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Schedule of Events

Friday, June 12
Noon – 10:00 p.m.  Registration & Hospitality Center Open
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  Campus Tours
5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  Frank O’Hara Awards Dinner
8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  Frank O’Hara Awards Ceremony
8:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.  Piano Bar and Lounge

Saturday, June 13
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  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
6:30 p.m.  Cocktails
8:00 p.m.  Class Dinners and After Party

Sunday, June 14
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.

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A Message from the President

The University’s 41,000 alumni can be found across the country and around the world. Their time on campus has prepared them for leadership positions on main streets of cities from coast to coast and continent to continent, from New York and Washington, D.C., to San Francisco and Beijing. They’re leaders in business, law, medicine and education. Some are entrepreneurs. Others are public servants. Still others are community and church leaders.

Despite the diverse paths and places their careers have taken them, our alumni will tell you that their lives have been definitively shaped by their years at Scranton. For some, it was a Jesuit or lay professor; for others, an internship or experience that set them on a path that most will tell you they wouldn’t change for anything.

The knowledge and values they honed at Scranton are of particular importance amid the uncertain times sweeping across America. While no one person, no one industry is exempt from the challenges of the current financial situation, many of our alumni feel that the unique Catholic and Jesuit education they received at Scranton will stand them in good stead during the hardest of times.

Our alumni and, indeed, all members of the University community stand on the shoulders of giants – leaders of great vision and even greater faith. We need look no further than our very founder, Bishop William O’Hara, who scraped, saved and accepted donations as small as $5 to build a college that he imagined would “light up the fires of learning.”

In 1942, the world was at war when Jesuit Provincial Very Rev. James P. Sweeney, S.J., accepted an invitation from the Diocese of Scranton to administer the University. In his reply to the Bishop, Fr. Sweeney wrote, “...acceptance of your invitation is of course a challenge in these abnormal times, when all colleges are facing a crisis.” He continued: “However, St. Ignatius was never one to run away from a difficult proposition, and we are supposed to imitate his example.”

In the spirit of St. Ignatius, Fr. Sweeney and Bishop O’Hara, Scranton alumni are putting their Scranton education to work throughout America and around the world. They carry with them strength of character and a shared devotion to our beloved University.

Sincerely,

Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.
Scranton Receives Carnegie Community Engagement Classification

Scranton is among just 119 colleges in the nation earning the highly selective 2008 Community Engagement Classification designated by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Through an extensive voluntary application process, the Carnegie Foundation recognized universities for success in Curricular Engagement (the connection of teaching, learning and scholarship to community); Outreach and Partnership (the extent of focus of institutional resources on community collaboration); or both. Scranton was among just 110 universities to receive classification in both areas.

The Carnegie Classification for Community Engagement selected colleges through a comprehensive application process which required universities to demonstrate institutional commitment and support for community service partnerships, as well as documentation of the impact such programs have had on the community.

The Chronicle Lauds Scranton for Fulbright Prowess

The University was recognized among the nation’s “top producers” of Fulbright fellowships for American students for the 2007/2008 academic year by The Chronicle of Higher Education. The Oct. 24, 2008, issue lists just 111 colleges in four categories based on their institution type and size. Scranton was among the 22 universities in the nation listed as top producers in the “Masters Institutions” category. Scranton, with three Fulbright scholars, and Villanova University, with two, were the only two Pennsylvania universities listed in that category.

Scranton is one of 10 Jesuit universities to be cited on the four lists. This is the fourth consecutive year that The University of Scranton’s Fulbright success has been recognized in The Chronicle of Higher Education’s rankings.

Grant Will Support Innovation Investment

The University was awarded a $190,500 Wall Street West Innovation Investment Project Grant to help companies manage the transfer of the knowledge of retiring Baby Boomers to their predecessors. Through the grant, the University’s Kania School of Management will lead the development of the Knowledge Management Institute, which will create and house techniques, tools, training, proprietary models and practitioners to help firms better assess and manage their intellectual property and transition their workforce to the next generation of professionals.

The Knowledge Management Institute is a partnership among The University of Scranton, Lehigh University and Cerebronix, Ltd., a management and technology consulting firm.

The project will create a self-sustaining, revenue-generating Knowledge Management Institute, housed virtually at both schools, which will provide a knowledge management, certificate-based training and development program.

This is the fourth Wall Street West Grant awarded to the University.

Library Digitizes Yearbooks

In January, the Weinberg Memorial Library released The University of Scranton Digital Yearbook Collection, featuring digital versions of every University of Scranton yearbook, from the 1916 Aquinas to the 2007 Windhover. The 74-volume collection includes approximately 17,000 digitized pages, all available as high resolution images. The digital books are full-text searchable so that users can easily find pictures of their favorite alumni, faculty and staff members. Users can browse and search the collection at www.scranton.edu/yearbooks.

The Digital Yearbook Collection is the first of the Weinberg Memorial Library’s new digital initiatives. In an effort to make the fascinating materials in the Special Collections and University Archives more accessible to the public, the Library is actively and continually scanning and preparing these unique collections for the Web. Ongoing and future digitization projects include the University’s archival photographs, master’s and honors theses, course catalogs, and local history books. Updates on these projects and all of the Library’s latest activities can be found on the Library’s blog at www.wmlinfospot.wordpress.com.

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This image of the basketball team from the 1920 yearbook is one of many items in the Library’s new Digital Yearbook Collection.
Exhibit Depicts Lincoln’s Journey to Emancipation

The University was among the select group of schools chosen to display “Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln’s Journey to Emancipation,” a national traveling exhibition that focuses on Lincoln’s quest to restore a Union divided by Civil War.

The exhibit of reproductions of rare historical documents and photographs shows how Lincoln’s beliefs about freeing the slaves were transformed by wartime developments. “Forever Free” was on display at the Weinberg Memorial Library from Feb. 9 through Mar. 22.


“Forever Free” was made possible by grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, created by Congress and charged with planning the national celebration of Lincoln’s 200th birthday.

An Immigration Mosaic Unveiled

An Immigration Mosaic created from approximately 180 photos of immigrants from 39 countries submitted by students, faculty and staff was unveiled in November and is on display in the DeNaples Center. The project, completed as part of the 2008-2009 justice theme of immigration, is intended to serve as a reminder that America is a nation made up of immigrants. The project was coordinated by the Education for Justice Office.

Scranton President Honored with Awards

University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., has been honored with three awards.

On April 18, Georgetown University honored Fr. Pilarz with the John Carroll Award, the highest honor bestowed by the Alumni Association of Georgetown.

Established by the Georgetown University Alumni Association in 1951, the John Carroll Award honors alumni whose achievements exemplify the ideals and traditions of Georgetown University and its founder, Archbishop John Carroll. All recipients have distinguished themselves through lifetime achievement and outstanding service to their alma mater. Five John Carroll Awards are presented each year. The 2009 Awards were presented during John Carroll Weekend, an annual gathering of Georgetown alumni.

Fr. Pilarz earned a bachelor’s degree in English from Georgetown University and served on the faculty before being named interim University Chaplain. Fr. Pilarz has received two other awards from Georgetown. He was recognized by the Georgetown Alumni Association in 2002 with the William Gaston Award for Outstanding Service and, while serving as a professor there, was chosen by the graduating class of 1999 to receive the Edward B. Bunn, S.J., Award for Faculty Excellence, which recognizes outstanding teaching and service.

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Michael J. Eagen Award.

S.J., on receiving the 23rd Chief Justice University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., on receiving the 23rd Chief Justice eagen Award. In Bratislava, Slovak Republic. The eagen Award is the highest award bestowed by the Association. The 23rd year, the eagen Award is the highest award bestowed by the Association. The University of Scranton to beautify and improve safety for the Mulberry Street corridor has been announced in 2007. The project will encourage foot traffic and improve pedestrian safety by creating wider walking paths along Mulberry Street. It incorporates stamped concrete crosswalks along a tree-lined street that is illuminated by period light fixtures. Landscaping will screen parking lots, and low stone walls will line the street intermittently. Elements of the design will provide a consistent appearance stretching from Jefferson Avenue to North Webster Avenue.

The first phase includes a large stone section of Scranton and the historic Hill Section of Scranton. Immediately in front of the sign will be an enlarged pedestrian crosswalk area.

Two Receive Arrupe Award

The University honored two individuals with its annual Pedro Arrupe, S.J., Award for Distinguished Contributions to Ignatian Mission and Ministries. The awards were presented at a University Assembly on March 24.

Arrupe Awards were presented to Mary Ann Baudouin, assistant for social ministries for the Jesuits of the New Orleans Province, and Rev. John P. Foley, S.J., executive chairman of Cristo Rey Network.

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

Over the last 30 years, Baudouin has worked tirelessly in a variety of social and lay ministries and charities from Washington, D.C., to New Orleans, where she has been a leader in recovery efforts following Hurricane Katrina. As assistant for social ministries for the Jesuits of the New Orleans Province, she coordinates social ministry and social justice activities for Jesuit priests, lay colleagues and institutions in a ten-state area.

Fr. Foley served as principal of the first Cristo Rey Jesuit High School when it opened in 1996, serving Mexican immigrant children on Chicago’s south side. He went on to become a champion for the development of similar schools and in 2005 was named president of the Cristo Rey Network. Currently, there are 22 schools in the Cristo Rey Network serving more than 5,000 students nationwide.
Conference Celebrates Women and History

“Women and Social Movements in U.S. Women’s History” was the keynote topic presented at the Second Biennial Conference on Women and History in Northeastern Pennsylvania, which took place at the University on March 14.

Kathryn Kish Sklar, Ph.D., distinguished,battle professor and co-director of the Center for the Historical Study of Women and Gender at the State University of New York at Binghamton, delivered the keynote address.

Presentations included such topics as “Cornelia Bryce Pinchot of Milford, PA,” “The Suffrage Story in Scranton, August 19-November 4, 1920,” “The Women Who Founded the Tioga Point Museum, Athens, PA,” “The Scranton Lace Factory Goes to War,” “Scranton’s Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary” and “Nursing in Early 20th-Century Scranton.”

The Conference was supported by grants from the University’s Office of Equity and Diversity, Art and Music Program and Hope Horn Gallery; the Lackawanna Arts Council; and the Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority.

Speaker Urges for Vaccination Distribution

Joan Kuzmack Keil ’84 urged for the distribution of the HPV vaccination to women in the Asia Pacific countries during her speech at the PNC Breakfast on Feb. 24, in The Rose Room of Brennan Hall.

