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For a tentative schedule of events, hotel information and more visit www.scranton.edu/reunion. Registration for Reunion events and on campus accommodations will be available this spring.

Class committees work to help reunite classmates and friends. Find out more about how you can help make your Reunion a success by calling the Alumni Relations Office at 1-800-SCRANTON or via e-mail at

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Thanks to the alumni who have already volunteered to serve as a member of their class committees.

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The Scranton Legacy Lives On

Among many of our alumni, a Scranton education is a family tradition. This fall, 62 daughters and sons of Scranton alumni entered the University as undergraduate students. Their parents and, in some cases, grandparents are among the 41,000 alumni who have chosen Scranton for their education. At right are the members of the Class of 2012 who are following in the footsteps of their parents who are Scranton alumni.



Alumni parents and their students who are members of the Class of 2012 gathered with University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., and Michael J. McDermott '71 (center), president of the Alumni Society, for this legacy photo during Fall Welcome Weekend on Saturday, Aug. 23.

Class Year	Alumnus/Alumna	Current Student
1974	William Abda	Robert Abda
1979	Donna Addesa	Arianne Addesa
1990	Gary Arvay	Gary Arvay
1979	William Asmar	Hannah Asmar
1980	Rocco Baress	Joseph Baress
1982	Terry Barrett	Elizabeth Barrett
1982	Patrick Barrett	Patrick Barrett
1981	Paula Barrett	Patrick Barrett
1979	Robert Barry	Erin Barry
1980	Paula Rickard Bennett	Jared Bennett
1979	Scott Bennett	Jared Bennett
1983	Deb Bodnar	James Bodnar
1982	Elizabeth Bonomo	Michael Bonomo
1983	Scott Bonomo	Michael Bonomo
1982	David Borys	Jesse Borys
1984	Susan Borys	Jesse Borys
1986	James Boyle	James Boyle
1983	Nancy Brady	Caitlin Brady
1983	William Brady	Caitlin Brady
1974	Vincent Brust	Benjamin Brust
1976	Michael Canfield	Christopher Canfield
1987	Nancy Casey	Chelsea Casey
1984	Patrick Casey	Chelsea Casey
1980	Christopher Casperson	Christopher Casperson
1980	Pamela Casperson	Christopher Casperson
1985	Maureen Castaldi	Maribeth Castaldi
1977	David Ceraul	David Ceraul
1993	Angelo Cicerini	Adam Cicerini
1986	Christine Conmy	Thomas Conmy
1990	Thomas Conmy	Thomas Conmy
1979	Jacqueline Cruciani	Kara Cruciani
1979	Mark Cruciani	Kara Cruciani
1979	Donald Dolan	Kaitlin Dolan
1980	John Dowd	Caitlyn Dowd
1983	Sharon Finnerty	Carolyn Finnerty
1987	Karen Forsette	Michael Forsette
2000	Karen Freedman	Ryan Freedman
1986	Brian Gilroy	Alison Gilroy
1977	Joseph Gnias	Rachael Gnias
1977	Patrick Grady	Maureen Grady
1976	Charles Grande	Kristina Grande
1979	John Grow	Casey Grow
1983	Mary Hawley	Faith Hawley
1986	Jill Healey	Adriana Healey
1984	Raymond Herman	Jessica Herman
1984	Rose Herman	Jessica Herman
1981	Donald Jordan	Donald Jordan
1979	Matthew Kelleman	Michael Kelleman
1980	Anthony Libassi	Marie Libassi
1981	Deborah Loughney	Brian Loughney
1980	Kevin Loughney	Brian Loughney
1981	Erika Lynch	Monica Lynch
1979	Gregory Lynch	Monica Lynch
1979	Patrick Marx	Maria Marx
1976	Merrill Mayenschein	Morgan Mayenschein
1988	McGrath Brian	Brian McGrath
1989	James Mizerak	Theresa Mizerak
1984	Alice Musto	Brian Musto
1975	Nicholas Naro	Gillian Naro
1984	Brian Nealon	Matthew Nealon
1985	Nancy Nealon	Matthew Nealon
1968	Henry Nebzydoski	Christopher Nebzydoski
1993	Christopher Osborne	Corey Osborne
1983	Brian Phelan	Meghan Phelan
1983	Mary Phelan	Meghan Phelan
1982	Frank Ponti	Katrina Ponti
1983	John Reap	Daniel Reap
1986	Kathleen Reap	Daniel Reap
1983	James Schimelfenig	Catherine Schimelfenig
1988	Michael Sebastian	Tyler Sebastian
1983	George Sweda	Sarah Sweda
1999	Beverly Tomasetti	Nicholas Tomasetti
1979	Charles Villare	Jennifer Villare
1979	Janice Villare	Jennifer Villare
1983	Kimberly Wentworth	Kirsten Wentworth
1976	Gregory Werner	Christine Werner
1972	James Zaydon	Michael Zaydon
1987	Elizabeth Zygmunt	Alexander Zygmunt
1984	Stan Zygmunt	Alexander Zygmunt

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A Message from the President

"Not where I breathe but where I love I live." These words, written centuries ago by the Jesuit poet Robert Southwell and etched on the front of the new Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center on campus, speak eloquently to the meaning of community.

Community – real community – is born of the heart. It's a shared sense of belonging that comes from being part of a group of people who, in the Jesuit tradition of *cura personalis*, care for one another and appreciate each person's uniqueness.

While the Scranton campus is the place where generations of students live and

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breathe during their four years here, what most any of them will tell you if you ask (and possibly even if you don't!) is that their Scranton pride continues to grow long after graduation.

Scranton alumni share more than a degree from this nationally recognized Catholic and Jesuit university. They share values, friendships, memories and, perhaps most importantly, a love for their alma mater.

Like most communities, Scranton has changed and grown over time. This year alone, we've been privileged to dedicate three

new facilities that are transforming campus and campus life: Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center, Christopher and Margaret Condrion Hall, and John and Jacquelyn Dionne Campus Green.

While much has changed at Scranton over the past year, much abides. Scranton is still very much a place where students receive a rigorous and exceptional education and where friendships forged last a lifetime.

As we prepare to celebrate Alumni Reunion on June 12-14, 2009, alumni in their reunion years will have a special reason to celebrate their Scranton pride. If you're celebrating your reunion, I hope you'll take this opportunity to return to your alma mater and reunite with classmates. Of course, you don't have to wait for your reunion year to call a classmate or visit campus. I invite you to come back any time to the place you love.

Sincerely,

Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.



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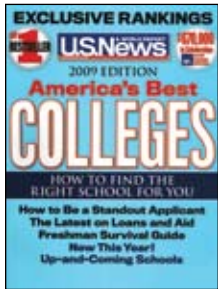
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University News

Another Wave of National Recognition

This fall, the University received yet another wave of recognition in national publications that rank American universities.



U.S. News & World Report "Best Colleges"

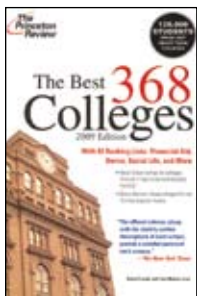
Scranton was named among the nation's 70 "up and coming" schools in the latest *U.S. News & World Report* "America's Best

Colleges" list, which was released on Aug. 22. Also, for the 15th consecutive year, the University was listed among the top 10 master's-granting universities in the North. Scranton was also ranked 10th among "great schools at a great price."

Forbes.com "Best Colleges"

Forbes.com named Scranton to its inaugural list of "America's Best Colleges 2008," an online ranking done by the Center for College Affordability and Productivity of 569 universities considered to be the best in the nation. Scranton ranked in the top half of the list at 269 and ranked eighth among 24 Jesuit universities making the list.

Princeton Review "Best Colleges"



For the seventh consecutive year, Scranton has been named one of "The Best 368 Colleges" in the nation by Princeton Review. The Princeton Review selects the elite colleges to be profiled in "The Best 368 Colleges" guide based

on feedback from students, parents and educators, as well as through research.

U.S. News & World Report "Best Graduate Schools"

Six of the University's graduate programs and the Kania School of Management at Scranton are included in the 2009 edition of *U.S. News & World Report*'s "America's Best Graduate Schools." The *U.S. News* guidebook ranks the top professional school programs in business, education, engineering and medicine based on statistical data.

Princeton Review "Best 296 Business Schools"

The University's Kania School of Management has been included among the elite group of graduate business schools in the world to be listed in the 9th edition of Princeton Review's "Best 296 Business Schools."

Politics Put Faculty, Students in National Spotlight

Scranton faculty were quoted in national publications in articles about the 2008 Presidential election. A page-one *New York Times* story quoted Jean Wahl Harris, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of the Political Science Department. A story in the *Boston Globe* quoted Leonard Champney, Ph.D., professor of political science, who was also interviewed by *The Philadelphia Inquirer* and Aljazeera.net/English, a 24-hour English language news station broadcasting from Doha, Qatar.

Stories quoting Scranton faculty focused on Catholic voters, the impact the financial crisis on Wall Street has had on the election and the opinions of Scranton voters in general on the election.

Earlier this year, during the Pennsylvania primary, Scranton students were the focus of multiple stories that looked at the Catholic vote, issues concerning young voters and opinions on Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama. Students were interviewed by CNN, France's *La Croix*, and for two national Associated Press stories that ran in newspapers across the country.

Grant Supports Wall Street West Initiative

The University was awarded a \$102,000 Wall Street West Grant to develop an Enterprise Resource Planning Program, which will allow the area's workforce to further leverage the University's technological resources and accredited business curriculum.

Through the grant, Scranton, in collaboration with SRA International, Fairfax, Va., will develop courses in functional areas such as finance, accounting, business data warehousing, customer-relationship management, strategic enterprise management and logistics. The Kania School of Management will also develop "boot camp" training programs to enable SAP certification and to engage industry and government ERP experts and users with students.

The grant also supports the development of enterprise resource internships; programs to enhance recruitment within traditional student and adult-learner populations; and assistance with the implementation and operation of SAP software at organizations in the region. In addition, the University will use the grant to increase its SAP-trained instructor pool from both full-time faculty and adjunct professors from local industries.

Class of 2012 Welcomed to Scranton



The Byron Complex is a sea of purple as the Class of 2012 attends a New Student Convocation held Aug. 23, during Fall Welcome Weekend.

In his remarks at the New Student Convocation on Aug. 23, University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., urged members the Class of 2012 to embrace the transformational change that awaits them during their four years at Scranton.

"Your education here will be rigorous and broad-based. Such rigor is required of us because the life of the mind is one of God's greatest gifts," he told the freshman students gathered in the Byron Recreation Complex. "Expect to change here. Four years from now, I hope you will think more deeply, act more deliberately and love more dearly."

The New Student Convocation was one of many events held during Fall Welcome Weekend, Aug. 23-24. In addition to welcoming more than 970 full-time undergraduate students, the University also welcomed approximately 55 undergraduate transfer students, 40

non-traditional undergraduate students and 390 new graduate students.

The entering undergraduate students were drawn from 7,891 applicants, which is the largest number of applicants in the 120-year history of the University. This is the seventh consecutive year that Scranton has set a record for undergraduate applications for admission.

The University has also seen its graduate enrollment nearly triple over the past six years through Web-based and off-campus course offerings and new campus-based degree offerings such as the doctorate in physical therapy.

Incoming students to the University's graduate programs represent 11 foreign countries and include five Fulbright scholars from Japan, Jordan, China, France and Germany, and an Institute for International Education scholar from Columbia.

Seinfeld Bus Tour Makes a Stop at Scranton

The Seinfeld College Tour Bus, complete with Seinfeld memorabilia, giveaways and interactive games, made a stop at the University on Aug. 27. Part of a 26-city nationwide tour by Sony Pictures Television, the 60-foot bus included costumes and props from iconic episodes and a "Scene It? Lounge" for participants to sample a Seinfeld DVD game that debuted this fall.



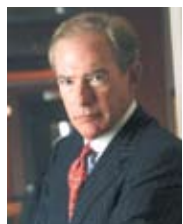
Christopher Mefford '09 (center) was among the students who visited the Seinfeld College Tour Bus when it made a day-long stop at the University on Aug. 27.

Prospective Students Visit Campus

The University held the first of two Open House events for prospective students on Oct. 26, drawing the largest-ever crowd. In addition to a welcome session held in the Long Center, visitors had the opportunity to tour campus and speak with Admissions and Financial Aid staff members, faculty members, parents and representatives of many student services and programs. In the last five years, applications for full-time undergraduate admission have increased 29 percent, from 5,649 in 2003 to a record-breaking 7,891 in 2008.



Five Join Board of Trustees



Christopher M.
"Kip" Condrón '70



Lisa DeNaples,
D.M.D.



Michael P.
Glinsky Jr. '66



Dennis J.
McGonigle '82



Michele Finn

Five new members have been elected to three-year terms on the University's Board of Trustees. Appointed to the Board are: Christopher M. "Kip" Condrón '70, New York, N.Y.; Lisa DeNaples, D.M.D., Scranton; Michael P. Glinsky Jr. '66, Denver, Colo., and Scranton; Michele Finn, Bronxville, N.Y.; and Dennis J. McGonigle '82, Chester Springs.

Condrón, who is director, president and chief executive officer of AXA Financial, Inc., was elected president and chief executive officer of AXA Financial, Inc., and a member of the AXA Financial Group management Board in May 2001. In addition, he is chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of AXA Financial's principal insurance subsidiary, AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company (formerly The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States).

Dr. DeNaples is vice president of construction and development at Mount Airy Casino Resort in Mount Pocono. She is also a partner in two dental practices in Northeastern Pennsylvania and is the dentist for the Summer Camp (World Links) that serves Russian orphans. Dr. DeNaples serves on the boards of the Pocono Mountain Visitors Bureau, the Boys and Girls Club, the Scranton Cultural Center, Scranton Preparatory School and SCOLA (Scranton Council on Literacy Advance).

Currently a private investor, Glinsky previously served as advisor and managing

director of Glass Lewis & Company, an independent research company. He also has served as executive vice president and chief financial officer of NorthPoint Communications Group, Inc., and was formerly the executive vice president and chief financial officer of US WEST, Inc. He also served as managing partner of the Denver office of Coopers and Lybrand. Glinsky currently serves on the Boards of many organizations, including Renal Ventures Management, Inc., Regis University and Colorado Haiti Project.

Finn attended Maryville College, St. Louis, Mo., and Sorbonne, Paris, France, and worked as a meeting planner until her retirement. She has served on numerous boards and committees, including the Development Committees of the Convent of the Sacred Heart, in both Greenwich, Conn., and New York City. She began another term of service on the Convent's New York City Board in September.

McGonigle is chief financial officer (CFO) and executive vice president at SEI Investments. Prior to his appointment to CFO in 2002, he ran one of SEI's operating segments. Previously, he served as head of product management, overseeing the product development and maintenance of products and services related to SEI's investment management offering, as well as SEI's fund services area.

Full profiles of these trustees are available at www.scranton.edu/trustees.

Faculty/Staff

Six Named to Academic Administrative Posts

The University has announced the appointment of six individuals to posts in administration and academic affairs.

Patricia A. Day

Vice President, Human Resources

A.B., Boston College

J.D., Suffolk University Law School



Patricia A. Day

Before joining the University, Day was a labor relations and employment issues consultant, and served as director of labor relations and labor counsel for the Massachusetts Port Authority. Additionally, she was chief labor relations

officer for the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority, Philadelphia. Her responsibilities in these and other positions throughout her career included training, compensation, benefits, employee evaluation, wellness, recruitment and retention.

Day is a member of the Women Transportation Seminar, International, a professional development organization for women in the transportation field, and she served on the board of its Boston chapter. She received the 2004 Boston Labor Guild's Cushing-Gavin Award, which recognizes moral integrity, professional competence and community concern in the field of labor-management relations.

Rev. Terrence J. Devino, S.J.

Vice President, University Ministries

B.A., Worcester State College

M.Div., School of Theology and Pastoral Ministry, Seton Hall University
Certificate in Spiritual Direction, Center for Religious Development

Father Devino joined The University of Scranton in 2006 as the assistant vice president for University Ministries. He is responsible for the leadership and management of the University's Campus Ministry, the International Service Program and the Community Outreach Office.



Rev. Terrence J. Devino, S.J.

Father Devino is a member of the New England Province of Jesuits. Prior to joining the University staff, he spent three years as an associate chaplain in campus ministry at Fairfield University. Father Devino

also worked as a patient and family relations representative in Boston, Mass., at Brigham & Women's Hospital, and assistant director of the Jesuit Urban Center, Boston. Father Devino also worked as an associate pastor in three parishes in Springfield, Mass., for seven years.

Joseph H. Dreisbach, Ph.D.

Interim Associate Provost for Academic Affairs

B.S., LaSalle University
M.S., Ph.D., Lehigh University



Joseph H. Dreisbach, Ph.D.

Dr. Dreisbach joined the University faculty in 1978 as an assistant professor of chemistry and was promoted to full professor in 1989. He has taught courses in general and analytical chemistry, including biochemical

structure and function, biocatalysis and metabolism, and biochemistry of disease.

