director Marilyn McNeil.

“There need to be alternatives,” said McNeil, adding that Pennotti was the reason why she first joined the board. “She had a lot of vision and communicates really well with students. I’ve gained a lot of respect for charter schools while on the board.”

Students at RBCS attend school for eight hours a day and have the opportunity to continue their education through the summer with a five-week summer program offered.

“We’re a village,” said Lynn West '03M, who has an MBA from Seton Hall and began teaching after retiring from her career at AT&T. She credited Monmouth Professor Bruce Normandia with challenging her to think outside the box.

It’s this philosophy that inspires children at RBCS and challenges them to strive for the best both academically and in every facet of their lives.

“It’s all about educating the whole child,” said Pennotti.

The teachers’ enthusiasm is contagious, and the strong sense of purpose and caring is evident. Rather than blind compliance, the leaders of RBCS foster respect and cooperation.

“It’s a warm environment,” said Meghan Pakalik '10, who started as a first grade adjunct teacher in September 2010. “It’s so much more creative here. The learning never stops for both students and teachers.”

Aimee Edson Staley '09, who is in her second year as a third grade teacher at RBCS, said: “In public school everything is generally so formatted. But here we’re able to bring in supplemental activities and explore other ideas.”

The result seems to be a seamless connection between the administration, teachers and students. Communication with parents and their own involvement is also strongly encouraged.

In an effort to also be responsive to the community, each grade is required to have a service project. “It’s part of our fiber,” Pennotti said.

Projects range from “Penny for Peace” to Thanksgiving baskets to raising money for schools in Pakistan. Dressed in their blue and tan uniforms, students are seen around town painting storm drains with the Clean Communities Council, delivering snacks at the Habitat for Humanity site, or making lunches and sharing conversations with the people at the Senior Center. RBCS has also been a strong supporter of the local food pantry, Lunch Break.

Also included in RBCS’ program are internships for all eighth graders throughout Red Bank as well as about 12-13 Monmouth students interning at RBCS. Regular trips to Monmouth’s campus are also part of the program. “It gives them an expectation to look at college,” said West, who is a basis skills teacher at RBCS.

The symbiotic relationship between RBCS and Monmouth is only growing stronger.

“We’d like to be an extension of the educational laboratory,” said Pennotti. [MU](#)

# The Monmouth - Carolina Connection

Samuel Hays Magill, President Emeritus

In 1980 a UNC alumnus, class of 1950, became president of Monmouth College, now Monmouth University.

I was an ardent Carolina fan and, while working at Carolina in the late 1950's, became friends with Coach Frank McGuire and his assistant basketball coach, Dean Smith. These friendships lasted well into my administration at Monmouth.



Early in my tenure at Monmouth, it became apparent that our NCAA Division II status was not appropriate for an aspiring college. In those years the New York Knicks held pre-season practices at Monmouth. I would occasionally sit with Sonny Werblin, the president of the Madison Square Garden, and Frank McGuire, the Garden's Intercollegiate Basketball Director, and watch the Knicks practice in the Alumni Memorial Gymnasium, which was renamed for former men's basketball coach William T. Boylan in 1992.

One day, I asked McGuire what he thought Monmouth should do to advance its athletic program.

McGuire promptly suggested that I invite Ben Carnevale, athletic director at William and Mary and former UNC

coach in the 1940s, to come as a consultant. The long and short of the story is that Carnevale, who was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in 1970, recommended that Monmouth move to NCAA Division IAAA, without football.

Shortly afterward, Monmouth's Board of Trustees approved the move and Monmouth entered a new world of athletic competition.

I kept in touch with McGuire over the years until his death in 1994; my friendship with Coach Smith continues to this day.

Once, in the early stages of Monmouth's Division IAAA basketball program, I called Coach Smith and asked if he would consider playing Monmouth. Smith laughed and replied that if Monmouth could come up with

\$50,000, it might be arranged. Well, at that stage in the program Monmouth didn't have an extra \$50,000 and was struggling to keep its new program going so the prospect promptly fizzled.

Now, almost twenty years later, the Monmouth University men's basketball team has played UNC in the Dean Smith Center, and I was proud to watch the game with Monmouth's current president, Paul Gaffney.

Monmouth's head men's basketball coach, King Rice, is a former point guard for Dean Smith and two of his assistants, Derrick Phelps and Brian Reese, are also former players for Coach Smith. Provost Thomas Pearson is also an alumnus of UNC.

The Monmouth-Carolina connection lives on. [MU](#)



PRESIDENT GAFFNEY AND PRESIDENT EMERITUS MAGILL BEFORE MONMOUTH-UNC GAME AT THE DEAN SMITH CENTER; EARL "THE PEARL" MONROE AND PHIL JACKSON IN NEW YORK KNICKS TRAINING CAMP HELD IN ALUMNI MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM, NOW THE WILLIAM T. BOYLAN GYMNASIUM; WALT FRAZIER IN TRAINING CAMP; FORMER UNC PLAYERS BRIAN REESE, KING RICE, AND DERRICK PHELPS.

## EDWARDS HONORED BY TRUSTEES



ROBERT B. SCULTHORPE '63, CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PRESIDENT PAUL GAFFNEY, LYNN EDWARDS, WIDOW OF R. CARY EDWARDS.

**F**ormer New Jersey State Attorney General and Monmouth University Life Trustee, R. Cary Edwards, was honored posthumously in October with a ceremony marking his election as a Trustee Emeritus. Edwards died October 20, 2010, at the age of 66, following a long illness.

Trustees and members of the Edwards family gathered at mezzanine atop the Grand Staircase in Wilson Hall, to reflect on Edwards' contribu-

tions to Monmouth University, and unveil a plaque marking his status as Trustee Emeritus.

Edwards led Monmouth's Admission and Enrollment Management Committee and was a member of the Committee on Trustees, Community Relations and Government Relations.

He was elected to Monmouth University's Board of Trustees in 1991 and named a Life Trustee in 2005.

## LEON HESS BUSINESS SCHOOL AMONG BEST

**T**he Leon Hess Business School is an outstanding business school, according to *The Princeton Review*. The education services company features the school in the new 2012 edition of its book, *The Best 294 Business Schools*.



Dr. Donald Moliver, dean of the Leon Hess Business School, said, "This honor reflects the growth in quality and reputation of our business program. Monmouth's excellent faculty are educating and preparing the business leaders of New Jersey and the world."

Princeton Review editors noted that the Leon Hess School "offers its students more personalized attention than they would get at a larger program." The profile also highlights the addition of a "full-time accelerated MBA program that can be completed in one year." They quote students attending the Leon Hess Business School who say "students are a

## ALEXIS REAPPOINTED BAR TRUSTEE

**G**wendolyn Yvonne Alexis, associate professor of management in the Department of Management and Decision Sciences, was reappointed as the trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, an organization dedicated to promoting law-related education and giving residents a basic understanding of the legal system.

Dr. Alexis is also serving a second term as a commissioner of the N.J. Corporate and Business Law Study Commission, a permanent legislative commission that reviews all aspects of N.J. law and court decisions dealing with business entities and their issuance of ownership interests or securities.

In September, she attended a Celebration of Black Alumni of the Harvard Law School at The School at Cambridge where more than 800 black alumni were in attendance.



small community, so everybody knows everybody," and their classmates are "friendly, sociable, and open-minded." They also praise the school's "affordability," saying tuition clocks in lower than at regional public schools.

The Leon Hess Business School, among the top five percent of business schools internationally accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International, offers MBA program tracks in accounting, finance, real estate, and a concentration in healthcare management.

## NEW TIES WITH CHINA



LEFT TO RIGHT: MS. HONGLEI WANG, DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE AT XUPT, DR. SALIBA SARSAR, ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR GLOBAL INITIATIVES, XUPT VICE PRESIDENT XIAOZHENG WEN, DR. MICHAEL PALLADINO, DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, DR. REKHA DATTA, PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND FOUNDING DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL UNDERSTANDING, DR. JIACUN WANG, CHAIR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING AND, PROFESSOR XIA HENG OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AT XUPT AND INTERNATIONAL SCHOLAR AT MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY DURING FALL 2010.

A delegation from Monmouth University visited the People's Republic of China in early November 2011. The delegation, consisting of Dr. Saliba Sarsar, associate vice president for Global Initiatives; Dr. Michael Palladino, dean of the School of Science; Dr. Jiacun Wang, chair of the

Department of Computer Science and Software Engineering; and Dr. Rekha Datta, professor of Political Science and founding director of the Institute for Global Understanding, held important talks with top administrators at Nanjing University of Science and Technology (NJUST), Xi'an University of Posts

and Telecommunications (XUPT), and Xi'an University of Science and Technology (XUST). Dr. Sarsar described the visit as "a great success as it laid the groundwork for real partnerships with the aforementioned universities."

In December, Monmouth University signed "Memorandums of Understanding" with five universities in China. These agreements are designed to facilitate entry of students who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree in the appropriate MS program in computer science or software engineering at Monmouth.

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

## PRESIDENT OF KOSOVO VOWS TO PRESERVE FREEDOM

The School of Social Work and the Institute for Global Understanding welcomed the president of the Republic of Kosovo, Atifete Jahjaga, on December 13 in a presentation called "Kosovo: a new state and a new vision."

Now leading a country of about 1.8 million, the 36-year-old Jahjaga is the first woman to head a country in today's Balkan region. Despite decades of atrocities, suppressed freedom and fighting between Muslims and Christians, Jahjaga said she hopes to normalize relations with Serbia, improve education and eradicate corruption.

"While my people have gone through trying times, we too will survive," she told the crowd in Wilson Hall Auditorium.

In addition, she and other leaders are working to gain greater acceptance in the European Union, the United Nations and other world organizations.



She was deputy general director of the Police of Kosovo from February 2009 until her election as president of the Republic of Kosovo, on April 7, 2011. Since the establishment of the Kosovo Police in early 2000, initially she served as a police officer, progressing at a regional level and that of the General Headquarters.

During her four-day visit, Jahjaga appeared at the lecture with Christopher Dell, who was appointed U.S. ambassador to Kosovo in 2009. She also met with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton in Washington, D.C. where she signed an interstate agreement on the Conservation of Specific Facilities in Kosovo.

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## OCEANFIRST SUPPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS



MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT PAUL G. GAFFNEY II, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OCEANFIRST FOUNDATION KATHERINE DURANTE, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AT OCEANFIRST BANK NINA ANUARIO, AND MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY VICE PRESIDENT FOR UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT JEFFERY MILLS.

The OceanFirst Foundation of Toms River has donated \$50,000 to support 20 college-bound seniors from Ocean and Monmouth Counties who are entering Monmouth University. Each scholarship recipient will receive an award of \$2,500.

The Monmouth University grant is part of a larger \$200,000 initiative that will also provide scholarship funds to local students attending Brookdale Community College, Ocean County College, or Georgian Court University.

“Getting a college education is a wise investment that will pay back for a lifetime. But for many families it can be

a challenging time trying to figure out how to pay for everything. Well, help is on the way for local students that are members of the Class of 2011 and planning to attend one of four great schools close to home,” said Katherine Durante, executive director of OceanFirst Foundation.

In 2010 the OceanFirst Foundation contributed more than \$1 million to community initiatives, and since its inception has contributed more than \$21 million to more than 600 local charities involving housing, youth development and education, health and wellness and the arts.

## MURRAY JUMPS ON POWER LIST

Patrick Murray, director of the Monmouth University Polling Institute, was included in PolitickerNJ’s 2011 “power list” of the 100 most politically influential people in the state.

This marks the second year in a row Murray has appeared on the much-watched list of non-elected movers and shakers in New Jersey politics. He places #31 on the current list, up from #43 last year.

In November PolitickerNJ also dubbed Murray a post-election “winner”



for his insightful analysis noting, “Just as he did with redistricting, the cold-eyed political scientist and pollster from Monmouth University a week before Election Day stuck the landing on last night’s political news ‘event.’”

## EXCELLENCE IN TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION



PHOTO: CLIFF EVANS PHOTOGRAPHY

BARBARA T. REAGOR, PH.D., GOVI RAO, PRESIDENT & CEO, NOVEDA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Monmouth University was selected to receive the Excellence in Technology Education Award from the New Jersey Technology Council (NJTC). Dr. Barbara Reagor '76, director of the Rapid Response Institute, accepted the award in November at the NJTC Awards Gala at Addison Park in New Jersey.

