Plans Unveiled for New Retreat Center Building

Construction is expected to begin in March on a new 11,584 square-foot facility at the Retreat Center at Chapman Lake. The building, designed by Burkavage Design Associates, will include a 65-seat chapel, meeting rooms, a lounge and 21 bedrooms to accommodate 42 guests.

In an effort to meet the growing demand for retreats by students, faculty and staff, The University of Scranton has unveiled plans for a new retreat center at Chapman Lake. Currently more than 1,400 students, faculty and staff participate annually in retreats and other spiritual programs conducted at the lake by the University.

“The project we plan to undertake will result in retreat facilities that rival any college in the nation,” said University President Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.

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The new facility will connect to the 13,118 square foot facility that was built at the lake in 1998. This existing structure includes a dining room, kitchen, one large meeting room, five small meeting rooms and 11 bedrooms.

Once both buildings are in use, the University will be able to accommodate 63 overnight guests for retreats at the Conference and Retreat Center.

In unveiling plans for the new retreat building, Fr. Pilarz announced that the Jesuit Community at Scranton and other alumni and friends have generously agreed to support the University in the construction of the facility.

“The University is deeply grateful to the Jesuit Community, alumni and friends for their support of our retreat programs and especially for this important new project,” said Fr. Pilarz.

The University plans to begin construction on the new retreat center in March and expects the project to be completed in the spring of 2006.

The University’s Campus Ministry staff coordinates and supervises weekend spiritual retreats for freshmen run by upperclassmen, for seniors as they prepare to end their college careers, for students interested in learning about Ignatian spirituality, for students seeking a better understanding of faith and Christian living, and for participants searching for answers to help them through the challenges they face as students. Campus Ministry Department runs a week-long “busy-persons” retreat with the Diocese of Scranton.

Arrupe Award to be Presented to President Emeritus of Fordham

Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., who for 19 years served as President of Fordham University, New York City, will receive the University’s tenth annual Pedro Arrupe, S.J., Award for Distinguished Contributions to Ignatian Mission and Ministries.

Father O’Hare, whose tenure as President of Fordham is the longest in the university’s 163-year history, will receive the Arrupe Award at a University of Scranton Convocation to be held Feb. 14 at noon in the fifth floor Executive Center of Brennan Hall on campus.

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.

“The University is proud to honor a man whose service to Catholic and Jesuit education, to the Jesuit mission and to civic affairs has been recognized with many prestigious awards and accolades,” said University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.

Fr. O’Hare has been presented with honorary degrees from 11 colleges and universities, and six civic, government and Catholic organizations have honored him with their most distinguished awards. Among these is the Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Award presented by the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities in 2004.

In 1998, he was named one of the 50 “Stars of the Irish Diaspora” by the World of Hibernia magazine. In 1994 and again in 1998, Fr. O’Hare was named one of the top 100 Irish-Americans by Irish America magazine. Beyond his native New York, Fr. O’Hare has served as chair of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities and the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities. He is a former trustee of the Asia Society and was part of its study mission to the Philippines where he received his early training as a Jesuit. He went on to earn licentiate degrees in philosophy and in theology from Woodstock College, Maryland, and a doctorate in philosophy from Fordham University. He was ordained a priest in 1961 in the Fordham University Church in the Bronx.

Before joining Fordham University, Fr. O’Hare served for nine years as Editor-in-Chief of America, the weekly journal of opinion published by Jesuits of the United States and Canada. He currently serves as an Associate Editor of America.

For the academic year, 2004-2005, he is serving as President of Regis High School in New York City, his alma mater.
Nursing Student Receives $2,500 Scholarship

The University of Scranton Making a Difference Nursing Scholarship Award was recently presented to Ellen Linde, Forest City, a nursing student at the University. Ms. Linde received an award in the amount of $2,500.

The Making a Difference Nursing Scholarship Award was founded to assist licensed practical nurses who are pursuing a bachelor's degree in nursing at the University. The Making a Difference Nursing Scholarship Fund is named in honor of Pauline Mileski, R.N., a dedicated nurse whose work encompassed many areas of care. The fund was initiated by proceeds from the sale of a book:

Making A Difference: Stories from the Point of Care written by Sharon S. Hudacek, R.N., Ed.D., Associate Professor of Nursing at the University. Dr. Hudacek is the wife of Stephen Hudacek, who was raised by Mrs. Mileski after his parents were tragically killed in a plane crash.

Published by the International Honor Society for Nursing, Making a Difference: Stories from the Point of Care is a nationally award-winning book that was recently named the "Best Book" by the International Honor Society for Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau. Recognized for its compelling collection of personal experiences told by nurses around the world, Making A Difference is a book for and about nurses.

Library Seeks Donations for Book Sale

The University’s Weinberg Memorial Library is now accepting book donations for its annual spring sale. Donations will be accepted until April 20 and may be placed in the bin in the vestibule on the Monroe Avenue side of the library.

The library is accepting all titles of used hardcover and paperback books, including children's books, cookbooks, fiction and non-fiction. In addition, they are collecting videos, compact discs, audiotapes and records. Not accepted, however, are Reader's Digest condensed books and National Geographic magazines.

This year's book sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m., and Sunday, April 24, from noon until 4 p.m., in the Scranton Heritage Room on the fifth floor of the Weinberg Memorial Library.

Hardcover books will be sold for $1 each and paperbacks will be sold for 50 cents. Flowering plants and tag sale items will also be sold.

The Weinberg Judaic Studies Institute at The University of Scranton will present a lecture by Rabbi Chaim Rapoport on "Homosexuality: A New Perspective." It will take place on April 7, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 228, Brennan Hall on campus. The lecture will be followed by comments by J. Brian Benestad, Ph.D., and Charles R. Pinches, Ph.D., Professors of Theology/Religious Studies at the University.

