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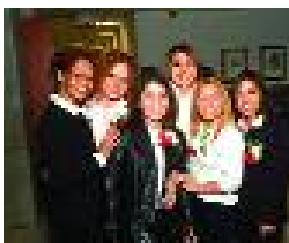
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From humble beginnings to significant milestones along the way, the Seton Hall University School of Law's first 50 years are chronicled through interviews, photographs and a timeline. Ranked among the nation's top law schools, Seton Hall Law School has set the standard for legal education at a Catholic university.



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## In Step with the Legacy of Dr. King

While mentoring, tutoring and volunteering, Martin Luther King Scholars draw

from the ideals of their namesake as they embrace servant leadership at Seton Hall University.

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"At the beginning of  
our tenure at Seton  
Hall....the challenge  
presented to us  
was to enhance our  
minds, our hearts  
and our souls.  
Today is proof that we  
have succeeded."

— From the welcome address  
by Adel Mohsen, President  
of the Senior Class, B.A.  
in Political Science

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# Commencement

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On May 10, Seton Hall University's 2,052 graduates celebrated their academic achievements with their families, friends, fellow alumni and the Seton Hall community. The weekend leading up to the big day at Continental Airlines Arena was filled with festivities large and small.

1. The Most Reverend John J. Myers, J.C.D., D.D., Archbishop of Newark (left), and Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67, University president, delight in the moment as they converse with an audience of honored guests.

2. College of Nursing graduates gather on the steps of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark before the 47th nurse pinning ceremony for B.S.N. degree recipients.







5. An honorary degree was awarded to Sister Francis Raftery, S. C., president of the College of Saint Elizabeth in Convent Station. Sister Francis is a winner of the National Catholic Educational Association's Outstanding Educator Award.

## Congratulations to the Class of 2004!

"Seton Hall has been like a home for many of us. Here we have gained insight into our goals and have acquired the knowledge and determination necessary to realize them. As a class we have become a community and we have fostered relationships that have made the time at Seton Hall successful and enjoyable."

— *From the Valedictory address by Michelle Dominy, B.S. in Biology*



3. William F. McDermott '54 joined his fellow Jubilarians in celebrating the 50th anniversary of their graduation. They enjoyed front row seats at Seton Hall's 147th Commencement.



4. Joseph De Pierro, Ed.D., dean of the College of Education and Human Services, looks on as Harriett Gaddy receives a doctoral hood from her mentor, Robert Massey, Ph.D., professor of professional psychology and family therapy.





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6. Joseph Unanue, former chairman and CEO of New Jersey-based Goya Foods Inc., the largest Hispanic-owned food company in the country, was awarded an honorary degree.

7. Three generations of the Martin family celebrated their Seton Hall legacy at home: Thomas W. Martin '49 (seated); (standing, from left) his son Thomas L. Martin '71; his daughter-in-law, Thomas' wife Kathleen (Gilsenan) Martin '74/J.D. '80; and his granddaughter Caitlin Martin '04.

8. Maurice DuBois, an award-winning anchor and reporter with NewsChannel 4 and co-anchor of "Today in New York," addressed the graduates. DuBois was awarded an honorary degree.







### Traders in Training at Stillman Learn About the Financial Markets

In September, the Stillman School of Business at Seton Hall University will launch a new learning initiative: the Center for Securities Trading and Analysis, also known as the Trading Room. It will give students access to real-time financial market data and a real trading floor environment, as well as an understanding of the dynamics of the financial markets.

According to Karen E. Boroff, Ph.D., dean of the Stillman School, the new center will teach students the skills to identify problems, conduct relevant research, and determine and evaluate courses of action. In that way, it is similar to the School's other initiatives in entrepreneurship, international business, leadership studies and sport management.

To further enrich the learning experience, a trading lab is scheduled for completion next fall. The lab will feature trading desks equipped with the same functionality found on major commercial trading floors. Access to the information via laptop computers will provide students with seamless interaction between the classroom and live trading activity.

"Through this experiential program, we will inventively integrate theory and practice, preparing our students to join the ranks of the many alumni already working in the financial industry," says Boroff. The Center's Advisory Committee, which includes Stillman alumni and friends, is bringing realism to the design of the Trading Room and the curriculum.

Using industry-wide standard information sources from leading financial news and data providers such as Reuters, along with input from Wall Street professionals, the Trading Room will prepare students to track, analyze and model transactions across a wide variety of securities, including stocks, bonds, options, exchange rates and commodities.

"The Trading Room is designed to enrich the learning experiences and job readiness of our students," says Elven Riley, who leads the Trading Room initiative. Riley is a visiting professor of finance and

holder of the Keating Crawford Chair. His expertise in design and implementation of trading room operations, plus extensive expertise in international banking and a comprehensive knowledge of developing operations for international brokers' clearance and settlement systems, will further bolster the program's effectiveness.

According to John Knopf, Ph.D., associate professor of finance, the Trading Room initiative will enable students to monitor not only the financial data but also the major issues affecting management-shareholder relations. David Mest, Ph.D., associate professor of

accounting, acknowledges that this opportunity for students and faculty to access and process real-time financial market data is "unparalleled for classroom realism and job preparation."

Eleanor X. Xu, Ph.D., associate professor of finance and an investment analyst, says "Demonstrating how to react decisively to market return and volatility data is the challenge our students will face when entering the Wall Street work force."

As Boroff asserts, "Given the increasing complexity of global financial markets, ground-breaking initiatives such as the Trading Room enable the Stillman School to set the pace for innovations in business education and strengthen its position as a leader among the best business schools in the country."

— Dorett Smith

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## Embedded in Ethics: Alumni Journalists Debate War Reporting

The debate over media ethics, sparked by the ongoing conflict in Iraq, remains current as tensions loom between the United States and both North Korea and Syria. In November 2003, three Seton Hall University alumni had the opportunity to add their voices to the debate as part of a six-member panel on media ethics. Hosted by Seton Hall University's College of Arts and Sciences and the Department of Communication, the forum was part of the Voices of Our Time lecture series.

The three alumni were John Farmer '51, national political correspondent for the *Star-Ledger*; Robert Windrem '68, an investigative reporter and producer for NBC's *Nightly News with Tom Brokaw*; and Donald J. McKenna '66, Ph.D., associate professor of communication at Seton Hall.

The other three panelists were Victoria Clark, former assistant secretary of Defense for public affairs; Greg Kelly, FOX News correspondent who was embedded with the U.S. Army's 3rd Infantry Division, 2nd Brigade in Iraq; and Army Lieutenant Colonel Scott Rutter (Ret.), who commanded the 2nd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment during the war in Iraq. The moderator was John Moody, senior vice president and news columnist of FOX News.

The alumni weighed in to compare and contrast coverage of conflicts past and present, and what might happen in the future. Their discussion centered on whether the 700 embedded journalists who

reported live from the frontlines in Iraq presented a biased or impartial view, and if subsequent coverage has been slanted too heavily toward bad news versus good news.

While bias is inherent in war coverage, McKenna noted, the premises for embedding

news should be balanced.

"If you have individuals dying, they should get the coverage," he argued. "The loss of American life, particularly in large numbers, is more important than whether Baghdad has schools functioning."

Farmer pointed out the

**Three of the panelists had planted the seeds of their journalism careers at Seton Hall.**



As part of a panel on media ethics, (from left) Donald J. McKenna '66, Ph.D., Robert Windrem '68; and John Farmer '51 compared and contrasted war coverage.

journalists — immediacy and increased access — further compromise objectivity. "There is an upside as well as a downside," he said. "The upside is immediacy and the downside is bias."

McKenna added, "I think the most marked and interesting difference of opinion was from the Seton Hall alumni. Robert (Windrem) brought a whole new perspective to the panel discussion."

Windrem took issue with the notion that bad and good

difficult choice journalists must make during a war: putting the reader's right to know before national interest — and setting a precedent for reporting on future conflicts.

Despite their differing views and distinct professional paths, the three alumni panelists all had planted the seeds of their journalism careers at Seton Hall. They honed their skills by writing and editing the student paper, the *Setonian*, and by working at the campus radio station, WSOU-FM.

McKenna, who chaired the department of communication for 13 of his 30 years at Seton Hall, is directly involved with preparing the next generation of journalists to follow in his own footsteps and those of his fellow alumni.

Farmer's newspaper career spans more than a half a century. He covered the 1968 assassination of Robert F. Kennedy and the 1970 Kent State University protests and deaths. In May 2003, Seton Hall awarded Farmer an honorary degree. He has worked for various regional media, including *The Jersey Journal*, the *Newark News* and *The Philadelphia Bulletin*.

Windrem joined NBC in 1980 after spending the first 12 years of his career at newspapers and research organizations. He was recently nominated for an Emmy award (his ninth nomination) for his role as investigative producer for NBC *Nightly News*' coverage of the Washington sniper arrests of John Muhammad and Lee Boyd Malvo. Windrem, who has received six awards for his print journalism and 11 awards for television journalism, produced the first U.S. televised report on Osama bin Laden and al Qaeda.

Looking back to his days as Pirate Basketball color commentator for WSOU, Windrem acknowledged that the University served as a training ground and springboard for an extraordinary career. "Seton Hall took me from being a son of a working class family to where I am today," he said.

— Dorett Smith

## Shannon Speaker Series Sparks Discussion of Presidents' Values

Religion will play a major role in the 2004 election, according to the Washington-based Interfaith

community members have already subscribed to this timely lecture series. It features four award-winning

presidential biographers: Michael Beschloss and Doris Kearns Goodwin spoke this spring, and David McCullough and Robert Caro will appear next fall (see page 26).

At the first lecture, which took place on March 17, Beschloss noted, "In our era of multiple news cycles and cable news channels, it would seem that plenty of informa-

entertaining as they were enlightening.

Amidst outbursts of belly-laughs and applause from an audience of more than 500, Beschloss proposed a thoughtful definition of values illustrated by those presidents who were willing to act against popular opinion, or even their aides' advice. Their conviction followed their own moral compass regarding civil rights legislation and an honest campaign.

Beschloss, bolstered by knowledge gained from his historical perspective, urged the audience to exercise care when considering the candidates' stump speeches. According to Beschloss, who has significant experience poring over presidential

papers, a few telling details of a president's everyday life can illuminate his character much more than the carefully crafted soundbytes of his speechwriter.

When Americans head to the polls this November, perhaps they should consider whether the presidential candidate prays every day, or takes time to take a family vacation, almost as much as they consider the candidate's views of the economy and foreign policy.

Whether Republican, Democrat, Independent or Green, clearly the subscribers to the Shannon Seton Hall Speakers Series will be hoping and voting for values-based ethical leadership in the oval office.

— Catherine Memory



*Michael Beschloss (center) greets Philip and Mary Shannon at the reception following his lecture, the first of this year's Philip and Mary Shannon Seton Hall Speaker Series.*

Alliance, a nonpartisan, clergy-led organization that promotes religion in American life. Such an assertion makes sense as conflicts rage in Israel and the Middle East. With an increasing frequency, national and international controversies are bringing questions of faith into the intensifying political debate. Electing the next president, whose values will impact this country for at least the next four years, is more challenging than ever in this current political climate.

This issue is also the focus of the second year of the Philip and Mary Shannon Seton Hall Speaker Series. A special election-year program is devoted to "Examining the Role of Values in Shaping the Presidency." More than 200 Seton Hall alumni; faculty; students; and Essex County Democrats, Republicans and

tion is out there to help us decide whom to vote for. But in this barrage of information, there is no depth. The presidential candidate seems like a cartoon." Beschloss, a pre-eminent presidential biographer, is the author of seven books, trustee of the White House Historical Association and of the Foundation for the National Archives, and a regular commentator on PBS's *NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*. He made an ideal, initial foray into the serious examination of moral leadership for which the series strives.

Beschloss perused the American pantheon at break-neck speed, from Jefferson to Lincoln to Roosevelt to Truman to Kennedy to Johnson to Nixon to Carter to Reagan to Bush to Clinton to Bush. His insider anecdotes and bits of analysis were as



*Mel J. Shay, Ed.D. is most satisfied with three accomplishments at Seton Hall University: his leadership role in the new core curriculum the faculty is developing, the University's strategic plan to earn Tier Two status and the completion of the 10-year Middle States Commission self-study reaccreditation report.*

## Shay Retires as

After 24 years serving Seton Hall University, Mel J. Shay, Ed.D., provost and executive vice president for Academic Affairs, will retire this summer.

"As president, I often relied on Mel's seasoned academic leadership and wide, wise perspective," said Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67.

In his four years as provost, Shay launched a plan to help the University gain greater national recognition for its academic excellence, especially in its undergraduate programs. Each school and college reevaluated its program offerings and developed a comprehensive five-year plan to increase



## Welcome Aboard, New Regents

**S**eton Hall University has welcomed seven new members to its Board of Regents. The 33 Regents and Regents Emeriti oversee the academic and administrative policies that help the University fulfill its mission. While each new member brings a different professional perspective and expertise, all share a strong commitment to Seton Hall's future.

Arriving from a diverse and distinguished cross section of corporate and nonprofit organizations, the new members of the Board of Regents are:

■ **Joseph D. Abruzzese '69** is president of advertising sales for Discovery Networks, which operates the Discovery Channel, TLC,

Animal Planet and The Travel Channel.

■ **Patricia A. Cahill, Esq.** recently retired after a distinguished career in health care, having served as president and CEO of Catholic Health Initiatives, the nation's second largest not-for-profit healthcare system.

■ **Catherine E. Daniels '83/M.A. '96** is marketing and communications manager for the law firm of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP. As president of the Seton Hall Alumni Association, she holds an ex-officio seat on the Board of Regents.

■ **Edward J. Quinn '58/M.S. '61** is president of Prestige Auctions, Inc., and Worldwide of the Caribbean, Inc.

■ **Patrick P. Randazzo, Esq.** has a general law practice and serves as outside corporate counsel to Metal Services International, Inc. For 19 years, he served as municipal court judge for Woodcliff Lakes.

■ **William V. Weithas '51** retired as the vice chairman and CEO of the Interpublic Group of Companies, a holding company for numerous advertising agencies worldwide.

■ **A. Zachary Yamba '65/M.A. '66, Ph.D.** is president of Essex County College and returns to the University's Board of Regents after a brief hiatus.

## Provost after Distinguished Career

undergraduate enrollment and revenue. And Shay set his sights on achieving loftier goals: "The real bottom line is providing a superior academic experience for our students — one that enriches the mind, the heart and the spirit. Recognition clearly flows from academic excellence."

From 1994 to 2000, Shay served as associate dean and then dean of Seton Hall's College of Education and Human Services (CEHS), where he was a professor as well as acting chair of administration and supervision and director of doctoral studies. Two prominent Catholic service programs — Education Partners in

Catholic Schools and the Catholic School Leadership master's program — started under his tenure as dean.

"Teaching and administering in a university setting create a powerful basis for transformative relationships — from the student who takes a positive change in direction because of a few encouraging words to the coworker whose wisdom shapes one's sense of humility," Shay said. "The Seton Hall community is formed of these remarkable people."

— *Steven Carr*



Seton Hall University's Board of Regents gathered for a photo before meeting on March 25 in Presidents Hall. Pictured left to right are (front row) Patricia A. Cahill, Esq.; Catherine E. Daniels '83/M.A. '96; Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67; Kurt T. Borowsky; Most Reverend John J. Myers; Thomas J. Sharkey Sr.; Monsignor Thomas Morgan; (second row) Philip J. Shannon; James E. Bundschuh, Ph.D.; Most Reverend John M. Smith; Karen Krupnick Mandelbaum; Kent Manahan; William V. Weithas '51; (third row) John C. Crimi; Bruce A. Tomason; Daryl D. Smith; Gerald P. Buccino; (fourth row) Frank J. Mertz; Lawrence E. Bathgate, Esq.; Edward J. Quinn '58/M.S. '61; John C. Kelly (emeritus); (fifth row) Darren K. Rydberg, Esq.; Frank P. Farinella (emeritus); Richard F. Liebler; and John J. Schimpf. Not pictured: Joseph D. Abruzzese '69; Robert E. Baldini; Most Reverend Paul G. Bootkoski '62; William J. Eyres (emeritus); Adrian M. Foley Jr., Esq. (emeritus); Most Reverend Joseph A. Galante; David B. Gerstein; Joseph P. LaSala, Esq.; Richard E. Mahmarian; Most Reverend Andrew Pataki; Patrick P. Randazzo, Esq.; Most Reverend Frank J. Rodimer; and A. Zachary Yamba '65/M.A. '66, Ph.D.

## Tastes Great, More Fulfilling

**J**ust 10 miles away from Continental Airlines Arena, the Syracuse-Seton Hall men's basketball game is on TV at Mulligan's Pub in Hoboken. On an icy January evening, 15 young alumni of Seton Hall University shiver and stomp their way indoors to enjoy a private party at the pub, complete with buffet. However, this group, now seated in a semicircle of barstools, is taking a brief break from basketball to enjoy some Theology on Tap.

Theology on Tap brings together recent college graduates, from Seton Hall and other schools, as well as young adults and single and married friends of all denominations. They gather in local bars or restaurants for "straight talk" and real answers to their questions of faith and how faith applies to everyday life. Theology on Tap originated in 1981 in the Archdiocese of Chicago and has spread throughout the United States.

That Theology on Tap has made its way east to The Hall comes as no surprise; faith has always been a focal point at the nation's oldest diocesan institution of higher education. But religion is thriving at campuses across the country, according to a recent study by the Higher Education Research Institute at the University of California, Los Angeles. Of 3,680 juniors surveyed at 46 colleges and universities, 58 percent felt that integrating spirituality into their daily lives was very important, and 78 percent said they discuss their religious beliefs with their friends.

Seton Hall's Theology on Tap, which is supported in part by a Lilly Endowment Inc. grant for Theological Exploration of Vocation, encourages the continuation of these thoughtful conversations after college.

On this cold night, the heady topic under discussion at Mulligan's is "Patriotism: Refuge of Scoundrels or Saints?" All present give William Toth, Ph.D., their rapt attention, despite the bass notes of the juke box in the next room that punctuate his discourse on detoxifying terrorists in the Middle East. Toth is associate professor of Christian ethics at the Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology. He observes, "Our country's relationship with the Middle East cannot be only about liquid gold and self-interest. We need to embrace the common good that transcends our boundaries, that will promote human dignity and the quality of life in our societies."

Toth's daughter Michele, a 1994 graduate of Fairfield University, agrees, and discusses a *Wall Street Journal* article about a program to teach U.S. Marines to be nicer to Iraqi civilians. In her view, "the foundation of all peace lies in Christians acting like Christ to one another and to all people." All around the bar, heads nod in agreement.

Monsignor Richard Liddy, Ph.D., director of the Center for Catholic Studies and moderator of Theology on Tap discussions, smiles. He challenges the group to think



**"We meet the Lord not only in prayer but in interaction with others with whom we share our hearts. That can just as well be over a brew."**

— Monsignor Richard Liddy, Ph.D.

about how they can live this ideal of peace every day, in their personal lives and on the job. Kate Valenta '95 jokes about trying to observe more traffic lights.

Toth shares the story of a friend. A partner in one of New Jersey's most prestigious law firms, the friend made a commitment to personally meet every employee at the firm over the course of a year. The exercise transformed his whole attitude; he began to see more clearly the humanity of the people who worked with him.

After a few others in the group share their suggestions and insights, the theological discussion wraps up and the conversation turns to such topics as honeymoon plans, a

new teaching job, basketball — of course — and even patriotism again.

In Monsignor Liddy's view, "We meet the Lord not only in prayer but in interaction with others with whom we share our hearts. That can just as well be over a brew."

Joette Rosato '99/M.A. '02, assistant director of alumni relations, says, "Theology on Tap is a program for Seton Hall alumni and friends in their 20s and 30s. The first Seton Hall-sponsored event in November 2003 attracted 35 people, and I know there are Theology on Tap discussions in New York City that have around 100 participants. People feel comfortable in the bar scene, although this is not your typical bar scene experience."

Pina Devito '96 agrees, "Theology on Tap is a good forum for new insights into your beliefs, which are not something you would usually discuss at the mall."

"Being at Mulligan's tonight reminds me of where I came from," says Christopher DeSantis '03. "I'm glad to support the Seton Hall community as an alumnus."

Topics under consideration for future sessions include "Lost in your 20s or 30s; When You and Your Friends are in Different Places in Life," and "Theology of the Body." There is even talk of a Jersey Shore retreat this summer.

