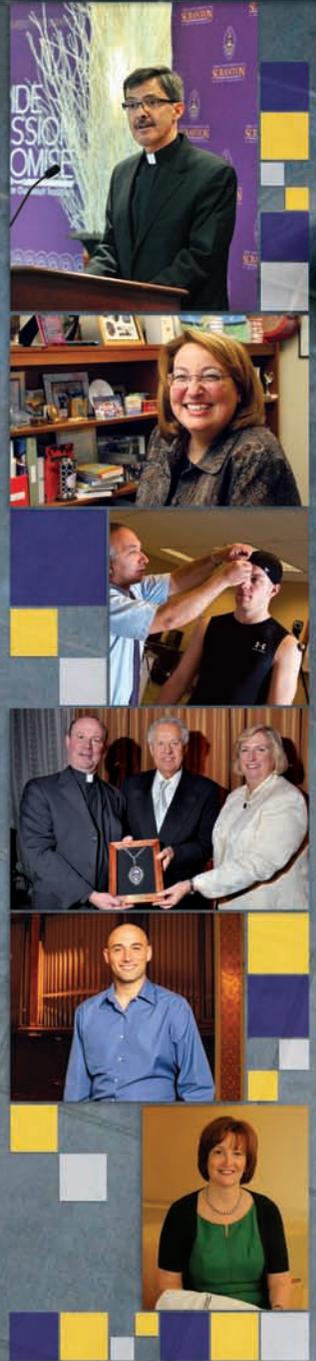


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*“Love ought to show itself in deeds more than in words.”*

— ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

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## A Message from the President

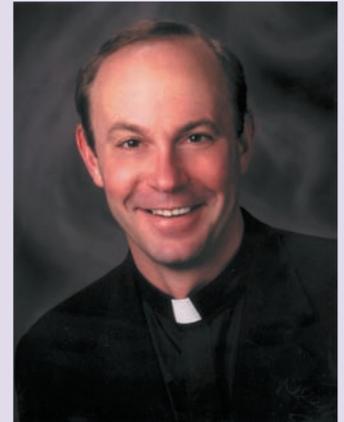
This issue of *The Scranton Journal* concerns a notion central to the spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola that has animated The University of Scranton since the arrival of the Jesuits in 1942. St. Ignatius was motivated throughout his life by the concept of the *magis*. My favorite definition of this important Ignatian term is “a restless desire for excellence grounded in gratitude.” After his conversion when Ignatius experienced God’s proximity and unconditional love, he was filled with a sense of gratitude that stayed with him for the rest of his life. Because Ignatius was acutely aware of all that God was doing in and through him, he wanted to respond by doing great things in return. His goal was to labor along with God, to the best of his abilities, for God’s greater glory and the well-being of humankind.

We have so much for which to be grateful here at Scranton. God’s activity on our campus and among our alumni is palpable. Like Ignatius and the early Jesuits, so many members of the Scranton community want to give back to the world and the Church as best they can. The stories collected in this issue of *The Scranton Journal* illustrate examples of Scranton men and women who are committed to the *magis*. They represent a full range of human activity reminding us of the central Ignatian idea that God can be sought and found in all things. The men and women of the *magis* celebrated in these pages can inspire us all to greater restlessness as we strive to promote the University’s highest ideals and aspirations.

This issue of *The Journal* also introduces you to a Jesuit scholar, teacher and administrator who throughout his years in the Society of Jesus has been motivated by the *magis*. Scranton’s president-elect, Rev. Kevin Quinn, S.J., J.D., Ph.D., will arrive on campus this summer. He brings with him an outstanding record of achievement and a passion for Catholic and Jesuit higher education. I have been privileged to count Kevin as a friend for almost 20 years. This summer I am delighted to hand on to him the great privilege of serving as president of The University of Scranton.

Sincerely,

Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.



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# REVEREND KEVIN P. QUINN, S.J., J.D., PH.D., APPOINTED UNIVERSITY'S 25TH PRESIDENT

## BIO

### EDUCATION

- Ph.D., University of California at Berkeley, 1993
- S.T.L., Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, 1990
- J.D., Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California at Berkeley, 1988
- M.Div., Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley, 1985
- A.B., Fordham University, 1979

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- Santa Clara University (2006-present)  
2007- present Professor of Law  
2006 - present Executive Director, Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education; Enrolled in Alpha Sigma Nu (Jesuit Honor Society), May 2009
- Georgetown University Law Center (1994-2006)  
2000-06 Professor of Law  
1994-2006 Senior Research Fellow/ Faculty Affiliate, Kennedy Institute of Ethics  
1994-2000 Associate Professor of Law  
1998-99 Co-Director, Joint Degree in Philosophy and Law

An esteemed professor of law, respected scholar and advocate for Catholic and Jesuit education will be the next Jesuit to lead The University of Scranton.

The Reverend Kevin P. Quinn, S.J., J.D., Ph.D., executive director of the Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education and a professor of law at Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, Calif., was named the University's 25th president during an on-campus news conference Dec. 15. The announcement came following the Board of Trustees' unanimous decision to select Father Quinn earlier that morning.

Father Quinn will assume his duties as president on July 1, 2011, succeeding the Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., who announced in August that he would leave Scranton to begin service as president of Marquette University in the summer of 2011.

"Father Quinn is an accomplished administrator, distinguished teacher and recognized scholar with a deep and demonstrated commitment to higher education and to the Catholic and Jesuit mission that is at the heart of The University of Scranton," said Christopher "Kip" Condron '70, chair of the University's Board of Trustees and the Presidential Search Committee. "We have great confidence that he is prepared to lead the University forward and to sustain our outstanding momentum."

A national search was conducted by the search committee, which included trustees and representatives from the University's faculty, staff, student body, alumni and administration.

"The University of Scranton is an outstanding institution, and I look forward to working with the board, faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends as we move Scranton to the front ranks of the nation's leading master's-level universities," said Father Quinn. "People make a university great, and what has impressed me most about Scranton is the people."



▲ Christopher "Kip" Condron (right), chair of the University's Board of Trustees, announced the board's unanimous selection of Reverend Kevin P. Quinn, S.J., J.D., Ph.D., as The University of Scranton's 25th president in the Rose Room of Brennan Hall Dec. 15.

"I am thrilled for The University of Scranton and for my friend, Kevin Quinn, S.J.," said Father Pilarz. "I can attest that he is an outstanding scholar, teacher and administrator with an unmatched passion for Catholic and Jesuit higher education."

Father Quinn, 54, has distinguished himself as both a teacher and scholar. As a professor of law, he has taught at Santa Clara University since 2007, also serving as the executive director of the Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education at Santa Clara. From 1994 to 2006, he served at Georgetown University Law Center, first as associate professor before being promoted to full professor.

Father Quinn's legal scholarship is primarily in health care ethics, including book chapters and journal pieces on issues of end-of-life decision making, stem cell research and justice in health care.

Born in Queens, N.Y., and raised on Long Island, N.Y., Father Quinn is the eldest of Patricia and the late Patrick Quinn's four children.

◀ Several media outlets were on hand to report on the announcement of Rev. Kevin P. Quinn, S.J., J.D., Ph.D., as the University's next president.

## INFO

Read more about Father Quinn at  
[www.scranton.edu/25thpresident](http://www.scranton.edu/25thpresident)





▲ During the press conference, Pat Quinn, mother of Father Quinn, could be seen beaming with pride from her front-row seat.



▲ Several members of Father Quinn's family were on hand for the Dec. 15 announcement including his mother, Pat; brother, Denis; his brother's wife, Pat; sisters, Peggy and Kathleen; nephew, Tim; and sister-in-law's mother, Helen O'Grady.



◀ With Christopher "Kip" Condon (right) looking on, Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. (left), president of The University of Scranton, congratulates Father Quinn following the press conference.

## New President Receives Warm Welcome

A standing-room-only crowd welcomed Reverend Kevin P. Quinn, S.J., J.D., Ph.D., as the University's 25th president during his Dec. 15 introductory news conference in the Rose Room of Brennan Hall.

In addition to the students, faculty, staff and alumni in attendance – as well as several regional media outlets – members of Father Quinn's immediate family were also on hand, including his mother, Patricia, brother, Denis, and his sisters, Peggy and Kathleen.

Following an introduction from Christopher "Kip" Condon, chair of the University's Board of Trustees and the Presidential Search Committee, and remarks from longtime friend and University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., Father Quinn addressed the crowd expressing his gratitude and

excitement for his appointment.

"I am extremely energized and excited about joining the Scranton community and helping it continue to fulfill its important mission," he said.

He later added how impressed he's been by how the University "unabashedly" celebrates community and fosters a spirit of caring.

After recognizing his family and fellow Jesuits, Father Quinn concluded, "with my family and my friends in the Lord loving and supporting me, no job can be too tough or, at least, that's my prayer."



► It was standing-room-only inside Brennan Hall's Rose Room during the press conference announcing Father Quinn as the University's president-elect.

## Reactions from the Crowd: Announcement of the 25th President of Scranton

“The combination of connecting the Ignatian vision with strong academic programs, along with Father Quinn's own research agenda in law and medical ethics will enhance our University community and the community of Northeastern Pennsylvania as The University of Scranton gains even greater national recognition.”

— Debra Pellegrino, Ed.D.,  
Dean of the Panuska College of Professional Studies

“Very excited about Fr. Quinn's academic qualifications. I'm also excited about the global outreach that Santa Clara (University) has continued to foster and how Fr. Quinn can help us continue to expand this part of our mission-related programming.”

— Gretchen Van Dyke, Ph.D.,  
Associate Professor of Political Science

“We're very fortunate to get someone of Kevin's caliber, given how competitive the market is. It's great for the institution and it will be a great partnership.”

— Mary Beth Farrell '79,  
Member of the Board of Trustees

“While I'm sorry to lose Fr. Pilarz, I'm thrilled for Fr. Quinn. It's a great opportunity to bring all of his talents to bear on this wonderful University.”

— Rev. Otto Hentz, S.J.,  
Member of the Board of Trustees

“I think he will be an excellent addition to the University. He is very intelligent, very witty, and he knows how to engage in dialogue with others. I think he's well-suited to be president of The University of Scranton.”

— Marie Libassi '12

“One of the things that was apparent in our interviews was he seems to be the kind of person who will fit in, but also elevate our community.”

— George Gomez, Ph.D.,  
Associate Professor of Biology

## What Others are Saying About Scranton

“[A] Jesuit school in every sense of the word. If you come here, expect to be challenged to become a better person, to develop a strong concern for the poor and marginalized, and to grow spiritually and intellectually.”

SOURCE: For the ninth consecutive year, The Princeton Review counted Scranton among the best colleges in North America, profiling the University in its 2011 edition of “The Best 373 Colleges” guidebook.

“The faculty has an unusual commitment to undergraduate teaching.”

SOURCE: *U.S. News & World Report* ranked Scranton among the top 10 best regional universities in the North for the 17th consecutive year in its 2011 edition of “Best Colleges.” For the second year in a row, Scranton was among only 86 schools recognized for expressing a “Strong Commitment to Teaching.”

“Jesuit values add a unique flavor” to the University’s business programs, which “emphasize a contemporary approach to business while simultaneously exploring topics in ethics and social responsibility.”

SOURCE: The Princeton Review has named the Kania School of Management among the best business graduate schools in the country for the sixth consecutive year, as noted in the 11th edition of the “Best 300 Business Schools.”

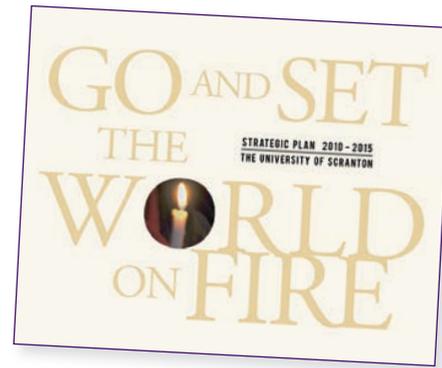
“Students may initially be attracted – because of its acceptance rates its graduates have to medical and law schools – [but] undergraduates stay because of the overriding focus they find on developing the individual student not just academically but also socially, emotionally, and spiritually.”

SOURCE: Scranton is among only 198 colleges in the nation listed in the 11th edition of *Barron’s* “Best Buys in College Education”

# On the Commons

## University Launches New Strategic Plan

The University of Scranton has launched its new strategic plan for 2010-2015. Built upon Scranton’s foundational mission and its vision to prepare outstanding and engaged students who will “go and set the world on fire,” this plan outlines a series of institutional goals within three strategic themes - *cura personalis*, *magis* and *rei sollicitudo*.



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### Cura Personalis

We will be distinctive in the formation of students in the Ignatian tradition, emphasizing discernment, excellence and service. The individual attention we provide to students and families will be reflective of a University community that manifests respect and mutual support in keeping with our Catholic and Jesuit identity.

### Magis

Grounded in gratitude, we will commit ourselves to excellence, especially in academics and student formation, for the greater glory of God and the well-being of humankind.

### Rei Sollicitudo

We will refine financial planning and management practices, cultivate the talents of our people, and invest in our campus in order to sustain and enhance the University we have inherited for future generations.

To view the details of the plan, visit

[www.scranton.edu/strategicplan](http://www.scranton.edu/strategicplan)

## Latin Heritage Dinner Recognizes Local Leaders

Local Latin American community leaders were honored at the fourth annual Latin Heritage Dinner on campus in October.

Sponsored by the Latin Cultural Diversity Center and the Offices of Equity and Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, the event celebrated the larger role that Latino/Latina people are playing in civic life and their dedication to improving the Scranton community.

Among the events notable speakers were Pennsylvania House Representative Ken Smith, Angel Jirau of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs and Rev. Rick Malloy, S.J., vice president for university ministries.

Paul Oreck, owner and president of *La Voz Latina*, Northeast Pennsylvania’s Spanish-language newspaper, received the Latino Community Development Award.

The Latino Humanitarian Award was presented to Pastors Edwin and Zamaris Benitez of the Maranatha Pentecostal Church, which they founded in Scranton nearly five years ago.

## OTHER RECOGNITION

- Scranton was among just 91 colleges ranked as the nation’s “Top Producers of Fulbright Students” in an October 2010 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. This is the sixth consecutive year Scranton has made this elite ranking.
- For the third consecutive year, Scranton is among the prominent universities included in *Forbes* magazine’s online listing of “America’s Best Colleges 2010.”
- Scranton is among just 100 universities listed in *Kiplinger’s* “Best Values in Private Colleges,” a ranking that measures “academic quality and affordability.”
- The University was among the nation’s leading service-oriented colleges – how well universities are meeting their public obligations of providing research, service and social mobility – as noted in *Washington Monthly*.

## New Trustees Appointed

The University of Scranton has named seven individuals to its Board of Trustees:

- Mary Beth Farrell '79, New York, N.Y.
- Matthew Geiger '81, Shrewsbury, Mass.
- Otto H. Hentz, S.J., Washington, D.C.
- George V. Lynett, Jr., Dalton
- Kathleen C. Santora, Esq. '80, Annandale, Va.
- Teresa M. Schafer '81, Berryville, Va.
- Patrick W. Shea, Esq. '78, New York, N.Y.

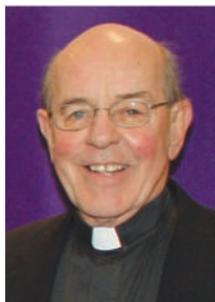
*For additional information and biographical sketches of the members of the Board of Trustees, visit [www.scranton.edu/trustees](http://www.scranton.edu/trustees).*



Mary Beth Farrell '79



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Otto Hentz, S.J.



George Lynett, Jr.



Kathleen Santora, Esq. '80



Teresa Schafer '81



Patrick Shea, Esq. '78



Harold Baillie, Ph.D., (left) provost and vice president for academic affairs, and campus guest Tony Ong, director of press division at the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York City, were on hand to kick off the Asian Studies Concentration's yearlong series of cultural experience.