Rabbi Rapoport is the rabbi of the Ilford Synagogue in England, a post he has held since 1997. He is also the Chief Rabbi's advisor on issues of medical ethics and is the author of several books in Hebrew and English, including his recently published Judaism and Homosexuality: An Authentic Orthodox View.

Born in Manchester, England, in 1963, Rabbi Rapoport attended the Yeshivot of Manchester, Gateshead, Torat Emet, Jerusalem, and the central Lubavitch Yeshiva, New York. After receiving his rabbinic diploma, he and his wife, Rachel Clara, joined the Kollel community in Melbourne, Australia, where he pursued post-graduate studies and officiated and lectured. In 1989, Rabbi Rapoport returned to England, where he held several posts, including head of the Leeds Kollel, minister in Birmingham and head of the Birmingham Rabbinic Board.

Rabbi Rapoport was appointed as a member of the Chief Rabbi’s Cabinet and Advisor to the Chief Rabbi on matters of Jewish Medical Ethics in 1998. He is the Chief Rabbi’s advisor on issues of medical ethics and is the author of several books in Hebrew and English, including his recently published Judaism and Homosexuality: An Authentic Orthodox View.

The Judaic Studies Institute at The University of Scranton was created in 1979 through an endowment funded by the local Jewish community. The institute fosters an understanding and appreciation of Judaism, Israel and their histories. It supports visits to the University by Jewish scholars, writers and leaders, and supports library acquisitions, publications, faculty research travel and other scholarly endeavors. The work of the institute was further enhanced by a $1 million gift from the Weinberg Foundation in 1999.

For information on Rabbi Rapoport’s lecture, contact Marc B. Shapiro, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Theology/Religious Studies, at (570) 941-7956.

Professors Receive Alperin Award for Teaching

S. Kingsley Grannendran, Ph.D., Associate Professor Operations and Information Management, and John J. Kalanitiotis, Aph.D., Associate Professor of Economics/Finance, received the Sixth Annual Alperin Teaching Fellow Award at The University of Scranton. The award was presented at the annual Kania School of Management dinner in October.

The Alperin Award was created through the Alperin Endowment Fund to recognize faculty achievement and excellent teaching in the Kania School of Management at the University. The award is one of several University initiatives supported by the Alperins, who own and operate several area garment-manufacturing plants.

University Concludes Pilot Program

The University has concluded a successful test program that allowed Royal Card users to make purchases at Grantee’s Restaurant on Mulberry Street.

The objectives of test were to identify and address technical concerns and to gauge the interest of students.

"Based on the results, the test was successful and suggests the need for further consideration of an expanded purchase program," said Jerome P. DeSanto, Vice President for Planning and CIO. "In order to be fair to other vendors in the region, we would need to implement a broader program before moving forward."

Hope Horn Gallery Exhibit

"Mid-West Lure" by Matthew Zupnick will be among the pieces on exhibit when the University’s Hope Horn Gallery showcases his work in "Upward Climb: Evolving Issues of My Work" on display from March 6 through April 5.
Task Force Develops Campus-wide Sustainability Plan

During Trustee Day on Feb. 9, the University community will engage in conversations around the theme of "sustainability." These conversations are the culmination of discussions among a group of staff and faculty serving on a committee convened last year by the President of the University. The Task Force, chaired by Patrick Leahy, Executive Assistant to the President, has developed a campus-wide implementation plan entitled “Education for Justice: The Case for Sustainability.”

But what is sustainability? According to the Bruntland Commission of the United Nations, which in January launched a 10-year sustainability initiative, “sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.”

Sustainability involves more than a focus on environmental issues; it gives equal recognition to social justice and equality. "In the context of higher education, sustainability implies that the critical activities of a college or university are, at a minimum, ecologically sound, socially just and economically viable, and that they will continue to be so for future generations," said University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J.

The University’s attention to sustainability is linked to the work of its Education for Justice Task Force. “The University’s Catholic and Jesuit identity inspires and informs our attention to sustainable development,” said Mr. Leahy. "Because Scranton is a comprehensive university, we have the capacity to search for answers and understanding about sustainability from a wealth of perspectives: environmental, economic, spiritual, social justice and political."

While the University has just recently formalized its sustainability initiatives, the campus has been engaging in sustainability efforts for some time. For example, the University offers a range of academic programs and courses that discuss the issue of sustainability and its impact on society.

In the area of Physical Plant, the University stockpiled approximately 1,200 cubic yards of topsoil from the artificial turf resurfacing of Fitzpatrick Field for use on campus landscaping projects. A recycling program that has resulted in the recycling of over 1,000 tons of material over the past 10 years received an award from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The student-based Eco Club hosts events that highlight environmental and sustainability issues across campus.

The Campus Plan for sustainability developed by the Task Force identifies ways in which the University can expand and enhance sustainability initiatives in the areas of academics, physical plant and community education.

Annual Fund Reaches 2004 Goal, Launches 2005 Campaign

Announcing the successful completion of the University’s 2004 Annual Fund and the launch of the 2005 Annual Fund, from left: Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University President; Christine Oliver-Shean ‘80, Campaign Chair; Carol Macalloch, Director of Annual Giving Programs; and Paul J. Strunk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement.

The University’s Annual Fund has reached its historic $3,518,992 goal for 2004. "The generous gifts of alumni, parents, faculty and staff have enabled us to reach a milestone in Annual Giving Programs that provide vital financial assistance in support of our mission," said Paul J. Strunk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement. “The University is grateful to the thousands of donors and countless volunteers who support the Annual Fund.”

