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CORRECTIONS:
The photograph of the Monmouth University Library used on the cover of the previous issue should have been credited to student photographer David Beales.
The masthead of the previous issue misspelled ROCHELLE RITACCO as 'Ritaccho.'
We regret the errors.

ON THE COVER:
Capital Campaign Chair Paul Doherty, President Paul Gaffney, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees Stephen Parks are joined by the MU Cheerleaders and Shadow the Hawk. Photograph by Jim Reme.
EPIC MOMENT IN THE LIBRARY

Thanks for the informative and intriguing story by Elliott Denman on the library dedication. It brought back memories of my own epic moment at the Guggenheim. In the summer of 1966 I was the swim instructor at Camp Oakhurst, a summer camp for children and adults with physical disabilities. The camp was operated by the New York Service for the Orthopedically Handicapped and our campers came from urban communities such as Bed-Stuy, Brownsville and Harlem. Many of them, having lived their whole lives in apartments, had never been in a house, let alone a mansion like the Guggenheim.

One rainy day I brought a group of about a dozen teenagers on a tour of the library. Just as we got all the kids with their wheelchairs, crutches and leg braces in the door, I heard a voice, “Murray I gotta pee.” It was Troy. Confined to a wheelchair by cerebral palsy, Troy could type and paint with his bare right foot. “Can you hold it until I go back and get a urinal from the camp bus?” I asked. “NO” was the emphatic reply. “Troy, the bathroom is on the second floor.” “Carry me up.”

The only way to the bathroom was up the spiral staircase. As I hoisted Troy out of his wheelchair and over my shoulder, I discovered that Troy was about six foot three and I was barely 5’9”. “If you pee on me I’ll kill you Troy.” Troy started laughing. He knew an idle threat when he heard one. Up the stairs we went, Troy’s arms contracting and involuntarily pummeling my back, and both of us laughing all the way. We got into the bathroom which was a tiny powder room. I don’t remember how I got his pants down, but there was no time to lose. I hoisted him up by the armpits and he accomplished his mission.

I felt like Rocky Balboa on the steps of the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Murray Simon ’68

MEMORIES OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.’S SPEECH

I was so pleased to see the article on Dr. King’s visit to Monmouth College in latest Monmouth University Magazine (Vol. 26, #3). We have been trying to remember and find the date of that event for some time now. It was nowhere to be found on the Internet.

My aunt had been visiting me from the Netherlands that month, and she had been absolutely thrilled by the coincidence. Dr. King was a greater hero in Europe than in the U.S. at that time, as witnessed by his receiving the Swedish Nobel Prize.

I was a sophomore at Monmouth at the time and might not even have gone to the lecture, if it hadn’t been for my aunt’s enthusiasm. She was practically the first person to stand up and applaud (embarrassing the hell out of me). I don’t remember if she got to shake his hand, as she wanted to, or if he was whisked away.

The article mentions that attendees to the commemoration received a copy of his speech (which was NOT reprinted with the article). Could you send me a copy?

My aunt would be especially thrilled when I enclose it with her birthday card at the end of the month.

Jitske (Smith) Bergman ’73

Editor's note: If you would like a copy of Dr. King’s speech, please write to mailquad@monmouth.edu

CAUGHT ON CAMPUS

Can you identify this cool character? To win a copy of the handsome coffee table book, Great Steps, you must correctly identify this Monmouth alumnus and provide a brief personal anecdote. If you are up on your Monmouth University trivia, please write:

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Former president of Monmouth College, William G. Van Note, and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. meet October 6, 1966.

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N.B.: Due to space limitations, we regret that we can publish only a small sampling of the letters we receive.
Amid the glitter of the 33rd annual Library Association Holiday Ball, President Paul Gaffney declared victory in the Vision for Distinction Capital Campaign. In addition to providing a ceremonial close to the current capital campaign, the Ball marked the 50th anniversary of the Monmouth University Library Association.
As President Gaffney made the announcement, a banner was unfurled from the third floor of Wilson Hall, highlighting the financial milestones of the comprehensive capital campaign for the assembled guests.

Initiated by President Emerita Rebecca Stafford and approved by the Board of Trustees in 2000, the campaign began with a goal of raising $40 million. The goal was increased to $45 million in September 2005 at the kick-off celebration of the public phase of the campaign.

“The Campaign Executive Committee and Board of Trustees were confident that Monmouth could reach a higher target,” said Jeff Mills, vice president of University Advancement, “but we were surprised that we surpassed the initial goal by so much, so quickly.”

The Vision for Distinction Capital Campaign is the most ambitious in the history of Monmouth University, ultimately raising more than 10 times the amount of the previous capital campaign. The goal for the Ensure the Vision Capital Campaign, which began in late 1996, was $5 million.

“The difference between the two campaigns highlights the tremendous growth the University has experienced over the last decade,” noted President Gaffney, “but we still have a lot to look forward to and a lot to accomplish.”

Prior to the $5 million Ensure the Vision Capital Campaign, the University successfully completed an $18 million capital campaign, Design for Monmouth, which began in 1986 and concluded in October 1993.

The Vision for Distinction campaign has raised more than $10 million for the University endowment, more than doubling the original target of $5 million. Increasing the endowment fulfills a strategic goal of the campaign. Other achievements include construction of the Jules L. Plangere Jr. Center for Communication and Instructional Technology (CCIT), and expansion and renovation of the Monmouth University Library.

Broader campaign goals included enhancements to the academic facilities, increasing the percentage of alumni who support Monmouth financially, and attracting investment from the philanthropic community in support of the University’s mission for higher education.

“The success of the Vision for Distinction Capital Campaign didn’t come overnight. Years of planning, hard work, and the steadfast commitment of many donors over many years are responsible for this success,” said Campaign Executive Committee member Sandra Mullaney at the Library Association Holiday Ball.

Jeff Mills also emphasized the team effort behind the success of the campaign citing his predecessor, Dennis Macro. “Dennis was instrumental in building the strong base of donor support for this campaign,” adding, “his planning laid the foundation for the final public phase of the Vision for Distinction.”

A major gift of $2 million from the Hess Foundation establishing an endowed chair at the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies helped push the campaign past its $45 million goal.

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The endowment supports nursing education to meet the special needs of adults and senior citizens.

“The nursing endowment demonstrates how support for the University is also a long-term investment in our community,” said President Gaffney. “Nursing students who benefit from specialized training in senior care will have a direct impact on the health and well-being of senior citizens in Monmouth County, and far beyond, for many years to come,” he added.

The lead campaign gift was $5 million from Jane and Jules L. Plangere, Jr. The donation, supporting the Jules L. Plangere, Jr. Center for Communication and Instructional Technology, remains the largest single private gift in Monmouth University’s history. Other major donors to the Plangere Center include Janice and Jules L. Plangere III, Palmyra and Robert E. McAllan, Norma Monty and the late Gloria Monty O’Byrne.

Other milestones from the Vision for Distinction Capital Campaign include the more than $14 million renovation and expansion of the Monmouth University Library, and endowment of the Kislak Real Estate Institute in June 2006 for $2 million.

Campaign Executive Committee Chairman Paul Doherty said, “The number of donors to the campaign has been rewarding. It shows a wide measure of giving to support the long term viability of the University.”

“The large gifts sometimes attract a lot of attention, but more than a thousand donors gave to the specific goals of the Vision for Distinction campaign. That really shows how important Monmouth University is to alumni and the philanthropic community,” he added.
Ambitious New Jersey students with dreams of pursuing a career in family medicine, general internal medicine or pediatrics can be rewarded for all their hard work by entering the Monmouth Medical Center Scholars Program. Developed by Monmouth University in 1996, this eight-year undergraduate/medical school program provides five students each year with a sense of security in a highly competitive field.
Upon graduation from Monmouth, the students are guaranteed placement at Philadelphia-based Drexel University College of Medicine, making Monmouth the only New Jersey university to have such a program at Drexel.

The program was started by Dr. James Mack ’63, professor of Biology, and Dr. Datta Naik, professor of Chemistry and graduate school dean after being approached by Dr. Ellen Cosgrove, former head of Medical Education at Monmouth Medical Center and Hahnemann Medical School (now Drexel University College of Medicine) alumna. Since 1998 she has been University of New Mexico’s Professor of Medicine and Associate Dean of Continuing Medical Education.

Joseph Jaeger, associate vice president, academic affairs at Monmouth Medical Center and associate dean, Monmouth Programs at Drexel, said, "I think this is an excellent program. It relates closely to the mission of Monmouth Medical—to take care of the patients, to educate health care professionals, and provide a regional magnet for our community."

This year’s recipients were Rohan Penmetcha (North Brunswick), Priya Patel (Freehold), Devon Hodge (Titusville), Alyssa Schlatmann (Upper Montclair), and Darshan Patel (Voorhees).

“The Medical Scholars program is a benefit for all three partner institutions. It brings greater visibility to Monmouth as well as help the University earn an excellent reputation,” said Dr. Mack. Monmouth was recently included in The Princeton Review’s Best 361 Colleges: 2006 Edition, citing the Medical Scholars program as one of the reasons.

“The medical program at Monmouth University is excellent. It gives me an opportunity to pursue an undergraduate degree to its fullest extent while also having the assurance of being accepted at medical school.”

—ROHAN PENMETCHA, FRESHMAN
“This unique program attracts outstanding students to Monmouth from all over the state of New Jersey and has helped us to be recognized as a quality institution by high schools in the greater metropolitan area of New Jersey,” said Dr. Naik.

Darshan said, “It allows students the certainty of having a spot in medical school and allows them to explore other facets of knowledge. The student is given the appropriate time to mature and absorb knowledge with the same certainty of a seat in medical school.” She added that she may pursue a career in the surgical field.

At the end of the third year, the student is required to confirm his or her enrollment at Drexel. Some of the students actually finish the program in only three years and then delve into other things like research for the remaining year.

Drs. Mack and Naik fondly recalled one such student--Sireesha Kolli ‘99. She has completed her MD and is now in her third year of residency in the Child Psychiatry program at the University of Pittsburgh. Sireesha finished her BS in Biology at Monmouth in three years and attended graduate studies at Emory University in public health during the fourth year.

Aimee Babbin, a junior majoring in chemistry with a concentration in biochemistry, said, “The Monmouth Medical Scholars Program was the main reason I attended Monmouth. One of the greatest aspects of the program is that it practically eradicated the stress of applying to medical school and worrying whether or not I’ll be accepted...

Another aspect of the program I love is the class we take at Monmouth Medical Center - Experience in Clinical Medicine (MM 490). This class will give me great exposure to working in a hospital and in the medical field before I even get to med school,” adding that she plans on pursuing a career in pediatrics but is open to other fields like obstetrics.

Former student Rajesh Gupta, who graduated last May, said, “The program is very good for high school seniors who have excelled in school and are determined to enter medical school and become a doctor. The science program at MU is excellent and the available biology research programs provide a great experience for undergraduate students. The program allows students to continue on a straight line path into medical school. My goal is to enter medical school and to become a successful doctor.”

And still others opt to take a slightly different route, as was the case for Susan Koreen ‘03, who was a MMC Scholar but in her third year here at Monmouth decided to pursue her medical studies at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City.

The advantage of the program to the student is obvious, but for Drexel it allows the College of Medicine to boost their incoming student profile.

“Medical schools are seeking outstanding students committed to practicing medicine. The MMC Scholars program helps recruit high-achieving students that will enter the field of medicine and who are expected to practice in New Jersey,” said Dr. Mack, adding that those involved in the program are in the top five percent in the nation.