He served as director of the master's degree programs in chemistry, biochemistry and clinical chemistry from 1988 to 1991, and served as chair of the chemistry department for six years. In 1997, he was appointed Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

He also has held two U.S. Air Force Office of Scientific Summer Research fellowships, and received two other U.S. Air Force research project grants.

In 1992, he received the University's Award to a Faculty Member for Outstanding Contributions to the Graduate School.

Before joining the University, Dr. Dreisbach taught at Northampton Community College, Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales and East Stroudsburg University.

Paul Fahey, Ph.D.

Acting Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
B.S., The University of Scranton
M.S., Ph.D., University of Virginia



Paul Fahey, Ph.D.

Dr. Fahey has been a member of the University since 1968, when he joined the faculty of the Physics/Electrical Engineering Department. He has taught physics, biophysics and

electronics engineering courses at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. He was promoted to full professor in 1978, and served as chair of the Physics/Electronics Department from 1982 to 1988.

In 1989, Dr. Fahey was appointed acting dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and in 1990, was appointed Dean. In 1997, he returned to his teaching position in Physics/Electrical Engineering. Most recently, Dr. Fahey served as chair of Physics/Electrical Engineering.

His current research specialty is the biophysics of hearing.

Dr. Fahey has been a visiting professor at Cornell University and a resident visitor at AT&T Bell Labs. He has held fellowships from NASA and the National Science Foundation, and has received grant funding from the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Energy and the Ben Franklin Partnership.

Steven G. Jones, Ph.D.

Associate Provost for Civic Engagement and Academic Mission

B.A., M.A., Brigham Young University
Ph.D., University of Utah



Steven G. Jones, Ph.D.

Prior to joining the University, Dr. Jones served as coordinator in the Office of Service Learning, Center for Service and Learning, at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis. In this role, he was

responsible for coordinating faculty development and support activities

regarding service learning, supervising the Service Learning Assistant Scholarship program, building support for service learning among campus constituencies and supporting Commitment to Excellence in Civic Engagement grantees.

In his new position, Dr. Jones oversees the University's education for justice and academic sustainability initiatives and the collaborative development of academic civic engagement programs, such as the Leahy Center's free health clinic. He also oversees undergraduate and graduate study abroad, and assists with the promotion of faculty or University international initiatives and partnerships, such as faculty study trips or visits by international faculty, and develops institutional support for such activities.

Gerald C. Zaboski

Vice President for Alumni and Public Relations

B.S., M.S. The University of Scranton



Gerald C. Zaboski

Zaboski joined the University in 1988, serving as the first editor of *The Scranton Record*, and later became the assistant manager for university publications in addition to his role as editor. From 1992-2001, he

served as the assistant and, later, executive assistant to the President. He was named director of public relations in 2001, and was appointed associate vice president for alumni and public relations in 2005.

Prior to joining the University, Zaboski served as public information manager for the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce.

His professional affiliations include serving on the Executive Committee of Jesuit Advancement Administrators (JAA) and a member of the Communications Advisory Council of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities.

He is a member of the board of the Scranton-Lackawanna Human Development Agency and West Wyoming Hose Company #1, for which he is treasurer.

Professor Receives Ben Franklin Award

The Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Northeastern Pennsylvania named Joseph W. Connolly, Ph.D., professor of physics and electrical engineering, as the 2008 Northeastern Pennsylvania Innovation Awards Academic Partner. Dr. Connolly was recognized at Ben Franklin Technology Partners' fourteenth annual Innovation Awards dinner, held this past summer at Lehigh University.

Dr. Connolly was recognized as an individual affiliated with an institute of higher learning who contributed time and expertise to support the Ben Franklin program. Dr. Connolly provided support to 40 technology client companies over more than two decades. He served as project manager and lead investigator in 21 Ben Franklin projects.

Earl Award Presented at Convocation

Willis M. Conover, Ed.D., professor of history and chair of the Department of History, has been awarded the 10th annual John L. Earl III Award for service to the University, the faculty, and the wider community. The award, presented at University Convocation on Sept. 5, is given in the spirit of generosity and dedication that the late Dr. John Earl, a distinguished professor of history, exemplified during his years at the University from 1964 to 1996.

Dr. Conover joined Scranton's faculty in 1978 and was promoted to associate professor in 1985. He has served in both the history department and the education department. Dr. Conover has also been a faculty associate for Gavigan College, a

Willis Conover, Ed.D., receives the John L. Earl Award from Stephen Casey (left). Looking on are University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., and Pauline Earl, wife of the late John Earl.



greeter on Freshman Move-In Day, and a booster for the Royals basketball teams. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in journalism and a bachelor of science degree in secondary education from The Pennsylvania State University, and a master of science degree in social science/history and a doctorate in curriculum and instruction from Montana State University.

Staff Members Honored for Outstanding Contributions

Three staff members received the Sursum Corda Award at University Convocation on Sept. 5. The Sursum Corda Award, which means "Lift Up Your Hearts," recognizes those members of the University's staff who have made outstanding contributions to the life and mission of the University. University President Rev. Scott Pilarz, S.J., presented the awards to (from left) Mary Anne Maslar (Clerical/Technical Staff), Vincent Merkel (Professional/Paraprofessional Staff) and William Hurst (Physical Plant Staff).



From left: University President Rev. Scott Pilarz, S.J., presents Sursum Corda Awards to Mary Anne Maslar (Clerical/Technical Staff), Vincent Merkel (Professional/Paraprofessional Staff) and William Hurst (Physical Plant Staff).

27 Named to Faculty

The University has appointed 27 full-time faculty members for the 2008-2009 academic year, according to Harold W. Baillie, Ph.D., provost and vice president for Academic Affairs.

Lindsay A. Batory, Ph.D., lecturer, Chemistry
 Carol A. Coté, Ph.D., assistant professor, Occupational Therapy
 Paul T. Cutrufello, instructor, Exercise Science and Sports
 Daniel K. Darko, Ph.D., visiting professor, Theology/Religious Studies

Rita DiLeo, faculty specialist, Health Administration/Human Resources
 David J. Dzurec III, Ph.D., assistant professor, History
 Tara N. Fay, faculty specialist, Biology
 Arthur J. Chambers, faculty specialist, Education
 Ann E. Feeney, second-year faculty specialist, Nursing
 Douglas Haladay, instructor, Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy
 Mary Beth Holmes, faculty specialist, Communication
 Sandra Lamanna, second-year lecturer, Education
 Nathan Lefler, Ph.D., assistant professor, Theology/Religious Studies
 Bonnie Lini Markowski, faculty specialist, English
 Donna Mazziotti, assistant professor, Weinberg Memorial Library
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 Jaime Meilán Del Río, lecturer, World Languages and Cultures
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 Rui Niu, Ph.D., assistant professor, Education
 Jessica M. Nolan, Ph.D., assistant professor, Psychology
 Ana R. Rojas, Ph.D., lecturer, English and Theater
 Jeremy Sepinsky, lecturer, Physics/Electrical Engineering
 Beth Sindaco, faculty specialist, English
 John J. Strain III, faculty specialist, Communication
 Georgios A. Stylianides, Ph.D., associate professor, Exercise Science and Sport
 Ileana F. Szymanski, Ph.D., assistant professor, Philosophy
 Barbara R. Wagner, D.P.T., faculty specialist Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy
 Xuewu (Wesley) Wang, Ph.D., instructor, Economics/Finance
 Kristen A. Yarmey-Tylutki, assistant professor, Weinberg Memorial Library

Lectures and Conferences

"Secret of the Holy Grail" Discussed by Georgetown Professor



G. Ronald Murphy, S.J., discusses "Gemstone of Paradise: The Secret of the Holy Grail" during the fifth annual J.J. Quinn, S.J., Memorial Lecture on Sept. 26.

A Georgetown University professor who claims to have found the Holy Grail delivered the fifth annual J.J. Quinn, S.J., Memorial Lecture at Scranton on Sept. 26. The lecture was held as part of Family Weekend.

G. Ronald Murphy, S.J., professor of German at Georgetown University, discussed "Gemstone of Paradise: The Secret of the Holy Grail."

For centuries, the Holy Grail has captured the imagination of people throughout the world seeking to unravel the mystery behind what many have believed to be a cup or vessel used by Jesus at the Last Supper. Fr. Murphy concurs with the 13th century theory of Wolfram von Eschenbach, who, in *Parzival*, identifies the Grail as a stone, rather than a cup or dish.

The J.J. Quinn, S.J., Memorial Lecture at The University of Scranton celebrates the Catholic intellectual tradition and honors the late J.J. Quinn, S.J., who served as a professor of English at the University for more than four decades.

Veterans' Issues Explored at Conference

Approximately 180 people attended the University's 7th Annual Northeastern U.S. Conference on disAbility. "Veterans, Vocations and Values: Rehabilitation Rallies for Results" was the theme of the Conference, held Oct. 8 - 9 in the Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center on campus.

In her opening remarks, Patricia Leahy, who, together with her husband, Edward Leahy '68, served as honorary co-chairs of the conference, recognized



Gathered for the opening of the 7th Annual Northeastern U.S. Conference on disAbility, front row, from left: University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.; Hon. David Wenzel '69, G '74, Leahy Award recipient; and Honorary Chairs of the Conference, Patricia and Edward Leahy '68. Back row, from left: Debra Pellegrino, Ed.D., dean of the Panuska College of Professional Studies; Lori Bruch, Ed.D., associate professor of Counseling and Human Services and conference co-chair; Richard Pimentel, keynote speaker; and Ralph Pacinelli, D.Ed., CRC, LPC, retired regional commissioner for the United States Department of Education, a Leahy Faculty Fellow at the University, and conference co-chair.

the significant contributions of veterans. "Our veterans have served our country and we want to recognize you for your sacrifice and your service," she said.

The conference included presentations by four keynote speakers, including Richard Pimentel, a Vietnam veteran whose life story is captured in the movie *The Music Within*. The conference also included keynote addresses by David S. Macpherson, M.D., MPH, chief medical officer, VISN4; Juan J. DeRojas, M.D., a veteran of the War against Terror and the Gulf War, and a board-certified general surgeon with an extensive military record; and Ryan Kules, retired U.S. Army Captain and program manager for the Wounded Warrior Project.

Two awards were presented at the Conference luncheon. Hon. David Wenzel '69, G '74, Vietnam War veteran and former Mayor of Scranton, received the Leahy Award for Excellence in Rehabilitation Leadership, and Josie Cordaro, who has written and delivered a poem every year at the University's Disability Conference, received a Leahy Award for Excellence in Community Service. The Leahy Awards are given annually to individuals who exemplify excellence in leadership and advocacy for persons with disabilities.

Harvard Economist Discusses Financial Markets Crisis

Harvard economist Robert J. Barro, Ph.D., who delivered the annual Henry George Lecture on Sept. 30 and spoke at the University's PNC Breakfast on Oct. 1, said the government's failure to enforce regulations is partly responsible for the financial markets crisis of late September.

"A lot of the problems really stem from the mortgage-housing thing, and I think the government was, in fact, responsible for a lot of that, part of it working through Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac," said Dr. Barro at the PNC Breakfast.

Dr. Barro, the Paul M. Warburg Professor of Economics at Harvard University, is a renowned economist who has written extensively on macroeconomics and economic growth.

The Economics and Finance Department at The University of Scranton and the campus chapter of Omicron Delta Epsilon host the Henry George Lecture, which honors the 19th century American economist and social reformer. The lecture series is sponsored by a grant from the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation.



Harvard economist Robert J. Barro, Ph.D., discusses "Macroeconomic Disasters since 1870" at the Henry George Lecture on Sept. 30.

Acclaimed Educator Delivers Mullin Lecture

Howard Gardner, Ph.D., a Scranton native who has been selected by *Foreign Policy* and *Prospect* magazines as one of the 100 most influential public intellectuals in the world and who has received 22 honorary degrees from institutions across the globe, delivered the annual Harry Mullin, M.D., Lecture at the University on Oct. 30. Dr. Gardner discussed "Multiple Intelligences: The First Twenty Five Years...and Beyond."

Dr. Gardner's acclaimed multiple intelligences theory has impacted educators and education, particularly in the United States. Educational theorists have embraced his multiple intelligences theory, and a number of schools in North America have structured curricula according to the intelligences.

The Mullin Lecture series, which has brought to campus some of the world's most distinguished scholars and scientists, including more than a dozen Nobel laureates, honors the late

Dr. Harry Mullin, who earned his bachelor's degree from the University, then St. Thomas College, in 1931. He dedicated a lifetime of service to his profession and the Scranton community. The series is sponsored by his wife, Ethel Mullin, his son, Brian Mullin, M.D. '66, and Robbin Mullin.

Howard Gardner, Ph.D., architect of the acclaimed Multiple Intelligences Theory, delivers the annual Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture in the Houlihan-McLean Center on campus on Oct. 30.



Schemel Forum Series Continues

The fall schedule for the University's Schemel Forum included lectures and a luncheon series focusing on the Middle East.

A lecture/discussion series, led by Morey M. Myers, Esq., examined the *The American Presidency*, in both its historical and current context. Lucan's *Pharsalia*, with Joseph P. Wilson, Ph.D., professor of Foreign Languages, examined the ancient Roman epic poem. *Think World: Reflections on our Times*, with William V. Rowe, Ph.D., professor of philosophy, presented insights into how we live in the world today. Philosophy Professor and Director of the Special Jesuit Liberal Arts Program, Ronald McKinney, S.J., presented *The Role of Drama in the Jesuit Tradition: Past & Present*. The Schemel Forum's "Insights into the Middle East – At the Brink of the Presidential Election" luncheon series brought leading experts on the Middle East to Scranton.

Founded in the summer of 2006 through generous gifts to the Rev. George Schemel, S.J., Fund, the Schemel Forum is a comprehensive enrichment program of study, dialogue, performances and special events.

Students

13 Awarded Presidential Scholarships

The University has awarded 13 freshmen full-tuition Presidential Scholarships for 2008-2009.

Presidential Scholarships are awarded to incoming freshmen with exemplary high records in both their schools and community involvement. The scholarships cover the full cost of tuition for four years of study as long as the recipient maintains at least a 3.25 grade point average. The following students were awarded Presidential Scholarships:

Mary Alling, Fredericksburg, Va.; Nicholas Caselli, Peckville; Alex Chiodo, Westbury, N.Y.; Brittany Esbin, East Stroudsburg; Molly Hritz, Holland; Kathleen Lavelle, Avoca; Paulina Maida, Hallstead; Brian Musto, Pittston; Sarah Neitz, Gettysburg; Marianne Patterson, Furlong; Jessica Wagner, Lindenhurst, N.Y.; Rose Marie Wong, Henryville; and Alexander Zygumt, Moscow.

Senior Recognized by Hispanic Scholarship Fund

Senior Cynthia David has been awarded a competitive MetLife Foundation scholarship by the Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF).

HSF is the nation's leading organization supporting Hispanic higher education. As a not-for-profit organization, HSF provides scholarships and educational outreach to the Latino community in an effort to strengthen America by advancing higher education for Hispanic Americans.

David is an Elementary Education major, with a minor in French. Last year, she was a Truman Scholar national



Cynthia David '09 has been awarded a competitive scholarship by the Hispanic Scholarship Fund.

finalist, as selected by the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation. In 2007 she was awarded a Benjamin A. Gilman International scholarship to study at Suffolk University in Dakar, Senegal. She is a native of Bronx, N.Y.

Players Launch New Season



A cast of student performers present *I Hate Hamlet*, as the University Players launch their 2008-2009 season.

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Dedication Held for Christopher and Margaret Condron Hall

The University of Scranton dedicated its new 386-bed sophomore residence hall in honor of Christopher and Margaret Condron at a Dedication Ceremony and Open House on Sept. 10.

The 108,000 sq. ft., seven-story residence hall, which opened to students at the beginning of the 2008-2009 academic year, creates a cluster of sophomore housing to replicate the close housing arrangement experienced by first-year residential students at Scranton. The suite-style housing at Condron Hall, with four students living in two-bedroom arrangements that share a bathroom, is consistent with the University's other sophomore housing in Redington and Gavigan halls, which together provide 455 beds. Condron Hall also includes a multipurpose meeting room, shared kitchen spaces and shared multimedia lounges.

Longtime friends and benefactors of Scranton, the Condrons serve as the national co-chairs of the largest capital campaign in the 120-year history of The University of Scranton, the \$100 million Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign to transform the campus and secure its future.

"Right now, we can only glimpse at what kind of long-lasting effects Condron Hall will have on our campus and our community," said Will Grogan, Mount Laurel, N.J., a resident of Condron Hall, who spoke on behalf of students at the dedication ceremony. "But from my sixth floor window, I can see further than that. I see the city of Scranton sprawled out at our feet in the morning. I can see the sun set over those mountains after a long day. I can see generations of Scranton sophomores looking out those same windows. And, just as I do now, they will look out those windows



At the Sept. 10 dedication of Condron Hall, from left, University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., Casey Condron, Margaret Condron, Ph.D., Christopher "Kip" Condron '70, Lindsay Condron, Brett Condron, Erin Doucette and Devin Condron.

and ready themselves to, in our Jesuit tradition, go forth and set the world on fire."

