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Scranton has been selected as the Regional Hub for Internet2.

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Alumni volunteers share their passion for Scranton in a variety of ways.

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Discoverer of DNA Structure Speaks at Scranton

A Nobel laureate described as one of the most influential scientists of the 20th century delivered the Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture to an overflow audience in the Houlihan-McLean Center on Nov. 17, 2005.

James D. Watson, Ph.D., who in 1953 together with Francis Crick, Ph.D., discovered the double helix structure of DNA, is the only living member of the team that shared the 1962 Nobel Prize in Medicine for their work on the DNA discovery.

In his remarks to the audience, which included a large contingent of Scranton students, as well as many high school and college students from across Pennsylvania, Dr. Watson offered insights into the DNA discovery, as well as advice about problem-solving in scientific research.

“Be prepared to work on a problem ahead of its time,” he advised, speaking from the voice of experience. At the age of 24, the young Watson and his colleague beat what he referred to as “more qualified people” in a race to break the DNA code.

He also encouraged aspiring scientists to work in pairs and not to underestimate the value of networking. “Success comes much better if you talk to your competitors,” he said.

At the lecture, and earlier in the day when speaking to a smaller group of science students, Dr. Watson advised, “Never put yourself in a position where there’s no one who’s going to save you. I think it’s important to somehow match up with someone who believes in where you want to go, and who thinks you can get there,” he said, noting the support offered to him by three professors at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Watson was the 13th Nobel laureate to speak at the Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture series, which began in 1985 and has brought some of the world’s most distinguished scientists to Scranton. The lecture series honors the late Dr. Harry Mullin ’31 and is sponsored by Mrs. Harry Mullin, Robbin Mullin, Brian Mullin, M.D., ’66 and the University’s Chemistry Department.
Scranton Selected as Regional Hub for Internet2

Scranton has been selected by the University of Pennsylvania to serve as the regional hub for Internet2, the nation’s new high-speed Internet. The announcement was made at a news conference on Dec. 15, 2005, that included a live, joint graduation ceremony between The University of Scranton and Universidad Iberoamericana, its sister Jesuit university in Mexico City.

The University will be the area aggregator for Internet2 connections for colleges and universities, primary and secondary schools, NEIU units, libraries, museums, hospitals and research corporation partners in Lackawanna, Luzerne, Wayne, Pike, Wyoming, Sullivan, Susquehanna and Bradford counties.

Internet2 is a consortium led by more than 200 universities working with government researchers and industry partners to develop high-quality, high-speed uses for the next phase of the Internet. The goal of Internet2 is not to replace the current Internet, but rather to develop technology to enhance it. The primary goals of Internet2 are to create leading-edge network capability for the national research community; to enable revolutionary Internet applications; and to ensure the rapid transfer of new network services and applications to the broader Internet community. Internet2 is recreating the partnership among academia, industry and government that cultivated today's Internet in its infancy.

Scranton demonstrated the capabilities of Internet2 for the region's education and health care organizations on Jan. 19. Some current Internet2 applications that were previewed included a live demonstration of Cleveland Institute of Music's Distance Learning Jambalaya; a hands-on, 3-D anatomy instruction using a virtual cadaver; real-time remote access to an XL-30 electron microscope; and a remote laparoscopic surgery demonstration.

New Major Illuminates CSI Interest

With public interest in forensic chemistry soaring – a by-product of popular television shows and news coverage of high-profile crimes – Scranton will offer a new major in forensic chemistry beginning in the fall of 2006.

Scranton is the only higher education institution in the region and one of only a dozen in the state to offer this bachelor's degree program.

The forensic chemistry major addresses an increasing interest among prospective students. Although the University does not specifically track inquiries for forensic chemistry, the school has seen student inquiries for criminal justice more than double from 2003 to 2004 and has seen its inquiries for chemistry increase by more than 30 percent over the same period.

The new forensic chemistry major takes an interdisciplinary approach to the field with criminal justice course work supplementing primary courses in chemistry. Students will take courses in organic and inorganic chemistry, biochemistry, physics, biology and instrumental analysis, as well as classes in criminal law, the investigative process and principles of evidence.

Metropolitan Life Foundation Donates to University of Success

Representatives of the Metropolitan Life Foundation recently presented a check in the amount of $10,000 to The University of Scranton in support of its University of Success mentoring program for middle and high school students. The University of Success also provides tutoring and academic, social and cultural opportunities designed to motivate students to complete high school successfully and to enroll in post-secondary education.

Pennsylvania Governor Speaks at Luncheon

Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell encouraged Scranton’s brightest students to consider careers in public service when he visited campus on Nov. 28, 2005, as the featured speaker at the inaugural Scully Scholars Luncheon.

“Hopefully you will think of a career in public service. We need the best and brightest in our business,” Governor Rendell told a standing-room-only audience of about 150 students, faculty and invited guests.

Named for the late professor Timothy H. Scully, who taught politics, history and government for 40 years at Scranton, the Scully Scholars Luncheon provides a forum for prominent elected officials to share their thoughts on government and civic service with students, faculty and guests. The late professor is also remembered through the Scully Scholars Program, which provides University of Scranton students with financial aid to pursue internships in government service and public policy.

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On the Commons

Recognition for the Kania School of Management

Scranton has been recognized as having one of the nation’s top business schools by the late Peter F. Drucker, who is considered by many as the “father of modern management.”

A November 11, 2005, story by James Flanigan and Thomas S. Mulligan in The Los Angeles Times, says: “To a magazine writer who sought guidance for an article on the role of business schools, Drucker advised: ‘Don’t go to Harvard, but to the business school at the University of Scranton. That’s where they are changing lives.’”

The University’s Kania School of Management was also included among the elite colleges listed in the Princeton Review’s “Best 237 Business Schools.”

University Press Announces New Publications

- **Web-Based Career Counseling: A Guide to Internet Resources for Researching a Career and Choosing a Major** by Mary E. Ghilani contains extensive listings of career-appropriate Web sites for those exploring occupations.
- **A Future for Africa: Critical Essays in African Theology Today**, a series intended to introduce the concepts of African theology to the world.
- **In the Faraway Mountains and Rivers: More Voices from a Lost Generation of Japanese Students** continues the self-narrative of Japanese students who, Midori Yamanouchi-Rynn, Ph.D., and Joseph L. Quinn, S.J., began in their 2000 book, *Listen to the Voices from the Sea*, a collection of writings by World War II kamikaze pilots. Dr. Yamanouchi-Rynn is a Professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice at of Scranton, and Father Quinn is a Professor of English at Scranton.
- **Renewing Christian Ethics: The Catholic Tradition** examines the analyses of leading moral theologians, both Catholic and Protestant.

Grant Supports Student Literacy

Scranton’s Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence (CTLE) recently received a grant in the amount of $14,000 from the Verizon Foundation. Monies from the grant, which is entitled “Fostering Excellence in Literacy for Students Regardless of Learning Style or Disability,” will be used to purchase electronic equipment in support of the center’s goal of promoting and improving literacy for all students. Through the grant, the CTLE will purchase new hardware and software to help students improve their reading and writing skills. Equipment will include text reading programs and a portable word processor.

Presenting the Verizon Foundation’s grant to the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence (CTLE) are, from left: from Verizon, Ray Totten, Service Manager, and Anna Cervenak, Director of External Affairs; and from Scranton, Andre Oberle, Ph.D., Director of the CTLE; Charles E. Kratz, Dean of Library and Information Fluency; and Margaret McNulty, Director of Corporate & Foundation Relations.
Hispanic Education Efforts Commended

Scranton is one of only 16 universities in Pennsylvania recognized by The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education for “doing a commendable job of recruiting, retaining, educating and graduating Hispanic students.”

A total of 552 colleges and universities in the United States and Puerto Rico made the magazine’s “Publisher’s Picks” list of institutions recognized for their diversity efforts. The list was published in the Nov. 21 issue of Hispanic Outlook.

This is the eighth consecutive year that the University has made the list that highlights colleges and universities that have been successful in attracting and educating Hispanic students.

Scranton has seen its enrollment of Hispanic students increase for five consecutive years. Currently, 205 Hispanic students are enrolled at the university, a 17 percent increase over 2004 and a 46 percent increase over 2003 enrollment numbers.

Events Celebrate Black History Month

In celebrating Black History Month in February, the University community held many events to celebrate and acknowledge the many contributions and accomplishments of African Americans.

Among the events were a discussion by Madame Denise Dennis, hosting of the 17th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Dinner, tributes to the late Rosa Parks and a lecture by Bishop George D. McKinney. The University also hosted the Schomburg Center’s exhibit, “Lest We Forget: The Triumph Over Slavery,” a 31-panel exhibition examining more than 400 years of slavery.

Members of the ASASE YAA African Dance Theatre performed on campus as one of the events celebrating Black History Month.

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Scranton Named Among America’s Hottest Colleges

Scranton has been selected as one of the 367 schools profiled in the 2006 edition of the Kaplan/Newsweek guide to America’s Hottest Colleges.

The guidebook combines Newsweek’s journalistic expertise with Kaplan’s 67 years of college admission experience. Scranton is listed in the book’s profile of the 367 “most interesting” colleges in the nation. The colleges profiled are chosen based on the school’s selectivity, special programs offered, uniqueness of the student body, guidance counselor recommendations, and other noteworthy factors that make the school stand out as “interesting” to a national audience.
Director of Vatican Observatory Receives Ignatian Award

Rev. George V. Coyne, S.J., Director of the Vatican Observatory and Adjunct Professor of Astronomy at the University of Arizona, was presented with the annual Pedro Arrupe, S.J., Award for Distinguished Contributions to Ignatian Mission and Ministries at the University Assembly on March 29. The event was part of Jesuit Heritage Week celebrating the Jesuit Jubilee 2006.

Fr. Coyne's research interests are based on a technique called polarization studies using the polarization of light. He is well known for his recent studies concerning the distribution of matter around young stars and is a vocal opponent of intelligent design.

Among the many honors bestowed on him is the naming of a comet in his honor in 1991.

The Arrupe Award is named in honor of the late Very Rev. Pedro Arrupe, S.J., the Superior General of the Society of Jesus from 1965 to 1983. The University of Scranton instituted the award in 1995 to further its namesake’s vision by recognizing men and women for outstanding contributions in a wide variety of Ignatian-inspired ministries.

Students

Senior Named Among top 20 Students by USA Today

Tina Marie George, a senior majoring in biology and philosophy, is listed among the top 20 college students in the nation as selected by USA Today for its All-USA College Academic First Team. The academic teams, announced in the Feb. 15 issue of USA Today, were selected by a panel of judges from 600 students nominated by colleges and universities from across the nation.

