“The Beginning of a New Era in the University’s History”

Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center
I have the privilege of writing to you at a most exciting moment in the history of our University. By the time the spring semester began, we occupied the Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center. Since the start of intersession, students and staff were settling into this new home for our incomparable campus community. The Center’s opening marks the completion of the most ambitious building project since our founding 120 years ago. All of us can be proud of this accomplishment and grateful for the benefactors and efforts of those who helped make this long-held dream come true.

In planning for our newest building, we were very deliberate in referring to it as a “campus center.” The facility is rare in approximating the goal of being “all things to all people.” The variety of services available and the range of offices it contains make it a home for every campus constituency. As a result, it can only enhance one of the University’s most cherished characteristics: our sense of community that supports and sustains rigorous intellectual work. Most conspicuous in this regard are the welcoming and gracious open spaces for gathering and conversation. For generations to come, members of the University community will meet and forge strong bonds in a structure that is at once impressive and intimate.

We were also deliberate in siting the building on Mulberry Street with a grand entrance that opens into the city. Symbolically and substantively, we want our new campus center to express our commitment to civic engagement.

All of us imagine welcoming our neighbors to a wide variety of events in the years to come. This is especially important to us as a Jesuit University. As Thomas Lucas, S.J., writes in his book, Landmarking: City, Church and Jesuit Urban Strategy, “Ignatius Loyola was the first founder of a major religious order in the history of the Church to . . . opt deliberately for a complete insertion of a religious order’s works and residences in the center of the urban fabric.” The location of the DeNaples Center renews our commitment to that tradition and signals our embrace of the city that is our home.

Finally, the opening of the DeNaples Center gives you a good reason to come home to Scranton’s campus. Whether you live in Clarks Summit or California, touring our new home will make you prouder than ever of your alma mater as it continues to make good on its limitless promise.

Sincerely,

Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.
The University of Scranton

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Seventh Annual Award Dinner

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Scranton Mayor Chris Doherty offered remarks at the official opening of the University’s free health clinic, a partnership project of the University and the Lackawanna Medical Society. In the background are Greg Borowski, M.D., medical director of the clinic, and Debra Pellegrino, Ed.D., dean of the Panuska College of Professional Studies.

Institutional Advancement

Eugene Kane Sr. ’54, chairman of Kane is Able, Inc., will receive the President’s Medal at the President’s Business Council’s Seventh Annual Award Dinner, to be held on Thursday, October 9, 2008, at The Pierre in New York City.

Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center

A new 118,000 square-foot campus center, which opened in January and was dedicated on Feb. 29, is a “welcome” addition to campus.

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The new Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center is the largest and most ambitious building project in the University’s 120-year history.
On the Commons

University News

Jesuit Community at Scranton Announces $6 Million in Donations

Representing the culmination of 65 years of service in Scranton, the Jesuit Community of Scranton announced on Dec. 14, 2007, a $4 million donation to be shared evenly by The University of Scranton and Scranton Preparatory School. The community is donating an additional $2 million to the health care fund of the Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus.

“This donation is the accumulation of 65 years of service, simplicity of life and hard work by the hundreds of Jesuits who have served our Scranton community,” said Rev. Bernard McIlhenny, S.J., administrator of the Jesuit Community at Scranton. “It addresses today’s challenges of health care for our aging Jesuits and of fostering our Jesuit and Catholic traditions of education with a declining number of Jesuits.”

“The University owes much of its present-day success to the daring and devotion of my Jesuit brothers who worked to realize the dream of our founder, Bishop O’Hara, to establish an educational institution that would light the valley and, indeed, the world with the fires of learning,” said Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., president of the University. “This gift is magnificent, meaningful and deeply humbling because it is made possible by the sacrificial service of hundreds of Jesuits over these past 65 years.”

“I am happy to be a bearer of such good news for the future of these two Jesuit educational institutions that are so influential in northeastern Pennsylvania and beyond,” said Rev. George A. Aschenbrenner, S.J., rector of the Scranton Jesuit Community.

“A gift of this magnitude is a tremendous source of encouragement to our two Jesuit institutions,” said Rev. Herbert Keller, S.J., president of Scranton Preparatory School. “It is such a privilege for our schools to serve here in northeastern Pennsylvania, and this gift strengthens us to continue our Catholic and Jesuit mission. We are profoundly grateful to the Scranton Jesuit Community for this extraordinarily generous gift.”


Irwin E. Alperin Financial Center Dedicated

Joining University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., at the dedication of the Irwin E. Alperin Financial Center are members of the Alperin family, from left: Julia, Janie, Basha and Francine.

The University dedicated the new Irwin E. Alperin Financial Center in Brennan Hall on Jan. 25. The Center simulates a trading floor, complete with an electronic ticker and other news and data displays.

At the dedication, Patrick F. Leahy, vice president for University Relations, announced $250,000 in funding from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to support future development of the Center. The second phase is expected to include 40 computers, a surround sound system and conference facilities. The third phase will provide a network of specialized software designed to support the Kania School of Management business curriculum with simulation capabilities and faculty-student research on financial and commodity markets.

For information about opportunities to support the second and third phases of the Alperin Financial Center, please contact Marise Garofalo, executive director of Development, at (570) 941-4144.

Irwin E. Alperin Financial Center Dedicated
Leahy Center Dedicated

The University of Scranton and the Lackawanna County Medical Society announced the opening of a free health clinic that will provide non-emergency health care to uninsured Lackawanna county residents who do not have and cannot afford private health insurance and who do not qualify for public health insurance. The announcement was made at a Feb. 19 news conference.

The Edward R. Leahy Jr. Center Clinic for the Uninsured: A Cooperative Project at The University of Scranton is the only free clinic in Lackawanna County. It provides services usually given by a primary care physician, such as treatment of fevers, influenza or respiratory infections.

The clinic, located in the University’s 4,000-square-foot Leahy Community Health and Family Center in the lower level of McGurrin Hall, is open from 2 to 6 p.m. Thursday afternoons and is capable of seeing between 20 and 24 patients each week.

“The Edward R. Leahy Jr. Center Clinic for the Uninsured fits well with the University’s Jesuit mission by combining learning with service, and by engaging our resources, faculty and students with professional collaborators to meet a pressing community need,” said Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., president of The University of Scranton. “The clinic will offer new opportunities for faculty and student teaching, learning research and service in the fields of health, human services and education.”

In his remarks at the news conference, Edward Leahy ’68, who, together with his wife, Patricia, established the Edward R. Leahy Jr. Endowment at the University in honor of their late son, said that the clinic benefits all of Lackawanna County. “For, although your hands and your medical expertise will touch only a portion of our residents, that medical care will benefit the entire county by producing more healthy lifestyles, more productive workers, more sustainable families, a more robust economy, and, ultimately, hospital emergency rooms that are freed to perform their intended function – to treat patients who are truly in need of emergency care,” said Leahy.

Services offered by the Edward R. Leahy Jr. Center Clinic for the Uninsured include diagnosing and treatment of common illnesses and the identification and referral of chronic health problems, like high blood pressure and diabetes. Referrals will be made to community and University resources. The clinic can also provide referrals to pharmaceutical access programs.

Wall Street West Initiative Trains High School Teachers

Northeast Pennsylvania high school teachers took part in a free institute to learn about teaching economics and finance to their students during two seminars on Jan. 22 and 23. The seminars used Internet2 to connect to regional sites in Pennsylvania.

University of Scranton Economics Professor Ed Scahill, Ph.D., led training sessions from the University’s Irwin E. Alperin Financial Center’s simulated trading floor, complete with an electronic ticker and other news and data displays.

Participants received instruction and support materials for teaching financial economics competencies. The training will help them prepare their students for competition in the spring 2008 Stock Market Game. The Stock Market Game is a 10-week simulation, during which students invest an imaginary $100,000 by buying stocks listed on the major securities exchanges. Students who compete in the game learn how financial markets operate, and hone their mathematics and decision-making skills.

The training is supported by a $153,732 grant from Wall Street West that was awarded to The University of Scranton and Misericordia University to support the jointly conducted Financial Literacy Institute for Junior and High School Teachers and Students. Other partner institutions include Northampton Community College, EconomicsPennsylvania (EconPA), Susquehanna Patriot Bank Center for Economic Education and Intermediate Units 14, 19, 20 and 21.

Wall Street West is a federal- and state-funded project for development of a back-up solution for financial institutions in New York City in the event of a disaster such as 9/11.

Ed Scahill, Ph.D., professor of economics, leads a training session in the Irwin E. Alperin Financial Center as part of a Wall Street West initiative to train high school teachers to teach economics.
Brady Named to Board of Trustees

William J. Brady ’83, Wellesley, Mass., has been elected to the Board of Trustees of the University, effective Dec. 12, 2007. Brady is executive vice president and general manager of Cabot Corporation’s Carbon Black business. Cabot is the world’s leading manufacturer of carbon black for use in tires, industrial rubber products, elastomer composites, plastic masterbatch and specialty products, such as inks and coatings. Brady also oversees the company’s Ink Jet Colorants business unit. He joined Cabot in 1986, and has held various positions in the United States and Japan. Prior to joining Cabot, he was a research chemist with Sterling Drug Company.

Brady earned a bachelor of science degree in chemistry/business from the University of Scranton and an M.B.A. from Fairleigh Dickinson University in New Jersey.

Scranton Ranked Among Ivy League for “Best Value”

The University of Scranton, Harvard, Princeton, Yale and Penn are among the only 50 universities in the nation listed in Kiplinger’s “Best Values in Private Colleges.” The list, published in the April edition of Kiplinger Personal Finance magazine, ranks only four universities in Pennsylvania: The University of Pennsylvania (10), Villanova (32), Carnegie Mellon (39) and Scranton (46).

Kiplinger’s rankings calculate academic quality, which accounts for two-thirds of the measure, and affordability. Kiplinger reviewed data on more than 1,000 colleges that included the percentage of the 2006/07 freshman class that scored 600 or better in the verbal and math components of the SAT or 24 or higher on ACT; the faculty to student ratio; and graduation rates. Financial measures considered included total cost of attendance (tuition, fees, room and board, and estimated expenses for books); cost after need-based assistance; aid from grants; cost after non-need base assistance; non-need based aid; and average debt after graduation.

Arts Events Enrich Campus Culture

Concerts, plays and art exhibits filled the spring semester at Scranton.

From Feb. 29 – March 2, the University Players presented of “Twelfth Night, or What You Will,” Shakespeare’s madcap comedy of love, deception and mistaken identity.

The Hope Horn Gallery sponsored “Back Track: Paintings by Bruce Lanning” from Feb. 1 – March 14. This project was supported by the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. The exhibit included a lecture by the artist, as well as an Acrylic Painting Workshop based on the paintings of Bruce Lanning. Students from school and community groups experimented with color mixing and brushwork techniques to produce acrylic paintings on gessoed papers.

