Fulbright Scholars Share Vision For Peace
ALUMNI EVENTS

JUNE 2-3
June 2
Cocktails on the Roof—$14*
Wilson Hall 5-6:30 PM
Clambake on the Lawn—$33*
Tent—Shadow Lawn 6:30-10:30 PM
June 3
Brunch on the Veranda—$21*
Doherty House 10 AM-12 Noon
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JUNE 24-JULY 5
Alumni trip to Italy: Amalfi Coast, Pompeii, Isle of Capri, Florence

JULY 28
Young Alumni Summer Reunion 2005-2007
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SEPTEMBER 5-16
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OCTOBER 13
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NOVEMBER 1-8
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8 PM (7 PM on July 22 and July 29)

AUGUST 3-5
“Love Letters” by A.R. Gurney
8 PM (7 PM on August 5)

OCTOBER 4
Ladysmith Black Mambazo—8 PM

LAUREN K. WOODS THEATRE
The Shadow Lawn Stage season of 2007 is a transitional season, as Lauren K. Woods Theatre is under construction. Productions have been relocated to Pollak Theatre, still on the grounds of Monmouth University.

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MONMOUTH LEGACY HAD A BIG HEAD START

I just read your recent issue of the Monmouth University Magazine. I noticed the article about alumni and their families that attend or attended Monmouth University. I felt a need to share our family's connection to Monmouth.

My husband and I are both graduates of Monmouth. I graduated in 1971 and my husband graduated in 1968. I completed my master's at Monmouth in December of 1982 and my daughter was born in February of 1983.

My daughter currently attends Monmouth and will graduate in May of 2008. She plans to begin her master's at Monmouth the following fall. However, I have always told my daughter that she attended graduate classes at Monmouth before she even went to pre-school!

Jean Buonano '71 '83

COOL CHARACTER IDENTIFIED AS BMOC

The photograph pictured in the winter issue of Monmouth University Magazine is Webster Trammell.

He was the “Big Man on Campus” when I was attending Monmouth College back in the 1960’s. I remember he was also a member of the only service fraternity at Monmouth and one of his fraternity brothers was David Larkin who eventually became a physician. He was a “cool character” but always a gentleman.

I already have a copy of “Great Steps.” So you can give “Web” a copy if you see him. I believe he is now at Brookdale Community College.

P.S. The article about the Koreen family was phenomenal.

Yvonne S. Thornton, M.D., M.P.H., FACOG, FACS
Class of ’69, L.H.D. (hon) ’95

I believe the picture is of Web Trammell. He was head of Student Activities.

I was in a band and he booked us to open for Bruce Springsteen in 1974.

Am I correct?

Andrew Shawn ’74

Your “cool character” is none other than Webster Trammell Jr. Web, which we all called him at that time, is a fraternity brother of mine. I remember him as being quite the ladies’ man at the time.

Web was president of Alpha Phi Omega during the 60’s along with Joseph Rall who was the First Vice-President. Coincidently, Joe’s picture is on page 34 of the same issue of the Monmouth University Magazine. It was good to see pictures of them both.

Gregg Cameron ’69

The Answer: Webster Trammel

The only art student on the entire planet who would wear a suit and carry an attaché case to painting class. We tortured poor Webster in every class we had and he took it with such humor and generosity. One could never have asked for such a good friend.

Ellie Miller ’70
Katy Burns ’70

The man, the myth, the legend. The cool character is Webster B. Trammel, Jr., Ph.D. Our paths never crossed on any of the academics at Monmouth. How do I know him? We were roommates off campus for a period of 4 years. He was a pledge in Alpha Phi Omega when I was a brother, and because of his diligence, hard work, and dedication he was elected president of the fraternity. I also had the privilege to work on the Monmouth yearbook with Webster, who was the editor-in-chief for 3 consecutive years. If I’m not mistaken he was in Who’s Who Among College Students. I reiterate... the man, the myth, the legend.

My most memorable anecdote of Webster goes back to the time I was taking a comparative anatomy class, and the class assignment was to remove the skin, muscles, and internal organs from a dissected cat and preserve and mount the skeleton on a display stand. To remove all of those fleshy items I had to heat the carcass in a solution of sodium hydroxide mixed in water for a set period of time so the ligaments would remain and keep the skeleton intact. This was all done in our kitchen utilizing our stove and kitchen table. Using our shared kitchen table almost caused a parting of our friendship and living arrangements. To this day he still remembers and periodically reminds me of the event.

By the way, I still have the cat skeleton and Webster’s friendship.

David Larkin, M.D. ’69

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Readers who can correctly identify the image and the proper action to take after discovering its meaning will win a copy of the handsome book Great Steps.

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CAN A UNIVERSITY HELP CHANGE THE WORLD?

FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS SHARE VISION FOR PEACE

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY’S FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS-IN-RESIDENCE, ISRAELI PSYCHOLOGIST DR. DAN BAR-ON AND PALESTINIAN EDUCATOR DR. SAMI ADWAN, ARE PEACE BUILDERS WORKING TO CHANGE DEEPLY ENTRENCHED AND INCREASINGLY POLARIZED ATTITUDES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE PALESTINIAN-ISRAELI CONFLICT.

BY MICHAEL MAIDEN
Thanks to a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence grant written by Dr. Saliba Sarsar, Drs. Bar-On and Adwan are bringing their shared vision for peace to the campus of Monmouth University. The scholars have enhanced Monmouth’s curriculum in global education through their teaching and co-teaching of courses, and active engagement with the Global Understanding Project.

Monmouth University President Paul Gaffney said the Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence program was “a unique opportunity to bring together peace builders from a chronically troubled region.” According to Provost Thomas Pearson, “Monmouth University each year strives to bring a faculty member from abroad to bring his or her professional expertise and to broaden our students’ understanding of the world and their place in it.”

“With our Fulbright Scholars-in-Residence we are doubly fortunate to bring our students two outstanding teachers and leaders committed to a vision of peace and partnership in the Middle East,” he added.

As co-directors of the Peace Research Institute in the Middle East (PRIME), Drs. Bar-On and Adwan developed a “Shared History Curriculum Project,” a joint effort among Israeli and Palestinian teachers to write and test a new history curriculum for use in both Israeli and Palestinian schools. The project engages teachers on both sides in a “dual-narrative” approach to teaching the history of both national communities.

Bar-On and Adwan recognize that given the current state of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, there is not enough common ground between the communities to create a single shared historical narrative. The Shared History Curriculum Project instead exposes students on each side of the conflict to the other’s narrative about the same set of events.

“The goal is to get to know and respect the narrative of the other, even if we don’t agree with everything it says,” Bar-On says. Adwan agrees, saying that since the project began, “school children are coming home with different information about the conflict than what they grew up with.”

“Even if the people at home don’t agree with the material, they are starting discussions,” he added.

Just as individuals can have very different perceptions of the same historical event, societies in conflict develop narratives that are morally superior and exclude the “other.” “Examples of such narratives are all too abundant,” said Political Science Professor and Associate Vice President for Academic Program Initiatives Dr. Saliba Sarsar who cited conflict narratives in Rwanda, Ireland, South Africa, and the Canadian province of Quebec.

The text for the jointly developed Shared History Project gives teachers and students the opportunity to learn the other’s narratives in a unique format. It was designed so that on each page, in between the Palestinian and Israeli narratives, there is space for students to write their own comments. Each section is of equal size, and the narratives have been translated into Arabic, Hebrew, and English.
Aimed at an audience of 9th and 10th grade students, the work is based in part on Bar-On’s pioneering research on methods of reconciliation between the children of Holocaust survivors and children of Nazi perpetrators. Dr. Bar-On’s work on the lasting effects of the Holocaust extends to the third generation and has been featured in a BBC documentary “TimeWatch,” and in several books.

Adwan and Bar-On hope that by exposing Palestinian and Israeli students to each other’s narratives, the process of building peace can work from the bottom-up. The scholars agree that peace building is a separate but necessary complement to peacemaking. Peacemaking, they argue, largely occurs from the top-down between governments, while peace building is the responsibility of free people everywhere.

Both men also speak openly about the need for active engagement from the United States and the United Nations to push forward the peace making process in the Middle East. The two professors also support a two-state solution for the conflict based on 1967 borders.

But they aren’t waiting for the conflict to end before developing the building blocks for a future when Israel and Palestine co-exist peacefully as independent nations. Drs. Bar-On and Adwan hope the Shared History Project will provide cornerstones to construct a new understanding of national identity in the future.

“A peace agreement is not enough; it has to be substantiated at a grassroots level. Both sides have to respect each other, said Dr. Adwan. “Eighty percent

“The nonviolent approach does not immediately change the heart of the oppressor. It first does something to the hearts and souls of those committed to it. It gives them new self-respect; it calls up resources of strength and courage that they did not know they had. Finally it reaches the opponent and so stirs his conscience that reconciliation becomes a reality.”

—DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
of Palestinians are under the age of 40," he continued, "so focusing peace efforts at children makes sense."

The first Shared History textbook begins with the Balfour Declaration in 1917. The third ends with the beginning of the Al-Aqsa Intifada, seven years ago.

Other historical events covered in the Shared History texts include: Jewish immigration to Palestine, the events of World War I, the British Mandate over Palestine, the impact of the Holocaust on shaping Palestine and Israel, World War II, the 1948 war, Palestinian refugees, the 1967 and 1973 wars, 1976 Land Day, invasion of Lebanon, the Intifada, and the Oslo and Wye River Peace Talks.

Dr. Adwan and Dr. Bar-On have received many awards for their efforts to build peace in the Middle East, including the Alexander Langer Foundation Peace Prize in 2001; the European Association for the Education of Adults (EAEA) Prize and the Victor J. Goldberg Prize for Peace from the Institute of International Education (IIE) in 2005. More recently, the pioneering peace builders were honored in March with a Joint Resolution from the NJ State Senate and General Assembly.

Dr. Bar-On is an Israeli psychologist born in Haifa in 1938 to Holocaust-survivor parents. He was a member of Kibbutz Revivim for 25 years where he served as an educator, farmer, and Secretary of the Kibbutz. He completed his B.A. in 1972 at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, M.A. in psychology in 1975, and Ph.D. in 1981, both at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. In addition to being a co-director of PRIME with Dr. Adwan, Dr. Bar-On is a full professor in the Department of Behavioral Sciences at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

Bar-On’s field research studying the generational effects of the Holocaust on the descendants of survivors and perpetrators led him to issues of reconciliation. Losing a friend in the Six-Day War engaged him in the work of reconciliation and peace between Israelis and Palestinians.

Dr. Adwan is a Palestinian educator born in Sourif, a small town northwest of Hebron, Palestine. After graduating with a B.A. in educational administration from Jordan University in 1976, he received an M.A. from San Francisco State University in 1982 and earned a Ph.D. from the University of San Francisco in 1987. In addition to serving on numerous academic councils and international boards, Dr. Adwan is an associate professor in the Faculty of Education at Bethlehem University.

A former campus activist with the Palestinian Fatah movement, Dr. Adwan was imprisoned in 1991 for five months in an Israeli desert jail. Strangely, it was being jailed as a member of a political group declared illegal by Israel that actually set Adwan on the path to peace building. An encounter with a respectful Israeli prison guard made him realize that “they weren’t all the same.”

Despite their differences in upbringing, culture, and religion the two scholars work together seamlessly and seem to communicate on an almost psychic level. Bar-On and Adwan say they’ve become close friends through their collaboration on the deeply personal Shared History Project.

