The 9th Annual International Social Work Lecture Series Featuring
Reverend Canon William L. Wipfler
Presenting: The Best of Times - The Worst of Times: The Status of Contemporary Human Rights
Tuesday, December 4. 5:30 - 7:00pm
Wilson Hall Auditorium

Upcoming Workshops
Grief, Loss & Spirituality
Presented by Rabbi Ephraim “Fred” Karp
Friday, November 16 – 8:00am-3:00pm – 6 CEUs

An Introduction to Psychodrama: The Meaning and Magic of Action Therapy
Presented by Ron Collier and Scottie Umey
Friday, December 14 – 9:00am-4:00pm – 6 CEUs

To register, go to monmouth.edu/socialwork
Click Department Web Pages

More Upcoming Events
3rd Annual Teach-In
Gang up on Gang Violence: The Local & Global Impact of Gangs, Developing Strategies for Hope
Tuesday, November 27
Anacon Hall
2:00pm - 8:00pm

Sending Ceremony for ICD Students
Tuesday, December 11
3:30 - 4:30pm

This issue:
2 '07 Social Work Retreat
2 Brown Bag Seminars
3 Faculty Profiles
3 Student Profile: Joe Patane
4 YAP Conference 2007
4 Greta Singer Lecture Series

Wipfler, pictured above, speaking at the 2007 YAP Conference.
This series presents faculty and students a forum within which to present their research, projects or field experiences to the larger department and to the university community. This year, in an effort to promote wider participation, we are scheduling the seminar for the first Tuesday of every month at 3:45pm in MH315, the Social Work seminar room. Social Work students who would like to present their research, present a project or share an interesting field experience may contact Dr. Carolyn Bradley at cbradley@monmouth.edu to arrange the date.

"Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the person doing it." -Chinese Proverb

The Brown Bag Seminar Series

This series presents faculty and students a forum within which to present their research, projects or field experiences to the larger department and to the university community. This year, in an effort to promote wider participation, we are scheduling the seminar for the first Tuesday of every month at 3:45pm in MH315, the Social Work seminar room. Social Work students who would like to present their research, present a project or share an interesting field experience may contact Dr. Carolyn Bradley at cbradley@monmouth.edu to arrange the date.

1. Natalie Solga and Andrea Toland share findings and experiences from their work with immigrants in Northeastern Minnesota.
2. Katie Truskowski tells the harrowing and inspiring tales of “street girls” in Ghana and their children.
3. A classroom of children from Uganda was only momentarily distracted from their studies.
4. Lynda Zembia weaves a tale of hope from her work with Habitat For Humanity in Uganda.
Laura DiGiovanni, MSW recently joined our faculty as an Instructor. Laura received her undergraduate degree in Psychology and her Master’s in Social Work at the University of Texas at Austin. Since the completion of her degrees, she has worked as a practitioner providing direct service to clients with substance abuse issues, family conflict, and couples with marital problems. She also worked as a Program Evaluation Coordinator at a substance abuse recovery center in Austin, evaluating 14-16 programs at 5 sites. She quickly was promoted and also became the Project Director for the Family Strengthening program at the same facility. She later moved to Los Angeles County, California and became a Program Director for both the Family Preservation and on-site counseling programs, overseeing 100 families, on average, at all times. Subsequently, she returned to the University of Texas at Austin to obtain her doctoral degree in Social Work and is currently in candidacy. While attending, she published a book chapter, assisted in numerous research projects and taught several social work courses. The topic areas for the chapter and dissertation are substance abuse prevention for youth in schools and parenting women in substance abuse treatment. Ready to return to the northeast where she grew up, she received her current position here at Monmouth University. Currently she is teaching Research Methods, Evaluation of Practice Effectiveness, and Implications of Social Justice and Human Rights for Social Work.

Rabbi Ephraim Karp received his BA in Religious Studies and Child Care and Family Studies from The State University of New York at Stonybrook and his MSW from Monmouth University. An ordained Orthodox Rabbi, he completed his training in Clinical Pastoral Education through the Health Care Chaplaincy in New York City and received Board Certification as Chaplain from the National Association of Jewish Chaplains, where he sits on the Board as the Co-Chair of the Conference Commission. Currently training as a Supervisor through the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Rabbi Karp is the Community Chaplain and Director of the Joint Chaplaincy Program of the Jewish Federation of Monmouth County. He serves as the Jewish Chaplain in Monmouth Medical Center, Jersey Shore University Medical Center, CentraState Medical Center, Riverview Medical Center and Bayshore Community Hospital. He is also a member of the Shore Ethics Alliance, the regional Ethics Committee for Long Term Care established by the New Jersey office of the Ombudsman. Before coming to New Jersey, Rabbi Karp spent twelve years in Pastoral Care at the Jewish Geriatric Center in Long Island, New York.

As a Social Worker, Chaplain and Rabbi, Ephraim has spent a number of years engaging and escorting people through their loss and the grieving process. His professional training has brought him to work with the emotional and spiritual side of crisis and his personal experiences have taught him the pain and helplessness that loss brings. Ephraim shares his life with his wife, his two teenage boys and his black cat, Princess.