Monmouth was recognized for its integration of technology in education, its undergraduate and graduate degree programs, and centers of distinction including the Monmouth University Polling Institute, Urban Coast Institute and the Rapid Response Institute. Also noted were six technology intensive programs, including computer science and graphic design, and a popular minor in Information Technology.

The NJTC Excellence in Technology Education Award is presented annually to a New Jersey College or University deserving of recognition for assuming a leadership role in the area of technology. Areas of demonstrated achievement include faculty working with technology companies to advance the depth and breadth of technology in New Jersey; technology transfer department that has successfully commercialized a technology product and/or service; and nurturing and mentoring students interested in pursuing careers in New Jersey technology companies.

## REMEMBERING 9/11

Monmouth University presented a program titled "9/11 - A Ten-Year Perspective" November 3 in Wilson Hall. The speakers included the Honorable Thomas H. Kean, former Governor of New Jersey and the co-chairman of the 9/11 Commission; Lewis Eisenberg, former chairman of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, who was its chairman on September 11, 2001; and Virginia S. Bauer, current commissioner of the Port Authority and widow of a 9/11 victim.

President Gaffney introduced the panel recalling his own experience on 9/11. "I was in my office across the Potomac River, a mile from the Pentagon when the windows bulged, an ominous shockwave echoed, and my secretary came running into the office with news of New York."

"You will never forget the place where you stood when you heard of the attack on America," Gaffney told the audience. "You will never forget the effect of that event on your own personal history," he said.

Gaffney introduced Virginia Bauer, who is currently serving as a Monmouth University trustee as a person "who gathered all of her energies to become a national spokeswoman for surviving families."

Bauer's husband, David, was on the 105th floor of Tower One on 9/11. "I've said many times, I not only lost my husband that day, I really lost the life I once knew," she said. Bauer also noted that she was very pleased and proud of the work of the 9/11 Commission headed by fellow panelist, Thomas Kean.

"I want to salute Governor Kean for [his] outstanding leadership as chairman of the Commission. [He is] not just an exemplary public servant, but a great humanitarian," Bauer said. "It is important to probe and ask questions,



VIRGINIA S. BAUER, MU TRUSTEE AND PORT AUTHORITY COMMISSIONER; LEWIS EISENBERG HN '01, FORMER HEAD OF THE PORT AUTHORITY, THE HONORABLE THOMAS H. KEAN HN '84, CHAIR OF 9/11 COMMISSION

not just to understand what happened that day, but to be sure that we could prevent something like this from ever happening again," she said.

In her role as a Port Authority commissioner, she said, "Since 9/11 we have spent over \$6 billion on security."

Lewis Eisenberg, former chairman of the Port Authority and recipient of an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Monmouth University in 2001, admitted to the audience that he has had a difficult time discussing his experiences on 9/11 in the intervening decade.

Although his office was located on the 67th floor of Tower One, a series of unrelated events meant that Eisenberg was in his midtown office when the attacks took place. Recalling his lost colleagues and the heroic efforts of responders, Eisenberg said, "I walked amongst a path of heroes."

In his remarks, Governor Kean was cognizant that many in the audience were college students. "It is very hard for some of you who were nine or 10 years old at the time of the attacks to recognize the impact that day had on us all," said Governor Tom Kean.

Kean said the Commission had two major objectives: "First, tell the story, so that people knew without doubt what happened. The second part of our job

was to get lessons and make recommendations so the country could change to make sure it would never happen again."

"The threat has changed. It is [now] very different. We worried about people coming from a known base in Afghanistan—that's where these 19 people were trained and came from. I don't worry much about Afghanistan or Pakistan. I worry about Somalia. I worry about Yemen. I worry about new ungoverned areas. It is a new threat from different areas."

According to Kean, the most dangerous threat was the recruitment of American citizens. "We've gotten very good at catching people who are trying to get in to the United States...but American citizens can move freely, so that is a real threat."

The program was part of the H.R. Young Lecture Series of the Leon Hess Business School and the Stephen B. Siegel Lecture Series of the Kislak Real Estate Institute. As part of the program, 25 original photographs by Joel Meyerowitz depicting the aftermath just days after the destruction were displayed. They were donated by Simon and Bonnie Levin.

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## CDW AWARD FOR ARCE



ANTHONY DELFRANCO, DIRECTOR OF ANNUAL FUND GIFTS, JEFFERY MILLS, VICE PRESIDENT FOR UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT, CDW AWARD WINNER GABRIELLA ARCE, CDW SERVICE MANAGER RICH TARABOUR '84M '87M

**G**abriella Arce, class of 2013, is the winner of the CDW Computer/Business Award for the 2011/2012 academic year. She is majoring in Health Studies and working toward an IT minor and an undergraduate certificate in Gerontology.

When she is not attending her school obligations, she is babysitting or working in a child center at Lifetime Athletic Gym where she has been for the past four years. The East Hanover

native is also CPR- and first aid-certified and hopes to become a Physician's Assistant.

The CDW Computer/Business Award is awarded to a student pursuing an education within the computer/business field. The laptop is to aid in his/her learning experience while at Monmouth. Rich Tarabour '84M '87M, CDW Service Manager, presented Arce with the award.

## LAW STUDENT ALUMNI PANEL



**M**ore than a dozen undergraduate students attended a Law Student Roundtable presented in November by the newly revamped Pre Law Club, led by Professor Greg Bordelon, J.D.

The roundtable brought students interested in attending law school to a forum where they could ask questions about the law school experience to recent Monmouth University graduates who are now attending law school.

Bordelon, the Political Science Department's newest faculty member, was hired recently with the goal of bringing knowledge of the law school application process and the law school experience to Monmouth students.

"The work ethic I've seen from Monmouth students shows me that they're right up there with the best of them when applying," said Bordelon, who also plans to offer spring workshops for pre-law students as the new advisor to the club.

Panelists included Bryan Tiscia '10, a first year law student at Seton Hall University School of Law; Liana Nobile '09, a second year student at Seton Hall; and via Skype, Lindsey Melody '10, a second year student at The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law; and Dan Wisniewski '08, a third year student at George Mason University School of Law.

## HAWKS WIN LITERARY SCHOLARSHIPS



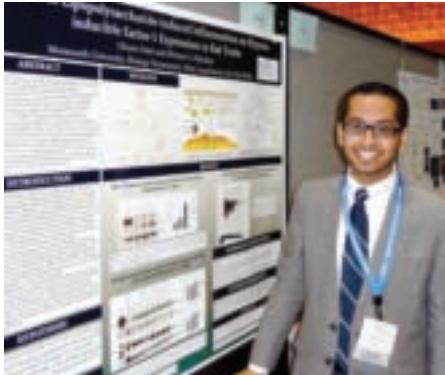
TARA IAURUZIO, FIRST FINANCIAL PRESIDENT & CEO  
ISSA STEPHAN, OCEAN COUNTY COLLEGE STUDENT  
KRISTINE BLANCO, ASHLEY LOGAN. NOT PICTURED,  
DAN KAZANJIAN.

Three Monmouth University students claimed three of four annual Erma Dorrer Literary Award Scholarships awarded by the First Financial Foundation. Each year the foundation awards \$1,000 to four college students hailing from Monmouth or Ocean County.

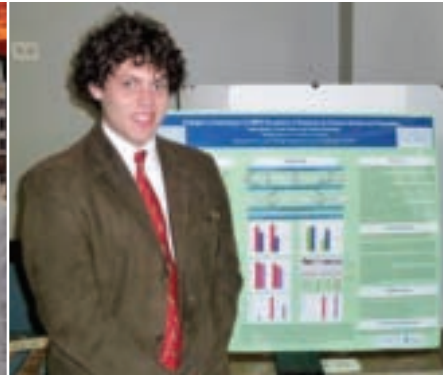
Monmouth's winning students are Dan Kazanjian of Howell, Tara Iauruzio of Cranford, and Ashley Logan of Cream Ridge. The foundation has been awarding scholarships since 1994.



## FIRST PLACE FOR PATEL & MARTIN



DHARM PATEL



BRYAN MARTIN

**D**harm Patel, a senior in the Honors School, took first place for best undergraduate student research presentation in the cell and molecular category at the 2011 Sigma Xi Annual Meeting and International Conference held November 10-13 in Raleigh, NC.

In the cell and molecular category, there were 58 presentations from students at institutions including: Clemson, Duke, Harvard, UNC, North Carolina State University, The Johns Hopkins University and The University of California-San Diego.

Patel's poster, "Effects of Lipopolysaccharide-induced Inflammation on Hypoxia-inducible factor-1 Expression in the Rat Testis," described his ongoing research conducted with Dr. Michael Palladino, dean of the School of Science. His research, supported in part by a grant from Bristol-Myers Squibb, is designed to investigate how bacterial infections of the male reproductive tract affects genes and proteins produced by reproductive organs to cause infection and inflammation.

Patel's presentation also won first place for Best Research Presentation in

the four-year student category in Microbiology and Immunology at the 44th Annual Conference of the Metropolitan Association of College and University Biologists (MACUB) held October 29 at Seton Hall University.

Fellow honors school senior Bryan Martin also took first place honors at the MACUB conference in the four-year student category in Biochemistry, Biophysics and Biotechnology. Martin's poster, "Changes in Expression of AMPA Receptors in Response to Chronic Alcohol and Tianeptine," described his research conducted with Dr. Dennis Rhoads, biology professor.

Martin, a double major in biology and chemistry/biochemistry, is working on turning his thesis into a manuscript that will be submitted to a journal for publication. Martin's research in the Monmouth University Summer Research Program was supported by a gift from Elusys Therapeutics.

## RESEARCH AWARD FOR LEWANDOWSKI

**D**r. Gary Lewandowski, associate professor of psychology, received the New Jersey Psychological Association's Emerging Researcher Award in October. This honor is awarded to a faculty member who has received his or her doctorate within the last 10 years and who has made a significant contribution to research in the field of psychology.

Dr. Lewandowski's research focuses on the role of the self in close relationships and in college adjustment, attraction, reactions to relationship dissolution, and factors associated with infidelity. He has published 20 articles in highly respected journals and has been awarded 12 grants funded by a number of organizations such as Ameri-

can Psychological Association (APA) and Association for Psychological Science. He has also co-coordinated the Atlantic Coast Teaching of Psychology conference.

Dr. Lewandowski was also recently inducted into the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, a scientific organization dedicated to the advancement of social psychology. It is an exclusive society with membership determined by peer review of scholarly contributions. Members must be nominated by another member, have their scholarly contributions voted on by current members, with membership increases limited to five percent each year.

He is a co-editor of the book, *The Science of Relationships: Answers to your*



*questions about dating, marriage and family.* His work is so highly regarded by his peers that the APA Society for the Teaching of Psychology has featured four of his works as examples of excellence in teaching psychology and research methodology. He has also presented his research at more than 70 peer-reviewed conferences.

# FACULTY SPOTLIGHT MICHAEL WATERS



PHOTO: MICHAEL PAUL THOMAS

## Rave Reviews for Gospel Night

*Gospel Night*, the tenth volume of poetry from Michael Waters, has received rave reviews since its publication in 2011. Waters, an associate professor in the Department of English, “is a lyrical poet and his poems are rich with sound and motion; they are sculptured poems with grandeur of imagery and simplicity of form,” writes Grace Cavalieri in *The Washington Independent Review of Books*.



Writing in the *Southern Indiana Review*, Matthew Guenette says *Gospel Night* poses questions that can transform reading poetry into a high-wire act where language and meaning are reinvigorated with a de-familiarizing resistance. “The poems in *Gospel Night*—frequently formal, frequently situational, primarily narrative with moments of lyrical intensity—enact this resistance in traditionally poetic ways, namely through diction and form.”

*Publishers Weekly* also heaps praise on Waters. “Waters excels at stark-eyed, honest elegies—for an influential teacher who killed himself; for Johnny Cash; and for the poet’s own father—all rendered in the strong free verse that is Waters’ signature.”

Waters is serving as the 2012 judge of the Louise Bogan Award for Artistic Merit and Excellence for Trio House Press. His previous book, *Darling Vulgarity*, was a finalist for the 2006 Los Angeles Times Book Prize, and *Parthenopi: New and Selected Poems* was a finalist for the Paterson Poetry Prize in 2001. Waters has also served as editor of four anthologies, including *Perfect in Their Art: Poems on Boxing from Homer to Ali* published by Southern Illinois University Press in 2003.

