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BEYOND ALL EXPECTATIONS: UNIVERSITY DEDICATES BRENNAN HALL
At its meeting on 6 December, the Board of Trustees endorsed a course for the future of the University’s Athletic Program, settling a debate on campus and off about the institution’s Division status.

The Trustees reaffirmed the Division III status of the University’s intercollegiate athletic program and endorsed several recommendations to improve it. The Board was acting on a report from Linhart Consulting, a firm that the Trustees engaged last year to evaluate the University’s intercollegiate athletic program.

“Among the very first questions I was asked after becoming President was whether the University would move to Division I athletics,” said Joseph M. McShane, S.J. “We now have the benefit of a careful study of our athletic area. The Trustees, administration and campus community agree with the key conclusion of the study that the principles of Division III athletics are more reflective and supportive of our mission and identity than other divisional options.”

Linhart Associates considered such issues as divisional status, staffing levels, facilities, student participation, and collaboration between athletics and academics. The recommendations made in the report were discussed and endorsed by the University Senate, Faculty Senate and Student Life Board during the fall semester.

Among the key recommendations adopted by the Trustees were:

- Reaffirm the University’s commitment to membership in NCAA Division III. As a result, Scranton will remain the only Division III Jesuit university in the NCAA’s Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions.
- Establish fully a high-quality Division III program. Among the key items identified by the consultants were the need to develop a comprehensive facilities vision and plan, to increase student participation rates and to increase funding for athletics, including the addition of more full-time coaches.
- Build solid intercollegiate athletic support through integrated intercollegiate athletic program efforts, athletic fund raising, accommodation of the need for students to balance academics and athletics, expanded marketing, and increased involvement by the external athletic community.

While the Board endorsed the actions above, it directed the University to proceed with “caution” and “in a measured and fiscally wise manner” as new initiatives and plans are put in place.

“Our immediate goal is to establish a multi-year plan to address carefully the operational and facilities issues that the report pointed out,” said James T. Bryan, Ed.D., Vice President for Student Affairs. “We need, for example, to refine early plans to develop the University’s property in Springbrook Township so that it can best support our athletic program.”

The feedback on campus to the recommendation that the University remain Division III was consistently positive. “There was broad support for the recommendation that the University remain in Division III and not attempt to move to Division I now or in the foreseeable future,” said Terrence E. Sweeney, Ph.D., President of the Faculty Senate.

The primary reason for the support is the perception that the philosophy of Division III athletics fits well with the University’s mission and identity. “The general view is that Division III is consistent with our academic culture, and brings to us excellent students who are truly scholar-athletes,” said E. Springs Steele, Ph.D., NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative. “It is also viewed as a recruiting advantage, since we are the only Division III Jesuit college or university among the Jesuit institutions with which we compete for students.”

Caution about the report’s recommendations revolved around the allocation of resources in light of other University priorities. At the University Senate, for example, “When the senators turned to the report’s other recommendations, especially those urging expansion of athletic staff and facilities, and measures to build more support for intercollegiate programs, senators’ comments were again generally supportive, but more cautious and conditional,” said John M. McInerney, Ph.D., Chair of the University Senate.

Members of both senates noted the need for recommendations about operational support and facilities to be prioritized in the context of the University’s Strategic Plan and Facilities Master Plan.
V.P. for Institutional Advancement to Retire

University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J., has announced that Robert J. Sylvester ’58, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, will retire at the end of the 2000/2001 academic year after serving for 18 years in the post.

In announcing Mr. Sylvester’s intent to retire, Fr. McShane cited his distinguished service and lifelong commitment to Jesuit education, both at the University and at Fairfield Preparatory School in Connecticut, where he served in various roles from 1959-1983.

Although I have for only three years had the good fortune of working with Mr. Sylvester, in this relatively short time I have come to depend on his wise counsel and to value the many contributions that he has made to the life and ministry of the University,” Fr. McShane said. “As his record of service has enriched the University beyond measure, his resignation will leave a tremendous void in the life of our community.”

Among his accomplishments at the University is the direction of three successful capital campaigns - the Second Cornerstone Campaign, Gateway to the Future Library Campaign and the recently completed Campaign for Scranton. The Campaign for Scranton, for example, raised $46.3 million, well above its $35 million goal.

Mr. Sylvester also stewarded a 400 percent increase in annual giving over the past 16 years, with goals rising from $500,000 to the present $2 million.

At the same time, the alumni participation rate in development activities grew to 34.5 percent, the second highest percentage among Jesuit colleges and universities.

In total, the University raised more than $80 million during his tenure.

In the area of alumni relations, the number of alumni chapters of the University increased from seven in 1983 to 21 today, including the University’s first international chapter in Taiwan.

Mr. Sylvester is nationally recognized for his work in institutional advancement. In 1997, the Jesuit Advancement Administrators presented him with its highest award, the J. Barry McGannon, S.J., Award for outstanding professional achievement. In 1994, he was named “Fundraiser of the Year” by the National Society of Fundraising Executives.

He and his wife, the former Joan Luciani, are the parents of three children and have six grandchildren.

Service Program Builds “Bridges to El Salvador”

By Helen Anne Sheedy Ostrosky ’92

From July 22 – 31, a group of alumni will head to El Salvador for a service program that supports the Jesuit experience of promoting faith, hope and justice. Bridges to El Salvador participants will have the opportunity to interact with diverse groups involved in rebuilding the country and society since its 12-year Civil War ended in 1992.

The upcoming trip is being organized by me, my husband, Robert Ostrosky ’92, and Ann Marie Jursca ’97, who will be leading the program while in El Salvador. Assisting our efforts is Brendan G. Lally, S.J., ’70, Rector of the Jesuit Community.

During the summer of 2000, my husband and I had the opportunity to participate in the University’s Bridges to El Salvador program for faculty and staff members led by Fr. Lally. We met with priests and lay members of the Catholic Church, the auxiliary bishop of San Salvador, faculty members of the University of Central America (UCA), community leaders, the “Mothers of the Missing,” former combatants in the civil war, teachers and a number of others. We learned of Romero, the Jesuit martyrs and others who lost their lives in their struggle for justice. We also observed programs intended to provide hope for the future: day cares, clinics, artisan cooperatives and an environmentally sustainable permaculture project. There was an opportunity for daily Eucharist, as well as for group reflections at the end of each day.

During our visit we developed an understanding of the history of El Salvador, the root causes of injustice, and the struggles that Salvadorian people will face in the future. We developed relationships with those we met during our stay and came away with a strong sense of purpose and awareness. The compassion and sharing spirit of the people we encountered and their ability to make the most of their situations presents a challenge for all of us in our own lives. This experience is not meant to be admired and then forgotten, but instead has much greater value when shared with others in both the larger University community and the respective communities of each individual.

For information about Bridges to El Salvador, contact: Helen Anne Sheedy Ostrosky (860) 355-5663, Hostrosky@watsonpharm.com, or Ann Marie Jursca, (610) 896-0366, Mjursca@aol.com.
Board of Trustees Names Officers, Members

At its October meeting, the University’s Board of Trustees elected officers and executive committee members, welcomed four new board members and named a former board member trustee emeritus.

New Officers

The board elected Louis DeNaples, Chairman, and Christopher M. Condon ’70, Vice-chairman.

Mr. DeNaples is President of DeNaples Auto Parts Corporation, Dunmore, and Owner and Operator of Keystone Landfill Corp. and F & L Realty Corporation. He is Chairman of the Board of First National Community Bank of Dunmore and serves on the boards of many local charitable organizations, including Goodwill Industries, the Salvation Army and St. Francis of Assisi Kitchen.

Mr. Condon, a Scranton native, is President and Chief Operating Officer of Mellon Financial Corporation and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of The Dreyfus Corporation. He earned his degree in business management from the University in 1970 and has been a member of the University’s Board of Trustees since 1995.

Abigail Byman, Esq., serves as University Secretary, and Judith Gunshannon is Secretary to the Board.