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“The professors and advisors are great and there are lots of resources available to us to aid us in MCAT and interview preparation. I like that we are able to form close friendships with our fellow med scholars, creating a great support system while pursuing our goals.”

—SUNAINA KAUSHAL, SOPHOMORE
courses being offered this semester. I had two medical scholars in the BY 110 honors course. Alyssa Schlatmann started to get a feel for research by attending the Metropolitan Association of College and University Biologists research conference along with the sophomores, juniors, and seniors from Monmouth who were presenting research projects.

The committee also provides a composite letter of recommendation for each student who applies to professional schools. The letter includes input from science faculty as well as from three faculty members selected by the student. Prior to their professional school admission interviews, students may schedule practice interview sessions with the committee.

“I like the program a lot, the people in it are friendly and nice, and I’m looking at this program as being a step closer and a step ahead on the path towards med school,” said Tanvi Khurana, a junior who hopes to go into family practice.

During their senior year the students will also complete a semester-long preceptorship called “Experience in Clinical Medicine” at Monmouth Medical, which is about two miles from Monmouth University’s campus.

Once at Drexel, students will take foundation courses in medicine for the first two years and then clinical clerkships at Drexel campuses in Philadelphia and Monmouth Medical Center for the remaining two years. The first clerkship is at Monmouth Medical.

But this program is not for the faint-hearted.

“They’re not only the best and the brightest. They’re leaders,” Mr. Jaeger said. “We develop them into the physicians we would want at our hospital.”

Candidates must pass through a rigorous selection process that involves three stages of review. The first of these stages is conducted by Monmouth University, which selects approximately eight to 12 students from among the incoming freshman class as candidates for the next stage in the selection process. Monmouth Medical Center next interviews and evaluates the candidates recommended by Monmouth University and selects six to 10 who will move on for final evaluation by Drexel University College of Medicine. Drexel conducts the final evaluation and notifies five candidates of their admission to the program.

Open only to New Jersey residents, the program requires a GPA of at least 3.5 and an SAT score of at least 1270 with neither individual score lower than 560.

The selection committees also look at the candidate’s desire to practice medicine and the likelihood of seeking a job at Monmouth Medical following graduation.

If selected, the student over the next three years must then maintain a GPA of 3.45 in both science courses (biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics) and non-science courses, respectively. No single grade can be less than 2.0. The minimum GPA for the senior year must be at least 3.25.

But, Dr. Mack and Dr. Naik noted, Monmouth’s program fosters a well-rounded student, also requiring students to take two or more humanities courses like anthropology, ethics, philosophy, or sociology.

Drs. Mack and Naik run the medical scholar program in addition to their full-time positions here at Monmouth, making it obvious how dedicated they are to this program.

Drexel admits approximately 250 students each year into its medical school. Today, with more than 1,000 medical students, it is the largest private medical school in the country. There are about 550 residents, 600 clinical and basic science faculty, and more than 1,700 affiliate and volunteer faculty. While it is customary for medical schools to wait until the third year before allowing students patient contact, first year students at Drexel are given the opportunity to interact with patients almost from day one. A variety of teaching methods are employed by the school’s faculty including laboratories, small-group sessions, lectures, discussion groups, and clinical practice.

The Queens Lane campus, which opened in 1992, features lecture halls with sophisticated audio-visual equipment, a library, rooms for small group learning, a clinical learning laboratory that simulates doctors’ offices and hospital rooms, computer facilities, a fitness center, and student lounges.

Monmouth Medical Center, one of New Jersey’s largest community teaching hospitals, with 110 residents in eight accredited residency programs, offers healthcare services through 16 clinical departments with over 500 physicians and dentists.

“I don’t see an end to this program. I see it continuing to grow,” Mr. Jaeger enthusiastically said.
Carl started teaching at Monmouth in 1963 when Dr. William Van Note was president and the teaching staff added up to a little more than 100. Today, Monmouth has about 6,000 students and more than 500 full and part-time faculty.

A lot has changed, and for the better, Carl and Sandra said, Sandra adding, “President Gaffney has opened up the university to the community more than any other president.”

In fact, they were excited about returning to the poetry festival on campus following this interview before returning to their home nearby in Long Branch.

“There are many opportunities, not only academic ones to develop their intellect and their personality,” Carl said.

Sandra retired last year after working as a school media specialist in New York City and then Tinton Falls for 37 years. She said she misses the students.

Another important association with Monmouth involves 1969 graduate and former trustee Dr. Yvonne Thornton. “Dr. Thornton was Larry’s guide. She was great with him,” said Sandra, noting they were also both graduates of Long Branch High School. And Dr. Thornton is one of only two Monmouth students who also attended Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons—ironically, the other being Susan Koreen.

The positive influence and the strong work ethic that the Koreens exude, which they attribute in part to Monmouth, seem to have been passed down to their children.

“I think Monmouth was instrumental in getting me where I am now,” said Larry Koreen, who is now doing a one-year internship at Saint Barnabas in Livingston, prior to his Ophthalmology residency.

Larry’s sister Ann teaches high school science in Philadelphia while Susan is in her fourth year of medical school at Columbia following her stint in Monmouth’s Medical Scholars program (see related story, page 6).

Larry, along with his wife, Irina, graduated from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ)-New Jersey Medical School last May. Irina finished her Ph.D. in three years, so they could graduate at the same time.

“It was a perfect blend of research and public health for me,” said Larry. “In four years, I got the Ph.D., as well as the M.P.H. (Master’s in Public Health), did a six month post-doc and got married too,” he said, referring to his simultaneous night classes to complete his Master’s degree and his research on the importance of genetic variations in clinical strains of Staphylococcus aureus bacteria at the International Center for Public Health.

And if that were not enough, the couple celebrated the birth of their first child, Ezra, in October.

Following this year’s internship in Livingston, Larry and Irina will enter a three-year ophthalmology residency at the Kellogg Eye Center at the University of Michigan, which is ranked in the top five for research and in the top 10 overall among more than 100 ophthalmology programs. They plan on moving there in June.

This will likely be followed by a one- to two-year fellowship in a sub-specialty such as retina or neuro-ophthalmology.

The next step is still not definite, but both Larry and Irina know they want to be involved partly in patient care as well as research, academics and possibly have administrative duties.
Despite Larry’s growing list of accolades, he hasn’t forgotten those who helped him along the way.

“The professors (at Monmouth) were really key. If I went somewhere else, I don’t think I would have done as well,” he said, applauding the efforts of Dr. Kristin Bluemel (associate professor of English), Dr. Brian Garvey (dean of the Honors School), and Dr. Dennis Rhoads (chair of the biology department).

“In now more than 20 years and thousands of students, Larry and Susan are among the 10 best students I have known,” said Rhoads. “It was the combination of their intellectual abilities, laboratory skills, never-ending quest for experience, and tireless enthusiasm that made them stand out. We ran out of awards and accolades when it came to recognizing their accomplishments.”

Consistent with her brother, Susan Koreen is following a similar path. In 2000, out of 49 posters presented, Susan and her team won an award for their poster entitled “Building a Database of Multiple Antibiotic Resistance Patterns for Identifying Sources of Fecal E. coli in the Manasquan River Estuary” at the Metropolitan Association of College and University Biologists Annual Conference.

The poster reported on progress made on a research project investigating sources of E. coli contamination in the Manasquan River Estuary through the use of multiple antibiotic resistance (MAR) analysis of fecal E. coli from humans, pets, farm animals, and wild animals being conducted under the supervision of Dr. Michael Palladino and Professor John Tiedemann.

In 2002 Susan was the second Monmouth University biology major to be accepted for a NASA internship, the other being Larry. While interning at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, Susan studied the reflex response that can cause astronauts to pass out when they return from space to the Earth’s gravitational force.

“I am not surprised that NASA recruited both Larry and Susan, five years apart, to do biomedical research at the Kennedy Space Center, placing them in the top one percent (40 students) of the qualified 4,000 students nationally,” Dr. Brian Garvey said when asked to comment on the Koreens.

Today, Susan is contemplating her future. She has not yet chosen a specialty as she has yet to explore all the fields. She will receive a dual Doctorate of Medicine/Master of Public Health (MDMPH) degree in 2008. She recently spoke of her time at Monmouth and commended the Honors School. “I truly enjoyed working with the very bright and capable students, as well as the extraordinary Honors School faculty.”

Dr. Garvey said, “They (Larry and Susan) are without a doubt two of the most outstanding scholars and academic minds that I have known in my 14 years of experience as director and now dean of the Honors School.

Larry’s inscription in his high school yearbook may best exemplify the Koreens’ philosophy. It read, “Ah, but a man’s reach should exceed his grasp. Or what’s a heaven for?”—Robert Browning

"Larry and Susan Koreen are two great arguments for Monmouth’s general education courses in literature. Scientists both, they brought into my classroom all the curiosity, energy, and attention to language displayed by the best English majors. They demonstrated how students with different kinds of disciplinary perspectives keep professors on their intellectual toes. With a Koreen in the class, I was always alert, waiting for the unexpected question that might drive class discussion in a new direction and advance the education of everyone in the room. It was a treat to have them both in multiple classes, since I’m sure I learned as much from the experience as they did.”

K R I S T I N B L U E M E L , P h . D .
Monmouth University has its share of traditions—Founders’ Day, Senior Week, Springfest, Greek Week, and Homecoming to name but a few. For some families, attending Monmouth University is also a tradition.

A new tradition celebrating Monmouth University legacies kicked off during the 2006 Family Weekend when alumni parents joined with current University students at the first ever Legacy Coffee Break.

Sponsored by the Monmouth University Alumni Association, the Legacy Coffee Break gave alumni the chance to pick up a souvenir, pose for a photograph, enjoy a cup of coffee, and meet other legacy families.

The new event was part of the Family Weekend festivities in November 2006. Monmouth University Family Weekend activities are an excellent way for families to be involved with student life. Opportunities for academic and social success increase when there is a partnership between students, the University, and the student’s family.

Legacy families attending the coffee break were: Tom Avanzato ’73 and son Jordan Avanzato; Anne Wood Johnson ’69 with daughter Molly Johnson; Michael Reilly ’72 and daughter Kelly Reilly; Robert Hanson ’71 and daughter Olivia Hanson; Bruce Schumin ’78 and son Robert Schumin; double-alum family Diane (Densmore) Harz ’84 and John Harz ’84 with daughter Andrea Harz; and a three-generation Monmouth family: Hermine V. Siegel ’68, son Mark Siegel ’73, and grandson Jason Siegel. All students are members of the graduating class of 2010.

What is your MU Family Tree?

Do you have family legacy at Monmouth University, or a story you’d like to share? The Alumni Office is interested in hearing your family connection to Monmouth University. Please share your family connections by email at alumni@monmouth.edu, or by postal mail to:

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Monmouth Alumnus Takes a Bite of the Big Apple

BY HEATHER MCCULLOCH MISTRETTA

Steven J. Pozycki ’73, chairman of SJP Properties and Monmouth University trustee since 2003, has snatched up a part of the Big Apple for $305 million. With a down payment of $50 million, he bought 11 Times Square last July from real estate mogul Howard Milstein.
The property, which had been vacant for nearly three decades, will fill the last void in Times Square. Pozycki said he plans to build a $1 billion, 40-story commercial building on speculation. At a cost of $1,000 per square foot, the more than million-square-foot building is expected to be completed in 2009. The first three floors will be dedicated to retail space.

“The acquisition of 11 Times Square is consistent with SJP’s strategy of delivering the right product to the market at the right time,” Pozycki said.