Activities that benefit from the Annual Fund effort include financial aid and scholarships, library acquisitions, Catholic and Jesuit identity programs, technology and equipment, and faculty development programs. "Acknowledging that these are "ongoing programs in need of continued financial support," Mr. Strunk announced the launch of the University’s 2005 Annual Fund, which carries a goal of $3,650,000.

Campaign Chair for the 2005 Annual Fund is Christine Oliver-Shean ’80. Frank X. Homer, Ph.D., Professor of History, is serving as the Chair of the University Community Campaign.

For additional information, contact the Annual Fund office at (570) 941-7725.

Memorial Lecture Celebrates Catholic Intellectual Tradition

The literary genius of Flannery O’Connor and the devoted teaching and scholarship of a beloved Jesuit will provide the inspiration for the first J.J. Quinn, S.J., Memorial Lecture Celebrating the Catholic Intellectual Tradition on Tuesday, April 5.

Distinguished professor and author Ralph C. Wood, Ph.D., University Professor of Theology and Literature at Baylor University, will present “Flannery O’Connor’s Enduring Witness: A Celebration of the Legacy of J.J. Quinn, S.J.” The lecture will take place at 7 p.m. in the Scranton Heritage Room of the Weinberg Memorial Library, and is free and open to the public.

Dr. Wood is the author of two books about Ms. O’Connor, including Flannery O’Connor and the Christ-Haunted South published in 2004 by Eerdmans Publishing. The evening will mark the opening of an exhibit of papers and memorabilia, including correspondence between Fr. Quinn and Ms. O’Connor that took place from the 1950s until her death in 1964 at the age of 39. The late J.J. Quinn, S.J., served as a Professor of English at The University of Scranton for more than four decades.

“It is altogether fitting that we remember Father Quinn through a lecture series that celebrates the Catholic intellectual tradition and that we begin the series by shedding a spotlight on Flannery O’Connor,” said Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., President. “We are delighted to have Dr. Wood as our inaugural speaker because he shares Father Quinn’s passion for enduring power of Flannery’s writing.”

Dr. Wood earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees in English from East Texas State and a master’s and doctorate from the University of Chicago. Describing the classroom as his “first and unashamed calling,” he served as John Allen Easley Professor of Religion at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C. At Wake Forest, he was presented the Reid-Doyle Prize for excellence in teaching among junior faculty and the Jon Reinhardt Award for distinguished classroom work among senior faculty.

Following his tenure at Wake Forest University, he was appointed as Baylor University’s first interdisciplinary University Professor of Theology and Literature. Dr. Wood serves as an Editor-at-large for the Christian Century and as a member of the editorial board for the Flannery O’Connor Review. In addition to writing two books about Ms. O’Connor, Dr. Wood is the author of several other books, including Contending for the Faith: The Church’s Engagement with Culture and The Gospel According to Tolkien: Visions of the Kingdom in Middle-earth.
Twelve Students Recognized at Frank O'Hara Awards Ceremony

Four faculty members were selected by The University of Scranton’s Faculty Development Board to receive intersession 2005 grants:

- John Deak, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Chemistry, to research “Curriculum Development of the Physical Chemistry Laboratory in Meeting American Chemical Society Standards.”
- Kelli O’Brien, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Theology, was awarded a grant to research “The Use of Scripture in the Markan Passion Narrative.”
- Jennifer Tripp, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Chemistry, to study the “Evaluation of a New Integrated Technique for Isotopic Analysis of Archaeological Materials.”
- Argyrios Varonides, Ph.D., Professor, Physics and Electrical Engineering, to research “Thermionic Current Improvements Due to Fermi Level Splitting in Quantum Well (qw) Solar Cells.”
- Harry Dammer, Ph.D., Chair and Associate Professor, Sociology/Criminal Justice, has been notified by the Attorney General of the State of Ohio that his dissertation research on religion in prison will be utilized as reference material to argue before the U.S. Supreme Court in the upcoming case Carter v. Wilkinson.

Four alumni were also honored:

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Harvard Professor and Noted Yiddish Expert to Deliver Annual Gelb Lecture

The University of Scranton’s 23rd annual Morris Gelb Lecture will feature Yiddish literature expert and Harvard professor Ruth R. Wisse, Ph.D.

The lecture, presented free of charge, will be held Thursday, May 12, at 8 p.m. in the Duckering Auditorium of the Kania School of Education.

Dr. Wisse’s talk is entitled “The Use and Abuse of Yiddish in America.”

Regarded as one of the world’s leading experts in Yiddish literature, she is also an active commentator on public affairs and has published widely in this area.

Dr. Wisse earned a bachelor of arts degree from McGill University, a master’s degree in English and comparative literature from Columbia University and a Ph.D. in English literature from McGill.

She has taught at Tel Aviv University and McGill University, where she held an endowed chair. Dr. Wisse joined the faculty of Harvard in 1993.

She is the author of The Modern Jewish Canon: A Journey Through Literature and Culture, winner of the National Jewish Book Award for Scholarship; If I Am Not For Myself: The Liberal Betrayal of the Jews, I. E. Peretz and The Making of Modern Jewish Culture, A Little Love in Big Manhattan: Two Yiddish Poets, and The Schlemiel as Modern Hero.

The lecture will be followed by the Weinberg Judaic Studies Institute’s publication of a book on Yiddish culture in America.

The book will feature contributions by internationally renowned scholars, including Dr. Wisse, and is being published in cooperation with Temple University’s Feinstein Center for American Jewish History.

The Morris Gelb Memorial Lecture is named in honor of the late Morris B. Gelb, Esq., in tribute to his more than 50 years of community service and his role in the development of The University of Scranton’s Weinberg Judaic Studies Institute.