New Board Members

The new members who joined the board for three-year terms beginning in the fall of 2000 are Patricia Moran ’81, a Partner in the Wilmington, Del., law firm of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher and Flom; John D. Dionne ’86, Partner and Managing Director of Bennett Restructuring Funds, Stamford, Conn.; Thomas F. Karam ’68, President and C.E.O. of P.G. Energy; and Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., Assistant Professor, English, Georgetown University.

Trustee Emeritus

The University’s Board of Trustees named Monsignor Andrew J. McGowan ‘82 a trustee emeritus, only the third person to hold this distinction. The board established the honor in 1999 to recognize former trustees who have provided extraordinary service to the University.

Msgr. McGowan was a University trustee from 1974 to 1980, serving as chairman from 1978 to 1980. He is a current member of the Board of Regents (formerly the University Council), an advisory board to the President and administration of the University. Msgr. McGowan co-chaired the Northeastern Pennsylvania Committee of the University’s Second Cornerstone capital campaign in 1988 and served on the National Leadership Committee of the Campaign for Scranton. In 1981, the University named a full-tuition Presidential scholarship in his honor. He received an honorary degree from the University in 1982.

Thanks, Royal Recruiters!

Sixty-seven alumni spanning 29 years of the University’s graduating classes served as alumni-admissions volunteers at college nights and career fairs during the fall 2000 student recruiting season. Special thanks goes out to the Royal Recruiters listed below.

Anyone interested in serving as a Royal Recruiter this fall should contact Admissions at (570) 941-7540 or 1-888-SCRANTON.

Carolyn Amato ’96 (Hoboken, N.J.)
Cynthia Lynn Bacon ’84 (Princeton, N.J.)
Dennis Barlow, Jr. ’93 (Nutley, N.J.)
Patrick Beacham ’95 (Hoboken, N.J.)
Jennifer Berry ’94 (Norwood)
Kristina Bjelko ’00 (Danbury, Conn.)
Elizabeth Boyle ’96 (New York, N.Y.)
Don Casablanca ’89 (Milford, Conn.)
Angelo Cinti ’60 (Delran, N.J.)
Thomas Cinti ’85 (Riverside, N.J.)
Ronald Collins ’77 (Washington, D.C.)
Catherine Crossin ’72 (Old Forge)
Colleen Davis ’89 (Cranford, N.J.)
Michael Demaio ’96 (Waltham, Mass.)
Joan Dennin ’91 (Drexel Hill)
Brian Fisher ’77 (Dayton, N.J.)
Elise Fleckstein ’95 (Morristown, N.J.)
Marc Fusaro ’96 (Evanton, Ill.)
Michelle Giancatrino ’98 (Baltimore, Md.)
Pat Grady ’62 (Stroudsburg)
Laura Gribbin ’95 (Dublin, Ohio)
Marianne Hillerman ’99 (Philadelphia)
Marie Houri ’92 (N. Valley Stream, N.Y.)
William J. Joile ’98 (Landsdale)
Mary Jo Kanzer ’84 (Monroes, N.Y.)
John Kent ’82 (Commmack, N.Y.)
Jennifer Lichly ’93 (Catasaqua)
Andrew Lovell ’96 (Philadelphia)
Kathryn Ott Lovell ’96 (Philadelphia)
Michael McDermott ’71 (Oak Hill, Va.)
Lawrence Morton ’61 (Moscov)
Dan MacGarrey ’88 (Old Bridge, N.J.)
Molly McGowan ’90 (Pottsville)
Skip Minakowski ’67 (Cockeysville, Md.)
Elaine Minnix-Kozica ’92 (Park Ridge, N.J.)
Ryan Monahan ’93 (Charlotte, N.C.)
Moira Mullin ’93 (Brooklyn, N.Y.)
Frederick Ott ’98 (Philadelphia)
Phyllis Ottaviano ’98 (Stamford, Conn.)
Joelyn Pereira ’97 (Robbinsville, N.J.)
Denise Peters ’94 (Summit, N.J.)
Kristine Ralley ’99 (Berkeley Heights, N.J.)
Vincent Ralley ’80 (Philadelphia)
Pat Rooney ’64 (Lebanon, N.J.)
Heather Rowan ’95 (Ermontsburg, Md.)
Robert Rudnick ’67 (Gaithersburg, Md.)
John Salisbury ’98 (Wayne, N.J.)
Daralyn Sbero ’97 (Brick, N.J.)
Tara Scoppa ’96 (Ermont, N.Y.)
Bob Shields ‘59 (Binghamton, N.Y.)
Anthony Simonetti ’76 (Shelton, Conn.)
Maria Squire ’00 (Bethlehem)
Christopher Steel ’99 (Oradell, N.J.)
Craig Steel ’99 (Oradell, N.J.)
Timothy St. Clair ’97 (Clifton, N.J.)
Matt Sullivan ’97 (Aurub, N.Y.)
John Swift, MD ’58 (Miami, Fla.)
Fran Tucker ’92 (Lowland, Ohio)
Janice Tyne ’97 (Camillus, N.Y.)
Susan Vanderbeek ’88 (Somerset, N.J.)
William Vita ’51 (Huntington, N.Y.)
Marianne Voltarelli ’94 (Montclair, N.J.)
Ted Waterman ’88 (Rosindale, Mass.)
Michael Wilemski ’88 (Monroe, Conn.)
Ted Wolf ’74 (Betchlem)
Joseph Yaley ’81 (Danville)
Holly Zappala-Gaare ’90 (Babylon, N.Y.)
Bessoir to Retire from Coaching

Bob Bessoir ’55, Head Men’s Basketball Coach, has announced that he will retire from coaching following the 2000-2001 season. He will, however, remain with the University in his current position as Professor of Exercise Science and Sport.

His career at the University spans six decades, first as a player from 1951-1955, and then as an Assistant Coach for three years (1958-61) under Fiore Ceaseare and for five seasons under Nat Volpe (1967-1972). For the last 28 years, he has served as Head Coach, producing an overall record of 539-252 (.681), which includes two National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III titles (1976, 1983), a second-place finish in 1988, and a third-place showing in 1977.

In addition to leading Scranton to 18 NCAA Division III tournament appearances and a 31-18 record in those games, Mr. Bessoir is the most successful coach in the history of the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC), having led the Royals to 14 league titles. He also guided Scranton to a title in 1976 in the now-defunct Middle Eastern Collegiate Athletic Association (MECAA). On 3 January, Mr. Bessoir reached another personal milestone by coaching his 800th career game, during which the Royals played Binghamton University.

“Bob Bessoir has served the University with distinction as both a coach and a professor for more than a quarter of a century,” University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J. said at a news conference announcing Mr. Bessoir’s retirement. “In the course of that time, he has filled the gymnasium of the Long Center with excitement and populated its trophy cases with local, league and national honors.”

Mr. Bessoir is the recipient of the 1977 Cyranos Award presented by The University of Scranton Graduate School for outstanding community service, the 1985 Frank O’Hara Award for distinguished achievement presented by the University’s Alumni Association and the 1988 University of Scranton Centennial Medal. He was inducted into the Alpha Sigma Nu National Jesuit Honor Society in 1988.

During his four-year playing career as a student at the University, he guided a team led by then head coach Pete Carlesimo to an overall record of 42. He etched his name into the Scranton record books with an incredible 43-rebound effort on 5 March 1955 in a 78-76 victory over King’s College, a record that still stands today. In his junior year, he was named the first recipient of the Les Dickman Award, which then was given to the most valuable player on the team and is today awarded to the most valuable senior.

“To me, Bob Bessoir is University of Scranton men’s basketball,” said Toby Lovecchio, Director of Athletics. “I admire his commitment and dedication to our athletics program.”

Alumni Invited to Become Class Ambassadors

University alumni interested in maintaining strong connections with their alma mater are invited to become Class Ambassadors. This new program provides an opportunity for alumni to be involved with the University community in a variety of ways, including:

- establishing and strengthening common bonds with classmates;
- becoming involved with the University’s Career Mentor Program and/or the Royal Recruiters Program;
- supporting local alumni chapters; and
- assuming an active role in addressing the University’s long-range plans as leaders in garnering donor support for the University’s priority needs.

If you are interested in becoming a Class Ambassador, please contact the Annual Giving Office at (570) 941-7725 or via email at catalano2@scranton.edu.

