HAWKS GO NATIONAL
## DECEMBER

### DECEMBER 2

#### Alumni: NYC Young Alumni Happy Hour and Business Card Exchange
- Red Sky Bar
- 47 East 27th Street, NYC
- 6:00-8:00 PM

### DECEMBER 4-11

#### Arts: Senior Show
- Rotary Ice House Gallery
- (opening reception Dec. 4, 7:00-9:00 PM)

### DECEMBER 5

#### 35th Annual Holiday Ball
- Wilson Hall
- 6:30 PM

### DECEMBER 6-7

#### Performing Arts:
- A Winnie-the-Pooh Christmas Carol
- Running Rabbit Family Theater
- Dec. 6 (2:00 PM), Dec. 7 (10:30 AM)
- $10/$12

### DECEMBER 9

#### Visiting Writers Series
- Matthew and Michael Dickman
- Wilson Auditorium
- 4:30 PM

### DECEMBER 9

#### Holiday Concert
- Running Rabbit Family Theater
- Grand Staircase of Wilson Hall
- 7:30 PM

### DECEMBER 11

#### Exporter Workshop: “Getting Paid for Export Sales”
- Charles J. Dugan, VP, Global Trade Finance, TD Bank, New York
- Turrell Board Room, Bey Hall, 2nd Floor
- 10:00 AM-1:00 PM
- $45 includes buffet lunch
- Registration begins at 9:30 AM

### DECEMBER 19

#### Best of the Met: Live in HD
- Les Contes d’Hoffmann – Jacques Offenbach
- Pollak Theatre
- 1:00 PM (Approx Running Time: 3:00/2 Intermissions)

### JANUARY 16

#### Best of the Met: Live in HD
- Carmen – Georges Bizet
- Pollak Theatre
- 1:00 PM (Approx Running Time: 4:00/2 Intermissions)

### JANUARY 19-MARCH 12

#### Tom Parr Comes Home: 1985-2010 (a multi-media exhibition by Monmouth graduate)
- Lecture: Jan. 28, 4:30-5:30 PM, Wilson Hall Auditorium
- Opening Reception: Jan. 28, 5:30-7:00 PM
- Rotary Ice House Gallery

### JANUARY 20

#### Annu Palakunnathu Matthew
- The Virtual Immigrant Series (exhibition opens)
- 800 Gallery
- (opening reception on Jan. 29 at 6:00-8:00 PM)

### JANUARY 22

#### Wilson Hall Candlelight Dinner Tour
- Wilson Hall
- 6:00 PM
- $50 per person

### JANUARY 24

#### Best of the Met: Live in HD
- Les Contes d’Hoffmann – Jacques Offenbach
- Encore Rebroadcast
- Pollak Theatre
- 1:00 PM (Approx Running Time: 3:00/2 Intermissions)

### JANUARY 29

#### Performing Arts: Richie Havens
- Magill Commons
- 7:00-9:00 PM
- Call Alumni Office for details.

## FEBRUARY

### FEBRUARY 6

#### Best of the Met: Live in HD
- Simon Boccanegra – Giuseppe Verdi
- Pollak Theatre
- 1:00 PM (Approx Running Time: 3:40/2 Intermissions)

### FEBRUARY 6

#### Satellite Exhibition Opens:
- South Asia
- SICA Gallery, 20 Third Ave., Long Branch

### FEBRUARY 7

#### 61st Sri Lankan Independence Day Cultural Show
- Pollak Theatre
- 4:00 PM (opening reception, “Exploring Sri Lanka Photo Exhibit,” at 8:15 PM in Pollak Theatre Gallery)

### FEBRUARY 19

#### Performing Arts: Brooklyn Rider (string quartet)
- Pollak Theatre
- 8:00 PM
- $28

### FEBRUARY 21

#### Best of the Met: Live in HD
- Carmen – Georges Bizet
- Encore Rebroadcast
- Pollak Theatre
- 1:00 PM (Approx Running Time: 4:00/2 Intermissions)

### FEBRUARY 25-28

#### Big River: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
- Lauren K. Woods Theatre
- 8:00 PM (also 3:00 PM show on Feb. 28)

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ON THE COVER: Daniel Bostock, Bryan Meredith, Coach Robert McCourt, Cody Calafiore, and the men’s soccer team celebrate NEC Championship victory over the Quinnipiac Bobcats. The team earned the highest national ranking of any program in school history.

CORRECTIONS: The deceased notice for Charles Mazza should have read Charles J. Mazza, who was born October 17, 1922 and attended Monmouth Junior College, not Charles B. Mazza, who graduated in 1966 with a degree in business administration.

Charles B. Mazza is alive and well. We regret the confusion.

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Letter to the MU Bookstore Staff:

I would like to thank all of you for sending me the MU flag, pennant, and alumni sticker while I was in Iraq. Having these items not only allowed me to show off some school spirit while I was in country, but also gave me a feeling of home. Overseas, a feeling of home is sometimes the only thing that makes life bearable. I took a few pictures around Camp Bucca to show some Monmouth pride and to show my sincere appreciation for the support you gave me. Thank you.

SSG Paul D. Stengele ’06

Remembering Lisa

I met Letizia Zindell in September 2001 while we were enrolled in the University’s graduate program of Criminal Justice. I quickly recognized Lisa as an intelligent, ambitious and caring person who was always optimistic and fun loving. I am sure that these attributes are what allowed Lisa to excel as a student, and also in her career with DYFS.

On August 13, 2009, Lisa was murdered in a tragic and unthinkable act of domestic violence. While her untimely death is shocking and painful to many of us, I have kept in mind how Lisa positively affected everyone who came in contact with her. She was extremely committed to her career and her clients, and was loved and adored by her friends and family.

Lisa was truly an exemplary alumna who will be deeply missed, and the Monmouth University community has suffered a great loss in her death.

Sincerely,

Mark DeGrandis, ’03M

Career in Education

After graduating from Monmouth College, I went on to serve as president of the University of Alaska State System in the late 70s and then served as the president of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania from 1979 to 1996.

I wonder how many Monmouth grads served as a president of a state system as well as president of another university? I suspect very few. I am now retired. However, I have never forgotten that it was at Monmouth that Professor Anna R.R. Jennings, Ph.D. (I hope I remembered her name correctly) advised me that she thought I should pursue a career in the field of education. I was always so happy that I took her advice. She was one of the most talented teachers with whom I have had contact in the past 50 years or so.

Foster Diebold ’62
With his competitive spirit and signature ability to withstand physical pain, Mike Medrano ‘01 has shown, from the mean streets of Jersey City, to the grid-iron of Kessler Field, to the no-excuses combat rings of professional Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) that “complacency” is not a word in his vocabulary.

“The minute you become complacent, it’s all over.”

—Coach Rich Hansen, St. Peter’s Prep School, Jersey City
Don’t let his 5’6” frame fool you. Nick—named “the ultra-tough brawler,” 31-year old Medrano has silenced critics who called him “too small,” and proven that discipline and determination pay many dividends.

“You can’t depend on anyone else but yourself. You’re the only one in the cage,” Medrano says.

Perhaps his perseverance came from his days growing up in Jersey City, where he was surrounded by violence, drugs and very few positive influences. While many kids his age were more focused on the awkwardness of puberty, 13-year old Medrano was confronted with the sudden reality of being “man of the house,” caring for a younger brother and sister when his father abandoned the family.

Instead of being swallowed up by adversity, Medrano accepted the challenge and vowed to protect his family. His mother, Iris, instilled in him a strong faith in God and a determination to never give up.

In Medrano’s case, his strong will, mixed with an atmosphere of negative influences, was a recipe for trouble. “I grew up hard in Jersey City,” he said. “I had a younger brother and sister to look after and I went overboard trying to protect them. My answer to everything was fighting.”

His mother thought football would be a way to channel his energy more productively. Her instincts proved to be correct. Natural talent and a fearless approach allowed Medrano to learn the game quickly and perform extremely well on the field.

Thanks to persistent urging from his junior high school basketball coach, who saw his athletic potential, Medrano grabbed a full scholarship to St. Peter’s Prep School, a prestigious Jesuit high school for boys in Jersey City. There were no regrets on either end of the deal.

Once at Prep, he excelled both academically and athletically, but the fire in him still burned. There Medrano met Coach Rich Hansen, who remains an important part of his life. Not prone to exaggeration, Medrano credits Hansen for saving his life. Vince Lombardi once said, “Coaches who can outline plays on a black board are a dime a dozen. The ones who win get inside their player and motivate.”

Now in his 22nd year as coach of the Marauders, Hansen quelled some of the anger Medrano had been storing up over 14 years. Medrano became a standout among Prep’s Marauders and stood with the best of them academically—so much so that he earned a full scholarship to Monmouth.

“Mike was one of my favorites. He’s definitely one of the most respected, dynamic personalities we’ve ever had,” Hansen said as he took time out of his hectic football schedule to talk. “I didn’t save his life. I just maybe helped him.”

Medrano came to Prep with a reputation of having problems with authority figures, Hansen said, adding that when he left, he was president of the student body. “He’s always been such a goal-oriented kid; He has a strong desire to make something of himself. I think this overpowered other distractions in his life.”

As a Hawk, Medrano turned in his burgundy and silver jersey for Monmouth’s blue and white. As a star running back on Kessler Field, Mike fended off much larger opponents. He remains on the record books at Monmouth for rushing touchdowns and rushing yardage during the years he

played, leading the pack in 1996 with 638 yards and in 1997 with 527 yards.

But his athletic prowess was not his only talent, nor his only motivator.

As part of the Equal Opportunity Fund (EOF) program at Monmouth, Medrano excelled and later became an EOF Peer Counselor to give back to the school he said taught him so much. He fondly recalled EOF Director Colleen Johnson and former EOF counselor George Featherson and their positive influence.

Johnson remembers, “Mike was a strong student leader who made a lasting impression on everyone who came into contact with him. He possessed a passion for everything he did, especially football. I viewed Mike as reliable and resourceful and called upon him many times to assist me with student leadership initiatives.”

“You could always count on Mike Medrano,” Johnson said. “He was a guy who got things done. He was an asset to the Educational Opportunity Fund Program.” Medrano returned to campus in August of 2008 to speak with EOF students and help celebrate the 40th anniversary of the program at Monmouth.

After playing for the Hawks, twice earning NEC rookie of the week honors, and being part of the first NEC Championship team in 1996, Medrano had to unexpectedly leave the West Long Branch campus after the end of his sophomore year when his mother was diagnosed with brain cancer. She has since recovered and is living in Florida with Mike’s sister.

A year later he returned to his studies, graduating in 2001 with a degree in History/Political Science and Education.

“Monmouth was good to me,” Medrano said, “I had a good family there.”

After graduation Medrano hoped his next step was the NFL, but his plans were dashed when professional football scouts deemed him too short for the big leagues.

For a time, he dabbled in semi-professional and arena league football in New York and New Jersey, holding out hope he would eventually attract the attention of a professional organization.

“I was very frustrated because they kept saying I was too small,” he said. “I thought if I kept knocking on the door somebody would let me in, so I kept knocking, knocking.”

All the while, Medrano trained diligently in the martial arts to keep himself in peak physical condition, and to work off a little steam. Little did he know that it would later turn into a career.

“Once I knew I wasn’t getting into the NFL, I decided [fighting] was the best avenue,” Medrano said. “It’s made me a lot happier.” For Medrano, his NFL rejection became a new source of motivation.

About the same time, Medrano started teaching history, his other passion, at Union City High School. However, just last June he was laid off when two local high schools were forced to merge due to budget constraints.
Medrano isn’t the only Hawk actively competing in martial arts. In September, Tom DeBlass ’04 travelled to Barcelona, Spain to compete in the invitation-only ADCC Submission Fighting World Championships, after winning the qualifying trials in June.

DeBlass is a black belt student of Ultimate Fighting Championship veteran Ricardo Almeida. At Monmouth University DeBlass earned a dual degree in Elementary Education and Special Education. Following graduation he focused his attention on training in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, and is now the owner of Ocean County Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu.

His competition record includes medals and championships in some of the world’s most prestigious Jiu-Jitsu competitions such as the Worlds, Nationals, and Pan American Jiu-Jitsu tournaments.

Hazem Ibrahim ’02, a brown belt student of Almeida, has also competed in several MMA tournaments. In November, DeBlass and Ibrahim competed in the Ultra Heavyweight category at the 2009 World Jiu-Jitsu No-Gi Championship in Long Beach, California. DeBlass placed third in the black belt tournament, and Ibrahim placed third in the brown belt division.

“It’s okay. Everything happens for a reason. I’m planning on getting back to teaching,” he said.

For now, Medrano’s primary focus is on competing in the burgeoning field of professional MMA. Now a member of New Jersey’s Rhino Fight Team, Medrano won the vacant National Amateur Fight League welterweight title last year against local favorite Brenden Weafer by unanimous decision.

