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## Gala Dinner Honors Alumnus, Raises Funds for Scholarships

A record crowd of 550 alumni and friends of the University attended the President's Business Council's Fourth Annual Award Dinner at The Pierre in Manhattan on Oct. 6. Dinner Honoree Arthur J. Kania, Esq., '53, a native of Moosic, was honored with the President's Medal.

Dinner co-chairs Robert J. Bednar, Jr., '69, University Trustee and CEO of Naples Bank Note Company, and S. Eric Marcheski '95, Executive Director of TEKsystems, announced total proceeds of \$900,000 from the dinner for the University's Presidential Scholarship Endowment Fund. Presidential Scholars are chosen from among the top students accepted to the University each year and receive full-tuition coverage from freshman through senior year.

In presenting the President's Medal, the University and the Council recognize individuals who have achieved excellence in their fields and who have demonstrated extraordinary compassion for others.

Mr. Kania is a Senior Partner in the Bala Cynwyd-based law firm of Kania, Lindner, Lasak & Feeney. He received his J.D. from Villanova University School of Law in 1956. An accountant and attorney by professional background and training, a major portion of his career has been devoted to entrepreneurial corporate formation and development.

His diverse and numerous entrepreneurial accomplishments include, but are not limited to, the founding of First Sterling Bank, which merged into Summit Bancorp, now a major component of Bank of America, and co-founding the Greater Bay Country Club and the Brighton Hotel (now Sands Hotel & Casino, Atlantic City, N.J.), which at the time was the third casino founded in Atlantic City. In May 1998, the University renamed its School of Management "The Arthur J. Kania School of Management." Mr. Kania and his wife, the former Angela Volpe, reside in Bryn Mawr and have seven children and 14 grandchildren.

Mr. Kania joins previous medal recipients, Gerard R. Roche '53, Senior Chairman of Heidrick and Struggles, Inc.; Paul M. Montrone, Ph.D., '62, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Fisher Scientific International, Inc.; and, William H. Finn '67 (in memoriam), Senior Managing Director of Bear, Stearns & Co.

In his remarks, Mr. Kania reflected on his life experiences, including the support he received from his teachers at St. Mary's High School in Scranton to pursue college. He also commented on the "specialness" of the University and urged the young alumni and current students in the audience to, as they meet life's challenges, "always remember the past – those who came before you – who gave you what you have."

The President's Business Council was formed in 2001 by a prominent group of alumni and friends whose purpose is to advance the mission of the University. The Council is chaired by Christopher M. "Kip" Condron '70, President and Chief Executive Officer, AXA Financial, Inc. In addition to its annual dinner, the Council provides mentoring and internship opportunities for students and networking opportunities for alumni and friends.

### Business School Listed among Best in Nation

The University's Kania School of Management is one of the nation's best business schools, according to The Princeton Review.

This is the first year that Scranton has been included among the elite colleges listed in the Princeton Review's "Best 237 Business Schools." Scranton is the only school in northeast Pennsylvania to be included among the 19 Pennsylvania universities profiled in the 2006 edition of the guide book, published by Random House / Princeton Review.

The profile of Scranton notes that the Jesuit school's MBA program delivers "a set of skills and perspectives needed to succeed in the increasingly fast-paced, global and technology-oriented business environment ... within the ethical framework of a Catholic education." It also notes that Scranton offers the only MBA program in northeast Pennsylvania accredited by AACSB-International, the most recognized and respected business school accrediting body.



Arthur J. Kania, Esq., '53 received the President's Medal at a gala event in Manhattan. The \$900,000 in proceeds from the dinner support the University's Presidential Scholarship Endowment Fund. Standing, from left, are: Christopher M. "Kip" Condron '70, President and CEO, AXA Financial, Inc. and Chair of the President's Business Council; previous medal recipient, Gerard R. Roche '53, Senior Chairman of Heidrick and Struggles, Inc.; Mr. Kania; Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. University President; and previous medal recipient Paul M. Montrone, Ph.D., '62, Chairman and CEO of Fisher Scientific International, Inc.

## Grants Awarded to Women's Programs

The U. S. Department of Justice has awarded \$521,752 in grants to the Women's Resource Center of Lackawanna and Susquehanna counties and The University of Scranton to aid victims of and support initiatives to prevent violence against women.

The separate grants were announced at a news conference on Oct. 20.

"These funds are supporting a campus-based initiative that will be a model for other faith-based universities to respond to sexual violence and a community-based initiative that strengthens a unique model of civil legal assistance for survivors of domestic and sexual assault," according to Margaret Ruddy, Executive Director for the Women's Resource Center.

The Women's Resource Center's civil legal assistance project, the Barbara J. Hart Justice Center, which is located in Scranton and serves Lackawanna and Susquehanna counties, has been awarded a \$330,700 federal grant from the Office on Violence Against Women, which is housed in the U. S. Department of Justice.

The University's Division of Student Affairs will receive a \$191,052 grant from



Elizabeth Randol, Ph.D., Project Director of the grant and Director of the University's Jane Kopas Women's Center, speaks at a news conference announcing the Department of Justice grants.

the U.S. Department of Justice to fund a collaborative initiative that will result in a model to help colleges better coordinate and expand response to violence against women on campus.

The grant will fund an initiative to expand the focus of violence against women to include areas of sexual harassment, relationship violence and cyberstalking; to provide for a comprehensive and coordinated campus-wide approach to victims; to define better campus judiciary procedures for offenders; and to create a faith-based component to the coordinated response.

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# New Strategic Plan Engages University Community

**Pride, Passion, Promise:  
Shaping our Jesuit Tradition  
{ The Strategic Plan in Action }**

A new University-wide Strategic Plan for 2005-2010, *Pride, Passion, Promise: Shaping our Jesuit Tradition*, was unveiled at the University Convocation on Sept. 9.

The four themes of the plan – Educational Excellence, Campus Community, Economic Strength, and Civic Engagement – will be enacted through a series of focused strategies. Many areas of the campus community will contribute to the accomplishment of these strategies, primarily through the University's tactical plans.

University President, Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., notes, "The themes and goals of our plan are now the object of considerable attention as tactical plans are developed. It will be in this tactical planning phase that the proverbial rubber hits the road as many important initiatives find their way into these plans."

As the strategic plan sets broad institutional objectives for a five-year period, tactical plans will guide each University division or area's work in fulfilling the University's strategic plan, while also addressing the specific needs and activities of the division or area. Each tactical plan will look forward over a three-year horizon, and will be reviewed annually.

Four of the tactical plans will represent cooperative areas within the University community: Enrollment Management, Diversity, Human Resources, and Marketing. The development of these plans will require

broad consultation. Widespread collaboration will be a critical component of these plans' implementation and success.

Each of the seven divisions of the University will also develop a tactical plan: Academic Affairs, Administrative Services, Finance, Information Resources & Planning, Institutional Advancement, Mission & Ministry, and Student Affairs. The vice presidents of each of these areas, in consultation with their staff and other members of the campus community, will direct the content of these plans and the ways in which they will support the University's Strategic Plan. Tactical plans will be shared with the University com-

munity as they are developed throughout this year.