## University Takes 'Tour' of Asia

The University's Asian Studies Concentration, which launched during the spring 2010 semester, kicked off a yearlong series of events consisting of a variety of cultural experiences representing six Asian countries. The events are meant to provide students with an understanding of the culturally diverse Asian region.

The free, public series began in September with "Encounter with Taiwan: Photo Exhibit and Award-Winning Taiwanese Film Festival," with more than 30 large photographs, with

commentary, and four feature-length films provided by the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York City.

In the following months, the Asian cultural "tour" continued with events focusing on Japan, Korea, Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia. In 2011, the series will concentrate on China in February; India in March; and the Philippines in April. Each exhibition is organized by a member of Scranton's Asian Studies faculty.

## Reconciliation Among Christians Discussed at Symposium

Ecumenism within Christian denominations, particularly in the Roman Catholic Church's relationships with the Orthodox Church and Methodist Church, was discussed at the fall semester's Catholic Studies Lecture. The lecture brought together scholars and clergy involved in ecumenism.

"God's loving purpose ... is to unite humanity – to gather together the scattered children of God. As members of the Church in a divided world, what we are supposed to be doing is bearing witness to the unity that God's love alone makes possible," said Monsignor Paul McPartlan, the Carl J. Peter Professor of Systematic Theology and Ecumenism at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., in his keynote address.

More than 100 students, faculty, staff and community members attended the lecture, entitled "An Exchange of Gifts: Catholic-Orthodox and Catholic-Methodist Dialogue."

Symposium speakers (from left) were Monsignor Paul McPartlan, the Carl J. Peter Professor of Systematic Theology and Ecumenism at the Catholic University of America; the Most Reverend Anthony Mikovsky, Ph.D., Prime Bishop of the Polish National Catholic Church; Rev. Dr. Ephraim Radner, professor of historical theology in Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto; and symposium organizer Will Cohen, Ph.D., assistant professor of theology and religious studies at The University of Scranton.





Joseph Dreisbach, Ph.D., (left) interim associate provost for academic affairs, and George Gomez, Ph.D., associate professor of biology, stand where the science center's rooftop observatory will be located. In the background, Fitzpatrick Field can be seen.

For the latest view of construction, visit

[www.scranton.edu/uswebcam](http://www.scranton.edu/uswebcam)

## Annual Diversity Fair A Success

Nearly 200 students, faculty, staff and community members gathered at the third annual Diversity Fair in November to hear Antonio Flores, Ph.D., president and CEO of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, lecture on social paradoxes in today's modern world.

Dr. Flores' speech, entitled "Fortitude & Promise: Diversity and the American Dream," touched on several topics, including the mid-term elections, Hispanic traditions, and the role family, community service and faith play in Hispanic homes.

Rosetta Adera, director of the Office of Equity and Diversity at Scranton, and Dr. Pedro Anes, president of the Latin American Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania, also spoke during the daylong fair.

Other activities included Native American art workshops, Latin cuisine, indigenous music performed by Tribal Waves, Weepa and Frank LittleBear, and lectures from experts on Latin culture. This year's diversity fair, sponsored by the Office of Equity and Diversity, was based around the central theme, "One face, many mirrors."



Among those attending the November Diversity Fair were (from left) junior Kathleen Shea; Fulbright Teaching Assistant Ennio Navarta of Argentina; senior Caitlin Selitto; Fulbright Teaching Assistant Wen Guan from China; senior Edward Besse; and exchange student Coral Martinez of Mexico.

## Unified Science Center Already Taking Shape

Signs of the desired collaborations among the sciences, students and faculty are already evident in the early stages of construction of the unified science center. Also visible are some of the building's numerous sustainable features.

These themes were touted during a tour of the building by George Gomez, Ph.D., associate professor of biology, and Joseph Dreisbach, Ph.D., interim associate provost for academic affairs, both members of the unified science center steering committee.

According to Dr. Gomez, the building's design provides distinctive "neighborhoods" for the University's departments of biology, chemistry, computing sciences, physics/electrical engineering and mathematics.

However, the design also incorporates elements to encourage interaction through the use of common areas, glass-walled laboratories, shared instrumentation and designated collaborative laboratory spaces.

The unified science center, which will open in fall 2011, is being constructed to meet silver Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification.

## Pioneer in Endocrinology Delivers Mullin Lecture

Nobel Prize-winning endocrine oncologist Andrew V. Schally, Ph.D., M.D., a pioneer in endocrinology and cancer treatment delivered the annual Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture on campus in November.

Dr. Schally's discovery of hypothalamic hormones laid the foundation for modern endocrinology. His subsequent work on hormone-dependent tumors and in developing peptide analogs for cancer treatment led to clinical research and a therapy for prostate cancer that is used today.

The Mullin Lecture series, which has brought to campus some of the world's most distinguished scholars, 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, his daughter, Robbin Mullin.



Andrew V. Schally, Ph.D., M.D., who earned the prestigious Nobel Prize in 1977 for his work in neuroendocrinology, spoke at this fall's annual Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture.

## University Breaks Ground on Mulberry Complex

With some playful tosses of dirt, the University commemorated the groundbreaking of its new 189,000-square-foot apartment and fitness complex in September. The \$33 million complex, located on the 900 block of Mulberry Street, will provide fitness space, a dining area and apartment-style units for 400 juniors and seniors. Pictured (from left) are: Bill Sordoni, Sordoni Construction Services Inc.; David Hemmler, Hemmler + Camayd Architects; Rev. Richard Malloy, S.J., vice president for university ministries; Edward Steinmetz, vice president for finance/treasurer; Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., president; Christopher "Kip" Condron '70, chair of the Board of Trustees; Rita Dileo '11, president of student government; Vincent Carilli, Ph.D., vice president for student affairs; and Patrick Leahy, Ed.D., executive vice president.



# Get to Know Patricia Vaccaro



PATRICIA VACCARO

**Title:** Community Outreach Office Director

**Years at Scranton:** 23 years

**Hometown:** Scranton – “The best place on Earth! All great things lead back to Scranton!”

**Family:** Married for 30 years to her high school sweetheart, Bill. They have one son, Nicholas (age 13), and two labs (Bella and Dunkin’).

**Hobbies/Interests:** Puzzles and trivia games; Friday Sporcling with her work-study students; collecting mother/child figurines; and cooking, baking and eating, of course.

**The Community Outreach Office strives to advance the Jesuit tradition of forming men and women for others. What does “forming men and women for others” mean to you?**

Forming students, in my mind, means to expose them to various populations and opportunities that challenge their beliefs and outlooks.

**What do you want your impact to be on your students’ lives?**

I hope that through their service students have learned to see God in all things, to appreciate all they have been given and that they don’t forget to give back.

**How does your staff get nearly 2,900 students to perform more than 170,000 service hours each year?**

We work really hard! We try to provide as many different opportunities as we can – both on campus and off campus. Scranton is an area that is in great need, and our students are so generous in assisting the local community!

**Your office coordinates several notable events, from food drives to spring break service trips. What event do you find most rewarding?**

I find every interaction with our students rewarding. I love processing the experiences with students, hearing how they were challenged, what they loved about it and their frustrations around it.

**You have been at Scranton for more than 23 years. How has the institution changed?**

Outside of the amazing physical transformation, Scranton has embraced the growth of our service program. When I first began, the office was grant funded; now it is absorbed in the University’s budget. That, in my eyes, is a REAL commitment to service!

**How has our Jesuit university remained the same?**

The mission of this great institution is solid. The University has always had a great sense of helping the Scranton community – and not only on the student level – but staff, faculty and administration as well.

**You listed “Sporcling with students” as one of your hobbies. What do you enjoy most about it?**

Playing trivia games with students is a great way to end the week! I know all the answers from the 60s, 70s and 80s before they were born, so the students think I’m brilliant!

*Editor’s Note: Sporcle.com is a trivia quiz website on which users have a set time limit within which to name all of the items in a given subject.*

**You recently shared your award-winning homemade manicotti recipe in a local newspaper article. Will you share with us your secret?**

The secret ingredient in this and all of my baking and cooking (and my rice krispies treats) ... my stuff is made with love!

## University Police Ready to Protect & Serve

After months of extensive preparation, the University’s Public Safety Department officially began to operate as a full-service, professional University Police force at the start of the fall semester.

Through the summer months, University Police officers completed training that exceeded requirements of municipal police departments. In addition to 80 hours of firearms training in the Police Academy, University officers received training in building searches, marksmanship and advanced tactics.

University Police will continue to deter and prevent crime by patrolling the campus and surrounding areas, responding to all emergencies, conducting criminal investigations, enforcing parking regulations, and working in

close cooperation with the Office of Student Conduct. In November, the force also introduced a bicycle patrol, which will increase coverage while complementing the University’s initiative of sustainability.



Donald Bergmann, director of public safety and chief of police, stands next to a University Police vehicle, complete with redesigned graphics. In 2010, University Police officers engaged in extensive training in order to complete the transition into a full-service, professional police force.

## President Emeritus Marks 50th Anniversary of Ordination

Rev. Joseph Allan Panuska, S.J., Ph.D., the University's president emeritus, celebrated the 50th anniversary of his ordination as a Jesuit priest at a July Mass and reception in his hometown of Baltimore, Md.



Rev. Joseph Allan Panuska, S.J., Ph.D.

In July 1982, Rev. Panuska became the University's 22nd president, and led the Jesuit institution through June 1998. His 16 years as president is the longest tenure of any president in the school's history. He piloted the University through a significant physical expansion – leading to the construction of 15 new buildings – as well as a substantial increase in the number of faculty and an improvement in the University's reputation for academic excellence.

Currently, Rev. Panuska resides at the Colomiere Jesuit Community in Baltimore.

## 'University for a Day' Delves into Deep Material

Members of the greater Scranton community had the opportunity to relive their college days at the Schemel Forum's "University for a Day" in October.



Ann Pang-White, Ph.D., professor and Philosophy Department chair, examined the roots of care ethics during her lecture at the Schemel Forum's "University for a Day."

Professor and Philosophy Department Chair Ann Pang-White, Ph.D., kicked off the day, leading the "Where East Meets West: Confucian Philosophy and a Post-Modern Ethics of Care" lecture, examining attitudes and writings of Western philosophers, including Immanuel Kant, Aristotle and Confucius.

Other lectures included "Our Peculiar Institution: Slavery in the South" by attorney Morey M. Myers; "Scaling the University's Gates: The Professor in the Community" by Clement Price, professor of African American studies and founding director of the Institute on Ethnicity, Culture and the Modern Experience at Rutgers University, Newark, N.J.; and "Books and Argumentation: A Panel Discussion," which featured authors Christopher Hitchens and Jay Parini, and was moderated by Myers.

Through the educational initiative, participants attended a series of lectures covering a broad spectrum of topics at the DeNaples Center, as well as the Scranton Cultural Center.

Professor and Philosophy Department Chair Ann Pang-White, Ph.D., kicked off the



## Six Students Earn Service Awards

Six Scranton students who committed to completing 300 hours of individual service in the community during the academic year have been recognized as AmeriCorps Scholars in Service to Pennsylvania for 2010-2011. Seated (from left) are: Lauren DelleDonne, Sarah Cil and Lori Moran, assistant director of the Community Outreach Office. Standing (from left) are: Katherine Juliano, Kelly Evans, Kathleen Callahan and David Hopp.

## A Thanksgiving Day Feast

Through the Thanksgiving food basket drive, University students and the Community Outreach Office donated 175 baskets – complete with turkeys and all the trimmings – to area families. Approximately 150 students participated by collecting donations, picking up food from distributors, packing bags and delivering to homes. Donations were presented to the Feed a Friend program of United Neighborhood Centers, the food pantry at St. Paul's Church and the University's Leahy Community Health and Family Center for distribution. Pictured (from left) are students David Hopp, Lauren Nichols, Kaitlyn Frazza and Ann Zeleniak, as well as Ellen Judge, administrative assistant for the Community Outreach Office.



## Rose Garden Honors Rev. G. Donald Pantle, S.J.

Through the generosity of James J. Knipper '81 and Teresa Poloney Knipper '82, the Rev. G. Donald Pantle, S.J., Rose Garden was dedicated on campus June 19, marking Fr. Pantle's 50th Ordination Anniversary.

Jim and Teresa Knipper dedicated the garden at the corner of Linden Street and Monroe Avenue, adjacent to the Chapel of the Sacred Heart, in gratitude for their longtime friendship with Rev. Pantle.

The celebration began with a Mass at Nativity of Our Lord Church in south Scranton followed by the garden dedication and a reception for more than 300 family and friends on the patio of the DeNaples Center.



Teresa Poloney Knipper '82 (from left), James J. Knipper '81, Rev. G. Donald Pantle, S.J., and Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University president, enjoy a moment together during the rose garden's dedication in June.

## Conference Celebrates 20th Anniversary of Americans with Disabilities Act

BY LAURA BONAWITS '11

A host of nationally prominent speakers came to The University of Scranton's 9th Annual Northeastern U.S. Conference on disAbility on Oct. 6, celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

U.S. Senator Robert P. Casey, Jr. encouraged the 150 people attending the conference's awards luncheon to celebrate and draw inspiration from the 20th anniversary of the landmark legislation.

"I think it's important that we use celebrations like this – whether it's a ninth or 20th – to indeed be inspired to do more," Sen. Casey said.

Earlier in the day, the Honorable Lynnae Ruttledge, the newly appointed commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration in the U.S. Department of Education, delivered the conference's opening address via teleconference, stressing the importance of integrating people with disabilities into the workplace and realizing their value.



Among those attending the 9th Annual Northeastern U.S. Conference on disAbility were (from left) Debra Pellegrino, Ed.D., dean of the Panuska College of Professional Studies; honorary chairpersons of the conference Edward R. Leahy and Patricia Leahy; U.S. Senator Robert P. Casey, Jr.; and conference chairpersons Rebecca Spirito Dalgin, Ph.D., associate professor of counseling and human services; and Jennifer Pennington, secretary for the Office of Equity and Diversity.

# Celebrate the Evolution The ADA



In another morning session, Andrew Imparato, CEO and president of the American Association of Persons with Disabilities, emphasized the impact the ADA has made thus far, the importance of embracing one's own disability, and accepting people with disabilities in places of employment.

Nearly 400 students and community members attended the conference's town meeting session presented by award-winning journalist John Hockenberry, who was paralyzed following a car accident at the age of 19.

Hockenberry said that as enthusiastic as he was about resuming his college career, he found it to be difficult and very challenging. At times, he felt he was the "lone advocate" for himself, explaining he had to overcome obstacles every day.

"Thirty-four years later, being disabled is not that unusual," Hockenberry said as he encouraged members of the audience to "challenge and change the way we think of 'normal.'"

The conference, titled "Celebrate the Evolution: The ADA at 20 Years," was presented by The University of Scranton's Panuska College of Professional Studies and the Edward R. Leahy, Jr. Endowment. Honorary chairpersons were Edward R. Leahy '68, H'01 and Patricia Leahy, director of Governmental Affairs for the National Rehabilitation Association.



## UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES Class of 2014 Presidential Scholars

The University awarded 11 incoming students four-year, full-tuition Presidential Scholarships, recognizing their outstanding records in their high school and community involvement. The scholarship covers four years of full tuition provided that the student maintains at least a 3.25 grade point average.

The following students were awarded Presidential Scholarships:

- Mary Armstrong, Endwell, N.Y.
- Christian Burne, Langley Air Force Base, Va.
- Joseph Butacci, West Wyoming
- Michelle D'Souza, East Meadow, N.Y.
- Craig Fisher, Scranton
- Theresa Iannuzzi, Shrewsbury
- Emily Johnson, Brookeville, Md.
- Deanna Lindberg, Bridgewater, N.J.
- Lauren Prinzing, Penfield, N.Y.
- Louis Porreca, Marlton, N.J.
- Matthew Tibbitts, West Hartford, Conn.

