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President Bush Speaks to the Nation from the University

In an event that marked the first time a sitting President has visited The University of Scranton, President George W. Bush outlined his solution to a “broken” medical liability system during a nationwide address made from the University’s Byron Complex on 16 January.

The standing-room only crowd of about 1,200 people was joined by a local, national and international audience who followed the President’s visit via the more than 200 media representatives who were on hand to cover the event.

During his remarks, President Bush proposed a \$250,000 limit on non-economic damages awarded to patients in medical malpractice suits. He also proposed a cap on punitive awards in such cases.

The President’s speech lasted 36 minutes. The work involved in preparing for the President’s visit to campus took much longer.

On 9 January, the University was officially notified that it was selected as a possible site for the President’s visit to Scranton. The event was confirmed on 10 January. In the days and hours leading up to the President’s noontime visit on 16 January, University employees worked tirelessly and willingly to prepare the campus and assist the White House with arrangements ranging from facility set-up and security to food service and media relations.

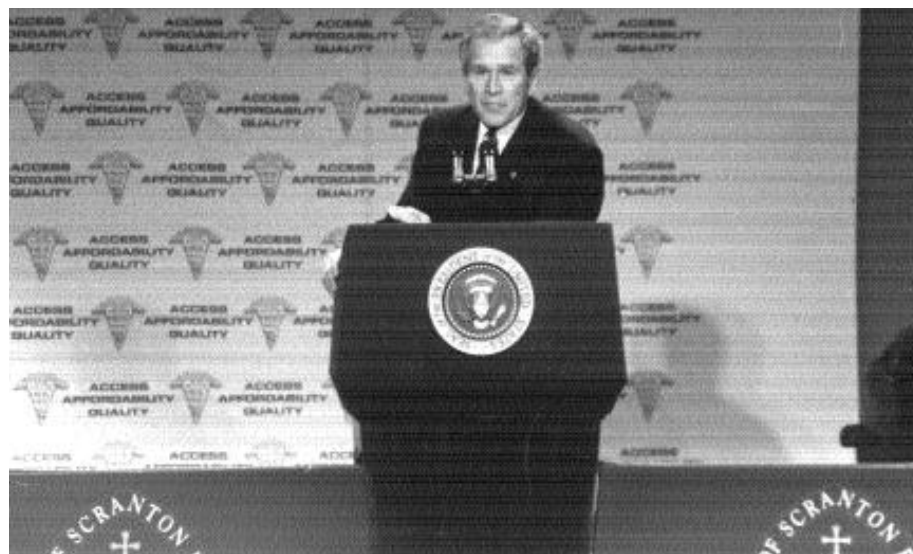
Forty-eight members of the University’s Physical Plant spent between 660 and 675 hours gathering supplies and materials, and setting up the Byron Complex – and then doing the event breakdown, according to James Devers, Director of Physical Plant.

The Office of Public Safety was in the front lines of national security, working in tandem with the Secret Service, and State and City of Scranton police to prepare for the event and to help secure the campus the day of the President’s visit. Sixteen full-time Public Safety officers and 10 student officers worked a combined total of 250 hours on 16 January, according to Richard A. Pomager,

Director of Public Safety. The University and student officers cleared University facilities of occupants, performed motor vehicle inspections at checkpoints, helped control crowds and provided vital assistance in screening the 1,200 people who came to the event.

The Office of Public Relations fielded more than 100 calls from local, regional and national media and worked as a local point of contact with the White House Advance Press Office, according to Gerald C. Zaboski, Director of Public Relations. Staff members from the University’s Public Relations office also served as White House Press Volunteers, checking credentials of the local and regional media who provided live coverage of the event.

ARAMARK Food Services was contracted to provide lunch for the national press corps. Before lunch was served, the Secret Service visited the food service area – not to sample the food, but to perform a security sweep, complete with security wands and the Secret Service “sniff” dog, Dusty. Don’t worry: Dusty’s nose never touched the food, according to Michelle



President George W. Bush outlines his medical liability reform proposals during a nationwide address made from the University on 16 January.

Monsees, Assistant Catering Manager. Due to security measures, silverware and china were prohibited from the site, and food was served on paper plates with plastic cutlery. When it came time to cut the meat, only one carving knife was allowed on the premises.

Dozens of students also volunteered their time to help with the President’s visit – both on- and off-campus. Brian Higgins ’03, for example, worked for three days as the Lead Volunteer to the White House Advance Press Office, coordinating press credentials for about 180

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Father McShane Selected to Lead Fordham

At a news conference held in New York City on 16 December 2002, the Rev. Joseph M. McShane, S.J., President of The University of Scranton and former Dean of Fordham College at Rose Hill, was introduced as Fordham University’s President-designate. Father McShane will succeed the Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., to become the University’s 32nd president on 1 July 2003.

“Over the course of the last two decades, Fordham University has risen to a new level of distinction under the historic tenure of Father O’Hare,” said Paul B. Guenther, Chair of Fordham University’s Board of Trustees. “Today, Fordham stands on the threshold of great promise as one of the premier Catholic universities in the country. I am delighted to welcome Father McShane

back to Fordham knowing that his ability to ignite the hearts and minds of the entire Fordham community will continue a grand tradition of excellence.”

In a statement to The University of Scranton community following the announcement in New York City, Father McShane said, “Although I look forward to serving the Fordham University community, I must say that the decision to accept Fordham’s presidency was a particularly difficult one for me to make – for understandable reasons. In the course of the past four years, I have come to love the University deeply, and to believe passionately in its mission and its promise.”

A native New Yorker, Father McShane’s family association with Fordham began 74 years ago when his father enrolled as a student. His three brothers followed, and he eventually joined the Fordham family in 1987 when he was appointed to the Board of Trustees. He served until 1992, when he was named Dean of Fordham College at Rose Hill and Professor of Theology. In 1998, he became President of The University of Scranton and was reappointed to the Fordham board in 2001. In addition, Father McShane currently serves as a Trustee of St.

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The Rev. Joseph M. McShane, S.J. (right), president-designate of Fordham University, joins the crowd in saluting the historic 19-year tenure of the Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J. (left), Fordham University president. Fr. O’Hare will step down as president on 30 June. Photo courtesy Arnie Adler, Fordham University

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Joseph's Preparatory School in Philadelphia, Loyola University in New Orleans, and the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania. He is a member of the executive committee of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities.

Father McShane was recommended to the Fordham Board at the conclusion of a national search directed by Robert E. Campbell, Chairman of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and former Chair of the Fordham University Board of Trustees.