A recent example of tactical planning for the Division of Student Affairs is the awarding of a \$191,052 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to fund a collaborative initiative that will result in a model to help colleges better coordinate and expand response to violence against women on campus. (See story on pg. 1)

To view the University's Strategic Plan, visit [www.scranton.edu/strategicplan](http://www.scranton.edu/strategicplan). To request a copy, or for more information, contact the Planning, Assessment & Institutional Research Office at 941-6344 or [planning@scranton.edu](mailto:planning@scranton.edu)

## Two Elected to Board of Trustees

Two new members have been elected to three-year terms on The University of Scranton's Board of Trustees.

Thomas J. Sullivan, former Executive Vice President/Administration of McGraw-Hill Companies, and a resident of Avon-by-the-Sea, N.J., and Ellen Harding Casey, former First Lady of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and a resident of Scranton, began their terms at the Oct. 6, 2005, board meeting.

Mr. Sullivan retired from his position with McGraw-Hill in 1996 following 31 years of service to the company. His responsibilities included overseeing operating services (real estate), human resources, purchasing,

information systems, security and corporate manufacturing.

He is a graduate of St. Peter's College, Jersey City, N.J., where he earned a bachelor's degree in accounting, and of Seton Hall University School of Law, New Jersey, where he earned a juris doctorate. He is a member of the New Jersey and American Bar Associations.

Mr. Sullivan has served as a member of several boards of trustees, including Providence College, St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, Mount Saint Dominic Academy, Caldwell, N.J., and St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center Foundation, Paterson, N.J. He is chairman emeritus of the board of advisors at Holy Family Academy, Bayonne, N.J.

A member of the University's Board of Regents, Mr. Sullivan and his wife, Salsey, are the parents of two children: Thomas J. Sullivan Jr., who is a 1997 graduate of Scranton, as is his wife, Maura Mendola Sullivan; and Kelly King.

Mrs. Casey was First Lady of Pennsylvania for eight years while her husband, the late Governor Robert P. Casey, served as Chief Executive from 1987 to 1995. During those years, she was a visible



**Ellen Harding Casey**

advocate for maternal and child health care, adoption, literacy and arts programs. Mrs. Casey also worked to promote breast cancer prevention and education, and was responsible for formation of the

Pennsylvania Breast Cancer Coalition. She promoted literacy programs and hosted the National Conference on State Literacy Initiatives in 1990, and, together with her husband, established Pennsylvania YES!, an annual literacy benefit showcasing Pennsylvania performing artists.

Mrs. Casey is a graduate of Marywood University, where she earned a degree in fine arts. She also received the first honorary degree ever bestowed by Marywood, and an honorary degree from The University of Scranton.

## Discoverer of DNA to Lecture on Nov. 17

James D. Watson, Ph.D., who in 1953 together with Francis Crick, Ph.D., discovered the double helix structure of DNA, will present the Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture on Thursday, Nov. 17, at Scranton. He will present "Living with DNA" at an 8 p.m. lecture, which is open to the general public free of charge.

Dr. Watson is the only living member of the team that shared the 1962 Nobel Prize in Medicine for their work on the DNA discovery.

Dr. Watson will be the 13th Nobel laureate to speak at the Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture series, which began in 1985 and has brought some of the world's most distinguished scientists to Scranton.

Dr. Watson is the Chancellor of the Watson School of Biological Sciences at the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, N.Y. His distinguished career included serving as Director and President of the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, as Director of the Human Genome Project, and as a professor at Harvard University for two decades.

The lecture series honors the late Dr. Harry Mullin, who was born in Olyphant and earned his bachelor's degree from The University of Scranton, then St. Thomas College, in 1931.

The lecture series is sponsored by Mrs. Harry Mullin, Robbin Mullin and Brian Mullin, M.D. '66.

For additional information about the lecture, call 941-7400. The lecture will be held in the Houlihan-McLean Center on the corner of Jefferson Avenue and Mulberry Street.

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## Retreat Center Expansion Breaks Ground



The University broke ground for 6,850 square foot expansion of the Retreat Center at Chapman Lake. Participating in the October groundbreaking, from left: Martin Langan, Associate Vice President for Administrative Services; Bridget Lally, student representative; Sr. Bernadette Duross, R.S.M., Interim Vice President for Mission and Ministry; Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., President; William Burkavage, Burkavage Design Associates; Rev. George A. Aschenbrenner, S.J., Rector of the Scranton Jesuit Community; and John Heim, A.J. Guzzi Contractors.

# 2005 Presidential Scholars and Honorees Announced



**University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. congratulates the 2005 Presidential Scholars. From left: Fr. Pilarz, Alexandra Biga, Allison Greco, Alex Deck, Natalie Kottke, Margaret Mathewson, Christine Giangiulio, Daniel Marx, Melissa Linskey and Carmella Calabrese.**

The University has awarded nine freshmen full-tuition Presidential Scholarships named in honor of individuals who have made significant contributions to the University and the community.

Presidential Scholarships are awarded to incoming freshmen with exemplary high school records both inside and outside the classroom. The scholarships cover the full cost of tuition for four years of study as long as the recipient maintains at least a 3.25 grade point average. The 2005 Presidential Scholars and honorees are:

## **Alexandra Biga, Kingston; the Honorable Paul Kanjorski Scholarship**

Ms. Biga is a graduate of Wyoming Valley West High School, Plymouth, where she was a member of the National Honor Society and was a scholar athlete in basketball. She was named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students* and *Who's Who in Sports*. Ms. Biga scored summa cum laude on the National Latin Exam, was a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and Luzerne County Head Start, and a Spanish tutor for third-grade students. She also plays the violin.

Rep. Kanjorski has been a member of the U.S. House of Representatives since 1984. He represents five counties, including Luzerne and half of Lackawanna. He is a senior member of the Financial Services Committee, and has been influential in Fannie Mae's recent commitment to invest \$5 billion in Northeastern Pennsylvania. He holds a juris doctor from Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle. Rep. Kanjorski and his wife, Nancy, have one daughter.

**Carmella Calabrese, Exeter; The Mrs. William (Mary) Scranton Scholarship**  
Ms. Calabrese, a graduate of Wyoming Area High School, Exeter, is majoring in chemistry. In high school, she was a member of the Key Club, and took part in the Science Olympiad. She is a Gold Award-winning Girl Scout, and serves as a lector at St. Cecilia's Church. Ms. Calabrese also plays guitar and piano.

Mrs. Scranton is the former First Lady of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. She is active both locally and on the national level, including serving as Past President of Scranton's Friendship House and Scranton Neighbors, Inc., and on the Executive Board of the Commission of 100,000 Pennsylvania Citizens, the National Center for Housing Management. She is also a former trustee of the California Institute of Technology, and served on the National Committee of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. Mrs. Scranton and her husband, William Warren "Bill" Scranton, created the Willary Foundation, a family foundation dedicated to developing ideas and projects that are interesting, creative and imaginative and benefit communities in Northeastern Pennsylvania. She received an honorary degree from The University of Scranton in 1977. In 1941, the Scranton family donated their ancestral family home to the University. It is now known as The Estate.