## Breaking down the Class of 2014 by the numbers

**970** Number of students  
in the Class of 2014

**1,126** Average SAT score

**15** Number of high school valedictorians  
and salutatorians in class

More than **400** high schools represented

**24%** **13** States represented  
Percentage of students from  
northeast Pennsylvania

**71** Number legacy children,  
including **15** from alumni  
couples

## Political Science Faculty Member Honored

Jean Wahl Harris, Ph.D., professor and chair of the Political Science Department, was awarded the John L. Earl III Award for service to the University, the faculty and the wider community during the University's fall convocation Sept. 3. This award is presented annually to a member of the University community who demonstrates the spirit of generosity and dedication that the late Dr. John Earl, a distinguished professor of history, exemplified during his years at Scranton from 1964 to 1996.

Dr. Harris, who joined the University's faculty in 1987, has served on numerous University committees and in several positions on the faculty union, including as the union's first woman president. She was instrumental in establishing the University's Women's Studies Program and the Jane Kopas Women's Center on campus.

Pictured at the presentation of the 12th annual John L. Earl III Award (from left) are: Harold Baillie, Ph.D., provost and vice president for academic affairs; Jean Wahl Harris, Ph.D., Earl Award recipient, professor and chair of the Political Science Department; and Mike Harris, Dr. Harris' husband.



## Mahoney Named KSOM Professor of the Year

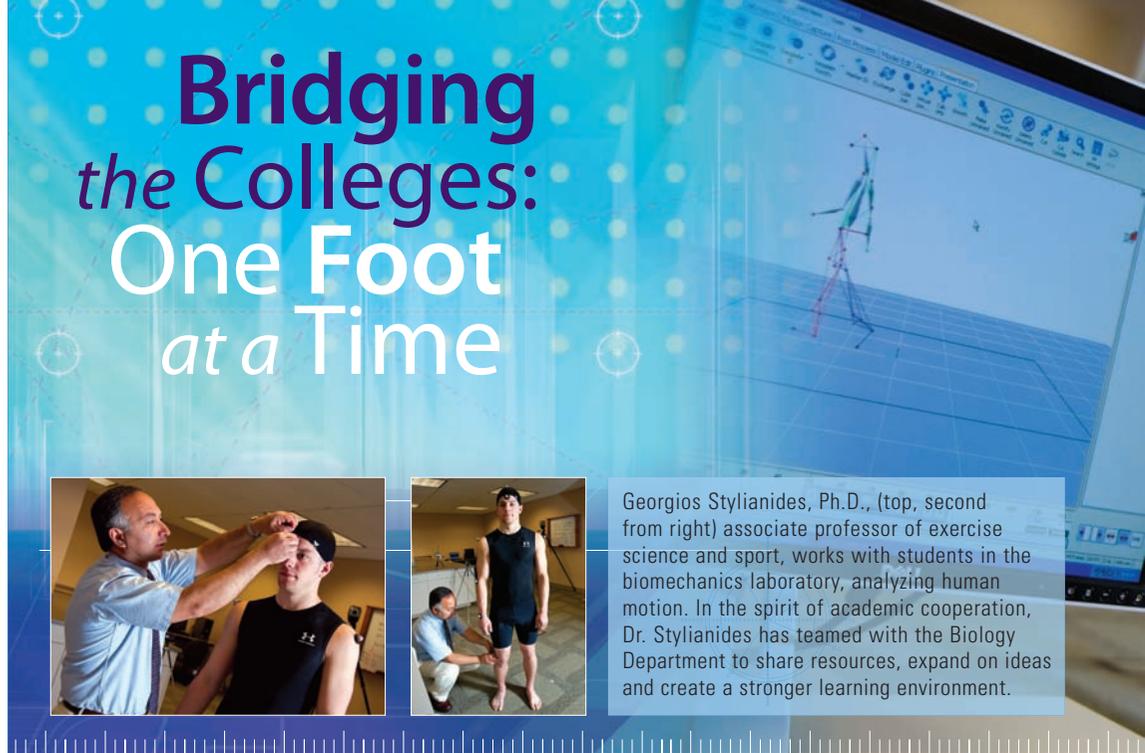
For the second time since 2006, the Business Club named Daniel P. Mahoney, Ph.D., professor of accounting, as the Kania School of Management (KSOM) Professor of the Year.

Dr. Mahoney, who started teaching at the University in 1990, has received several awards for teaching excellence at Scranton. He was voted Teacher of the Year by the class of 2001 and received the Alpha Sigma Nu Edward Gannon, S.J., Award for Teaching in 2004.

In addition, Dr. Mahoney was named the 2007 Outstanding Educator by the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants (PICPA).



Daniel Mahoney, Ph.D.



Georgios Stylianides, Ph.D., (top, second from right) associate professor of exercise science and sport, works with students in the biomechanics laboratory, analyzing human motion. In the spirit of academic cooperation, Dr. Stylianides has teamed with the Biology Department to share resources, expand on ideas and create a stronger learning environment.

Research is viewed by some as falling into two categories: applied and basic.

Applied research is used to solve practical problems and, in the end, improve the human condition. Basic research is used to expand knowledge for its own sake; it generally has no commercial value, although it also improves the human condition through enhancing our understanding of our world.

In academics the two types of research often exist in tension with one another – except at Scranton.

While the University's Exercise Science Department's course in biomechanics and the Biology Department's comparative biomechanics course are two very different courses that deal with the same principles, their professors and students have found common ground.

In the spirit of academic cooperation, Professor David Hair, chair of the Exercise Science Department, suggested that Georgios Stylianides, Ph.D., an exercise science professor, and Janice

Voltzow, Ph.D., chair of the Biology Department, combine their knowledge and utilize the University's biomechanics lab together.

The biomechanics lab is equipped with high-speed digital cameras to satisfy a real-time, three-dimensional environment, a forceplate, electromyography (EMG) equipment, and some powerful software and computers.

It is in the lab that Dr. Stylianides' students learn the basics of human motion, and at the same time, how complicated that motion can be. Through their studies, the students can analyze movement for the purpose of improving sport dynamics or analyzing gait problems so as to correct anatomical problems.

Dr. Voltzow also teaches a biomechanics course, but one that analyzes animals and plants using a multi-level approach ranging from individual molecules and cells to whole organisms and their ecological systems. The course applies physics and engineering

## New Faculty Members Announced

The University has appointed 21 new full-time faculty members for the 2010-11 academic year. For more information, visit [www.scranton.edu/newfaculty](http://www.scranton.edu/newfaculty).

- Michael Allocca, Ph.D., visiting assistant professor of mathematics
- Patrick Mahaney Clark, Ph.D., assistant professor of theology and religious studies

- Teresa Conte, M.S.N., instructor of nursing
- Jennifer Cutsforth, Ph.D., assistant professor of education
- Sean Devine, Ph.D., lecturer of chemistry
- Verna Eschenfelder, Ph.D., lecturer of occupational and physical therapy
- Linda Lewis Goffredo, M.S.N., lecturer of nursing
- Bradley Gregory, Ph.D., assistant professor of theology and religious studies

- Joan Grossman, Ph.D., assistant professor of exercise science and sports
- Herb Hauser, Ph.D., lecturer of psychology
- Gina Kucinski, Ph.D., lecturer of mathematics
- William Lambert, faculty specialist for occupational and physical therapy
- Andrew LaZella, Ph.D., assistant professor of philosophy
- Sehba Mahmood, Ph.D., assistant professor of education

- Michelle McHugh, assistant professor of library
- Kathryn Shively Meier, Ph.D., assistant professor of history
- Matthew Meyer, Ph.D., assistant professor of philosophy
- Sandy Pesavento, lecturer of education
- Yi Ren, assistant professor in accounting
- Ana Rojas, Ph.D., assistant professor of English
- Marc Seid, Ph.D., assistant professor of biology



principles to biology, giving students a greater understanding of the functions of organisms.

In his course's lab exercises, Dr. Stylianides and his students place specially made reflectors on certain joints of their test subjects' (usually themselves) bodies along with surface electrodes to pick up information on muscular activity. Then the 3-D system allows them to recreate the human body's motion in real time and in three dimensions on the computer. Students can then see the differences and similarities of motion in humans from multiple angles.

Dr. Voltzow's students' experience in Dr. Stylianides' lab brought an added dimension to the application of the principles they had been investigating. They had learned that at a certain speed on the treadmill it is easier to run than to walk and that while running both legs are off the ground. The equipment Dr. Stylian-

**In the lab students learn the basics of human motion, and at the same time, how complicated that motion can be.**

ides demonstrated in their visit can be used to analyze the principles they had studied.

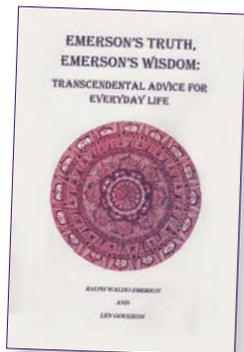
Following her work with Dr. Stylianides, Dr. Voltzow decided the next time she offers her biomechanics course, she will take her students earlier in the semester to allow for more interaction between the classes, which will also create more opportunities for research collaboration. Although the ultimate goals of Dr. Stylianides' and Dr. Voltzow's professional research could not be more different, their teaching and the principles of biomechanics overlap and this commonality allows them to share their resources and ideas with their students for the benefit of all involved.

*This is an excerpt from the fall 2010 issue of Ignite, the University's academic journal. To view the full Ignite article, visit [www.scranton.edu/facultyresearch](http://www.scranton.edu/facultyresearch).*

## Gougeon Explores 'Emerson's Truths'

Len Gougeon, Ph.D., an English and theatre professor, recently published a new book titled "Emerson's Truth, Emerson's Wisdom: Transcendental Advice for Everyday Life." The book is part biography, part commentary and part anthology, and attempts to explain Ralph Waldo Emerson's thoughts by connecting them to his personal life and then to issues relating to modern life, both personal and social.

During his 37 years at Scranton, Dr. Gougeon has published numerous



articles and four books dealing with major literary figures of the antebellum period, with most of his recent work concentrating on Emerson, considered by many scholars to be the central cultural figure in nineteenth-century America.

## Biberman Receives Outstanding Service Award

Gerald Biberman, Ph.D., professor of management and marketing, received the 2010 Outstanding Service Award from the Organizational Behavior Teaching Society: Teaching Society for Management Educators at the organization's 37th annual conference held in Albuquerque, N.M.



Gerald Biberman, Ph.D.

## LaManna Honored by Kappa Delta Pi

Sandra LaManna, a faculty specialist in the Education Department, was recently named Kappa Delta Pi Teacher of the Year by Scranton's chapter of the international honor society in education. The Kappa Delta Pi Teacher of the Year award is presented annually to a faculty member selected by student members of the honor society.



Sandra LaManna

## Zalon Inducted as Nursing Fellow

Margarete Lieb Zalon, Ph.D., professor of nursing, was one of 116 nurse leaders inducted as American Academy of Nursing Fellows during the academy's annual conference in November. Selection criteria include evidence of significant contributions to nursing and health care, and two current Academy Fellows must sponsor each nominee.

Dr. Zalon's leadership legacy includes grassroots advocacy, progressive program design, execution, and outcomes in state and national nursing organizations focused on establishing practice and education policy, and building research funding capacity.



Margarete Zalon, Ph.D.

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As part of an ongoing series, The University of Scranton held regional receptions for the *Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign*. More than 100 alumni, parents and friends attended the University's receptions that took place in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and Springfield, N.J. Smaller receptions also took place in Princeton, N.J., and Boston, Mass., this past fall as part of our effort to invite every member of the University community to participate in this campaign.

## WILKES-BARRE, PA RECEPTION



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More than 50 people attended the University's reception on Oct. 27 at the Westmoreland Club in downtown Wilkes-Barre.

- 1 Attendees share a laugh during the *Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign* reception.
- 2 The Westmoreland Club, located in a landmark Georgian mansion in the heart of Wilkes-Barre, provided an elegant background for the University's reception.

3 Lauren O'Shea '04 (from left) and Timothy O'Shea speak with Patrick Leahy, Ed.D., the University's executive vice president, in Wilkes-Barre.

4 Alumni, friends and family gather at the Westmoreland Club for the Oct. 27 event.



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## SPRINGFIELD, NJ RECEPTION



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5 Scott Pachuta '06 (from left) and his parents, Denise and Donald Pachuta, were among those in attendance at the Springfield, N.J., reception.

6 Toni Russo (left) and Stacy Russo were on hand for the reception.

7 Joseph Hanlon '90 (left) and Cheryl Moran '85 enjoy a moment together in Springfield.

8 Alumni, family and friends reunite for a special night commemorating the University's *Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign*.



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The University of Scranton

# PRESIDENT'S BUSINESS COUNCIL

*Ninth Annual Award Dinner*

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## Sebastianelli Receives President's Medal

On Thursday, Oct. 7, the University's President's Business Council (PBC) held its *Ninth Annual Award Dinner* at The Pierre Hotel in New York City. The evening was another spectacular night for the University as Joseph T. Sebastianelli, Esq., '68, president and chief executive officer of Jefferson Health System, Inc., was presented with the President's Medal.

As announced by dinner co-chair Thomas G. Hogan Jr. '79, senior vice president of MetLife, Inc., the gala surpassed the \$1.1 million mark,

Since its inception, the President's Business Council's Annual Award Dinner has generated more than \$9.25 million for the endowment.

making it the third most successful dinner with respect to dollars raised in its nine-year history. On behalf of his fellow dinner co-chair, Arthur J. Kania, Esq., '53, senior partner of Kania, Lindner, Lasak & Feeney, and the entire PBC, Hogan graciously thanked the more than 550 attendees for their generous support.

Proceeds from the annual dinner go directly to Scranton's Presidential Scholarship Endowment Fund, which supports full-tuition scholarships awarded by the University to its most academically qualified incoming students. Including this year's dinner, more than \$9.25 million has been generated for the endowment.

A native of Jessup, and a current member of the University's Board of Trustees, Sebastianelli compiled a long and distinguished career in the health care and insurance industries, as well as the legal profession, before joining Jefferson Health System, Inc. in 2002. JHS is the largest, most successful health system in southeastern Pennsylvania and the second largest provider in the state. He and his wife, Leanne, reside in Berwyn, with their daughter, Julia. He also has three sons and three grandchildren.

Daniel J. Herr '11, a senior majoring in biochemistry, cell and molecular biology, and philosophy, from Lake Hopatcong, N.J.,

Guests attending this year's dinner included:

[1] from left: George W. "Pete" Murphy III '82, Jack Lynch '83, Rachele '84 and Tom '79 Browning. [2] From left: Bill Burkavage, Ann and David Hawk, and Margaret Q., Au.D., and John, D.D.S, '75 Mariotti.

[3] Dinner Co-Chair Thomas G. Hogan Jr. '79, senior vice president of MetLife, Inc., announced that the dinner raised \$1.1 million for the Presidential Scholarship Endowment Fund.

[4] Christopher M. "Kip" Condron '70 (left) is joined by his brother, Phil, and University Business Leadership Program students Joe Stella '11 and Mike Shertz '11.

[5] Presidential Scholars who attended the dinner were (front row, from left): Kristen Fenocchi, Maria Gubbiotti, Elizabeth Reedy, Caitlin Mancuso and Victoria Lombardo; (second row, from left) Daniel Herr, Anthony Stefanelli and Edward Besse.

[6] Prior to the dinner, Nicole (from left) and Matthew DeMaio join Kelly '88 and Michael Mulroy.

[7] The President's Medal is presented to individuals who have achieved excellence in his or her field and have demonstrated extraordinary compassion for others.

[8] The Pierre in New York City was the backdrop for the Ninth Annual Award Dinner, which drew approximately 575 attendees.





2010 Dinner Honoree, Joseph T. Sebastianelli, Esq., '68, president & CEO of Jefferson Health System, Inc. (center), accepts the President's Medal from University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. (left), and Mary Beth Farrell '79, chair of the President's Business Council.

delivered remarks and a thank you on behalf of all of the Presidential Scholars. Herr credited the Presidential Scholarship with providing him an educational opportunity that was otherwise financially beyond his reach.