At Monmouth University, the two share one office and teach together. The arrangement is meaningful, says
Dr. Sarsar believes that the time is ripe for higher education to embrace responsibility for helping to bring peace to conflict areas throughout the world. “Just imagine,” says Dr. Sarsar, “if 50 universities hosted scholars from other conflict areas, the possibility to embrace peace building is tremendous.”

Even before the Fulbright Scholars depart, Dr. Sarsar is working to extend the important message of peace building nourished by Drs. Adwan and Bar-On. Sarsar is putting the finishing touches on a high quality 30-minute documentary, “Crossing the Border,” that he anticipates will have a wide audience.

Drs. Bar-On and Adwan have also set their next goals for continuing the work of peace building in the Middle East. They hope to increase the number of Israeli and Palestinian teachers using the Shared History Project texts, and to publish the three texts together as a single volume. Further on the horizon is a website that will include a teacher’s guide, feedback from students and teachers, and additional lesson plans.

The Fulbright Program, the U.S. government’s flagship program in international educational exchange, was proposed to the U.S. Congress in 1945 by then freshman Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas. In the aftermath of World War II, Senator Fulbright viewed the proposed program as a much-needed vehicle for promoting “mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries of the world.” His vision was approved by Congress and the program signed into law by President Truman in 1946.

Since the inception of the Fulbright Program over 46,100 overseas academicians and professionals have conducted research or taught in U.S. universities, and more than 44,400 U.S. faculty and professionals have engaged in similar activities abroad.

“International education exchange is the most significant current project designed to continue the process of humanizing mankind to the point, we would hope, that nations can learn to live in peace.”

—J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT
Barbara McMorrow
Monmouth Alumna Becomes First Democrat Freeholder In Twenty Years

The sun is not yet up and the house is quiet except for the clatter of keyboard keys on Barbara’s computer as she sends out emails. After an hour or so of working at home, she’s ready to start her day. And she doesn’t stop until well after the sun sets. There’s a reason why her husband affectionately calls her a “whirling dervish.”

“I want to be involved...If you have a problem, I’ll show up at your door,” Barbara McMorrow ’70 ’76 said in an interview. And this is the mantra she has followed throughout her career in education and public service.

The Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders welcomed its first Democrat in 20 years, electing McMorrow as Monmouth County Freeholder last November. It is also the first time in the five-seat board’s history that women comprise the majority of the governing body.

If Barbara and her husband Patrick, also a Monmouth graduate, were to win the lottery, Barbara said, they would do things for other people.

“My love is public service...I’ve always enjoyed being with people,” she said.

McMorrow, who received a B.S. in Education and English and a M.A.T. from Monmouth, defeated Republican Andrew Lucas of Manalapan by 4,591 votes after Ted Narozanick, who served in this post for 21 years, decided not to seek re-election. The last Democrats to hold this seat were John A. Villapiano and John D’Amico Jr., the retired superior court judge who performed McMorrow’s inauguration in January.

“None of this would have been possible if I didn’t go to Monmouth,” Barbara said, adding that it took her six years to complete her degree because she had to work her way through school.

She fondly recalled swimming and bowling in Wilson Hall, performing small plays in the chapel and with Lauren K. Woods during the summer, and taking classes in the chicken coops. She said, however, that there is one constant. “People still care about each other no matter how big the university gets. It’s still a small school in a large university setting.”

She also gives credit to the Freeholders who financed her books while a student at Monmouth.

“People know I try my best.” — BARBARA McMORROW

And the Freeholders continue to support Monmouth. In fall 2006 the Freeholders began offering $5,000 scholarships to students who earn their associate’s degree from Brookdale Community College and then commit to enrolling at Monmouth for their bachelor’s degree.

The scholarship is available to 10 students with demonstrated financial need, an associate’s degree with a GPA of 3.5 or better, and who have lived in Monmouth County for at least 12 months. Once accepted at Monmouth, the scholarship is contingent on maintaining a GPA of 3.5 while enrolled in a full-time course-load (at least 12 credits).

Freeholders want to keep academically gifted students in Monmouth County, and the program provides a source of quality transfer students to Monmouth University.

The program has already proven to be very worthwhile. The first 10 students awarded Freeholder scholarships had an average GPA of 3.86 last fall, with two of them posting a 4.0 grade point average. And starting for the fall semester of 2007-2008, funding will rise to $100,000 so that an additional 10 students can be chosen.

As Freeholder, Barbara has wasted no time since starting her new job on January 4. She has formed a bipartisan committee that meets once a week for
about three hours to review the county budget and look for ways to slim it down. She is also hoping to better educate the public on the budget.

She is also working on forming a student journalism program to begin this fall in hopes of spurring more interest among high school students to be informed and read newspapers. “Some young people don’t know what Freeholders do...maybe one of them will wind up being a Freeholder one day.”

McMorrow retired as the principal at Howell High School in 2003 after working in the Freehold Regional School District for more than 30 years. In 1989 she was elected to the Freehold Borough Council, where she was quoted as saying, “Consider all the facts and do what’s right.”

She later went on to serve as council president, police commissioner, Mayor’s Representative to the Alliance Against Substance and Drug Abuse, and chair of the Personnel Committee before becoming Howell High School’s principal in 1995.

One of her accomplishments while working for the school system was to establish a Humanities Program at Howell High School. She was also responsible for making the school known as “The Fine and Performing Arts High School” and establishing the Arts and Scholars Program, designed to help students prepare for higher education.

In 2002 McMorrow had a very brief stint on television when she made a guest appearance on the Late Show With David Letterman, as one of 10 principals selected to deliver Letterman’s “Top 10 List of Things Principals Know.” Her memorable line was, “When I need time alone I pull the fire alarm.” This delighted her students, who at the time were experiencing a plethora of fire drills due to construction at the school.

“My dream is that one day one of my former students will be in my place...I can enjoy their success vicariously.”

Her dedication to education was recognized when the Board of Chosen Freeholders named May 30, 2003, Barbara McMorrow Day in Monmouth County.

She was also part of Freehold’s Renaissance, including the redevelopment of Mechanic Street.

Following her retirement as principal McMorrow was an adjunct professor at Brookdale Community College until last October. She held training workshops there for substitute teachers.

Some of the organizations in which she currently holds membership are: the League of Women Voters; the American Association of University Women; the Monmouth County Traumatic Loss Coalition; a trustee of the Monmouth County Legal Aid Society, the New Jersey Principals/Supervisors Association.

McMorrow is a former member of the Supreme Court of New Jersey District 9 Ethics Committee and the YMCA of Western Monmouth County, and can be found in Who’s Who in American Education, Who’s Who of American Women, and Who’s Who Among Human Service Professionals.

She resides in Freehold with her husband Patrick, who received a B.A. in Political Science in 1969 and later went on to become an attorney. He works at the law offices of Doreen M. Ryan in Wall.

The Freeholders oversee the county vocational school system, Brookdale Community College, the county sheriff’s office, as well as many other county agencies included in the $472 million county budget each year.

When asked how long she plans on working in her current post, Barbara said, “I don’t believe in serving forever. I’ll make the decision at the end (of the three-year term). It’s all about service to the community, as long as I can continue to serve the people.”

“It’s like a circle. We keep on evolving.”

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A GENEROUS GIFT

Monmouth University’s Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies will continue to expand its services, thanks to a generous gift of two million dollars from the Hess Foundation.
“We are gratified to receive such generous support for the nursing program at Monmouth University,” said Dean Marilyn Lauria, Ed.D. “With the aging of the Baby Boom generation, and the population as a whole, there is an increased need for nurses and for nurse educators. This commitment to the future of nursing education is timely and appreciated,” she added.

The donation, presented by Norma Hess on behalf of the Hess Foundation, will establish a chair in nursing education to meet the special needs of adults and senior citizens in a variety of settings. The first of its kind for the school, the chair is expected to be filled in 2008 following a comprehensive national search. Norma is the president and director of the foundation.

Established by Jersey Shore native Leon Hess before his death, the Hess Foundation is known for its steadfast support of medical and educational causes. Norma has continued his efforts, remaining true to the original goals of the late Mr. Hess. A generous supporter of the University, Mrs. Hess is a member of the Vision Society, Legacy Society and President’s Society at Monmouth.

Mr. Hess died in 1999 following a life of hard work, ingenuity, loyalty, and commitment all woven into an incredible American Dream story. Past NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue said of Mr. Hess, “He was a prince of a man at a time when such individuals are rare.”

The Leon Hess Cancer Center at Monmouth Medical Center was named for the philanthropist who was often lauded for his modest and kind demeanor.

Led by Dean Marilyn Lauria, Ed.D., and Associate Dean Janet Mahoney, Ph.D., the School of Nursing and Health Studies in 1998 was named after Marjorie K. Unterberg, a long-time advocate for nursing who supported the school for many years prior to her death. The Hess Foundation endowment continues to recognize the vital role skilled nursing professionals play across the American healthcare system.

Monmouth University President Paul G. Gaffney II described the gift as “typical of the great generosity of the Hess Family.”

Jeffery N. Mills, vice president for University Advancement, said the nursing gift pushed the University’s Vision for Distinction capital campaign past the $50 million mark. The endowment is scheduled to be funded over a two-year period.

Efforts are already underway at the school to expand understanding of the role nursing can play in the unique needs of older adults. Lauria cited the recent addition of the course “Wisdom, Wellness, and Aging” to the roster of required undergraduate nursing courses, and revitalization of an undergraduate certificate in Gerontology, as examples.

The Marjorie K. Unterberg School offers an upper division B.S. in Nursing program for registered nurses, M.S. in Nursing degrees, as well as graduate and post-master’s certificates for nurses.

The upper division BSN program began in 1981 to meet the needs of nurses and clients in the central New Jersey area, while the MSN program began in 1995 to meet the needs of area nurses for advanced education.

Responding to the growing demand for nursing education at all levels, the school will begin offering an undergraduate Health Studies major in the fall of 2007. A successful Health Studies minor has been in existence for over a decade.

Dr. Laura Jannone, assistant professor in the nursing department, said that part of the attraction to the program is its flexibility, adding that she expects some students to declare the major as part of a double major. There are 11 required courses within the major.

Following graduation, the students may then follow a variety of paths including pre-medical, pre-professional, and graduate school. Others may opt to start their careers in corporate fitness centers, school districts, or hospitals.
A COLLECTOR’S PASSION

MONMOUTH WELCOMES WYETH COLLECTION

Three generations of Wyeth art were recently on display at Monmouth University’s Pollak Theatre. The exhibit, “A Collector’s Passion—Three Generations of Wyeths,” was shown from March 19 through March 21 thanks to the generosity of Eric Sambol who is the president of E. Sambol Corp. and the son of Monmouth University Life Trustee Richard Sambol.

Sambol’s private collection boasts Wyeth works spanning from 1938 to 2004, reflecting eight decades of American experience, from the rocky coast of Maine to the rubble of the World Trade Center. Works from the Sambol collection have been exhibited in museums such as National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC; Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; Metropolitan Museum of Art; Whitney Museum of American Art; Art Institute of Chicago; and the Farnsworth Art Museum.

The highlight of the exhibit was a presentation by Dr. Joyce Hill Stoner on the evening of March 20. Dr. Stoner’s lecture drew a rapt audience from the University and surrounding communities. The stream of visitors eager to see the rare works and hear the insightful lecture filled Pollak Theatre to capacity.

President Gaffney introduced the event as “a great day among many great days at Monmouth,” thanking Eric Sambol for “bringing the collection and the program to the University, and sharing the genius of the Wyeth Family with the community.” President Gaffney also described the Sambol collection as one that would “make major museums jealous.”

