A Tribute to Teaching

“All the well being of Christianity and of the whole world depends on the proper education of youth.”

Pedro de Ribadeneyra, S.J. (1526 - 1611)
According to Courtney Gilligan ’99, a University of Scranton education provided her with the ability to anticipate, analyze and confront new challenges.

No doubt those skills helped her gain a coveted position as law clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist.

“I think that the breadth and depth of study that the University encourages prepared me well,” she says. “I also think that the supportive community atmosphere of the University pushes students to excel, while encouraging personal growth. The faculty play an important role in that atmosphere. I admired greatly all of my professors, including Dr. Dwyer, Father McKinney, Dr. Black, and Dr. Klonoski.”

The Andover, N.J., native graduated from the George Washington University Law School in 2002. Following graduation, she studied for the New Jersey and Pennsylvania bar exams, and in August 2002, moved to Fargo, N.D., where she clerked for the Honorable Frank J. Magill, United State Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals. Law clerks to Supreme Court justices traditionally serve a clerkship with one of the Federal Circuit Courts. She began her one-year position as a Supreme Court clerk in July 2003.

“It is a great honor to work for the Chief Justice,” she says.

To Richard J. Klonoski, Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy, it was no great surprise to hear of Ms. Gilligan’s appointment. “Courtney was a standout among standout students,” he says. “An incisive, critical, probing thinker, she showed not only a passion but a dogged determination for getting at the core of complex philosophical issues, issues of moral, social, and political import.”

Ronald McKinney, S.J., Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy, agrees. “She was one of the most insightful and caring students I ever had,” he says.

Courtney Gilligan is not the first University of Scranton alum to clerk for a Supreme Court Justice. Edward R. Leahy ’68, H’01, University benefactor and past chair of the University’s Board of Trustees, served as a law clerk for Chief Justice William J. Brennan Jr. following his graduation from Boston College Law School in 1971.

Courtney Gilligan ’99, (second from left) who is clerking for U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice William Rehnquist, joined members of the Pre-law Society and Society advisor Frank X. Homer, Ph.D., ’64 (third from left) on the steps of the Supreme Court. Ms. Gilligan led the group on a tour of the Supreme Court in April.
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Accounting Professor Receives Teaching Award

The University’s chapter of Alpha Sigma Nu honored Daniel P. Mahoney, Ph.D., Professor of Accounting, with the Edward Gannon, S.J., Award for Teaching.

The annual award, established in 1978 by the University’s chapter of Alpha Sigma Nu, the national honor society for students in Jesuit colleges and universities, recognizes outstanding teaching among faculty.

Graduating Class Names Teacher of the Year

Kathleen K. Montgomery, D.Ed., Associate Professor of Education was selected Teacher of the Year by the University’s graduating class of 2004.

The Teacher of the Year Award, instituted in 1996 by the academic support committee of the University’s Faculty Senate, honors a faculty member who maintains high standards of academic excellence and fairness and who, through enthusiasm and dedication, inspires interest in a given field of education.

Dr. Montgomery was co-recipient of a Pennsylvania Higher Education Technology Grant for performance assessment of students through technology, and co-recipient of a cooperative endowment grant for The University of Scranton and Marywood University Speaker Series.

Facility & Administration
Faculty Honored with Enhancement Initiatives, Fellowships

Seven University of Scranton faculty members were recently honored with Provost’s Faculty Enhancement Initiatives and Distinguished University Fellowships. The initiatives celebrate and support outstanding distinction in teaching, scholarship and service by faculty. The awards were given on March 6 during Faculty Appreciation Day. Faculty who received recognition were:

- Kathleen K. Montgomery, D.Ed.
  - Associate Professor, Education
- John C. Norcross, Ph.D.
  - Professor, Psychology
- Michael D. DeMichele, Ph.D.
  - Chair and Professor, History
- Thomas M. Collins, Ph.D.
  - Associate Professor, Counseling and Human Services
- Michael C. Cann, Ph.D.
  - Professor, Chemistry
- Stephen J. Casey, Associate Professor, Theology/Religious Studies
- Josephine M. Dunn, Ph.D.
  - Associate Professor, History

Rachel Pike (right), President of the University’s Chapter of Alpha Sigma Nu, presented the Gannon Award to Dr. Mahoney at the Alpha Sigma Nu Induction Ceremony in April.