Mr. Gelb’s wife, Mae, has continued the family’s civic and charitable endeavors.

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Medical Alumni Symposium Announced

The Medical Alumni of The University of Scranton Alumni Society will present its inaugural Medical Alumni Symposium April 8-10, in the Executive Center of Brennan Hall on campus. The event will coincide with Mercy Hospital's Boland Lecture on April 8 and will continue through April 9 with a variety of continuing education components for alumni in the health professions.

The Symposium will conclude on Saturday evening with a dinner-reception for all medical alumni, their spouses and guests.

Keynote speakers for the event will be LT. Gen. Kevin Kiley, M.D., FACOG '72, Surgeon General of the United States Army, and Richard Bevilacqua, M.D., D.D.S. '83, a graduate of the University of Connecticut School of Medicine and oral and maxillofacial surgeon with Connecticut Maxillofacial Associates, Hartford, Conn.

Mr. Mfume will speak on “Diversity and Democracy: Brown vs. the Board of Education.”

Kweisi Mfume's best-selling autobiography is entitled No Free Ride. A native of Baltimore, Md., he became politically active as a freshman in college, as editor of the school newspaper and as head of the Black Student Union. He graduated magna cum laude from Morgan State University.

The symposium will also feature a variety of continuing medical education programs through classroom presentations.

The University has nearly 2,000 physicians and dentists supported by an enviable record of medical school acceptances over the years.

Committee members planning the Symposium include: Anthony Yanni, M.D., ’88, Paul R. Casey, Jr., M.D. ’71, Michael P. Hall, M.D. ’89, Joanne Calabrese, D.O. ’91, Gerald P. Tracy, M.D. ’63, MAC Chairman, Lawrence E. Gallagher, D.M.D. ’82, and Mary Engel, Ph.D., Director of Medical School Placement and the Office of Fellowship Programs at the University.

For further information on the Medical Alumni Symposium, call the Alumni Office at 1-800-SCRANTON, or visit www.scranton.edu/alumni.

Former President, CEO of NAACP to Discuss “Diversity and Democracy”

All in Every Part: The University of Scranton’s Speaker Series on Diversity will present a lecture by Kweisi Mfume, former Congressman, President and CEO of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 28. The lecture will take place in Room 228 of Brennan Hall.

Mr. Mfume will speak on “Diversity and Democracy: Brown vs. the Board of Education.”

As a member of the House of Representatives, Congressman Mfume consistently advocated landmark minority business and civil rights legislation. He successfully co-sponsored and helped to pass the Americans with Disabilities Act. He authorized the minority contracting and employment amendments to the Financial Institutions Reform and Recovery Act. He strengthened the Equal Credit Opportunity Law, and amended the Community Reinvestment Act in the interest of minority financial institutions. Mr. Mfume co-authored and successfully amended the Civil Rights Bill of 1991 to apply the act to U.S. citizens working for American-based companies abroad. He also sponsored legislative initiatives banning assault weapons and establishing stalking as a federal crime.

Mr. Mfume became President and Chief Executive Officer of the NAACP in 1996. He recently resigned from his position, and has agreed to serve as a consultant to the NAACP until July 1, 2005.

Mr. Mfume is the recipient of eight honorary doctorate degrees and hundreds of awards, proclamations and citations.

The University’s Speaker Series on Diversity will feature six different lecturers in the spring, culminating with a Diversity Symposium on May 6.

For additional information, contact the Office of Equity and Diversity at (570) 941-6645.

Biology Professor Receives DCNR Grant

Research Studies Habitats of Migratory Birds

Dr. Robert Smith’s research is for the birds. Migratory birds, that is.

The University of Scranton Associate Professor of Biology has received a $24,916 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) to study the stopover ecology of migratory landbirds.

“The focus of the work is twofold,” says Robert J. Smith, Ph.D. “First, is an examination of how landbird migrants use the habitat during spring migration through northeastern Pennsylvania, and second, an assessment of the birds’ condition after visiting those habitats.”

Landbird migrants head north to breeding grounds in spring and south to wintering grounds in fall.

According to Dr. Smith, populations of many landbird migrants are in decline, and evidence suggests that migration plays a significant role in limiting populations.

Beginning in mid-April and continuing through the end of June, Dr. Smith and several University students will count and catch birds at Lackawanna State Park and on private lands adjacent to the park. The students will measure the birds and then set them free with individually numbered aluminum bands on their legs.

The birds will be recaptured during the season and their measurements will be compared and evaluated.

“If a bird has sufficient migratory fat (something necessary for fueling nighttime migration), we can determine if the bird’s habitat is beneficial to migration. Results of this work will enable more accurate recommendations to be made with respect to selection of critical stopover habitats and management of those habitats, providing managers with a better idea of where to focus conservation efforts for landbird migrants,” says Dr. Smith.

He plans to combine results from this work with those from other studies examining migrant-habitat relations in an effort to protect a network of stopover sites for landbird migrants in eastern North America.

Dr. Smith hopes to continue the study for several years if funding is available.

Ignatian Heritage Week

Events to be Held

The University will celebrate its Ignatian identity during Ignatian Heritage Week, Feb. 13 – 17.

The week-long event will open on Sunday, Feb. 13 with a liturgy at 8:30 p.m. in the Byron Recreation Complex. Rev. John J. Shea, S.J., Vice President for University Ministries, will be the celebrant and homilist.

Other activities planned for the week include lectures, tours of campus art, and discussions about a variety of Ignatian topics. A highlight of the week will be the presentation of the Pedro Arrupe, S.J., Award for Distinguished Contributions to Ignatian Mission and Ministries. (See story on page 1.)