At the dedication, Mr. Condron remarked how proud his father and grandfather would be of this day and of the building that bears the Condron name. "They would be even more proud of the influence the University has had on this city," said Mr. Condron. "The University of Scranton is a catalyst, turning the decline of the coal town into a vibrant, university city."

Mr. Condron is president and chief executive officer of AXA Financial, Inc., a graduate of Scranton's class of 1970,

and a trustee. His wife, Margaret Condron, Ph.D., is an adjunct faculty member at Marymount Manhattan College and has also served as a University of Scranton trustee. She earned a doctorate in environmental studies from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

The founding Chair of the University's President's Business Council, Mr. Condron was awarded the 2006 President's Medal at the President's Business Council's annual award dinner. The event raised more than \$1.5 million to endow full-tuition Presidential Scholarships at the University.

The Royal Fund

A Message from the 2008-09 Chair

PAUL BIEDLINGMAIER JR. '76

As Chair of The Royal Fund, I invite you to be part of the mosaic of donors who are promoting and supporting the students studying today at Scranton. This great University is truly worthy of our financial support.

When I was invited to serve as the Chair of The Royal Fund for my third term, I didn't hesitate for a second. I simply said yes. . . absolutely! My primary reason for accepting this role is one that may resonate with each of you. Prominently displayed in Brennan Hall are very large words from Luke 12:48 stating, To whom much is given, much is expected. That text is near and dear to me because of my Jesuit education. I feel a deep sense of gratitude for the education I received at Scranton. I have a deep conviction to the ongoing mission of Scranton. And I want to stay connected to my alma mater and classmates and friends because Scranton has enriched my life, both personally and professionally.

My main purpose as Chair this year is to convince you to join me in making a gift to The Royal Fund. I hope that you reflect on your experience with this great University. Whether you're one of our 41,000 alumni, a past or current parent, or a great friend or business leader, choose to give because of what this school means to the students, faculty and Scranton community.

Let me explain why I think that Scranton is clearly an institution on the move and worthy of our support. I recently had the pleasure of interviewing current Scranton students for Edward Jones Investments. I was struck by the students' enthusiasm for this University, and the level of professionalism and maturity that they exhibited.

As alumni and friends of Scranton, we play an integral role in preserving the Scranton tradition we know and love. By supporting the students learning here today, we carry on that important tradition.

If you have made a gift in the past, I hope that you will do so again. If you have not yet made a gift, I hope this will be the year that you choose to make one. Like an integral part of Scranton seal, every donor and every gift is vital to maintaining the strength of Scranton. Every gift counts, and every gift helps. Become part of the comprehensive efforts that are the Pride, Passion and Promise of Scranton. Please participate by giving today!

John and Jacquelyn Dionne Campus Green Dedicated

On Aug. 30, 2008, The University of Scranton named the newly created, football field-sized green at the heart of its campus in honor of alumni and benefactors John '86 and Jacquelyn Dionne '89.

"John and Jacquelyn Dionne exemplify the Jesuit ideal of the *magis*, the restless desire for excellence grounded in gratitude," said Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., president of the University. "Successful in their careers and blessed in their personal lives, they have generously given of their time, expertise, friendship and support to help the University realize our dreams. Personally, and on behalf of the University, I am pleased to name this campus green in their honor as an acknowledgement of the sustained friendship, service and care that they have so enthusiastically given to the University from which they graduated and where they met."

A native of Scranton and University of Scranton alumna, Jacquelyn Rasieleski became a Registered Nurse upon graduating from Community Medical Center in 1986. She continued her education at The University of Scranton and earned a bachelor of science degree in health administration in 1989. Her 13- year career as an intensive career nurse included several certifications, and several years working at Mount Auburn, a

Harvard University teaching hospital, and later the New Hampshire Heart Institute. Today she is active in several charitable organizations, including The National Charity League for Mothers and Daughters, as well as raising the couple's three children, Courtney, Kristen, and Jonathan.

A 1986 graduate of The University of Scranton and a former trustee, Mr. Dionne is senior managing director of The Blackstone Group and founder and chief investment officer of Distressed Securities Advisors, LLP. Mr. Dionne served as chair of the University's Board of Trustees from 2004 to 2007. He currently serves on the executive committee of Scranton's Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign, a \$100 million capital campaign.

Mr. Dionne serves as vice chair of the President's Business Council and previously served as co-chair of the council's annual award dinner. Prior to joining Blackstone in 2005, Mr. Dionne was a partner at Bennett Restructuring Funds, a \$1 billion hedge fund. He was also a partner at Saugatuck Capital and director of corporate development for Fisher Scientific International, Inc. He began his career at Price Waterhouse as a public accountant. Mr. Dionne earned a bachelor's degree from The University of Scranton and an MBA from the Harvard Business School.



At the dedication of the Dionne Campus Green, from left: Courtney, Kristen, Jonathan, Jacquelyn '89 and John Dionne '86, and University President Rev. Scott Pilarz, S.J.

Campaign Dedications Held for Three Prominent Spaces in Brennan Hall

On Sept. 11, the University dedicated and named three prominent spaces in Brennan Hall to recognize the generous leadership and philanthropy of three prominent alumni: Jack Sweeney '61, Frank Pearn '83 and Harry Rose '65. The three dedications are part of the Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign, a \$100 million effort launched in April.

The John P. '61 and Jean Blackledge Sweeney Classroom was dedicated on the first floor of Brennan Hall. John P. Sweeney Sr. '61 is the retired president of Special Defense Systems in Dunmore, which he co-founded. Sweeney began his career in New York City, living with other Scranton alumni, working for the accounting firm, Deloitte and Touche. He is a member of the Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign Executive Committee and part of an active "Scranton" family.

The Pearn Auditorium is located on the second floor of Brennan Hall. The auditorium is used for various lectures, presentations and community events. Frank Pearn '83 is the managing director of Barclays Capital. He has held several banking and finance positions throughout his career, including a position in Milan, Italy. He serves currently as the chair of the University's Economic Strength Committee of the Board of Trustees and is a member of the Campaign Executive Committee.

The Rose Room, located on the 5th floor of Brennan Hall, is used for lectures, dinners, and other campus/community events. Harry T. Rose '65 is the president and chief executive officer of The Rose Group, a restaurant management company established in 1985, under which he has operated such nationally recognized brands as Roy Rogers, Boston Market, Einstein Bros. Bagels, Applebee's and Corner Bakery. He is a current member of the University's Board of Trustees and is a member of the Campaign Executive Committee.

From left: John P. Sweeney '61 and Jean Blackledge Sweeney join University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., at the dedication of a classroom named in their honor in Brennan Hall.



From left: Frank Pearn '83, Jordan and Suzanne Pearn, and University President Scott Pilarz, S.J., stand outside the newly dedicated Pearn Auditorium in Brennan Hall, which is named in memory of Frank's father, James. F. Pearn.



At the dedication of The Rose Room in Brennan Hall, from left: University President Rev. Scott Pilarz, S.J.; Harry Rose '65 and his wife, Carol; Kelly Rosenberg; and Stephen Rose, son of Harry and Carol Rose.

President's Medal Awarded to Eugene Kane Sr. '54 at Annual Dinner

The University's President's Business Council (PBC) held its *Seventh Annual Award Dinner* at The Pierre Hotel in New York City on Oct. 9. This year's Honoree, Eugene J. Kane Sr. '54, chairman of Kane Is Able, Inc., was presented with the University's President's Medal before a crowd of 550 alumni and friends.

This year's dinner raised \$1.03 million. Ralph J. DiRuggiero '73, vice president of Paramount Group Inc. based in New York City, made the financial announcement and highlighted that this marked the third year in a row, and fourth overall, that proceeds exceeded \$1 million. DiRuggiero also acknowledged the efforts of his fellow dinner co-chairs: Joseph M. Ferrario '87, president of The Ferrario Agency based in Scranton, and Brian A. Kilcullen '85, president of the Radnor-based Kilcullen & Company.

Proceeds from the annual dinner go directly to Scranton's Presidential Scholarship Endowment Fund, which was created prior to the inaugural dinner in 2002 and supports full-tuition scholarships awarded by the University to its most academically qualified incoming students. In the seven-year history of this event, over \$7.25 million has been generated for the endowment.

Alexandra L. Biga, a senior majoring in biochemistry and philosophy, from Kingston, offered remarks on behalf of the Presidential Scholars. She noted how the Presidential Scholarship made her take a closer look at the University. "I took a second look and was highly impressed with the ideals of Jesuit education and the close-knit community described by Scranton students. I am confident enough to say that choosing to attend the University was the best decision I have made in my life thus far," said Biga.

Mary Beth Farrell '79, executive vice president of AXA Equitable, and chair of the President's Business Council, and Christopher M. "Kip" Condrón '70, president & CEO of AXA Financial, Inc., and



Christopher M. "Kip" Condrón '70, University trustee and founding chair of the PBC, kicks off the dinner program with his opening remarks at the President's Business Council 7th Annual Award Dinner on Oct. 9.

founding chair of the President's Business Council, shared the role of Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Monsignor Joseph G. Quinn '72, pastor of the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Carbon-dale, provided the Invocation. In his blessing, Msgr. Quinn recognized the "gift and challenges of servant leadership" that Gene Kane possesses.

University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., updated dinner guests on

the "remarkable" year that 2008 has been thus far for Scranton. "Tonight marks another milestone in a remarkable year as we celebrate a man whose life and work epitomize the University's highest ideals and aspirations," he said.

Kane has been at the helm of the Scranton-based Kane Is Able, Inc., for over 53 years. During his tenure, the company has grown from a fleet of 200 trucks and a single warehouse in 1956, to include more than 900 trailers and a constellation of 16 warehouse operations in the Northeast and California. Today, Kane Is Able, Inc., provides transportation, distribution, packaging, cross-docking, load consolidation, inventory management and real estate development services to a virtual who's-

who of *Fortune 500* companies. The company was founded in 1930 by Mr. Kane's father, Edward J. Kane, and remains a family-owned and operated business with all of Gene's children playing active roles in the company.

Along with his business success, Kane has been committed to numerous community affiliations and organizations. A current member of the University's Board of Trustees, he and his wife, Joan, are the proud parents of eight children, four of whom are University alumni, and 22 grandchildren.

In his remarks, Kane expressed "how much this award means to me because of the direct support this event gives to Presidential Scholarships. The University does not seek simply to educate the next generation, but to form young people. So, I am truly and deeply honored by this award."

Prior to the President's Medal presentation, United States Senator Robert P. Casey Jr., the junior senator of Pennsylvania, a Scranton native and a resident of the city's Hill section, offered remarks about Gene Kane, a close friend of the Casey family, especially the Senator's late father, Governor Robert P. Casey Sr. "Gene Kane's life has been a remarkable life of hard work and sacrifice. A life of real struggle and tremendous achievement. A life of boundless generosity. Too, a life of faith and family," said Senator Casey.

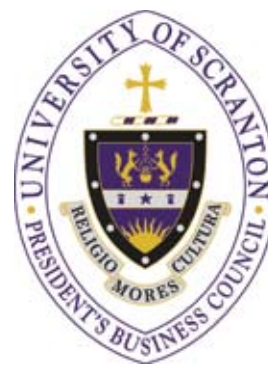
For more information on the President's Business Council, please contact Timothy J. Pryle '89, Director, at 570-941-5837, or e-mail prylet2@scranton.edu.



Gene and Joan Kane, center, are surrounded by their children, including, from left, Kelly Stark, Edward "Ned," Gene Jr. '84, Michael, Dick '80, Kathleen Calpin and Chris '86.



The Honorable Robert P. Casey Jr., U.S. Senator for Pennsylvania, provides comments on Gene Kane, a longtime friend of the Casey family.



University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., left, and Mary Beth Farrell '79, chair of the President's Business Council and vice chair of the University's Board of Trustees, present Gene Kane Sr. '54 with the President's Medal.

Dinner attendees included Scranton classmates and alumni, from left, Jack Lynch III '83, Tom Grech '84, Bob Tuite '84, Rachele Mackin Browning '84 and John Daly '84.



University trustee Michele Finn, second from left, is joined by Joe Ciancaglini (left), her son, Will '11, and Casey Pavlick '11. Michele's late husband, Bill '67, was honored in memoriam at the 2004 PBC Dinner.



Alexandra L. Biga '09, left, who provided remarks as a Presidential Scholar, is joined by her parents, Bernard and Lynn.



A crowd of 550 alumni and friends filled The Pierre in New York for the President's Business Council 7th Annual Award Dinner.



Profiles in Giving

Alan J. Griffith '76

Helping Scranton to Sustain and Grow its Current Success

Five years ago, Alan J. Griffith '76 was speaking to senior business majors at a Scranton career day. Recalling the impact of his University degree, he delivered two primary messages to the students.

First, he said, their education meant they were ready to succeed, no matter whom they were pitted against.

"I felt, coming out of Scranton, that I could compete with anybody," Griffith says today. "In the business world, I was working with the best of the best from other firms – investment banking firms, corporate acquisition and development firms, financial institutions – and I felt I was prepared to compete with any of them."

Second, he told them, don't assume that you know everything you need to know. You've only just begun.

"Scranton teaches you that education is a lifelong process," Griffith says. "I learned more since I left Scranton than

I did in my time there – but it prepares you to learn and gives you the confidence that you don't need to take a back seat to anyone you're working with."

After a successful corporate career, Griffith retired last year as senior vice president for finance and administration in ARAMARK's food and support services unit. With time on his hands and the financial means to give back, he and his wife, Marla, began prioritizing their list of charitable beneficiaries. The University of Scranton was at the top of their list.

"This is a transformative time," Griffith says, citing new student activities facilities, academic buildings and residence halls. "Scranton is a happening place, and what's happening now is going to change the campus for the next 50 or 75 years."

The Griffiths say they chose to augment their annual donation to the University with a significant gift to the Pride,



Alan J. Griffith '76 and his wife, Marla

Passion, Promise Campaign because its emphasis on physical infrastructure and endowment will allow Scranton to sustain and grow its current success.

"If you haven't been back to campus in a while, come back and take a look," he urges. "You won't recognize the place. You ought to get yourself up to date on the things the school has accomplished. Look at the number of Fulbright scholars it's producing and the rankings it gets. The school is making a difference in young people's lives, and it's being recognized for that. You have an opportunity to continue that and to build that legacy."

John J. Gallagher, Esq. '69

Paying it Forward

Like many students of his generation, Jack Gallagher '69 commuted to classes at Scranton. That didn't keep him from participating in a full slate of extracurricular activities that he recalls to this day with incredible fondness – and gratitude.

A four-year member of the student government, Gallagher also served on the *Aquinas* and in the political science club and prelaw society. Such immersion in Scranton's cocurricular life so prepared him for a successful career in law that he and his wife, Kathy, have made a leadership gift commitment to the Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign. Furthermore, they have decided to name the student forum, a hub for the University's current student activities in the new Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center, in honor of Rev. Henry J. Butler, S.J., a former executive vice president for student affairs at the University

who died in office in 1981. Gallagher said "In the Jesuit tradition, Father Butler was a great mentor and role model for all of us who were involved in student activities; it is quite fitting to honor his memory in this way."

"I got a very good education and very good preparation for law school, and I was very involved in student activities, which helped me learn a lot outside the classroom, as well," Gallagher notes. "It gave me the self-confidence that I could compete in the broader world around us."

In addition to his current support of Scranton, Gallagher has included the University in his estate plans, a move he calls not only convenient for him and beneficial to Scranton, but also inspiring



John J. Gallagher, Esq. '69

to others who may not be aware of the plusses of planned giving.

"By including a bequest in my will and communicating it to the University, I'm able to make them aware of it and have them count it and use it as a way to show others there are creative ways of giving," he explains.

Gallagher believes it was only through the generosity of those who came before him that he was able to enjoy the fruits of a Scranton education. Without those courses, without the Jesuits' influence, and without, of course, the opportunities presented to him through his participation outside the classroom, he does not feel he'd be where he is today. Future generations, he feels, deserve that same chance.

"I have a deep loyalty and a sense of obligation," Gallagher says. "I went to the University on scholarship because I didn't have any money and couldn't afford it on my own. That heightens my sense of obligation to pay it forward, as they say in the movies."

Decades of Alumni Share Their Scranton Pride

Whether they graduated in 1959 or 2004, Scranton alumni share an affinity for their alma mater. The bonds they forged during their years on campus and the pride they felt as students and, indeed, on the very day of their graduation, withstands the test of time. As alumni from classes ending in "4" and "9" prepare to celebrate their Reunion in June 2009, *The Scranton Journal* is pleased to showcase alumni from Reunion years and the many ways in which they share their Scranton pride.



GERALD WALSH, ESQ. '59

Successful Trial Attorney Makes a Case for His Jesuit Education

Gerald R. Walsh '59 was, by his own admission, an “average” student when he enrolled at Scranton in the mid-1950s.

The Jesuits changed that in a hurry.

“I learned some scholastic discipline – more than a little, probably,” he says. “I got interested in psychology, and we all minored in philosophy/theology. That combination and the likes of Father John J. Quinn and other professors instilled in me a zeal for learning and doing better than I had done in high school.”