Father McShane, 53, entered the Society of Jesus in 1967 after attending Regis High School in Manhattan. He received a bachelor's degree in English and philosophy, and a master's degree in English from Boston College in 1972. He received M.Div. and S.T.M. degrees from the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley and was ordained a priest in 1977. In 1981, he received a Ph.D. in the history of Christianity from the University of Chicago and went on to serve as a member of the religious studies faculty at LeMoyne College in Syracuse, N.Y., from 1982 until 1992, becoming chair of the department in 1991.

Father McShane is well known in Jesuit higher education for his collegiality and accessibility to students, faculty and staff alike. The driving force behind the establishment of prestigious fellowship programs at both Fordham and Scranton, Father McShane's legacy is a culture of scholarship in which students are nurtured, challenged and inspired.

For additional information about the Presidential transition, visit the Web site at www.scranton.edu/transition.

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PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH GUIDELINES AND TIMETABLE ANNOUNCED

In a 9 January memorandum to the University Community, Frank J. McDonnell, Esq., Chair of the Board of Trustees, outlined the guidelines and timetable for the search for a successor to University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J. Highlights of the memorandum are as follows.

- It is the Board's intention to seek a Jesuit to replace Father McShane.
- In order to sustain the momentum that the University has built up in the course of the past few years, the Board has decided not to appoint an interim president for the 2003-2004 academic year. Rather, it is the Board's intention to hire a permanent replacement for Father McShane before the end of the current academic year.
- A Search Committee will be formed by 31 January. The composition of the Search Committee will be in accordance with the University's statutes and the Faculty Handbook.
- Members of the Search Committee will review the dossiers of the candidates who either apply for or are nominated for the presidency of the University in February and March.
- The Search Committee will make its final recommendations to the Board of Trustees by 15 April.
- The new president will assume his post on 1 July.

Employer-Assisted Housing Programs Launched



Scranton Mayor Chris Doherty announces the Employer-Assisted Housing Programs from 1615 Pine Street, a home that is currently available for sale through Lackawanna Neighbors.

At a news conference held 10 January, Scranton Mayor Chris Doherty announced that four of the city's largest non-profit institutions are joining forces to improve and maintain the Hill Section of Scranton by adopting programs to encourage their employees to purchase homes in the neighborhood.

The University of Scranton, Community Medical Center, Mercy Hospital and Moses Taylor Hospital will fund Employer-Assisted Housing Programs that include a Forgivable Home Purchase Loan that will help employees purchase a home in a specific

area of the Hill Section. The programs were developed as part of the Historic Hill Section Revitalization effort being spearheaded by Lackawanna Neighbors.

The Employer-Assisted Housing Programs are being offered in cooperation with Lackawanna Neighbors and Scranton Neighborhood Housing. Community Bank and Trust Company, Citizens Savings Association, Penn Security and PNC Bank, N.A., will work with the institutions to obtain favorable financing arrangements for participating employees. In addition, Nasser Real Estate and Appraisal, Inc., Prudential Preferred Properties and Hinerfeld Realty Company will provide employees who participate with a free home inspection of the prospective property.

"This collaboration between the University, the hospitals, banks and Lackawanna Neighbors is the kind of creative action that will revitalize our community," Mayor Doherty said. "It will bring as many as 60 new families into the Hill Section where they will invest in their homes and contribute to the life of our community."

"As with Community Medical Center, Mercy and Moses Taylor Hospitals, The University of Scranton is proud of its commitment to improving and maintaining the Hill Section," said University of Scranton President Joseph M. McShane, S.J.

Under the auspices of the forgivable loan program, employees may borrow up to \$5,000 from their employer. Twenty loans (five per institution) will be available each year for the next three years. The loans will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to full-time employees in good standing who do not currently reside in the eligible area.

Employees will receive a check at the time of closing on their property. One-third of the loan will be forgiven each year in the three years following the closing. Forgiveness will take place on the loan anniversary date, when the amount forgiven becomes taxable.

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local and regional media representatives requesting press passes.

The President's visit to Scranton was the hottest ticket in town during the deep freeze that gripped the region. People throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania were vying for tickets to hear the President speak. As the host of the event, the University received a small block of tickets to distribute to students, faculty and staff. In order to fairly distribute the tickets, a "lottery" was held. Students, faculty and staff were sent an e-mail advising them of the lottery and inviting them to reply to specially created e-mail addresses with a request for a ticket.

In just two and one-half hours, 551 students and 297 faculty and staff members submitted requests for the 30 available tickets, according to Paul J. Strunk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement. Winners were selected randomly through a computerized program developed in a single day by the University's Office of Systems and Software Resources.

About 1:15 p.m. on 16 January, President Bush boarded Air Force One and departed from the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport.

Back at The University of Scranton, the President's visit will long be remembered as "an historic day for the University ... a

momentous day for our entire region," according to University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J.

"For my part, I must say that I have never been prouder of the University. Nor have I ever been more grateful for the generosity of spirit displayed by the members of our staff," said Fr. McShane.

To view the complete text of President Bush's speech and a photo gallery of his visit, go to the University's Web site at www.scranton.edu/news.

REACTIONS FROM THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY:

"I don't think the President could have said it any better. Hopefully, we'll all sit down and work out what needs to be worked out."

LINDA D'ANDREA BARRASSE, M.D., '77

"As a faculty member, I was proud to see the number of doctors in the audience who are alumni of the University."

TRUDY DICKNEIDER, PH.D.

PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY

"The speech itself and the atmosphere were absolutely electric. It was a great opportunity for the campus and the community."

REUBAN RODRIGUEZ, ED.D.

DEAN OF STUDENT LIFE

Black History Month Events to be Held

February is Black History Month, and The University of Scranton community has planned many events to celebrate and acknowledge the many contributions and accomplishments of African Americans. All events are free and open to the public.

The University of Scranton Programming Board will sponsor performances by several nationally known African-American artists, as well as a film. On Thursday, 30 January, musical artist Chinua Hawk will perform at 9 p.m. in the Wolves' Den, Gunster Student Center, and on Friday,



"The African Presence in the Americas" will be on exhibit from 2 Feb. - 9 March

31 January, comedian Michael Collins will perform at 9 p.m. in the Eagen Auditorium. On Wednesday, 5 February, The University of Scranton Programming Board presents the film "Tuskegee Airmen" to be shown at 9 p.m. in the Wolves' Den, Gunster Student Center. Comedian Tiny Glover will perform at 9 p.m. on Friday, 7 February, in the Eagen Auditorium.