His honors include fellowships from the Fulbright Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts, four Pushcart Prizes, and three Individual Artist Awards from the Maryland State Arts Council. He has also chaired the Poetry Panel for the National Book Award.

### FIRST POEM

Cobbling together a rough-hewn sonnet  
To please the red-haired, Keats-smitten classmate  
Who swooned in chalk dust as she read aloud,  
“O Solitude! If I must with thee dwell,”  
I unearthed a simile in my skull:  
*Like the eyes of a creature seen through cloud.*  
But *what* resembled those celestial eyes? -  
Nothing I knew. I began to revise,  
Still fixated upon that gauzy gaze:  
*Like the eyes of a creature seen through . . . fire!*  
Better. Now the flames’ barbed, sensual licks  
Whipped that angel into “brambly thickets”  
Where our narrator delivered a choked  
Eulogy that “made weep the ancient oaks.”  
Keats died young. Sixth grader, I too was sick,  
Lovelorn consumptive, bumbling sonneteer,  
As each spark from that feather-fueled fire  
“Yclept that maiden’s name with sweet despair.”  
She was the Muse whose eyes were *like the eyes* . . .  
I was the boy whose name was writ in the air.

### ALCHEMY

Familiar words suddenly became strange,  
Confusing him—not so much their meanings,  
But their characters, the letters themselves—  
Some quirk of the eyesight, less a loss  
Of language than its transformation,  
Ovidian, the marks writhing while read,  
*Poetry*, perhaps, bewitched to *burlap*:  
The *p* suddenly tumbled upside down  
The clasps of o and e opened—*u r*—  
Then the *t-r-y* becomes *l-a-p*  
Uncrossed, doubled up, inched shut faced forward  
Respectively, devilishly—the word  
Less abstract, assuming texture and heft,  
Rough to the touch, less a bolt of lightning  
Than a bolt of cloth woven to bind the book.

### GOSPEL NIGHT

*Shall We Gather at the River*  
Robert Lowry  
1864

I thought I saw but couldn't see your eyes  
Staring back at me through fingers of flame  
As stacked wood received irrevocable  
Blessing and lamentation chorused birch.  
One barge sermonized with whistled warning.  
Fiddles reflected fire, wood wooing wood,  
While we thrashed like locusts in burgeoning  
Dark outside the abandoned circle, lips  
Scorched. Someone shouted common blasphemy,  
Another screeched, then swift gusts siphoned smoke  
Past obscene reckonings against Heaven.  
How fiercely we loomed in anonymous  
Ravishings, how high our sick shadows rose  
Off grass on plucked strings, raw voices, kindred  
Weeping, till we found each other, blistered  
Among neighbors, lovers, unrepentant  
Sinners, gazing across the fallen ash.

## SUBMARINE IN BOYLAN POOL



Professor Jim Nickels, a marine scientist in the School of Science, guided 10 students in operating a high tech mini-submarine in the pool in the Richard E. Steadman Natatorium as part of his course on field research methods in marine science.

The submarine, known as a remote-operated vehicle (ROV), is a tethered, underwater vehicle that scientists use

today to go where no human diver can, from polluted waters to up small pipes. The Video Ray Inspection Class ROV was loaned to Nickels by oceanographic manufacturer Electronic Sales of New England. According to Nickels, the ROV, which only weighs a few pounds, is worth about \$30,000.

The ROV links to the surface through a cord which carries power, data and

video. Students steered the ROV through an underwater obstacle course using a joystick and video monitor.

Students used the ROV to pick up different items on the bottom of the pool. Nickels explained that the ROV's grabbing device is generally used to cling itself to a steady object so that its cameras can observe one place. Other uses for the ROV include capturing footage of marine animals in a close space. Many times, Nickels said, divers bring along ROVs as a means of observing the diver's operations.

"The ROV shows students the different techniques in current research," Nickels said.

"I want my students to be familiar with this type of technology, to gain knowledge, and to understand its limits," he said.

One of these limitations, according to Nickels, is that the device gets knocked around in strong ocean currents. During Nickels' demonstration, the only currents were generated by a few lap swimmers during the class.

## HOW TO SURVIVE A ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE

Edward Gonzalez-Tennant, director of the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) program in the department of Anthropology & History, put an unusual spin on teaching about GIS technology in November. Gonzalez-Tennant's presentation, "Using Geospatial Technologies to Model and Prepare for the Zombie Apocalypse," made clever use of a popular culture phenomenon to explain practical applications of GIS.

GIS refers to methods and theories used to document, analyze, and represent spatial data. According to Gonzalez-Tennant, GIS, and geospatial technologies in general, are one of the fastest growing sectors in the global economy, with

recent reports suggesting growth rates of 50 percent in the coming years.

Gonzalez-Tennant credited the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and its use of a zombie apocalypse in emergency preparedness campaigns for inspiring his own presentation. In addition to demonstrating how an outbreak might travel among densely populated areas, Gonzalez-Tennant used GIS to predict the safest place to seek shelter.

"The safest place prior to the zombie apocalypse is in your house, while the carnage rages all around you. Then, and perhaps quite surprisingly, some of the safest areas will be along the coast. While this may not be the case for all coastal areas, the relatively small



number of marinas and boats along the shores of Monmouth County means that most zombies will have concentrated in industrial and commercial areas," Gonzalez-Tennant advises, "And stay away from the mall!"

For more information about the GIS program and the new GIS minor visit: [www.monmouth.edu/gis](http://www.monmouth.edu/gis)

## VEIT ON HISTORY CHANNEL



**A**rcheologist and Anthropology Professor Richard Veit was featured on the History Channel show “The Epic History of Everyday

Things” on December 5.

He discussed the history of burial, remarking that humans are the only animals that bury their dead.

“There’s no inherent reason to bury people except for the feelings we have for each other as members of society,” Veit said, adding that only until the population grew did hygienic reasons come into play.

In the episode, it was noted that the earliest evidence of human burial dates back to 350,000 B.C. with the first recorded Egyptian mummification seen around 3,600 B.C. The first funeral home only dates back to 1777.

Veit is the author of the award-winning book *Digging New Jersey's Past: Historical Archaeology in the Garden State*, and co-author of *New Jersey Cemeteries and Tombstones*, published by Rutgers University Press in 2008.

## MARINE COMMISSIONED IN WILSON HALL

**M**BA student and alumnus Michael Asprocolas '11 was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps (USMC) on December 20 in a ceremony held in Wilson Hall.

President Gaffney, a retired vice admiral in the U.S. Navy, administered the oath at the ceremony attended by Asprocolas’ wife, Jacqueline, his parents, other family members and friends. Guests of honor included Captain Shaun Vacher, USMC, Officer Selection Officer New Jersey, who welcomed guests and led the procedures of the commission ceremony. Also attending were members of the Monmouth University Veterans Association.

President Gaffney said the occasion was very special for him and an opportunity to remember his similar experiences when he first began officer training at the U.S. Naval Academy. He congratulated Asprocolas for his service in “the premier fighting force in the world.”

Asprocolas enlisted in the Marine Corps in 2005, five days after graduat-

ing from Allentown High School. He was deployed twice and served in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Sea Angel II (Humanitarian Relief in Bangladesh). In 2009 he left active duty as a sergeant to attend Monmouth University.

As an undergraduate student, Asprocolas assisted in the creation of the Monmouth Veterans Association, was captain of the men’s club lacrosse team, and inducted into Pi Sigma Alpha, the Political Science Honor Society. He was also a member of the service learning

trip to India led by Dr. Rekha Datta profiled in the spring 2011 issue of the *Monmouth University Magazine*.

Asprocolas completed the Commissioning Program at Officer Candidate School in July 2011 and will attend the Platoon Leaders Course at Quantico, VA.

Asprocolas thanked his family and other supporters who helped him achieve his goal to become an officer in the Corps. He also thanked the USMC for his participation in the Veterans Association program.



**SPINNAKER AWARD FOR ARTS**

The Eastern Monmouth Area Chamber of Commerce (EMACC) honored Monmouth University's Center for the Arts November 16 with a 2011 Spinnaker Award for Art and Culture.

Now in its 20th year, the Spinnaker Awards honor businesses and individuals who make life better for everyone in eastern Monmouth County, according to a press release from the chamber.

"We are particularly fortunate in that Monmouth County has so many good and generous individuals and businesses," said Jeanie Coomber, EMACC chairman and Spinnaker co-chair. "We never run out of nominees for this award. In fact, it seems to be more difficult each year to select just one in each category."



VAUNE PECK, COUNSELOR AND COORDINATOR OF ARTS PROGRAMMING AND PROMOTION AT MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY (CENTER), WITH TOM FRAM, STAYBRIDGE SUITES HOTEL, JEANIE COOMBER, TRANSITION ENTERPRISES, CO-CHAIRS OF THE SPINNAKER COMMITTEE.

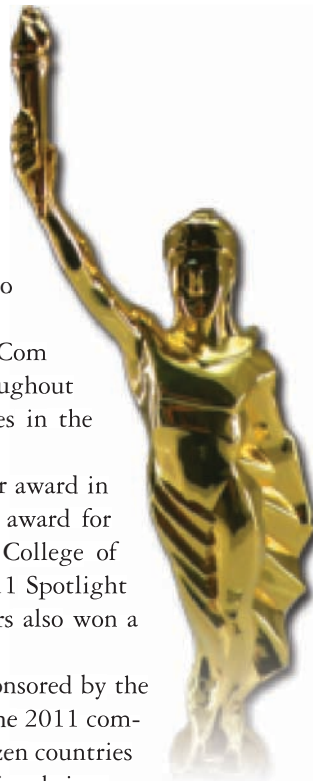
**MARCOM & SPOTLIGHT AWARDS FOR MAGAZINE**

In November the *Monmouth University Magazine* won four MarCom Awards, which reward excellence in marketing communication. The *Monmouth University Magazine* scored a platinum award in the Writing category, a gold award for Magazine/Educational Institution, a gold award for Feature Article category for "The Man Behind the Jersey Shore," published in the summer 2010 issue, and an Honorable Mention for the article, "Eyes Turn to Egypt," published in the spring 2011 issue.

The 2010 Honor Roll of Donors also won a gold MarCom Award. There were more than 6,000 entries from throughout the United States, Canada and several other countries in the 2011 MarCom competition.

The *Monmouth University Magazine* also won a silver award in the Print/Magazine category, trailing behind a gold award for *Notre Dame Business*, the magazine of the Mendoza College of Business at the University of Notre Dame, in the 2011 Spotlight Awards competition. The 2011 Honor Roll of Donors also won a bronze award in the competition.

The Spotlight Awards are a global competition sponsored by the League of American Communications Professionals. The 2011 competition drew more than 1,500 entries and nearly a dozen countries representing a broad range of industries and organizational sizes.



**DR. PAUL TOPS BRIGHT IDEA LIST**

Leon Hess Business School Professor David Paul was recognized by the New Jersey Policy Research Organization (NJPRO) and the Stillman School of Business at Seton Hall University for receiving the most "Bright Idea Awards" in the last decade.

Dr. Paul, who earned his D.D.S. from the Medical College of Virginia and practiced general dentistry for more than 20 years before earning an M.A. in Economics and a Ph.D. in Marketing from Old Dominion University, is the chair of the Department of Management and Marketing and coordinator of the Graduate Program in Health Care Management, has won four awards since the inception of the program in 2001.

While practicing dentistry full time, he also attended Old Dominion University, where he received his M.B.A. in Marketing.

Dr. Paul has received "Bright Idea Awards" for his published work on topics such as pharmacy layout, ethical considerations in marketing of e-health products, caring for children of the poor and uninsured, and primary care physicians' attitudes toward direct-to-consumer advertising of prescription drugs.

Also the chapter president of Beta Gamma Sigma, the honor society for students enrolled in AACSB-approved Colleges of Business Administration, Dr. Paul is the only faculty member in the School of Business Administration to have won all three Beta Gamma Sigma Awards: Service (2001), Research (2002) and Teaching (2004).

Bright Idea Awards are selected by a panel of deans who identify the top 10 manuscripts published by business faculty in New Jersey; especially papers that will have the greatest impact for business practitioners or on advancing knowledge in the discipline.