Dr. Stoner is the director of the University of Delaware’s preservation studies doctoral program and author of more than 60 articles and chapters about the Wyeth Family. In 1998 she published A Closer Look: Howard Pyle, N. C. Wyeth, Andrew Wyeth, and Jamie Wyeth for the Delaware Art Museum and the Farnsworth Art Museum.

As the Wyeths’ conservator Dr. Stoner has worked closely with the family for some 25 years, restoring Andrew

Sambol’s passion for the art of Andrew Wyeth began as a high school student when he saw the “Two Worlds of Andrew Wyeth” exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum in 1976. Sambol credits his mother Janice with inspiring his lifelong love of art, noting, “she was a student at Pratt Institute, and always a painter.” Despite his long-standing appreciation for their work, Sambol only began as a serious collector of the Wyeths six years ago.

Sambol sums up his personal philosophy in the form of a question: “What is life without passion and creativity?”

Sambol’s belief that “brilliance is lost if it can’t be conveyed to others” was behind his decision to bring the unique collection to Monmouth University. Sharing his collection meant Sambol’s efforts included underwriting the transportation of the paintings, production of the handsome exhibit catalog given to visitors, and arranging for Dr. Stoner’s lecture.

Eric Sambol said he organized the Wyeth exhibit in collaboration with Dr. Jeff Mills, vice president of University Advancement. Sambol said Mills, a Maine native, is also a fan of the art of the Wyeth Family who “worked with Jamie Wyeth in Maine.”

Recounting his ties to the University, Sambol said, “My dad is a life trustee of Monmouth, so I’ve had the chance to see how the school has developed over the years.” Eric and his wife Cynthia are members of the President’s Society and Vision Society of Monmouth University.

Also in attendance at the keynote event was Frank Fowler, a Tennessee-based art dealer who has represented Andrew Wyeth for more than 35 years. Actively involved with the Wyeth Family today, Fowler was also privy to the events surrounding the sensational release of Andrew Wyeth’s “Helga” pictures.

The exhibit included the 1938 *Norrey Seavey Hauling Lobster Traps off Blubber Island*, by Newell Convers Wyeth. Better known as N.C. Wyeth, the renowned artist produced popular illustrations of *Treasure Island*, *Robinson Crusoe*, and *Robin Hood*. N.C. Wyeth is also the father of Andrew Newell Wyeth.

Andrew, born in 1917, has been touted as one of the best-known painters of the 20th century. He is sometimes referred to as the “Painter of the People” due to his popularity with the American public. Wyeth’s favorite subject is the land and inhabitants...
around his hometown of Chadds Ford, PA, and those near his summer home in Cushing, ME.

Andrew has been the recipient of numerous honors, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, which was conferred by President John F. Kennedy. In 1990 he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal of Honor by President George H. W. Bush. Fifteen of Andrew’s works were on display at Monmouth, including the 1976 Barracoon, 1977 Heat Lightning, and 1991 Coming Ashore.

Jamie Wyeth, son of Andrew, is also a realist painter who began his art training at age 12 with his aunt, Carolyn Wyeth. He was eventually instructed by his father Andrew Wyeth, and had the first major exhibition of his work at age 20.

Jamie’s works depict the landscapes, animals, and people from his Brandywine Valley and St. George, Maine, homes. The exhibit included six pieces by Jamie including the 1997 painting Lighthouse Dandelions, a 1977 study of Rudolf Nureyev, and moving depiction of police and firefighters hoisting an American flag in the immediate aftermath of the September 11 attacks. MU

ANTIOQUES ROADSHOW MOMENT AT POLLAK THEATRE

One member of the packed audience for Dr. Stoner’s lecture came away with more than just a better understanding of the metaphors found in the art of the Wyeth Family.

Maureen Nevin, activities coordinator at Asbury Towers in Asbury Park, brought a framed Wyeth print with her to the Wyeth exhibit and lecture.

Nevin purchased the oversized print at a yard sale for five dollars. “When I bought it, the glass and frame were stained dark brown with nicotine from years of exposure to cigarette smoke.”

“I had to work like crazy to get the frame and the glass clean, but the print was definitely a Wyeth, and the matting seemed to have a special stamp I’d never seen before.”

Sitting in the front row of Pollak Theatre, Nevin was able to catch Dr. Stoner’s attention after her lecture. Dr. Stoner confirmed the print was indeed a special find, and not a run of the mill reproduction. Stoner suspected the print was a limited edition lithograph whose value could be sizable.

“Dr. Stoner had a friend whose litho was worth something like $12,000 - but that was a much larger work,” said Nevin.

Although Nevin couldn’t find any comparable information about the lithograph in her initial internet searches, she promises further detective work to uncover the hidden story behind her own Wyeth masterpiece.
Dinner, dancing, and a silent auction were all part of the festivities at this year’s 24th annual Monmouth University Scholarship Ball, an event dedicated to raising scholarship funds.

About three hundred guests were greeted by the sounds of a five-piece musical ensemble in traditional Chinese costume. The band played Chinese folk music and mixed repertoire amid subtle pagoda lights, paper lanterns and dramatic shades of red.

“We were trying to offer people a really exciting, different experience,” said Chairwoman Barbara Rumsby, adding that the proceeds will go toward the Monmouth University Scholarship funds.

For the first time in the history of the Scholarship Ball guests were able to purchase a named scholarship for a minimum of $1,000. A roster of named scholarships generated by the event were printed in an ad journal that every guest received.

Recreating a scene from a Shanghai hotel in the raucous ’20s and ’30s, “An Evening in Old Shanghai” tantalized guests with a $100 raffle where one winner received two-first class tickets to Hong Kong, via Continental Airlines, plus luxury accommodations for a seven-day, six-night stay. All 200 tickets for the raffle sold quickly.

Another centerpiece was the Suzhou Tea Garden where beautiful floral arrangements and a koi pond created a distinctively Asian atmosphere of serenity. “The koi pond had to be stocked with goldfish for the event,” said Rumsby, “because koi need a larger area.”

This year’s Scholarship Ball allowed guests to bid on and purchase unique items and services from all over the world, ranging from an elegant sapphire and gold choker to an autographed 2006 N.Y. Giants football.

The black tie event is a highlight of the spring season in Monmouth and Ocean Counties, regularly garnering rave reviews from guests dressed to impress. The 2007 ball was no exception.

An impressive Chinese Lion Dance
surprised and delighted the crowd. Accompanied by steady percussion from the stage, the two-person Lion made its way through the assembled guests.

The traditional Lion Dance dates to the early Ch’in and Han Dynasties of nearly a thousand years ago. In Chinese tradition, the lions express joy and happiness, an important totem to ward off evil spirits at auspicious gatherings.

The first Monmouth University Scholarship Ball was held in 1982, to coincide with the premiere of the movie “Annie,” which was filmed in Monmouth’s Wilson Hall. Last year’s Scholarship Ball brought Annie actress Aileen Quinn back to campus and raised $207,000 to provide scholarships for students needing financial assistance. Since its inception the Scholarship Ball has raised nearly two million dollars.

Monmouth’s academic and grant program dedicates scholarship and grant dollars to assist all qualifying students in realizing the benefits of a private education. Seventy-five percent of Monmouth’s full-time undergraduate students receive financial assistance.
MONMOUTH ALUM LAUDED FOR AIR FORCE NURSING EFFORTS

The United States Air Force named Archer Braxton ’96 as the 2006 Perioperative (Operating Room) Nurse of the Year.

Braxton is a captain in the Air Force Nurse Corps and has racked up more than 30 years of combined enlisted and commissioned service. In addition to two tours of duty in Iraq, he supported Operation Enduring Freedom in Qatar and another mission in South Korea.

Writing of his second tour in Iraq as a member of a mobile forward surgical team, Braxton says he “was the only perioperative room nurse assigned to the Air Force Expeditionary Medical Squadron which supported U.S. Army combat operations conducted by the 101st Airborne.”

“Members of the Mobile Forward Surgical Team included two surgeons, an anesthesiologist, a surgical scrub tech, and me. We provided frontline emergency surgical treatment for over 45 traumatically injured soldiers and surgical care for many more soldiers with non-traumatic injuries/illnesses.”

“While in Iraq, I not only took care of surgical patients (my specialty), but I was also able to assist in the emergency room, on the medical-surgical unit, and the ICU.

“We were on-call 24/7 for over four months. Our main job was to stabilize severely wounded soldiers and provide medical evacuation to a larger military hospital for more definitive treatment. It gave us a great sense of pride to know that most of the soldiers we took care of were able to go home and see their families again—our survival rate was over 97 percent.”

Braxton challenges all students who are considering a career in health care to consider nursing. “The pool of qualified nurses is getting smaller at a time when our population is getting older. Our country will have a great demand for skilled nurses in the future, not only to take care of our aging population, but also to serve in the armed forces.”

Braxton says the Air Force considers skilled nurses to be very high value human resources, not only in Iraq and other war zones, but also in the United States. He lives with his wife Sandra and youngest daughter, Tequilla, in Ft. Walton Beach, Florida.

PROMOTION BRINGS RESPONSIBILITY IN IRAQ

Thomas G. Cahill ’91 was promoted from Major to Lieutenant Colonel in September 2006. LTC Cahill is now Senior Medical Advisor at the Al Kasik Military Base in Al Kasik, Iraq. In a recent letter, Tom writes “after graduating in 1991, I entered the Army and they sent me to do my Family Nurse Practitioner MSN at Florida State (1996-98).”

“I am presently in Iraq as the sole medical provider for an Iraqi Training Base (approximately 2,000 Iraqis and 25 Americans). It’s rather interesting - no lab, no x-ray, nearest hospital is an hour-long convoy ride away. You have to work based on your clinical judgment and whatever information you and your interpreter can get from the soldiers.”

“I have been at this base for six weeks (got to Iraq in June) and will probably be here till June ’07. I have treated everything from colds and diarrhea to gunshot wounds of the foot, kidney stones, burns of the leg and shrapnel wounds. Wouldn’t trade this experience for the world.”

Lieutenant Colonel Cahill expects to return to the United States in June 2008.
EMMY AWARD FOR ALUMNUS DEAN SMITH

Dean C. Smith ’92 was awarded the 2006 Emmy for Television News Photography in the Northern California (NorCal) region. Smith, a Communication major at Monmouth, was also recently honored with back to back awards from the Associated Press.

Smith won the Videographer of the Year Award in 2006 and 2007. The award was presented by the Associated Press Television and Radio Association of California, Nevada and Hawaii (APTRA) for Smith’s work at station KNTV of San Jose/San Francisco.

Smith credits the programs at Monmouth for achieving professional success. In addition to his ongoing news reporting duties, Smith has launched a website, www.yousurfrubes.com, which combines his passion for film with his passion for surfing. Smith has also been nominated for a second Emmy award in the 24 hour news category for 2007.

ALUMNUS DEBUTS MUSIC VIDEO AT GARDEN STATE FILM FESTIVAL

A music video co-directed by alumnus Adam Worth ’02 was selected for screening at the 2007 Garden State Film Festival in March. The video, “Vanguard,” produced for the band Jil Station, is a cinematic homage to Godard’s A Bout De Souffle (Breathless).

Also shown at the Festival was “Club Soda,” a short film featuring Sopranos star James Gandolfini as a “ghost-like” presence who serves as the spirit of a neighborhood bar. The Garden State Film Festival celebrates the independent film genre in a forum where local and other independent filmmakers can exhibit their work.

ALUMNA SUPPORTS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Stacia Manzo-McDonough ’87, award-winning doll artist and founder of Neva Dolls, donated over $90,000 worth of hardwood plank flooring to Habitat For Humanity of Mobile County, Alabama. The flooring is Russian birch crafted from trees logged in the remote forests of Siberia.