“You have to judge me by my performance,” Medrano said. “That’s why I like fighting. It’s all up to you, and you can prove yourself.”

Zack Lynch, a photojournalist who has covered MMA professionally for more than a decade, saw Medrano’s first fight. “It was incredible,” Lynch said. “Medrano is not a big guy, but he literally lifted his opponent over his head. I remember thinking he was someone to keep an eye on.”

This year, Medrano’s 5-3 record was shattered at the World Championships Fighting (WCF) 9 on September 26 at The Shriners Auditorium in Wilminton, Mass., when he lost to Mike Campbell despite dominating much of the match. He lost again October 17 in Montreal to the formidable and more experienced Derek Gauthier.

But he still continues his usual training, four hours a day, five days a week, practicing three different martial arts: Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, wrestling and Muay Thai. Thailand’s national sport, Muay Thai, is known as “the art of eight limbs,” because the hands, shins, elbows, and knees are all used extensively in combat. He also swims an average of 30 laps per day.

In his quest for professional success in the combat arena Medrano has broken his hand, fractured his jaw and injured his eye socket, this year alone.

Each professional MMA fight consists of three five-minute rounds, with a one-minute break between rounds. Prior to competition, he eats mostly berries and other high-fiber foods and no carbohydrates. He doesn’t eat or drink anything 24 hours before a fight and spends a lot of time in the sauna.

“I am a much more patient fighter now. I look at pictures of my son for inspiration. I want to give him what I didn’t have,” Medrano said, referring to his son Joshua, born to his wife, Mindy, in June 2008.

Their son was named for Medrano’s brother Joshua, who graduated from Monmouth in 2001 with a bachelor’s in criminal justice and then again with an M.A.T in 2004. He is now a police officer in Roosevelt Park.

Medrano said learning from his mistakes continues to drive him forward. Odds are good that his latest loss will not discourage Medrano or slow down his grueling daily training regimen. More likely, it will continue to fuel the fire that has led Medrano along the path to a professional MMA career, and another learning experience to build upon.

As for his future, Medrano says he has promised his wife that he will reassess his career after every 10 fights. “I’ll be fighting as long as my body lasts.” Mindy continues to be very supportive, never missing a single match.

Medrano also emphasized his need to get back into teaching. “I want to empower kids like I was when I was a kid.” And he said he’ll also continue coaching his stepdaughter, Gabriella’s soccer team. “It’s all about family.”
MULTIPURPOSE ACTIVITY CENTER

OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Almost exactly two years after the groundbreaking for the Multipurpose Activity Center, students, faculty, alumni, supporters, current and former trustees, and local elected officials gathered for a ribbon-cutting ceremony on September 16. The event also marked the opening convocation for the 2009-2010 academic year.
The Pep Band played outside the main entrance near a newly erected Hawk statue sculpted by Brian Hanlon '88, while cheerleaders and members of the Dance Team enthusiastically greeted guests.

"Welcome to the first day of Monmouth’s Multipurpose Activity Center," said President Gaffney as he opened the convocation. "I am proud of this great Center, sitting among so many classic buildings that make this campus nationally distinctive."

Barbara McMorrow '70 '76M, director of the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, told the audience, "When I was a student I never could have imagined this beautiful building on this beautiful campus."

Monmouth welcomed CBS sports commentator Jim Nantz to the newly opened Multipurpose Activity Center in October to honor him for his 20-plus years in broadcasting. The celebration marked the first event in the Center after the September ribbon cutting.

“He’s a great example of communication excellence,” said Chad Dell, chair of the Communication department, addressing the crowd of distinguished guests, sports fans and students. Dell also announced that a new 18-credit minor in Sports Communication will debut next fall.

Nantz, an Emmy winner and four-time National Sportscaster of the Year, received the Monmouth University Award for Communication Excellence (MACE), sponsored by the Department of Communication and Communication Council.

Previous honorees include White House correspondent Helen Thomas, newspaper publisher Jules L. Plangere, Jr., former owner of the Asbury Park Press, and Myron Kandel, founding financial editor of CNN, who was on hand to congratulate Nantz.

Calling the evening "surreal," Nantz recalled his path to national recognition, including working a 536-day stretch in college. "It has to do with following a dream. You have to make a big effort," Nantz said.

Nantz’s dream to become a sportscaster began in Colts Neck when he was 11 years old, delivering copies of the Asbury Park Press to his neighbors. From that day on, his focus never wavered.

As a student at the University of Houston in the late 1970s Nantz seized every opportunity he could get. He recalled meeting television producer Don Ohlmeyer and landing a job as a runner. At another time he was also a Houston Astros announcer. “I brought my homework with me,” he said.

“There was a romance to sports for me,” Nantz told spectators as he participated in a question and answer session with Emmy-award winning broadcaster Pat Scanlon, a member of the Communication Council and owner of Shamrock Communications.
“Just for a moment let me take you back: We took our swimming classes in Woodrow Wilson Hall, we took classes in the chicken coops, and we took Phys Ed in the carriage house. Our Student Union was a small house across the street, and our cafeteria was a vending machine,” she said.

“I can only imagine what the future will be for Monmouth University. Each time I think that we have reached the top, we go beyond.”

State Senator Sean Kean said, “This beautiful facility will be the center of dreams for students for many more years to come.”

Dr. Marilyn McNeil, vice president and director of Athletics, described the opening of the Center as a defining day for the University. “On behalf of all the student-athletes, the coaches, the administration and the staff, I have one word to say: Finally.”

McNeil also thanked the many student athletes who never had the chance to play in the facility, and who stuck with Monmouth through the lengthy process from blueprints to ribbon-cutting.

The construction delay caused by zoning issues actually resulted in changes to the building that make it more energy efficient, said Patricia Swannack ’02, vice president for Administrative Services, who supervised the complex construction project.

“It’s all worthwhile when you see the students’ reaction when they see

“It was a vehicle to learning more about people. It’s the storytelling that I love.”

During his presentation Nantz shared stories from his New York Times bestselling book, Always by My Side, written with co-author Eli Spielman. In the book Nantz chronicles his own rise in the broadcasting industry, and shares the difficult experience of seeing his father succumb to Alzheimer’s disease.

The foreword to the book was written by former President George H.W. Bush, who became a close friend and father figure to Nantz.

Nantz spoke fondly of his dad, who he said, “really believed in people.” Nantz said he still uses many of the lessons he learned from his dad today.

At the end of the presentation, Nantz surprised the audience by pledging to name a classroom in honor of the book’s co-author Eli Spielman, and his wife Yael, who attended the award ceremony.

Accepting the MACE award, Nantz said, “I accept your gift with a grateful heart. I’ve been lucky. I’m so thankful.” The MACE Award is the latest in a string of well deserved professional accolades.

In April, Nantz was honored with an Emmy Award for Outstanding Sports Personality – Play-By-Play at the 30th Annual Sports Emmy Awards. A week later, he was honored for the fourth time with the National Sportscaster of the Year by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association.

He is also the first broadcast journalist to host the Super Bowl, NCAA Final Four and Masters Golf tournament in the same year.

With CBS since 1985, Nantz serves as the network’s golf anchor, hosting coverage of the Masters and the PGA Championship, and lead play-by-play announcer for The NFL on CBS, covering the past Super Bowl XLI and the upcoming Super Bowl XLIV. He is also lead play-by-play announcer for college basketball, anchoring the NCAA Men’s Final Four.

The presenting sponsor of the MACE Award was the Asbury Park Press. Additional sponsors included OceanFirst Bank, Gem of An Idea, owned by Maureen ’75 and William Bay ’72, Marilyn ’65 & Ken Rocky ’65, Life Trustee Paul Corliss, and Trustee Thomas Porskievies ’82 ’86M and his wife, Deborah.
Olympic champion and keynote speaker Christie Rampone ’99 HN ’05 was also impressed. “It gives me chills to be up here right now, this is big time,” she said.

“I am a little jealous I wasn’t able to play in this court.” A two-sport athlete who still holds records in soccer and basketball, Rampone said, “This is a dream for all student athletes.”

In his closing remarks President Gaffney noted that the $57 million project was completed without incurring any debt. He singled out several donors who made substantial contributions including Fred ’61 and Jean Kaeli, Jules HN ’86 and Jane Plangere, Ann and Tom Unterberg, Henri ’68 and John ’69 Kessler, who named the varsity club, Maryanne Hesse, who named the atrium in memory of former trustee Charles J. Hesse III, and the Hess Foundation, which dedicated Champions’ Hall in memory of Leon Hess.

The first event following the ribbon-cutting was the October 6 presentation of the Monmouth University Award for Communication Excellence (MACE) to CBS Sportscaster Jim Nantz.

Shifting gears, the venue welcomed rock band O.A.R. (Of A Revolution) who christened the Center with its first major concert performance on November 8. O.A.R. played to an enthusiastic crowd and garnered rave reviews from Monmouth students.

Friday, November 13, marked the first basketball game in the new 4,100-seat arena, which proved to be a lucky date for the Hawks. Kicking off his 13th season as Head Coach, Dave Calloway ’91 ’95 M.B.A led the team to a victory (99-70) over the FIU Golden Panthers, coached by Isiah Thomas, a basketball Hall of Famer and former president of the New York Knicks.

After the game Calloway said, “The players were great tonight and our student section was absolutely terrific. For our level of basketball, that is a great thing to see.”

To watch the ribbon-cutting and opening convocation online visit: http://bluehawk.monmouth.edu/~mediacenter/mac_opening/mac_opening.html
Making a difference may be an understatement when describing the honored speakers at the annual Founders’ Day celebration on October 14.

Founders’ Day is a campus-wide event that celebrates Monmouth’s founding in 1933. The first Founders’ Day was held in 1983 as a part of the University’s 50th anniversary celebration, and it has become a tradition over the past quarter-century.

Gracing the crowd in Pollak Theatre were Michele Evering-Watley ’89, who accepted the 2009 Distinguished Alumni Award, and Dr. Stephen E. Flynn, who received an honorary degree at the ceremony. Both exemplify the determination and dedication behind Monmouth’s founding 76 years ago.

“It was at Monmouth that I learned to face challenges head on with tact and diplomacy. I left Monmouth with the belief that what lies behind us and what lies before us is nothing compared to what lies within us,” said Evering-Watley, who is a health education specialist/curriculum/instructional designer at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta.

Her mission takes her to Egypt, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Tanzania, Ghana, Burkina Faso and other countries in Africa where she works with physicians, epidemiologists, and public health advisors to reduce the scourge of HIV and other epidemics.

As a trainer, Evering-Watley partners with national and international organizations and foreign governments to build strong, transparent, sustainable public health systems.

Speaking of a recent trip to Nigeria, she told the Founders’ Day crowd, “I was reminded that when we light the candles of others we don’t dim our own light, but rather we pass along our knowledge that others may need to help and inspire them as they continue on their own journeys.”
She added, “Monmouth lit my candle, providing me the opportunity to light many, many more, from Monmouth to CDC and beyond; and I am truly grateful.”

Earlier in the day Evering-Watley told students that her career path was inspired by the 1995 movie, *Outbreak*, starring Dustin Hoffman as a military scientist battling an Ebola-like pandemic.

Given the inspiration, it isn’t a surprise to learn she is also a global Rapid Response Team member trained to address public health emergencies. She is also a Humanitarian Assistance Team member, where she assists family members who have been affected by a traumatic situation.

In her work with the Global AIDS Program (GAP) at the CDC, Evering-Watley developed an HIV counseling program aimed at reducing viral transmission among HIV discordant couples (where only one member of a couple is HIV positive). The resulting curriculum was field-tested in South Africa, Botswana, and Kenya. The materials were later used successfully in CDC-led trainings conducted in Botswana, Malawi, Ethiopia, Namibia, and Nigeria.

Evering-Watley now works in the Field Epidemiology and Laboratory Training Program (FELTP) in the Coordinating Office of Global Health at the CDC, with the goal of strengthening capacity for sound epidemiological field work in several regions throughout Africa.

Working in partnership with international Ministries of Health and university staff in local partner countries, FELTP operates several regional two-year, full-time training and service programs using CDC’s existing infrastructure investments to improve local epidemiology and laboratory management capacity to meet the challenges of emerging infectious diseases and other public health problems.

One of Evering-Watley’s more recent high-profile assignments was to prepare a briefing document on FELTP activities for President Obama before his visit to Ghana in July.
“Risks like flu pandemics, SARS, and AIDS pay no attention to national boundaries”

Keynote speaker Dr. Stephen Flynn has also been a recent advisor to President Barack Obama. Following Obama’s election, Dr. Flynn served as the lead policy advisor on homeland security for the presidential transition team. He is also supporting the drafting of the inaugural Quadrennial Homeland Security Review chartered by Congress to provide strategic guidance for the America homeland security effort.

Flynn is a 1982 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and the Ira A. Lipman senior fellow for counterterrorism and national security studies at the Council on Foreign Relations, where he has directed an ongoing working group on national resilience and homeland security since 1999.