## **Alex Deck, Dunmore; The Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sweeney Scholarship**

A graduate of Dunmore High School, Mr. Deck plans to major in math. In high school, Mr. Deck was active in band and soccer.

Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney reside in Scranton. Mr. Sweeney is a 1961 graduate of the University, where he earned a bachelor of science degree in accounting. He is the founder and former Chief Executive Officer of Specialty Defense Systems. He currently serves on the boards at Johnson College and Scranton Preparatory School. He is an avid golfer.

## **Christine Giangiulio, Chester Springs; The Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fairbanks Scholarship**

Ms. Giangiulio, a graduate of Bishop Shanahan High School, is majoring in physics. In high school, she was a National Merit semifinalist, and a member of the National Honor Society, the school choirs, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia All Catholic Choir, and the school's liter-

ary magazine. She was also involved with theater.

Mr. Fairbanks and his wife, Marylee (Graffeo) Fairbanks, reside with their son, Sebastian Michael, in Boxford, Mass. Mrs. Fairbanks is a professional singer and actress who has played both on and off Broadway. Mr. Fairbanks is a 1979 graduate of Scranton, and a former member of the University's Board of Trustees. He is Chairman of the Board of OTF Group, and has had extensive experience advising government and private sector officials throughout Africa, the Middle East and South America. Formerly, he was a volunteer with the Peace Corps in Kenya.

## **Allison A. Greco, Schuylkill Haven; The Dr. and Mrs. R. Barrett Noone Scholarship**

Ms. Greco, a graduate of Nativity BVM High School, is majoring in biology. In high school, she was a National Merit Scholarship finalist and a student ambassador. She was a member of the National Honor Society and Pro-Life Club, and was active in 4-H equestrian activities.

Dr. and Mrs. Noone have five children, and reside in Haverford. Dr. Noone is a 1961 graduate of Scranton. He is Executive Director of the American Board of Plastic Surgery, and a former member of the University's Board of Trustees. His wife, Barbara, accompanied him to Kenya with the Flying Doctors of America, a volunteer group of physicians, dentists, nurses, chiropractors, other health professionals and non-medical support volunteers who care for people who otherwise would never receive professional medical care.

## **Natalie Kottke, Fogelsville; The James Haggerty, Esq., Scholarship**

Ms. Kottke, a graduate of Allentown Central Catholic High School, is majoring in biomathematics. In high school, she was class salutatorian, and a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club, Math Club, and Science Club. She was named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, and was active in tennis and dance.

Mr. Haggerty received an honorary degree from Scranton in 1987. He also served on its Board of Trustees, and was Chairman from 1982 to 1986. Mr. Haggerty is a partner in the law firm of Haggerty, McDonnell, O'Brien & Wright, and is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Shamrock Communications Corp. Mr. Haggerty formerly served as General Counsel to the Governor of Pennsylvania from 1989 to 1993, and was Secretary of the Commonwealth during the Casey administration. He is married to the former Cecelia Lynett, also a former Scranton Board of Trustees member. They have eight children.

**Melissa Linskey, Pittston; The Andrew Wallace Scholarship**  
Ms. Linskey, a graduate of Seton Catholic High School, Pittston, is majoring in biology. In high school, she was class valedictorian, a National Merit Scholarship

commended student, and a Diocesan Scholar. She was a member of the Student Council, SADD, Mathletes, the Mission Club, and the Key Club. Ms. Linskey was also named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students* and scored magna cum laude on the National Latin Exam. She was active in dance and cheerleading, and served as a dietary aide at United Methodist Homes.

Mr. Wallace is a 1974 graduate of Scranton. He is the Executive Director for U.S. Senator Arlen Specter, and formerly served as Director of Administration for the Lackawanna County Board of Commissioners. He resides in Chinchilla.

**Daniel Marx, Scranton; The Mr. Ralph Lomma Scholarship**  
Mr. Marx, a graduate of Scranton Preparatory School, is majoring in secondary education/mathematics. In high school, he was class valedictorian, a member of the National Honor Society, and was involved with several extracurricular activities, including the Scranton Prep Chorale, where he was student director, the school newspaper, where he served as layout editor, and the Scranton Prep Players, where he was keyboardist. Mr. Marx was director of music and religious education at Holy Name of Jesus Church, and a part-time organist at Immaculate Conception Church.

Mr. Lomma is a 1949 graduate of Scranton. He acquired a radio license from the Federal Communications Commission for what would later become WUSR, the University's radio station. He is President and Director of Lomma Enterprises, which consists of Lomma Miniature Golf, the oldest and largest manufacturer of miniature golf courses in the world, Lomma Investments, and Lomma National Utilities, which owns 28 water companies. Mr. Lomma and his wife, Joyce, have a son, Jonathan. They reside in Scranton.

## **Margaret Mathewson, Dallas; The Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bannon Scholarship**

Ms. Mathewson, a graduate of Bishop O'Reilly High School, Kingston, is majoring in biomathematics. In high school, she was a member of the National Honor Society, the Spanish National Honor Society, the Glee Club, folk group and chamber choir, Student Government, and the field hockey team. She was also active in gymnastics, and was an American Cancer Society Youth Ambassador.

Dr. and Mrs. Bannon have raised four children, all of whom are University of Scranton graduates. They reside in Clarks Green. Dr. Bannon established his surgical practice in 1970. He is Chairman of Surgery at Mercy Hospital, and is Board-certified. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and formerly served as Chief of Surgery in Leghorn, Italy, while in the U.S. Army.

## Judaic Studies Lecture to Discuss "Hitler's Pope"

The Weinberg Judaic Studies Institute of the University will present a lecture about "The Myth of Hitler's Pope" by Rabbi David G. Dalin, Ph.D. The lecture, presented free of charge and open to the public, will take place at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, in room 228 of Brennan Hall.



**Rabbi David Dalin, Ph.D.**

Dr. Dalin's topic reflects the title of his recent book, *The Myth of Hitler's Pope: How Pope Pius XII Rescued Jews from the Nazis*. His book examines and disputes the beliefs that often criticize Pope Pius XII as a weak pope, who did nothing to help Jews during the Holocaust, or even characterize him as a Nazi collaborator. Using historical records, Dr. Dalin makes a strong case that Pope Pius XII actually saved many Jewish lives during that time.

A professor of history and political science at Ave Maria University, Naples, Fla., Dr. Dalin is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, where he earned a bachelor of arts degree, and Brandeis University, where he earned a master of arts degree and a doctorate. He also completed seminary studies at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

He has taught at many universities in the United States, and most recently taught at Ave Maria College in Michigan. He has lectured widely on Pope Pius XII and the Jews in World War II, as well as Pope John Paul II's relationship with Jews.