Keil, who is director Asia Pacific Marketing, Vaccines for Merck & Co., Inc, has travelled to 13 of the 14 Asia Pacific countries, and plans to travel to Vietnam in the near future. She has travelled to these countries to try to sell and distribute the vaccine to women in need. HPV, or Human Papillomavirus, when found in women, often becomes cervical cancer, which is the number two killer of women in the world.

Faculty News

Emerson Society Honors Scranton Professor

The Emerson Society has presented Len Gougeon, Ph.D., distinguished university fellow and professor of American literature at Scranton, with its Distinguished Achievement Award. The award recognizes scholars who have made important contributions to Emerson studies.

Dr. Gougeon has authored three books on Emerson. His most recent book, Elizabeth Cady Stanton: The Making of a Cultural Hero, published by the State University of New York Press, was nominated for the Alpha Sigma Nu Book Award this year. A copy of this work will be provided by Alpha Sigma Nu to the libraries of all 28 Jesuit colleges and universities in the United States.

Psychology Professor Co-authors Textbook

Brad Alford, Ph.D., professor of psychology, has co-authored the second edition of the book Depression: Causes and Treatment, published by the University of Pennsylvania Press in December.

Dr. Alford has co-authored the book with Aaron Beck, M.D., university professor emeritus of psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania and President of the Beck Institute for Cognitive Therapy and Research.

The new edition of the book expands on the original research of the first edition, authored solely by Dr. Beck and published 40 years ago. The first edition reported on Beck’s original tests of Freud’s theory that led to a new system of psychological theory and therapy.

Associate Dean Ranked First Among Advertising Scholars

Kenneth R. Lord, Ph.D., associate dean of the Kania School of Management, has been ranked among the world’s top advertising scholars in the fall 2008 issue of Journal of Advertising.

Dr. Lord is ranked first among authors published in Journal of Current Issues & Research in Advertising, one of three leading advertising journals, according to an article titled “A Ten-Year Retrospective of Advertising Research Productivity, 1997-2006” by John B. Ford and Altaf Merchant. He is ranked 18th among those published in the three leading advertising journals (which also include Journal of Advertising and Journal of Advertising Research), and 39th among authors of advertising-related articles in 17 leading advertising, marketing and business journals.

Political Science Professor Co-authors Textbook


The first American Government textbook with an all-woman author team, the book is written by teachers for teachers and their students today. The book is built on an approach that teaches students to think critically by encouraging them to inquire and converse with one another, and, finally, to participate in American government.

The textbook’s critical thinking framework engages students in assessing current political trends, pressures, events and issues in the context of the nation’s history. Then, the book prompts the students to image what politics will look like in the future and what that means for them. With integrated themes on diversity and civic engagement, the book prepares students, and attempts to inspire them, to join the conversation of American political life.

Co-authors, along with Dr. Harris, are Brigid Harrison, of Montclair University, and Susan Tolchin, of George Mason University.

Student News

Service Trip Takes Nursing Students to Kentucky

A group of nursing students from the University dedicated part of their intersession break to serving residents of one of the poorest regions of the United States.

Ten seniors and three chaperones from the Nursing Department traveled to the Sandy Valley and Cumberland regions of Kentucky from Jan. 18-24. This is the second consecutive year that Scranton nursing students have partnered with the Christian Appalachian Project, the 15th-largest human services charity in the United States.

During their time in Kentucky, the students provided nursing education and healthcare to residents in eight counties. They participated in health fairs and conducted home visits that involved medication review, full physical assessments and suggestions about vitamins and over-the-counter medications to treat certain health conditions.

Senior nursing students participating in the service trip to Kentucky were: Amanda LaCorte, Erin Gilfeather, Laura Falzon, Emily VonBraun, Ashley Matos, Megan Conley, Patti O’Leary, Ashley Schulz, Kaitlyn Sobeck and Solange Ndingwan.

Nursing students Laura Falzon (left) and Amanda LaCorte host a nursing bingo for seniors during a service trip to Kentucky.

Students Win Awards at European Union Simulation

Scranton students distinguished themselves by winning several awards at the 16th annual Mid-Atlantic European Union Simulation held recently in Washington, D.C. The students represented Denmark in simulations of European Union parliamentary meetings and debates at the intercollegiate competition.

Scranton students who received awards for their work were seniors Deirdre Strehl, Best European Union Commissioner; Carl Cervi, Best Prime Minister; Michael George, Best Agriculture Minister; and Alyson Semon, the Emilio Rodriguez Award for Best Parliamentarian in the Plenary Session.
According to Gretchen Van Dyke, Ph.D., associate professor of political science, who includes the simulation experience as a part of the European Union course she teaches, several Scranton students also emerged as leaders within their respective European Union Parliamentary Party Groupings.

**Friendly Sons Present Check, Announce Scholarship Recipient**

The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of Lackawanna County recently presented a check to The University of Scranton for the Dr. John H. Corcoran Scholarship for Study in Ireland. Seated are, from left, John Keeler, president of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Corcoran Scholarship recipient Patrick Bannon, and Tracy Bannon ’84, Patrick’s mother. Standing, from left, are Richard P. Conaboy Jr., representing the Honorable Richard P. Conaboy ’46, chairman of the scholarship committee; University of Scranton President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.; Joseph (Jay) Bannon, M.D. ’83, and Charles Bannon, M.D., Patrick’s father and grandfather respectively; and Michael Simons, director, study abroad/global initiatives at the University.

**Yевич, who died in 2005, was a long-time Scranton fireman and accomplished local musician, and served as Fire Chief in the Wenzel Administration. He was the father of Michael Yевич ’94, Cynthia Yевич ’84, and University Director of Performance Music Cheryl Yевич Boga.**

Joe Boga, grandson of the late Gene Yевич, performs alongside Wycliffe Gordon H’06 at the inaugural Gene Yевич Memorial Jazz Concert.

**Exhibit Celebrates Influential Architect**

The Hope Horn Gallery recently exhibited the work of George M.D. Lewis, the architect who shaped the face of Scranton. The exhibit featured original drawings of Davis and Lewis’ buildings, and photographs of the completed structures by John Horgan Jr., a photographer known for his work documenting Pennsylvania’s anthracite industry, who photographed Davis and Lewis’ architecture.

Among the Scranton structures designed by Lewis are the Scranton Gas & Water Company building, the Stoehr and Fister building (now Courthouse Annex) the Bank Towers building and the Scranton Times building. The exhibit included an opening lecture by Josephine Dunn, Ph.D., associate professor of history.

**Yевич Memorial Concert Held**

David Ostwald’s Gully Low Jazz Band, with special featured guest Wycliffe Gordon H ’06 performed “In Concert” on Feb. 22 for the inaugural Gene Yевич Memorial Jazz Concert. The performance, held in the Houlihan-McLean Center, was sponsored by former Scranton Mayor David Wenzel ’69, G’74 and his wife, Janet.

**The Arts**

**Players Present *columbinus***

The University Players presented *columbinus* by the United States Theatre Project as one of its mainstage productions for 2008-09. Performances, held in the McDade Center for Literary and Performing Arts in February and March, depicted the events of the 1999 shootings at Columbine High School. The play, written by Scranton natives Stephen Karam and PJ Paparelli, is based on interviews, survivor accounts and police transcripts, and explores the cause and effect of peer pressure among our nation’s youth.

The University Players present *columbinus*, a play that depicts the events of the 1999 shootings at Columbine High School.
President’s Business Council to Honor John A. Walsh ’66

The President’s Business Council will present John A. Walsh ’66, executive vice president and executive editor of ESPN, Inc., with the President’s Medal at the Council’s Eighth Annual Award Dinner to be held on Thursday, Oct. 8, at the Pierre in New York City. Special guests on the evening’s program include Robin Roberts, anchor of ABC News’ “Good Morning America,” and Bob Ley, host of ESPN’s “Outside the Lines,” both of whom are Walsh’s personal friends.

Known to all of his Scranton associates simply as “John A.,” Walsh has been the executive editor of ESPN since December 1990 and currently serves as chairman of ESPN’s editorial board. At times during his 22-year career at ESPN, he has overseen the launch of *ESPN The Magazine* and ESPN Radio; was instrumental in developing the many news and information elements within ESPN, including networks and new shows; has led the editorial direction of ESPN.com and its properties; and served as the managing editor, responsible for the editorial content of all news and informational programming, including *SportsCenter*, ESPN’s flagship sports news program. In October 2007, *Business Week* listed Walsh at number 66 among the 100 most powerful people in sports, citing he “made his mark reshaping the marquee show, *SportsCenter.*”

Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University president, commented, “John A. has had a remarkable career in journalism, especially in the sports field. He continues to have a tremendous impact, behind the scenes, on how the world views sports through the various media outlets of ESPN. We are grateful for John A.’s acceptance to be honored and feel that he will bring a new level of recognition to the PBC Dinner.”

Despite the very real challenges that the current economic conditions present to this year’s fundraising efforts, PBC Chair Mary Beth Farrell ’79 said, “I am encouraged by the fortitude and commitment of our PBC members and the University alumni community. It would have been understandable to take this year off, but the Council felt it was more important to keep our momentum going in support of scholarships at the University. The dollars raised via the dinner help to free up other University funds for current students and their families who are directly affected by the economy and might otherwise need to withdraw.”

Prior to joining ESPN in 1988, Walsh was the founding editor of *Inside Sports* magazine, as well as the managing editor of *U.S. News & World Report* and *Rolling Stone*. He has held a number of editorial positions, including sports editor of the *Columbia Missourian*, sports editor and op-ed page editor at *Newsday*, and style section editor of *The Washington Post* in the post-Watergate years. He has also been the editor of three books on sports, including “*The Heisman: A Symbol of Excellence,*” published in 1984. A Scranton native, Walsh earned a bachelor’s degree in English from the University and is a 1991 recipient of the Frank J. O’Hara Alumni Award. Walsh received a master’s degree in journalism from the University of Missouri School of Journalism and was awarded their Medal of Honor in 2001. A current member of the University’s Board of Trustees, he is also a member of the Executive Committee of the President’s Business Council. Walsh and his wife, Ellen, reside in Connecticut and have two children.

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. The Council is conducting regional receptions this Spring to promote local networking and to strengthen and promote membership. Receptions will be held in Boston, New York City, Philadelphia, Scranton and Washington, D.C. In cooperation with the Kania School of Management, the Council will hold its annual “President’s Business Council Day” on campus in May.