On Wednesday, 12 February, the Programming Board will present a lecture by spoken word poet "Abyss" at 9

p.m. in the Wolves' Den, and on Friday, 21 February, comedian Mark Reedy will perform at 9 p.m. in the Eagen Auditorium.

Beginning Sunday, 2 February, the national tour of "The African Presence in the Americas," an exhibition sponsored by the Schomburg Center for Research and The University of Scranton's Office of Equity & Diversity, will open in the Weinberg Memorial Library's Heritage Room. It will remain on view through Sunday, 9 March.

Several musical programs are also planned to commemorate Black History Month.

On Sunday, 2 February, the University will present "Intercultural Journeys II - African American Heritage in Musical Dialogue" beginning at 7:30 p.m. Ohad Bar-David, cellist from The Philadelphia Orchestra, Charlotte Blake Alston, master storyteller, and Diane Monroe, violinist, will perform. A pre-concert dialogue with the artists begins at 6:45 p.m. in the Houlihan-McLean Center.

On Sunday, 9 February, trombonists Wycliffe Gordon and Ron Westray will present "Bone Structure" at 7:30 p.m. And on Sunday, 23 February, David Ostwald's Gully Low Jazz Band will perform the tribute "Louis Armstrong - The Second Century!" The performance starts at 7:30 p.m., and is co-sponsored by The University of Scranton Performance Music and the University's United Colors Club. Both performances will take place in the Houlihan-McLean Center.

On Saturday, 15 February, the United Colors Club at The University of Scranton will present the United Colors Talent Show at 8 p.m. in the Eagen Auditorium.

Black History Month began in 1926 as Negro History Week. It was launched by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, the son of former slaves, as an initiative to bring national attention to the contributions of black people throughout American history.

Trustee Day Dates, Theme Announced

"Education for International Understanding" is the theme of the 29th annual Trustee Day to be held on campus 24 - 25 February.

The sessions will encourage open discussions among trustees, students, faculty, administrators and staff about ways in which institutions of higher learning can offer an education rich in international understanding. The topic is particularly timely given the University's recent creation of the Office of International Programs and Services, and the formation of a new International Center on campus.

Trustees Jeanne Bovard and Gerald Fogarty, S.J. will co-chair the event. Ms. Bovard is Director of the Scranton Area Foundation. Fr. Fogarty is the William R. Kenan, Jr., Professor of Religious Studies and History at the University of Virginia.

On the evening of 24 February, students, faculty, staff and members of the Jesuit community will have an opportunity to meet with Trustees to discuss "Qualities looked for in the new University President." Sessions will be held at various campus locations beginning at 7 p.m.

The sessions on 25 February begin with a 7 a.m. breakfast meeting for trustees, faculty and staff in the Eagen Auditorium of the Gunster Center. Elizabeth Jacob, Ph.D., and Thomas Collins, Ph.D., Co-Directors of The University of Scranton and Universidad Iberoamericana USAID Cooperative Program, will participate in panel presentation and discussion of the topic of "Education for International Understanding." Moderator of this session will be Graduate School student and visiting Fulbright Fellow Veronica de Aguiro Servin.

Board committee meetings will be held for the balance of the morning, followed by an 11:30 a.m. luncheon meeting, panel presentation and discussion for trustees, faculty, staff and students, also in Eagen Auditorium. The luncheon presentations will be made by Mary Anne Foley, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theology; Riaz Hussain, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Economics/Finance; William Rowe, Ph.D., Professor and Chair of the Philosophy Department; and E. Springs Steele, Ph.D., Professor and Chair of the Theology Department.

The luncheon will conclude with remarks by University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J. The Board of Trustees will convene for their meeting following the luncheon.



Jeanne Bovard



Gerald Fogarty, S.J.

Parking Snow Bans

Please be reminded that parking is prohibited in all surface parking areas from midnight to 8 a.m. when snow accumulates, or when snow is predicted to accumulate in the evening or overnight. Vehicles parked on campus during this snow period should use the Parking Pavilion. For parking ban information and updates, call 941-5999.

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Points of Pride

A COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS

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Honor Roll of Character-Building Colleges

University Project Leads Hairdressers to Early Detection of Domestic Violence

Students enrolled in The University of Scranton's "Feminism and Social Change" class this spring will get first-hand experience in initiating social change.

They will participate in a new early-intervention domestic violence initiative called the Hairdresser's Project, which will be run in conjunction with the University's Jane Kopas Women's Center and the Women's Resource Center. The project will train area hairdressers to recognize signs of domestic violence and the ways in which to intervene as a referral source.

"Women have a unique relationship with their hairdressers," said Elizabeth Randol, Ph.D., Director of the Jane Kopas Women's Center, who will teach this class. "The relationships are very personal and the hairdressers, by the nature of their job, are in close enough proximity to their client to notice scars or bruises."

"Domestic violence is a community issue," said Edie Thek, Education Program Coordinator for the Women's Resource Center. "This project allows us to tap into segment of the population that can serve as a very important resource and referral service."

According to Dr. Randol, battery is the leading cause of injury to women.

In the last fiscal year, the Women's Resource Center served 1,824 women and children in Lackawanna County for domestic violence related issues and provided 10,000 hours of



Announcing the Hairdresser's Project, from left are Edie Thek, Education Program Coordinator for the Women's Resource Center; Sara Shoener, University of Scranton senior; Elizabeth Randol, Ph.D., Director of the Jane Kopas Women's Center; Nancy Zarick, Manager of Sharp Cuts in Scranton and Liz Walters, Hair Stylist at Sharp Cuts.

service which includes hotline phone calls, counseling, and court services related to domestic violence.

A 1998 report from the U.S. Department of Justice summarized on the National Domestic Violence Hotline Web site states that "while women are less likely than men to be victims of violent crimes overall, women are five to eight times more likely than men to be victimized by an intimate partner." The same report estimates states that from 960,000 to four

million women are physically abused by their husbands or live-in partners each year.

The Hairdresser's Project will train approximately 30 hairdressers in the Scranton area. As part of their class assignment, the students will help to recruit hairdressers into the program and will assist in developing the training program. Under the direction of the Women's Resource Center and the Jane Kopas Women's Center, the students will conduct the training session on 11 May on the University's campus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

John R. Conway, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Biology, had his reviews of the books, *Caterpillars, Beetles and Ladybugs* by Claire Llewellyn and Barrie Watts, published in the November/December 2002 issue of *Science Books & Films* (Vol. 38, No. 6:568). Dr. Conway's manuscript, "Architecture, population size, myrmecophiles, and mites in an excavated nest of the honeypot ant, *Myrmecocystus mendax* Wheeler, in Arizona" has been accepted for publication in an upcoming issue of *The Southwestern Naturalist*. This study was supported by a summer research grant from The University of Scranton.