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In 1998, the University’s board of trustees named its College of Health, Education and Human Resources the J.A. Panuska, S.J., College of Professional Studies.

Fr. Panuska has held administrative positions for the past 33 years. Prior to his positions at Wernersville and the University, he was Academic Vice President and Dean of Faculties at Boston College, Provincial Superior of the Maryland Province, and Rector of the Georgetown Jesuit Community. He also served as a professor of biology at Georgetown University.
Pre-Med Students Join Alumni in Service Trip

In January, three pre-med students joined three alumni physicians for a mission trip to staff a clinic in the remote mountain region of Bonne Fin, Haiti. Scranton students Bryan Murtaugh, Han Li, and Rachel Bognet, joined alumni Richard Bevilacqua, M.D., D.M.D., Michael Platt, M.D., and Gregory Lynch, D.O., on a week-long service trip. The students assisted the doctors with medical procedures ranging from tooth extractions to leg amputations and appendectomies. This is the third year for the service trip to Haiti, which is sponsored by the University's Medical Alumni Council.

Goldwater Scholar Named

University of Scranton junior Han Li is the second University student in as many years to be awarded a Goldwater Scholarship. A double major in biochemistry and biomathematics, Ms. Li was among the 310 sophomore and junior undergraduates in the nation to be awarded the scholarship. The Goldwater Foundation Scholarship Program, honoring the late Senator Barry M. Goldwater, was designed to foster and encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences and engineering.

Students Conduct Easter Basket Drive

The Center for Social Action and Service Initiatives overflowed with Easter Baskets during its annual Easter Basket Drive for needy children. About 300 University students donated items and Easter baskets for local boys and girls.

Packing medical supplies donated for the Haiti service trip by Dr. Lear Von Koch, Moses Taylor Hospital and Wyoming Valley Health Care/ Wilkes-Barre General Hospital are, from left, Han Li, Rachel Bognet and Bryan Murtaugh.
Parenting Lectures Offered During Catholic Schools Week

The University of Scranton's Dexter Hanley College, in conjunction with area Catholic schools and The Scranton Times-Tribune and The Citizens' Voice, offered a series of discussions about parenting during Catholic Schools Week.

Mary Muscari, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Nursing and author of the recently-released book, Not my Kid - Protecting Your Children from the 21 T threats of the 21st Century, presented a series of talks in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport.

At a planning meeting for the service trip to Kenya are, from left, Anthony Giancatarino, Steve Clark (second row), AnnMarissa Ambacher, Kate Redmond, Michelle Gilfillan '98, Catholic Relief Services, and Dr. Mbugua.

Students Embark on International Service Trip

Tata Mbugua, Ph.D., originally from Kenya, and Assistant Professor of Education at the University, will lead a group of students on the University's first International Service Trip to Kenya, East Africa, this summer. The students will be hosted by Hekima College, Jesuit School of Theology, Catholic University of East Africa, Nairobi. The students will also visit and meet with faculty and students at Kenyatta University and Nairobi University, and will work at a variety of service projects including community outreach programs for HIV positive orphans, Jesuit Refugee Services and Catholic Relief Services.

Alpha Sigma Nu Inducts 51 Members

The University's chapter of Alpha Sigma Nu inducted 51 members, including four honorary members, during an induction ceremony held April 18. Pictured at the Induction Ceremony from left: Frank J. McDonnell, Esq., ’60, Chair of the University's Board of Trustees and speaker at the induction ceremony, and honorary degree recipients Most Rev. James C. Timlin, D.D., Bishop Emeritus, Diocese of Scranton, Barbara Reddien Wagner, PT, MHA, Director of Clinical Education, Physical Therapy, Rev. Timothy Cadigan, S.J., Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biology, and Donna Rinaldi Carpenter, Ed.D., Professor of Nursing.


2004-2005 McGowan Scholar Named

Robert G. D’Ambrosio has been awarded a full-tuition scholarship for his senior year at The University of Scranton through the William G. M McGowan Scholars Program of the William G. M McGowan Charitable Fund.

