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Carolina Blue Networking Happy Hour Thursday, September 10

Join Rowan Alumni and friends for some networking and fun. A complimentary appetizer buffet will be provided and drink specials will be available.

5 p.m., Carolina Blue Smokehouse & Taproom, Pitman

Glassboro Craft Beer Festival Saturday, October 3

During the month of August, Rowan Alumni are offered discounted tickets (\$5 off admission). Use discount code rowanalumni at glassborobeerfest.com to register. Also, be sure to visit the Rowan Alumni tent for giveaways.

2 p.m., Barnes & Noble, Rowan Blvd.

Homecoming Block Party Friday, October 16

Bring the whole family to enjoy delicious food, fun and music through the decades with a live band, a beer garden and a "Back to the Future"-themed photo area—with the iconic DeLorean. There will also be a kids' zone, face painting, a giant hamster ball and a hover board simulator. Admission is free.

Also, alumni of the Dr. Harley E. Flack Student Mentoring program and Ujima are invited to stop by to meet the program staff and learn about the program's growth.

5 p.m., Barnes & Noble, Rowan Blvd.

College of Education Mix & Mingle Friday, October 16

Dean Monika Shealey and the College of Education faculty and staff welcome alumni back to James Hall for a special Homecoming reception and open house.

5 p.m., James Hall

New Rowan University Art Gallery Open House Friday, October 16

Alumni are invited to tour the Art Gallery's new facility in Downtown Glassboro (located across from the Homecoming Block Party). The Sister Chapel conceived by Ilise Greenstein and created by 13 female artists during the feminist art movement of the 1970s will be on display featuring contemporary, historic and mythological women.

6 p.m., 301 W. High St.

Homecoming Parade Saturday, October 17

The Homecoming parade is one of Rowan University's oldest traditions. Students, alumni and Glassboro residents are invited to cheer on the parade.

10 a.m., Parking Lot D

Homecoming Pre-Game Festivities Saturday, October 17

Alumni, students, staff, family and friends are invited to enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet, a beer garden, tailgating games and other alumni and family-friendly activities. Each alumnus and one guest may attend free of charge by pre-registering prior to Friday, October 9. If alumni and guests do not pre-register, there will be a \$10 entry fee for the tent & buffet the day of the event. Be sure to check in at the Alumni Welcome tent to get the most out of your Homecoming experience, and stop by "College Row" to visit professors and staff members! If you plan to tailgate in Lot D, tailgate supplies must be dropped off and cars must be removed from the lot before 10 a.m. Wing cook-off details will be released in September!

11 a.m., Parking Lot C

Homecoming Football Game Saturday, October 17

Cheer on the Profs as they take on Southern Virginia University. The 2015 Alumni Ambassador Award recipient and parade grand marshal, Diane Mazzei '69, M'80, will be honored at halftime. Football players from the 90's will also be recognized.

2 p.m., Wackar Stadium

Rowan Basketball vs. LaSalle University Saturday, November 28

The Rowan University men's basketball team will host NCAA Division I La Salle University to commemorate the 20-year anniversary of Rowan's 1996 NCAA Division III National Championship. Players and coaches from the championship team will be honored at halftime. Tickets go on sale Thursday, October 15 at rowanathletics.com.

3 p.m., Esby Gym

Latino Alumni Reunion Saturday, October 17

The inaugural Latino Alumni Reunion, co-sponsored by the United Latino Association, will provide professional networking and

mentorship opportunities to Latino students and alumni. If you're interested in attending or would like to volunteer, please contact Erica Ortiz '99, M'04 and Jose Rivera '94: alumni@rowan.edu.

6 p.m., Alumni Engagement Center, Shpeen Hall

Music Alumni Concert and Reception Sunday, October 18

The Music department is looking for alumni who are interested in participating in a side-by-side concert with students. For more information, please contact Joe Akinskas at akinskas@rowan.edu.

Time and location TBD

Peter Pan Saturday, November 14

Come join us for the perfect musical for the entire family. To sit with the Rowan Alumni group, tickets must be purchased at alumni.rowan.edu.

10 a.m., Broadway Theatre, Pitman

Additional fall/winter events

We're creating engagement opportunities for our alumni throughout the year. Please visit alumni.rowan.edu/events for our most up-to-date calendar of events. If you have an idea for an alumni program or would like to host a regional networking event, please contact the Alumni Engagement Office at 856-256-5400 or alumni@rowan.edu.

stay connected

E-mail

Each month the Alumni Engagement office sends an e-newsletter to catch you up on all things Rowan. We also send emails that specifically address the needs of our alumni—events and programs, networking receptions, reunions, professional development opportunities, and more.

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Musical salute

Enjoyed the article on Rowan military music members. I, a former psychology professor at Rowan, spent four years as a clarinet and sax player in the Marine Band before going to college.

*Dr. Gene Elliott
Newton Square, Pa.*

No fluff

Just spent the better part of my Saturday evening reading Winter 2015 Rowan Magazine. The 20th anniversary issue was the best ever.

In this day and age when magazines are full of little substance and lots of fluff, your publication has gotten better and better.

As a lifelong reader and writer, please add my congrats to the many others you are sure to receive.

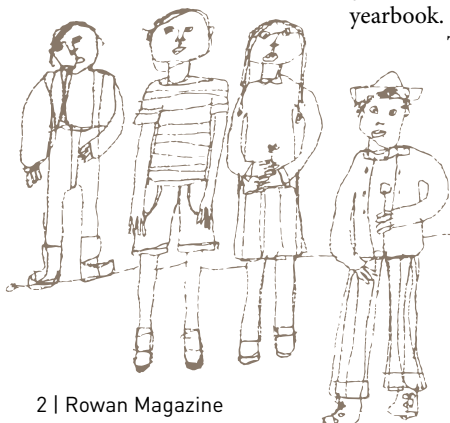
*Betty Griffin '66
Mullica Hill*

Pre-punk Patti Smith

I enjoyed the story "Artfully Archived," though it missed a milestone in the graphics history of the yearbook.

The 1967 Oak cover design was the work of artist-singer-writer Patti Smith (left GSC in 1967)

Oak



who went on to become a key figure in rock music, the birth of the NY punk scene, etc.

I've attached a quick pic of the yearbook cover and the credit page with her name.

*Doug Kirby '79
Novato, Calif.*

Ed. note: Thanks to Doug, we pulled the yearbook to share one of Patti's illustrations on this page. Doug also helped us put together the sci-fi feature in this issue (p. 30).

Kudos

I was so impressed with the last issue of the Rowan Magazine. Congratulations to all who helped produce it.

*James H. Tracey
Castle Pines, Colo.*

Chamberlain cared

What great memories were uncovered by your article on Dr. Mark Chamberlain!

In 1967 New Jersey established boards of trustees for state colleges. I had the honor of being appointed to the first Glassboro State College board and later to serve as the first woman chair. December 1967 was our first meeting.

When Dr. Robinson retired—after President Lyndon Johnson came to Commencement—we began our search for a new president. Dr. Chamberlain was the outstanding candidate. His demeanor, his

integrity, his compassion for students and his vision made him the right choice. What a great diplomat he was, a skill needed to take this fine institution forward. He also did a superb job in educating the board.

Mark opened the door to higher education

for many students who otherwise would never have had the opportunity. He cared!

I am privileged to have known him and worked so closely with him over those challenging and exciting years.

*Ann B. Ward
Alexandria Bay, N.Y.*

RCA family heritage

The last issue's back cover about RCA history brought back memories of my mom's stories about working at RCA in its Crystal Lab division in Camden. In her early '20s she worked there to support the war effort and when the war was over, she married, raised us and then returned to work at RCA.

She was always proud that she inspected the crystals for the radios being shipped to our



fighting troops. During her first RCA stint in the '40s, she was photographed for an RCA publication, having been chosen "to serve as an inspiration to the war working men" (as the caption explained) at the technology giant.

Mom is 93 and recalls her days at RCA fondly. She has had a rich life filled with family, friends, fun, laughter, joy and travel. Thank you for jogging our memories and helping preserve history through the RCA Heritage Museum.

*Gloria Latini '76
Ship Bottom*



INTRODUCING

ROWAN ENGINEERING VERSION 2.0

A leader in education and innovation since its start, the Henry M. Rowan College of Engineering is breaking new ground, literally and figuratively. The College:

- Welcomed its first cohort of biomedical engineering students in the fall.
- Introduced a new Ph.D. program in engineering with multiple tracks.
- Increased faculty size by more than 25 percent.
- Established the Rowan CREATEs center as a national leader in research and education in transportation engineering
- Began construction in Summer 2015 on an addition to Rowan Hall that will enable the College to double enrollment to 2,000 to meet the demands of students and employers. The new building will contain state-of-the-art teaching and research facilities as well as collaborative learning spaces to support the College's world-class programs.

Rowan Engineering 2.0 is growing: in people, programs and prestige.



Commencing

At the first of 11 ceremonies scheduled over four May days, the University Green hosted a jubilant crowd and the last leg of the path toward diplomas for the Class of 2015. More on the festivities on p. 14.

PHOTO: GEOFF GELAY '04 AND ED FINEGAN '03





Alum's challenge in 24-hour giving marathon raises more than \$63K

THE GIVING WAS ALL ONLINE.
THE GATHERING WAS IN THE
STUDENT CENTER PIT, A CHANCE
FOR HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS
TO GIVE A LITTLE OF THEIR OWN
AND TO SAY THANKS.



Tony Galvin made a very generous offer to Rowan University.

The 1989 business administration alumnus pledged \$10,000 to his alma mater. But there was a caveat—225 donors also needed to contribute to seal the deal on a particular day in February.

Galvin, a member of the Rowan University Foundation Board, was in for pleasant news when double that number of Rowan donors responded during the University's first daylong marathon of online giving, RowanGIVESDay.

And when Galvin saw that 225 donors raised more than \$35,000 by 3 p.m., he upped his donation to \$15,000.

"I thought the idea of a daylong fundraising marathon was outstanding, and I especially liked the idea of 225 people giving on 2/25," Galvin said. "I was happy to pledge 10K, but I said if the 225 minimum number of donors was met and we hit \$15,000 or more, I'd match that."

Galvin, a retired senior vice president for Coach, the New York-based luxury fashion company, also personally funds Rowan scholarships

through the William G. Rohrer College of Business and serves on the board of directors of the Dan Marino Foundation in Florida, where he lives.

He wasn't surprised that so many of the Rowan family came through to support the school.

"Our people understand how special Rowan has become," Galvin said. "I was surprised at the final amount raised but not that 450 people stepped up and wanted to be a part of it."

In total, the effort raised \$63,629 for a variety of University causes, including The Rowan Future Fund, the James S. Huff-Miller Memorial Scholarship, the Early Childhood Demonstration Center, the Rohrer College of Business Fund and the Tedd Imporcico Memorial Scholarship.

#RowanGIVES Day was a modern-day fundraiser. Students, alumni, faculty, staff, family and friends gave exclusively online.

The program, which also featured an on-campus volunteer fair and a student service showcase, involved offices across campus to emphasize Rowan-based philanthropy.

LEFT: A multi-generational group effort made #RowanGives Day a success. From left: Alyssa Lompado, Dana Carroll '13, M'15, Chris D'Angelo '07, M'10, Sandy Maxwell '69, M'84, Stephanie Ackerman '12, M'15, Gary Baker '04, Joseph Romanczuk '15, Dylan Colon, Tony Galvin '89, Christian Ehinger, Joy Kudla, Hannah Lindeblad M'15, Taylor Feldschneider, Madinah Thomas, Ravi Patel.

BELOW LEFT: Senior Jade Wynne wrote a thank-you note at the Alumni table.

BELOW: Juan Santana, Shane Karolyi, Dylan Colon and Matt Spissell give Rowan love.



Associate director of Alumni Engagement Chris D'Angelo '07, M'10 said the response set Rowan's single-day giving record.

"Our students learn about giving back to their community while they're here," D'Angelo said. "It's telling that our alumni came together to support the University, but it's not surprising. The Rowan community is always willing to come together for a cause."

Shane Karolyi '15, who worked on the marathon, said, "This day was proof that every accomplishment we have individually is due in part to those who served before us. When individuals choose to give back, they are helping to pave the way for others to follow."

For a full list of #RowanGIVES Day supporters and more about giving to Rowan University, visit rowan.edu/rowangives.

BCC BECOMES ROWAN COLLEGE AT BURLINGTON COUNTY

For the second time in two years, Rowan University strengthened its affiliation with a South Jersey community college to increase access for students to affordable baccalaureate programs.

Rowan's Board of Trustees on June 10 passed a resolution to partner with Burlington County College, enabling students to pursue Rowan degrees on the county college's Mount Laurel campus.

Through the partnership, the county college students will receive automatic, conditional acceptance to Rowan, counseling by Rowan advisors and a 15-percent discount on tuition for Rowan courses taken in Mount Laurel.

The college, whose board also passed a resolution authorizing the partnership, changed its name to Rowan College at Burlington County to reflect its closer ties with the University.

In 2013, the University entered into a similar partnership with then-Gloucester County College, now Rowan College at Gloucester County. That relationship—the first of its kind in the state—enabled the schools to expand offerings to serve more students.