“For America to lead in the world,” Dr. Flynn said, “We must be resilient, unwavering, in our commitment to our founding principles. We can never hope to isolate ourselves from adversity by building walls along our borders. Risks like flu pandemics, SARS, and AIDS pay no attention to national boundaries.”

Dr. Flynn emphasized the theme of leadership in his address, touching on Monmouth’s motto, “Where Leaders Look Forward.”

“A leader must always be striving to build a brighter future, but his or her feet must be planted firmly on the ground.” Dr. Flynn also cited four attributes of leadership that he regards as the principal outcomes for students at any great university; intelligence, empathy, integrity, and resilience.

“Preparing thinking leaders for the 21st Century increasingly requires that students not only be grounded within an academic discipline, but that they become comfortable roaming beyond the artificial walls academics too often erect around their individual fields of expertise.”

“The fact is,” he said, “understanding and managing virtually all important challenges to our time, including climate change, pandemics, regulating markets, and combating organized crime and terrorism requires insights from multiple disciplines, and the capacity to work across multiple jurisdictions.”

Dr. Flynn is the author of the critically-acclaimed book, The Edge of Disaster: Rebuilding a Resilient Nation, and the national bestseller, America the Vulnerable. He is also a frequent media commentator and has appeared on Meet the Press, 60 Minutes, The News Hour with Jim Lehrer, The Today Show, the Charlie Rose Show, CNN and on National Public Radio.

Flynn served in the Coast Guard on active duty for 20 years, including two tours as commanding officer at sea, receiving several professional awards including the Maritime Security Service Recognition Award for Outstanding Worldwide Leadership (2005), Legion of Merit (2001) and U.S. Coast Guard Commendation Medal (1993). He retired at the rank of Commander.

As a Coast Guard officer, he served in the White House Military Office during the George H.W. Bush administration and as a director for Global Issues on the National Security Council staff during the Clinton administration.

According to the World Health Organization,

24.5 million adults and children were living with HIV in sub-Saharan Africa at the end of 2005. During that year an estimated two million people died from AIDS and 12 million children were orphaned.

In Swaziland alone, 220,000 people were living with AIDS, making up 33.4 percent of the adult population, and 16,000 people died from the disease.

To listen to excerpts of Evering-Watley’s address, please visit: http://www.monmouth.edu/alumni/foundersday.asp
Laird’s laws of success

LARRIE LAIRD ’65 AT LAIRD’S HISTORIC HEADQUARTERS IN SCOBENVILLE.
Soon to turn 70, Laird ’65, still spends most of his waking hours in the long, brick production warehouse at the rear of the family’s corporate headquarters passersby don’t see from Route 537 in Colts Neck. What catches their eye is the two-story white Colonial Revival farmhouse with the yellow shutters and the roadside sign that simply declares “Home of Laird’s Apple Jack since 1780.”

Fermenting, distilling and aging alcohol is a production operation that fits naturally with Laird’s talent. But to assume his place alongside his older brother, John, in the tight-knit family’s brandy business, he needed to know more about the process of finance, accounting, and law.

“My father died when I was 15. I knew that if I was going to progress in life I’d have to learn what I didn’t know,” Laird explained candidly one sunny autumn morning as wild turkeys rambled along the edge of the property in Scobeyville, a postal address established during the colonial era.

Married, with a baby girl, and living in nearby Eatontown, in 1961 Laird tried a couple of evening classes at Monmouth College, three years after graduating from Freehold High School. The business courses, in particular, agreed with him. By winter he was enrolled full-time, moving to Oakhurst to shorten the campus commute.

“College was like another job,” explained the pragmatic Laird. “Monmouth provided a great opportunity to get an education. It was close by. It had a flexible curriculum. It was affordable. I went twelve months a year by going mostly to night school.”

His science classes were held in the chicken coops, a few others were in Wilson Hall, but the bulk of courses leading to a B.S. in business administration took place on the second floor of the Guggenheim Library. What he learned there prepared him to manage the cycles that would buffer the liquor industry over the next forty years. The eighth generation to join the family firm, Laird credits two professors, Sidney Nemetz and Kenneth Loeffler, with laying the groundwork for how he would steer the company towards the 21st century.

“Nemetz set the path of my business philosophy, which is conservative,”

Looking back on his long career at Laird and Company, Larrie singled out three key strategies honed from his business administration studies at Monmouth College:

1) To excel in business, know your business law; the legal knowledge will make you a better negotiator on everything from raw materials and supplies to buying a competitor. “We’re in a highly regulated industry. There are a lot of laws I had never heard of until I attended Monmouth.”

2) Understand the fluctuating value of the U.S. dollar in international markets. Every day Laird watches the prices for commodities and energy, which can vary daily and even hourly. “They affect when we draw up our purchase contracts.”

3) Common sense, plus logic. Larrie values the less tangible benefits of his college education. “Monmouth taught me how to analyze and move quickly. Thinking on your feet is important.”
Laird said, “In accounting, he explained the value of a balance sheet and how good cash flow leads to a good credit rating from lenders. He made it interesting.”

Professor Nemetz also expanded the country boy’s view of economics.

Laird’s maternal grandfather had tilled the neighboring farm across Yellow Brook that runs along the company’s northern property line; today, mini estates grace the former agricultural acres. As New Jersey’s real estate prices soared, Laird’s relocated its core operations to Virginia’s Shenandoah Valley where apples are harvested and their juices fermented. From there the liquid is shipped to Scobeyville to be aged, a process that takes anywhere from four to twelve years before a particular blend is bottled.

“Every day I watch the worldwide prices for grain, oil and natural gas,” said Laird, referring to Professor Nemetz’s insistence that students always include foreign factors in any U.S. industry projections. “I watch what the dollar is doing against the Euro.”

Distilling is always in economic flux because the Laird family’s unique hybrid blend of applejack is mixed with neutral grain spirits to make it 100 proof. Moreover, its packaging operations require Laird to keep an eye on costs associated with plastics, glass, and energy; Laird’s bottles vodka, gin and whiskey shipped in from Scotland and Canada as well as Kentuck.

“I watch the costs of all imports,” he continued. While his Scottish ancestors distilled, or “jacked” hard cider into brandy and served it to travelers along the turnpike between Freehold and the shore, the modern Laird and Company imports wine from Italy, Chile, and Argentina for domestic sales.

“We diversified. It’s what we had to do,” the Brielle resident said matter-of-factly. Staying on top of worldwide economic conditions, then, is paramount to the success of the Scobeyville operations. Added Laird, “I check all conditions before we sign for anything.”

In fact, contracts are about the only business action for which Laird uses an attorney. Everything negotiated up until a deal is signed is the direct result of four semesters of business regulations taught by Professor Loeffler.

“There were a lot of laws I had never heard of until I attended Monmouth,” Laird said. Professor Loeffler’s case histories came in handy during the long hours of bargaining in 1989 to buy a Philadelphia distiller of “white goods” – gin, vodka, whiskey – that had been snapped up by investors.
“Because of what he taught me, I was able to do the Kasser’s deal without a lawyer,” Laird said. Chuckling, he added, “That kept our purchase cost down.”

The Kasser’s acquisition came just four years after Laird succeeded his brother as president. Today, his nephew, John E. Laird III, is the firm’s finance vice president and his daughter, Lisa Laird Dunn, is sales and marketing vice president.

Having once sent the recipe for Laird’s applejack brandy to George Washington, the family no longer gives out its trade secrets. Even its annual revenues are a closely guarded topic. Laird and Company moves an estimated million cases of alcohol a year. Gross annual sales in 2005 were about $50 million.

Because the tax advantages for contract bottling for other distributors have disappeared, the privately held company has more recently sought to expand its market presence by building its own brands. On a handshake, Laird acquired such compatible “white goods” as the Five O’Clock line of vodka, gin and rum from Hiram Walker & Sons as it went out of business. The purchase gave Laird’s access to Midwestern markets while expanding its presence in the Northeast. The former market is not entirely unknown to the Lairds; an ancestor once sold applejack brandy to the Springfield, IL, tavern operated by Abraham Lincoln in 1833.

Laird credits his daughter Lisa with updating the look of and uses for the country’s oldest applejack brandy. In 2005, the company officially celebrated its 225th anniversary with a series of year-long events.

“That’s still paying dividends,” he added, mentioning a September 2009 write-up in Penthouse magazine that featured the company’s signature Jack Rose cocktail. Indeed, consumers’ recent thirst for martinis has brought back an interest in “brown goods,” according to Laird. On the decline for many years, bourbon, for example, has new-found favor thanks to the resurgence in cocktails.

Hugely popular with today’s business majors, building brand awareness wasn’t in the Monmouth course catalogue back in ’60s. But summing up the bottom line of his Monmouth education, Laird observed, “What I learned is that if you own the brand, no one can take it away from you.”

**This Jersey Guy Takes Manhattan**

Larrie stirs his company’s signature applejack brandy into a Manhattan cocktail:

2 oz. Laird’s AppleJack
1 oz. sweet vermouth
dash of bitters
cherry

With ice, gently stir first four ingredients and strain into a cocktail glass. Add cherry.

By contrast, Lisa Laird Dunn shakes a modern martini she christened Jersey Girl:

1.5 oz. Laird’s AppleJack
1 oz. Cointreau
.5 oz. lime juice
2 dashes of cranberry

Shake well with ice. Strain into a chilled cocktail glass. Add a lime wedge.

Other recipes for cooking, baking, and libations may be found in “AppleJack: The Spirit of Americana,” a Laird’s AppleJack cookbook.
Former first lady of New Jersey, Lucinda Florio, was also in the audience.

“Either you can be part of the problem, or you can be part of the solution,” said Agyeman-Rawlings, who offered pragmatic, proactive advice to women across the globe. Quoting American journalist Evelyn Cunningham, she said, “Women are the only oppressed group in our society that lives in intimate association with their oppressors.”

During the event, Lady Agyeman-Rawlings received the Global Understanding and Leadership Award from Monmouth University’s Institute for Global Understanding to recognize her many years of work empowering women.

Agyeman-Rawlings is the founder of the “31st December Women’s Movement,” a non-governmental organization (NGO) that helps to empower women throughout the world so they can contribute to the socio-economic and political progress of their countries. The movement, now two million strong, has set up more than 870 pre-schools in Ghana.

During the reception, Monmouth junior Clara Abbey identified herself as graduating as a child from one of the day care centers built by the 31st December Movement in Ghana’s capital, Accra. Abbey is majoring in Biology, with a concentration in molecular cell and physiology, and minoring in Chemistry.

Stressing the need for “a multifaceted approach to the development of women” and urging women to “be part of the decision-making process,” the former first lady spoke with pride of the long struggle toward equality in Ghana, which was the first African colony to gain independence in 1957.

Following independence, the nation experienced a series of coups, including two in 1979 and 1981 led by Agyeman-Rawlings’ husband, Jerry John Rawlings, who ruled the country for almost 19 years. Stability returned in
1992 when Rawlings allowed multi-party elections, and a new constitution which led to the creation of the current fourth republic.

“We wanted to break the cycle of poverty with education,” said Lady Rawlings, adding that most women in Ghana could not read or write when her husband took power. As a result, she helped establish the Non-Formal Educational System, with the goal of teaching women basic reading and writing skills in eight weeks.

Agyeman-Rawlings also spoke of her nation’s health issues and the move to immunize children from six potentially fatal diseases, including polio—not regarded as a threat to most industrialized nations for many decades—and organize “the best cost-effective diet for students.”

Health and dieting information taught to students often filters “up” from children to their parents.

Once health care and education were moving in the right direction, Agyeman-Rawlings said, the next step was “to break the myth of politics.”

“It’s not bad; it’s part of life,” she said. “We tried to demystify governing and politics” and this in turn, encourages women to enter politics and become vehicles of change.

“We had to work together. We tried everything under the sun.”

As a result, women were now receiving more political appointments in Ghana, from district chief executives to government ministers, said Agyeman-Rawlings. Their election to political office built momentum for women’s issues, and stimulated increased political participation for women at the local level, she added.

Initiatives started by the 31st December Women’s Movement have proven effective. A study by the online resource, EarthTrends, concluded that in 2002 the adult literacy rate among women was 66 percent, compared to 82 percent among men. The youth literacy rate was at 92 percent.

A 2007 study by the Journalists for Human Rights also noted female enrollment in Ghana’s top three journalism schools exceeded 50 percent. The study also found women made up 33 percent of full-time radio journalists nationwide, and 30 percent of print journalists were women.

Molly Madziva, a graduate student from Zimbabwe [see last issue], sought Lady Rawlings’ advice during her visit. Madziva, who is establishing a sustainability project in her rural home village, Macheke, said she fears governmental backlash if her goals are deemed to undermine the administration of Robert Mugabe.

Lady Rawlings told Madziva that working in cooperation with, rather than against, governmental interests is usually the better way for agents of social change to achieve positive project outcomes.