Kay Graham, manager of Habitat For Humanity in Mobile, lauded the donation. “This is one of the largest donations we have received to date. Her generosity and compassion will help Habitat For Humanity build many affordable homes for America’s less fortunate families.”

“Habitat For Humanity is a wonderful establishment. It is an honor and a privilege for me to be able to support such a fine organization. I look forward to working with them again in the future,” said Manzo-McDonough.

Stacia’s company, Neva Dolls, also donates a portion of the proceeds from the sales of their porcelain dolls to a children’s orphanage located in Russia.
ALUMNI RECEPTION IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

President Gaffney hosted a reception for Monmouth alumni and friends in the wood-paneled Cabinet Room at the Old Ebbitt Grill. The Cabinet Room features six paintings of game birds by Robin Hill, one of the world’s most distinguished bird painters and artists.

Established in 1856, it was a favorite of Presidents Grant, Cleveland, Harding and Theodore Roosevelt and is still a popular meeting spot for political insiders, journalists, celebrities and Monmouth alumni.

Like Monmouth’s own Wilson Hall, the Old Ebbitt Grill has a Beaux-Arts facade, and boasts a well appointed interior of mahogany, marble, and brass. The restaurant is steps from The White House and museums in downtown Washington.

For more information about alumni events in the Washington, DC area please contact the alumni office at 800-531-ALUM or alumni@monmouth.edu.
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Monmouth Alumna’s Memory Lives on:
SHE ALWAYS ROOTED FOR THE UNDERDOG

Jackie Robinson stepped up to the plate as the first African-American to play modern major league baseball, Harry S. Truman was president, and UFOs were reportedly seen in the New Mexico skies. The year was 1947.

BY HEATHER MCCULLOUGH MISTRETTA

I bet many of you cannot remember what you were doing that year. But for Mildred Neumann Olsen, a graduate of Asbury Park High School, 1947 marked the beginning of an altruistic life.

“As one of the class of ’47, Monmouth started me on a most wonderful life and career,” Mildred wrote in 2003. “Monmouth College came at the lowest point in my life and turned it around. By the acceptance of the people who were involved in Monmouth then, I was transformed and have had an unusual and wonderful career.”

She reluctantly left Monmouth because it was only a two-year college, and a master’s degree in education from New York University in 1953.

This may seem like a pretty ho-hum start, but it proved to be only the beginning for Mildred. “She had a dogged perseverance to create,” her son Warren recalled. “She had a willingness to attempt what most other people wouldn’t even try.”

Mildred first taught at PS11 in Dongan Hills, a section of Staten Island, NY, and then established the Trinity Lutheran School in Stapleton in 1960. She served as the school’s first principal and directed its early childhood program. The school is still open today.

In 1971 Mildred founded the March of Dimes camp for non-ambulatory children, the first of its kind in Staten Island. Her association with the March of Dimes never waned.

Mildred was also active in both the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, all the while teaching Sunday school at Trinity Lutheran Church and welcoming foster children, foreign exchange students, and victims of domestic abuse to her home. Hardly any visitor, even the canine variety, was ever turned away from her big white house on Pearl Street.

“As a mother, she was always great,” said her son Eric. “She was not someone to sit and watch television.” He added that the one television in their house was almost never turned on, and that she required her sons to learn an instrument and join Boy Scouts.

Today, Eric plays three instruments, and his brother Warren plays five. And they are both Eagle Scouts.

Mildred’s tireless energy also enabled her to support many organizations for the blind, and she worked with S.E.R.V.E. to screen senior citizens in Staten Island for eye defects. She also served as charter member and secretary of the Staten Island Association for the Visually Handicapped.

In the 1970s and 1980s Mildred set up the former Adventure Playground in Stapleton and Clifton, which was part of the Neighborhood Recreation Program that also brought music, art, and portable swimming pools to the area.

In 1997 she started Amity Guild, a program to develop self-esteem in

“The thing always happens that you really believe in; and the belief in a thing makes it happen.”

- FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT

her son Eric said. “She was sad to leave Monmouth,” he remembered her saying, recalling that she used to urge both her sons to attend Monmouth.

Graduating with an associate’s degree in sociology from Monmouth that year, Mildred went on to receive a B.A. in sociology from Wagner College in 1950.
pre-teen girls. As if that were not enough, Mildred was also affiliated with the Salvation Army, the Trinity Lutheran Church Women’s Guild, the Golden K Kiwanis Club, and the Staten Island Elks Lodge, whose state association named her Mother of the Year in 1984.

In 2001 at the age of 76, Mildred started a free sewing school in her home for women, which later turned into the Women, Education, Motivation, Goals and Opportunity (WEMGO) Charitable Trust. The program was designed to employ single mothers and women who had survived domestic abuse to create fleece items such as coats, capes, and hats.

Mildred died on March 26, 2006, at the age of 81, but the trust and her memory still lives on.

“Her faith was her biggest strength,” her son Eric said emphatically. “She never looked back. She never compromised it.” Her son Warren fondly recalled “hanging around the kitchen table discussing life,” adding that his mother loved “the energy of the teenage years.”

Mildred’s faith and ability to give continues in her two sons. Eric was recently recognized as volunteer of the year after serving 10 months at Camp Orion in Iraq as chaplain and major in the 2nd of the 108th Infantry Army Battalion. It was here that Eric started an audio journal of his experiences in Iraq, which were broadcast on a New York radio station. He spoke with soldiers on the front line, providing a valuable connection to their families and friends at home.

As a result, WSLU-FM of Canton earned the Edward R. Murrow Award in the category for Continuing Coverage, Radio Small Market, from the Radio-Television News Directors Association.

“It was intense. It was a hard pace. It was eye-opening. But I’m very committed to the soldiers,” Eric said, when asked about his visit to Iraq. “I am thankful for the opportunity to get the voices of the soldiers out. I have seen a lot of heroes over there doing their daily roles as soldiers, and I’m just thankful to have been part of that team.”

But his experience has not scared him away from service work. In February Eric traveled to South Africa to help out with the Swazi national forces as part of a U.S. Army mission.

Eric, who has served with the National Guard for 20 years, is the chaplain at Adirondack Correctional Facility in Ray Brook, NY.

Warren, who lives in the Boston area, modestly says he’s the less loquacious of the two sons, which may explain why he chose a career in writing and publishing. He currently works for Houghton-Mifflin.

Eric said he continues to instill the same values in his two children as his mother did. When asked what his fondest memory of his mother was, he said, “There are a thousand memories.”
Consider these figures:
• 1,545 yards rushing, ranking him as the fifth all-time ball carrier on the Hawks’ football charts.
• 248 feet, 8 inches javelin throw that stands as the Monmouth men’s varsity record.
• Finished in fifth place at the 2005 NCAA Division I championships, the second-best performance ever by a Monmouth track and field athlete at the NCAA Division I Nationals, trailing only third place by Augie Zilincar in the 1968 hammer throw.
• Has five Northeast Conference team titles—two in football, three in outdoor track and field.
• Has had four surgeries—two on his right elbow, one on his knee, one on his ankle.

But now, armed with a Monmouth degree in special education and a growing reputation as one of America’s leading prospects in the art of javelin throwing, Smith must start doing his computations in the metric system.

It will take a throw of at least 81 meters to earn a place on the USA team bound for the World Championships of Track and Field in Osaka, Japan, this August. And he’ll have to heave the spear a minimum of 81.80 meters to be considered a candidate for the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing, China.

For an athlete whose career-best toss of the 800-gram, 2.70-meter-long spear is 73.35 meters, these are definitely reachable objectives. The javelin, a weapon of ancient times, now is a featured contest in every major outdoor track and field meet. And he plans to be a featured thrower.

“The javelin is something I really love,” he said. “Yes, absolutely, it’s something I want to keep doing for years and years.”

“People who don’t know track and field have no idea what it takes to be a great javelin thrower,” says Monmouth track coach Joe Compagni. “They think you just go out and throw that thing.”

In truth, the art of throwing the javelin great distances is a technical exercise demanding the complete coordination of body and mind. Minor errors in technique will usually add up to major shortcomings on the final result.

Smith has first-hand knowledge of these ups and downs.

After placing fifth in the 2005 NCAA national finals, he failed to reach the 12-man final of the 2006 meet. But he bounced back two weeks later with a 70.12-meter toss to place 11th at the USA Track and Field Nationals, where he competed against the elite of the nation’s throwers, many of them post-collegiate veterans of the international circuit.

And that was good enough to impress the top men of the USA Track and Field men’s development committee. Smith was invited to join a select few other throwers on the national developmental squad, and that in turn will lead to fully-funded invitations to some of the nation’s biggest meets.

“I’ll head west to throw in the Mount Sac meet and the Triton meets in California, then the Eugene (Oregon) Invitational,” said Smith. “In between, we’ll get in some quality work at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista.

Bobby Smith’s numbers have always put him at the front of the line. They define the story of one of the finest athletes ever seen on the Monmouth University campus.

BOBBY SMITH ‘06

By Elliott Denman

Bobby Smith’s numbers have always put him at the front of the line. They define the story of one of the finest athletes ever seen on the Monmouth University campus.
(California) with (former leading U.S. throwers) Tom Pukstys and Duncan Atwood. It’s a huge opportunity for me.”

His biggest target in 2007 will be the USA Track and Field Outdoor National Championships, June 21-24 in Indianapolis, where the Osaka-bound team will be selected.

Monmouth’s own campus track and field facility has been upgraded with the recent construction of an all-weather javelin runway, which got its first use at the Northeast Conference Championships in May. Smith’s achievements helped spur the project.

Smith was honored as “college athlete of the year” at the annual banquet of the Shore Athletic Club (AC) in February and has joined the club’s varsity team. An array of Olympians and international athletes has competed for Shore AC over its seven-decade-plus history.

At each step of his athletic travels, Smith has been guided by some top-of-the-line coaches.

At Hopatcong High School, his mentor was Mike Juskus, who had been an NCAA Division I javelin champion himself at Rowan University. “I finally got serious about the javelin my senior year in high school,” said Smith. “Coach (Juskus) sat me down and said if I did the work I could be one of the best throwers in the state.”

He wound up being a lot more—not only winning everything in sight on the high school level but placing first in the USA Track and Field Junior Nationals (against college freshmen as well as high school athletes.) But the inadvertent use of an over-the-counter medication containing ephedrine resulted in his losing that gold medal.

In turn, though, he gained vital awareness of his sport’s strict rules against drug use.

At Monmouth, his parallel careers were directed by football coach Kevin Callahan and track coaches Compagni and assistant Abe Flores, the varsity throwing-event specialist.

Once he emerged as the top high school javelin thrower in the nation in the spring of 2001, such major track powers as UCLA and Florida State came calling. “But everything was already signed for me at Monmouth and it was a decision I never wanted to change,” he said. “I wouldn’t have done anything different.”

Coach Callahan was completely supportive of his dual-sport ambitions, and coaches Compagni and Flores had no problem sharing his talents with the football squad.

“The camaraderie of our teams in both sports, that was the big thing,” he said. “In high school, not everybody was that dedicated. At Monmouth, it was very different. All of us were very supportive of each other. That was so great about our Monmouth teams.”

“Most people have no idea of the work Bobby has done behind the scenes, all the weight work, the drills, studying the film, to get where he is today,” said Compagni. “Sure, he’s a pretty talented guy, but it took an awful lot of work, too. “In football, he was a heck of a running back. I wouldn’t have wanted to be the guy covering him.”