Pozycki, no novice to commercial real estate, was one of the forerunners in the real estate markets of Jersey City, Bridgewater, and Hoboken. His Parsippany-based company, one of the largest developers in the state, has developed more than 14 million square feet of speculative and build-to-suit headquarters-quality office space in the tri-state area and has an additional 11 million square feet in the works.

SJP’s territory is New Jersey, New York, and eastern Pennsylvania, and Pozycki said he wants to keep it that way, contending that he’s not striving to be the biggest developer.

In 2000 SJP Properties was very successful in luring premier corporations to relocate their headquarters to Hoboken with the development of Waterfront Corporate Center I and II. Tenants include: John Wiley & Sons, Merrill Lynch, Citigroup, and Marsh & McLennan. SJP’s clients also include Sanofi-Aventis, Bayer AG, BMW, Brother International, Ingersoll-Rand, The Engelhard Corp., and Tiffany & Co.

Along with the Times Square venture, Pozycki’s SJP is also developing a 21-story condominium at 45 Park Avenue and a 42-story condominium at West 46th Street and Eighth Avenue. In total, SJP Properties has in excess of $1.5 billion in new building projects in New York City.

Pozycki was born on November 25, 1949, in Perth Amboy. Following graduation in 1973 with a B.S. in Business Administration, Pozycki began working in the real estate division of Metropolitan Life Insurance. In 1981 he started his own firm, teaming up with Lincoln Property Co. He bought out the partnership seven years later and renamed the company with his initials, a decision he credits to his wife, Elaine.

In 1996 he received the REI’s Leadership Excellence Award, and in 2001 he established a $1 million endowment for the Real Estate Institute (now the Kislak Real Estate Institute). The bulk of Pozycki’s gift was directed to the Steven J. and Elaine Pozycki Endowed Professorship in Real Estate, with a portion allocated toward scholarships. Dr. Donald Moliver, director of the Kislak Real Estate Institute, is the first professor to fill the position.

Pozycki is also active in several public policy-related and education causes. He serves on the boards of New Jersey Future, a statewide advocacy and watchdog for the state’s pioneering development and redevelopment and Liberty Science Center in Jersey City. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of St. Joseph High School in Metuchen and has been a strong force in helping the physically and developmentally challenged members of the community.

Partnering with Johnson & Johnson, SJP has supported at least six local charities per year through the United Way, totaling more than a half million dollars. The philanthropic efforts are managed by Elaine, who is also one of the founding partners of SJP.

Mr. & Mrs. Pozycki are members of the Vision Society for lifetime giving and members of the President’s Society for annual giving at Monmouth University. They live with their children, Katie and Steve in Far Hills.
Q: What are some of your fondest memories of Monmouth? How have they shaped you into the person you are today?

A: “Monmouth University was a wonderful experience for me. The school and the local community provided a terrific environment for me to personally grow and learn what I wanted to do with my career. I took away many valuable lessons and skills that I have been able to use in my business career.”

Q: I see that you are very involved in education. How do you see that the educational system can be made better? Why do you feel education is so important?

A: “I think it’s most important to view education as a life-long process. Monmouth University offered an excellent foundation for learning throughout all stages of my life. It would be a mistake to view the end of your college career as the end of your education...it’s really the beginning, especially in the business world.”

Q: Do you have any advice for current Monmouth University students?

A: “Find something you are passionate about and that you truly love. Forget about what areas you think will make you the most money. If you really love what you do and are incredibly passionate about it, the money will follow, and you’ll have a great time pursuing it.”

Q: When do you expect 11 Times Square to be completed?

A: “We are building 11 Times Square on a speculative basis, meaning we will commence construction without a tenant already in place. We are doing this because we have such confidence in the strength of the New York City real estate market. We expect to break ground in early 2007 and have the building completed by the end of 2009. It is the last building site left in Times Square and we think it will be fully leased by the time we deliver the building.”

Q: What are you most proud of at SJP?

A: “I am proud of the people we have assembled at SJP Properties. We have one of the longest serving teams in the real estate industry with an average tenure of more than 15 years among our senior professionals. I am most proud of our entire team of professionals at SJP Properties—their pride, professionalism and high standards are what motivate me every day to continue to grow and re-invest in our company.”

Q: The list of charities that you support is extensive and varied. What led you to choose certain ones like the National Theatre Workshop for the Handicapped’s Wounded Warriors Writing Program?

A: “My wife and I support organizations that touch us personally. We believe it’s important to give back to those in need, and we have been fortunate to meet some really incredible people as a result of some of the charities we have gotten involved in. I believe we all have a responsibility to try and help out, whether it’s writing a check, volunteering your time or simply helping to raise awareness.”
MONMOUTH GRAD NAMED NYC AREA INVESTIGATOR OF THE YEAR

U.S. State Department Diplomatic Security Special Agent Donnovan Williams ’96 was recognized as the Federal Law Enforcement Foundation (FLEF) Investigator of the Year along with his partner, Special Agent Kendall Beels.

The two agents were recognized for shutting down a massive U.S. visa fraud ring operating in the tri-state area involving about 350 sham marriages between U.S. citizens and Chinese nationals plus a multi-million dollar asset forfeiture.

In 2005 with evidence of a larger conspiracy, Special Agents Williams and Beels resurrected a stalled investigation by developing intermediate information critical to reviving the investigation of the primary target. By February 2006 Williams and Beels had a guilty plea and a cooperation agreement from a prominent co-conspirator. Through the next months the team culled volumes of data from immigration records in New York, visa application records in U.S. consulates throughout China, and state and city marriage records throughout the U.S.

The work paid off when on August 23 nearly all the co-conspirators were arrested in pre-dawn raids conducted across four states and four Diplomatic Security Service (DSS) field office jurisdictions. It was the largest arrest operation of the calendar year at the DSS New York Field Office.

Donnovan, who graduated from Monmouth with a B.A. in Political Science in 1996, served for more than five years in the U.S. Coast Guard before joining DSS. He currently resides in Rockaway, NJ.

ALUMNI RECEPTION IN NEW YORK

In November, University Trustee Robert Sculthorpe ’63 hosted another in a series of annual luncheons he sponsors for alumni working or living in New York City. The luncheon was held at the University Club located in midtown Manhattan. MU Polling Institute Director Patrick Murray and Head Football Coach Kevin Callahan joined President Paul Gaffney at the event. The luncheon series has become a popular way to meet other alumni while learning what’s happening on campus.

For more information about alumni events in New York City please contact the alumni office at 800-531-ALUM or alumni@monmouth.edu.
GLOBAL HAWKS

You never know where you will run into Monmouth University alumni! Alumnus Michael Greco ’89 shares his recent experience in Peru, where he proposed marriage to his fiancée Nadine, and met a familiar face, President Emerita Rebecca Stafford who was visiting Machu Picchu at the same time.

Dear Friends:

My name is Michael Greco (Class of 1989) and I would like to share with you my most romantic moment. My girlfriend Nadine and I were trying to decide on a destination for vacation. We wanted a place with history, culture, excitement and romance. After much deliberation, we decided on Peru. Nadine and I had been together for about four years, and I thought that Peru would be the perfect place to ask for her hand in marriage.

Our trip included a tour of Lima, Cusco, Machu Picchu, and Puno. As you can imagine, it was very difficult to keep the ring a secret, safe and hidden from her. The next question for me was when would be the most romantic moment to “Pop the Question”.

On every tour I would bring her ring and wait patiently for the right moment.

Finally, the time had come while visiting the ruins at Machu Picchu. Nadine and I were perched high upon a terrace sitting on a rock enjoying the sunset. Most of the tourists had left for the day and for one moment, it seemed as though we had the whole place to ourselves.

Moments before, without her knowing, I placed the box containing her ring between several stones at the top of the terrace wall which was located directly behind us.

I asked Nadine if I could take a photo of her against the terrace wall. As she positioned herself, I then asked her to move a loose stone, just above her head so she wouldn’t get hurt. She of course is thinking that this wall has survived the tests of time, earthquakes, not to mention alien conquests and now he expects me to dismantle a wonder of Inca engineering.

With much apprehension she complied with my request. What can I say? The price of love. She then noticed a foreign object behind one of the stones. As she opened the box I quickly got down on one knee and asked her if she would marry me. The rest is history.

By the way, she said yes!!!

Michael Greco (Class of 1989)
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Bloomfield, New Jersey 07003
### 2007 Men's Baseball Schedule

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**Assistant Coaches:** Jeff Barbalinardo, Chuck Ristano, Mike Campagna

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**Assistant Coaches:** Gregory Lamanna, Michele O’Toole
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**Head Coach:** Patrice Murray

### 2007 Men's Tennis Schedule

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**Head Coach:** Mickey Cook

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**Head Coach:** Sherri McDonald

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**Head Coach:** Kelly McCardell

**Assistant Coaches:** Erin Riordan, Cristina Curiale

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“It not only makes environmental sense. It also makes business sense,” said Mike Winka, director of the office of clean energy. In the first nine months of 2006, New Jersey more than doubled its solar capacity, according to the Board of Public Utilities (BPU).

Solar panels installed on the roofs of four of the university’s largest buildings—Bey Hall, Boylan Gymnasium, the Stafford Student Center and the Facilities Management Building—are generating electricity, enough to meet at least six percent of the campus’s needs.

The solar panels, which add up to 454 kilowatts (kW), will help the university reduce the amount of electricity it needs to pull off the power grid during times of peak demand, when costs are highest, said Patricia Swannack, Monmouth’s vice president for administrative services.

The installation is the largest such project at a college east of the Mississippi River, according to university and state officials. The project cost about $2.8 million, which was partly offset by a $1.7 million grant the university received through the state BPU’s Clean Energy Program. In September, the state named Monmouth University the NJ Clean Energy School of the Year.

Over the next 30 years, the solar electricity produced by the university will reduce emissions of carbon dioxide, a by-product of power generated by coal-fired power plants, by more than 5,000 tons. It’s the equivalent of planting 1,500 trees or removing 1,000 cars from the road or not driving 13 million miles.

The solar panels are the latest move Monmouth University has made to conserve energy. Among other things, the university has installed energy-efficient lights, decreased the hot water temperature by five degrees, retrofitted water fixtures, and appealed to faculty and students to become partners in this effort.
STUDENT WINS BIOLOGY RESEARCH GRANT

Emy Rothenberger ’09, a sophomore honors student and biology major, won a $500 Benjamin Cummings/Metropolitan Association of College and University Biologists Research Grant to support her ongoing independent research project. Emy wrote the grant entitled, “Effect of MAP Kinase Signaling Proteins on Contact Inhibition” in the spring 2006 semester as a first-year student.

The award was announced on October 28 at the 39th Annual Conference of the Metropolitan Association of College and University Biologists. Emy’s project will elucidate the involvement of signaling proteins in the ability to regulate the growth of normal cells to better understand the altered signaling that allows cancer cells to continuously proliferate. She is conducting this research project under the direction of Dr. Dorothy Hutter, assistant professor of biology.

BIOLOGY MAJOR RECEIVES HONOR FOR RESEARCH PRESENTATION

Monmouth University senior Preethi Pirlamarla, a biology major from Freehold, was awarded first place for best research poster presentation at the 39th Annual Conference of the Metropolitan Association of College and University Biologists (MACUB) held October 28 at Kingsborough Community College in Brooklyn, NY. Seventy-one posters were presented at the conference, and Pirlamarla’s work was selected as the best poster presented in the four-year college and university category.