“I know ‘Uncle Bob,’” she said, referring to one of Mugabe’s nicknames in Zimbabwe. “If you get into any trouble, call me.”

Agyeman-Rawlings offered her card to Madziva, making a positive global connection between the former first lady of Ghana, and a hopeful graduate student from Zimbabwe on the West Long Branch campus of Monmouth University. MU
President Gaffney was named the new chair of the Ocean Research & Resources Advisory Panel (ORRAP) in August. Created by a statute to advise Federal agencies, ORRAP is a panel of experts who provide advice on issues related to ocean science and management.

An active member of ORRAP since 2007, Gaffney takes over the leadership role from the outgoing chair, Dr. Jerry Schubel, president & CEO of the Aquarium of the Pacific.

“It will be tough filling the shoes of Jerry Schubel, a true American ocean leader,” said Gaffney.

Schubel said Gaffney’s “distinguished service as chief of Naval Research, member of the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy, and as president of Monmouth University combine to give him important perspectives on the need to improve our understanding of the ocean and to use that new knowledge to improve our management of the ocean and its resources and to protect our national security.”

At the August meeting ORRAP addressed a number of national ocean issues, including integrated ocean observing, offshore renewable energy, ecosystem-based management, and climate and ocean measurements in the Arctic.

The group also reinforced the ocean research priorities and opportunities it laid out in a transition document it submitted in November to the incoming Obama Administration (see: www.nopp.org/site/ORRAP).

Dr. Mercy Azeke is the new dean of the Center for Student Success, formerly the Life and Career Advising Center (LCAC).

Dr. Azeke holds a master’s degree in Curriculum Instruction and a doctorate in Vocational Education, both from Temple University. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Nigeria, Nsukka.

She previously served as Director of Academic Advising and Student Services for the undergraduate program in the Pamplin College of Business at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Princeton Review again cited the MBA program at the Leon Hess Business School as one of the best in the 2010 edition of their annual guide, “The Best 301 Business Schools.”

According to Princeton Review VP Robert Franek, “We are pleased to recommend Leon Hess Business School at Monmouth University to readers of our book as one of the best institutions they could attend to earn an MBA.”

“The Best 301 Business Schools: 2010 Edition” has profiles of each of the carefully selected schools, with write-ups covering academics, student life and admissions, and ratings for selectivity and career placement services. More than 19,000 students were surveyed nationwide.

The Leon Hess Business School is “a boon to area professionals looking to fast-track their careers,” the book says. The profile also notes, “a lot of initiatives occurring [that will] improve Monmouth’s standing as a leading educational institution. Among these innovations is the addition of a full-time accelerated MBA program that can be completed in one year.”
Alan J. Steinberg, former regional administrator at the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), is Monmouth University’s Public Servant in Residence for the 2009-2010 academic year. Steinberg will guest lecture in classes and give several public lectures on campus during the year.

“We are thrilled Mr. Steinberg will be on campus this year,” said Dr. Rekha Datta, chair of the Department of Political Science. “His knowledge and vast experience of environmental policy will be of great benefit to the campus community during the year.”

The public servant in residence program was created in 2000 to provide a venue for public officials who wish to share their expertise with students and the campus community at Monmouth University. The program also benefits graduate students in the MA in Public Policy program who learn about public policy issues first-hand from the perspective of a practitioner.

Steinberg served as the regional administrator for the EPA from September 2005 until January 2009. He oversaw federal programs that govern all aspects of the environment with the purpose of protecting the health and livelihood of the region’s approximately 31 million residents.

President Abraham Lincoln, portrayed by Christian Johnson of the American Historical Theatre of Philadelphia, came to campus September 17 to mark Constitution Day. Johnson, who has performed at The White House, the National Archives, and the Smithsonian, visited with students in classrooms and gave a performance in the Wilson Auditorium.

Constitution Day is an American federal observance that recognizes the ratification of the United States Constitution. The law establishing the holiday was created in 2004. Before the law was enacted, the holiday was known as “Citizenship Day.”

President Barack Obama used Lincoln’s bible when he was sworn into office and his inaugural address entitled, “A New Birth of Freedom,” was inspired by Lincoln’s presidency. Many presidential scholars believe President Obama views the other Illinois President as a role model.

In an effort to adapt to evolving job markets, Monmouth continues to broaden areas of study for students by offering additional options in four different schools on campus.

In the Department of Communication, students will be able to minor in sports communications, starting next fall.

Two new degrees and one minor will also made their debut this fall in the Art and Design Department—a bachelor’s of fine arts in Graphic Design with concentration in Animation and a bachelor’s in Art with concentration in Photography. Photography is also now a minor in the program.

A new minor has also been added in the Department of Philosophy, Religion, and Interdisciplinary Studies. A minor in Religious Studies joins an existing minor in Philosophy.

Also starting this fall were new concentrations in Creative Writing, Rhetoric and Writing, and New Jersey Studies for the M.A. in English.
Dr. Mohammad S. Obaidat, professor of computer science and software engineering, has been awarded the McLeod Founders Award for Distinguished Service to the Profession by the Society for Modeling and Simulation International (SCS) in recognition of his technical and professional contributions to modeling and simulation.

The McLeod Founders Award, regarded as the society’s most prestigious, has been given only six times in the 57 years of the society’s existence. It was established to honor the society’s founder, John McLeod, who was the first honoree. Professor Bernard P. Zeigler from the University of Arizona was the last to receive the honor in 2000.

“This award is not only for me; it is to my students, fellow researchers, colleagues, my family, and the institutions that I went to and the ones that I worked for including Monmouth University,” Obaidat said.

Dr. Obaidat has been an editor for numerous scientific journals including the International Journal of Communication Systems and IEEE Wireless Communications. He is the author of several books and more than 420 journal and conference publications. His books have been translated to several languages and have been used as text books and references worldwide.

Monmouth continues to climb in U.S. News & World Report’s annual list of America’s Best Colleges, ranking 41 in the Master’s North category – which includes Northeast institutions providing a full range of undergraduate and master’s programs. Last year, the University ranked 46 in the same category. Five years ago Monmouth was ranked 76.

Over the past 26 years, the U.S. News college rankings, which group schools based on categories created by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, has grown to be the most comprehensive research tool for students and parents considering higher education opportunities.

The exclusive rankings include more than 1,400 schools nationwide. Highlights of the college rankings were published in the September 2009 issue of U.S. News & World Report.

For the third consecutive year, the Leon Hess Business School was recognized by Beta Gamma Sigma, the international honor society serving business programs accredited by AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business), as a”premiere chapter.”

Premier chapters are eligible for matching funds for the Beta Gamma Sigma scholarship program, and are prequalified to compete for “outstanding chapter” honors. The Leon Hess Business School successfully completed Maintenance of Accreditation by AACSB in May.

Beta Gamma Sigma, whose purpose is to encourage and reward scholarship and accomplishment in the field of business studies, was founded in 1907 by a group of commerce students at the University of Wisconsin.

The New Jersey State Council on the Arts designated Monmouth as a Major Presenting Organization in July. The honor recognizes the University’s “solid history of artistic excellence, substantial programming, and broad public service.”

The panel noted that Monmouth has a very high caliber program that engages excellent artists. Performances by nationally and internationally recognized artists help the University exert cultural leadership in the region.

The panel also lauded Monmouth’s efforts to engage the community through the University’s Center of Distinction for the Arts with programming that includes children’s musicals, family entertainment, concerts, dance recitals, cultural events, festivals, and special attractions.
**MATHBOR NEW VP FOR ICSD**

Dr. Golam Mathbor, social work professor and associate dean of the Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences, was elected vice president of planning and operations of the International Consortium for Social Development (ICSD) July 31.

His term will run through 2013. The ICSD is a non-profit international association of institutions, scholars, practitioners, and students joined in the common pursuit of social development.

Dr. Mathbor served as associate secretary-general of ICSD from 2004 to 2008. In addition to this appointment, he is serving as a commissioner of the Global Social Work Education Commission of the U.S. National Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), and as vice president of the American Institute of Bangladesh Studies (AIBS).

**BEACON AWARDS FOR ENROLLMENT**

Enrollment Publications took home two 2009 Beacon Awards from the Association of Educational Publishers (AEP) in June. The first award was given for a brochure highlighting the School of Science, and the second for a holiday e-card sent by e-mail to alumni and supporters last December.

The 2008 e-card, online at www.monmouth.edu/happyholiday2008, won in the category of digital marketing.

The Beacon Awards spotlight the field of education marketing. From course catalogs to social media optimization to integrated campaigns, the Beacons include entry categories for all facets of today’s education marketing field.

**DEBATE MAKES HISTORY**

On October 8, Monmouth hosted the history-making debate among the three major candidates campaigning to become New Jersey’s first Lieutenant Governor. The new post was established after an amendment to the New Jersey State Constitution was passed by voters in 2005.

The 90-minute forum in Pollak Theatre, carried live on television by News 12 New Jersey, and on radio by Jersey 101.5, was the only debate among Independent candidate Dr. Frank Esposito, Republican Monmouth County Sheriff Kim Guadagno, and Democrat State Senator Loretta Weinberg.

Gubernatorial challengers Christie, Corzine, and Daggett attended the historic debate.

Sheriff Guadagno, whose performance was generally considered the strongest of the three debaters by pundits, was elected Lieutenant Governor on November 3, 2009 as the running-mate of Governor-elect Chris Christie.

Debate coverage generated an estimated 2.2 Nielsen household rating in News 12’s New Jersey coverage area, as compared to a 2.1 rating for the gubernatorial debate, held a week earlier.
Trustee Robert B. Sculthorpe ’63 introduced the controversial Metropolitan Opera production of Puccini’s Tosca at the 2009-2010 season premiere of “The MET: Live in HD” in Pollak Theatre on October 10.

Sculthorpe was in the audience at the news-making premiere production in September, when 3,800 opera fans booed the revisionist production by Swiss director Luc Bondy. Hinting at the reason for the reaction, Sculthorpe noted, “They still have the previous set in storage, so don’t get too worried about this production.”

Before the live broadcast, Sculthorpe was thanked by President Gaffney and Dr. Frederick McKitrick, chair of the department of History and Anthropology, with a plaque that will be added to Pollak Theatre recognizing his crucial role in bringing the Met to Monmouth.

By underwriting the equipment needed to host the “Met: Live in HD” program, Sculthorpe has solidified Monmouth’s role as a cultural destination and opened the door to other simulcast events, including “NT: Live” performances from the National Theatre of London.

Fifty years ago on December 2, 1959, the deed to the Shadow Lawn Estate was officially delivered to Monmouth College, three years after classes moved to the 156-acre estate.

At a celebration dinner at Joseph’s Restaurant (now Branches) in West Long Branch, William M. Smith, president emeritus of the Monmouth College Board of Trustees, handed a check for $30,825 representing final payment to West Long Branch Mayor Fred W. Schantz.

Elvin R. Simmill, then-president of the Monmouth College Board of Trustees, cheerfully accepted the deed. At that time, the 1,000 member student body paid $15 per credit. There were no dormitories, dining services were in the Versailles Room, and the current controller’s office acted as the kitchen and cafeteria. The library was still in Wilson Hall, and marquee athletic events were held at Convention Hall in Asbury Park.
MONMOUTH STUDENTS MAKE MEDIA SPLASH

Monmouth students have recently appeared in television programs and in other media.

Maryann Gigon, a graduate student in the School of Social Work, appeared on the syndicated show, *The Doctors*, in a segment about self-diagnosing illnesses.

Fearing that her fatigue may be a symptom of anemia or hypoglycemia, Gigon turned to CBS medical correspondent Dr. Holly Phillips, who performed several blood tests, which happily proved negative.

“You’re tired,” said Dr. Phillips. “You’re a young grad student, working full-time, studying full-time, trying to find the time to spend with your friends and family and be social. And you’re really burning the candle at both ends.”

Cody Ross Pitts, a senior Honors School student majoring in Physics, appeared in a fake anti-smoking Public Service Announcement aimed at teens on the satirical website, The Onion. Pitts said the segment, which debuted in September, was shot in a high school in northern New Jersey over several days last summer.

Nicole Adamo was followed around campus this semester by cameras from MTV who were shooting a forthcoming episode of the documentary series, *True Life*. Each episode chronicles the unusual circumstances of young people who are facing difficult decisions.

JASPER AWARDS FOR MU

Monmouth was recognized twice at the 35th annual JASPER Awards in October, once for the work of Deborah Rosenthal, and again for the annual Honor Roll publication recognizing donors to Monmouth University.

Deborah Rosenthal, a senior studying art and education, won the award for Featured Student Artist. Her artwork was chosen as the cover of the awards dinner program, earning her a $500 scholarship.

Rosenthal has been working toward her goal of becoming an art teacher while completing her degree and raising her two children, now 18 and 14 years old.

Monmouth’s annual Honor Roll of Donors won the silver in the Annual Report category for its recap of 2008 year-end highlights, roster of financial supporters, and donor profiles.