The expanded relationships reflect Rowan University's focus on increasing access to an affordable, high-quality, four-year degree.

"The Rowan University/Rowan College partnership model not only provides students better access to four-year degrees, but it draws the institutions together while ensuring their independence," said University President Ali Houshmand. "These partnerships and the opportunities they provide students also are critical for the region. They lead to a better-prepared workforce, which in turn strengthens current businesses and attracts new ones."

Upon meeting specific program criteria, RCBC students may complete designated bachelor's degrees at either the University or RCBC. Students who transfer to the University before completing their associate's degree may earn that degree retroactively from RCBC.

Like RCGC, RCBC will remain independent, but the closer tie to the University will expand the number of programs it offers.

RCBC Board of Trustees member Katie Gibbs and President Paul Drayton (left) took part in the signing ceremony with Rowan President Ali Houshmand and Board of Trustees Chairman Linda Rohrer.



Give Something Back Foundation gives \$1 million for scholarships

Fifty kids—kids whose parents may struggle to give them not just all they want but all they need—will get an amazing gift in a few years: a free education at Rowan University.

That education is courtesy of a \$1-million commitment from the Give Something Back Foundation, a philanthropic organization created by Bob Carr, founder and CEO of Princeton-based Heartland Payment Systems, one of the nation's largest processors of debit and credit card transactions.

The Foundation's goal is to help talented youth of modest means attend college. Since it began in 2003, GSBF has awarded more than 250 scholarships in Illinois, where Carr was raised.

This year, the Foundation expanded the program to New Jersey, and Rowan is the first of three partner colleges and universities in the state.

The relationship is much more than one organization handing money to another or even writing a check to students. Soon, GSBF will partner with select school districts in New Jersey and will start accepting applications from freshmen in those districts who



want to enter its program. Students can expect four years of one-on-one mentorship, programs for themselves and their families on financial literacy and career counseling, excursions to college campuses and cultural institutions, and more—all designed to help them complete high school and prepare for college.

Those who are eligible for partial or full Pell Grants, meet the Foundation's criteria (such as taking AP and honors classes, maintaining a high GPA and exhibiting excellent character) and are accepted at Rowan will earn free tuition and room and board

for four years. Rowan also will provide support services to the GSBF students, the first of whom will begin college in fall 2019.

Carr and Rowan President Ali Houshmand both indicated the Foundation's mission reflects the University's.

"Rowan fits into our organization's goals and objectives," Carr said, noting that many students are from working-class families or are first-generation college students. "I couldn't be happier that Rowan is our first school."

Please visit bit.ly/CarrGift to see a video about the scholarships.

Businessman and philanthropist Bob Carr, left, visited Rowan to announce the \$1M gift at Campbell Library in June with President Ali Houshmand.

NEW MISS NEW JERSEY: ROWAN'S OWN LINDSEY GIANNINI

Lindsey Giannini is a Rowan rising senior journalism major, the force behind a campaign to install street signs throughout the state warning drivers against the dangers of distracted driving and, now, Miss New Jersey. Crowned on June 13 in Ocean City, she spoke about the dangers of distracted driving as her pageant platform. The Hammonton resident earned a \$12,000 scholarship for winning the state competition and will compete in the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City in September. She credits her Rowan journalism professors for helping her build the confidence to compete and to pursue a career in television news.



Rowan medical students earn slots at Cambridge and Harvard

As if they aren't busy enough, two Rowan University medical students will study at super-selective University of Cambridge and Harvard University, one in psychology, the other in a program that seeks to redefine primary care.

Jonathan Kanen, a second-year student at Cooper



Jonathan Kanen (left) aims to build understanding of mental illness and Sameer Sood will focus on transforming primary care.

Medical School of Rowan University, was among 40 people nationwide to be awarded a Gates Cambridge Scholarship. Starting this fall, he'll work on a Ph.D. in psychology at Cambridge in England, focusing his research on the effect of the neurotransmitter serotonin on psychiatric disorders.

"My hope is that my training at Cambridge will make me a more impactful physician," said Kanen, who plans to specialize in psychiatry. "My goal is to help patients beyond those who enter my office by advancing our understanding

of mental illness and working to counter a formidable disease that is so costly to individuals and society."

Kanen will return to CMSRU in 2018 to finish his final two years of medical school.

Fourth-year School of Osteopathic Medicine student Sameer Sood, who earned

a biomedical engineering degree from Rutgers University, is one of 18 fellows accepted into the InciteHealth program at Harvard. The yearlong, part-time program has a huge goal: to transform primary care through the creation of new ventures.

Since beginning medical school, Sood cofounded a think tank to inspire a problem-solving mindset in medical students and cofounded a free osteopathic medicine clinic.

"I went into medicine to be a physician on the inside working with those on the outside trying to change the system," Sood said. "I chose primary care because I see its potential...to solve much of our bigger health care issues. After speaking with some of the people running the InciteHealth program and learning more about it, I realized it was serendipitously made for me."

ROWAN'S ANNUAL STATEWIDE ECONOMIC IMPACT: MORE THAN \$1.2 BILLION

Rowan University has an annual economic impact of more than \$1.2 billion in New Jersey, supports roughly 9,200 jobs statewide and generates \$19 million in state taxes, according to a report by Econsult Solutions of Philadelphia.

The report considered Rowan's operating budget of \$440 million as the University's main economic driver. Using established input-output economic models, the firm found that Rowan's budget creates a ripple effect of more than twice its face amount—\$900 million—as money is spent on salaries, construction projects, and goods and services.

The February study determined Rowan's operating budget alone supports 6,400 jobs and generates \$11 million in state tax revenue.

It also found that:

- Rowan capital projects during the past five years had an average annual statewide economic impact of \$68 million, supported 540 jobs on average annually and generated, on average, \$1.8 million annually in state taxes
- Student and visitor spending injects \$107 million into the state economy on average each year, supports 1,300 jobs and generates \$3 million in state taxes
- Degrees and credentials from Rowan drive demand for 1,000 in-state jobs per year, enable New Jersey residents to earn an additional \$140 million per year and generate \$3 million in state taxes per year

"The results of this study are impressive but not altogether surprising," said Rowan President Ali Houshmand. "Since Henry and Betty Rowan's 1992 gift of \$100 million, the institution has been on a steep upward trajectory. We continue to feel its effect—in students educated, jobs created and lives bettered." Econsult will release a second report this fall detailing Rowan's impact on its host communities.

"Like the University's reputation, Rowan's economic footprint is large and growing," Houshmand said. "It's an exciting time to be here. There's a lot of work still to be done, but it feels good to be serving and building our community, the region and state."

It's a Match!



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For students in the Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine Class of 2015—and for thousands of fourth-year medical students across the country—Friday, March 20, was a day they long will remember. Just past noon that day, SOM students gathered at The Mansion on Main Street in Voorhees, where they received sealed envelopes holding the most highly awaited news of their budding medical careers—the program where they “matched” for their first jobs as physicians.

Following what was arguably the most-anticipated—if not nerve-wracking—few minutes of their lives, the students joined Assistant Dean for Student Affairs Kathryn Lambert in counting down the final few seconds before tearing open their envelopes.

Instantly, tension dissolved into a mix of joy, hugs, laughter and tears as the next generation of physicians learned the

With match letters in hand, Laura Boulos, Matthew Meleka, Peter Bishara and Katherine Toma take the next step in their careers as Class of 2015 physicians.

destinations that await them as they begin their careers.

The Class of 2015 continues an amazing legacy of Match Day success for the medical school. Every student from the class who participated matched to a residency program, including 51 students who secured positions in New Jersey. Others from the class will start residencies at such well-known, out-of-state programs as Brown University, Duke University, the University of California Irvine Medical Center and the Cleveland Clinic.

Depending on their specialties, the graduates will spend the next three to seven years as resident physicians, for many the final piece of their formal education during which they'll gain experience and develop their specialties.

CLAYTON KIWANIS FUNDS ROWAN SCHOLARSHIP

Clayton youth who plan to attend Rowan University may get an assist thanks to the Clayton Kiwanis Club, which has created a \$75,000 endowment with the Rowan University Foundation.

The organization's president, Greg Gaglianone, said the club will provide an \$800 renewable scholarship each year for one student who lives in Clayton and/or graduates from Clayton High School. Scholarship recipients must be matriculated, enrolled full time and in good academic standing.

“With this scholarship, we sought to do two things—support students from Clayton and support Rowan, our hometown university,” said Gaglianone, who noted the club started an annual scholarship program in 1969.

While past scholarships could be used at any school, Gaglianone said members believed a dedicated Rowan scholarship made more sense.

“A lot of kids from Clayton already go to Rowan, and that was a big driver,” he said. “But we really wanted to support Rowan as well. There's been so much growth at Rowan and it's right in our own backyard, so this was kind of an easy choice.”

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP HONORS ESL TEACHER

Through teaching and a deep commitment to charitable work, Rosemary Geri '77 dedicated her life to serving others.

Her devoted siblings—George, Elaine and Louis—are making sure their late sister's legacy continues at Rowan University. In the spring, the Geri family established a \$152,000 endowed scholarship for students studying in the department of foreign languages and literatures.

The Rosemary Geri '77 Foreign Languages Scholarship will be awarded for the first time this fall to a Rowan junior or senior. The scholarship is a fitting way to pay tribute to Rosemary's generous spirit, said her sister, Elaine. Rosemary, who passed away last September at age 60, taught Spanish

and English as a Second Language for 23 years at Northfield Community School in Atlantic County, where she was Teacher of the Year in 2010.

“We wanted to keep her memory alive,” Elaine said. “She enjoyed teaching, and she always supported charities—food banks, cancer research, the American Heart Association and the Wounded Warrior Project. We decided a scholarship to help students was a great way to honor her.”

The Geri sisters traveled extensively together in the United States, Far East, Europe and Australia, among other places. Rosemary spoke both Italian and Spanish and had a real passion for Spanish culture, her sister said.

Champions, all

Hard work. Competitive spirit. Dedication. Prof pride.

Shailah Williams, Jesse Novak and Richie Suarez all share those attributes. Their phenomenal successes have brought honor and distinction to Rowan University's Division III athletics program and placed their names on lists of the nation's most elite athletes. Williams and Novak reached the pinnacle of success in their respective sports by bringing national titles home to Rowan. With their contributions, the Profs boast 13 national championships among eight women's and 10 men's NCAA teams.

Richie Suarez made a heroic comeback from leukemia and two hip replacements, then helped Rowan take the NJAC title.



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Williams and Novak set records

Last year, Williams won the national Division III title in the 200 meters at the NCAA Division III Indoor Track Championships. In doing so, she set the school record in a time of 24.41, earning her All-America status. Williams, who will be a senior law and justice studies major in the fall, also was named to the All-America team in the 60-meter dash.

In March, Novak won two national titles in the NCAA Division III Men's Swimming and Diving Championships. He became the first Rowan swimmer in nearly 40 years to win two titles when he captured both the 50 freestyle and the 100 freestyle competitions.

Like Williams, the rising junior health and exercise science major achieved All-America status. Additionally, he set a school record in the 50 freestyle during his preliminary heats.

Suarez makes heroic return

Suarez pitched in a dozen games for the Profs baseball team this year, posting a 4-1 record and a

3.03 ERA. But five years ago, at the start of his freshman campaign, his baseball future was uncertain. Two days before freshman move-in day, Suarez was diagnosed with high-risk, pre-B, acute lymphoblastic leukemia, which required 14 months of intense chemotherapy.

Several months later, a diagnosis of avascular necrosis in both hips, knees, tibias and femurs required him to undergo bilateral hip replacement surgery. Suarez, a biological sciences major with a 3.76 GPA, endured 40 months of treatment.

But he persevered, determined to pitch for the Profs. In February 2014, the 6-foot, right-handed senior took the mound and helped Rowan win its second straight New Jersey Athletic Conference title. This year, Suarez, who intends to become an oncologist, was named a finalist for the Haier Ultimate Achievement Award, a national honor that recognizes student-athletes for their accomplishments beyond sports.

"I did what anyone else would have done in my situation," says Suarez, "and that was to take my life back."

CMSRU STUDENT WINS NATIONAL AWARD

Cooper Medical School of Rowan University, which has yet to graduate its first class, boasts many exceptional students. And the American Medical Association Foundation said Mitra Daneshvar is one of them.

The Foundation recently honored the third-year medical student as one of just 15 people in the U.S. to receive its 2015 Leadership Award, which recognizes medical students, residents/fellows and early-career physicians for achievements in community service, medical education and public health.

"At CMSRU, we're encouraged to immerse ourselves in the Camden community through many programs and courses," she explained. "I believe this is helping us to be better trained to address the health care challenges we will face as physicians and to become strong physician leaders."

Daneshvar understands community service. She helped create the research department

in the student-run free clinic to better understand the health care and social needs of patients and determine where resources should be allocated to improve care. She is a member of student government, a founding member of CMSRU's chapter of the American Medical Women's Association, cofounder and co-president of CMSRU's Cardiology Interest Group and a dedicated Camden volunteer.

She believes that good health care providers possess comprehensive medical knowledge and the ability to be strong leaders—skills CMSRU is helping her and her classmates develop.