Events Celebrate MLK Day, Black History Month

In celebrating Martin Luther King Day and Black History Month, the University community held several events to celebrate and acknowledge the many contributions and accomplishments of African Americans.

On Jan. 21, the University’s Office of Multicultural Affairs team, together with Scranton’s Friends of the Poor, presented a program in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King.

“Harlem Speaks,” a program honoring important jazz artists, returned to the University of Scranton on Feb. 3, with several special events featuring national Jazz Museum in Harlem executive director Loren Schoenberg, the National Jazz Museum in Harlem All-Stars Big Band, and special guest Jacque “Tajah” Murdock, dancer/dance historian.

Joe Rogers, Esq. presented a program commemorating the 40th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. King and the delivery of his historic “Drum Major Instinct” at a Feb. 16 event sponsored by the United Colors Club and the Council for Community Affairs, Inc.

On Feb. 29, Performance Music presented the Grammy Award-nominated David Ostwald’s Gully Low Jazz Band, which presented a concert of Louis Armstrong’s music.

The Gully Low Jazz Band presents a concert of Louis Armstrong’s music in the Houlihan-McLean Center as part of the University’s Performance Music Series.

Schemel Forum Continues with Spring Series

Twenty-first century Africa, Jesuit poetry, modern art, James Joyce’s *Ulysses*, and the philosophy of the city were among the topics discussed this spring for the University’s Schemel Forum.

The Schemel Forum is a series of participatory learning experiences whose aim is to cultivate the intellect and the imagination through study and discussion of classical texts and current policies, from the arts, history and philosophy to technology and theology.

The spring series included:

- *Ulysses* by James Joyce, with Stephen Whittaker, Ph.D., professor of English
- *Philosophy and the City: Understanding Citizenship, Urban Policy and City Planning* with Sharon Meagher, Ph.D., professor of philosophy,
- *The Accessible Image* with Josephine Dunn, Ph.D., associate professor of history

The Schemel Forum’s “Insights into Africa” luncheon series, held in April, brought leading experts on Africa to Scranton to discuss the challenges of democratic transition in Africa. The Schemel Forum was founded in 2006 through generous gifts to the Rev. George Schemel, S.J., Fund. The Forum has grown quickly from a handful of informal lectures to a comprehensive collection of study, dialogue, performances and special events.

For additional information on Schemel Forum programs and memberships, contact Sondra Myers at (570) 941-4089 or myerss2@scranton.edu.

County Commissioners Speak at PNC Breakfast

Newly elected Lackawanna County Commissioners Michael Washo and Corey O’Brien spoke at the PNC Breakfast at the University’s Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center in January. From left are Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., president of the University of Scranton; Patrick Leahy, vice president for university relations; Commissioner O’Brien; Commissioner Washo; Deborah Kolovsky ’90, senior vice president and managing director of PNC Wealth Management; and Pete Danchak ’84, president of PNC Bank Northeast Pennsylvania, and corporate sponsor of the breakfast series.

Bestselling Author Speaks at Scranton

Be it in business, sports, law or politics, Ronald Shapiro knows what it takes to make it into the “winner’s circle,” and he shares his knowledge in his latest book, *The New York Times* bestseller *Dare to Prepare: How to Win Before You Begin*. He also shared his success tips with northeast Pennsylvania residents at a luncheon lecture and book-signing at the University on Apr. 3 in the Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center.

A bestselling author, expert negotiator, sports agent and attorney, Shapiro’s latest book, written with Gregory Jordan, made it to the *New York Times* bestseller list in its first week of publication. *Dare to Prepare* weaves Shapiro’s experience with stories of 38 successful individuals to provide a preparedness checklist that can be followed by executives, managers and other professionals.

University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., and John Dionne ’86 are profiled in the book *Dare to Prepare*. University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., is among the 38 successes featured in *Dare to Prepare*, as is John Dionne ’86, former Trustee and senior managing director of the Blackstone Group, New York, N.Y.
Students, Alumni and Faculty Participate in Medical Mission Trips

Nine students, three alumni physicians and two nursing professors from the University dedicated a week of their time and years of medical education and expertise during two separate medical mission trips to the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere.

Both trips were held during January intersession. At the invitation of JoAnne Kuehner H’01, founder and president of “Hope for Haiti,” six nursing students and two nursing professors traveled to Les Cayes and Port-au-Prince, Haiti, for a service trip from Jan. 13 – 18.

In a separate trip sponsored by the University’s Medical alumni council, a group of three pre-med students and three alumni physicians traveled to Port-au-Prince for a medical mission trip, held Jan. 20 – 26. It was the sixth such trip to Haiti sponsored by the council.

Patricia Harrington, Ed.D., associate professor and chair of nursing, and Sharon Hudacek, Ed.D., professor of nursing, led the six students in their work with “Hope for Haiti.” They were accompanied on the trip by Kuehner, whose organization supports more than 30 schools throughout Haiti. Working with Haitian nurses, as well as a doctor and dentist from Florida, who also volunteered their time, the Scranton students and faculty provided healthcare to the communities served by these schools. The six seniors who went on the trip are Kaitlin Baker, Josh Braddell, Kerry Gallagher, Laura Gibbons, Jessica Hodovanec and Mary Beth Vogel.

The Medical Alumni Council team, led by Scranton alumnus Richard Bevilacqua, M.D., D.M.D. ’83, also included alumni Gregory Lynch, D.O., ’79 Chris Jones, M.D., ’02, and pre-med students Mary Elise Lynch ’10, Cassandra Zagorski ’08 and Ed DelSole ’08, president of the Health Professions Organization at Scranton.

While in Haiti, the group stayed at an orphanage and clinic-hospice for orphaned and abandoned children in Haiti established by Rev. Leo Richard Frechette, C.P., D.O., H’07. Established in 1994, the Medical Alumni Council is an affiliate of The University of Scranton Alumni Society. The University has more than 1,800 medical alumni working as physicians, dentists and veterinarians.

Cassandra Zagorski ’08 (second from right) and Ed DelSole ’08 (right) are among a group of students and alumni who participated in a medical mission trip to Haiti sponsored by the Medical Alumni Council.
Scranton Students Conduct Volunteer Projects

Scranton students conducted several volunteer projects during the Christmas 2007 season.

Freshmen in the University’s Panuska College of Professional Studies collected approximately 1,800 books as part of the inaugural “Blessing of the Books” service project. Each donor was asked to purchase or donate a book suitable for preschoolers to young adults, and to write an inscription on why the book has been a blessing in his or her life.

On Dec. 4, University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., blessed the books in a ceremony held in McGurrin Hall on campus. The books were distributed to local groups to promote literacy in the community.

In November, Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) at the University conducted a bicycle collection as part of His Work in Progress’s Pedals Around the World project. Sixteen bicycles were collected by SIFE members. After being examined to make sure they are road-worthy, they were sent to Bosnian refugees abroad and to local residents who need transportation.

Also, students in the University’s Community Outreach Office collected about 450 gifts of toys and clothing through their annual holiday Giving Tree and Adopt an Angel programs. Toys and clothes were also collected through the annual Empty Stocking Fund concert sponsored by Performance Music at Scranton, and through a drive sponsored by students in the Psychology Department. Donated gifts were delivered to United Neighborhood Centers and Head Start for distribution.

Scranton President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., and Debra A. Pellegrino, Ed.D., dean of the Panuska College of Professional Studies, look at one of the approximately 1,800 donated books at the “Blessing of the Books” ceremony held Dec. 4.

Students Recognized for Academic Achievement

Scranton students were recognized for outstanding academic achievement at the Frank O’Hara Awards and Rose Kelly Awards ceremony held recently on campus.

Frank O’Hara medals were given to first-, second- and third-year students with the highest grade point average in the Panuska College of Professional Studies, the College of Arts and Sciences, the Kania School of Management and the College of Graduate and Continuing Education. The award is named in honor of the late Frank O’Hara, who served the university for 53 years in various administrative positions.

Recipients of Frank O’Hara medals from each of the University’s undergraduate schools are as follows.

From the Kania School of Management: first-year student William Pugh received a bronze medal; second-year student Frank S. Phillips received a silver medal; and Joseph P. O’Connell III, third-year student, received a silver medal.

From the Panuska College of Professional Studies: first-year student Nicole M. Zullo received a bronze medal; second-year student Lauren E. Godek received a silver medal; and Brian J. Patchcoski, third-year student, received a silver medal.

From the College of Arts and Sciences: first-year student Douglas A. Jones received a bronze medal; second-year student Coral Stredny received a silver medal; third-year student Christina M. Drogalis received a silver medal.

From the College of Graduate and Continuing Education: first-year student Mary Ann Wiggins received a bronze medal; second-year student Alexandra Cronk received a silver medal; Judith Gunshannon, third-year student, received a silver medal.

The following graduate-level students in the College of Graduate and Continuing Education received pewter medals: Anne M. Blaum, Jennifer M. Wagner, Emil C. Bontempo, Elizabeth J. McDonald, Sean R. Egan, Andrea C. Stellatella and Jill L. Crompton.

The Rose Kelly Award was established by a University of Scranton alumnus, Joseph Wineburgh, Ph.D., ’36 to link the efforts of educators to the achievements of college students. The award is presented jointly to a student in each of the four colleges who has completed two years at the University and to the teacher whom he or she recognizes as having a great impact on his or her life. Students are selected based on exemplary achievement in both academics and general campus involvement.

From the Kania School of Management, Colleen L. Tuohy nominated her teacher from Immaculate Heart Academy, Rosemary C. Fuhrman.

From the Panuska College of Professional Studies, Megan E. Conley nominated Sister Lucy Marie Schluth, her teacher from Cardinal O’Hara High School.

From the College of Arts and Sciences, Douglas A. Jones nominated his teacher from Holy Redeemer High School, Michael Milz.

From the College of Graduate and Continuing Education, Mary W. Purcell nominated James Kilker, her teacher from Scranton Preparatory School.
Faculty and Staff

Education Professor Receives Rotary Grant

Tata Mboguka, Ph.D., associate professor of education at the University, received one of only 20 Rotary Grants for University Teachers awarded in the nation. A native of Kenya, Dr. Mboguka planned to teach at the Catholic University of East Africa in Nairobi, Kenya, during the spring 2008 semester while on sabbatical. Her trip, however, was delayed due to unrest in the country.

Awarded through a national competition, the Rotary Grant for University Teachers program seeks to build international understanding and development by strengthening higher education in low-income countries. Grant recipients must teach subjects that are relevant to the local population’s needs and contribute to the area’s socioeconomic development.

Five Receive Interession Grants

Harold W. Baillie, Ph.D., provost and vice president for academic affairs, announced that five faculty members received intersession grants for January 2008.


Anthony P. Perzola, Ph.D., associate professor of mathematics, spent intersession researching materials for a new general education course on “Mathematics and Art.”

Susan F. Mathews, Ph.D., professor of theology/religious studies, received a grant to complete three academic essays on “Understanding John’s Theology: A Student’s Companion.”