Ms. Pirlamarla’s poster titled “The role of hypoxia-inducible factor-1 in testicular torsion injury” described her research conducted with Dr. Michael Palladino, associate professor of biology. This work is part of a project funded by a grant from the National Institutes of Health awarded to Dr. Palladino. He studies the clinical condition in males called testicular torsion, which causes reduced blood flow (ischemia) that leads to low oxygen levels (hypoxia) in the testis. Testis ischemia and hypoxia can cause significant cellular damage and cell death in affected testes, including the loss of sperm production. Torsion, which is particularly prevalent in prepubertal and adolescent males, also can lead to impaired fertility or infertility in males.

Ms. Pirlamarla is an honors student in the Monmouth Medical Center Scholars Program and began her work with Dr. Palladino during summer 2005 through the research course “Research in Molecular Cell Physiology,” which she completed as her Experiential Education requirement and a research requirement for graduation as a biology major.

NATIONAL BROADCASTING SOCIETY HONORS MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATION MAJORS

Monmouth University communication majors received three first place awards at the 2006 National Broadcasting Society Freedom States Regional Convention in November.

The convention is open to colleges and universities from New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, Vermont, Rhode Island, Delaware, and New Hampshire.

The awards are as follows:

Music Video: Senior Kevin Scally from Lake Hopatcong, “Blood Splattered Satisfaction”

Public Affairs/Interview/Documentary Program or NewsCast Video: Senior Erin Sullivan, from Mullica Hill, “Untitled.”

News/Sports or Feature Segment Audio: Senior Lori Kaufman from East Brunswick, “Cosmo Corner.” She also received honorable mention in the Academic Paper category for “How the Viewing of Movies Affects our Present State of Mind” and honorable mention in the Commercial/Promo/PSA Audio category.

All first place regional winners advance to the National Broadcasting Society National Convention competition.

EIGHTH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL WORK LECTURE SERIES

Monmouth University held its Eighth Annual International Social Work Lecture Series November 14, featuring Leticia Diaz, M.S.

Diaz is the senior policy advisor in the Department of Human Rights and International Affairs, National Association of Social Workers, who presented “If We Don’t, Who Will? Understanding the Essential Role for Social Work in the Global Society of the 21st Century.”

She earned her undergraduate degree in Political Science and International Affairs from Brooklyn College, and her master’s in Community Organization and Planning from the Columbia University School of Social Work. Her distinguished career includes more than 20 years in the U.S. Foreign Service, attaining the rank of Senior Foreign Service Officer with USAID. Diaz worked in Central America, the Caribbean, Africa, Ukraine, Washington, DC, and El Salvador where she was the Peace Corps director.

ROOF RESTORATION EARNS COUNTY MERIT AWARD

The Monmouth County Planning Board has given Monmouth University a Merit Award to recognize the restoration efforts on the roof of Woodrow Wilson Hall. In its summary, the nine-member Planning Board lauded University efforts noting, “The project integrated modern adaptations within a historic framework and the historic treasure was preserved for future generations.”

Preserving the National Historic
Landmark building meant rehabilitating the entire roof, terraces, balustrade and statuary. Replacements included quarry tile pavers, while other elements were cleaned and stabilized. The copper and glass skylight was also cleaned and overhauled.

The project was funded in part by a $1.5 million grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust Fund and the John Ben Snow Trust. Experienced historic preservation architects and restoration contractors were used to ensure proper conservation of the landmark building.

Robert Clark, director of the county’s Planning Board said the awards were given to “highlight projects that serve as examples of exemplary planning.” The Monmouth County Planning Board Merit Awards have been given out since 1984 in an effort to recognize examples of planning excellence in Monmouth County, and to inspire others to follow their lead.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY: A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Monmouth University received the Corporate Good Neighbor Award from the Eastern Monmouth Area Chamber of Commerce at their annual Spinnaker Award ceremony held on November 9 at Branches in West Long Branch.

The Corporate Good Neighbor Award is given to a business whose culture motivates employees and others to be personally involved as “Good Samaritans” in helping people in need and making the eastern Monmouth area a better place to live. President Paul G. Gaffney II was commended for setting the tone on campus for his outstanding public service and his work as a trustee of Meridian Health Care and the NJ Marine Science Consortium, member of the Jersey Shore Partnership, and the governor’s transition teams for Military & Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security.

With President Gaffney as their role model, Monmouth students and employees give back through food collections for the needy and charity walkathons to the annual “Big Event,” a day of community service. This year the Student Government Association assigned 300 students, faculty, and staff to community service tasks where they cleaned, painted, cleared brush, visited senior centers and schools, and helped out at the Ronald McDonald House. In addition, students volunteer at many organizations including The Center, Manna House, Head Start, and 180.

The University was also saluted for their quarter-million dollar sponsorship of two West Long Branch borough fire engines.

QUILT ON DISPLAY IN COMMEMORATION OF WORLD AIDS DAY

Twenty panels of the AIDS Memorial Quilt were on display in November in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center’s Anacon Hall to commemorate World AIDS Day, December 1.

The three-day display was sponsored by the Monmouth University Human Relations Advisory Council.

Founded in 1987, the AIDS Memorial Quilt is a poignant memorial, a powerful tool for raising AIDS awareness, and the largest ongoing community arts project in the world. Each “block” of the AIDS Memorial Quilt measures approximately twelve square feet and consists of eight individual three-by-six-foot panels sewn together.

Virtually every one of the more than 40,000 colorful panels that make up the quilt memorializes the life of a person lost to AIDS. Additional information on the AIDS Quilt can be found at www.aidsquilt.org/index.htm.

Also, Counseling and Psychological Services sponsored a screening of the film “And the Band Played On” in Anacon Hall.
SCHOOL OF NURSING
WINS FEDERAL GRANT

Nearly $70,000 has been earmarked by the Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to support advanced education nursing traineeships at the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies.

The purpose of the Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship Grant is to meet the costs of traineeships by supplementing all or part of the costs for tuition, books, and fees for advanced nursing education programs. Grants are awarded to eligible institutions to provide financial support through traineeships for registered nurses enrolled in advanced education nursing programs. Through these programs, students prepare for careers as nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, nurse midwives, nurse anesthetists, nurse administrators, nurse educators, public health nurses, and nurses in other specialties requiring advanced education.

Since 1999 the Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies has been successful in receiving grant funding from HRSA. Associate Dean, Dr. Janet Mahoney applies for the grant each year and coordinates the grant activity. To date, more than 25 students have received assistance from this grant.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY JOINS MENTORNET, CONNECTING WITH SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS EMPLOYED IN INDUSTRY

Monmouth University has joined MentorNet, the E-Mentoring Network for Diversity in Engineering and Science, to offer one-on-one, e-mail-based mentoring (e-mentoring) opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students in science, mathematics, and technology engineering.

MentorNet’s research-based, award-winning programs leverage technology to create and sustain mentoring relationships. Mentoring is instrumental in completing academic preparation and initiating early professional development for those in fields where the numbers of women and minorities are still small. The program relies on patent pending technology-based systems, involving e-mail and the Internet to support one-on-one mentoring relationships for thousands of students in engineering and science.

“MentorNet has an excellent reputation among students at some of the best universities in the nation. We are proud that all of our science, mathematics, and engineering students now have the same access to mentors in industry and academia that is available to students at those institutions. We are firmly committed to improving diversity in these fields and getting our students placed in the best possible jobs,” said Francis C. Lutz, dean of Monmouth University’s School of Science, Technology and Engineering.

MentorNet has made more than 15,000 protégé-mentor matches since its formation in 1997. Regular e-mails provide discussion suggestions to mentors and protégés, who communicate about a variety of topics such as course selection, self-confidence, career goals, and work-life balance.

“There is compelling evidence that mentoring can make a big difference in a student’s success while completing a degree program as well as after graduation,” said Carol Muller, MentorNet’s founder and chief executive officer. “MentorNet mentors can complement on-campus advisors and mentors by providing advice and guidance that is perceived as non-judgmental and objective.”

MentorNet mentors also gain from their relationships—consistently reporting that they benefit from the personal satisfaction of knowing that they have helped someone else, professional development, including better mentoring skills to use within their company, and opportunities for self-reflection and self-renewal.

MentorNet was recognized in 2001 with the (U.S.) Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring.

SEMINAR ON NUISANCE AND EXOTIC SPECIES IN THE MONMOUTH COASTAL WATERSHEDS REGION

The Monmouth University Urban Coast Institute (UCI) in November hosted a seminar on Nuisance and Exotic Species in the Monmouth Coastal Watersheds Region.

The purpose of the workshop was to bring together scientists, resource managers, and informal educators to discuss what they know about invasive species. One of the goals of the UCI is to build the capacity and capability at the county and local levels to coordinate a unified, effective approach to manage invasive species and their impacts in the Monmouth Coastal Watersheds region.

Invasive species have been acknowledged as real threats to the ecological integrity of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems of Monmouth County. Limiting the impact of invasive species and preventing future introductions of invasive species will require a coordinated effort between scientists, resource managers, and conservation organizations, as well as educators toward development and implementation of a plan to address this threat in the Monmouth Coastal Watersheds region.

Some invasive species threaten plant, animal, or human health by introducing parasites or pathogens into an ecosystem. Economic impacts associated with invasive species include costs to control and manage these species, as well as economic losses due to lost recreational and commercial opportunities for users.
of ecosystems altered by these species.

Funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 2, the UCI sponsored the workshop in collaboration with Rutgers Cooperative Research and Extension of Monmouth County, the Monmouth County Parks System, Monmouth County Mosquito Extermination Commission, the Monmouth County Planning Board, and the Monmouth Coastal Watersheds Partnership.

PROFESSOR RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL NURSE ALUMNI AWARD

Laura T. Jannone, assistant professor and coordinator of the School Nurse program at Monmouth University’s Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies, in November was named Distinguished School Nurse Alumni.

She was presented with this award from the College of Professional Studies, the Health Science Department, and the Alumni Relations Office of New Jersey City University (NJCU) at the NJCU Alumni Reception at the New Jersey Education Association Convention.

Beginning her career as an ICU/CCU nurse at Clara Maas Medical Center, Belleville, NJ, Jannone continued in various areas before working at a school for emotionally disturbed children, and it was there that her exposure to child abuse began. Her experience with the issue continued as she worked as a school nurse in a high school in Ocean County and an elementary school in Monmouth County.

Jannone established a school nursing program at Monmouth University in 2000. The program teaches potential school nurses the skills needed to advocate for children. As a professor at Monmouth, she is able to stress the importance of compassion, caring, and being a good listener—the hallmarks of a good school nurse.

Jannone received her R.N. from Christ Hospital School of Nursing, Jersey City, and her B.S.N., school nurse certificate, and M.S. from New Jersey City University. In October 2006 she completed her doctorate in Nursing Education at Teachers College, Columbia University. Her dissertation was on smoking cessation in teens. She ran a smoking cessation program in four high schools in Monmouth County. Her work was recently accepted for publication in the Journal of School Nursing. She will present her research in Nashville on June 29 at the National Association of School Nurses National Conference.

CENTER GETS $1 MILLION FOR JOINT MOBILE COMMAND AND TRAINING TRUCK

The U.S. Department of Defense has awarded Monmouth University’s Center for Rapid Response Database Systems (CRRDS) a $1 million contract to purchase a Joint Mobile Command and Training Truck from Homeland Intelligence Technologies (HIT). The Command Vehicle has been designed by CRRDS and HIT.

The CRRDS Joint Mobile Command and Training Truck will allow for the testing and deployment of integrated software applications and real-time database systems for effective use in training, exercise, and response to many hazards and real-time support in the event of emergency to emergency responders and their managers across central New Jersey.