"The Presidential Scholarship ... and my education at The University of Scranton has had a profound impact on me," Herr said.

Mary Beth Farrell '79, chair of the PBC, and Christopher M. "Kip" Condron '70, director,

president and CEO of AXA Financial, Inc., founding chair of the PBC and chair of the University's Board of Trustees, shared the role of master of ceremonies for the evening. Farrell recognized the large contingent of alumni from the Philadelphia area and hoped that it would become an annual occurrence.

With his upcoming move to Marquette University in the summer, this year's dinner was the eighth and final one for Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., as University president. Fr. Pilarz reiterated that "the great privilege of my Jesuit life is to serve as the president of The University of Scranton."

He thanked alumni and friends for their "tremendous and generous support for this dinner and the magic that it works in the lives of our students."

The evening's program also included comments from two of the honoree's friends. Harvey C. Sigelbaum, senior advisor at The Riverside Company, and a close friend of Sebastianelli for more than 30 years, spoke about Joe's early career. John J. "Jack" Lynch III '83, president and

chief executive officer of Main Line Health, one of the hospitals that comprise JHS, noted "over my five years at Main Line, I have come to know, respect and admire Joe for a number of reasons."

The evening concluded with the presentation of the President's Medal and acceptance remarks by Sebastianelli. In addition to expressing his deep gratitude, Sebastianelli reflected on the role of his family, particularly his parents, both of whom emigrated from Italy to the United States. "Like so many of our ancestors, the driving force in my parents' lives was to educate their children," he said.

Beyond the Annual Award Dinner, the PBC provides networking opportunities for alumni and friends, as well as mentoring, internship, educational and career opportunities for current students. In the coming year, the PBC will be working to expand its initiatives to reach a greater population of alumni in the business communities.

Please mark your calendar as the PBC prepares for the *Tenth Annual Award Dinner* on Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011. For more information about the PBC, please contact Timothy J. Pryle '89, director of the PBC, at 570-941-5837, or visit our website at [www.scranton.edu/pbc](http://www.scranton.edu/pbc).

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DANIEL J. HERR '11  
PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR

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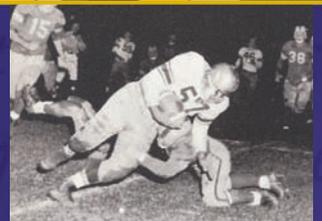
At The University of Scranton, we want our students to be motivated by the *magis*, a restless desire for excellence grounded in gratitude. This pursuit is one we hope lasts a lifetime as our alumni take their incredible gifts – strengthened by our Jesuit principles of being “men and women for others” – and share them with the world.

In the following pages, we highlight eight such Scranton alumni who have pursued professional excellence, all while serving the needs of others.

*Love consists  
in sharing  
what one has  
and what one is  
with those  
one loves.*

*Love ought  
to show itself  
in deeds  
more than  
in words.*

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# Geoff Speicher

## Alumnus Successfully Mends Music and Computers

**G**eoff Speicher '97, G'99 is a model of humility.

He co-owns a computer company, but he goes by the title of software engineer.

He's a leader in the effort to raise \$100,000 to maintain a pipe organ at The University of Scranton's concert hall, yet he credits others for the campaign.

He's also a professional musician who plays tenor trombone, bass trombone and tuba, but often plays out of his love for music rather than money.

"I try to let my actions speak for themselves," says the 35-year-old native of Archbald, who earned a bachelor's degree in computer science and a master's in software engineering.

Those who know Speicher, however, say this self-described quiet guy displays a deep passion for his work and music that is rare in today's world.

"I'm seldom speechless," says Cheryl Boga, the University's director of Performance Music. "But I can't find the words to show the level of respect I have for Geoff Speicher."

"I can't imagine the last 12 years of the music program without him," she continues. "He has become one of my dearest friends, and he's as committed as the day is long."

One of his commitments is the campaign to raise funding to maintain the University's Austin Opus 301 symphonic organ. The 3,178-pipe instrument was built in 1910 in the church that became the University's Houlihan-McLean Center, home of the college's Performance Music program.

"As an undergraduate, I was always fascinated by this Goliath of an instrument that had fallen into a state of disrepair," says Speicher, who plays with the University's band. (His daughter Alyssa, a high school senior, plays bassoon with the band.) After



While writing software is his day job, Geoff Speicher '97, G'99 is also an accomplished musician who often plays with the University's band. He has been instrumental in the effort to raise \$100,000 to maintain a pipe organ in the University's Houlihan-McLean Center.

the organ was restored in 2005, the next step was to create a fund to maintain it "in perpetuity," he says.

True to his nature, Speicher gives much of the credit for the fund to Mike Manzano '90, who plays tuba with the band.

"Geoff's very, very generous, but he's also very humble," says Manzano.

"He'll be part of something, but he likes to be in the background," Manzano says.

"He doesn't want to take credit. He's not a cheerleader for himself."

When he's not pursuing his musical passions with the University's band or as a professional trombone player in the Scranton area, Speicher is writing software for his company, Software Engineering Associates in Archbald, a 15-person firm he co-founded in 1999.

"It's a funny thing," he says of his work. "It's a lot like music. You're creating something from nothing."

"You have yourself, a computer, and an idea," he says. "It's up to your individual creative talent to see it through from there."

Speicher says his career choice was a difficult decision. "I was torn between music

and computers," he recalls, but ultimately decided on computers and hasn't looked back.

His dedication to his field is manifested in a project that's been 10 years in the making: a software-writing tool he's just beginning to market.

At the office, Speicher is "incredibly focused, and talented above all," says Eric Tallman '06, a software engineer whom Speicher hired.

"I've been here three years, and I still learn a ton from him every day," Tallman says. "I'm one of those fortunate people who loves coming to work because I know what's waiting for me. Geoff's always looking for ways to improve himself and the work we do."

For Speicher, whether it's playing his trombone or working at his "day job," the key to his success is self-motivation.

"I think the best advice I can give," he says, "is to find something that you love and go after it." ❖

# Ned Panfile

## Longtime Coach About More Than Wins and Losses

It didn't take long for Ned Panfile '59 to realize his mistake.

Just two weeks after arriving at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., on a football scholarship in 1954, Panfile decided the school wasn't for him. The team, the classes and practicing on the Potomac River were all nice, but it wasn't Scranton.

"I missed the people," Panfile says. "I missed the area."

Luckily for Panfile, the door wasn't closed on a return home. He was originally offered a scholarship to The University of Scranton out of high school and when he called longtime coach Peter Carlesimo, the offer still stood.

"I am so glad I made the switch," Panfile explains. "The people at Scranton are caring. They're very friendly. There is just a different atmosphere in the town and at the school."

As soon as Panfile started classes at Scranton, he realized the benefits of a Jesuit education as well. The University's professors weren't concerned how the scrappy fullback played on Saturdays. They wanted him to be successful in his everyday life.

"The University of Scranton wasn't a football machine, it was an academic machine," Panfile says. "I had to really change all my ways of studying and preparing for classes."

Panfile didn't get a break on the football field either. Carlesimo made sure his players embraced their education with the same rigor they played with.

"He kept me in line," Panfile recalls. "After my freshman year I realized education came first. Carlesimo was the type of person who made you understand that."

Panfile took full advantage of the Jesuit education he received, reaped the benefits and shared what he learned. For 42 years he worked as a teacher, coach and administrator at Manville High School in central New Jersey. Panfile's crowning coaching achievement came in 1968, leading the Mustangs to an undefeated football season.

He was also a football coach at Princeton University for 20 years, serving as the freshman head coach from 1980-1985.

According to former student and fellow coach Brett Stibitz, Panfile tried to impart his blue-collar attitude on each of his students and players.

"He was the kind of guy who if you needed a shirt, he'd give you the one off his back, but then 10 minutes later he'd yell at you," Stibitz laughs. "He realized you have to be hard and stern with the kids but, on the flip side, they've got to know that you love them and respect them."

The fruits of Panfile's labor can be seen throughout the community, according to Stibitz.

"He was truly Mr. Manville," Stibitz says. "If anything happened – good or bad – he was always the first on the scene to offer congratulations or help."

To commemorate his years of service to Manville High, school officials went so far as to rename its football field "Ned Panfile Stadium" in a ceremony this past September.

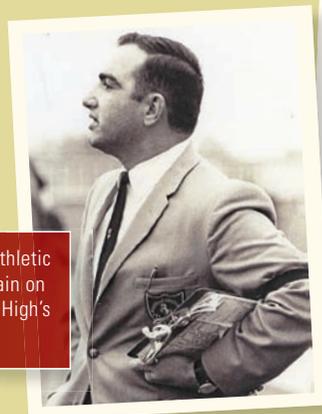
Panfile says he's softened and slowed down over the years, but those who know him disagree. Every morning he's at the high school at 6 a.m., ready to help. He might officially be retired but his work with the school board and time assisting the football team suggest otherwise.

"The heart and desire he has today is the same he had 40 years ago," Stibitz says. "I'm truly honored that I had a man like that in my life."

Panfile doesn't make it back to Scranton too often these days, but he's still connected with the University. He sent both of his children – Ned and Nadine – to the school and is thankful for the life his Jesuit education afforded him.

"It gave me the opportunity to be a successful person in my field," Panfile says. ❖

Long before Manville High School named its athletic field after him, Ned Panfile '59 was a co-captain on the Scranton football team and later Manville High's beloved football coach and administrator.



## 'The Colonel's Daughter' Grew Up At the University

**M**ary Lawhon Triano's first recollections of The University of Scranton don't involve freshman orientation, her first term paper or even her first late-night study session.

Of all things, she remembers Girl Scout cookies.

As the eighth of Patricia G'77 and Col. Zim E. Lawhon's 13 children, Mary peddled the sweet treats as a youngster with her two sisters in front of the Gunster Student Center, the predecessor of the DeNaples Center.

For Triano '86, G'99, now a clinical nurse practitioner for palliative care at the Institute of Palliative Medicine ([www.iopmpc.com](http://www.iopmpc.com)), her childhood was spent on the Commons.

Back then, Triano was known as "the Colonel's daughter," an affectionate nickname bestowed on her — and her nine sisters — because their father, a longtime registrar at Scranton, was so identifiable on campus.

"Even today, I'm still known as the 'Colonel's daughter' to many people," laughs Triano, who, with her husband, Paul, has three college-aged daughters.

She has vivid memories of attending Sunday mass in Nevils dormitory with other faculty's families. And the Lawhon family never seemed to miss a musical performance on campus. Thanksgiving dinner always meant a few extra plates for a faculty member or two who elected not to travel home. And any stray graduate student seemed to bunk at the Lawhons' North Washington Avenue home.

"The college has always been a part of our lives. Always," explains Triano, who actually graduated with her two sisters, Patricia and Rebecca. (In all, nine Lawhons graduated from the University with six matriculating between 1985 and 1988.)

It may come as little surprise that Mary's ties to Scranton remain strong today.

After completing her undergraduate nursing degree, Triano returned to be a part of the University's inaugural nurse practitioner program, receiving a Master of Science in Nursing.

"Mary was one of our stellar students, possessing really excellent skills," recalls Patricia Harrington, Ph.D., chair and associate professor of nursing at Scranton.

A trusted critical care nurse for more than a decade, Triano then worked for six years as a family nurse practitioner, gaining a reputation for quality work with a caring touch.

Triano transitioned into palliative care, commonly known as end-of-life care, which concentrates on improving quality of life for people facing serious, complex illness.

"It's not a service for the dying, but a service for the living," says Triano.

Many days, Mary's work leads her throughout Scranton, caring for patients at area hospitals, hospice and long-term care facilities.

A few years ago, Dr. Harrington recruited Triano to become a part-time faculty member at Scranton, eager to add her array of practical knowledge.

"I was delighted when Mary decided to return to teach," said Dr. Harrington. "She is very patient with our students. And she has this wealth of experience both in critical care and palliative care, and I knew the students were going to get pieces of that while being around her."

It's Mary's personal touch with both patients and students that makes her so well-regarded, Dr. Harrington explains.

"She is somebody you can count on no matter what the situation is, whether it's being a mom, a nurse, a daughter or a sister," Dr. Harrington says.

Jay Vanston, M.D., the physician that formed the Institute of Palliative Medicine with Triano, sees the same commitment from Mary on a daily basis.

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## Mary Lawhon Triano

"With our patients, Mary provides excellent medical care, but at the same time, she is so compassionate and supportive," he says. "She brings the best of both worlds."

Triano credits her former Scranton professors, especially Patricia Bailey, Rhonda Wheller and Barbara Sheer for acting as "true role models, who pushed me to a higher level of excellence."

"At Scranton, the Jesuit education and the sense of community you gain stays with you throughout your life," Triano says. ❖



The daughter of faculty and staff members, Mary Lawhon Triano '86, G'99 literally grew up on the Commons. All these years later, the University continues to be a large part of her life.

MARY TRIANO, CRNP-C  
PALLIATIVE MEDICINE

# John Gray

## Gray Gained Perspective, Flexibility as Dual Major

In January 2011, John Gray '00 and several of his fellow students at Seton Hall University School of Law traveled to the Louisiana coast to work on legal issues surrounding the BP oil spill and cleanup activities.

For the former environmental science and English major, this expedition is another step in an educational process even he considers somewhat unconventional.

"I was a very atypical student in that I loved two extremes: science and English," says Gray, who works as an environmental specialist in New Jersey. "Some of my classmates thought it didn't make sense as a dual major but, in retrospect, taking such a divergent course load gave me the skills and knowledge to analyze any type of situation."

Gray explains that Scranton's emphasis on developing the whole person and not trying to fit students into accepted categories was a significant factor as he made the transition from backpack to briefcase.

"Most of the other schools I considered had a single-track attitude," he recalls. "Scranton allowed me to see things from many different perspectives and to accept everything for what it is and not be judgmental. I've taken that everywhere with me."



Gray has taken his flexibility and worldview on several stops. After working for a consulting firm that provided land use development, site remediation and other environmental compliance

services, he was hired by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to manage industrial facilities' compliance with Clean Water Act requirements.

*"Often, it's the journey that matters most."*

Currently, Gray works as a senior environmental specialist in the NJDEP's new Office of Dispute Resolution, where he mediates between outside parties and various NJDEP programs, resolving contentious issues as a means to avoid litigation.

"If a developer is having issues with land use over a permit or zoning, they would send that complaint over to our office and we try to mediate a fair balance between the sides to, hopefully, come to a result that everyone is satisfied with," he says.



John Gray '00, a senior environmental specialist, enjoys the outdoors whether it's walking the Delaware Water Gap (left) or hiking Mount Rainier in Washington (right). Also pictured is Mike Saleeby '00.

In addition to his work at the NJDEP, Gray attends Seton Hall University School of Law's evening program. He is an officer in the college's Environmental Law Society and International Law Society, and volunteers in several clinics offering legal services to low-income and minority communities.

This upcoming summer Gray will also be studying abroad in Egypt and Jordan, exploring Islamic banking law, human rights and terrorism issues.

Chemistry Professor Michael Cann, Ph.D., taught Gray as a student and is not surprised by his former charge's accomplishments.

"John stood out as a person because he is so open and willing to help, whether it be flipping burgers at an event or organizing a cleanup effort," Dr. Cann recalls. "He has a strong bond with his classmates and the faculty at Scranton."

Gray keeps in close touch with Dr. Cann and former classmates, and often returns to Scranton when possible for reunions or to sit in on or address classes.

"When I get the chance to talk to classes, I tell students not to take for granted the things they learn on a day-to-day basis," he says. "For example, they might learn the wavelength of the color green. It's good knowledge, but the process they went through to come to that understanding is more important. Often, it's the journey that matters most." ❖

## Patrick McDonough

### Childhood Fan Becomes Key Member of Knicks 'Team'

Lots of boys grow up playing basketball and passionately following their favorite team. But how many can say they've made the transition from childhood fan to key member of that team's leadership? Patrick McDonough '98 can.