Oliver J. Morgan, Ph.D., professor and chair of counseling/human services, received a grant to develop “Counseling Competencies for Integration of Spirituality.”

Ling Xue, Ph.D., assistant professor of operations management, received a grant to study the “Impact of Information Technology Governance on Business Performance.”

Three Named to Posts at Scranton

Robert Farrell, Esq., has been named director of Community Relations. Most recently, he served as the City Solicitor for the City of Scranton, responsible for all of the City’s legal affairs. He has also managed numerous community projects, including the Wenzel Treehouse and the volunteer-built and organized community playground at Nay Aug Park.

Previously, Farrell was an associate/partner with the law firm of Kreder Brooks Hailstone & Ludwig, a role that included work with municipal governments throughout the region. He also served as a law clerk to Hon. Chester T. Harhut, who is now president judge of the Court of Common Pleas. Farrell earned a bachelor’s degree from the College of the Holy Cross and a law degree from Dickinson School of Law.

Marise Garofalo ‘00 has been named executive director of Development in the Division of Institutional Advancement. She joined the University in 1998 and, since 2000, has assumed increasing responsibilities in the Advancement Division. She has served as assistant director of Alumni Relations, associate director of Operations & Research, director of IT for Development, senior development officer, and, most recently, director of Planned Giving & Special Programs. Prior to joining the University, Garofalo served in various management and marketing roles in the local business community. She is a summa cum laude graduate of The University of Scranton, where she received the Frank O’Hara Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement.

Shannon Murphy ’99 has been named director of Student Activities and Orientation. She was previously assistant director of Student Activities and Orientation. Before joining the University, Murphy served as the assistant director of Campus Programs at St. Joseph’s University, Philadelphia, and as the assistant director of Student Activities at Canisius College, Buffalo, N.Y. Murphy earned a bachelor’s degree in History from The University of Scranton and a master’s degree in College Student Personnel Administration from Canisius College.

Professors Receive National Science Foundation Grant

John R. Kalafut ’60, professor of physics and electrical engineering, and Anthony P. Pamelia ’67, primary lab instructor for physics and electrical engineering, have been awarded a $46,881 grant from the National Science Foundation through its Course, Curriculum, and Laboratory Improvement Program.

Kalafut and Pamelia will use the monies to purchase equipment and computers to restructure the department’s laboratory used for general physics and elements of physics courses. These courses are taken by all freshman physics, engineering and biophysics majors as well as upperclass students in chemistry, biology, neuroscience, exercise science, mathematics, computer science and physical therapy.

The new laboratory items by PASCO Scientific of Roseville, Calif., include computer interfaces and software that will assist students conducting experiments in electricity, magnetism and optics. The apparatus includes a PASCO Human Eye Model that will enable students to learn about sight, and a PASCO Science Workshop on Interference and Diffraction of Light, which will help students more fully understand the wave nature of light.
2008 President’s Business Council Honoree Announced

Eugene J. Kane Sr. ’54, chairman of Kane Is Able, Inc., will be presented with the University’s President’s Medal at the President’s Business Council Seventh Annual Award Dinner on Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008, at The Pierre in New York City.

A current member of the University’s Board of Trustees, Kane has been at the helm of the Scranton-based, family-owned and operated Kane Is Able, Inc., for the past 53 years. Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University president, noted, “Gene Kane’s business leadership and success alone are deserving of this recognition. His commitment to family values and integrity and his over half-century of service to the greater northeastern Pennsylvania community only augment his selection.”

A parent of eight children, four of whom are University alumni, Kane assumed leadership of the company his father started in 1930. From a fleet of five trucks and a single warehouse in 1956, the company has grown to include 200 tractors, more than 800 trailers and a constellation of 17 logistics operations in the Northeast, Ohio, Georgia, Kansas and California. Today, Kane Is Able, Inc., provides transportation, distribution, packaging, cross-docking, load consolidation and real estate development services to a virtual who’s-who of *Fortune 500* companies. All of his children are active participants and key players in the organization. Kane has been actively involved in numerous community affiliations and organizations, including serving as an executive board member of the Boys & Girls Club of Scranton, the Boy Scouts of America-Forest Lakes Council, the Pennsylvania Regional Tissue and Transplant Bank, Scranton Area Foundation, the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce and the Scranton Club. He is also a past president of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Council Boy Scouts of America, and a former trustee of Marywood University and Scranton Preparatory School.

The President’s Business Council (PBC) 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. Its existence fulfills the interests of the University and of these alumni and friends in the business community to form an organized, national affiliation that strengthens the Scranton network in the business sectors. The Council’s objectives are: to provide networking opportunities for alumni and friends; to provide mentoring, internship, educational and career opportunities for current students; and to provide a fundraising source for the Presidential Scholarship Endowment Fund. In its first six dinners, the Council has raised over $6.25 million in support of the Presidential Scholarships, which are full-tuition, merit-based scholarships awarded to the top students entering the University’s freshman class each year.

The Council remains committed to regional receptions to promote local networking and to inform the attendees of the Council’s objectives in an effort to strengthen and promote membership. In April and May, receptions will be held in Boston, New York City, Philadelphia and Scranton. In cooperation with the Kania School of Management, the Council held its annual “President’s Business Council Day” on campus on March 26.

For more information regarding the PBC or the Oct. 9 dinner, please contact Timothy J. Pyle ’89, director of the President’s Business Council, at (570) 941-5837 or pylet2@scranton.edu. Please refer to the inside back cover of this issue of The Scranton Journal for ticket reservation information.

New PBC Leadership Appointments Made

Mary Beth Farrell ’79, executive vice president for Service Delivery and AXA Way at AXA Equitable, has accepted the invitation to become Chair of the President’s Business Council. The current Vice Chair of the University’s Board of Trustees and a Vice Chair of the PBC since its inception in 2001, Farrell replaces Christopher M. “Kip” Condron ’70, who will become founding chair.

John D. Dionne ’86, senior managing director of The Blackstone Group, will remain in his current role as vice chair and will be joined by Thomas P. Lynch ’86, managing director of Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., and Thomas P. O’Brien ’86, managing director of Morgan Stanley. Among the new leadership team’s agenda items are: sustainability and growth of the Annual Award Dinner; new initiatives for networking opportunities among membership; and internship connections for students.
President’s Circle Christmas Celebration

The annual President’s Circle Christmas Celebration was held Dec. 15, 2007. The event included the President’s Advent Mass, held in Madonna della Strada Chapel, and a holiday reception held in The Estate on campus.

Gift of Life Insurance Helps Future Generations of Students

Melinda C. Ghilardi, Esq., ’80, now a Federal Public Defender, grew up in Peckville, the eldest of three girls. Her two sisters also graduated from The University of Scranton in 1981 and 1986, respectively. Flipping through a University Alumni Directory found at arm’s length in her downtown Scranton office, she confirms that her late father, Joseph Ghilardi, graduated in 1949. She proudly exclaims that they have a true “University of Scranton family.”

Ghilardi’s father came from a poor family, but always had the desire to go to college. Unfortunately, at the time he graduated from high school, the United States was embroiled in World War II, and he was drafted into this conflict. Still, he was determined to attend college, and he used his GI Bill afterwards to go to the University of Scranton.

Following her high school graduation from Scranton Prep, Ghilardi’s father presented her with two choices for college, one being The University of Scranton. Ghilardi firmly believes that she made the right choice to continue her Jesuit education at Scranton.

Ghilardi has reaffirmed her commitment to Scranton through a gift of life insurance to the University. Through this gift, she says, “I was able to do something significant to help students have the same wonderful education that I had. Most importantly, I was able to accomplish this within my financial means.”

“More people need to realize that they can make a significant gift with a very reasonable contribution,” she adds. “It is a popular misconception that planned giving is only for the wealthy or reserved for one’s estate plans in their will.”

When asked about the process, Ghilardi says, “It was very easy – not a very involved process. Just complete the documentation. It couldn’t have been easier. You just pay the annual premiums.”

It gives Ghilardi a good feeling that she is doing something that will provide an education for young people. As her father used to say, “Education is so critical. It is something that nobody can take away from you.”

“Education is so critical,” says Melinda C. Ghilardi, Esq., ’80, who, along with her husband, Sidney Prejean, Esq., ’72, attended Reunion 2007.

If you are looking for a way to help yourself with possible increased cash flow and tax savings while also helping a charitable organization, please consider a gift of life insurance. You can donate a life insurance policy to the University or simply name the University as the beneficiary. For additional information, contact Marise Garofalo, executive director of development, (570) 941-4144.
Alumni Club Establishes Scholarship

Marise Garofalo, executive director of Development (left), accepts a check for $13,500 from officers of the Scranton Alumni Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania to establish an endowed scholarship at The University of Scranton. The Scranton Alumni Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania Scholarship will be a need-based scholarship awarded to a Scranton student within the geographic boundaries of the Club. Pictured, from left: Garofalo, Club President Charles Cleveland ’84, Denise Michini ’91 and Paul Suche ’63.

McNeill Family Makes Gift to Retreat Fund

When MaryKatherine Holland McNeill ’92 was seeking answers to large questions in life, she attended Search Retreats offered by Rev. Joseph Simmons, S.J. Last year, when her father-in-law and mother-in-law were seeking a worthwhile cause for a charitable donation, she and her husband, Kevin, suggested a gift in honor of the Father Simmons Student Retreat Fund at the University.

“I want to make sure that Scranton students can continue going on retreats to get away from the stresses of student life and reflect for awhile … to obtain the same positive experiences that I had,” says McNeill.

McNeill’s affinity for the Retreat Fund and Fr. Simmons was supported wholeheartedly by the rest of the family, which includes several other Scranton alumni: her brother, Raymond Holland ’97, sister, Lorraine Holland McNeill ’95, and brother-in-law Tim McNeill ’95.

“It was a family effort, and we collectively agreed on this decision,” she says.

A transfer student to Scranton, it wasn’t until she became a Residence Assistant in Fitch Hall in 1990 that she became acquainted with Fr. Simmons, or Fr. Joe, as she came to know him. During her junior year, she participated in the XIX Search Retreat at Chapman Lake, where Fr. Joe was the moderator. It was during these retreats that she and other students explored answers to questions such as, “Who am I?” “What does it mean to be a Christian?,” and “How do I deal with conflict?”

During her senior year as an RA in Gavigan Hall, McNeill lived next door to Fr. Joe. Even though he was not well at the time, “he was an integral presence in Gavigan College, as we called it,” giving masses and hosting meetings and other gatherings.

McNeill says she graduated from Scranton “with strong ties” that have continued over the past 15 years. She stays in touch with classmates and has attended her five, ten and 15-year reunions, all “great alumni events.”

While she has not had the opportunity to return to the Retreat Center at Chapman Lake – a place with many happy memories – she has many fond memories of Fr. Simmons.

“It was an honor and privilege to know him,” she says.