Named for the late William G. McGowan, founder of MCI Communications Corporation, and brother of Monsignor Andrew J. M McGowan H ’82, Trustee Emeritus of the University, the program benefits outstanding students who plan to enter the field of business.

Mass Marks Beginning of Holy Week

University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., blessed palms at a Palm Sunday Mass held April 4. Students filled the Huihan-McLean Center for the Mass, concelebrated by members of the Jesuit Community at Scranton.
Events Celebrate Ignatian Heritage

Three major events – Trustee Day, the University Assembly, and the presentation of the annual Arrupe Award – were held at the University in celebration of Ignatian Heritage Week, Feb. 16 – 20.

The 30th annual Trustee Day was held Feb. 16 – 17 on campus. Trustees Michele Gilfillan ’98 and George Lynett, Esq., G ’71 chaired the event. Mrs. Gilfillan is Marketing Coordinator for Operation Rice Bowl, Catholic Relief Services. Mr. Lynett is the Publisher of the Times-Tribune, Secretary/Treasurer of Shamrock Communications, Inc., and President of the Towanda Daily Review.

At a University Assembly held on Feb. 17, Rev. William Currie, S.J., President of Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan, received the ninth annual Pedro Arrupe, S.J., Award for Distinguished Contributions to Ignatian Mission and Ministries. Father Currie has served as a teacher and administrator at Sophia University since the early 1970s. In his 30-year career there, he has been a professor of literature, Vice President of General Affairs, and Dean of comparative culture.

Reverend William Currie, S.J., President of Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan, was presented with the ninth annual Pedro Arrupe, S.J. Award for Distinguished Contributions to Ignatian Mission and Ministries. From left: Rev. Scott R. Pilarz,, S.J., University President; Fr. Currie; Rev. John J. Shea, S.J., Vice President for University Ministries; and Rev. George Aschenbrenner, S.J., Rector of the Jesuit Community.

Michele Gilfillan ’98 Co-chair of Trustee Day, was Master of Ceremonies at the Trustee Day luncheon.

George Lynett, Esq., G ’71, Co-Chair of Trustee Day, offered welcoming remarks at the luncheon in February.

Transitional DPT Degree Bridges Gap

The Department of Physical Therapy at the University has received authorization from the Pennsylvania Department of Education to begin offering the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree. The current M.P.T. program is being phased out and replaced by a three-year, post-Baccalaureate D.P.T. program – the first doctoral-level program to be offered by the University.

As the first step in phasing in the new D.P.T. program, the Department of Physical Therapy will launch an entirely Web-based transitional Doctor of Physical Therapy (tDPT) degree program designed specifically for practicing clinicians beginning this fall. The tDPT degree enables licensed physical therapists to bridge the gap between their professional master’s degree in physical therapy education and the current entry-level clinical doctorate (DPT) education. The distance education format provides the convenience and flexibility needed by busy clinicians to pursue professional development.

The program consists of four Web-based courses in the areas of evidence-based practice, pharmacology, pathology, and diagnosis. All four courses are presented entirely online with optional on-campus discussion/review sessions offered one or two times each semester. Each course also includes a clinical case-based research component.

For more information, contact James L. Goonan, Director of Graduate Admissions, at 1-800-366-GRAD.

The University Recognized for Wireless Computing Access

The University has been included in Intel Corporation’s “Most Wired College Campuses” which ranks the top 100 schools in the United States for wireless computing access. The University was ranked 87th in Intel’s listing of schools from across the country who offer students wireless access to the Internet on notebook PCs without a traditional wired connection. The University is one of only two Jesuit schools in the United States included in the listing.
University Hosts Relay for Life Event

More than 300 students, staff, faculty and their families participated in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in April. The annual 24-hour event raised more than $19,000 to support cancer research. In addition to University teams, students from local colleges and universities in the Scranton area took part in the Relay. This is the first time The University of Scranton served as the host site for the Relay. The event was coordinated through the Center for Social Action and Service Initiatives. Above, Relay for Life participants set out along the Royal Way.