As vice president for Madison Square Garden Sports Team Finance, McDonough is living a dream as the top accountant for the NBA's New York Knicks.

"I grew up in Scranton playing basketball and was a huge Knicks fan," McDonough says. "I had Knicks posters up in my bedroom when I was a little kid."

McDonough oversees the accounting, budgeting and financial reporting for the Knicks, as well as the organization's WNBA team, the New York Liberty.

A 6-foot-5-inch native of Scranton, McDonough played basketball his whole life and knew he wanted to play in college. But to hear him tell it, he was a "blue-collar" athlete who milked the most out of his God-given ability.

"When I visited Scranton, the coach said I had a chance to play," he recalls. "There were other schools that were also interested in me from a basketball standpoint, but I chose Scranton due to its balance of athletic and academic opportunities."

McDonough's father, Pat '71, G'75, and other family members had also attended Scranton, which influenced his decision. The younger McDonough made good on his choice, becoming a three-year varsity letterman and part-time starter with the Royals, serving as co-captain his senior year.

After graduating with a degree in accounting, McDonough began his career at PricewaterhouseCoopers, working with the group assigned to audit NBA teams. As fate would have it, one of those teams was the Knicks and after three years of visiting MSG, McDonough was asked to join the organization when a new position in finance was created.

Patrick's father remembers how excited his son was after being hired by the Knicks.

"He called and said, 'Dad, they offered me a job!' It was like he couldn't believe it, he was so surprised and excited," recalls the elder McDonough.

Nine years later, McDonough is still working hard for the Knicks, and has advanced several times, securing his current position in 2008. He credits the education he received at Scranton as being invaluable to his career path.

"I believe that my Scranton education allowed me to become a well-rounded professional," McDonough explains. "I learned so much more than just accounting fundamentals, and in business it's imperative to possess a wide-range of knowledge and skills."

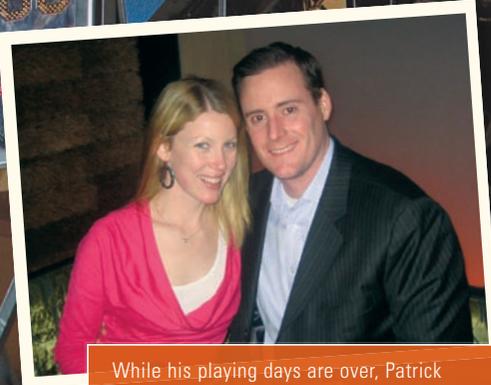
He resides in Hoboken, N.J., just across the Hudson River from New York City, with his wife, Marnie Lawler McDonough '00.

McDonough returns to his hometown regularly to visit family and has stayed involved with the University, attending class reunions and networking events. Additionally, McDonough serves as a mentor in the Kania School of Management program that links business professionals with business students.

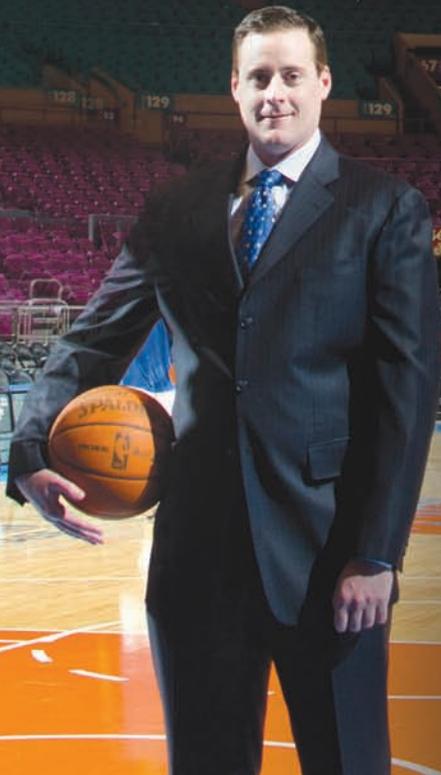
"I think it's important to get involved," he says. "I am happy to be able to help current students. It offers them a different perspective and hopefully will help them on their own career paths."

McDonough considers himself fortunate to work in a sport he loves, and for one of professional basketball's most hallowed franchises.

"I've always been a basketball fan – especially of the Knicks – so being able to work for them makes it special," he concludes. "I've definitely had some amazing experiences working here at the Garden. I get to play pickup games on the Knicks court ... for a lifelong basketball fan, it doesn't get better than that!" ♦



While his playing days are over, Patrick McDonough '98 continues to be involved in the game he loves as vice president for Madison Square Garden Sports Team Finance. Above, McDonough enjoys an evening out with his wife, Marnie Lawler McDonough '00.



## Karen Towers

### Alumna Shares Compassion, Care at Home & Abroad

**K**aren Towers' gift is reaching people.

Whether it's through a vivid e-mail, a scholarship fund she founded in Guatemala or just her infectious laugh, Towers '98 frequently strikes a chord.

As a double major in international business and economics at Scranton, Towers – a Dickson City native – longed to travel the world, study international development and help create a greater quality of life for the underprivileged, both near and far.

She admits her interests were not the “traditional” interests of her fellow business majors.

“Most of the people I graduated with went to New York and worked for Goldman Sachs,” Towers states. “But while my interests were different, the University and my professors were always very supportive of me, and always tried to help me find opportunities to pursue my interests.”

After graduation, Towers – a Fulbright winner – decided to work a year in Mauritius, an island nation off the southeast coast of Africa. Once there she researched the country's economic transition from an agricultural and manufacturing nation to service industry and tourism.

“The Fulbright scholarship is wonderful because they provide you funding for a project you are really interested in,” she explains. “For me, it was my first time to be in a developing country. To work on issues that appealed to me, it just solidified that this is the type of work I want to do.”

The following year, Towers stayed abroad, joining the Peace Corps and working as a

fifth/sixth grade teacher in Guatemala, teaching business education and entrepreneurship courses.

Towers quickly warmed to the small Central American country, and co-founded a scholarship fund, Amigos de Patzun, providing means for students to attend secondary schools, as well as teacher-training activities.

Dr. Susan Trussler, associate professor for economics/finance and Fulbright advisor, recalls Towers sharing vivid e-mails from Guatemala, discussing the hardships the people and country faced.

The professor shared the correspondence with students from the University's International Business Club, prompting them to collect supplies for use in the country's schools and villages.

“Karen's compassion and caring have always shown through,” Dr. Trussler explains. “That is a theme of her life: her compassion and caring. And by her sharing the information with students, she influenced them and got them involved.”

Today, Towers – who earned a master's degree in international relations at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in Washington, D.C. – continues to advocate for disadvantaged children as an education specialist in the Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean at the United States Agency for International Development in Washington, D.C.



Since traveling to Guatemala with the Peace Corps several years ago, Karen Towers '98 has developed a fondness for the Central American country, co-founding a scholarship fund that creates educational opportunities for impoverished students in the nation's rural areas.

Her responsibilities focus on developing programs for basic education, increasing literacy and numeracy in primary schools, improving higher education exchange programs for students, as well as reaching at-risk youth.

While Towers' professional and academic accomplishments are many, Dr. Trussler most fondly recalls her former student's warmth and inviting disposition.

“She has always been a cheerful, outgoing individual,” Dr. Trussler says. “And she has a really infectious laugh. When she would visit my office, you could hear her laugh and know Karen was coming.”

Although she works with programs throughout Central America, Guatemala remains close to Towers' heart, and she foresees herself working in the country again. She even got married there this fall, tying the knot with Juan Cruz Vieyra, whom she met while the two were studying at Johns Hopkins. Originally from Argentina, Vieyra also works in international development.

“For me, my work relates back to my own experiences,” Towers concludes. “I came from a small town, from a family that didn't have a lot of money, but I've had the opportunity to have scholarships, to study and to open up my own world.” ❖

## Military Science Alumnus Becomes a Leader of Men

**U**.S. Army Captain Adam Ropelewski '04, a decorated war veteran, now in the midst of serving a Congressional fellowship, demonstrates that leadership transitions well into any pursuit.

In two tours in Iraq, totaling 26 months, the former Royal Warrior Battalion Cadet rose from a scout platoon leader to a battery commander, eventually leading more than 100 soldiers in the Middle East.

Today, Ropelewski, who is still in the Army, is working toward a master's degree in legislative affairs at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

This January he commenced his Congressional fellowship, gaining hands-on legislative experience serving U.S. Senator for Pennsylvania Robert P. Casey, Jr.

For Ropelewski, his responsibilities in Iraq were humbling, challenging and rewarding beyond words, calling his service the greatest privilege of his military career.

"I had an opportunity to lead soldiers into combat and, in the profession I am in, there is no greater honor," he says.

Before Ropelewski served his country, however, he was an ordinary high school student, swayed to attend Scranton because of its academic reputation, Jesuit tradition and an ROTC scholarship. Plus, his best friend was attending the University as well, which didn't hurt.

"After considering all of that, there was really no good reason not to go to Scranton," he recalls.

The history and military science major quickly gained a reputation on campus for his work ethic and ability, according to retired LTC Mark Carmody, a former ROTC professor, serving now as the University's assistant plant director/student housing.

"Adam was a very good student: responsible, studious and always got good grades," Carmody recalls. "One of the

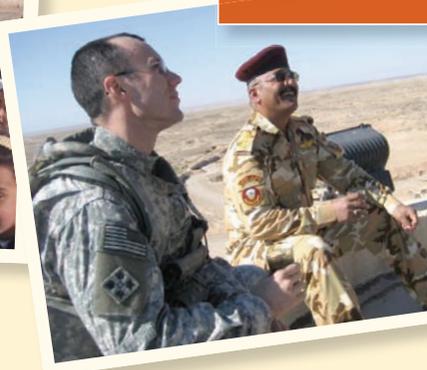
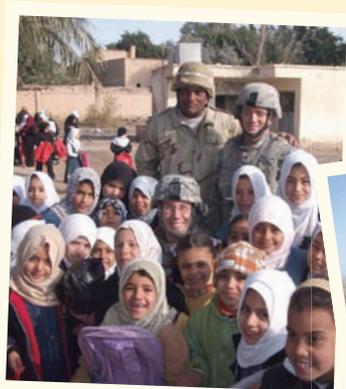


things that stood out about Adam – although a lot of his traits were exceptional – was he always followed through. He could think through problems, come up with a good answer, and get the job done.

"And what he brought to the table was more than tactical skills. He was a real compassionate person. He was an exceptional performer, but he would never hesitate to help somebody else."

Ropelewski credits Scranton's Military Science program for instilling him with the knowledge and skills to succeed in the field, adding "the professors prepare you to be a future leader of soldiers."

"I fully believe, if it weren't for the Military Science Department, either I wouldn't be alive today, or many of my soldiers wouldn't be alive," he explains. "The instructors were so thorough and professional, teaching you what you need to know. They gave me a great baseline of tactical knowledge. And they helped me improve my leadership skills."



## 04 Adam Ropelewski

While his military training was extensive, Ropelewski trumpets the comprehensive education he received at Scranton, thanks in large part to professors like Dr. Michael DeMichele and Dr. Robert Hueston of the History Department.

He also fondly remembers attending Sunday evening masses led by former University President Rev. Joseph Michael McShane, S.J. "The church would be packed with college students, just to hear him give his homily. Where else will you find that?" he points out.

In addition to his fellowship and school work, Ropelewski is raising his three-year-old daughter, Brynn, with his wife, Erin Bates Ropelewski '04. Coincidentally, Erin, a former Army nurse, also served in Iraq. In fact, the couple's tours overlapped, and they had an opportunity to visit one another while Erin was stationed at a combat support hospital in Baghdad.

"Looking back I now realize how important the University has been in my life," Ropelewski says. "If I'm a good husband or a good father or a good soldier, the trail seems to lead back to Scranton." ❖

Above, Captain Adam Ropelewski '04 shares a moment with his wife, Erin Bates Ropelewski '04, and daughter, Brynn, following his return from his second deployment to the Middle East. Below, Capt. Ropelewski (left) enjoys the company of a grammar school class in Hawr Rajab, Iraq, as well as an officer in a Border Guard Commando unit. In the far right, the Ropelewskis gather with fellow Scranton alums in New York City.

# Jeff Bresnahan

## Physical Therapy Alumnus Treats People, Not Patients

In the mid-1980s, Jeff Bresnahan, DPT '88 took a chance on The University of Scranton. It was a leap of faith the 44-year-old physical therapist wouldn't regret.

"It was a little bit of a gamble going to the University," says Bresnahan, now the director and part owner of Therapeutic Associates – Evergreen Physical Therapy in Spokane, Wash.

At the time, the physical therapy program at Scranton was not accredited, and there was no guarantee it would be, he recalls. "I was pretty sure it would happen, but you never know."

Bresnahan made his decision to attend Scranton and never looked back.

In fact, he thrived at the Jesuit institution, becoming the University's first – and only – winner of the Mary McMillan Scholarship from the American Physical Therapy Association, which recognizes outstanding students and is named in honor of the late pioneer in physical therapy.

Bresnahan says his journey in physical therapy actually began in high school.

"I knew the summer after ninth grade that I wanted to be a physical therapist," he says, making up his mind after working at a camp for disabled children. "I volunteered and wound up loving it."

After earning his bachelor's degree in physical therapy, Bresnahan went on to work at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia and at Pennsylvania Rehab and PRO Physical Therapy in Delaware.

In 2000, he married Lisa Machado, a California native and fellow physical therapist whom he met at an American Physical Therapy Association event.

The couple settled out west in Lake Arrowhead, Calif., and Bresnahan began working on his doctorate of physical therapy at the Ola Grimsby Institute in LaMesa, Calif., completing his doctorate in 2004.

During their time in Lake Arrowhead, devastating wildfires facilitated the family's decision to relocate.

"We were evacuated from our home for 12 days," he says. "We didn't know if we would have a home or a community when we returned."

After some research, the couple pulled up stakes, moving to the Spokane area – four hours east of Seattle – where they are raising their two children, Brennan and Kelsey.

This past football season, Bresnahan, who played three sports in high school, volunteered to work as the physical therapist for West Valley High School in Spokane. It's a position he's well suited for, and not just because of his health care background.

"He relates very well with the students," says Craig Whitley, the school's head football coach.

Through Bresnahan's efforts, many of the students are able to get services and advice they wouldn't be able to afford, Whitley explains.

Looking back at Scranton, Bresnahan says his education provided a key foundation for everything that followed.

"We learned to treat the whole person," he says. "Being at Scranton really formed me for the rest of my life and career."

A pivotal moment for him at Scranton, Bresnahan recalls, occurred during his sophomore year, when he was struggling with an anatomy class taught by Professor Gary Mattingly, Ph.D.

"Dr. Mattingly pulled me aside, and we had a heart-to-heart talk. He showed me how much he cared," he recalls. "Through that experience I gained the confidence I needed" to succeed in the class and beyond.

"The next year, Dr. Mattingly asked me to help mentor students who were struggling," he says.

Bresnahan urges current University students to realize the value physical therapy plays in the health care environment, explaining "we're the experts in musculoskeletal care."

"Every new patient is an open book," Bresnahan adds. "You have to demonstrate that you really care." ❖



When not operating his physical therapy practice in Spokane, Wash., Jeff Bresnahan, DPT '88 enjoys taking in our country's scenery with his wife, Lisa. At right, the Bresnahans hike in Haleakala National Park in Hawaii. Above, the couple enjoys a bike trip on the Hiawatha trail on the Montana/Idaho border.



# Scranton Athletics

## Women's Soccer Sweeps Landmark Conference Awards

Scranton women's soccer team swept the major awards presented by the Landmark Conference this past season.

The Lady Royals won their second conference title in four seasons and advanced to the NCAA Division III championships for the 12th time in the program's 28-year history.