Roy Domenico, Ph.D., Associate Professor, History, was a guest speaker in December 2002 at the U.S. Foreign Service Institute. His topic was Italian regionalism as compared to that of Portugal.

Dr. Domenico's book, *Remaking Italy in the Twentieth Century*, has been published by Rowman and Littlefield Publishers. *The Regions of Italy*, another of his books, was cited in the annual "selective reference books" review in *College and Research Libraries* (Vol. 63, No. 5), published in September 2002.

Dr. Domenico has also contributed an essay on Pope John Paul II to *The Great Popes Through History, An Encyclopedia*, a two-volume book on 46 of the most notable popes. It was published by Greenwood Press and edited by Frank J. Coppa, Ph.D., Professor of History at St. John's University.

Leonard D. Gougeon, Ph.D., Professor, English, will present a paper entitled, "The Legacy of Reform: Emersonian Idealism and the Civil Rights Movement" at the Massachusetts Historical Society in April. Dr. Gougeon is also planning to present a paper at the Emerson Bicentennial Conference sponsored by Peking University, China.

Peter C. Olden, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Program Director, Health Administration, The Graduate School, was honored by the Lackawanna County Commission on Drug and Alcohol Abuse for his long-standing participation in efforts to create a drug-free society.

Albert J. Solomon, Ph.D., Lecturer, Communication, has been included in *The Guide to United States Culture*, an encyclopedia of American pop culture published in 2001 by Bowling Green State University Popular Press. Dr. Solomon's entry covers Clement Moore's "The Night Before Christmas." He completed his research while teaching children's literature as an adjunct in the English Department at the University.

Sherman F. Wooden, Special Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, has been appointed as a member of the Board of Trustees of Lincoln University of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, by former Governor Mark S. Schweiker.

The following is a list of full-time staff hired at the University in November and December 2002.

Gretchen Kukuchka, Manager of Training and Seminar Development, Small Business Development Center

Eric Matatics, Director of Field Placement, Panuska College of Professional Studies

Edward Slack, Evening Systems Specialist, Weinberg Memorial Library

Eric Orzel, Public Safety Officer

Timothy Pryle, Senior Development Officer, Institutional Advancement

Isaac Santiago, Public Safety Officer
Jennifer Welsh, Public Safety Officer

83 University Students listed in Who's Who

The 2003 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* will include the names of 20 graduate and 63 undergraduate students from The University of Scranton who have been selected as national outstanding leaders.

Nominations were based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

Taima Arsiwala, Scranton
Karen Bianchi, Scranton
Frank DiPaolo, Scranton
Scott Haberli, Hankins, N.Y.
Jennifer Hunara, Easton
Ambreen Imtiaz, Scranton
Cynthia LaCapra, Scranton
Jacquelyn Malinowski, Moosic
Dee-Ann Martell, Scranton
Nancy Miller, Scranton
Dawn Mizwinski, Scranton
Teresa Moore, Clarks Summit
Miriam Moskovits, Scranton
Leyla Nabyeva, Scranton
Susan Piccotti, Carbondale
Vincent Pricci, Clarks Summit
Jennine Price, Wilkes-Barre
Rebecca Sansky, Flemington, N.J.
Brad Solomon, Archbald
Cindy Zbierski, Plains Township

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Antoinette Amelio, Middletown, N.Y.
Taima A. Arsiwala, Scranton
Michael Aulisio, Clarks Summit
Elizabeth H. Baumbach, Long Valley, N.J.
Erin L. Brodie, Danbury, Conn.
Melissa A. Carlo, Wantagh, N.Y.
Leslie J. Carter, Moscow
Jennifer A. Collins, Melville, N.Y.
Jana E. Czyzyk, Scranton
Emad H. Daniel, Bergenfield, N.J.
Matthew R. Dietrick, Allentown
Elizabeth A. Dragone, Northport, N.Y.
Colleen A. Duffy, Holmes
Mary J. Durkin, Waverly
Catherine A. Fawls, Milton, Mass.
Christine A. Fontaine, Norristown
Andrew P. Forestieri, East Meadow, N.Y.
Matthew T. Gordon, Palmyra
Elliott E. Gougeon, Moscow
Dana R. Grzenda, Olyphant
Alyssa R. Gurnari, Pequannock, N.J.
Kerri-Ann Heffernan, Bronx, N.Y.
Erik M. Helbing, Old Forge
Rachel Henry, Huntington Station, N.Y.
Kristen Johannessen, Mendham, N.J.
Anju Kaduvettoor, Valley Cottage, N.Y.
Mary E. Kmitch, Gouldsboro
Lorie N. Knueven, Delaware, Ohio
Bridget M. Lee, West Nyack, N.Y.
Man C. Lee, Duryea
Daniel W. Loftus, Doylestown

Helen D. Logan, Dalton
Anthony J. Lumbis, Sweet Valley
Siobhan M. Mangan, Yonkers, N.Y.
Robyn K. Mason, Penfield, N.Y.
Danielle M. Mezzino, Randolph, N.J.
Karen E. Milano, Ossining, N.Y.
Rebecca E. Moir, Moscow
Shannon E. Moore, Old Forge
Teresa G. Moore, Clarks Summit
Geraldine D. Mulcahy, Valley Cottage, N.Y.
Brian D. Muratore, Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y.
Natalya Parente, Scranton
Benjamin H. Persett, Milford, Conn.
Arthur Posocco, Scranton
Tera L. Ravina, Oxford, Conn.
Matthew J. Reichlen, Friendsville
Dennis E. Reidy, Tamiment
Patricia C. Reina, Easton
Jennifer L. Soldan, Massapequa Park N.Y.
Ingrid Stein, Tranquility, N.J.
Melissa M. Stevens, Trucksville
Cynthia Stone, Scranton
Sandra K. Strausser, Scranton
Nicole A. Sublette, Fleetwood
Ryan M. Surace, Mayfield
Stephanie Tessing, Monroe, Ga.
Suzanne M. Tielle, Old Forge
Julian Varley, Suffield, Conn.
Michael B. Venn, Hop Bottom
Jason C. Wasilewski, Plains Township
Jonathan T. Yazinski, Moosic

Income Tax Assistance Service Offered

If you need help completing your tax return, the University's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) service can help. VITA is a free tax help service for clients with low and moderate incomes who need assistance with their basic tax returns. The program is directed by Joseph Hammond, CPA, Associate Professor of Accounting.