*To find out more about Theology on Tap, call (973) 378-9827.*

— Catherine Memory



## Sister Rose Thering Endowment Appoints Kaufman as Chair

Luna Kaufman, a survivor of the Holocaust and a supporter of numerous civic organizations and the arts, on February 1 became chair for a two-year term of the Sister Rose Thering Endowment for Jewish-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University. She was formally installed as part of the 11th Annual Evening of Roses benefit on May 2.

"Over the years, it became obvious to me that the Holocaust is a universal issue, not just a Jewish issue," said Kaufman. "I believe the Sister Rose Thering Endowment does a phenomenal job of counteracting prejudice and conveying this universal message to New Jersey students through their own teachers. I am thrilled to work with the Endowment, which makes such an impact teaching the positive, transformative lessons of the Holocaust."

Sister Rose Thering, O.P., Ph.D., professor emerita, said, "We are delighted to have Luna at the helm — she is so proactive and energetic. She focuses not on the atrocity of the Holocaust, but what you can learn from it, and how you can use it to prevent prejudice in the future."

Kaufman's association with Seton Hall began in the 1970s when she spoke to a class about her childhood experiences in concentration camps. A student, Donna Rosamilia '82, who had been in Kaufman's Girl Scout troop a decade earlier, encouraged her professor, Reverend John F. Morley, Ph.D., to invite Kaufman to his class.

Kaufman served as a charter member of the Endowment's executive board for more than 10 years. She recently launched a named scholarship program that enables a donor to support a graduate scholarship in honor or memory of a loved one.

Building on the interfaith education work of Sister Rose, the Endowment provides scholarship assistance for students enrolled in Seton Hall's Jewish-Christian Studies graduate program. It also provides resource materials and workshops for teachers in public, private and parochial schools. The annual Evening of Roses is the Endowment's primary fund-raising event, often attracting more than 300 guests.



*Luna Kaufman met Pope John Paul II in 1994, on the occasion of the first Holocaust memorial concert in the Vatican. She was one of 100 Holocaust survivors who were invited.*

### Evening of Roses Highlights

This year's Evening of Roses on May 2 honored Blu Greenberg and the late Aristides de Sousa Mendes with Humanitarian of the Year Awards. Greenberg is a lecturer and author on contemporary women's issues, Orthodox Judaism and the Jewish family. During World War II, de Sousa Mendes was the Portuguese consul-general in Bordeaux, France, and played a significant role in saving hundreds of thousands of refugees. John Paul Abranches, the youngest of de Sousa Mendes' 12 children, accepted the posthumous award on his father's behalf.

Also during the event, Seton Hall awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree to Eugene J. Fisher, Ph.D. He is the associate director of the Secretariat for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

While Kol Dodi performed a variety of musical selections, for the 11th consecutive spring, Evening of Roses guests enjoyed camaraderie for a cause.

— Catherine Memory



## Bringing “New Thinking” to Resolving the World’s Conflicts



*Anthony Wanis-St. John, Ph.D. created a new functional specialization, Global Negotiation and Conflict Management, at the John C. Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations.*

During the 1990s, the United Nations’ membership increased to 189 states — more than tripling its original membership. Yet in this same decade, the scourge of war claimed more than 5 million lives. Even now, as we embark on the 21st century, armed conflicts within states and between states persist. How do these conflicts start? What makes them escalate? How are they resolved?

These are just some of the questions assistant professor Anthony Wanis-St. John, Ph.D. is exploring at the John C. Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations. A specialist in the art of negotiation and conflict resolution, he joined the school in fall 2002, as it celebrated its five-year anniversary.

“I had new, ambitious ideas, and hoped the Whitehead School would appreciate and embrace those ideas,” says Wanis-St. John. “I wanted to be in a large, supportive community. I was confident I could add value to our mission.”

Although Wanis-St. John has an M.A. and a Ph.D. in international relations from The Fletcher School at Tufts University, his journey to the Whitehead School began while studying human services at St. John’s University. “I wanted to speak for those who didn’t have a voice, for those whom no one would listen to,” he explains. “I wanted to work with people while working inside the system. I wanted to affect local, national and ultimately global policies.”

To begin this career transition after college, Wanis-St. John served as an adviser

with CRECEN (Comité de Refugiados Centroamericanos), working closely with the New York City refugee community as a congressional liaison. He later worked extensively with the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights in New York City. Fluent in Spanish, English and French, and possessing a basic understanding of Arabic, he found that these two positions made ample use of his language skills and international focus.

While in graduate school at Tufts, Wanis-St. John says he was greatly influenced by Jeffrey Z. Rubin, his mentor and international relations professor. “Professor Rubin taught me that conflict, whether at the individual level or at the global level, is best resolved when people talk to one another and understand one another,” Wanis-St. John recalls.

At the Whitehead School, Wanis-St. John brings these conflict resolution techniques to his own classrooms — with a twist. While at Tufts, several of his classes made use of Harvard case studies. “When I came to Seton Hall University, I immediately had an opportunity to create my own cases, which are far more internationally focused and theory-based,” he notes. Through these original cases and simulations, which are used to benchmark, quantify and improve negotiation skills, students tackle such complex situations as unstable coalitions; multiparty, multi-issue negotiations; cross-cultural negotiations; and secret interveners.

“Since even international relations can be broken down to individuals and groups,

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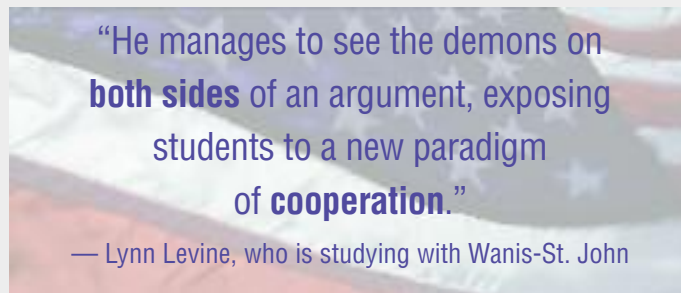


I try to bring international relations theory as well as cognitive and social psychology into my classroom,” Wanis-St. John explains. “It’s very rewarding for me to see students challenge themselves while improving their skills and opening their minds.”

According to Lynn Levine, a student in the Diplomacy and International Relations master’s degree program, “Professor Wanis-St. John utilizes a ‘stealth’ style of instruction. Without even realizing it, I found myself integrating theory and practice while developing my analytical skills. He manages to see the demons on both sides of an argument, exposing students to a new paradigm of cooperation. The alternative results of in-class role-play are so simple, yet still so foreign to the way people approach conflict. He successfully conveys the value of such ‘new thinking.’”

This new thinking is paying off for both the Whitehead School and its students. Last fall, Wanis-St. John created the functional specialization in Global Negotiation and Conflict Management. Diplomacy graduate students can choose from five regional specializations, as well as eight functional specializations, such as Human Rights and International Law.

“These are the cutting-edge courses in global conflict management. They place the Whitehead School in and above the old guard of international affairs schools — such as Woodrow Wilson (Princeton), SIPA (Columbia) and Fletcher (Tufts), all of which exemplify schools



created before or during the Cold War,” says Wanis-St. John. “Our coursework moves progressively from the prevention of international conflict, to negotiation and third-party intervention, and culminates with post-conflict peace-building. The curriculum reflects the fact that the threats and opportunities in the international arena are more complex and need better analyses and skills,” he says.

“This specialization also will lay the foundation for a Global Negotiation and Conflict Management Center, which will serve as a vehicle for external grants, executive education, research and training for foreign diplomats,” he adds.

Wanis-St. John and Ambassador S. Azmat Hassan (Ret.), a Whitehead School faculty associate and former Pakistani career diplomat, informally meet with a group of diplomacy students interested in the Middle East on an ongoing basis. Discussions cover a broad array of topics from development and politics to current conflicts.

As for peace in the Middle East, particularly as it relates to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, Wanis-St. John says the outline of what an agreement would look like has been in place for some time. He warns, however, “The longer it takes for people to say yes to that outline, the stronger

the parties opposed to the peace process become — both on the Palestinian and Israeli side. But I’m still an optimist.”

Wanis-St. John’s professional activities beyond Seton Hall include serving as a research associate at the Program on Negotiation, a consortium founded by Harvard, MIT and The Fletcher School.

For the past seven years, he has consulted for the World Bank’s judicial reform projects in Latin America, working with courts in El Salvador, Venezuela, Mexico and Guatemala. “The World Bank project focuses on poverty reduction by helping create the conditions for investment, including a functioning judicial system,” Wanis-St. John explains.

This spring, he conducted negotiation training exercises for the Slovenian Ministry of Defense, at the invitation of Defense Minister Anton Grizold. Wanis-St. John also spoke at a conference on International Crisis Management in the Balkans, which took place at the University of Ljubljana.

“Cross-cultural negotiation is often the most challenging of all negotiations. These situations require an extra dimension of self-awareness about who you are, and knowledge about how other

people see the world,” Wanis-St. John notes. “Quite a few mistakes in diplomacy and international business occur precisely because people are not skilled negotiators across cultures. The core skills needed by any negotiator include being empathetic — someone who cares about other people — and being a good listener.

“My personal negotiation style is based on an understanding of people and tackling problems,” Wanis-St. Johns adds. “Roger Fisher, professor emeritus at Harvard Law School and co-author of the international bestseller, *Getting to Yes*, used to say, ‘You need to be soft on the people and hard on the problem that you share.’ I agree with this statement 100 percent. Negotiation is the kind of skill that, when shared, leaves everyone better off.”

Wanis-St. John is not advocating blind trust in negotiations. Instead, he strives to build trust through informed interactions, which “can serve to bridge difference, persuade others and create more value at the negotiation table,” he believes. He explores this same topic in his latest book, *Expand the Pie: How to Create More Value in Any Negotiation* (co-authored with Grande Lum and Irma Tyler-Wood).

With three children who range in age from 1 to 6, Wanis-St. John says he spends his free time engaged in some of the toughest negotiations of all — television access, appropriate amounts of Harry Potter paraphernalia, and bed times.

— Pamela Dungee, M.A. '04

## Altruism in Action, All Week Long

If you are looking for someone who personifies the mission of the Seton Hall University Campus Ministry's Division of Volunteer Efforts (D.O.V.E.), look no further than Jennifer Duffy.

In accord with the University's mission, D.O.V.E. defines its purpose in part to "graduate not only well-educated professionals, but also compassionate individuals rooted in and guided by faith and its expression in firm moral convictions."

On average, Duffy has spent seven to 12 hours per week volunteering. The advertising art major, who

graduated in May, interacted with seniors at the Whitehouse Nursing Home. She tutored high school "Rising Stars" preparing for their SATs. She read to youngsters from CHEER (the Children's Hour of Education and Entertainment through Reading). She brightened lives at the Children Together foster home for victims of abuse. She entertained people with disabilities at the Carnival of Fun, took part in a Swim/Rec Day for children from area shelters, and paid regular visits to the New Jersey Food Bank and the Sacred Heart Soup

Kitchen. And that's not even mentioning her role in Habitat for Humanity, or how she helped spruce up storefronts in South Orange.

Duffy always found time for volunteering — her favorite pastime — despite taking 18 credits almost every semester. "Juggling my responsibilities has really never been a problem for me. Classes always came first, and volunteering has been an activity on the side that I simply enjoyed doing," she says.

Early in her teens, Duffy started volunteering in her hometown of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, at the local

library and with children's programs. What makes volunteering worthwhile, she says, are the "little things" — the smiles, giggles and excitement she experiences when she walks into a room.

When she left Portsmouth to begin her freshman year, she didn't leave everything behind. She brought to Seton Hall her desire to serve.

On her first visit in February 2000, she immediately fell in love with the University. "After this day, and thinking about all of my other choices, this seemed like the best all-around place for me. Also, being so close to New York City was a wonderful advantage that I thought would come in handy with school work, as well as with job opportunities in the future," says the 21-year-old.

As it turned out, D.O.V.E., not New York City, came to define Duffy's Seton Hall experience. Upon learning about its volunteering opportunities as a freshman, she signed on, and the experience changed her life or, more appropriately, let her soar with her call to serve. "After attending a few programs I was hooked, and D.O.V.E. became a major part of my life and time at Seton Hall," she affirms.

One of the first groups Duffy became involved with was the campus chapter of Habitat for Humanity, whose volunteers help renovate and build affordable homes. Many of Habitat's executive team were graduating, so they were recruiting new leaders. In her freshman year, she became secretary of the chapter. She served as vice president of the executive board from



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*Painting and decorating storefronts in South Orange was just one way Jennifer Duffy '04 went the extra mile as a volunteer.*



**“My overall experience with D.O.V.E. has been *amazing*... I have gained a much greater love for volunteering.”**

September 2002 to December 2003. Three times, she attended the organization's annual North East Conference, where she met Millard and Linda Fuller, who founded Habitat for Humanity International in 1976. The encounter, she says, “was great reassurance” that her time and efforts could “really change lives.”

Duffy has lifted the spirits and gained admiration of many at the University and in surrounding communities. Michelle Sheridan, graduate assistant for D.O.V.E., observes that “No one person knows the scope of Duffy's influence. She has never sought recognition, yet her commitment to service has made her worthy of such. She is an example for the Seton Hall community of selfless, Christian service.”

Adds Sheridan, “Jenny is highly motivated. She served quietly, yet became a leader in every program in which she was involved. Jenny does all things with love and genuine concern.” Sheridan points out that it wasn't unusual for Duffy to go that extra mile for others. “Part of Jenny's job was to drive volunteers for our Children Together program. Yet in the past three years, Jenny has done so much more. It was not abnormal for Jenny to appear in my office on a Thursday afternoon to draw pictures to create a coloring book for the children or come up with an activity to do that night.”

In 2003, a member of Main Street South Orange (MSSO), a nonprofit organization working to revitalize

the downtown community, reached out to John Prescott, who at the time was director of D.O.V.E. The representative described a program to help beautify storefronts in South Orange Village. Prescott introduced Duffy to the MSSO design committee because, he recalls, he “knew that she had similar experience from past summer jobs and she is very creative.”

Duffy, along with fellow D.O.V.E. participant Katharine Wentz '04, a marketing major, sprang into action. They volunteered to help business owners in Seton Hall's hometown with redesigning window decorations and painting. The two students' work in beautifying the community prompted an article in the *Maplewood-South Orange News-Record* (December 4, 2003). On February 24, *The Star-Ledger*, New Jersey's largest newspaper, ran an article spotlighting Duffy's volunteer efforts.

This spring, Duffy took on yet another responsibility: a communications and public relations internship at Broadway House, an AIDS care facility in Newark.

“In terms of somebody who is trying to make the most out of their college experience, Jenny is a great example of that,” Prescott says. “Jenny is dependable, reliable and conscientious, and those are great qualities for a young person to have.”

In May 2003, based in part upon Prescott's recommendation, Duffy was honored with D.O.V.E.'s Mother Teresa Service Award for “enlightening Seton Hall University to



the genuine meaning of altruism through the dedication of noble service to our neighboring communities.” Duffy, who was studying in Australia that spring, was given the award at a luncheon the following September.

Each year, D.O.V.E. brings service to life for approximately 1,500 Seton Hall students. “The students are pretty flexible,” says Prescott, adding that the volunteers are expected to have an open mind plus a willingness to learn and to grow, both personally and spiritually. “Many times that's what happens when they get involved with the D.O.V.E. programs,” he says.

With guidance from Prescott and Sheridan, Duffy says, “I have gained a better understanding of my Catholic faith, and how this faith plays such a major part in my dedication to service.”

Prescott, who led D.O.V.E. for 10 years, in January was named dean of student life at Brescia University in Kentucky. According to Sheridan, who assumed an interim leadership role upon Prescott's departure, much of Duffy's motivation comes from deep inside.

Even on days that may test Duffy's resolve — dealing with difficult people or

coping in stressful situations — she stays focused on the “little things.” She says, “You just have to reassure yourself that you are making a difference, even if it is one that you cannot see at that very moment.” Her only lament is that she didn't have a little more time in her schedule to do more volunteer work.

“My overall experience with D.O.V.E. has been amazing... I have gained a much greater love for volunteering,” says Duffy. “My call to service will always be a major part of my life and will follow me wherever I go.” That includes her career goal: She would love to work for Habitat for Humanity International, putting her advertising art skills to use to help this ecumenical Christian organization attract more volunteers and spread the word — worldwide.

In graduating from Seton Hall, Duffy leaves behind an environment where her desire to serve and her faith both blossomed and were nourished. But she takes with her the essence of D.O.V.E.'s spirit.

*For more information about D.O.V.E. programs, visit [admin.shu.edu/dove](http://admin.shu.edu/dove)*

— Dorett Smith





*Charles M. Alberto '55 and his wife, Joan, met as teenagers, built a business as a couple and together are the benefactors of an institute that for the first time brings together Seton Hall University's Italian Studies initiatives.*



## A Solid Foundation for Italian Studies

*Charles '55 and Joan Alberto endow the Alberto Italian Studies Institute*

A believer in Thomas Edison's famous saying, "Genius is 1 percent inspiration, 99 percent perspiration," Charles M. Alberto '55 also personifies its wisdom. His Italian heritage and his strong ties to his alma mater led Alberto and his wife, Joan, to establish the Charles and Joan Alberto Italian Studies Institute at Seton Hall University.

"I thank my parents for instilling in me a strong work ethic," Alberto recalls fondly. "When I was 12, instead of the bike I wanted, they bought me a shoeshine box, which made it possible for me to earn money for the bike. It was a beauty, a red-and-white Schwinn — how I cherished it."

The work ethic and values instilled in the Albertos while growing up bore strong Italian cultural influences. Alberto's maternal grandparents, immigrants from Naples, settled in Orange, where his mother, Ann, was born (she was one of five children). His grandfather was a day laborer known as a "hod carrier" for the triangular trough used to lug mortar, stones and bricks. His grandmother was a domestic.

Alberto's father, Charles Sr., emigrated from Oporto, Portugal, at the age of 12. Charles Sr. and Ann ran a small grocery store in Orange. An only child, Alberto grew up in Orange, surrounded by the many aunts, uncles and cousins from his mother's Italian-American extended family.

Joan's grandparents emigrated from Naples to settle in Newark. Her grandfather was a music teacher/sculptor with a studio in Carnegie Hall. Joan worked in a five-and-dime in Orange and met Charles when they were both 16. He attended Seton Hall Prep and then Seton Hall, commuting from home and working at the Acme Supermarket on South Orange Avenue.

After graduating in 1955 with a business degree, Alberto served as an Army sergeant. At age 28, he and Joan started a business. Form Cut Industries manufactures fine wire components for the semiconductor industry. In the mid-1970s, the Albertos purchased Forest Lodge, a 50-acre recreation, picnic and corporate facility in Warren.

"As a student and then later as an alumnus, I've met some wonderful people, including many special priests," Alberto says proudly. "I've known Monsignor William Daly since I was 14, and he later became the pastor at my church in Livingston. Other priests I remember fondly are Reverend John O'Brien, S.T.L., and Reverend Albert Hakim, Ph.D.," he adds. "The priests were an integral part of my upbringing. They helped shape the kind of person I am and the kind of businessman that I became."

"You reach a point in your life, a time when you want to give something back," Alberto reflects. "I don't know a better way to

give back than to give to Seton Hall, which does so much for students. And there is so much potential for this institute," he explains.

Inaugurated at a May 4 ceremony in Walsh Library, the Alberto Institute addresses the need to centralize Seton Hall's Italian-oriented programs. The College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Law, the John C. Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations, and the Stillman School of Business all have Italian-focused initiatives, such as study abroad programs. Through the Alberto Institute, these programs will be brought together under one umbrella. The new institute will coordinate the University's many activities relating to Italian and Italian-American history and culture. It will sponsor cultural events and promote curriculum development and community outreach.

"Seton Hall can now proudly claim to have an Italian Studies program that ranks with the nation's very best," says William J. Connell, Ph.D., director of the Alberto Institute. A professor of history, Connell holds the Joseph M. and Geraldine C. LaMotta Chair in Italian Studies at Seton Hall.

The first effort to create an Italian Studies focus came in 1992, when Frank Cannata '55, past president of UNICO, a national Italian-American service organization, presented a check from UNICO to the University.



*"I don't know a better way to give back than to give to Seton Hall...there is so much potential for this institute."*

— Charles M. Alberto '55

Rudolf Ruzicka's 1921 print, *St. Peter's Basilica Rome*, is from the Newark Public Library Special Collection. It was exhibited in Walsh Library Gallery in 1998 as part of "The Lure of Italy: Views from the 15th Century to the Present" exhibit.