The Foundation presented the award in June at a conference that provided her opportunities to further develop leadership skills. "We learned about different motivational techniques, how to be a better listener, presentation skills, how to communicate effectively, as well as other skills," she said.



Mitra Daneshvar earned the attention of the American Medical Association for her work as a medical student in the community of Camden.



Helen Stanger Storer's love of music and her skill as an organist inspired her son's gift to endow the organ and keyboard program.

With Whitney family roots, donor gives \$2 million gift to honor musical heritage

Dr. John Storer, a retired Philadelphia heart surgeon living in Florida, has willed a gift of \$2 million to Rowan University to establish the Helen Stanger Storer Organ Program Endowment Fund.

The trust will support the maintenance and restoration of Rowan's Pfleeger Concert Hall organ and support the keyboard program in the College of Performing Arts.

Storer, who grew up in Glassboro, descended from the Whitney family, once among the most prominent glassmakers in South Jersey. It was on Whitney land in 1923 that the Glassboro Normal School, which evolved into Rowan University, was founded. His mother, Helen Stanger Storer, played the organ, and in planning his estate, John Storer decided to honor her by funding the University's organ and keyboard program.

"I feel this is an area where Rowan can concentrate," he said. "(Rowan) can become known as the organ center of the East."

Scott Janney, Rowan's assistant vice president for development, said the Storer gift will provide needed funding for the organ and keyboard program—\$90,000 or

more each year to support maintenance of the organ, other equipment within the keyboard program, faculty and students.

"It's a very exciting gift," Janney said. "Dr. Storer talks about how great it will be for his mother's music to live on at Rowan, and that's exciting too."

John Pastin, dean of the College of Performing Arts, said the Pfleeger organ, valued at about \$1 million, is about 40 years old and in need of extensive repairs. Still, he said, musicians use it throughout the year—during Commencement, convocations, concerts and recitals.

"The instrument rivals any of the pipe organs that one can find in other outstanding performance halls," Pastin said.

He said funding from the Storer gift not only will help maintain the organ but could support generations of students.

"Because of Dr. Storer's generosity, students in our keyboard studies program will continue to have fine instruments to play," he said. "This will certainly help us recruit students who wish to major in organ performance and will be an added bonus for those who study keyboards in general."

U.S. NEWS AGAIN RECOGNIZES SOM GERIATRICS AMONG AMERICA'S BEST

The annual *U.S. News & World Report* ranking of America's top medical schools once again lists the Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine among the best, placing the school 12th for geriatric medicine.

"I'm thrilled that SOM has again been recognized for expertise in geriatrics," said Rowan President Ali Houshmand. "We provide quality health care for older adults and develop new and exciting research to improve the lives of older Americans. For that we can be very proud."

U.S. News each year surveys all accredited American medical schools for research; primary care; and eight specialty areas, including geriatrics. The specialty care rankings are based on responses from medical school deans and senior faculty, who are asked to identify up to 10 schools

with the best programs in each area.

"Our continued inclusion in the *U.S. News & World Report* rankings confirms that medical school deans and administrators consider our school a leader in this important specialty area," Houshmand said.

Released in March for 2016, the issue marked the 14th time that *U.S. News* included SOM in the rankings. SOM is in good company. The publication also cited Johns Hopkins University, Harvard University, Yale University, the University of Pennsylvania and the University of California-Los Angeles for excellence in geriatrics.

"For a long time our school has focused on providing the health, education and advocacy resources to help Americans age successfully," said Dean Thomas Cavaliere,



A national leader in geriatric medical education, SOM is also a trusted source for seniors' clinical care.

who is also founder of the school's nationally acclaimed New Jersey Institute for Successful Aging. "In fact, our school was the first to require all medical students to receive specific training in geriatrics."

NEED A PARTNER TO SOLVE A PROBLEM?

Ask Rowan.

If you pick up the *New York Times*, listen to NPR in the New Jersey/New York area or check any number of online sites, odds are you will notice a lot of brown and gold in the next six months.

Starting this summer, the first phase of the “Ask Rowan” advertising campaign and its ask.rowan.edu web site introduce audiences to some of Rowan’s best and brightest. Featuring various leaders and achievements, the ads invite partnerships for problem-solving in research, medicine, engineering and economic development.

“Our goal is to tell about Rowan successes and opportunities so we can encourage potential business and research partners to think of Rowan first when they plan projects and initiatives,” said

Joe Cardona, vice president for University Relations, who supervised the development of the campaign. “We’re a newly designated research university with an already impressive track record of partnership with leaders including Lockheed Martin, NASA, Cooper Health and the Navy. This campaign will help us educate far beyond South Jersey about how deeply committed we are to work with business, industry, government and non-profit organizations to share expertise and resources to benefit everyone.”

Each of the first four ads in rotation focuses on a different topic: engineering professor Joe Stanzione’s research in sustainable sources for plastic; chemistry professor Cathy Yang’s develop-



How do you make a common threat far less common?

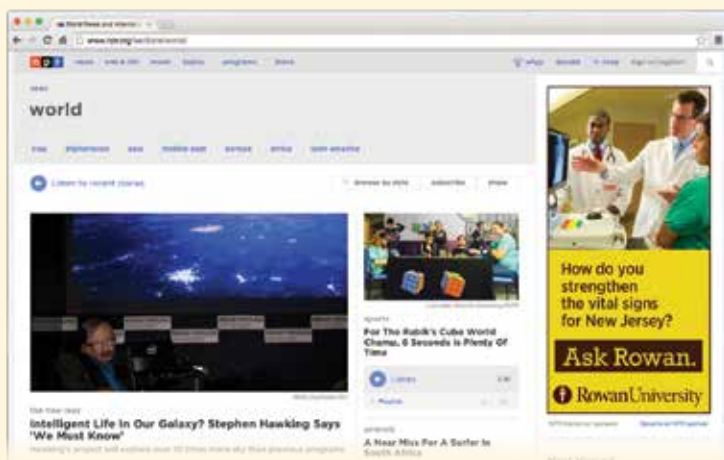
Ask Rowan.

Every year, millions of people are hospitalized and treated for poison ivy inflammations. If Dr. Cathy Yang's poison ivy vaccine passes the final stages of clinical trials, it could mean that millions of workers will be able to stay on the job and out of the hospital. Her work is also a perfect example of the culture of partnership and enterprise at Rowan University's South Jersey Technology Park. Partner with us. If you want to know how to create a more productive future, ask Rowan.

Rowan University

ask.rowan.edu #AskRowan

ment of a poison ivy vaccine; Rowan’s commitment to innovation in medical education and our success in public-private partnerships for economic development. “The ads running now touch on only a few of our success stories,” Cardona said. “Potential partners have good reason to be confident about collaborating with the University to solve problems, create new products and services and make a difference in their markets. It’s exciting to think of what may come of new partnerships with ambitious folks who decide to ‘Ask Rowan.’”



ALUMNI ADVANCE IN NEW YEAR

July 1 started a new administrative year at Rowan, with new leaders taking the helm in key positions. Longtime Alumni Board member Tobias Bruhn '98, M'99 (right) became president of the Rowan University Alumni Association and John Zabinski (center) joined Rowan as senior vice president for University Advancement. The two welcome suggestions and support from alumni for new opportunities to strengthen alumni relationships; support students, scholarship and programs; and build an even more robust University to increase the value of a Rowan degree.

COMMENCEMENT

11 CEREMONIES, FOUR BIG DAYS

Rowan was a sea of students, professors, dignitaries and guests when the University celebrated its biggest Commencement on May 12-15 with 11 ceremonies.

Festivities, which this year returned all main ceremonies to the iconic University Green and scattered secondary ceremonies across the Glassboro campus, featured more than 2,300 graduates, some with their first higher ed tassel to turn and others with master's and doctoral hoods.

Sony Electronics President and COO Mike Fasulo '82 addressed the Rohrer College of Business and communication executive Ashley Abdullah '06 gave the keynote address for the College of Humanities & Social Sciences. Other commencement speakers were retired astronaut Dr. Bonnie Dunbar for the colleges of Engineering and Science & Mathematics and the School of Biomedical Sciences &

Health Professions; medical leader Dr. Norman Vinn for the School of Osteopathic Medicine; music and cultural critic Ken Tucker for the colleges of Communication & Creative Arts and Performing Arts; and New Jersey Secretary of Higher Education Rochelle Hendricks for the College of Education.

Abdullah, associate manager for media planning multiplatform strategy for the Univision Network in Miami, encouraged the graduates to align themselves with people who support their mission and to think about the people they want to be at 90.

Dunbar, an inductee into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame and a NASA veteran with 27 years of service including five space flights and more than 50 days in space, spoke not just of her career, but also of what inspired her—a love of reading and a vision of going far beyond her family's

Washington state homestead. "The most important possession you have is knowledge," Dunbar said, quoting her grandfather. "No one can take that from you."

Commencement 2015 honored 1985 graduate Ed Glavin, one of three executive producers for "The Ellen DeGeneres Show" on NBC, as Distinguished Alumnus of the Year. Glavin addressed graduates by video, urging them to seek success and to never fear mistakes.

"I've made more mistakes than you ever will," he said from a Jumbotron screen at the foot of Bunce Hall. "And look at me: I'm a Distinguished Alumnus."

The University also honored Glassboro Mayor Leo McCabe, who along with Dunbar received an honorary doctorate, and Medal of Excellence recipients Walt Walker '05 M'06, Daniel Ruotolo, Fasulo, Vinn, Tucker, Hendricks and Abdullah.





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1. Happy hands and faces: graduates from the College of Communication & Creative Arts.
2. SOM graduate Christopher Bazergui and family celebrate.
3. Retired astronaut Bonnie J. Dunbar delivered the first Commencement address of the week.
4. Rohrer College of Business graduate Marques James Kelly and parents Bridgett and Vincent.
5. President Ali Houshmand and Board Chairman Linda Rohrer commend Chand Marvania on her degree from the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.



- 6. Fittingly, TV exec and Distinguished Alumnus Ed Glavin spoke at the ceremony via video on the jumbo LED display on the Green.
- 7. CCA grads Bethaney Wald, Matthew Clark, Kelsey Schipske, Catherine Nicola, Jacqueline Domenus, Laurene Dayton, Danielle Harrison, Gabrielle Wilkinson.
- 8. Excited graduates from the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.
- 9. Student Government Association President Joseph Chen captures the moment with loved ones.
- 10. Education grads showed off their master's degree regalia.
- 11. Jesse Nathaniel Jacobs II, a College of Communication & Creative Arts grad, celebrates with Cecilia Sullivan (left), little Aalyah Wyatt and Ashley Sullivan.
- 12. College of Communication & Creative Arts grads Maria Brasco and Jade Marzan.
- 13. In creative cap, chemical engineering major Matthew Whalen celebrates with classmate Christopher Alaimo.
- 14. Snappin' selfies, grads made digital memories.
- 15. President Houshmand and Board of Trustees Vice Chair Nick Petroni (right) flank Glassboro Mayor Leo McCabe as he receives the Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree May 15.
- 16. All smiles, graduates line up for the College of Humanities & Social Sciences ceremony.





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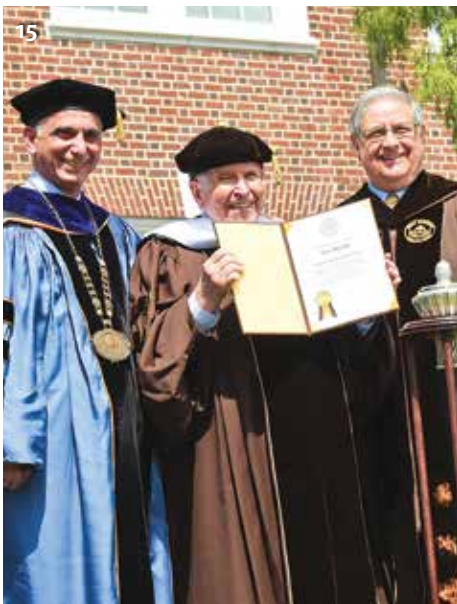
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REALITY CHECK

BY PATRICIA QUIGLEY '78, M'03

AT ONLY ONE PLACE IN THE U.S.—THE VIRTUAL REALITY CENTER AT ROWAN UNIVERSITY—

virtually anything imaginable in the universe can become virtually real in a 260° immersive environment: traveling through the human brain and outer space. Rebuilding cities, inspecting underground infrastructure and trying experimental technology. Dissolving the miles between continents to bring people together to work in real time. Bringing dinosaurs and butterflies to life.

Using VR technology located at Rowan's South Jersey Technology Park, University researchers already have conducted cutting-edge studies for the Navy, the Swedish corporation Elekta, AT&T and the Federal Aviation Administration. But even the sky isn't the limit in the expanded \$2.5-million center, funded by the Higher Education Technology Infrastructure Fund and the National Science Foundation.

With engineering and design professionals at New Jersey's southernmost research university, imagination leads, the science is serious and the opportunities are vast, offering affiliates in myriad disciplines, industries and markets the opportunity to use VR and 3D prototyping extensively. And, consistent with Rowan's approach to research partnerships, professors and students tackle ambitious technical challenges, providing cost-effective expertise and R&D. Partner-clients and their collaborating Rowan teams—especially students—benefit from the extraordinarily practical experience.