For more information, please contact Timothy J. Pylet ’89, Director of the President’s Business Council, at (570) 941-5837 or prylet2@scranton.edu. Please refer to the inside back cover of this magazine for ticket reservation information.

**More than $87 Million Committed to Campaign**

The Pride, Passion Promise Campaign was launched April 26, 2008, with a goal of $100,000,000 to be raised for campus priorities. The first priority includes transforming our campus with the addition of The Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Center, Christopher and Margaret Condron Hall, and John and Jacquelyn Dionne Campus Green. The second priority involves securing our future by designating
money raised to the University Endowment and Scholarship funds. Both priorities will ensure that The University of Scranton is in good physical and financial condition to compete for the best and brightest students. Christopher “Kip” Condron, national co-chair of the Campaign, describes the campaign as “a transformational event in the history of the University. This is a chance for all alumni to participate in changing Scranton now and to make their mark on the future of the institution.”

During the campaign kick-off last April, the University announced total commitments to the Campaign of $68,000,000. In less than a year, the total has jumped to $87,400,000. The Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign is a comprehensive campaign; all money raised throughout the University is applied to the total.

At this point in the campaign, we are poised to begin our broad-based solicitation effort. Subcommittees will be forming shortly on a regional basis, and volunteer support is extremely important. Our entire alumni population will be invited to participate in this campaign. If any member of The University of Scranton community wants to get involved with the campaign, please contact our office at campaign@scranton.edu or (570) 941-7724.

Estate Gift Honors Rev. Dexter Hanley, S.J.

The University is proud to announce a gift of $5,000,000 to the Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign from the Estate of Robert and Catherine McDevitt of Binghamton, N.Y.

Mr. McDevitt was a close friend of the late Rev. Dexter Hanley, S.J., who served as president of the University from 1970-1975. The gift from McDevitt’s estate will be in honor of Fr. Hanley and will fund faculty development programs at the University.

McDevitt was owner of McDevitt Brothers Funeral Home, a business his grandfather founded in Binghamton in 1880. He died in September 2008 at the age of 90. His wife, Catherine, passed away in April 2008.

McDevitt’s mother was the secretary to A. Ward Ford, founder of a company that ultimately became part of IBM. Mr. McDevitt inherited his mother’s shares of company stock, and then spent 70 years accumulating more shares. The majority of this gift will be in the form of IBM stock.

The McDevitts have long been involved in Catholic and Jesuit education. Mr. McDevitt was a 1940 graduate of Georgetown University and had been a Regent at Georgetown and at Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N.Y., where he served as a member of Le Moyne College’s Board of Trustees from 1977 to 1980.

The endowment created at the University is called the Robert L. McDevitt, K.S.G., K.C.H.S., and Catherine H. McDevitt, L.C. H.S., Fund in Honor of the late Rev. Dexter Hanley, S.J.

Campaign Gift Establishes Faculty Chair

Joseph ‘69 and Judith Doyle of Great Falls, Va., have shown their support for the Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign by establishing the St. Robert Bellarmine, S.J., Chair in the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. Doyle explains the name by saying, “St. Robert Bellarmine, S.J., was a respected theologian and Doctor of the Church. He is a terrific choice to serve as the patron saint of the Catholic Intellectual Tradition at The University of Scranton.”

The chair will be housed in the College of Arts and Sciences and will provide the University with a unique opportunity to recruit an established academic authority in Catholic theology or teaching to fill a faculty role, and will provide funds for this faculty member to perform research in their field. Establishing this chair at the University will help advance the mission and identity of the University as a Catholic and Jesuit school.

A goal of the Pride, Passion, Promise Campaign is to establish a faculty chair in each of the four colleges on campus. Thanks to the Doyle family, we have taken our first step toward this goal. Harold Baillie, Ph.D., provost and vice president for academic affairs, describes the chair as, “an opportunity to put Scranton on the map for well established scholars in Catholic doctrine. It will allow us to compete more effectively for the most respected and accomplished faculty in the realm of Catholic thought.”

Joseph Doyle is a certified public account who graduated from Scranton with a bachelor’s degree in management. He and his wife, Judith, are the parents of four children: Mark ’07, Beth, Colleen and Kevin.

Alperin Financial Center Provides Simulated Trading Environment

Business students at Scranton are gaining hands-on experience with the stock market, thanks to the new Irwin E. Alperin Financial Center on the first floor of Brennan Hall.

The state-of-the-art laboratory, complete with distance learning capabilities, is funded by the Alperin family and a grant from the Department of Education of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Students in the Kania School of Management are taking advantage of real-time trading room technology, industry-focused instruction and leading-edge learning methods available in the Alperin Financial Center. The Alperin Center is named in honor of the late Irwin Alperin, a trustee, friend, and benefactor of the University.

President Seeks Support for Financial Aid

Moved by concern for current and future students and their families, University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., has established the James P. Sweeney, S.J., Family Outreach Program. In 1942, Fr. Sweeney, the Jesuit Provincial, noted in a letter to the Diocese, “...acceptance of your invitation (to assume oversight of the University) is, of course, a challenge in these abnormal times, when all colleges are facing a crisis. However, St. Ignatius was never one to run away from a difficult proposition, and we are supposed to imitate his example.”

In a Royal Fund appeal, Fr. Pilarz is seeking help from alumni and friends to raise $1 million in matching funds to support financial aid for students. “My goal is to establish a $2 million fund to support our outreach program with half the dollars secured from budget reallocations directed to address this critical need,” he said.
If you ask Scranton alumni, many of them will tell you that their time on Linden Street was pivotal in preparing them for careers on “Main Streets” throughout America and abroad. Their successful careers have taken them to such business epicenters as Wall Street in New York, Market Street in San Francisco and Philadelphia, and State Street in Boston, to name a few, and to places as far afield as Beijing, China.

Thanks to the Online Alumni Community, it’s easier than ever to locate where that former classmate is living, where her career has taken her, or whether he’s coming to an event organized by your local Alumni Club.

In this issue of The Scranton Journal, you’ll find profiles of alumni who are working on “Main Streets” across America and abroad. You’ll also learn how you can use your Online Alumni Community to stay in touch with classmates, no matter where their lives have taken them.

Stay Connected through the Online Alumni Community

The Scranton Online Alumni Community is a free resource exclusively for University of Scranton Alumni. Registration is quick and easy.

Go to: www.scranton.edu/alumni
Click on Online Community.
Click on First Time Login, if you have not yet accessed the online community.
You will be prompted for your last name, which will help you verify your profile.
To finalize your registration, you will be asked to enter your birth date and choose a login and password.

If you have already registered, simply enter your username and password to enter the Online Community.
Corporate Finance Banker Puts a Piece of Wall Street Back on Linden Street

Tom Lynch’s journey from Linden Street to Wall Street is the stuff of which aspiring business students dream. Just a few years after graduating from Scranton, he found himself negotiating a transaction with the Wall Street investment bank Salomon Brothers (now Salomon Smith Barney), a deal that led him to a highly successful career in the epicenter of America’s financial industry.

Still, if you ask him, he’ll be the first to tell you that, “Life and opportunity are more about being in the right place, than the ability to engineer things.” What’s more, he’ll tell you that it was his days on Linden Street that put him “in the right place” for a career on Wall Street.

Upon the urging of John Gavigan, then vice president for student affairs, Lynch pursued an internship with Signal Capital, a company founded by Paul Montrone ’62. The internship was followed by an offer to stay on with Signal as a staff accountant following graduation. At the age of 26, Lynch was negotiating a deal with Salomon Brothers, who subsequently made him a job offer.

After seven years at Salomon, he joined Goldman Sachs as a vice president in the Investment Banking Division. In 2003, he accepted a position at Deutsche Bank Securities, Inc., where he now serves as managing director of corporate investment banking/energy and power for this global leader in financial services.

For Tom Lynch, one successful position has led to another. Yet he’s quick to acknowledge that it all started somewhere, and that “somewhere,” for him, is Scranton.

At Scranton, “there was tremendous investment made in students by professors. They didn’t see education as product; it was more of a calling. That made you want to graduate, find an opportunity and prove yourself.”

Scranton is also the place where Lynch met his wife, Sharon Corey Lynch ’86. “We met the second week of our freshman year,” he recalls. “Her dorm was looking for players for a co-ed intramural volleyball team.” Lynch enlisted, and the rest, as they say, is history.

With a family of four boys and a job that can take him from New York to London to Houston before returning home to New Jersey – all in just two days – Lynch is adept at dealing with challenge and change. They’re skills that he’s calling upon in a special way during the current economic climate.

“Given the status of credit markets right now, the Obama administration faces remarkable challenges,” he says. As someone who works with energy companies to finance multi-million dollar projects, Lynch is on the front lines of America’s quest for new and improved sources of energy.

“We have the challenge of delivering cleaner energy, which costs more to build, while keeping down the costs to consumers,” he says.

Windmills are one example. “The wind is free, but the windmills aren’t,” he says, noting that the cost of constructing windmills exceeds construction costs for coal or natural gas-fired power plants. “The challenge is to balance the desire to reduce carbon monoxide emissions from coal and the cost of nuclear power, while still keeping the price to the consumer where it has been, or lower.”

If being an active father and a corporate finance banker isn’t enough, then Lynch is the captain of his local fire company. He also serves as a DB Ambassador, a group of 20 managing directors at Deutsche Bank that, among other things, works with a local charity. The Ambassadors are currently working with a charter school in Harlem to build a library.

Getting back to where it all began, Lynch has stayed connected to his alma mater. He is currently vice chair of the President’s Business Council (PBC), a group of prominent alumni and friends of the University that has raised $7.25 million for full-tuition scholarships. In 2004, he served as co-chair of the PBC’s Annual Award Dinner. Tom and Sharon chaired the University’s Annual Fund Campaign in 2002, and their family gatherings resemble a “Scranton reunion”: six members of their extended family graduated from the University.

Through his continued support of Scranton, Lynch hopes to inspire others to give back, both financially and through mentoring, to a place that has given him – and others – so much.

It’s like putting a piece of Wall Street back on Linden Street.

Tom ’86 and Sharon Corey Lynch ’86 met during the second week of their freshman year at Scranton. Today, Tom is managing director of corporate investment banking/energy and power for Deutsche Bank, with offices on Wall Street.
Susan St. Ledger has risen in the ranks of a highly competitive career path that has taken her across the country from Linden Street to Market Street in San Francisco, where she is a senior vice president of Salesforce.com.