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## Symposium to Examine History of Discrimination Against Italian-Americans

The signature event of the Charles and Joan Alberto Italian Studies Institute will be its annual conference on issues relating to Italian and Italian-American culture and history.

The inaugural symposium, which will take place on December 4, will be "Real Stories: The History of Discrimination Against Italian-Americans." It will include scholarly presentations and a panel of politicians, media critics and Seton Hall University faculty. The symposium is co-sponsored by the Joseph M. and Geraldine C. LaMotta Chair and by the Anti-Bias Committee of UNICO National.

Following the conference, a book will be published on its proceedings. For more information, call (973) 275-2926 or e-mail [connelwi@shu.edu](mailto:connelwi@shu.edu)

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UNICO helped Seton Hall acquire the Valente Family Italian Library, the state's third-largest collection of Italian-themed books and the only one dedicated solely to Italian history and culture.

In addition to supporting Italian Studies programs, the Albertos' gift creates a fund in memory of Charles Sr. to purchase library books on Portuguese and Portuguese-American history and culture. Notes Connell, "This provision underscores the long history of interactions between Italy and Portugal, which go back as far as the man for whom America was named, since Amerigo Vespucci, an Italian, sailed to the New World under the flag of Portugal." The provision emphasizes the institute's message of inclusiveness toward all nations and ethnic groups.

"Seton Hall did such a magnificent job educating the children of blue-collar working families and minorities," Alberto says. "It's a great institution with leaders who know how to handle both academics and business. As a businessman, I have seen how they do a great job providing a positive experience for students," adds Alberto, who served as a member of the University Advisory Council.

To help others benefit from Seton Hall's "positive experience," the Albertos' endowment also establishes the Charles and Joan Alberto Scholarship Fund to assist needy students, as well as provide a scholarship for a student-athlete.



*The Albertos also have created a library fund, which supports a "long history of interactions between Italy and Portugal, which go back as far as the man for whom America was named, since Amerigo Vespucci, an Italian, sailed to the New World under the flag of Portugal."*

—William J. Connell, Ph.D., director of the Alberto Institute

Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67, University president, says he applauds "the generosity of Charlie and Joan Alberto, their love of Seton Hall and their great confidence in our mission to make a difference in the lives of our students."

Family values remain a touchstone for the Albertos. "Joan understood if I couldn't be home for dinner because I was on a business trip or stuck late in the office," says Alberto, adding that he's "lucky to be married" to such a supportive woman. They are very close to their sons Steve and Charles Jr., daughters-in-

law Mary Kay and Maria, and five grandchildren (including the newest family addition, granddaughter Leah). Charles Jr. manages Forest Lodge, and Steve manages Form Cut. "I hope my sons will carry on the tradition of giving back," their father says.

"We live in a country that affords us great opportunities," Alberto affirms. "If you want to take advantage of them by working hard, you'll be successful. And always put in that little bit more, never do just the minimum."

— Nancy Masterson-Newkirk





# The Law School at 50

## Perspectives Past and Present

By Sheila Smith Noonan

**I**n 1951 — 95 years after Bishop James Roosevelt Bayley founded Seton Hall University — the college took what many considered a leap of faith. Opening a Catholic law school in New Jersey was that and more: It was building an addition to Bishop Bayley's "home for the mind, the heart, and the spirit." Today, 50 years after the first class of Seton Hall University School of Law graduated in 1954, here's a look at what faith and a lot of hard work and dedication have





*In 1951, the Seton Hall University School of Law moved into its first home in Newark, at 40 Clinton Street.*

## The Early Years at the Law School

Seton Hall University School of Law had a modest beginning. It took over a few classrooms and the law library from the former John Marshall Law School in Jersey City, and in its first year enrolled 72 students, most of them evening students. In the fall of 1951, the school moved to its first building in Newark, at 40 Clinton Street. At the helm was Miriam T. Rooney, Ph.D., LL.B., formerly a professor and chief librarian at the Catholic University of America's law school. At Seton Hall, she became the nation's first female dean of a law school. Her appointment in 1950 was a bold step and proved successful. Under Dean Rooney's leadership, the Law School brought on quality faculty, became accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA) and was admitted to the Association of American Law Schools. Even early on, Rooney's dream was to build a national reputation for the school — to create, in essence, a "Catholic Harvard."

"Dean Rooney was a stern woman, but very passionate about the law and the school," recalls William McGuire, J.D. '58. "At exam time, she would stand at the door collecting 10 or 15 cents for a Blue Book, and she expected exact change!"

McGuire attended law school at night following his return from military service. By day, he worked in New York City at Hanover Fire Insurance Company, where he rose to the position of chief accountant. McGuire studied under the tutelage of a talented faculty at Seton Hall Law School. "Professor John Kean, J.D., whom I had for torts, was a delightful and wonderful man. He'd meet us students frequently at local pubs like Arnold's or McGovern's to discuss the law," says McGuire. "And then there was Professor John Grant, LL.B., who taught conflicts of law. He was the toughest teacher at the law school — extremely demanding, but fair."

Through the years, McGuire, a civil litigator and longtime partner at Tompkins, McGuire, Wachenfeld & Barry, has maintained strong ties with Seton Hall Law School. He served as alumni president in the late 1960s and was named Distinguished Alumnus of the Year in 1984. Two years later, he became the school's first recipient of the St. Thomas More Award, presented for outstanding contribution to the field of law. McGuire is former president of the New Jersey State Bar Association.

## 50 Years in Brief



**1950**

Miriam T. Rooney, Ph.D., LL.B. hired as the first dean of Seton Hall University School of Law. She becomes the first female law dean in the United States.



**1951**

Seton Hall School of Law opens its doors in Jersey City. The school moves to 40 Clinton Street in Newark in the fall.



**1952**

The Immigration and Naturalization Act becomes the basic body of U.S. immigration law.



**1954**

Seton Hall graduates its first law school class.

In *Brown vs. Board of Education*, the U.S. Supreme Court rules that racial segregation is unconstitutional in public schools. (Above) Thurgood Marshall represented the Brown family.



## Through the Storms

Dean Rooney was succeeded in 1961 by John P. Loftus, LL.B., who was brought in to keep a tight rein on spending. It soon became obvious to the students that their tuition wasn't being spent on the Law School building. The law library, for example, had an ample collection of journals, but most were stored in a warehouse for lack of space.

Despite the outstanding faculty, morale reached a low point in the late 1960s. Not even Seton Hall Law School could escape the tumult of the decade. The law students wanted better studying conditions, an anonymous grading system and electives. After law students met with the University's executive cabinet, approval was granted for a new building.

"The Clinton Street campus left much to be desired, and there weren't many extracurricular activities, but the faculty was superb," says Terence Connor, J.D. '67. "Tom Holton, who taught criminal law and constitutional law, was very demanding intellectually — a real scholar. Another professor, Gerald Carey, brought 20 years' experience as a litigator with him to the classroom. He had the gift of common sense, and his 'Ten Steps in a Civil Action' is classic."



*In the 1960s, the need for better facilities was becoming evident, and approval was granted for a new building, the Seton Hall University Law Center (above). It opened in 1976 at 1010 Raymond Boulevard.*

Seton Hall Law School graduates  
are a force in the judiciary.  
Many become law clerks and a  
healthy number are judges.

"Professor Robert A. Diab, LL.B. and others worked very hard to develop an excellent Moot Court team. In 1966, the team was very competitive, and the next year, Jack Conaghan '59/J.D. '67 received recognition for his oral argument in the national competition," says Connor. "We also began to get involved in the organization that is now the Law Student Division of the ABA, and I attended the Montreal ABA convention in 1966 on Seton Hall's behalf. In 1967, Bob DeCotiis, J.D. '68 was elected circuit vice president. These were major strides."

The choice of Seton Hall Law School was easy for Connor, because at the time, his father, Joseph Connor '76, Ph.D., was executive dean of graduate studies at Seton Hall (he served until 1975). Upon completing law school, Connor became a judge advocate in the U.S. Air Force. He represented many service people who were conscientious objectors to the Vietnam war. "I was in Thailand and Vietnam, presenting cases in airplane hangars and empty halls. Still, I wouldn't trade my experience with the Air Force," says Connor. After completing his military duty, he worked for the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division.

Since 1979, Connor has been with Morgan, Lewis & Bockius in Miami; he is a partner in the firm's labor and employment practice, representing employers. "I enjoy counseling employers on federal and state laws and helping them develop sound employment policies," he says.

As for Seton Hall Law, Connor says, "Over the years, it has been gratifying to see the school's quality grow, the emergence of a fine law review and clinical programs we did not have, and the expansion of the school's reputation nationwide."



**1959**

The Law School joins the Association of American Law Schools.



**1961**

Dean Rooney returns to teaching full-time. John P. Loftus, LL.B. succeeds her.



**1962**

In *Gideon vs. Wainwright*, the U.S. Supreme Court rules that all criminal defendants have the right to counsel.



**1965**

Law students establish the Student Bar Association, the *Seton Hall Law Review* and the student newspaper, *Res Ipsa Loquitur*.



*Students confer inside the Center for Social Justice.*

## Moving Up

In 1971, the law school brought in a new dean, John F.X. Irving, LL.M. His main charges were to improve the facility and recruit additional faculty, both of which he accomplished. In 1972, he was joined by another key person, Edward Hendrickson, dean of admissions. Notes Honorable Katharine Hayden, M.A.'71/J.D.'75, "The outreach to new faculty and a broad-based student body that was initiated by Dean Irving swept Seton Hall Law School over the threshold toward the mainstream of legal education." Judge Hayden serves on the U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey. "The sense that this law school could take its place with any other began, in my estimation, with the new hires during the '70s, the bolder approach to getting jobs for Seton Hall graduates and the inclusiveness of admissions decisions to which Dean Hendrickson was so committed."

As a law student, Hayden was married, with two young children and embarking on a second career; she was one of the "nontraditional" students that Hendrickson was eager to have on campus. The students were educated by "a faculty interested not only in teaching law, but also in developing the whole lawyer," she says. "Seton Hall didn't have a formal merit program, but the school did reward hard work and encourage the development of values."

After graduation, Hayden clerked for New Jersey Supreme Court Justice Robert L. Clifford, who became her mentor. She

worked in the U.S. Attorney's Office and then was a co-founder of a private practice, where she specialized in family law. She was named to the New Jersey Superior Court in 1991 by Governor James J. Florio, and began her first assignment with the Family Law Division. In 1997, she was appointed to the U.S. District Court, the first Seton Hall Law graduate to be named a federal judge. After nearly 13 years on the bench, Judge Hayden still savors the courtroom canvas. "Being a judge is a privilege, a joy and an art," she says.

Now an adjunct faculty member of Seton Hall Law School, Judge Hayden believes her alma mater has made tremendous progress across the board. "It's apparent in practical things like the wiring for computer access and smart things, such as the big, open area where the administrative offices are, so the folks in charge are accessible and visible," she says. She also points to the fact that Seton Hall Law School graduates are a force in the judiciary. Many become law clerks and a healthy number are judges.

An unprecedented fund-raising effort by Dean Irving, together with the support of the student body, led to the opening in 1976 of the school's second home in Newark, the \$5 million Law Center at 1010 Raymond Boulevard. A year later, Dean Irving resigned. His successor was Reverend Daniel A. Degnan, LL.B. '54, LL.M., who believed in the importance of maintaining a relationship with Seton Hall Law School alumni. Dean Degnan established the school's alumni office and an alumni council. He also is credited with expanding the geographic reach of student recruitment. Two years later, in 1977, the Richard J. Hughes Chair for Constitutional and Public Law and Service was dedicated. Through these initiatives and others, Dean Degnan laid the foundation for Seton Hall Law School's emerging national reputation.

Dean Degnan recalls, "The secret was a combination of good leadership and good faculty, but there was something about the student body. We were attracting good students before the reputation was there, students who were really happy with the school. These were students who had the character and personality that would make them good lawyers."

## The Right Track

Holly Bakke, J.D. '82, commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance, was a student at Seton Hall Law School during the late 1970s and early 1980s. For many students, law school was the path to a law practice. Bakke had different expectations: She viewed a legal education



**1971**

John F.X. Irving, LL.M. succeeds Dean Loftus, with a mandate to improve facilities and expand the faculty.



**1973**

Signing of the Treaty of Paris ends U.S. military combat in Vietnam. The last U.S. troops pull out on March 29.



**1974**

The House Judiciary Committee, headed by U.S. Congressman Peter W. Rodino, Jr., professor of law at Seton Hall, votes three articles of impeachment against President Richard M. Nixon, leading to his resignation.



**1975**

Million-dollar acquisitions program strengthens the Law School library (later named in honor of Congressman Peter W. Rodino).



as a way to further her career in public service.

"Being 'a child of the 1960s' shaped my social consciousness and sparked an interest in public service," says Bakke. "While I was working as an administrator for the New Jersey judiciary, it became clear that law school would enhance my ability to serve."

In 1979, Bakke became one of the "regulars" who took the late afternoon train from Trenton to Newark. Her destination? Seton Hall Law School. She fondly recalls the camaraderie she had with the other evening students. "We juggled work and family, and our professors recognized that our time was especially precious," says Bakke. "I had a liberal arts approach to course selection, taking electives from a variety of fields. One of them was insurance law, but at the time, I didn't know how much insurance would be a part of my future."

"Every day, New Jerseyans make important and complex decisions in the areas of banking, mortgage, real estate and insurance," says Bakke, who describes herself as an intermediary between her department and the public. "My staff is very well versed on banking and insurance issues." But as commissioner, she makes it a priority to talk to citizens, such as those waiting at a motor vehicle agency, "to keep the work we do meaningful and real."

Seton Hall also keeps it real. "I am impressed with the way Seton Hall embraces and reflects New Jersey's economic and social diversity," says Bakke.

## On the World Stage

In the 1980s, Seton Hall's national reputation was growing, and Elizabeth Defeis, LL.M., who became dean of the Law School in 1983, took that recognition to an international level. Dean Defeis involved the school with international law associations and developed the prestigious "Law in Italy" program of summer study; she also led a legal delegation to China and brought on faculty members in residence from around the world.

Seton Hall Law School also was developing a reputation in the realm of scholarly research. For example, in 1980, a leading law publisher issued *Cases and Materials on Employment Discrimination*, written by two of the school's professors, Charles Sullivan, LL.M. and Michael Zimmer, LL.M.

In 1988, Ronald J. Riccio '68/J.D. '81 was brought on as

About 83 percent of Seton Hall Law School's graduates pass the New Jersey State Bar Exam on their first attempt, and 96 percent have secured a job within six months of graduation.

dean. Under his leadership, the Law School was reaccredited by the ABA, and the *Princeton Review* ranked the law school first in student satisfaction in the New York metropolitan area and second nationwide. His open-door policy was well-received by students. "What I set out to do was transform the culture into one that blended academic rigor with sensitivity, compassion and dedication to the best interests of the students," says Dean Riccio. As dean, he also began the

major effort to finance and construct a new facility next door. The 22-story, \$37-million One Newark Center would be a landmark of revitalization in downtown Newark.

The 1990s were a time of change and growth at Seton Hall Law School. With the 1992 move into the first five floors of One Newark Center, the law school was far better positioned to attract the best students.

Robert Pelaia, J.D. '95 recalls, "My first classes at Seton Hall Law School were in the old Raymond Boulevard building and across the street in some rented office space that was converted to classrooms." During construction of One Newark Center, students had to walk outdoors between the old and new sites through a makeshift wooden passageway. That was "always a fun walk in the rain or snow," says Pelaia, but the end result was worth it. "The new facility was spectacular and a welcome improvement," he adds.

Under Dean Riccio's leadership, not only was One Newark Center constructed, but merit-based scholarships were offered for the first time, and the school's clinical programs became



Elizabeth Defeis, LL.M., dean from 1983-1988, greets members of the Seton Hall Law School Class of 1959.



### 1976

In January, the Law School relocates to the \$5-million Seton Hall University Law Center in Newark, as the faculty triples in size.



### 1978

Reverend Daniel A. Degnan, LL.B. '54, LL.M., who succeeds Dean Irving, establishes the Alumni Office and an alumni council.



### 1980

The Richard J. Hughes Chair for Constitutional and Public Law and Service is dedicated at the Law Center.



### 1982

An antitrust consent decree orders AT&T to divest the Bell operating companies, triggering dramatic changes in telecommunications.



one of its greatest strengths. In 1994, Seton Hall Law School's nationally ranked Health Law and Policy Program was established. That program has shaped the careers of many of the law school's graduates, including Pelaia.

### A Series of Fortunate Events

Early in his legal education, Pelaia thought he knew the direction he wanted to head: international law. His fluency in French and his undergraduate studies at the University of Paris (Sorbonne) and the Catholic Institute of Paris had positioned him perfectly for the global legal stage.

Then Pelaia, an evening student, took a healthcare law class taught by Kathleen Boozang, J.D., LL.M., now the Law School's associate dean and professor of law. "The coursework captured my interest, and I was amazed by the diverse possibilities healthcare law offered," Pelaia says. "I am proud to say that I was around during the infancy of the Health Law and Policy Program, and I am thrilled that it has grown into a nationally recognized leader in health law academia."

Pelaia credits Boozang for helping facilitate a key law clerk position and an externship at a New Jersey hospital.

Today, Pelaia is associate general counsel for the University of Florida College of Medicine in Jacksonville. "The college's 250 physicians and another 250 medical residents — and two



*Patrick E. Hobbs '82, J.D., LL.M. (standing), dean of the Law School, also teaches taxation and law and literature.*

affiliated clinics — are my clients," says Pelaia. "Contracts, employment issues, and healthcare fraud and abuse matters are my responsibility." He also is the director of compliance and billing, ensuring that the medical college is in line with all state and federal regulations.

Pelaia is a popular speaker on billing and compliance issues. "When I've spoken at the American Health Law Association meetings, it's been a huge moment for me," he reflects. "A few years back, I was in the audience." Perhaps fittingly, Pelaia is back at night school — this time, as an adjunct professor at Florida Coastal School of Law. "I tell my students, 'I'm living proof that you can do it.'"

### Leader for the New Century

In 1999, Dean Riccio felt that he had accomplished his goals for the Seton Hall Law School. Patrick E. Hobbs '82, J.D., LL.M., a faculty member since 1990 and associate dean of finance, was appointed as the Law School's seventh dean. Dean Hobbs builds upon his predecessors' accomplishments, expanding academic programs and recruitment efforts.

The Law School now offers a joint degree with Seton Hall's John C. Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations: the J.D./M.A. in Diplomacy and International Relations. Health Law and Policy added two new joint



**1983**

Elizabeth Defeis, LL.M., appointed as dean. She would develop the prestigious "Law in Italy" summer program and bring on faculty in residence from around the world.



**1988**

Ronald J. Riccio '68/J.D. '81, appointed as dean. New Jersey's legislature the next year makes the Law School the site of the Institute for Law and Mental Health.



**1990**

President George H.W. Bush signs into law the Americans with Disabilities Act, barring discrimination against the disabled.



**1992**

Seton Hall Law School moves to its current location at One Newark Center, helping to revitalize Newark's business district.



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**— Akinyemi Akiwowo**  
*Seton Hall Law School student*

degrees in conjunction with the University of Medicine and Dentistry-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School: an M.D./Master of Jurisprudence degree and an M.D./J.D. degree.

By most measures, Seton Hall Law School has achieved the national reputation that Dean Rooney envisioned and that drew from the many efforts over the years of its deans, professors, staff, students and alumni. About 83 percent of the school’s graduates pass the New Jersey State Bar Exam on their first attempt, and 96 percent have secured a job within six months of graduation. These achievements underscore Seton Hall Law School’s steadfastness in educating its students in the best of Catholic tradition.

### **The Next Generation**

For today’s Seton Hall Law students like Akinyemi Akiwowo, who graduated from Loyola College of Maryland and was accepted by 10 of the 12 law schools to which he applied, Seton Hall offers benefits beyond measure. “Growing up in Orange, I was well aware of Seton Hall’s reputation,” says Akiwowo, the son of Nigerian immigrants. “The first time I walked through the Law School’s doors, I felt that I belonged here. It was almost like a storybook.”

The current chapter in Akiwowo’s life is a page turner. The recipient of a Presidential Scholarship, he is secretary of the Student Bar Association and a member of the Black Law Students Association. He works 15 to 20 hours a week as a research assistant for Health Law and Policy. He also squeezes in some court time with the Law School’s basketball team, facing off against potential employers.