For information, call 941-7419.

Nobel Prize-winning Neurobiologist Delivers 2004 Mullin Lecture

Nobel Prize-winning neurobiologist David H. Hubel, M.D., spoke on “Vision and the Brain” at the 2004 Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture on Nov. 15. Mullin family members and friends pictured with Dr. Hubel, from left: Bonnie (Mrs. Brian) Mullin; James Stormes; Robbin Mullin; Dr. Hubel; Ethel (Mrs. Harry) Mullen; Brian Mullin, M.D.; and Harry Stormes.

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The University has announced the Dean's List, which recognizes students for academic excellence during the fall 2004 semester. In order to be named to the Dean's List, a student must have a grade point average of 3.5 or better with a minimum number of credit hours. The list includes students from the University's four undergraduate colleges: the Panuska College of Professional Studies, the College of Arts and Sciences, the Kania School of Management and Drexel Hanley College.

Students Named to Dean's List

The Scranton Tribune, February 2005
Program Seeks to Stop the “Red Zone”

University of Scranton students will visit area high schools this spring, not to talk about college admissions, but rather to discuss some college dangers.

The college students will educate high school seniors in ways to recognize and protect themselves against sexual assault and dating violence at a time when they are most vulnerable: the first three months of college.

Known as the “red zone,” this is the time period between freshman move-in and fall break when there is a high incidence of sexual assaults on campuses across the nation.

“Colleges have typically taken a reactive approach to the red zone by trying to get information out to first-year students as soon as they arrive on campus,” said Elizabeth Randol, Ph.D., director of the University’s Jane Kopas Women’s Center.

“We are taking a more proactive approach by getting out information before they get to campus. We are not reacting to the red zone; we are trying to prevent it.”

The program, called PACT (Promoting Awareness of the College Transition), targets both male and female high school students and will be taught by male and female University of Scranton students. It was developed by The University’s Jane Kopas Women’s Center in conjunction with the Women’s Resource Center of Lackawanna and Susquehanna Counties. PACT is supported through a grant from Tomorrow’s Leaders Today and The Scranton Area Foundation.

University students will discuss the potential risks and dangers of sexual assault and relationship violence, what can be done to reduce those risks and how to get help if they or someone they know, has been victimized.

“It is a program that emphasizes prevention. Sexual assault isn’t just someone jumping out of the bushes,” said Dr. Randol. “We will discuss red flag signs of abusive relationships which may lead to sexual assault. We will discuss healthy relationships and healthy communication. We want the students to avoid becoming involved in abusive relationships no matter where they go to school.”

The program will include information about relationship violence, such as harassment, intimidation, humiliation, threats, isolation and other tactics commonly used in abusive relationships. The program will also discuss warning signs of abusive relationships which include some “red flag” behaviors, such as being frightened by your partner’s temper, being afraid to disagree, or making excuses for your partner’s hurtful behavior.

Lenten Program to Support Tsunami Victims

Responding to the devastating effects of the Tsunami in Asia, the University will hold a Lenten Program of Giving from Feb. 10 – March 15.

The Program will begin with a Prayer Service at noon in the Eagen Auditorium of the Gunster Center on Feb. 10. This Service will provide an opportunity to pray for the hundreds of thousands of people devastated by this tragedy.

Throughout the five weeks of the Church’s Lenten season, members of the University Community are encouraged to contribute to a special fund established for the Tsunami victims. All monetary donations are to be sent to the Center for Social Action and Service Initiatives located in Gunster Memorial Hall. Checks are to be made payable to “The University of Scranton.” Monies raised will be sent to Jesuit Refugee Services, who will provide services and materials for the families most affected by the Tsunami.

The Lenten Program of Giving will conclude on March 15 with a Prayer Service to be held at noon in Madonna Della Strada Chapel.
Remote Controls Help Professor Gauge Responses to Questions

Students need more than text books and test tubes in Dr. Marx's chemistry class this semester. They need to bring their remotes too.

The students are using a new electronic teacher management tool that allows them to respond to the professor's question by pointing a remote control to a sensor and pushing a button. Within seconds, the professor knows who and, more importantly, how many answered correctly.

The technology, called "personal response system," is similar to a remote control for a TV or VCR, but with fewer buttons. Students purchase a "clicker" at the University Book Store, which is registered to them by name and costs about $10. They can then use the device in any class equipped with radio response pad technology.

"I no longer have to guess as to whether or not the students understand. I now know immediately and can adjust my lecture as needed," said David Marx, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Chair of the Chemistry Department, who uses the tool in his general chemistry class.

Dr. Marx incorporates the technology into his class by asking one or two multiple choice or true and false questions each period to assess the students' understanding of the material covered.

"In every class there are students that just do not answer questions aloud, perhaps because they are afraid to be wrong. The system forces every student to participate and even the reluctant responders become engaged," said Dr. Marx, who explained that individual responses remain anonymous. The students only see the percentage responding to each selection.

Students seem to like the personal response system.

"It is an effective way to give every student the chance to answer a question," said junior Kellianne Murray, Matawan, N.J. "I usually don't answer questions in class."

Her classmate, junior biochemistry major David Fryzel, Olshan, agrees.

Mr. Fryzel, however, frequently answers questions aloud.

"It makes it easier to engage students by eliminating the embarrassment of answering incorrectly in front of your classmates," said Mr. Fryzel.

Dr. Marx also uses the new tool as a mechanism to increase student involvement.

Rather than immediately giving the students the correct answer, Dr. Marx only lets the students know the percentage responding to each answer selection. The students discuss the responses and then answer again to see if more answer correctly.

Dr. Marx also found a way to use the technology to extend the class period.