Now, viewing graphics displayed across 10 screens, a 100-cubic-ft. space or a high-definition "data wall," researchers wearing 3D goggles can peer into a person's lungs, simulate flight, design and explore endlessly. School children can wander a jungle or study a cell. Truckers and firefighters can learn new techniques to improve their performance safely.

For all its fantastic capabilities, the Virtual Reality Center exists to enable people to collaborate and solve practical problems. It's the kind of innovation that continues to distinguish Rowan University and prove the value of saying, "What if...?"

At Rowan's VR Center, now we can know.

1 Elementary school students expand their own intellect as they step into a virtual brain, exploring the neural connections that are the pathways of the mind and control everything, including how people breathe, the speed at which they walk and the things that make them laugh.



2 VR Center researchers created a visualization of how wind turbines on the coast of the United Kingdom would appear and the level of power they would produce.

3 Forget Jurassic World. In Rowan's VR world, visitors can get close up with long-ago Earth dwellers, take a simulated flight with a pteranodon or a romp with T. Rex. Wearing 3D glasses, guests can control the paths the dinosaurs take.



The VR Center is a one-of-a-kind facility designed to advance research in science, technology, engineering, medicine and more.



4 Remember Captain Jean-Luc Picard enjoying some R&R on the Star Trek holodeck? In the VR Center, groups like these Boy Scouts can enjoy their own holodeck, interacting with a human body, a robot and even a model of the Starship Enterprise. Wearing an infrared tracking system, they can move about the space and relate to any number of things as if they really were there.

5 In a training demo, firefighters can see what they would be up against when faced by a real fire in a three-story house. Watching the fire

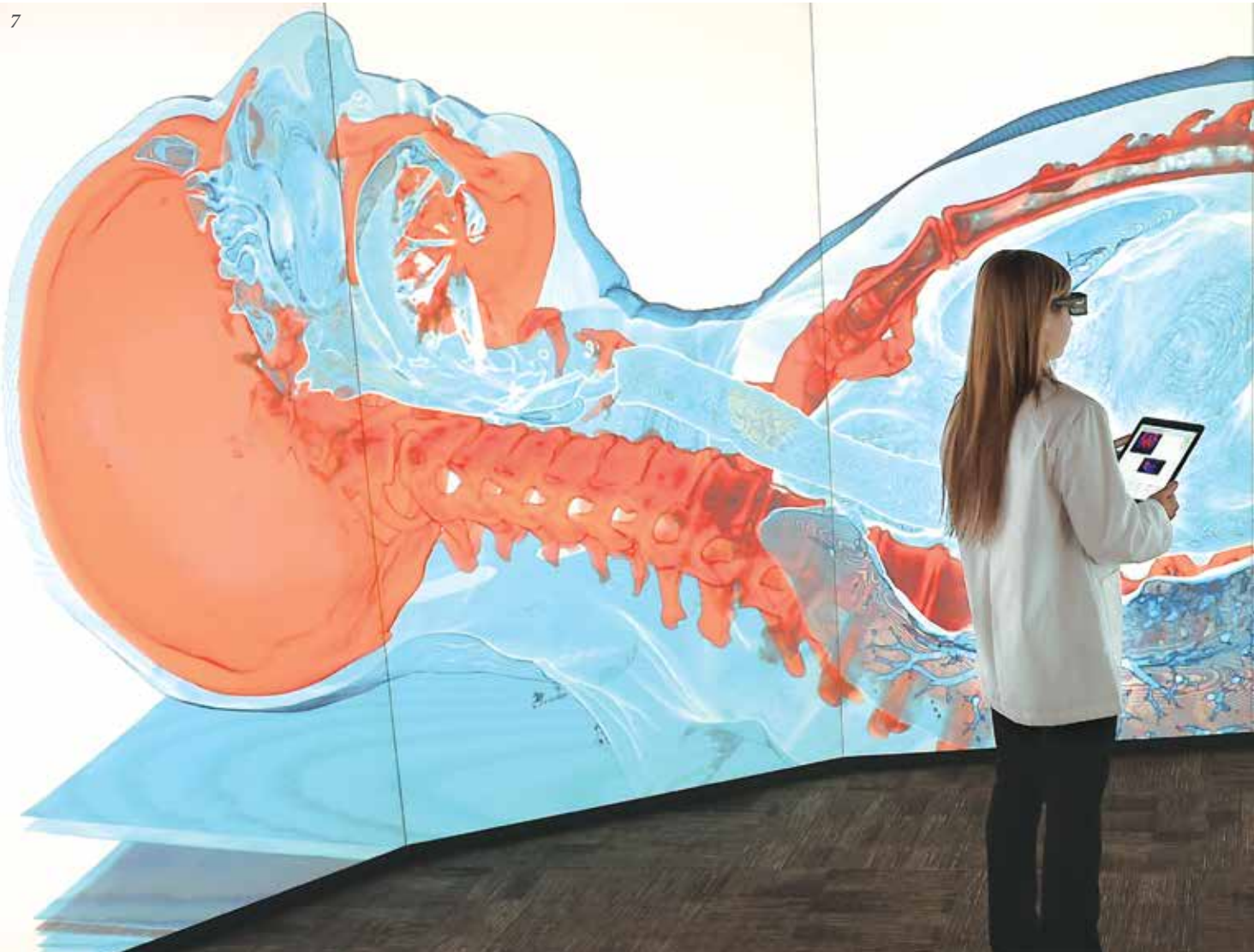
spread from a faulty refrigerator, they can use a simulated fire hose to develop the best strategies to keep the flames from progressing.

6 Played video games? Then you, too, can control the Rowan VR labs. Everyday items—like an Xbox controller or a Wiimote—can be used to master the virtual environments in a cost-effective manner, in much the same way as more expensive equipment.

7 It's called the virtual scalpel. In the VR Center, physicians can part human tissue and assess patients' anatomy, from bones to muscles to organs, all in 3D. The VR team



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developed a process to load patient data from X-rays, MRIs, PET scans and more, with the goal of providing doctors detailed insight into the body and a new way to diagnose and treat patients.



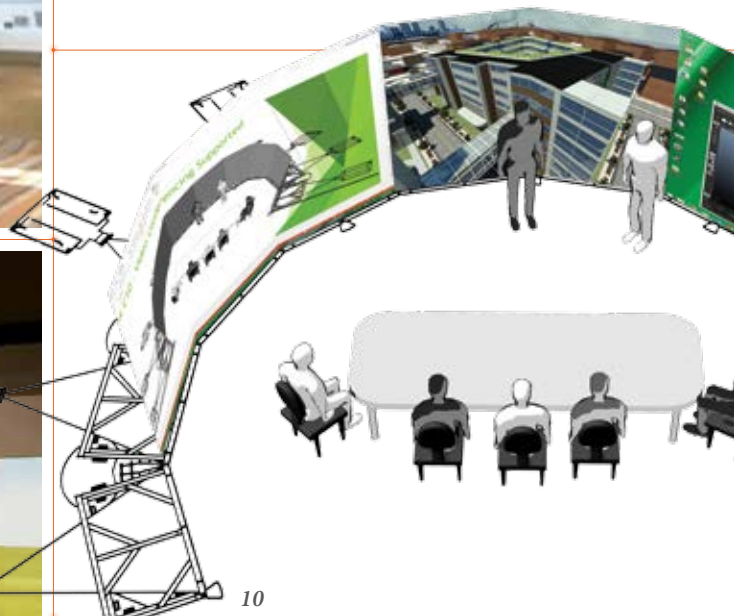
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In a 3D world, Rowan teams and partners can address a wide range of concerns, from mitigating floods to treating diseases of the human body.



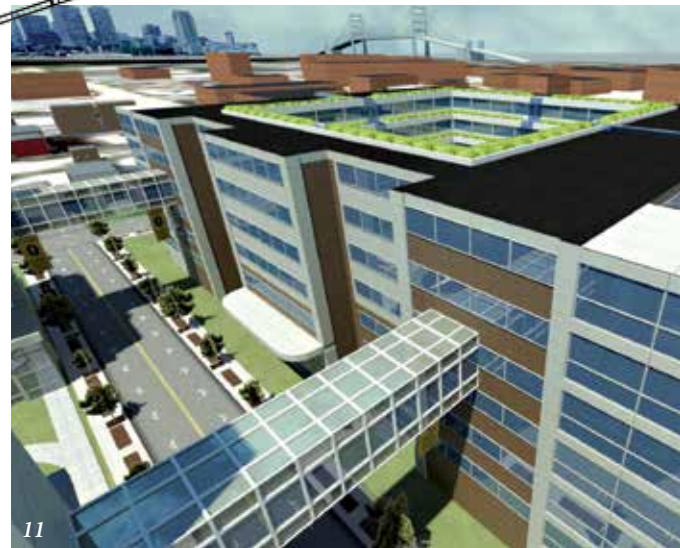
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The VR Center makes it possible for researchers to immerse themselves in a 3D world and work in real-time with people around the globe.

8 Art and technology collided in the VR Lab with an original dance theatre project by a Rowan professor performed by dancers of the Dada Dance Project. The work, which premiered internationally at the Teatro de la Danza in Mexico City, demonstrated how technical innovations can affect various disciplines, including the arts.

9 How much time on the road is too much? In Rowan's new Center for Research and Education in Advanced Transportation Engineering Systems, personnel

created a simulator to monitor truck driver fatigue in various conditions—including rain and snow, day and night—to better understand how long truckers can safely navigate roadways.

10 Ciao. Namaste. Konnichiwa. Among its expansive capabilities, the VR Center offers collaborative meeting space where students, faculty and industry partners can conduct research, develop strategies and design solutions onsite and remotely through a sophisticated videoconferencing system. Users can stream data via mobile phones, laptops and other equipment directly to the screens

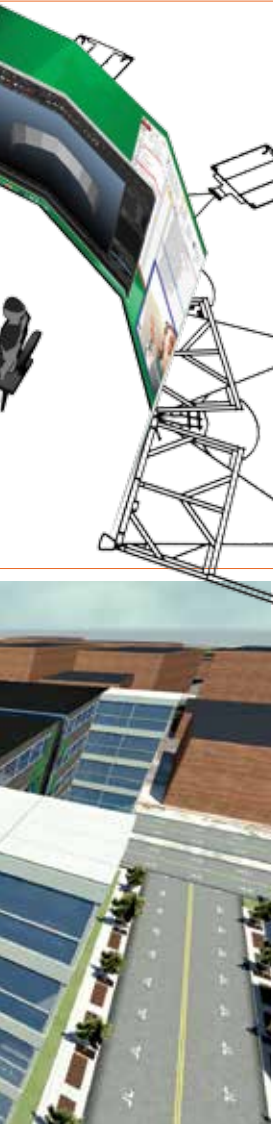
and broadcast that information around the world, working together in real-time.

11 In the VR Center, teams visualized the City of Camden's future, including the further development of the "eds-meds" corridor that one day may include a health science campus.

12 In a partnership with the Rohrer College of Business Incubator, staff in the VR Center can bring a concept to life via



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3D printing. They can take a design of virtually anything from an artist's touchscreen workstation and transform it into reality by extruding thin layers of polylactic acid to build the surface of a model.

13 Kindergarten students experienced the life cycle of a Monarch butterfly from egg to pupa to butterfly. In a larger-than-life world, they got a close-up look at a colorful caterpillar.



serving a greater good

by Barbara Baals and Jerry Carey '77

It's not glamorous work. Sometimes, it's downright dangerous.

Yet, service—sharing their time and talents to assist others—is part of who they are... and who they've become. Meet Brian Mintey, Chuck Callahan and Virginia Matias, three Rowan alumni who have chosen divergent paths to do good—globally and locally.



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Virginia Matias '10

A 'regular, everyday beat cop' serving the city she loves

With precision, Virginia Matias '10 navigated her Dodge Charger patrol vehicle through the bumpy streets of Camden, parked near Litwin's Food Market at the corner of North Eighth and Elm streets, and began walking her beat.

Enjoying a light breeze on his porch, Lloyd Knight, 91, sipped his ginger ale and gave the second-year Camden County Police Department officer a heartfelt hello.

"It's a blessing," he said, "to see you."

Matias would argue that she's the one who is blessed. In many ways, she says, it's a privilege to serve the people of the City of Camden. She calls it her city.

"Some people say, 'Oh, you don't really know how it is.' No. I actually do. I'm from here," said Matias, 29, who grew up in East Camden.

"What I love about my job is helping people...meeting the children, talking to the older folks. I'm glad to be here. I'm intertwined here."

At nearly 400 officers, the Camden County Police Department was established in 2013 to serve the City of Camden, putting more officers on the streets in an effort to address crime—and build community. The department's motto is "Service Before Self."

Matias had personal reasons for joining the force. Drawn to a life of service, she wavered between law enforcement and nursing. But when her uncle was killed during a

Step by step, block by block, Camden County Police Department Officer Virginia Matias serves the City of Camden and works to build community among residents and officers. Above, she and Officer Timothy Vega patrol North Camden on a Friday evening. "I'm glad to be here," said Matias, who grew up in East Camden. "It's my city."

robbery in his 7th and York corner store when she was a teenager, policing became her life's calling.