“Nothing compares to the support I’ve received from the faculty, staff and my classmates. We have a strong sense of community,” says Akiwowo, who plans to become a litigator. “Professor Denis McLaughlin, whom I’ve had for civil procedure and evidence, personifies Seton Hall’s commitment to the individual. The message he conveys, through word and deed, is that he’s always there for us.”



*The Law School greatly expanded its facilities with the construction of One Newark Center, completed in 1992. It offers a skylit glass atrium, inviting walkways and dramatic balconies.*



**1994**  
The Health Law and Policy Program is established at the Law School.



**1999**  
Patrick E. Hobbs '82, J.D., LL.M., is promoted to dean and builds on the decade's progress under Dean Riccio.



**2000**  
Institute for Law, Science and Technology is launched at the Law School.



**2004**  
Seton Hall community celebrates the 50th Anniversary of Seton Hall Law's first graduating class.

# SETON HALL UNIVERSITY

## ALUMNI EVENTS



**June 3** — Soccer Alumni Golf Outing, Rock Spring Club, West Orange. Call Joe Del Rossi at (973) 378-2681.

**June 7** — Stillman School of Business Golf Outing, Upper Montclair Country Club. Call Dan Nugent at (973) 378-2641 or e-mail [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)

**June 10** — Golden Pirates Day at the Races, Monmouth Park Racetrack. Cost: \$30 per person includes admission, buffet luncheon, private seating and program. Call Beth Cocco at (973) 378-9849 or e-mail [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)



**July 29** — Trip to the New York Yankees-Baltimore Orioles game at Yankee Stadium. Tickets are \$25 per person, including game ticket and round-trip bus transportation from South Orange campus. Call Kristen Koehler at (973) 378-9821, or e-mail [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)

**August 9** — Pirate Blue Golf Outing, Spring Lake Golf Club, Spring Lake Heights. Call Joe Del Rossi at (973) 378-2681.

**August 27** — Seton Hall Night at the Somerset Patriots baseball game vs. Long Island Ducks. Game time 7:05 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50. Stay for post-game fireworks! Call Joette Rosato '99/M.A.'02 at (973) 378-2627 or e-mail [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)



**September 19** — Golden Pirates Reunion for classes of 1954 and earlier. Call Beth Cocco at (973) 378-9849 or e-mail [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)

**October 18** — Pirate Blue Baseball Alumni Golf Outing, Cedar Hill Country Club. Call Joe Del Rossi at (973) 378-2681.

## PERFORMING ARTS

**June 18-20** — Summer Theatre-in-the-Round opens with the musical revue "Is There Life After High School?," 8 p.m. on Friday/Saturday and 2 p.m. on Saturday/Sunday. Bishop Dougherty University Center. Admission: \$15; seniors and alumni, \$12; students and children, \$10; faculty and staff, \$5. (973) 761-9098.

**June 24-27** — Summer Theatre-in-the-Round presents the musical revue "Is There Life After High School?," 8 p.m. on Friday/Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday, with a special 2-for-1 night for seniors on Thursday. Bishop Dougherty University Center. Admission: \$15; seniors and alumni, \$12; students and children, \$10; faculty and staff, \$5. (973) 761-9098.

**July 9-11** — Summer Theatre-in-the-Round presents *Fallen Angels*, a comedy by Noel Coward, 8 p.m. on Friday/Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Bishop Dougherty University Center. Admission: \$12; seniors and alumni, \$10; students and children, \$8; faculty and staff, \$5. (973) 761-9098.

**July 16-18** — Summer Theatre-in-the-Round presents *Fallen Angels*, a comedy by Noel Coward. See July 9-11.



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## SPECIAL EVENTS

**June 16** — School of Graduate Medical Education Residents Graduation, 3 p.m., Kozlowski Hall Auditorium/Atrium. Call Nita Blazska at (973) 275-2031.

**June 24** — BIG EAST Night. Newark Bears vs. Long Island Ducks, game time 7:05 p.m., Bears and Eagles Riverfont Stadium, Newark. Represent the Pirates at the BIG EAST roll call! Tickets: \$8. To order, call Mike Collazo at (973) 848-1000, ext. 135.

**October 1-3** — Family Weekend, South Orange campus. Activities for the entire family include Parent/Student Breakfast, a comedy night, Walsh Library Gallery exhibition, scarecrow-making contest and pumpkin painting. For more information call (973) 378-2600 or visit [events.shu.edu/uday](http://events.shu.edu/uday)



**June 12** — Reunion 2004, honoring the classes of 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984 and 1994. Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel of the Immaculate Conception; reception, 6 p.m., Pirate's Cove; dinner and dancing, 7 p.m., Bishop Dougherty University Center Main Lounge/University Green. Call Beth Cocco at (973) 378-9849 or e-mail [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)

**June 24** — Trenton Chapter Event, Tredon Thunder vs. New Britain Rock Cats, Mercer County Waterfront Park. Game time 7:05 p.m. Tickets: \$12.95 per person, includes baseball game, hot dog, drink, and popcorn or peanuts. Stay for the post-game fireworks! To make a reservation, call Kristen Koehler at (973) 378-9821 or e-mail [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)

**July 10** — Young Alumni Event at Bar Anticipation, Belmar (rain or shine). Cost: \$10 per person includes drink specials and barbecue. Free for members of the Class of 1999. Call Joette Rosato '99/M.A.'02 at (973) 378-9827 or e-mail [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)

**July 12** — Pirate Blue Golf Outing, Rock Spring Club, West Orange. Call Joe Del Rossi at (973) 378-2681.

## LECTURES/DISCUSSIONS



**September 14** — The Philip and Mary Shannon Seton Hall Speaker Series presents "Examining the Role of Values in Shaping the Presidency," featuring historian David McCullough, 4-5:30 p.m., Bishop Dougherty University Center. Tickets: \$25. (973) 378-2600.

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**August 6-8** — Summer Theatre-in-the-Round presents *Black Coffee*, a mystery by Agatha Christie. See July 30.



**October 2** — University Day, University Green. The day's activities begin at 11:30 a.m. and include the 20th annual Farinella 5K Run and the fourth annual Alumni Homecoming Barbecue. For more information, call (973) 378-2600 or visit [events.shu.edu/uday](http://events.shu.edu/uday)

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# What's Coming Summer/Fall 2004



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**T**oday's youth are receiving metaphysical and moral instruction through the imaginative "other worlds" of literary works like *The Lord of the Rings* and *Harry Potter*. In the historic setting of Oxford's largest college, Christ Church, this genre, which is deeply rooted in British culture, will be explored and celebrated.

Speakers include:

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Banquet in Christ Church, Great Hall with special guest **Barbara Reynolds**.

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Seton Hall University presents  
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## Examining the Role of Values in Shaping the Presidency



**September 14, 2004**

**David McCullough**

McCullough's most recent presidential biography, *John Adams*, premiered at number one on the *New York Times* Best Seller list.



**October 14, 2004**

**Robert Caro**

Caro's book about Lyndon Johnson, *Master of the Senate*, earned him a Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award.

**Tickets:** \$25. Lectures begin at 4 p.m., and will be followed by a question-and-answer session. To reserve tickets, call (973) 378-2600.



# *In Step with the Legacy of Dr. King*

*While mentoring, tutoring and volunteering, Martin Luther King Scholars draw from the ideals of their namesake as they embrace servant leadership.*

*By Pamela Dungee, M.A. '04*

"The function of education, therefore, is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. But education which stops with efficiency may prove the greatest menace to society. The most dangerous criminal may be the man gifted with reason, but with no morals."

*— Excerpt from the article "The Purpose of Education," which Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. wrote in 1948 while a junior at Morehouse College. It was published in the Maroon Tiger, the student newspaper.*

**T**he year is 1969 — one year after the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the year in which Edwin T. Pratt, executive director of the Seattle Urban League, is brutally slain. It's the year in which the U.S. Supreme Court orders Mississippi to end — immediately — its system of segregated school districts and establish a unified system. And, for the first time, a predominately white city elects a black mayor: Howard Lee in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.



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(1) At the Celebration 2004 of the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Association (MLKSA), which took place in February in Kozlowski Hall, guest speakers included Autum Ashante, the sensational poet who is 5 years old. (2-4) Ashante talks with two other Celebration speakers: activist Kevin Powell (center in 2) and Lawrence Hamm, chairman of the Newark-based People's Organization for Progress.

The country in 1969 is in the midst of turmoil and social change, and Seton Hall University's campus is no exception. It is during this turbulent year that a group of undergraduates rallies for a scholarship to help increase minority enrollment at the University. The result — the creation of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Association (MLKSA) — has exceeded expectations. In its 35 years, the organization has provided much more than tuition assistance. Its members have taken Dr. King's path toward social progress, volunteering in hospices, schools and shelters.



Senior Jessica Johnson, an MLK Scholar, was co-chair of Celebration 2004.



Luis Montero III '04, MLKSA's president, notes that the 10 Scholars chosen each year are students who want to make a difference through their community service.

Each year, the MLKSA selection committee chooses 10 new Scholars. "We review academics and community service, but more importantly, we select students with drive and determination — students who want to make a difference in someone else's life," explains Luis Montero III '04, MLKSA president. In addition to maintaining a 3.0 GPA, MLK Scholars dedicate a minimum of 20 hours to community service each semester.

"Sometimes it's a challenge to balance personal life, classes and extracurricular activities," says Ryan Faison '04, MLKSA vice president, "but Scholars routinely appear on the Dean's List, serve on executive boards of other campus organizations and exceed the community service requirements."

Adds Vanessa Vera, MLKSA secretary, "As an MLK Scholar, servant leadership becomes a part of who you are. In whatever I do, I'm always aware that I represent MLKSA and Dr. King. I never forget that it is the blood and sweat of others that allowed me to be where I am today." Vera, a sophomore, recently was chosen to be an intern

on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America."

Early in the organization's history, scholarship recipients were primarily African-American. Over the years, however, MLKSA has become more expansive and even more reflective of Dr. King's principles of integrity, scholarship, service and equality for all people. Today's Scholars come from a variety of ethnic backgrounds, including African-American, Puerto Rican, Filipino,

Kenyan, Peruvian, Native American and Bolivian — just to name a few. This diverse group, reflective of MLKSA's mission to be an "organization of influence and activism on and off campus," is engaged in a broad range of service projects throughout the year.

One such project is "Home for the Homeless." In addition to a daylong fundraising effort, MLK Scholars, along with other members of the University community, leave their warm beds for one night to take part in a "Sleep Out." "We sleep on the University Green to raise awareness of the conditions homeless people face every day," says Montero. "There are none more helpless than those without homes, and I want to use my education to bring attention to this very important issue." The funds they collected this year went to St. Joseph's Homeless Shelter in Newark.

In a given year, 3.5 million people, one-third of them children, are likely to experience homelessness, according to the Urban Institute, a nonpartisan economic and social policy research organization. MLK Scholars recognize that homelessness has become a social crisis. The "Sleep Out," which began in 1999, continues to have high participation levels. "Professor Pritchett, one of our phenomenal advisers, has been instrumental in galvanizing students from the Freshman Studies Program," notes Faison. Forrest Pritchett Sr., M.A., senior research fellow of African Studies, is one of four MLKSA advisers. The others are David T. Abalos, Ph.D., professor of Religious Studies and sociology; Larry A. Greene, Ph.D., professor of history and African-American Studies and director of the Multicultural Program; and Trisha Perez '03, an MLKSA alumna.

Throughout the year, Scholars also volunteer at Broadway House, an AIDS hospice in Newark, a city with one of New Jersey's largest HIV/AIDS populations. The Scholars' main goal in helping out at the hospice, explains Terrence Daniel, MLKSA treasurer, "is to foster mentoring friendships with patients, to provide encouragement and hope, and to teach tools for future employment." Daniel, a sophomore, adds, "There are many misconceptions about AIDS and not enough volunteers because of these misconceptions. AIDS is a disease that affects us all. It is unbiased to race, religion or age."

Many MLK Scholars spend three hours every Friday afternoon as Scholar Buddies, as they are affectionately called by their students. They mentor youngsters from the Eighteenth Avenue School of Science and Technology, a Newark elementary school. Scholar Buddies do "everything from tutoring, playing games and performing stage plays, to simply being there to listen to the students' issues and concerns," says Faison.

MLK Scholars receive training on what it takes to be a mentor, and they take seriously their commitments to the students. "Being a Scholar Buddy gives me a deeper sense of purpose. It's important that students, their parents and the community witness





(5-6) Joining the photo session are three other participants: Larry A. Greene, Ph.D., professor of history, director of Seton Hall University's Multicultural Program and an MLKSA adviser (left); William W. Sales Jr., Ph.D., chair of African-American Studies at Seton Hall (second from left); and Forrest Pritchett Sr., M.A., senior research fellow of African Studies at Seton Hall and an MLKSA adviser (second from right).

our involvement," says Montero. "It is as Dr. King said, 'You don't have to be in a position of power to make a difference. All you have to do is to want to serve.'"

The service of the association and the dedication of the Scholars have not gone unnoticed. Seton Hall named MLKSA the Organization of the Year in both 1999 and 2003. Faison says the recognition is about "more than the plaque. Yes, it serves as an affirmation for the Scholars, but it also reinforces our dedication to the mission of MLKSA and speaks to the power of collective effort."

## Events embrace diversity

Each year, MLKSA hosts several celebratory events, including the Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Bash, the Multicultural Exposition and the annual spring Celebration. Vera explains, "One of the goals of our celebratory events is to embrace diversity."

Ossie Davis, writer, actor, director and activist, has been a Celebration keynote speaker, as have Reverend Bernice A. King, the youngest daughter of Dr. King and Coretta Scott King, and Arun Gandhi, grandson of Mahatma Gandhi (see the Summer 2003 *Seton Hall University Magazine*). "Because of the connection between Dr. King and Mahatma Gandhi, it was amazing to have Arun Gandhi visit the University," says Montero. "His visit emphasized that there is a worldwide connection for social justice and humanity."

Faison adds, "Gandhi and his legacy are closely tied with MLKSA. It is important, not just for the Scholars, but for everyone to understand that the struggle for social justice has been going on for a while. We all have to be willing to take the baton because the struggle is not just a sprint, it's a marathon."

The daylong Celebration also includes workshops facilitated by Seton Hall faculty, administrators and community leaders. "Who better to learn about the Civil Rights movement and issues of the time than from professors who actually marched on Washington with Dr. King," explains Vera.

In March, MLKSA hosted its much-anticipated Alumni Banquet 2004, attracting many graduates back to campus.

Through the Multicultural Exposition and the annual Celebration, MLKSA is increasing its bridge-building efforts, enhancing both the breadth and depth of its programming. As a result, the organization is continually reaching a wider audience. MLKSA has shaped a relationship with the Seton Hall Campus Ministry's Division of Volunteer Efforts (D.O.V.E.) and continues to reach out to other campus organizations that share its goals. MLK Scholars have also worked with similar organizations at Rutgers University and Montclair State University. "Our purpose is not limited to Seton Hall University. Issues like social justice and equality are universal," Faison points out.

## A shared mission

It may seem that the MLK Scholar carries a heavy load. However, Montero explains, "With a family of 40 Scholars, our advisers and the invaluable support of the University, there is always someone to lend support."

Says Daniel, "It definitely can be overwhelming, but then I remember that Rome was not built in a day. One progressive step at a time is the key to moving forward."

As the association looks ahead to its next 35 years, Faison says he has "no doubt that MLKSA is going to grow in number, size and quality. Everything we do is not just for current Scholars, but for Scholars yet to come." In recruiting these future Scholars, the organization continues to expand its efforts. In their presentations to high school seniors, current Scholars not only promote the University and MLKSA, but educate these prospective students on Dr. King's legacy and the struggle for social justice.

"As the University solidifies its position as an institution producing servant leaders for a global society, MLKSA is here to assist in that mission because its mission is our mission, just as our mission is the University's," notes Montero. He adds, "If there is one individual without hope, without the desire to improve, then our work is not done."

*For more information about the Dr. Martin Luther King Scholarship Association, visit its Web site at [studentaffairs.shu.edu/mlk](http://studentaffairs.shu.edu/mlk)*

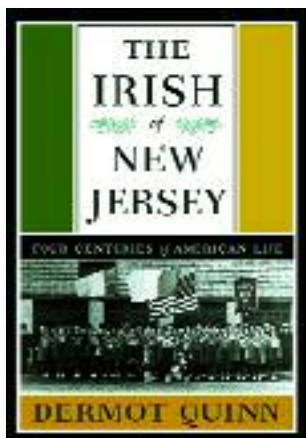


Members of MLKSA speak at high schools not only to promote Seton Hall and their group's efforts but to educate students about Dr. King and the struggle for social justice.



## Pirates in Print

*This department features a selection of recently published books by Seton Hall University faculty, alumni, students and staff, as well as books about the University. For consideration, send a review copy to Catherine Memory, Seton Hall University Magazine, 457 Centre Street, South Orange, NJ 07079.*



### *The Irish of New Jersey: Four Centuries of American Life*

by Dermot Quinn, Ph.D.  
(Rutgers University Press,  
\$26.95)

In his latest book, Quinn, an associate professor of history at Seton Hall University, vividly chronicles the sizable impact that Irish immigrants have made on New Jersey's history and development. *The Irish of New Jersey* is about the geographical movement of a people as well as their social movement. Using case histories of individuals and looking at places such as Paterson, Jersey City and Newark, Quinn explores the troubled transition of the Irish as they emigrated from a world that was primarily rural to the hustle and bustle of city life.

"The Irish have a long, fascinating history that parallels the history of New Jersey," explains Quinn.

The Irish began settling in New Jersey as early as the

17th century, many escaping from poverty and war. Many of the Irish immigrants in the Revolutionary War period served with George Washington during the harsh winter of 1781 in Morristown. Then came the flood of Irish immigration, following the devastating potato famine of the mid-1800s. "In the 19th century, many of the Irish came to America with very little," Quinn notes, referring to the period between 1850 and the early 1900s, which brought the greatest influx of Irish immigrants. "The Irish were socially marginalized and even despised. Because of this, they were forced to work harder and to rely on themselves. They were forced to create their own opportunities. It's as if the very act of being discriminated against, and being told you're not American, forced the early Irish into becoming more American."

The Catholic Church also helped with this assimilation into the American culture, Quinn adds. "Some people think the Church was an obstacle to assimilation. In many cases, though, the opposite is true. The Church taught the Irish immigrants English and helped them to network."

The author of *Patronage and Piety: the Politics of English Roman Catholicism, 1850-1900* and *Understanding Northern Ireland*, Quinn describes how his latest book differs from his previous works. Although it is a scholarly work, *The Irish*



*Irish pride was much in evidence in Newark for the 1937 procession of papal knights on the occasion of the conferral of the pallium on Archbishop Thomas J. Walsh, who was a devoted supporter of Seton Hall University (Walsh Gym was named in his honor).*

of New Jersey is not geared to the professional historian alone. Its target audience is the general reader, specifically anyone interested in "the unique cultural heritage of a proud and accomplished people," according to Quinn.

The idea for the book germinated from an article the professor wrote in the late 1990s for the *Encyclopedia of Irish in America*. A Rutgers University Press editor read the article and suggested to Quinn that "there's a book here." Quinn agreed, and as they say, "the rest is history."

"Some people will read *The Irish of New Jersey* and see their own stories or perhaps their own family histories. Others will be engaged by the emotion of the images included in the book," says Quinn.

A richly illustrated history is captured in this volume through a treasury of photographs and newspaper clippings. In researching his book, Quinn relied heavily on the New Jersey Historical Society in Newark and the Seton

Hall University Archives, which also house the Archives of the Archdiocese of Newark, the University's records and the personal records of many notable New Jerseyans. Quinn was able to access primary sources, including diary entries, newspaper articles, manuscripts, letters, journals and negatives from the *Catholic Advocate*.

"I found the Archives of the Archdiocese of Newark to be very rich and full of marvelous material," Quinn observes. Through these archival resources, Quinn pieced together the story of different communities and ethnic groups. "The story of America can be seen as the story of assimilation, and certainly the Irish play a part in that story," he notes.

*The Irish of New Jersey* is filled with colorful characters, among them Reverend Thomas Killeen, a temperance campaigner in Bayonne. Father Killeen was said to be equal to a score of policemen in keeping



*Reverend Thomas Killeen*

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the men out of the pubs on Saturday night so they would be sober at Mass on Sunday morning.