CRRDS will evaluate these systems and applications across the state by direct interaction with local, county, and state emergency responders to research effective ways to enhance Unified Incident Command as well as preparedness, response, and recovery capabilities.

CRRDS will work with the Center of Excellence for Remote and Medically Underserved Areas (CERMUSA) of Saint Francis University, Loretto, PA, and leverage their extensive knowledge on mobile communication platforms, vehicle-based re-locatable communications and tele-training. In addition, the Command Truck will be used for training for the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) team at Monmouth University.

The Monmouth University Center for Rapid Response Database Systems, under the authority of the Monmouth University School for Science, Technology, and Engineering, was established in August 2004. CRRDS will develop and manage technologies to help central New Jersey to more effectively monitor, anticipate, and respond to bioterror incidents and other potential large-scale health threats.

During the next several years, the CRRDS will develop the required technologies and systems to establish itself as a prototype and national model for developing rapid-response capabilities in the event of a bioterror attack or major communicable disease outbreak. A primary goal for CRRDS focuses on expansion of its monitoring beyond the Monmouth County/central New Jersey area. Ultimately, it will be able to exchange data with other systems to assess potential dangers in other areas of the world and determine their possible impact on New Jersey.

Although CRRDS is designed primarily to help central New Jersey in responding to a possible bioterror attack, it also will support the region in terms of monitoring routine or non-terror-related disease outbreaks, such as influenza, West Nile Virus, and other potentially life-threatening illnesses. In addition, CRRDS will create models and simulations used to train emergency, military, and medical professionals on proper response procedures for an actual crisis.
Social Work Department Welcomes Students from Drew

Four students in Monmouth University’s Department of Social Work will now be able to complete their graduate social work and theological degrees in four years.

As part of the program, Monmouth welcomed the first Drew Theological School students who are in the process of completing their graduate social work classes for the M.S.W./M.Div. dual degree program.

This year, Monmouth accepted Seokman Park, Angelita Clifton, Kenneth Cooper, and Kimberly Hines, all of whom have completed at least two years of graduate coursework in theology and are taking their first semester of social work classes at Monmouth.

In addition, each student is completing a 500-hour social work field placement across the fall and spring semesters.

JustResearch Reaches Out to Community

JustResearch, formed last year by the Department of Social Work, allows Monmouth University to work with the community to promote human rights and social justice.

Led by Dr. Paul Longo and Dr. Tina Maschi, the program has worked with organizations like Prevention First, dedicated to discouraging drug use, and the Monmouth County Youth Detention Center.

Projects underway include Dr. Rosemary Barbera’s work with the families and survivors of the tortured and disappeared in Chile, Dr. Golam Mathbor’s development of international Social Work curricula with ATTISIBA in Latvia, and Dr. Maschi’s Youth Work Research project on the movement of youth through the criminal justice system.

The program has now branched out into other departments, said Dr. Carolyn Bradley, assistant professor of social work.

MU Student Photographer Seeing Double

CHOICE, a journal of current reviews for academic libraries, featured the Monmouth University Library on the front cover of the December 2006 issue. CHOICE is published monthly by the Association of College and Research Libraries with a particular focus on undergraduate library collections.

The cover will look familiar to readers of the Monmouth University Magazine because CHOICE used the same photograph that appeared on the cover of our last issue. The popular photograph was taken by Monmouth University student photographer David Beales.

Monmouth University Students Recognized in Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges

Among Students in American Universities & Colleges. The students are: Heather Bachman, Paolo Basile, Kelley Casey, Jessica Chapman, Jacki Murray, Renee Rivera, Theresa Soto, Lindsay Stetson, Kristi Tinnes, Mathew Weisfeld, Pamela Williams, and Cara Williamson.

Who’s Who is a 73-year-old national program that honors outstanding campus leaders annually for their scholastic and community achievements. Selections to Who’s Who Among Students are made each fall by individual schools. Campus nominating committees, created to nominate the upperclassmen and graduate students eligible for the program, are composed of representatives from the faculty, administration, and student body.

The local nomination procedure highlights service to both community and school. Because curricular and extracurricular programs at schools vary greatly, each college is assigned a quota of nominees. This quota is carefully calculated to ensure a well-rounded representation of the student body. All nominations must be endorsed by a college’s faculty or administration.

This exclusive honor is conferred by more than 1,900 schools in all 50 states and the District of Columbia and is symbolized by the presentation of an award certificate. The annual directory was first published in 1934.

Students Excel at the Washington Center

The Washington Center Program has been a success for the five Monmouth University students involved. Dana Panzone, Ryan Tetro, Charles Lopiccolo, Alissa Cabrera, and Keith Heckman were given the opportunity to earn credits and fulfill their experiential education requirement while living and interning in Washington, DC, for a semester.

Panzone interns for GalleryWatch,
a legislative tracking and analysis provider. She covers Congressional hearings on Capitol Hill and writes articles for the GalleryWatch Web site.

Panzone is expected to graduate in May 2007 with a dual degree in Communications and Political Science.

The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars is an independent, nonprofit educational organization founded in 1975. Its mission is to prepare college and university students for civic leadership through experiential education. The Washington Center seeks to promote future leadership for the public, private and nonprofit sectors of society. It has served more than 33,000 students from over 1,000 colleges and universities.

For more information, visit The Washington Center Web site at www.twc.edu, or contact Monmouth’s campus liaison, Dr. Joseph Patten, at jpaten@monmouth.edu.

DR. SARSAR VISITS WITH KEY POLITICAL LEADERS IN MIDDLE EAST

Dr. Saliba Sarsar, associate vice president for Academic Program Initiatives and professor of political science, returned from an eight-day trip to Jordan, the Palestinian territories, and Israel on December 17. He was part of a 10-member delegation, consisting of board members of the American Task Force on Palestine.

The delegation met with top political leaders, including Jordan’s King Abdullah II, Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, and Israel’s Acting Prime Minister Tsiipi Livni. The delegation shared with each leader and other public officials the vision of a permanent peace between Palestinians and Israel.

On behalf of President Paul Gaffney, Dr. Sarsar presented to each of the three leaders Monmouth University’s book, Great Steps, and extended an invitation to them to visit Monmouth University when the opportunity presents itself.

“It is important that those who can add to positive dialogue on peace in the Middle East do just that,” stated President Gaffney. “We at Monmouth University are fortunate to have the skill and experience of our own Dr. Sarsar to add positively to discussions between the Palestinians and Israelis.”

WORLD’S THIRD SPACE TOURIST SPEAKS ABOUT HIS VOYAGE

Scientist and entrepreneur Gregory Olsen spoke at Monmouth University in January at The Stars Challenge, a science enrichment program for sixth to ninth graders.

Monmouth University hosted the non-profit program developed by Dr. Margaret Ann Chappell and Dr. Stephen G. Chappell in 2005 to nurture students’ passion and curiosity about science by offering unique classes designed and taught by exemplary teachers. Classes focus on real-world problems allowing students to work in small groups to create innovative solutions.

Dr. Olsen is best known for becoming the world’s third space tourist in 2005 when he successfully launched into space aboard a Soyuz spacecraft on a 10-day trip to the International Space Station and back. He performed more than 150 orbits of Earth and logged almost four million miles of weightless travel during his trip in space.

He was a research scientist at RCA Labs in Princeton, where he accomplished pioneering work with lasers and was awarded 12 patents. He founded and sold Sensors Unlimited for $600 million, bought the company back two years later for $6 million, rebuilt it, and sold it again for $60 million.

During the fall semester, The Stars Challenge taught four classes of about 50 students from 16 local schools at Monmouth University.

The Stars Challenge will teach four classes in winter 2007 at Monmouth University and will begin at Fairleigh Dickinson University with one class. The Stars Challenge offers needs-based scholarships in order to reach more promising students. For more information, visit their Web site at www.StarsChallenge.org.
ATHLETICS

MONMOUTH STUDENTS DELIVER PRESENTS TO NEEDY CHILDREN

A group of nearly 65 Monmouth student-athletes from the Monmouth Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (MSAAC) made their annual holiday visit to LADACIN (Lifetime Assistance for Developmental and Challenging Individual Needs) in nearby Ocean Township on December 14.

The LADACIN Network is a collection of volunteers, qualified staff, people with cerebral palsy and other physical disabilities and their families. It is a leader in providing programs and services in education, supported employment, residential, early intervention and family support.

MSAAC president and Monmouth senior golfer T.J. McGovern, who for the past two years has dressed up as Santa Claus and helped distribute gifts to the children, is aware of the impact visits like this can have on the children.

“These kids and their families have been through a lot, and anything we can do to give back and bring them some holiday cheer really makes what we do with MSAAC worthwhile,” added McGovern.

In addition to the trip to LADACIN, MSAAC took extra money which was raised for the school’s gifts and adopted a single mother and her two young boys from a nearby homeless shelter and helped make their holiday one to remember as well.

TENNIS

MEN’S AND WOMEN’S TENNIS TEAMS EARN I.T.A. ALL-ACADEMIC HONORS

The men’s and women’s tennis teams were recognized as Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-Academic teams and 10 Hawks earned I.T.A All-Academic Scholar-Athlete distinction; six Monmouth women and four men were selected for their academic excellence.

The Monmouth women were among 93 Division I teams selected. The Hawks men were one of 37 Division I men’s teams to qualify. The ITA All-Academic Team award is open to any ITA program that has a cumulative team grade point average (GPA) of 3.20 or above on a 4.00 scale.

The Monmouth women scholar athletes are juniors Sara Davidson, Emily Smith, Tara Warner, Kelly Schedelbower, and seniors Laura Giuliani and Ashley Johnson.

The Hawks mens scholar athletes, who are led by Coach Michael Cook, are sophomores Rajesh Gupta, Nicholas Lezoli, Michael Fornaro, and junior Ben Evenden.

In order to earn ITA Scholar-Athlete status a player must meet the following criteria: 1) be a varsity letter winner, 2) have a GPA of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale for the current academic year, and 3) have been enrolled at their present school for at least two semesters (including freshman through senior year).

TRACK AND FIELD

TRACK & FIELD NEWS RANKS THREE HAWKS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN SCHOOL HISTORY

Two Monmouth University track & field alumni and one current Hawk were ranked for their performances last year in the January 2007 issue of Track & Field News. For the first time in school history alumni Jon Kalnas ’02 and Bobby Smith ’06, along with current student Tisifenee Taylor, all had performances last year that were ranked by the magazine.

After taking a year off from competition in 2005, Kalnas came back in 2006 to qualify for the U.S. Championships in the shot put. He finished 13th at the U.S. Championships with a throw of 62’9.5”, and was ranked 28th in the U.S. in Track & Field News with his 2006 best throw of 63’ 3/4”. He was a three-time All-American at Monmouth, the only multiple First Team All-America award winner in school history in any sport.

Smith finished 11th at the U.S. Championships in the javelin last year as a Monmouth senior, and was ranked 12th in the U.S. by Track & Field News with his school record throw of 240’7”. He earned NCAA Division I All-America honors in 2005.

Taylor became the first woman in school history to compete at the U.S. Championships and the first to be ranked in Track & Field News. She finished 16th at the U.S. Championships as a junior at Monmouth, and her jump of 21’ 1/2” from the Virginia Invitational earned her a ranking of 19th in the U.S. in 2006.

Taylor is a senior for the Hawks this year, training for the outdoor season with coaches Bob Babiak and Brian Hirshblond. Smith and Kalnas both live in the area and train with Monmouth throws coach Abraham Flores as they prepare for the 2007 outdoor season.