"I discovered that if I put a question on the board before class begins, the students immediately begin to try to figure out the answer as soon as they arrive," said Dr. Marx, noting that, in essence, the class now begins five minutes before the bell.

Panuska College Studies Academic Integrity

Would you cheat a friend? Probably not, especially if your "friend" was also your professor.

Students in the University's Panuska College of Professional Studies have touted close relationships between them and their professors as one of the deterrents of academic dishonesty.

The college has been quietly studying the issue of academic integrity for nearly a year through a series of focus group interviews with undergraduate and graduate, traditional and non-traditional students. Interviews with faculty members are ongoing, as the college works to develop discipline-specific principles and cases studies for each of the seven departments in the College. The case studies will include academic integrity issues that relate to college as well as real-life professional situations.

"The student/faculty relationship was key," said Rhonda Waskiewicz, Ed.D., Associate Dean of the Panuska College. "Students didn't want to do anything to jeopardize this relationship."

Through focus group interviews with more than 50 students, conducted in the spring 2004 semester, students indicated that a close relationship with professors who knew their abilities and could recognize their work fosters academic honesty.

The research also showed that students perceive the discussion of academic integrity as important to their college and professional careers. The students felt the need to possess an honest understand-
Seven Inducted into Wall of Fame

The University has inducted seven new members into the Wall of Fame.

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.

The Class of 2004 includes: Dr. Matt Brown ’55, a track and field standout; the husband and wife team of men's basketball all-American Dr. Matt Casano ’93 and women's basketball all-American Jacqueline (Dougerty) Casano ’95; men's soccer all-American Daniel Diceanu; women's soccer standout Lynn (Flannery) Winter; former Tomcat football player William "Red" Lydon ’52, ’61; and women's basketball all-American Laura (Pikulski) Marion ’92.

Dr. Brown, a sprinter on the track team from 1953-1955, finished his career with 38 first-place finishes.

Upon graduation, he attended Temple University, where he earned his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree. A practicing dentist for 40 years until his retirement, he also worked in the U.S. Public Health Service for two years and served as president of the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry. At the age of 40, he began competing in the Senior World Games. From 1974 through 1999, Dr. Brown competed in 12 countries throughout the world as a sprinter. In 1981, he competed in New Zealand, where he won five medals and broke two world age-group records. He has also competed in the last three New York City marathons.

Dr. Brown and his wife, Connie, reside in Sarasota, Fla., where he currently volunteers as a dentist at the local Senior Friendship Center.

Dr. Casano excelled in the classroom and on the court. As a senior, he was named first-team all-American by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) and first-team Academic all-American by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Even though he averaged 20 points and 12.5 rebounds his senior year, it was his defensive presence that may have been his most compelling trait. He led Division III in blocked shots with 145, an average of five per game. Along with Jason Hoppy, a third-team all-American, he was named first-team all-Middle Atlantic Conference. During his tenure, Scranton won two MAC North titles and an overall MAC championship and made three NCAA tournament appearances under then head coach Bob Bessoir. He attended Temple University School of Medicine upon graduation.

Jacqueline (Dougerty) Casano established her own niche on the women's basketball team. She was a first-team Kodak/Women's Basketball Coaches of America (WBCA) all-American and the most valuable player (MVP) of the Middle Atlantic Conference Freedom League her senior year.

She averaged 18.7 points and 13.2 rebounds in 1994 as the Lady Royals won the overall MAC title for the third time in her career. She was also a member of four teams that advanced to the NCAA tournament, including a third-place finish in 1993 and two Sweet 16 appearances under current head coach Mike Strong.

She concluded her career by earning the O'Hara Award, which is presented annually to the outstanding female athlete at the University.

A 1992 graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Therapy, Lynn and her husband, Dave, reside in Bethpage, N.Y., with their two children: Meghan and Emma.

William "Red" Lydon was a three-year starter on the football team from 1949-1951. A native of Scranton, he delayed his college education by joining the Marines upon his high school graduation.

After his military service, Lydon accepted a scholarship to play football at the University of Tennessee and stayed there for one season before his mother asked him to return home to help out with his ailing father. He appeared in 30 career games as the Tomcats of then head coach Pete Carlesimo posted winning seasons in 1950 and 1951. He was twice named honorable mention all-East Coast. Lydon enjoyed a 34-year career in the field of education, which included serving as principal of the former Scranton Technical High School and West Scranton Middle School. In addition to enjoying a successful coaching career at the former South Scranton Central Catholic and Scranton Tech high schools, he served as an adjunct faculty member in the Education Department at the University for a number of years. Bill and his wife, Mary, reside in Scranton.

Laura (Pikulski) Marion was a steady and consistent scoring and rebounding threat during her four-year career. Despite standing only 5'8", she is still ranked among the all-time leaders in Lady Royals' history with 824 rebounds and 90 blocked shots.

She contributed 8.0 points and 6.3 rebounds a game her sophomore year as Scranton won the Middle Atlantic Conference championship and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA tournament. She came back the following season to average nearly 10 points a game and lead the Lady Royals for the first of two times in her career in rebounding.

She joined forces with Lynn Kempski (Dougerty) Casano on a 1992 team that advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament. She averaged nearly 11 points and a team-leading 10 rebounds a game to earn the Middle Atlantic Conference Northeast Section most valuable player (MVP) award. She was also named third-team all-American. At the conclusion of her senior year, she joined (Flannery) Winter as the co-recipients of the 1992 O'Hara Award, which is presented annually to the top female athlete at the University.