The University of Scranton is the only college in Pennsylvania and the only Jesuit school with a student named to the first team.

Ms. George is the fifth University of Scranton student in four years to be included in USA Today’s All-USA College Academic Teams, and the second in three years to be named to the first team.

Another Goldwater for Scranton

Scrubton junior Kristy Gogick has become the fifth Scranton student in four consecutive years to be awarded a highly competitive Goldwater Scholarship.

Ms. Gogick, a junior majoring in chemistry with a minor in mathematics, is among just 323 sophomore and junior undergraduates in the nation to be awarded the scholarship for the 2006/2007 academic year.

“The Goldwater Scholarship is considered to be the premier undergraduate scholarship for the fields of mathematics, natural sciences and engineering,” said Gretchen Van Dyke, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Political Science and the University’s Director of Fellowship Programs.

Ms. Gogick is one of only eight Goldwater Scholars to be selected this year from six Jesuit schools (Georgetown, Holy Cross, St. Joseph’s, Loyola New Orleans, Loyola Maryland, and The University of Scranton).

Political Science Major Named Truman Scholar

Vincent Solomeno, a political science major and the student body president at Scranton, is one of only 75 students from 63 colleges in the nation to be selected as a 2006 Truman Scholar. The scholars were selected from among 598 candidates nominated by 311 universities.

The University of Scranton is one of only five Jesuit universities to have a student named as a 2006 Truman Scholar.

Mr. Solomeno is the seventh University of Scranton student to be named a Truman Scholar. In the past six years, The University of Scranton has nominated 12 students for Truman Scholarships, eight of whom became national finalists, with four, including Mr. Solomeno, being named as Truman Scholars.

Congress established the Truman Scholarship Foundation in 1975 as a memorial to the 33rd President of the United States. The foundation awards merit-based scholarships to college students who plan to attend graduate school in preparation for careers in government or elsewhere in public service.
Nursing Students Receive Grants, Scholarships

Scranton’s Department of Nursing has received $108,160 in grants to be used for 45 scholarships for nursing students.

The Pennsylvania Higher Education Foundation (PHEF) has awarded the University with a $95,000 Nursing Education Grant for the 2005-2006 academic year, and Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania, through PHEF, has provided a supplemental grant in the amount of $13,160.

The funding is part of a nursing scholarship initiative designed to close the gap between demand for nurses and the nursing resources available. Nurses are particularly critical in Northeastern Pennsylvania, where there is a large aging population.

In addition to the PHEF grants, The University’s Making a Difference Nursing Scholarship Award was recently presented to two nursing students who each received an award in the amount of $1,500. The Making a Difference Nursing Scholarship Award was founded to assist licensed practical nurses that are pursuing a bachelor’s degree in nursing at the University.

Students Show the Spirit of Giving

Scranton students spread the holiday spirit to those less fortunate through participation in numerous service programs throughout the Christmas 2005 season.

More than 100 Scranton students from five residence halls combined efforts to lead a “Warm Hands, Head and Feet” Program to provide new hats, gloves and socks for the homeless throughout the Scranton area.

In addition, more than 300 students, faculty, staff and friends of the University participated in programs organized through the Center for Social Action and Service Initiatives to provide Christmas gifts for area families in need. More than 200 participated in the Giving Tree program, in which students donated a gift to an individual child. More than 100 participated in the Adopt an Angel program, in which groups of students were asked to purchase several gifts for a child in need. All of the donated items were given to local charities for distribution.

Aid for Hurricane Katrina Relief Efforts

Forty University of Scranton students, along with eight staff and faculty chaperones, volunteered at Catholic charities of the archdiocese of New Orleans in January. The Students spent a week helping to repair homes and remove debris in areas damaged by the floods following Hurricane Katrina. Among the students who participated in the relief efforts were Thomas Murtaugh (left) and Stephen Fromhold.
Faculty & Staff

The research of Psychology Professor John C. Norcross, Ph.D., concerning changes in psychotherapy treatments was featured in a *New York Times* story by Alix Spiegel on Feb. 14, 2006, and in other national and international publications. Dr. Norcross’s research examined the increase and influence of cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) and the decline of psychoanalysis in treating psychological disorders. According to CBT, patients do not need to return to the historical sources of their problems; rather, they need to correct their current “cognitive distortions.”

Dr. Norcross was also presented the 2005 award for Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training by the American Psychological Association (APA), the largest psychology organization in the world. He is one of just 15 people who have received this prestigious award since it was first given in 1987.

David Friedrichs, Professor of Sociology/Criminal Justice, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Division on Critical Criminology of the American Society of Criminology (ASC). The award, which has been given for more than 10 years, is presented to various prominent criminologists who have contributed to critical criminology. The award was presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology held in Toronto, Canada, in November 2005.

Michael O. Mensah, Ph.D., Professor and Chair of the Accounting Department, has been named Dean of the Kania School of Management. He was appointed Dean following a national search. Dr. Mensah joined Scranton as Assistant Professor of Accounting in 1987. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 1992 and to Professor in 2003. He became the Chair of the Accounting Department in 2000.

Anthony M. Ianiero has been named Associate Vice President for Development. Mr. Ianiero is responsible for the University’s Development Division, which includes the entire external and internal fundraising program. He brings to Scranton more than 25 years of advancement and development experience. Prior to joining the University, he served as Executive Vice President of Operations and Development at The Bloomsburg Hospital. Previously, he held several senior development positions at Bloomsburg University.

Rose Sebastianelli, Ph.D., Professor of Operations and Information Management, was chosen as the Kania School of Management (KSOM) Professor of the Year by Scranton’s Business Club. The Award was presented at the annual KSOM dinner in the fall of 2005.

The Arts

Concerts, plays and exhibits filled the arts calendar during the winter and spring. Following are highlights from some of the events.

Internationally renowned organist Dr. Frederick Hohman performed on the University’s 1910 Austin Opus 301, pipe organ at concert on Feb. 25. The concert was one of three recitals recorded for radio broadcast. *Pipedreams* is a nationally syndicated radio program that features renowned performances on noteworthy organs located throughout the world.


The University Players presented “The Ladies of the Camillias” in February and “Urinetown: The Musical,” in March and April.

Dr. Frederick Hohman performed on the University’s pipe organ at a concert that was recorded for radio broadcast. On stage is Michael Barone, host of *Pipedreams.*
The President’s Business Council has announced that Christopher M. “Kip” Condron ’70, President & Chief Executive Officer of AXA Financial, Inc., will receive the President’s Medal as the Honoree at the Council’s Fifth Annual Award Dinner.

Mr. Condron is also Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of AXA Financial’s principal insurance subsidiary, AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company, and a member of the AXA Group Management Board. In addition, he is Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of MONY Life Insurance Company, which AXA Financial acquired in July 2004. Immediately prior to joining AXA Financial, Mr. Condron served both as President and Chief Operating Officer of Mellon Financial Corporation and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of The Dreyfus Corporation. He joined The Boston Company in 1989 as Vice Chairman and head of the Private Client Group. He was named Executive Vice President of Mellon in 1993, when it acquired The Boston Company. Prior to joining The Boston Company, Mr. Condron was Co-President of AYCO Corporation, the financial and tax planning subsidiary of American Express which acquired his Pittsburgh-based financial planning firm, Condron Associates. He is a member of the Financial Services Roundtable and its Board of Directors. Mr. Condron is a Director of The American Ireland Fund, where he serves as Treasurer and Chairman of the Executive Committee. A native of Scranton, he received a bachelor’s degree in management from the University and is a former two-term member of the Board of Trustees, having served as Vice Chair of the Board for two years.

This year’s Annual Award Dinner will be held at The Pierre in New York City on Thursday, October 5. The Co-Chairs for this year’s dinner are James A. Caccavo ’84, Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer, Valence Capital Management, Inc.; Thomas P. O’Brien ’86, Managing Director, Fixed Income Division, Morgan Stanley; and Francis J. Pearn ’83, Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer for the Global Corporate and Investment Banking Group, Banc of America Securities LLC.

The President’s Business Council was formed in January 2001 by the University and a prominent group of alumni and friends whose purpose is to advance the mission of the University. Mr. Condron has served as the Chair of the Council since its formation. Membership is national and the Council encourages new members from around the country who can help in accomplishing its objectives. As part of its goals, the Council seeks to fund Presidential Scholarships for talented students who will become leaders of vision and integrity. Scholars are chosen from among the top students entering the University each year and are selected for their academic excellence, leadership ability and character. The Council’s annual October dinner generates support for the Presidential Scholarship Endowment Fund. At the dinner, the Council and the University present the President’s Medal to recognize an individual who has achieved excellence in his or her field and who has demonstrated extraordinary compassion for others. In addition to the dinner, the Council provides mentoring and internship opportunities for current students and networking opportunities for alumni and friends.

Earlier this year, the Council conducted regional receptions in Scranton and Philadelphia to complement its President’s Medal Recipients’ Reception, a national networking event held annually in New York City. These regional receptions were held to promote local networking among alumni and friends of the University and to inform the attendees of the objectives of the President’s Business Council.

For more information regarding the Council or the October 5 dinner, please contact Timothy J. Pryle ’89, Senior Development Officer, New York City Region, at (570) 941-5837 or prylet2@scranton.edu. Please refer to the inside back cover of this issue of The Scranton Journal for ticket reservation information.
From the bold days of building and expansion led by Rev. John J. Long, S.J., to equally dramatic growth and development that has continued into the 21st Century, alumni, parents and friends of Scranton have answered the call for annual contributions.

Their generosity recognizes that tuition and fees fall well short of covering even necessary expenses and are surely no match for the growing needs of students and families for financial aid. In the process, they have helped to increase the value and national reputation of a degree from The University of Scranton.

Today, alumni, parents, friends and employees in increasing numbers make gifts weekly, monthly, quarterly, and semi-annually – not just annually.

As a result, The University of Scranton is proud to announce the creation of The Royal Fund to recognize both unrestricted support for all areas of the University and all donor-designated annual contributions. The fund is aligned with the academic year, (June 1 to May 31).

Inspired by our nickname, The Royal Fund is vital to Scranton’s mission as a great Catholic and Jesuit university. Scranton provides educational opportunities for deserving, talented and motivated students – regardless of household income. Currently, the University’s budget includes more than $34 million in financial aid grants and awards. In short, a gift to The Royal Fund is one of the best ways that alumni, parents, friends and employees can make an immediate difference in the lives of students.