“We are very proud of all three of our athletes and the great honors they have earned for Monmouth University,” said MU head coach Joe Compagni. “Tisifene is looking forward to a great senior year in outdoor track, and Jon and Bobby have had a very positive influence on our young throwers as they train with them every day.”
WOMEN’S SOCCER

ANDREA LOPEZ NAMED 2006 FRESHMAN ALL-AMERICAN

Two days after being named Third-Team All-Mid Atlantic Region and Mid-Atlantic Region All-Freshman by Soccer Buzz, Monmouth University freshman Andrea Lopez was named a 2006 Freshman All-American.

Lopez, the 2006 Northeast Conference Player and Rookie of the Year, was added to the fourth-team all-freshman. “It is an outstanding achievement for Andrea to be honored by Soccer Buzz as a freshman All American,” said head coach Krissy Turner. “Her hard work and success on the field allowed her to be recognized as one of the elite rookies in the nation.”

Lopez joined athletes from programs such as St. Louis, Portland, LSU, Boston College, UTEP, St. John’s, Connecticut, West Virginia, Loyola Marymount, Indiana and Ohio State on the fourth-team. Lopez, Monmouth’s first NEC Player of the Year since Christie (Pearce) Rampone won the award in 1995 and 1996, posted a league-high 13 goals and ranked second with 10 assists. Her 36 points also led the conference. As a freshman, Lopez scored the most goals and registered most points at Monmouth since 1998.

MONMOUTH SOCCER STAR GETS INVITE TO TRAIN WITH PROFESSIONAL TEAM

Monmouth University senior Hugh MacDonald was invited in January to attend soccer training camp with the New York Red Bulls with the hope of making the team next season.

MacDonald was scheduled to go to Bradenton, Florida, February 2.

“Hopefully, I will be able to prove myself,” MacDonald said. “It feels good to be able just to get to this level. I think I have a lot to offer, but I know I have a lot of hard work in front of me as well.”

He was likely spotted earlier in the month at the Major League Soccer (MLS) Combine at Lockhart Stadium in Fort Lauderdale when all of the MLS coaches and general managers were in attendance. MacDonald’s performance there was good enough to have him listed among the top 50 players to be eligible in the draft.

The 6’4” MacDonald was named as the Northeast Conference Defensive Player of the Year two consecutive years for Monmouth after transferring from Virginia Commonwealth.
Lloyd F. Christianson, Emeritus Lloyd Fenton Christianson, 92, died December 25, 2006. Mr. Christianson was elected to Monmouth University’s Board of Trustees in 1959, and served as chairman of the Board from 1972-76. In 1984, on the occasion of his 25th anniversary as a member of the University’s governing body, Mr. Christianson was named a Life Trustee. In 2006 he was elected Life Trustee Emeritus in recognition of his many years of dedicated service and to honor his status as Monmouth University’s longest serving trustee.

Mr. Christianson was given an Honorary Doctor of Science in 1989, and in 1999, during Founders’ Day ceremonies, became the first recipient of the University’s highest honor, the President’s Vision Award. The Vision Award is bestowed at the President’s discretion for substantial contributions to the progress and ideals of Monmouth. Mr. Christianson’s many contributions to Monmouth University over nearly a half century certainly qualified.

A generous donor and member of the Monmouth University Vision Society, Mr. Christianson’s contributions span many areas of University life, and are still keenly felt today. Christianson was instrumental in drafting governance policies, and helped negotiate the purchase of the Shadow Lawn Estate from the Borough of West Long Branch. In a 2000 interview, Christianson recalled his early days at Monmouth. “We sat down at the breakfast table in my house and developed the first bylaws for the college.”

“The main challenge back then was to get the college to survive.”

Beyond bylaws and buildings, Mr. Christianson was keenly aware of the importance of education, establishing an endowed scholarship in the memory of his late wife Sergie Angeline.

Mr. Christianson was born in Watertown, SD, to the Rev. and Mrs. Charles Christianson. “Ministers and church mice are about equal in the amount of money they have,” said Christianson in 2000, adding, “In order to go to college, I had to earn every cent myself.” He earned his bachelor’s in Engineering in 1935 and a master’s degree in Chemical Engineering in 1940 from Kansas University. He also studied at Harvard and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mr. Christianson served as a captain in the Signal Corps in the U.S. Army during World War II. Near the end of the war, Christianson was assigned to the Pentagon as chief of New Equipment Inventory where he was responsible for overseeing the development and introduction of complex electronic equipment for the Army and Air Force. The experience led Christianson to convince several military colleagues to go into business with him at the end of the war.

For 25 years, from 1945 to 1970, Mr. Christianson was founder, president, and chairman of the board of directors at Electronics Associates Inc. (EAI), West Long Branch. EAI had 2,800 employees, two subsidiaries in California, and seven more around the world. As president of EAI, he knew most of his employees by name. He firmly believed that no job was too menial for anyone. He was a hands-on man who loved plumbing, riding his tractor, and tinkering with cuckoo clocks.

Mr. Christianson’s other volunteer efforts included the Monmouth County Vocational School Board, the New Jersey Economic Development Council, the Monmouth Ocean Development Council, the Board of the Long Branch Chamber of Commerce, the Long Branch Planning Board, and the board of directors of the Monmouth Council of Boy Scouts of America. He also served on the boards of directors of Howard Savings Bank and New Jersey National Bank.

Christianson was a member of the American Management Association, Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and the First Presbyterian Church, Red Bank, as well as a member of Long Branch Rotary International for 60 years. He was president of the Monmouth United Way Fund in 1968 and 1969. He received the B’nai B’rith Man of the Year Award in 1967, the Boy Scouts Silver Beaver Award in 1973, and the Rotary International Paul Harris Award.

He was predeceased by his wife, Sergie Angeline Christianson, in 1992. Surviving are his four children and their spouses, George Christianson of Independence, MO; Charles ’64 and Nancy Christianson of Southport, NC; Lloyd Frederick and Elaine Christianson of Rocky Mount, NC; and Sergie Ann and Robert Conklin of Ocean; nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and a dear friend, Virginia Worden.
Trustee Charles J. Hesse, III, 71, died November 3, 2006. Mr. Hesse was elected to Monmouth University’s Board of Trustees in 1998, and served as vice chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee from 1999-2005, and committee chair in 2006. During his tenure on the Board he was also a member of the Investment and Finance and Budgets committees. Mr. Hess was a member of the Vision Society and President’s Society of Monmouth University.

Hesse was president and chief operating officer of the Hesse Family Companies, a three-generation general contracting business operating in Monmouth and Ocean counties. He was also president and chief operating officer of the Ocean County Landfill Corporation, a state-of-the-art landfill in Manchester Township and served on the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Asphalt Paving Association.

Ocean County Freeholder John C. Bartlett Jr. said that as a private landfill owner Hesse “could have accepted garbage from anywhere, but instead reserved his capacity for the length of the solid waste management plan,” adding, “He could have made a lot more money, but he didn’t do that. Charlie committed to us he would only accept waste from Ocean County.”

The landfill earned the “Silver Track” designation from the state Department of Environmental Protection, the only New Jersey landfill to gain this status. Silver Track is a voluntary initiative designed to encourage industry to adopt results-based management principles and encourage environmentally responsible behavior through pollution prevention.

Mr. Hesse gained wider fame as the owner and breeder of thoroughbred horses. With his wife, Marianne, Mr. Hesse bred horses under their Char-Mari Stable banner including Storm Tower, Feasibility Study, and Navesink River. The Hesses were named “Breeders of the Year” in 2005 by the Thoroughbred Breeders Association. Their New Jersey bred horse Park Avenue Ball, with almost $1 million in career earnings, was named “Horse of the Year.”

Mr. Hesse belonged to the Racing Advisory Board, the Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association, and the Thoroughbred Horseman’s Association.

The Hesses are also recipients of the 2003 Virgil “Buddy” Raines Distinguished Achievement Award for continuing commitment to the sport of thoroughbred racing as a trainer and of the Mary Jane Noble Partnership in Philanthropy Award in 2003 given by the Little Hill Foundation.

To honor his late brother John, the Hesse Companies funded construction of an entire Little League complex, John W. Hesse Memorial Park, for Manchester Township in 1992. Mr. Hesse put his personal signature on the project, resulting in a quality complex that routinely hosts regional Little League tournaments. Mr. Hesse’s support for philanthropic causes also included St. Agnes Church and School in Atlantic Highlands.

Mr. Hesse earned his bachelor’s degree, cum laude, in Civil Engineering from Notre Dame in 1957. He was past president of the Notre Dame Club of the Jersey Shore, and was committed to supporting education. In addition to his contributions to Monmouth University, Mr. Hesse established a general scholarship for New Jersey high school students.

“Mr. Hesse will be sorely missed in our community,” said Atlantic Highlands Mayor Peter E. Donoghue, adding, “Like thousands of others, I am saddened by the passing of Charles J. Hesse III, a giant of a presence in Atlantic Highlands and our state, and in many fields.”

Ocean County Freeholder Joseph H. Vicari echoed the sentiment saying, “He was always a gentleman,” adding, “He was meticulous. He had high standards. Charlie put service above profit. He provided a service to Ocean County and set the standard for landfills in New Jersey. He gave his word, you got a handshake. Charlie will be missed.”

Hesse is survived by his wife of 46 years, Marianne; daughter, Laura A. Hesse and her children, William and Christian Chamberlain and Magick Hesse; son, Lawrence C. Hesse and his children, Kevin Kraft and Joy Kraft; Lawrence’s wife, Christine and their children, Lawrence Hesse Jr., Charlie Marie Hesse and Lily Rose Hesse and a sister, Dolores Hesse Fink and her husband Jack.
Caught on Campus
FOLLOW UP

Several sharp readers correctly guessed the identity of the Caught on Campus photo as Mickey Abarbanel, including Mel Goldstein ’66, Rick Miskovitch ’66, Richard Stoff ’69, Bill Wrubel ’69, and Ed King ’70.

Ed King related the following story about the former Hawks standout, “Mickey and I both grew up in Asbury Park. Mickey lived on 6th or 7th Avenue and I lived a few blocks away on Deal Lake Drive,” King said. “We attended Bond Street Grammar School together and played together almost every day after school.”

“Mickey was instrumental in getting me on to the Asbury Park Yankees Little League team. In those days, each coach had a certain number of ‘points’ they could use to bid on players.”

“During my second year on the team, Mickey was our ‘ace.’ We finished with a 17-1 record. Our season was 16-0, but our coach, Vic Vaccaro, held back Mickey and the entire starting lineup from our final game so other players could have a chance to play. That year we played the Asbury Park Cubs winning the city championship. Mickey was dominant – nobody could hit against him.”

“Mickey went on to play varsity baseball in high school, and later at Monmouth. I was a senior in high school when Mickey was being scouted by the Houston Colt .45’s (now the Houston Astros). One afternoon, he asked me to catch for him at the Asbury Park High School field to show his pitching talents to the scouts.”

“I remember that Mickey didn’t have a good feeling when he was drafted by the White Sox. The team already had Gary Peters and other leftie pitchers so it was going to be hard for him to break through. I think an old leg injury came back and ended his professional baseball career.”

“I haven’t seen Mickey in years,” King recalled, “but he was always an amazing ballplayer. I wish him well.”

Mel Goldstein recalled Mickey as “one of Monmouth’s all-time great left handed pitchers,” with “a moving fast ball, an exceptional curve ball, and awesome control.”