St. Ledger is at the helm of a company that recently reached a billion dollar run rate—the first company of its kind to do so. As is the case with many technology-based companies, the pace is fast and the future uncertain. But she has charted her course with a healthy attitude that is grounded in her Jesuit education.

“Luck is where opportunity meets preparedness,” she says. “When the opportunities have come along I have been prepared, and I have not been afraid to execute.”

As Senior Vice President of Global Services at Salesforce.com, St. Ledger is in command of many large high-tech clients, such as Cisco, Motorola, and Symantec. The company is a worldwide leader in Web-based software as a service (SaaS) to manage sales, marketing, customer service and critical business functions. St. Ledger describes it as a “pay as you go subscription service” where customers pay as they use the service instead of upfront.

“I feel blessed to be part of something so special. I think there is a lot to be said about having a job that you enjoy so much,” St. Ledger says. When she joined Salesforce.com four years ago, “Salesforce was a fascinating company, as it was creating an entirely new market [of web-based SaaS technology].”

“We really are changing the industry,” she adds. The company’s growth is a testament to that claim. At the time she started, Salesforce.com had 650 employees. Now, she estimates that number at around 3,500.

Before joining Salesforce.com, St. Ledger had a fulfilling career at Sun Microsystems, where she had a hand in technology and sales before becoming chief of staff to Ed Zander, president and COO. She describes her chief of staff position, saying, “It was probably the most unique and influential opportunity of my career.”

“Working in the presence of people like that on a regular basis is just amazing in terms of what it can do to shape your career,” she says of Zander, who was a mentor and with whom she continues to stay in touch.

With a great job and amazing support at Sun Microsystems, taking the job at Salesforce.com was a risk. She strongly believed in the company, though at that time she says it “had a lot to prove in terms of becoming a market maker.”

“I haven’t been afraid to take risks,” she adds. “That’s a matter of having confidence in your abilities.”

In the face of risk and uncertainty, St. Ledger has always been secure in her career choices, and in an economy where risk and uncertainty reign, she is able to maintain her confident stance. “We are uniquely positioned right now,” St. Ledger says of Salesforce.com’s place in this tumultuous economy. She explains, “People pay as they get value [from the service]. Implementation time is a matter of months.”

St. Ledger encourages anyone entering the field of computer engineering and sales. “It’s an amazing time to be entering this field,” she says. “The changes and innovation that you’re going to see over the next ten years are going to be groundbreaking and earthshaking.”

St. Ledger lauds her Jesuit education, noting that her liberal arts education at Scranton gave her “an incredibly competitive advantage in the marketplace,” a marketplace that has taken her across the country, uprooting her Linden Street values and implanting them on Market Street, where they have developed into an amazingly fruitful career. Even with her success, St. Ledger says, “You have to be a student of life and a student for life. There is always something to learn, and I really thrive on that.”

Salesforce.com Exec Charts Her Course with a Healthy Attitude Grounded in her Jesuit Education
The way Frank Sabatino sees it, life is like a deck of cards. “The Almighty deals the cards to you, and your job is to play your hand as best you can,” he says.

Going to the University “was a great card to get,” he says. “Scranton gave the basic educational ground upon which to build everything needed to work on ‘Main Street’.”

Most of Sabatino’s career on “Main Street” has been spent on Market Street in the heart of Philadelphia. For 27 years, he’s worked as a labor lawyer, focusing on employee benefits, multiemployer benefit plans and collective bargaining issues.

In the course of his career, he has argued cases in front of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. Once, one of the judges on the panel was Samuel Alito, now a Justice on the U.S. Supreme Court. Since 2002, Sabatino has been a partner in the Philadelphia office of Stevens & Lee. He’s also a frequent lecturer and writer, speaking at forums such as the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans, and authoring and co-authoring chapters and sections of several publications on employee benefits.

While he’s lived and breathed labor law for more than a quarter century, Sabatino says he never set out to specialize in this branch of the law. “The way you wind up at things is often kind of funny,” he says. And then his thoughts circle back to Scranton.

After earning a law degree from the University of Notre Dame, Sabatino served as a law clerk to Chief Judge William Nealon of the Middle District of Pennsylvania, based in Scranton.

With a large number of prisons in the Middle District, Sabatino was quickly immersed in constitutional issues. This experience stood him well when, as a young lawyer in Philadelphia, he was assigned to litigation concerning the constitutionality of the Multiemployer Pension Plan Amendment Act. Participation in that litigation led to his current area of practice. “I would never have thought that those prisoner cases would determine my career path, but they did,” he notes.

Admittedly, he says, labor law isn’t as glamorous as the lives of lawyers on television. “However, I can truthfully say that I never had a boring day at work.”

“The law often changes radically,” says Sabatino. “The laws you study in law school might be very different than what you confront in practice, so you have to be prepared to be flexible.”

As an example, he cites pension and other employee benefit plans. “Congress is passing laws all the time in this area,” he notes. “Such new laws can completely alter what a lawyer has to do to represent his clients properly.”

In light of the current economic environment, changes are “coming down at a very rapid pace, and you can’t rest on your laurels,” he adds. “A change in the law can wipe out your specialty, or it can make you more valuable than ever.”

Sabatino speaks from the voice of experience as someone whose personal life has called him to adapt to changing situations. In 1993, he was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. “MS was not such a good card to get,” he says. Still, he accepted this as the hand he was dealt. Determined to “let this disability change my life as little as possible,” Sabatino has maintained an active career, despite the physical challenges he faces.

In life and in law, Frank Sabatino has learned that there are times when you can’t control things. “A lot of the hand is going to be dealt to you,” he says. The rest, he adds, is up to you.
Attorney’s Practice Combines Her Education and Experience in Technology, Law and Business

Many people choose to attend The University of Scranton based on academic excellence, availability of majors, or the desire for a Jesuit education.

But while a senior in high school, Belinda Juran saw a University of Scranton decal on a car in her neighborhood of Glen- dale, N.Y., and was intrigued.

“I had never been to Scranton, and hadn’t heard of the University, but I applied, and it was the perfect choice. The University gave me a great education.”

Since her family was about to relocate to Hawley, Pa., the decal was fortuitous in leading Juran to Linden Street. Her computer science courses while a math major at Scranton led directly to her first career as a software engineer, and then to Boston’s State Street, the center of its financial district.

A graduate of Harvard Law School, and a partner in the Boston, Mass., office of WilmerHale, a full-service law firm with more than 1,000 attorneys in offices located in 12 cities across the globe, Juran says her practice combines her education and experience in technology, law and business.

“I help high-tech and biotech companies negotiate contracts that involve the creation or transfer of intellectual property, technology and products,” states Juran. “Some of these contracts are important to the day-to-day operation of these companies, while others are ‘bet-the-company’ collaborations that set the long-term strategic direction for the company.”

There is no typical day at the office for her, which suits her just fine, as she dislikes monotony.

“My days involve communicating with clients to understand their needs; drafting, reviewing and revising contracts; discussing with clients the risks raised by particular contracts and how best to achieve my clients’ business needs; and negotiating contracts with attorneys and business people,” she says of her busy schedule. “I also organize meetings to help the lawyers in our practice area keep up with developments in the law, and best practices in drafting and negotiating technology contracts.”

Her career began with Honeywell, in software development, and she later moved into management and consulting for high-tech companies, earning an MBA from Boston University. Juran had always wanted to attend law school, however.

“Entering law school, I hadn’t expected that I’d actually practice law, because I knew I didn’t have the personality to be the stereotypical litigator,” she says. “Great experiences as a summer associate showed me that I could be a lawyer in a way that fit my personality and interests – and here I am.”

Juran remembers Scranton computer science professor John A. Beidler, Ph.D., with fondness.

“Dr. Beidler’s involvement with the National Science Foundation’s Individual Undergraduate Research Program led me to a summer position in the Boston area. Massachusetts’ high-tech industry had lots of opportunities,” says Juran, who now resides in Lowell, Mass., with her husband, Evan G. Schapiro.

She also says the University helped her make the transition to adulthood, as well as providing her with long-lasting friendships.

“The University helped me grow up, while reinforcing my values,” she explains. “Plus, I’m still very close with many of my friends from Scranton.”

Juran has maintained her ties with Scranton in another special way. In 2006, she received a Frank O’Hara Award, the highest honor bestowed jointly by the University and its Alumni Society. The awards recognize Scranton graduates and others who have achieved distinction in their professional or personal endeavors. Juran was recognized for her achievements in law.

“I was thrilled to receive the O’Hara Award on the weekend of my 25th reunion,” she says. “It was a wonderful honor and an opportunity to thank the University for all it has done for me. It has only strengthened my already strong feelings for the University.”

Juran sees herself continuing to grow in the future, like her alma mater.

“Most important to me is to be constantly learning,” she says. “My Scranton education ensured that I had a solid foundation to think and write well, and to consider issues from multiple perspectives. As a result, I’ve been open to, and had the ability to take advantage of, many opportunities that presented themselves to me over the years.”
Study Abroad Experience Leads Alumna to Career in Asia

Less than three years after graduating, Teresa DeLaurentis has settled into a new life and a new career halfway around the world from Linden Street in Beijing, China. Since 2007, she has served as research director at the Center for International Business Ethics (CIBE), a business ethics research and training organization. With the strong support of Scranton advisors and professors, DeLaurentis chose to study for one year at the Beijing Center for China Studies, where she met her Jesuit boss, international business ethics professor Dr. Stephan Rothlin, S.J. DeLaurentis’ studies in philosophy, literature and Special Jesuit Liberal Arts classes, as well as her extracurricular involvement at Scranton, prepared her well for the intellectual and personal challenges she met during her time in Beijing.

Upon returning to Scranton after studying abroad, "the Meaner Wiener truck paled in comparison to the lamb skewers I loved so much in Beijing," she jokes. She stayed in touch with Dr. Rothlin, and he eventually offered her a job at CIBE. "Something in my gut told me to take a risk," she says of her decision to accept the job and move to Beijing.

"At Scranton we often talked about going to work where there is the greatest need," she says. "Business is an arena where individuals and organizations feel huge pressure to make quick profit at high cost to the environment, society and governance. At CIBE, we analyze business challenges through case studies and describe strategies for reducing corporate risk through management tools and ethical certifications. Our target audience, investors and corporations, can then consider positive alternatives to ‘business as usual’ to also enhance company reputation," she explains.