For further information, contact Marc Shapiro, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theology, at (570) 941-7956.

## University to Assess Governance Reforms

During the years 1999-2002, the University, guided by a newly-formed Governance Committee, undertook a comprehensive study of its internal governance system. This study was prompted by issues identified during the University's 1998 Self-Study and the subsequent review of the Self-Study by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

As a result of this study, several changes were made to the internal governance structure and processes. These revisions were endorsed by the Board of Trustees in 2002. As part of its endorsement, the Board charged the institution with ongoing review of its governance system, asking the campus community to engage in a formal review of the newly-adopted governance system during the 2005-2006 academic year. As announced by University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz at Convocation, this review is commencing this fall and is organized by

the Planning, Assessment & Institutional Research Office.

According to Jerome P. DeSanto, Vice President for Planning and Chief Information Officer, a first step in this process is gauging a general overall effectiveness of the revisions to the governance system at the University, including communication, participation, and the roles of Student Senate, University Council and Faculty Senate.

"Some broad questions related to this subject will be part of a Noel-Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory and a Noel-Levitz Institutional Priorities survey, which were sent to a sample of students, faculty, and staff on Oct. 24," said Mr. DeSanto.

Another part of the review process will be a series of focus groups and interviews, which will take place on campus this winter and spring. These are expected to provide additional feedback on how specific aspects of the governance system are working. Students, faculty and staff might have received one of these surveys, or may be asked to be a part of the focus group and interview process; participation and candid feedback will be a critical part of this governance review.

## Three Faculty Members from Scranton Have Books Published

During 2004-2005, Scranton faculty authored or co-authored 22 books including three that have just been published.

*Finding God Today: One Catholic's Way*, by E. Springs Steele, Ph.D., Interim Associate Provost and Professor of Theology, was published by Paulist Press. Dr. Steele's book is a contemporary guide to spiritual growth that presents the basic forms of Roman Catholic spiritual practice. His book provides a hands-on guide to spiritual growth that revisits many of Catholicism's traditional prayers and devotions. Using stories from his own life, Dr. Steele walks readers through the practices of spiritual reading, lectio divina and Ignatian mental prayer. Then he turns his attention to the Rosary (especially the new Luminous Mysteries), the Mass (and why our actions there are significant), the model of Jesuit prayer, and the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.

The third edition of *Comparative Criminal Justice* by Harry Dammer, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Chair, Sociology/Criminal Justice, with E. Fairchild and J. Albanese, was published by Wadsworth-Thomson Press. The revision of this best-selling book presents a comprehensive analysis and comparison of various criminal justice systems

throughout the world. Dr. Dammer has extensively revised the text to reflect the latest trends and most up-to-date information on international juvenile justice, policing and terrorism.

The second edition of *Law in Our Lives: An Introduction* by David O. Friedrichs, Professor, Sociology/Criminal Justice, was published by Roxbury Publishing Company.

This text provides an interdisciplinary "mapping" of the nature of law in

contemporary society and covers a broad range of issues relevant to the understanding of law and society, providing a broad-based exploration of law as a social institution. The new edition also features coverage of recent law-related development issues.

Dr. Friedrichs and Dr. Dammer are two of four faculty members in the Sociology/Criminal Justice Department at the University who have published a total of seven books since 2002.

## Seventh Annual Earl Award Presented



**Joseph Fusaro, Ed.D. received the seventh annual Earl Award during University Convocation. From left: University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., Dr. Fusaro and his wife, Sandra Fusaro, Pauline Earl, Karen Earl Kolon, M.D., and Jacqueline Earl Hurst.**

Joseph A. Fusaro, Ed.D., Professor of Education, has been awarded the 7th annual John L. Earl III Award for service to the University, the faculty, and the wider community. The award, presented at University Convocation on Sept. 9, is given in the spirit of generosity and dedication that Dr. John Earl, a distinguished Professor of History, exemplified during his years at the University from 1964 to 1996.

Dr. Fusaro joined the Scranton faculty as an Assistant Professor of

Education in 1974. In 1983, he was promoted to Professor.

Dr. Fusaro has also held several administrative positions at the University. From 1980 to 1983, he was Coordinator for School Improvement. From 1982 to 1984, he served as Acting Associate Dean of the Graduate School, and from 1984 to 1985 he served as Acting Dean. From 1990 to 1991, he was Acting Dean of the College of Health, Education and Human Resources (now the

Panuska College of Professional Studies), as well as Chair of the Department of Education. During the spring 2001 semester, Dr. Fusaro was Acting Chair of the Department of Education.

Dr. Fusaro earned a bachelor of arts in English from Rider College, Trenton, N.J., a master of education degree in reading from the University of Vermont, Burlington, and an Ed.D. in reading from the State University of New York at Albany.

## Woman Entrepreneur Award Presented

Carbondale's Joann Jordan, or Jo Jo the Clown as she is more commonly known as, received the University's Small Business Development Center's 2005 Award for Woman Entrepreneur at a luncheon on Oct. 18.

Women of Merit Awards were presented to Paula Borino of Pleasant Valley Sports Report, Brodheadsville; Danielle Fleming of Danielle & Co., Clarks Summit; and Shelley Goldberg of Shelley's Personalized Gifts, Hellertown.

Frank Andrews, WYOU, served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. Community Bank and Trust served as the primary sponsor, with the Northeast Business Journal and Entercom Communications serving as media sponsors.

Winners were selected by a panel of independent judges from applications from 17 counties of Northeast Pennsylvania. Judges considered products/services offered by the business, percentage of growth, community activities and accomplishments, and any other information the applicant may have added concerning challenges overcome successes and community service.

For further information on this annual program, contact the University of Scranton, Small Business Development Center at 941-7588 or visit the Web site at <http://scrantonsbdc.com>.

## Three Receive Tenure

University President Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., has announced that Tata Mbugua, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Elementary Education, Gloria Tansits Wenze, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education, and Peter Leininger, Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy, have been granted tenure effective August 2005. They join eight other faculty members who received promotions and/or tenure this fall.

## Business School Names New Dean

Michael O. Mensah, Ph.D., Professor and Chair of the Accounting Department at Scranton, has been named Dean of its Kania School of Management.



**Michael Mensah, Ph.D.**

Dr. Mensah joined the University as Assistant Professor of Accounting in 1987. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 1992 and to Professor in 2003. He became the Chair of the Accounting Department in 2000.

Dr. Mensah is a native of Ghana, where he earned a bachelor of science degree in accounting with honors in 1975 at the University of Ghana, Legon. He earned a master of business administration degree from Northeast Louisiana University, Monroe, La., in 1979, and a Ph.D. in business administration in 1990 from the University of Houston, Texas.

He has received several awards at The University of Scranton, including the Dexter Hanley College Student Council Outstanding Professor Award (1992/93), the Team Kania Faculty Award (1999), the Deloitte Faculty Development Award (2000), and the Alperin Teaching Fellow Award (2002).

Dr. Mensah has served on several committees at the university, including the AACSB Accreditation Steering Committee, the Board on Rank and Tenure, and the Faculty Affairs Committee.