Laura resides in Clarks Summit with her husband, Michael, and three children: Meghan, Mary Clair and Michael.
February
Exhibit: "The Spirit of Myth: Recent Paintings by Jason Travers," on display through Feb. 25
Exhibit of Arkham House books from the Edward R. Leahy Collection, through Feb. 27.
Heritage Room, Weinberg Library

4 Last Day to Add Courses
8 p.m., University Players present the 19th Annual Playwright’s Festival, through Feb. 6.
Royal Theater, McDade Center
9 p.m., Comedian Bill Burr, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

5 5 p.m., Scranton Club of New Jersey Alumni Post-Game Reception, Drew University Student Center.

6 1-2 p.m., Lecture: "The Spirit of The Myth: Recent Paintings by Jason Travers," Room 228, Brennan Hall
2-4 p.m., Exhibit Opening Reception, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall

7 7 p.m., Trustee Day. Various campus locations.
11:30 p.m., Trustee Day Luncheon, Eagen Auditorium, Gunster Student Center.

12:05 p.m. & 4:40 p.m., Ash Wednesday Masses, Houlihan-McLean Center
Last Day 100% Tuition Refund (non-flat rate only)
6 p.m., Women’s Basketball hosts Wilkes, Long Center
8 p.m., Men’s Basketball hosts Wilkes, Long Center

8 9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, Open Mic Night, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center.

11 Last Day to Request Credit/No Credit Option (Undergrad only)
12 11 a.m., Wrestling hosts Gettysburg, Maritime, Wilkes, Long Center
1 p.m., Scranton Club of Lehigh Valley Alumni Pre-Game Reception, Billera Hall, DeSales University.
1 p.m., 6th Annual Brain Bee Competition for high school students, Room 228, Brennan Hall
9:30 a.m., Scranton Club of Lehigh Valley Alumni Post-Game Reception, Copperhead Grille, Center Valley.
3:30 p.m., Scranton Club of Lehigh Valley Alumni Pre-Game Reception, Copperhead Grille, Center Valley.

13 7:30 p.m., The University Jazz Ensemble, “In Concert,” featuring David Osvald’s Gully Low Jazz Band, Houlihan-McLean Center.
8:30 p.m., Ignatian Heritage Liturgy, Byron Complex.

14 Valentine’s Day
Noon Arrupe Award Presentation, Fifth Floor, Brennan Hall

15 6 p.m, Women’s Basketball hosts King’s, Long Center
8 p.m., Men’s Basketball hosts Kings, Long Center

16 Last Day 75% Tuition Refund (non-flat rate only)
18 8 a.m., Florida Alumni Breakfast, Juliette’s Restaurant, Omni Jacksonville Hotel, Jacksonville
7 p.m., Florida Alumni Social, Conrad Miami Hotel, Miami
9 p.m., Comedian Erin Foley, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

19 1 p.m., Women’s Basketball hosts Delaware Valley, Long Center
3 p.m., Men’s Basketball hosts Delaware Valley, Long Center

20 11 a.m., Florida Alumni Branch, Admiral’s Cove, Jupiter.
21 President’s Day

22 6:30 p.m., Florida Alumni Social, Chapter’s on the Park, Winter Park

23 Last Day 50% Tuition Refund (non-flat rate only)
6:30 p.m., Florida Alumni Social, Ritz Carlton, Sarasota

24 9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, J.P. Williams, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center
6:30 p.m. Florida Alumni Social, Naples Hilton, Naples

25 7:30 p.m., The University String Orchestra with violinist Sophie Till-Mooney and pianist Ron Stabinski, Houlihan-McLean Center
8 p.m., Scranton Club of Philadelphia Young Alumni Business Exchange, McFadden’s, Philadelphia

26 10 a.m., Scranton Club of N.J. Ski Trip, Mountain Creek, Vernon

March
2 Last Day 25% Tuition Refund (non-flat rate only)
Last Day to Drop a Course with No Grade
7:30 p.m., Wycliffe Gorden Quintet, “In Concert,” Houlihan-McLean Center

3 9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, Jim’s Big Ego, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

4 9 p.m., Comedian Warren B. Hall, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

6 Exhibit: “Human Allegory: Recent Sculptures by Matthew Zupnick,” through April 5, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall
1-2 p.m., Lecture: “Upward Climb: Evolving Issues in My Work,” Room 228, Brennan Hall
2-4 p.m., Gallery Reception, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall

10 8 p.m., University Players present “Madmen & Specialists” through March 13, Royal Theater, McDade Center
9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, Jason LeVasseur, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center


13 9:30 a.m., Scranton Club of Philadelphia Lenten Retreat, St. Raphaela Center, Haverford

15 T.B.D., Baseball hosts Misericordia, Connell Park

16 7:30 p.m., The University’s Student Musicians, “In Recital,” Houlihan-McLean Center

17 St. Patrick’s Day

18 Incomplete Grades from Prior Terms Due
4 p.m., First Annual Jesuit Alumni Retreat through March 20, Mount Manresa, 239 Fingebord Rd., Staten Island, NY.
6 p.m., University Housing Closes

19 Spring Break Begins

20 Palm Sunday

21 9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, Jon Fredrick’s Band, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

24 3 p.m., Baseball hosts Wilkes, Connell Park

25 Good Friday, Staff Holiday

27 Easter Sunday

28 Easter Monday, Staff Holiday
Noon, University Housing Re-opens

29 Classes Resume after Break
Mid-Semester Grades Due

31 9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, The Lloyd Dobler Effect, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

April
Exhibit: “Human Allegory: Recent Sculptures by Matthew Zupnick,” through April 5, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall

3 p.m., Baseball hosts Wilkes, Connell Park
6 p.m., Scranton Club of New Jersey Alumni Social, Hoboken