At CIBE, DeLaurentis manages the research team, is an editor and project manager for the *Journal of International Business Ethics* and writes and produces case studies and media features describing and analyzing corporate failings and achievements in social responsibility. She also facilitates training seminars, conferences, essay competitions and workshops, working with business practitioners, academics and students. Most recently, her article about ethical consumption has been published by *CRNavigator*, a bimonthly corporate social responsibility magazine.

As if reading the minds of anyone hearing that description, she adds, "Managing multiple projects simultaneously is key for this job." DeLaurentis mastered multitasking during her time on Linden Street, where she was a member of student government, a residence assistant, a global ambassador in the international office and a member of the international service program to Mexico, not to mention an SJLA and honors student. In the process of writing her Honors thesis, entitled "Confucianism and the Feminist Ethics of Care," DeLaurentis learned how to organize and focus interdisciplinary, intercultural research, skills serving her well in her current management and research work at CIBE.

DeLaurentis refers to the University as a "foundational launching experience," and adds that the "warm friendly people and strong sense of community" drew her in the first time she set foot on Linden Street. "One thing I loved about both places [Beijing and Scranton] was I could, and can, have a five minute walk to school and work." She adds, "Now, when I get to work, instead of interacting with classmates and professors, I’m communicating bilingually with my Chinese coworkers..."

DeLaurentis has brought a piece of Linden Street to Beijing. "Some people in China are walking around in Scranton t-shirts," she says. "My parents brought the Scranton ‘goods' from South Jersey to Beijing at my request." She gave her first Chinese friends and her language tutors University of Scranton t-shirts “to give them something authentically American and meaningful as a gift.”

DeLaurentis also has succeeded in bringing the welcoming spirit that she felt on Linden Street straight to Beijing. She remarks, “Funny where life takes you, you know?”
Critical Lessons Follow Alumnus Throughout his Career

Two days after Thomas Every graduated from Scranton in 1998, he jumped into a van for a 10-day drive to Santa Catarina, Mexico, where he spent nearly two months working at Artesanado de Nazareth as part of the University’s International Service Program.

The past four years at Scranton had stoked Every’s passion for service. Now, his experience in Mexico was about to confirm that service to others would be his life’s calling.

The Artesanado — which is operated by Salesian priests — is a home for boys living on the streets. “The goal is to offer the boys a home, a path to education and a life off the streets,” Every explains. “Our mission there was simple: Do what the boys do.”

That meant everything from playing to praying. Conditions were sparse, from a plain cement room that housed the volunteers’ steel and wire frame beds to a limited supply of hot water.

“We grew to better understand [the boys] and their lives,” Every says. “It changed they way I would forever view the world. In the end it was as hard for us to leave as it was for the boys to watch us go.”

According to Every, the farewell was very emotional as the boys gave gifts to the volunteers, hugged them and refused to let go.

“Several boys even laid their bodies on the ground in front of our car to stop us from driving away,” Every recalls. “They were amazing young men whose lot in life was lesser than most, but whose ability for love and joy was immeasurable.”

Every returned to the Artesanado in 2000 as the trip’s co-director.

“It was as amazing an experience as I had remembered and ultimately led me to pursue long-term service with Jesuit Volunteers International (JVI),” he says, noting that he eventually volunteered for two years as dean of students and teacher at Xavier High School in Micronesia and later worked for JVI as a program coordinator. “It also directed me to live a life of service; that’s how I view my work in education.”

Currently, Every is the M.B.A. program manager and an adjunct professor of finance at the University of San Diego. He also is an adjunct professor of business statistics at Southern States University in San Diego, a school focused on training business-oriented professionals from around the world, including non-native English speakers.

In addition to his work with JVI, Every previously was dean of residence, co-director of financial aid and religion teacher at Georgetown Preparatory School in Maryland and assistant director of development at St. Joseph’s Preparatory School in Philadelphia.

While at Georgetown Prep, Every completed what he considers his “most notable achievement and contribution to Jesuit education” when he created the school’s Residential Curriculum and Handbook. The curriculum was based upon the 10 major sections of Go Forth and Teach: The Characteristics of Jesuit Education, published by the Society of Jesus.

“The curriculum changed the way the resident program operated and was a cultural shift in the sense that the lens through which the program was viewed became more formative and less conformative,” Every says of the model, which remains in use today.

Every — who earned an M.B.A. from St. Joseph’s University — has a strong connection to the University. In addition to having three of his siblings attend Scranton (a fourth was recently accepted), the psychology major credits the University with teaching him about himself, his faith, and the way he can live an outwardly directed life.

“The University of Scranton and people there like Sherman Wooden, Cathy Seymour, Fr. Brendan Lally and Fr. Tom Masterson had profound impacts on different parts of my life,” he says. “They taught me how to lead with humility, live my life as a Catholic in the most applicable way, serve, love unconditionally and be a better man.”

These critical lessons have followed Every across the globe and throughout his career.
Biosafety Specialist Puts Her Biology Degree to Work “Every Day”

Laura Zambuto sees a great deal of similarity between the people she met as a biology student at The University of Scranton and the people she works with at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Ga.

“My co-workers are committed to making the world a better place and providing help to people who need it, whether it’s implementing safe water programs in Africa, or investigating disease outbreaks in Southeast Asia,” says the Clark, N.J., native who now resides in Atlanta. “The hands of CDC reach everywhere in the world, and everywhere they go, they serve others. This is something they have in common with the University.”

For the past two and a half years, Zambuto has been a safety and occupational health specialist at CDC. She describes her work as “always something different; a surprise every day.” As a biosafety specialist, she manages day-to-day operations in the influenza high containment labs.

Because she works in a Biosafety Level 3 Enhanced lab, safety is a top concern. Zambuto explains that Level 3 pathogens are dangerous to the public, but potentially treatable. Examples include anthrax or avian influenza. There is just one step above Level 3: Level 4.

“That would include something you can’t be cured of or treated for, such as Ebola,” she explains.

As part of her work, Zambuto trains employees on policies regarding entry and exit of the facility. “There are clothing changes that must take place, and they need to wear the appropriate personal protection equipment, such as powered air purifying respirators and double gloves,” she says. “All the air in the labs is filtered before we breathe it, and we have to change our clothes and take a shower on the way out. The facility itself has HEPA filtration for all of our exhaust air, and any waste we produce is sterilized before it’s thrown away. It’s quite involved.”

Zambuto is also responsible for equipment maintenance, compliance with federal regulations concerning biosafety and biosecurity, and emergency response training for possible laboratory evacuation.

While all this may sound very removed from “Main Street” and the public, and for understandable reasons, Zambuto’s work has a direct impact on the world population. This is the most rewarding part of her job.

“The Influenza Division is one of four World Health Organization Collaborating Centers for Influenza. Each year the Centers meet in Geneva, Switzerland, to discuss what strains will be circulating in the next flu season, and help select the seasonal strains that will be in the vaccine,” she says. “Then, the vaccines go into production. This is the flu shot that you eventually receive at your local doctor’s office.”

Zambuto traces her path to CDC directly through her experiences at Scranton.

“The sense of community and the idea of service to others that is the basis for the University are what inspired me to work for the government.”

After attending Scranton, she earned a master’s degree in molecular biology at New York University. Then she applied to the two-year Emerging Leaders Program, a paid internship sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services that teaches participants about the government and its operations, as well as providing rotation opportunities and leadership skills. Through the program, Zambuto had the opportunity to work as part of a response team following the Asian tsunami in 2004, with an emergency operations center, on a team inspecting isolation rooms at quarantine stations through the U.S., and on a communications project for Vice Admiral Richard H. Carmona, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.C.S., the 17th U.S. Surgeon General.

“That program is what brought me into the government.”

Zambuto feels “very lucky” not only to work with CDC, but to have been a part of Scranton’s biology program.

“I use my biology degree every day,” she says. “My training and my degrees were related to lab research. The University’s biology program is incredible, and I’m so proud of my university and my program.

“It’s an amazing school; I knew it was the place for me.”
Assistant U.S. Attorney Recalls the “Three C’s” of a Scranton Education

A University of Scranton education is grounded in the “three p’s” – pride, passion and promise. When Susan Poswistilo thinks about her days at Scranton, she remembers the “three c’s” – competence, compassion and commitment – that the Rev. Theodore Hesburgh, C.S.C., H’81 spoke of at her Commencement ceremony.

“I thought that Fr. Hesburgh’s message was exactly what my University of Scranton education had given me,” says Poswistilo. “It gave me academic knowledge, commitment to follow through on the things I wanted to do and compassion to see things and events from different perspectives. I try to live my life and practice my career with these three fundamental principles in mind.”

As an Assistant U.S. Attorney assigned to the Health Care Fraud Unit in the U.S. District Attorney’s Office for the District of Massachusetts, Poswistilo uses those three c’s every day. She has the responsibility of investigating and prosecuting violations of U.S. health care laws committed by individuals, medical providers or institutions.

“Depending upon what is going on in my investigations, I may be drafting search warrants, interviewing witnesses, presenting the case to the grand jury or appearing in court,” says Poswistilo, who resides in Boston with her husband and two sons.

Poswistilo credits the University for her journey from Linden Street to Boston’s Courthouse Way.

“The University of Scranton changed my life in that it gave me the confidence and the foundation to pursue my career,” Poswistilo said. “It also gave me friendships and relationships that I will value forever.”

After graduating from Scranton, Poswistilo attended law school at the Catholic University of America, in Washington, D.C. In 1989, after jobs with a small firm and the Tax Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where she represented the IRS in civil cases, she relocated to Boston, becoming an assistant U.S. attorney in the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney’s Office.

In 1993, Poswistilo represented the United States as a resident legal advisor in Albania.

Back home, in 1999, she transferred to the Criminal Division of the U.S. Attorney’s Office, working in the Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force, prosecuting drug organizations that imported or distributed illegal drugs in Massachusetts. This led to her move into the world of investigating white-collar crime, where she remains.

In October 2008, Poswistilo and members of her litigation team were recognized for work they performed on a case involving Bristol-Myers Squibb that resulted in a $499 million settlement. They received the 2008 Attorney General’s Award for Fraud and Fraud Prevention, which distinguishes exceptional dedication and effort to prevent, investigate and prosecute fraud, white-collar crimes and official corruption.

Poswistilo is proud to be a member of a team that upholds the justice system of the United States.