Tell me briefly about yourself and your social work interests.
I’m a fulltime Care Manager at MonmouthCares CMO, and a fulltime Masters in Social Work student at Monmouth University. I am an MBA and past computer business owner, who was an employee/contractor at Apple Computer for several years, before I became an assistant to Steve Wozniak in his local summer computer camps for kids. With Steve’s encouragement, I started, and now run, a nonprofit (501c3) organization for kids-teaching-kids, since 1999. I’m an advocate of peer-to-peer youth leadership and counseling initiatives, and lecture across the country regarding the considerable issues that face teens today.

Continued on page 5.
Dear Alumni and Friends,

This year, the Department of Social Work lost a good friend and colleague – Professor Emeritus Greta Singer (pictured below) passed away in February. Our social work program at Monmouth exists because of Greta Singer – she began the BSW program in 1977, receiving its initial accreditation in 1979. At that time, there were 68 majors in the undergraduate program, today we number about 300 in the BSW and MSW programs.

We wanted to find a way to keep Greta in our memory and to remind us of the legacy she left us. In consultation with Greta’s family, we have chosen to establish:

The Greta Singer Lecture in Clinical Social Work

This endowed lecture will be held every spring at Monmouth University, and will feature speakers that offer lectures on various aspects of clinical social work. The endowment will provide for the speaker’s travel and an honorarium.

We are hoping that you will help us make this wish a reality. We need $25,000 to endow this lectureship. An anonymous donor has graciously agreed to start our fundraising with a $5,000 donation, leaving us to raise the final $20,000. We are pleased to announce that we have already raised over $8,000. But, your additional support is crucial. Please consider making a donation today.

Sincerely,
Robin S. Mama, Ph.D., Professor, Chair, MSW Program Director

Yes! I would like to contribute to the Greta Singer Lecture in Clinical Social Work.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Amount</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$1,000</td>
<td>$500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$100</td>
<td>$50</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Other: _______________

Method of Payment:

- Enclosed is my check made payable to Monmouth University.
- Please charge my gift to the following credit card:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Credit Card Type</th>
<th>Account Number</th>
<th>Expiration Date</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Visa</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mastercard</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Discover</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Signature of Card Holder: ____________________________

Name: ___________________________________________
Address: _______________________________________
City: ___________________________________________ State: ______ Zip: ___________
Home Phone: _____________________________ Email: _______________________

Your gift is greatly appreciated and is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. (YAP) and The Department of Social Work have collaborated to launch an International Youth Advocacy Federation. From July 28 to August 2, the first Youth Federation Conference was held, featuring the theme, “Invisible No More!” The guests of honor were young people from the UK, Sierra Leone, Northern Ireland and Guatemala, just to name a few locations. These young people were given training and encouragement to be leaders for others in their countries of origin who are at risk for detention, institutionalization and the myriad of consequences of societies desperately in need of systems-change and human rights. Not to mention, they had the experience of a lifetime. As part of the conference, youth took a bus trip to the UN and to the Missions of Sierra Leone, UK, Ireland and the US.
Joseph Patane, continued

Can you tell me about your recent accomplishments?
My biggest accomplishment is managing 18 credits, a full-time job with Monmouth Cares, my field internship, my foundation and its ‘Dream Camps’ for kids.

How did the idea for your camps come about?
This idea started several years ago when I quit my job at UC Berkeley and decided to dedicate my time to working with kids. At the time, I realized kids were the most consistent, talented and honest people in my life. I eventually started my foundation, Joe's World Foundation, with the idea that I would be able to fund projects where kids teach other kids (as they had certainly taught me a thing or two along the way!). Things really came together years later through my internships with Monmouth Cares, when my foundation teamed up with Steve Wozniak (a close friend and the inventor of the personal computer and co-founder of Apple Computer, Inc.) and Monmouth Cares (a nonprofit organization that provides the highest level of social work care management in New Jersey - see www.monmouthcarescmo.org) to coordinate and implement a ‘Dream Camp’ program for kids and young adults. Our first “Dream Camp” was at Steve's Wozniak's house in the northern California hills, where he, and others, introduced young adults to the basics of computer, music, art, production, yoga, dance, acting, writing, wellness, and more. One of the main goals of “Camp Woz” was to simply EXCITE the kids about some possibilities in different areas that they may not have otherwise had the opportunity to experience, and ENCOURAGE them to explore something that sparks their interest a bit further on their own. I want to show kids that they can achieve anything, especially when actually given the proper tools and support to assist them in moving forward (NOTE: the participants in ‘Camp Woz’ received iBook laptop computers, iPods, Digital Cameras and recorders, keyboards, and much more).

What have these experiences been like for you?
I'm basically doing what I've wanted to do for a long time. Being the last of 8 children, I was raised “old-school” style where there was a strong belief in family and community. I want to share the family support and feeling of love that's ingrained in me as much as I can.

What do you hope to do after graduation?
This is a huge dialogue between my agency, my foundation, my family, my God, and myself. I want to bring positive change to the human services industry. Monmouth Cares is very ahead of the game in this regard. I am fortunate to have been aligned with them early on in my career through my field internship.

calling all alumni...
Please take a moment to fill out this quick survey and send it to
Department of Social Work
Monmouth University
West Long Branch, NJ 07764-1898
Or fax this page to 732-263-5217

Your Name ________________________________________________________________
Home Address________________________________________________________________________
City ____________________________ State ________ Zip code _______________________
Home Phone ______________________________ Work Phone ______________________________
E-mail ________________________________________________________________
Year of Graduation ____________________ Degree ________________________________________
Place of Employment ____________________________________________________________
Employment Title _____________________________________________________________
Current Professional Activities _________________________________________________