"That really hit close to home," Matias said quietly. "I wanted to make a difference in my city."

As an officer with the Neighborhood Response Team in Camden's 1st District, which covers North Camden,

program, organized by the police department. More than a dozen officers participate in the weekly program, which is designed to promote literacy and give children a chance to have regular, positive interactions with police.

"I let them pick whatever book they want—*The Magic School Bus*, *Amelia Bedelia*, *Little Miss Grumpy*," she laughed. "It's a change of pace—something I truly enjoy. By doing this, I'm helping them get a good image of police officers. That's a good experience when you're growing up.

"It's important for the children to see that I'm from Camden and I was able to go to Rowan and become a police officer. They see that a college education is very important."

Matias is doing her part to elevate the work of the Camden County Police Department on the national stage. In February, she was one of five officers to meet with President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden in the Oval Office to discuss community policing projects. Chosen by her superiors to represent Camden, she joined officers from Utah, Maryland, California and Washington State as they discussed their work with Obama and Biden for more than an hour.

"I wanted him to make sure he knew what we're doing here," said Matias. "Never in a million years did I think I'd have that opportunity."

In May, Obama visited Camden, touting the police department's progress in strengthening relationships between city residents and officers. He singled out Matias—a self-described "everyday beat cop" who was working the security detail that day—for her work.

"So, yeah, we're cool now," joked Matias. "The president said, 'You were bragging on Camden, so I had to check it out.'"

"I feel like he knows what we're doing here," she continued. "Regular, everyday beat cops touch the community on an everyday basis. But without community support, we just can't do our jobs."

Knight, for one, is glad to have Matias serving the community, where he has lived for more than five decades.

"People here don't expect to see an officer walking the streets," Knight said. "She knows how to talk to people. She always speaks to my wife and me. It makes me feel like somebody cares about us."

Matias, who earned her degree in law and justice studies, is one of close to a dozen of her family members—siblings, cousins—who have attended and graduated from Rowan. All began their collegiate journeys through the EOF/MAP program on the Camden campus, including her siblings, Vicmary '06 and Victor '05.



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Matias (second from left) met with President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden and other police officers in February to discuss how communities and law enforcement can work together to build trust to ensure public safety and strengthen neighborhoods.

Lanning Square and downtown, Matias greets everyone she sees, effortlessly interchanging Spanish and English. Whether on foot or from her patrol car, with elegant, pearl stud earrings glistening from her ears, she makes sure residents know she's there to protect and serve them.

"People are happy to see us. It's good to be outgoing. That's how residents get to know you. I use Spanish all the time. We have a very large Spanish community. If I speak to them in Spanish, they might give me tips," said Matias, the daughter of hardworking parents who immigrated to the city from the Dominican Republic.

Matias also works to let children know she's invested in the city.

Every Tuesday during the school year, Matias reads to kindergarteners—two at a time—at the Bonsall School through the PACER (Police and Congress Enjoy Reading)



Brian Mintey '08

Teaching female empowerment in Indonesia

He didn't love it at first. Not by a long shot. But Brian Mintey '08 committed to Peace Corps service based on an ideal he believes in to his very core.

"People," he says, "have an obligation to live a life that's of service, one that's something more than themselves."

That tenet is what propelled Mintey to give up full-time teaching in academia for a dramatically different path.

It's what helped him establish an empowerment camp for young women in Indonesia.

And it's also what got him off the airplane—admittedly frightened—for his two years of Peace Corps service teaching English to 11th graders in Madura, Indonesia.

"It's a very vivid event in your life to go into the Peace Corps," says Mintey, who, from 2012–14, taught in a government school on a small island off the coast of Java. "You know you're leaving everything culturally familiar and integrating into a whole new society. It's the kind of job you're not going to do effectively unless you want to be there."

Established in 1961, the Peace Corps sends "the best

and brightest" Americans abroad to help address some of the most pressing needs of people throughout the world. Over the past 54 years, nearly 220,000 Americans have served in 140 host countries, most in education or health-related fields.

Before joining the Peace Corps, Mintey hadn't shown much interest in serving abroad. But he decided in graduate school that the path he was on—becoming a full-time professor—wasn't for him. Inspired by his graduate school friends who had served internationally—and emboldened by six years studying philosophical issues such as ethics, human rights and political sovereignty—the Peace Corps made perfect sense to him.

Mintey graduated summa cum laude with bachelor's degrees in philosophy and religion and radio/television/film. He was one of the first degree recipients in the philosophy and religion major. His master's in philosophy from the University of South Florida in 2011 included a concentration in theories of human rights and justice.

In the Madura classroom, Mintey worked beside an Indonesian cooperating teacher, Pak Emal, who helped him integrate into the culture. No one else in his village spoke English.

"I struggled a lot with the language and the integration at first," says Mintey, who lived with a multigenerational host family.

"What was most difficult was living in a culture that wasn't my own—and being fundamentally misunderstood. I had to continually remind myself of the reasons I was there."

Mintey truly hit his stride when he planned and implemented IGLOW (Indonesian Girls Leading Our World), a three-day weekend camp for 80 girls in 10th and 11th grades, along with their teachers. IGLOW included girls from all the island's regions and was co-planned by the Indonesian teachers and other Peace Corps volunteers.

Sessions focused on basic life skills, goal setting, empowerment and understanding sexuality—topics that were culturally sensitive ones in the mostly Muslim culture.

"We had to be sensitive about the way we approached material," says Mintey. "The culture was conservative relative to America. But, overall, Indonesia is quite a moderate Muslim country."

Mintey realized immediately that while he could establish

Brian Mintey's undergraduate and graduate studies focusing on ethics, human rights and political sovereignty inspired him to join the Peace Corps. For two years, he taught English to 11th grade students in Madura, Indonesia.



COURTESY OF BRIAN MINTEY '08



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Mintey's philosophy background helped him better understand his Peace Corps service, he said. "My studies helped me be open to the experiences I was having, to deeply analyze them and to ask questions."

the camp, female teachers needed to lead individual sessions.

"It was really important for that to be an all-women's camp. In a conservative, patriarchal culture, once you introduce a man, the dynamic of the conversation completely changes.

"At the same time, people there realized how important it is to empower their young women," he adds. "The men in our communities were very supportive of the camp."

GLOW camps have been established by Peace Corps volunteers around the world, according to Mintey. Sustainability of such initiatives is the key to their success, he notes.

"We were able to help the girls become advocates for each other," Mintey says.

The Peace Corps has three main goals: to send trained Americans abroad to assist other countries; to promote a better understanding of Americans in countries they serve; and to help Americans better understand other cultures.

What Mintey, a Washington Township, Gloucester County, native, didn't count on was what his service abroad would teach him about being American.

"In the classroom with Pak Emal, I learned the importance of tamping down my American need to be in control in communication. I learned to be more fluid and flexible with the things happening around me.

"I realized immediately how much I embodied American values—optimism, curiosity, idealism, individuality," he says. "Also, the entrepreneurial spirit—that idea of striking out on your own—is such a strong value for Americans. Indonesia doesn't have that."

In June, Mintey began work as an asylum officer for the U.S. Citizen and Immigration Service, a division of Homeland Security. As such, he determines whether applicants qualify as refugees and should be granted asylum status in the U.S. The work, he says, jibes with his interests in human rights and working with international populations.

Chuck Callahan DO '84

Duty bound to fight the spread of Ebola

Like many Americans, Chuck Callahan DO '84, awoke one day last October to the disturbing news and images of the Ebola outbreak in Sierra Leone, Africa.

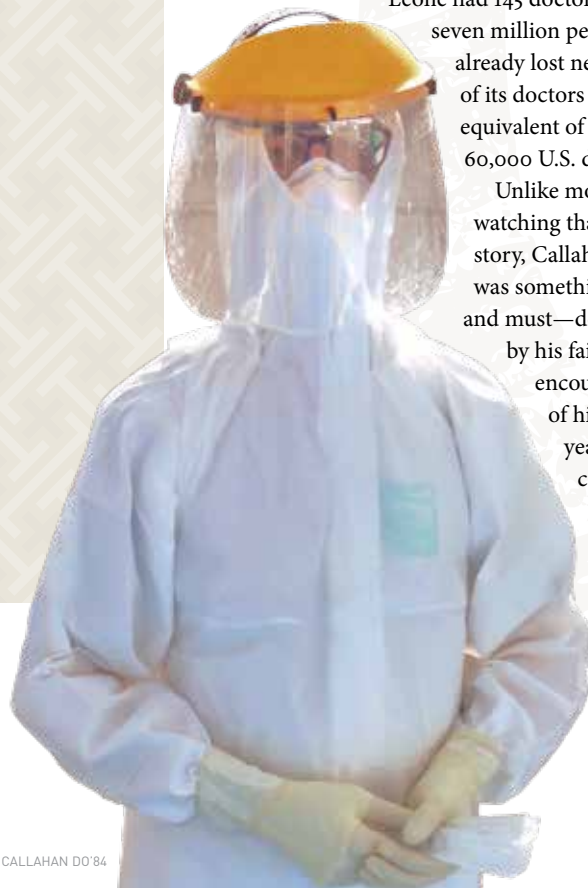
"It was Sunday morning," he remembered. "Here I was a physician without patients relying on me directly for the first time in 30 years, and the countries of West Africa were in desperate need of physicians. Sierra

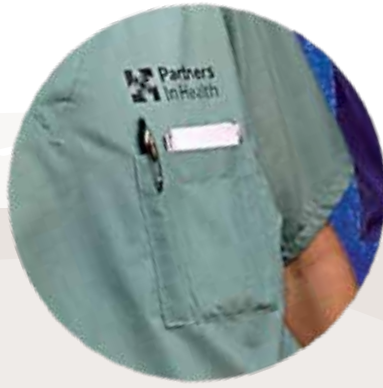
Leone had 145 doctors for about seven million people and had already lost nearly 10 percent of its doctors to Ebola, the equivalent of more than 60,000 U.S. doctors dying."

Unlike most others watching that same news story, Callahan knew there was something he could—and must—do. Bolstered by his faith and the encouragement

of his wife of 35 years, Callahan contacted the USAID website to volunteer his services.

The very next day, Partners in Health





called. After an in-depth interview process, he was accepted. Soon, he was immersed in an accelerated training program in Boston and in Sierra Leone.

Retired in April 2014 following a 30-year career in the Army, Callahan is a pediatrician who specializes in pulmonology and pediatric critical care. He arrived in Sierra Leone on Dec. 3 as part of the first wave of volunteers with Partners in Health and began caring for some of the sickest children he had ever seen.

"Ebola is a challenging, horrible disease," he said. "It begins with very high fever, causes severe dehydration and electrolyte loss and, for many, leads to death in a week or two. For children under five years, the mortality rate in Sierra Leone was 80 to 90 percent."

In March, Callahan returned to the Stratford campus to share the health care leadership lessons he learned from his experiences in the battle against the Ebola virus in Africa. Addressing the medical school's faculty and students that day, Callahan said that there is no such thing as "leadership experts... we are all students." Leadership, he noted, is a combination of nature, nurture and "knocks"—opportunities that build leaders.

He recounted the challenges living without running water and of working in a rustic facility that cared for as many as 70 patients with suspected and confirmed Ebola. Despite precautions against the highly contagious virus, Callahan said he and the other volunteers were routinely counting "21 days"—the incubation period of the virus—whenever they got a tear in their germ-resistant protective gear or some other potential exposure. When he returned stateside, Callahan's temperature was monitored by county health officials every day for 21 days.

Although the news from the Ebola outbreak has faded from the headlines, and the names of the virus' victims have largely disappeared into history, the memory of the struggle to contain the devastating outbreak that claimed more than 11,000 lives remains with Callahan.

"In the time I was there, 23 kids I cared for died from Ebola," Callahan said. "I carried their names in my pocket."

Callahan also had the opportunity to visit the cemetery where the children were buried.

"It gave me some closure," he said.

Despite the near-constant presence of death when he was in Sierra Leone, Callahan said there was hope, too. He told the RowanSOM students and staff of one child, less than a year old, who was brought to the unit just before Christmas after she had been found in a house where Ebola had killed her entire family.

He was sure that when he returned the next day, he would have to add her name to the list he carried. Against all odds, the little girl survived.

"After we worked hard into the night trying to gain intravenous access and ultimately used even more aggressive means of fluid resuscitation, we were still worried for her. The next morning she opened her eyes and looked at me," Callahan said. "Then she reached for a cup of rehydration solution and we knew that she was going to survive."



"We learned from her perhaps the most important lesson of all," Callahan concluded. "The mortality of Ebola is frightful. But perhaps with greater access to higher levels of care—the very kinds of care routinely enjoyed by American children—many of these children don't have to die."

In addition to 20 years in academic pediatrics, for the last decade of his military career, Callahan served at the hospital executive level as a chief medical officer, chief operating officer and chief executive officer of five military hospitals and medical centers in the Washington, D.C., area. He is a professor of pediatrics at the F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine of the Uniformed Services University in Bethesda, Md. ■

Though newly retired, pediatrician Chuck Callahan was driven to serve the children of Sierra Leone last fall during a deadly Ebola outbreak that claimed more than 11,000 lives in West Africa. The mortality rate for children was 80 to 90 percent.