Duly inspired, Walsh threw himself into a variety of activities, including winning election to his class presidency his last three years at the University. He played intramural football and spent two years in the Army ROTC program, an experience that intrigued Walsh but convinced him that Army life was not for him. Faulty eyesight set aside his dream of serving as a Navy pilot, but Walsh had another option in mind.

“I got into Navy Officer Candidate School. I’m sure it was because of The University of Scranton’s reputation for putting out good, motivated students,” he says. “A couple of guys from my class went to Newport, Rhode Island, after graduation. I took a bus to Newport in July of ’59 with Eppie Harding, went to OCS, got commissioned, and spent three years on active duty.”



Gerald Walsh, Esq. is chairing his Class Reunion Committee, as members of the Class of 1959 prepare to celebrate their 50th reunion in June 2009.



“I don’t think any of that would have happened had I not had the benefit of the University’s work scholarship program and its inculcation into young people of the sense of duty and responsibility,” Walsh adds.

After three years of sea duty aboard the U.S.S. Northampton, CLC-1, it was on to law school at George Washington University and a successful, lengthy practice as a trial and appellate lawyer, concentrating in the medical malpractice area, in suburban Washington, D.C. Over the years Walsh, who continues to practice, stayed active in the alumni association’s Washington chapter until family and professional responsibilities intervened, and he attended most of his class’s reunions back on campus.

Five years ago, at his 45-year reunion, Walsh was chatting with classmates about their upcoming 50th. They vowed to “make it something special” and began having some informal chats to determine how they could recruit as many fellow graduates as possible. That effort really took off last year, though, when Walsh sat down with a Scranton development officer.

“Maybe a year ago I was having lunch with Alan Mazzei from the University, and I mentioned offhandedly that I was looking forward to the 50th and looking to put together a team of classmates and make it one of the best,” he recalls.

Asked if he would step up and formalize his commitment by serving as chair of the Class of ’59’s reunion committee, Walsh said yes right away.

“We’re now working on just getting a little better organized and trying to reach out and get tentacles in all parts of the country to see if we can’t gather up the gang we had so much fun with over the years,” he notes with a laugh.

Class president for three years. Prominence in student activities. Military service. A distinguished career in law. A decades-long commitment to his alma mater.

Not bad for an “average” student.

FRANK X. HOMER, PH.D. '64

The "Unofficial" Scranton Historian

Ask Professor Frank X. Homer, Ph.D. anything about The University of Scranton's history and he will be delighted to answer with the detail of a learned historian. Within seconds of his answer, his love for the University - and history - is obvious.

A 1964 graduate of The University of Scranton, Dr. Homer was only briefly away

from the University while he earned his master's degree and Ph.D. from the University of Virginia. He returned to Scranton upon graduation in 1968 to join the faculty of the then History/Political Science Department.

"Bernie Williams, my history profes-

sor and mentor at Scranton, told me to 'do for your students what I do for you,' and I have tried to heed that message everyday since," says Dr. Homer.

Active in numerous projects on campus, Dr. Homer is best known for one of his most visible roles, that of leading the procession as the Grand Marshal for Scranton commencements. It is something he did from 1974 to 2004, and again in 2008.

He has also served as The University of Scranton's unofficial historian in many

ways, such as providing a historical overview to new employees at their orientation and whispering significant historical facts into the President's ear.

Historians know that more important than dates, names and places, is the relevance of the act - its legacy. This legacy is exactly what inspires Dr. Homer about the University.

"The University of Scranton is an ongoing series of acts of faith," says Dr. Homer. "It has been from the very start in August of 1888, when Bishop O'Hara laid a cornerstone for the college building when the money needed for its construction had not yet been raised. Then again, when the Jesuits arrived in 1942 to take over a debt-ridden institution at a time when all college-aged men were being drafted into a world war that was expected to continue for a prolonged period of time. The faith our founders had in this University is astounding. And, I might add, it continues to this day."

When Dr. Homer looks back at his life at Scranton, he is most proud of just being part of the growth of the University and witnessing the ongoing acts of faiths.

"I just enjoy being part of what is happening at this school - seeing Father Pilarz leading an unprecedented \$100 million capital campaign. I feel privileged to have been at Scranton with some of 'the Greats,' such as the legendary Frank O'Hara, John Gavigan, Stephen Ryan and Gene McGinnis, as well as those in more recent years, including two of my dearest friends, Jack Earl and Frank Jordan. These are individuals whose contributions have been so significant that we would not be where we are today if it weren't for them. We are literally standing on their shoulders."

Dr. Homer's Reflections on the Reunion Years

1964 "Except for the Estate, where the Jesuits resided, all the buildings now used by the University were built during Fr. Long's presidency. We were in awe of St. Thomas Hall and thrilled that classes would no longer be held in the old army surplus barracks."

1969 "This was a time of unrest and student protests, although I have to admit that Scranton's campus was much calmer than other campuses in the nation."

1974 "Women were new on campus, being first admitted into the day college in 1972, and with that, enrollment began growing again."

1979 "Fr. Byron was President, enrollment continued to grow, and facilities were beginning to become strained. Linden Street was closed to car traffic, creating The Commons."

1984 "Fr. Panuska was the President, and with the building of Redington Hall, an era of new construction on campus began. Enrollment was strong and becoming more broadly regional."

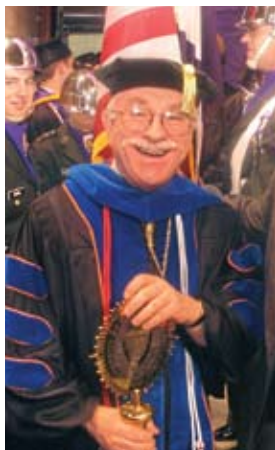
1989 "New building construction continued, and the campus began to look as it does today."

1994 "Fr. Panuska continued as President, becoming the longest-serving President in the University's history. He was very popular and endeared by students, faculty, staff and alumni."

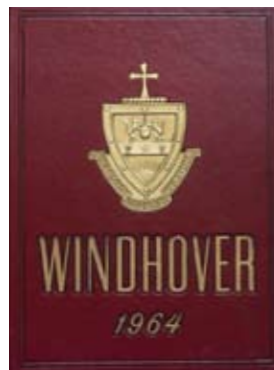
1999 "Fr. McShane became President. He was a highly energetic leader."

2004 "We saw Fr. Pilarz begin as President. The University was in such strong shape. It had a sense of confidence - of being established. Fr. Pilarz tried to ensure that we appreciate who and what we are, and know the value of our service."

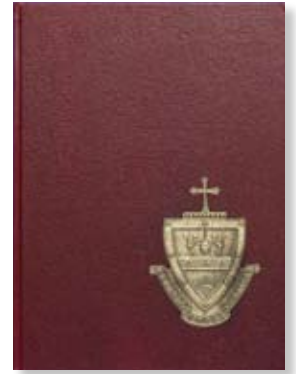
Today "Once again we are seeing significant change on campus with new construction for the first time replacing facilities built during Fr. Long's era."



Frank Homer, Ph.D. '64 is well-known for his role as the Grand Marshal for Scranton commencements.



DAVID J. WENZEL '69, G '74



From Wounded Warrior to Self-Sufficient Student and Community Leader

David J. Wenzel says he and his alma mater share a lot of history.

The 27th mayor of the City of Scranton, Wenzel graduated from Scranton in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. During his junior year, Wenzel joined the ROTC, hoping that the training would help him gain additional leadership skills and experience. His future plans included earning a master's degree at the University and pursuing a career with the federal government.

Things, however, didn't go as planned. After graduating and being commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, he and his wife, Janet, moved to Kansas and then Panama, where Wenzel underwent further military training. Eventually, he was sent to Vietnam. In January 1971, Wenzel and three fellow soldiers were searching out a location for setting up mortars. Wenzel stepped on a land mine, which resulted in the loss of his left hand, both legs and the use of one eye.

Thousands of miles away from Vietnam, The University of Scranton was there to help. "It was the University ROTC personnel who visited my wife," Wenzel says. "They were very caring in the way they broke the news."

He spent the next year at Valley Forge Army Hospital before returning to Scranton as a student, this time in the Graduate School.

"The University was familiar ground," he says. "Walking around on artificial legs with crutches and a metal hook for a left hand was disconcerting. By going to graduate school, I eased back into society in a comfortable atmosphere."

Wenzel completed his master of business administration degree in 1974.

"I wasn't prepared to take on a full-time job; yet I needed something to challenge me intellectually. Getting the MBA was just the ticket."

Wenzel then took a job with City Hall as the American Bicentennial Coordinator of Scranton, later serving as executive assistant to Mayor Gene Peters and tax collector. He also worked as selective service director of Pennsylvania. In 1986, he ran for the office of Scranton mayor, winning against incumbent James Barrett McNulty and independent candidate Bob Bolus.

While in office, he helped his alma mater by deeding part of Quincy Avenue to the University, adding to the campus what

became The Royal Way. Also in 1989, he received the Frank O'Hara Award for public service. The O'Hara Awards, the highest honor bestowed jointly by the University and the Alumni Society, recognize Scranton graduates and others who have achieved distinction in their professional or personal endeavors.

Wenzel's term as mayor ended in 1990. He hadn't been looking for a job, but was contacted by Frank Paris, a former ROTC instructor. "Frank was teaching a course at the University called 'The Vietnam Experience.' He asked me to teach the course with him, and for the next 15 years, we taught it as an elective with a waiting list of students."

Wenzel's involvement with Scranton continues. He's currently a member of the Board of Regents and recently signed a contract to sponsor a yearly jazz concert at the University to be produced through Cheryl Boga, director of Performance Music at the University. The concert will be dedicated to Boga's late father, Eugene Yevich, who was Scranton Fire Chief during Wenzel's administration, and will take place early each year, near the anniversary date of Yevich's and Wenzel's inaugurations.

Wenzel also received a Leahy Award for Excellence in Rehabilitation Leadership at the 7th Annual Northeastern U.S. Conference on disAbility, held on campus Oct. 8. The Leahy Awards are given annually to individuals who exemplify excellence in leadership and advocacy for persons with disabilities.

Wenzel is quick to credit the positive influence Scranton has made on his life, especially after his life changed permanently in 1971.

"I want to emphasize how important a role the University played in helping me to adjust to everyday life as a disabled person," he says. "The fact that the University was so accessible made my transition from wounded warrior to self-sufficient student very easy."

David J. Wenzel '69, G '74 (right) returned to his alma mater on Oct. 8 to participate in the University's annual Conference on disAbility. At the Conference, he received a Leahy Award for Excellence in Rehabilitation Leadership. At left and center are Patricia Leahy and Edward Leahy '68, honorary co-chairs of the Conference.



TED WOLFF '74

One of the “Three Musketeers” of the Lehigh Valley Club

Ask Ted Wolff what has inspired him to take on leadership roles in the Scranton Club of the Lehigh Valley for almost 20 years, and he'll freely admit that there's a part of him “that bleeds purple and white.”

“Any time you volunteer, you do it out of love for a cause,” says Wolff, who estimates that he's helped to organize almost 200 events for the Lehigh Valley Club since 1992.

While the Lehigh Valley Club is today one of the most active of the 21 alumni clubs of the University, it wasn't always that way. The Club was inactive for a period of time in the mid 1980's. But a recruitment session held in Allentown in



The “Three Musketeers” of the Scranton Club of Lehigh Valley gather at a recent business meeting. From left: Larry Johnson '74, Ted Wolff '74 and Bill Fries '74.

Photo by Mark Prestifilippo '04

1988 changed all of that. Wolff wasn't at that particular session, but one of his classmates was. It didn't take long for Lawrence Johnson '74 to get involved, and, in short order, he recruited classmates Bill Fries, Esq. '74 and, of course, Wolff.

“I guess you could say I was drafted,” quips Wolff, now the longest-standing Club President in the Scranton network.

Ironically, Johnson, Wolff and Fries were barely more than acquaintances during their years on campus. But, as Wolff points out, “We grew close as alumni.” He sought financial advice from Johnson, who is now vice president and senior relationship manager at Wachovia. And Fries became Wolff's attorney.

Over the years, the “Three Musketeers,” as Wolff describes the trio, have originated, organized and attended an array of alumni events, from presidential receptions, networking socials and comedy shows to minor league baseball events and fundraising initiatives.

“All these events were targeted to bring University alums together to network for social and business reasons,” says Johnson. “We also wanted to share our love and appreciation for what the University gave to us,” he adds.

“We've collaborated on a number of things, and we've had a blast,” says Wolff of the camaraderie. “We're proud that we've stayed together this long.”

Some events, like the highly successful Iron Pigs baseball outing, or a comedy night with acts from Philadelphia, draw crowds of up to 90.

Others, like an Atlantic City bus trip, had only two registered alumni: Johnson and Fries.

And then there was the legendary “Concorde” event.

“Ted and I cooked up the idea to fly to England on the Concorde and return on the QE2 for \$6,800 at the time,” recalls Johnson of the elaborate fundraising scheme that never got off the ground.

Through successful and, well, not-so-successful events, as well as growth and changes in their careers and personal lives, the “Three Musketeers” have stuck together.

“Over the past 35 years, we've all taken different turns,” says Wolff, whose career has spanned everything from journalism and sales to sports administration and his current position as a financial advisor with Primerica Financial Services. “No matter what our paths, the University has been a spawning ground.”

For all they've given to the Lehigh Valley Club and the University, these alumni will tell you that you get back whatever you give in service.

“I benefit from the association with the Lehigh Valley alumni by meeting people with the same respect and appreciation for the University,” says Johnson. “Our experience there helped each of us become better people, intellectually and spiritually. Seeing alums at events reflect and tell their personal stories reinforces the value of these gatherings to me.”

MARK CRUCIANI, M.D. '79 & JACQUELINE (BOVE) CRUCIANI '79

Alumni Couple's Family Spans Three Generations... and Many Fond Memories



She was a “dormie” majoring in law enforcement. He was a “townie” majoring in biology en route to medical school. Her dad graduated from the University in 1941, his dad in 1954.

Their similar yet unique backgrounds converged when they were introduced by a mutual friend during their sophomore year at Scranton. Now a couple celebrating 26 years of marriage, Jacqueline (Bove)

Cruciani and Mark Cruciani are parents of four children who share their affinity for Scranton. Their son, Vince (Mark Vincent), graduated in 2005, daughter Amy graduated in 2007, and Nicole and Kara (a transfer student) are in their junior and sophomore years, respectively.

The decision to attend a University in “their own back yard” has come naturally to the Crucianis, of Clarks Summit.

“I don’t think we were any different than any of the other local people who wanted to come to Scranton,” says Mark. “The University offers a great education with the opportunity to be away from home yet still close to family and friends.”

“Our kids have the best of both worlds, and they know it,” quips Jackie, noting how their children can come home to do laundry or have a home-cooked meal.

But there’s more to a Scranton education than that, as Mark points out.

“It’s the kind of place where professors get to know you on a first name basis,” he says. “You don’t find that everywhere.”

William Parente, Ph.D., for example, was “extremely influential” as a professor of Vince’s. The late Fr. Robert Barone, a mentor of Mark’s while a student, married the Crucianis and, years later, taught their son, Vince.

After graduating from Scranton, both Mark and Jackie moved to Washington, D.C., where Jackie worked for Coopers & Lybrand, while Mark attended Georgetown Medical School. During Mark’s residency in rheumatology, the couple traveled about, also spending two years in Philadelphia during Mark’s fellowship in rheumatology. With four small children in tow, the couple moved back to Pennsylvania to raise a family and establish Mark’s medical practice in rheumatology, at the time one of just two such specialists in the area and today one of only four. Mark is also active in the local medical community, serving on the boards of the Arthritis Foundation and Lupus Foundation.

Working alongside her husband, handling medical billing for the practice, Jackie has devoted herself to family and community, with a particular dedication to the Children’s Advocacy Center and Lackawanna County Children and Youth. Five years ago, Mark and Jackie became foster parents. Since that time, they have provided foster care for almost a dozen babies, some for as short as a week and others for as long as a year.

“It’s fun to watch them grow,” says Jackie of the babies, “but heartbreaking when they leave.”

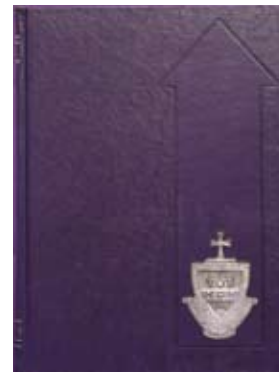
Mark and Jackie will celebrate their 30th Reunion in June 2009 and have every intention of attending the weekend celebrations. It’s not the first Reunion they’ve attended, and it’s not likely to be the last.

“I had four great years at the University, and I have a lot of fond memories,” says Jackie. “Our kids have also made great friends at Scranton. It’s the kind of place where you seem to make friends for life.”



Mark and Jacqueline Cruciani '79 and their four children are the second and third generations of their family to attend Scranton. Counterclockwise, from bottom center: Nicole '10, Kara '11, Mark '79, Jackie '79, Amy '07 and Vincent '05.

JOHN LANAHAN, ESQ. '84
KEVIN LANAHAN '84



Two in a Million: Alumni Twins Share an Affinity for Scranton

If the odds of being identical twins are less than half of one percent, then the odds of identical twins graduating from the same university, taking on leadership roles with their alumni society and both serving on the Alumni Board are even smaller.