To support the Father Simmons Student Retreat Fund at the University, contact Marise Garofalo, executive director of development, (570) 941-4144.
On an unusually warm day in early January, a group of Orientation Team Leaders gathered in the Student Forum of the new Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center. Boxes were still being unpacked and finishing touches made to the building. But that didn’t stop the Orientation Team from being among the first to use the new Student Forum. And it certainly didn’t dampen the students’ enthusiasm for the new campus center.

“The building is fantastic, and the views are breathtaking. It feels like a real campus,” Michael Ritterback ’09 said, noting the impact of the DeNaples Center on the entire campus.

His excitement was shared by Robert Duliba ’10. “I like how open the Student Forum is,” he said, referencing the spacious area for student meetings. Already, he said, “More students are coming here to use the space.”

That’s exactly what Vince Carilli, Ph.D., vice president for Student Affairs, had in mind with what he refers to as a “homegrown concept” he came up with after visiting 61 campus centers throughout the country.

Dr. Carilli, who spearheaded the planning, design and construction of the DeNaples Center, said the thinking behind the Student Forum is to create a space where students can “share interests with each other, talk to each other and have an appreciation for each other.” The Forum conceptualized by Dr. Carilli is unique among the student centers that the Scranton team looked at in their visits to campuses across the nation.

“We intentionally undersized all of the offices with the idea that we have this larger space out here,” said Dr. Carilli, pointing to the open forum.

The University of Scranton ushered in its 120th year with the opening of the largest and most ambitious building project since its founding – the new Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center. The 118,000 square-foot, four-story building opened in January 2008 and was dedicated on February 29.
Apart from providing a place to share ideas and experiences, the Forum allows student offices to share a photocopier, fax, computers and other office equipment, resulting in cost savings over the previous need for each office to have its own equipment. It also includes a Leadership Library that will provide a space for programming and lectures about leadership.

The Student Forum is just one of many features of a building that students, faculty and staff describe as, quite literally, a welcome new addition to campus.

“It’s a more welcoming building than the old campus center. I think it will be great for students and will get more interaction going,” said Sharon Evans, parking and traffic manager, after attending an OfficeMax Catalog Vendor show, the first event to be held in the fourth floor ballroom.

“It’s airy and bright and welcoming,” said Patricia Vaccaro, director of the Office of Community Outreach, whose office looks into the Student Forum. “The space is fabulous for interaction among faculty, staff and students. I think it’s going to enhance communication and collaboration.”

The DeNaples Center is also expected to be a draw for incoming students when they arrive on campus. “They’re going to love it,” Orientation Team Leader Erica Joyce ’10 said of the building. “This is a true student center with everything in one place –
a place where students will want to come and get to know one another. It’s not just a cafeteria anymore.”

Even the “cafeteria” isn’t just a cafeteria anymore. The third floor dining area boasts the region’s first ARAMARK “Fresh Food Company,” where meals are made fresh to order. (The nearest such ARAMARK facilities are in Virginia and Massachusetts.) Diners can choose food from the Southern Kitchen, a fresh produce market, a pasta station, a brick oven, Mediterranean deli, Brazilian grill, round grill and charbroiler.

“What can I say? It’s wonderful,” said ARAMARK employee Florence Ryan, beaming as she welcomed diners at one of two registers at the entrance to the restaurant. “The concept is all fresh food, and we’ve heard lots of compliments from staff, faculty and students.”

“The Fresh Food Concept” on the third floor features an open kitchen, where meals are made fresh to order. The room includes seating for 800.

One such student was Kyle Clauss ’10, who noted that “the food is much better” than the Gunster cafeteria. “I like the open kitchen, and it seems more like a restaurant,” he said.

“This is the kitchen,” said Dr. Carilli, pointing to the large, open kiosks where fresh food is prepared at every meal. “You see it. You smell it.”
Most people also like it. In a survey about the Fresh Food Company conducted on opening day, 77 percent of diners said the food quality was “excellent, amazing, awesome, good.”

There are additional a la carte dining options on first floor, including Quiznos, Starbucks, Chick-fil-A and Zoca. Along what Dr. Carilli refers to as “Main Street” are the Bookstore, Convenience Store, Mail Center, student mailboxes and lockers for commuter students.

“We’re using bricks and mortar to try to bring students, faculty and staff together,” said Dr. Carilli of the concept of making the DeNaples Center a destination point by virtue of three things: food, mailing services and the bookstore.

Another draw of the building is the fireplace lounge on the second floor. Its proximity to the offices of University Ministries and Student Affairs make it a natural gathering place not just for students and student activities, but for faculty, staff and students to mingle and keep community at the heart of the campus.
According to Betsey Moylan, associate professor and chair of the Library Faculty, Weinberg Memorial Library, the second floor is “…especially suited for impromptu meetings. The couches and small tables will encourage conversation and allow commuter students a welcoming spot to relax or study between classes. Student services, such as University Ministries and the Community Outreach Office, have a much more visible presence now,” she said.

Perhaps the Crown Jewel of the building is the fourth floor space, which features ballrooms, meeting rooms and a theater. The sub-dividable ballroom accommodates 700 people and seats nearly 400 for dinner. It features built-in sound and video with recessed screens for audiovisual presentations. There are also three meeting rooms of various sizes, including a large room that features a fireplace and access to a balcony that will overlook the campus green, once complete.

These facilities will give University functions a whole new venue for lectures, dinners and conferences, said Moylan. The fact that the building is completely ADA accessible is a real bonus, she added.
The Alumni iTower, which spans from the first to the second floor, includes monitors that broadcast national and local news, weather and information about events in the building.

The 260-seat theater boasts high-definition video, surround sound and comfortable, oversized theater seating. The size of the auditorium – larger than the Brennan Hall auditorium and smaller than the McDade Center for Literary and Performing Arts theater – provides another theater venue for the campus community. According to Dr. Carilli, the space will be “ideal for movies, panel discussions, speakers, Coffee House events and other activities.”

Events being held in the building are posted on electronic monitors in the Alumni iTower, which spans from the first to the second floor of the building. The iTower, made possible through the generous support of the Alumni Society of the University, includes monitors that broadcast national and local news, weather and information about events in the building.

Already, the Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center is transforming the heart of campus and building the unique sense of community that is a hallmark of Scranton.
Goodbye Gunster

The University community bid a fond farewell to the Gunster Student Center on Dec. 6, 2007, at a “Goodbye Gunster” event sponsored by the Office of Student Activities and Orientation, Office of Student Government and the Programming Board. Built in 1960 and expanded in the early 1990s to accommodate the growing university population, Gunster served as home to Dining Services, the Community Outreach Office, Student Affairs and many other University departments. “Goodbye Gunster” featured a smoothie bar and other catered food, a PowerPoint presentation with a slideshow of Gunster photos, musical entertainment, and a special graffiti wall signed by students.

“We are so very fortunate to have this new Center, which assists us in our outreach to our students… the ideal location of our office (University Ministries), the visibility and the overall sense that we are in this together,” said Rev. Terrence Devino, S.J., assistant vice president for University Ministries.

“It’s all about our students, and the DeNaples Center speaks to us of community,” added Fr. Devino. “How blessed we are to be here!”

Gunster was a place “Where Everybody Knows Your Name,” as the commemorative t-shirts attest.

Students signed a special graffiti wall recording their thoughts and memories about Gunster.
The campus green that will be created outside of the new Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center isn’t the only “green” aspect of the project. The DeNaples Center has been designed and constructed to achieve Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification as part of the University’s Sustainability initiatives. LEED’s Green Building Rating System™ is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high-performance “green” buildings.

For Physical Plant employees who work in the DeNaples Center, that translates into a building “that’s much better for our health and the environment,” said John Monahan, custodian. “The building materials are eco-friendly, and the products we use are chemical-free,” said Monahan, referring to cleaning supplies. “Overall, we’re delighted to be here.”

Following are some of the other environmentally friendly features of the DeNaples Center:

• All meeting rooms and offices have motion light sensors. Lights turn on or off automatically based on motion in the room.
• Paint, carpets and floorings conform to specific standards to eliminate the emission of certain chemical odors.
• A percentage of raw materials in the building came from vendors within a 500-mile radius of the building, thus reducing energy consumption associated with the transport of raw goods.
• The water faucets and soap dispensers in the lavatories are activated by energy-saving infrared sensors.
• During construction of the building, dumpsters were used to separate construction debris for recycling purposes.
• There are no food trays in the “Fresh Food Dining Concept” on the third floor. This results in considerable water conservation associated with washing up to 3,000 trays per day. It also encourages diners to take what they want but not more than they can eat on an overloaded tray.
• When the Gunster Center is demolished, the steel and aluminum will be recycled. Concrete and brick from the building will be crushed and used as fill for the hole where the campus green will be created.
• Once the campus green is completed, rainwater from the DeNaples Center will be captured in a cistern and used to water the green.

A Farewell Feast

The 1888 Club of The Estate served its last lunch on Dec. 14, 2007, with a special Christmas buffet. For 20 years, the dining room of The Estate quite literally catered to faculty, staff and alumni at lunchtime. The consolidation of dining services in the new DeNaples Center led to the closing of the kitchen in The Estate. Faculty and staff can continue their lunchtime tradition in a special faculty and staff dining room on the third floor of the DeNaples Center. As Rev. J.A. Panuska, S.J., president emeritus of the University, said at The Estate’s final luncheon, “We are losing something, but at the same time we are gaining something.”

Bookstore Celebrates Grand Opening in the DeNaples Center

The University Bookstore officially celebrated its grand opening in the DeNaples Center with events and special sales on Feb. 29. Events included a ribbon-cutting ceremony, a book-signing with Alyssa Amori, author of Scranton: the Electric City, and a poetry reading with English Professor John Meredith Hill. Participating in the ribbon-cutting ceremony, from left: Donald Drasba, manager of the University Bookstore; David Klein, group vice president, Follett; Joe Flanagan, vice president, marketing, Follett; Vincent Carilli, Ph.D., vice president for Student Affairs at the University; Martin Langan, associate vice president for Administrative Services at the University; Sharon Baron, regional manager, Follett; Howard Taylor, vice president, Follett; and Mike McEneaney, vice president, marketing, Follett.
Mass of Dedication Held February 29

The Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center was dedicated during a Mass of Dedication on Feb. 29. Most Reverend Joseph F. Martino, D.D., Hist. E.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Scranton, served as Celebrant and Homilist.

In his remarks, University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., thanked the DeNaples family for their continued support. “To the DeNaples family, let me rely on a favorite line from Shakespeare. ‘Thanks. Thanks. A thousand times thanks,’ ” said Fr. Pilarz.

Fr. Pilarz also remarked on the importance of yet another milestone in the University’s history. “This campus center has been anticipated for a long time. Its completion marks the beginning of a new era in the University’s history,” he said. “Few other moments compare in terms of the difference made on this good ground. In addition to 1888, we acknowledge the arrival of the Jesuits in 1942 and the gift of The Estate by the Scranton family. We now add 2008 to that celebrated calendar of dates that made all the difference for Scranton.”