Institutional Advancement

Annual Fund Under Way, Campaign Chairs Named

The University’s 2004 Annual Fund campaign is well under way toward a goal of $3.5 million. The Annual Fund provides financial assistance for many activities, including financial aid and scholarships, library acquisitions, Catholic and Jesuit identity programs, technology and equipment, and faculty development programs. Announcing the 2004 Annual Fund, from left: Christina and Leonard Lopenzina, Chairs of the Parents Campaign; Toni Krauchaunas, Zone Supervisor, Weinberg Memorial Library Maintenance; and Chair of the University Community Campaign; Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University President; Christine Oliver-Shean ‘80, Campaign Chair; Paul Strunk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement; and Kathy Statsman, Director of Annual Giving Programs. For additional information, contact the Annual Fund office at (570) 941-7725, or visit the Web site at www.scranton.edu/annualfund.

President’s Business Council Plans Annual New York Dinner

The University's President's Business Council, chaired by Christopher M. “Kip” Condon '70, President and CEO of AXA Financial, will hold its third annual black tie dinner at The Pierre in New York City on Thursday, Oct. 7. Last year's gala, which honored Paul M. Montrone '62, was attended by 500 of the University's alumni, parents and friends, and raised more than $1 million to endow Presidential Scholarships at the University.

The Co-Chairs for this year's dinner are Thomas P. Lynch '86, Managing Director, Deutsche Bank Securities, and James F. Mullery, Jr. '86, Senior Vice President, Fred Alger & Co. The honoree and recipient of the prestigious President's Medal will be William H. (Bill) Finn '67, H '04 in memoriam. Bill was a Senior Managing Director for Bear, Stearns & Co. and a University Trustee at the time of his death in October 2003.

The President's Business Council is a New York City-based group of prominent alumni/ae and friends of the University whose purpose is to advance the mission of the University. As part of its goals, the Council seeks to provide Presidential Scholarships for talented students who will become leaders of vision and integrity. Scholars are chosen from among the top students accepted to the University each year and are selected for their academic excellence, leadership ability and character. In addition to its annual dinner, the Council provides mentoring and internship opportunities for current students and networking opportunities for alumni/ae and friends.

For more information regarding the Council or the Oct. 7 dinner, please contact Peter Galbraith, Executive Director of Development, at (570) 941-5848 or e-mail galbraithp2@scranton.edu.
Global Issues Discussed During Cosmopolitan Society Series

June Carter Perry, Director of Social and Humanitarian Affairs, U.S. Department of State, spoke to student leaders in March. Ms. Carter Perry discussed what individuals should do in preparing for leadership and participation in a global society, and what students should know about becoming a Diplomat and working for the State Department. Ms. Carter Perry was one of five speakers discussing pressing global issues as part of the Cosmopolitan Society Series 2004 presented by the University's Office of International Programs and Services.

Former U.N. Weapons Inspector Speaks at Forum

Hans Blix, Ph.D., former head of the U.N. Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Committee, detailed his firsthand accounts of overseeing 700 weapons inspections in Iraq to an audience of more than 700 people gathered for the Honorable T. Linus Hoban Memorial Forum hosted by The University of Scranton and the Lackawanna Bar Association on April 21. During his address to the audience in the University's Houlihan-McLean Center, and in a class held earlier in the day on campus for University students, Dr. Blix asserted that the U.S. and the U.K. did not exercise enough critical thinking and that they should have continued their inspections before launching a military attack.

The Hoban Forum is named for the Honorable T. Linus Hoban, the prominent Scranton jurist, military officer and civic leader who died in 1974. The forum was established through the generosity of the late Genevieve Kelly O'Brien Hoban in memory of her husband.

Leadership Conference Held

The University's first Leadership Conference, held April 16-17, featured Andrew J. McKelvey, Chairman, CEO and founder of Monster Worldwide Inc. and Monster.com, and Christopher Lowney, author of the best-selling book Heroic Leadership: Best Practices from a 450-Year-Old Company That Changed the World. Students attending The University of Scranton as McKelvey Foundation Scholars were introduced to Mr. McKelvey at the opening dinner.

“Headhunter of the Century” Speaks to Executives

Gerard R. Roche ’53, Senior Chairman of the international search firm Heidrick & Struggles, Inc., spoke at the President's Breakfast on May 13. M r. Roche discussed “What Does it Take to be a Good CEO in this Changing Environment?”. M r. Roche was chosen by his peers as “Headhunter of the Century” in a poll conducted by Hunt Scanlon Publishing Co., Inc., in 2000.