Accounting students from the University will be on hand to assist clients with their tax returns in room 111 of Brennan Hall on campus. People in need of assistance with tax return preparation are asked to bring the following items: All W2 Forms, all 1099 forms (interest, dividends, pensions), Social Security numbers for all taxpayers and dependents, last year's tax returns and all other pertinent information.

Campus parking is by permit only. VITA clients may obtain permits in Brennan Hall, room 111.

Dates and times of the VITA service are listed below. For more information call 941-4045.

VITA PROGRAM HOURS OF OPERATION

17 February to 7 March

17 March to 4 April

Monday: 9 a.m. – Noon

1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Tuesday: Noon to 6 p.m.

Wednesday: 9 a.m. – Noon

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday: Closed

Friday: 9 a.m. – Noon

Saturday: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

University's Annual Fund Reaches Record Level

The University has concluded its largest-ever Annual Fund, raising \$3,202,367 for the campaign ending 31 December 2002.

"This unprecedented level of giving to the Annual Fund demonstrates a commitment to the University's tradition of Jesuit excellence in education," said Paul J. Strunk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement. "We are deeply grateful to the thousands of people who have chosen to advance the University's mission by supporting the Annual Fund. At the same time, we thank the many campaign chairs, volunteers and students whose time and dedication have helped us to reach this milestone."

The 2002 Annual Fund, chaired by University alumni Thomas P. Lynch '86 and Sharon Lynch '86, drew participation from 10,406 donors, including 1,307 parents of students and 291 members of the University community. The Parent Campaign was chaired by parents John H. Appleton, Esq. '68 and Donna H. Appleton. The Employee Campaign was chaired by University alumna and administrator Marie A. George, Ph.D., G'78, Vice President of Planning and Institutional Effectiveness. Approximately 80 people served as campaign volunteers.

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 successful completion of the 2002 Annual Fund are, from left: Joseph M. McShane, S.J., President of the University; Parent Campaign Chairs Donna H. and John H. Appleton, Esq. '68; Campaign Chairs Sharon Lynch '86 and Thomas P. Lynch '86; Kathleen A. Statsman, Director of Annual Giving Programs; and Paul J. Strunk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement. Missing from photo is Marie A. George, Ph.D., G'78, Vice President of Planning and Institutional Effectiveness and Chair of the Employee Campaign.

Student Government Donates to United Way



The University of Scranton's Student Government recently presented a check for \$9,000 to representatives from the United Way of Lackawanna County. The funds, which will be used for the United Way's September 11th Fund, were raised by students beginning in winter 2002. Student Government sold "Z-bricks" upon which the name of a person or persons could be engraved in their memory. The bricks were added to the area surrounding the University's fountain and statue of St. Ignatius Loyola.

Money raised for the United Way's September 11th Fund is used to provide cash assistance and services for

39,000 victims and their families, the recovery effort at Ground Zero and the Pentagon, and to rebuild communities devastated by the terrorist attacks.

Shown at the check presentation are, from left: Reuban Rodriguez, Ed.D., Dean of Student Life at The University of Scranton; Frank J. Salfi, President, Student Government; Timothy Gabrielli, Vice President, Student Government; Elaine Errico, Fund-Raising Manager, United Way of Lackawanna County; Gary W. Drapek, President and Chief Professional Officer, United Way of Lackawanna County.

Father Romanos Russo to Present Lecture

The University of Scranton's Center for Eastern Christian Studies will host another in its 2002-2003 series of lectures on the Eastern Christian perspective of the married priesthood at 7 p.m., Monday, 17 February, in the lecture room of the Center, located on Mulberry Street between Clay and North Webster Avenues.

The featured speaker is the Rev. Romanos Russo, Pastor of Church of Our Savior, Yonkers, N.Y., and professor of Russian and Russian literature at Queens College, N.Y., whose topic is "Married Priesthood: The Experience of the Melkite-Greek Catholic Church." The event is free and open to the public.

Father Russo will address the question of a married priesthood from the Melkite-Greek Catholic perspective. The Melkite Church has attempted to re-establish the practice of ordaining married men to the priesthood wherever the needs of its faithful require. The differing tradition of the Latin Church in the "diaspora" causes inevitable sensitivity in this area. The experience of the past, present realities and future perspectives form the main thrust of the lecture.

The Center for Eastern Christian Studies at The University of Scranton serves as a

focal point for several activities – academic, pastoral and ecumenical — all designed to promote knowledge and understanding of the Christian East. The Center houses a Byzantine Rite chapel, a library of 20,000 books and a Rare Book collection, staff offices and a lecture-social hall.

For additional information, call Sister Joan L. Roccasalvo, C.S.J., Coordinator of the Center and Adjunct Professor of Theology/Religious Studies, at 941-6116, or e-mail roccasalvoj1@scranton.edu.

National Nursing Accreditation Received

The University's Panuska College of Professional Studies has received national recognition for quality through accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Officially recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education as a national accreditation agency, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education provides accreditation for baccalaureate and post-baccalaureate degree programs. CCNE is an autonomous accrediting agency contributing to the improvement of the public's health.

Campus School to Hold Open House

The University of Scranton Campus School will hold its open house on Sunday, 2 February from 1 to 3 p.m. Teachers will be available to discuss the programs offered.

Established in 1994 as an elementary laboratory school by the University, the school offers child-centered, experiential education programs to children from pre-kindergarten to 8th grade.

The University of Scranton Campus School is located at 134 School Street in North Scranton. For additional information, please call 941-4100.

The snow date for the open house is 9 February from 1 to 3 p.m.

SPORTS

By Kevin Southard
Sports Information Director

UNIVERSITY TO INDUCT SIX TO WALL OF FAME

Three all-Americans, a two-sport standout, a history-making wrestler and a coach ranked among the nation's best will be formally inducted into The University of Scranton's prestigious Wall of Fame on Saturday, 8 February, at 3 p.m. in the Long Center.

The Class of 2002 is comprised of **Joe Bochicchio**, **Dr. Wilfred Carey III '88**, **Monica (Davidson) Nicholas '91**, **Doug Edwards '91**, **Dr. Steve Lawrence '76** and **Traci (Zarbatany) Cyr '90**.



**Joe
Bochicchio**

Bochicchio, a native of Scranton, took over the Royals' women's soccer program in 1984 in its second season and has built it into a national power. His current overall record of 246-119-25 (.662) includes eight NCAA Division III tournament appearances (1987, 1989-1990, 1992, 1999-2002) and 12 Middle Atlantic/Freedom Conference championships (1986, 1989-1995, 1999-2002). His 1987 and 2001 teams advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division III championships.