Members of the DeNaples family attending the dedication of the building named in honor of their parents, Patrick and Margaret DeNaples, from left: Dominick DeNaples, Josephine Worobey, Nicholas DeNaples, Louis DeNaples, Margaret Mary Piepoli, Carmella Padula and Eugene DeNaples.

A capacity crowd fills the fourth floor ballroom of the DeNaples Center for the Dedication Mass.

Bishop Joseph Martino, celebrant and homilist at the Dedication Mass, said, “This is a joy for me. An event like this is something that is important to the life of the entire diocese.”


It’s Not All “Good-bye Gunster”

There’s a piece of Gunster in the DeNaples Center. Actually, there are six pieces. The stained glass panels, designed by Pennsylvania artist Hank Fells, were dismantled from the Gunster Center and now adorn a wall next to the University Ministries Office in the DeNaples Center.

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University Inducts Wall of Fame Class of 2007

The University welcomed the seven newest members into the Wall of Fame in December at the Long Center. The Class of 2007 included Gary “Brooks” Bernabe ’78, a four-year letterman and captain of the wrestling team; the late James Michael Eagen, a standout on the football and basketball teams (1920-1922) when the University was known as St. Thomas College; Christine (Lubrano) Benson ’97, a dominating swimmer on two conference championship teams; Jennifer (Nish) DelGrosso ’97, a three-time All-American in basketball; Diane (Pierdomenico) Bragg ’87, the leader of the pitching staff on two conference championship softball teams; John Richter ’85, a three-time all-conference selection in baseball; and Joseph Schmidt ’94, an all-American in soccer.

The Wall of Fame was founded in 1970 to honor former student-athletes, coaches, administrators and those in the community who have been instrumental in the overall development of the University’s athletics program. This year’s class brings the wall’s membership to 196.

Wall of Fame, Class of 2007

Members of the Class of 2007 Wall of Fame were inducted in December. Front row, from left: Christine (Lubrano) Benson, Jennifer (Nish) DelGrosso and Diane (Pierdomenico) Bragg. Back row, from left: Gary “Brooks” Bernabe, Mark Eagen (accepting on behalf of the late James Michael Eagen), John Richter and Joseph Schmidt.

Hinkley, Vogel Selected Landmark Conference Senior Scholar-Athletes in Volleyball & Soccer

Brooke Hinkley (Hallstead/Blue Ridge) and Mary Beth Vogel (Havertown/Cardinal O’Hara) were named the Landmark Conference Senior Scholar Athletes in their respective sports of volleyball and soccer.

Hinkley has earned a number of accolades for her accomplishments on the court and in the classroom over the past four seasons. This year, she was named first-team all-Landmark Conference after leading the team in hitting percentage and total blocks as Scranton finished with a 25-11 overall record and a berth in the championship match of the Landmark Conference tournament.

What made her performances even more special was her return to the lineup after suffering a broken back in an automobile accident in October 2006.

Despite missing the final eight matches of the season, she was still named the player of the year in the Royals’ final season as a member of the Freedom Conference of the Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Athletic Corporation. She was a key member of four Scranton teams that posted an overall record of 100-47 (.681) and captured a Freedom Conference title and advanced to the NCAA Division III championships in 2005. She finished her career ranked in the top 15 in five Royal statistical categories.

Hinkley’s success in the classroom far outweighs her athletic achievements.
He holds a 3.98 cumulative grade point average, majoring in management with a minor in finance. A 2006 ESPN The Magazine District II All-Academic selection, she has also been named to the Landmark (2007) and Middle Atlantic Conference academic honor rolls (2005, 2006). Hinkley is also a member of the University's Business Leadership Program, Beta Gamma Sigma (Business Honor Society), and Omega Beta Sigma (Women's Business Honor Society).

Vogel has also excelled on the field, in the classroom and in numerous leadership roles on campus. She is president of the University's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), representative on the President's Student Council, and a member of the Student Nurses Association. In the classroom, she holds a 3.68 cumulative grade point average in nursing.

Athletically, Vogel was named first-team all-Landmark Conference in the fall after earning first (2006) and second-team (2005) all-conference honors in Scranton's previous affiliation with the Freedom Conference. She was a key member of the 2007 team that won the Landmark Conference championship under the direction of interim head coach Toby Lovecchio.

Vogel also played a major role on the 2004 and 2006 teams that captured Freedom Conference titles and advanced to the NCAA tournament under the late Joe Bochicchio. She appeared in 64 matches and was a member of a defensive unit that posted 30 shutouts en route to leading the Royals to a four-year record of 39-33-9 (.537).

Tom Bicknell is making a strong argument for globalization. A native of Melbourne, Australia, he joined the Royals' men's basketball program after spending his freshman year at Adams State College in Colorado, where the coaching staff there discovered him at a tournament in Canada during his high school days.

After deciding to transfer, he visited six schools during the 2005 spring semester and felt most at ease with Scranton head coach Carl Danzig, a relationship that has turned out to be beneficial to both parties.

Since joining the Royals, he has been an integral part of a successful program that won two conference titles and made an appearance in the NCAA Division III tournament in 2006 and 2008. Bicknell has been named all-conference three times and will leave the program ranked in the top 15 all-time in Scranton history in field goal percentage and rebounding.

Off the court, he maintains a 3.57 grade point average in biochemistry. He has been twice named District II all-academic by ESPN The Magazine (2007, 2008).

His laid-back personality and easy-going demeanor have made him more popular than Crocodile Dundee with Royal basketball fans.

Marisa Healy, a senior forward on the women's basketball team, is back where she belongs.

On a basketball court, that is. It was somewhat doubtful, however, when she suffered a serious knee injury in a game against Widener University in January 2005 at the Long Center during her freshman season. She spent the next year and a half recuperating and finally returned to the lineup last season, where she played sparingly on a multi-talented team that finished with 27 wins and advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament.

Now that she is one of five seniors on the roster, Healy is taking full advantage of her increased playing time. She was inserted into the starting lineup in January and has made a number of contributions towards the Lady Royals' winning the Landmark Conference title and advancing to the NCAA Division III championships for the 23rd time in school history.

Welcome back, Marisa. It's good to see you on the court again!

Harry Lawall left quite a mark on the men's ice hockey program. He finished his career third in total points, tied for third in goals, and sixth in assists all-time in Scranton history. The Ice Royals completed their first season as a member of the Eastern States Collegiate Hockey League, whose membership includes the University of Delaware, Drexel University, The Pennsylvania State University, the University of Rhode Island and the United States Naval Academy.

Senior wrestler and co-captain Rich Russell ended his career with 59 victories, which is the seventh most in Scranton history. Among his accomplishments are the 125-pound weight class championship at the 2005 Washington & Lee Invitational and a runner-up finish there in the 141-pound weight class earlier this year.

Record-setting juniors Erin O’Connor and Lauren Hosko led the women's swim team to the Landmark Conference Swimming and Diving championship in February. O'Connor, the Royal record-holder in the 400 individual medley, won three individual events along with being a member of the first-place 800 freestyle relay team and was named the Landmark Conference female swimmer of the year. Hosko, the Scranton record-holder in the 200 individual medley, took home first-place honors in the 200 individual medley and the 100 butterfly, along with being a member of two first-place finishing relay teams. Junior Joseph Veselovsky paced the men's team to a fourth-place finish.

He was named the Landmark Conference male swimmer of the year, an award he shared with Susquehanna University's Jeff Forndley, after breaking two of his own Scranton records in winning three individual events. He established new Royal marks in the 200 individual medley and the 200 butterfly and also emerged victorious in the 400 individual medley. He currently holds four Scranton individual records and is a member of two record-breaking relay teams.
Eleven to Receive O’Hara Award at Reunion Ceremony on June 6

Eleven individuals will be presented with the 2008 Frank O’Hara Award during Alumni Reunion Weekend, June 6-8 on campus. The O’Hara Award is the highest award bestowed jointly by the University and the Alumni Society for outstanding achievements in a particular field or endeavor. This year’s honorees and the categories for which they will receive their award are:

- **Joseph T. Sebastianelli ’68**, Philadelphia, president of the Jefferson Health System (Management)
- **Joseph F. Gower, Ph.D., ’68**, provost of Georgian Court University (Education)
- **Louis J. Volpicelli ’48** Darien, Ct., retired television producer with the Wide World of Sports (Arts & Letters)
- **Richard Bevilacqua, D.M.D., M.D., ’83** maxillofacial surgeon, Hartford, Conn. (Medicine)
- **Edward R. Leahy ’68**, Washington, D.C., attorney and past chair of the University’s Board of Trustees (Law)
- **John M. McInerney, Ph.D.**, professor of English (University Service)
- **Brig Gen. John Gronski ’78**, assistant adjunct general for the Pennsylvania National Guard (Government Service)
- **Carole A. Sable, M.D., ’83**, Ambler, chief medical officer for Novexel SA (Science & Technology)
- **Anne Marie Collins ’88**, Philadelphia, executive director of the Holy Redeemer Health Care System’s Drueing Center/Project Rainbow (Community Service)

The O’Hara Awards ceremony, open to all Reunion guests, is scheduled for Friday, June 6, at 8 p.m. in the Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center on campus.

Under the leadership of Alumni Society President, Michael J. McDermott ’71, the Alumni Board has embarked on an ambitious strategic plan encompassing a two-year period ending Dec. 31, 2009. Monthly issues of *The Alumni Society Newsletter* will address the goals and objectives of the plan as they unfold. At its Jan. 26, 2008, meeting, the Board reported a variety of accomplishments for the past year: the revision of the Society’s constitution and by-laws, the creation of a mission statement, a reconfiguration of the Board’s committee structure, implementation of new affinity programs, maintaining financial stability and implementing a Four Corners Model of Alumni Clubs. Profiles of Board members may be found at the “General Information” link of the alumni Web site, www.scranton.edu/alumni. Alumni who wish to serve on the Board or nominate alumni to the Board may contact John Lanahan ’84, chairman of the Nominating Committee at jlanahan@weichertrealtors.net

**Your Benefits: Alumni Insurance**

Among the many benefits and services provided to its members, the Alumni Society and Liberty Mutual Group have been working together since 2000. Discounts are offered to Scranton alumni for home, renters and auto insurance. In addition to supporting several alumni and undergraduate activities, Liberty Mutual’s affinity partnership currently services seven percent of our alumni population as active policyholders. Further information is available under the Benefits and Services link on the General Information page of the Alumni Web site, or by phoning Janine Nemshick-Kerestes ’86 at (570) 825-3528, ext 54134.
Aquinas Reunion Planned

A committee of “retired” staffers of The Aquinas is planning an Aquinas reunion on Saturday, Sept. 20, in the new Aquinas Offices in the DeNaples Center on campus. John T. Ellis ’99 is chairing the event and is assisted by a committee representing five decades of alumni. Events will include meetings with current Aquinas staff and advisors, a display of back issues, an Alumni Authors Exhibit, panel discussions and a student career forum. The evening’s events will include a dinner reception featuring memorable stories and other “Aquinas Lore.” The first issue of The Aquinas was published in 1916. Back issues are available online at: http://academic.scranton.edu/department/wml/databases.html. All former Aquinas staff members are welcome. Further information is available from the Alumni Office. Phone 1-800-SCRANTON or email: alumni@scranton.edu.