Leadership Conference Held
Commencement 2004

The University celebrated the graduating class of 2004 on May 30 at its one hundred and fourth commencement.

The University conferred 843 bachelor’s degrees, 195 master’s degrees and six associate’s degrees at the ceremony, held at Wachovia Arena, Wilkes-Barre.

Rev. Joseph M. McShane, S.J., President of Fordham University and former President of The University of Scranton, gave the principal address. In his remarks to the graduates, Fr. McShane reflected on his years at the University, a timeline that paralleled that of the Royal Class of 2004 from their freshman to senior years.

"...the fact that I have just become a member of your class makes my heart sing," said Fr. McShane. "I am more grateful than I could ever say to be counted among your number."

In addition to delivering the keynote address, Fr. M cShane received an honorary degree from the University, as did Patrick A. Toole, James W. Dyer ’66, Jane E. Oppenheim, Colleen Kelly and William H. Finn ’67, posthumously.

University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., also addressed the 1,044 graduates and their families and friends. He offered words of thanks to the honorary degree recipients "who enrich our celebration," to faculty who “change the lives of students” to parents and families, and to the graduates themselves “for the mark that you have made on your alma mater.”

Fr. Pilarz also offered what he referred to as an observation, noting that “there is something rare and precious about this place (the University).” He concluded his remarks by encouraging the parting students to “take Scranton with you” and to “come home to Scranton.”

"Always view the world and your place in it from the Scranton perspective; let the magis permeate your life and, please, never compromise your commitment to the service of others and the greater glory of God."

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

"Here at Scranton, you have learned lessons and developed qualities of heart and mind that have prepared all of you to participate in the great struggle of our age, the struggle not merely aimed at eradicating terrorism, but of creating a more just and peaceful world."

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President of Fordham University
and Former President of The University of Scranton

Honorary degree recipients were greeted by University officials during Commencement, held May 30. From left: Frank J. McDonnell, Esq. ’60, Chair of the Board of Trustees; Beth Barnett, Ed.D., Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Honorary degree recipients Colleen Kelly, Jane E. Oppenheim, James W. Dyer ’66, Rev. Joseph M. McShane, S.J., and Patrick A. Toole; and University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. The University also awarded an honorary degree to William H. Finn ’67, posthumously.
The Arts

Art Gallery Hosts “Jews of Scranton” Exhibit

Abe Plotkin ’35 (left) points to Hugh Rodham, the late father of Hillary Rodham Clinton, in one of the images on display in the exhibit “The Jews of Scranton 1840-2000.” An unidentified guest (right) points to Mr. Plotkin, who is also in the image. The “Jews of Scranton” exhibit, hosted by the University’s Hope Horn Gallery, continues through August 20.

The University Celebrates 21st World Premiere Performance

Cheryl Y. Boga, Director of Performance Music, conducted students during the 21st Annual World Premiere Composition Series Concert on April 30. The Concert featured the University’s Symphonic Band and Concert Choir and the Pocono Choral Society, with guest composer/conductor Jerrold Fisher.

Players Present “Moon Over Buffalo”

The University Players presented two-time Tony Award nominee Ken Ludwig’s comedy “Moon Over Buffalo” in April and May. The production was the finale of the Players’ season, which celebrated 10 years of performances in the McDade Center for Literary and Performing Arts.

Hope Horn Gallery at Hyland Hall Dedicated

The University dedicated its art gallery in honor of the late Hope Horn at a ceremony on April 4. Hope Horn was a vibrant and defining force in the arts community of Scranton for more than 50 years. At the time of Ms. Horn’s death, her estate was bequeathed to The University of Scranton in support of art and music education. In recognition of her generosity, and in honor of her spirited efforts to promote excellence in the arts, the Hope Horn Gallery in Hyland Hall has been dedicated in her honor.

Participants in the dedication of the Hope Horn Gallery in Hyland Hall, from left: Joseph Dreisbach, Ph.D., Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences; Darlene Miller-Lanning, Ph.D., Director of the Hope Horn Gallery; Paul Strunk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement; Josephine Dunn, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Art History and Director of the Art and Music Program; Frank J. McDonnell, Esq., ’60, Chair of the Board of Trustees; Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University President; and Beth Barnett, Ed.D., Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.