# ATHLETICS

## HAYES AND STERLING JERRY RICE AWARD FINALISTS



JULIAN HAYES



NEAL STERLING

Freshman running back Julian Hayes and wideout Neal Sterling were both named as finalists for the Jerry Rice Award by the Sports Network in November. The Award, named for former Mississippi Valley State and legendary NFL wide receiver Jerry Rice, is awarded to the nation's top freshman in the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS).

Hayes and Sterling were among 18 other players as finalists for the award. Hayes finished the season with 216

rushes for 805 yards and 14 touchdowns. The Middletown, CT, native recorded two 100-plus yard games in 2011 and scored three or more rushing touchdowns in three contests. Hayes, who appeared in every game, was named the starter in week four. His 14 rushing scores is the fourth most in a single season for a Hawk.

Sterling finished the regular season first among all FCS freshmen in receptions with 57. The 6' 3" wideout had five touchdowns and 677 yards in his first season, while his 57 receptions tally is the

third most in school history for a single season. His reception yardage is second among FCS freshmen, and his total of 5.18 receptions per game is second in the NEC.

A panel of more than 150 sports information directors, broadcasters and writers vote on the Jerry Rice Award, along with the three other major awards. Sterling and Hayes were the only two NEC players up for the award.

## SUTTON IS ACADEMIC ALL-STAR



Andrew Sutton was named to the 14th annual Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association Academic All-Star Team in January.

"Andrew is very deserving of this recognition," said MU Head Coach Kevin Callahan. "His commitment to excel academically as well as on the field is the essence of what our program stands for."

Sutton, who owns a 3.85 cumulative grade point average, is a sophomore safety majoring in business administration. He started every game at safety for the Hawks, recording 29 tackles and two pass breakups. Sutton has 1.5 tackles for a loss, including a safety

in a win over Bryant. He was also a Capitol One Academic All-District II First Team in November.

Sutton was one of three players from the Northeast Conference on the list. A total of 58 total players were selected to the team.

Football players from all Football Championship Subdivision institutions are eligible for these prestigious awards. Each of the nominees were required to have a GPA of 3.20 (on a 4.00 scale) in undergraduate study and have been a starter or key player with legitimate athletics credentials.

"Andrew joins an impressive list of Monmouth Hawks who have been honored with this award," said Callahan.

## GUMBS SCORES ALL-AMERICA NOD



Senior safety Jose Gumbs was named to The Sports Network/Fathead.com All-America Third Team in December. A national panel of sports information and media relations directors, broadcasters, writers and other dignitaries selected the All-America based only on the regular season.

“Being selected to the Sports Network All-America team is a tremendous accomplishment for Jose,” said Head Coach Kevin Callahan. “All the hard work he has put in over the years has paid off and we are extremely happy for him.”

Gumbs is one of the most decorated defensive players ever to play in West Long Branch. He led the team in tackles all four seasons he was a Hawk, finishing third in school history with 306 stops (188 solo). This year Gumbs led the NEC in forced fumbles with four, had nine pass breakups, two interceptions and blocked three kicks while finishing with 75 total tackles.

As a sophomore in 2009 he was named Northeast Conference Defensive Player of the Year and was a First Team All-NEC selection in 2009, 2010 and 2011. Gumbs was named NEC Defensive Rookie of the Year in 2008 as a redshirt freshman. The safety started 41 games over four seasons for Monmouth, finishing with five forced fumbles, four interceptions and a number of blocked kicks.

## LIGHT IS TOP PROSPECT



Right-handed pitcher Pat Light was named in December to *Baseball America's* Early 2012 Top College Prospects, selected at No. 25 on the top-100 chart.

“It’s an exciting time for Pat and an exciting time for our program,” said Head Coach Dean Ehehalt. “Pat has progressed nicely. He really came on last spring and brought his game to another level.”

Light, who was drafted out of high school in 2009 by the Minnesota Twins, was named to the Northeast Conference (NEC) All-Tournament Team last season after his complete game performance in the elimination game against Central Connecticut State. The 6’ 6” junior finished last season with a 4-5 record, starting all but one of his 14 games. Light struck out 61 opponents, compared to only walking 17 in 75.2 innings of work.

Ehehalt added, “Pat threw the ball very well and garnered more attention as we advanced this fall. From a draft standpoint, he is certainly a guy that is considered an interesting prospect. His velocity has increased, and he continues to progress physically.”

Light’s 133-career innings as a Hawk include five complete games, one save, 94 strikeouts and 36 walks.

This past summer he played for the Chatham Anglers in the Cape Cod League where he finished with a 3.77 ERA and 24 strikeouts in 31 innings of work.

Light and the Hawks, who won the 2011 NEC Regular Season Championship, opened their 2012 campaign on February 17, in Cary, NC, against Wright State.

# ATHLETICS

## ALL-NEC FOR MEN'S SOCCER



A league-high five Monmouth University men's soccer players were named All-Northeast Conference (NEC) in November, including four first-team honorees. Seniors R.J. Allen, Max Hamilton and Anthony Vazquez joined junior Ryan Clark on the All-NEC First Team, while freshman Kalle Sotka, hailing from Helsinki, Finland, took second-team honors.

Allen earns his third-straight All-NEC honor, including his second first-team selection. The senior defender was instrumental on both ends of the field, compiling 10 points on two goals and six assists, while thwarting countless scoring opportunities by the opposition. Allen's penalty kick goal against Mount St. Mary's helped the Hawks clinch their unprecedented seventh straight NEC Regular Season Championship. In the preseason, Allen was named to the Hermann Trophy Watch List.

Hamilton, who was arguably one of the Hawks' most valuable players this season, controlled play in the midfield to earn his third All-NEC selection. The honor marks the first time Hamilton has earned first-team recognition after a pair of second team honors as a sophomore and junior. The senior scored one goal on the season, the game-winner in a 1-0 tri-

umph over St. Francis (N.Y.) on Oct. 23. In the preseason, Hamilton was named to the Hermann Trophy Watch List.

Vazquez helped the Hawks' defense limit opponents to a 0.55 goals-against average while recording 12 clean sheets to move from the All-NEC Second Team last season to the first team this year. The versatile senior also scored a goal and added two assists on the season. Vazquez was also part of a trio of Hawks named to the preseason Hermann Trophy Watch List.

Clark led the Hawks in points this season to earn his third All-NEC First Team nod in as many seasons. The junior tacked on a league-high eight assists, while also contributing three goals, including two game-winning tallies, for a team-high 14 points. He compiled two goals in a come-from-behind victory against Princeton, and also dished out a season-high three assists in the Hawks' 4-0 victory against LIU.

Sotka, a freshman, was the Hawks' leading goal scorer, leading the squad with four tallies. He also had two assists to rank second on the team with 10 points. Sotka contributed the game-winning goal in the Hawks' 2-0 victory over Quinnipiac on October 21.

## 100 WINS FOR MCCOURT



COACH MCCOURT SHAKES OFF A GATORADE SOAKING FOLLOWING VICTORY

A late-game penalty kick by senior defender R.J. Allen gave the Monmouth men's soccer team a 1-0 victory over Mount St. Mary's on November 6. The win sent the Hawks to their seventh straight Northeast Conference Regular Season Championship. The win also signified the 100th victory in the eight-year tenure of Monmouth Head Coach Robert McCourt.

McCourt was named the 2011 NSCAA/Mondo North Atlantic Regional Coach of the Year, making this his fourth time to earn such an honor.

McCourt ranks fourth in winning percentage (.708) among active NCAA Division I head coaches with at least five years of experience.

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## SIX SOCCER HAWKS EARN NEC HONORS



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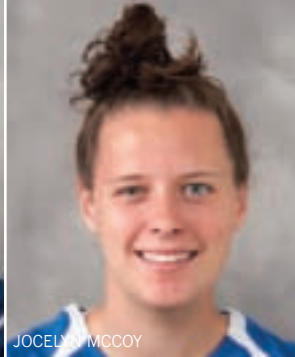
DANA COSTELLO



KIM CLEMMER



JILL ROOT



JOCELYN MCCOY

The women's soccer team placed six players on all-league teams in early November. Monmouth, which had senior midfielder Courtney Snyder, junior defender Stacy Kadell and sophomore forward Dana Costello named first-team all-conference, had three more members added to the inaugural All-Rookie Team.

Head Coach Krissy Turner, who has now mentored 54 all-conference players in her 14th year at the helm of the Hawks

said, "To have three players selected as top-11 players is an awesome accomplishment for them individually and for our program. We have relied on them all year."

Snyder, a 2009 All-NEC second team selection, was productive on the offensive end of the field for the Hawks recording a career-best 15 points over the course of the regular season, including seven goals, which was fourth-best in the NEC.

Costello paced the team with 19 points, tallying five goals and a league-leading nine assists on the season, bringing her career points total to 36.

At the other end of the pitch, Kadell anchored a Hawk defense that held league opponents to only 10 goals.

Added to this year's list of post-season accolades was the NEC All-Rookie Team, which featured the league's top 11 first-year players, including Monmouth's Kim Clemmer, Jill Root and Jocelyn McCoy.

Clemmer, a defender, recorded one goal in her freshman year off of six shots, helping the team to a 29-goal total, while helping the backline to six shutouts and 19 goals allowed in 18 matches. The only Hawk freshman to start all 18 games notched her goal at Navy in the 90th minute to send that match into overtime.

Root, a midfielder, amassed two goals and dished out four assists for eight points during her first season with the Blue and White. The Pennsylvania native, who played in 17 games started 10 contests, proved particularly productive in conference play as seven of her eight points were scored against NEC teams.

Monmouth's rookie goalkeeper McCoy ranks second in the NEC in save percentage (.826) and goals against average (0.94), earning starts in 12 matches, while posting five shutouts.



### CLARK: PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Junior midfielder Ryan Clark was named the BigAppleSoccer.com men's college player of the year in January. Clark led Monmouth in points with three goals, including a pair of game-winning scores, and eight assists for 19 points.

He also paced the Northeast Conference in assists and captured conference first-team honors for the third time in his career.

Clark showed a penchant for the big game, compiling two goals in a come-from-behind victory while playing down a man against Princeton, and also dishing out a season-high three assists in the Hawks' 4-0 victory over Long Island University.

# ATHLETICS

## MACDONALD ASST COACH OF THE YEAR



**H**ugh MacDonald '08, the assistant men's soccer coach, was honored as the 2011 NSCAA North Atlantic College Assistant Coach of the Year at the 2012 NSCAA Convention in Kansas City, MO, on January 12.

The award is the second in the last three years for MacDonald, who also took the honor in 2009.

MacDonald helped lead the Hawks to their unprecedented seventh-straight NEC Regular Season Championship and their third-straight NEC Tournament title in 2011. The Hawks advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament, moving past Stony Brook within the first round. Monmouth pushed nationally-ranked No. 3 Connecticut on its home field in the second round, before falling to the Huskies, 2-1.

For the season, the Hawks finished fifth in the nation in shutout percentage (0.59) and eighth in team goals-against average (0.61).

"I am happy to see Hugh receive this recognition from his peers," said Head Coach Robert McCourt. "He is a tremendous asset to our program. Our program continues to progress forward. Hugh plays a major role in all of our success. His hard work and dedication to Monmouth soccer are big reasons we are so successful as a program today."

## ALLEN DRAFTED BY CHIVAS USA



**S**enior defender RJ Allen was drafted by Chivas USA with the fifth pick in the Major League Soccer (MLS) Supplemental Draft. He becomes the third Hawk selected by an MLS team in the last two years, following Bryan Meredith (No. 29, Seattle) and Ryan Kinne (No. 42, New England). Allen is Chivas USA's second draft pick this year, following the selection of Maryland forward Casey Townsend with the fifth overall pick.

"I'm really excited," said Allen. "I'm looking forward to building relationships with my new teammates. It's been a long journey and I'm looking forward to preseason and earning my spot on the roster. I want to thank Coach McCourt, my club coach and my family for always being there to support me through my youth years and college years. I just want to thank everyone who's gotten me to this point and given me the opportunity to be where I am today."

Allen earned his second-straight All-American honor and third-straight All-Region First Team honor this season, in addition to a third-straight All-NEC honor. Allen's penalty kick

goal against Mount St. Mary's helped the Hawks clinch their unprecedented seventh-straight NEC Regular Season Championship, while he also made pivotal penalty kicks in shootout victories over Central Connecticut in the NEC Tournament and Stony Brook in the NCAA Tournament. In the preseason, Allen was named to the Hermann Trophy Watch List.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for RJ," said Monmouth Head Coach Robert McCourt. "It is a very exciting time for him and his family. It will be fun for us to watch his progress as a professional soccer player. RJ has the talent, work ethic, and determination to make an ideal selection for professional soccer clubs."