Bochicchio is a three-time National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) regional (1989, 1999-2000) and three-time Freedom Conference (1998-1999, 2001) Coach of the Year selection. During his 18-year tenure, he has developed seven NSCAA all-Americans, 20 NSCAA all-regional and 43 all-Middle Atlantic/Freedom Conference selections. He is third all-time in NCAA Division III women's soccer history in wins.

Carey, a native of Old Forge, was a four-year letterman on the golf team from 1985-1988. A three-time NCAA Division III championship qualifier, he finished 44th in 1986, 19th in 1987 and 25th in 1988. He captured medalist honors at the 1988 Middle Atlantic Conference tournament as the Royals won the team championship for the fourth time in University history. He also finished runner-up at the 1985 MAC championships as the Royals placed second out of 20 teams. He served as team captain his senior year and took home medalist honors in 21 matches as the Royals finished the 1988 season with a 24-0 record in dual-meet competition.

His numerous accolades include honorable mention all-American by the Wilson-Golf Coaches in 1987, and second-team Academic all-American by the College Sports Information Directors of America

(CoSIDA) in 1988. He is one of 10 student-athletes at The University of Scranton to earn a prestigious NCAA post-graduate scholarship. Upon graduation with a degree in biology, *cum laude*, he attended Temple University School of Medicine.



**Monica
(Davidson)
Nicholas '91**

(Davidson) Nicholas, a native of Lafayette, N.Y., was a four-year letter-winner on the women's soccer team from 1987-1990. She scored 52 goals and assisted on 22 others for 126 total points, which, at the time, was second all-time and currently third in Scranton history.

She is a four-time all-Middle Atlantic Conference (1987-1990), two-time National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) all-regional (1989-1990) and 1989 NSCAA all-America selection, becoming, at the time, only the third player in Royals history to earn such an honor.

Along with Wall of Fame inductees Sue (Cately) Kelly (Class of 2000) and Holly Spiech (Class of 2001), she led the Royals to a four-year overall record of 54-28-6 (.648), which included two Middle Atlantic Conference championships (1989, 1990) and three NCAA Division III tournament appearances (1987, 1989, 1990).

(Davidson) Nicholas is a 1991 graduate of the University with a degree in elementary education and holds a master's degree in technology in education.

Edwards, a native of Basking Ridge, N.J., capped off his career in 1990 by becoming the ninth player in Scranton history to earn all-America honors by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

He set and still holds the Royals' single-season record for most goals (27) and total points (67) earned in his senior year, when Scranton finished with an 18-4-2 record, which including a berth in the NCAA Division III championships. Even today, his 67 total points in 1990 is the eighth highest single-season total in Division III history and his 27 goals is 14th.

A three-time all-Middle Atlantic Conference selection (1988-1990), he is second all-time in Scranton history in goals scored (60) and total points (147) and fifth in assists (27). He was instrumental, along with Wall of Fame inductees Mike Kane (Class of 2000) and Mike Capasso (Class of 1999), as the Royals posted a four-year overall record of 67-18-4 (.775), which included two NCAA tournament berths (1987, 1990) and two appearances in the MAC North championship game. He was named the recipient of the 1991 Frank O'Hara Award, which is presented annually to the top male athlete at The University of Scranton.

A 1991 graduate with a bachelor of science degree in marketing, Edwards is an energy broker with Prebon Yamane.

Lawrence, a native of Swoyersville, Pa., made history when he became the first wrestler in Scranton history to place at the



**Dr. Steve
Lawrence '76**

highly regarded Middle Atlantic Conference championships. He finished fourth in the heavyweight division as Scranton finished 12th in the 16-team field at the 1975 tournament held at the University's John J. Long, S.J., Center. He served as team captain his senior year and wrapped up a solid career by placing second in the heavyweight division at the 1976 MAC championships as the Royals placed ninth in the 18-team field.

In addition to finishing with a winning percentage of .630, he led the Royals in pins in both his sophomore and junior seasons. Upon graduation with a bachelor of science degree in biology, he attended the University of Pennsylvania, where he earned his doctor of dental medicine degree.

(Zarbatany) Cyr, a native of Easton, was a four-year letter-winner in field hockey and women's basketball from 1986-1990. As a forward on the field hockey team, she scored 49 goals and assisted on 19 others to finish with 117 points. She led the Royals to four straight winning seasons, an overall record of 48-27-4 (.633), and Middle Atlantic Conference playoff appearances in 1987 and 1989 under then head coach Beth Howlett.



**Traci
(Zarbatany)
Cyr '90**

She is Scranton's all-time leader in assists and is third in goals scored and total points. In her senior year, she was named the team's most valuable player (MVP) and earned all-Middle Atlantic Conference honors.

During the winter months, she turned her talents to basketball. She set a Scranton single-game record with 11 steals against Drew University on 10 February 1988 at the Long Center and led the Lady Royals in that statistical category that year with a 3.6 average, which is still the highest single-season average in Scranton history.

In her senior year, she was named all-Middle Atlantic Conference Northeast Section and earned a spot on the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) South Region all-star team. During her tenure in a Lady Royals uniform, Scranton posted a four-year overall record of 96-22 (.813), which included four MAC Northeast League titles (1987-1990), two MAC championships (1987, 1990), and two NCAA Division III championships appearances (1987, 1990), including a third-place finish in 1987, under current head coach Mike Strong. She concluded her career by earning the 1990 Frank O'Hara Award, which is presented annually to the top female athlete on campus.

(Zarbatany) Cyr is a 1990 graduate of the University with a bachelor of science degree in marketing and holds a master of education degree from Lehigh University. From 1983 through 1998, she served as a mathematics teacher in the Bethlehem Area School District.

"Life Lessons with the Lady Royals" Draws More than 700 Elementary Students



Scranton Mayor Chris Doherty speaks to more than 700 elementary students from the Scranton School District during the first "Life Lessons with the Lady Royals" program held 17 December at the Long Center.

More than 700 elementary students from the Scranton School District and the surrounding area took part in the first "Life Lessons with the Lady Royals" program held in conjunction with The University of Scranton/Muhlenberg College women's basketball game on Tuesday, 17 December, at the Long Center.