“The most rewarding aspect in my career is knowing that I am in a position to represent our country in the pursuit of justice,” she says. “At the end of a jury trial, I can walk away knowing that the principles and rights embodied in the U.S. Constitution continue to protect us all.”

Susan Poswistilo and members of her litigation team received the 2008 Attorney General’s Award for Fraud and Fraud Prevention.

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The American Red Cross was just wrapping up its relief efforts in the southeastern United States, where a broad swath of ice storms had left thousands without power, when tornadoes touched down in Oklahoma, killing several and destroying dozens of homes. Immediately the Red Cross swung back into action, dispatching personnel, supplies, and equipment to assist the Sooner State’s recovery.

Such juggling is routine for the American Red Cross, which supplements the efforts of local and regional chapters in the aftermath of large-scale emergencies.

“The United States is a very disaster-prone country,” says Armond Mascelli, the organization’s vice president for disaster operations. “It’s not quite on a daily basis, but most days, somewhere in the United States, we’re gearing up to do something. We stay fairly busy.”

To say the least. Mascelli estimates that the Red Cross responds to about 70,000 incidents a year, with most of those covered by its 730 local affiliates. Around 300 disasters are of sufficient magnitude for Mascelli to engage his team and other resources. For five years, he has headed a 24/7/365 disaster operations center that monitors events in all 50 states and in five U.S. territories. Through connections with the National Weather Service, the Department of Homeland Security, the National Transportation Safety Board and other government agencies, the Red Cross’s disaster operations division keeps close tabs on conditions nationwide. When something major threatens or occurs, it activates its operations center and assembles a team, supplies, equipment and vehicles to send into the affected area.

Under Mascelli are a logistics unit that includes 33 warehouses throughout the country stocked with supplies; a human resources system capable of training and assigning the 82,000 responders who stand ready to be deployed; a fleet of nearly 350 emergency response vehicles; and a technology unit enabling communications and IT infrastructure to be set up in areas where those capabilities have been damaged.

“It’s challenging. Every day is different,” Mascelli says. “I get up in the morning early and put the news on and try to gauge how my day is going to go, depending on what’s happened or what may be happening. I’ve had an opportunity for a whole wealth of scenarios. It’s just a commitment, a belief in the ideals of the Red Cross in terms of what it was founded to do and what it tries to do on a daily basis.”

Mascelli was finishing up his studies in sociology at the University and wondering about his next steps when he had a chat with a faculty member who mentioned he had worked in the Boston chapter of the Red Cross as a graduate student. His interest piqued, Mascelli applied and got accepted. He worked for the Red Cross domestically and abroad for a few years, then took a leave to go to grad school. Afterward, he returned to the organization and has spent the last 30 years rotating through a variety of disaster-response roles.

There may be some distance between being a sociology major at Scranton and coordinating efforts for the country’s most significant disaster-response nonprofit, but Mascelli still calls on much of his experience at Scranton to help him navigate the enormous complexities of his current role. The Red Cross’s principles are directly linked to International Humanitarian law, and International Humanitarian Law flows in large measure from Natural law, which he studied at the University, especially in philosophy classes.

“It was good to see something like that was not just a theoretical construct, that there were people and institutions, including the Red Cross, that took that to heart and they express and demonstrate it in different ways,” he says. “A lot of what we talk about in terms of natural law and ethics and morality involves the expectation and requirement that when things go bad, there is an obligation for people to help those that are affected. That was an affirming experience that I think about a lot.”

When, of course, he has time to think.
University Inducts Seven Into Wall of Fame

The seven newest members of the athletics department’s Wall of Fame were officially inducted on Saturday, January 10, in a ceremony held at the John J. Long, S.J., Center.


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 203.

Jones became the sixth member of the 1983 national championship team to be inducted into the Wall of Fame, joining teammates Todd Bailey (Class of 1996), Mickey Banas (Class of 1994), Bill Bessoir (Class of 1995), Mark Hutchinson (Class of 1993), and Tom Kosin (Class of 1992). He was a key contributor to the Royals’ second national title in men’s basketball, averaging 14.0 points and 9.8 rebounds in five NCAA tournament games that season.

A two-time all-Middle Atlantic Conference selection (1983, 1984), he established himself as one of the finest power forwards in Royals’ history, ending his career with 1,119 points and 950 rebounds. A native of Philadelphia, he holds a bachelor of science degree in marketing from the University.

Mineo was a sharp-shooting guard who averaged in double-figures three times, led the Royals in scoring during the 1979 and 1981 seasons, and finished his career with 1,092 points, which, at the time, was ninth on the Scranton all-time scoring list. He served as team captain his senior year and capped it off by earning all-Middle Atlantic Conference and National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Mid-Atlantic regional honors.

A native of Scranton and a graduate of the Scranton Preparatory School, Mineo holds a bachelor of science degree in management and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from the University.

Nanick also established a reputation for his scoring ability. He poured in more than 1600 points, finishing his career as the 10th all-time leading scorer in Royals’ history, and further distinguished himself by becoming the only player in Scranton history to lead the team in free throw shooting all four years.

He made an immediate impact his freshman year, averaging 13.4 points, 4.4 rebounds and 2.1 assists per game to earn the Middle Atlantic Conference and Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Rookie of the Year awards. He would lead the Royals in scoring in each of the next three seasons.

A native of Pompton Lakes, N.J., Nanick holds a bachelor of science degree in finance from the University.

(Strasser) Boyle teamed up with Wall of Fame inductee Jennifer (Nish) DelGrosso (Class of 2007) to lead the Lady Royals to three championships in Scranton’s previous affiliation with the Freedom Conference (1993, 1994, 1996) and four NCAA tournament appearances (1993-1997).
She was a two-time team captain and earned first-team all-Freedom Conference honors twice. She also received the Dr. Harold Davis Award, which is presented annually to the Lady Royals’ most valuable senior, and was selected as the recipient of the Gillensky Award, which is presented annually to the senior student-athlete who understands and improves the human condition.

A native of Newport, R.I., she holds bachelor of science and master of science degrees in physical therapy from the University.

Lovecchio joined Wall of Fame inductees Michael Capasso (Class of 1999) and Hugh O’Neill (Class of 2006) on a Royal defensive unit that helped Wall of Fame goalies Bill McNeel (Class of 1992) and Kevin Ferrari (Class of 1997) post 30 shutouts and finish with a three-year record of 52-16-2.

A two-time all-Middle Atlantic Conference selection (1983, 1984), he was also a member of two Middle Atlantic Conference championship teams (1982, 1984).

He returned to his alma mater in 1997 as director of athletics, overseeing an intercollegiate program that sponsors 19 sports for men and women, and recreational and intramural offerings and club sports for an undergraduate enrollment of more than 4,000 students annually. During his tenure, the University has added women’s lacrosse as an intercollegiate sport, joined the Landmark Conference, upgraded Fitzpatrick Field, purchased an 80-acre parcel of land for future development of athletic facilities, and added six full-time coaching positions and two full-time athletic trainer positions.

A native of Stroudsburg, Lovecchio holds a bachelor of science degree in management from the University and a master of education degree with a concentration in athletic administration from Temple University.

Royer became the first volleyball player to be inducted into the Wall of Fame. She was named the Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League Most Valuable Player (MVP) in 1994 after leading the Royals under then head coach Sue Serafini to a school-record 31 wins. A two-time first-team all-conference selection (1993, 1994), she served as team captain twice (1993, 1994) and concluded her career as the recipient of the O’Hara Award, which is presented annually to the outstanding female athlete of the senior class.

In 1997, she landed a position as assistant volleyball coach at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas, before being appointed head volleyball coach at Providence College in 2000, a position she still holds today.

Royer holds a bachelor of science degree in human services and philosophy from the University and a master of arts degree in sport psychology from the University of Maryland. She is a native of Shippensburg.

O’Hara became the second player in the history of the men’s lacrosse program to be inducted into the Wall of Fame, joining teammate Steve Michel (Class of 2003).

To this day, he is still the Royals’ all-time leader in goals (114) and is second in total points (155). A consistent scoring threat throughout his career, he tallied 30 goals and finished with 45 total points as the Royals posted their first winning season in 1992 with a 9-6 record. In his junior year, he scored a career-best 36 goals and had 12 assists to finish with a career-best 48 total points. He also tallied a combined 48 goals and 20 assists for 62 total points in his freshman and sophomore years.

O’Hara, a native of West Chester, holds a bachelor of science degree in economics and finance from the University.
**Twelve to Receive O’Hara Award**

Twelve individuals will be presented with the 2009 Frank O’Hara Award during Alumni Reunion Weekend, June 12-14, 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:

- **Sharon Bartosh, M.D., ’79,** Middleton, Wis., professor and chief of the Division of Pediatric Nephrology, and medical director of the Pediatric Renal Transplant Program at the University of Wisconsin’s American Family Children’s Hospital (Medicine)

- **Arthur E. Clark, Ph.D., ’54,** Adelphi, Md., research physicist; discovered TERFONOL (Science & Technology)

- **Francis W. Connolly, Ph.D., ’64,** Rockville, Md., professor emeritus of computer science and information, American University (Education)

- **John J. Cunningham, Esq., ’64,** Blue Bell, Vice chairman Cozen O’Connor (Law)

- **Thomas J. Davis, C.P.A., ’69,** Binghamton, N.Y., owner Kelbritish Realty LLC; trustee, past-president of the Alumni Society Board of Governors (Management)


- **Kevin J. Lanahan ’84,** Mendham, N.J., managing partner of Headquarters Financial Group and past-president of the Alumni Society Board of Governors (University Service)

- **Michele Mauer Carpenter, M.D., ’79,** Aliso Viejo, Calif., medical director, The Breast Program, The Center for Cancer Prevention and Treatment, St. Joseph’s Hospital, Orange, Calif. (Medicine)

- **Mary M. McCambridge ’79,** Altamonte Springs, Fla., founder and president of the Foundation for Grieving Children (Community Service)

- **William C. O’Malley, C.P.A. ’59,** Amelia Island, Fla., former president, chairman and CEO and current director of Tidewater, Inc. (Management)

- **Brig. General Michael J. Terry, U.S.A. ’79,** Fort Belvoir, Va., commanding general, U.S. Army Security Assistance Command (Government Service)

- **Andrew M. Wallace ’74,** Chinchilla, Northeast regional executive director and senior management person to Sen. Arlen Specter (Community Service)

**Correction**

The Winter 2008-09 issue of The Scranton Journal included a listing of alumni parents and students who are members of the Class of 2012. Missing from this listing was Nancy Dolan ’79, mother of Kaitlyn Dolan.
Alumni Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day in Scranton Style

More than 800 alumni and friends gathered for the first annual Shamrockin’ Eve event on the eve of the St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Scranton. The event, held March 13 in the Byron Complex on campus, provided an opportunity for alumni from the past five years and members of the class of 2009 to gather for a St. Patrick’s Day celebration that included entertainment by the popular band Blackthorn.