Allen finished his collegiate career with 37 points on seven goals and 23 assists. He scored five game-winning goals and helped the Hawks to three-straight NCAA Tournament appearances and two NCAA Second Round games. Allen helped Monmouth to four-straight NEC Regular-Season Championships and three-straight NEC Tournament Championships.

## HONORS FOR FIELD HOCKEY



Six Monmouth University field hockey players were named in November to Northeast Conference (NEC) All-Conference teams.

Monmouth had three All-NEC First-Team selections in junior Michelle Pieczynski and sophomores Patricia O'Dwyer and Alex Carroll.

Pieczynski, who earned her third straight all-conference honor, became Monmouth's all-time leading scorer and point leader this season after posting a career high in goals (19) and assists (6) in 2011. In November she became the first Hawk to be named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) First Team All-Mid Atlantic squad.

O'Dwyer earned her first all-league honor in her first year in the Blue and White. The Ireland native, who was a two-time NEC Player of the Week recipient, finished second on the team with 36 points on 14 goals and eight assists. The sophomore recorded five multi-goal games including her first career hat trick in the season finale win at Robert Morris. She was also added to the NFHCA second squad in November, which marked the third consecutive season a member of the field hockey team was tabbed All-Region.

Carroll was placed on the all-conference team for the first time in her career. The defender, who started all 19 games for the Blue and White this season, finished the regular season with seven points, while assisting on six goals good for 20 points.

Graduate Morganne Firmstone, junior Nicole Manziano, and sophomore Ali Askinas represented the Hawks on the second team.

Firmstone, who earned her third honor in her fifth year, ranked fourth on the team in points with 14, registering four goals, including two game-winners, and six assists. Last year, she was named an NEC Fall-Scholar Athlete along with being tabbed to the Capital One Academic All-District team.

Manziano entered the season without a defensive save to her credit, but the junior defender exploded in 2011 with 11 saves. The defender, who leads the country in the category, registered six saves over a three-game span in September to earn NEC Player of the Week. The New Jersey native posted a defensive save in six-straight games (9/18-10/7) totaling nine saves during that span. Manziano also recorded her first career point this

season with an assist in the victory against Columbia.

Askinas was tabbed to the all-conference team for the first time in her career. The sophomore defender earned the starting nod in every game her first two seasons in the Blue and White. Askinas registered two defensive saves this season to increase her career total to three.

### HOW MUCH IS THAT FINKEL IN THE WINDOW?



The market for Eric Finkel, the on-court personality who is a fixture at home basketball games, is heating up. A bobblehead figure of the emcee, produced in 2004, was offered for sale in December on eBay for \$99.

A second bobblehead later appeared on eBay for \$129.95.

# ALUMNINEWS

## FACCONE HONORED BY WVF



HONOREE ALITA FACCONE; GALA HOST REBECCA JARVIS, NEWS ANCHOR OF THE EARLY SHOW SATURDAY AND CBS NEWS BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC S CORRESPONDENT; CITIGROUP MANAGING DIRECTOR IDA LIU.  
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**A**lita Faccone '86 was honored in October with a 2011 Defining Moments award from the Women's Venture Fund (WVF), a non-profit organization that helps women of diverse backgrounds establish thriving businesses in urban communities.

"Hard work reaps rewards if we believe, and we don't give up when the going gets tough," the mother of two and breast cancer survivor of 15 years said.

Faccone, a partner in the Business and Financial Services practice group at McCarter & English, LLP, was selected for the honor based on her commitment to helping women reach their business goals. Her commercial litigation practice concentrates in the area of e-Discovery including legal and technical aspects of data preservation, privacy

and records retention. Her experience in the field allows her to offer key advice on reasonable and defensible practices businesses should follow.

Faccone is also chair of the Firm's Women's Initiative Steering Committee and co-editor-in-chief of the quarterly newsletter, *Women in the kNOW*. She also oversees business development and marketing efforts at McCarter & English.

"Monmouth helped shape me by giving me a voice—literally and figuratively...Monmouth gave us the opportunity to take risks and be creative while lending a voice to our ideas and aspirations," Faccone said.

She urged graduates to believe in themselves and their dreams. "Recognize you don't have all the information and all the answers, but believe in your ability to find out what you need to know to get the answers."

## SOTO WINS CFFC BELT

**G**reg Soto '09 defeated Chip Pollard at Cage Fury Fighting Championship (CFFC) on December 10 to become the new CFFC Welterweight Champion. The victory came in 4:06 of round 2, of five scheduled rounds, at the Resorts Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City.

Soto, a veteran of the UFC, earned a standing ovation from the crowd following his triangle choke submission of Pollard. According to MMA journalist and former Monmouth University student Shawn Baran, "Soto got off to a slow start but found his rhythm and was able to execute his game plan at will."

"The largely pro-Soto crowd rose to their feet to give their hometown fighter the standing ovation to congratulate him on his championship victory. Soto looked sharp in the cage, and there is no doubt that CFFC has a fighting champion," Baran said.

At Monmouth Soto majored in Criminal Justice and graduated with a minor in Psychology. With the victory, Soto's professional MMA record stands at 9-2-0. He has indicated that a career in law enforcement will follow his professional career as a mixed martial artist.



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## HARRIS MARKS DECADE OF HOPE



Alexis (Crawford) Harris '01M, the founder and director of the Hope Academy Charter School, recently celebrated the ten-year anniversary of the Asbury Park-based education center designed to serve people “who have been traditionally undervalued and help them find the hope, direction, and encouragement they need to fulfill their God-given destinies.”

Now with 207 students in the five-story building on Grand Avenue, the school is “changing the cycle for families,” said Harris, who added that she is “in a manner of speaking, in the mining business—mining for gems.”

Despite the obvious pitfalls along the way and the challenge to defy the odds of many of the community’s families and their lower socioeconomic status, the school has sent some of its graduates to schools like the Peddie School, High Tech High School, the Academy of Allied Health & Science and Christian Brothers Academy.

“It takes the ‘standard tools’ of the trade to accomplish this. Standards break stereotypes, defy unrealistic cultural expectations that are detrimental to student and family growth, and demand excellence at all levels. The outcome is an emerging group of young men and women who will continue to challenge and help shape educational results, community politics, and culture.”

She said her primary focus other than raising the academic success of her students is to create “a technologically-infused educational environment” for both her students and parents so that they can become viable members of the workforce.

“We function as a partnership with our parents,” Harris said, adding that the school’s “Parent Academy” allows parents to visit the school for education five Saturdays per year so that they can help foster their children’s success.

Harris’ history with Monmouth predates her master’s degree from Monmouth. She worked at the School for Children, a special education school formerly housed on the Monmouth campus in 1995-2001. Now the Hawkswood School, the former School for Children is a fully accredited, private school in Eatontown, approved by the State of New Jersey to provide special education services and supports to students with disabilities.

Just months after attaining her master’s degree, the Asbury Park native’s dream of opening a charter school of her own became a reality. Hope Academy Charter School first opened its doors to students four days after 9/11 and has been growing and changing the lives of families ever since.

## KEEHN TAKES COMMAND



Colonel Kevin J. Keehn '83 '90M was promoted December 16 to Acting Wing Commander for the New Jersey Air National Guard. Based in Lakehurst at the Joint Base McGuire-Dix, he is responsible for two flying units and commands more than 25 support units.

The Jackson, NJ, native was previously the commander of the 108<sup>th</sup> operations Group in Lakehurst for the past seven years. He was promoted to colonel in 2005.

Keehn is the recipient of numerous awards including a Legion of Merit Medal, a Meritorious Service Medal and an Expeditionary Global War on Terror Medal as well as many Bronze Service Stars.

Following graduation from high school in 1975, Keehn enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served in the Strategic Air Command at Kincheloe Air Force Base in Minnesota and Castle Air Force Base in California as an in-flight refueling operator.

He was honorably discharged in 1979 and joined the N.J. Air National Guard while working toward his marketing degree at Monmouth. In 1984 the colonel received his pilot’s wings at Columbus Air Force Base in Mississippi, and in 1990 he returned to campus to complete his MBA at Monmouth.

## SHIVERS JOINS AMERICAN SECURITY PROJECT



**F**ormer Trustee and distinguished alumnus Mitchell Shivers '70 has joined the American Security Project (ASP) as adjunct senior fellow. ASP is a non-profit, bipartisan public policy and research initiative to educate the American public about the changing nature of national security in the 21st century.

Among the goals of the ASP are fostering debate about the appropriate use of American power and cultivating strategic responses to 21st century challenges. ASP's bipartisan board of directors and fellows comprises a roster of distinguished public servants including Governor Christine Todd Whitman and current and former United States Senators Gary Hart, Chuck Hagel, John Kerry and Warren Rudman.

Shivers is a former principal deputy assistant secretary of defense for Asian &

Pacific Security Affairs, in the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Policy). In that capacity, he was one of the Pentagon's top policy officials developing, implementing and overseeing policy for the region for former Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates. He also served as the region's Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense toward the end of the George W. Bush Administration.

He previously served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Central Asia (with policy responsibility for an area that included Afghanistan, Pakistan and five former Soviet republics).

From November 2004 to November 2005, Shivers was a senior advisor and the economic sector chief of the State Department's Afghanistan Reconstruction Group (ARG) at the United States Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan.

New Jersey Governor Christine Todd Whitman appointed Shivers to the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education and later as the vice chair of the New Jersey Cultural Trust. Mr. Shivers was an infantry officer in the United States Marine Corps and is a combat veteran of Vietnam. He has twice been awarded the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service (by secretaries Rumsfeld and Gates) and has received the State Department's Meritorious Honor Award and a Presidential Award for Excellence from President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan.

## DAVIS BECOMES CEO



**R**obert F. Davis '86M, a former U.S. Army captain in the Signal Corps who served in Vietnam, is the new CEO of Proxy Aviation Systems, a software and systems engineering company in Gaithersburg, MD.

Davis is a 22-year veteran of Lockheed Martin where he successfully headed development of a \$600 million Norwegian frigate weapon system with international partners. His experience with Lockheed led him to do some consulting work with SRA International before accepting the chief executive position at Proxy.

Proxy, founded in 2005, is a pioneer in unmanned aircraft vehicles (UAVs) and system software. Proxy's solutions allow for a single "virtual pilot," or mission commander, to manage multiple aircraft simultaneously. Currently the largest use of UAVs is for military applications.

In a December interview with *The Washington Post*, Davis said he first learned that he enjoyed leadership based on his experiences at West Point. "The military will also put a difficult mission out there and expect your team to achieve that. I brought those same expectations to industry," Davis said.

Davis holds an engineering degree from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, a Masters of Science in Computer Science from Monmouth University and a Masters in Business Administration from the McDonough School of Business at Georgetown University.

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## HARMON IS NJ SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR

Monmouth University football play by play announcer and basketball color analyst Matt Harmon '96 '04M was named National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association New Jersey Sportscaster of the Year in January. This marks his second time winning the award.

Harmon, who had served as an adjunct faculty member for more than ten years, recently became a full-time faculty member in the Communication Department, teaching classes such as Announcing, Sports Broadcasting, Media Ethics and Public Speaking. His previous radio experience includes working at WGHT, WHTG and WADB. He also served as an undergraduate sports director for WMCX, Monmouth's campus student-radio station.

"As the voice of Monmouth football, Matt Harmon has done an excellent job of promoting our program," said Head Football Coach Kevin Callahan. "His preparation is outstanding, he is always thorough and well informed. He has a great feel for the sport."

In addition to his media work with Monmouth, Harmon has broadcasted men's and women's basketball games for NEC TV, high school football and basketball for MSG Varsity, NEC Championships and NCAA First Round games for the Pack Network and high school football, basketball and baseball on the Shore Sports Network. In addition to co-hosting the MU Football Coaches Show, Harmon is a co-host of the popular High School Football Show, which airs weekly on 105.7 The Hawk.