Royal Fund gifts can also help Scranton to garner national attention. For example, the University’s ranking in *U.S. News & World Report* is helped by the high levels of alumni who give one or more times during the year. This support is seen as an indicator of satisfaction. Scranton has ranked among the top 10 master’s universities in the north for the past 12 years.

“Gifts to The Royal Fund have a direct impact on our efforts to improve quality and remain accessible,” said Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University President. “I feel blessed that the generosity of our alumni, parents, friends and employees has never failed us.”

**LEADERSHIP GIFTS TO THE ROYAL FUND: THE PRESIDENT’S CIRCLE**

In the early 1980’s, alumni and community volunteers recognized that in order to be successful, Scranton’s annual giving programs would need gifts of $1,000 or more that would inspire others to give. The President’s Circle was born.

“In creating The Royal Fund, we will continue to rely on a growing President’s Circle membership to inspire and lead others to give,” said Father Pilarz.

**President’s Circle Gift Levels**

Magis Society-- $5,000 or more

Founder’s Society -- $1,888 to $4,999

Ambassador’s Society -- $1,000 to $1,887

**First Decade Society - Young President’s Circle**

Recent alumni can gain membership into the President’s Circle through the First Decade Society. Giving levels are:

- 1996-$500
- 1997-$500
- 1998-$400
- 1999-$350
- 2000-$300
- 2001-$250
- 2002-$200
- 2003-$150
- 2004-$100
- 2005-$100

**COMPANY MATCHING GIFTS**

Royal Fund gifts can be leveraged through corporate matching gift programs, which can double or triple the amount of your contribution to Scranton. Company matches are applied toward club level membership. To find out if you work for a matching gift company, contact your human resources or benefits office, call us at 1-800-scranton, or e-mail theroyalfund@scranton.edu.

**HOW TO MAKE A GIFT**

You can help support this effort right now by using your credit card to make a gift online: [www.scranton.edu/makeagift](http://www.scranton.edu/makeagift)

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You can also have your gift withdrawn in monthly installments from your bank account through Electronic Funds Transfer. To learn how, please call us at 1-800-SCRANTON; ask for Linda Belack.
Research Project Studies Behavioral Problems of Preschoolers

Recent studies show that preschool-aged children are being expelled from preschool programs three times faster than students in kindergarten through 12th grade. Studies also show that, unless early intervention occurs, the cycle of behavioral problems in preschool years usually continues through grade school and high school.

A research project being conducted by Dona Bauman, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Special Education, in conjunction with Dr. Barbara Wert, Assistant Professor of Department of Exceptionality Programs at Bloomsburg University, seeks to identify behavioral characteristics that are likely to stay with children, and then to identify ways in which early intervention can avert problems.

The 18-month research project is funded by a $10,000 grant from the Edward R. Leahy Jr. Endowment at Scranton.

With the support of Head Start, 23 preschool students from Northeastern Pennsylvania have been engaged to participate in the study. Drs. Bauman and Wert are collecting and evaluating data using widely recognized rating systems such as the Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale (ECERS) and the Achenbach Scale.

According to Dr. Baumann, the researchers are looking for behavior characteristics that might stay with a child, compared with those that he or she might outgrow. This will help to develop a predicting model for a preschooler's likelihood of developing behavior problems in later years.

Professor Receives Grant to Continue Molecular Research

John Deák, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Chemistry, has been awarded one of only 31 Cottrell College Science Awards given in the nation to continue his groundbreaking research concerning the measurement of molecular interaction, or energy transference, at the nanometer level.

The University of Scranton has also provided $14,000 in funding to support Dr. Deák's research, making his total award in excess of $50,000.

The Cottrell College Science Award is a competitive grant program sponsored by the Research Corporation of Tucson, Ariz. The grants, available to faculty at undergraduate institutions, are awarded twice annually. The grant will allow Dr. Deák to continue his groundbreaking research in the area of measuring molecular interaction in nano-environments, which has already received national attention.

His earlier research, which was a collaborative research project with University of Illinois chemistry professor Dana Dlott, Ph.D., was published in the October 15, 2004, issue of Science, the prestigious journal of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and on the Science Express Web site.

Scranton Professors Survey What Online Customers Value

Online customers don't really care about special offers, but do like to see prices displayed next to the product, according to a research study by three University of Scranton professors published in the July 2005 issue of Quality Progress, a publication of the American Society for Quality.

Operations and Information Management Professors Nabil Tamimi, Ph.D., and Rose Sebastianelli, Ph.D., and Associate Professor of Economics/Finance Murli Rajan, Ph.D., examined the perceived value online customers place on e-quality factors.

Through a national poll of online customers, the professors ascertained the value users place on factors concerning a retailer's homepage, online product catalog, online order form and customer service and support.

The results of the study indicate that factors relating to customer service and support are the most important to online customers. Online customers value order form characteristics next in order of importance, followed by product catalog features and homepage factors.

Grant Supports Professor’s Ongoing Study

Robert J. Smith, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biology, recently received a $23,450 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) to study the use of forested and upland shrub/scrub habitats by spring migrating birds in Lackawanna County. The grant will enable Dr. Smith to continue his work studying the stopover ecology of migratory landbirds, which was begun last year.

Dr. Smith's initial findings suggest that the 73 species of migratory landbirds that he is studying use shrub habitat more than forest habitat during spring migration. Dr. Smith and his team of University students spent numerous hours in the field counting, capturing, collecting data and tracking the birds.
Plans Unveiled for Ambitious Campus Center Project

University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., announced at a Jan. 31 news conference the largest and most ambitious building project in the 118-year history of the Jesuit university, a $30,000,000 new campus center that will transform the heart of the campus.

The roughly 118,000 square foot, four-story building will be located along Mulberry Street in the rear of the existing Gunster Memorial Student Center and Weinberg Memorial Library. Construction is expected to begin in the late spring of 2006 with an anticipated completion in the fall of 2007.

Once construction of the new building is complete, the existing Gunster Center will be taken down to create a campus green in its place that is nearly the size of a football field.

“Among the hallmarks of The University of Scranton is our extraordinary sense of community, an essential element that sets us apart from many colleges,” said Fr. Pilarz. “We intentionally refer to the new building as a ‘campus’ center, since it will encourage interaction among students, faculty and staff at the same time that it serves as a crossroads for the broader Scranton community.”

In the announcement, Father Pilarz referenced dramatic growth and development of the University that has taken place over the more than four decades since the Gunster Center was dedicated in 1960.
“Over the past four decades, Scranton has evolved into a broadly regional, comprehensive institution with students coming from more than 30 states and more than 35 countries,” Father Pilarz added. “The university has simply outgrown the 77,000 square foot Gunster Center, which was built for a time when only 228 of our total student enrollment of 2,300 lived on campus,” Father Pilarz added.

Scranton’s student enrollment for the fall of 2005 is 4,846, of which 2,075 are resident students. The university also employs 832 full-time and 253 part-time faculty and staff.

According to Vincent Carilli, Ph.D., Vice President for Student Affairs, the new campus center is designed to address the Gunster Center’s limitations in dining and meeting spaces.

The Evolution of Student Centers

The heart of any university, the student center is one of the most important buildings on campus. Once little more than dingy lounges with vending machines, today’s campus centers have become increasingly more important on two levels.

First, they serve as the one place where everyone goes. They ideally offer computing centers, food courts, art galleries, health clubs and meeting rooms. The Wall Street Journal suggests, “student unions can...help...keep students out of mischief off-campus.”

Second, and as importantly, the student center is a draw for prospective students. The Chronicle of Higher Education says that the essence of a modern student center is to be a recruiting instrument. It is the principal highlight of the standard college tour. Student unions have become increasingly important marketing tools because, along with residence halls, they are the buildings most students and parents ask to see.

The Chronicle goes on to observe that the process by which students select colleges is increasingly made as a consumer decision through comparison shopping among competing brands. What is the crucial device of product differentiation? The modern student center.
How does the Gunster Memorial Student Center measure up?

At roughly 50,000 square feet, the original building was designed to serve an undergraduate student population that included just 228 residential students out of an undergraduate student body of almost 2,300.

In the four decades since the center’s dedication, Scranton evolved into a broadly regional, comprehensive institution, drawing students from more than 30 states and more than 35 countries. As the student population grew, so did the demands on the student center. A 1993 expansion added 19,000 sq. ft. to address the shortfall in dining and kitchen space, but accommodating the growing need for dining and support areas came at the cost of lounges and gathering spaces.

Today, new and prospective students consistently mention Gunster’s inadequacies, pointing to the building’s inability to serve even basic needs for club and activity meetings. Amid generally high satisfaction ratings, a 2005 Student Climate Study at the University revealed a lack of designated areas on campus for students to congregate and socialize and specifically identified the need for a student center where “everyone can come to...regardless of the weather” as among the greatest detractors to creating and nurturing community on campus. Students also point to the building’s inability to meet even their most basic needs for meetings for the more than 60 active clubs and organizations of the University.

Faculty and staff express similar concerns stemming from a greater desire to foster formal and informal interaction with students. Once the hub of campus activity, the current student center is now an impediment in our efforts to provide space for community interaction and fellowship – the essence of the University.

“With the help of our architects and the benefit of scores of visits to other campuses, we have developed an exciting design that addresses our serious need for increased dining areas and student gathering spaces, while consolidating many important functions that are now spread throughout the campus,” Dr. Carilli said.

The first floor of the building includes a grand lobby, campus bookstore, retail dining with seating for 250, a student mail center and coffee shop. The second floor offers a fireplace lounge, offices for Student Affairs, Mission and Ministries and the student forum. The forum will serve as the nerve center for student clubs and activities, Wellness Center, Women’s Center, Multicultural Center, and Center for Social Action and Service Initiatives.

“The design of the student forum will encourage interaction among clubs and organizations, and will also include our leadership library,” said Dr. Carilli.
The third floor will serve as the primary dining space in the building and will have seating for 800. The fourth floor will be a hub both for student events and for the many University activities that are open to the public. It includes a subdividable 7,000 sq. ft. ballroom with dinner seating for 425 and lecture seating for more than 700, a theatre with 260 fixed seats, and three multi-purpose meeting rooms.

The design of the center by Philadelphia architects Burt Hill Kosar Rittleman incorporates windowed atriums and two-story open spaces into an airy interior design.

Scranton Mayor Chris Doherty, who attended the Jan. 31 news conference, referred to the new campus center as “a tremendous addition to the Mulberry corridor.” In his remarks, Mayor Doherty reflected on his father’s years as President of Scranton City Council during the 1970’s.