In this respect, Kevin and John Lanahan are one (well, two) in a million.

It was not by chance that John and Kevin came to Scranton from their hometown of Lloyd Harbor, N.Y. John McCole, a close friend of their father's, insisted, "Scranton was the only place to go," says Kevin.

So off they went, Kevin majoring in marketing and John in accounting. Despite assurances that they would be living in separate residence halls, their freshman dorms were two doors apart in Casey Hall. Still, they set out to make their mark, striking a balance between their similarities and differences.

Kevin was involved with Student Government and band; John served as a resident assistant and was involved with bands and singers and Fall Review, and acted in the University Players' production of *South Pacific*. Despite their unique interests, their identities were often confused.

"Right up until our senior year, there were people who couldn't tell us apart," quips John, citing the benefits of being identical twins.

"In many ways, being twins opened doors," says John. "When people met me and already knew Kevin, there was a foundation. I was one step ahead of the introduction."

For both John and Kevin, Jesuits figured prominently in their years at Scranton. The late Edward Gannon, S.J., for example, was a positive, if challenging, influence.

"Fr. Gannon was always challenging you," explains Kevin.

Also significant in their college careers was the late J.J. Quinn, S.J., professor of English.



Kevin Lanahan '84 (left) and John Lanahan '84 (right), who hold leadership roles in the Alumni Society, attended the seventh annual President's Business Council Award Dinner in New York on Oct. 9.

"He knew that our college education was as much about our formation outside of the classroom as what we learned in it," says Kevin

It was through the late William Tome, S.J., that Kevin became involved with Student Government, and, over time, Kevin became his golf partner.

While a resident assistant in Martin Hall, John became friends with dorm counselor John Ciani, S.J., remaining friends with him until his death in 1994.

In Fr. Ciani, and in Cheryl Boga, director of Performance Music, John witnessed people who "were often going against convention" and learned that "going against convention isn't always a negative thing."

The influence of the Jesuits, the friendships formed and the commitment to Scranton continued long after their days as students. "That sense of community didn't end after four years," says John, who is now associate general counsel of the Weichert Family of Companies.

In the years since their graduation, both John and Kevin have been involved in a host of alumni activities, from planning local club events, to leadership roles at the club level and on the Alumni Board of Governors. Kevin, a founding partner of Headquarters Financial Group, served as president of the Alumni Society from 2002-2004, and John is currently president-elect of the Society.

Reflecting back on recent accomplishments of the Alumni Society, Kevin says he's most proud of its "ability to be self-sustaining." This, he says, is due directly to the establishment of the alumni credit card that has generated significant funds over the years for a range of alumni activities, from club events to student scholarships, and contributions to capital campaigns at the University.

Similarly, John is proud to serve with the current leadership of the Society. He will take the helm as president in 2010. He'd like to see the Society continue to grow, not just in size, but in its impact on the University.

"In addition to providing financial support to the University, I'd like to see the Alumni Society create endowments for student scholarships," he says.

After all, as anyone who has passed through the corridors of learning at Scranton well knows, it all comes down to the students. With people like John and Kevin Lanahan supporting Scranton, the odds are very good that Scranton and its students will have a very bright future.

VIRGINIA MCDANIEL SWIATEK '89

Scranton Education Prepares Alumna for Varying Destinations on Life's Journey

GINNY McDaniel Swiatek's journey has taken her to varied places in the two decades since she left the University: first to law school, then into practice, and then into motherhood, including raising a child with special needs. Yet wherever she has gone, despite all the challenges, the lessons she took with her from Scranton have been invaluable.

"Going to The University of Scranton gave me that sense of God being everywhere, that all things have purpose, and that He works for the good of all of us," Swiatek says. "Even though I

might not understand the destination He has for me, if I trust Him and know I'm where He wants me to be, it provides me peace of mind and the courage to face the different things we face."

After graduating from the University, Swiatek earned a J.D. from Fordham Law School. She moved to Boston, married a classmate, Matthew Swiatek '89, and began practicing product liability law. The

couple moved to Baltimore, where Ginny continued to practice, then to the Philadelphia suburbs, where she delivered their first child, Caroline, in 1997.

Caroline was born with Down Syndrome. Swiatek co-founded a parents' support group and used her legal experience to help turn it into a nonprofit advocacy organization. She served on its board for five years and continues to sit on committees, reaching out to parents, doctors, nurses and hospitals to educate people on the reality of the condition. "It's not a death sentence, like so many people were being told," she says, adding that she encourages other parents "to see the positive side of an unexpected change in their life plan."



Indeed, Swiatek considers herself blessed by Caroline's presence in her own life.

"She has taught me to slow down and just enjoy life," Swiatek says. "She moves much slower; she walks slower than other people. By walking slower I'm able to see more of what others rush right past. She's taught me a lot about patience – not just with her, but also with other people and their outdated thinking. She can be so much more than you give her credit for."

The Swiateks went on to have two other children, Luke, 9, and Sophia, 7, and Ginny is actively involved in all three's respective school lives. She credits Caroline's condition with teaching Luke and Sophia compassion for all who are different.

"Because of what they're raised with, they're leaders in their classes and really compassionate kids," she says. "That's a proud moment for me as a mom. It's one of those unexpected benefits."

Swiatek has remained connected to the University, serving as the chair of the Class of 1989's reunion committee. She credits her faith, nurtured at Scranton, for preparing her for those varying destinations on her life's journey.

"If I didn't have that reinforced in my time at the University, when I was stepping out on my own as an adult in my own faith formation, I might not have had such a strong faith and the ability to rise to the challenge," she says.



Since graduating from Scranton, Ginny McDaniel Swiatek '89 has remained committed to her alma mater and her family, including husband, Matthew Swiatek '89, and children (from left) Caroline, Luke and Sophia.

BETSY MCPARTLAND '89

Amid a World of Numbers, Alumna Reflects on Benefits of a Liberal Arts Education

For her entire, 20-year career, Betsy McPartland '89 has lived in a world of numbers, of dollars and cents, of balance sheets and income statements.

From corporate finance and accounting work for insurance companies to back-office support for securities traders to financial planning and analysis and marketing in the publishing industry, McPartland has parlayed her bachelor's in economics and finance into positions of increasing responsibility within the commercial sector. Today, she heads up the finance arm of the Nielsen Company's digital media operation.

Ask her about her success, though, and she does not mention her business classes at Scranton or even the M.B.A. she earned elsewhere. She talks instead of the strong liberal arts education she received at the University, an experience exemplified by the Scranton philosophy professor who challenged his students to back up their faith with critical thinking.

"You need to be able to think for yourself and understand why you are following a belief rather than just following the pack because someone told you it's your tradition or belief," McPartland recalls him saying. "I think Scranton did a really good job making you understand the whys behind what you're doing. That's been one of the keys to my success in the business world."

"Scranton prepared me by providing a really good liberal arts education with specialty in some of the critical business skills, such as statistics, finance and accounting," she continues, adding that she uses that education and those skills "constantly, every day."

Previously the general manager of Time Inc.'s direct marketing business, McPartland shifted to the digital side of the media house because she considers it to be media's "wave of the future." She was recently promoted into her current role as a director of productivity and continuity and was one of only 80 Nielsen employees out of 40,000 to be selected to participate in the company's Six Sigma Process-Management Program.

"It's an honor to be part of this program," McPartland says. "I was selected based on my current performance and future potential. I've been with Nielsen for a little over two years, and every single day here has been spent working to streamline business processes to bring a higher-quality product to our customers, internally and externally, and drive operational excellence."

McPartland was a sophomore-year transfer, yet she quickly formed friendships that have lasted to this day and enrich her not only personally, but also professionally.

"The relationships I have with my classmates continue to grow. It's amazing that it's been almost 20 years since we left Scranton and we still get together on a frequent basis and really enjoy one another's company. This network of friends is something that Scranton fosters," she says.

"These people are also great resources in different areas of my life," she continues. "Some of my friends went through the science program and are physical therapists and pharmaceutical professionals. Others are business people, and still others have retired from the

business world and have become teachers, guidance counselors and full time parents developing the next generation. We are in all different stages of our lives and are very active, but always make time for our Scranton Family."

An active member of the Scranton Club of New York and a member of her Reunion Class Committee, McPartland enjoys staying in touch with the University and believes in the importance of giving back.

"We were given great opportunities and a good education, and it's a good idea to foster that for the next generation of Scranton folks," she says.



Betsy McPartland '89 is surrounded by classmates and friends at a tree viewing at Rockefeller Center following the group's annual Christmas dinner. Back row, from left: Willie Waytowich, Kathleen (Cardinale) Waytowich '89, Matthew Brown '89, Kara (Ferguson) Brown '89, Maura Garrity, Michael Guarnuccio '89, Erin Garrity '89 and Rob Colonna. Front row, from left: Marie (Gentile) Guarnuccio '89, Betsy McPartland '89, Carolyn (Gilmartin) Colonna '89 and Maryellen Monahan '88.



LAURA (DAILEY) ZETTLER '94

Involved Student, Connected Alumna Shares Her Enthusiasm for Scranton

There's a simple explanation for the incredible enthusiasm with which Laura (Dailey) Zettler threw herself into campus life while a student at Scranton.

"It's just my nature to get involved in things," she says. "My whole life, I have been involved in a lot of activities. It's just one of those things that charges me."

At the University, that desire for involvement manifested itself in serving as first vice president in the student government as a senior and as a resident assistant. Zettler also played oboe in the band, was a member of club lacrosse and intramural volleyball teams, and was an admissions tour guide.

Of course, it was not merely Zettler's own internal make-up that drove her immersion at the University.

"The student body, and the faculty and staff were all people with whom you wanted to spend time," she says. "They shared similar thoughts and values. When you share that sort of background with others, you want to spend time and do things with them."

"It was a sense of community: People were there for each other and supported each other. It didn't have the same kind of competitive feel, even in the academic setting, that you see in other universities. When I'm around people like that on the social side of things, I like to get involved. I want to try to better the University so that other people who share the same kind of values want to become part of the school."

The power of those shared values has resonated since her graduation from Scranton. Zettler was the University Board

of Trustees' recent graduate representative from 1995 to 1998, a time that coincided with her last two years at law school and her first year as an attorney.

Laura (Dailey) Zettler '94, pictured with daughter, Regan, has a contagious enthusiasm for her alma mater.



The board experience, she notes, "truly taught me how to function in a professional environment because you're surrounded by all these outstanding professionals. I learned how to interact in a professional setting."

After earning her law degree, Zettler joined the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia. As a trial attorney in the juvenile section, she enjoyed the combination of keeping her community safe and helping wayward youth find a better path in life. She worked her way up through the management ranks, eventually reaching section chief, a post that saw her take on budget and policy responsibilities.

"Who knew that Dr. Harris' Politics of the Budgetary Process course would come in handy?" she jokes. "But it did."

Two years ago Zettler gave birth to a daughter, Regan, and left the Attorney General's office to stay home and instill in her daughter the values she remembers from the University: "Religious values, family values, your sense of right and wrong – moral values, your general principles to live by," she says.

"These values are all present at the University, and I learned to appreciate that about Scranton after I left."

Zettler is due to deliver a second daughter in December. Her involvement with Scranton continues today through serving on the committee planning the upcoming reunion for her class in June 2009.

"Scranton prepared me in every way possible to move into adulthood, from the academic setting to the leadership skills honed during extracurricular activities to the friendships you need to get through the good times and bad times in life," she says. "My experience at Scranton was so important in creating who I have become. You have to keep in touch with that influence."



MERIDITH (MURPHY) GRASSO '99

A "PERSON FOR OTHERS" AT WORK AND AT HOME

With a pair of toddlers at home and a husband whose job as a pilot often has him on the go, Meridith Murphy Grasso needed flexibility when it came to work. At the same time, the values inculcated at Scranton remained at the forefront of her mind as she considered job options.

With a trio of part-time physical therapy positions, Grasso has found just what she was looking for.

Even before having children, Grasso was doing PT at Shriners Hospital for Children in Philadelphia, work that recalls the Ignatian ideal of being a person for others.

"Working there goes along with the mission and the philosophy coming from The University of Scranton as far as serving others and being more community-minded," she says. "Shriners Hospital provides care to children free of charge, regardless of economic status, race, or religion. As long as you have a condition they're able to treat, they provide care free of charge. It's a neat environment to work in."

Grasso supplements that work by doing outpatient orthopedics for teenagers, geriatric patients and everyone in between at Doylestown Hospital in Bucks County, and by providing home care for children up to three years old who have developmental problems.



Meridith Grasso '99 has found just what she was looking for with three part-time Physical Therapy jobs that allow her flexibility to be with her children, Francis (held by Grasso) and Annika, and husband, Christopher Grasso '97.

"Much of what I learned going to Scranton, from the education and the Jesuits, about serving others, I get to put into my work every day," she says.

Mission-oriented work has been important to Grasso since her days at the University. She attended and led numerous retreats, including freshman, senior, Ignatian and Search retreats, was a freshman orientation leader, and twice traveled to Ecuador on service immersion trips. Grasso also participated in student government and Campus Ministry.

"That faith community was important to me, and really helped me grow in my faith," she says.

As an alumna, Grasso has continued to stay involved, attending reunions and other alumni events and sailing with fellow graduates on a cruise around Manhattan. The relationships she formed with other physical therapy students

remain close ones a decade later.

"The friends you meet at Scranton become almost like brothers and sisters – the bond is that tight," she says. "I know the friends I met at Scranton will be with me for life."

As one can imagine, Grasso's circumstances keep her busy. Yet she remains remarkably grounded. The nurturing influence of the Jesuits she encountered at the University is something she falls back on often as a bedrock of faith and self-identity.

"It helped me through a lot," she notes. "Going on different retreats and service trips helped me figure out who I am as a person and what I can contribute to those around me and to my community. It gave me a sense of being and purpose I feel like I've been able to continue with."



Financial Analyst Credits Search Retreats for Leadership Skills

Ask Robin Raju about his participation in campus activities while at Scranton, and he will go into detail about his involvement with the Finance Group and PRISM (Portfolio of Responsible Investments under Student Management Group), a faculty-moderated effort that gives students the opportunity to be a part of the University's endowment in socially responsible investing. It's hardly surprising; Raju, after all, was a finance major and is now with AXA Equitable's Funds Management Group as a Senior Financial Analyst.

What Raju recalls most passionately is not those business-related activities but his initial participation in and eventual leadership of several of the Scranton's Search Retreats.

"It was one of the best experiences I had at the University," Raju says. "It gave me the opportunity to develop new relationships. One of the drawbacks of school is you become close with a group of friends and don't get the chance to meet other people of various backgrounds. Through Search I met some great people and discovered more about the person I was."

He would go on to serve as a retreat leader twice. Raju and his close friends, who had originally persuaded him to try Search, eventually recruited all of their housemates to participate.

"It was an eye-opening experience for me and one I wouldn't expect coming from a retreat," he says. "It wasn't something I envisioned myself doing in college. It was great."



Robin Raju '04, a senior financial analyst with AXA Equitable's Funds Management, credits Scranton with giving him the tools he needs to succeed.

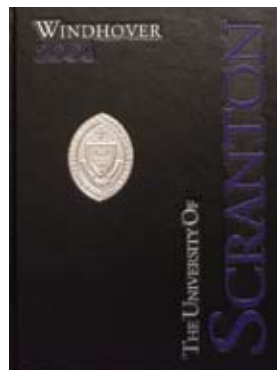
Since leaving Scranton, Raju has maintained his link to the University through alumni events and involvement with the President's Business Council, a group of prominent Scranton alumni and friends whose purpose is to advance the mission of the University. The founding chair of the PBC is Christopher M. "Kip" Condron '70, president and chief executive officer of AXA Financial, Inc., and a current member of the University's Board of Trustees. As he did with his fellow Search participants during retreats years ago, Raju knows he can always ask Condron and other Scranton alumni at AXA for guidance and counsel.

"The Scranton business alumni community is extremely open to mentoring individuals like me," he says. "Kip is an extremely insightful person and always willing to help you."

Raju credits his own success to luck and hard work. Still, rising to a supervisory role within a group charged with managing \$80 billion in variable annuity assets speaks to something more: something like inherent talent and a rigorous education.

"Scranton has definitely given me the tools I need to succeed," he says. "Scranton is underrated as a business school. I've worked with people from what's considered the top undergraduate schools out there, and I see that Scranton graduates are just as, if not more, talented."

In fact, Raju credits the University's openness, its ability to foster relationships with a wide variety of people, as helping him to develop the interactive skills that serve him today. "Most of my friends from school work in the business field. Now we all try to help each other out and give each other advice. It's great to get honest advice from your peers."



Royals Enjoy Success in First Season in the Landmark Conference

The University of Scranton's first season in the Landmark Conference produced its share of memorable moments.

The Royals won four conference championships (women's soccer, men's basketball, women's basketball, and women's swimming) and advanced to the championship in four others (baseball, men's soccer, women's tennis and volleyball).