# The Paul G. Gaffney II Roast

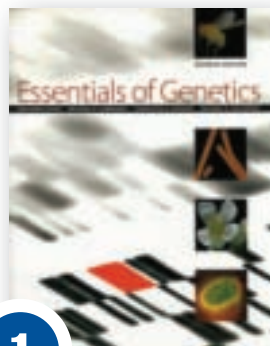
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### ESSENTIALS OF GENETICS (SEVENTH EDITION)

Michael Palladino, Ph.D., William Klug, Ph.D., Michael Cummings, Ph.D., Charlotte Spencer, Ph.D. (2010, Pearson Education, Inc., \$117.60)

Derived from Klug and Cummings's *Concepts of Genetics* (1994), *Essentials of Genetics* presents a more succinct, less detailed overview of the discipline. The text balances the coverage of classical and modern topics with presentations of both transmission genetics (heredity) and molecular genetics. An historical perspective is maintained throughout the text as well as an emphasis on analysis and problem solving.

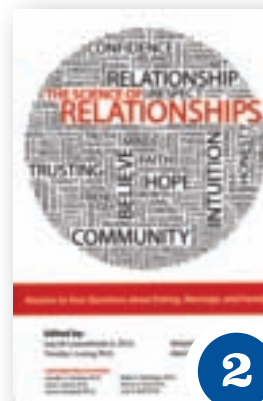
Dr. Palladino is dean of the School of Science and associate professor of Biology. In 2005 he received the Monmouth University Distinguished Teacher Award. He directs an active laboratory of undergraduate student researchers studying molecular mechanisms involved in innate immunity of mammalian male reproductive organs and genes involved in oxygen homeostasis and ischemic injury of the testis. He has received several awards for research and teaching, including the 2009 Young Investigator Award from the American Society of Andrology and the 2005 Caring Heart Award from the New Jersey Association for Biomedical Research. He is also co-author of the undergraduate textbook, *Introduction to Biotechnology* and *Understanding the Human Genome Project*.

### THE SCIENCE OF RELATIONSHIPS

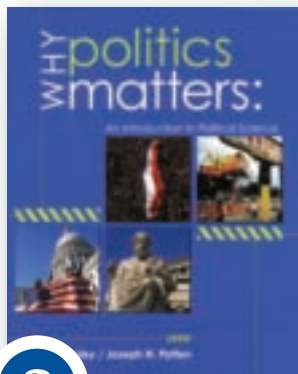
Gary W. Lewandowski Jr., Ph.D., Timothy J. Loving, Ph.D., Benjamin Le, Ph.D., Marci E.J. Gleason, Ph.D. (2011, Kendall Hunt, \$29.95)

*The Science of Relationships* answers 40 of the most common questions involving dating, marriage and family. The book is edited by the creators of ScienceOfRelationships.com, who are relationship scientists and teachers at colleges/universities.

Dr. Lewandowski is an associate professor in the department of Psychology and chairs the Institutional Review Board. He recently received the New Jersey Psychological Association's Emerging Researcher Award and has presented his research at more than 70 peer-reviewed conferences.



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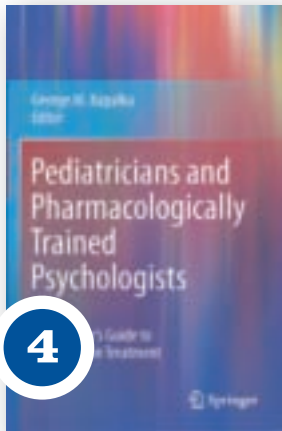
### WHY POLITICS MATTERS: AN INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE

Kevin L. Dooley, Ph.D. and Joseph N. Patten, Ph.D. (2012, Wadworth Publishing, \$110.00)

*Why Politics Matters: An Introduction to Political Science* is a full-color, accessible introduction to Political Science. Organized evenly around the major divisions within Political Science: Theory, American Government, Comparative Politics, and International Relations, *Why Politics Matters* follows a foundational approach to learning and gives students a "big picture" of the field.

Dr. Dooley, the new dean of the Honors School, is an associate professor in the Department of Political Science and Sociology. Dr. Patten, also an associate professor, chairs the department. He is also the director of the master's program in public policy, advisor to the Debate Hawks and the co-director of Monmouth's Stand Up and Be Counted Voter Initiative Program.





## PEDIATRICIANS AND PHARMACOLOGICALLY TRAINED PSYCHOLOGISTS: PRACTITIONER'S GUIDE TO COLLABORATIVE TREATMENT

George M. Kapalka, Ph.D. (Ed)  
(2011, Springer, \$169.00)

*Pediatricians and Pharmacologically Trained Psychologists* is a guide offering treatment options for children and adolescents with mental health problems. It is designed for a broad range of researchers, professionals, and graduate students, including psychologists, pediatricians and other child mental health clinicians as well as nonphysician prescribers, such as nurses, physician assistants, and pharmacists. With managed healthcare changing and the pool of pediatric psychiatrists shrinking, this book offers viable answers to some common questions.

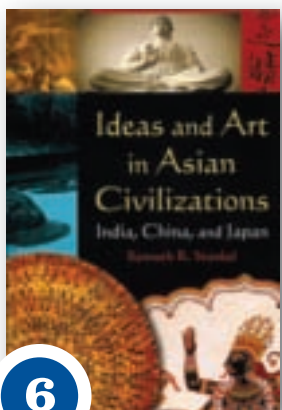
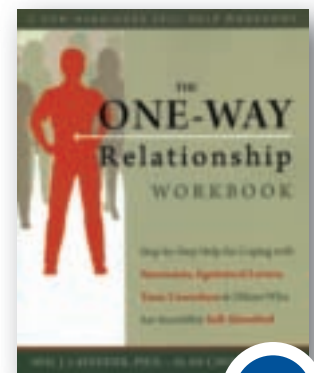
Dr. Kapalka, a professor and interim chair of the Department of Psychological Counseling, is a clinical psychologist. He is the author of five books including *Parenting Your Out-of-Control Child* and *Counseling Boys and Men with ADHD*.

## THE ONE-WAY RELATIONSHIP WORKBOOK

Alan Cavaiola Ph.D., Neil Lavender Ph.D.  
(2011, New Harbinger Self-Help Workbook, \$21.95)

*The One-Way Relationship Workbook* is a guide to help the reader effectively improve and ultimately transform a relationship with someone who has narcissistic personality disorder, or NPD. These people are preoccupied with seeking admiration and power and find it difficult to empathize with others' feelings. Through exercises and worksheets, the two psychologists help the reader navigate his way through a relationship with a self-centered individual.

Dr. Cavaiola is a professor in the Department of Psychological Counseling. He is a licensed psychologist, a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor and a licensed professional counselor. Cavaiola has been a practicing psychologist since 1988. He is co-author of *Toxic Coworkers*, *Assessment and Treatment of DWI Offenders* and *A Practical Guide to Crisis Intervention*.



## IDEAS AND ART IN ASIAN CIVILIZATIONS: INDIA, CHINA, AND JAPAN

Kenneth R. Stunkel, Ph.D.  
(2011, M.E. Sharpe, \$99.95 hardcover/\$42.95 paperback)

*Ideas and Art in Asian Civilizations* introduces readers to the traditional civilizations of India, China and Japan and how differing ideas have evolved and have been expressed in art. The exploration of art looks at symbol, style, meaning, materials and technique. For each civilization, the author explores ideals of beauty and explains aesthetic assumptions. The book includes many illustrations.

Dr. Stunkel, a former dean in the 1980s and 1990s, is a professor of History and the author of nine books including *50 Key Works of History and Historiography*. He was also a Visiting Fellow at Princeton University in 1988-90.

# CLASSNOTES

## CLASS OF 1959



PHOTO: FRANK GALIPO

STANLEY S. BEY (Bus. Adm.) and his wife, Peggy, attended a benefit for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation last November at Ray Catena Motor Car in Edison. The event was expected to raise \$110,000 for Komen Central and South Jersey, Greater New York City and North Jersey affiliates. He was a Monmouth University Trustee from 1982 to 1998, serving as Chair of the Board from 1994 to 1998.

## CLASS OF 1961



RON L. EMMONS (Ed.) is the director of the Heartland Theatre Company's comedy, "Sirens." After 40 years of teaching English, he turned his life-long interest in the theatre into his full-time job and is now on the Board of Directors for the Bloomington, IL, theatre.

## CLASS OF 1962



PHOTO: MARY CLIVE

THOMAS P. GALLAGHER (Poli. Sci.) recently attended the 50th reunion of the Peace Corps. In 1962 he volunteered in Ethiopia, becoming only the second Monmouth graduate to enter the Peace Corps. He still periodically works for the State Department, with his latest stint in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Also, his writings were published in *Eritrea Remembered*, an anthology of Peace Corps stories.

## CLASS OF 1966



JAMES W. HOLZAPFEL (Hist./Poli. Sci.) was re-elected in November as a New Jersey State Senator--10th District with 63.97 percent of the vote. He is a partner with the law firm, Citta, Holzapfel and Zabarsky in Toms River.

## CLASS OF 1967



BOB MARCHESE (Elem. Ed.) hopes to make contact with former Monmouth student Beth Garfunkel regarding the passing of their mutual friend Joseph Lambusta in July, 2010. Bob

hopes that any classmates with contact information for Beth will contact him by telephone at 860-604-6756.

## CLASS OF 1968

JAMES R. EDWARDS (Bus. Adm.) was re-elected in November to the Tuckerton Council with 49.46 percent of the vote. He is a public accountant.



SAL GIACCHI (Art) starred in December as Ebenezer Scrooge in the Jersey Shore Arts Center's production of "A Christmas Carol." He is the former vice president of Grey Advertising, one of the largest global marketing firms. His wife, BARBARA (CONTI) GIACCHI, graduated from Monmouth in 1975.

## CLASS OF 1970



DR. WEBSTER B. TRAMMELL (Art) (M.S.E. '73) received the President's Award in December from the Greater Red Bank NAACP. He is the vice president of Planning and Government Relations at Brookdale Community College in Lincroft.

## CLASS OF 1971

ROBERT W. MATTHIES (Ed./Bus. Adm.) (M.S. Ed. '78) was elected in November as the mayor of Seaside Park with 94.53 percent of the vote. He has been the superintendent of the Cape May County Technical School District since 2008.

## CLASS OF 1972



PAT VITUCCI (Bus. Adm.), an independent financial advisor in northern California, said he was proud to have his company, Vitucci & Associates, in a special "Financial Profiles" section of the January 2012 issue of *Diablo Magazine*. In 2011 he was named National Planning Corporation's #1 producing

financial advisor for 2010. The financial veteran also hosts his own hour-long radio show called "Your Financial Life" and conducts seminars throughout the Bay Area.

## CLASS OF 1973

DENNIS J. KROFT (Bus. Adm.) joined the Washington Biotechnology & Biomedical Association in January as director of Marketing and Membership. He is mainly responsible for the company's strategic marketing efforts as well as the direction and management of membership development, recruitment and retention. Kroft was previously the marketing principal for HDR, a global architectural and engineering firm.

LEN A. LUDOVICO (Ed./Chem.) and his wife, Penny, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 2, 2011. He retired in 2004 after 31 years in teaching in the Brick Township school system.

## CLASS OF 1975



WILLIAM R. MAYER (Psych.) was elected in November to the Point Pleasant Beach Council. He is a partner in the law firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole in Teaneck, specializing in public finance.

## CLASS OF 1978

ARTHUR J. GIFFONIELLA (M.S.E.) has written *Jewels of Change*, under the pseudonym, Arthur Nello. The three-part novel was published by iUniverse last August. He was a teacher in the Newark public school system as well as an English teacher to NATO aviators in Florence, Italy, and Tibetan monks in India.

## CLASS OF 1980



DIANNE GOVE (M.A.T.) was re-elected in November to the N.J. State Assembly, ninth district, along with her running mate, Brian Rumpf. Her previous experience included being mayor of Long Beach Township 2004-2008 and a social studies teacher 1974-2006 at Southern Regional High School. She was also the commissioner of the Ocean County Utilities Authority 2000-2009.

## CLASS OF 1981



CAREN CASTALDO (Elem. Ed.) was inducted into the Notre Dame High School Athletic Hall of Fame in October. She was a three-sport standout in field hockey, basketball and soccer, earning All-County honors in the latter two before earning a basketball scholarship to Monmouth. From 1981-1989 she was a teacher of the handicapped in Manalapan-Englishtown. Since 1989 she has been a student assistance counselor in Monroe Township, working with at-risk students. She has also been the president of the Monroe Township Education Association for the past 11 years.