The Jersey Shore Public Relations & Advertising Association (JSPRAA) has been rewarding communication excellence since 1974.
Alumni, faculty and administrators participated in the academic symposium “Glory Days” held in September at Monmouth University and the Sheraton Eatontown Center. The event, organized by Virginia Tech, Penn State Altoona and Monmouth University, drew educators, journalists, historians, musicologists, and fans interested in scholarship regarding Bruce Springsteen and his influence on American culture.

Robert Santelli ’73, executive director of the GRAMMY Museum in downtown Los Angeles, introduced seminar participants to the world famous Stone Pony music club in Asbury Park on the evening of September 24 and participated in a tribute to the late Danny Federici, an original member of the E Street Band, the next morning.

Santelli, recipient of the 1999 Monmouth University Distinguished Alumni Award, is the author of the 2006 book, Greetings from E Street: The Story of Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band, and a former vice president at the world famous Stone Pony music club in Asbury Park on the evening of September 24 and participated in a tribute to the late Danny Federici, an original member of the E Street Band, the next morning.

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Joe Rapolla ’90 MBA, an award winning marketing and customer resource management (CRM) executive with Red Bank-based KL Communications, performed with Diane Doolittle ’82 ’87 in Pollak Theatre as part of a special-edition “Songwriter by the Sea” series held for the symposium on the evening of September 26.

Doolittle and Rapolla are both members of The Vowels, an upbeat interactive music group. Doolittle, who has performed with Bruce Springsteen, also contributed her saxophone and flute talents to Listen to This, a CD released by a different Rapolla-led band, Joe Rapolla and the Perfect Square. In 2009, Rapolla released Honest…Finally, a six-song CD.

David Wilson ’80, chair of the Communication Council, an advisory board to the Department of Communication, presented “Greetings from Freehold: How Bruce Springsteen’s Hometown Shaped His Life and Work,” at a Saturday afternoon break-out session. The following day, Wilson, a columnist at Bloomberg News, moderated the capstone lunch/general session.

Closing out the event was Marilyn Rocky ’65. In her presentation, “Landlordess Redux—1974-2009: Glory Days of a Jersey Girl: Musings and Memories of New Jersey’s Most Famous Tenant and The House Where He Wrote Born To Run,” Rocky shared her memories as Bruce Springsteen’s former landlord.

In the 1970s Rocky owned a little house on West End Court in Long Branch where Springsteen wrote his mainstream commercial breakthrough third album. A gifted story-teller, Rocky is the recipient of the 1997 Distinguished Alumni Award and a past president of the Monmouth University Alumni Association.

Dean Stanton Green of the Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences moderated the panel discussion, “Springsteen in the 21st Century,” on Friday, and “Springsteen and Work and Class” on Sunday. Speakers included Steven Ronik, Chief Executive Officer of the Henderson Mental Health Center in Florida, and Melanie Henwood of Melanie Henwood Associates in the United Kingdom.

Faculty presentations included “Tunnel of Solitude: Male Myths and Brotherhood,” by Michael Thomas, assistant dean of the Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences, “Bound for Glory: Springsteen and the Car,” by Katherine Parkin, associate professor of the Department of History and Anthropology, and “Deliver Me from Nowhere: Place and Space in Bruce Springsteen’s Nebraska,” by Frank Fury.

Other faculty moderators included Jack Burke, assistant professor in the Department of Music and Theater Arts, Donna Dolphin, associate professor in the Department of Communication, and Associate Professor Michael Waters from the Department of English.
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With a program best record of 18-1-1, the top-seeded men’s soccer team wiped out third-seeded Quinnipiac, 2-1 at home on November 15 to claim the program’s third NEC Championship and advance to the NCAA College Cup.

“I am so proud of these young men,” said Coach Robert McCourt. “These guys have remained focused all season and got the just reward today. Their commitment on and off the field has been wonderful. [The Bobcats are] a very talented team and it was a great game for the fans to watch; two teams trying to play the game the right way, it can only be good for college soccer.”

At the 2009 NCAA Men’s College Cup selection show the Hawks learned they would host the University of Connecticut Huskies on the Great Lawn in the opening round of the NCAA Championship on November 19.

After starting at #24 in the NSCAA/adidas national rankings, the team climbed to #7 during the regular season and finished at #5 in the Division I national poll on November 17, the highest national ranking of any sport in the history of Monmouth athletics. In all, the team placed in the top-10 for seven weeks.
McCourt, who garnered his fourth NEC Coach of the Year, led the formidable team to its fifth straight NEC regular season title, and second NCAA bid under his tenure.

Playing a large part in the victories were four players picked for the 2009 NEC All-Tournament Team: RJ Allen (who earned the tournament’s MVP status), Cody Calafiore, Daniel Bostock and Ryan Kinne.

“I could not be more proud of this group of men,” said McCourt. “From the players receiving all conference recognition to the bottom of our roster, the commitment to the team has been outstanding.”

At the annual NEC Tournament banquet November 12, Kinne took home NEC Player of the Year honors, while Bostock claimed the league’s Defensive Player of the Year award, the fourth time in the last five years that a Hawk earned this honor. Kinne, who joins Steven Holloway (2006) and Joni Kallioinen (1990, 91) as the only Hawks to ever earn NEC Player of the Year, led Monmouth’s offense with nine goals, six assists and 24 points, ranking second in the league.

Bostock was also named in November to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District II First Team.

Overall, the Hawks led the nation in team goals against average and shutout percentage, allowing 0.33 tallies per match while shutting out the opposition in 72% of its matches.

Goalie Bryan Meredith enjoyed one of the finest seasons for a keeper in Monmouth men’s soccer history, leading the nation in goals against average, allowing 0.306 goals per game, while also ranking third in the nation in save percentage, stopping 88.9% of the shots he has faced this season. Meredith led all NEC keepers in goals against average, save percentage, shutouts (12) and shutout percentage (71%).

**RIGHT: NEC COACH OF THE YEAR ROBERT MCCOURT CELEBRATES WITH HIS DAUGHTER AINSLIE ELIZABETH**
Reigning 2009 NEC Offensive Player of the Year David Sinisi continues to break records at Monmouth and across the Northeast Conference (NEC). In just over two years, Sinisi owns every career rushing record at Monmouth, including rushing touchdowns, rushing yards, 100-yard rushing performances.

He has even surpassed the top spot in scoring set by former Hawk and current Dallas Cowboy wide receiver Miles Austin.

In a September win against Old Dominion, the 5’8” 205 pound tailback ran 41 times for 216 yards, which was the highest single-game rushing total this year among conference players and also marked just the fifth time in MU history a rusher eclipsed the 200-yard plateau (third in his career).

In a battle against Albany in October, he broke the NEC record for all-time career rushing yardage when he ran for 84 yards. His 4,479 yards eclipsed Wagner’s Rick Sarille’s previous record.

During a Halloween game against Bryant, Sinisi ran for 139 yards on 29 carries in the contest, his 23rd career 100-yard game, becoming the first Hawk ever to rush for at least 1,000 yards in three consecutive seasons.

Sinisi remains on the Walter Payton Award Watch List, symbolic of the top player in the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS). Coach Callahan said “Dave Sinisi is possibly the most complete football player that I have seen in my more than 30 years of college coaching.”

“Dave’s individual performances over the last three seasons have contributed to our team’s success more than any other factor.”
HONORS FOR FOOTBALL DUO

Two members of the football team, Andrew Musick ’09 and Jon Stolarz were named in November to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District II Team.

“It's a great honor for Andrew and Jon to be named among the region’s best academically and athletically,” said Coach Callahan. “The award reflects the hard work these players put forth not only on the field but in the classroom as well.”

Musick, a first semester graduate student, earned a 3.73 in political science as an undergraduate. He has started 29 consecutive games at center for Monmouth. He is a two-time First Team All-District II selection and was named to NACDA’s Academic All-Star team as a junior.

Stolarz has the distinction of having the highest GPA among upperclassmen on the team with a 3.75 in business finance. The safety has played in seven out of eight games for the Hawks, starting two. He has compiled 25 tackles so far in his red-shirt junior season. Stolarz was a First Team All-District II selection as a sophomore in 2008.

The College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) will announce the Academic All-American candidates later this year.

MLB DRAFTEE NOW A HAWK

Pat Light, a recent graduate of Christian Brothers Academy drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 28th round last June, has decided to continue his baseball career at Monmouth.

Light finished his career at CBA with a 20-0 record, and was the only senior from the 2009 class in the Shore Conference to be drafted. The 6-5 right-hander is expected to be Monmouth’s No. 1 starter as a freshman with departure of Ryan Buch (Chicago White Sox), and Brett Brach (Cleveland Indians), who were also picked in the MLB draft.

Light, who is also a talented basketball player, and 2008-09 All Shore Media Player of the Year, ruled out the possibility of also playing hoops for the Hawks in a recent interview.

“I love basketball and I already miss playing, but to be realistic, I’m not going to be playing anything after college in basketball,” he said. “The Dodgers were blaming the tightness in my shoulder at the beginning of this past season on the quick transition from basketball to baseball, so I don’t want to get into that situation again.”

Scott Stump, a co-founder of All Shore Media, following Light in his blog, Stumpy’s Place, wrote, “It’s a coup for Monmouth to grab Light, which signifies the continuing ascension of the Hawks’ program under [Coach Dean] Ehehalt.”

Coach Ehehalt said Light appreciated the value of an education, and the experience he can continue to build while playing at Monmouth.
The women’s soccer team, 2009 NEC champions, fell November 13 in the first round of the NCAA Championships 4-0 to the University of Maryland Terrapins. This was the second trip to the NCAA for the women’s team, who lost to Penn State in 2007.

“We got off to a slow start and then I thought for the last 15 minutes of the first half we started to settle in,” said Head Coach Krissy Turner, who has guided Monmouth to both NCAA appearances. “However in the second half, we could not sustain the pressure and credit goes to Maryland.”

The Hawks ended NEC play with 15 wins, marking the fourth straight season in which the women’s team has posted double-digit wins. The Hawks (15-4-1), who ranked third in the nation in shutdown percentage and ninth in the nation in goals-against-average, posted 14 shutouts this season. They won the NEC title in 1995, 1996 and 2007.

For the third time in program history, five players were named to the Women’s Soccer All-Northeast Conference First-Team. Junior Ali Kliment was chosen as the NEC Defensive Player of the Year as well as a member of the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District II First Team.

“Ali is the organizer and voice of our back line,” said Turner. “She has done a great job all year of winning balls in the air and minimizing the other teams’ chances.”

Senior Andrea Lopez (who was Rookie of the Year in 2006), juniors Mary Wilks and Lia Fierro and sophomore Courtney Snyder also earned first-team nods.

Lopez combined for 30 career goals leading active players, which also helped her place seventh on MU’s all-time scoring list with 84 points. Lopez ranked second on the squad with 17 points behind six goals (three game-winners) and five assists.

“Andrea has had a solid senior campaign,” said Turner. “For the past four years she has been a dynamic player for us, and this year has been no different.”

Monmouth previously had five players make the all-conference first team in 1995 and 1999, while the 1996 and 1997 editions had four players chosen.

The Hawks tallied 34 goals this season, ranking second in the NEC in points, goals and assists. The defense, which surrendered just 10 goals all season, including three in NEC action, led the league in goals against average (GAA), goals allowed, and shutouts (12). At regular season’s end, the Hawks ranked 12th in the NCAA in GAA, and eighth in shutdown percentage.

Goalkeeper Lia Fierro, who posted 12 shutouts on the year and has 27 career shutouts, registered a 0.54 GAA in 18 matches, while making 53 saves.
The field hockey team, led by Coach Carli Figlio, captured a berth in the 2009 NEC Field Hockey Championships after defeating top-seeded Rider Broncs 2-1 in overtime November 6. This was the team’s only third overtime game in NEC Championship history.

However, the fourth seeded Hawks fell short in their battle the following afternoon when they lost to the second-seeded Lock Haven Eagles 2-0 in the tournament’s first of two semi-final games at the Mercer County College Field Hockey Field in West Windsor.

Snapping a four year hiatus from the NEC Championships, the Hawks (9-12 overall) posted their best regular season finish since 2004. They ended the season tied for the most wins in a season in program history.

The Hawks placed four on the All-NEC teams for the first time since 2002 when the Hawks had five earn post-season awards. MU also placed two, Enza Mazza and Ashley McPeek on the All-NEC First-Team for the first time since 2003.

Red-shirt senior Enza Mazza, emerged as one of the conference’s most explosive scorers, standing in third for all time in goals (17), second all time in assists (11), and third all time in points (45) while also etching her name into the single season record books for the season as third in goals (11) and third in points (29), and leading record for assists (7).

Sophomore Ashley McPeek emerged as one the NEC’s premier midfielders, earning her first All-NEC First-team award after finishing third on the team in goals and points, tallying four goals, two assists, and 10 points on the season.