Presidential Scholarships Awarded to 10 Freshmen

The University has awarded full-tuition Presidential Scholarships to 10 freshmen and named the scholarships in honor of people who have played important roles in the development of the University and the community.

Presidential Scholarships are awarded to incoming freshmen with exemplary high school records both inside and outside the classroom. The scholarships cover the full cost of tuition for four years of study as long as the recipient maintains at least a 3.25 grade point average.

The 2000 – 2001 Presidential Scholars and honorees are:

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Biology Major Named Gates Millennium Scholar

Anthony Zamcho, '01, a biology major at the University, has been named to the nation's first group of Gates Millennium Scholars.

Mr. Zamcho is originally from Cameroon, Africa, and lived in Potomac, Md., before coming to the University. He was selected from more than 62,000 nominees from around the country to receive the award. In total, 4,100 students will receive funds to assist with the cost of tuition, fees, books, and living expenses for the 2000-2001 academic year.

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program is funded by a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The goal of the foundation is to promote higher education and provide the opportunity to expand academic horizons for hard-working minority students from low-income families.

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program is administered by the United Negro College Fund in partnership with the Hispanic Scholarship Fund and the American Indian College Fund. It is a 20-year, $1 billion initiative aimed at enabling 20,000 minority American students to attend the undergraduate and graduate institutions of their choice on their path to succeeding as leaders in their professions and communities.

Mr. Zamcho was selected for the program through a rigorous application process. He was eligible for nomination by having at least a 3.3 GPA, being accepted or enrolled full-time in a four-year undergraduate degree program, showing significant financial need, and demonstrating leadership skills through community involvement. He is actively involved in the community as a tutor at local high schools and a companion at nursing homes. On campus, Mr. Zamcho is a member of United Colors and the International Club.

News & Noteworthy

Private Collection Makes Public Debut

Selections from the rare book collection of Edward R. Leahy, Esq., '68 were on exhibit at the University from November 2000 through early February. The exhibit, entitled A Modern Renaissance Library: 200 Selections from the Collection of Edward R. Leahy, featured the first edition of Spenser's The Faerie Queene, the second Speght edition of Chaucer's Works, a privately printed edition of Beatrice Potter's The Tale of Peter Rabbit signed by Noel Moore, and numerous other well-known titles in extraordinary condition. The exhibit marked the first time that this part of Mr. Leahy's private collection had been publicly shown.

Mother, Daughter Authors Honored

Two of the country's most popular fiction authors were on campus 23 September to receive the Distinguished Author Award from the Friends of the Weinberg Memorial Library. Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark, spent several hours autographing books at the University's bookstore before attending a "Meet the Authors" reception to benefit the Library's Endowment Fund. The Distinguished Author award is presented to authors who have made a significant contribution to either fiction or non-fiction, and who have connections with Jesuit education. Mrs. Higgins Clark received an honorary degree from the University in 1995.

President's Breakfasts Feature Internationally Recognized Speakers

William J. Wilkinson '71, Senior Vice President of Human Resources for the Walt Disney Company, was the guest speaker at The University of Scranton President's Breakfast held 13 October.

Mr. Wilkinson was named to the post in 1996, shortly after Disney acquired Capital Cities/ABC, where he had been Vice President of Human Resources and Executive Assistant to the Chairman.

Human Rights Legal Expert William G. O'Neill spoke at the 29 November President's Breakfast.

Mr. O'Neill, who has served with the United Nations' missions from Kosovo to Afghanistan, is the Senior Visiting Research Fellow at the International Peace Academy in New York City.

Nobel Prize Winner Presents Mullin Lecture

Nobel prize winner and American surgeon Joseph E. Murray presented the Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture at the University on 31 October. Dr. Murray received the 1990 Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine for his work in organ transplants. The Mullin lecture series, established in memory of the late Dr. Harry Mullin '31, honors a person who gave a lifetime of service to his profession and community.

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Amy Connolly and Joe Fent are perfectly content to let their actions speak louder than their words. In fact, it’s difficult to get either one of them to sit down and talk about their incredible accomplishments as four-year members of The University of Scranton women’s soccer and cross country teams, respectively.

Connolly Scores High
Rather than discuss her own accomplishments, Connolly, a senior forward on the Lady Royals’ nationally ranked women’s soccer team, is likely to talk about teammates Nicole Amato and Nicole Bayman, who went on to earn, respectively, the 1999 and 2000 Freedom Conference Player of the Year awards, or junior goalkeeper Meghan Quinlan, Scranton’s all-time leader in shutouts.

Connolly’s exploits, however, are just as impressive. Three times she led the Royals in scoring, a remarkable accomplishment given that she played a different position at the University than in high school.

“I came (out of high school) as a defender…and I didn’t have any ideas,” she says, recalling her tryouts for the team in 1997. “All I wanted to do was be on the team. I didn’t think I’d actually start or even play. It was definitely a surprise for me and a little bit overwhelming.”

Connolly’s transition to a new position went smoothly. She scored a team-high 20 points and was named to the Freedom Conference and National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) all-Mid Atlantic teams, a pair of honors she would receive over the next three seasons also.

All told, she led Scranton to an overall record of 63-23-3, including Freedom Conference titles and NCAA tournament berths in 1999 and 2000.

“Never did she imagine that she would conclude her career as the second all-time leading scorer in Scranton history by scoring 59 goals and assisting on 18 others to finish with 150 total points, just 15 points shy of tying Wall of Fame inductee Lori Snyder’s record of 165.

“Amy has been one of the best players we’ve ever had here,” says Joe Bochicchio, who has led the Royals to a 214-111-21 overall record in 17 seasons as Head Coach. “What she’s accomplished has been incredible. She played at a time when the games have been very competitive and against teams that were very solid defensively. For someone to score that many goals in four years is an incredible feat.”

Fent Goes the Extra Mile...and a Half
Fent hit the ground running after earning all-state honors at nearby Scranton Prep High School.

According to Royals’ coach John Hopkins, the transition from 5000-meter high school races to 8000 meters in college can be a rocky one, even for the most talented of runners.

“Joe just seemed to skip the learning curve of going from high school to college races,” Hopkins says. “When we went out to Notre Dame during his freshman year, he ran the first three to four miles with the lead pack. He faltered a little bit down the stretch, but still managed to finish in the top 20.”

After the race, Hopkins discovered that Fent wasn’t satisfied with his performance.

“When the race was over, instead of being exalted that he had done so well, his comment was to the effect, ‘I know what I have to do to get through the last mile and a half’,” Hopkins remembers. “Right then, I knew he was something special.”

His mental approach to the sport and his work ethic came to the forefront at the 1997 Middle Atlantic Conference championships, where Messiah’s highly regarded Brian Sell was considered the favorite since he had beaten Fent soundly in a couple of meets earlier that fall.
Fent decided to challenge Sell by staying up with him early in the race and by forcing him to run a hard pace on the hills.

The strategy worked to perfection, as Fent won the first of four straight MAC titles, thus becoming only the second runner in conference history to accomplish this feat. He covered the 8000-meter course at Allentown College in 26:57, defeating Sell by nearly nine seconds.

That performance catapulted Fent into his sophomore year, where a second-place finish at the NCAA Mid-East Regional qualified him for the NCAA Division III championships in Carlisle. Fent then became the first runner in University of Scranton history to earn all-America honors when he finished 27th overall in a time of 25:43.

He qualified for nationals again as a junior and ran a personal-best 24:47 for five miles over a flat course at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, but missed all-America honors by 13 seconds.

Fent left nothing to chance in his senior year. He won five invitational individual titles, finished in the top five in two other prestigious events, and earned all-America honors for the second time by finishing 30th at the NCAAs at Whitworth College in Spokane, Wash. In December 2000 the Middle Atlantic Conference named Fent the Men’s Scholar Athlete for fall sports.

Fent’s athletic accomplishments are particularly noteworthy when you consider that he has maintained a near-perfect grade point average in biology, which he hopes to use as a springboard to veterinary school upon graduation.