# CLASSNOTES

## CLASS OF 1982



MICHAEL D. GREENBLATT (Psych.) was featured on [www.petcentric.com](http://www.petcentric.com) by Purina in January showing a video about his jogging cat nicknamed "Roadrunner."



DR. ARTHUR PAOLELLA (Elec. Eng.) is a principal systems engineer for Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company where he is responsible for developing

new technologies for space applications. Dr. Paolella is also the founder of Artisan Laboratories Corporation, a high technology small business that develops photonic and microwave products and technologies including fiber optic measurement equipment and microwave systems for cardiac therapy. He is a fellow of the Institution of Electrical and Electronic Engineers and has more than 50 publications in journals and magazines; two book chapters and 20 patents. He received his Ph.D. from Drexel University.

## CLASS OF 1984

MARY ANN BARBATO (B.S.N.) was named vice president of assisted living for Care Strategies, LLC, a Bordentown-based provider of geriatric and adult health services. In addition to her duties, Barbato will spearhead the expansion of Care Strategies' on-site services throughout New Jersey, including Monmouth, Burlington and Union Counties. She was previously the administrator of CareOne at Wall.

## CLASS OF 1986



DECLAN J. O'SCANLON (Psych./Bus. Fin.) was elected in November to the N.J. Assembly, 13th District, along with Amy

Handlin. Also the CEO of FSD Enterprises, O'Scanlon has been on the Assembly since 2008. Due to recent re-districting, he was transferred to the 13th District from the 12th.

## CLASS OF 1987



PHOTO: TOM SPADER/ASBURY PARK PRESS

HENRY D. MERCER (Hist.), along with Tim McLoone, were named head coaches of the year by the *Asbury Park Press* for leading their Rumson-Fair Haven Girls Cross Country Team to win the 2011 championship. Mercer, a Monmouth University Trustee, is president and chief investment strategist of Mercer Capital Advisers, Inc.

## CLASS OF 1989



DAVE SHIRLEY (M.B.A.) is a consultant, educator and trainer in project management, environmental issues, sustainability and corporate social responsibility. His website is [www.earthpm.com](http://www.earthpm.com).

He is presently teaching at Boston University and Southern New Hampshire University-Online and can be reached at [dave@earthpm.com](mailto:dave@earthpm.com) or [dshirley@maine.rr.com](mailto:dshirley@maine.rr.com). He has also recently published two books, one of which won the 2011

Project Management Institute David I. Cleland Project Management Literature Award. The award-winning book, *Green Project Management*, was co-authored in 2010 with Richard Maltzman. *Project Management in Healthcare* was published in 2011.

## CLASS OF 1990



JAMES A. (Jimmy) LESLIE (Art) is the resident artist for Liquitex and Winsor & Newton Artists materials. His work has most recently been seen at the Collective Art Tank in Asbury Park, the Main Street Gallery, Groton, NY and the Currier Museum Art Center, NH with an upcoming show at the Limner Gallery in Manhattan's East Village (Apr 18-May 19). Also this year, he plans to complete mural size paintings in Frankfurt, Germany for the Paper World Art Material Trade Show as well as in London, England for the grand opening of the new Winsor & Newton headquarters.

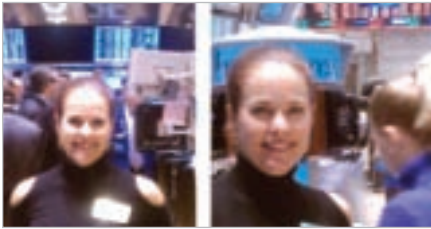
## CLASS OF 1991



GAVINO MACCANICO (Ed./Hist.) was elected in November as the new mayor of Spring Lake Heights, defeating fellow alumna, H. Frances Enright (M.S.E. '77). He was

previously the Council President.

## CLASS OF 1992



DONNALYN GIEGERICH (M.B.A.), a Leiomyosarcoma cancer survivor, was named Virtual Columnist and Digital Health Advocate for Cancer101.org in 2012. In an effort to inform and empower survivors, she will be called "Dear Daring DL," where she will field questions and concerns. On December 9 Giegerich rang the opening bell on the N.Y. Stock Exchange with Cancer101. She is also the owner and founder of DonnaLyn Giegerich Consulting.

## CLASS OF 1993



PHOTO: MARIST COLLEGE ATHLETICS

JOSE (CHUCK) L. MARTIN (Comm.) has entered his fourth season as the men's head basketball coach at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY.

## CLASS OF 1995

DANIEL J. WEEKS (M.A. Hist.) was named "Poet Laureate" at the 19th Annual Asbury Music Awards in November. Weeks, the former editor of the *Monmouth University Magazine*, is the author of *Not For Filthy Lucre's Sake: Richard Saltar and the Antiproproprietary Movement in East New Jersey, 1665-1707*, and currently an instructor of History at Monmouth University.

## CLASS OF 1997



INNA SHAMIS (Comm.) is engaged to marry Daniel Lapin on March 31, 2012. The wedding is planned for Playa Del Carmen, Mexico. Shamis is the president/CEO of AvantGarde Communications Group. Her fiancé is a finance analyst for MedAssets and is also pursuing an MBA. They live in Manalapan.



PHOTO: FRAN KIRSCHNER

TRICIA TILLEY (Comm.) is the new marketing coordinator for Advanced Orthopedics and Sports Medicine Institute in Freehold and Monroe. She was previously with the Ronald McDonald House of Long Branch and New Brunswick.

## CLASS OF 1998

BRIAN J. FARRELL (M.S.E.) (M.A.T. '99) is the new superintendent of the Monmouth Beach School.

JUSTIN R. LAHULLIER (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. '00) was recently promoted from captain to the third assistant chief of the East Rutherford Fire Department.



LAUREN N. VICIDOMINI (Bus. Mrkt.) married Lawrence Radsniak October

15, 2011. She is a portfolio manager with Executive Property Management in North Brunswick. Her husband is a police sergeant with the Point Pleasant Borough Police Department. They live in Point Pleasant.

## CLASS OF 1999



ROBERT H. GILINSKY (Bus. Adm.) was featured in the most recent issue of *Weird N.J.* He is the new author of *Asbury Park* and *Neptune*, which is part of Arcadia Publishing's Then & Now series. He also volunteers at the Hispanic Affairs and Resource Center in Asbury Park and is a lifelong resident of Neptune City.



KRIS G. PEARSON (Bus. Adm.) and his wife, Katie, welcomed daughter, Haley Ann, on September 8, 2011. They live in Eatontown.

# CLASSNOTES

DANAE STILLITANO PESCE (Sp. Ed.) was inducted into the Notre Dame High School Athletic Hall of Fame in October. Pesce was an All-State softball player and Mercer County Player of the Year at Monmouth. She was elected to the MU Sports Hall of Fame in 2010.

## CLASS OF 2000

DAVID J. NICOLA (Hist./Poli. Sci.) was elected in November to the Seaside Park Council with 41.65 percent of the votes.

BARBARA A. SWEENEY (M.A. Corp. & Pub. Comm.) has published her first novel, *The Scattered Pond*, under the pseudonym, "Gev Sweeney." The historical romance novel set in the late-1700s is available from the publisher, PfoxChase Publishing and at Smashwords, Amazon, OmniLit and Kindle.

## CLASS OF 2002

LISA (RICCIARDELLI) KEARNEY (Math.) and her husband, Dennis, welcomed their first child, Ellen Luisa, on July 31, 2011.

STACEY E. VARANO (Bus. Adm.) is now a senior for the accounting firm, ParenteBeard in Clark. She lives in Manchester.

## CLASS OF 2003



JENNIFER (GRADZKI) HARRIS (Bus. Mrkt.) (MA Corp. and Pub. Rel. '05) left the Alumni Affairs office of Monmouth University in November to accept a position as the Advancement

Project Manager at The College of New Jersey. At the same time, she was elected president of the Mercer-Bucks Alumnae Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha. Jennifer lives in Hamilton with her husband, Tom and son, Aidan.

GABRIEL A. MARTINEZ (Poli. Sci.) and his wife, Marissa, welcomed daughter, Naomi, on November 10, 2011. She joins sister, Francesca (3). They live in Bayville.

## CLASS OF 2004



PHOTO: UT DALLAS

DR. ROBERT ACKERMAN (Psych.) joined the faculty of the University of Texas-Dallas' School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences last fall. He teaches graduate classes

dealing with the analysis of non-independent data. Dr. Ackerman earned his Ph.D. in social and personality psychology in 2011 from Michigan State.

VIC C. AVON (Crim. J.) was named the male spokesman for the National Eating Disorders Association (NEDA). He spent his October traveling the country as the featured speaker for the Oklahoma Eating Disorders Association at the Conversation for Hope dinner and at the NEDA annual conference in Los Angeles.



TOM DEBLASS (Sp. Ed.) defended his light heavyweight belt with a unanimous decision victory over David Tkeshelashvili in the co-main event of Ring of Combat 38 at the Tropicana Resort and Casino in Atlantic City on November 18. With the fight, DeBlass extended his undefeated professional record to 6-0-0, prompting MMA journalist Jim Genia to describe DeBlass as "the hottest prospect coming out of the Northeast circuit." DeBlass, a black belt under former UFC fighter Ricardo Almeida, is the owner of Ocean County Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu in Forked River.



KELLY (MOORE) HRISAFINIS (Math.) is a registered nurse at Johns Hopkins Hospital following graduation from Villanova University, College of Nursing, on August 3, 2010. She lives in Baltimore, MD, with her husband, Michael.

JOSEPH P. LIZZA (Hist./Pol. Sci. Int.) and his wife, Heather, welcomed their first child, Joseph Peter Lizza III, on Thanksgiving morning at 7:37 a.m. Joseph was 7lbs 9oz and 20.5 inches at his birth in Virtual Voorhees Hospital. Uncle MICHAEL LIZZA is a 2008 graduate of Monmouth University. Joseph and Heather live in Hammonton.

SARA (SAGLIANO) SIANO (Art) (M.A. Lib. Stud.) and her husband, Giovanni, welcomed their first child, Giovanni Antonio III, on October 25, 2011. Giovanni was 7lbs 14oz and 20.5 inches at birth.



PATRICIA URIBE (BSW) (MSW '06) is engaged to marry Christopher Madeira in October 2012. She is a school social worker in the North Bergen School District. Her fiance works for Miles F. Kelly, a distributor of building materials.

## CLASS OF 2005



PHOTO: STEPHEN GOVEL PHOTOGRAPHY

ANDREA CAMOOSA (Bus. Acct) married Christopher Stefanelli on September 24, 2011. Alumni in attendance included the bride's father, MICHAEL CAMOOSA '76, the matron of honor, KRISTIN CAMOOSA '04M, the best man, JOSEPH STEFANELLI '05, bridesmaids, TRESSA HUIZENGA '10 and YANA MELNICHENKO '05, MATT YURMAN '08, DANIELLE DEPINTO '06 and AMY GILMAN '05.



KELLY HAYES (Comm.) and STEVEN DALEY (PSYCH. '05) were married July 23, 2011. Kelly works for AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals, and Steve is a human resources manager for Chubb Group of Insurance Companies in Warren. They live in Tinton Falls.



JACLYN ORLANDO (Comm.) is engaged to marry Christopher Duffy June 30, 2012, in West Orange. She lives in Mountainside.

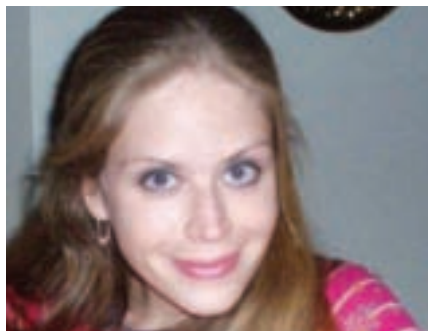
MEGHAN P. WILEY (Sp. Ed.) is engaged to marry James Hineson, Jr. in August 2012. She is a special education teacher in Old Bridge. Her fiancé is a maintenance supervisor with the Port Authority of NY and NJ in Newark.

## CLASS OF 2006

ANGELA E. FREELAND (Math/Ed.) is engaged to marry Ryan Howell in the summer of 2013. She is a math teacher in Toms River, and her fiancé is a financial analyst with ViaSource Funding Group, LLC in Basking Ridge.