Freshman Michelle Pieczynski produced eight goals and two assists for 18 points, posting one of the best performances of any newcomer in program history and leading all NEC freshmen this season. Junior Meredith Violi also had a strong showing this season, ranking fourth on the team with nine points.

Defensively, the trio of backs Sarah Keppel and Nora Bosmans and goalie Melissa Katz were stalwarts for the team all season. Bosmans ranked in the top-20 of the nation for defensive saves while Katz was ranked fourth in the NEC in goals against average and saves. Keppel became the 12th Hawk to receive multiple All-NEC honors over her career.

Denise Wescott, bringing more than 25 years of coaching experience, was hired as the new head women’s lacrosse coach after Kelly Van Zile left in August following the birth of her daughter.

“We are excited to have someone of Denise’s experience join our coaching ranks,” said Vice President and Director of Athletics Dr. Marilyn McNeil. “I believe her wealth of Division I and international coaching experience will propel our already successful women’s lacrosse program to new heights.”

Wescott’s most recent job was as the head coach at Mount St. Mary’s University in Emmitsburg, MD, where she was named NEC Coach of the Year in 2007 after carrying the team to a 8-0 conference record.

Louie Berndt was named new head softball coach in August. Berndt, who previously served as the associate head coach at Florida State for 10 seasons, became the seventh head softball coach in program history.

During her tenure with the Seminoles in Florida, Berndt helped lead the squad to four Atlantic Coast Conference titles and 10 bids to the NCAA tournament, including two College World Series appearances. Four of her recruits were tabbed as ACC Freshmen of the Year performers in her time with FSU, and she also recruited and mentored the 2004 National Player of the Year.

A 1983 graduate of Western Michigan University, she also earned a bachelor’s degree from Nicholls State in 1986 and has helped write a softball text, Fundamental Skills Drills.
CHRISTIE RAMPONE ’99 ‘HN ’05, interim coach and player for Sky Blue FC, concluded the dramatic 2009 Women’s Professional Soccer (WPS) season on a triumphant note.

In August, Rampone was named the 2009 Sportswoman of the Year, while also earning nominations for Defender of the Year and Coach of the Year. Under Rampone’s leadership Sky Blue moved from last place in WPS rankings, to league champions after an upset over Los Angeles Sol in August.

“It’s been a truly amazing first year, and I’m so thankful for the opportunity to play in WPS and that the league is back again,” said Rampone after receiving the award.

In the WPS All-Star Game following soon after the awards Rampone joined forces with Sky Blue FC teammate Heather O’Reilly to claim a 4-2 victory over Umeå IK of Sweden.

Capping the accomplishments, Rampone announced that she was expecting her second child in late March, and that she was almost three months pregnant during her Sky Blue championship victory.

Rampone is a U.S. Women’s National Soccer Team captain and a former two-sport standout at Monmouth University in soccer and basketball. She has played in three Olympic tournaments with the U.S. Women’s Team, capturing gold medals in 2004 and 2008, and three FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association) Women’s World Cups (1999, 2003, 2007) earning a championship trophy in 1999.

MORGAN: THEN AND NOW

Former Hawk hoopster Matt Morgan is a veteran of sports trading cards dating back to his stint with World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE). Now a professional wrestler affiliated with Total Nonstop Action (TNA), his latest bid for cardboard immortality includes a Monmouth-influenced “then & now” card.

Then & now cards show a current picture of a TNA personality alongside a shot from his or her past. In Morgan’s case, a college photo in Hawks uniform reminds wrestling fans that he was once a good enough basketball player to secure a tryout with the Indiana Pacers.

Morgan was on the 1996 men’s basketball team that advanced to the NCAA tournament before falling to Marquette in the first round.

Before he was experiencing March Madness with Monmouth, Morgan remembers first collecting sports cards, when he was only five years old. Unlike most other collectors, Morgan was certain he would appear on a card himself one day.

“T didn’t know if it would be baseball, football or basketball. There were just a lot more different avenues in those sports back then. But did I ever think I would appear on professional wrestling cards? No way.”
**AUSTIN IS COWBOYS STARTER**

Dallas Cowboy fans found a new star to cheer for in October as Miles Austin ran for a franchise-record 250 yards after catching 10 passes, helping to seal an overtime victory over the Kansas City Chiefs. The Cowboys rewarded his efforts by making him a starter for the team.

In his game against the Chiefs, Austin shone, covering for injured wide receiver Roy Williams and turning out to be a clutch player despite other mistakes made by his team. His new record, which included touchdown runs of 59 yards and 60 yards, eclipsed that of Hall of Famer “Bullet” Bob Hayes set against Washington almost 39 years ago.

“I just wanted to show people I’m ready to play. I wanted to show my teammates that I want to contribute as much as I can,” he said. “I was able to do that.”

To say the 6’3”, 214-pound Austin should be proud of his accomplishment is an understatement.

**BRACH NAMED BEST RELIEVER IN MIDWEST LEAGUE**

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When Jim Fisher ’73 is not leading the Department of Theatre at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG), he is likely writing and editing scholarly material about theater – or developing his own original plays.

Two of his comedies, “The Braggart Soldier” and “The Bogus Bride,” have recently been published as part of the Inveresk Play Series, which is targeted to drama departments and theatre groups.

Fisher has directed or acted in more than 150 theatre productions and is the author of several books, including Understanding Tony Kushner, The Theater of Tony Kushner: Living Past Hope, three bio-bibliographies (Spencer Tracy, Al Jolson, Eddie Cantor) for Greenwood Press, The Theatre of Yesterday and Tomorrow: Commedia dell’arte on the Modern Stage, and is co-author of a volume about Modernism for the Historical Dictionary of the American Theatre.

He has published numerous essays and reviews in a wide range of publications, has held several research fellowships, edited six volumes of The Puppetry Yearbook, serves as book review editor for Broadside, the publication of the Theatre Library Association, and has edited Tony Kushner: New Essays on the Art and Politics of the Plays and the 2008 work “We Will Be Citizens”: New Essays on Gay and Lesbian Drama.

Along with his writing success, Fisher has also proven that he is an effective teacher. In 2007 he received the Betty Jean Jones Award for Excellence in the Teaching of American Theatre.

Fisher is Professor Emeritus.

Eileen M. Allen ’04M, a registered nurse in New Jersey for more than 25 years, is the 2010 president-elect of the International Association of Forensic Nurses (IAFN).

Nationally certified as a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner of Adolescents and Adults, Allen has been the coordinator of the Monmouth County Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Program since its inception in 1996.

Allen supervises the work of 15 nurse examiners who contract their services to the SANE/SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) program in Monmouth County and also coordinates all county SART training and activations.

Allen is also an adjunct faculty member at Monmouth where she teaches Forensic Pathology and several SANE courses. She has lectured on forensic nursing, interpersonal violence and sexual assault at colleges throughout the region including Columbia University, Seton Hall University, The College of New Jersey, Rutgers and at the New Jersey State Police Academy.

She has also presented continuing education offerings to local, regional, national and international audiences on a variety of topics related to forensic nursing education and practice.

Allen has served in a variety of leadership positions within IAFN including board member, treasurer, New Jersey Chapter President, Mid-Atlantic Regional Representative, and SANE Council Co-Chair.
In October Dominic Gallello '77 (M.B.A. '78) became the new CEO of MSC Software following its acquisition by global software company Symphony Technology Group (STG). MSC Software is a Santa Ana, California based company with a suite of computer aided engineering products. STG is a holding company that invests in enterprise software and technology services.

Gallello is also executive co-chairman of the board at Budapest-based ThalesNano, a flow chemistry company specializing in microscale instruments used in pharmaceutical and other applications. In flow chemistry, chemical reactions run in a continuously flowing stream rather than in larger scale batch production.

Previously, Gallello was CEO of Graphisoft, an architectural design software developer, from 2003 to 2008. Under his leadership, the company expanded its global footprint while generating growth and profit. His success culminated in the acquisition of all the publically traded shares of Graphisoft by Nemetschek AG in 2007.

Prior to Graphisoft, Gallello was responsible for product development as executive vice president of Products at Macromedia. For 10 years at Autodesk, he was executive vice president of the high growth Asia/Pacific division and Mechanical Market Group and later, the $600M Design Solutions Division.

Matt Murray '06 won an Emmy award from the Mid-Atlantic chapter of the National Academy of Arts & Sciences on September 26 for his work as the editor of “The Sandwich Generation: Parenting Your Parent,” in the category of Public/Current/Community Affairs - Feature or Segment.

The winning entry by Murray and reporter/producer Crystal Fisher showed a day in the life of a multi-generational family struggling with a parent affected by Alzheimer’s disease. More broadly, the segment described the challenges faced by the first generation of Americans who, given increasing life-expectancies, will likely spend more time caring for their parents than they did for their own children.

At Monmouth, Murray was an active member of the National Broadcasting Society and HawkTV while earning multi-year athletic honor roll accolades competing on the men’s cross country team. To watch Murray’s award-winning segment visit http://www.wlvt.org/TEMPO/TSS/tempoid-v.htm.

Alumni are invited to join the official Monmouth University Alumni group on the professional networking site LinkedIn. The group is a free resource for new or experienced graduates who want to accelerate their careers, enhance business through referrals from other group members, or learn more about their fellow alumni by reading professional profiles.

For more information about joining the LinkedIn group contact Jennifer Gradzki-Harris, Associate Director of Alumni Affairs at (732) 263-5438 or visit http://tinyurl.com/MULinkedIn.
THE PROVOCATIVE JOAN ROBINSON: THE MAKING OF A CAMBRIDGE ECONOMIST
Nahid Aslanbeigui, Ph.D. and Guy Oakes, Ph.D.
(2009, Duke University Press, $84.95/$23.95)

Joan Robinson (1903–83) is widely regarded as the most important woman in the history of economic thought despite her unconventional start. Based on the extensive correspondence of Robinson and her colleagues, The Provocative Joan Robinson traces the strategies and tactics she used to create her professional identity as a Cambridge economist in the 1930s, examining how she recruited mentors and advocates, carefully defined her objectives, and deftly pursued and exploited opportunities.

Drs. Aslanbeigui and Oakes demonstrate that the post-Keynesian economist's professional identity was thoroughly embedded in a local scientific culture in which Cambridge economists, A. C. Pigou, John Maynard Keynes, Dennis Robertson, Piero Sraffa, Richard Kahn, and her husband Austin Robinson were important figures. Based on the extensive correspondence of Robinson and her colleagues, The Provocative Joan Robinson is the story of a remarkable woman, the intellectual and social world of a legendary group of economists, and the interplay between ideas, ambitions, and disciplinary communities.

Dr. Aslanbeigui, economics professor and the chair of Economics, Finance, and Real Estate at the Leon Hess Business School, is co-editor of Rethinking Economic Principles: Critical Essays on Introductory Textbooks and Women in the Age of Economic Transformation: Gender Impact of Reforms in Post-Socialist and Developing Countries. Oakes is the Jack T. Kvernland Professor of Philosophy and Corporate Social Policy in the Leon Hess Business School. He is the author of The Imaginary War: Civil Defense and American Cold War Culture and Weber and Rickert: Concept Formation in the Cultural Sciences.

UPHEAVAL IN THE QUIET ZONE: 1199/SEIU AND THE POLITICS OF HEALTHCARE UNIONISM
Brian Greenberg, Ph.D. and Leon Fink, Ph.D.
(2009, University of Illinois Press, Second edition, $30.00)

Upheaval in the Quiet Zone is a critical and timely tool toward understanding labor, specifically in the tumultuous health care industry. Fink and Greenberg dissect the politics of health care, and how one union transformed the industry.

This second edition updates 1199SEIU's history since the 1990s, highlighting the dramatic story of an insurgent labor union that eventually established itself as a vital force in the modern labor movement. When SEIU president Andrew Stern laid plans in 2006 for a new national health care workers union that would both reach out to the unorganized and campaign for universal, national health insurance, he turned to 1199 president Dennis Rivera—and the 1199 political model—to lead the effort.

Dr. Greenberg is the Jules L. Plangere Jr. Professor of American Social History in the department of History and Anthropology. He recently co-authored with Linda Watts The 1900s: Social History of the United State, the first volume in a ten-volume reference set examining each decade of the 1900s. He has also written numerous articles related to social history in publications like the Public Historian.

EIGHT STEPS TO CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT SUCCESS: A GUIDE FOR TEACHERS OF CHALLENGING STUDENTS
George M. Kapalka, Ph.D.
(2009, Corwin Press, $31.95)

Eight Steps to Classroom Management Success is a comprehensive, easy-to-follow guide to help teachers be more effective. By offering practical techniques toward dealing with behavioral issues, the teacher is able to create a positive learning environment.

The intention is to foster academic, behavioral, and social success. Eight Steps is also a great resource for intervention and referral services (I&RS) teams and for districts looking to expand their Response to Intervention (RTI) models.