Medical Professionals Gather for Symposium

More than 100 medical professionals, medical school students and students gathered for a Medical Alumni Symposium hosted by The Medical Alumni Council of the University on March 28. The symposium, designed for physicians, dentists and medical school students, was attended by alumni and medical professionals throughout the region. The Symposium included presentations about a variety of topics. Andrew S. Quinn, Esq. ’84, principal of Compliance Concepts, Inc., discussed the federal government’s increased scrutiny of the health care industry and practical compliance strategies medical professionals can use to avoid allegations of waste, fraud and abuse. Pamela Q. Taffera, D.O., M.B.A. ’02, chief resident and post graduate year-two family medicine resident at Saint Joseph Medical Center, discussed the art of negotiation in administrative medicine. Geno Merli, M.D. FACP ’71, senior vice president and chief medical officer at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, presented a lecture on the safety and efficacy of the new class of oral anticoagulants. Other distinguished alumni presented lectures on topics ranging from coronary disease risk factors to the ethical dilemmas faced by military physicians.

Alumni dressed in their St. Patty’s Day green danced to the music of Blackthorn.

Paul Casey, M.D. ’71, chairman of the Medical Alumni Council Executive Committee, addresses the audience at the Medical Alumni Council Symposium.

The Royal Fund

A Message from the 2008-09 Chair

PAUL BIEDLINGMAIER JR. ’76

As I end my third term as Chair of The Royal Fund, I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every member of our University community for their support to The Royal Fund. I am very proud of your generous participation over the years to your alma mater, and I am confident it will continue in the future. We all can be proud of our University’s accomplishments, and I know it will be sustained with your continued support to The Royal Fund in the years to come.

Scranton has changed our lives and will change the lives of future graduates in the years to come. Our Jesuit education will give all of us the opportunity to move in new directions that could never have been possible. Every day, I am grateful for this opportunity and I know you are also.

Over the past three years, I have returned to the University and witnessed the transformation of our great institution and the development of the students in their college career. To say the least, there has been no greater satisfaction than watching this evolution take place.

In closing, I want to thank each and every one of you for your support over the past three years. I know our great Catholic and Jesuit tradition will continue due to the kindness and support of each and every one of us. Please give back to your university by donating to The Royal Fund now and in the years to come. Remember, “to whom much is given, much is expected.”
Bill Roughton and Dave Taylor’s biggest regret from their days at Scranton is that they didn’t join the cross-country team. Determined to make good on that regret, the two are doing the next best thing: cycling to their 40th class reunion in June.

Actually, this will be the second time that Roughton and Taylor will cycle to their reunion. They made a similar journey for their 30th reunion in 1999, and have attended almost all of their milestone reunions since graduating in 1969. As the classmates explain, it’s all about tradition.

“If there’s one thing we learned from the Jesuits, it’s the importance of carrying on traditions,” says Taylor. “We’ve made a tradition of coming back for Reunion, not just for the alumni connections but because of our great love of the University.”

Anyone who knows Roughton and Taylor from their years as students will recall that they were always thinking outside the box.

“Bill and I always tried to do things creatively,” says Taylor.

Among other things, the two, who met their freshman year while dorming in Martin Hall, organized the first art show on campus and started the first “underground” campus newspaper.

Over the years, Roughton and Taylor have remained best friends; they even stood as best man at each other’s weddings. Their careers have taken them to different locations: Roughton works in Washington, D.C., as vice president of legal and regulatory affairs for Centennial Communications Corp., and Taylor, who recently retired from a career in administration and management, is working in Belmar, N.J., as a licensed counselor. But they still find time to be in touch most days, and their upcoming reunion is giving them additional cause to pick up the phone or send an e-mail as they map out their route to Scranton.

They plan to leave from Hackettstown, N.J., on June 11, traveling about 60 miles along mountainous terrain to the Cresco/Mount Pocono area of Pennsylvania. Their training has been going on for years: Taylor is an avid biker, ocean swimmer and surfer, and Roughton has run marathons and triathlons. They’ll complete the trip the next day, traveling 45 miles to Scranton along the route of the Phoebe Snow rail line. This route will quite literally be a trip down memory lane, as Roughton and Taylor recall train rides from Dover, N.J., to Scranton while students at the University. The fare was a mere $3.90, but at the time, it was money that a couple of students didn’t always have. Roughton remembers one such occasion.

“One time, we were broke and asked the conductor if we could pay for both ways on the way back,” recalls Roughton. The conductor agreed, and the young students made good on their promise on the return trip.

Once they arrive in Scranton on June 12, Roughton and Taylor are looking forward to getting together with some of their “old comrades” and seeing all of the changes on campus.

Looking ahead to their 50th reunion, they plan to return to Scranton again, on their bicycles, of course. “God willing, I fully intend to do it,” says Roughton.
An O’Neill Family “Reunion”

Every member of Major General Daniel J. O’Neill’s family earned degrees from The University of Scranton. While seeing your wife and four children all don the same cap and gown that you once did may seem like a rigid family tradition, according to O’Neill, “It all just kind of fell into place.”

The hardwood brought O’Neill to Scranton. At six feet four inches tall, several schools, including Scranton, recruited the big man from Pleasant Mount, for their basketball program. The University’s proximity to his home, however, and the promise of a Jesuit education seemed like the best option to him.

After graduating in 1959 with a degree in education, O’Neill received his commission in the Military Police, serving at Fort Dix, N.J. Following his active duty, O’Neill joined the Pennsylvania National Guard’s 28th division, where he eventually became division commander in 1989.

Beginning as a teacher at Susquehanna High School, the now-retired O’Neill went on to become assistant principal and later principal at Honesdale High School, and in 1989 became superintendent of schools for the Wayne Highlands School District.

“Those were pinnacles in two things, and both started at The University of Scranton,” O’Neill says.

With 36 years in the military and a model career of success and self-advancement in the field of education, you might say O’Neill provided his children with much to live up to. So, naturally, each of his four children started their adult lives where he had, at The University of Scranton.

His oldest daughter, Kelly Maton, earned her bachelor’s degree at the University in 1984 before going on to medical school.

Kelly was not the only O’Neill in a cap and gown that day in 1984, though. Her mother, Alice O’Neill, earned her master’s degree from the University on the same day. Mrs. O’Neill went on to earn a doctorate and become director of the University’s Health Administration Program for several years. “The caliber of students at the University, I always found to be excellent,” she says. “So we were very happy our kids went there.”

The next year saw another O’Neill daughter graduate from the University. Erin Shine, a recipient of a presidential scholarship, graduated in 1985. Sandra Rickard was the next to follow in her father’s footsteps, earning her bachelor’s degree in secondary education from the University in 1991.

Michael O’Neill, the last family member to toss his cap in the air and walk away from the University with diploma in hand, graduated in 1994.

This year’s class reunion weekend will bring four of the six O’Neill’s back to Scranton to catch up with old classmates.

“We have two ’84’s, our son is a ’94, and I’m a 50-year, so we have four out of the six in our family coming for reunion this year,” O’Neill says.

After this year’s reunion weekend, O’Neill will walk away with 50 years’ worth of memories and nostalgia, along with the pride in seeing his wife and two of his children celebrate their respective reunions. But the lifelong educator is also doing his part to give back to the future generations of University of Scranton students with a scholarship sponsored by the class of 1959.

“I am working on one of the key committees, and our goal is to sponsor an endowed scholarship,” O’Neill says. “Working with the committee has been tremendous, and now our big push is to get plenty of people to attend.”

Dan ’59 and Alice G’84 O’Neill are the parents of four children, all of whom are Scranton alumni. Four of the six members of the O’Neill family will celebrate their reunion in June.

Class Notes

63 Walter Malhoski, M.D., Carmichael, Calif., is a urologist at VA Northern California Health Care System.

64 John O’Malley, Ph.D., Scranton, recently had his poem set to music and performed at Noel Night on campus.


68 Joseph Myers, Northport, N.Y., retired as associate superintendent of Western Suffolk Board of Cooperative Educational Services after holding a number of different administrative positions during his 31 years there.

71 John Lemoncelli, Ed.D, Archbald, authored a book, A Mind of its Own, which looks at child abuse as a parasite that has entered the body.

75 Louis DeAngelis, Lake Placid, Fla., is an executive chef for Andy Boy of California. He is host of his own TV series “My Italian Kitchen,” and co-host on the nationally syndicated radio show, Good Day with Doug Stephan, and Eat Better with Chef Luise.

76 Alan R. Peslak, Ph.D., Peekville, was tenured and promoted to associate professor of Information Sciences and Technology at Penn State University.


81 George Kotch, Ph.D., Boise, Idaho, is global director of research for Syngenta Agribusiness Seed Division.

82 Lou Padmos, Graham, N.C., is manager, aviation markets, at PFERD, Inc.

84 Col. Donald H. Jenkins, M.D., Rochester, Minn., recently retired from the United States Air Force having served as the trauma medical director at Lackland AFB. He is currently senior associate consultant, Division of Trauma, Critical Care and General Surgery at the Mayo Clinic.

Mike Keha, Blue Bell, is vice president of global media at GSW Worldwide.

Joseph Loftus, Archbald, is vice president, small business development officer at Penn Security Bank.

Lawrence Segar, Esq., Blakely, was featured speaker at both the American Association for Justice Annual Convention and the Melvin Bell National Seminar regarding national developments and updates in the law. In addition, Larry filmed and directed the documentary “The BCS Championship, College Football’s Biggest Game.” The film was recently highlighted by a number of television airings in northeast Pennsylvania.

85 Anthony Lubrani, Richmond Hill, Ga., has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army and currently serves as the force health protection officer for the 429th Medical Battalion.

Casey Naughton Dowling, D.O., Winchester, Va., was elected president of the medical staff at Winchester Medical Center. She is the first woman (and first D.O.) to have achieved this position in the center’s 165 year history.

86 Maria Larangeira, Somerset, N.J., is a detective with the Monmouth County Prosecutor’s Office assigned to the Special Prosecutions Bureau/Financial Crimes Unit.