ANDREA M. GRIFFIN (Psych/Ed.) is engaged to marry Christian Manzoli in August. She is a fourth-grade teacher at Oak Street Elementary School in Lakewood and is pursuing a master's degree from Stevens Institute of Technology. Her fiancé is pursuing an accounting degree from Kean University while working at Home Depot in Howell.

## CLASS OF 2007



RYA J. BUTTERFIELD (M.A. Corp. & Pub. Comm.) has published "Rhe-

torical Forms of Symbolic Labor: The Evolution of Iconic Representations in China's Model Worker Awards" in *Rhetoric & Public Affairs*, Volume 15, Issue 1 (Spring 2012). She lives in Baton Rouge, LA.

NICOLE S. DEPALMA (Bus. Adm.) (M.A.T. '09) is engaged to marry Jordan Huthwaite in June. She is an elementary school teacher, and her fiancé is a financial analyst.



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KELLY A. SHEDELBOWER (Comm.) married MICHAEL IANNACI July 23, 2011. Alumni in attendance included ANNEMARIE MASON (Psych. '96), MICHAEL MASON (Comm. '97), ASHLEIGH JOHNSON (Comm. '07) and KELLY FANGMANN (Bus. Mrkt. '05). The former starting player for Monmouth's tennis team is now a national advertising sales associate for Disney Interactive Media Group in New York City, and her husband is a senior underwriter for Zurich Management Solutions Group. They live in Brooklyn, NY.



JOHN D. VIGGIANO (Fine Arts), a photographer, graphic designer and artist, had photographs on display in Gallery 13 in Asbury Park in January. He is a

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resident photographer at the gallery and a collaborator of the Collective Art Tank, a gallery also located in Asbury Park. In addition, John owns Vigg Designs in Freehold ([www.viggdesigns.com](http://www.viggdesigns.com)) and John Vigg Photography ([www.wheresvigg.com](http://www.wheresvigg.com)). He also serves on the board of directors of the Arts Coalition of Asbury Park and is a trustee for Shore Institute of the Contemporary Arts (SICA).

## CLASS OF 2008



GABRIEL A. CAPONETTO JR (Bus. Fin.) (shown kneeling) and JUSTIN ESPOSITO (Bus. Fin.) (shown on the right) have teamed up this fall to coach a travel baseball team based out of Middletown/Lincroft. The team name is the Central Jersey Lookouts. The Lookouts in their first season won the 13/14 year-old USABL American League Championship. The American League is the highest division in USABL League. Caponetto is also a financial advisor for The Heiser Group in New York.



PHOTO: ROBERT TURNER/  
SHREWSBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

RYAN P. FISK (Crim. J.) was hired in December as a probationary officer for Shrewsbury Borough. Following the expected graduation in May from the Monmouth County Police Academy, he will join the force.



KRISTINA GLOWZENSKI (Psych.) married Daniel Tipps September 2, 2011. She is pursuing a master's in English at Monmouth and is a writing assistant in the Writing Center. Her husband works for the Department of Defense in Colts Neck.



KRISTEN LAWRENCE (Crim. J.) is engaged to marry Eric Swedberg. She lives in Ellicott City, MD.

KATE SHANLEY (Span./Elem. Ed.) is engaged to marry Dave Makson in October 2012. She is a teacher with the Myrtle Beach School District. Her fiancé is a professional musician at Crocodile Rocks Dueling Piano Bar in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

ANDREW B. TUFTS ( M.A.T.) is teaching mathematics at Colonia High School in the Woodbridge Township School District and maintains a landscape business, Day & Night Landscape, LLC, on weekends and during the summer. He also volunteers at the First Presbyterian Church of Manasquan, directing an English handbell choir and serving as the youth mission trip coordinator. He and his wife, Jessica, have a four-year old daughter.

## CLASS OF 2009



JAMIE BIESIADA (Comm.) was promoted to managing editor of *The Coast Star* and *The Ocean Star*, which are published by Star News Group based in Manasquan. She has worked at the company since 2009.

BENJAMIN B. EVENDEN (Bus. Fin.) is on the staff of the Highland Park High School tennis team and development program in Dallas, TX. The team has won the state championships nine of the last 10 years.

TARA A. FANTINI (M.A. Corp. & Pub. Comm.) married Jason Cadet October 22. She is government affairs coordinator at Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey in Newark. Her husband is the personal training manager at No Body Denied Fitness in Springfield. They live in Bradley Beach.





JESSICA L. JONES (Elem. Ed.) and ANTHONY CAMPANILE (Bus. Mgmt. '08) are engaged with a wedding date set for October 20, 2012. While at Monmouth, Anthony was a member of the men's golf team, and Jessica was a member of the women's cross country and track and field teams. Anthony is currently a sales manager for Guardian Life in Shrewsbury, and Jessica is a first grade teacher at a charter school. They live in Spring Lake.



MELISSA G. MYERS (Bio.) was one of three New Jersey college students who recently graduated from Monmouth Medical Center's Medical Technology Program. Medical technology practitioners play an important role in healthcare delivery and patient health maintenance. She lives in Seaside Heights.

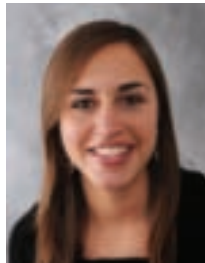
EMILY G. PUMPHREY (Math.) and TIMOTHY S. PEARSON (Music) are engaged to be married this spring. She is a statistical analyst in Bay Head, and he is a contract specialist for the U.S. Department of Defense.



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MANCHESTER.NJ.PATCH.COM

STEVEN M. WENDRUFF (Crim. J.) was hired by the Manchester Police Department after serving on police forces in Point Pleasant and South Toms River. He lives in Toms River.

## CLASS OF 2010



LAURA G. EMBREY (Comm.) is the new assistant director of Alumni Affairs at Monmouth University. She was previously an account coordinator at AgencyRx, a pharmaceutical advertising agency in New York City. As a Hawk, she was part of the women's cross country and track and field teams as well as a member of the Spanish honor society and athlete honor society. Her father, Carl, graduated from Monmouth in 1979.

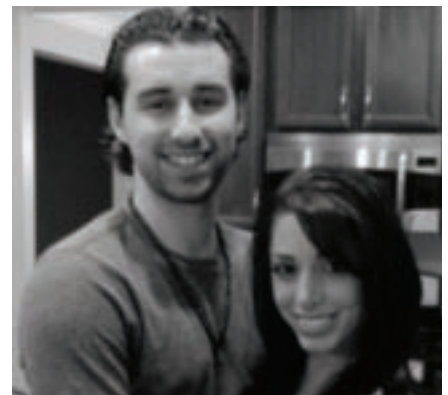
KATIE E. JOHNSON (B.S.W.) (M.S.W. '11) is engaged to marry Marc Sterling Lowe in the spring of 2013. A case manager with Guiding Light Behavioral Health in Neptune, she is also the daughter of Monmouth's EOF Director COLLEEN JOHNSON '81. Katie's fiance is a client services supervisor at NACR in Eatontown.



ELIZABETH A. LOBUGLIO (Bio.) is pictured with her friends and fellow alumni, who recently had their white coat ceremony at Seton Hall University for the Physician's Assistant Program. They are (left to right): STEPHANIE JARAMILLO (Health Stud. '10), JILLIAN LAGOA (Health Stud. '10), FRANCESCA CUTTAIA (Health Stud. '10), REBECCA TYSON (Bio. '09), JOE MURPHY (Bio. '09) and Liz Lobuglio.



NOELLE MCNEIL (Bus. Adm.) appeared on "I Survived Beyond and Back," which aired on the BIO Network on in October. She is also the author of a 2009 book, *Heaven Exists*, which describes her experience surviving serious brain trauma. Her website is <http://www.noellemcneil.com>.



MARISSA L. MOLLICA (Bus. Adm.) and ANGELO AMATO (Bus. Adm.) are

engaged to be married on October 14, 2012, at the Madison Hotel in Madison. She is an executive recruiter with Foster McKay. Angelo, a former captain of the soccer team, is a manager of Wells Fargo Bank.



ALICIA ZIELINSKI (M.S. Ment. Health Couns.) is the first executive director and Fountain House Executive Fellow for the Shore Club House, an organization dedicated to providing resources and support people with mental illness and their families. The Fountain House, based in New York, NY, helps those people recover.

## CLASS OF 2011

ALISON B. HOFFMAN (M.S.W.) worked with the staff of Newark Beth Israel Medical Center Foundation to successfully secure funding for a grant proposal submitted to the Toys'R'Us Children's Fund for its New Jersey grant initiative. The grant is designed to improve children's long-term developmental outcomes and strengthen families by providing bus tickets to those parents otherwise unable to visit their hospitalized babies. The Fund said it will be funding \$15,000 toward the project in response to the 2011 New Jersey grant initiative.

SHAWN M. PLATZ (Poli. Sci.), a specialist for the U.S. Army, recently graduated from Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill in Lawton, OK. The former recipient of the Irving and Charles Kessler Scholarship graduated Magna Cum Laude and was a pivotal part of the track and cross country teams.

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## ALUMNI

- 1936 NATHAN KAPLAN (Lib. Studies)  
OCTOBER 14, 2011
- 1950 CHARLES J. GRIPPALDI (A.A. Ed.)  
OCTOBER 29, 2011  
(former adjunct professor)
- 1959 GEORGE W. APPLGATE (Physics)  
NOVEMBER 29, 2011
- 1959 COL. EDWIN L. BROWER  
(Elec. Eng.) (Physics '59)  
JANUARY 4, 2012
- 1964 ROBERT E. LIVINGSTON (Ed.)  
JANUARY 11, 2012
- 1964 MAE SAMPINOS-PALERMO (Elem. Ed.)  
DECEMBER 14, 2011
- 1966 JOYCE R. DANCISIN (Elem. Ed.)  
JANUARY 5, 2012
- 1969 FRANK W. TVAROHA (Bus. Adm.)  
NOVEMBER 13, 2011
- 1971 LINDA M. HEFFERNAN (Elem. Ed.)  
NOVEMBER 29, 2011
- 1971 DOUGLAS A. NEWLIN  
(Ed. Sp./Comm./Theat.)  
DECEMBER 6, 2011
- 1972 TRUDY (PESCIOTTA) MARAN (Art/Ed.)  
NOVEMBER 19, 2011
- 1972 THOMAS J. VOSPER (Bus. Adm.)  
OCTOBER 25, 2011
- 1973 THERON (GARDINER) BROWER (M.B.A.)  
NOVEMBER 26, 2011
- 1973 PATRICK C. FOYLE (Bus. Adm.)  
AUGUST 6, 2011
- 1974 JOHN L. RANONE (M.S.E.)  
DECEMBER 10, 2011
- 1976 MICHAEL D. KEVIL (Bus. Adm.)  
DECEMBER 18, 2011
- 1978 EDWARD DEBIASIO JR (Bus. Mgmt.)  
JANUARY 6, 2012
- 1980 BARBARA (GROVER) RATULOWSKI (Chem.)  
DECEMBER 15, 2011
- 1983 SHIRLEY H. BADER (M.S Comp. Sci.)  
NOVEMBER 24, 2011
- 1984 JOYCE B. PAULUS (M.A.T.)  
JANUARY 5, 2012
- 1984 JOHN R. LUBBEN (Bus. Mgmt.)  
JANUARY 27, 2012
- 1989 DONALD J. SCHOFIELD (M.B.A.)  
OCTOBER 24, 2011
- 1999 FRANCIS A. HERNANDEZ III (Comm.)  
NOVEMBER 12, 2011
- 2007 SEAN R. MOYER (Music)  
NOVEMBER 30, 2011
- 2010 RAY CREGO (M.S. Soft. Eng.)  
JANUARY 21, 2012

## FRIENDS

- ROSE E. (DETURO) ALLOCCA  
JUNE 8, 2011 (former student 1933-34)
- ERNEST A. MELOFCHIK  
JUNE 19, 2011 (former adjunct faculty  
member of Monmouth College)
- STEVEN M. SCHWEFRINGHAUS  
OCTOBER 9, 2011 (former student and U.S. Marine)
- DANIEL SINNOTT  
DECEMBER 15, 2011 (former trustee)
- ROBERT L. THOMAS  
NOVEMBER 25, 2011 (former director of Purchasing)

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