Other characters include Frank Hague, a larger-than-life Jersey City politician who was both admired and feared for his political acumen, and Richard P. Hughes, a marvelous example of an "American success story." When Hughes became an American citizen in 1876, he could only make his mark on his citizenship papers, since he could not write even his name. Hughes' grandson, Richard J. Hughes, attended law school, served as governor of New Jersey (1962-70) and later was appointed chief justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court (Trenton's Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex honors his memory).

Quinn also explores the success of the Irish and the ways in which they maintained their proud heritage. "As the Irish escaped from the miseries of Ireland, they began to see that America allowed them to become free," he says. "They became educated, very good at politics and trade unionism, and

they began to move up in the world. Eventually they began to sentimentalize and romanticize Ireland." Quinn says this led to many of the celebrations we see today. "The Irish began to celebrate their culture here in America and promote their 'Irishness' by means of such things as *Riverdance* and the annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade."

Quinn received his bachelor's degree from Trinity College, Dublin and a doctoral degree from New College, Oxford. He has taught British history and Irish history at Seton Hall for more than a decade. Quinn is currently compiling a volume on *The History of Seton Hall University*, which he expects to complete in time for the University's Sesquicentennial Celebration in 2006.

*The Irish of New Jersey: Four Centuries of American Life* will be published this July. To preorder the book, visit the publisher's Web site at [rutgers-press.rutgers.edu/](http://rutgers-press.rutgers.edu/) or call 1-800-446-9323. You can also preorder from [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)

— Pamela Dungee, M.A. '04



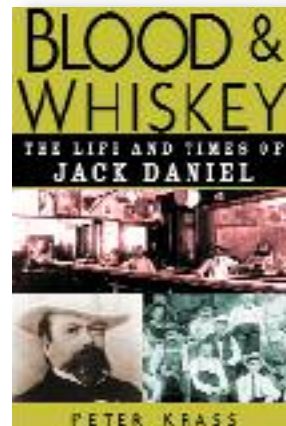
One of the city's best bands came from Saint James Church on Madison Street. The first Catholic church in the industrial neighborhood of Down Neck (now Ironbound), its parishioners were Irish immigrants.

## ***Blood & Whiskey: The Life and Times of Jack Daniel***

by Peter Krass, M.A. '94  
(John Wiley & Sons, Inc., \$24.95)

This is the first-ever biography of the man who as an orphaned teenager made moonshine and as an adult created the sour mash that would be sipped around the world. Along the way, "Uncle Jack" Daniel tasted every batch of it until he retired in 1907. In his ninth book, Krass explores the flamboyant life of the Tennessee whiskey baron and marketing genius. Through painstaking research, he colorfully depicts the charismatic distiller and unravels some mysteries that have perplexed storytellers and the Jack Daniel Distillery alike. Krass also captures the tumult of the South after the Civil War and the rise of the Ku Klux Klan, corrupt politicians and the prohibitionists.

*The Life and Times of Jack Daniel* is Krass' second biography (see *Seton Hall University Magazine*, Winter 2003, for a review of his definitive look at Andrew Carnegie). Krass has appeared on C-Span's Booknotes and WNYC Public Radio, among many other programs. He is writing a non-fiction American adventure set during World War I.



## ***Critical Concerns in Transfer Pricing and Practice***

by Wagdy M. Abdallah, Ph.D.  
(Praeger Publishers, \$79.95)

For a multinational corporation (MNC), there is arguably no more important operational function than international transfer pricing. Defined as the practice of supplying products or services across borders from one part of the organization to another, it affects all areas of manufacturing, marketing, management and finance. Today, its complexity is compounded by e-commerce, policymakers and "intangible" assets such as intellectual property.

Abdallah, who came to the United States from Egypt, has been teaching at Seton Hall University since 1984. He is a professor of international accounting.

In *Critical Concerns in Transfer Pricing and Practice*, Abdallah provides an in-depth overview of recent trends and developments and considers their implications. Anticipating increased scrutiny of MNC transfer pricing practices from governments and other external stakeholders, he also outlines a set of practical recommendations for creating a successful transfer pricing system. The system aims to maximize value for multinational companies while remaining sensitive to local policies in all of the countries in which they operate.

Abdallah's previous book, *Managing Multinationals in the Middle East: Accounting and Tax Issues* (2000), analyzed the business environment and culture of four Arab countries and Israel.



## Alumni Standouts

### Alumni Chapter Branches out in Capital Beltway Region



**L**ike the buds on Washington, D.C.'s famous cherry trees, a new Seton Hall University regional alumni chapter is blooming in the nation's capital.

In January, about 60 Washington-area alumni gathered for the chapter's kickoff event: a presentation by Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67, University president, titled "Seton Hall: Our Story."

It's only the beginning. The chapter hopes to reach about 1,650 alumni in the Washington area, as well as a much wider audience of high school students seeking an excellent Catholic college education.

The Washington chapter is the newest of nine regional chapters nationwide. Its leaders hope to match — or even surpass — the success of the Chicago Alumni Chapter. Chicago members have recruited nearly 60 students to the University and have participated in more than 150 college fairs. Fun is also on the agenda: No doubt, the Washington-area alumni will soon have their trademark social events, just as Monmouth County alumni do, including their annual gathering at the Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Belmar.

The regional chapters are local by design, but receive "home" support from Seton Hall. "The University is very committed to our alumni chapters," says Kristen Koehler, director of regional programs. "Through them, we help sponsor special events to bring alumni together and encourage servant leadership by way of community service."

Tracy Kelly '00, a Web site developer, is involved in launching the Washington chapter. She gained experience as a volunteer with the Pirate Navigator Mentoring Program, which enables alumni to reach out online to Seton Hall students who have questions about jobs or internships. "I communicate via e-mail with students who are interested in internships in the D.C. area or who want to know what working as a Web developer is like," Kelly says.

Becoming active in the alumni chapter was the next logical step. "What better way to network and meet new people than through an alumni organization? It's a great opportunity to make business contacts and start new friendships, and we already have something in common — Seton Hall," Kelly says. "The Pirate Navigator program will play a companion role to

the alumni chapter. For alumni who have recently moved to Washington, online mentoring can open the door to whole new experiences in a whole new town."

For Gerald Foster '62, being involved with a Seton Hall alumni chapter in Washington is, as Yankee legend Yogi Berra put it, "déjà vu all over again." In the early 1970s, Foster, who works in commercial real estate, served as president of Seton Hall's earlier Washington-area alumni chapter. "It was a lot of fun, and we shared a great deal of camaraderie," he recalls. But as members grew busier with their growing families and career demands, the chapter became dormant. Today, his expertise as a former chapter president is a perfect blend with the ideas for shaping the new chapter. "I'm very impressed by the leadership shown by our younger alumni," he says.

Foster believes that the chapter also has unique opportunities to attract future students. Alumni can become Seton Hall "ambassadors" through the Seton Hall Alumni Recruitment Program. He has represented the University at college fairs, and he's certain other alumni will want to take the lead at their local high schools. "It's a way to let students know they can obtain a quality Catholic, faith-based education that can take them far in the workplace or other venues," says Foster. Foster relates one example: "The mother of a Seton Hall student I helped recruit came up to me to say how thankful she was for the opportunity the University gave her daughter to sing before the Pope as a member of the renowned Seton Hall University Touring Choir."

Koehler believes that alumni like Kelly and Foster make Seton Hall's presence stronger in Northern Virginia, the Maryland suburbs and Washington, D.C. "Their love of Seton Hall and the energy and enthusiasm they possess makes developing an active and involved alumni chapter so much easier," Koehler says.

*For more information on the Washington, D.C. Alumni Chapter, or to learn more about chapters in your area, contact Kristen Koehler at (973) 378-9821 or [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu)*

— Sheila Smith Noonan





An online mentor with the Pirate Navigator Mentoring Program from its beginning, Tracy Kelly '00 is now helping to launch an alumni chapter in the Washington, D.C., area.

## The Road Less Traveled Merged into the Information Superhighway

Tracy Kelly '00 didn't have a traditional four-year path in college. Rather, she fashioned a course interwoven with interludes to work on the political campaigns of U.S. Representative Mike Ferguson (R-NJ) and U.S. Senator Sam Brownback (R-KS).

"I've been involved with politics on and off since high school," says Kelly. "I joined the College Republicans at Seton Hall, became more interested in working on campaigns and took a break from college to give politics my full attention."

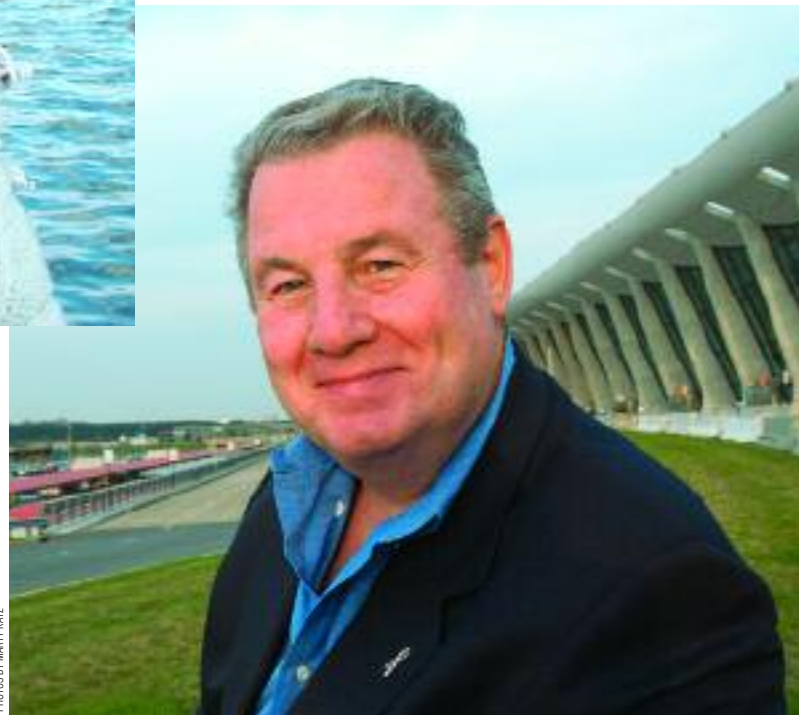
Kelly had transferred to Seton Hall after completing a few semesters at Ohio's Franciscan University of Steubenville. "When I moved back to New Jersey, Seton Hall was the only college where I felt comfortable. I walked on campus and felt at home," she says. Her major initially was computer science, but she switched to liberal studies with a concentration in Religious Studies. "The dean and faculty of the Religious Studies Program were absolutely fabulous," says Kelly, a member of Theta Alpha Kappa, the Religious Studies honor society. "They knew who I was, and with seven or eight students in a class, we were able to have real discussions. The program wasn't just about theology. I was fascinated by the sociology of religion — why people believe what they do."

With her interest in politics, it's not surprising that Kelly works in Washington. She is a Web developer for the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which, among other initiatives, publishes the journal *Science*. Kelly creates support materials for teachers and Web-based games, which make learning science fun for children.

— Sheila Smith Noonan

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At Dulles International Airport, Gerald Foster '62 was instrumental in establishing an interfaith chapel, as well as a similar ministry at Ronald Reagan National Airport.

## Fostering the Well-being of Others

Gerald Foster's high school guidance counselor thought he needed a stint in the Army to straighten him out. The high school senior — an exuberant, self-admitted "wild guy" — had a predictable adolescent response: *I'll show you.*

Foster bypassed the traditional college entry route to earn his Seton Hall University degree in 1962. "I didn't take admission tests. I just wrote a letter to Seton Hall explaining that my brother, Paul [R. Paul Foster '58], was a graduate of the University and that I wanted to take classes, too," he recalls. For \$12 a credit, Foster took night and summer classes, determined to prove the guidance counselor wrong. "I had some excellent professors who made a real impression on me," he said, citing Monsignor Edward Fleming, Ph.D., assistant professor of education, and James Holloway, Ph.D., professor of English. Foster earned a bachelor's degree in criminology and then took some graduate courses at Bradley University and at Seton Hall before being called to active duty with the National Guard during the U.S.S. Pueblo/North Korea crisis in 1968.

Foster has been in commercial real estate in Northern Virginia for 22 years, the last two with Randall H. Hagner and

Company's office in Reston. "Working in real estate is like riding a roller coaster," he says. "I've had times when I've been financially blessed and other times when there wasn't much money coming in at all. It's been an interesting ride."

There's also been sadness for Foster; his wife, Jan; and their daughter, Jennifer. In February 1989, the Fosters' 16-year-old son, Scott, was killed in an automobile accident. And yet, much good has come from the family's loss.

Within weeks of Scott's death, some of Foster's employees sent Foster and his wife to St. Martin for a time of rest. "During

**"In Puerto Rico, we visited a Catholic chapel at the airport. It was a wonderful oasis at a sad time in our lives."**

**—Gerald Foster '62**

a nearly five-hour layover in Puerto Rico, we visited a Catholic chapel at the airport. Jan and I cried and hugged and said the Rosary. It was a wonderful oasis during a sad time in our lives," says Foster. "When we returned from the trip, I became more involved with my church. But I also felt that there was a real need for an interfaith chapel at both Dulles and National airports."

Today, thanks in large part to Foster's efforts, there are interfaith chapels at Dulles International Airport and at Ronald Reagan National Airport. On staff are four full-time priests and several other clergy.

Foster also is involved with a dozen or more civic and volunteer organizations (including Seton Hall's Washington, D.C. Alumni Chapter), but clearly, this is one that touches him deeply. "It's a wonderful ministry funded by donations and grants," says Foster. "Because of the loss of Scott, we have touched so many other lives. I am truly blessed and spiritually rich."

*—Sheila Smith Noonan*



*As a volunteer pilot for Angel Flight America, John T. Mielach '49 (in striped shirt) transports patients in his turboprop plane to hospitals and other locales. On one mission of mercy, Mielach flew this family to a camp in Maine for children with cancer.*

A birthday present of flying lessons from his six children on his 60th birthday turned into a new mission for John T. Mielach '49.

Since 1994, Mielach, the semiretired chairman emeritus of Mielach/Woodwork, has volunteered as a pilot for Angel Flight America. Through its seven regional organizations, Angel Flight's volunteer pilots fly 20,000 missions a year, providing free or discounted air transport for those in need. They take patients needing specialized medical treatment to hospitals and clinics around the country. They speed donor organs to awaiting recipients and they relocate victims of domestic abuse. They deliver medical personnel, blood, medicine, supplies and specialized equipment to disaster areas. When air traffic was shut down following the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, Angel Flight pilots were granted special permission to fly 100 missions of mercy to New York City.

"The Lord has been good to me, so I choose to give back with whatever talent I have," explains Mielach, who is 74 years old.

About eight times each year, Mielach fuels up his six-passenger Piper Meridian turboprop plane and sets out on a mission. When he's at his New Jersey home in Pottersville (Hunterdon County), he flies for Angel Flight Northeast, and when wintering in Boca Raton, Florida, it's for Angel Flight Southeast. Based on criteria that pilots have selected in advance, they are matched to missions posted on Angel Flight's Web site. Mielach usually flies missions lasting one day and no more than 1,200 miles round trip.

In his plane, Mielach has transported patients who can't afford the airfare to hospitals far from their homes. He has flown patients with chronic illnesses, patients who must fly regularly to specialized hospitals and patients too sick to travel by car or train. He made it possible for an infant born with emphysema to reach Shands Hospital in Gainesville, Florida, for treatment. Every month, he takes a man with end-stage renal disease from Miami to Tampa for life-saving treatment until a donor kidney becomes available. Each summer, Mielach transports children with cancer, plus their families, to a camp near Portland, Maine. And every winter,



## Angel of Mercy Flies Medical Missions

he brings young burn victims and their “burn buddies” to a special outing at Walt Disney World in Orlando.

One aptly named Angel Flight patient has become especially memorable for Mielach: Angel Gillis, a 2-year-old from Pensacola. In September 2003, she underwent surgery to remove her cancerous eye and to replace it with a glass prosthesis. This past January, Mielach flew Angel; her mother, Kaleah Gillis; and Angel's grandmother from Pensacola back to the Ocala hospital for a checkup.

“Mr. Mielach was very sweet to us,” says Kaleah Gillis. “He helped us with our bags and even brought a bear and purse for Angel.” The toddler will need to return to Ocala for checkups every three months.

Mielach recently signed up to be a “first responder” for Angel Flight's new Homeland Security Program to transport personnel or cargo to disaster areas. Because he was on vacation in Europe during the weeks that followed the tragedies of September 11, Mielach was not able to participate in Angel Flight missions that brought firefighters and medical personnel from all over the Northeast to Ground Zero for search-and-recovery efforts.

“If, unfortunately, we ever have another situation of that magnitude, the first responders will be there within six hours to assist as necessary,” explains Mielach.

The volunteer pilot's commitment to helping others was nurtured by a loving family as he grew up in Irvington. In 1929, his father, John Mielach, started an architectural woodwork manufacturing firm, Mielach/Woodwork, in the family's garage. As the business grew, his father moved it to several sites in Newark in the early 1940s and then back to Irvington in 1946.

Located in Edison since 1971, Mielach/Woodwork has provided high-end architectural woodwork for clients such as Goldman Sachs in New York City; Lucent Technology in Warren and Schering-Plough in Madison; and corporate offices in San Francisco, Chicago and other U.S. cities.

Mielach didn't plan to follow his father into the family business. The chemistry major expected to go to medical school. But in 1949, when he graduated from Seton Hall at the age of 19, schools were flooded with returning World War II veterans furthering their education under the G.I. Bill. Mielach was accepted into the Georgetown University School of Medicine, but with a delay of four years. He decided to take some graduate courses at Seton Hall until he could enroll, but his career took a detour after his father became ill. And so the young man went to work at Mielach/Woodwork to help out.

“I got involved in the business and never regretted not going to medical school,” says Mielach. When his father died in 1955, Mielach took over as president. He assumed ownership in 1970.

Mielach recalls his days at Seton Hall as a “great experience.” He says, “I worked hard, but had fun, too. We were the last class to graduate from Seton Hall College with that name on our school rings. In 1950, Seton Hall became a university.”

**“The Lord has been good to me, so I choose to give back with whatever talent I have.”**

Mielach was a member of Seton Hall's Ambassadors of Song Glee Club, which performed about 15 concerts a year at colleges in the tri-state area and even at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City. “We wore formal tails with a blue ribbon across our chests, just like ambassadors. We liked going to the women's colleges the best, because after the concert we'd have a formal dance,” Mielach says with a laugh.

For *The Setonian*, Mielach wore several hats — writing, editing, designing, printing and even selling the monthly newspaper on campus.

Several favorite professors, he recalls, were “tough, but we learned a lot from them.” Reverend Michael “Iron Mike”

Fronczak M.A., who chaired the Department of Biology, taught Mielach anatomy. He studied chemistry with Reverend Joseph J. Jaremczuk, an assistant professor. Reverend James Francis Kelly, Ph.D., now retired, was president of Seton Hall at the time. Mielach remembers Father Kelly as a terrific spokesman and fund raiser “who took the place from being a local commuter college to a world-renowned global university.”

Mielach and his wife, Geraldine “Geri,” were married in 1956. She had been a United Airlines stewardess. They raised six children. Two sons followed in the family business: Peter is now president and owner of Mielach/Woodwork and John Jr. also works for the company. Stephen '81, who majored in social work at Seton Hall, today is one of only two master guardians for the courts in New Jersey. The couple's three daughters are all homemakers now. Previously, Christine was a producer for Radio City Music Hall Productions, Mary Pat was a financial manager for a French investment bank and Kathryn was a sales representative for Knoll Furniture. The Mielachs have 14 grandchildren.

Stephen's son, Andrew, Class of 2007, is the third generation of Mielachs to attend Seton Hall. Stephen's wife is Debi (Krupna) Mielach '82. Mielach's other Seton Hall family members include his brother-in-law, Edwin Wujciak '42.

Mielach renewed his ties with Seton Hall a few years ago at an alumni event in Boca Raton. On a more recent visit, he spent some time with Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67, University president, and Joseph Sandman, Ph.D., vice president for University Advancement.

Says Sandman, “John is an extraordinary example of how Seton Hall prepares its alumni for servant leadership. All that he has done, both in his professional life and his missions of mercy on behalf of sick children and their families, can be a model for students to follow so that they, too, can become servant leaders in a global society.”