He is a member of the board for the African American Arts Alliance and the Cultural Diversity Community Group.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following is a list of full-time staff hired at the University in August and September.

**Patrick J. Bastek**, Public Safety Officer  
**Jaclyn A. Fellman**, Area Coordinator, Residence Life

**Tara A. Gemmel**, Assistant Director, Admissions

**Eric S. Lindsay**, Public Safety Officer  
**Robert J. Liskowicz**, Counselor, Counseling Center

**Geraldine Loveless**, Academic Advisor/Counselor, Kania School of Management Advising Center

**Marissa J. Nichols**, Director of Field Placement, Education Department

**Patricia M. Pivrotto**, Campus Minister  
**Jeremy A. Snyder**, Public Safety Officer

Staff and faculty are invited to submit announcements about professional achievements. Please submit your items to the Editor of *The Scranton Record*, c/o the Office of Public Relations.

## LPN to BSN Scholarship Program Established

The University of Scranton and Mercy Health Partners announced the creation of The University of Scranton Mercy Scholars Program, which provides scheduling, advising and scholarship support to Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) wishing to pursue bachelor's degrees in nursing.

Through the program LPNs employed at Mercy Hospitals can complete the requirements for a bachelor of science degree in nursing part-time at The University of Scranton while working full-time.

LPNs participating will receive a scholarship from Mercy Health Partners each year based on credits undertaken, and an additional scholarship from the university which, together, will in effect leave the LPNs with only the responsibility to pay only for books and lab fees. The agreement will be in effect for five years.

"The University of Scranton Mercy Scholars Program will both enrich the lives of the LPNs who participate, while increasing the level of skilled nursing at Mercy Hospital," said James May, president CEO of Mercy Health Partners. "It provides a once in a lifetime opportunity to highly qualified LPNs."

"We are pleased to be part of a program that brings such obvious benefit to the community through improved health

care," said Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University President.

Qualified LPNs will be admitted into the university's Dexter Hanley College for adult students and will typically enroll for 12 credits each year.

LPNs in the Scranton area are welcome to enroll in the bachelor of science

nursing program at The University of Scranton. The university will assist them in locating financial aid to facilitate attendance.

For more information, contact the University's Dexter Hanley College for adult learners at (570) 941-5813 or e-mail [DHCadmission@scranton.edu](mailto:DHCadmission@scranton.edu).



**The University of Scranton and Mercy Health Partners gathered to sign an agreement establishing The University of Scranton Mercy Scholars Program. Seated from left are, Nancy O'Malley, RN, Executive Director of Nursing, Mercy Health Partners; James E. May, President and CEO Mercy Health Partners; Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. University President. Standing from left are, representing Mercy Health Partners, C.J. Urlaub, Chief Administrative Officer, and Leah Nawrocki, RN, Nurse Recruiter; representing The University of Scranton, Sharon Hudacek, Ed.D., Associate Professor of Nursing; Michelle Beatty, Dexter Hanley College Admissions Coordinator; Duncan Perry, Ph.D., Interim Dean of Dexter Hanley College and Dean of the Graduate School; Harold Baillie, Ph.D., Interim Provost and Academic Vice President.**

## Wi-Fi Access Expanded on Campus

The University has installed 12 new wireless access points over the summer months which extended wireless (Wi-Fi) access to most outdoor campus space, including the commons, the Royal Way, the area in front of Hyland Hall, the freshman patio, and the Alumni Memorial Green.

Wi-Fi access points were also installed in several campus buildings this summer as well, including Brennan Hall and McCourt Hall.

According to Ron Skutnick, Director of Network Resources who is overseeing this project, the expansion project became active in September and allows for wireless transmission with speeds up to 54 megabits per second. The outdoor access points will also provide access inside some buildings as well.

The University plans to install Wi-Fi access points for its remaining campus facilities beginning in the summer of 2006.

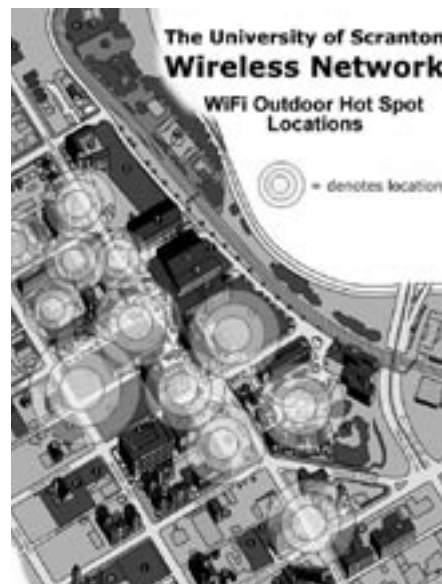
According to Jerome DeSanto, Vice President for Planning and Chief Information Officer, the University's ultimate goal is to become a 100 percent Wi-Fi accessible campus.

"I don't know if I will ever be able to say that we are 100 percent Wi-Fi accessible," said Mr. DeSanto. "Some construction barriers in buildings and remote locations just may not allow complete

accessibility, but we will be as close to 100 percent accessible as possible."

The University of Scranton has already received national attention for its Wi-Fi access. In 2004, Intel Corporation ranked the University 87th in the nation for wireless access. The University of Scranton has also been listed among the nation's most connected campuses in rankings done by Yahoo!

Students, faculty and staff can gain access in the Wi-Fi sites if their computer has a Wi-Fi network adaptor. For information, contact the Help Desk at 941-4357.

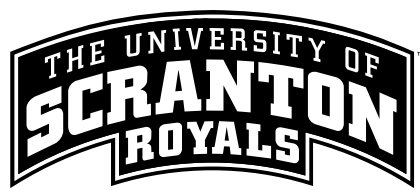


## Professors Receive Mathematics Prize

Two professors at Scranton received a distinguished prize for adding a new dimension to the well-known game of Tic-Tac-Toe.

Maureen T. Carroll, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Math, and Steven T. Dougherty, Ph.D., Professor of Math, were awarded the prestigious Merten M. Hasse Prize at the Summer MathFest in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Presented by the Mathematical Association of America, the award honors the authors of a noteworthy paper that appears in an Association publication. As the prize is meant to encourage younger mathematicians, one of the authors must be under 40 years of age at the time that the paper is accepted for publication.

Dr. Carroll and Dr. Dougherty received the Merten M. Hasse Prize for their article "Tic-Tac-Toe on a Finite Plane", which was published in *Mathematics Magazine* in October 2004. The article describes taking the traditional children's game and brings it into a complex, yet imaginative view that makes use of many different mathematical concepts. It uses the game to expand on mathematical topics while promoting self-discovery. Along with engaging such topics as Latin squares and affine planes, the article discusses strategy-stealing and weight function techniques from game theory.



By Kevin Southard  
Sports Information Director

## Women's Tennis Players Honored by the Freedom Conference

Five members of The University of Scranton women's tennis team earned all-Freedom Conference honors this past season.