And now, as he prepares to launch his javelin on distant flights, few will be willing to stand in his way. **MU**
PHOTO OF MAURICE POLLAK
UNVEILED AT POLLAK THEATRE

Lois Broder honored her father, Maurice Pollak, in March by unveiling a photograph of him in the lobby of Pollak Theatre. The venue was named for Maurice Pollak in 1970 as the Pollak Auditorium, and later renamed Pollak Theatre on July 1, 2000 to reflect the increased role of the performing arts at the University.

Accompanied by her husband Marvin, Mrs. Broder spoke of her father’s reluctance to settle for mediocrity and his capacity for giving. “And he was so modest,” she added.

Maurice Pollak died in 1990 at the age of 94. He started his career in a family business in Manhattan named Henry Pollak Inc. that imported raw materials for hats and knitwear, serving as president from 1928 to 1958.

His interests proved to be wide-ranging. In 1941, he began breeding cattle, which later became internationally regarded as one of the best herds in the world. He received the American Jersey Cattle Club’s Master Breeder of Jersey Cattle award in 1955. He later became president of the Maurice Pollak Investment Office in West Long Branch.

After serving for 26 years as a Monmouth College trustee, he became life trustee in 1984. A year earlier the college established the Maurice Pollak Distinguished Community Service Award in an effort to acknowledge Mr. Pollak’s many years of philanthropic service and to reward an outstanding community member.

“It was the greatest gift for this landlocked university,” President Paul Gaffney said, referring to Mr. Pollak’s donation of 10 acres of land to Monmouth.

Mr. Pollak was an honorary trustee of Monmouth Medical Center, where he founded the Pollak Mental Health Center. He was also president of the Monmouth Park Charity Fund and was first to receive the Helen Herrman Humanitarian award of CPC Mental Health Services in 1985.

He also endowed the Maurice and Lucile Pollak Community Scholarship at Monmouth University, which is given to an incoming freshman and renewed annually for four consecutive years.

And Mr. Pollak’s legacy continues at Monmouth. His great grandson, David Wallach is currently a student at the University.

TWO PSYCHOLOGY MAJORS AWARDED HONOR SOCIETY RESEARCH GRANTS

Monmouth University psychology majors Natalie Nardone and Alanna Joy Raines were awarded undergraduate research grants from the national honor society of psychology, Psi Chi.

The two seniors are conducting their research under the supervision of Dr. Gary Lewandowski, assistant professor of psychology.

Nardone received $700 for research on self-understanding and the accuracy of behavioral prediction. She is also interested in how an individual’s self-views affect the quality of their close relationships. Nardone plans on attending graduate school for social psychology after graduating from Monmouth.

Raines received $900 for her research on writing about the self. The study is part of ongoing research that assesses whether writing about the self in terms of traits, thoughts, and behaviors across situations will positively affect a person’s self-understanding. She plans to attend graduate school for psychological counseling after graduating from Monmouth this year.

Psi Chi was founded in 1929 for the purposes of encouraging, stimulating, and maintaining excellence in scholarship, and advancing the science of psychology. Membership is open to graduate and undergraduate men and women who are making the study of psychology one of their major interests, and who meet the minimum qualifications.
URBAN COAST INSTITUTE RECEIVES GRANT FROM DICKINSON FOUNDATION

The trustees of the Fairleigh S. Dickinson, Jr. Foundation have awarded Monmouth University’s Urban Coast Institute (UCI) a $350,000 grant.

The grant will support expansion of the UCI’s real-time estuarine monitoring network and the work of a marine scientist to manage the network and associated research projects. The funding will also support the efforts of the UCI’s work with local communities to identify and implement priority watershed restoration demonstration projects.

The monitoring network is being developed by UCI Assistant Director John Tiedemann in collaboration with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection’s (DEP) Bureau of Marine Water Monitoring and includes the deployment of long-term, near real-time water quality monitoring stations. The network makes the data available to all interested parties over the internet. These automated water quality sensors in important estuarine waters of the state will allow scientists to better understand these ecosystems and the links between water quality, biological activity, and other stresses on the environment.

The UCI will also use the funds to implement a coastal watershed assessment and restoration initiative. This will provide municipal officials, community organizations, and local watershed management groups with the information and tools necessary to identify priorities and to develop and implement cost-effective strategies to protect and restore critical areas in coastal watersheds.

In making the award, the foundation trustees noted that they “have high expectations that the UCI’s estuarine monitoring networks will be of substantial benefit” to the watershed areas involved.

“This grant will provide a significant boost to the capacity of the UCI to track environmental conditions in critical estuaries at any given moment,” noted UCI Director Tony MacDonald. “In addition, it will also enable managers to more readily respond to events as they happen, which, in turn, can facilitate more accurate planning and decision-making.”

President Paul Gaffney expressed his appreciation to the Dickinson Foundation for the confidence it has placed in the University and the UCI. He also observed that “this funding comes at an important time as the UCI seeks to expand its work with coastal communities, enhance understanding of coastal environments, and bring the best science to bear on coastal management decisions.”

The UCI was established in September 2005 as one of Monmouth University’s “Centers of Distinction.” The mission of the UCI is to serve the public interest as a forum for research, education and collaboration that fosters the application of the best available science and policy. UCI seeks to support healthy and productive coastal ecosystems and a sustainable and economically vibrant future for coastal communities.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY STUDENT NAMED ALL-AMERICAN SCHOLAR

This year’s Collegiate All-American Yearbook will include a picture of Monmouth University senior Melissa Burro.

Burro, with a GPA of 3.86, was nominated by Dean of the Honors School Brian Garvey before being selected as one of the U.S. Achievement Academy’s scholars.

Also included in her long list of accolades is being a member of Alpha Phi Sigma, the national criminal justice honor society, where she plans on running for vice-president.

She is also a member of the criminal justice club, a computer lab assistant and is planning to tutor students in information technology and criminal justice.

The program was established to recognize students who excel in academic disciplines. Potential scholars must earn a 3.3 or higher GPA and be nominated by a school official or other qualified sponsor.

Burro plans to work for the State of New Jersey following graduation.
UNIVERSITY SUPPORTS WEATHERBUG PROGRAM

President Paul Gaffney presented a check for $5,000 to West Long Branch Board of Education President Kelli Campbell and West Long Branch Foundation for Education President Theresa Fontana at a recent meeting of the West Long Branch Foundation for Public Education. The donation will support the Weatherbug Achieve Program which is open to all district students.

As the former commander of the Navy Meteorology and Oceanography Command, President Gaffney is no stranger to the importance of understanding weather.

The Weatherbug program teaches students about weather and its widespread impact on far away places, and on more familiar areas like recess, baseball games, and school closings. Using a combination of live weather data, dynamic graphics, and interactive lesson plans, students are encouraged to apply lessons from math, science, and geography to understanding weather.

President Gaffney said the donation was an example of the University’s commitment to community service, and that Monmouth was delighted to help enrich the quality of education in West Long Branch.

MONMOUTH PRESENTS UNSUNG HERO AWARD

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Unsung Hero Award was presented January 31 to Founder and Director of the Monmouth County Food Pantry, Annie Hainesworth, Monmouth University students Julie Hudson and Erin Majesty, and faculty member Johanna Foster.

The MLK, Jr. Unsung Hero Award recognizes people from Monmouth University and the surrounding community who represent the ideals embodied by Dr. King and who are sometimes not recognized for their effort in keeping “the dream alive.”

Honoree Annie Hainesworth serves as Founder and Director of the Monmouth County Food Pantry. In her role she helps families in need and offers nutrition cooking class for all ages in the community. Through her volunteer efforts, Annie helps provide about 5,000 Thanksgiving baskets a year. For the December holidays, she helped brighten the lives of about 450 children by gathering donations from the United Way and businesses like Shop Rite, Wegmans, AT&T, and Pioneers.

Monmouth University students Julie Hudson and Erin Majesty were honored together for their work leading the campaign to bring fair-trade coffee to campus. Certified fair-trade coffee guarantees farmers a price that reflects the true costs of labor, land, and production of coffee grown using eco-friendly techniques. Ms. Majesty and Ms. Hudson raised awareness on campus about fair-trade coffee through information tables and a student petition drive. After a successful meeting with campus administrators, the University community now has the option of buying fair-trade coffee on campus.

Honoree Johanna Foster, specialist professor in political science, co-founded two educational programs for women in prison: College Connections and the Women’s Re-entry Initiative for Training and Education. She also organized the first-ever Monmouth University Clothesline Project that included over 80 t-shirts depicting women’s personal stories of intimate violence. In addition, she successfully encouraged a group of students to form the first Monmouth University Gender Studies Student Club.
UNIVERSITY EMPLOYEE GIVING BREAKS RECORDS

Faculty, staff and administrators donated a total of $126,628 in 2006 to support Monmouth University, up more than 40% over 2005. Vice President of University Advancement Jeff Mills said the campaign goal for employee giving in 2006 was $100,000, a stretch goal and significant increase over the $88,756 raised in 2005.

Dr. Mills said employee giving in 2006 broke records, adding, “one of our Trustees described the accomplishment as perhaps the most significant fundraising statistic of the year.”

Anthony DelFranco, director of the Annual Fund, noted the number of employees who participated in the campaign nearly doubled in 2006 from 2005. DelFranco credits efforts to educate employees about the importance of financial support from everyone in the University community with the increase.

DelFranco said “giving by employees helps support student scholarships, athletics, the arts, you name it,” he said, “there are so many exciting programs on campus; it is easy to find something you want to support.”

Dr. Mills agreed, adding, “giving by the faculty, staff and administrators reflects the commitment of the University community to our shared mission and goals. It shows we all have a stake in the quality and success of Monmouth University.”

HOSPITAL PRESIDENT RECOGNIZED AS DISTINGUISHED BUSINESS LEADER

President and CEO of Meridian Health John K. Lloyd was honored in March as the 2007 Distinguished Business Leader by the Monmouth University Business Council. With more than 300 business leaders and supporters in attendance at the black-tie event, Lloyd’s many achievements were recognized.

“Mr. Lloyd is an extraordinary business and community leader,” said President Paul Gaffney. “His devotion to serving the community and leading an organization that provides the highest quality health care to the New Jersey community is outstanding. We are proud to honor him for his many accomplishments.”

President Gaffney presented Lloyd with the 2007 Distinguished Business Leaders Award plaque “in recognition of his outstanding vision, corporate and civic leadership, and dedication to the education and nurturing of future business and healthcare leaders.”

Meridian Health was created in 1997 when Lloyd led the merger of Jersey Shore University Medical Center in Neptune, Ocean Medical Center in Brick, and Riverview Medical Center in Red Bank. It now includes K. Hovnanian Children’s Hospital at Jersey Shore and Meridian Partner Companies.

In 1998 Meridian Health was the first health care system in the U.S. to receive the Magnet Award for Nursing Excellence. In 2005 Meridian was one of only three health care organizations in the nation to receive the prestigious Mr. John M. Eisenberg Award for Patient Safety and Quality, a national award bestowed by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and the National Quality Forum.

Meridian has been named by Hospitals and Health Network Magazine as one of the top 100 “Most Wired” health systems in the U.S. for more than seven years, and this year was one of the top 25 “Most Wireless.” Meridian has also been named one of the “Best Places to Work in New Jersey” by NJBiz magazine, and has been recognized as the state’s Outstanding Employer of the Year by the New Jersey Business and Industry Association. J.D. Power and Associates has named Jersey Shore and Riverview as “Distinguished Hospitals for Inpatient Service.” And Jersey Shore was the first hospital in Monmouth and Ocean Counties to receive the N.J. Governor’s Award for Performance Excellence.

Lloyd received his bachelor’s degree from Princeton University, and then a master’s of Business Administration in Health Administration from Temple University.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a battalion supply officer, an instructor in the Marine Corps Service Support Schools, and upon release from active duty, a reserve first lieutenant.