McDermott Installed as 25th President of the Alumni Society

Outgoing Alumni Society President, Timothy P. O’Brien ’74, Dalton, (left) presents the gavel to incoming President, Michael J. McDermott ’71, Oak Hill, Va., at installation ceremonies prior to the quarterly meeting of the Alumni Board of Governors, Saturday, Jan. 26, on campus. McDermott is leading the Alumni Society’s 24-member Board, 20 alumni clubs and four affiliates, which collectively serve more than 40,000 members.

New York Alumster

The Scranton Club of New York hosted an “Alumster” networking event in Manhattan on Feb. 28. Among those getting together with classmates and friends were, from left, Andrew Lund ’00, Brian Gavin ’00, Andrea Lund Cheatham ’00 and Dan Faltyn ’99. There were 76 such events last year attended by over 4,000 Scranton alumni. A list of upcoming events can be found by visiting www.scranton.edu/alumnievents.

Class Notes

47  John C. Keeney, Esq., Kensington, Md., celebrated the 60th anniversary of his employment at the United States Department of Justice.

52  Gus George Tirellis, Scranton, has retired from his position as a member of the Department of the Army’s ARDEC team after 30 years of service. He was engaged in optical-physics design work that resulted in an 81mm mortar inspection device for the production lines of ammunition plants throughout the country and received a patent for this device.

61  Drew Von Bergen, Alexandria, Va., is currently the national chairman of the National Letter Carriers food drive, which covers over 10,000 cities in the United States. He spends six months of personal time organizing the food drive, which takes place during the second week of May. He also received an alumni achievement award from the University at a President’s reception in Washington, D.C., in December 2007.

64  Patrick Cioni, Scranton, has been informed that his article on the healing effects of forgiveness entitled, “Forgiveness, Cognitive Restructuring and Object Transformation,” has been accepted for publication by the Journal of Religion and Health.

William Corcoran, Esq., Washington, D.C., is the counsel to the United States Senate Select Committee on Ethics. He has received the U.S. Department of Justice Henry E. Petersen Memorial Award for the lasting contribution he has made to the Criminal Division by exemplifying character, diligence, courage, talent and professionalism.

67  Michael Colleran, Gladwyne, received a special honorary award given by the Delaware Valley Irish Hall of Fame.

69  Joseph Andraaki, Bensalem, serves as president and CEO of the Voluntary Interindustry Commerce Solutions Association, an organization of retailers, suppliers, information systems solution providers, and others that are working together to develop processes and technologies that improve supply chain efficiency.

70  John Donaghy, Ph.D., is now serving as a law missionary in the Catholic Diocese of Santa Rosa de Copan in southwestern Honduras.

73  Thomas Clarke, Titusville, Fla., was reassigned from chief, Projects Resources Management Office, to chief operations officer to the chief financial officer at the John F. Kennedy Space Center, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

David J. Williams, Clarks Green, retired with 30 years of service as the chairman, president and chief executive officer of Sanofi Pasteur. He is a former member of the Board of Trustees of the University.

74  Timothy P. O’Brien, Dalton, was named executive vice president and chief commercial banking officer of Fidelity Deposit and Discount Bank. He is immediate past president of the Alumni Society.

75  Msgr. Joseph Marino, Birmingham, Ala., will be ordained as an archbishop this year and assigned as papal nuncio to Bangladesh.

76  Hubert X. Gilroy, Esq., Carlisle, was recognized by the General Alumni Association of Penn State’s Dickinson School of Law with the Distinguished Service Award.

John J. Maher, Ph.D., Blacksburg, Va., was appointed the John F. Carroll Jr. Professor of Accounting and Information Systems by the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors.

77  Col. (Ret.) Daniel F. Battafarano, D.O., San Antonio, Texas, received the Laureate Award from the American College of Physicians-U.S. Army Chapter. He is the chief of Rheumatology at Brooke Army Medical Center.
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- Social Networking
- Searchable Member Directory
- Event Calendars
- Event Registration
- Online Giving
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Paul Lavelle, Esq., Metairie, La., has been elected as the secretary-treasurer of Defense Research Institute, the nation’s largest organization of civil defense attorneys.

Richard Baker, M.D., Bethlehem, has been named the chief of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Easton Hospital.

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

Sam Evans, Milford, Conn., recently accepted a position at Cengage Learning as vice president.

Robert Schatz, New York, N.Y., an artist, has his work currently included in a group exhibition at the Pollock Gallery, Southern Methodist University in Dallas. His work has also been cited in the newly released book 560 Broadway: A New York Drawing Collection at Work.

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Michael Cawley, Esq., Wilmington, Del., accepted an appointment from the American Bar Association to serve a one-year term as the chairperson of the Membership Committee of the Litigation Section.

Myles Walsh, Scranton, has been elected to the executive board of directors of the International Association of Auto Theft Investigators.

Robert Ryder, Pittsford, N.Y., is executive vice president and chief financial officer of Constellation Brands, Inc.

Paul Leclair, Esq., Pittsford, N.Y., has launched a new commercial litigation firm, Leclair Korona Giordano & Cole LLP, concentrating its practice in commercial, employment, securities, ERISA, insurance and personal injury matters.

Ann Reichert Franklin, Plano, Texas, was promoted to senior paralegal at Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. specializing in Patent/Intellectual Property Litigation and Securities Litigation. She is also the paralegal coordinator trainer for the Dallas office.

Mark A. Singer, Esq., Hughestown, has been elected to his fourth consecutive term as a member of the Pittston Area School District Board of Education.

Lawrence A.J. Spegar, Esq., Blakely, was a featured speaker on “Premises Liability and Human Factors” at the annual convention of trial lawyers in Chicago.

Martin A. Toth, Esq., Harrisburg, is in-house investment counsel to the Pennsylvania State Employees’ Retirement Board.

Frank Paris, Trophy Club, Texas, has been selected by The Drug Enforcement Administration as the 2007 Special Agent/Pilot of the Year.

Lynne A. Sitarski, Esq., Philadelphia, was sworn in as a magistrate judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Rick Seidel, M.D., Tyler, Texas, has recently published his first book, Sunsets and Shooting Stars: A Cape Cod Memoir. He is currently a practicing physician.

Richard Tracchio, Macungie, is director, global business development at Menlow Worldwide.

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Brian Raftery, Westfield, N.J., has been admitted to the partnership of the New York law firm of Herrick, Feinstein, LLP.

Lisa Marie Valeant Weckbach, Burbank, graduated with a Ph.D. in Education with an emphasis in child and adolescent development from the University of California, Santa Barbara. She is currently teaching at California State University.

Michael Corey has accepted a position as global business director, EMG, for Enthon Eyewear.

Sean Dever, Aston, received an MBA in Finance from Wilmington University.

Jennifer Kelly Dominiquini, Chicago, Ill., joined the consulting firm Prophet as an associate partner.

Alan Landis, Alexandria, Va., was named executive director of New Business Development for the Corporate Executive Board in Washington, D.C.

Melissa Lynch, Hackettstown, N.J., is vice president of marketing for the Avis Budget Group.

Claudia Pope Bayne, Weehawken, N.J., is assistant director of major gifts at Stevens Institute of Technology.

Brian Brislin, M.D., Palmyra, N.J., is attending surgeon in Orthopaedic Surgery at Orthopaedic Surgery and Rehabilitation Associates in Philadelphia.

Joseph Kokinda, Downingtown, recently published a book titled, Building the Information Asset: Changing the Face of Business Intelligence and Ensuring Your Legacy. He is currently a director and business intelligence practice manager with Waypoint Consulting.

Brendan Deneen, South Orange, N.J., is senior vice president at Objective Entertainment.

Jason Legg, Esq., Brackney, was re-elected to a second term as Susquehanna County district attorney.

Anthony Licata, Norwood, N.J., was named editor of Field & Stream, the world’s largest and best-known hunting and fishing magazine.
Sean Granahan ’87

Lawyer Leads Pediatric Clinic for the Homeless in New York

The notion of a lawyer running a hospital may seem out of the ordinary, but Sean Granahan ’87 is no ordinary lawyer, and The Floating Hospital (TFH) is no ordinary medical institution.

The hospital, New York’s oldest pediatric clinic, has provided health care services for homeless women and children since 1866, and for most of that time its main facility was located on a ship anchored off of Manhattan. Granahan was working for a midtown firm in the late 1990s when TFH signed on as a client. For five years he was the hospital’s attorney until trading his wingtips for topsiders and literally coming on board as its in-house counsel. Two years later he was named president.

“I was tired of the law firm life, and I wanted to try something different,” Granahan recalls. “I really enjoyed the hospital. It had always provided services to the poorest of New York City’s children via ship. I liked that, I liked the client, I liked all the people there, so when the need developed in 2003, I just went with them.”

Granahan was faced with a significant challenge almost immediately. After the 9/11 attacks, The Floating Hospital’s dock space near Wall Street was displaced by recovery efforts, and the institution was compelled to sell the ship that had served as its main clinic. Two years ago a new, land-based main clinic opened in Queens, joining the existing network of TFH shelter-based sites.

“It’s a lot different running something than talking about running something,” notes Granahan, who continues to serve as the hospital’s lawyer. “It’s a lot of responsibility, and you end up really feeling almost a paternal oversight for your staff to make sure that we do well as an organization so everybody can retire from the place and grow in their own personal lives. You end up with a dual commitment to both the staff and to the patients.”

Ditching billable hours for assistance to the homeless is atypical lawyerly behavior, to say the least, though less so when one considers the Scranton influence.

“Quite a few of my professors were Jesuit priests, and they very much geared what you were taught toward providing something back to the community,” Granahan says. “So it’s always been planted there.”

Alumna Named Magistrate Judge

Lynne A. Sitarski, ’86, was sworn in as a Magistrate Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. The formal induction ceremony was held on November 8, 2007, in the Ceremonial Courtroom of the United States Courthouse in Philadelphia. Judge Sitarski joins Thomas J. Rueter ’77, who was appointed a Magistrate Judge in 1994 and was appointed Chief Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in October 2007. Magistrate Judge Sitarski was joined by several classmates at the induction ceremony. Pictured, from left: Roberta Lynch Ruskowski ’86, Regina Lynch ’86, Chief Magistrate Judge Thomas J. Rueter ’77, Magistrate Judge Lynne A. Sitarski ’86, Diane Smith Hoban ’86, Maureen Gallagher McAllister ’86 and Ellen Dunnigan Winter ’86.