Senior **Maggie Leuzarder (Florham Park, N.J./Academy of St. Elizabeth's)** and sophomore **Danielle Red (Mechanicsburg/Cumberland Valley)** were named first-team, while senior **Ashlee Wydra (Schnecksville/Allentown Central Catholic)**, junior **Jessica Coty (Union Township, N.J./Immaculata)** and sophomore **Gretchen Sullivan (Kenmore, N.Y./Kenmore West)** earned second-team honors.

Leuzarder, a second-team all-conference performer a year ago, posted a 5-6 record in singles at the number one position in the Royals' lineup. She also teamed with Red to record an 8-3 mark at the number one doubles. Red, a second-team all-conference selection last fall, was 8-5 in singles while holding down the number two spot. In two seasons, she is 21-11 (.656) in singles and 21-7 (.750) in doubles.

Wydra earns second-team honors for the second consecutive year. After dropping her first two singles matches, she has come back to win 11 straight to improve to 11-2 on the season. She is also the Royals all-time leader in singles victories with 45, breaking the former record of 43 set by Colleen Nattrass from 1997-2000.

Sullivan is honored with a berth on the second team for the second consecutive year after posting a record of 11-2 in singles and 9-4 in doubles. Like Wydra, she lost her first two singles matches before running off a current string of 11 consecutive victories.

Coty, a 2003 first-team all-Freedom Conference selection, posted an 8-3 record in singles and 7-3 mark in doubles.

## FALL SPORTS UPDATE

### Men's Cross Country

After missing the first two meets of the season recuperating from an injury, junior **John Mercuri (Moscow/Scranton Preparatory)** is back in tip-top condition.



John Mercuri

He finished eighth at the Dickinson Invitational, the site of the upcoming NCAA regional meet, on October 1, before turning in a stellar performance with a fourth-place finish at the DeSales Invitational in less than ideal weather conditions on October 15, in Center Valley, Pennsylvania. Mercuri, a two-time all-Middle Atlantic Conference and NCAA regional performer, will look to become the first Royal runner since Joe Fent in 2000 and the fourth overall to qualify for the NCAA Division III championships.

First-year head coach Bill Burke is also pleased with the development of junior **Erik Lenhart (Hagerstown, Md./North Hagerstown)**, a transfer from the United States Military Academy, and senior **Casper Magacs (Binghamton, N.Y./Seton Catholic)**. Lenhart opened the season with a fifth-place finish at the Marywood Invitational and a seventh-place showing at the Lebanon Valley Invitational, while Magacs is coming off a solid performance at the DeSales Invitational, where he finished 30th in field of 233 runners.

### Women's Cross Country

Sophomore **Becky Prial (Warwick, N.Y./Warwick Valley)** continues to set



Becky Prial

the pace for the women's cross country team. She has been the first Royal across the finish line in all five meets to date, including a third-place finish at the Marywood Invitational and a 12th-place showing at the DeSales Invitational.

Seniors **Erica Drevenak (Wilkes-Barre/Hanover Area)** and **Rickie Lee DeMaio (Red Bank, N.J./Middletown South)** and junior **Meagan Todd (Oceanside, N.Y./Kellenberg Memorial)** have provided valuable leadership and experience for first-year head coach Daphne Hoyt, whose roster includes seven sophomores and two freshmen.

### Field Hockey (10-5)

First-year head coach Colleen Mahon is making quite an impression in the Freedom Conference. The Royals enter

the final week of competition a half-game ahead of King's College in the battle for the number one seed for the upcoming Freedom Conference tournament.

Senior midfielder **Amanda Massaro (Valhalla, N.Y./Valhalla)** and freshman forward **Diana Rocklein (Islip Terrace, N.Y./East Islip)** highlight a Royal offense with seven and five goals, respectively, while senior back **Kristin Thomas (Bryn Mawr/Merion Mercy Academy)** and junior goalie **Rochelle Paquette (Burlington, Vt./Burlington)** lead a defensive unit that has held six opponents scoreless.

### Men's Soccer (5-7-4)

Coach Matt Pivrotto's men's soccer team has found itself in a number of nail-biters. Six of the Royals' 14 matches so far to date have been decided in overtime. The team is also one win shy of doubling last year's win output.

Sophomore forward **Tim Logan (Spotswood, N.J./Spotswood)** and senior midfielder **Jordan Melchionni (Marmora, N.J./Ocean City)** have combined for 10 of the team's 22 goals on the offensive end, while junior goalie **David Keib (Clarks Summit/Scranton Preparatory)**, with plenty of help from defenders **Chris Giordano (Hillsborough, N.J./Hillsborough)**, **James Polles (Kinnelon, N.J./Kinnelon)**, **Dan Lavelle (East Stroudsburg/East Stroudsburg)** and **John Postel (Kearny, N.J./Seton Hall Preparatory)**, has recorded four shutouts.



Tim Logan

### Women's Soccer (7-9-2)

Coach Joe Bochicchio's women's soccer team appears to be in contention to qualify for the Middle Atlantic/Freedom Conference tournament for the 18th consecutive season.

The Royals got out of the gates slowly, but have come on strong lately as a number of talented freshmen and sophomores have adapted to the rigors of intercollegiate competition. Freshmen **Kathleen Long (Lock Haven/Central Mountain)**, **Katie (Skillman, N.J./Montgomery Township)** and **Kristy Cordier (Skillman, N.J./Montgomery Township)** and sophomores **Robyn Nagel (Newton, N.J./Newton)** and **Sarah Wright (Trumbull, Conn./Academy of Our Lady of Mercy)** have combined for 10 of Scranton's 21 goals and nine of the team's 17 assists on the offensive end. Scoring help has also been provided by juniors **Angie Bartizal (Somerset, N.J./Bishop George Ahr)** and **Jessica Beha (Belvidere, N.J./Belvidere)**, both of whom are responsible for a combined effort of five goals and seven assists.

Defensively, the play of senior **Kim Fugok (Broomall/Merion Mercy Academy)**, junior **Katie Megna (Vernon, N.J./Vernon)**, and sophomores **Mary Beth Vogel (Havertown/Cardinal O'Hara)** and **Rosemarie DiDonato (Eastchester, N.Y./East Chester)**, along with sophomore goalie **Jackie Colley (North Caldwell, N.J./West Essex)**, has been outstanding. Scranton has held seven opponents scoreless while allowing an average of less than one goal per game.



Kim Fugok

Women's Tennis (10-3)

Jack Lennox's first season as head coach of the women's tennis team has produced a number of significant results.

The Royals won 10 matches for the 12th time in school history, went undefeated in Freedom Conference play (6-0), and advanced to the league's championship match for the second consecutive year. The team overcame an 0-2 start by winning 10 straight matches before dropping a hard-fought 5-4 decision to DeSales University in the championship match of the Freedom Conference tournament.

### Volleyball (19-15)

Coach Jud Holdredge's volleyball team enters the final week of the season needing three victories to reach the 20-win plateau for the 12th straight year.