The Distinguished Business Leaders Award was established in 1983 as part of Monmouth’s 50th anniversary celebration to pay tribute to the important contributions of the business community in the development of the University.
MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY HOSTS DIVERSITY CONFERENCE

Monmouth University in February hosted the Annual Statewide Diversity Issues in Higher Education Conference sponsored by the American Conference on Diversity.

The keynote speaker was Major General Joseph A. McNeil, one of the original North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University students responsible for the student sit-in movement in the 1960s. His actions became the catalyst for a major social movement that challenged racial segregation in the South.

McNeil defined the turbulent events of the Civil Rights Movement as part of human rights history and American history – and not as experiences limited to the history of Black rights. He similarly framed the nation’s experience with slavery as an American experience – not just a Black experience. The Civil War helped all Americans regain their collective humanity, McNeil stated.

McNeil also addressed the concept of respect as a value worth fighting for, especially in a media-saturated culture that sends demeaning messages. Rap music that denigrates women was an area of particular concern for McNeil. Describing the problem as an American problem, not a problem related to any race, McNeil urged the audience to boycott entertainment products that do not respect human rights at a fundamental level.

Citing an expression from his military background, McNeil said every citizen is responsible for what happens on “our watch,” and that we owe a debt to the human rights activists who have gone before to protect the dignity of all Americans.

The conference theme, “Educating for Inclusive Leadership: Developing the Next Generation of Leaders for Change,” focused on the preparation of and support for New Jersey’s young people as they enter an increasingly diverse work environment. The conference featured an Education and Employment Panel, which brought together representatives from New Jersey’s education system and private and public employers.

Panel members addressed diversity and leadership themes in relation to their areas of responsibility. Breakout sessions were facilitated by professionals from the American Conference on Diversity, college level administrators, and experienced employers.

The Annual Statewide Diversity Issues in Higher Education Conference has had over 1,200 students, faculty, and administrators participating from New Jersey’s public and private colleges and universities.

PROFESSOR GETS AWARD FOR BEST BOOK IN FEMINIST POPULAR CULTURE

Monmouth University history professor Katherine J. Parkin was given the Emily Toth Award by the University of Pennsylvania Press for her book, Food Is Love: Advertising and Gender Roles in Modern America.

It was named the best book in Feminist Popular Culture for 2006. The award is sponsored by the Popular Culture/American Culture Association.

Parkin asserts that advertisers continue to depict food ads in distinctly gendered terms despite the progress seen in other areas.

Food Is Love draws on thousands of ads that appeared in the most popular magazines of the 20th and early 21st centuries, including the Ladies’ Home Journal, Good Housekeeping, Ebony, and The Saturday Evening Post.

The Emily Toth Award was presented to Parkin at the annual meeting of the American Culture Association in Boston on April 6.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY HOLDS FREE NURSE CAMP THIS SUMMER

Monmouth University’s Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies will host a Nurse Camp for students entering or completing eighth grade.

The free camp, which will run June 25 through July 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., is supported by a grant from the NJ Commission on Higher Education. It will provide education and a hands-on learning environment for approximately 20-25 students who may be interested in pursuing a career in nursing or other health professions. The program includes all
field trips, scrub tops and pants, program materials, CPR certification, and meals on campus.

Nurse Camp is designed to provide young people with an opportunity to learn about themselves, their health, and to explore the rewards of a career in the health professions. Some of the activities that are planned include: CPR/First Aid instruction; shadowing a nurse in a clinical setting; taking care of “patients” through high tech simulations in the computer lab; scavenger hunts; fitness and wellness activities such as swimming, tennis or yoga; and a field trip to either the Franklin Institute or Liberty Science Center.

Many local healthcare providers and organizations are supporting the University in providing the Nurse Camp experience.

All applicants must be entering or completing eighth grade, have a B average, and be willing and able to attend the full session.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY AWARDS FIVE OUTSTANDING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Five high school students were given $1,000 Leadership Grants at a luncheon ceremony in February at Monmouth University.

The recipients were nominated by their school counselors and chosen on the basis of strong leadership qualities, which included citizenship, civility, and responsibility to their community.

The five recipients were Ashleigh Caws of Califon, NJ; Kenslie Kerestes of Dallas, PA; Andre Renaudo of Irvington, NJ; David Dubin of Fairfax, VA; and Christine D’Ottaviano of Deptford, NJ.

While living in and traveling in South Africa, Caws participated in an HIV/AIDS outreach program, providing monetary as well as hands-on support. She also contributed to the community of Avon, NC, where she helped repair homes that were affected by Hurricane Alex. She played soccer for four years, participating in the Umbro International Soccer Tour in England, and was chosen as a delegate for the Model UN.

Kerestes has been an officer of Mini-THON, a club created to raise funds for the fight against childhood cancer. She helped in creating numerous fundraisers and assisted in breast cancer awareness events, participated in Big Brothers, Big Sisters Bowl for kids, as well as many other events. She has been class president for four years, is a peer helper, a member of SADD, and captain of the cross-country and track teams.

Renaudo is a member of the Urban Youth Coalition, where he has assisted in hosting a toy and clothing drive for his township. He also served as a leader for the Lock in for Peace event. He is president of Future Business Leaders of America, treasurer of the Sigma Beta Club, and is a member of the Sons of Promise. He has also interned for the director of finance at City Hall and belongs to the Irvington Diplomats, who partner with the mayor’s office.

Dubin is an Eagle Scout and received All-American recognition at the Nike Indoor Nationals for track. He has also competed as a member of the Northern Virginia delegation to the Jewish Community Center Maccabi Games, earning six medals. He has been recognized in Who’s Who, as a College Board AP Scholar recipient and Honor Roll member.

D’Ottaviano was a recipient of the Legion of Valor. Through her leadership roles in her high school she coordinated the 1st Annual Arthritis Walk of Gloucester County. Christine is also a member of the National Honor Society, chief yearbook editor, and participates in Future Business Leaders of America, ERASE, and REBEL.

This is the second year Monmouth University has awarded the Leadership Grants.
ATHLETICS

THIRD STRAIGHT NEC INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP FOR MEN’S TRACK & FIELD

The men’s track & field team captured their third straight Northeast Conference Indoor Championship in February, with the Hawks placing in 15 of the events. MU scored 117 points for first place, with Sacred Heart finishing just two points behind.

“The men’s team did not have a perfect meet, but we did come up with some great individual performances to win our third straight championship,” said head coach Joe Compagni.

MU senior David Gaines tallied his first NEC Championship, winning the 800m with a time of 1:55.92. Bill Doherty claimed seventh in the same event, finishing in 1:59.95. Martin Suarez III and Craig Segal took third and fourth respectively in the 5,000m, with times of 15:18.89 and 15:30.40.

Fabrice St. Elme took second in the 60m (6.98), while freshman Chris Taiwo finished in seventh place (7.13). Darrin Chandler was seventh in the 400m with a time of 50.94.

Chris Vuono finished fifth in the 600m (1:15.89), while freshman Chris Taiwo finished in seventh place (7.13). Darrin Chandler was seventh in the 400m with a time of 50.94.

In the weight throw, Chris Keller was second (61’ 7”) with Ed Skowronski coming in third with a toss of 58’ 9 1/2”. The 4x400 relay team took fourth with a time of 3:23.81 while the distance medley relay team finished third with a time of 10:39.95.

In the first day of the competition, Monmouth’s throwers took three of the top five spots in the shot put with Nick Williams taking first with a toss of 55’ 9 3/4”. Keller was third with a throw of 53’ 4 1/2”, and Kyle Hirschklau was fifth with a toss 51’ 4 1/2”.

Graduate student Segal finished third in the 3,000m (8:40.55), while Suarez finished fifth in the event, crossing the line at 8:47.27. Dan Tamburini was sixth in the pole vault with a vault of 13’ 3 1/2”, while Rene also had a sixth place finish in the high jump with a leap of 21’ 4 1/2”.

YOUNGBLOOD NAMED NEC BASKETBALL ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Monmouth University freshman guard Jhamar Youngblood was selected as the 2006-07 Northeast Conference Rookie of the Year in a vote conducted by the league’s head coaches. Youngblood, also named to the All-Rookie Team, becomes Monmouth’s first Rookie of the Year since Alpha Ban- gura earned the honor in 1998-99.

Youngblood established himself as one of the NEC’s future stars during the 06-07 season. Stepping into a lead role in Monmouth’s backcourt with the graduation of four-year stalwarts Tyler Azzarelli and Chris Kenny, Youngblood earned a starting spot by late December and finished the season as a three-time Choice Hotels/NEC Rookie of the Week award winner.

Youngblood leads all NEC freshmen in field goal percentage and ranks second in steals and scoring. The Newark, New Jersey native is not only difficult to contain off the dribble and leading the break, but has also showed range on his shot, hitting 17-33 from beyond the arc in league play.

Youngblood capped his season with a 31-point, eight rebound performance against Sacred Heart on February 23. The 31 points were the most scored by an NEC freshman since St. Francis’s John Quintana hit for 31 on February 22, 2003.

Youngblood scored in double-digits on 20 occasions as a rookie and registered his first career double-double with 13 points and 12 rebounds in a victory at Wagner in early February. He was 49 minutes shy of becoming just the third freshman in program history to play 900 minutes in a first season, and ended the campaign with 369 points.

Alex Blackwell (1989-90) was the only other NEC Rookie of the Year in the Hawks’ history.

MU ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT WINS PRISM AWARD

The Monmouth University Athletics Department has been nationally recognized as the winner of a College Turnkey PRISM (Professionalism Results and Innovation in Sport Manage-
The Turnkey PRISM Awards, presented in partnership with Turnkey Sports and Entertainment, are also presented annually to franchises at both the major and minor league levels that demonstrate excellence in five categories of professional sport franchise management.

CLASS OF 2007 ANNOUNCED FOR SPORTS HALL OF FAME

The Monmouth University Sports Hall of Fame has announced the inductees chosen as members of the newly constituted Sports Hall of Fame. Members of the class of 2007 represent the first inductees to the Hall of Fame in nearly a quarter century. The last induction was held in November 1984.

The distinguished class of 2007 includes a member of the Class of 1976 Wendy Boglioli (Swimming), Edward Halicki ’74 and James LaRusso ’70 (Baseball), Christie Pearce Rampone ’99 (Soccer), Dick Steadman (Coach/Swimming), and Abe Schwartz (Administration/Coaching). Boglioli and Pearce Rampone are both Olympic medal winners.

The Monmouth University Sports Hall of Fame was established in 1981 to recognize, honor, and perpetuate the achievements of members of the Monmouth University family who have made outstanding contributions to Monmouth University athletics. These individuals have helped to bring recognition, honor, distinction, and excellence to Monmouth University and its athletics program.

The Hall of Fame Selection Committee solicited alumni and the general public for the names of eligible nominees. Candidates included athletes, coaches, staff, and supporters of the Monmouth University athletics program. Athletes are not eligible until five years after graduation, and University employees are not considered for selection prior to five years after the secession of their employment.

The inaugural Monmouth Athlete Hall of Fame Enshrinement Dinner was held on May 23, 1981. The charter class of inductees included: men’s basketball standouts Walt Mischler ’62 and Ron Korneya ’69 ’74; diving champions Susan Steadman LeGlise ’69 ’75 and Allan Frederick ’72; swimming standout Ken Tillman ’71; track and field All-American August “Augie” Zilincar ’69; and multi-sport athlete Dorothy “Dottie” McCrea ’73, who starred in basketball, tennis, and field hockey.