Dr. George M. Kapalka, associate professor of psychology, holds board certifications in clinical psychology, psychopharmacology, and learning disabilities and is a member of medical staff at Meridian Health, Brick Hospital Division. He is also the director of the Center for Behavior Modification in Brick, NJ. He previously wrote Parenting Your Out-of-Control Child, which was translated into Russian, French, and Portuguese, as well as some 100 publications and presentations that primarily focus on the education and management of children with behavioral disorders.
Russell Revisited explores Bertrand Russell, a 20th century English philosopher, logician, mathematician, historian, socialist, pacifist and social critic who won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1950. Playing a central role in the development of modern western philosophy, especially analytic philosophy, this book argues his appeal is still evident today, and the articles gathered in this collection emphasize the value of his diverse contributions.

Dr. Schwerin is associate professor of Philosophy. He is also the author of Apartheid’s Landscape and Ideas: A Scorched Soul, The Reluctant Revolutionary and most recently edited Bertrand Russell on Nuclear War, Peace and Language. He is currently the president of The Bertrand Russell Society.

Intermodernism is a collection of original essays challenging readers to accept a new term, critical category, and literary history of twentieth-century British literature. Focusing on the fiction, memoirs, criticism, and journalism of such writers as Elizabeth Bowen, Storm Jameson, William Empson, George Orwell, J. B. Priestley, Harold Heslop, T. H. White, Rebecca West, John Grierson, Margery Allingham, and Stella Gibbons, essays distinguish these writers’ literary efforts from those of the modernists and postmodernists.

Together they expose the web of historical, institutional, and personal relationships that together define “intermodernism.” The book identifies three features that are typically ignored in accounts of modernism or the Auden generation: cultural (intermodernists typically represent the working-class and working middle-class); political (intermodernists are radical, or “radically eccentric”); and literary (intermodernists are committed to non-canonical, even “middlebrow” or “mass” genres). To encourage future scholarship on intermodernism, the volume concludes with an appendix, “Who Were the Intermodernists?”, and a bibliography of primary and secondary sources.

Dr. Bluemel is a professor of English who teaches twentieth-century British and Irish literature, the novel, literary criticism and theory, and language and linguistics. She is also the author of George Orwell and the Radical Eccentrics: Intermodernism in Literary London and Experimenting on the Borders of Modernism: Dorothy Richardson’s Pilgrimage. She is also editor of the interdisciplinary scholarly journal The Space Between: Literature and Culture, 1914-1945, published by Monmouth University since 2006.

Religion in Politics, Secularism and National Integration in Modern Nigeria

Dr. Adekunle’s latest book explores the long tradition of interaction between the two powerful institutions of religion and politics in Nigeria. The lack of clearly defined roles for this interaction constitutes a major problem in modern African nations. Adekunle argues this is particularly evident in Nigeria, where religion is deeply interwoven into the fabric of the society.

In the Western world, efforts have been made to sever the link between religion and politics since the beginning of the enlightenment in the eighteenth century. In Nigeria, however, religion has increasingly gained more ground in politics because successive governments intervene and participate in religious activities. Great religious and political movements have emerged in the country, and charismatic leaders have employed religious values to achieve their political goals. Essays covering pre-colonial times to modern experiences reveal both the complexity and dynamism of religion in African/Nigerian politics.

Dr. Adekunle is professor of History, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses on the history, religions, and cultures of Africa and the Caribbean. He is also the author of Politics & Society in Nigeria’s Middle Belt: Borgu and the Emergence of a Political Identity and Culture and Customs of Rwanda. He has also published several articles and book chapters about African/Nigerian political and social history.

These titles and other books by faculty authors are available online from http://mubookstore.monmouth.edu
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HOMECOMING
CLASS OF 1959

JOANNE CARTON (Hist.) and her husband, John, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary August 22, 2009. They have four children and 11 grandchildren. John is a partner of Carton Law Firm in Manasquan.

CLASS OF 1961

FREDERICK BLANKENHORN (Bus. Adm.) was appointed to the board of directors for the Southeastern Center for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities & Substance Abuse Services. The board services three counties in North Carolina. He lives in Wilmington, NC.

CLASS OF 1962

FOSTER DIEBOLD (Ed.) is a Principal Consultant with CampusWorks, Inc. in Sarasota, FL. During his seventeen year tenure as President of Edinboro State University in Pennsylvania, he shepherded the school through its transition into a member of the new, unified State System of Higher Education that in 1983 resulted in the college gaining university status. A namesake building, the Diebold Center for the Performing Arts, was re-opened in 1986 on the Edinboro campus after extensive renovation. Previously, Foster was the President of the University of Alaska System, which, at that time, included CEO responsibility for three senior universities and nine community colleges.

CLASS OF 1963

STEPHEN FRIELAND (Psych.), who performs as “Brute Force,” has issued a new CD, “Planetwork.” Planetwork contains songs previously available only on hard-to-find original recordings, in an eight panel, eco-concious package with never-before seen pictures, and a cover photograph by Linda Eastman. To hear previews of “music dedicated to the creation of a world consciousness, awareness of space… planetary nationality,” or join the Brute Force visit http://www.brutesforce.com.

CLASS OF 1965

ANGELA PERRI (Elem. Ed.) (M.S. Ed. ’70) was named the 2009-2010 Teacher of the Year at the Green Grove School in Neptune Township. During her more than 20 years at Neptune, Perri has taught grade level, basic skills and technology. Other Monmouth alumni working at Green Grove School include Sharon Hanserd (Elem. Ed. ’78), Allyse Hall (Sp Ed. ’01), Robert Palmer (Music/Ed. ’98), and Karen Watt (M.S.E. ’97, Sp Ed. ’92).

CLASS OF 1972

RICHARD CARMICHAEL (M.B.A.) has written American Economic History: A Peoples History 2010 Edition, which covers many of the theories that shaped the field of economics. He is a professor in the adult business program at Gardner-Webb University and has more than 20 years of experience in the banking industry. The hardcopy of the book is published by Create Space, an Amazon.com company, but a free PDF version can also be downloaded from http://rcarmichaelco.com/Evolution.aspx.

CLASS OF 1975

TONIS VAGA (M.S. Physics) is the author of the blog, The Market Climate, which has been operating since January 2008. He has also written “The Coherent Market Hypothesis” (Financial Analysts Journal, Nov/Dec 1990); Profiting From Chaos, (McGraw-Hill, 1994); and “Particles at Cutoffs in the Electromagnetic Spectrum” Physics Essays, Volume 14, No. 3 September 2001. Vaga has a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Rutgers University.

CLASS OF 1976

JOE BRENNEN (Bus./Acct.) was promoted to vice president of customer service at Intrepid Powerboats this past summer. He has worked at this semi-custom boat building company since 2001. Joe has also been involved with an improv group at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater, FL, since 2003. Joe and Hilary, his wife of five years, live in Largo, FL.
CLASS OF 1976

GLENN LEOBEUF (Hist.) has joined the investment firm of Freedom Capital Management in Lincroft where he is a financial advisor and chartered retirement planning counselor through the College of Financial Planning. He lives in Red Bank.

DR. STEVEN LEVY D.C., FIACA, (A.A. Lib. Studies), celebrated the 30th anniversary of his Woodbury Chiropractic Center in Connecticut in September. He has a doctoral degree from Logan College of Chiropractic in St. Louis, Mo. (1979), a B.S. in human biology and is a fellow in clinical acupuncture. Dr. Levy is also the past district director and board member of the Connecticut Chiropractic Association, board-eligible chiropractic sports physician and certified in impairment rating. He is also a certified insurance claims consultant and a certified Red Cross instructor for “Protect Your Back.”

CLASS OF 1977

DONNA DAZZO (Socio.) has started her own home staging business called Designed to Appeal (www.designedtotaappeal.com) after working for 25 years in product and development in the financial services industry. She received her M.B.A. from Fordham University in 1984.

JEFF HALLAMORE (Bus. Adm.), an accredited buyer representative with a GRI designation and the e-PRO Certification for Internet expertise, will be broker/manager for Crossroads Realty’s Jackson, NJ, office. Raised in Brick Township, Jeff is also active in both Habitat for Humanity and the Lions Club.

CLASS OF 1979

PETER KAPSALES (M.B.A.) was appointed in July to the board of trustees for Brookdale Community College. His term expired October 31. He is president of KCG LLC, a management and technology consulting company.


RAYMOND SANDELLI (Bus. Adm.) is a senior managing director for CB Richard Ellis, a commercial real estate firm. Serving in the U.S. Navy from 1970 to 1979, Sandelli was part of the Blue Angels, a flight demonstration team. He lives with his wife in Tampa, FL. They have three children.

CLASS OF 1980

HARRY ZIEGLER (Engl.) was appointed associate principal of Bishop George Ahr High School in Edison. He joined the school seven years ago as an English teacher and journalism advisor. In his new position, he said he will focus on curriculum development and teacher supervision.

CLASS OF 1981

DAVE LEWIS (M.B.A.) was honored a year and a half after his death to cancer on June 24, 2008. A website, www.coachlewis.org, built by Lewis’ two daughters honors the memory of the former Oakcrest High School teacher, basketball coach and mentor. The Dave Lewis House, an orphanage for eight children and one house mother, is expected to be built by his church, Central United Methodist Church of Linwood, New Jersey, in Uganda in 2010. The church built its first home for Watoto Childcare Ministries (www.watoto.com) several years ago. Also, March 21, 2009 was named Dave Lewis Day in Northfield, New Jersey.

SUZANNE (HOCHMAN) NEVINS (Bus. Mgmt.) volunteers for local animal shelters in Somerset County, MD., finding homes for more than 5,000 cats and dogs over the last four years. She takes
them to homes and rescue groups she coordinates with via the Internet.

CLASS OF 1984

ADAM GREENE (Bus. Acct.) owner of the newly-renovated New Trend Motors in Rockaway, welcomed son, Austen, with his wife, Samantha, on September 9, 2009. He also has twin daughters, Dani and Kara. His Volkswagen dealership was first established by his father in 1965.

CLASS OF 1985

MARK JENDZEJEC (M.B.A.) was named senior vice president, Civil Agencies Sector, for STG, Inc., a leading provider of information technology, technical security, engineering and scientific services. He is responsible for the operation and oversight of a sector that has almost 500 employees and revenues approaching $80 million. He had previously worked for Northrop Grumman for more than 24 years.

CLASS OF 1987

LAURA BRUNETTI (Bus. Mrkt.), founder and owner of L’Estrella Studio in Colts Neck, co-hosted the second annual Monmouth University School of Social Work Golf Outing on September 21. She was also honored at the 2009 Excellence in Prevention’s Awards Luncheon September 22. On November 7 her artwork was auctioned off at Mental Health America of Monmouth County’s “A Taste of Wine & Art Dinner” at Deal Country Club. Laura has helped many other organizations including The Mercy Center of Asbury Park, Collier Services in Marlboro and The Marian Center in Opa Locka, FL.

CLASS OF 1988

GLENN MACINNES (M.B.A.) was appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer at NewAlliance Bancshares, Inc. in New Haven, CT. He had previously worked for Citigroup, Inc.

CLASS OF 1990

BOB HARY (M.B.A.) is the new business administrator for West Windsor Township. He will also retain his previous duties as director of Human Services.

CLASS OF 1991

GREG DUFFY (Math.) (M.A.T. ’96, M.S.E. Ed. ’02), principal of Lafayette Mills School in Manalapan, is now an adjunct professor in Monmouth’s Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Teaching a mathematics methods course to elementary majors and supervising them in their field placements, Greg also serves as a member of the School of Education Advisory Council.

CLASS OF 1994

DINA DEMARCO (Bus. Adm.), a licensed certified public accountant, is a new member of Smolin Lupin & Co., P.A. in Fairfield. She provides audit and accounting services for the construction, manufacturing and distribution industries and is a qualified team leader for audits of employee benefit plans. She and her husband, Paul, live in Boonton Township with their two children.

JOSEPH RAPOLLA (M.B.A.) and The Perfect Square have released a new CD, “Honest...Finally!” The band’s debut CD was “Listen to This.” Joe recently celebrated his 23rd wedding anniversary with Karen LaBette (Elem. Ed. ’81). They have three children and live in Oceanport.
CLASS OF 1996
AMY STANTON (Comm.) is starting her first season as assistant coach for Georgian Court University’s women’s soccer team. She had previously coached at Freehold Boro and St. Rose High Schools.

CLASS OF 1998
KARIN (GROSSMANN) CABEZAS (Bus. Adm.) and her husband, Frank, welcomed daughter, Sofia, April 29, 2009. The family lives in Newton.

NADIA SADLOSKI (Psych.) (M.S.W. ’01) married Timothy Lozada October 11, 2009. She is the director of social services at the Urban Pathways Drop-In Center at Olivieri in New York City. Her husband is a freelance video film editor. They live in Brooklyn, NY.