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IT'S THOSE TIME TRAVELERS. THEY'RE GOING BACK TO THE EARLY YEARS OF GSC...THOSE HALCYON DAYS OF YORE! SIGH... THEY'RE SO BRAVE!

GOOD WORK, SGT. MONGO...JUST MAKE SURE THE ION VAPORS DON'T OVERLOAD THAT COSMOTRON CONDENSOR OR WE'LL BE SPRAYED FROM HERE TO THE BRONZE AGE!



REMEMBER THE FUTURE

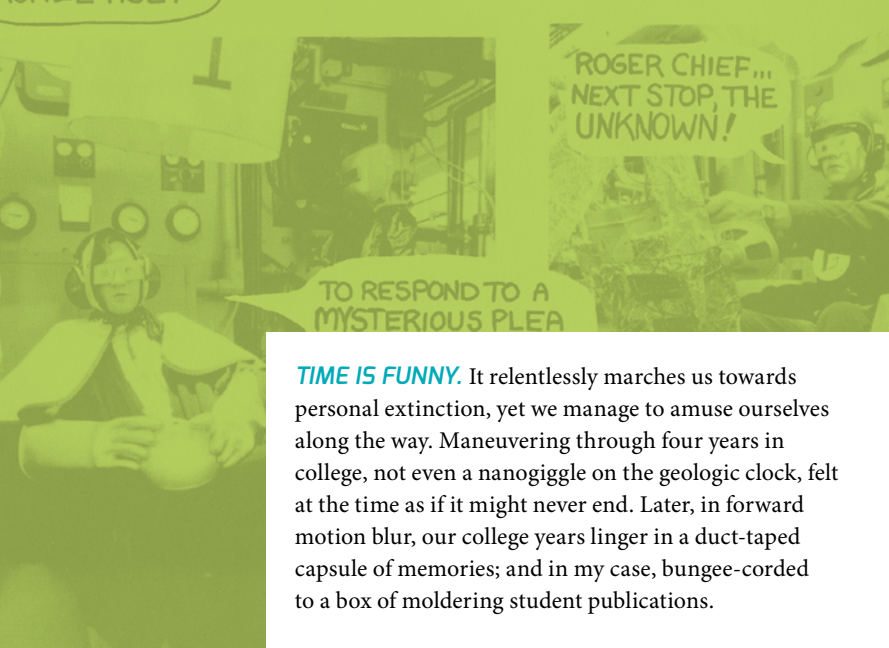
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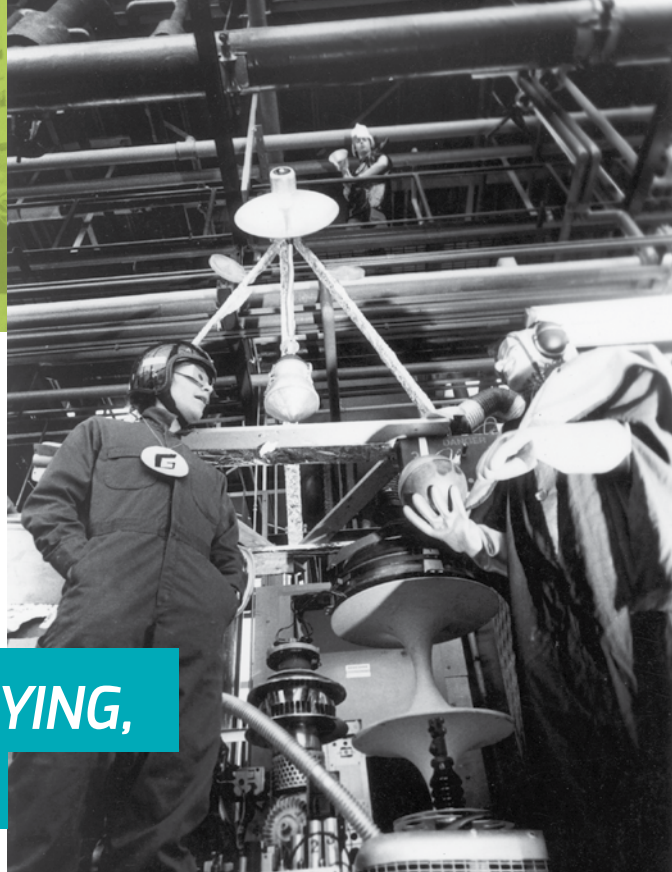
OUR FASCINATION WITH STORIES OF TIME TRAVEL HAVE ELOQUENT HIGH POINTS—H.G. WELLS' 1895 LITERARY MASTERPIECE, THE TIME MACHINE—AND SOME NOT-SO-HIGH POINTS, SUCH AS THE CRITICALLY PANNED 2010 UNITED ARTISTS MOVIE, "HOT TUB TIME MACHINE." AND SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE SUBLIME AND RIDICULOUS LIES OUR OWN VAUNTED VENUE VERSION OF TIME-BENDING EXPLORATION. IN ITS HEYDAY ON CAMPUS, VENUE WAS SILLY, SARCASTIC AND THE PERFECT FORUM FOR CREATIVE STUDENTS' FAR-OUT STORIES AND PICTURES. INSPIRED BY THIS YEAR'S "BACK TO THE FUTURE"-THEMED HOMECOMING, EYEWITNESS (AND ADMITTED COLLABORATOR) DOUG KIRBY EXPLAINS VENUE'S 1979 SCI-FI EXCURSION...OR AT LEAST TRIES TO.







TIME IS FUNNY. It relentlessly marches us towards personal extinction, yet we manage to amuse ourselves along the way. Maneuvering through four years in college, not even a nanogiggle on the geologic clock, felt at the time as if it might never end. Later, in forward motion blur, our college years linger in a duct-taped capsule of memories; and in my case, bungee-corded to a box of moldering student publications.



WHILE YOU WERE BUSY STUDYING, WE BUILT A TIME MACHINE.

Venue started in 1967, and throughout its 40+ years run as GSC's student opinion magazine, students and faculty could always grab the latest free edition from stacks left in building foyers. As a quirky and often irreverent alternative to other publications, *Venue's* staff meetings in the Student Center attracted dozens of budding satirists, gonzo journalists, cartoonists and photographers.

I was editor-in-chief in 1977-78; my partners in chaos, Mark Voglesong '80 and Ken Smith '80, also became editors-in-chief. We had several concurrent years, in a mostly forgiving climate, to experiment. We made mistakes, learned, and moved on...

Everyone on the staff contributed cool ideas. We could explore any topic. On one end of the spectrum: The "Sex Issue" (distributed in a brown paper wrapper). On the other: The "PR Issue" (guaranteed safe to show to your parents). Any reader buzz a *Venue* generated—good or bad—fueled our desire to make the next issue even better.

While pondering possible thematic ideas, we'd unearthed an old *Whit* article describing an unusual event:

in 1971, Dr. Richard Mitchell's literature students had attempted a rendezvous with time travelers from the future. No joke. His class buried an invitation near the Bunce Hall flagpole, and then waited patiently for a time machine that never materialized.

That failed temporal summit was forgotten, until *Venue* resurfaced it in 1979, in "70 Stupidest Things That Happened in Glassboro in the 1970s." We hoped that nutty flagpole meet-up would be remembered two issues later, when *Venue* readers tried to make sense of our special "Future Issue."

The "Future Issue" was purported to be from Glassboro 50 years hence: April 17, 2029. The bluish paper with silver ink was packed with stories and images of campus



APRIL 17, 2029 VENUE

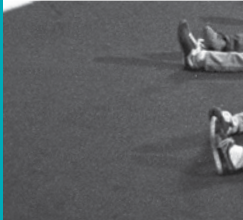
As of 2015, Rowan commuters can only dream of the 1979 *Venue's* projected hovercraft and campus monorail.



STUDENT LIFE FOR FUTURISTS

ABOVE: VU's like to dance like their grandparents.

RIGHT: In the Student Center Pit, the White Dwarf Collective Enclave forms an energy ball.





ON-LOCATION AUTHENTICITY

LEFT: Zontar and his time pilot prepare to depart from the Trans-Temporal Research Center (AKA Hering Heating Plant).

SGA: YOU WILL BE ASSIMILATED

ABOVE RIGHT: V777-B24-AA3666-G19 "Smiley" and Grand Wazir Dave Geist III '81, M'82 lead the College Unit Government Association meeting.

life, starting with a cover illustration of the "The Commuter Problem" (you know, those annoying college roundhouse jam-ups of monorails, rocket scooters, and ozone blimps).

In our cheery dystopia, student government order was barely maintained by a parliamentarian resembling a 1960s toy robot. Dr. Mark Chamberlain was still college president—his brain sagely administering from a fluid-filled jar.

The *Venue* gang loved schlocky sci-fi movies, especially director Ed Wood's "Plan 9 from Outer Space" (1959), with its absurd plot and shoestring special effects. But we also dug "Metropolis," seen in Film History 1 (a class taught by Venue advisor/enabler E. Michael Desilets). Along with other questionable influences, we formulated our prognostications.

We imagined student types: Intellectual Units (IUs), devoted to lofty, abstract pursuits; and Vocational Units (VUs), trained for unsatisfying grunt work.

In our future, fashion uniformity made social identification easy. IUs wore white tunics and Devo eyewear. VUs tolerated trash bag ponchos

and modified milk jug helmets (constructed from gallon containers donated by a local plastics company).

XUs were a third type of undergrad—thousands of clones accidentally spawned in a genetics lab. Dave Holt '80, a well-liked student with a signature canopy of black hair, played all the clone roles.

Dorothy Wilson '81 covered spring break on Jupiter's less classy moons, while culture writer Michael Kaplan '81 explored cheap body modifications in below-ground Philly.

For weeks we could be spotted around school in odd configurations of props and costumes, as Jim Jordan '79 wrangled photo assignments, and Terry Fagan '80 recruited volunteers to don trash bags and milk jugs with no explanation other than "It's for *Venue*."

The key vehicle in our narrative was a two-seater time machine to transport the future emissary Zontar (Ken) and his pilot (Curt Frick '80). Curt designed it and directed its construction, and a small team hammered together scrap lumber,

TV parts, and broken furniture plucked out of dormitory trash. We were given permission to set up our contraption in the college heating plant, staging photographs on metal catwalks and using pipes and pumps for backdrops.

Also, we needed a cameo by the authentic Dr. Mitchell. The charismatic prof had

"IT'S FOR VENUE."



GSC CLASS OF 2029 IDENTIFICATION GUIDE

INTELLECTUAL UNIT

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

- Fashionable eyewear
- White tunics made of woven wood pulp

INTERESTS

- Philosophy
- Hands-free pool
- Calming energy balls



VOCATIONAL UNIT

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

- Elaborate headgear
- Black ponchos made of high density polyethylene

INTERESTS

- Dimens-o-Vision
- Primitive dance styles
- Rocket scooters



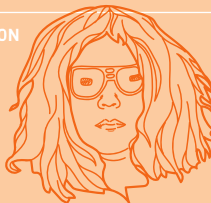
X UNIT CLONE

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

- X-Ray specs
- Long black hair

INTERESTS

- Stimu-wave chambers
- Deptford Mall
- Illicit quartz crystal use





EXTRACURRICULAR EXTRATERRESTRIALS
 Dr. Mitchell watches while Zontar and his time machine pilot consider blasting the class.

recently become a national TV talk show celebrity known as “The Underground Grammmarian.” We were lucky to get on his calendar.

Dr. Mitchell met us at our time machine, which we’d assembled on the lawn in front of Bunce Hall. Surrounded by a stand-in literature class, Dr. Mitchell graciously accepted Zontar’s gifts: the Gabba Gabba Wand (a metal pipe and light bulb), which would stop wars; and the Ball of Wisdom (a highway smudge pot painted silver), which would unveil the secrets of the universe.

The third gift was a *Venue*, which turned out to be a serious problem, since it created an infinite looping time paradox. The universe mobius-stripped...again...and again...

We finally wrapped photo production, edited stories, selected a hard-to-read font, finished page layouts, drove south to Charlie’s printer shack in Elmer to collate, cruised back into campus at the crack of dawn, and dropped silver and blue bundles in every building. It was our most ambitious project.

The “Future Issue” didn’t get the immediate reaction we’d hoped for, but that was okay (the same thing happened to *Blade Runner*). We blamed it on the font.

With the benefit of hindsight, I admit our tech and societal forecasts were off. Way. Off. And who could have predicted that *Venue* magazine and Glassboro State College would vaporize?

If only we’d mocked up a social network, drones, data mining and selfies. Glassboro might be today’s Palo Alto, and *Venue*’s rickety printing shack in Elmer would be a landmark on the Innovators Disruption Trail.

So when our time machine finally does work in the future, we’ll see about getting that all adjusted, okay? ■

Doug and his wife, Venue alum Susan King Kirby ’81, M’88, run RoadsideAmerica.com, a popular mobile app and website about quirky tourist attractions; Ken Smith ’80 is senior editor.