Additional members of the charter class included: Bill Boylan, who guided Monmouth’s Department of Athletics through its infancy; Dr. William Van Note, who served as president of Monmouth University from 1962-71; and Ann Nowick, who was a strong supporter of the nationally-renowned swimming and diving team.

The next Hall of Fame induction took place on November 3, 1984. The second class included: basketball star Bruce Beckman ’62; baseball great Bill Dolan ’63; tennis standout Robert Thaler ’66; and Clarence “Walt” Withey, a pioneer during the early years of Monmouth College, and an administrator who served in numerous positions before retiring as vice president of business affairs in 1969.

Induction ceremonies for the newly constituted Hall of Fame are scheduled to take place over the weekend of November 9-10, 2007. For more information about the event please contact Associate Athletics Director Clint Wulfekotte at (732) 263-5750.
UNDERSTANDING THE HUMAN GENOME PROJECT
Michael A. Palladino, Ph.D.
(Benjamin Cummings, $10.00)

Completion of the Human Genome Project is just the tip of the iceberg in our understanding of human genetics. How can information gathered during the Human Genome Project be used?

This brief booklet explains in accessible language what readers need to understand about the Human Genome Project, including the background, findings, and social and ethical implications. The author, Michael Palladino, also includes relevant Web resources and exercises for readers.

OUT THERE, SOMEWHERE
By John Morano
(Blue Works, $14.99)

Out There, Somewhere is third in John Morano’s “eco-adventure” series. This novel features a coelacanth or “canth” called Maputa. Coelacanths are living fossils that swim the ocean depths. Morano portrays them as humble and powerful beings that have long hunted, borne young, and prayed to the spirit-fish.

Characters like Norton the stargazer, Cariam the octopus, Shareef the shrimp and Pagre the angelfish filled with divinity make the book a fun read for children from fourth grade and up.

THE DRAWINGS AND WATERCOLORS OF LEWIS MUMFORD
By Vincent DiMattio, M.F.A. and Kenneth Stunkel, Ph.D.
(Mellen Press, $99.95)

For more than half a century the distinguished critic, humanist, and historian Lewis Mumford accumulated sketches and watercolors that he executed while engaged in exploratory rambles through cities and landscapes. He also sketched notable people associated with his early education and career as a nationally recognized writer, which resulted in the National Medal of Freedom and the National Medal of Art. His hundreds of drawings lay buried in folders in Amenia, NY, until the 1980s. The authors spent many hours with Mumford and his wife, Sophia, until his death in 1990, and secured custody of all the drawings and watercolors for Monmouth University.
DIGGING NEW JERSEY'S PAST: HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY IN THE GARDEN STATE
By Richard Veit, Ph.D. (Rutgers University Press, $22.00)

When people think of archaeology, they commonly think of unearthing the remains of ancient civilizations in Egypt, Greece, Rome, Central or South America. But some fascinating history can be found in your own New Jersey backyard—if you know where to look.

This illustrated guidebook takes readers to some of the state’s most interesting buried treasures and tells us what has been learned or is being learned from them. The diverse array of archaeological digs, drawn from all parts of the state, includes a seventeenth-century Dutch trading post, the site of the Battle of Monmouth, the gravemarkers of freed slaves, and a 1920s railroad roundhouse, among others.

How do archaeologists go about excavating a site? What happens to artifacts after they have been removed? How are they cataloged, stored, and interpreted? Veit answers these questions and offers insight about the future of archaeological research in New Jersey and suggestions on ways that interested individuals can become involved in the field.

FIFTY MAJOR ECONOMISTS: A REFERENCE GUIDE
By Steven Pressman, Ph.D. (Routledge, $26.95)

Designed as a reference tool for students and writers, Pressman provides brief biographical data on fifty of the economists who have shaped the discipline of economics, along with analysis of the major features of their economic thought. The book moves chronologically through the economic landscape, pausing to highlight the important economic thinkers, and explaining both their lasting ideas and their forgotten ones.

Described as “the best place for anyone to start reading about economics,” Pressman provides balanced coverage of the contributions of a wide range of economists, from Adam Smith to Gary Becker and Robert E. Lucas. Lists of the writers’ works are included, along with guides to further reading and a glossary of the economic terms used in the book.

POLITICAL INDOCTRINATION IN THE U.S. ARMY FROM WORLD WAR II TO THE VIETNAM WAR
By Christopher S. DeRosa, Ph.D. (University of Nebraska Press, $49.95)

After drilling troops during the American Revolution, Baron Friedrich von Steuben reportedly noted that although one could tell a Prussian what to do and expect him to do it, one had to tell an American why he ought to do something before he would comply. Although such individualistic thinking is part of the democratic genius of American society, it also complicates efforts to train and educate citizen-soldiers.

For more than three decades, the U.S. Army’s “Troop Information” program used films, radio programs, pamphlets, and lectures to stir patriotism and spark contempt for the enemy. Christopher S. DeRosa examines soldiers’ formal political indoctrination, focusing on the political training of draftees and short-term volunteers from 1940 to 1973. DeRosa analyzes the political messages the nation conveyed to its army during three decades of conscription. He examines how the program took root as an army institution, how its technique evolved over time, and how it interacted with the larger American political culture.

These titles and other works by faculty authors are available online from http://mubookstore.monmouth.edu
CLASS OF 1965
FRED DENTE (Bus. Adm.) is a founding board member of the North Shore School of Music in Princeville, part of Kauai, Hawaii.

CLASS OF 1971
JAY RUISI (Bus. Adm.) was promoted to vice president of the Home Equity Department at Kearny Federal Savings Bank. He most recently served as assistant vice president of the bank. He lives in Clifton.

CLASS OF 1972
ROBERT LORDI (Bus. Adm.) is the vice president of corporate services for NAI Global, the world’s premier network of commercial real estate brokerage firms and one of the largest real estate services providers worldwide. He lives in Union.

BRUCE MAIN (Bus. Adm.) is retired and living in Healdsburg, CA. He conducts wine tastings and cave tours at the Robert Young Estate Winery.

CLASS OF 1974
JEREMY SALTER (Chem.), along with Allan Lazar and Dan Karlan, has co-authored “The 101 Most Influential People Who Never Lived,” published last October by HarperCollins. He lives in Lake Hiawatha.

CLASS OF 1975
BEVERLEE AKERBLOM (M.B.A.) was hired as an accountant for the Fort Monmouth Economic Revitalization Planning Authority in February. She lives in Shrewsbury.

CLASS OF 1976
GLENN LEBOEUF (Hist.) hosted the lecture, “10 Moral Moments in the Life of Abraham Lincoln” at the First Presbyterian Church of New Vernon in March. He is currently pursuing a master’s degree in Military Science from Norwich University.

CLASS OF 1977
RICHARD DELFOSSE (Bus. Adm.) is a project manager for Unitone Communications Systems, Inc. He lives with his wife Kathleen and daughter Chrissy in Norwalk, CT.

CLASS OF 1979
PAUL GIANNONE (Bus. Acct.) has joined the real estate firm of Jones Lang LaSalle as one of two executive vice presidents. Teaming up with James D. Scanlon, Paul will open a new office in Metropark. He had previously been employed by Newmark Knight Frank. Paul resides in Ocean Township.

CLASS OF 1984
CHARLES WRAY (M.B.A.) is now online editor/content development manager for The Press of Atlantic City Media Group. He had been the city editor since 1992. He lives with his wife Lindsay and their two children, Chuck and Meredith, in Egg Harbor Township.

CLASS OF 1986
LAURA CASEY (Math.) has published her first book, “How to Get the Health Care You Want.” Living in Austin, TX, she works for a large radiology practice, managing 90 people responsible for all functions relating to revenue cycle management.

CLASS OF 1987
TOM BURKE (M.B.A.) is the new general manager for Argosy in Kansas City, MO. He previously worked for Penn National Gaming’s Bullwhackers casinos in Colorado, and before that had opened the Station Casino Kansas City (now Ameristar) and oversaw all aspects of the casino/hotel operation.

KENNETH FINNEGAN (Bus. Adm.) became advertising director for The Jersey Journal. He had previously worked as the advertising manager for The Daily Record. He and his wife Eileen live with their four children in Wyckoff.

CLASS OF 1990
SHERRY MITCHELL (Comp. Sci.) has launched the company, On Way to Zion, to provide life coaching services. It specializes in motivating people with chronic diseases such as multiple sclerosis as well as helping individuals to recognize and achieve their potential. She is a National Certified Counselor and lives in Belle Mead.

COLLEEN TobIN (Bus. Mrkt.) has joined the Prudential Zack Shore Properties sales office in Sea Girt. She lives in Wall.
IAN HUGHES (Bus. Mgmt.) married Tara Patrice DiNuzzo on August 19. Ian is a fourth-year medical student at St. George’s University, and Tara is a fourth-grade teacher in Franklin Lakes. The couple resides in Wyckoff.

LEONARD VALEN-TINO (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. ’96) was promoted to chief operating officer at Rita’s Water Ice Franchise Co., headquartered in Bensalem, PA. He has been with the company since 2005. Lenny lives with his wife and son in Jackson.

ADAM BRETT (Comm.) is a project manager at Yahoo! Music in Santa Monica. He and his wife Beth live with their six month-old daughter Ilianna in Pacific Palisades, CA.

JAMES FIASCONARO (M.S.Ed.) earned a doctorate from Seton Hall University in Education Leadership, Management and Policy. He is a school administrator in Monmouth County and an adjunct professor at Kean University in Union. He is married with two daughters.

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HEATHER FOX (Comm.) (M.A.T. ’96) married J. Christopher Ball August 6, 2006. She is the manager of undergraduate initiatives for the American University Career Center in Washington, DC. Her husband is an assistant professor of chemistry for American University. They live in Alexandria, VA.

JAMES DEMPSEY (M.B.A.) was inducted into the Point Pleasant Foundation for Excellence in Education’s Hall of Fame in March. He is a resource management officer, appointed as the chief of the business management division of the office of the Project Manager, Defense Communications and Army Switched Systems at Fort Monmouth.

THOMAS BIRO (Bus. Adm.) became the senior director of new media strategies at MWW Group in East Rutherford. Since joining the public relations firm more than a year ago, Tom has helped implement a number of award-winning campaigns using new media strategies. He lives in Asbury Park.
CLASS OF 1999

GREGORY LEVINE (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. ’01) married Andrea Frolick August 27, 2006. He is a manager in the accounting department for Sony BMG Music in Lyndhurst, while she is a sourcing associate at Phillips-Van Heusen in Bridgewater. The couple lives in New Brunswick.

MAUREEN MCCARTHY (Soft. Eng.) married William Ireland September 9, 2006. Maureen is a software engineer and senior member of the technical staff for AT&T in Middletown, while her husband is a flooring specialist for Bill Ireland, LLC in Toms River. The couple resides in Toms River.

JODI ROSENSVINGE (Psych.) married Kenneth Rayhon November 4, 2006. Monmouth alumni in attendance included Jill (Loftus) Phelb (Comm. ’00), Candee (Scognamillo) McAloon (Psych. ’99, M.S.W. ’01), and Lisa (Silva) Bechtold (Hist. ’00). Jodi is a middle school teacher, while Kenneth is a N.J. State Police Officer in Bordentown. They live in Freehold.

LISA (DILLON) SUTERA (Bus. Mgmt.) and her husband Joe Sutera welcomed son Joseph John on January 2. The family resides in Little Ferry.

CLASS OF 2000

JOSEPH VETRANO JR (M.A.T.) and Gina Harvey were married June 10, 2006. The couple lives in Brick.