“I’ve had a lot of great runners,” says Hopkins. “Joe Fent embodied the great elements of all of them. It was almost like we took a composite of the best runners we ever had and molded them into one.”

Fall Sports At-a-Glance

There were plenty of other highlights of the 2000 fall sports scene at The University of Scranton.

• The women’s cross country team, led by seniors Mary Beth Sexton (Wayne, N.J./Wayne) and Erin Kilker (Pleasant Mountain/Forest City) finished fourth at the MAC and eighth at the NCAA Mid-East Regional championship.

• Junior forward Laura Boersig (Morrilton/Pennslyvania) of the Middle Atlantic Conference University of Scranton student-athlete must be a sophomore or above and have a 3.4 or better cumulative grade point average. The following is a list of University students named to the Honor Roll.

Royal's Named to MAC Academic Honor Roll

Ken Andrews, Commissioner of the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC), has announced that 36 University of Scranton student-athletes have been named to MAC Academic Honor Roll for fall sports.

In order to qualify for this award, a student-athlete must be a sophomore or above and have a 3.4 or better cumulative grade point average. The following is a list of University students named to the Honor Roll.

FIELD HOCKEY
Meghan Blair (Lakewood/Ridgewood)
Maureen Bole (West Chester/Villa Maria)
Patricia Donahy (Mohawk Lake, N.Y./FK Catholic)
Brooke Fahringer (Watertown/Northampton)
Tina Gambale (Warminster/William Tennant)

VOLLEYBALL
Christine Fontaine (Norristown/Gwynedd Mercy)
Maureen Kyle (Ft. Sam Houston, Texas/Ramstein American)
Shannon Loberg (Gulph Mills/Upper Merion)
Jennifer Petkowskie (Chadds Ford/Garnet Valley)
Anne Vikovsky (Wood-Ridge, N.J./Wood-Ridge)

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“Of those to whom much is given, much is expected.”

LUKE 12:48
Beyond All Expectations

The generous gifts of two successful alumni give rise to a resplendent new building housing a comprehensive School of Management.

Youth voices singing a cappella filled the grand lobby of Brennan Hall as members of the University and Scranton communities gathered for the 14 October dedication of an extraordinary new building housing the distinguished Kania School of Management.

In his remarks at the dedication ceremony, University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J., likened the "reckless generosity and bravado" of John E. (Jack) Brennan ’68 and Arthur J. Kania, Esq., ’53 to the qualities that characterized John Ogilvie, S.J., during his brief but profound missionary career during the early 17th century.

"They (Mr. Brennan and Mr. Kania) have, of their own goodness and their own generosity, given away a great fortune," said Fr. McShane. "And they have given it so that a great gift could be given to those who come after them."

"Their great gift is hope that students ... might be prepared for the future that is theirs," continued Fr. McShane.

The 71,000 square-foot building, equipped with technologically advanced classroom and instructional spaces, is designed to fulfill the vision of preparing students for the future. The five-story building includes a 148-seat auditorium, nine classrooms (including two tiered case-study rooms equipped for video teleconferencing), an advising center, seminar rooms and 40 faculty offices. There are also suites for emeriti faculty, graduate students and special programs.

An "Executive Center" on the fifth floor will enable the University to attract world-class conferences to campus. At the same time, the Center provides a businesslike environment for the University to host an expanded offering of continuing education programs, particularly in the areas of professional development and training in the use of new technologies.

Did You Know?

Brennan Hall has about:
- 1,000 linear feet of fiber optic cable
- 13.25 miles of voice data wire
- 7.5 miles of video cable
- 14,500 square feet of raised floor area.
- There are 12 teaching stations: three each on the 1st and 2nd floors, one in the auditorium and five on the 5th floor.
May it (Brennan Hall) become a center where students and teachers, imbued with the words of truth, will search for the wisdom that guides our spiritual lives,” Bishop Timlin remarked.

Construction of Brennan Hall began in June 1999. The project was funded by The Campaign for Scranton, including a $3.5 million gift from Mr. Brennan and $1 million of a $4 million gift from Mr. Kania. Additional Campaign funds came from alumni and friends of the University, as well as corporations and foundations.

Mr. Brennan is President of Activated Communications, New York City. He is also a Director and Vice-chairman of the Board of Southern Union Company and is on the Board of Directors for Spectrum Signal Processing. He is one of the founders of Metro Mobile CTS, Inc., and served as its President and Chief Operating Officer until its sale to Bell Atlantic Corp.

Speaking at the dedication ceremony, Mr. Brennan invited fellow alumni to follow his example of supporting his alma mater. “I would not only like to challenge the alumni, but also urge the community leaders to use this facility to bring business into this community and to Northeast Pennsylvania,” he said.

Mr. Kania earned his juris doctorate from Villanova University. He is a Senior Partner in the Bala Cynwyd law firm of Kania, Linder, Lasak & Feeley, which specializes in corporate and real estate finance. Additionally, he is a Principal in Trikan Associates, which owns and manages various real estate holdings in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Florida.

In his remarks, Mr. Kania acknowledged the vision and dream of J.A. Panuska, S.J., President Emeritus of the University, who “elevated our University to its rightful place among America’s best.”

Mr. Kania continued by noting how Fr. McShane carried this vision forward, crossing the threshold to a school of management and a building that will give rise to a new generation of business leaders.

Scholarship Established in Memory of Business School Graduate

Nestled in a corner of the main floor of Brennan Hall is a “quiet study room” bearing a portrait of a young man with a gentle smile. Appropriately, the building that houses the University’s Kania School of Management also houses a room dedicated to the memory of Joseph Ryan, a 1994 graduate of the business school, who died in September 1999 after a battle with cancer.

The memory of Mr. Ryan lives on through an endowed scholarship established by alumni, friends and family members. James Kelly ’00, a longtime neighbor and friend of Mr. Ryan, spearheaded the efforts to establish the scholarship. In addition to their friendship, the two men also shared a commitment to the Jesuit education they received at the University, where they were both members of the Business Leadership Program.

“Joe constantly displayed characteristics that support the Jesuit ideal,” said Mr. Kelly. “When he died, my sister (Kathleen Kelly, M.D., ’96) and I were looking for ways to permanently leave his mark on the University.”

That “mark” has turned into a scholarship fund totaling $13,550—well over the original goal of $10,000. A large percentage of the donations came from employees at Ernst and Young, LLP, New York, where Mr. Ryan was employed as an accountant. Andrew Hain, Mr. Ryan’s close friend and co-worker, led the Ernst & Young efforts. As part of its matching-gift program, Ernst & Young matched donations made by its employees.

Through their thoughtful and generous donations, alumni, friends and family of Joseph Ryan have ensured that he will be forever remembered by those whose lives he touched.
Fr. Byron Delivers Inaugural Lecture

William J. Byron, S.J., who was President of the University when the School of Management was formed, delivered the inaugural lecture celebrating the opening of Brennan Hall on 15 November, 2000.

Fr. Byron addressed a crowd of about 90 people, discussing the subject of “Education for Business in the Jesuit Tradition.” The lecture was presented through a partnership between the Kania School of Management and Fleet Pennsylvania Services, Inc.

In his lecture, Fr. Byron encouraged those in attendance to follow the Jesuit tradition of using formal education to fulfill human potential.

"Offering an ethical dimension and human dimension is critical to forming men and women for business,... Faith is relevant to business." - William J. Byron, S.J.
By almost any measure of excellence, the road to success is usually a rather long one. But if you stay the course, you reach your destination.

Like the accomplished alumni who have distinguished themselves in careers in business, the University’s Kania School of Management has earned an enviable place in the halls of higher learning.

Not long after St. Thomas College was founded in 1888, the Christian Brothers began offering studies in English, Arithmetic and Bookkeeping in the “Old Main” building on Wyoming Avenue. In the early years, enrollment for the entire school totaled about 55 students.

A formal business concentration was introduced in 1913, and by 1914 the school’s freshman class topped 100 for the first time. Early faculty members in these years included professors Sheldon Curtis, William Dobson and Donald Gates.