25 Good Friday, Staff Holiday
Noon, University Housing Re-opens

29 Classes Resume after Break
Mid-Semester Grades Due

31 9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, The Lloyd Dobler Effect, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

April
Exhibit: “Human Allegory: Recent Sculptures by Matthew Zupnick,” through April 5, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall

1 6 p.m., Scranton Club of Lehigh Valley Presidential Event

2 Freshman Preview Day
The Best of Poland Trip, sponsored by the University Alumni Society, through April 9
7:30 p.m., The Julliard Jazz Orchestra, “In Concert,” Houlihan-McLean Center

8 10 a.m., Medical Alumni Council Spring Symposium through April 10, Executive Center, Brennan Hall
3:30 p.m., Baseball hosts Fitchham, Connell Park

7:30 p.m., The University Jazz Ensemble, “In Concert,” Houlihan-McLean Center
9 p.m., Comedian Eddie Ifft, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

10 T.B.D., Baseball Hosts Marywood, Connell Park

14 Liva Arts Company presents “Guys & Dolls” through April 16.
Jefferson Auditorium, Lehigh Hall

15 7:30 p.m., The University Small Ensembles and Chamber Choir, “In Concert,” Houlihan-McLean Center.

16 Noon, Baseball hosts Drew, Connell Park

21 9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, Jon Fredrick’s Band, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

22 9 p.m., Comedian Joel Chasnoff, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center
8 p.m., University Players present “Strange Snow” today through April 24, Royal Theater, McDade Center

23 10 a.m., Alumni Board of Governors Quarterly Meeting, PNC Board Room, Brennan Hall
1 p.m., Baseball hosts Delaware Valley, Connell Park

24 Passover
Exhibit: “Juried Student Exhibition,” through May 6, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall
2-4 p.m., Exhibit: “Juried Student Exhibition,” Opening Reception, with 2:30 Awards Presentation, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall

25 Good Friday, Staff Holiday
Noon, University Housing Re-opens

29 Classes Resume after Break
Mid-Semester Grades Due

31 9 p.m., Coffeehouse Series, The Lloyd Dobler Effect, Second Floor Cafeteria, Gunster Student Center

8 a.m., 20th Annual Psychology Conference, Brennan Hall

9:30 a.m., University Players present “Strange Snow” through May 1, Royal Theater, McDade Center

8 p.m., Annual World Premiere Composition Series Concert with guest composer/conductor Jumanne Smith, Houlihan-McLean Center

30 8 p.m., 22nd Annual World Premiere Composition Series Concert with guest composer/conductor Jumanne Smith, Houlihan-McLean Center

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www.scranton.edu/events
Nursing Program Receives Grants for Student Scholarships

The University of Scranton’s Department of Nursing has received $111,070 in grants to be used for scholarships for 46 nursing students.

The Pennsylvania Higher Education Foundation (PHEF) has awarded the University with an $89,000 Nursing Education Grant for the 2004-2005 academic year, and Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania, through PHEF, has provided a supplemental grant in the amount of $22,070.

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

Twenty-eight undergraduates and 18 graduate students were chosen to receive scholarship funds. Thirty-eight received PHEF monies, and eight received funds from Blue Cross.

Those who received PHEF scholarships are: Albert W. Adamitis, Wilkes-Barre; Lisa M. Bardzel, Tunkhannock; Deidre M. Belles, Scranton; Michelle E. Boyle, Scranton; Kathleen Cadden-Baldassari, Dunmore; Julia M. Caicedo, Tobyhanna; Tia M. Callahan, Wilkes-Barre; Neal E. Carey, Luzerne; Mara L. Carpenter, Bloomsburg; Kathleen M. Chambers, Clarks Summit; Jessica Craig, Scranton.

Also: Colleen M. Daniels, Hudson; Dustin J. Degman, Plains Township; Christine Deming, Milford; Jessica A. Dibble, Montrose; JoAnn M. Famalette, Freeland; Jennifer J. Gavin, Carbondale; Lee Gonzalez, Scranton; Lori K. Goodling, Liverpool; Daniel S. Haggard, Scranton; Grace A. Hughes, Old Forge; Debra S. Jankowski, Benton; Mary A. Kaspe, Scranton; Terence Kimberg, West Carollton, OH.

Also: Angela M. Malafarina, Ashland; Kathi Jo McGoldrick, Stroudsburg; Marina A. Morris, Scranton; Christopher Pisanchyn, Olyphant; Kathleen Pisano, Scranton; Ann M. Reed, Throop; Mark E. Roady, Kingston; Nicholas M. Rocco, Throop; Michael P. Scholtis, Berwick; Robert M. Shedlowksi, Trucksville; Vicki K. Sromoski, Wilkes-Barre; Ellen T. St. Ledger, Scranton; Christine Ann Williams, Hazleton; Deborah A. Zenzal, Clarks Summit.

Recipients of the Blue Cross scholarships are: Sheila J. Duff, Scranton; Mark Evans, Carbondale; Beth A. Franks, Simpson, Nurya M. Garcia, Scranton; Ellen W. Linde, Forest City; Carlotta Mendes, Hawley; Helen A. Reedy, Wilkes-Barre; Tade Williams, Lake Ariel.

Founded in 1980 by Rosellen Garrett, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Nursing, the nursing program at the University continues to enjoy a tradition of excellence. The program is nationally accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Programs. It is fully approved by the Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing.

The University offers bachelor’s degree programs in nursing for traditional students, and accelerated degree programs for registered nurses and for licensed practical nurses. The master’s degree programs offered include Family Nurse Practitioner, Clinical Nurse Specialist, and Nurse Anesthesia. In fall 2003, the nursing program began offering a concentration in forensic nursing.