The program, which featured the Honorable Chris Doherty, Mayor of Scranton, University President Joseph McShane, S.J., and junior guard Katie Dougherty and sophomore center Eileen Webster of the Lady Royals' women's basketball team as guest speakers, stressed the importance of reading and maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

After opening remarks from Father McShane, Mayor Doherty stressed the need for all students to develop their reading skills for future academic success. Ms. Webster echoed Mr. Doherty's sentiments and explained how she uses reading not only to keep up with her studies as a political science major but for recreational purposes as well. Ms. Dougherty concluded the program by emphasizing the importance of a healthy lifestyle, which includes eating a balanced diet and getting proper rest. She also demonstrated with several of her teammates how jumping rope can not only be fun but helpful in conditioning and developing foot work.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

JANUARY

- 29 7 p.m. Wrestling hosts Shippensburg, Long Center
30 9 p.m. Coffeehouse Series, Musical Artist Chinua Hawk, Wolves' Den, 941-6233
31 2 & 8 p.m. The University Players present, "The Playwright's Festival," today through 2 February, Royal Theater, McDade Center. Free and open to the public. 941-4318
9 p.m. Comedian Michael Collins, Eagen Auditorium, 941-6233

FEBRUARY

- 1 10 a.m. Alumni Basketball Game, Long Center
11 a.m. West Coast Alumni Chapter, Northern California Winchester Mystery Tour, Winchester Mystery House, 525 S. Winchester Blvd., San Jose, Calif., 1-800-SCRANTON
1 p.m. Men & Women's Swimming hosts Elizabethtown prefaced by Alumni Swim Meet, Byron Complex
1 p.m. Women's Basketball hosts Drew, Long Center
3 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts Drew, Long Center
3:05 p.m. Lehigh Valley Chapter, Night with the Phantoms, First Union Center, Philadelphia, 1-800-SCRANTON
5:15 p.m. Ice Hockey hosts Drexel, The Ice Box, Pittston
6:30 p.m. Miami and Fort Lauderdale Fla. Alumni Reception, The Diplomat Country Club, 501 Diplomat Pkwy, Hollywood, 1-800-SCRANTON
2 The University of Scranton will host a Schomburg Exhibit, "African Presence in the Americas," today through 7 March, Heritage Room, Weinberg Memorial Library. Free and open to the public. 941-6645
9:30 a.m. Jupiter and Juno Beach Fla. Alumni Mass, St. Patrick's Church, Juno Beach immediately followed by brunch at Admiral's Cove, 200 Admiral's Cove Blvd., Jupiter. 1-800-SCRANTON
7:30 p.m. The Performing Arts Series presents, "Intercultural Journeys II," featuring cellist Ohad-Bar David, Houlihan-McLean Center. Free and open to the public. 941-7624
3 10 a.m. "Basic Training at Camp Udi," a master-class for student string players with Ohad Bar-David. Pre-registration requested, 941-7624 or e-mail: music@scranton.edu
4 6 p.m. Orlando, Fla., Alumni Gathering, Zak's on Park Avenue, 358 N. Park Ave., Winter Park, 1-800-SCRANTON
5 Last Day 100% Refund (non-flat rate only)
Noon Tampa, Fla., Alumni Lunch, Donatello's, 232 North Dale Mabry Highway, Tampa, 1-800-SCRANTON
6 p.m. Sarasota, Fla., Alumni Dinner, Laurel Oak Country Club, 2700 Gary Player Blvd., Sarasota, 1-800-SCRANTON
6 6:30 p.m. Naples, Fla., Alumni Family Dinner, Hilton Naples, 5111 Tamiami Trail North, Naples, preceded by an Investment/Retirement Seminar sponsored by PNC Bank, 1-800-SCRANTON
9 p.m. Coffeehouse Series, Jim's Big Ego Band, Wolves' Den, 941-6233
7 Last Day to Request Credit/No Credit Option (Undergrad only)
9 p.m. Comedian Tiny Glover, Eagen Auditorium, 941-6233
8 1 p.m. Women's Basketball hosts King's, Long Center
3 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts King's, Wall of Fame Ceremony before game, Long Center
Swimming hosts Last Chance Invitational, Byron Complex
9 Noon Wrestling hosts The College of New Jersey, Long Center
2 p.m. Ice Hockey hosts Villanova, The Ice Box, Pittston
7:30 p.m. The Performing Arts Series presents, "Bone Structure," with trombonists Wycliffe Gordon and Ron Westray, Houlihan-McLean Center. Free and open to the public. 941-7624



Cellist Ohad-Bar David

- 12 Lincoln's Birthday
Last Day 75% Refund (non-flat rate only)
7 p.m. Greater Philadelphia Chapter Business Meeting, 1-800-SCRANTON
9 p.m. Spoken Word Poet, Abyss, Wolves' Den, 941-6233
13 11:30 a.m. Information Resources Forum, "Desktop Developments," Room 509, Brennan Hall, 941-6185 or email: karynsalitsky@scranton.edu
-12:45 p.m. Student Talent Night, Wolves' Den, 941-6233
9 p.m. Valentine's Day
14 Eastern Collegiate Hockey Association Playoffs today through 16 February, The Ice Box, Pittston
15 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. 18th Annual Psychology Conference and 4th Annual International Brain Bee Competition for high school students, Brennan Hall. Conference registration fee: \$10. Call 941-4266.
1 p.m. Women's Basketball hosts DeSales, Long Center
3 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts DeSales, Long Center
17 President's Day
7 p.m. The Center for Eastern Christian Studies lecture series, "Married Priesthood: The Melkite-Greek Catholic Experience." Speaker is Rev. Romanos V. Russo, Pastor, Christ Our Savior Church, Yonkers N.Y. and Professor of Russian Language and Literature, Queens College, Flushing. Free and open to the public. 961-6116 or email: roccasalvoj1@scranton.edu
18 6 p.m. Women's Basketball hosts Lycoming, Long Center
8 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts Lycoming, Long Center
19 Last Day 50% Refund (non-flat only)
20 9 p.m. Coffeehouse Series, Musical artist Ari Hest, Wolves' Den, 941-6233
21 9 p.m. Comedian Mark Reedy, Eagen Auditorium, 941-6233
22 Washington's Birthday
23 Art Gallery Exhibit, "Sunday in Tlacolula: Recent Works by Arlene Love," on display through 11 April. Fourth Floor, Hyland Hall. Free and open to the public. 941-4214
1-2 p.m. Art Gallery Lecture, "Photographs and Drawings of Tlacolula," Arlene Love, Visiting Artist, Executive Center, Fifth Floor, Brennan Hall, 941-4214
2-4 p.m. Art Gallery Opening Reception, Fourth Floor, Hyland Hall, 941-4214
7:30 p.m. The Performing Arts Series presents, "Louis Armstrong Tribute," with David Ostwald's Gully Low Jazz Band, Houlihan-McLean Center. Free and open to the public. 941-7624
26 Last Day 25% Refund (non-flat rate only)
Last Day to Drop a Class with No Grade
27 9 p.m. Musical artists BC3 Acapella, Wolves' Den, 941-6233
28 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The University Art Gallery and NEIU #19 workshop for elementary and high school students, teachers and/or parents, "Sunday in Tlacolula." Workshops in Figure Drawing, Fridays through 11 April, Fourth Floor, Hyland Hall. 941-4214
11 p.m. Comedienne Tammy Pescatelli, Wolves' Den, 941-6233