In 1933, the business concentration became a formal department initially announced as a College of Business and Finance. The department was re-established in 1946 and was chaired by Herman Senker, affectionately known as “Doc Senker.” Longtime pillars of the department included Daniel Houlihan, Esq., Professor Charles Buckley, Professor Joseph Zandarski and Professor George Babcock. Beginning in 1947, classes were held in the “Business Building,” a converted military barrack located at the corner of Linden Street and Catlin Court.

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The Master of Business Administration (MBA) program was introduced in 1961 under the direction of Joseph Rock, S.J., who at the time was Dean of the Graduate School. One year later, the department relocated to the newly constructed St. Thomas Hall. Not long after the University acquired the former Glen Alden Building in 1968, the department moved into what is now known as O’Hara Hall.

A major milestone was reached in 1978 during the presidency of William J. Byron, S.J., when the business department became a School of Management. In 1996, the school’s undergraduate and graduate programs achieved a long-time goal by earning the rigorous accreditation of the International Association for Management Education (AACSB).

Classes are held in the “Business Building,” a converted military barrack similar to the one pictured above.

The naming of the Kania School of Management in 1998 acknowledged the generosity of alumnus and benefactor Arthur J. Kania ’53. That same year, John E. Brennan ’68, announced a major gift earmarked for the construction of a new building to house the Kania School. Construction of Brennan Hall began in 1999 and was completed in the fall of 2000.

With the the opening of a new building rich in technology, the Kania School began offering new majors in Electronic Commerce and Enterprise Management Technology, and announced a new major in Accounting Information Systems. At the same time, the school strengthened its alliance with global software leader SAP to bring technology into every facet of the business curriculum.

The transformation of the University’s business school to a comprehensive School of Management is perhaps best summarized in the words of John McLean, a much-admired Accounting Professor who retired in 1991 after 37 years of service to the University. At his retirement dinner, Mr. McLean compared the early years to the present day with the comment, “Boy, we have come a long way.”

The Scranton Journal wishes to acknowledge Robert McKeage, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Management/Marketing, who compiled information about the history of University’s School of Business. Dr. McKeage prepared an historical perspective of the Business School for the dedication of Brennan Hall. Rose Sebastianelli, Ph.D., Acting Dean of the Graduate School and Director of Research, delivered the speech prepared by Dr. McKeage, who was unable to attend the dedication ceremony.
New Majors Apply Technology in Response to Latest Trends

Responding to the latest industry trends, the University introduced two new majors in the fall of 2000 and announced a new major for the fall of 2001.

All of the new majors take advantage of extensive software and hardware resources that were incorporated into Brennan Hall, home of the Kania School.

In the fall of 2001, the Kania School will accept its first freshman students in a new major in Accounting Information Systems.

In the fall of 2000, the University became the only higher education institution in the region to offer degree programs in Enterprise Management Technology and E-Commerce. These new programs integrate traditional business core courses with emerging management concepts and technology.

“Brennan Hall offers unparalleled teaching labs and other instructional resources that were designed to support our new applied-technology majors,” said Ronald Johnson, D.B.A., Dean of the Kania School. “In addition, our alliance with global software leader SAP America gives our students access to the very tools they can expect to find when they graduate.”

The University is the only institution in Northeastern Pennsylvania and one of the first in the nation to participate in the SAP alliance program. SAP is the world’s leading Enterprise Information and Management Package. Use of this package makes it possible for businesses to track and manage sales, production, finance, accounting and human resources in real-time.

SAP provides the software and training for faculty, and the Kania School provides the computer hardware and network assets. As a result, the SAP system is integrated into business courses so that students can develop an awareness of the Enterprise Management Systems.

Accounting Information Systems Major

The Accounting Information Systems major was developed to meet a demand for accounting graduates with informational technology skills – a trend that is expected to grow dramatically in the years ahead.

“Accounting is a changing field,” said Michael Mensah, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Accounting and Department Chair. “Firms are telling us that they need people who are trained in accounting technology when they graduate from college so that they don’t need to go back to square one. You need to be proficient in your first year out.”

In addition, the new major’s technology-oriented courses will enrich offerings for the traditional accounting program, the department’s new five-year bachelor’s/master of business administration program, and other majors in the Kania School.
The Enterprise Management Technology major focuses on the integrated management of the whole business enterprise, rather than the management of individual functional areas. Students are trained to use advanced computer systems that integrate the management of all processes of a complex business, including materials, production, quality control, human resources, finance, accounting, maintenance and special projects.

The 136-credit major will include a strong core of five general accounting courses, four courses in technical information systems and three information systems specialty courses. The curriculum was based in part on a model developed by the Information Systems Audit and Control Association, the leading developer of curricula in the field. It is designed to satisfy the accrediting standards of The International Association for Management Education (AACSB).

Electronic-Commerce Major

The new E-Commerce program affords graduates the opportunity to explore a variety of opportunities in the rapidly expanding world of e-based business. The program prepares students to be both business-savvy and well-educated about the electronic commerce infrastructure.

Instructional areas of the E-Commerce program include the integration of information and telecommunication technology, the Internet, the World Wide Web, and business models that incorporate security, privacy and legal issues. Students also study management perspectives and obtain hands-on experience in building an interactive e-commerce site.

In 1998, the University names the Kania School of Management in recognition of a lifelong commitment to the University by Arthur J. Kania, Esq., ’53. Pictured from left: Richard H. Passion, Ph.D., Provost and Academic Vice President; Mr. Kania; Angela Kania; J.A. Panuska, S.J., President; Ronald D. Johnson, D.B.A., Dean of the School of Management; and Robert J. Sylvester, Vice President for Institutional Advancement.

John E. (Jack) Brennan ’68 announces a gift of $3.5 million for construction of a new building to house the Kania School of Management.

1998

Brennan Hall features two tiered case-study rooms equipped for video teleconferencing.
Words of Wisdom

Benefactors of Brennan Hall and the Kania School of Management challenge alumni, students and friends to make full use of the University's newest educational resource.

Excerpts from remarks made at the 14 October dedication of Brennan Hall.

ARTHUR J. KANIA ’53

“This new, dynamic learning environment we dedicate today will bring to our campus faculty and students from all over the world. The students and faculty who come here will no longer be limited by the boundaries of classroom or geography. Faculty will be challenged to keep pace with technology. Students will be challenged to become more involved, more inquisitive...

“In this new global challenge, students will aspire to become citizens of the world. And with the dedication of Brennan Hall, we now provide the forum needed to prepare such citizens as the new leaders of tomorrow.

“There is something very special about Scranton ... the region, this school, the Scranton students, the faculty and administration, the entire University family. I have heard this same thing from the Presidents of our University: Father Byron, Father Panuska and now Father McShane.

“I see it in the way our faculty respects and feels the aspiration of our students, knows their names, responds to their individual needs, teaches them to dream, and encourages and energizes them to be all they can be. This is what Father McShane has labeled The Scranton Way.

“...the walls of Brennan Hall are built upon the strongest of foundations – the values, virtues and ideals that we all share. That is why I am confident that this building – this School, these ideals – will last forever. After all, they were built the right way, The Scranton Way."

JOHN E. (JACK) BRENNAN ’68

“While I attended this prestigious school, I was one of the few students who did not utilize all the resources that were available to me. In fact, the school was gracious enough to give me a rebate for not attending the science labs or the library! I urge the students of today, though, not to make the same mistakes that I did, but to utilize to the fullest the facilities and the campus life resources that are so critical to their future success.

“I hope this (building) will be an example for my fellow alumni to follow in my footsteps. I would not only like to challenge the alumni, but also urge the community leaders to use this facility to bring business into this community and to Northeast Pennsylvania.

“A quote from Trusteeship magazine: ‘The University that contributes to their community provides important lessons about citizenship to students. They serve as a model for other organizations and they demonstrate that great things are possible when politics are shunted aside...’

“In closing, I would like to dedicate this building to three of the most important influences of my life: the faculty, fellow students and the people of Scranton/Wilkes-Barre that were so kind and generous to me; to my parents who sacrificed dearly to give me a fine Jesuit education; and lastly, to my wife who encouraged me.”

The Kania School of Management at Brennan Hall is dedicated on 14 October.

BUSINESS EDUCATION FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY
The view from the top is magnificent.