About the only thing to elude the Royals' grasp was the Landmark Conference All-Sports Presidents' Cup. And even that was by the narrowest of margins, as Scranton finished second behind Moravian College by one *one-hundredths* of a point!

The Landmark Conference All-Sports Presidents' Cup is based on a formula that rewards institutions for their finishes in regular-season conference standings as well as results in postseason tournament competition. Institutions also earn points for individual events in sports such as track and field and swimming and diving. The formula also takes into account the number of sports an institution sponsors.

In addition to the eight sports mentioned above, Scranton had two other teams – men's lacrosse and men's tennis – qualify for conference postseason tournaments.

The Royals were just as impressive in the classroom. One hundred and twenty-one student-athletes were named to the Landmark Conference Academic Honor Roll, which honors those student-athletes who are at least a sophomore and have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0-or-higher.



Scranton also had four student-athletes selected as the Senior Scholar-Athlete in their respective sports: **Tom Bicknell** (Melbourne, Australia/St. Bede's College) of the men's basketball team, **Kathleen Daly** (Bryn Mawr/Merion Merion Academy) of the women's basketball team, **Brooke Hinkley** (Hallstead/Blue Ridge) of the volleyball team, and **Mary Beth Vogel** (Havertown/Cardinal O'Hara) of the women's soccer team.

In addition, the Royals placed 12 student-athletes on the Landmark Conference all-Academic team: **Julie Brophy** (Exton/Downingtown East), women's basketball; **Justin Champagne** (Mt. Bethel/Bangor Area), baseball; **Jack Cook** (Springfield/Springfield), men's swimming; **Ryan Kirk** (Lansdale/LaSalle College), men's basketball; **Thomas Kornobis** (Merrick, N.Y./W.C. Mephram), men's lacrosse; **Gina Miller** (Secane/Cardinal O'Hara), women's swimming; **Erin Moreau** (Nanuet, N.Y./Nanuet), softball; **Rob Olechna** (Scranton/Scranton), men's cross-country; **Becky Prial** (Warwick, N.Y./Warwick Valley), women's cross-country; **Gary Racich** (Jackson, N.J./Saint Rose), men's soccer; **Gretchen Sullivan** (Kenmore, N.Y./Kenmore West), women's tennis; and **Brooke Hinkley** (Hallstead/Blue Ridge).

Baseball



Justin Champagne

Justin Champagne '11 (Mt. Bethel/Bangor Area) joined exclusive company when he became the third baseball player in Royals' history to be named Academic all-American in a program sponsored

by *ESPN The Magazine* last spring. To qualify, a student-athlete must be at least a sophomore and have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2-or-higher. Champagne, who holds a 3.8 grade point average in economics, played two positions for the Royals during the 2008 season. He started 27 games at third base and led the team with a .453 batting average. In addition, he posted a 5-3 record and led the pitching staff with 39 strikeouts. The other two Royal baseball players to earn Academic all-American honors were **Greg Moro '86** and **Scott Sannito '90**.

Chris Bligh '11 (Jersey City, N.J./St. Peter's Preparatory) capped off an outstanding 2008 season by earning second-team all-Mid-Atlantic regional honors by the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA). In addition to leading the Royals to a school-record 26 victories and a berth in the championship series of the Landmark Conference tournament, he set two new Scranton single-season records for most hits (58) and most RBI (56).



Chris Bligh

Softball

The softball team made a dramatic turnaround in 2008, thanks to the play of **Mia Collarini '11** and **Annie Zeleniak '11**. Each was named first-team all-Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) South in a ballot conducted among the region's head coaches. The Royals set a school-record with 27 victories and advanced to a conference postseason tournament for the first time since 2002 under second-year head coach Colleen Mahon.



Mia Collarini '11



Annie Zeleniak '11

Lacrosse

Kyle Frank '11 was one of many freshmen who made an immediate impact on the men's lacrosse team last spring. After leading the Royals in scoring, he was voted the Landmark Conference Rookie of the Year. In just two seasons, head coach Kevin Dugan has led Scranton to 19 victories, including a school-record 12 wins in 2008, a remarkable feat considering the roster included 28 freshmen among its 37 players.



Kyle Frank

Women's Soccer



Colleen Murphy

Colleen Murphy was a member of four Freedom Conference and NCAA tournament teams

during her standout career for the Royals from 2000 through 2003. In January, she was named head women's soccer coach, replacing current Director of Athletics Toby Lovecchio, who took over on an interim basis last season after veteran coach Joe Bochichio passed away on July 24, 2007, a month before pre-season camp was set to begin. Murphy previously served as an assistant women's soccer coach at both Elmira College and Moravian College.

Men's Cross-Country

Chris Wasnetsky '11

(Dunmore/Bishop O'Hara)

won the first Northeast Pennsylvania Cross-Country Classic individual championship on

August 29 at the Hollenback Golf Course in Wilkes-Barre.



Chris Wasnetsky '11

Field Hockey

Diana Rocklein '09 (Islip Terrace, N.Y./East Islip) has been a mainstay on the Royal field hockey and women's

lacrosse teams throughout her career, earning all-conference honors in each sport.



Diana Rocklein '09

Hopkins, Wodder to be Honored May 2

A dinner to honor two long-time distinguished faculty members from the Department of Exercise Science and Sport will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2009, beginning at 5 p.m. in the Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center.

John Hopkins, assistant professor, and Dr. Gary Wodder, professor and former department chair, will retire at the end of the academic year.

Hopkins began his career at the university in 1967 and served in a variety of roles throughout his 42-year tenure, including as head wrestling, cross-country, and softball coach. As wrestling coach from 1969 until 1998, he led the Royals to 180 victories in dual-meet competition. Individually, he coached nine NCAA qualifiers, three National Catholic champions, and eight Wall of Fame inductees.

He also enjoyed tremendous success as cross-country coach, developing four NCAA qualifiers, including Joe Fent, one of only two runners in Middle Atlantic Conference history to win four consecutive individual conference titles. All together, six of his former runners have been inducted into the Wall of Fame.

In 1983, Hopkins took over as head coach (while

Wodder was on sabbatical) of the softball team and guided the Royals to a Middle Atlantic Conference championship and a trip to the NCAA Division III tournament.

Wodder joined the University community in 1974. In addition to his faculty position, he served as director of athletics for 23 years, overseeing a program that expanded from seven to 18 sports and was highlighted by three national championships, two in men's basketball (1976, 1983) and one in women's basketball (1985), along with numerous team and individual championships in Scranton's previous affiliation with the Middle Atlantic Conference. He was also head baseball coach from 1974 through 1979 and head softball coach from 1980-1982 and again from 1984-1987. The softball team won four Middle Atlantic Conference titles and advanced to three national championship tournaments during his tenure.

Tickets are \$30 per person. Reservations can be made by contacting Sandy Watson at watsonm1@scranton.edu or by phone at (570) 941-5874. All checks should be made payable to Hopkins/Wodder Retirement Fund. Donations in lieu of attendance will also be accepted.

Volleyball

Jacqueline Pisano '09 (Exton/Bishop Shanahan) was one of five seniors on the volleyball team that made

first-year head coach Matt Dunn's job a bit easier. Pisano wrapped up her career ranked in four all-time statistical categories in Royals' history.



Jacqueline Pisano '09

Men's Soccer

Tim Logan returned to the men's soccer team as a graduate student this past fall and moved into the top 15 all-time in scoring in University of Scranton history.



Tim Logan

Scranton Alumni

Aquinas Reunion Held

In October, scores of former members of *The Aquinas* staff reunited on campus for the newspaper's first-ever reunion. *The Aquinas* Reunion committee, chaired by John Ellis '99, combed through five decades of online *Aquinas* archives to identify former members of the newspaper staff.

Their efforts culminated in a day of events that included a networking luncheon and career panel attended by more than 100 former staffers and current students. The luncheon was organized by Michelle Marsala Kyriakides '99 and included a keynote address from John A. Walsh '66, senior vice president and executive editor of ESPN Internet Group. A panel of alumni also answered questions on everything from getting your first job to the evolution of electronic media and news. The Reunion ended with a dinner reception, where former staffers shared stories from their days on *The Aquinas*.

Online archives of *The Aquinas* are available at <http://academic.scranton.edu/departments/wml.databases.htm>

Pictures highlighting *The Aquinas* Alumni Reunion are available at www.scranton.edu/aquinasphotos



Rich Chvotkin '67 (left) greets fellow *Aquinas* staffer and keynote speaker John A. Walsh '66 following the career panel at *The Aquinas* Reunion.

Alumni in Germany

Alumni join Rev. G. Donald Pantle, S.J., (center) on a trip to Germany in August. The group is pictured in Catholic Parish Church of Oberammergau in Oberammergau Tamas.



Alumnus Decorated for Service

At a recent ceremony on campus, Thomas Jerome (T.J.) Hromisin '05 was promoted to the rank of Captain and presented with two of the military's most distinguished medals: the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.

He received the medals for valor displayed and injuries sustained while serving in Iraq.

Brig. Gen. Frank Wiercinski presented the Purple Heart, Bronze Star and other awards to Capt. Hromisin in front of more than 200 friends and family members gathered in the Moskovitz Theater in the Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center.

"We don't promote people in the Army based on what they do. We promote people based on what they can do, and I believe T.J. can do anything he wants to do," said Brig. Gen. Wiercinski.

Capt. Hromisin majored in criminal justice at the University and was the recipient of a four-year ROTC scholarship. He received the Distinguished Honor Graduate Award for criminal justice and military science, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army when he graduated from the University's ROTC program. After being commissioned, he joined the Army's infantry branch. His brigade was deployed to Kuwait in April of 2007. Shortly thereafter, they entered Iraq, where he suffered a severe head injury on May 27, 2007.

At the ceremony, Capt. Hromisin also received the Army Commendation Medal and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

Capt. Hromisin is currently at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Rehabilitation for the Blind in West Haven, Conn.

Capt. Hromisin shared the stage with his fellow ROTC classmate and close friend Capt. Jeremy Hendricks, who was also promoted to the rank of Captain at the ceremony.



Capt. T.J. Hromisin '05 was decorated with the Purple Heart medal and several other awards at a ceremony on campus on Sept. 27. The awards were presented by Brig. Gen. Frank Wiercinski (left). Joining Capt. Hromisin on stage were his parents, Jerry and MaryEllen Hromisin.

Cruise Around Manhattan

Members of the Class of 2006 (from left) Matthew Loughney, Michael Jenkins, Nan Petula and Matthew Keating enjoy The Scranton Club of New York Happy Hour Cruise Around Manhattan.



Class Notes

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Joseph F. Lydon Sr., M.D., Rocky River, Ohio, has received the prestigious Pillars of Medicine Award conferred on physicians who have served as members of the Cleveland Clinic who have made outstanding professional contributions to affiliated hospitals with a significant impact on their patients and for leadership in mentoring young physicians and professional colleagues.

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Victor Greco, M.D., Drums, was interviewed for a documentary by the BBC on his involvement with the first successful open heart surgery performed in the world in 1953.

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James Calpin, Midlothian, Va., was elected as a fellow of Industrial Hygiene by the board of directors of The American Industrial Hygiene Association.

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Charles F. Connors, M.D., Clarks Summit, had his music video place first at the San Diego Digital Arts Competition.

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William Kiehl, Mountville, had his article "Humpty Dumpty Redux: Saving Public Diplomacy" appear in the March 4th edition of the on-line journal *American Diplomacy*.

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Joseph Myers, Northport, N.Y., is retiring as associate superintendent for personnel and instruction at Western Suffolk BOCES.

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Peter D. Quinn, D.M.D., M.D., Haverford, was recently elected president of the American Society of Temporomandibular Joint Surgeons.

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James Blake, C.P.A., Ocean View, N.J., has been elected president of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Michael J. McDermott, Oak Hill, Va., is senior vice president/chief financial officer at Universal Systems & Technology, Inc. (UNITECH)

Joseph O'Laughlin, D.O., Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich., accompanied a medical brigade to rural Honduras with the University of Detroit Jesuit High School. He is currently the senior gastroenterologist for Tri-County Gastroenterology and a founding partner of the Tri-County Center for Endoscopy and Surgery.

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Richard Clifford, Highland Lakes, N.J., and his wife Mary, just completed the 6th season of their theatre company, The Illustrious Theatre Company, at the Warwick Valley Winery.

John Nevulis, M.D., Gwynedd Valley, is administering the new Center for Joint Replacement at Mercy Suburban Hospital.

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Andrew Sislo, Esq., Philadelphia, was nominated by Governor Edward G. Rendell as an administrative law judge on the Pennsylvania Board of Claims. This was confirmed by the Pennsylvania Senate on March 10.

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Charles McElwee, Esq., Hummelstown, has been elected as a shareholder in the firm Dickie, McCarney & Chilcote, P.C.

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David Dougher, Middletown, Md., was named vice president of technical accounting, SOX, and financial reporting for Constellation Energy Resources.

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Rosemarie Dowger Kocher, Red Lion, is a math teacher at York Catholic High School.

Henry Sallusti, Scranton, has been named to the Board of Trustees of Mercy Health Partners.

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Brian Duke, Washington Crossing, is director of the Bucks County Area Agency on Aging.

Michele Mauer Carpenter, M.D., Aliso Viejo, Calif., has been named medical director of the Breast Cancer Program at St. Joseph's Hospital in Orange.

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Gary DiLeo, Scranton, is production manager at Gentex Optics, Inc.

Patrick Kerrigan, D.O., Hanover Twp., was chosen "Man of the Year 2008" by the Greater Wilkes-Barre Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

Frank Miceli, San Antonio, Texas, has been named senior vice president of sales and marketing for the Spurs Sports and Entertainment.

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Mark Haley, Henderson, Nev. is president of Smart City Networks, the nation's largest provider of event technology in the convention industry.

Jim Knipper, Princeton, N.J., was ordained a permanent deacon in the Diocese of Trenton. Jim will serve the parishioners of St. Paul's.

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Elizabeth Kearney Peck, Vienna, Va., has been named chief administrative officer of The Staubach Company.

Joanne Morse, Ph.D., Hampton, Va., has written a book on nutrition titled *How Low Can You Go?*

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Brian Richard Kupchak, Ph.D., received his degree in chemistry (biochemistry) from the University of Florida. He is currently working as a post doc in sports nutrition at the University of Connecticut.

Marguerite Pedley, Ph.D., West Orange, N.J., is executive director for inpatient services at Princeton House Behavioral Health.

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Judith Richmond Prybick, D.O., Allentown, has been elected to serve on the board of PAMPAC (Pennsylvania Medical Political Action Committee).

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Doug Held, Morris Plains, N.J., has been named senior associate at Ruotolo Associates, Inc.

Andrew Sirotinak, M.D., FAAP, Denver, Colo., has been elected medical staff president at The Children's Hospital in Aurora.

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Christopher Banks, East Quogue, N.Y., is vice president for Development and External Relations at Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center.

Sal Petrucci, D.M.D., Thousand Oaks, Calif., founded the exclusive alcohol/drug rehab Renaissance Malibu in 2003. Renaissance Malibu has been featured in media such as *ABC Primetime*, *Dr. Phil*, *MSNBC*, *Larry King* and many others. The facility has treated many high profile celebrities, athletes and executives.

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Peggy Leo Gallo, Charlotte, N.C., earned the senior real estate specialist designation from the National Association of Realtors.

Joseph Anthony Lupia, Ph.D., Monroe, N.Y., is the vice president of R&D in the chemical company Ciba Specialty Chemicals.

Colleen Reardon, Scranton, is region coordinator of the Pennsylvania Business Retention and Expansion Program at Penn's Northeast.

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Patrick J. Cawley, M.D., Mount Pleasant, S.C., has taken office as president of The Society of Hospital Medicine for the 2008-2009 term. Dr. Cawley is currently the executive medical director at the Medical University of South Carolina Medical Center.

Roger Fazio, M.D., Wakefield, R.I., became partner in Wakefield Pediatrics, LLC.

William B. Hughes, M.D., Philadelphia, was appointed to the board of directors of The Burn Foundation, a non-profit that provides education, prevention resources, community support of burn treatment, and helps facilitate enhanced quality of life for burn survivors.

CDR Paul Kane, Pensacola, Fla., has been deployed to Djibouti as the force surgeon for the Combined Joint Task Force, Horn of Africa.

Cigars and Scranton in Afghanistan



Three Scranton alumni shared cigars and memories of their alma mater while stationed in Eastern Afghanistan for a few days. CPT Chris Gebbia '02 (right) and CPT Joseph McCarthy '02 (center) were assigned to the 82nd Airborne. They were deployed for 12 months to Iraq before spending 15 months in Afghanistan, and have recently returned home. CPT Brian Dougherty (left) attended Scranton from 1998 to 2000 before transferring to West Point, and is currently stationed at Ft. Stewart, Ga. He recently returned from 12 months in Afghanistan.

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Grace Holcomb, Richmond, Va., has been named director of development for Richmond Court Appointed Special Advocates.

Tracey Redolphy Collins, Ph.D., Clarks Summit, an assistant professor of Physical Therapy at The University of Scranton, has been granted tenure.

Rev. Christopher Wakefield, Easton, was named president of Nativity BVM High School.