Philip Grieco, Secaucus, N.J., is senior marketing manager of Sponsorships and Sports Marketing at Mars Snackfood.

Jeffrey Kaylor, Esq., Pittsburgh, has joined Reed Smith LLP as an associate in the Tax, Benefits and Wealth Planning group.

Brian Shahum, Brooklyn, N.Y., was helpful in the setup of the Mozambiquan chapter of Hoops 4 Hope, a New York-based organization that aspires to teach children in southern Africa basketball and life skills. He has also collected basketball equipment and clothing for the village.

Robbin Dolan G’01, Branchville, N.J., was recently certified by the national Association of Legal Administrators as the fourth certified legal manager. She is a legal administrator at Laddey, Clark and Ryan.

Jacki Kubiak received an MFA in Theatre Technology and Production with an emphasis in technical direction from the University of Arizona. She is now a technical director for the Schuster Theatre at Gannon University in Erie.

Katie Regan Heiman, Endicott, N.Y., received a Master’s in Software Engineering from Walden University. She is now working as a software engineer at Lockheed Martin.

Gregory Gaughan, a financial services senior manager in the audit practice of KPMG LLP in Philadelphia, recently accepted a two-year transfer opportunity to work in KPMG’s office in Luxembourg.

Nicole Lemoncelli, O.D., has joined the staff at Duckles EyeCare in Nashville, Tenn.

Christine Palmeri Gonzalez, Baltimore, Md., graduated with a Master’s Degree in Nursing with a focus on Health Management from The Johns Hopkins University.

Karen Burd DeMarco, Edison, N.J., was promoted to assistant health officer of the Monmouth County Health Department.

Joseph Caruso, M.D., is a resident physician and clinical faculty instructor at the Medical Center of Central George and has had an article on Health-Behavior Induced Disease: Return of the Milk-Alkali Syndrome, published in General Internal Medicine, May 2007.
Diane Kuehner Schweizer ’90
Alumna Becomes First Female Fire Chief in Philadelphia

It is while discussing her decision to spend her junior year studying at the London School of Economics that Diane Kuehner Schweizer ’90 offers a single sentence that could serve as the template for her life.

“I’m pretty adventurous, I guess,” she says with a laugh. “Adventurous. What better word to describe the first female fire chief in the 272-year history of the Philadelphia Fire Department?”

“I’m one female in a very male-dominated job, and now I’m one of them,” says Schweizer, chief of the department’s Emergency Medical Services Operations, which comprises 45 ambulances and more than 300 paramedics. “Some of them are having some issues with it, but with our jobs, reputation is based on performance. I have a good reputation in the field, so I’m very well respected by the other chiefs.”

Schweizer began doing EMT work as a teenager in Whippany, N.J. She entered Scranton as a computer science major, but soon switched to mathematics. After graduating, she went to Philadelphia for a master’s in management with a concentration in emergency medical services, then joined the Fire Department as one of fewer than two dozen women. Schweizer worked her way up through the EMS ranks and was promoted to chief early this year.

While a major in math may seem like odd training for her current role, Schweizer credits her Scranton education with giving her a sufficiently open mind and well-rounded world view to enable her to deal with her complex, fast-moving reality.

“To be in my job you have to be able to act on a dime,” she says. “Things are always changing. At an emergency scene, nothing is ever the same. You have to be very flexible and fluid, and you have to have good instincts and take your knowledge and go with it.”

EMS calls vastly outnumber fire calls in Philadelphia, and for a self-professed activity buff who also likes “helping people,” supervising 300 paramedics in the field is practically a dream come true.

Walking through the backyard of her home in northeast Philadelphia, peering down into the partially frozen-over koi pond that she had installed, Schweizer marvels, “Would have thought I’d be the first female chief in Philadelphia Fire Department history?”

Actually, given her adventurous temperament, it’s not all that farfetched.

Diane Kuehner Schweizer ’90 is the first female to be named to the highest-ranking position of the Philadelphia Fire Department, founded in 1736.

Barbara Dul Matejczyk, Morris Plains, N.J., received a Ph.D. in Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology from Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

Angela Hudacko, Esq., Harrisburg, joined the firm of Rhoads & Simon, LLP, and concentrates her practice in the area of commercial real estate law.

Kelly McAndrew, an occupational therapist, is in the process of completing one unit of clinical pastoral education at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP). She was featured as the chaplain in ABC’s “Nightline” feature of the HUP ER, one of the busiest trauma centers in the country in relation to intercity violence.

Victoria Swift, Middletown, N.J., has been promoted to advertising account executive at the Star Ledger newspaper.

Leslie Anglero is an academic counseling manager at the University of Arizona, where he is also pursuing graduate studies.

Kara Armstrong, Northvale, N.J., received a Master of Science in Educational Technology from Iona College. She is now employed by Oakland Public Schools teaching technology to grades K-5.

Mary Garofalo, Maplewood, N.J., received a M.A. in English Education from Seton Hall University. She is employed as the English department chairperson at University Academy High School.

Majin Ozovek-Kennedy, Randolph, N.J., has been elected president/CEO and placed on the Board of Directors of Without Limitz, a not-for-profit Cancer Organization.

Brian Alvaro is working as a correctional officer at the Federal Correctional Institution at Otisville, N.Y.

Alexander Josephite was elected to the Board of Directors of the New York Metropolitan Chapter of the Information System Audit Control Association.

G’06

Gretchen Kukuchera G’06, Tunkhannock, was chosen as a “2007 Best 20 under 40” businessperson by the Northeast Business Journal.

Tziona Ackerman, New York, N.Y., is teaching Spanish at Morris Academy for Collaborative Studies.

Sarah Dillmuth is in the Peace Corps in Mozambique.

Julie Ann Natasi ’01 was married to Michael Joseph Slesinski on July 6, 2007, by Father Thomas Byrnes ’92 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Mahopac, N.Y. The bridal party included maid of honor Amy Ethridge and bridesmaids Lorene Janowski and Michele Peleschak, all of the class of 2001.
The Spring 2008 issue of The Scranton Journal included a listing of the daughters and sons of Scranton alumni who entered the University as undergraduates in the fall of 2007. One family was inadvertently omitted from this listing: 

Christopher Kloss ‘11 son of Peter Kloss ’73, G’84 and Patricia Kloss ’80

**Births**

87 A daughter, Erin Maureen, to Maureen and Edward Eltzoltz, Ridgewood, N.J.

88 A daughter, Devon Clare, to Atty. Michael ’89 and Dr. Lori Cox Donnelly, Basking Ridge, N.J.

89 A daughter, Devon Clare, to Atty. Michael and Dr. Lori Cox Donnelly ’86, Basking Ridge, N.J.

90 A son, Tyler Cole, to Mark and Roxanne DePietro Hartman, Columbia, Md.

91 A son, John Carmen, to Dr. John and Atty. Kathryn Ciocciello Cacciamani, Philadelphia

92 A son, Stephen Patrick, to Robert and Patricia Flood Hojnjoski, Branchburg, N.J.

93 A daughter, Katherine Rose, to Dwayne and Tim Buckridge, Bridgewater, N.J.

94 A son, Brian Thomas, to Christina and Brian Brislin, Palmyra, N.J.

95 A daughter, Maggie Rose, to Keith ’91 and Marion Lupky Yurgosky, Greenfield, Twp.

96 A daughter, Meghan Elisabeth, to Michael and Kathleen Buxton O’Leary, Harrison, N.Y.

97 Michelle Dribnack to Jason Gottlieb

98 Alison Devers to Jason Arbaskei ’00

99 Brian Bakker to Laurel Bukala

00 Jason Arbaskei to Alison Devers ’98

01 Nancy Brady to Vincent Cintronino

02 Jennifer Ness to Terrence Brody ’00

03 Mary Dennis to Benjamin Smith

04 Heather Kunst to Todd Derkacz

05 Brian Mehl to Valerie Mehl

06 Brian Mehl to Valerie Mehl

07 John F. Kowal to John P. Kowal ’06

08 Jennifer Kowal to Rick Kowal ’00

09 Michael LaRusso to Michael and Patricia LaRusso

10 A daughter, Payton Rose, to Patrick and Rosanne Passarelli Fogarty, Garden City, N.Y.

11 A daughter, Madeleine Therese, to Leila and James Walsh, Clarks Green


13 A son, Jack Michael, to Michael Reweick and Alexis Lazzara, Esq., North Haledon, N.J.

14 A daughter, Maggie Rose, to Keith ’91 and Marion Lupky Yurgosky, Greenfield, Twp.

15 A son, Gregory Vece, to Jeffrey and Ann Marie Vea Schilling, Collegeville


17 A daughter, Taylor Rose, to Carrie and Michael Varesio, Mazzawin, N.J.

18 Jennifer Kowal to Rick Kowal ’00

19 Brian Mehl to Valerie Mehl

20 Brian Mehl to Valerie Mehl

21 A daughter, Madeleine Therese, to Leila and James Walsh, Clarks Green

22 A son, Stephen Patrick, to Robert and Patricia Flood Hojnjoski, Branchburg, N.J.

23 A son, Michael Aidan, to Michael and Ann Turlip Saville, Floral Park, N.Y.

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29 A son, Michael Aidan, to Michael and Ann Turlip Saville, Floral Park, N.Y.
Rev. Aloysius Carroll Galvin, S.J.


Fr. Galvin was born in Baltimore and graduated from Loyola High School in 1942. He enrolled at Loyola College in Baltimore but entered the Navy’s V-12 emergency officers’ training program soon afterward and was sent to Mount Saint Mary’s College in Emmitsburg, Md. He served as the executive officer of a patrol craft submarine chaser and was assigned to the Aleutian Islands.

He later returned to Loyola College, where he received his bachelor’s degree in 1948. The same year, he entered the Society of Jesus in the Maryland Province and was ordained a priest on June 23, 1957. After teaching English and Latin for a year at St. Joseph’s Preparatory School in Philadelphia, he became the academic dean at Loyola College, serving in that position from 1959 to 1965. He took his final vows on Aug. 15, 1965.

During a 10-day tour of California in September 2007, Noelle Karas ’97 and Michael Pennacchio ’98 met up with the Scranton Club of Northern California at AT&T Park to watch the San Francisco Giants play the Los Angeles Dodgers.

A son, Evan Thomas, to Tom ’95 and Marla Domingo Sprows, Aston
A son, Sean Patrick, to James ’96 and Amy Finnegar McNulty, Knoxville, Tenn.
A daughter, Kayla, to Rich and Lisa Jakubowski Biggica, New York, N.Y.
A daughter, Reagan Barbara, to Tim and Michele Kelly Young, Washington, D.C.
Twins, Jacob Vincent and Alison Hope, to Joel and Heather Nicastro Silman, King of Prussia
A daughter, Amalya Rose, to Jerrod and Kristen Tepfenhard Freund, Rutherford, N.J.
A daughter, Stellina Antonia, to Casey and Jessica Wueensch Strange, West Orange, N.J.