In addition to being an outstanding Monmouth Hawk, Mickey Abarbanel is the cousin of 2006 Founders’ Day honoree Dr. Stephen Hoffman, profiled in the last issue of the Monmouth University Magazine.
GREETINGS FROM E STREET
By Robert Santelli ’73
(Chronicle Books, $35.00)
Robert Santelli, a Jersey Shore native, has written extensively about Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band since the early 1970s. The author of nearly a dozen books, he is a frequent contributor to magazines such as Rolling Stone and Backstreets. Robert Santelli was honored as a Distinguished Alumnus of Monmouth University in 1999.

A KNAVISH PIECE OF WORK
Ejner Fulsang MBA ’79
(Århus Publishing, $26.95)
A Knivash Piece of Work is a fact-based novel of the Mayaguez Incident of May 1975. Inspired by the author’s personal friendship with Richard Van de Geer, co-pilot of Knife 31, and the last name on the Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial Wall. Containing equal parts ghost story, war story, and political intrigue, it is rich with actual scenes from the National Security Council meetings that dealt with the helicopter assault on Koh Tang. $3.00 per book goes to worthy veterans and educational charities, including Monmouth University.

TELL ME A STORY
Lisa (Goldenthal) Suhay ’88
(Paraclete Press, $20.00)
Suhay’s first book of fables was originally written for her children after returning to land and suburban trials after five years living aboard a sailboat. Although these original life-lesson fables are for children, they are also written to help heal what has been broken in our own childhoods. Bullies are transformed into apes and frightened children into chameleon heroes, eagles soar for love, and carousels have the power to turn lives around. The tales empower, uplift, and provide tools for continuing character education.
EL MONO EN LA AZOTEA
Illeana Fleites-La Salle MBA ‘89
[La mariposa, $16.99]
A collection of family stories and anecdotes collected by Fleites-La Salle as a way to preserve the rich cultural heritage of her native Cuba. Written in Spanish, El Mono en la Azotea (The Monkey on the Roof) recounts personal experiences along with stories told by her parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents. Fleites-La Salle’s works have been included in various anthologies in the United States, Argentina, and Spain. Fleites-La Salle currently teaches Spanish at Monmouth University.

COLLARED
Michael Farragher ’88
[Authorhouse, $19.95]
This novel is set on the gritty street of Jersey City, and ripped from today’s headlines. Collared is the story of two brothers abused by their parish priest. Mitch becomes a reporter investigating the shroud of secrecy cloaking the church. He exposes the diocese’s attempts to avoid scandal at all costs. His brother, Barry, is a priest dedicating his life to making a difference in the lives of the young people in his care. A trail of bodies leads the brothers to the murderer and an explosive confrontation with the man who took their innocence all those years ago.

IN FIELDS OF DANDELIONS
Christine Redman-Waldeyer MA ’00
[iUniverse, $15.95]
This short volume of lyrical poetry explores the relationship between the natural world and those occupying it. The poems in this collection delight in the revelation of the wonders of the natural world. Inspired by travels to Jamaica, the author, guided by lifelong residents, explored still-wild regions and was inspired by their beauty, untamed, complex, and mysterious. Christine Redman-Waldeyer lives at the New Jersey Shore and teaches both history and business.

These titles and other works by alumni authors are available online from http://mubookstore.monmouth.edu
CLASS OF 1961
RUSS VOLCKMANN (Poli. Sci.) is the editor and publisher of the e-journal, Integral Leadership Review. He is on the Board of Directors of Arina, Inc. and a member of its editorial board for the online journal. He lives in Pacific Grove, CA.

CLASS OF 1966
BOB BENHAM (Ed.) recently celebrated 40 years as a retailer. He is the president of Balliet’s clothing store in Oklahoma City, OK, which was founded 70 years ago. He and his wife DeDe, who is Balliet’s vice president and general merchandise manager, live in Oklahoma City.

CLASS OF 1967
MARK ROTHENBERG (Poli. Sci.) is the new vice president of marketing for Auto Trader Publishing in Norfolk, VA. He is also an adjunct professor of marketing at the Stern School of Business, New York University.

CLASS OF 1969
JOSEPH RALL (Bus. Adm.) ('72 M.B.A.) was hired as chief financial officer by Kaufman Holdings Corp. in Fords, NJ. He had previously been controller of its Anderol unit for nine years.

CLASS OF 1979
GREG BORDIUK (Bio.) recently received the 2006 Sierra Suite’s Coach Award from the JCD (Joetta Clark Diggs) Sports Foundation. Dr. Bordiuk is a pediatric physician in West Long Branch and a former team physician and coach for Monmouth’s track & field and cross country teams.

CLASS OF 1980
FRANK BENJAMIN (Chem.) ('83 Music, Ed.) is a full-time band member for Shorty Long & the Jersey Horns, playing regularly in the Long Beach Island and Atlantic City areas, as well as up and down the East Coast. Their first album, “Please Take Care of My Shorty,” was due in late 2006. He also still works full-time as a program director handling defense contracts. While attending Monmouth at the age of 19, Frank played trumpet for Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes.

CLASS OF 1989
NANCY (WYZYKOWSKI) DEAN (Engl.) and her husband, Jim, welcomed son Timothy on August 19, joining siblings Caleb and Jessie. Following a 15-year career as a staff and freelance pharmaceutical advertising copywriter, she is now a full-time mother. Nancy and her family live in Califon, where she regularly volunteers her writing skills to aid local committees and charities, including serving as editor of the town newsletter. DIANE HENDERIKS (Bus. Mgmt.) was one of 10 celebrity chefs at the Atlantic City Food and Wine Festival in December. Diane, who is also a graduate of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, is a registered dietician known as the “Dietician in the Kitchen.” Diane also runs O Gourmet Market and Café in Bradley Beach. She lives in Wayside.

CLASS OF 1990
EILEEN BLAIR (Bus. Fin.) has joined Pike United Way. She was the founder and chief administrator for Women’s Empowerment League in Queens, NY.

CLASS OF 1991
IAN HUGHES (Bus. Mgmt.) married Tara Patrice DiNuzzo on August 19. Ian is a fourth-year medical student at St. George’s University, while Tara is a fourth-grade teacher in Franklin Lakes. The couple resides in Wyckoff.

KEVIN RYAN (Bus. Mktg.) and Nicole Marie Luke were married June 24. Kevin is a senior territory manager for Enzo Clinical Laboratories, while Nicole is a reading specialist in the Englewood School system. Monmouth graduates in attendance were Aaron Furgason (Speech/Comm./Thtr. ’92), Lou Provenzano (Speech/Comm./Thtr. ’92), Rob Giorgio (Hist. ’91), John Gluchowski (Bus. Fin. ’91), Jay DellaMonica (Bus. Fin. ’91), and Mike Crudello (Speech/Comm./Thtr. ’92). The couple resides in Maywood.

CLASS OF 1992

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CAROL (DIGRACI) BUCH (Comm.) and her husband Frank welcomed twin boys Ryan and Tyler on October 25. The family resides in Clark.

CAROLYN FOSS (M.S.Ed.) and her husband J. Todd Raymond welcomed twins Olivia and Lucas August 26. The family, which includes son Jack, lives in Fair Haven.

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TRICIA (MALINOWSKI) HILL (Spec. Ed.) and her husband welcomed their second child, Riley on September 12. She joins her brother, Aidan, who is two. Tricia is a special education teacher for Montgomery County Public Schools in Maryland.

CLASS OF 1996

NEIL BERNSTEIN (Comm.) and Dolores Salter were married September 10. In attendance were alumni Scott Crass (’97 Poli. Sci., Comm.), Michael Porat (’96 Hist., Poli. Sci.), and Elyse Bernstein (’04 M.A.T.). The couple lives in South Bound Brook.

ROBERT MARSHALL (M.B.A.) has been named to the board of directors of the Regional Planning Partnership, the oldest nonprofit smart growth research and advocacy organization in New Jersey. Robert is vice president for the Atlantic City Electric Region, where he has worked for 29 years.

JOHN PASSUTH (Comm.) is now vice president for Axiom Communications in Secaucus. He had previously worked for the State of New Jersey.

CLASS OF 1997

BILL MCLAUGHLIN (Comm.) and SALINA MCLAUGHLIN (Bus. Adm.) welcomed their daughter, Madeleine Paige, on July 7. The family lives in Lodi.

MARIE-FRANCE (JOSEPH) SEPE (Bus. Acct.) and her husband SIVAN (Bus. Acct.) welcomed their second child, Maya Lourdes on December 1. The family resides in Tinton Falls.

CLASS OF 1998

ANTHONY CARVAGNO (Poli. Sci.) is the operations manager for the Holland Tunnel. He resides in Toms River.

ELIZABETH (SCHIFFMAN) FAY (Comm.) and her husband TJ welcomed son, Sean, on November 24, 2006. The family resides in West Hartford, CT.

SCOTT MCCUE (M.A.T.) (’02 M.S. Ed.) was selected by the Pine Beach Borough Council to serve as replacement for the open council seat vacated by the retirement of longtime Councilman Joseph V. Boyle. Scott is the principal of Lakehurst Elementary School. He lives with his wife Kathryn and three children in Pine Beach.

COLLEEN O’CONNOR (Comm.) married Hayden Grant October 8, 2006. Monmouth alumni in attendance included Elizabeth Wagenhals (Hist. ’99) and Donna Smera (Comm. ’99). Colleen is a reporter for AdvisorMax.com, an online community for financial advisors/ planners. Her husband works in the field of graphic arts. The couple lives in New York City.

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JENNIFER TRAMONTANO (Spec. Ed.) married Jack Gottlieb July 21. She is a kindergarten teacher for the Toms River Board of Education, while he is the president of The Total Solutions Group Inc. They live in Jackson.

COLLEEN O’CONNOR (Comm.) married Hayden Grant October 8, 2006. Monmouth alumni in attendance included Elizabeth Wagenhals (Hist. ’99) and Donna Smera (Comm. ’99). Colleen is a reporter for AdvisorMax.com, an online community for financial advisors/planners. Her husband works in the field of graphic arts. The couple lives in New York City.

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JENNIFER TRAMONTANO (Spec. Ed.) married Jack Gottlieb July 21. She is a kindergarten teacher for the Toms River Board of Education, while he is the president of The Total Solutions Group Inc. They live in Jackson.

MARIANNE PINGITORE (Bus. Adm.) married Brian Carr November 11. She is a teacher for the Long Branch Public Schools. He is the general manager for New Jersey Gravel and Sand in Wall Township. The couple resides in Long Branch.

TRAVIS SEMBLEWSKI (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. ’03) and his wife Christine welcomed their son John on September 11. The family resides in Belmar.

MELISSA FURMAN (Spec. Ed./Elem. Ed.) married Nathaniel Auvil October 14. Monmouth graduates in attendance were Michelle (Mahoney) Taylor (Eng./Ed. ’01), Stacey (Wyckoff) Murphy (Spec. Ed. ’00), and Holly Scheick (Psych./Ed. ’04). Melissa is a high school special education teacher in Delaware County, PA, and has a master’s degree from St. Joseph’s University.

JACQUELINE GOMES (Bio.), who is a registered dietician, started a new program at Pathmark Stores designed to help improve the well-being of customers called “Healthy Steps.” The new program provides practical nutrition and healthy lifestyle information that is easy to apply to everyday life.

JENNIFER (HARRADEN) LARACY (Bus. Mgmt.) is the customer service supervisor of manufacturing for IFF in Hazlet. She and her husband Thomas live in Brick.

MICHAEL ETTORE (M.S.E.) on November 21 was named the new principal of Asher Holmes Elementary School in Marlboro. He had previously been a middle school teacher for 10 years at Markham Place School in Little Silver.