ANTHONY WEIMMER III (Crim. J.) and Dawn Paradise (Bus. Mgmt. ’01) were married August 13, 2006. Alumni in attendance were Anne Marie (Havens) Price (Psych. ’00, Psych. Coun. ’02), Laurie Paster (Spec. Ed. ’00), Nick Weimmer (Bio. ’02), Jennifer Hayes (Psych. ’00), Lauran Platt (Ed., Comm. ’00), Eric Platt (Bus. Mktg. ’00), Christina Kurowski (Bus. Acct. ’00), Lori Hubb (Bus. Mktg. ’00), Melissa Mastorelli (Inter. St. ’00), and Matt Mastorelli (Comm. ’00, Corp./Pub. Comm. ’02). Dawn is a catering sales manager at The Pleasantdale Chateau in West Orange, and Anthony is a special education teacher with the Bayonne Board of Education.

KIMBERLEY CAULFIELD (Psych.) married Jeffrey Fawkes (Poli. Sci. ’00) August 26, 2006. Alumni in attendance were Sonia Galipo (Soc. Work ’01, M.S.W. ’02), Christopher Galipo ’01, Paula Mensch (Comm. ’02), Carl Nicolini (Bus. Adm. ’75), and Cynthia Settembrino (Elem. Ed. ’70). Kimberley works at Fairleigh Dickinson University as assistant director of admissions, while Jeffrey works at Bloomberg, L.P. with the compliance messaging group. The couple resides in Parsippany.

SHAUN COONEY (Music) is the lead singer for northern New Jersey trio, The Blue Suede Bombers, who play a more modernized sound that combines traditional rockabilly with elements of surf, punk, and metal. The group recently released its debut EP, “Songs for Sinners,” which is available on the band’s website, www.bluesuedebombers.com. He lives in Parsippany.

KARIN DIMICHELE (M.A. Crim. J.) was promoted to lieutenant for the Berkeley Police Department, making her the first female officer to hold such a rank in Berkeley. She has worked for the police department for 12 years.

CLASS OF 2001

DENNIS BALDASSARI (Crim. J.) will teach a new section of fifth grade at Harding Township School, where he has been substituting for the past few years. He is working on his permanent teacher’s certification and is also taking a program through the state’s alternate route, a provisional teacher training program. Dennis lives in Morristown.

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JENNIFER FALVEY (Sp. Ed.) married Brendan Donegan July 22, 2006. Monmouth alumni in attendance were Danielle Sardano (Sp. Ed ’01), Kristen Morra (Psych. ’01), Megan Jones (M.S.E. ’03), Tara Marseglia (Comm. ’01), Andrea Magley (Bio. ’01), Ian Magley (Bus. Mrkt. ’01), Jeff Toth (Bus. Mgmt. ’02), Tom Botwin (Bus. Adm. ’01), Greg Landis (Bus. Adm. ’01), and Brian Gismonde (Med. Term. ’02). Jennifer teaches special education, and Brendan teaches chemistry. They live in Ogdensburg.

JOSEPH CONKLIN (M.A. Lib. Studies) has launched a new website called ClimatePolice.com to offer additional information about global warming. He resides in Atlantic Highlands.

MELISSA HANFORD (M.A.T.) married Bernard Daus July 29. She is a fifth-grade teacher for the Barnegat school district, while he is a carpenter for Federal Business Centers in Edison. They live in Lacey.

SOFIA BARDIS (Sp. Ed.) married Sotiris Kaklamakis (Bus. Adm. ’99) July 2, 2006. Monmouth alumni in attendance were Loula Bardin (Bus. Adm. ’07), Maria Lambrinos (Ed. ’05), and Voula Stefanou (Ed. ’07). He is a real estate agent with Weichert Realtors in Oakhurst, while she is a special education teacher in Howell. The couple resides in Wall.

SALLY NEWBURY (M.B.A.) and Robert Balioni were married February 23. She is an advertising sales manager for The New York Daily News, while he is a physical education and health teacher for George Washington High School in Brooklyn.

KLASS NOTES

KYLE KELLER (Crim. J.) is an associate in the litigation department in White and Williams LLP’s Cherry Hill office. He is licensed to practice law in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

JILL ZwICK (B.S.W.) has worked for The National Alliance for Mental Illness for the past three years. She lives in Long Branch.

JENNIFER (SHERIDAN) STARK (Psych.) and her husband John welcomed their son Ryland Joseph on September 8, 2006. The family resides in Cherry Hill.

TARA ORLANDO (Comm.) works as an elementary Health and Physical Education teacher in Branchburg. She is expected to marry Jason Kolbe (Crim. J. ’02) in October. Jason is employed by Travelers Insurance.

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CLASS OF 2003

KRISTIN DUTCH (Comm.) and Colin Worthley were married on July 21, 2006. Monmouth alumni in attendance included: Regina Shinn (Poli. Sci. ’04), Merideth Dzubina (Comm. ’04), Amy Silva (Comm. ’05), Danielle O’Rourke (Hist./Poli. Sci. ’05), Lindsay Risler (Poli. Sci. ’05), Kimberly Shulack (Bus. Econ. ’05), Professor Christine Simoes, and Professor Lorna Schmidt.
GERALDINE PADOVANO (M.A.T.) married Ralph Martinez Jr. August 11, 2006. She is a fifth-grade science and math teacher at Maple Place Middle School in Oceanport, while he works for Lynnes Nissan and Subaru in Bloomfield. The couple resides in Tinton Falls.

DANIELLE SILVA (M.A.T.) married Daniel Mizak September 16, 2006. She teaches history at Woodbridge High School. The couple lives in Avenel.

DEVON GOTTSHALK (Comm.) and Gregory Acquaviva (Hist./Poli. Sci. ’03) plan to be married September 14, 2007.

RONALD WARDELL JR (M.S. Ed.) (M.A.T. ’01) married Jamie Durham June 30, 2006. Ronald is the supervisor of mathematics for Monmouth Regional High School in Tinton Falls, while Jamie is a patent docket specialist for Kelly Law Registry assigned to Johnson & Johnson. They live in Neptune City.

NICOLE WESTREICH (M.A.T.) married Matthew Mendelsohn August 12, 2006. Nicole is a Spanish teacher for the Marlboro Board of Education. Her husband is a lawyer for Mazie Slater Katz & Freeman in Roseland. The couples lives in New Brunswick.

CLASS OF 2006

JOSEPH KEENAN (Bus. Mrkt.) was hired by The Kislak Co., Inc. as a sales associate.

JESSICA ROSS (Comm.) is now a production associate with VH1 Production Management. She will be working on Best Week Ever, which tapes four days a week in New York City and three days in Los Angeles.

NICOLE ZUCHLINSKI (Bio.) has been accepted into the Peace Corps. She will be departing for the Dominican Republic on February 15 to become an Agroforestry Community Extensionist Volunteer. The position will entail the demonstration of techniques to farmers to increase production of staple crops as well as working with students and farmers to improve new crops by teaching “bio-intensive” gardening. She works for Mary Paul Labs in Sparta.

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FORMER FACULTY

2007 HAROLD BARTO (Professor Emeritus of History—retired in 1998 after 27 years)
February 6, 2007
JANET WENNIK (associate professor emerita of political science)
February 26, 2007

FRIENDS

2007 PATRICIA CORLISS
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June 27, 2006
SALLY TURRELL
February 6, 2007
WE visited with Vice President for Enrollment Management Bob McCaig. Dr. McCaig joined Monmouth University in December 2005 from Penn State Abington where he served as director of enrollment management and retention. He received his bachelor’s degree from Penn State, his master’s degree from Arcadia University, and doctoral degree from Temple University.

Dr. McCaig began his career as a faculty member teaching English, moved to academic administration and eventually enrollment management. During his tenure at Penn State Abington, Dr. McCaig led a successful program which increased admission numbers, academic quality, and ethnic diversity.

Q Can you tell us about the new summer schedule at Monmouth?

A Last year we made minor changes to the summer schedule and the results were encouraging. Enrollment was up significantly, with an increase of more than 1,000 credits. This year we’ve rethought the entire process from the ground up, focusing on the needs of students.

We’ve added a new summer session and strategically changed the start dates of two other sessions to make them more student-friendly. The schedule shift means students can begin classes in a summer session immediately following the end of the spring term or just before the fall term to catch up or earn extra credits.

We are also lowering the cost and increasing the overall availability of student housing in the summer. When we looked at the way housing was priced last year, the numbers didn’t add up. Students were paying more for housing during the summer than during the regular term. The new model is better for students and more competitive with our peers. Moreover, changes to the summer housing plan allow students to stay in their current dorms from the spring term at least through the end of the first summer session.

Q What other changes are underway for summer at Monmouth?

A The changes to the summer program are really systemic. In addition to improving student housing and the academic calendar, we are re-finishing and expanding the academic programs. I am very excited about our new Linked Learning Communities program. The Linked Learning Communities concept pairs complimentary classes from different academic areas. Faculty members work together to integrate academic themes across the two courses. A great example is the linked learning community for Marine Science and Public Policy.

Within this learning community, the same cohort of students takes a Marine Science class and a Public Policy class. What is really exciting is that students in the Marine Science/Public Policy learning community will also apply their knowledge by drawing on the resources of two distinct centers of excellence at Monmouth: the Urban Coast Institute and the Polling Institute. The second Linked Learning Community builds on a pairing of Psychology and Sociology classes.

We are also expanding the College Acceleration Program (CAP). The CAP is open to academically-gifted high school students. The program allows students to earn easily transferable college credits in classes common to most university curricula. Students with a 3.0 GPA and combined SAT/PSAT score of 1050 also earn an immediate $500 summer scholarship for each class. From a purely selfish perspective, we hope that once these high schoolers experience Monmouth they will make us their top college choice!

Q What are your longer term plans?

A There are a lot of exciting changes ahead for Monmouth. In the near term, we are re-thinking the delivery and focus of our Graduate School. We can improve the way we meet the needs of professionals who invest in their career through higher education.

Monmouth will expand use of proven innovations in education like blended learning which offers a hybrid of online and classroom instruction. Faculty-student interaction is one of the University’s great strengths. We are interested in building on that foundation, not replacing it.

When we looked at the summer program at Monmouth, we asked students what they wanted and set about finding a way to deliver it. The same process is happening at the graduate level. Staying student-focused will help the University attract the best candidates to our graduate programs.

A great example of this change is the new Accelerated MBA program. By using a combination of classroom and online formats, the program provides a time-saving alternative to a traditional two-year MBA program. Students will be able to earn an MBA in just a year. We are also looking at a five-year combined BS/MBA degree as a way to leverage the strength of the program. It certainly helps that Princeton Review cited Monmouth as having one of the top 228 business schools in the country.

Also in the near term, we are looking forward to unveiling a new design for the Monmouth University website. The site will be transformed in phases over the next several months. We did extensive focus group interviews with prospective students, students, parents, and faculty to learn which features need to be changed and improved.

Very soon visitors to the website will see a whole new look and feel. The updates reflect the best of Monmouth tradition while capturing the exciting changes underway.
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“The faculty...prepared me well for teaching and graduate school. They took time with their students, and had high expectations. Monmouth was my transition into another life. I am so grateful for the experiences and education that I received there,” says Patrick Richard Lane ’62, who was known affectionately as “Laner” by fellow students during his time on campus.

The affection that Dr. Lane has for Monmouth began in his freshman year in 1958, but neither time nor a successful career as a clinical psychologist have diminished his enthusiasm for the University and his desire to stay connected.

He has chosen to cement the relationship by including a bequest to the University in his will.

Dr. Lane, who often was in the center of campus events as a student, now is involved in efforts to bring together Monmouth alumni who live or work in New York City for social and professional networking.

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