Mielach has since joined Sandman and Monsignor Sheeran in several Pirate Blue golf fund-raisers and has been supportive of other fund-raising events. “It's a way to thank Seton Hall for the solid foundation it has given me and my family,” concludes Mielach.

— Barbara Iozzia



## NCAA Tournament Recap

### Pirates Prove They Can *Dance*

**A**ndre Barrett had a feeling this would be the year. The senior and his team did everything right during the regular season — beating nationally ranked

opponents, winning on the road, getting to 10 wins in the BIG EAST Conference. The résumé was there, but Selection Sunday wasn't any easier for Barrett and the

Seton Hall University men's basketball team. Memories of a year ago, when the tournament committee snubbed the Pirates despite a 17-12 record and 10-6 mark in the BIG EAST, hovered over the basketball office conference room, where the team had gathered to watch CBS-TV unveil this year's brackets.

"This time, everything is going well on our side," said Barrett. "There is nothing for the committee to complain about."

After two regions were announced, the television screen flashed the first game of the Atlanta region: Top-seeded Duke against 16th-seeded Alabama State.

The words Seton Hall came up on the screen next, and the Pirates, their coaches, families and friends erupted. It was a euphoric moment. Barrett, Marcus Toney-El and Damion Fray — the three seniors who had come to Seton Hall in 2000 with such high expectations — had never played in an NCAA Tournament game. After a 12-18 season in Head Coach Louis Orr's first year (2001-02), and the disappointment of not making the "Big Dance" in 2003, the Pirates were on a mission. From the first day of practice, they donned shirts that read: "No Excuses... Just Dance!"

As the news sunk in, so did another realization: Seton Hall would have to play a first-round game against a No. 9 seed, Arizona, that was ranked 18th in the nation. And the winner would play third-ranked Duke 20 minutes from Duke's campus in

Raleigh, North Carolina.

The media couldn't resist predicting "Duke vs. Arizona in the second round!"

Yes, despite the higher seed, despite the point guard who is arguably the best in the nation, despite five players who average double figures in points, despite impressive wins over Pittsburgh, Syracuse and Providence, Seton Hall entered its first-round NCAA game as an underdog.

That was just fine with the Pirates. Seton Hall would have to tune out the pundits and focus on the task at hand. For everyone on the roster, this would be the first NCAA Tournament game. But the Wildcats were making their 20th consecutive NCAA appearance.

The Pirates arrived in Raleigh early on Wednesday, March 17, after snow delayed their departure for a day. The team held an open practice at the RBC Center, then met the media. Toney-El was hampered by an injured quadriceps muscle, which meant his status for the Arizona game was up in the air.

Thursday seemed like an eternity, waiting and waiting for the 9:40 p.m. start. The game was the last of four that day. Duke defeated Alabama State handily, and the Pirates took the floor in front of 19,000-plus fans and the CBS cameras broadcasting it to millions nationally.

For 25 minutes into the Arizona game, it appeared the prognosticators would be right. The Wildcats were too athletic, too fluid... it was too easy for them. With 15:03 left



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Junior John Allen soars to the hoop for 2 of his 15 points against Arizona.



in the game, Arizona guard Mustafa Shakur buried a jumper to give the Wildcats a 53-39 lead. After a Pirate turnover, Arizona had a chance to stretch the lead but missed a close shot inside. Seton Hall center Kelly Whitney's layup at 14:08 made it 53-41, and Allen took over. Allen, who had 4 points at the time, scored 6 straight to cut the lead to 53-47. An acrobatic putback of a missed three-pointer by sophomore guard J.R. Morris made it 55-49, and consecutive three's by sophomore guard Donald Copeland and Morris again made it 58-57 with 9:46 left.

By the time Whitney scored on a layup to give the Pirates a 59-58 lead, the tidal wave was heading to shore, and there was nothing Arizona could do to get out of the way. Seton Hall had gone on a 23-5 run.

Down 64-60, the Wildcats tied the score when Shakur and Andre Iguodala hit consecutive jumpers. It was becoming a breathtaking

game filled with big plays.

But where was Andre Barrett? A turnaround jumper and three-pointer in the span of 33 seconds — followed by a tough shot from the right foul line elbow in traffic — would answer that question emphatically. Seton Hall was up 74-66, thanks to a 10-2 run.

Arizona fought back — two three-pointers, a jumper and a couple of free throws cut the lead to 2. Fittingly, it was Whitney, a 59 percent free throw shooter, who was fouled and had the chance to put the game away. While wearing a pained expression and sporting a serious limp for the entire stretch run, Whitney poured in 22 points and grabbed 14 rebounds. Make that 24 points. He buried both free throws, and the Pirates advanced to the second round with an 80-76 victory.

Whitney's performance was not only heroic, but it gave a national audience a glimpse of his considerable talent and potential. Barrett

was simply exquisite, playing all 40 minutes and scoring 19 points with six assists, validating his spot as one of the nation's best point guards. And the rest of the Pirates — from Allen, Morris and Copeland hitting huge shots...to junior Andre Sweet shaking off foul trouble to make big plays...to Toney-El's heart and guts playing through a painful leg injury — made it a true team effort.

When Coach Orr was misty-eyed in the post-game news conference, it was because he witnessed a team of warriors playing together — his vision for the Pirates fulfilled.

Seton Hall would lose March 20 to the top seed, Duke, in the second round, 90-62. Were the players exhausted? Perhaps. Was Duke just too good on both offense and defense? Perhaps. Seton Hall was a little bit off, and the Blue Devils made the Pirates pay. Duke also hit 34 of 38 free throws. For Seton Hall, it was not meant to be.

But Duke's head coach, Mike Krzyzewski, whose success in the postseason is unparalleled among active coaches, lavished praise upon the Pirates. He said he knew

*Head Coach Louis Orr embraces Barrett as the graduating senior walks off a college basketball court for the final time in his spectacular career.*

they would be playing Seton Hall, not Arizona. He praised the Pirates' mental and physical toughness. He called Barrett one of the 10 best players in the country. He was simply saying what Pirate fans knew all along. This team was capable of special things. And they delivered.

— Jeff Andriess



*Tracy Wolfson of CBS-TV interviews senior Andre Barrett and sophomore Kelly Whitney after Seton Hall's stirring 80-76 win over Arizona in the first round of the NCAA Tournament on March 18.*



*The Pirate faithful were out in full force supporting their team at the RBC Center in Raleigh, North Carolina.*







J.P. Filio/CBS

Senior Andre Barrett had a chance to sit at David Letterman's desk in the studio at the Ed Sullivan Theatre.

## Barrett a "Late Show" Hit with Letterman

If Andre Barrett had a Top Ten List of memorable moments from his Seton Hall University career, appearing on "The Late Show with David Letterman" would probably rank right up there with beating the 9th seeded Arizona Wildcats in the first round of this year's NCAA Tournament.

On March 23, the star point guard from the Pirate men's basketball team appeared on the popular late-night talk show and left everyone rolling in the aisles. Even Letterman, who went on to interview celebrities Jamie Foxx and Al Franken after spending much of the first half-hour with Barrett, came away impressed by the senior communication major. He named Barrett his "MVP" of the show.

As for his actual appearance, well, Barrett had never before

performed so well without making a basket. For an on-going skit, Letterman stationed Barrett on the roof of the Ed Sullivan Theatre overlooking 53rd Street in New York City, and had him shoot odd objects into a hoop way down on the sidewalk. Barrett first aimed a bottle of champagne, then a jar of mayonnaise, a ball of pizza dough, a can of yellow paint, a jar of jellybeans and a 5-gallon jug of water.

So what if Barrett was 0-for-6 from far field? He had Letterman and his studio audience in stitches. The paint can hit the back of the rim, bounced off the front and splattered yellow all over the sidewalk and building while Letterman and the audience roared. With each new attempt, Barrett flashed a wide smile and kept up with his host's quick wit. "I've never sunk a jug before," he quipped before hurling the hefty water bottle over the ledge. The program's crew couldn't stop raving about the segment, and the buzz on Seton Hall's campus was omnipresent the next day.

"Thanks for having me," an effervescent Barrett said to Letterman early in the show. On behalf of the Seton Hall community and Pirate fans everywhere: Thank you, Andre.

— Jeff Andriessse



Jeff Andriessse

"Late Show" stage managers prepare Barrett for his skit of shooting unlikely objects from the roof into a hoop on the sidewalk below.

## McGowan and Vercollone Drafted by Major League Soccer

After leading Seton Hall University to its third-straight NCAA Tournament appearance, the men's soccer team co-captains — seniors Luke Vercollone and Ryan McGowan — were selected during the 2004 Major League Soccer SuperDraft in January. The Columbus Crew selected Vercollone in the fifth round (42nd overall) and the Chicago Fire picked McGowan in the sixth round (51st overall).

Vercollone finished a stellar senior season by being named to the All-BIG EAST First Team after leading the conference in assists (11). He led the team in points (21) and assists (11) and tied for the team lead with 5 goals; the marks were all career-highs as well.

McGowan, a four-year midfielder starter, capped his career by earning All-BIG EAST Second Team honors for the third time. The senior



Ryan McGowan



Luke Vercollone

set career-highs with 10 points and 4 assists and tied a career-high with 3 goals.

At Seton Hall, the duo combined to help the Pirates to a four-year record of 43-28-9, including a 9-6-4 mark in fall 2003. Their collegiate soccer careers were highlighted by three straight trips to the NCAA Tournament, including a 1-0 win over Number 2 Virginia that propelled the Pirates to the 2001 "Sweet 16."

— Jeff Andriessse

## Tribute to a Legendary Baseball Coach

On April 25, Seton Hall University paid tribute to legendary baseball coach Mike Sheppard '58/M.A. '67 by retiring his number 17 before the Pirates' game vs. Villanova at Owen T. Carroll Field.

Sheppard, who coached from 1973 until his retirement in August 2003, looms large as one of the most revered and celebrated figures in the history of Seton Hall athletics. With 28 winning seasons in 31 years and 998 career victories, the three-time BIG EAST Coach of the Year established the Seton Hall program as a virtual pipeline to the professional ranks. Several former student-athletes — Matt Morris, Craig Biggio, Mo Vaughn, Rick Cerone and John Valentin are the most recognizable — have gone on to stellar major league careers.

Sheppard coached 12 NCAA Tournament teams,

including two College World Series participants. His squads went to the BIG EAST Championship tournament a league-record 15 times. Sheppard's number 17 joins the baseball program's two other retired numbers: Cerone's 15 and Martees Robinson's 9. Coach "Shep" was inducted into Seton Hall's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1996.

— Jeff Andriessse

## Rookie of the Year

This spring, freshman Katherine Whitney became the first Seton Hall University volleyball player ever named BIG EAST Rookie of the Year. Her notable achievements also included finishing the season with 352 digs, only 10 shy of the single-season school record.





## Alumni News and Notes

### 1940s

**Edward J. Meehan '48**, of Wall, and his wife, Margaret, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends at a luncheon at Charlie Brown's Steak House in Brielle. The couple married in June 1953 at Saint Mary's Roman Catholic Church in St. Petersburg, FL.

**Robert Ciurczack '49**, of White Township, threw the opening pitch at Wrigley Field in Chicago for an August 2003 baseball game between the Cubs and the Houston Astros.

Ciurczack won the chance to make the pitch through a local radio station's promotional contest. He was an assistant baseball coach for Seton Hall Preparatory School from 1947 to 1949, and taught physical education for 38 years for Denville Township Public Schools. He retired in 1990.

### 1950s

**Paul Condon '50**, of Lavallette, and his wife, Hazel, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a gathering of family and friends at the Old Times Tavern in Toms River. The couple married in July 1943 at Springfield Methodist Church.

**Donald Ehrenberg '51**, of Clark, and his wife, Barbara, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends at a luncheon. It was hosted by their two sons at the Woodbridge Hilton Hotel in Iselin. The couple married in July 1953 in Newark.

**Monsignor Thomas M. O'Leary '53**, of Hillside, retired in October 2003 as pastor of the Church of Saint Elizabeth in Wyckoff, after serving the people of the Archdiocese of Newark for 46 years. Monsignor O'Leary was honored with a farewell Mass and reception at the church. Before his appointment to Saint Elizabeth in 1988, he was the pastor of Holy Trinity Parish in Hackensack.

**John J. Mooney '55, M.S., M.B.A.**, of Wyckoff, received a 2002 National Medal of

Technology from President George W. Bush at a White House ceremony in November 2003. Mooney, a retired executive of the Engelhard Corporation in Iselin, was honored for his contribution in developing the three-way catalytic converter. The technology is the key emission control component in new light-duty vehicles in the United States, and in an increasing number of vehicles throughout Europe, Japan and other industrialized countries. Laureates "embody the spirit of American innovation and have advanced the nation's global competitiveness," according to the White House. In 2001, Mooney founded and became president of the Environmental & Energy Technology & Policy Institute in Washington, D.C.

**Edward Petrie '56**, of East Hampton, NY, in December 2003 became the public high school basketball coach with the highest number of wins in New York state. He reached his 631st victory when his East Hampton High School boys' varsity team won a key game. Petrie played professionally, including for the New York Knicks, before beginning a career as a coach. He joined East Hampton in 1970, and was inducted into the Suffolk County Sports Hall of Fame in 1996.

### 1960s

**Joseph A. Reilly '60**, of Voorheesville, NY, was inducted into the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences' Silver Circle. The ceremony took place at the Sky Club in New York City in November 2003. The Silver Circle honors broadcast professionals who have worked in the television industry for 25 years or more and who have made enduring contributions to its vitality. Reilly is the president and chief executive officer of the New York State Broadcasters Association, Inc., based in Albany.

**Theodore A. Schwartz '61, J.D.**, of Cedar Grove, was named one of the top 10 leaders of environmental law in New Jersey for 2003-04 by Digital Press International of Fort Lee.

Schwartz is a senior partner in the law firm of Schwartz, Tobia, Stanziale, Sedita & Campisano, P.C. in Montclair. He has practiced environmental law for almost 40 years, and is the author of the New Jersey Air Pollution Control Act. **Muriel M. Shore '61/Ed.D. '90**, of Fairfield, was elected to the Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders (District IV) in November 2003. She represents 11 towns: Caldwell, Cedar Grove, Essex Fells, Fairfield, Livingston, Millburn/Short Hills, North Caldwell, Roseland, Verona, West Caldwell and West Orange. Shore served as Fairfield's mayor from 1993 to 1995, and was a member of the Fairfield Municipal Council during the same period. She is the dean of nursing and health management at Felician College in Lodi.

**Patricia B. McGeehan, M.A.E. '62/Ed.D. '97**, of Bayonne, received the 2003 Humanitarian Award from the Saint Barnabas Burn Foundation in November 2003. The award was presented at the foundation's annual Valor Awards Dinner at the Westminster Hotel in Livingston. McGeehan, who was named superintendent of the Bayonne School District in 2000, was recognized for her role in the development of "Learn Not to Burn," a fire and burn prevention program taught throughout the district's schools. She has served as principal of several schools in Bayonne. **Richard H. Trelease '62**, of Lewis Center, Ohio, was elected vice chair of the board of directors of the Delaware-Morrow Mental Health and Recovery Services Board in August 2003. The board plans, funds, monitors and evaluates mental health and substance abuse services in central Ohio. Trelease has been a board member since 2002 and also serves as the Delaware County representative on the Central Ohio Agency on Aging board.

**Maryann B. Ruiz '63, M.A.**, of Colonia, retired in July 2003 after a 45-year nursing career. Ruiz most recently was a senior instructor of psychiatric and community health nursing at the

Charles E. Gregory School of Nursing at the Raritan Bay Medical Center.

**Joseph J. Estenes Jr. '64**, of Gulfport, FL, retired as associate vice president of operations and public safety at the Stetson University College of Law in Gulfport. Estenes served at the college for 19 years. He oversaw additions to the campus buildings and helped to establish the public safety department. He is an active volunteer with the Florida Police Chiefs Association and the Tampa Bay Area Association of Chiefs of Police.

**Charles R. Weber '65, D.M.D.**, of West Chester, PA, became president-elect of the Pennsylvania Dental Association in July 2003. Weber is the chief of dental staff for the Chester County Hospital in West Chester. He has served as president of the Dental Society of Chester and Delaware Counties and the Second District Valley Forge Dental Association.

**Kevin J. Hanlon '66**, of Summit, retired from the U.S. Army Reserve in June 2003. Hanlon received a Certificate of Appreciation and a Meritorious Service Medal from President George W. Bush, and was honored at a retirement ceremony in Fort Totten, NY, last October. He enlisted with the Army Reserve in 1966, serving primarily in combat arms and combat service support in New York, Maryland, Texas and Panama. During his 27-year career, he received numerous medals, including three Army Commendation medals and 15 ribbons and certificates of achievement.

**James F. Keefe '67/J.D. '73**, of Scotch Plains, was appointed by New Jersey Governor James E. McGreevey to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards in August 2003. Keefe, the first assistant prosecutor for Union County, retired from that post in July 2003. He previously served as the Union County counsel and the assistant county attorney. He also headed a general law practice in Cranford. **Honorable Joseph S. Novak '67/J.D. '73**, of Pittstown, was named 2003

Professional Lawyer of the Year by the New Jersey Commission on Professionalism. The award was presented at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick in October 2003. In July 2003, Novak was confirmed by the New Jersey Senate as a judge of the Joint Municipal Court of Milford, Frenchtown, Holland and Alexandria townships. Novak is a partner in the law firm of Novak & Novak in Clinton. A member of the board of directors of the *New Jersey Lawyer* newspaper, he is past president of the Hunterdon County Bar Association and a

former member of the New Jersey State Bar Association Board of Trustees. **Jeanne W. White, M.A.E. '67**, of Newark, and her husband, Selvin, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Their son, Selvin Jr., hosted a surprise party for the couple with family and friends at Spain Restaurant in Newark. The couple married in July 1953 at the First Mount Zion Baptist Church, also in Newark.

**Reverend Andrew C. Paszkowski '68**, of Richland, MI, was appointed co-pastor of Gull Lake Area Community Church in

October 2003. Previously, he was the pastor of administration at Hillside Wesleyan Church in North Street, MI.

## 1970s

**Francis J. Calise '70/J.D. '73**, of Clifton, was chosen as president of the board of trustees of the Boys & Girls Club of Clifton in October 2003. A formal ceremony was held at the Upper Montclair Country Club in Clifton, officiated by Mayor James Anzaldi. Calise teaches at Emerson High School in Union City. **Reverend Edward**

**J. Hinds '70**, of Chatham, was assigned to Saint Patrick Church, also in Chatham, in September 2003. Father Hinds previously served at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Boonton and at Saint Michael Church in Netcong. Father Hinds also served at Saint Patrick's as a pastoral assistant for five years following his ordination to the priesthood in 1974 in the Diocese of Paterson. **Russell C. Murawski '70**, of Kendall Park, was promoted to first vice president of Valley National Bank, based in Wayne. Murawski has been with the bank for two years

## A Bequest Inspired by a Catalog of Memories

To say that **Anthony Lee '71, M.A. '73, M.L.S., M.A. '80** is grateful to Seton Hall University for paving the way to a life rich in memories and history is an understatement. Lee can link every memorable moment in his life at Seton Hall to a personal milestone. One of the most recent occurred in April 2002, when Lee established a bequest — an estate gift — to Seton

Hall, which he credits for setting him on his way to success.

How Lee made his way to the University might seem to have been by chance. He prefers to describe it as “kismet.” A 1967 Bridgeton High School graduate, he had enjoyed watching Pirate basketball games on television. When it came time to choose a college, he applied to Seton Hall, based upon what he learned about the University from a college handbook and his attraction to Pirate basketball. That was the beginning of what would become a more-than-37-year journey with the University. Lee, an assistant professor and reference librarian at University Libraries, became a faculty member in 1974. He earned tenure in 1980, the year he received an M.A. degree in English from Seton Hall.

Although Lee describes his first couple of undergraduate years as “lonely,” every experience he had at Seton Hall — from being involved with the history department and meeting faculty members to the development of the campus — served to transform that lonely feeling to one of deep pride.

Over the years, Lee has observed the many physical changes taking place at Seton Hall. “In the early '70s, new residence halls were being put up,” he says. “The new buildings, the recreation center, all the improvements to Kozlowski Hall, all the things done to beautify the campus, and the Walsh Library are good for the students and faculty,” he says.

Bequests like Lee's provide significant support to the University, ensuring that improvements to campus facilities and programs continue. According to Michael McGarry, director of planned giving at Seton Hall, bequests provide flexibility. The donor can decide to establish a planned gift through a will or a trust, designate the gift to a specific program or department at Seton Hall, and indicate the amounts or proportions for distributing the assets to the University.

Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67, University president, is one of Lee's inspirations. “I think Monsignor Sheeran has done a lot to cultivate and nurture giving,” says Lee. Given the opportunity to address fellow Seton Hall alumni, he says he would simply state, “You should give back to the school, otherwise nothing is going to happen.” His declaration comes from his heart — where Seton Hall has a special place.

At his undergraduate Commencement in 1971, Lee remembers meeting Clifford Case, at the time a U.S. senator from New Jersey, who gave the address. And Lee remembers how his mother and father were there when he graduated from Seton Hall with a



Bill Blanchard

*Anthony E. Lee '71, M.A. '73, M.L.S., M.A. '80, established a planned gift to Seton Hall University. The assistant professor and reference librarian began his Seton Hall faculty career in 1974.*



and is the senior credit officer for commercial loans.

**John Dandola '73**, of West Orange, has published *Living in the Past, Looking to the Future: The Biography of John Hays Hammond, Jr.* (Quincannon, 2004). A historian, screenwriter and author, Dandola has written mystery novels, children's history books, non-fiction books and magazine articles, and edited and ghostwritten other titles. **William Maloney '73**, of St. Petersburg, FL, was elected to the board of governors of the Florida Institute of CPAs. Maloney is a partner

with Tatum Partners, a financial consulting firm in Tampa. He has more than 30 years of experience in executive financial positions at several companies, including PricewaterhouseCoopers, Chiquita Brands and Paramount Communications.

**Robert Montgomery '74**, of Sewickley, PA, was named senior vice president of retail sales at Birds Eye Foods in October 2003. Based in Rochester, NY, Montgomery is responsible for all branded and private label retail sales. He was previously vice president of sales for the western

U.S. division of Heinz Consumer Products.

**Prosper A. Bellizia '76, J.D.**, of Maplewood, was promoted to supervisor of bias crimes for the Essex County Prosecutor's Office in Newark. Bellizia has been the assistant prosecutor for 17 years. He is assigned to the Professional Standards Unit, and will continue to investigate and prosecute police internal affairs matters and bias crimes throughout Essex County.

**Julia A. Davidow, M.A. '77**, of Elberon, was appointed principal of Ocean Township High School in Oakhurst. She taught senior English at the high school and was adviser to the school newspaper and drama club from 1989 to 2000. Davidow returns to the school after a stint with the Ocean Township Board of Education as supervisor of language arts, social studies, enrichment and the libraries. Her teaching experience spans 27 years and all levels of education, including college.

**MaryEllen Lyons '78**, of Wayne, received an award for outstanding achievement in recycling from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. The award was presented in October 2003 at the Forsgate Country Club in Jamesburg. Lyons is a recycling coordinator and the Department of Public Works administrator for the Borough of Hawthorn. Her responsibilities include public relations, managing community service workers and environmental projects with the Passaic County Sewer Commission. She chairs the Passaic County Solid Waste Advisory Council and is a member of the Passaic County Film Commission, the Association for New Jersey Recyclers and the New Jersey Clean Communities Council.

## 1980s

**Michael D. Kuchar, M.A.E. '84, Ed.M., Ph.D.**, of Oradell, was appointed principal of Dobbs Ferry High School in Dobbs Ferry, NY, in September 2003. Kuchar previously served as principal of Bergenfield High School for nine years.

**Alice A. Bauml '85, M.B.A.**, of Hackettstown, was promoted to corporate finance analysis man-

ager at HP Financial Services' Murray Hill headquarters in November 2003. Bauml, who joined the company in April 2000, previously was a multicountry area (MCA) controller for the Latin American region, managing the integrity of financial statements. In January, she received the company's Living Legend Award for her performance as regional MCA controller. **John G. Garrity '85**, of Far Hills, was named director of social services at the Matheny School and Hospital in January. The facility in Peapack provides services for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Garrity previously was a social work supervisor in the pediatric oncology and hematology service department at Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston.

**David L. Flood '89/M.A. '95**, of Chatham, was promoted to president of the Somerset Medical Center Foundation in February. Flood previously served as executive vice president. Before joining the Foundation, he was the director of University Advancement at the New Jersey Institute of Technology. He is currently an executive committee member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals; a cabinet member of the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy, Mid-Atlantic region; and board secretary of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Jersey. **Kevin J. Kerrigan, M.S.T. '89**, of Berkeley Heights, in January was appointed vice president of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants, based in Roseland. Kerrigan is a partner at Wiss & Company, LLP, in Livingston. He has more than 20 years of experience in public accounting, and specializes in tax planning. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. **Dawn**

**Mrozak Mueller '89**, of East Hanover, joined Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C., a law firm in Morristown, as marketing director in January. Mueller previously was a senior marketing manager at BearingPoint, formerly KPMG Consulting, in Liberty Corner. **Salvatore T. Petrucci '89**, of Piscataway, joined Turner Broadcasting System (TBS) Inc. in New York City as vice president of public relations in September

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master's degree in history in 1973. "I lost my father in 1976, so that was one of the last times with him in public," Lee notes.

High on his list of other Seton Hall milestones, Lee fondly recalls working for Monsignor William Noé Field '36, M.A., M.L.S., who until his death in 2000 at the age of 84 was director of special collections. Monsignor Field had served as director of University Libraries, curator of rare books and archives, and professor. "He was very nurturing and loved books," says Lee about the priest and archivist who devoted his entire life to teaching, preserving and adding to the University's history. It was Monsignor Field who inspired Lee, a passionate history buff, to pursue an M.L.S. degree, which Lee received at Columbia University in 1974.

Among Lee's responsibilities at Seton Hall, he is the Libraries' point person for the Educational Opportunity Program, which provides access to higher education for disadvantaged students. In 2001, he earned the "EOF Champion" Award from the New Jersey Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Board of Directors for his advocacy and outspoken support at the University. And Lee is involved with Upward Bound, a program to help students from low-income families prepare to succeed in college.

Lee's philosophy of giving back, while inspired by his Seton Hall experience, isn't limited to the University and its programs. The former Eagle Scout is active with the Boy Scouts of America, as well as with numerous professional and other organizations — the American Library Association, the New Jersey Library Association, the Modern Language Association, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Newark Museum and the Museum of Natural History.

And it all started at The Hall. About his planned gift, Lee emphasizes, "I thought it was the thing to do — to help the school that helped you. It's important to give back to the school that put you on the road to success."

*For more information about deferred or planned giving, please contact Michael McGarry, director of planned giving, at (973) 378-9850 or by e-mail at mcgarrmi@shu.edu*

— Dorett Smith

2003. Petruzzi previously was the director of public affairs and communications for A&E Network. He also has served as vice president and senior account executive at Dan Klores Associates, Inc. in New York City.

## 1990s

**Eric L. Krohel, M.S.T. '90**, of Whitehouse Station, in December 2003 joined The Gelber Organization in Edison as director of incentive services for the firm, which specializes in multistate and local taxation. He has 17 years' experience in tax practice, including as auditor with the New Jersey Division of Taxation in Trenton. He also has served as an adjunct professor of business at Raritan Valley Community College and is currently a member of the New Jersey Technology Council.

**Marc N. Schrieke '92**, of Lodi, was recently re-elected to the Council for the Borough of Lodi. He was elected to his first term in May 1999. Schrieke is the chief of staff for state Senator Joseph Coniglio of the 38th Legislative District in Paramus.

**Thomas H. Collow, M.A.E. '93**, of Howell, was appointed police chief of the Old Bridge Police Department in June 2003. Collow is a 25-year police veteran who most recently served as a lieutenant of the 100-member department. He also has worked with the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program for children in Old Bridge and as an instructor in the township's Civilian Academy. **Lisa D. Rembimbis '93/M.P.A. '96**, of South Plainfield, was chosen as principal of Park Middle School in Scotch Plains in September 2003. Rembimbis previously was a teacher and world language supervisor in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District, where she has served since 2000.

**Jonathan Benjamin, M.A. '95**, of Wharton, released a CD, *Better Late Than Never*, a compilation of folk songs and ballads that he has composed over the past 20 years. Benjamin performed at Heavenly Temptations in Boonton upon the CD's release in December 2003. He is a customer service representative at New Jersey Transit.

**Michael A. Donovan '97, M.A.**, of Maywood, was appointed

vice principal of Ridgewood Avenue Elementary School in Glen Ridge in July 2003. For the past five years, Donovan taught sixth grade at School No. 1 in Little Falls, where he also organized ski trips, cancer walks and other activities. His responsibilities at Ridgewood include the district's After Care program, lunch program, teacher evaluations and professional development workshops. **Michele K. Dudzinski '97**, of Totowa, was promoted to supervisor of physical therapy at Hackensack University Medical Center in October 2003. She joined the staff in 1999. **Annamaria Menconi '97**, of Clifton, founded Menconi Music Studio, the first music school in her hometown. She has 10 years' experience teaching the piano, most recently at Robbie's Music City in Wayne. Her school offers classes in music theory and composition as well as instruction in a wide range of instruments. It caters to students of all ages and abilities in both private and group settings. **Barbara E. Sargent, Ed.D. '97**, of Hillsborough, was one of nine recipients of the State Board of Education Principals of the Year Award in August 2003. Since 1999, Sargent has been the principal of Orchard Elementary School (formerly Village Elementary) in Skillman. Under her leadership, the school received an Exemplary Reading Award — 90 percent of its students met the benchmark for reading achievement in first and second grades. Sargent has served as a teacher in the West Windsor School District, as a supervisor in the Maplewood and Somerset Hills school districts, and as principal of Dickerson Elementary School in Chester.

**Michelle E. Borek '98**, of Yardville, was promoted to manager of field marketing at Jive Records/Zomba Recording Corporation, based in New York City. Borek's responsibilities include working with product managers in the development and implementation of national retail strategies and increasing the visibility of the company's recording artists. She has worked in the sales department of the Zomba Group of Companies for four years. **Jerome W. Breslin, M.S. '98**, of Temple, TX, was awarded a doctoral degree in physiology from the University of

Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in May 2003. Breslin also was named Outstanding Student of the Year for 2003 by the New Jersey Medical School Faculty Organization.

**Lynn C. Centonze, M.A.E. '99**, of Montclair, was chosen as valedictorian of her graduating class at the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy in Quantico, VA. The National Academy Program offers 10 weeks of advanced investigative, management and fitness training for selected officers who have proven records as professionals. Centonze is the chief of police for the Fairfield Police Department, and was the first female police officer in Fairfield as well as the first female police chief in Essex County. **Gregory D. King '99/M.B.A. '01**, of Totowa, was promoted to senior manager of promotions, special events and broadcast marketing for the New York Yankees in September 2003. King, who is based at Yankee Stadium in Bronx, NY, is now in his fourth season with the Yankees. **Derek L. Martin '99**, of St. Louis, MO, was awarded an M.B.A. degree in May 2003 from the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Martin is an assistant vice president with US Bancorp in Clayton, MO. **Randall R. Rossilli, M.A.E. '99**, of Livingston, was appointed principal of the K-8 Riverdale School in Riverdale in September 2003. Rossilli previously served as director of technology and media services in the Millburn School District. He also served as director of technology at Ramapo High School in Franklin Lakes and later as supervisor of art, music, media and technology for Ramapo and its university program.

## 2000s

**Kevin M. Barcelona, M.S.T. '00**, of Little Falls, was promoted to principal at Rothstein Kass, a certified public accounting firm based in Roseland. Barcelona joined the company in 1995 and most recently served as a director with RK Consulting, the administration and outsourced accounting affiliate of Rothstein Kass. **Neil J. Spidaletto, M.A.E. '00**, of Sparta, was promoted to sergeant in the Sparta Police Department in January. Spidaletto, who previously was a member of the department's detective bureau, is

now a squad leader in the patrol division. He has served the department since 1995.

**Michael P. Fountain, M.A. '01**, of Howell, was promoted to sergeant in the Manalapan Police Department in November 2003. Fountain, who is a member of the patrol bureau, a department field training officer and a firearms instructor, joined the department almost 10 years ago. **Ernest I. Reigstad, M.A. '01**, of Sparta, a 15-year police veteran, was sworn in as chief of police of the Sparta Police Department in October 2003. Before becoming a police officer, Reigstad taught middle school social studies in Jefferson and Sparta.

**Genevieve A. Boehm, M.P.A. '02**, of Belmar, received a community service award from the New Jersey Department of Transportation in August 2003. Boehm was commended for her contribution to the development and initiation of Building Bridges, a community service project. The program, governed by the Unified Vailsburg Services Organization, offers computer access, hardware, software and life skills training for residents of Newark's Vailsburg section. **Lawrence Clifton Jr., M.P.A. '02**, of Edison, received a community service award from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety in August 2003. Clifton was recognized for his work in the development and initiation of Building Bridges, a community service project for which **Joe Eisenhardt Jr., M.P.A. '02**, of Haddonfield, also received recognition. **Mark Masessa, M.A.E. '02**, of Belle Mead, was appointed vice principal of Francis A. Desmares Elementary School in Raritan in September 2003. At Reading-Flemington Middle School, also in Raritan, Masessa has taught physical education and health to students in grades six to eight since 1997. He also organized a drug education program and implemented an anti-bullying campaign at the school.

## Marriages

Valerie Renee Evans '86, M.A. to Thomas Cardwell Jr.

Peter L. Hellawell '86 to Tracey Baudhuin

John L. Fiorilla '87, J.D., LL.M. to Annie C. Borello

Richard Palumbo '87 to Laura DeLisi



Dawn M. Mrozak '89 to  
Nicholas Mueller

Amy C. Serin '91 to  
Michael F. Dunbar

Gregory P. Byrnes '92 to  
Lauren A. Arvoy

Corinna DePaola '93 to  
Anthony Mazza

Kenneth E. Jennings, M.Div. '93  
to Kristin P. Soriano

Catherine M. Phillips '93 to  
Sean Williams

Vincent Romano '93, D.D.S. to  
Angelica E. Hall

Zabrina L. Dix '94 to  
Quintin V. Johnson

Vincent Auteri '95/M.P.A. '99 to  
Dominique Spagnuolo

Kim N. Passarelli '95 to  
Charles Rio

Georgina Bell '96 to  
Don Liebsch

David Bell '96/M.B.A. '98 to  
Kimberly Silva

David Bryan Drumeler, J.D. '96 to  
Jaime Renae Dworak

Giuseppe M. Fazari '96/M.P.A.  
'98/P.D.E. '03 to Maria Lagonigro

Peter A. Grompone '96/M.A.E. '98  
to Sara J. Barnett '98/M.A.E. '02

Richard A. Nelke '96 to  
Jeanette M. Staal

## Teacher Brings Military History to Life for High School Students

**J**oseph Monti, Ed.S. '79 is a contented man. He has been a history teacher and history department supervisor in New Jersey high schools for 40 years, and he can't imagine a better life.

"Teaching is a beautiful occupation, and I am fortunate that after all these years, I still look forward to seeing my students every day," Monti said. "I try to challenge them to think critically, in a relaxed atmosphere; to enhance their learning and help them to achieve their potential and become young adults who are good citizens."

Monti appreciates the time he spent at Seton Hall University. "Every day I apply the knowledge and values I learned at Seton Hall in my teaching. It was a great part of my educational foundation," he said.

Always looking for ways to make history relevant and stimulating for his students, Monti 29 years ago began the "Meet the People" guest speaker program at Hasbrouck Heights High School. Once a month, from October through May, experts in history, or people who had lived through historic events, spoke to his classes. When Monti moved to Lavalette, he became a history teacher at Toms River High School East, where he still teaches. There, he started a similar program that also has become very popular.

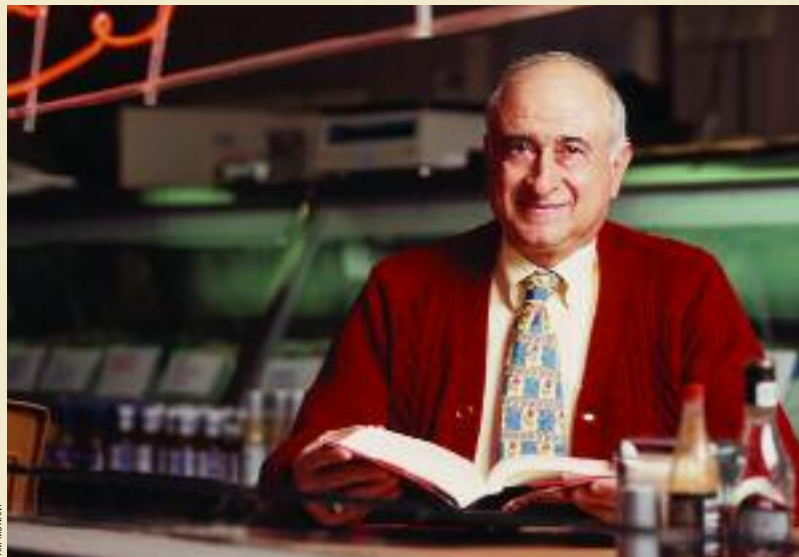
"'Meet the People' has developed such a following that students in other classes ask permission from their teachers to attend these lectures," Monti said. "It is because of the students especially — their attention to the speakers, their interest in the programs and the way they make the speakers feel welcome — that the program has been a success."

The series also is an ideal vehicle for Monti's lifelong passion: recognizing the sacrifices of America's veterans. He has invited veterans who served during World War II, the Korean war, the Vietnam war, Afghanistan and Iraq. Leonard Lomell, a retired Toms River lawyer, spoke about his role during the Allied D-Day invasion in 1944. A World War II Army photographer shared with students his photographs. Other guest speakers included a pilot from the first black flying unit in the U.S. military (the Tuskegee Airmen), veterans of Iwo Jima and a nurse who served in Vietnam.

"For me, this has been a lifelong activity, in school and elsewhere, to promote patriotism and the memory of our national heritage," Monti said. "My father instilled in me a love for this country and an appreciation of the sacrifices so many have made to preserve our way of life."

Not all the guest speakers have been veterans, but all have drawn from their wealth of experience, including Holocaust survivors and a historian of the Titanic. John K. Lattimer, M.D., an internationally renowned surgeon, author and historian, gave a

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At Toms River High School East, Joseph Monti, Ed.S. '79 doesn't just open a book in his classroom. He brings in veterans, surgeons, photographers and many others who offer students their wealth of experience.

three-hour presentation on medical and ballistic comparisons of the John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln assassinations. The divers who found the Atocha, a sunken Spanish galleon, talked about the thrill of discovering on board its \$400 million in treasure. And Christopher Ruddy, author of *The Strange Death of Vincent Foster: An Investigation*, shared with students what he uncovered about the 1993 "suicide" of this high-ranking official in the Clinton Administration.

Monti's fascination with the past also prompts him to give historical lectures and to write about battles, as well as about issues and trends, such as the heroism of women during the Colonial and Revolutionary wars.

The Military Order of Devil Dogs, the honor society of the Marine Corps League, recently named Monti "Man of the Year." Among numerous other awards, he has been honored by the New Jersey Legislature for his teaching about the Armenian genocide. The Daughters of the American Revolution presented the Outstanding Teacher of American History in New Jersey award to him. And Monti has been listed in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* four times. His latest honor came in October 2003, when the Vietnam Veterans of America bestowed on Monti its Legion of Honor of the Chapel of Four Chaplains Award.

— Steven Carr

## Pocher Scholarship Fosters Seton Hall Spirit



*On February 21, the John M. Pocher Memorial Scholarship Committee presented a check to Seton Hall University's Stillman School of Business during halftime at a Pirate men's basketball game. At the presentation from Seton Hall were Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67, University president (center); Karen Boroff, Ph.D., dean of the Stillman School (on his right); and juniors Patrick Gallic and Kevin Grier (the first two scholarship recipients). Those making the presentation were Pocher's family and friends: Walter Pocher (father) and scholarship committee members Mike Donelan '88, Joanne Dzama (sister), Michael Pocher '91 (brother), Laura Grygotis '89, M.D. (widow), William Maione '75/J.D. '79 and James Corcoran '90.*

**J**ohn M. Pocher '88, M.B.A., a bond broker for Cantor Fitzgerald, perished in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack on the World Trade Center. Shortly after the tragedy, Pocher's family and friends resolved to create a scholarship to honor him. In 2003, their efforts established a fully endowed scholarship in his name to benefit Stillman School of Business students at Seton Hall University.