LEA MANIACI (Soc. Work) married Thommy Herber October 8. Monmouth alumni in attendance included Angelica Dougherty (Hist. ’01, M.A.A. ’03), Melissa Ciongoli-Starobinets (Sp. Ed. ’03), Leni Cress-Preston (Sp. Ed. ’01), Lesley Blum (Crim. J.’01), and Tina Mulligan (Eng. ’01). Lea is a social worker on the detoxification unit at Staten Island University Hospital, while her husband is an assistant service manager at Loman Ford in Woodbridge.

HEATHER CZAJKOWSKI (Psych.) and Matthew Hynes were married September 16. Monmouth alumni in attendance were Tifffanie (Crisman) Vowteras (Crim. J. ’01), Rebecca (Conrad) Tenpenny (Psych. ’01), Raymond Tenpenny (Bus. Econ. ’02), Cheryl (Willie) Homyak (Spec. Ed. ’01), Megan (Ogle) Banach (Spec. Ed. ’01), Tina
Grecco (Spec. Ed. ’02), and Tony Almeida (Bus. Mrkt. ’02). Heather works as substance abuse evaluator for the Ocean County Superior Court, Criminal Division in Toms River. Her husband is a general contractor. They live in Brick.

KYLE KELLER (Crim. J.) has joined the law firm of Youngblood Corcoran Lafertainty & Hyberg as an associate. He is a member of the Atlantic County Bar Association—Young Lawyers Division, Camden County Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Philadelphia Bar Association, and American Bar Association. He resides in Blackwood.

JENNIFER COSTROWSKI (Bus. Mktg.) and Peter Brown were married June 4. Monmouth alumni in attendance were her father, Paul Kostrowski (Bus. Adm. ’75), Jason Leder (Bus. Mrkt./Bus. Mgmt. ’01), Jennifer Cyr (Comm. ’01), Christine (Kopecky) Daugherty (Sp. Ed. ’01), Robert Stahle Jr (Psych. ’02), and Anthony San Filippo (Comm. ’01). Jennifer works as a meeting planner for Advanced Health Media in Union, while he is a union carpenter in Local 455 in Somerville. The couple resides in Summit.

MEGAN PURCELL (Bus. Mgmt.) and Bryan Jones were married April 1, 2006. She works for the J.P. Morgan Investment Bank in Washington, DC, while he works for Booz Allen Hamilton in Arlington, VA, as a senior Department of Defense consultant. They live in Arlington, VA.

EMILY CARTENSEN (Eng.) has joined the law firm of Pelletieri, Rabstein and Altman. With a specialty in family law, Emily clerked for Hon. Stephen B. Rubin in 2005-2006. She received her law degree from Seton Hall University in 2005.

REBECCA PARLIMAN (Bus. Mrkt.) (M.B.A. ’03) opened up My Sister’s Jewelry Shop in May with her younger sister, Ashley. She lives in Seaside Park.

DANIEL TEMPORE (Comm., Ed.) and Marie Elizabeth Grygier were married April 8, 2006. Daniel is a math teacher in the South River Middle School, while Marie works for accounts-receivable for The Atlantic Club. The couple lives in Brick.

CLASS OF 2002

STEFANIE QUENET (Comm.) and James Scott Attaway were married June 10. Stephanie is a sales assistant for the Belfer Group in Farmingdale. He owns Fanagle, the Bagel in Long Branch. They live in Oceanport.

KIRSTIN DUTCH (Comm.) and Colin Worthley were married July 21. Kristin is an admissions representative for Brookdale Community College, while her husband is an English teacher for Perth Amboy High School. They live in Eatontown.

Samantha Luft (Anthr.) was recently accepted for the Graduate Studies Program at Seton Hall University, where she will be pursuing a master’s in museum studies. She resides in East Brunswick.

Alexander Rosenwald (M.A.T.) and Stephanie Marie Mechmann were married July 23. Alexander, a science teacher at Howell High School, received his bachelor’s from Drew University. Stephanie is an English teacher at Colts Neck High School while pursuing a master’s in educational leadership from Monmouth University. They live in Freehold.

CHARLES RYAN (Hist.) married Sarah Anne Hoehn October 8. Charles teaches history at Rutherford High School and is studying for a master’s in administration at St. Peter’s College. Sarah is an attorney in Newark.

CLASS OF 2003

STEPHANIE QUENET (Comm.) and James Scott Attaway were married June 10. Stephanie is a sales assistant for the Belfer Group in Farmingdale. He owns Fanagle, the Bagel in Long Branch. They live in Oceanport.

CLASS OF 2005

DANIEL BLAZOSKY (Bus. Mgmt.) is a funeral intern serving a one-year apprenticeship at the Joseph S. Blazosky Funeral Home in Nesquehoning, PA. Daniel received an associate’s degree in Applied Science from Northampton County Community College in 2006, where he majored in Funeral Service Education. He lives in Nesquehoning, PA.

ANDREW CALVO (Bus. Mgmt.) works for The Modular Home Group LLC in Ocean Township. He sells modular homes directly to the customer in New Jersey and surrounding states.

Jillian Desarno (M.A.T.) married Dr. Kevin Kristick August 12. She is an elementary tutor and substitute for Achieve Education in Norwalk, CT. Kevin is a veterinary surgical intern for Veterinary Referral and Emergency Center. The couple resides in Norwalk.
in memoriam

ALUMNI
1971 WALTER OLSON [Soc.] October 1, 2006
1978 CHRISTOPHER TOTO [Chem.] October 31, 2006
RUTH GREENE [Anthr.] December 8, 2006

2005 CHRISTOPHER PARKS [M.S.W.] November 27, 2006
2009 LINDSEY SANGIORGIO January 9, 2007

FORMER FACULTY
RICHARD WESCOTT Emeritus Professor of History December 20, 2006

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AMANDA LEACH (Spec. Ed.) on June 24 married Adam Powley, who also graduated from Monmouth in 2005 with a master’s in history. Amanda is a fourth-grade teacher in Loris, SC, while Adam teaches in Georgetown, SC. They live in Murrells Inlet, SC.

KIMBERLY SHULACK (Bus. Econ.) was promoted last June to financial analyst at MetLife in Bridgewater, where she has worked since July 2005. She lives in Raritan.

CHRISSY SKUDERA (Comm.) has been accepted to a graduate program at Johns Hopkins University. She works full-time for The Washington Post. Her brother Jonathan is a junior at Monmouth.

CLASS OF 2006
JEANNETTE CARUSO (Comm.) has become a public relations coordinator for Creative Marketing Alliance. She lives in Lawrenceville.

AMANDA LEACH (Spec. Ed.) on June 24, married ADAM POWLEY (M.A. Hist.). Amanda is a fourth-grade teacher in Loris, SC, while Adam teaches in Georgetown, SC. They live in Murrells Inlet, SC.

ERIN OLAND (M.S.E.) married Kevin Crooks July 14. She is a sixth grade math teacher at Salisbury Middle School in Maryland, while Kevin is a registered client associate for Merrill Lynch in Ocean City, MD. The couple resides in Millville, DE.

JENNA SHAPIRO (M.A.T.) married David Andrew Ruditsky on June 25. Jenna, who also has a bachelor’s degree from Douglass College, is a history teacher for Marlboro High School. David is a police officer for Marlboro Township. They reside in Marlboro.
looking forward

Q & A WITH DR. JEFFERY N. MILLS, VICE PRESIDENT FOR UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

HE visited with Vice President for University Advancement Jeff Mills. Dr. Mills joined Monmouth University in 2005 from the University of Maine where he served as vice president of University Advancement and president of the Alumni Association. He received his bachelor’s degree from the University of Maine, and master’s and doctorate degrees from Arizona State University.

Dr. Mills has more than a decade of experience in university advancement and fundraising. He served for 10 years in the Maine Legislature—both in the House and in the Senate. In addition to his oversight of University Advancement, Dr. Mills shares his political experience with Monmouth University students as an adjunct professor, co-teaching a class in American Government with Dr. Joseph Patten.

Q What are your thoughts at the conclusion of the Vision for Distinction Capital Campaign?

A The campaign results exceeded my expectations. When the campaign goal was raised to $45 million in late 2005, we were hopeful that we’d exceed the goal, but I didn’t think the campaign would break the $50 million mark in less than a year. Campaign Chair Paul Doherty had a huge influence on the success of the effort, along with the very active members of the Campaign Executive Committee.

Monmouth University is attracting more high-level investment in the areas that make the University unique. In 2006 we had two 2 million dollar gifts to the capital campaign. The first gift, from the Kislak family, endowed the Kislak Real Estate Institute. The second gift from the Hess Foundation will endow a new chair focused on the needs of older adults at The Majorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies. These important gifts will dramatically improve the quality of both distinctive programs.

President Gaffney certainly played a leadership role with both endowments. The gifts from Kislak family and the Hess Foundation highlight the advantages of having team approach to attracting donors to Monmouth. Donors see personal involvement from all levels of the University, because the desire to keep improving our programs is strong and widespread.

We care about Monmouth University and it clearly shows.

Q What are some other highlights from 2006?

A In 2006 we broke records for private giving, employee giving, and number of members of the President’s Society. Total giving to the University was up 50% in 2006 over 2005, jumping from $4.5 million to $6.8 million. The increase from one year to the next is significant.

The Monmouth University employee giving campaign was also a highlight of our year. The number of employees who have given nearly doubled in 2006 over 2005. The campaign raised more than $125,000 in 2006, 40% more than in 2005. One of our Trustees described the accomplishment as perhaps “the most significant fundraising stat of the year.” It shows we all have a stake in the quality and success of Monmouth University.

In 2005 there were 616 members of the President’s Society, and at the end of 2006 we had 781 – a 27% increase. President’s Society members commit a minimum of $1,000 each year to the area of the University mission they find most compelling. Some give to athletics, while others focus on scholarships or the Arts.

2006 was also our first full year implementing a more user-friendly approach to recognizing our donors. We changed the 2005 Honor Roll of Donors, published in 2006, to recognize donors on a calendar year instead of a fiscal year.

Most people think about giving on a calendar year schedule. There is no reason for our supporters to worry about when the fiscal year of the University begins and ends—we are here to serve our donors, not the other way around!

Q What are your plans for 2007? How will you improve University Advancement in the coming year?

A We want to bring alumni back on campus so they can see first hand some of the exciting changes happening here at Monmouth. We are committed to building on the long-standing and cherished traditions that are the hallmarks of Monmouth University.

Another goal is to increase the percentage of alumni giving. You might be surprised to know that rankings done by U.S. News & World Report and BusinessWeek look at alumni giving as a measure of how well an institution fulfills its mission. It may sound like a cliché, but quite literally, every gift counts.

We will continue to focus on the importance of the four pillars of giving: Annual Giving, Lifetime Giving, Planned Giving, and building the Endowment. Each of these giving areas is vital to Monmouth for different reasons. Finding the right fit between our supporters and our mission is always the top priority for University Advancement.
YOU AND YOUR GIFTS TO THE ANNUAL FUND MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!

Simply decide the amount you would like to give; detach the giving form from the envelope and complete the information; include your check and form in the envelope; and mail your gift to Monmouth University today. For your convenience, you may make your donation by credit card if you prefer.

Thank you for your support.
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Monmouth University Alumni Reunion Weekend • June 2-3, 2007

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Accommodations are in Spruce Hall, an air-conditioned suite-style building. Four or six bedroom suites share a common living room and bathroom. All beds are extra-long twin sized. Optional linen service includes sheets, pillow case, bath towel and wash cloth; or bring your own and save money! If you wish to book a room near another alumnus, please contact the Office of Alumni Affairs. We will make every effort to accommodate your request.

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JUNE 2-3