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A son, Henry James, to James and Kathleen Barnett Noble, Huntingdon, N.Y.
A son, John Christopher, to Kevin and Lucia Giofi McCalh, Monroe, N.Y.
A son, Ethan James, to B.J. and Andrea Cottingham Pearson, Miller Place, N.Y.
A daughter, Anna Genevieve, to Brian and Emily Klish Smorol, Syracuse, N.Y.
A son, Logan Alexander, to Colin and Colleen Lavelle Fowler, Lakeville
A daughter, Bridig Anne, to Thomas and Alicia Leonard Farren, North Wales
A son, Peter Kenneth, to Ken and Karen Lowry Smith, Pompton Plains, N.J.
A son, Alexander Vincent, adopted by Rich and Kristin Maguire DeFrancisco, West Chester
A daughter, Mikaela Ann, to Mark and Kathy Oliveri Tucker, Hoboken, N.J.
A son, Thomas Joseph, to John and Maureen Phillips Ryan, Plymouth Meeting

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A son, Collin Jay, to Jonathan and Christin Castellana Freet, Oak Ridge, N.J.
A son, Aidan Patrick, to Patrick and Erin Hansen Dalton ’00, Easton
A daughter, Maura Catherine, to Rich and Erin Hurleman Ferrise, Collegeville
A son, Joshua Ian, to R.C. and Jessica Julio Rigdon, Heidelberg, Germany
A son, Lawrence III, to Larry ’00 and Kristen McLaughlin Formosa, Philadelphia
A son, Nick Thomas, to Nick and Kristine Reilly Parente, Hoboken, N.J.
A daughter, Ava, to Emily and Mark Shedlauskas, Clarks Summit
A daughter, Hannah Marie, to Joseph and Lori Sledgeski Frischman, Wilkes-Barre

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A daughter, Kayle Anne, to Terrence and Jennifer Ness Brody ’02, Chatham, N.J.
A son, Aidan Patrick, to Patrick ’99 and Erin Hansen Dalton, Easton
A son, Lawrence III, to Larry and Kristen McLaughlin Formosa ’99, Philadelphia
A daughter, Kaitlyn Lorraine, to Michael Schechter and Kathleen Saemman, New York, N.Y.
A son, Cole Thomas, to Shain and Carrie Toon Naugle, Elyria, Ohio
A son, Jack Ryan, to Paul and Cindy Vodle Breme, New York, N.Y.
A son, Dylan Sean to Sean and Michelle Weiner Marion ’01, Cedar Knolls, N.J.

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A son, Kelly Justin, to Gimmy and Jessica Brelin Morgan, Hacketstown, N.J.
A son, Caleb Nathaniel, to Thomas and Sarah Schoen McAteer, Brooklyn, N.Y.
A son, Dylan Sean, to Sean ’00 and Michelle Weiner Marion, Cedar Knolls, N.J.

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A daughter, Karolina Addison, to Zygmunt and Barbara Dol Matejczyk, Morris Plains, N.J.
A daughter, Kayle Anne, to Terrence ’00 and Jennifer Ness Brody, Chatham, N.J.

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A daughter, Ella Kristina, to Andrea and Frank Sobociński, Jupiter, Fla.

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A son, Zander Joseph, to Wes and Jaclyn Janowicz Schaeffer, Moscow
Deaths

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Rev. John J. Hlopko, Bear Creek
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James J. Tedesco, Old Forge
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William F. Farrell, Esq., Wyoming
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Rev. Anthony A. Noviello, South Williamsport
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Daniel W. Lewis, Ph.D., Pittsburgh
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Edward J. Murphy, Carbondale and Dunmore
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Theodore A. Pawloski, West Wyoming
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Leslie J. Tyler, Ph.D., Gainesville, Fla.
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Stephen J. Budash, Ph.D., Scranton
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John E. DeAntonio, M.D., Carbondale
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Thomas J. Morgan, Scranton
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Raymond Berendt, Port Richey, Fla.
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William Dudley, Tinton Falls, N.J.
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Thomas A. Duane, Pittsfield, Mass.
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Frank A. Pettinato, Scranton
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Charles Dirlam, Esq., Potomac, Md.
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Douglas M. Holcomb, Scranton
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Anthony J. Kardelis, Hickory Hills, Ill.
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Robert L. Lowry, Falls Church, Va.
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Anthony Slusser, Avoca
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Robert T. Ryan, Bryn Mawr
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Ted Gaardsmoe, Aldenville
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William F. Foran, Palmyra
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Michael H. Griffin, N. Brunswick, N.J.
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Paul Maestri, Liverpool, N.Y.
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Rev. Gerard M. Gannon, Archbald
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Thomas Haen, Binghamton, N.Y.
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Lawrence V. O'Malley, Oswego, N.Y.
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Marguerite Mang Patrick, Cape May, N.J., and Marco Island, Fla.
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Robert Brazen, Scranton
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Marie Kaneski, Scranton
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Johnnie M. Jones, Chantilly, Va.
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Joseph P. Snyder, M.D., Las Vegas, Nev.

Francis X. Jordan, Ph.D., ’60

Francis X. Jordan, Ph.D., ’60, associate professor of English, died Feb. 14, 2008. Dr. Jordan was born in Scranton and graduated from Scranton Preparatory School in 1952. He received Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from the University of Scranton and a Ph.D. in English Literature from St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri.

He joined the English Department faculty of the University in 1966 and taught a range of subjects, with a focus on poetry, until November 2007. He served four three-year terms as Chair of the English Department and was elected multiple times a Chairman of the University Senate and University Council. He was an officer of the faculty union and one of the founding members of the Faculty Handbook Committee.

Dr. Jordan’s service to the University was recognized with the John L. Earl III Award and the Frank J. O’Hara Award.

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Shirley Bartosch, Scranton
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Patrick Thorsell, Killington, Vt.
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Mary Colleen Ryan Kobeski, Moscow
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Henry P. Korpusik II, Roseland, N.J.
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Bradley Clay Abbott, Mount Sinai, N.Y.
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Erin Gourley, Totowa, N.J.
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Mary “Colleen” Casey, Wilkes Barre

Family & Friends

Kathryn B. Archer, mother of John ’75
Malgorza Margaret Berger, mother of Agatha ’06
Jane Beaudell, mother of Dr. Frank ’84
Mary Patricia Blewitt, mother of Dr. Charles ’69, Atty. J. Justin ’66 and Hon. Thomas ’72
Margaret T. Bricker, mother of James ’69 and the late Richard ’67

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Thomas J. Spellman, Oakland, Maine
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Hugo Murazzi, Scranton
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Robert T. Ryan, Bryn Mawr
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Ted Gaardsmoe, Aldenville
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Paul Maestri, Liverpool, N.Y.
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Michael H. Griffin, N. Brunswick, N.J.
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Lawrence V. O’Malley, Oswego, N.Y.
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Marguerite Mang Patrick, Cape May, N.J., and Marco Island, Fla.
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Rev. Gerard M. Gannon, Archbald
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Robert Brazen, Scranton
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Marie Kaneski, Scranton
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John A. Viercinski, West Wyoming
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Joseph P. Snyder, M.D., Las Vegas, Nev.
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Ruth Budash, wife of Stephen ’44
Mary Cioffari, mother of Frances ’66
Philip R. Condron, father of Christopher ’70
Teresa Dunn, wife of Daniel ’72 and mother of Patrick ’06
Isiah Alexander Durkee, son of Christopher ’96
Judith Sarsky Gurgulio, mother of Kristen Williams ’92
William Genello father of Martin ’81 and John ’89
Regina Gilroy, widow of James ’41
James Gilroy, brother of Atty. Hubert X.’76
William Hurst, father of Sharon Hurs Kneiss ’77
Theodore Jaditz, father of Dr. Stephen ’77
Donald Kocum, father of Paul ’75
Ellen Madzin, mother of Joseph ’85, John ’83 and Edward ’90
Josaphine McGowen, mother of Atty. Roseanne ’79
Timothy O’Malley, brother of Dr. John ’64
Mary Piorkowski, mother of Robert ’85 and Mary Tygh ’84
Dolores Ploskonka, wife of Louis ’51
Mary Rebek, mother of Robert ’56, G’65
Michael W. Regan, wife of Paula Regan G’99 and stepfather of Jeff Romanecz ’04
Francis Reno, father of Joseph ’91 and Michael ’01
Stella Stefanelli, mother of Dr. James ’81
Camille VanHorn, sister of Rev. Louis Kaminski ’73
Dorothy Walsh Quinn, mother of James D. Walsh ’69, H ’01
Marion Zampano, mother of Gary ’72

Death Notices on the Web

Death notices are published on the Alumni Web site as they become known to the Office of Alumni Relations. Readers no longer have to wait between issues of The Scranton Journal to learn of a death of a classmate or a classmate’s family member. Visit: www.scranton.edu/alumni and link to general information and then to death notices.
Alumni whose class years end in “3” and “8”: Register online today at www.scranton.edu/reunion.

Have a group of friends you want to see at Reunion? Find them on the Web at www.scranton.edu/reunion, then call and encourage them to attend.

Schedule of Events

Friday, June 6
Noon – 10:00 p.m. Registration & Hospitality Center Open
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Campus Tour
5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Frank O’Hara Awards Dinner
7:00 p.m. Scranton Wilkes-Barre Yankees vs. Norfolk Tide
8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Frank O’Hara Awards Ceremony
8:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Piano Bar and Lounge Open

Saturday, June 7
8:00 a.m. Golf Outing, Pine Hills Golf Course
8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Registration & Hospitality Center Open
10:00 a.m. – Noon Open Swim at the Byron
10:00 a.m. – Noon Alumni College
10:30 a.m. Admissions Presentation
11:30 a.m. Campus Tour
12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. All-Class Family Picnic
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Visit the Residence Halls
6:30 p.m. Cocktails on the Commons
8:00 p.m. Class Dinners

Sunday, June 8
9:30 a.m. Alumni Reunion Mass
10:30 a.m. Farewell Brunch

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

Class Committees

Class of 1958
Lou Auriemma
James Bonin
Donald Booth
Edward Hughes
Stanley Kennedy, Esq.
Martin Kushmerick, M.D., Ph.D.
Robert MacGregor
Thomas J. O’Donnell
John Rossi
Joseph Severini
Robert Sylvester
Rev. Myron Zuder

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Joseph Scagliotti
Paul Suche

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Ronald Jones
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Alan Mazzei

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Ralph DiRuggiero
John Harris
Eugene Killiany
John Mohler
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David Phillips
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Thomas Every
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Mary Twohig
Heather Vallent
John VonSavage
Mary Kate Webber

Class of 2003
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Class of 2009
Reunions, Return, Remember
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