“At the time, the discussion was to build a campus for the University so the kids could have a place to walk back and forth and not be worried about crossing Linden Street. Today, that dream has almost come to fruition because you have the green space,” said Mayor Doherty, referring to the new campus green that is part of the project.
Are leaders born or made? What makes a good leader? What is the result of good leadership?

In the pages that follow, Scranton alumni who volunteer for their alma mater in a variety of ways share their answers to these and other questions about leadership.

Royal Recruiters

Patrick J. Rooney ’64
Lebanon, N.J.
Retired Teacher/Administrator
Royal Recruiter

As a Royal Recruiter, Patrick Rooney represents Scranton at several college fairs each year. From a table filled with information about academic programs, extracurricular activities and financial aid programs, Mr. Rooney seeks to encourage prospective students to visit campus during Open House. “As the story goes, if a student visits the campus, they generally are sold on The University of Scranton,” he says.

He speaks from the voice of experience. “Each Royal Recruiter has their own story about The University of Scranton based on their experience while attending the U, and we try to convey that to the students that chat with us at our table,” he says.

Completed inquiry cards that he collects from interested students are forwarded to Scranton’s admissions office. Mr. Rooney also delivers a recruitment DVD on “Life at the University” to local high schools to show to interested students.

Q. How can leaders of today help students become leaders of tomorrow?

A. “Today’s leaders inspire students through their work ethic and through the example they set in treating others fairly, being honest, providing equal opportunities to employees and rewarding outstanding performance. At Scranton, students feel the pride of being part of a wonderful institution and experience the passion as they are guided by teachers with enthusiasm, intensity and drive. Today’s leaders can provide the same enthusiasm and guidance to help students become tomorrow’s leaders.

Leaders need to be a constant source of support to their employees, providing needed recognition for a job well done. When students observe this, and later experience it, they will climb the mountain to success becoming what they were prepared to be: ‘leaders of the future.’ They will once again achieve their dreams being fulfilled as a whole person working for and with others.”
“Incredibly rewarding” are the words that Patricia Moran uses to describe her service on the University’s Board of Trustees. Ms. Moran has been a Trustee since 2000 and was named Vice Chair of the Board in 2004.

Her tenure on the Board has coincided with a period of great change at the University. “It has been an exciting time to serve as a Trustee,” she says, citing what she considers one of the most significant events during her service on the Board: the appointment of Fr. Pilarz as University President.

“Fr. Pilarz has proven to be a great leader for the University and I am proud to have been on the Board that appointed him,” she says.

There are numerous other contributions of which Ms. Moran can be justifiably proud. She has been part of a Board that has helped shape plans for and approved the construction of a new retreat center at Chapman Lake and a new campus center. At the same time, the Board has provided strategic leadership with regard to University Advancement initiatives to fund these important undertakings.

“I also have had the privilege of chairing the Board of Trustee’s first governance committee and playing a role in recent governance initiatives designed to maximize the Board’s effectiveness,” she says.

Q. What makes a good leader? What is the result of good leadership?

A. “There is no single quality that identifies a good leader. Among the many qualities that a good leader must possess are passion, open-mindedness and decisiveness. The passion required of a good leader is a ‘fire in the belly’ for the job he or she is undertaking. Open-mindedness means that a good leader must be open to listening and considering the views of others, in particular the persons he or she is leading. Once having listened to and considered these views, however, a leader must have the courage to exercise his or her own judgment and act decisively, even if not everyone will embrace that decision.

If an organization has good leadership, all of its members are empowered and motivated to work as a team to advance the organization’s goals.”
“Serving as part of the New York alumni team is a great opportunity for me to honor the education I received at the U and the gift of so many beautiful friendships that have grown over the years,” says Ms. Murphy. In her work as Club President, she helps to organize events through which alumni can network personally and professionally. “When I see how we are able to connect the alumni to one another – and to current students and faculty – it reminds me of how deeply good the mission of the University is, and it pleases me to know that I can help carry on our traditions,” she says.

The Club’s goals for the coming years are to continue to build a strong presence in the New York City area, bringing together alumni from different classes to experience a variety of different activities – from “Alumster” networking evenings and alumni panel discussions to community Masses, the annual ballgame and more.

Karen Murphy ’94, President of the Scranton Club of New York, (fifth from left) was joined by other Club members during a communications panel discussion hosted by the Club in January. From left: Matt Kelly ’00, Matt Celli ’95, Jim Reilly ’79, Club Vice President, Kathryn Mariani ’02, Ms. Murphy, Matt DeNinno ’00, Rob Keenan ’95, Mike Bonner ’95 and Brendan Deneen ’95.

Q. What, from your Scranton education, helped you to understand the importance of good leadership? How can you share this with others?

A. “I think leadership is fundamentally about honoring yourself, serving others by helping them seek their highest good, making choices that support your integrity, and above all dealing honestly and respectfully with others. The U was the place where I began to learn about who I really am and who God is calling me to be. Some of my greatest experiences while at the U came not from the classroom, but from the many extracurricular activities in which I engaged, especially through Campus Ministry. Through volunteer opportunities and many weekends at Chapman Lake, I came to understand just how important issues of peace and social justice are to me: issues of fairness and finding common ground, of building bridges, honoring goodness and beauty, and seeking to resolve conflict from a deeply respectful place. The self-wisdom I received at the U has been a lasting gift and continues to shape my choices.

What is so amazing to me is that these principles are manifested in so many different ways. Alumni from different classes, with different interests and careers come together and find they have so much in common! The Jesuit principles of service and compassion continue to live on as our alumni travel further and further from their days on campus. What a legacy for us to offer the world.”
For John Lanahan, being involved with his alma mater provides him with “a sense of being and a pride of ownership that you can make a difference – large or small.” Through his service to Scranton as a former Club President and now on the Alumni Society Board, he believes he can give back to Scranton while sharing in its growth and excitement.

More importantly, he says, “Being part of the Alumni Society provides the opportunity to be part of a ‘club’ that is unique to Scranton alumni.”

In his service as President of the Scranton Club of New Jersey, John found himself renewing friendships from his college days while forging new friendships with other Scranton alumni. Working with Joseph Hanlon ’90, he coordinated the launch of the Scranton Alumni Mall, an online “store” for Scranton merchandise. The Scranton Alumni Mall, managed by students in The Kania School of Management’s Business Leadership Program, raises funds for alumni programs, while providing increased visibility of the Scranton name through branded merchandise.

In January, Mr. Lanahan was elected Vice President of the Alumni Society Board. He serves as Committee Chairperson for the Club and Affiliates Resource Committee.

Q. Are leaders born or made? What kind of leader do you most admire?
A. “Leaders are made. There are many examples of those born to privilege who become leaders (George Bush or John Kennedy), and those persons who succeed and lead without a head start and must overcome many hurdles and challenges (Abraham Lincoln or Mother Theresa).

There is no particular type of leader that I hold in high esteem. I admire the person who quietly serves and leads. It’s easy to grab the spotlight when doing something of value. But I admire the person who simply serves and leads, and when the assignment is complete simply asks, “What next?”.”

It wasn’t until John Farkas moved away from Scranton that he fully appreciated the need to reconnect with his alma mater. While he was pursuing a Ph.D. at Georgia State University in Atlanta, he remembers feeling that “I hadn’t given back a fraction of what I took away from the University.”

Little by little, he started to reconnect with his alma mater and his classmates and served as the first President of the Scranton Club of Atlanta. In doing so, he reaffirmed his belief that, “The friends you make in college are your friends for life.”

This year, Dr. Farkas is playing a particularly important role as a Class Chair for Reunion. Together with 13 other committee members, he is networking with classmates with the hopes of bringing back to campus a large contingent from the Class of 1976. At the same time, he says he hopes his class will rise to the challenge of Reunion giving through increased financial gifts that are so important in helping meet the vital needs of the University.

Q. What, in your mind, are the inherent qualities of a leader? Is leadership contagious?
A. “Listening is one of the most important qualities of a leader. I learned a lot about being a good listener during my master’s degree studies in Counselor Education at Scranton. Today, I continue to use those skills by encouraging my staff to share ideas and make recommendations. The input I receive from them helps me to make the best possible decision.

When your staff members see that their ideas are welcome and respected, they feel as though you are ‘in it with them.’ If they feel I’m going the extra mile, they will, too.”
Freshman Joe Veselovsky set two University of Scranton individual records at the 2006 Middle Atlantic Conference swim championships in February. He finished second in the 400 individual medley in 4:16.94 and was runner-up in the 200 butterfly in 1:58.48. He was also a member of the 200 and 400 medley relay teams that set new school records in times of 1:40.42 and 3:40.97, respectively. The Royals finished third at the MAC championships, the highest finish in school history.

Junior Jill Palmiotto won her third consecutive 200 backstroke title at the 2006 Middle Atlantic Conference swim championships. Her winning time was 2:12.57. She also won the 100 backstroke in 1:01.50 to help the Royals women to a second-place finish.

Members of The University of Scranton’s 1976 men’s basketball team were honored in February at the Long Center to commemorate the 30th anniversary of their NCAA Division III championship. Above, left, the 1976 team photo. 1st row (l-r): John Williams, Ed Buley, Jeff Hubert, Ed Ehret, the late Andy Holup, Billy Canny. 2nd row (l-r): Head Coach Bob Bessoir, Irv Johnson, Joe Conley, Phil Johnson, Jack Maher, John DeRichie, Paul Miernicki, Assistant Coach Mike Strong. Above, right, the “Rock-n-Roll” Royals, as they were affectionately known as back then, as they are today: 1st row (l-r): John Williams, Ed Buley, Ed Ehret, Billy Canny. 2nd row (l-r): Bob Bessoir, Joe Conley, Jack Maher, Paul Miernicki, Mike Strong.

**MEN’S AND WOMEN’S SWIMMING**

Freshman Erin O’Connor accepts congratulations from Royal swim coach Tomm Evans on being named the 2006 Middle Atlantic Conference Rookie of the Year. O’Connor won the 500 freestyle (5:16.75) and the 400 individual medley (4:42.56) and finished third in the 200 butterfly (2:13.77) at the MAC championships. Her time in the 400 individual medley set a new Scranton record.
The men’s basketball team won the Freedom Conference championship for the second time in Carl Danzig’s five-year tenure as head coach and advanced to the NCAA Division III tournament for the 20th time in school history. Senior forward Bill Burke (left) was named to the ESPN The Magazine District II All-Academic team for the second straight season. Sophomore guard Randy Arnold (center) earned first-team All-Freedom Conference honors and was named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) of the Freedom Conference tournament. He was also the recipient of the 54th annual John “Les” Dickman award, which is presented to the Royals’ most valuable player. Sophomore center Tom Bicknell (right), a native of Melbourne, Australia, earned second-team all-Freedom Conference honors.