The John M. Pocher Scholarship committee includes a cross-section of Pocher's family and friends. There are six Seton Hall alumni who appreciate what the University meant to him: Richard Wolkwitz '88, who seeded the idea and organized the group; James Corcoran '90, Pocher's lifelong friend who helped put the wheels in motion to start the fund-raising drive; Mike Donelan '88; Laura Grygotis '89, M.D. (Pocher's widow); William Maione '75/J.D. '79; and Michael Pocher '91 (Pocher's brother). The committee also includes Leigh Grygotis Cherry and Joanne Dzama (Pocher's sister).

Mike Pocher speaks passionately about the establishment of the scholarship. The group's motivation was to ensure "that the Seton Hall community and others never forget my brother," he noted. "Providing a scholarship in his name to ease the financial

burden of college for some students was a great way to honor his legacy."

The scholarship pays tribute to many aspects of Pocher — his supportive nature, his love of life and his connection to Seton Hall. Pocher majored in finance at Seton Hall and also graduated from Seton Hall Preparatory School. He enjoyed playing golf and cheering on the Pirates.

Stillman juniors competing for the \$5,000 award must submit an essay describing their Seton Hall activities and experience. The committee also weighs their academic achievement and extracurricular activities, as well as financial need. Five finalists meet for interviews. Needless to say, the selection is a highly personal decision for committee members. Determining who among the finalists should get the award comes down to, as Mike Pocher put it, "one man, one vote."

In spring 2003, the committee selected two outstanding Stillman students, Patrick Gallic and Kevin Grier, to receive the John M. Pocher Scholarship.

"I can't speak for everyone on the committee but I think it is important to find something that connects John to the applicants, and I think in the first year we were able to do that with the two applicants who were awarded the scholarship," says Mike Pocher.

Corcoran notes, "Speaking strictly for myself, I look for traits in the candidates that remind me of John and the things we did at Seton Hall. We thoroughly enjoyed our time at The Hall."

Timothy J. O'Brien '96 to  
Kimberly Hartye

Steven W. Skinner, J.D. '96 to  
Courtney Thomas

Didier H. Steven, M.B.A. '96 to  
Sarah Elizabeth Bernstein

Tami S. Wolfelsperger '96 to  
Christopher G. Linton

Patricia Hegarty '97 to  
Gary Gonzalez

Jeffrey P. Madison '97 to  
Kelli A. Heron

Michael H. Rummel '97 to  
Brenda Zoltowski '97

Robert A. Ypelaar '97 to Yvette A.  
Espinoza '98/M.A.E. '00

Christopher P. Albano '98 to  
Lisa Marie Patrick '00

Nichole M. Custode '98 to  
Kirk J. Perez '96

Jason R. DePalma '98 to  
Danielle M. Barry

Alexis A. Dubrosky '98 to  
Daniel P. Destro

Kerry A. Falloon, M.A.E. '98/Ed.S.  
'01 to Christopher P. Sikora

Vanessa Fonseca '98 to  
Carlos Cueto

Monique L. Schielke '98 to  
Andrew Valenzano

Jonathan M. Wolfe '98 to  
Lori Ann Tidwell

Robert D. Barra '99/M.B.A. '01 to  
Jacqueline A. Kelly '01

Shelley M. Bennison '99 to  
Zachary G. Palmer

Julia D. Fajardo '99 to  
John Miranda

Katherine E. Jones, M.A. '99 to  
Samuel Witzig

Risa N. Kossup '99 to Alexander  
R. Franzini '99/M.S.A.C. '02

Derek L. Martin '99 to  
Shauna Fichtel

Jonathan M. Ryan, M.B.A. '99 to  
Barbara J. Harrison

Andrew C. Sepe, M.B.A. '99 to  
Melissa Gaines

Christine D. Shamin '99 to  
Christopher J. DeMarco

Megan E. Casey '00 to  
Christopher Yandoli

Denise Colonna, M.A.E. '00 to  
Mark S. Piazza

Christine Del'Re '00 to  
Alan R. Rue Jr.

Eric W. Dittmann, J.D. '00 to  
Lara Nicole Spingler, J.D. '00

Natalie L. Fioretti '00 to  
Gregory Lois

Julie A. Hummel, J.D. '00 to  
Mark A. Krieger

Stephanie L. Brandon, M.S. '01 to  
Adam W. Pavese

Jessica L. Giarretta '01/M.S. '03  
to Peter M. Gordon

Abdulsaleem Hasan, M.A. '01 to  
Passion L. Moss

Janice L. Kaczorek, M.A. '01 to  
Rodolphe Patrick di Maio

Robert M. Mulligan '01 to  
Kimberly A. Ventrice





*Seton Hall created a memorial plaque for Pocher, who studied finance at the Stillman School and also was a graduate of Seton Hall Preparatory School.*

The scholarship "helps us to remember John Pocher, renewing his spirit each time we select an honoree in his name," acknowledges Karen Boroff, Ph.D., dean of the Stillman School of Business. She further emphasizes the importance of the generosity of the Pocher family and friends. "Endowment scholarships, such as the one established in memory of John Pocher, are truly significant to the Stillman School as we seek to attract and retain the finest students studying business. Because the fund is endowed, the School can continually and regularly offer this tremendous assistance to our students. Since the scholarship is targeted to Stillman juniors, the School is able to recognize the outstanding achievements of students

who have thrived at the School."

The primary fund-raising activity for the scholarship is the John M. Pocher Memorial Golf Outing. Now in its third year, it will take place on June 17. In managing the event, Mike Pocher says his goal is to ensure that it is a successful and fun day for all — a goal in keeping with his brother's spirit.

This tight-knit group of friends and scholarship supporters, who were pulled closer together by the tragedy of September 11, have a can-do attitude that attests to John Pocher's legacy.

*For more information about the scholarship or the golf outing, contact Jim Corcoran '90 at (732) 236-2469 or Mike Pocher '91 at (908) 208-2626. Written inquiries may be sent to: The John M. Pocher Memorial Scholarship Fund Inc., 137 Windsor Drive, Eatontown, NJ 07724 or e-mailed to jmpmemorial@peoplepc.com*

— Dorett Smith

Adriana C. Pinto '01 to Vincent DeGiovanni  
Jillian A. Romano '01 to John Carrino  
Teri J. Steller '01 to Jamar Hammond  
Douglas R. Arntsen, J.D. '02 to Stefanie M. Dispenza  
Hattie Elizabeth Carroll, M.A.E. '02 to Daniel Andreas Ratliff  
Danielle E. Cohen, M.S. '02 to Jonathan W. Agins  
Kathleen "Kate" Jackson, M.S. '02 to Timothy A. Fletcher  
Nichole C. MacClellan '02 to David Ehasz  
Marla L. Marra, M.S. '02 to Christopher J. Brown

Karen E. Pokallus '02 to Pascal F. Kerbrat  
Coryn L. Snyder '02 to Christopher O'Shea  
Marcel A. Cerny, M.A.T. '03 to Julia Homolova  
Kevin M. Kocun, J.D. '03 to Amanda M. DiPaolo  
Sunil Mathew, M.S.N. '03 to Joseph M. Cyriac  
Megan E. McGeehin, J.D. '03 to Michael Schwartz

## Births

**Richard M. Dawson '79, and Christine Dawson, M.S.I.B. '98,** a girl, Abby, July 15, 2003

**Steven S. Fernicola '83/M.B.A. '89** and Regina, a son, Matthew, May 7, 2001

**David Buckley '87, M.A. '89/Ph.D. '97** and **Susan (Robe) Buckley '90,** a girl, Meredith Grace, July 25, 2003

**Wayne A. Bockhorn '89** and Andrea, a boy, Ethan Richard, January 23, 2002

**Salvatore T. Petruzzi '89** and Karen, a boy, Jason, July 24, 2003

**Maureen (Callahan) Buchheister '90** and Robert, twins, Lindsey Ann and Shannon Rose, November 8, 2002

**Ann (Freely) Levin '90** and Marc, a girl, Elizabeth Rose, May 27, 2003

**Mark E. Carlson '91** and Rebecca, a girl, Gabrielle, September 6, 2003

**Alfonse A. De Meo '91/J.D. '94** and Mary, a girl, Kayla Ryan, September 9, 2003

**Michelle (Gailliot) Jackson '91** and Keith, a boy, Aidan Chase, November 5, 2003

**Joseph A. Palumbo '91** and Jennifer, a girl, Charlotte Lily, August 28, 2003

**Michele Benenato, J.D. '92** and Daniel, a boy, Daniel Joseph, January 16, 2004

**Susan (Solda) DeSimone '92/J.D. '95** and **David A. DeSimone, J.D. '95,** a boy, Alexander David, August 17, 2003

**Carmen J. Liuzza Jr. '92** and Christina, a girl, Sara Rose, June 14, 2003

**Connie (Ramos) Orr '92** and **Douglas A. Orr '93,** a boy, John Francis, March 5, 2003

**Thomas J. Hajkowski '93** and **Kerri (Briggs) Hajkowski '94,** a boy, Alex, September 26, 2003

**Vincent Labbate '93, M.S.** and Sharon, a girl, Olivia Elaine, February 18, 2004

**Michelle (Dering) Lubaczewski '93** and **Craig F. Lubaczewski '94,** a boy, Ryan Craig, August 21, 2003

**Lourdes (Guarda) Marsico '93** and Anthony, a boy,

Jonathan Anthony, April 4, 2003

**Frances (Robles) Alvarez '94** and Manny, a girl, Eleni Anna, September 6, 2003

**Zabrina (Dix) Johnson '94** and Quintin, a boy, Jeremiah, May 26, 2003

**Amy (Doviak) Gaccione '95** and Brian, a girl, Gina Nicole, January 12, 2004

**Kathleen (Powanda) Geisler '96** and Rob, a boy, Robert Patrick, December 9, 2003 and a girl, Mallory Beth, April 9, 2002

**Thomas B. Woodard '96** and Amy, a boy, Jack Thomas, November 11, 2003

**Jason Barra '97** and Donnamarie, a girl, Elayna Michele, October 20, 2003

**Jerome W. Breslin, M.S. '98, Ph.D.** and Recyl, a boy, Christian Cole, August 13, 2003

**Danyelle (Toropiwi) Celano '98** and **Michael J. Celano '98,** a girl, Marisa Theresa, February 20

**Lance Eisenberg, J.D. '99** and **Grace Eisenberg, J.D. '00,** a girl, Sophie Joy, July 17, 2003

**Kathleen (Gordon) Maiorini '99** and Steven, a boy, Andrew Walter, September 3, 2003

**Nicole (Panzitta) Masella, J.D. '01** and Rob, a girl, Isabella Rose, December 9, 2003

## In Memoriam

Reverend Joseph P. Fagan '33/M.Div. '37  
Arthur M. Zeller '34  
Dominic J. D'Amico '37  
Alphonse S. Rylko '39  
Louis E. Zimmer '39, Ph.D.  
Dennis J. Dougherty '40, M.D.  
James A. Hession '40  
John J. Meade Sr. '40  
Monsignor Edward G. Price '40/M.Div. '44  
Reverend Lester A. McGuinness '41/M.Div. '49  
Reverend George A. Clyde, M.Div. '42  
Alfred J. Hartley '42  
George J. Wiggins '42  
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Monsignor Louis J. Gallo '46  
Dorothy Herbert '46

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 Richard D. Nitto '47  
 Sister Anne Marie Broadhead '48  
 James J. Carey Jr. '48, J.D.  
 Salvatore DeDomenico '48  
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 Honorable Joseph M. Thuring,  
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 Stanley Bresticker '49, M.D.  
 Captain Robert A. Christie '49  
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 Robert F. Dilger '49  
 Joseph F. DiMatteo '49  
 Joseph C. Graf '49  
 William J. McLaughlin '49  
 John J. Mihlik '49  
 Alfred T. Occhiuzzo '49  
 Joseph J. Selitto '49

John L. Brovaco '50  
 Carmeno Cicurillo, M.A.E. '50  
 Honorable Peter B. Cooper  
 '50, J.D.  
 Richard J. Durkin '50  
 Bruce S. Galbraith '50  
 Martha Harvey Gelbach '50  
 Monsignor William P. Glennon '50  
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 Raymond F. Miciek '50  
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 Therese C. Adams-Gibbons '51  
 Vincent L. DeChiaro '51, M.A.,  
 Ph.D.  
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 Julian T. Jamroz '51  
 Bernard W. Mueller '51  
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 William J. Stephan '51  
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 William Weston '54  
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 Robert J. Oakenell '55  
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## Help Us Find These Graduates from 1985

The Class of 1985 is celebrating its 20th reunion next year. We want to be sure *everyone* receives an invitation to all the festivities. Please help us find the following missing Pirates from our class (this list includes other Seton Hall degrees they have earned). Call 1-800-992-GRAD or e-mail any up-to-date contact information to [alumni@shu.edu](mailto:alumni@shu.edu) Thank you!

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 Lieutenant Richard J. Burton  
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 Bijang Cheng  
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 Lisa A. Pergola  
 Americo Perosi  
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 Ha Pham  
 Laura J. Policastro  
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 Maribel Quiala  
 Elizabeth A. Quirke  
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 Carmen Restine Jr., M.B.A. '89  
 John K. Reyher, J.D. '90  
 Kathy A. Rhoades, M.A.E. '87  
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 Santo F. Ricciardi  
 Maria M. Roberts  
 Gerard Ross  
 Janice C. Rubolotta  
 Carol E. Russomano  
 Walter J. Sakowski  
 Jane A. Sakowski  
 Diana M. Salvatore  
 Valerie J. Sanguiliano  
 Michael F. Sansone  
 Susan Sbarro  
 Margaret Schambacher  
 Susan M. Scheader  
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 Diane M. Schwizer  
 Michele Sculti  
 John A. Selby  
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## Memorial Tribute

*"Yesterday is history, tomorrow is mystery and today is love."  
— Monsignor Andrew T. Cusack, Ph.D.*



On January 20, the University lost a dearly beloved friend, **Monsignor Andrew T. Cusack, Ph.D.**, founder and director of the International Institute of Clergy Formation at Seton Hall. Monsignor Cusack, who was 71 years old, was always willing to lend a hand, with unfailing wisdom and a warm smile.

It was his innovative spirit that helped make the Institute he established in 1987 one of the largest programs of its kind for priests in the English-speaking world. Monsignor Cusack traveled to Ireland, England, Italy and other countries, organizing lecture series and providing opportunities for prayerful reflection on the meaning of the priestly vocation. He also served as director of formation and staff psychologist for Seton Hall's Immaculate Conception Seminary. Ordained a Catholic priest for the Diocese of Bridgeport, Connecticut, in May 1960, he served in various pastoral and administrative positions before coming to Seton Hall.

His many honors included Alumnus of the Year Award for Outstanding Achievement (from Christ the King Seminary) and two from Iona College: the Brother Arthur Loftus Award for Outstanding Achievement in Religion and the Award for Outstanding Achievement in Pastoral Counseling.

Monsignor Cusack was revered as a great role model for others. "May God continue to raise up good, generous priests in the Church — priests with the same spirit and dedication as Monsignor Andrew Cusack," observed Monsignor Robert Sheeran '67, University president.

*— Kathy Diamantopoulos*

Sister Mary Laura Sulkowska '56  
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William C. Hahner Jr. '60  
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Philip Sullivan  
John A. Sullivan  
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Cheryl Swody  
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Margaret M. Tados  
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Jean M. Targonski  
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Mary A. Taylor  
Cecilia Tehume  
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Nick Tomanicchio  
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Diane Venitelli  
Carol L. Vogel  
Samuel J. Voltaggio  
Stanley Votruba  
Elaine Vrybof  
Lawrence J. Wallace  
Karen Walski  
Jeffrey R. Wayne  
Captain Glenn D. Werlau  
Marqus White  
Phyeon Williams  
Sharyn A. Wills  
James A. Wilson  
Robert M. Winter  
Veronica A. Wisk  
David A. Wodzisz  
Christopher J. Woods  
D'andre Workman  
Elizabeth Wozniak  
Wade R. Wright  
Mei-sheng S. Wu  
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Peggyanne Yates  
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Frances P. Quirk '60  
James T. Brennan '61  
William J. Coughlin '61  
Reverend Richard S.  
Czachorowski '61  
Joseph A. Devore Jr. '61  
Harold R. Ford '61  
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James F. Trainor '61  
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Andrew B. Horgan III '62  
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M.A.E. '62  
Joseph L. Mouridy Sr. '62  
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## Endpaper

### Live the Dream

*Speaking to the value of their experiences as Martin Luther King Scholars,  
Seton Hall University alumni continue to inspire others.*

<sup>66</sup>As new MLK Scholars were welcomed into the fold, and other Scholars graduated, I grew to understand that commitment to our education, our families and one another were key factors to our academic and personal success. This concept of community follows me today. As I strive to build a career that is both financially rewarding and personally fulfilling, I also work to build relationships with colleagues who share my belief that success and productivity are best achieved through group effort.”

— *Adrienne Simpson '99*

*Athletic Development Associate, Cheyney University of Pennsylvania*

“Being a MLK Scholar has truly been a blessing. The Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Association has prepared me to tackle almost any obstacle. I have met great men and women who have taught me many life lessons. I believe that everything happens for a reason, and I know that being an MLK Scholar is the reason that I will succeed in life.”

— *Marco Bote '03*

*Bank Specialist, Business Entrepreneur,  
Wachovia Bank Corporation, Carlstadt*

“As judicial law clerk, I must remain neutral when discussing the positions of parties before my judge. The principle of impartiality, however, is powerful because it allows a person to view issues from two points of view in order to come to the most fair and balanced outcome. Taking matters of public debate and resolving them in the most fair and balanced form is one principle that Dr. King acknowledged and lived by.”

— *Carlos Antonio Lopez '98, J.D.*

*Judicial Law Clerk for the Honorable John W. Bissell, Chief Judge  
of the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, Newark*

“I am in contact with students of all races, ethnicities and socioeconomic levels. As a Black female educator, I am often the only personal and consistent contact many of my students have with a Black female. I encourage my students to learn about one another and appreciate their differences. I also have encouraged my students to connect with students from other countries. That way, they gain an appreciation for the diversity within our world. These efforts, both locally and globally, have allowed Dr. King’s dream to live in my heart as well as in the hearts of those with whom I come into contact.”

— *Steffany Baptiste '99*

*Special Education Teacher, Summit Middle School*

“I have continued to live out the principles of Dr. King, who strived to eradicate oppression at all levels. I served as president of the Plainfield/Scotch Plains chapter of the National Council of Negro Women and mentored other Scholars and youth, promoting and producing conferences. And, with my husband, I currently teach financial management concepts as a way to eradicate bondage, which affects people of all races.”

— *Yolanda (Murray) Caldwell '91*

*Event Producer, Titus Enterprises, Plainfield*

“As a counselor and educator, I am obligated to pass down the ideas of education, love and transformation. Because ‘all life is interrelated,’ changing your neighbor, your community or the world simply begins with oneself.”

— *Omayra Arocho '99*

*Counselor and Adjunct Professor, Project Centro Hispanico —  
Title V, Union County College, Elizabeth*

“Like Dr. King, I, too, have a strong faith in God and live my daily life to exemplify that God lives in me. I, too, have a dream and a passion that drive me each day. I live to do God’s will for my life, and I believe He has called me to help other youth. While earning my master’s degree in Human Resources, I worked as an assistant residence hall director. In this position, I was constantly working with students and helping them to grow both personally and as leaders. I was able to guide students in career exploration and show them the potential they have.”

— *Sara Lacagnino '01/M.A. '03*

*Assistant to Controller, B&L Management Company, LLC,  
New York City*

“Being an MLK Scholar taught me that we are never ‘minorities’ as the world may portray us. Instead, we are what we make ourselves to be. There are no limits and no restrictions on what we can do if we put our minds to it. I never see myself as being defined by a label but rather, defined by what I do for myself and for those around me.”

— *Katherine Rosado '97*

*Relationship Marketing Manager, Financial Services Group,  
Microsoft Corporation, New York City*

— *Compiled by Pamela Dungee, M.A. '04*





# THIS IS WHERE I LEARNED

to SEE the WORLD through  
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"I went to Seton Hall to learn how to be a filmmaker," says law student and budding filmmaker Jorge Delgado '00, "and in the process, I learned to be a better citizen. My professors pushed me to see the social and political context in which art is made, and how good art can be a force for positive change. One day I want to make movies that open peoples' eyes the way Seton Hall opened mine."

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