BRIAN THOMSON (Crim. J.) and his wife, Lisa, welcomed daughter, Taylor Catherine, July 15, 2009. The family lives in Milton, DE.

CLASS OF 1999
MARK BUCCO (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. ’01) has joined the accounting firm of Alloy, Silverstein, Shapiro, Adams, Mulford, Cicalese, Wilson & Co., which has offices in Hammonton and Cherry Hill. Mark will be in the Hammonton office.

MANUEL FONSECA (Bus. Adm.) is engaged to marry Maralina Sowul in October 2010. He is director/development director of Jersey Shore Council, Boy Scouts of America in Toms River. His fiancé is a purchasing manager at Action Office Supplies in Lakewood. Manuel lives in Little Egg Harbor.

LAUREN VICIDOMINI (Bus. Adm.) is engaged to be married to David Radsniak in October 2010. Lauren is a senior portfolio property manager, and David is a sergeant with the Point Pleasant Police Department.

CLASS OF 2000
KATHLEEN BARASCH (Sp. Ed.) (M.S.E. Reading ’04, M.S.E. Principal ’09) and her husband, Mark, welcomed son, Kevin Mark, March 23, 2009. The family lives in Spotswood.

DENNIS GUERRERO (Bus. Adm.) released on iTunes and Amazon MP3 Store a tribute to Monmouth and his friend, Andrew Chang ’99, who died in May of brain cancer. All proceeds are going to cancer research. The album, “Me and Andy,” contains two songs, “A Song for Andy” and “West Long Branch.”

CLASS OF 2001

JENNIFER JAROS-DOMEN (M.B.A.) and her husband, Daniel, welcomed daughter, Victoria Nichole, September 9, 2009. The couple, along with their two older daughters, Melissa and Samantha, live in Upper Freehold.

CLASS OF 2002
NICOLE BUEB (Bus. Adm.) (M.B.A. ’05) married William Rowan March 21, 2009. Alumni in attendance were Kimberly (Finizio) Ross (Bus. Mgmt. ’02), Jennifer Modello (Psych./Ed. ’02), Tyler Tardiff (M.B.A. ’08), Thomas Farrell (M.B.A. ’98), and Kevin Meyerhoff (Bus. Adm. ’93). She is a customs broker at Export-Import Services in Woodbridge. Her husband is a mechanical contractor for Rowan’s Heating and Cooling in Fair Haven.

CAROLINA (FEITO) MENAPACE (Crim. J.) and her husband, Mark, welcomed daughter, Samantha Maria, June 25, 2009. The family lives in Chicago, IL.

KRISTYN O'BUSHT (Acct.) married Eric Kuehen December 6, 2008. Alumni in attendance included maid of honor, Roberta (Salerno) Malgieri (Bus. Fin. ’01),
bridesmaids, Mandy (Bass) Carri (Bus. Adm. ’99), Laura (Bozek) DiChiara (Bus. Mrkt. ’01), Jessica Fernandez (Bus. Fin. ’02), Sarah Spilken (Sp. Ed. ’02), groomsman, Justin Bals (Bus. Fin. ’01) as well as many other alumni friends. Kristyn is a regulatory specialist at FINRA and her husband is a compliance officer at Barclays Capital. They live in Holmdel.

MEGHAN (BYHAM) PLEVIER (Comm./Ed.) was named teacher of the year at Midtown Community Elementary School in Neptune. She has been a full-time teacher at the school since September 2003 and is attaining her master’s in library and information studies from Rutgers University this year. Meghan, who lives in Neptune with her husband, Chris, and her daughter, Julia, is a summer activities director on the Ocean Grove beach.

STEPHEN SHAPPIRIO (M.S.E. (school admin.) is engaged to marry Michelle Wenzell in July 2010. He is superintendent/principal of schools at Belmar Elementary School.

ALLYSON VILLAFANE (M.A. Psych. Couns.), mental health specialist for Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center, was recognized by Cambridge Who’s Who for demonstrating dedication, leadership and excellence in mental healthcare. She is pursuing her Ph.D. in clinical psychology at Walden University.

CLASS OF 2003

GREGORY ACQUA VIVA (Interdisc. Hist./Poli. Sci.) recently began a judicial clerkship with the honorable Maryanne Trump Barry of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He lives in Bloomfield.

ROBERT CARSEY, JR. (Comp. Sci.) (M.S. Comp. Sci. ’08) earned his airman certificate in August from Eagle’s View Aviation at Monmouth Executive Airport in Wall Township. His instructor was Joe Rubino. Rob is the manager of UNIX Administration in the Network Computing Services Department at Monmouth.

MEGAN (KENNEY) DEROBA (Ed./Bio.), former field hockey and lacrosse captain at Monmouth, is now a biology teacher and field hockey coach at the John Carroll School in Bel Air, MD. She and her husband, Joe, whom she married November 7, 2008, moved to Maryland after he was transferred from the Fort Monmouth army base.

CLASS OF 2004

CHRISTOPHER BEAUDRY (Bus. Fin.) was promoted to manage Scottrade’s Bridgewater office. He had previously been a senior stock broker for Scottrade, which is an online investment firm.

CHRISTINA BLANCONE (Bus. Mrkt.) is now with Certified Financial Services in Paramus. Specializing in individual and group life insurance, disability, long term care, and medical and dental insurance, she also holds a N.J. real estate license.

ASHLEY WILSON (Bus. Fin.) married Anthony Johnson June 6, 2009. She is a key accounts associate at SunAmerica Mutual Funds in Jersey City. Her husband is pursuing his MBA from Rutgers University and is manager of payroll at Sony Music in Lyndhurst. They live in Hoboken.

CLASS OF 2005

KATY DAVIDSON (M.A.T.) married Brian Pawlowski June 14, 2009. She is a teacher at Pine Crest Preparatory School in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Her husband is a leveraged buy-out fund accountant at Sun Capital Partners, Inc. in Boca Raton, where the couple lives.
works for her family business, No More Leaks Roofing. Her husband works for the sheriff’s department in Freehold. They live in Holmdel.

KELLY HAYES (Comm.) and Steve Daley (Psych. ’05) are engaged to be married. Kelly works for AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals. Steve received his M.A. from Hofstra University in 2007 and works as a business analyst for Chubb Group of Insurance Companies.

CLASS OF 2006

KELLY ADAMSKY (B.S.W.) (M.S.W. ’07) is now a social worker at Livingston High School. She lives in Morristown.

JOYCE BOLEY (M.S.E.) is the new principal for Bowne-Munroe Elementary School in East Brunswick. She had previously served as assistant principal at Chittick Elementary School, also in East Brunswick.

GREG CAMPANILE (Bus. Mgmt.), former captain of MU’s golf team, is now working for Direct Access Trading on Wall Street. He runs the U.S. Derivative Trading team and is also a partner of the company’s European Trading firm in Amsterdam.

KARA (BALKIN) DOUMA (M.S.E.) (M.S.E.-principal ’09) was accepted into the doctoral program at Rowan University. She is a teacher of students with disabilities and English at Holmdel High School as well as an adjunct professor in the Department of Educational Leadership, School Counseling and Special Education at Monmouth.

CHRISTINA MARINELLI (Bus. Adm.) and Joseph Keane (Crim. J. ’06) are engaged to be married May 2010. Christina is a human resources coordinator for Novartis Consumer Health in Parsippany. Her fiancé is a police officer in Metuchen.

ABBY SHIFFLER (Poli. Sci.) has joined the staff of the University of Pennsylvania women’s soccer team as an assistant coach. She had previously been the assistant coach at Caldwell College.

RAFFAELLA MASSA (B.S.W.) married Nick McAllister September 5, 2008. Receiving her M.S.W. from Fordham University in New York City in May 2007, Raffaella is a Licensed Social Worker, practicing in the field of Substance Abuse, at Hunterdon Drug Awareness Program in Flemington. She is also an adjunct professor with Monmouth University’s School of Social Work. Her husband is a corporate analyst for Verizon and also owns a music production company, Out to Play Studios, LLC. The couple lives in Clinton, where they purchased their first home.

ERIN OLSON (COMM.) married Michael Bender September 26, 2009 at the Robert B. Meyner Reception Center in Holmdel. Alumni in attendance were Jamie Farber ’06 and Nicholas Gallello ’09. Erin is an office manager for a telecommunications contractor in Bucks County, PA. Michael Bender is in auto sales for Pine Belt Nissan in Keyport. They live in Neptune.

TYRONE SMITH (Hist./Ed.) (M.A. Ed. ’08), Maria Sylvester (Engl. ’08) and Terry Caliste (Math./Ed. ’08) are all new teachers at Monmouth Regional High School in Eatontown. Barbara Shaloo (M.A.T. ’04) was already a member of the school’s staff, teaching history and economics. Smith, Sylvester and Caliste teach history, English, and math, respectively.

JULIE WEISS (Music) was recognized in September as a semi-finalist in the 2009 UK Songwriting Contest for her song, “Never Awake.” The song, recorded with Guy Parker at Watersign Creative & Music in Lake Hiawatha, placed among the top 23 percent of 6,000 songs in this international contest held annually. Her first single, “Tonight,” was recognized as a finalist in the John Lennon Songwriting Contest.
CLASS OF 2007

ZAHEED BARDAI (Comm.) was elected vice president of the new alumni network for graduates of the Corporate and Public Communication (CPC) program at Monmouth. Current student Tara Fantini was elected president, Nadene Cicero ‘03M was elected treasurer and Neva Ponzoriero ‘05M ‘09M was elected public relations director.

The CPC celebrated its tailgate kick-off event in conjunction with Monmouth University’s homecoming festivities October 24, 2009. For more information please e-mail cpcalumninetwork@gmail.com.

CLASS OF 2008

BRITTANY FOLTZER (Bus. Adm.) was promoted to staff level II accountant from staff level I at WithumSmith&Brown, a certified public accounting firm in Red Bank. She lives in Point Pleasant.

KRISTINA GLOWZENSK (Psych.) is engaged to be married to Daniel Tipps in the summer of 2011. She lives in Freehold.

NANCY HABERSTICK (Comm.) and her fiancé, Steven Nelson, are engaged to be married July 16, 2011 in New Jersey. Steven works in plasma physics for the Air Force Research Laboratory at Kirtland Airforce Base in Albuquerque, NM, where the couple lives.

RENEE NEALE (Hist.) , who will graduate with a master’s in education from Monmouth in 2010, married John DaSilva August 16, 2009. Alumni in attendance included Katie Welsh (Bus. Adm. ’08) and Caitlin Hendricks (Bus. Adm. ’08). Renee is a substitute teacher and plans to open her own preschool. Her husband is manager of R-Bounce in West Long Branch, where the couple lives.

CLASS OF 2009

RACHAEL CARROLLO (Comm.) competed in the 2010 Miss New Jersey pageant in October, placing in the semi-finals. She won the Miss Teen New Jersey crown in 2004, and went on to place in the top ten in the Miss Teen USA pageant.

R. DAVID BEALES (M.A. Hist.) made the cover of the October 8 issue of The Fisherman during a brief visit to New Jersey from his home in Hawaii.

BRANDON BOSQUE (Bio.) was accepted into the Class of 2013 at Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine. Monmouth’s former Student Government Association president will be studying orthopedic medicine and surgery, specializing in sports medicine and preventative diabetes care.

MICHELLE HACKER (Math.), the 2008 president of the Kappa Nu Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha, joined in the celebration of the chapter’s 10th anniversary in May. She was also nominated by the current president, Jenna Uszenski, as the most outstanding president. Under Hacker’s guidance, Kappa Nu won Crown Chapter at Zeta Tau Alpha’s National Convention, and ZTA was nationally recognized for filling quota, financial excellence, and academic achievements.

EDWARD OLSEN (M.S.E.) was accepted into the doctoral program at Rowan University. He is a health and physical education teacher at Barkalow Middle School in Freehold as well as a lifeguard and beach captain during the summer.
DANA POMYKACZ (Hist./Second. Ed.), a former member of Monmouth’s honors program and varsity field hockey team, is teaching social studies this fall at Hopewell Valley Central High School. While at Monmouth, Dana served as a peer leader and ambassador. She earned the Girl Scouts Silver Award in 2001 and 2005.

WILLIAM WEND (M.A. Engl.) is teaching two courses at Burlington County College this fall as an adjunct professor. His blog can be found at www.wpwend.com.

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ALUMNI

1959  CASIMER WYSOCKI [A.A Lib. Studies]  OCTOBER 1, 2009
1964  CAPTAIN EDWARD WESTON III [Ed.]  AUGUST 10, 2009
1968  RUSSELL COTTRELL [Ed.]  SEPTEMBER 1, 2009
1971  WILLIAM COLLINSON [Socio.]  OCTOBER 7, 2009
1972  AMELIA MAINIERI D’AMORE [Art]  OCTOBER 13, 2009 (age 97)
1975  JOHN CERRO [M.B.A.]  OCTOBER 1, 2009

CLASS NOTES POLICY

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