WRESTLING
Sophomore Steve Tatum finished runner-up in the 165-pound weight class at the 2006 Middle Atlantic Conference wrestling championships. He won 21 matches this year.

HOCKEY
Junior Dan Stallone (below) and senior Chris Brearey (bottom) were named to the Eastern Collegiate Hockey Association all-star team. Stallone became the first player in Ice Royals’ history to earn first-team honors, while Brearey was a second-team selection. The Ice Royals qualified for the ECHA tournament for the fourth time since joining the league in 1999. The team also set a school record with 11 consecutive victories.
Alumni Society Elects New Officers

Timothy P. O’Brien ’74 was installed as the 24th President of the 28-member Alumni Board of Scranton on Jan. 21. He succeeds Kevin Lanahan ’84, Mendham, N.J.

Mr. O’Brien is Senior Loan Officer Vice President of Community Bank & Trust Co., Clarks Summit. He previously served as President-elect and Treasurer of the Alumni Society. He is the Treasurer of St. Joseph’s Center, Scranton, a board member of the Scranton Cultural Center, and a member of various committees at the Jewish Community Center and Scranton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. O’Brien is the son of the late Joseph J. O’Brien, M.D., ’28.

Other officers elected on the same ballot are Scranton alumni Michael J. McDermott ’71, Oak Hill, Va., President-elect; John Lanahan, Esq., ’84, Hillsborough, N.J., Vice President; Joseph P. Hanlon ’90, Cranford, N.J., Treasurer; and William F. Waldron Jr., Esq., ’90, Metuchen, N.J., Secretary.

The University of Scranton’s Alumni Society, founded in 1946, encompasses 40,000 graduates worldwide and includes a network of 20 clubs.

For additional information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 1-800-SCRANTON, or alumni@scranton.edu.

Scranton Clubs of Florida Host Socials

An alumna, a parent of a currently enrolled student and a faculty member shared a moment at one of several alumni receptions sponsored in February by the Scranton Clubs of Florida. From left, Karen Murphy ’94, James Deese (father of James III ’09) and Susan Trussler, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Economics/Finance, met at the reception in Sarasota.

New Board Members Elected

Alumni Board members elected to a three-year term in January are, from left: Alan J. Griffith ’76, Ambler; Megan Morgan ’95, Providence, R.I.; John Nealon ’83, Clarks Summit; Dominique Ponzio ’93, Norristown; Rachel Mackin Browning ’84, Villanova; Col. Richard Henley Breen USA ’77, Alexandria, Va.; and Kristin Williams ’92, New York City.

Alumni Authors: Additions to Editions

The Scranton Alumni Authors Collection, on display in the Weinberg Memorial Library, continues to grow. Following are some of the new titles on exhibit.

*Halls of Poison Ivy* by Barbara B. Rose ’82
*Mates Forever* by Robert P. Sables ’62
*University of Scranton Football 1892-1961* by Daniel E. Skutack ’54
*Coming of Age in Scranton* by Terrence Carden, M.D., ’60

*Charismata* by Michael Briese ’80
*A Treatment for Teachers with Tired Heads* by Crystal Levis Swindell ’00
*Indians of Northeastern Pennsylvania* by Stephanie Longo ’03
*Images of America: Scranton* by Cheryl A. Kashuba G’90 et al.
50 Years of Service – ROTC

The Alumni Society and the Department of Military Science at Scranton celebrated the 50th anniversary of the first military officers to graduate from the University’s Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) during a special reunion on November 11-12, 2005. The weekend events included a special exhibit in the Weinberg Memorial Library, campus tours by ROTC cadets, an “Open House” at the Department of Military Science, panel discussions on leadership and homeland security, and a memorial service for all deceased alumni military veterans.

1951

William Vita, Huntington, N.Y., was honored by the Long Island Metropolitan Lacrosse Foundation at its 20th Annual Hall of Fame Dinner with the Lifetime Achievement Award for his 60 years of involvement as a player, coach and league organizer.

1956


1961

Vito DelVecchio, Scranton, is the winner of the 2006 UNICO National Marconi Science Award.

1964

John Weiss, Lafayette, Col., was elected to the Royal New Zealand Coastguard Central Region Governance Committee.

1967

Anne Kish (G’67), Avoca, along with two others, were inducted into the Hall of Fame at the Gino Merli Veterans Center for their significant contributions to the cause of veterans. Denis Ryan took final vows in the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists) and was ordained to the transitional deaconate. In March, he was ordained to the priesthood. He is currently stationed at Saint Mary’s Assumption Church, Saint Alphonsus Parish, New Orleans, La.

1969

Thomas Senker, Newton, N.J., is President and CEO at Newton Memorial Hospital.

1970

Carlon Preate, Clarks Summit, is Principal in charge of the northeast region of Parente Randolph, L.L.C.

1973

William Nealon, Cherry Hill, N.J., a full-time Labor Relations Consultant with the Federal Department of Health and Human Services and part-time Instructor at Pennsylvania University, was honored by the University of Pennsylvania for his 10 years of service as a member of the faculty. His daughter, Ann Elizabeth, is a senior at Scranton.


A group of ROTC Alumni spanning 50 years gathered before the dinner program at the ROTC Reunion.
1986

Cmdr. Eugene Ager, U.S.N., Corpus Christi, Texas, is the Commanding Officer of the U.S. Navy’s Training Squadron Twenty Eight. = Maryellen Rossi Bernotsky, Dunmore, is Marketing Director at St. Mary’s Villa. = Anne Murray Fallon, Rutherford, N.J., and her husband, Declan, had a baby boy, Kevin Clement.

1987

Wendy Bevilacqua Halloran, Jessup, and her husband, Thomas ’99, had a baby boy, Steven Thomas. = Stephanie Ganz, Clarks Summit, married Barry Weston. = Girard Mecadon, Jenkins Township, married Christa DeVizia. = Jay Nealon, Clarks Green, and his wife, Kelli McCugh ’93, had a baby boy, Ryan Patrick. = Leigh Onda Baldan, Olyphant, and her husband, James, had a baby girl, Gia Mary.

1988

Douglas Boyle, Dalton, was promoted to President and Chief Operating Officer at Diamond Triumph Auto Glass. = Andrew Comenzo, Williamsburg, Va., and his wife, Colleen, had a baby boy, Matthew Leonard. = Nicholas Dodge, Clarks Summit, and his wife, Jennifer Lewis ’94, had a baby boy, Matthew Michael. = Albert Guari, Jessup, is Assistant Vice President and Commercial Lending Officer at Fidelity Deposit and Discount Bank. = Kimberly Keane DeNick, Marlton, N.J., and her husband, Jeffrey, had a baby boy, Jack Ryan. = Christopher Loughnay, E Rex, married Shelley Coyle. = Megan Malone Lanahan, Mendham, N.J., and her husband, Kevin ’84, had a baby boy, Daniel Malone. = Daniel McLaughlin, Raleigh, N.C., and his wife, Laurie McCormack ’91 had a baby girl, Molly Elizabeth. = Paul Wylam, Clarks Summit, is Partner of The Perry Law Firm, LLC. = Nannette Zale Refice, Scranton, and her husband, Edward ’89, had a baby boy, Edward.

1989

John Curry, Washington, N.J., and his wife, Deborah, had a baby girl, Micaela Faith. = John is a Client Services Analyst with Metropolitan Life. = Joseph Haggett, Dunmore, was named a Partner in the Scranton Law Firm of Haggett McDonnell O’Brien & Hinton, L.L.C. = Nancy Gordon Jeffers, Scranton, was promoted to Vice President at First National Community Bank. = Janice Kozlucky Forrest, Normal, Ill., and her husband, Ken, had a baby girl, Emily Rosemary. = Jennifer Looney Seaman, Montclair, N.J., and her husband, Don, had a baby girl, Julienne Mary. = Gregg Marella, Morristown, N.J., and his wife, Linda had a second son, Jason Vincent. = Joseph Parise, Secaucus, N.J., and his wife, Amy, had twins, Joseph Michael and Nicole Marie. = Edward Refice, Scranton, and his wife, Nannette Zale ’88, had a baby boy, Edward. = Timothy Ruby, Old Forge, and his wife, Michele, have a baby boy, Timothy Nicholas. = Mary Simonson Graham, Ewing, N.J., and her husband, Harry had a baby girl, Maura Catherine. = Christopher Threston, Marlton, N.J., married Janet Boulidn = Maureen Walsh, Point Pleasant, N.J., married Scott Ball. = Maureen is Customer Service and Production Manager at All Points Printing & Graphics. = Cynthia Williams Sweet, Drums, and her husband, Christopher, had a baby boy, Andrew John.

1990

Catherine Castracane Zahiri, West Chester, and her husband Nicholas, had a baby girl. = William Hackett, Laguna Niguel, Calif., and his wife, Janice, had a baby boy, Aidan William. = Joseph Hanlon, Cranford, N.J., and his wife, Salynn, had a baby boy, Garret Patrick. = Deborah Homish Kolovsky, Eynon, Senior Vice President with PNC Advisors, was appointed to the Board of Directors of Johnson College. = Maria Krowiak Guarnizo, Upper Montclair, N.J., and her husband, Joseph, had a baby girl, Ava Grace. = Missy Lausten Dilley, Fairfield, Conn., and her husband, Jon ’91, had a baby boy, Owen Robert. = Jeffrey McDonnell, North Wales, an Associate at Kent & McBride and a member of the Board of Directors of the Widener University School of Law Alumni Association, was recognized by his peers as a “Rising Star Super Lawyer” in the area of civil defense litigation. = Philadelphia Magazine mentioned this recognition. = Alissa Rose McMullen, Greensburg, and her husband, Edward, had a baby girl, Joely Rose. = Stacie Sirak Metelski, Asbury, N.J., and her husband, Thomas, had a baby girl, Isabel Anastasia. = David Sykes, Clarks Summit, and his wife, Suzanne, had a baby boy, Philip David. = Carlyle Thorsen, Abington, Va., married Anne Bradbury; many Scranton alumni attended the wedding. = Concetta Venus-Pryor, S. Setauket, N.Y., and her husband, Thomas, had a baby boy, Joseph Patrick. = Laura Willmann Leon, Vancouver, Wash., and her husband, Daryl, had a baby girl, Miranda Jean-Marie, and a baby boy, Devin Theodore.