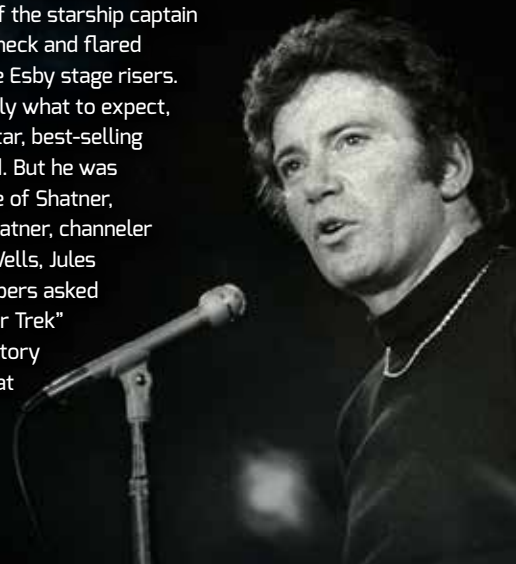
CAPTAIN KIRK’S HALLOWEEN IN ESBY

In 1976 William Shatner’s acting career was at its nadir: the original “Star Trek” TV series long canceled, he’d been consigned to TV guest spots and corporate gigs (example: spokesperson for Promise Margarine). Shatner seemed stranded, as if on the blasted surface of Ceti Alpha V.

“Star Trek” saved him. Captain Kirk still had a few flying kicks to deliver to the pop zeitgeist. “Trek’s” syndicated reruns found an audience, and Trekkie conventions spread. Shatner’s cult stature filled the Halloween night Esby Gym with students, seated cross-legged on the central floor like a space hippie sit-in.

It began with a screening of a 1966 “Trek” episode, and then suddenly the older version of the starship captain was standing there, in dark turtleneck and flared pants, struggling to jump onto the Esby stage risers.

The audience didn’t know exactly what to expect, and Shatner wasn’t yet a movie star, best-selling author, and spoken word rock god. But he was great. He delivered a spirited dose of Shatner, the Shakespearean orator, and Shatner, channeler of space travel passions of H.G. Wells, Jules Verne and Galileo. Audience members asked about the rumor of an actual “Star Trek” movie, and Bill was optimistic. History judged it as an epic stinker, but that second movie...**KHANNNNNN!**



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Becoming connected

Educator, speaker and author Spike Cook offers Twitter tips to help anyone get ahead by getting together

by Spike C. Cook '97,
M'99, D'09

Whether you're looking for an opportunity to learn and grow, you'd like to advance your career or simply connect with like-minded people throughout the world, being connected to others through technology and social media is critical. With the ease of an expert—and the zeal of an entrepreneur—educator, speaker and author Spike Cook offers a primer and tips everyone can use.

Adapted from an excerpt of Connected Leadership: It's Just a Click Away. Used with permission by SAGE Publications, Inc.

My first tweet (online Twitter message) was the quote from Siddhartha Gautama: “A thousand mile journey begins with one step.” It perfectly describes the journey of connected leaders establishing networks of camaraderie never seen before.

Embarking on a venture to become connected could challenge the establishment that has been in place for hundreds of years. Prior to social media, leaders connected at conferences, on the phone, by e-mail or at the local coffee shop. It's only been a few years, but the term “connection” has taken on a different context.

Although social networking is still in its infancy, there are already many trailblazers who cleared the path to guide the rest of us. They explored all of the social networks, and as of this publication, narrowed it down to a few communication preferences: Twitter, Facebook, Google+ and Pinterest. Perhaps the most efficient and widely acclaimed of these social networks is Twitter.

Getting started

Signing up for Twitter is easy and takes only a few minutes. To use Twitter requires a few simple steps. Users choose a “handle” or name that they use to identify themselves to others, then describe themselves in 140 characters or



fewer. When prospective associates view the profile of another user, they decide if it is a match for them, and vice versa. To complete the profile, users choose a profile picture.

Connection possibilities are endless with access to Twitter. Here are a few items to consider in the first few days:

- Have a secure password with numbers, characters and a combination of capital and lowercase letters;
- Follow as many leaders as possible;
- Download the Twitter app, if you have a smart phone, to have the learning opportunities at your fingertips.

Lurking and learning

In the beginning, adapting to social networking can be daunting. With access to thousands of leaders, professionals or even celebrities, the decision of who to follow—and when, where and why—comes with a set of additional questions.

“New users to social media must take time to lurk and learn. This means they should follow a few educators and hashtags to get an idea of the information that is flowing. This process could take weeks, months, or even years, but the most important part is that you become connected,” said Eric Sheninger, one of the most highly regarded Twitter experts for education.

During the lurk and learn phase, newly connected leaders have the ability to sharpen their learning by exploring information generated from respected leaders in their field through news sources, blog posts, conferences and podcasts. I suggest that you dedicate 10 minutes daily, three to four times a week for the first few months during this phase, which allows you to become exposed to a wide range of information. As you sift through this

information, you inevitably will find other resources.

In addition to following specific leaders, you will find an interconnected network of inspirational people who are sharing information through hashtags—a word or an unspaced phrase preceded by the number or pound sign (“#”). It is a form of metadata tag that helps people label or specify their learning.

For instance, if a principal wants to start hearing from and communicating with other principals, he or she can follow the hashtag #cpchat (connected principals chat). Following the #cpchat allows new users to not only “meet” more connected leaders, but also to start building their professional knowledge. By searching the #cpchat, they also can ask questions of fellow principals who may help by providing resources to explore, such as a blog or video. Every industry has hashtags and if you don’t find what you’re looking for, you can create one.

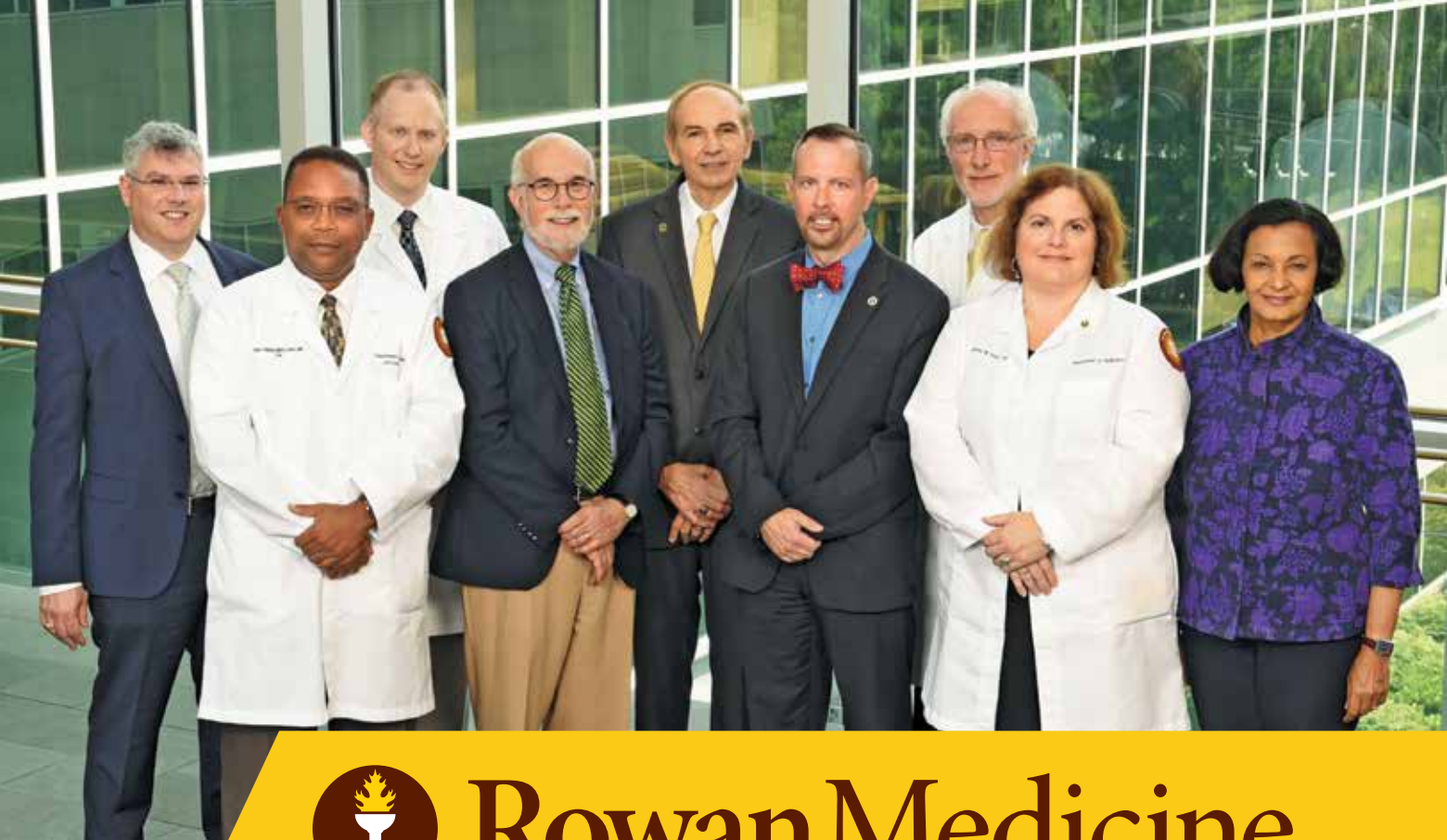
In addition to following specific hashtags and connected trailblazers, new users also benefit from following organizations. All of the major educational, business, policy, research and professional organizations have established a Twitter presence.

In short time and with little effort, connected leaders and professionals can model on-line behaviors and methods for others to emulate. Becoming connected can translate into a transformational experience that is not only personally rewarding, but one that makes a difference for individuals, organizations and communities. ■



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technology use with students and teachers. He has worked in higher education, middle and elementary schools. Along with Wisconsin principal Jessica Johnson, and Michigan principal Theresa Stager, he started the PrincipalPLN Podcast and blog to help school leaders. His blog, “Insights into Learning,” was nominated for the Best Administrator Blog by Edublogs in 2013 and 2015. He has presented at many local, state and national conferences. His books are available through Corwin Press: *Connected Leadership: It’s a Click Away* (2014), and *Breaking Out of Isolation: Becoming a Connected School Leader* (September 2015).



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class notes

60s

Richard "Rags" Klimek '63 was feted at a surprise 75th birthday party at Masso's Crystal Room in Glassboro. Attendees included **Mary Cocove Lamey '63, Richard Gaughan '63, Edgar Jeffers Jr '63, Edward Komczyk '63, M'70 and Marguerite Piazza Stubbs '63.** Richard received tributes from his sons, Mark and Andy Klimek, and Gaughan. He also received a copy of a papal blessing from

Pope Francis and two scrapbooks highlighting his life that included messages from his family and friends.

William H. Adams '65 retired in 2008 after 36 years as superintendent of schools in Salem County and formed W.H. Adams & Associates LLC. The firm conducts strategic visions for school districts and executive searches for educational leaders. Its clients include the

states of Rhode Island, Florida and Ohio, two Florida counties and Camden, Trenton, Montclair, Marlboro and Pemberton Township. His wife, Jo Ann, died in 2004 and he and his wife, Stacey, have two sons and four grandchildren. They live in Naples, Fla., but spend summers on Long Beach Island. They enjoy walking on the beach, riding bikes, kayaking and paddle boarding.



Class of '65 returns for reunion

Alumni guests of honor celebrating their 50th Commencement anniversary in May found a festive campus welcoming them back for socials, a tour and plenty of GSC nostalgia to share with friends.

BACK: Ronald Weisberger, Frank J. Esposito, Tim Bell, Jim Amari, David Tarr, Mary Bergerhuff, George Holston, Joe Alacqua, Bill Lange. MIDDLE: Marshall Behr, Alex Cooker, Marilyn Salmon, Sandra Henik Candito, Roni Wiernik, Gloria Cather, Spencer Schneider, Sally-Jo DeLussa, Maryann Resnik, Roseanne Endt. FRONT: Marilyn Gonya, Pauline Schneider, Mary Jane Smith, Emma Lou Sheikh, Ann Simpson, William Simpson, Rose Wakermen, Jim Wakermen.

James Amari '65 and **Loretta Phillips Amari '66** have been married for 47 years. They have two children and four grandchildren. He retired after 37 years as an English teacher, guidance counselor, vice principal and principal. He spends time with his grandchildren, travels, reads and works out. The Amaris live in Medford.

Mary Setzer Bargerhuff '65 retired after 43 years of elementary school teaching in Cherry Hill. When she retired, the mayor named the day in her honor. She and her husband, **Earle Bargerhuff '63**, married in 1973 and have two children and one grandchild. They live in Somerdale.

Marshall E. "Ted" Behr Jr. '65 retired after a career that included

teaching seventh and eighth grades, serving as a curriculum coordinator, supervisor of instruction and principal and ending with a 13-year tenure as a chief school administrator. His education career was interrupted in 1968 by two years in the Army. He also served as Linwood Education Association president and Atlantic County American Society of School Administrators president. He also was state American Legion commander and vice commander. He was a 23-year member of the Upper Township Zoning Board and served for many years in leadership roles with two churches. After retiring, he spent eight years as a Rutgers-trained master gardener for Ocean County and worked for a time at



Annual artists' assembly

1963 art alums gathered at Ross Beitzel's home to share fond memories at their yearly get-together.