For the second straight season, senior Chelsea Paskman (Chalfont) was named the conference's offensive player of the year, while forward

Samantha Russo (Yorktown Heights, N.Y.), who led the Royals in goals and assists, was named the conference's rookie of the year. Senior goalkeeper Caitlin Byrne (East Rutherford, N.J.) was selected as the conference's defensive player of the year after posting 12 shutouts and the conference's coaching staff of the year award was presented to head coach Colleen Murphy '04 and her assistants Bryan Hargrove and Jon Keller.



COLLEEN MURPHY



CHELSEA PASKMAN



SAMANTHA RUSSO



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## Rogalski Named Head Men's Lacrosse Coach

Jim Rogalski, a former Rutgers University assistant coach, has been named Scranton's head men's lacrosse coach, the sixth in the program's 24-year history.

A native of Arnold, Md., Rogalski has coached extensively on the NCAA Division I and III levels since his graduation from St. Mary's College of Maryland in 1997. For the past six seasons, he has been on the coaching staff at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J., beginning his



JIM ROGALSKI

career there as head assistant lacrosse coach in 2004 before being promoted to associate head coach in 2007. He has also served as an assistant coach at Drexel University, Washington & Lee University, Goucher College, Western New England College and St. Mary's.

At Rutgers, Rogalski reunited with head coach Jim Stagnitta, with whom he first coached at Washington & Lee University in Lexington, Va., from 1999 through 2001. During this span,

the Generals posted a two-year record of 30-3, including a semifinal appearance in the 2000 NCAA Division III championships and a third-place national ranking in 2001.

During his undergraduate career at St. Mary's, he was a four-year letterman on the men's lacrosse team. A three-year starter, Rogalski earned All-Capital Athletic Conference honors twice (first team, 1996; second team, 1995). He also coached there for two seasons as an assistant upon graduation before moving on to Western New England College and Goucher College in 1998 and 1999, respectively.

## A Call to Service

Service is a major component of a University of Scranton education.

And service can mean different things to different people.

For two student-athletes – senior Nick Westendorf (Colts Neck, N.J.) of the men’s soccer team and junior Sidney Jaques (Rosemont, N.J.) of the women’s basketball team – service means defending the liberties our country so richly enjoys.

Both are members of the University’s Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) program, which requires candidates to serve at least four years of active service and eight overall. Part of that commitment means facing the prospect of serving in Afghanistan, where the United States has been at war for nearly a decade.

“Everyone in the military has their own way of looking at Afghanistan,” says Westendorf.

“Most people who voluntarily join the service want to make contributions and part of that is being involved in combat situations.”

Jaques agrees, knowing that her commitment to the ROTC program could put her in harm’s way.

“Of course, you’re going to think about the risks involved before you sign up for ROTC, so there’s a lot of discussion that goes on with your family,” she says. “I know I have a lot of support from home and a lot from the University, especially from my teammates. When I’m put in the situation to go to Afghanistan, I know I’ll be prepared from the training I’ve received through the ROTC program.”

“The ROTC program has had a strong impact on how I transitioned to college and how I’ve performed academically and athletically,” explains Westendorf, whose grandfather served in the Army and whose brother is currently a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps stationed in Quantico, Va. “It teaches you leadership, which is the foundation of the program, so that it serves its purposes in sports. On top of that, ROTC stresses discipline and the importance of



planning and prioritizing your work.”

That foundation has served Jaques and Westendorf well – both in the classroom and in their respective athletic endeavors. That’s saying something, considering each is carrying a full load academically and must commit at least 15 hours a week to their respective sport and to the ROTC program.

Westendorf has flourished in the classroom, maintaining a 3.4 grade point average as an exercise science major. Yet he still found time to be a defender on the Royals men’s soccer team that advanced to the championship match of the Landmark Conference tournament twice in the last four years.

Jaques has also excelled in her classes, maintaining a 3.5 grade point average while pursuing a degree in communication. She has

Senior Nick Westendorf and junior Sidney Jaques are the quintessential student-athletes, successfully managing their coursework and athletics, as well as their obligations as members of the University’s Reserve Officers’ Training Corps program.

been a key contributor on the Lady Royals’ women’s basketball team that won the 2009 Landmark Conference championship and has advanced to the NCAA tournament in each of the last two seasons under head coach Mike Strong.

In her opinion, ROTC has prepared her for life beyond the classroom and the basketball court.

“With ROTC, we learn so many different things – like leadership characteristics that help us in anything we do, whether we stay in the military or go into a different profession,” she says.

## In the News

Nicole (Amato) Cummings '01, Kate (Dougherty) Hanson '00, Anne (McGovern) Schneider '00 and Jerry Pindar were inducted into the Athletics Department’s Wall of Fame on Jan. 8.

# Scranton Alumni

## Travel with Us in 2011!

The Alumni Society of The University of Scranton offers multiple opportunities for alumni to travel the world together. Visit the waterways and canals of Holland and Belgium in April, or spend a week on the Divine Coast of Amalfi, Italy, in September. Visit [www.scranton.edu/alumnitravel](http://www.scranton.edu/alumnitravel) for a complete list of trips and booking information.

## Alumni Start Halloween Weekend with a Bash

Disguised as geeks, sailors and iconic couples such as Mickey and Minnie and Kermit and Miss Piggy, nearly 100 alumni filled the second floor of The Banshee in Scranton for the Alumni Halloween Bash on Oct. 29. Included among the 96 guests were six members of the Class of 2011 Committee who were invited to preview an alumni event and 90 alumni from the classes of 1974 through 2010. Visit [www.scranton.edu/alumniphotos](http://www.scranton.edu/alumniphotos) to see pictures from the Halloween Bash.

Stephanie Tantum '08 ("Kermit the Frog") and her guest, Thomas Conserette ("Miss Piggy"), received a fleece Scranton blanket as their prize for "best costume."



Alumni from northeast Pennsylvania celebrated Halloween with friends at The Banshee in Scranton. Pictured (from left) are Josh Tucky, Ashley Nasser '08, Harry Lawall '08, Nina Cabo '08, Anne McAndrew '08 and Regina Fidiam '08.

## Class of 2011 Goes 'Beyond the Commons'

The Class of 2011 Committee is organizing a series of informal networking events for their classmates as part of a new program called "Beyond the Commons." At each event, seniors will have the opportunity to dine with alumni in a casual atmosphere and discuss topics such as graduating, starting a career and moving to a new area. The 30 senior students who make up the 2011 committee will work in teams of two to plan these events and promote them to classmates.

Two pilot dinners took place in Scranton on Oct. 19 at Brixx and Oct. 21 at Kildare's Irish Pub. Alumni co-hosts included Ben McGuire '10, Michael Jenkins '06, Megan Morgan '95 and Kaitlin Gilboy '08.

If you are a Scranton graduate who would like to join senior students at a "Beyond the Commons" event, please e-mail [alumni@scranton.edu](mailto:alumni@scranton.edu) for more information.



Seniors from the Class of 2011 dined with alumni Michael Jenkins '06 and Benjamin McGuire '10 at Brixx in Scranton as part of a new networking program called "Beyond the Commons."

## Alumni Website Adds Features to Serve Students and Recent Graduates

Two new sections of the alumni website provide helpful resources and information for both current students and recent graduates. Among the resources provided are networking advice and opportunities, information on alumni benefits, frequently asked questions about becoming alumni, and tips on how to strengthen the bond between classmates. Preview the new pages at [www.scranton.edu/recentgrads](http://www.scranton.edu/recentgrads) and [www.scranton.edu/students](http://www.scranton.edu/students).

## SJLA: Mark your calendar!

On Saturday, April 30, all graduates of the Special Jesuit Liberal Arts Program will be invited back to campus for the **SJLA Alumni Reunion**. For more information, visit [www.scranton.edu/alumnievents](http://www.scranton.edu/alumnievents).

## A Very Scranton Christmas

The first three weeks of December were filled with holiday cheer for Scranton graduates as alumni and parents of current students gathered in their hometowns to celebrate Christmas together. View pictures from many of our alumni Christmas parties online at [www.scranton.edu/alumniphotos](http://www.scranton.edu/alumniphotos).

## Send Us Your Class Notes

Did you have a milestone recently? Would you like to share your good news with alumni and friends? Send your class notes and pictures to [alumni@scranton.edu](mailto:alumni@scranton.edu) and we will publish them in *Royal News* and *The Scranton Journal*.

## Did You Recently Earn an Advanced Degree?

We want to keep you informed on the valuable programs our Medical Alumni Council and Council of Alumni Lawyers have to offer. If you recently earned an advanced medical or legal degree, please e-mail your information to [alumni@scranton.edu](mailto:alumni@scranton.edu) or update your information at [www.scranton.edu/alumnicommunity](http://www.scranton.edu/alumnicommunity).

## Scranton Day of Service Scheduled April 16

Join Scranton alumni, students and friends on Saturday, April 16, for a day of service in your community. From soup kitchens to street sweeps; from the East Coast to the West Coast, Scranton alumni will spend a day of giving back and making a difference.

The event is sponsored by the Alumni Society of The University of Scranton and Student Government. Visit [www.scranton.edu/alumnievents](http://www.scranton.edu/alumnievents) for a list of service sites.

## SHARE YOUR PICTURES!

Share your wedding, alumni event and other noteworthy photographs with *The Scranton Journal* and *Royal News*. E-mail them to [alumni@scranton.edu](mailto:alumni@scranton.edu).

\* Photographs are published on a space-available basis.

## Council of Alumni Lawyers Hosts Kickoff Events

Last fall, groups of alumni lawyers in two regions celebrated the formation of the Council of Alumni Lawyers (CAL). On Nov. 16, CAL Chairperson Jack Gallagher '69 hosted a group of Washington, D.C., alumni lawyers at his firm to discuss the future of the D.C. regional CAL. The NEPA regional CAL met on campus Nov. 30 for a reception and networking event. Vice-Chair James Gibbons '79 and steering committee members Frank O'Connor '71 and John Ellis '99 highlighted plans for student support, networking opportunities, as well as continuing legal education programs. Plans are under way for the first CLE program on Friday, March 4, on campus.



Peter Thomas '11 (from left), Pre-Law Society president; C. Daniel Higgins, Esq. '59; William Finn '11, Pre-Law Society vice president; and Loreen Wolfer, Ph.D., professor of sociology/criminal justice and Pre-Law program director, were in attendance for the CAL's on-campus reception and networking event Nov. 30.

## We Don't Want to Lose You!

Have you moved? Changed e-mail addresses? New phone number? Please let us know so you don't miss out on important news, invitations and announcements. Log in to the online community at [www.scranton.edu/alumnicommunity](http://www.scranton.edu/alumnicommunity) or e-mail us at [alumni@scranton.edu](mailto:alumni@scranton.edu).

## Medical Alumni Council Schedules Symposium

The Medical Alumni Council will present a daylong symposium on Saturday, April 9, on campus. The event, entitled "The Face of American Healthcare," will explore topics such as obesity in the United States, end of life and palliative care and current challenges, controversies and opportunities of OB/GYN. To register for the event, visit [www.scranton.edu/MACSymposium](http://www.scranton.edu/MACSymposium).

## Former Gridiron Stars Return to Campus

In August, 85 Scranton football players, spouses and friends gathered on campus for Mass and a special reunion dinner. Each player was presented with a frame featuring the team's photo, as well as an individual photo from their days on campus. University Vice President Emeritus Robert Sylvester '58 served as Master of Ceremonies. Rev. Bernard McIlhenny, S.J., dean emeritus, offered the invocation. Kristen Yarmey from the Weinberg Memorial Library also gave a presentation on the library's digital archives of University football photos.



Football reunion committee members gather during their August event. Pictured (from left) are Rev. Bernard McIlhenny S.J., dean emeritus, Joseph Bellucci '59, Al Guzzi '59, John Sabia '56, Ed Adrian '59, Flavia Murazzi, Joe Zack '56, Charlie Cino '59 and Robert Sylvester '58, vice president emeritus.

## Upcoming Events at Scranton

The spring is a great time to visit The University of Scranton, which offers a variety of cultural events, lectures and performances in the coming months.

Mark your calendars to come back to campus for the following events:

**Tuesday, March 8 • noon**  
Schemel Forum Luncheon Series: "The State of Gender Equality in the World Today" featuring Mary Ellen McNish, president and CEO of The Hunger Project

**Wednesday, March 9 • 7:30 p.m.**  
General Recital featuring the University's Performance Music Student Musicians

**Sunday, March 13 • 3 p.m.**  
"In Recital" featuring Annamae Goldstein

**Thursdays, March 17-April 14 • 6 p.m.** Schemel Forum Seminar Series: "The Bible as Book: The Physical Development of the Bible from Hebrew Scroll through Victorian Family Bible" featuring Michael Knies, associate professor and special collections librarian

**Tuesday, March 29 • noon**  
Schemel Forum Luncheon Series: "Civil Liberties in the Age of Facebook. YouTube, and the Ubiquitous Social Networks" featuring Judge Thomas I. Vanaskie, United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

**Wednesday, March 30 • 5 p.m.**  
Schemel Forum Seminar Series: "Politics and Prose Open Discussion" featuring William Rowe, Ph.D., professor of philosophy, and Joseph Kraus, Ph.D., associate professor of English and theatre

**Thursday, March 31 • 7 p.m.**  
Education for Justice Teach-In on Peace and Reconciliation featuring keynote speaker Rajmohan Gandhi

**Friday, April 1 • 6 p.m.**  
Public Reception: 25th Annual Student Exhibition, Hope Horn Gallery

**Sunday, April 3 • 7:30 p.m.**  
"In Concert" with the University's Singers and The Manhattan School of Music Brass Orchestra

**Monday, April 4 • 7:30 p.m.**  
Henry George Lecture featuring Glenn Hubbard, dean of Columbia University's graduate school of business

**Tuesday, April 5 • noon**  
Schemel Forum Luncheon Series: "Facing Disaster in the Middle East: Are There Only Bad Options?" presented by Stephen Kinzer, author and visiting professor, Boston University

**Tuesday, April 12 • noon**  
Schemel Forum Luncheon Series: "Israel and the U.S. — and the Rest of the World" featuring Itamar Rabinovich, former Israeli Ambassador to the United States

**Friday, April 15 • 7:30 p.m.**  
"Bond," Taiwan's Bangzi Opera adaptation of "The Merchant of Venice"

**Friday, April 15 • 7:30 p.m.**  
"28th Annual World Premiere Composition Series Concert" featuring the University's Concert Band and Concert Choir, with guest composer/conductor Ted Nash

**Friday, April 29 • 7:30 p.m.**  
"In Concert" featuring The University of Scranton String Orchestra

**Friday-Sunday, April 29-May 1 & May 6-8 • "A Man's a Man,"** by Bertolt Brecht, translated by Eric Bentley, directed by Michael O'Steen, presented by The University of Scranton Players

**Saturday, May 7 • 7:30 p.m.**  
"In Concert" featuring The University of Scranton Jazz Ensemble

**Thursday-Saturday, May 12-14 • 8 p.m.** New Director's Workshop, three distinct evenings of scenes, directed by students from the Directing for Theatre class

**Saturday, May 14 • 7:30 p.m.**  
"Pre-Commencement Concert" featuring The University of Scranton Symphonic Band and Singers

For more information, visit the University's calendar at [www.scranton.edu/calendar](http://www.scranton.edu/calendar).

# ClassNotes

❖ Indicates Reunion Year

Class notes included in this edition were submitted prior to Dec. 6, 2010.  
To submit your own news or see additional class notes, visit [www.scranton.edu/classnotes](http://www.scranton.edu/classnotes).

**Nicholas Saccone, D.D.S. '43**, South Abington Township, who served as the 55<sup>th</sup> president of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, an international dental honor society, was profiled in an article in the academy's official quarterly publication, *Dental World*.

**John Fendrock '48**, Ridgewood, N.J., has published his sixth book, "Religion and the State-The Intent of the Founding Fathers."