1991

Kathleen Benik Armstrong, Sparta, N.J., and her husband, Rob, had a baby girl, Megan Elizabeth. = Terence Bird, Rochester, N.Y., and his wife, Skye, had a baby boy, Lain Justin. = Paul Debraski, Neshanic Station, N.J., and his wife, Sarah, had a baby boy, Clark Daniel. = Jon Dilley, Fairfield, Conn., and his wife, Missy Lausten ’90, had a baby boy, Owen Robert. Jon completed his MBA in Marketing at Fairfield University and was promoted to Director of Global Operations for the Laboratory Services Business at PerkinElmer Life and Analytical Sciences. = Scott Egan, Sherman Oaks, Calif., and his wife, Brooke, had a baby girl, Hallie Elizabeth. = Robert Furcon, Old Forge, and his wife, Michelle, had a baby boy, Luke Michael. = Joseph Fusaro, Spotsylvania, Va., and his wife, Theresa Cortese ’92, had a baby boy, Ian Joseph. = Brendan Hickey, Secane, married Justine Ganatra. = Lurie McCormack McLaughlin, Raleigh, N.C., and her husband Daniel ’88 had a baby girl, Molly Elizabeth. = Patricia Pashoski Richards, Clarks Summit, and her husband, Mark, had a baby girl, Kathryn Mae. = Antoinette Panteri Bonacci, Archbald, is Site Lead at the Scranton site of CIGNA Healthcare. = James Snee, Olyphant, and his wife, Heather, have twins, Gabrielle, and Christian. = James is Human Resources Manager with Kane Freight Lines. = Kimberly Thomas, Philadelphia, is an Associate with the law firm of Stampone D’Angelo Renzi DiPiero, where she concentrates her practice in personal injury. = Michael Tigue, Dunmore, and his wife, Alexandra, had a baby boy, Michael Alexander.
NEPA Alumni Honor Society Launched

A newly formed club hosted at The University of Scranton will allow northeastern Pennsylvania residents who are graduates of Jesuit universities throughout the country to continue their affiliation with their college’s Jesuit honor society.

The Alpha Sigma Nu national board of directors has approved the newly founded Alpha Sigma Nu Alumni Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania, which is the 13th such alumni association for national Jesuit honor society members formed in the country. Within the last two years, Alpha Sigma Nu alumni clubs have been formed in New York, Boston, Washington, Chicago and other major cities.

In addition to Alpha Sigma Nu alumni from The University of Scranton, alumni from the College of the Holy Cross, St., Joseph’s University, Wheeling Jesuit University and Fordham University attended the inaugural meeting held in Brennan Hall at The University of Scranton. Rev. William Byron, S.J., former president of The University of Scranton and Catholic University, gave the keynote address. He discussed “Alpha Sigma Nu: the Jesuit Way in Higher Education Leads to Loyalty, Scholarship and Service.”

Alpha Sigma Nu alumni living in northeastern Pennsylvania interested in learning more about the club may contact Betty Rozelle at The University of Scranton at (570) 941-5988 or by e-mail at rozelle1@scranton.edu.

1992
Stacey Aiosa McGlynn, Chatham, N.J., and her husband, Kieran, had a baby girl, Cameron Mary. = Debra Conrad Clark, Morris Plains, N.J., and her husband, Brian, had a baby girl, Kaitlyn Emma. = Theresa Cortese Fusaro, Spotsylvania, Va., and her husband, Joseph ’91, had a baby boy, Ian Joseph. = Ralph & Leeann Durski Collo, Moscow, had a baby boy, Nolan Thomas. = Thomas Gildea, M.D., Cleveland, Ohio, married Reena Mehra, M.D., M.S. Thomas was promoted to the Associate Staff-Department of Pulmonary, Allergy and Critical Care Medicine & Lung Transplant Center at The Cleveland Clinic Foundation. = Mary Grimes Roslonowski, Ph.D., received her degree in Chemistry from the Florida Institute of Technology and is a Professor of Chemistry at Brevard Community College in Palm Bay, Florida. = Carla Guesto Myers, Mountain Top, and her husband, David, had a baby girl, Mallory, and a baby boy, Mason. = Marybeth Gurksi Markland, Rochester, Minn., and her husband, Matthew, had a baby boy, Thomas Scott. = Tama Kneiss Bracuti, Denville, N.J., and her husband, Mario ’93, had a baby boy, Angelo Michael. = Donna Lee Chiapperino, Blauvelt, N.Y., a member of the Board of Directors for both Councils of Insurance Brokers of NY and PIA NY, was appointed Director of Marketing for Jimcor Agencies and will be managing the marketing efforts for this insurance wholesaler’s seven offices throughout the northeast. = Marion Lupyak Yurgosky, Greenfield Twp., is Principal at the Lakeland Elementary School. = Michael McHale, Dunmore, and his wife, Kimberly, had a baby boy, Evan Michael. = Joanna Prokosch Zucker, Cincinnati, Ohio, and her husband, Arnie, had a baby girl, Sarah Loren. = Guy Valvano, Dunmore, and his wife, Kellie Walsh ’94, had a baby girl, Madalyn Mary. = Thomas Winkelman, Marlton, N.J., and his wife, Anne, had a baby boy, Patrick Robert.

1993
Brenda Bauman Masters, Dunmore, and her husband, Mark, had a baby boy, Emmanuel Christopher. = Mario Bracuti, Denville, N.J., and his wife, Tama Kneiss ’92, had a baby boy, Angelo Michael. = Karen Brown Kolchorno, Peckville, and her husband, Christopher, had a baby boy, Patrick. = Christine Cummings Fitzgerald, Fairfield, Conn., and her husband, Mark, had a baby girl, Katie Diane. = Claire Czykowski Spechti, Clarks Summit, and her husband, Chad, had a baby boy, Callum Quinn. = Edward Dougherty, Scranton, and his wife, Dawn, had a baby girl, Emily Margaret. = Shelly Gaughan Egan, Gouldsboro, and her husband, Michael ’95, had a baby girl, Emma Elizabeth. = Peter Hatala, Vestal, N.Y., and his wife, Erica, had a baby boy, Owen Peter. = C. Tyler Havey, Waverly, a civil litigation attorney with Cozen, O’Connor, was named “A Rising Star in Law & Politics” in Pennsylvania Super Lawyers. = Joseph Healey, Clarks Summit, authored the cover article for the June issue of Philadelphia Golf Magazine. The article, entitled “When Buddy Faced Tiger,” takes a look back at the 1995 US Amateur Finals at Newport Country Club. = Jeffrey Huester, Moscow, and his wife, Terri, had a baby boy, David Owen. = Kelly Keegan Barton, Chatham, N.J., and her husband, John, had a baby girl, Alison Keegan. = William King, Scranton, and his wife, Lynn, had a baby girl, Alexandra Grace. = Kevin Kroll, Honey Brook, married Danielle Colgrove. = Kelli McHugh Nealon, Clarks Green, and her husband, Jay ’87, had a baby boy, Ryan Patrick. = Claudia Pope-Bayne, Weehawken, N.J., is the Manager of Development Programs at Stevens Institute of Technology. = Christopher Preate, Dalton, an attorney with Cozen, O’Connor, was named “A Rising Star by Law & Politics” in Pennsylvania Super Lawyers. = Ralph Rostock.
New License Plate Design
Alumni in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania now have the opportunity to sport the newly designed University of Scranton license plate featuring the “Split S” logo in color. The color logo will be printed directly on the plate; the actual license number will be stamped. To obtain an application, visit the Web at www.scranton.edu/scrantonplate. For additional information, contact Jeff Romanecz ’04 (romaneczj2@scranton.edu), Assistant Director of Alumni Relations.

1994
Peter Brawer, Cranston, R.I., and his wife, Heidi Gina ’95, had a baby boy, Aidan Francis.  Christina Constantini Walsh, Clarks Summit, and her husband, Jason, had a baby boy, Gavin Tyler.  Helen Fox, Scranton, married William Byrne.  William Holmes, Worchester, Mass., and his wife, Mary Grace Sandy ’93, had a baby boy, William Edward.  Tara Holowka Parsons, Swansboro, N.C., and her husband, Capt. Bradley Parsons, U.S.M.C., had a baby boy, Matthew David.  Jennifer Lewis Dodge, Clarks Summit, and her husband, Nicholas ’88, had a baby boy, Matthew Michael.  Gary Miluzosky, Richmandale, and his wife, Kelly, had a baby boy, Mason.  Michael Morcom, West Orange, N.J., and his wife, Danielle Morello ’95, had a baby girl, Elizabeth Maria.  Lori Murphy, Germantown, Md., married Brian O’Connor.  Claire Kugler, a graduate of the ’94 alumni contingent at the wedding.  Nora Paparella Phillips, Scranton, and her husband, Christopher, had a baby boy, Timothy Eugene.  Kathleen Snyder Kinne, Wallingford, and her husband, Jonathan, had a baby boy, Tucker Alexander.  Rosanna Sarcona-Doherty, Staten Island, N.Y., and her husband, Michael ’96, had a baby boy, Thomas Joseph.  Deborah Taglietta Gilman, Cream Ridge, N.J., is Associate Director of Regulatory Science at Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Research Institute.  Anthony Tunis, Scranton, and his wife, Christine, have a baby boy, Anthony Terence.  Enrico Vitalletti, Clarks Summit, and his wife, Kimberly, had a baby girl, Emmi Elizabeth.  Kellie Walsh Valvano, Dunmore, and her husband, Guy ’92, had a baby girl, Madelyn Mary.  Margaretta Williams Gilhooley, Scranton, and her husband, James, had twin girls, Megan Patricia & Catherine Bridget.  Wendy Yeager Mangan, Scranton, and her husband, William, had a baby girl, Tessa Elizabeth.