From the fifth floor of Brennan Hall there are panoramic views of the City of Scranton and the Lackawanna Valley. There is also an equally spectacular vista of human knowledge shared in the University’s new Executive Center, a place where people and ideas come together to build strong business and civic communities.

“The new economy trades in ideas and agile collaborations. The University’s Executive Center, a meeting place for Northeastern Pennsylvania’s professional community, is designed to foster both,” said Glenn Pellino, Executive Director of Urban and Government Affairs.

The Executive Center includes five main areas: a dining room, a board room, a meeting room, a large reception area, and an auditorium on the second floor. The Center provides the University with a facility in which to host conferences and continuing education programs. The building’s technology resources make the facility well-suited to educational programs in the area of professional development and training in the use of new technologies.

The seminar and dining room accommodates more than 200 people. University events held in the room since its opening have included two President’s Breakfasts featuring internationally recognized speakers, a Society of Accounting Students dinner, an alumni holiday reception and the launch of “Building Community,” a partnership project of the University’s Nonprofit Resource Center.
In October 2000 the University’s Board of Trustees met for the first time in the board room of Brennan Hall.

“The seminar and dining room has also been used by diocesan, community and business groups for such events as the Annual Professional Development Program of the Diocese of Scranton, the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce’s student program, “Tomorrow’s Leaders Today,” and Scranton Tomorrow’s Appreciation Luncheon.

The board room, which seats 50, has already been used by various governing boards of the University, including the Board of Trustees, University Council and University Senate.

The 148-seat auditorium is equipped with the latest technology, including a network connection at every seat. The auditorium features Dolby surround sound, theater-style seating, a portable lectern with a touch screen control system and teleconference capabilities.

Additional facilities of the Executive Center, which is available to organizations outside the University, include a lobby and reception area, and a meeting room accommodating 20 people.

“Building Community” partners gather for a luncheon in the Executive Center to announce the launch of the program. Seated, from left: James McHale III, Dr. Alice McDonnell and Elaine Geroulo, all representing the United Way of Lackawanna County. Standing, from left: Glenn Pellino, the University’s Executive Director of Urban and Government Affairs; Jeanne Bovard, Scranton Area Foundation; Barbara Thomas Parkman, Coordinator of the University’s Nonprofit Resource Center; John Nalevanko, Lackawanna County Department of Human Services; and William Calpin, the Margaret Briggs Foundation.

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Treasures in Glass
Windows and images from the churches of Northeastern Pennsylvania

Throughout Brennan Hall are reproductions of stained glass windows from churches in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Many of the windows were produced by The Tiffany Glass Co. Shown above is a tile mosaic on the wall of the University’s Smurfit Art Gallery. It is believed to be a Tiffany.
A Marathon Achievement

Alumni Society President John H. Appleton, Esq., '68, (left), presents an Alumni Achievement Award to Patricia A. Fulton '87, Silver Spring, Md., who placed first in the women's category of the Steamtown Marathon. Metropolitan Washington, D.C., Alumni Chapter President Chris Flynn '90 and University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J., join Mr. Appleton in congratulating Ms. Fulton.

46 Leo P. Hennigan, M.D., Washington, D.C., has published a book entitled Alcoholism: Conspiracy of Silence. It is available from Gannet Publications, Bethesda, Md.

48 Carl J. Moran, Esq., Mclan. Va., came to St. Thomas College on a football scholarship in 1941, detoured through the Battle of the Bulge in Europe (Purple Heart Nov. 20, 1944 - Bronze Star Medal) with the 328th infantry regiment of the 26th (Yankee) Division, returned to Scranton from 1945 through 1948 and graduated from Catholic University School of Law in 1951. Carl practiced criminal law in Virginia and Washington, D.C. for many years and is now working part-time. Watching four grandchildren every afternoon and doing 1,200 + pushups (200 at a clip) daily are two of his favorite activities.

63 Thomas G. Cupillari, Factoryville, Professor of Physics & Mathematics at Keystone College for the last 36 years, was honored by having a rededicated Keystone facility named the Thomas G. Cupillari Astronomical Observatory.

64 John F. Rooney, M.S., Ed.D., Taylor, will retire as Superintendent of the Riverside School District in June after eighteen and a half years in that position. He began his 37 years in education as a teacher and touched every rung of the upward ladder.

65 Gregory Franceski, C.G.F.M., Virginia Beach, Va., is serving on the Mayor’s Special Advisory Commission on Electronic Government, which is exploring the ways and means of making government operations more efficient and effective by providing interactive government services to private citizens and businesses.

65 Paul Mancia, D.D.S., Forty Fort, diplomat of the American Board of Oral Implantology, was a featured presenter (as he has been) at the XX World Congress in Oral Implantology held in Berlin, Germany.

66 Lawrence P. Herbster, M.A., Wilkes-Barre, was piped aboard as Commander of WBRE-TV, the flagship station of the 18-station Nexstar Broadcast Group.

Charles F. Wynne is part of a team of consultants reviewing the hospital and emergency medical systems in Macau, a principality near Hong Kong which has been returned to China after over 400 years of Portuguese control.

70 William C. Kringle, Hazleton, an Investment Officer, has earned the Chartered Financial Consultant professional designation from the American College.

72 Francis W. Crane, Keller, Texas, is Vice President of operations with L3 Communications.

74 Michael F. Rodgers, M.A., Fairfax, Va., is the Director of Government Relations of the St. Louis-based Catholic Health Association.

75 Thomas Scalafani was appointed Vice President at Teamfuel in Huntington Beach, Calif.

76 Michael Barrett, Apollo Beach, Fla., has joined Ernst & Young as National Director, Electric & Gas Energy Industry.

81 Jon Howell, New York, N.Y., attended the advanced management program for international senior managers at the Harvard University Business School. On returning to Citibank, he was appointed Program Director for “Net Solutions” with responsibilities for leading all Internet initiatives for WorldWide Securities Services.

Alumni Award Presented

James C. Barrett ’73, President of Road Scholar Transport, Inc., (right) receives an Alumni Achievement Award from University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J., at the annual Business Club Dinner at the Radisson Lackawanna Station Hotel, Scranton.

77 Marion Moran, Levittown, is Vice President, Chief Information Officer, at Pocono Medical Center.

78 Phyllis C. Reinhardt, Scranton, Family Program Director, 77th Regional Support Command, Ernie Pyle USAOC, has retired after 21 years in the Federal Civil Service.

79 Leon J. Tylenda, Sugar Land, Texas, was named Derivatives Accounting Analyst for Marathon Oil Company.
Alumnus Speaks to Accounting Students

Robert K. Tuite, CPA, ’84, was guest speaker at the Society of Accounting Students (SAS) dinner held in the newly-dedicated Brennan Hall, 9 November, 2000. From left: Ronald Johnson, D.B.A., Dean of the Kania School of Management; Suzanne Spinelli ’03, SAS Secretary; Kellie McArdle ’03, SAS member; Ralph Grambo, Ph.D., Associate Dean of the Kania School of Management; Eric Schauer ’03, SAS President; Frank Linton, J.D., Ph.D., SAS Moderator; and Mr. Tuite.