William McGowan, Scranton, has been named a principal at Parente, a national accounting firm.

88 Robert Griffin, Green Brook, N.J., was promoted to managing director and named head of North American Fixed Income Derivatives Sales at the Royal Bank of Canada in New York City.

LTC. Bruce Lavell, Gainesville, Va., retired from the U.S. Army in September after 20 years of active service. He is now working as a defense intelligence civilian with the Defense Intelligence Agency.

Tim Mayers, Ph.D., Conestoga, recently was named the 2008 winner of the Paradigm Novel Contest, through which his first work of fiction, Intelligens Manifestum, will be published.

89 Steve Jaworowski, East Amberst, N.Y., is president of the SKM Group, a 50 person marketing communications agency outside of Buffalo.

Jill Murray, Dunmore, is vice president for academic affairs at Lackawanna College.

Daniel O’Toole, Esq., Oradell, N.J., is a partner at Block O’Toole & Murphy, LLP in New York City.

90 John Ursin, Esq., Andover, N.J., has joined the law firm of Courter, Kobert & Cohen as a partner.

91 Michael Ogrinz, Easton, Conn., will have his book, Mashup Patterns, published in March of 2009.

92 Joanna Cunningham, Wellington, Fla., is the town clerk for town of Palm Beach.

Keith Gilman, Clarks Summit, was awarded the Best First Novel by the Private Eye Writers of America for his novel Father’s Day, which will be released on May 12.

93 Maura Devlin-Slatsowski, Blue Bell, is assistant director of The Saint Joseph’s Fund at St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia.

Anthony Gallia, Esq., Bryn Mawr, became a partner in the firm Duane Morris LLP.

Claudia Pope-Bayne, Weehawken, N.J., is associate director of the Annual Fund at Stevens Institute of Technology.

Brian Snee, Ph.D., Potsdam, N.Y., was awarded the 2008 Bruce E. Gronbeck Political Communication Research Award from The Carl Couch Center for his work with co-editor Thomas W. Benson on the book The Rhetoric of the New Political Documentary.

Rev. Brian Van Fossen, Dunmore, is chaplain and campus minister at Marywood University.

94 Peter Mancuso, D.P.M., Fort Salonga, N.Y., is chief of podiatry at North Shore Long Island’s Southside Hospital.

95 Vincent Carsillo, D.O., Slingerlands, N.Y., was elected president/CEO of Capital District Rental Physicians.

Carol Hee Seagle, Ph.D., Chapel Hill, N.C., is director of the Center for Sustainable Enterprise at the University of North Carolina’s Kenan-Flagler Business School.

Edward Valente, Toronto, Canada, is manager, Advanced Services Canada at Cisco Systems.

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Members of the Class of 2006 traveled to Connecticut in December 2008 to celebrate the wedding of Greg Fankhanel ’06 and Courtney Southard ’06.

Barbara “Bobbi” Tumelty ’04 and Patrick Kelly ’07
Barbara Tumelty ’04 wed Patrick Kelly ’07 on July 26, 2008, in Glenside. More than 37 Scranton Royals, ranging from the class of 1965 through the class of 2012, joined the couple on their wedding day. Members of the wedding party included: Tom Nebzydoski ’07, Christopher Kelly ’93, Matthew Zinn ’04 and Brian Hartman ’07. Participants in the nuptial Mass included: Meredith Amole ’04, Jim Bailey ’04, Michelle Bochanski ’07, Chris Nebzydoski ’12, John Nebzydoski ’10, Kathryn Nebzydoski ’10, Sarah Nebzydoski ’07, Carrie Sgueo ’07 and Clare Strockbine ’04.

Marriages

96 William Bennett to Sandy Burton
Amy Boyle to Frank Giummo

97 Kristen Senker to William Reynolds

00 Mike Ganguzza to Antoinette DuWors

01 Justin Carraro to Michelle Sudol ’02
Denise Cleary to Keith Sontag
Erin Keating to Chris Ott

02 Michelle Sudol to Justin Carraro ’01

03 Lauren deLaRosa to Darius Fardella
Erik Helbing to Mary-Lee Constance Scholti

Marc Graci is a full-time teacher at Liberty County High School in Hinesville, Ga. He completed his master of arts degree in education from the University in 2008 after teaching ESL for two years in Japan.

Kathleen Harrigan Paul, Baltimore, Md., is director of the Youth and Young Adult Ministry at St. Joseph Parish.

04 Mary Garofalo, Hoboken, N.J., was accepted into the Doctoral program at Seton Hall University for Educational Leadership, Management and Policy.

Emma Mills, Rockville, Md., is a planning program control analyst for the Undersea Warfare Division of Alan Science and Technology.

05 Cheryl Gracik Burke, Dunmore, had her article, ‘Sidestepping Unfair: Abbreviations,’ published in the January issue of Nursing 2009. She is currently the director of quality at Mercy Hospital.

06 Bradley Burke, Philadelphia, is the new vicar at St. Timothy Lutheran Church.

Michael P. Hill is Web coordinator at The University of Missouri. He also co-founded the television news set design firm Fifteenhundred.

07 Jackie Kosmo is currently working as a public health nurse at Yakima Neighborhood Health Services in Yakima, Wash., for the Jesuit Volunteer Corps.

96 Births

87 A son, Rocco Herbert, to Peter and Maria Zappia Smith, Kaysville, Utah

89 A daughter, Olivia Grace, to Chuck and Kara Campbell, Teaneck, N.J.

A daughter, Mia Grace, to Kevin and Katrina Fontanetta Casey, Hopedale, Mass.

A daughter, Emma Grace, to Mark and Justine Scholonas Donbaugh, Middletown

90 A daughter, Elizabeth Lynett, to Joe and Mauri Collins, Dunmore

A daughter, Annabel Rose, to Gerard and Judy Dougherty Lang, Westfield, N.J.

A daughter, Sadie Catherine, to Tim and Molly McGowan Klinger, Dauphin

92 A daughter, Andrea Tetiana, to Mark and Tanja Dylun, Basking Ridge, N.J.

A daughter, Ella Lorene, to Marc and Tracy Girardi, Atlanta, Ga.
93 A daughter, Eleanor Grace, to Jason and Maureen Walsh Rothgeb, Audubon
94 A daughter, Claire Elizabeth, to Adrian and Judy Davis Copus, Dardennes, Mo.
A daughter, Kristina Jenny, to Paul and Laura Gribbin Lameo '95, Summit, N.J.
A daughter, Giovanna, to Dr. Peter and Dana Mancuso, Fort Salonga, N.Y.
A daughter, Sienna Rose, to Christopher and Cheryl Bisignani Terpak '95, Somersett, N.J.
A daughter, Morgan Joan, to Michael and Jerry Brice Poskay, Toms River, N.J.
A son, Colin Robert, to John '98 and Colleen Broderick Henrikson, Fair Haven, N.J.
A daughter, Isabelle Grace, to Paul and Mary Beth Gavigan Rispoli '00, New York, N.Y.
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A daughter, Chloe Elisabeth, to Michael Kim, D.O., and Sheryl Lynn Olesiuk, D.O., Scranton
A son, Cooper Anthony, to David and Stacy Swarts Carver, West Milford, N.J.
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A daughter, Abigail Jane, to Daniel and Kelly Tracy Schneider, Clarks Green

Deaths

40 Anthony H. Marchese, Old Forge
41 Clement A. Beilman, Mountaintop
43 Robert J. Donovan, M.D., Scranton
50 John D. Bowen, Jr., Tallahassee, Fla.
John M. Gribbin, Virginia Beach, Va.
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John A. Morano, Esq., Clarks Green
54 John M. Hallstead, Chatham, Mass.
55 Richard N. Burne, Clarks Summit Raymond G. Cordelli, Hedgesville, W.V.
Joseph Hovoncic, Jr., Yardley
57 Edward Spangenberg, Newton Lake Joseph J. Wycallis, Jacksonville, Fla.
60 Thomas H. Shoppel, Metuchen, N.J. John J. Yosch, Dickson City
62 Charles E. Shaw, Tunkhannock
66 Joseph P. Russell, Richfield Gerald P. Vaughan, Lakewood Ranch, Fla.
73 Robert R. Ruskosky, Moosic
74 Michael Podrasky, Jessup
79 Richard Goralski, Peckville
80 Joseph Yanusauskas, Scranton
83 Paul W. Lydon, New York, N.Y.
Patricia Reilly Danchak, Dunmore
86 Gerard M. Reilly, Morristown, N.J.
87 Anne Doran Spina, Morristown, N.J.
88 Alan Gras, Medford, N.J.
Margaret Moriah (Kanavy) Kennen, Scranton
96 Cheryl Moher Neugebauer, Ellicott City, Md.

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Francis Albert, father of Rev. Patrick '88
Louise Atier, wife of Michael '37
Butch Baldassari, son of Patricia '84 and brother of Lewis '65
Mary Beechko, mother of Andrew '66
Louis Cali, brother of Sam '40
Kathryn Clarke, mother of Rev. Brian '03
Helen Conway, mother of Hon. Robert J. '60
Dominick Cruciani, son of Dr. Dominick '54 and brother of Dr. Mark '85, Dr. Mary Kay '76 and Ellen Marie Sica '83
John J. Flannery, father of Eileen Flannery Steele '89
Arlene Gigllon, mother of Tammy Gigllon Baluta '86
Catherine Hallas, sister of Bernard Ozarowski '76
Heather Kile, wife of Kevin '97
Maury Longauser, sister of the late Frank J. O'Hara '23
Helen Lunney May, mother of Lynn Lunney '55, H '71
Mary Martin, wife of Dr. Claude '54
Agnes Mello, mother of Joseph '69
Ryan Michalczek, son of Diane Brown Michalczek '00 and grand-son of Joseph '71
Margaret Nervergna, daughter of Gino '62
Angelia Noto, mother of Dr. Joseph '57
Anna Perrone, mother of Paul '63
Kenneth Sceatthew, brother of Al '63
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I would have thought that a great distance in time and place might have caused me to forget about – not care about – an institution that meant so much to me in my youth. The University of Scranton has surprised me by the ways in which it has remained in my thoughts. A lifetime of events, as well as a whole continent, have separated me from the teachers and friends who shaped my life in so many ways over those four short years in the 1960s. I now know I’ll carry around those experiences for the rest of my life. I also know that it’s never too late – you’re never too far away – to start giving back.

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