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Jeffrey McDonnell, Esq., North Wales, was elected a partner in the law firm of Kent & McBride, P.C. He was designated a board certified civil trial advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy and was also elected to the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery Township.

Tami Morello DiPietro, Lansdale, received her Pennsylvania elementary education teacher certification.

Matthew Rakauskas, Dalton, has been named superintendent of schools for the Lackawanna Trail School District.

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Eileen Amari Vaught, Ph.D., Overland Park, Kan., completed a Master's degree in nursing from the University of Kansas.

Margaret Bartnicki Tatich, Binghamton, N.Y., has been named market solutions manager for the Central New York Newspaper Group.

Carol Berry, Dunmore, has been named vice president of nursing at Tyler Memorial Hospital.

Nicholas Lochetta, Esq., Milford, N.J., is recognized as a "2008 Super Lawyers Rising Star" in the August 2008 edition of *New Jersey Monthly Magazine*.

William Loehfelm, New Orleans, La., won the Amazon Breakthrough Novel Award for his novel *Fresh Kills* at a breakfast hosted by Penguin, Amazon and HP. The award includes a publishing contract with Penguin Group.

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Joanna Prokosch Zucker, Cincinnati, Ohio, associate marketing director with Procter & Gamble, launched her first book *Millennium Mom: Tips to Help You Go from a Working Woman to a Working Mom* in November 2008. *Millennium Mom* offers advice to working mothers and fathers on how to manage their busy lives. *Millennium Mom* is an authentic and inspiring book written by someone on the front line of a dual career household.

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Therese Collingwood, Royersford, received a Ph.D. in Immunology from Temple University Medical School.

Patricia Kameen Striefsky, Brown-dale, has been named publisher of *The Forest City News*.

Kathleen McDonnell Gulbin, Garden City, N.Y., received a Doctorate in Leadership and Administration from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She is assistant superintendent at the Sewanhaka Central High School District.

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Louise Farragher, Dublin, Ireland, is an information specialist in the Alcohol and Drug Research Unit of the Health Research Board in Dublin. She works in the National Documentation Centre on Drug Use.

Tara Holowka Parsons, Meridian, Miss., has achieved her pediatric clinical specialist certification in physical therapy.

Robert Wilson, Royersford, is director of rehab for Mercy Suburban Hospital.

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Ailish Farragher, Dublin, is currently working as legal information centre manager at Eugene F. Collins Solicitors.

Carol Hee Seagle, Ph.D., Chapel Hill, N.C., has joined the teaching faculty at the University of North Carolina and will be offering courses in Environmental Strategy and Sustainable Design to students in the MBA program.

John Kilker, Dickson City, produced the movie "Bonneville" starring Kathy Bates, Joan Allen and Jessica Lange.

John Da Grosa Smith, Esq., Atlanta, Ga., launched a trial practice law firm named Smith LLC.

Chryssa Valletta, Esq., New York, N.Y., is a senior attorney in the Litigation Department of Phillips Nizer LLP.

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Erin Carroll, Ph.D., Mays Landing, N.J., received her Ph.D. in American Literature from Fordham University.

Timothy Gallen, King of Prussia, is director of college counseling and school testing at Solebury School.

Michael Insogna, Philadelphia, received an MBA from The Wharton School at The University of Pennsylvania with a double major in Finance and Strategy.

Michael McKenna, M.D., finished his critical care medicine and hematology/oncology fellowships and will be joining a practice in Newport News, Va.

Jim McNulty, Knoxville, Tenn., won silver and bronze Promax Promotion and Marketing awards at Promax/BDA North America 2008. The promo he wrote and produced to launch HGTV's new show, "Sleep on It," earned the honors for outstanding program promotion-in house and music/post-score.

Gerard Sinzdak received the top award for academic achievement at the recent commencement ceremony of the Law School at the University of California, Berkeley. He finished first in a class of 285.

Rolaine Soril Bancroft, Upper Marlboro, Md., has been named special counsel in the Office of Structured Finance, Transportation and Leisure, Division of Corporation Finance of the U.S. Securities Exchange Commission.

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Jon Posner, Gettysburg, head lacrosse coach of Culver Military Academy, has been named one of the coaches of the Midwest regional team in this summer's Adidas National High School Lacrosse Classic.

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Megan Early Brady, Fayetteville, N.C., is an occupational therapist for the Traumatic Brain Injury Unit at Womack Army Medical Center.

Michael R. Pennacchio, Mineola, N.Y., is a member of the NYPD's Transit Bureau Special Operations Division. He currently works in the Homeless Outreach Unit.

Alumni Society Partners with Sugar Plum

The Alumni Society has partnered with Sugar Plum, a company from Forty Fort, to offer alumni discounts on their products. Sugar Plum chocolates is a 12 year-old, family-run business that specializes in customized hand-dipped Belgian chocolate delights. If you have a special occasion coming up, or if you are just looking for delicious candy, visit their Web site, sugar-plum.com to preview their treats. Sugar Plum ships nationally.



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Merrill Adams, Ph.D., Aztec, N.M., is the new dean of the recently reorganized School of Science at San Juan College in Farmington.

Thomas Lull, Rutherford, N.J., an architectural sales representative for Armstrong Building Products, received a Chairman's Award for extraordinary sales performance in 2007.

John Marx, M.D., Scranton, joined the medical practice of Pediatrics of Northeastern Pennsylvania in Dickson City.

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Paul Collins Jr., Ph.D., Denton, Texas, has recently published a book, *Friends of the Supreme Court: Interest Groups and Judicial Decision Making*, in which he includes a paragraph in the acknowledgments section where he mentions his "fantastic experience at Scranton."

Claire Connolly Gibbons, New Milford, N.J., was promoted to supervisor of Inpatient Physical Therapy at Hackensack University Medical Center.

Devin DeMarco, Edison, N.J., is the author of a recently published book titled *"Open Market Trading in the United States: A Case Study in Regulatory Reform."* The book examines an alternative emissions trading scheme used in the United States to create incentives for businesses to reduce air pollution. Devin is a senior environmental specialist with First Environment of Boonton, N.J.

Timothy Donahue, Bridgewater, N.J., is assistant principal and supervisor of guidance at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

Rev. Jeremiah R. Grosse, Morristown, N.J., was ordained to the priesthood and will be at Delbarton School and serving as a weekend pastoral associate at a local parish.

Nancy Molinet, Newton, N.J., earned her Master of Arts in Special Education from the College of Saint Elizabeth, Morristown, N.J.

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Brendan Curry, Astoria, N.Y., is an associate editor at W.W. Norton in Manhattan. He has just edited Joe Stiglitz's *The Three Trillion Dollar War*.

Celeste Gregory has completed her 2 year volunteer service in Madagascar and the Diocese of Richmond, Va., with Catholic Relief Services.

Christine Hall, Somerville, Mass., was selected as one of The National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship Teachers of the Year.

02

Veasna Lay, Seminole, Fla., received a Bachelor of Applied Science in Orthotics and Prosthetics from the J. E. Hanger School of Orthotics and Prosthetics at St. Petersburg College. He is currently completing his residency in this field.

John Monahan, Bronx, N.Y., is senior account executive, syndication at Big Fish Entertainment, LLC.

Joy Oliver, Ph.D., Knoxville, Tenn., was recently awarded a National Research Council/US Air Force Office of Scientific Research Associateship in the Air Force Research Laboratory/ Human Effectiveness Directorate. She will be working as a postdoctoral research associate in the Air Force Research Lab's Human Effectiveness Directorate/Warfighter Readiness Research Division.

03

Liesbet Higham, New Haven, Conn., has been accepted to Fairfield University's Elementary Education Certification/Masters program.

Catherine Mirra, Hoboken, N.J., is manager of international communications with MTV Networks International.

Nicole Odell, Freemont, Calif., is teaching physical and biology sciences at Presentation High School in San Jose.

Thomas Porrovecchio, Valley Cottage, N.Y., was admitted to the New York State Bar in April. He is currently an associate at the firm Jones Day.

04

Lee Alvarez, West New York, N.J., was recognized by *Consulting Magazine* as 2008's Top 30 Consultants under Thirty in the World.

Susan Chrusciel, Plainsboro, N.J., is a clinical data coordinator 1 at Covance.

Vito Cirigliano, D.O., Goshen, N.Y., was awarded the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is currently doing a residency in internal medicine at Tripler Army Medical Center, Hawaii.

CPT Kim Johnson, Alexandria, Va., is currently completing her second tour in Iraq with the RAKASSANS of 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division.

Lisa Malys, D.O., Plains, was awarded the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is currently doing a residency in family medicine at Williamsport Hospital.

Jessica McLane, D.O., Scranton, was awarded the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is currently doing a residency in emergency medicine at St. Michaels Hospital in Newark, N.J.

Ana Mojtahedi, Dickson City, received a law degree from Roger Williams University, School of Law.

Marissa Oller-Crampsie, D.O., Hasbrouck Heights, N.J. was awarded the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is currently doing an internship at Jersey Shore University Medical Center and will start her residency in neurology at Long Island Jewish Hospital in 2009.

Andrea Palmasani, D.O., Scranton, received her medical degree from Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is currently doing her internship training in internal medicine at The Scranton Temple Residency Program at Mercy Hospital.

Dani Vaughn-Tucker, G'01, Shavertown, is an archivist and reference librarian at the Mary Kintz Bevevino Library, Misrecordia University.

05

Pam Kalinowski Bressi, Falls Church, Va., is a member of the lighting department at Signature Theatre in Washington, D.C.

Stephanie Klassner, Scranton, was inducted into the Matthew Cryer Society. This is the highest scholastic honor awarded by The University of Pennsylvania Dental School and is bestowed upon the top ten students at the completion of their second year.

07

Victoria Beck, Alexandria, Va., is a technical editor for Netstar-1, a government contractor to military health systems in the Department of Defense.

08

Eileen Patterson has been accepted into the American Music & Dramatic Academy in Manhattan for extensive study of musical theatre performance.

Marriages

89

Jennifer Looney to Donald Seaman

90

Pearl Prince to Bryan Patterson
Dawn Zapotok to Michael Holleman

93

Sarah Moore to Paul Jackson

94

Timothy Kelly to Stacy Devine

97

Joseph Brennan to Ann Marie Hoyt '99

Kristen Hines to Shawn Huber

98

Elizabeth Farrell to James Fitzgerald
Rebecca Kakareka to William Gavin
Nancy Klein to Manuel Baena
Kathryn McHale to Kenji Ogawa

Loni Lukatch '02 and Brian Cinoski '04



Loni Lukatch '02 and Brian Cinoski '04 were married on July 5. Pictured above, in front of the Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center on campus, are, from left: Kim Sarosky '02, Craig Lukatch '00, Loni (Lukatch) Cinoski '02, Brian Cinoski '04 and Matthew Caputo '04.



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99

Erica Bergen to Joe Sprague
Sean Connolly, Ph.D., to Tarah Dame, Ph.D.
Ann Marie Hoyt to **Joseph Brennan '97**
Susan Wagenborg to Charlie Falco

00

Nancy Bassano to Robert Molinet
Amy Novitsky to Kevin Holmes

01

David Bailey to **Nicole Barnes '02**
Jacob Gilboy to **Natalie Knepley '04**
Christine Moore to Eric Ziomek

Nicole Barnes '02 and David Bailey '01



Nicole (Barnes) Bailey '02 and David Bailey '01 were married on August 25, 2007. The wedding ceremony took place at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Springfield, and the reception was held at Cairnwood Mansion in Bryn Athyn. The bridal party included Kristin (Johnson) Giglietta '02, Chris Potts '02, Erica (Borella) DiAngelo '02, Jeff Hylan '00, Charlie Young '96 and Brian Bratka '02.

Heather Syme '02 and Paul Drexler '02

Nearly 20 alumni celebrated the August 9 wedding of Heather Syme '02 and Paul Drexler '02.



02

Nicole Barnes to **David Bailey '01**
Victoria Crocco to **Michael Legacki**
Andrea Lawruk to Luke Woolley
Loni Lukatch to Brian Cinoski
Heather Syme to **Paul Drexler**

03

Karen Buhler to Edward Woytach
Kristen Barrett to **Matthew Barnes**

04

Victoria Crocco to **Michael Legacki '02**
Natalie Knepley to **Jacob Gilboy '01**
Jennifer Pusateri to Charles Christman

05

Katie Bruno to John Hack
Michelle Gunshannon to Brian Beckhorn
Anthony Primerano to **Michelle McColgan '06**
Matthew Youssef to Audrey Stevens

06

Michelle McColgan to **Anthony Primerano '05**
Victoria Scannello to Carlo Savo
Kirsten Suchy to William Recalde

Births

85

A daughter, Elizabeth Ann, to **Mark B.** and **Kari Nixon**, Pompton Lakes, N.J.

87

A son, Sean Patrick, to **Daniel** and **Karen Ford Breen '88**, Whippany, N.J.

88

A daughter, Katherine Elizabeth, to Terry and **Betsy Card Chandler**, Boonton, N.J.

A son, Sean Patrick, to **Daniel '87** and **Karen Ford Breen**, Whippany, N.J.

89

A son, Colin Thomas, to Don and **Jennifer Looney Seaman**, Montclair, N.J.

Twin sons, Sean Christian and Eion Patrick, to Joseph and **Tracey Redolphy Collins**, Clarks Summit

90

A daughter, Kristin Marie, to **Thomas** and **Lynn Ardese**, Washington Twp, N.J.

A son, Ryan Patrick, to **Jon '91** and **Missy Lausten Dilley**, Fairfield, Conn.

A son, Jacob Robert, to Bob and **Tami Morello DiPietro**, Lansdale

A son, Christian James, to **David** and **Cheryl Naessig Kalinoski**, Harrisburg

A son, Quinn Paul, to Jeremy and **Anne-Marie Weston Kessler**, East Rockaway, N.Y.

A daughter, Charlotte, to **Charles** and Lisa **Yanchulis**, Holly, Mich.

91

A daughter, Lauren Marie, adopted by Wayne and **Eileen Amari Vaught**, Overland Park, Kan.

A son, John Timothy, to **Thomas** and Margery **Conniff**, Summit, N.J.

A daughter, Fiona Cathleen, to Llew and **Colleen Farrell Foulke**, Clifton Park, N.J.

A son, Ryan Patrick, to **Jon** and **Missy Lausten Dilley '90**, Fairfield, Conn.

A son, Nathan Bradley, to **Timothy** and Melissa **Skarbek**, Painted Post, N.Y.

Twin sons, Ryan James and Jack Christopher, to **Robert** and Karin **Walsh**, East Windsor, N.J.

92

A daughter, Sophia Rose, to **Dan** and Lori **Antonelli**, Washington, N.J.

A son, Declan Joseph, to Chris and **Kate Hamilton O'Brien**, Phoenixville

A son, Brody Matthew, to Eric Wese-nyak and **Kristin Maile**, Macungie

93

A son, Daniel Robert, to Robert and **Maureen Burke Vilak**, Silver Springs, Fla.

A son, Thomas Jack, to Erik and **Patricia Casey Olsen**, Kinnelon, N.J.

A son, Sean Patrick, to Patrick and **Liz DeRudder O'Connell**, Massapequa Park, N.Y.

Twins, Catharine and William, to Tim and **Lori D'Ginto Haring**, Allentown

A daughter, Nicole Ashley, to Peter and **Katherine Dwyer Sanfilippo**, Norwalk, Conn.

A daughter, Kaitlyn Ruth, to Jason

and **Erin Flynn Jay**, Philadelphia

A daughter, Ryland Rose, adopted by **Michael** and Kim **Hollinger**, Reading

A son, Xavier Francis, to Jose and **Dominique Ponzio Bernardo**, Bridge Port.

A son, Tyler, to Jack and **Tracey Weiners Rush**, Drexel Hill

94

A son, Kyle Patrick, to **Bill (Doogie)** and Cathleen **Carney**, Bronxville, N.Y.

A daughter, Avery Ciara, to **Sean** and **Rebecca Finn Kenney '97**, San Rafael, Calif.

A daughter, Maggie Rose, to Donnie and **Katie Flood Coates**, East Northport, N.Y.

A son, Kelly John, to **John** and Jean-**nie Moody**, Telford

A son, Alexander William, to **Michael** and **Danielle Morello Morcom '95**, West Orange, N.J.

A son, Giovanni Emilio, to **David '95** and **Trina Rubbo Longo**, Vienna, Va.

A son, Andrew Robert, to **Dr. Michael** and **Christine Samilo Ash-ton '95**, Sugarloaf

A daughter, Rachael Hannah, to **Thomas '96** and **Gisele Sum Bush**, Glenville, N.Y.

95

A son, Christopher, to **Christopher** and Rachel **Delvecchio**, North Attleboro, Mass.

A daughter, Mary "Molly" Patricia Bremner, to Mike and **Monica Farkas Bremner**, Naperville, Ill.

A son, Raymond Joseph, to Jeff and **Elise Fleckenstein Creegan**, Ridge-wood, N.J.

A son, Gabriel John, to Kenneth and **Christine Greenough Spassione**, Irvington, N.J.

A daughter, Meredith Grace, to **Jef-frey** and Kristen **Greer**, Williamsburg, Va.