81 Raymond J. Lillie, Morristown, N.J., was named District Deputy of the Year (1999-2000) by the New Jersey State Council, Knights of Columbus.
82 Daniel J. Herman, Seattle Wash., with the Indian Health Service in the Alaska bush for the past seven years, is teaching family practice residents at the local campus of the University of Washington.
82 Lt. Col. David B. Kneafsey, U.S.A., Syracuse, N.Y., Director of Military Science, Syracuse University, was selected for Resident in the Senior Service College in the academic year 2001-2002. Tom Mrva, Lincoln, R.I., is Chief Executive of Lighthouse Computer Services, the fastest-growing company of its type in the New England area.
84 Maria McGarry has become General Counsel of Quaker Securities, Inc., a broker-dealer located in Valley Forge.
85 Rev. Ronald Potts, Germantown, Md., has moved from St. Jane Frances de Chantal parish to be Pastor of Mother Seton parish.
86 Richard W. Peuser has become the Supervisory Archivist for the old military and civil records section of the National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, D.C.
87 Patty Fulton, Silver Spring, Md., Lady Royal for her years at the University and member of the 1985 NCAA Division III Champions, returned to the Lackawanna Valley to run this year’s Steament Marathon. Her winning time for the Women’s Division was 2 hours, 50 minutes and 33 seconds – 57 seconds ahead of her closest rival. It was Patty’s third career marathon.
88 R. Philip A. Altavilla, Taylor, is Pastor of the newly restructured Parish Community of St. John the Baptist and the Immaculate Conception. Father is the newly elected National President of the Slovak Catholic Federation.
88 Douglas M. Boyle, C.P.A., M.B.A., Scranton, received his executive degree from Columbia University and was promoted to National Director of Revenue Operations for Quest Diagnostics.
88 Richard D. Roseing, III, Pristina, Kosovo, has been working for Save the Children since his graduation. He was most recently located in Bulgaria until moving to Pristina in November. Pray for his work and safety.
89 Karin Wilhelmsen, Scranton, is the Director of Internet Technology within the Merrill Lynch Investment Management Group.
89 Kevin T. Brady, Ph.D., Woodbridge, Va., is Vice President for educational programs at the national organization, The Bill of Rights Institute.
89 Tim Finnerly, Harrisburg, is an Associate Attorney in the business law section of McHees, Wallace & Nurick.
90 James M. Brannon, M.B.A., Selbyville, Del., has accepted the position of Vice President, Human Resources, at Atlantic General Hospital.
91 Kathleen Ambruso, Ph.D., Philadelphia, received her degree in Mathematics Education from American University and is a member of the Mathematics Department of St. Joseph’s University.
92 Mary K. Holland, M.A., New York, N.Y., received her degree in organizational psychology at Columbia University and is a Performance Consultant for the private client group of PaineWebber.
92 Andrew Morano, Hoboken, N.J., was promoted to Senior Account Manager of the Propriata Sales Division at Merck & Co. Pharmaceuticals and is head basketball coach at Emerson High School.
93 Linda Hee, Esq., Philadelphia, is a Staff Attorney with AIDS Law Project of Pennsylvania, where her work concentrates in the areas of bankruptcy, debtor-creditor issues, immigration and general practice.
94 Jude C. Shehadi, West Horriton, is Manager in the mailing and supplies department at Iron Mountain, Inc.
A Noteworthy Accomplishment

Cheryl Y. Boga, University Director of Bands and Choirs, takes center stage with her children, Maggie and Joseph, at the Firstever Bands and Singers Reunion. Mrs. Boga was honored for her 20 of service to the University. More than 85 alumni returned for the two-day event, which concluded with an alumni concert.

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Jennifer Donatelli, Glen Burnie, Md., is a reporter with the Maryland Gazette.

Mary Boyle Troxey, M.S., N.C.C., Glenmore, received her degree in community counseling, passed the National Counselor Exam as a Certified Counselor and is employed at The University of Scranton's College of Professional Studies.

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Jennifer Donatelli, Glen Burnie, Md., is a reporter with the Maryland Gazette.

Mary Boyle Troxey, M.S., N.C.C., Glenmore, received her degree in community counseling, passed the National Counselor Exam as a Certified Counselor and is employed at The University of Scranton's College of Professional Studies.

Southern Hospitality

University President Joseph M. M C Shane, S.J., and Vice President for Institutional Advancement Robert J. Sylvester gather for dinner with alumni during a stopover in Houston, Texas, in October.
Nominees Sought for O’Hara Awards

The 2001 Frank J. O’Hara Awards for distinguished alumni will be presented during Alumni Reunion Weekend, 8 – 10 June. The awards are presented to alumni, generally those in the milestone years, who have exhibited sustained achievement in a particular career or field of endeavor. The Awards, the highest bestowed jointly by the University and the Alumni Society, are presented in the following categories: Medicine, Law, University Service, Education, Science and Technology, Management and Community Service. Nominations, which should include written documentation outlining the accomplishments of the nominee(s), should be directed to the Alumni Office, The University of Scranton, Scranton, Pa., 18510-4624. The nominating deadline is 6 March.
Thomas J. Davis Named New Alumni President

Thomas J. Davis, C.P.A., ’69 was inaugurated as the 21st President of The University of Scranton Alumni Society prior to the 3 February meeting of the Alumni Board of Governors. He succeeds John H. Appleton, Esq., ’68 as leader of the Society’s 35,000 membership. The Society was founded in 1947.

A resident of Binghamton, N.Y., Mr. Davis is Senior Partner in the accounting firm of Piaker and President of Partnership 2000, an affiliate of the Binghamton Chamber of Commerce.

BIRTHS

77
A daughter, Nina Yubi, adopted from India by Vincent & Marlene Veno Grattoni, Moscow.

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80
A daughter, Jennifer Colleen, to Stephen & Cathy Russo Radke, Little Falls, N.J.

81
A son, Joseph Francis, to Martha & George J. Mauro, Jr., ’81, North Brunswick, N.J.

83
A son, Christopher John, to Michael, M.D., ’84 & Theresa Dubbelman Nanas, M.D., Bethlehem.
A daughter, Rachel Marie, to Gloria & Bruce Pellegrino, Yardley.

84
A son, Nial James, to Attys. Joseph & Mary Beth Connolly Veno, Forty Fort.
A son, Sean Michael, to Patricia & Philip Dunn, C.P.A., Totowa, N.J.
A daughter, Lucy Rose, to Jennifer & Thomas Schermerhorn, D.V.M., Brooktondale, N.Y.

85
A son, Declan Francis, to Brian & Maura Flynn Doherty ’86, Morristown, N.J.
Twin daughters, Maive Gordon & Abigail Rose, to Jim ’89 & Felicia Gordon Riehman, W. Norriton.
A son, Jack, to Mario & Todd Habeeb, D.M.D., Clarks Summit.
A son, Ethan Lane, to Jeffrey, D.O., & Shari Kowalski Palen, D.O., Tuscon, Ariz.

86
A daughter, Elizabeth Clark, to Michael & Rosemarie Clark Cappucci, Cranford, N.J.
A son, Ryan Patrick, to Patrick & Lisa Marie Hepa Hogan, Crofton, Md.
A daughter, Caroline, to Angelo & Susie Andrews Falcone, Garrettsburg, Md.
A daughter, Emma Catherine, to Lisa & John C. Notari, Esq., Winter Park, Fla.
A son, Matthew Thomas, to LeAnn & Brian Quinn, Salt Lake City, Utah.
A daughter, Caralyn Eilise, to Robin & Jim Speicher, Bristol, Va.
A son, Tanner Patrick, to Leon & Melanie Thomas Shaw, Northumberland.
A daughter, Caroline Anne, to Joseph & Amy Williamson Dit, Wanton Square.

87
A daughter, Emma Rose, to a son, Aidan James, to William & Lisa Amoroso Kiligian, Fairfield, Conn.
A son, Patrick Vincent, to Vincent & Loretta Dealy O’Toole, Nanuet, N.Y.
A son, Christopher David, to David & Deborah Fritz Guy, Everett, WA.
Twin sons, Jarod Richard & Harrison Philip, to Michael & Katherine Larkin-Kating ’89, Belleville, N.J.
A son, Nicholas James, to Anthony & Deneen Matteo Madera, Clarks Summit.

88
A daughter, Katerina Ford, to Greg & Stephanie Ait Lamm, Durham, N.C.
A daughter, Devyn, to Alan & Evelyn Hinz Cunningham, Tafton.
A daughter, Grace Alison, to James & Alison Kaminski Takacs, Cambridge, Mass.
A daughter, Carissa Colette, to Kevin, M.D. & Karen Karch Reino, O.D., Perkasie.
A son, Sean Michael, to Michael & Laurie Martin Petrucci, Cranford, N.J.
A son, Jason Thomas, to Mark & Denise Oranaro Crean, Farmingville, N.Y.
A daughter, Hailey Kathryn, to Scott & Mari Walsh Rush, Endicot, N.Y.