**John F. Callahan, D.O. '60**, Wilkes-Barre, received the 2010 Frederick J. Solomon, D.O., Award of Merit presented by the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Family Physicians Society in recognition of his contribution to osteopathic education in Pennsylvania.

**Gerald P. Moran, Esq. '60**, Jacksonville, Fla., published a book entitled "John Chipman Gray: The Harvard Brahmin of Property Law." Professor Moran cited Professor William H. Osterle in the book as his mentor at The University of Scranton.

**John Zonarich, Esq. '68**, Mechanicsburg, managing partner of the Harrisburg law firm of Skarlatos & Zonarich, LLP, has been named to the Pennsylvania list of "Super Lawyers" published by *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers* magazine for the fifth time since 2004.

**Nancy Noonan G'69**, Summerfield, Fla., has been selected president of Marions United for Public Education.

**Thomas Hill '71**, Gaithersburg, Md., was appointed chief of staff for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' Office of Science and Technology. ❖

**Gerard Dougher '73**, Scranton, is a senior accountant at Public Service Electric and Gas Company in New Jersey.

**William J. Nealon '73**, Cherry Hill, N.J., was selected by Philadelphia University as the Distinguished Adjunct Faculty with the School of Business Administration.

**Daniel Dowd, D.O. '74**, York, was re-elected to serve on the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association, a statewide organization for physicians holding a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree.

**David McCormick '75**, Centreville, Va., earned the Doctor of Business Administration degree from the University of Phoenix.

**Lenore Mikuski Tighe '76**, Flemington, N.J., a math teacher at Franklin Township School, has been named the school's 2010 Teacher of the Year. ❖

**Paul Lavelle, Esq. '78**, Metairie, La., has been named chair of DRI's Law Institute. DRI is the Voice of the Defense Bar, an international organization of attorneys defending the interests of business and individuals in civil litigation.

**Dennis J. Puhalla G'78**, Forty Fort, has been named head of the Wyoming Valley Montessori School in Kingston.

**Frank Graeff '79**, Harrisburg, is vice president of Sales for MDI, the license property subsidiary of Scientific Games, the world's largest full-service lottery supplier.

**Craig Kabatchnick '79**, Greensboro, N.C., director of the North Carolina Central University Veterans Law Program, has been invited to serve on a university-wide working group known as UNC Serves. This committee will evaluate the educational opportunities and services for military-affiliated students and consider recommendations to improve access, retention and graduation rates for these students.

**P. Timothy Kelly, Esq. '79**, Clarks Summit, received the 2010 George F. Douglas, Jr. Amicus Curiae Award. This award recognizes outstanding and industrious appellate advocacy.

**Ann Marie Laskiewicz-Ross '79, G'09**, Kunkletown, earned a Master of Science in secondary education from The University of Scranton three decades after receiving her bachelor's degree.

**David Begany '81**, Washington, D.C., is in his novitiate year with the Society of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart. ❖

**Michael Griffin '81**, Colton, N.Y., has been elected to the board of directors of the Canton-Potsdam Hospital. He has also been named webmaster at Clarkson University. ❖

**Frank R. DiMaio, M.D. '84**, Old Brookville, N.Y., has been appointed chief of Adult Joint Reconstruction, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, North Shore-Long Island Jewish Medical Center and associate professor at the new Hofstra University School of Medicine.

**Colleen Kelly '84**, Bronx, N.Y., received the 2010 National Catholic Development Conference's Good Samaritan Award in recognition of her service to disadvantaged communities in New York City.

**William Maile '84**, Vandling, has been notified by the Barrett Art Center that his photo "Praying for Salvation" was selected for the national exhibit "Photowork 2010" by juror Nat Trotman of the Guggenheim Museum, New York City.

**Tom Phillips '84**, Allentown, was named director of University Safety and Police at Bloomsburg University.

**John K. McNamara, Jr., Esq. '86**, Morristown, N.J., received the Career Achievement in Prosecution Award from the New Jersey County Prosecutor's Association. ❖

**Susan Berlinski Szafranski, Esq. '87**, Barnegat, N.J., received an LL.M. in taxation from University of Alabama School of Law.

**Paul Gerst '87**, Dallas, Texas, is the owner of teadog.com, which earned a 2010 Bizrate Circle of Excellence Platinum Award for demonstrating outstanding performance as rated by their customers.

**Daniel McGarrey '88**, Matawan, N.J., joined JP Morgan Chase as a vice president. He is the Private Banking Technology finance manager.



**Brigadier General Chris Burne '80** (from left), **Francis Burne '48** and **Christian Burne '14**, a Presidential Scholar, celebrate Christian's arrival on campus in August with a family photo more than a half century in the making. If you look closely, you can see Francis' class of 1948 ring.

**John Ursin, Esq. '90**, Andover, N.J., has been elected president of the Sussex County Bar Association for 2010-2011. He is a partner at Courter, Kobert & Cohen, P.C., focusing on local government, construction and insurance related matters.

**Bruce Beemer, Esq. '92**, Bradfordwoods, is a partner in the law firm of Beemer & Beemer and will expand the firm to open a Pittsburgh office where he will serve as managing partner.

**Robert Swanson '92**, Tupelo, Miss., is a physics instructor at Itawamba Community College.

**Karyn White '92**, Northfield, N.J., was selected to represent New Jersey at *Parenting* magazine's Mom Congress on Education and Learning Conference this May in Washington, D.C. She was chosen for her outstanding contributions and dedication to improving local schools.

**Justin Daly, Esq. '93**, Washington, D.C., is senior vice president at Ogilvy Government Relations.

**MaryAnn Groncki, Ph.D. '94**, Berwyn, received her doctorate from the School of Social Policy & Practice at the University of Pennsylvania. MaryAnn is a licensed psychotherapist in private practice and will continue her research, which focuses on adopted women and their attachment-related experiences.

**Jeffrey Chirico '96**, Atlanta, Ga., has joined CBS Atlanta's "Tough Questions Team." He has won four Emmy awards for his investigative reporting. ❖

**John F. Kalafut '97**, Pittsburgh, completed the requirements for the Ph.D. in electrical engineering at the Swanson School of Engineering at the University of Pittsburgh.

**Anthony Corcoran, M.D. '98**, Pittsburgh, is currently serving as chief resident in Urologic Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. In July 2011, he will start a fellowship in Urologic Oncology focusing on minimally invasive robotic surgery in Philadelphia.

## Help Your Business Grow

Developed to foster support for entrepreneurial alumni, the Alumni Small Business Initiative generates ways to help alumni-owned businesses grow. For more information, visit [www.scranton.edu/asbi](http://www.scranton.edu/asbi).



▲ It's safe to say **Jan Amann '06** feels right at home in the south Pacific. Since her junior year of college, the philosophy and English major has visited New Zealand four times, including this past summer. During Amann's most-recent visit, she led a dozen high school students on a five-week community service trip as part of The Experiment in International Living. "It is my favorite place in the world," says the Long Island, N.Y., native.

**Diane Fucci '98**, Franklin Park, N.J., is teaching computer education at Bishop George Ahr High School in Edison, N.J.

**Ryan O'Malley '99, G'05**, Marysville, competed in several long distance running and cycling events this past year, raising money in support of the American Diabetes Association.

**Doug Petschow '98**, Kenilworth, N.J., graduated from the Fire Academy at the top of his class and is a Cranford, N.J., firefighter. He is also the founder/owner of Strength and Fitness Club.

**Paul Collins '00**, Denton, Texas, an assistant professor of political science at the University of North Texas, appeared in a *New York Times* article on June 28, 2010, that discussed the Supreme Court confirmation hearing of Elena Kagan.

**Julie Ann Nastasi '00**, Ithaca, N.Y., graduated with her Doctor of Occupational Therapy degree from Boston University and is now a full-time faculty member at Ithaca College. She is also serving the American Occupational Therapy Association as a reviewer for specialty certification in low vision and co-monitor of the low vision listserv/forum.

**Gregory Shahum '00**, Norwalk, Conn., was appointed assistant administrator and director of Rehabilitation Services at Paradigm Healthcare. He is currently enrolled in a Long Term Care Administration Certification program at Quinnipiac University.

**John Errigo '02**, Bensalem, launched his private corporation, Holistic Organizational Development and Training, Inc., a Philadelphia-based business consulting firm.

**Kelly McAndrew '02**, Philadelphia, has been accepted into the Contemplative Leaders in Action Program, a two-year program of the Jesuit Collaborative, to train emerging leaders from business, the professions, civil society and non-profit organizations. The program focuses on spiritual formation and "secular" leadership.

**Nancy Panarese '02**, Sayville, N.Y., received her master's degree in environmental studies from Long Island University C.W. Post.

**Kate Brennan '03**, Philadelphia, recently closed in a production of "Angels in America."

**Kristina Brown '03**, Durham, N.C., was awarded the North Carolina Nurses Association's "Rookie of the Year" award at its annual convention in October.

**Jillian Kenney '03**, Atco, N.J., completed a Bachelor of Science in nursing at Thomas Jefferson University in May 2010.

**Laura Layman '03, G'05**, Philadelphia, is a credentialing specialist within the Department of Graduate Medical Education with the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She is currently working toward her BSN degree at DeSales University.

**David Gargone, M.A.T. '04**, Dallas, has been named an assistant professor of business at Misericordia University.

**Sean Bernard '05**, London, England, is an associate, asset management, for Goldman Sachs International.

**Cheryl Burke '05, G'10**, Dunmore, had an article published in *Nursing 2010*. The article, "Reducing Readmissions of Patients with Heart Failure" appeared in the September 2010 issue.

**Lauren Burke '06**, Barto, received a juris doctor degree from New England Law Boston. ❖

**Sean Daly '06**, Arlington, Va., has been awarded a U.S. Department of State Critical Language Scholarship to study Korean in Jeonju, South Korea. ❖

**Meaghan Gay '06**, Fort Mill, S.C., received a Master of Science from Winthrop University in Rock Hill, S.C. ❖

**Michael P. Hill '06**, Columbia, Mo., is digital communications director of the University of Missouri System's Office of Strategic Communications. ❖

**Jason Shrive, Esq. '06**, Scranton, opened his own general practice law firm in Scranton, Shrive Law, LLC. ❖

**Jeffrey Trainor '06**, Chicago, Ill., is working with the clowning performance group TASK in Chicago. ❖

**Jessica Kratzer '07**, Philadelphia, graduated from Arcadia University in Glendale in 2009 with a master's degree in international peace and conflict resolution after a semester of fieldwork in Tanzania. She is currently finishing a year of service with AmeriCorps VISTA.

**Stephanie Miller '07**, Shavertown, was awarded a Master of Science in biomedical sciences with a concentration in organizational leadership in biosciences by Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

**Glenn Petriello '07** passed his Professional in Human Resources certification exam.

**Jennifer Lewis '09** has been selected to edit the new literary magazine yet to be named from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia. She has completed her first year of medical school and has been awarded a summer grant to analyze and report on the reflection essays written by all first-year students.

**Katie Morrison '09**, Nesconset, N.Y., travels the New York City metro-area in a professional children's theatre company.

**Lauren Wasilchak '09**, Dickson City, is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps at Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington, D.C.

**Charlotte Brown '10**, Nazareth, is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest working with pre-school students in Spokane, Wash.

**Megan Callahan '10**, West Babylon, N.Y., is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest teaching in Omak, Wash.

**Megan Gilbreth '10**, Mahopac, N.Y., is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps at Room in the Inn's Odyssey program in Nashville, Tenn.

**John Kelly '10**, Westminster, Md., is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps at Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles.

**Jayne Mariotti '10**, Clarks Summit, is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps at 9to5 Atlanta.

**Kelly Miguens '10**, Rutherford, N.J., is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps at 30<sup>th</sup> Street Senior Center in San Francisco.

**Elizabeth Pulice '10**, East Greenville, is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest working with homeless teenagers at a drop-in shelter in Yakima, Wash.

**Kimberly Witt '10**, Waymart, is serving with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest working with immigrant and refugee families and helping them integrate into the United States in Boise, Idaho.

## Marriages

**Frederick Porsche '83** to Rosemary Colleluori

**Debbie Simon '92** to Matt Michaelson

**Angela Nole '95** and **Justin Sulla '95**

**Allison McLaughlin '95** to Denis Beyersdorf

**Christopher Ryan '95** to Catherine Basel



▲ **Erica Cilurzo '04** and **Charles Bartels '04** celebrated their wedding on May 22, 2010, at Saint Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Long Branch, N.J., with several Scranton alumni in attendance, including **Casey Bartels '09**, **Robert Radabaugh '04**, **Diana Keating '04**, **Meghann Koppele '04** and **Courtney Schroedel '04**. The couple resides in New York City.



▲ **Ashley O'Shea '06** and **Jonathan Miranda '08**, who met while Ashley was studying abroad in Ecuador, were married on June 12, 2009, in Cancun, Mexico. On hand for the wedding were several University alumni, including (from left) **Jan Manoway Villare '79**; **Jen Villare '12**; **Charlie Villare '79**; **Donna Hudak-O'Shea '82**, mother of bride; **Patrick O'Shea '81**, father of bride; Ashley O'Shea; Jonathan Miranda; **Lindsay Walker Dapsis '06**; and **Dan Dapsis '06**.

**Ana Rojas '00** to Colin Dewey

**Colleen Barksdale '01** to Jim Tully

**Michael Marshall '01** to Shawna Gleeson

**Angelina Moretti '02** to **Robert Lynch '03**

**Christopher Semonche '02** to Amanda Owens

**Christina O'Herron '02** to Eric Johnson

**Robert Lynch '03** to **Angelina Moretti '02**

**Kathryn Flood '05** to Carl Gianatiempo

**Thomas Lavelle '05** to **Ericka Marengo '07**

**Christine Speicher '05** to M.J. Gimbar

**Caitlyn Beasley '06** to Brian Hollingshead

**Lynn Dunham '06** to **Jonathan Torre '06**

**Caleb Knippenberg '06** to **Danielle Slater '07**

**Samantha Barrett '07** to John McDonald III

**Ericka Marengo '07** to **Thomas Lavelle '05**

**Daniel F. Mitsakos '07** to **Bridget Brady '08**

▼ **Veronica Tripaldi '09** and **Jerome Scarpati '09** tied the knot on June 19, 2010.



**Danielle Slater '07** to **Caleb Knippenberg '06**

**Bridget Brady '08** to **Daniel F. Mitsakos '07**

**Ashley Motter '09** to Garrick Alt

**Samantha Smith '09** to **John Katsaros '09**

## Births

A daughter, Rebekah Grace, to **David '84** and **Karis Lawlor Naehner '94**, Clarks Summit

A daughter, Tessa Grace, adopted from China by Keith and **Megan Rothwell Nakamoto '85**, Chicago, Ill.

Twin sons, Derek Jagger and Luca Gianni, to **Dr. Jeff** and Julie **Cavalieri '88**, South Windsor, Conn.

A daughter, Cailin Leanna, to Torrance and **Christine Murray Houlihan '91**, Keswick, Va.

A daughter, Sophie Claire, to Joseph and **Ann Marie Weiss Gerard '91**, Astoria, N.Y.

A son, Timothy Charles, to Kevin and **Kristin Busch Dukes '92**, Silver Springs, Md.

A son, Nathaniel Robert, to **Robert '92** and Meredith **Swanson**, Tupelo, Miss.

A son, Thomas Brian, to Robert and **Maureen Burke Vilak '93**, Silver Springs, Fla.

Twin sons, Daniel and Jack, to Erik and **Patricia Casey Olsen '93**, Kinnelon, N.J.

A daughter, Mary Catherine, to Stephen and **Theresa Cassillo Roberts '93**, Glen Rock, N.J.

A son, Antonio, to Daniel and **Jennifer Kelly Dominiquini '93**, Chicago, Ill.