Senior outside hitters **Katie (Cincinnati, Ohio/Mt. Notre Dame)** and **Kim McManus (Cincinnati, Ohio/Mt. Notre Dame)**, senior setter **Cassie Dyer (Lafayette Hill/Mt. St. Joseph's)**



Cassie Dyer

and senior defensive specialist **Heather Bradley (New Milford/Blue Ridge)** are certainly doing their part to keep Scranton's impressive streak alive.

Kim McManus leads the Royals in kills and service aces, twin sister Katie is second in kills and digs, Dyer tops the team in assists, and Bradley is Scranton's leader in digs.

Team records and standings are current as of Oct. 27. For the latest team records and standings, or for additional news about Scranton Athletics, visit the Web at [www.scranton.edu/athletics](http://www.scranton.edu/athletics)

# CAMPUS CALENDAR

## November

*Exhibit:* "A History of Scranton: Selections from the Collection of the Lackawanna Historical Society," through December 16th, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall

*Exhibit:* "Ravensbruck: Forgotten Women of the Holocaust," through December 12, Scranton Heritage Room, Weinberg Memorial Library

**2** All Soul's Day  
7 p.m. Alumni Memorial Mass, Madonna della Strada Chapel

**4** 6:30 p.m. Scranton Club of the Lehigh Valley Presidential Reception, Terrace Room, Hotel Bethlehem  
7:30 p.m. "Generations Sing" with the University of Scranton Concert Choir and the Catholic Choral Society, St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton  
9 p.m. Comedian Jackie Kashan, 2nd Floor Café, Gunster Student Center

**5** 4:30 p.m. Ice Hockey hosts Rutgers, Ice Box, Scranton

**6** 9:30 a.m. Open House 2005 for all interested high school juniors and seniors, Long Center

**8** Election Day  
7 p.m. Scranton Club of New Jersey Business Planning Meeting

**10** Alumni Society Trip to Beijing, China, through November 17th  
7 p.m. Graduate School Counseling Programs Public Information Session, 1942 Room, The Estate  
7:30 p.m. Weinberg Judaic Studies Institute Lecture "The Myth of Hitler's Pope," featuring Rabbi David Galin, Room 228, Brennan Hall

**11** Veterans' Day  
Last Day to Withdraw with "W" Grade  
7:30 p.m. ROTC Alumni Reunion, 50th Anniversary, Various Campus Locations

**12** 1 p.m. Swimming hosts Dickinson, Byron Complex  
4 p.m. Royal Alumni Basketball Game, Long Center  
4:30 p.m. Ice Hockey hosts Lehigh, Ice Box, Scranton

7 p.m. Scranton Club of Philadelphia presents the Flyers vs. Florida Panthers, Wachovia Center, Philadelphia  
7 p.m. President's Ball and Dance Marathon, Byron Complex  
7:30 p.m. "In Concert" with the University of Scranton Symphonic Band, Houlihan-McLean Center

**13** 4:30 p.m. Ice Hockey hosts Villanova, Ice Box, Scranton

**15** 6 p.m. Dexter Hanley College Adult Student General Information Session, Room 228, Brennan Hall  
7 p.m. Graduate School Nursing Programs Public Information Session, Room 355, McGurrin Hall

**16** 7 p.m. Graduate School MBA Program Public Information Session, Room 500, Brennan Hall

7 p.m. Tour of The Estate in conjunction with the Hope Horn Gallery exhibit "A History of Scranton: Selections from the Collection of the Lackawanna Historical Society"

**17** 5 p.m. Lecture: "Women's Rights in Islam" by Dr. Hisham Nashabe, Room 228, Brennan Hall

8 p.m. The 20th Anniversary of the Harry Mullin, M.D. Memorial Lecture, featuring Nobel Prize winner James D. Watson, Ph.D., Houlihan-McLean Center  
9 p.m. Coffeehouse Series, Jay Hansen, Wolves' Den, Gunster Student Center

**19** 9 a.m. Medical Alumni Council Executive Board Meeting, Brennan Hall

1 p.m. Women's Swimming hosts Juniata, Byron Complex

**22** Last day of Class before Thanksgiving

**23** Thanksgiving Holiday Begins  
Noon University Housing Closes

**24** Thanksgiving Day

**25** Thanksgiving Staff Holiday  
9 a.m. Scranton Club of the Chesapeake Community Service Project, Beans and Bread Soup Kitchen, Baltimore, Md.

10 a.m. Scranton Club of the Lehigh Valley Community Service Project, Meals on Wheels

**27** Noon University Housing Re-Opens

**28** Alumni Society Trip to London, through December 4th  
Classes Resume after Holiday

**30** 7 p.m. Wrestling hosts Lycoming  
Dual Meet, Long Center  
7:30 p.m. "In Concert" with soprano Pamela Wolfe and the University of Scranton String Orchestra, Aula, Houlihan-McLean Center

## December

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*Exhibit:* "Ravensbruck: Forgotten Women of the Holocaust," through December 12, Scranton Heritage Room, Weinberg Memorial Library

**1** 6:00 p.m. Scranton Club of the Chesapeake Christmas Party, Admiral Fell Inn, Baltimore, Md.  
9 p.m. Coffeehouse Series, T.J. McCloud, Wolves' Den, Gunster Student Center

**2** 6:30 p.m. Scranton Club of Washington, D.C. Presidential Christmas Party, Sky Room, Hotel Washington, Washington, D.C.

8 p.m. The University Players Present "The Caucasian Chalk Circle," today through December 4, Royal Theater, McDade Center

**3** 11 a.m. Scranton Club of New Jersey Brunch with Santa, Basking Ridge Country Club, Basking Ridge, N.J.  
1 p.m. Women's Basketball hosts Drew, Long Center

1 p.m. Swimming hosts Susquehanna, Byron Complex  
3 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts Drew, Long Center  
6 p.m. University of Scranton Wall of Fame Induction Ceremony, Long Center

**4** 8 a.m. Wrestling hosts Scranton Invitational, Long Center  
4:30 p.m. Ice Hockey hosts West Virginia, Ice Box, Scranton

8 p.m. Performance Music presents, The University Singers, Chamber Choir and Small Ensembles "38th Annual Noel Night Concert," with guest organist/pianist Linda Houck, with a prelude at 7:05 p.m., Houlihan-McLean Center

**6** Last Week of Classes, today through Monday  
7:30 p.m. The Wyoming Seminary Performing Arts Institute Civic Symphony Orchestra "In Concert," Houlihan-McLean Center

**7** 7 p.m. Scranton Club of Binghamton Christmas Reception, Binghamton Country Club, Endwell, NY

**8** 8 p.m. Coffeehouse Series Open Mic Night, Wolves' Den, Gunster Student Center

**9** 6 p.m. Women's Basketball hosts Diversified Invitational, today through Saturday, Long Center

6:30 p.m. Scranton Club of New York Presidential Christmas Party, The Club Bar and Grill, Madison Square Garden, New York