89
A son, Jared Michael, to Michael & Pamela Aamerine Septer ’86, Langhorne.
A son & a daughter, Holden Xavier & Catherine Christine, to Kerry & Justin Brader, Lakeport, Calif.
A son, Robert James, III, to Kimberly Legg, D.O., & Robert Corba, D.O., Allentown.
A son, Samuel Joseph, to Daniel & Lisa Struck Conoran, Honesdale.
A daughter, Michaela Rose, to Kevin & Katrina Fontanetta Casey, Hopkinton, Mass.
A son, Shea McNeil, to Rebecca & Philip Keenan, Warren, N.J.
A daughter, Sarah Ann, to Susan & Robert Lisowski, Laflin.
A son, Mark Joseph, to Anthony ’90 & Ann Riley Schiavo, South Plainfield, N.J.
A daughter, Cara Marie, to Dennis & Michelle Santisi Udicos, Macungie.
A son, John William, to Joseph & Susan Carr Spicicoli ’92, Randallstown, M.D.

Commenting on his nomination, Mr. Davis said, “I wish to build upon the work of my predecessor in executing an ambitious strategic plan that was developed under the leadership of John Appleton, particularly as it pertains to partnerships with other departments within the University, in order to serve the University, its graduates and future alumni.”

Other officers elected for two-year terms are: Catherine Ann Manley Coffey ’86, Madison, N.J., and Lake Ariel, President-elect; Kevin J. Lanahan ’84, Mendham, N.J., Secretary; and Timothy J. O’Brien ’74, Clarks Summit, (re-elected) Treasurer.

Alumni-at-large elected to three-year terms on the board were: Angelo R. Cinti, ’60, Delran, N.J.; Charles T. Cleveland, ’84, Scranton; Gerald A. Farley, ’51, Westfield, N.J.; Rev. Timothy L. Hubbs, ’80, Hammonton, N.J.; Amy J. Laboranti ’97, Moscow; John F. Lanahan, Esq., ’84, Belle Mead, N.J.; James A. Mezick, Ph.D., ’61, East Brunswick, N.J.; Robert T. Shields, ’59, Binghamton, N.Y.
Alumni Presidents: Past, Present and Future

Five Alumni Society leaders gather at a Holiday Reception of the New York Metropolitan Alumni Chapter held at Bayards Club in lower Manhattan in December. From left: Frank P. Paoli Jr. ’67, Past President; Thomas J. Davis ’69, President; Catherine A. Manley Coffey ’86, President-elect; Michael M. Costello ’78, Past President; and John H. Appleton, Esq., ’68 immediate Past President.

ALUMNI CALENDAR

20 February
Southeast Chapter Alumni Reception, Martin’s Tree House, Atlanta, Ga.

21 February
Alumni Reception, Laurel Oak Country Club, Sarasota, Fla.

22 February
Alumni Reception, Collier Athletic Club, Naples, Fla.

24 February
Alumni Picnic, Spanish River Park, Boca Raton, Fla.

25 February
Alumni Reception, Admiral’s Cove Country Club, Jupiter, Fla.

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BIRTHS continued

A daughter, Erin Moira, to Jacqueline, Esq. & Sean Welby, Esq. Harrisburg.

A daughter, Kelly Noll, to Jim & Lisa Witkowski Shearman, Lansdale.

A daughter, Allison Anne to Mack & Kimberly Wright Machin, Reston, Va.

90
A daughter, Morgan Elizabeth, to Brian & Lee Ann Alumni Haelefe, R.N., Dickson City.

A son, Tyler James, to Katherine & James M. Brannon, M.B.A., Seville, Md.

A daughter, Delaney Grace, to Sherry & James M. Brannon, M.B.A., Bronxville, N.Y.

A daughter, Grace Anne, to Anthony ’92 & Christine Celaura Arness, Norwalk, Conn.

A son, Connor Robert, to Mark & Susan Considine Chegwidden, Denville, N.J.

A son, Kyle Chester, to Matthew ’91 & Laura Haggren Brennan, Birdsboro.

A daughter, Isabelle Marie, to James, D.D., & Mary Ann Biancilla Thomas, D.D., Pompton Lakes, N.J.

A man, Michael James John, Jr., to Michael ’93 & Catherine Binder Habgood, Carboro, N.C.

A daughter, Tess Ann, to Christopher & Donna Delege McDonald, Medford, Mass.

A daughter, Brigid, to Brian & Ruth Flynn Raftery, Westfield, N.J.


A son, Matthew Charles, to Michael & Michele LaRosa Varano, Mountainside, N.J.

A son, Dominick Henry, to Damian & Jennifer Oliver Angrand, Exeter.

A son, Dylan Daniel, to Daniel & Cindy Powers Kratz, Sewell, N.J.

A daughter, Lauryn Elaine, to Robert & Beth Stroud Pemberton, Dallas.

A daughter, Claire Elizabeth, to Michael & Monica Toritto Burns, Havertown.

92
A daughter, Julia Grace, to Leonard & Ellen Model Burke ’93, Clarks Summit.

A daughter, Lacey Jayne, to Nicole & Kevin Carey, D.D., Noxen.

A son, Kenneth Eugene, to Ken & April Furey Reuther, B.S.N., Harrisburg.

A son, Justin Kennedy, to Evie & Kenneth Kassned, Parsippany, N.J.

A son, Thomas Joseph, to Tom ’93 & Christine Lentini Rooney, Brookville, N.Y.

A son, Brandon Patrick, to Brian, D.M.D., & Allisa Siglin Lotus, Easton.

A son, Liam Joseph, to Timothy & Carol Owens Roy, New York, N.Y.

A son, Jack Christopher, to Mark & Kristine Walter Mayrides, Bridgewater, N.J.

93
A son, Michael Edward, to Timothy & Megan Harrington Gill, Littleton, Colo.

A son, Michael Brian, to Michael & Jill Joswick Bednar, Springfield.

A son, Jake Ryan, to John & JoAnn Loughney Caviley, Wynnewood.

A daughter, Margaret Grace, to Thomas & Kathleen Sprows Cummings, Valparaiso, Ind.

A daughter, Alexandria Rose to Nicole & Andrew Trinovitch, Mount Cobb.

A son, William Stephen, to Eric ’95 & Angela Young Marchesi, Needham, Mass.

94
A son, Patrick David, to William & Tammy Jo Eckhart Burke, Dunmore.

95G
A son, Matthew William, to Bill & Cheryl Dougherty Migatz, Hopewell Junction, N.Y.

95
A daughter, Alexandra Marie, to Rocco, Esq., & Erin Ahern Valvano ’95, Scranton.

A daughter, Alexis Nicole, to Maureen & Timothy Walsh, Throop.

96
A daughter, Gabriela Victoria & a son, Roberto Luis, to Indira & Bobby Armes, Potomac Falls, Va.

99
A daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, to Todd & Eileen DeAngelo Miller, West Pittston.
Henry Nicols, H '93
Henry Nicols, who received an Honorary Bachelor’s Degree from the University in 1993, died from injuries sustained in a car accident, 8 May, 2000. He was 26 years old.

A native of Cooperstown, N.Y., Henry was a nationally recognized advocate for AIDS education. In 1991, Henry, a hemophiliac, announced that he had contracted HIV from a 1984 blood transfusion. Although he dedicated much of his life to educating people about AIDS, he also enjoyed mountain climbing, waterskiing and baby-sitting.

Jean Marie O’Hara Lynett
Jean Marie O’Hara Lynett, a longtime friend of the University and a well-known civic leader of Lackawanna County, died 11 October, 2000.

In 1976, the University presented Mrs. Lynett with an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree. In 1972, the University named a Presidential Scholarship in her honor. Mrs. Lynett also chaired the women’s division of the University’s first fund campaign led by the late John J. Long, S.J., President.

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Through their generous gifts to the University, John E. (Jack) Brennan ’68 and Arthur J. Kania, Esq., ’53, give hope to a new generation of students pursuing education and opportunity in the field of business. Mr. Brennan and Mr. Kania are stewards of a legacy whose beneficiaries include Joseph Witkowski ’01, a finance major from Ho-Ho-Kus, N. J., and Adrienne Hamson ’01, an international business major from Brookhaven.

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