A daughter, Jane Elizabeth, to Frank and **Jennifer Henrikson LaCapra**, Basking Ridge, N.J.

A son, Derek Anthony, to James and **Sharon Holmes Hartranft**, Chalfont

A daughter, Emily Katharyn, to Jay and **Jeanne-Marie Istivan Scanlon**, Farmingdale, N.J.

A son, Breyen Solowski, to **Kevin** and Nancy **Kampherstein**, St. Louis, Mo.

A son, Charles Joseph, to Eric and **Chrissy McKeaney Reich**, Oceanview, N.J.

A son, Alexander William, to **Michael '94** and **Danielle Morello Morcom**, West Orange, N.J.

A son, Braeden, to **Timothy** and Jeanne **O'Connell**, Gillette, N.J.

A son, Daniel Olphert, to **Patrick** and **Sharon Olphert Beacham**, Langhorne

A son, Bernard Thomas, to **Stefan** and Victoria **Reinold**, Wheat Ridge, Colo.

A daughter, Emma Grace, to **Andrew** and **Richeal Robinson Cline**, McCordsville, Ind.

A son, Giovanni Emilio, to **David** and **Trina Rubbo Longo '94**, Vienna, Va.

A son, Andrew Robert, to **Dr. Michael '94** and **Christine Samilo Ashton**, Sugarloaf

A son, Colin Eamonn, to Steve and **Bridget Scanlon Hefferan**, Broomall

A son, Nathaniel Sebastian, to Brian DeMeglio and **Carolyn Siwak**, Shavertown

96

A son, Liam Thomas, to **Eric** and **Lauren Gillmore Beck '98**, High Bridge, N.J.

A daughter, Rachael Hannah, to **Thomas** and **Gisele Sum Bush '94**, Glenville, N.Y.

A daughter, Giada Susanna, to **Robert** and Danielle **Catanzaro**, Bridgewater, N.J.

A son, Jack Raymond, to **Joseph** and **Christina Fusco Fallon**, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Twins, Victoria and Clayton Joseph, to Clayton and **Alexandra Gojic Borcard**, Mendham, N.J.

A daughter, Sienna Marie, to **David** and Heather **Guarino**, Clark, N.J.

A daughter, Emma Lorraine, to **Sean** and **Michelle Keaney Flanagan**, Arlington, Va.

A son, Owen Timothy, to Jack and **Monica Jass McMullan**, Southport, Conn.

A son, Nicholas Anthony, to **Ian** and **Terri-Anne Mannino Ressler**, Easton

97

A daughter, Alaina Christine, to **Christian** and **Julie Cannava Cote**, Cherry Hill, N.J.

A son, Aiden Alexander, to Christopher and **Wendy Dapsis Gardner**, Clarks Summit

A daughter, Allison Josephine, to **Doug** and **Amy Antrim Demeter '00**, Philadelphia

A daughter, Bridget Colleen, to **David** and **Maureen Dockery Felser**, Brick, N.J.

A daughter, Avery Ciara, to **Sean '94** and **Rebecca Finn Kenney**, San Rafael, Calif.

A son, Ian Joseph, to Joseph and **Megan Heyer Monks**, East Hanover, N.J.

A daughter, Brigid Rose, to **Peter** and Danielle **Lill**, Havertown

A daughter, Ava Judith, to Matt and **Cindy Matulewich White**, South Boston, Mass.

A daughter, Aurora Claire, **Michael '99** and **Heather Schneider Swierczek**, Pottstown

A daughter, Julia Ashlyn, to John and **Kelly Smith Sack**, West Sayville, N.Y.

98

A daughter, Emily Ann, to Keith and **Jennifer Bigioni Feldman**, Norristown

A daughter, Allison Joyce, to Matthew and **Christine Barba DiBrienza**, West Paterson, N.J.

A daughter, Violet Marie, to James and **Ginny Berardi Brienza**, Highland, N.Y.

A son, Alexander Lino, to Christopher and **Robin Brooks Johnson**, Staten Island, N.Y.

A son, John Christopher, to **Kevin** and **Lucia Cioffi McCahill**, Monroe, N.Y.

A son, Liam Thomas, to **Eric '96** and **Lauren Gillmore Beck**, High Bridge, N.J.

A son, Christopher, to **Rob** and **Jill Greenberg Grasso '99**, Chalfont

Twin sons, Thomas Francis and Cole Joseph, to **William** and **Rebecca Kakareka Gavin**, Scranton

A daughter, Molly Annalise, to Dave and **Dianne Moser Stout**, Levittown

Twin daughters, Meaghan Marie and Deborah Rose, to **Donald** and Christine **Murphy**, Howard Beach, N.Y.

A daughter, Erin Kathleen, to Vincent and **Lizabeth Nagle Tumminello**, West Islip, N.Y.

A daughter, MaryCatherine, to Adam and **Janine Natafalusy Norris**, Budd Lake, N.J.

A daughter, Samantha Marie, to **Michael** and Charlotte **O'Brien**, Philadelphia

A son, Thomas Joseph, to **John** and **Maureen Phillips Ryan**, Plymouth Meeting

A son, Owen Magnus, to Eric and **Kerri Rail Andersen**, Garden City, N.Y.

A daughter, Jillian Grace, to **Michael** and **Cara Shorter Russo**, Little Falls, N.J.

A daughter, Cecelia Frances to John and **Marissa Trichilo Brunetti**, Perry Hill, Md.

A daughter, Maeve Catherine, to **Sean** and **Beth Kapusta Welsh '99**, Stamford, Conn.

99

A daughter, Gabrielle Lynn, to **Eric** and **Krista Annucci Anthony '01**, Hackettstown, N.J.

A daughter, Leah Elizabeth, to Tim and **Jodie Batog Murphy**, Media

A son, Michael Francis, to Michael and **Christina Brubaker Schwab**, Marlton, N.J.

A daughter, Christina Elise, to Jason and **Michelle Dotti Sessa**, Staten Island, N.Y.

A daughter, Isabel Camara, to **Dinis** and **Johanna Eltz Camara**, Rockville, Md.

A son, Christopher, to **Rob '98** and **Jill Greenberg Grasso**, Chalfont

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Brunch

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A son, Alexander James, to Christopher and **Elizabeth Holland Cavuto**, West Sayville, N.Y.

A daughter, Bridget Grace, to Matthew and **Mary Holland Chick**, Marlborough, Mass.

A son, Jack Montgomery, to Dan and **Maryellen Horne Fulton**, Flemington, N.J.

A daughter, Maeve Catherine, to **Sean '98** and **Beth Kapusta Welsh**, Stamford, Conn.

A son, Mason Tyler, to Petri and **Meredith Krucher Cofer**, Lynbrook, N.Y.

A son, Declan James, to Joe and **Deirdre Moran Costello**, New York, N.Y.

A daughter, Cecilia Maisie, to Luis and **Christine Palmeri Gonzalez**, Baltimore, Md.

A daughter, Lily Sophia, to **Edward** and **Amy Patuto Nazarko '00**, Ruthersford, N.J.

A daughter, Catherine Rose, to George and **Jennifer Peacock Hayes**, Williamstown, N.J.

A son, Jonathan David, to Chris and **Jessica Ramos DeGasperi**, Ramsey, N.J.

A daughter, Sylvia June, to **Stanley** and **Terri Coyer Strelish '00**, Scottsdale, Ariz.

A daughter, Aurora Claire, to **Michael** and **Heather Schneider Swierczek '97**, Pottstown

A son, Ryan Christopher, to Jason and **Tricia Starr Mathis**, Bensalem

00

A daughter, Allison Josephine, to **Doug '97** and **Amy Antrim Demeeter**, Philadelphia

A son, Liam Patrick, to **Timothy** and **Marianne Brody**, Newton, N.J.

A son, Austin Tyler, to Gregory and **Adrienne Carver Yourek**, Addison, Ill.

A daughter, Sylvia June, to **Stanley '99** and **Terri Coyer Strelish**, Scottsdale, Ariz.

A daughter, Colleen Riley to **Tim** and **Katie Donahue**, Bridgewater, N.J.

A daughter, Emma Grace, to Mark and **Kristin Donati Greenwood**, Havertown

A son, Ryan Charles, to Joseph and **Kelly Genovese Burtneck**, Atlantic Highlands, N.J.

A daughter, Alexandria Kate, to Dave and **Christy Gianfrancesco Diehl**, Alburtis

A son, Daniel Robert, to Steven and **Laura McGann Smith**, Levittown, N.Y.

A daughter, Lindsay Ann, to Chris and **Megan McHugh Grezlak**, Chalfont

A daughter, Anna Rose, to **James** and **Janet Monaco Crocker**, Woodbury, Conn.

A daughter, Lily Sophia, to **Edward '99** and **Amy Patuto Nazarko**, Ruthersford, N.J.

A daughter, Kiera Colleen, to **Patrick '01** and **Melissa Stigliano Norton**, Philadelphia

01

A daughter, Gabrielle Lynn, to **Eric '99** and **Krista Annucci Anthony**, Hackettstown, N.J.

A son, Wesley Michael, to **Todd** and **Jaime Kutch Jones**, Central Islip, N.Y.

A daughter, Kiera Colleen, to **Patrick** and **Melissa Stigliano Norton '00**, Philadelphia

A daughter, Sara Elizabeth, to **Brian** and **Melissa Oliver Hanley '02**, Colorado Springs, Colo.

A daughter, Kyra Hope, to **Kurt** and **Kelly Tate Schollin '03**, Pipersville

A daughter, Molly Erin, to Michael and **Erin Walsh MacDonald**, Catonsville, Md.

02

A daughter, Sara Elizabeth, to **Brian '01** and **Melissa Oliver Hanley**, Colorado Springs, Colo.

03

A daughter, Keira Anne, to **Ryan** and **Colleen Duffy Surace**, Springfield

A daughter, Kyra Hope, to **Kurt '01** and **Kelly Tate Schollin**, Pipersville

04

A son, Owen Donald, to **Jim '05** and **Sheila Broadhead Schalk**, Mechanicsburg

05

A son, Owen Donald, to **Jim** and **Sheila Broadhead Schalk '04**, Mechanicsburg

Deaths

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Eugene Vahey, Sun City, Fla.

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Max Chvotkin, Clarks Summit
Frank Maher, Scranton

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Nicholas Conte, M.D., Colorado Springs, Colo.
Joseph Meinzer, Buffalo, N.Y.

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John P. McGrail, Waldwick, N.J.
Andrew N. Notartomas, Scranton
Norman Tedesco, Old Forge

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Bernard J. Willis, M.D., Carbondale

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Leo V. Murphy, Dunmore

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Daniel T. Berney, M.D., San Clemente, Calif.
Sheldon H. Klein, Scranton

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Robert R. Flanagan, Dunmore
Robert J. Knowles, Clarks Summit
Andrew R. Papa, Scranton
William Rodney, Ph.D., Baltimore, Md.

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Angelo Cerra, Carbondale
Robert Flood, Carbondale
Eugene J. Marrazzo, Dunmore
Jerome Miller, Cherry Hill, N.J.
Basil Senyk, Clarks Summit
Edward Zaleski, M.D., Dearborn, Mich.

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Gerald Farley, Clark, N.J.
Michael J. McNally, M.D., Colorado Springs, Colo.
John J. O'Hara, Bedford, N.H.
John Paul O'Neill, Scranton

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Donald Hennigan Sr., Ph.D., West Chatham, Mass.
Aloysius P. Walsh, Greensboro, N.C.

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Daniel R. Griffiths, Danville, Calif.

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Eugene J. Gannon, Dunmore

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Charles Gelso, Pittston
Murray Rabkin, Boca Raton, Fla.
Vincent J. Lasewicz, Sr., Linwood, N.J.

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Paul Bebla, Vandling
Frank Toth, Rockville, Md.

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James Michael Eagen, Jr., Clarks Summit
Anthony J. Wolfe, Scranton

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Frank Balish, Scranton

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Donald Berry, Scranton

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Nicholas Ross, Dunmore
James Van Fleet, Ph.D., Naples, Fla.

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John F. Hensley, D.M.D., Skaneateles, N.Y.

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Thomas A. Diehl, Pinellas Park, Fla.

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Edward F. Munley, Friendswood, Texas
Anthony Romiti, West Scranton

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Kenneth Swartz, Scranton

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Charles Morin, Brighton, Mass.
Norman H. Weisenfluh, Taylor

G'67

John J. Musto, West Pittston

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William F. McDonnell, Dalton

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Francis Sember, Scott Township

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John D'Angelo, Scranton

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Leland Greene, Clarks Summit
Lawrence J. Toth, Jonestown

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Francis G. Lesniewski, Cottrell Lake

G'74

Eileen K. Wunsch Madigan, Lancaster

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Rev. Joseph T. Gilbert, Scranton
Jayne Loftus Wagner, Dalton

G'76

Frank J. Valvano, III, Tunkhannock

G'77

Audrey Reposh McDonald, Jessup

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Joseph Michael Janowicz, D.M.D., Washington, Conn.

Miriam P. Scully, Worcester, Mass.
Rev. Edward J. Williams, Duryea

G'80

Gerald T. Babarsky, Scranton

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Joseph J. Grenevic, Scranton
Vincent Priorielli, Scranton

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Sheena McDermott, North Arlington, N.J.

G'89

Janice Marie Gable, Ph.D., Phoenixville

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Robert Allen Welch, Martinsburg, W.V.

98

Timothy Cozart, Clarks Summit

06

Christopher David Backo, Carbondale



Alumni Support Student Musicians

Scranton alumni came to hear students participate in the Inter-collegiate Band at West Chester earlier this year. Among the participating students were Billy Pugh, Brian Zaboski and Kathleen Madara. Alumni in the picture include Gene '84 and Jen Langenberger, with daughter Anna; Amy Hitchcock; Linda Sweeney; and Mike and Donna Yasich, with children Jacob and Jade. At center, seated, is Cheryl Boga, director of performance music.

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Thomas Burke, brother of Leo '57
Frances Cino, mother of Charles '59
Philip Condron, father of

Christopher "Kip" '70
Joan Cummings, mother of Atty.
Thomas '87

Dallas K. Deluzio, husband of Cynthia Super Deluzio '81

Donald P. Dolan, father of Atty. Donald '79 and Brian R. '92

Dorothy Duricko, mother of Dr. Allen '67

Nan Fitzsimmons, mother of Richard '65 and Atty. Edward '54

John Gallagher, father of Mark '01

John Gaydosh, father of Tim '82,
Stephanie Gaydosh Gable '99 and

Kristin Gaydosh Glucksnis '94
Arline Genello, mother of Rev. Patrick '79 and Atty. Michael '82

Whilma Geroulo, mother of Hon. Vito Geroulo '69

Fury Giovannucci, father of Rory '73, G'77

Antoinette Grecco, mother of Carl '62 and David '70

Joan Harrison, wife of Eugene '51
Jan Jakubowski, father of Diane

Bonavita '93, Lisa Biggica '96
and Meredith '02

James Jordan, brother of John T. '84
Mary Louise Kelly Joyce, wife of

Gerald '48
Helen Kapcala, mother of Dr. Leonard '70

Peter Kapcala, father Dr. Leonard '70
Judith A. Kasper, mother of Dr. Gerald '77

John T. Kennedy, father of John '86
Leonard Lavelle, father of Leonard '72

Regina Lewis, mother of Tod '99
Phyllis Libassi, mother of Paul '78

and Anthony '80
Walter Longcor, father of Walter Jr. '78

Joan Lydon, wife of Robert '80
John B. Mackarey, father of Albert

'83 and brother of Atty. Albert '49

Paul Mackie, brother of the late Beth '91 and the late Brian '95

John Malewich, brother of Joseph '67
Katherine McAuliffe, mother of Kathleen "Kit" McAuliffe Foley '78

John E. McDonald, father of John E. '77

Lucy McGinnis, mother of James '63
and Gerald '70

Aloise Barrett McNulty, mother of James '66

Doris Milani, wife of Dr. Frank '55
Robert Miller Sr., father of Robert

'73, Joseph '76 and Michael '89
Patsy Montella, father of Joseph,

M.D. '80
Gerard Myers, brother of Arthur '59

Myron Namyak, father of John '84
and Joseph '86

Mary Prezelski, mother of Julius '86
and Janis Vollkommer '82

James P. Rafferty Sr., father of George '83

Eleanore Sable, mother of Dr. Carole '83
and Lenore Sable Morgan '81

David Samuel, father of Barbara
Samuel Loftus G'82

Margaret Sebastianelli, wife of Chester '59

Annette Schaffer, sister of Arch
Leombruni '78 and Mario Leombruni '86

Emery J. Simulak, father of Joseph '85
Rose Stuckart, mother of Maryrita '79

Thomas L. Sweeney, father of
Thomas '71

Doris Titus, mother of Linda '82
Vincent P. Trozzolillo, father of Atty.

Anthony '84 and Maria Calvert '91

Irene Vishnesky, grandmother of Gina
Rakauskas '90 and April Furey

Reuther '92
Thomas Walsh, father of Raoul and

Atty. Kevin '79
Janet Wiercinski, mother of Janet

Wiercinski Beltrandi '92

Mary A. Yeager, mother of Atty.
Brian '65



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