7:30 p.m. Performance Music Presents, "Empty Stocking Fund" Benefit Concert, Houlihan-McLean Center  
8 p.m. The University of Scranton Players Present "The Caucasian Chalk Circle," today through December 11, Royal Theater, McDade Center

**10** 11 a.m. Scranton Club of New York Long Island Santa Event, Colonial Springs Country Club, E. Farmingdale, N.Y.

8 p.m. Scranton Club of Philadelphia Da U'le Tide Christmas Party, Downey's Restaurant, Philadelphia

**11** 11 a.m. Scranton Club of NEPA Brunch with Santa and Mrs. Claus, Radisson Hotel, Scranton  
Noon Scranton Club of Philadelphia Brunch with Santa, Huntingdon Valley Country Club, Huntingdon Valley  
7 p.m. Advent Mass, Byron Complex

**12** Last Day of Class  
7:30 p.m. The University Civic Symphony Orchestra, "In Concert," Houlihan-McLean Center

**13** Final Exams Begin  
7 p.m. Scranton Club of New Jersey Business Planning Meeting

**15** 6:30 p.m. Scranton Club of South Central PA Holiday Party/Presidential Reception, Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, North Front Street, Harrisburg

**17** Final Exams and Semester End  
Noon University Housing Closes  
7 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts Misericordia, Long Center

**20** 3 p.m. Final Grades Due

**23** Christmas Staff Holiday through January 2

**25** Christmas Day  
Hanukkah Begins

**26** Kwanzaa Begins

**31** New Year's Eve

## January 2006

**1** New Year's Day

**2** Staff Holiday  
Noon University Housing Opens - Intersession

**3** Intersession Classes Begin

**4** Last Day to Add Courses  
Last Day to Request Credit/No Credit  
8 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts Elizabethtown, Long Center

**5** Last Day 100 % Tuition Refund

**6** Last Day to Drop Course/50% Tuition Refund

**7** 1 p.m. Swimming hosts Albright, Byron Complex  
1 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts Radisson Invitational today and tomorrow, Long Center  
7 p.m. Women's Basketball hosts Kean, Long Center

**8** Exhibit "Stark Impressions: Works on Paper by Herbert Simon and Sharon Bowar," on display today through February 17, Hope Horn Gallery, Hyland Hall  
4:30 p.m. Ice Hockey hosts Townson, Ice Box, Scranton

**10** 7 p.m. Wrestling hosts Muhlenberg, Long Center  
7 p.m. Swimming hosts King's, Byron Complex

**16** Martin Luther King Day  
Last Day to Elect Audit Option (Undergrad)  
8 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts Cabrini, Long Center

**18** Last Day to Withdraw with "W" Grade  
6 p.m. Women's Basketball hosts King's, Long Center  
7 p.m. Swimming hosts FDU Florham, Byron Complex  
8 p.m. Men's Basketball hosts King's, Long Center

For additional information, visit the

**EVENTS CALENDAR**  
[www.scranton.edu/events](http://www.scranton.edu/events)

## Information Sessions for Adult Learners

The University will hold public information sessions for undergraduate programs for adult learners and for graduate programs for counseling, nursing and business in November.

The University will hold general information sessions for its certificate, associate's and bachelor's degree programs for adult learners on Nov. 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. in room 228 of Brennan Hall. Representatives from the Dexter Hanley College for adult learners will discuss the degree programs offered in more than 70 majors, as well as the financial aid options, academic advising and career services available to adults.

An information session for graduate counseling programs will be held on Nov. 10 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in 1942 room of the Estate. Scranton offers graduate programs in community counseling and school counseling. The University also offers certification in advanced graduate study in professional counseling.

On Nov. 15, information about graduate nursing programs with specialization in nurse anesthesia, adult health nursing and family nurse practitioner will be presented from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in room 355 of McGurkin Hall.

Graduate nursing programs at Scranton include master's completion programs for certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNAs), certified registered nurse practitioners (CRNPs), and certified nurse midwives (CNMs). The University also offers graduate programs in adult health, including a new concentration in forensics, and for family nurse practitioners.

The University will hold an information session for its MBA program on Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. in the fifth floor McShane Executive Center of Brennan Hall. The University's MBA program has concentrations in accounting, finance, marketing, operations management, management information systems, international business and enterprise management technology.

Application fees will be waived for those attending the information sessions.

For more information and for reservations for the undergraduate information sessions for adult learners, call 570-941-5813. For more information or to make reservations for the graduate program information sessions, please call 1-800-366-GRAD (4723).

Information is also available on the Web at [www.scranton.edu/adults](http://www.scranton.edu/adults).



## Scranton Responds to Hurricane Katrina

During a liturgy for the victims of Hurricane Katrina (above), the University community offered prayers for all affected by the storm, particularly the 41 alumni who live in the regions hit hardest by the storm.

Fundraising initiatives included collection tables around campus and a meal swipe donation in which students could opt to skip dinner and donate the equivalent of their meal swipe toward our community's contribution to relief efforts.

More than 600 students participated in the meal swipe program. All funds raised were donated to Catholic Charities USA, which is providing help throughout the region hit by Hurricane Katrina, and a charity with strong ties to the University's mission and identity.

The University also opened its doors to accept students who were displaced as a result of Hurricane Katrina, and welcomed 12 students from Loyola New Orleans and Tulane universities for the fall semester.

## Scranton, Marywood Hosting Islamic Scholar



**At a welcoming reception for Islamic scholar Hisham Nashabe, Ph.D., are, standing from left, Bernadette Russell, Ph.D., Director of Marywood's School of Continuing Education, Dr. Nashabe, Sister Mary Reap, I.H.M., Ph.D., President of Marywood, Harold Baillie, Ph.D., Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Scranton, Springs Steele, Ph.D., Interim Associate Provost at Scranton and Dr. Barbara Burkhouse, Professor, College of Education and Human Development at**

An increased knowledge of our world events has put a spotlight on Islamic history and culture. To celebrate our cultural diversity and unity, Marywood University and The University of Scranton will host visiting scholar Hisham Nashabe, Ph.D., from the American University of Beirut Lebanon through November 23.

Dr. Nashabe's visit to Northeast Pennsylvania is courtesy of the Islamic Visiting Scholar Program, directed and administered by the American University of Beirut. During his stay, he will lecture at both universities and participate in forums that are free and open to the public.

A discussion of spirituality transcending religious boundaries entitled *Surrounded by Spirit* will be held on November 4, at noon at Marywood University in the Woods Café.

Along with the public forums, Dr. Nashabe will lead class lectures at The University of Scranton and Marywood University throughout his visit. He will discuss topics such as women's rights in Islam, understanding contemporary Islam and ethics in social work.

## Reception Hosted for Guidance Counselors

Harold W. Baillie, Ph.D., Interim Provost and Academic Affairs, (left) greeted local guidance counselors who attended a reception on campus on Oct. 5. Approximately 100 guidance counselors from area high schools attended the reception and heard updates about the University and the academic programs available for prospective students. The event has been held for more than 10 years.



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