Library Seeks Donations for Book Sale

The University's Weinberg Memorial Library is accepting book donations for its annual spring sale. Donations will be accepted until 25 April and may be placed in the large bin 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, audiocassettes and records. Not accepted, however, are "Readers' Digest" condensed books and "National Geographic" magazines.

This year's book sale is scheduled for Saturday, 26 April, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, 27 April, from noon to 4 p.m., in the Scranton Heritage Room on the fifth floor of the Weinberg Memorial Library. For additional information call 941-7816.

Professor Participates in National Workshop

Harry Dammer, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Sociology and Criminal Justice at The University of Scranton, was one of 22 professionals from throughout the nation invited to be part of a workshop to develop a research agenda for faith-based programs in criminal justice settings. The two-day workshop, held in Washington, D.C., in December, was sponsored by the National Institute of Justice, which is the research branch of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Workshop participants developed recommendations that will be considered for use by the Institute in developing its agenda for 2003. The workshop included discussions about how to incorporate faith factors into studies of crime and justice, and how to improve partnerships between faith organizations and justice agencies.

University Team Places 8th in Programming Contest

A team from The University of Scranton earned eighth place out of 140 teams in the annual ACM (Association for Computing Machinery) Mid-Atlantic Regional Collegiate Programming Contest. The contest involved students from universities in the mid-Atlantic region of the United States, including Duke, Virginia Tech, University of Virginia, Johns Hopkins, Temple, Drexel, Villanova and many others. The event fosters creativity, teamwork and innovation in building new software programs, and enables students to test their ability to perform under pressure.

Two University of Scranton teams took part in the competition, which was held during the fall semester at Wilkes University, one of several sites for the contest. The eighth place University of Scranton team, consisting of Jonathan Yazinski, a senior math/physics major

from Moosic, David Mattingly, Scranton, a senior computer science major, and Patrick Joyce, Clarks Summit, a sophomore computer science major, solved five of eight problems. A second team from The University of Scranton solved two problems and finished 89th in the competition. Team members included Dan Swimm, Chicago, Ill., a senior, and juniors Gerard Dombroski, Scranton, and Daniel Lodini, Pleasant Mount. All are computer science majors.

The University of Scranton teams have placed successfully in the ACM Programming Contest for several years. In 1999, one of its teams qualified for the World Finals held in April 2000 at the Technical University of Eindhoven, Netherlands. In November 2000, the University served as one of the contest sites. A team led by Yazinski and Mattingly finished first among the fifteen teams competing there and 17th among the 137 teams competing in the entire region.

Merrill Lynch Donates to Nursing Scholarship

The Bender, Crisci, Sennett & Hudacek Group of Merrill Lynch recently presented a check for \$2,500 to the University's *Making a Difference Nursing Scholarship Fund*. The scholarship fund, named in honor of Pauline Mileski, RN, will assist licensed practical nurses at the University who are pursuing a bachelor's degree in nursing. Applicants must complete 60 credits in their major, demonstrate evidence of financial need, maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher, and submit a short story about a nursing experience that made a difference in the life of a patient. The first recipient of the *Making a Difference Nursing Scholarship* is Debbie Butrim, Scranton, a junior in the University's Dexter Hanley College. Ms.

Butrim will receive \$2,000, and the remaining \$500 will be added to the scholarship fund. Mrs. Mileski was a dedicated nurse and graduate of St. Mary's School of Nursing, Brooklyn, N.Y. Her work encompassed many areas of care. In addition to her work as a nurse, she was a mother and dedicated guardian of her nephew, Stephen Hudacek, and nieces, Hollie and Rennie Hudacek, following the death of their parents. Stephen's wife, Sharon Hudacek, Ed.D., RN, CS, a member of The University of Scranton's nursing faculty, is dedicating the proceeds of her book, *Making a Difference: Stories from the Point of Care*, and lecture fees to the scholarship fund in Mrs. Mileski's honor.

Psychology Professor Studies Success of New Year's Resolutions

Research by University of Scranton Psychology Professor John C. Norcross, Ph.D., indicates that you are 10-times more likely to change a desired behavior if you make a New Year's Resolution than if you don't. According to his study published in a 2002 issue of the *Journal of Clinical Psychology*, 46 percent of those making a resolution were successful at changing their target behavior after six months, compared to only four percent of adults desiring to change their behavior who did not make a resolution. "Forty to 45 percent of adults in the United States will make New Year's resolutions, and two-thirds of these resolutions will concern life-threatening health behaviors," said Dr. Norcross. "This tradition presents a valuable opportunity to increase the effectiveness of self-initiated

change that affects the health of the U.S.A." Dr. Norcross is internationally recognized as an authority on behavior change and psychotherapy. He has researched New Year's resolutions and self-change for nearly two decades. "The success of New Year's resolutions must be considered in a comparative context. That is the focus of this study," said Dr. Norcross. According to Dr. Norcross, this is the first scientific study to compare the success rates of those who make New Year's resolutions to those who do not. He conducted his study with research assistants Marci Mrykalo and Matthew Blagys. Results of Dr. Norcross's study have also been published in national media, including *USA Today* and the *Washington Post*.



The Bender, Crisci, Sennett & Hudacek Group of Merrill Lynch recently presented a check for \$2,500 to the University's *Making a Difference Nursing Scholarship Fund*. At the check presentation, from left: Sharon Hudacek, Ed.D., RN, CS; Jim Mileski, son of Pauline Mileski, RN; Debbie Butrim, scholarship recipient; Stephen Hudacek, nephew of Mrs. Mileski and partner within the Bender, Crisci, Sennett & Hudacek team of Merrill Lynch; Peter M. Galbraith, Executive Director of Development at The University of Scranton; University of Scranton President Joseph M. McShane, S.J. Absent from photo: Bill Bender and Raymond Crisci of Bender, Crisci, Sennett & Hudacek.

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