1995
Matthew Beckish, Dunmore, and his wife, Nicole Sandone ’96, had a baby boy, Philip Daniel.  Kelly Carroll Gaughan, Milford, and her husband, Martin, had a baby boy, Connor John.  Heidi Gina Brawer, Cranston, R.I., and her husband, Peter Brawer ’94, had a baby boy, Aidan Francis.  Tiffany D’Onofrio McGarritt, Stamford, Conn., and her husband, Erinn, had a baby girl, Mia Hayden.  Michael Egan, Gouldsboro, and his wife, Shelly Gaughan, had a baby girl, Emma Elizabeth.  Monica Farkas Brenner, Downers Grove, Ill., and her husband, Mike, had a baby boy, Luke Augustine.  Monica Fisich Degnan, Audubon, N.J., and her husband, Phil, had a baby boy, Philip Joseph, "PJ."  Jeffrey Greer, Williamsva., and his wife, Kristen, had a baby girl, Nadine Elizabeth.  Jennifer Jaikes Burnard, Pen Argyl, and her husband, Ed, had a baby boy, Timothy Warren.  Mark Lemonecelli, Moscow, married Nicole Ellis.  Aimée Mastri, Falls Church Va., and her husband, Marek Medenos.  Scott Martin, married Kathleen Verty.  Scott is a scientist at the National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, Md.  Danielle Morello Morcom, West Orange, N.J., and her husband, Michael ’94, had a baby girl, Elizabeth Maria.  Kelly Morgan, Las Vegas, Nev., and her husband, Edwin Feliciano, had a baby boy, Jacob Paros.  Kelly is Vice President of Sales/World Market Center at Omnia Italian Design.  Michael Novak, Olyphant, and his wife, Katie, had a baby girl, Mary Grace.  Maribeth Penzone Baker, Collerville, and her husband, George, had a baby girl, Madeline Rose.  Daneen Plis-Skutack, Exeter, and her husband, Mark, had a baby boy, Kyle John.  Brian Possanza, Jermyn, and his wife, Kathryn, had a baby girl, Julia Rose.  Christine Ranski Dietz, Easton, and her husband, Chad, had a baby girl, Allison Rachel.  Jeanette Schroeder, Philadelphia, married Steven Barone.

Alumnae from the class of 1996 joined Trisha Mariniari Penza ’96 for her November 26, 2005, marriage to Jeffrey Penza. Back row, from left: Tara Carney Brown, Siobhan Keenan, Ellen Jorda Kears, Kieran Fitzpatrick Schwartz, Christie Carr, Jennifer McFadden Murphy, Elissa Blomquist Tedesco, Jennifer Doss and Lori Scotto Connors. Seated are Mr. and Mrs. Penza.
1. In what year did Scranton become co-ed?
2. When did the men’s basketball team become the NCAA Division III National Champions?
3. In what year did Scranton introduce its first Doctoral program?
4. What was the first year of the World Premiere Composition Series?
5. Who was the first Jesuit President of the University?

More Class Notes?
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Fists for Scranton
Check your Scranton IQ about “fists” in the history of Scranton through this trivia quiz. Answers can be found on page 33.

1997
Beth-Anne Kransniq, Mahopac, N.Y., and her husband, Nick, had a baby girl, Emily Elizabeth. Christine Alumi Snyder, Moscow, and her husband, Gary, had a baby boy, Gary Frederick. Mike Beckish, Scranton, and his wife, Shannon Farrell ’03, had a baby boy, Noah Michael. Vivian Berrios Harris, New Providence, N.J., and her husband, Bill, had a baby girl, Mia Cristina. Vincent Buttaci & John Leardi have formed a new law firm, Buttaci & Leardi, L.L.C., in Lawrenceville, N.J. Mr. Buttaci counsels physician, chiropractic, and multidisciplinary health care practices on a variety of complex legal and regulatory issues. Mr. Leardi counsels individual and institutional clients on commercial dispute resolution and general litigation strategy. Craig Condella, Ph.D., Bronx, N.Y., received his degree in Philosophy from Fordham University and has remained there as a post-doctoral teaching fellow. Amanda Convey Leonardo, Wilmington, Del., and her husband, Edward, had a baby boy, Jonathan Edward. Wendy Dapsis Gardner, Clarks Summit, and her husband, Chris, had a baby boy, Brandon Timothy. Lee DeAngelis, Olyphant, married Lisa Julian. Lee is a microcomputer support specialist at Marywood University. Maureen Dockery Felser, Toms River, N.J., and her husband, David, had a baby girl, Caroline Mary. Rebecca Finn Kenney, San Rafael, Calif., and her husband, Sean ’94, had a baby boy, Tyler Finn. Lauren Folger Lessor, Bethlehem, and her husband, Michael, had a baby boy, Andrew James. JoAnn Fumanti Pepin, Old Forge, and her husband, Kevin, had a baby boy, Tyler James. Kristen Gerstheimer Hourii, Scotch Plains, N.J., and her husband, Paul, had a baby girl, Kaitlyn Marie. Christopher Heenan graduated from the New Jersey State Police Training Academy as a State Trooper and works out of the Bridgeton Station. Wendy Holcker Downey, Manassas, Va., and her husband, Robert, had a baby girl, Gabriella Marie. Sean Howe, Nutley, N.J., and his wife, Kerry O’Rourke ‘98, had a baby boy, Sean Patrick. Amy Lamberton Derrick, Richmond, Va., and her husband, Andrew, had a baby girl, Amy Leigh. Nathan Kalteski, Moscow, married Kimberly Novack. Nathan is a licensed dentist with Primecare Medical Corporation. Jessica Kirby, Piscataway, N.J., married Michael Smith. Christopher Klampfer, Greenlawn, N.Y., and his wife, Michele Ferro ‘99, had twin boys, Cole Francis, and Jay William. Kimberly Kobak Walsh, Barnesville, and her husband, Michael, had a baby boy, Tevin William. James Lennox, Scranton, and his wife, Tracie, had a baby boy, Edward Patrick. Thomas Mitchell, Marlton, N.J., and his wife, Megan, had a baby boy, Colín Peter. John Murnock, Clarks Summit, married Maria LaCoc. Megan Or McCabe, Scranton, and her husband, Brian, had a baby girl, Maura Grace. Michael Sokisl, Newfoundland, and his wife, Lori, had a baby boy, Michael Adam Jr. Matthew J. Travis, M.B.A., New Milford, Conn., has completed his degree at the University of New Haven. Brian Wilton, Lake Como, N.J., and his wife, Sarah, had a baby girl, Hannah Reilly.

1998
Jennifer Batorsky Sharkey, Horsham, and her husband, Hank, had a baby boy, Liam John. Kim Blakiewicz Tasker, Archbald, and her husband, Thomas, had a baby girl, Lindsey Blake. David Brawley, Washington, D.C., married Courtney Finch. The wedding party included 1998 alumna Matthew Penater, Matthew Connelly, and 1999 alumna Ben Li, Ryan Crooks, and Maria Maher. Allison Connolly Zaluski, Greentown, and her husband, Christopher, had a baby girl, Holly. Danielle D’Antoni Fizzano, Broomall, and her husband, John, had a baby girl, Isabella Grace. Megan Early-Brady, Fayetteville, N.C., and her husband, JJ ‘99 had a baby boy, Harrison James. Michael Farrell, Manasquan, N.J., and his wife, Danielle, had a baby girl, Caitlin Danielle. Michael received his MBA in Management from Montclair State University. Mary Kay Kennedy Lenahan, Clarks Summit, and her husband, Terrence ’83, had a baby boy, John Joseph Kennedy. Ann Kosmahl, Dunmore, married A.J. Kuehner. Shannon O’Neill Birdsall, West Chester, and her husband, Michael, had a baby girl, Ava Claire. Kerry O’Rourke Howe, Nutley, N.J., and her husband, Sean ’97, had a baby boy, Sean Patrick. Frank Padula, Dunmore, and his wife, Karen, had a baby boy, Christopher Francis. Kerri Rail Andersen, Garden City, N.Y., and her husband, Erik, had a baby boy, Finn Michael. Andrew Reiner, Wynnewood, married Kim Cataldi. Cara Shorter Russo, Paterson, N.J., and her husband, Michael, had a baby girl, Alyssa Nicole. Leslie Spingola Ortega, Clark, N.J., and her husband, Rich, had a baby boy, Joseph Vincent. Michael Tomanchek, Union Dale, and his wife, Karen, had a baby boy, Aaron Michael. Marissa Trichilo Brunetti, White Marsh, Md., and her husband, John, had a baby girl, Isabella Elle. Marissa completed a residency in Pediatrics at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, successfully passed the Pediatric Boards and has begun a fellowship there in Pediatric Critical Care Medicine. District Judge Laura Tulip, Archbald, was sworn in for the “Uppervalley” Magisterial District by Hon. Vito Geroulo ’69, for whom she was once law clerk. Sean Welsh, Stanford, Conn., and his wife, Beth Kapusta ’99 had a baby boy, Sean Joseph Jr. Megan Zsokosi, New York, N.Y., married Rodman Azar.

1999
Scranton Club of New York Hosts Communications Panel

More than 50 "young alumni" and current students of Scranton turned out to hear seven alumni speak at a panel discussion about communications careers hosted by the Scranton Club of New York on Jan. 12.

The Scranton alumni, who hold jobs in broadcasting, sports, film and radio in the New York area, offered advice about internships, getting in the door and networking for career growth to the group gathered at the 3 West Club in New York City.

"My career was the intersection of opportunity and preparation," said Mike Bonner ’95, Director of Scoreboard and Broadcasting for the New York Yankees.

Other panelists echoed Mr. Bonner’s sentiments that their career successes to date were a combination of hard work and making the right connections during and after college.

"Yes, the GPA is important," said Kate Mari ’94 (right), Radio Programming Coordinator for Sirius Satellite Radio. "It’s also important to have contacts. It’s going to be the one contact from some obscure place that’s going to help you.”

The panelists also agreed that their careers were more a series of interwoven paths than a straight line. Such was the case for Brendan Deneen ’95, a secondary education major who, through a series of connections, segued into a job in the film industry and is Director of Development for Miramax.

“It’s been a pleasant surprise to do so well in a field that I didn’t intend to be in,” said Mr. Deneen.

Another common theme in the comments offered by the panelists was the value of internships.

“Intern, intern,” said Matt Kelly ’00, a production assistant for the NBA. “If you work one place, it will lead you to another.”

The panel discussion was followed by an opportunity to network over refreshments.

For additional information about upcoming events hosted by any of the 20 clubs of the Alumni Society, visit the Web at www.scranton.edu/alumni and click on “Calendar of Events.”

Mike Bonner ’95, Director of Scoreboard and Broadcasting for the New York Yankees (left) speaks during a panel discussion on communications careers hosted by the Scranton Club of New York. Other panelists included Matt Celli ’94 (center) and Brendan Deneen ’95 (right).
Alumnus Qualifies for Team USA Racewalking Team

Mike Bartholomew ’03, placed sixth in the nation for the 50-kilometer event at the USA Race Walk Championship in Florida and has qualified for the Team USA for the IAAF World Cup of Racewalking.

Mike is currently in his second year at Immaculate Conception Seminary in the Diocese of Rockville, N.Y. He became involved in running and walking to improve his coordination. He was born prematurely in 1980 with hydrocephalus. In 2002, while a student at Scranton, he became ill. A valve that siphons extra fluid from his brain was broken, and fluid was building on his brain. Doctors operated, and he recovered fully, continuing to walk.