A son, Trevor Andrew, to **Kevin '93** and Danielle **Kroll**, Chester Springs

A daughter, Maria Diana, to Joe and **Dominique Ponzio Bernardo '93**, Bridgeport

A son, Daniel Joseph, to Thomas and **Stefanie Squillante Bravata '93**, Commack, N.Y.

A son, Kai Alexander, to **Nicholas Naro '95** and **Mary Ann Groncki '94**, Berwyn

A son, Matthew John, to **Brian '94** and Jennifer **Persico**, Alexandria, Va.

A son, Brandon Travis, to **Thomas '96** and **Gisele Sum Bush G'94**, Glenville, N.Y.

A daughter, Clare Josephine, to Mike and **Monica Bremmer Farkas '95**, Naperville, Ill.

A son, Michael Thomas, to **Christopher '95** and Jeanine **Caramore**, Massapequa, N.Y.

A son, John Richard, to **John '95** and Christine **Guthrie**, Hillsborough, N.J.

A son, Cooper Thomas, to Eric and **Chrissy McKeaney Reich '95**, Ocean View, N.J.

A son, James Ali, to Jason and **Maria Tahmouresie Inman '95**, Tustin, Calif.

Twin daughters, Alexa Gabrielle and Sophia Mary, to **James '97** and **Heather Beal-Zrebiec '96**, Burlington, N.J.

A daughter, Olivia Catherine, to **Joseph '96** and **Christina Fusco Fallon '96**, Brooklyn, N.Y.

A daughter, Teagan Margaret, to Michael and **Kieran Healey Schultz '96**, Linden, N.J.

A daughter, Siobhan Maeve, to **Brian '96** and **Christine McDonald Murphy '96**, Glen Rock, N.J.

A daughter, Cecelia Rose, to **Timothy '96** and Susan **Gallen**, Hatfield

A son, Thomas Jack, to **Tom '96, G'99** and **Sue Brzenski Gibbons '01**, Astoria, N.Y.

A daughter, Erin Kathleen, to **Alan '96** and **Susan Heim Kelly '96**, Lynbrook, N.Y.

A daughter, Quinn Eileen, to **James '96** and **Nancy Lau Murphy '99**, Bethlehem

A daughter, Bree Gabrielle, to **Anthony '96** and **Mary Anne Raleigh Vehercofski '97**, Broomall

A daughter, Sophie Kohina, to **John '97** and Chika **Chrampanis**, Sherwood, Ariz.

A son, Ryan Michael, to **Paul '97** and **Kristen Gerstheimer Houry '97**, Hillsborough, N.J.

A daughter, Maura Shannon, to **Thomas '97** and Meg **Mitchell**, Marlton, N.J.

A daughter, Ella Irene to **Michael '99, G'01** and **Heather Schneider Swierczek '97, G'98**, Pottstown

A son, Grant Michael, to Michael and **Julie Cohoon Marra '98**, Rochester, N.Y.

A daughter, Cara Antonia, to **Sean '98** and **Christina Swikata Plover '99**, Philadelphia

A son, James Joseph, to **J.J. '99** and **Megan Early Brady '98**, Aberdeen, N.C.

A daughter, Sophia Francesca, to **Mark '98** and Dr. Johanna **Jones**, Wayne, N.J.

A son, Kevin Michael, to **Bryan** and Courtney **Knowles '98**, Washington, D.C.

A son, Owen Ryan, to Steven and **Margaret Lee Okurowski '98**, West Islip, N.Y.

A daughter, Morgan Elizabeth, to **Brian '99** and Laurie **Bakker**, Nashua, N.H.

A son, Thomas Edward, to George and **Jennifer Peacock Hayes '99**, Williamstown, N.J.

A son, Thomas John, to Tom and **Katie Chamber Bierworth '00**, Endicott, N.Y.

A son, Jackson Phoenix, to Ray and **Jill Latora Reichard '00**, Cherry Hill, N.J.

A son, Ethan Matthew, to Matthew and **Ellen Rybnik Szoke '00**, West Chester

A daughter, Claire Elizabeth, to Paul and **Cindy Vodde Breme '00**, Chalfont

A son, Christopher Daniel, to Matthew and **Danielle DePasquale Doyle '01**, Jackson, N.J.

A son, Eric Joseph, to Doug and **Melissa Logan Pacitti '01**, Exton

A daughter, Ainslie Grace, to **Sam '01** and **Meghan Ryan Keller '01**, Lititz

A son, Ryan Matthew, to Matt and **Cindy Sousa Benedict '01**, Furlong



◀ **Nadia Gougeon Dunn '05, G'06** and **Patrick Dunn '06**, welcomed a daughter, Natalie Teresa, on March 24, 2010. She is the granddaughter of Scranton professors Len Gougeon, Ph.D., English and theatre, and **Deborah Gougeon, Ph.D. '73, G'75**, operations management, as well as **Daniel Dunn '72**. Natalie hopes to become a part of the University's Class of 2031!

- A daughter, Campbell Marie, to **Adam '01** and **Krista Mancini Swetz '01**, Crofton, Md.
- A son, Nathan Michael, to Michael and **Erica Borella DiAngelo '02**, Massapequa Park, N.Y.
- A son, Ryan James, to James and **Danielle Lester Preston '02**, Newtown
- A daughter, Emily Michele, to **Paul '02** and **Heather Syme Drexler '02**, Cedar Grove, N.J.
- A daughter, Claire, to **Daniel '03** and **Ellen Findlay Loftus '03**, Hillsborough, N.J.
- A daughter, Reese Elizabeth, to Thomas and **Kelly O'Connor Smith '03**, Oceanside, N.Y.
- A son, Jack Christopher, to Christopher and **Kelly Klingman Guiton '05**, Flemington, N.J.
- A daughter, Julie Madeline, to Ryan and Sara **Pfeiffenberger Hudson '05**, Sumter, S.C.
- A son, Carlo William, to Carlo and **Victoria Scannello Savo '06**, Olyphant
- A son, Ethan, to **John '09** and **Samantha Smith Katsaros '09**, Analomink

## Deaths

- Louis Plotkin '36**, Scranton
- Claude J. Saracino '39**, Scranton
- John O. Lyden '40**, Rye, N.Y.
- Glenn L. Cook '41**, Scottsdale, Ariz.
- Joseph Guarneri '42**, West Chester
- Solomon Fisch, M.D., Ph.D. '45**, Englewood Cliffs, N.J.
- Jerome Klein '48**, Scranton
- Joseph M. Tierney '48**, Pittston
- John J. Murray, Ph.D. '49**, Wilkes-Barre
- Edwin R. Cardoni '50**, Scranton
- John Ferrario '50**, Annapolis, Md.
- Guy R. Petroziello '50**, Bensalem
- John F. McCarthy '51**, St. Louis, Mo.
- Joseph Zandarski, Ph.D. '51**, Dunmore
- Cesare R. Antoniaci, M.D. '52**, Livingston, N.J.
- Joseph Parchinski '52**, Scotch Plains, N.J.
- Michael Cherewka '53**, Taylor

- Eugene J. Kane '54**, Dalton
- Joseph Mullaney, Esq. '54**, Dunmore
- Jerome Flynn '56, G'67**, Scranton
- Harold R. Jones '56**, Endicott, N.Y.
- Peter J. Cera, Jr., M.D. '57**, Naples, Fla.
- Eugene Scanlon '57**, Midlothian, Va.
- James V. Dolson '59**, Springfield, Va.
- Patrick R. Fischetti '59**, Washington, D.C.
- Thomas J. Halligan '60**, Scranton
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- Geraldine Marie McCawley G'63**, Carbondale
- Thomas G. Stahl '63, G'69**, Peckville
- Lawrence P. Connell '65**, San Mateo, Calif.
- Paul J. Graham '65**, Archbald
- John B. Van Horn '66**, Kingston
- John C. Boylan, Ph.D. '67**, Murrells Inlet, S.C.
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- Frank Wade '68**, Carbondale
- Winifred C. Doud G '69**, Crystal Lake
- Anthony A. Shumski '69**, Peckville
- Robert H. Cooper '71**, Lancaster
- Amelia Dohanich G'73**, New Orleans, La.
- Anne Marie Moyle Kenney '73**, Somerset, N.J.
- Thomas R. Phillips '73**, Fleetville
- Michael Joseph Orr '76**, Scranton
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- Faye L. Cuchara '93**, Scranton
- Michael P. Mulhall '10**, Floral Park, N.Y.

## Family & Friends

- Mary Brennan Barrett, mother of **Patrick '82** and **Michael '82**; grandmother of **Jennifer '10** and **Patrick '12**
- Stephen Begany, father of **David '81** and **Dr. Diane '84**
- Robert Burke, brother of **William G'83**
- James Cain, father of **Dr. James '87** and brother of **John '73**
- Patricia Cullinan, mother of **Sean '94**
- Bridget Donohue, mother of **Mary '04**

- Gary Eichelsdorfer, father of **Eric '86, John '88** and **Stephen '87**
- Romayne Flesch, mother of **Edward '64** and grandmother of **Eric Burns '99**
- Mary O'Gorman Kennedy, wife of **John '50**, mother of **Thomas '86** and grandmother of **Michael '10**
- Alice Leahy, mother of **Atty. Edward '68, H'01**
- Charles Leo, Sr., father of **Charles '91**
- Mary Lynn, mother of **Eugenia '83**
- Robert Mackrell, father of **Timothy '86** and **Cindy '90**
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- Henry Panza, father of **Prisco '76**
- John Scuteri, Sr., father of **John '96**
- Catherine Skrutski, mother of **Stanley '72** and **Thomas '81**
- Martin Swift, Sr., father of **Martin '77, G'82** and grandfather of **Caroline '13**
- Vera Waity, mother of **Ray '66**
- Eleanor Weinschenk, mother of **James '78** and **Deborah Dunleavy '76**
- Wade Whitney, father of **Matthew '01**

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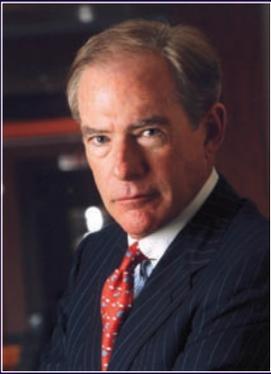
# Sustaining the Scranton Legacy

*For many of our alumni, a Scranton education is a family tradition. This fall, 71 daughters and sons of Scranton alumni — including 15 from alumni couples — entered the University. Their parents and, in some cases, grandparents are among the 43,500 alumni who have chosen Scranton for their education. At right are the members of the Class of 2014 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 2014 gathered with University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., and John F. Lanahan, Esq. '84, president of the Alumni Society, during Fall Welcome Weekend in August.

Class Year	Alumnus/Alumna	Current Student	Class Year	Alumnus/Alumna	Current Student	Class Year	Alumnus/Alumna	Current Student
1969	Ronald Akoury	Jamie Akoury	1981	Martin Genello	Martin Genello	1986	Thomas Morgan	Thomas Morgan
1978	Joseph Aldcowski	Joseph Aldcowski	1986	Joseph Greeley	Kaitlyn Greeley	1983	Andrew Nat	Julianna Nat
1995	Joseph Armstrong, Esq.	Emily Ewald Dedeo	1986	Judith Greeley	Kaitlyn Greeley	1985	Christopher Nealon	Sean Nealon
1995	Susan Armstrong	Emily Ewald Dedeo	1985	James Grueter	Jonathan Grueter	1984, G1985	Donna Nealon	Sean Nealon
1988	Christopher Barbarevech, M.D.	Kristiana Barbarevech	1987	Diane Hannon	Thomas Hannon	1977	Andrew Nebzydoski, D.V.M.	Grace Nebzydoski
1978	Richard Bennett	Danielle Bennett	1985	Mary Haveron	Andrew Haveron	1982	Joseph Neri, D.O.	Kara Neri
1982	Mary Boylan	Catherine Boylan	1983	Patrick Haveron	Andrew Haveron	1991	Eileen Notarianni	Cara Notarianni
1982, G1984	Richard Boylan, Esq.	Catherine Boylan	1979	Susan Hogan	Matthew Hogan	1986	John O'Boyle, Esq.	Kathleen O'Boyle
1986, G2004	James Boyle	Nicholas Boyle	1979	Thomas Hogan	Matthew Hogan	1976, G1978	Donna Pastore	Michele Pastore
1981	Mark Broderick	Emily Broderick	1983	Christine Iannuzzi	Theresa Iannuzzi	1974	William Pastore	Michele Pastore
1982	Mary Jo Broderick	Emily Broderick	1982	Michael Iannuzzi	Theresa Iannuzzi	1990	Roger Perry	Dana Perry
1980	Christopher Burne, Esq.	Christian Burne	1984	Edward Jacoski	Abby Jacoski	1981	Paul Price, Esq.	Kayla Price
1982	Brian Carpenter, Ph.D.	Emily Carpenter	G2010	Richard Jeffery	Marina Jeffery	1982	Eileen Reilly	Colin Reilly
1971	Paul Casey, M.D.	Michael Casey	1982	Brenda Jensen, Esq.	Nicole Jensen	1980	Vincent Reilly, Esq.	Colin Reilly
1984	Steven Casey, M.D.	Kevin Casey	1986, G1991	Deanna Klingman	Derek Klingman	1986	William Riccetti	John Paul Riccetti
1989	Cheryl Collarini	Christa Collarini	1989	Walter Kozak	Nicole Kozak	1982	Richard Rippon	Tyler Rippon
1987	Jeffrey Cominsky	Jordan Cominsky	1976	Patricia Kreckie	Katie Gavern	G1984	Elizabeth Rozelle	Laura Rozelle
1976	John Conlon	Christian Conlon	1985	Kevin Kucharski	Kevin Kucharski	1985	James Ryan	Jaime Ryan
1980	John Cox	Julia Cox	1983	Thomas Langan, D.D.S.	Kevin Langan	1985	Margaret Ryan	Jaime Ryan
1982, G1993	Mary Beth D'Andrea	Nicholas D'Andrea	1979	Cathy Loyack	Andrew Loyack	1983	Robert Scott	Robert Scott
1986	Paul DeAngelo	Paul DeAngelo	1973	Gary Loyack	Andrew Loyack	1988	Kristen Siebecker	Kellie Siebecker
1979	Donald Dolan, Esq.	Christopher Dolan	1981	Stephen Luciani	Deanna Luciani	1982	Gregory Stahl	Amanda Stahl
1979	Nancy Dolan, Esq.	Christopher Dolan	1988	Timothy Mangan	Caitlyn Mangan	1979	Thomas Stone	Courtney Stone
1988	Kelly Dougherty	Christian Dougherty	1979	Annette McClatchy	Christopher McClatchy	1980	N. James Tees	Matthew Tees
1988	Steven Dougherty, Ph.D.	Christian Dougherty	1976	Kevin McLaughlin	Patrick McLaughlin	1986, G1999	Mary Triano	Martha Triano
1984	Dawne Erwin	Courtney Erwin	1968	Thomas Melisky	Cory Melisky	1983	Bridget VanScoy	Annie VanScoy
1984	Patrick Erwin, M.D.	Courtney Erwin	1989	James Mizerak	Jamie Mizerak	1986	Barbara Wilkinson Morgan	Thomas Morgan
1976	Donald Fenocchi, D.M.D.	Donald Fenocchi	1982	Mark Moran, D.O.	Brandon Moran	1990	Lisa Wojciechowski	Sara Wojciechowski

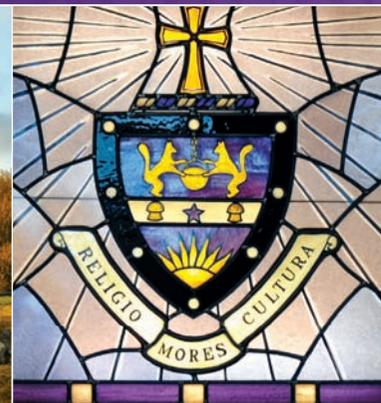


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