In a March 1, 2006, issue of The Long Island Catholic, Mike says he walks “for hope.”

“I want to give hope to people with hydrocephalus,” he says. “People thought that I wasn’t going to live when I was born and now I am in the top 10 race walkers in the country. Some people even say I may have Olympic potential.”

Vanessa Heinjes, Califon, N.J., married Andrew Wolsky ’02.

Jennifer Hunara was promoted to Executive Director of Surgical Services at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in Hamilton, N.J. Marie Infante, Crafton, N.J., married Ricardo Costa. Stefanie Kozlowski Ott, Downingtown, and her husband, Jeremy ’99, had a baby boy, Gavin Joseph. Heather Kunz, Norwalk, Conn., married Sean Royce. Father Ron McKinney, S.J., officiated. 

Amy Antrim & Jennifer Hunara were bridesmaids. Kristin Olney, Philadelphia, married Jim O’Malley.

Adam Minakowski, Timonium, Md., is an Associate in the Communications & Marketing Department of the Butler Capital Corp. Nicole Mortellito, Vienna, Va., a contractor for the U.S. Election Assistance Commission on both federal contracting and policy projects, was asked by IFES International, an international nonprofit dedicated to building democratic societies, to serve as an election observer in the January 8, 2006, legislative and parliamentary elections in Haiti. Alison Neimeister, Center Valley, married Richard Hoffman ’01. Alison is a sales executive for Xerox Corporation. Tracey Pawelski, Eynon, married Brian Dempsey. Tracey is a teacher at Valley View Intermediate School. Jill Stillman, New York, N.Y., married, Andrew Terranella. Christine Tattoli and Jessica Thornton ’01 were members of our bridal party. Also in attendance were Melissa Schwarz. Kristen Corcoran Santopietro, Christine Terrasi Matalia of ’00 and Jessica Burns Billon and Celia Marcelino of ’01, Maria Squire, Ph.D., East Stroudsburg, married Bryan Diegnan. Maria received her degree in Biomedical Engineering from Stony Brook University and is an assistant professor in the department of biology at her Alma Mater. Christine Tattoli, Clark, N.J., married Jeff Bosco. Nine members of ’00 were present at the ceremony. Cindy Vodole, Washington, D.C., married Paul Breme. Multiple U of S friends were in attendance.

2001


2002

Marcy Antinnes Curra, Glenburn, and her husband, Thomas, had a baby boy, Anthony Thomas. William Aquilino, Archbald, and his wife, Loreen, had a baby girl, Riley Grace. Capt. Karen Borowski, of the Medical Service Corps, served a one year tour in Iraq as a MEDEVAC pilot and was awarded the Air Medal. She is presently serving in Germany.

Beverly Caputo, York, married Sean Carey. Dana Garcia, Midland Park, N.J., married Daniel Andriano ’00. Danielle Lester, Newtown, married James Preston. Ava Dutko Reynolds ’03, Maria Gentile Dotter ’02 and many Scranton friends were in attendance.


2003

Hussain Bootwala, Annapolis, Md., married Mulbina Lilamwala, in Mumbai, India. Shannon Farrell Beckish, Scranton, and her husband, Mike ’97, had a baby boy, Noah Michael. Bridge Garrett, Mahany Plante, married Glenn Antz.

Kathleen Haggerty, Scranton, married Brian James. Kathleen is a Special Projects Assistant at the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce.

Kimberly Martini Morgan, Moonie,
Call for Nominations

The terms of seven members of the Alumni Board of Governors expire on Dec 31, 2006. The Nominating Committee is seeking the names of candidates who might be interested in serving a renewable three-year term as a Board member. Board members, elected by the general alumni population, meet quarterly and are responsible for setting goals for alumni activities and ensuring that the membership is directed toward these ends. Alumni who feel that they can make a strong commitment to serving as an active Board member, who have volunteered in some capacity for the University and/or the Alumni Society or would like to nominate an alumnus/na for same, should submit their name or the name(s) of their nominee(s) to Michael J. McDermott ’71 (mjmc6025@aol.com) President-elect of the Society, and chairman of the Nominating Committee by Thursday, June 22.

and her husband, Richard ’96, had a baby girl, Olivia Leah. Lauren McMullin, Raritan, N.J., married Andrew Doran. Courtney Nielsen, Manhattan, Kan., married 1st Lt. Alexander Moore, now serving in Iraq. Joseph Pierce, Bensalem, is one of 14 graduate students elected nationally by the American College of Sports Medicine to receive one of their Research Foundation Grants to support his graduate research entitled, “Growth Hormone and Muscle Function Responses to Ischemia.” He plans to pursue a career in research. Matthew Stefanello, Dunmore, married, Marlee Lemoncelli G’05.

2004

Erin Bates married Adam Ropelowski. Many Scranton alumni attended the wedding. Both are currently serving in Iraq as 2nd Lieutenants in the U.S. Army. Susan Chrusciel, Caldwell, N.J., was awarded a Shining Performance Achievement Award at Schering-Plough Research Institute for excellent demonstration of company leader behaviors. Matthew Dragwa, West Pittston, married Kelly McDermott. Traci Frable, Scranton, married James Leidsl. Joseph Landara (Joey Temps), New York, N.Y., is Radio Personality/Producer with Premiere Radio Networks. Louis Strazzieri, Throop, married Kelly Hughes. Louis is employed by Lackawanna County Children and Youth Services. Keith Zona, Gouldsboro, and his wife, Maryellen, had a baby boy, Andrew James.

2005

Daniel Gilroy, Jessup, married Kathleen Sokoloski. A teacher at Valley View High School, Daniel also coaches girls’ basketball and JV baseball. Jaclyn Janowics, Moscow, married Wes Schaeffer. Kevin Kloss, Throop, who teaches history to seventh graders and will be the middle distance track & field coach for the 2006 season, was appointed as a full-time contracted Social Studies teacher by the Montrose Area School District. Marlee Lemoncelli G’05, Dunmore, married Matthew Stefanello ’03. Timothy O’Malley, N. Fort Myers, Fla., was promoted to Realtor, Land Investments and Home Sales at Priceless Realty.

Deaths

1933
Rev. Harold Mulrooney, West Hazleton
Joseph Talansky, DeSoto, Texas
Hon J.D. Butzner, Richmond, Va.
Victor Billota, Forest City
Norman Berger, M.D., Boca Raton, Fla.
John A. Quinn, D.D.S., Scranton

1942
Matt Lynott, Clarks Summit
Msgr. Joseph Law, Wilkes-Barre
Albert Kreis, Dunmore
James Kilker, Belein, N.J.
Edwin Ostrowski, Clarks Summit

1945

1949

1953

1955

1958

1961
Salvatore Riccardo, Dunmore
Donald Klee, Camp Hill
James O’Hara, West Chester
Frank Weinschenk, Dunmore

1965G

1967

1970

1973

1976

1978
Charles Dunn, Palm Bay, Fla.
Richard Marsh, Avoca
Alice Roche McNulty, Dunmore

FAMILY & FRIENDS

William Albert, brother of Rev. Patrick ’88
Glenn Beneski, brother of Mark ’92
Marion Besoar, mother of Stephen ’80,
William ’85 & Bonnie Mislevy ’87
Alice Bonacuse, wife of Thomas ’66
Chester Bowen, father of Chester ’94
Michael Coyer, father of Michael ’86
Richard Davidson, father of Kathleen ’07
Cesar DeLeo, father of Caesar ’65
George Denliker, father of Rachel Cavanaugh ’96
Helen Dozer, grandmother of Liz Altemus Murphy ’83 & Thomas Altemus ’84
Rita Flynn, wife of Richard ’63
Paul Kameen, brother of Lawrence ’38, father of Paul ’71
Patricia Kotchick, wife of E. Donald, ’59; mother of Robert ’88, Christopher ’92 & Gregory ’96
Matilda Volpi Kozlowski, mother of Fred ’64, Mark ’72 & grandmother of Fred ’90
Craig McGinnis, brother of Candis Finan G’76
Alfred Mecadon, father of Girard ’87
Elizabeth Noon, mother of James ’66
Olga Forgione O’Donnell, mother of Paul ’64
Elizabeth Kaup O’Malley, mother of Michael, III ’75 & Patricia Regalis ’76
“Charlie” Schauer, father of Erich ’02
Ann Paulishak, mother of John ’63
Eleanor Peters, mother of James ’64
Margaret Pilosi, mother of Guy ’74
Frank Resser, father of Mary Ellen Fazio ’84
August Ricciardi, father of Rev. August ’77
Lauretta Tracy, mother of Gerald ’63, grandmother of Erin ’88
Geraldine Tuerff, mother of Gordon ’76
Lois Tuerff, mother of Maureen Walsh Ball ’89
Dr. Carleton Upright, Department of Education (70-76) Glen Cove, N.Y.
Denise Wassil, brother of Ronald ’84
Connie Zazzera, mother of Mary Beth ’83

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Registration

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Saturday, June 17

8:00 a.m.
• Golf Outing, Pine Hills, Taylor, Pa.
• Daily Mass
8:30 a.m.
• Reunion Run/Walk
8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
• REGISTRATION
10:00 a.m.
• Tour Your Old Dorm Room (until noon)
• Open Swim for Kids (until noon)
• Bookstore Open (until 4:00 p.m.)
• Athletic Facilities Open (until 5:00 p.m.)

Non
• Admissions Open House (until 1:00 p.m.)
• Library Open (until 6:00 p.m.)
12:30 p.m.
• Reunion Family Picnic – includes activities for children (until 3:00 p.m.)
• Campus Tours
6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
• Cocktails on the Commons
8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
• Reunion Class Dinners, on campus
9:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
• Coffeehouse with Music and Karaoke

Sunday, June 18

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
• Bookstore Open
9:30 a.m.
• Alumni Reunion Mass
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
• Farewell Brunch
Noon
• Athletic Facilities Open (until 5:00 p.m.)
• Library Open (until 8:00 p.m.)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, June 16

6:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
• Athletic Facilities Open
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
• Library Open
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
• Bookstore Open
Noon
• REGISTRATION (until 10:00 p.m.). Check in at the lobby of the McDade Center for Literary and Performing Arts, and pick up your nametags, tickets, room combinations to campus, and enhanced Reunion schedule of events. Parking is available in the Parking Pavilion next door. Registration continues here on Saturday.
• Cafeteria Open (until 2:00 p.m.)
12:05 p.m.
• Daily Mass
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
• Frank O’Hara Awards Dinner
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
• Frank O’Hara Awards Ceremony
8:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
• All-Class Welcoming Reception

Saturday, June 17

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