FRONT: **Joan Kates, Merna Gould Fisher and Ross Beitzel.** Back: **Judith Crowley, Pam Ellis Laurenzi, Bob Bernabe, Joan Scholes McCarthy.**

a boat works in the Tuckerton Seaport. He lives in Egg Harbor City.

Tim Bell '65 retired after 40 years in Bellmawr as a teacher, principal and superintendent. Since retiring, he has served as an interim superintendent in Berlin/

Gibbsboro, Merchantville and Camden County Technical Schools. He has two daughters and four grandchildren. He lives in Marlton.

Stanley Booth '65 and his wife, **Jacqueline Wolf Booth '65**, married in 1966 and taught for a combined 65 years before retiring to Cocoa, Fla., in 2000. Stanley, who was a standout GSC basketball player under Coach Richard Wackar, scored his 1,000th point against Monmouth University. He taught math at Gloucester City High School and also coached football and bowling, refereed basketball and was the technical director for the school musicals. Before retiring in 2000, Jacqueline was selected as the South Jersey Teacher of the Year. The Booths have one child and two grandchildren. Since retiring they have traveled to the Caribbean, Alaska, Hawaii, the Panama Canal, Russia



SOM scholarship recipients say thanks

More than 120 students, families, alumni, donors and friends gathered in March for lunch and an opportunity for students to say thanks to their supporters. SOM donors provided more than \$150,000 to fund more than 50 Foundation and Alumni Association scholarships this academic year.

1. Bob Nagele, Kathleen Nagele, Shannon Nagele.
2. Michael Shertel, Josh Coren, Victoria Shertel '16.
3. John Galezniak DO '15, Christopher Frontario '16, Irene Michailides '16.



Golden Years alumni gather

Alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago returned to campus for a special reunion including breakfast at James Hall, a tour of the College of Education facilities and an opportunity to meet faculty, staff and students. At the luncheon, the Rowan University Alumni Association honored the 2015 Lifetime Service Award recipient, Bernard “Ben” Lynch ’53, M’67.

1. BACK: Richard Klimek ’63, Harriet Reardon Bailey ’60, M’66, Roberta Parker ’65, Norman Mayall ’63, M’67, Charles Pancoast ’63, M’68, Cyril Dunn ’62, Nancy Nester ’63, W. Ed Bouvier ’61, Joe Herrschaft ’60, M’79. MIDDLE: Carmen (Dolores) Alvarez-Crooks ’60, Mary Cocove Lamey ’63, M’83, Frances Ziegler Garrity ’64, Judith Emmons Bray ’60, Margaret (Penny) Haines ’60, Sandra Stammerjohann ’60, Marian Crosset DuBois ’60, Yvonne Tanger Hitzelberger ’62, Delia Settanni Fugaro ’62, Elaine Doherty Ansink ’60. FRONT: Sandra Gaines Butts ’64, Bobbi Furdyna Branco ’61, Margaret Kurschat Jackson ’63, Barbara Sheftall ’65, M’72, Robert Kirkbride ’62, M’66, John Gruccio ’61, M’65, M’73.

2. Riletta Twyne Cream ’48, Jane Cafarelli Hickman ’49, Florence Ritter Ferrarie ’45.

3. BACK: Lotta (Polhemus) Newman ’53 Dorothy Potter ’54, M’70, Anthony Razzano ’54, Harry Beaudet ’54, Janet Gibbins ’54, Bernard Lynch ’53, M’67. MIDDLE: Lois Polhemus Sandford ’50, Janet Saul Magliocco ’54, Barbara Buzbby Nathan ’53, Ruth Carroll Asselta ’54, Emily Sciarrotta Conti ’52. FRONT: Carol Casey Reichel ’52, Dolores B. Johnson ’51, Joan Haines Craven ’54, Diane Johnson Herrman ’53.

4. BACK: Joan Belaman Wooton ’59, Marjorie Hamilton Bill ’58, Louise Schaeffer Chinnici ’55, Joseph Chinnici ’55, M’64, Robert Wooton ’59, M’64, W. Robert Smith ’57, Robert Freno ’57, Helen Weidner Villec ’56. MIDDLE: Donald Farnelli ’59, Joyce Hoffman Cooper ’58, M’59, Martha Swain Norbury ’58, Alberta Binaghi Hornyak ’58, Dolores Harris ’52, Priscilla Riegel Flynn ’57, Caroline Freno ’57, Charles F. Valentine ’56. FRONT: Janet Thornton Bussom ’56, Joan Michael ’56, Marion Loew Moore ’58, JoAnn Perrino Razzano ’56, Constance Moncrief Mazzola ’56, Patricia Wright Ogle ’55.



Rohrer MBA Wine & Unwind

MBA graduates from the Class of 2015 took time out of Commencement Week to network with Rohrer College of Business alumni, faculty and staff at Heritage Vineyards in Mullica Hill.

1. Leigha Bannon '14 and Deandra Turchi '13, M'15.
2. Joe DelVecchio M'14 and Melissa Schipke M'14.
3. Danielle Doherty '10, M'15 and Solomon Feraidoon '13, M'15.



and to Baltic and Mediterranean countries.

Sandra Henik Candito '65 and her husband, Frank, have three children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Both are retired school administrators. They have traveled throughout Europe, Africa and the U.S. and still enjoy skiing and golf. They live in East Islip, N.Y.,

and have a second home in Naples, Fla.

Gloria Trauth Cather '65 retired in 2010 from the Fairfax, Va., County Public Schools where she was a web master and a technology resource person. She and her husband have one child and three grandchildren. Gloria is a volunteer reading tutor to elementary students and a substitute teacher. She

plays bridge, participates in water aerobics and researches Virginia history. The Cathers live in Herndon, Pa.

John J. Collins '65 taught junior high school for 26 years before retiring at age 49. He has spent time hiking in different Western states and enjoys the winter in Mexico. He is a guardian for several children

in various countries through Unbound, which provides underprivileged children with food, clothing, education and health care.

Alexander Cooker '65 joined the Army in April 1966 and was commissioned a second lieutenant in February 1967. He served one year in Vietnam as a platoon leader with the 4th Infantry Division and was discharged in February 1969. He retired in 1999 after 30 years at Penns Grove High School teaching various science classes. He and his wife have traveled around the U.S. and to several European countries. They live in Carneys Point.

Ruthann Craig '65 taught first grade in Hopewell Township for 37 of the 38 years she worked there. Her final assignment was the fifth grade



Rowan Alumni in Florida

President Houshmand and College of Education Dean Monika Shealey headed south for Spring Break to visit alumni in central Florida at The Villages.

1. Terry Halter '68, Dean Monika Shealey and Joan McGowan Halter '67.
2. L. Jack Casto '67, M'71 and Linda Calabrese Casto '71.

where she taught some of her favorite subjects, the solar system, world explorers and literature. She lives in Greenwich.

Sally-Jo Delph DeLussa '65, M'67 was working as a graduate assistant in the GSC public relations office during the 1967 Summit. That experience helped her when she established the public relations office at Cumberland County College before moving to Trenton as the first woman on NJEA's professional staff. She left that post to raise a family while handling freelance public relations work and adjunct positions at both GSC and Stockton. She returned to full-time status as a high school English teacher and then as the high school librarian. She and her husband are retired and living in Ocean City. They have two children and two grandchildren. Their travels have included sailing the Nile and a Tanzania safari.

Edwin C. Ecketson '65 was a teacher and principal in Somers Point and retired after 35 years. He has three children and seven grandchildren and spends some time in Florida.

Rosann Moschella Endt '65 retired in 2000 as principal of Audubon's Haviland Avenue Elementary School. When she was a vice principal, she also served as K-12 basic skills coordinator. She founded an adult

community education program that included the first after school child care in the area. She and her husband, Ken, have been married for 49 years and have two children and two grandchildren.

Frank Esposito '65, who earned a doctorate in American history from Rutgers University, is a distinguished professor of history and education at Kean University where he has been since 1976. He has served as the university's dean of education, founding dean of Weiss Graduate College and interim president twice. He also led the school choice and charter school initiatives in the Kean and Whitman administrations and had the primary responsibility for drafting the Charter School Act of 1995. He is the author or co-author of eight books and over 100 newspaper and academic journal articles. He and his wife, **Sherry Smith Esposito '68**, have two children and three grandchildren. Sherry is a retired high school and intermediate school teacher. They live in Ocean Township.

Carolynn Davidson Foley '65 has moved a lot during her husband's 30-year Army career. During his first tour in Vietnam, she taught in the elementary school from which she had graduated. When he was stationed in Massachusetts, she earned a master's degree in counseling. During

several years in the Washington, D.C., area she was an elementary school counselor and earned a certificate in family counseling. Carolyn is a U.S. Masters Swimmer participant and was involved in the YMCA nationals in May. She and her husband, Bill, have been married for 50 years and have three children and seven grandchildren. They live in Annapolis, Md.

Marilyn Gonyo '65 was a professor and director of a graduate program in special education at Georgian Court College in Lakewood and very involved with many state and national professional organizations. Dr. Gonyo has received several honors and awards, including the Distinguished Service

Award from the Graduate School of Education at Rutgers University. In retirement, she is learning to play golf.

Dolores Greenig Hiles '65, M'81 taught elementary school and was guidance counselor in Medford. She and her husband, Rick, have been married for 50 years and have two children and three grandchildren. After retiring in 1998, she and her husband traveled in an RV and visited many national parks. They have also visited Ireland, France, Switzerland and Italy. They live in Powhatan, Va.

Spencer Holland '65 retired in 2005 after 37 years teaching from the primary to doctoral student levels, the last 20



Ultimate reunion fun

Ultimate Frisbee players from the '79 and '80 GSC national championship teams and players through 1984 reunited at the Robinsville Field House. After having so much fun, they're already planning another get-together. Contact Dan Vernon for info: dvernon324@verizon.net on the next gathering.

FROM LEFT, BOTTOM: Kevin Harper '77, Marge Vernon '85, Dan Vernon '85, John Hodkiewicz '79. KNEELING: Jim Grever '84, Kathy Pison Hankins '81, Janice Lawless '83, Tim Lawless, Mike Butler '84, Dave Perrine '84, Dave Sebra '83, Frank Bono. STANDING: Kevin Walsh '83, Cindy Butler '85, Peter Cacuzza, Betsy Storey-Bono '81, Barb Lawless '80, Brian Eckert '81, Janice McCoach '80, George Prickett, Craig Skerpac '82, Mike Szabo.



Welcome, baby Mongeluzo

Anthony Mongeluzo '02 and his wife, Shelly, welcomed Ally on Thanksgiving 2014. See note, p. 56.

focusing on the education of African American boys in urban school systems. He earned two master's degrees and a doctorate from Columbia University. He volunteers with the AARP Experience Corps as a tutor/teacher aide in first grade classes. He is married and has lived in Washington, D.C., since 1976.

George Holston '65 and his wife, Dolores, celebrated 50 years of marriage in 2012 by taking their three children and their families on a nine-day Caribbean cruise. They live in Collingswood.

William Lange '65 taught math and was a math department chairman for 34 years, 32 at Woodstown High School. He also coached tennis and basketball and was

inducted into the South Jersey Coaches Association of Boys Athletics Hall of Fame. He and his wife, Peggy, have been married for 45 years. They live in Clarksboro.

Barbara Sculerati Lintus '65 retired in 2012 after 37 years in the Toms River school system. Her husband, **William Lintus '65**, died in 2011. She has one child and one grandchild. She lived in Seaside Park and is back in her house, which was damaged by Hurricane Sandy.

Florence Hillman Meyer '65 married her husband, Steven, on New Year's Eve in 1965. During his years in the Army, they lived in Germany, South Carolina and Virginia. They moved to Woodbury and bought a house when Steve was assigned a tour in Korea.

They have three children and two grandchildren. Florence is retired from the Woodbury Public Library where she worked for nearly 33 years.

Benjamin G. Pulcrano '65 has been an instructor at Georgian Court University for the past 20 years. He was inducted into the Lakewood Alumni Association Hall of Fame and is a member of the Alpha Delta Zeta chapter of Phi Alpha Theta International History Honor Society. He has written 10 local history manuscripts. His wife, **Sharon Gant Pulcrano '65**, retired from teaching to become a family caregiver. She has worked in the auction business and has served as an assistant appraiser. She is actively involved in researching and collecting antiques. They live in Brick Township.

MaryAnn Rogler Resnik '65 and her husband, Mike, have been married for 50 years. They have two children and five grandchildren. She taught for 25 years and retired in 2000. The Resniks live in Mantoloking.

Marilyn Groninger Salmon '65 retired in 1994 after teaching English for 25 years, mostly in grades seven and eight. She and her husband have been married for 50 years and have two children and 12 grandchildren. They live in Bridgeton.

Pauline Boykin Schneider '65 earned a master's degree in urban studies from Howard University and a law degree at Yale. She is a special counsel at Ballard Spahr LLP in Washington, D.C., and has worked at several law firms, the White House and in the District of Columbia government. Before attending law school, she worked for a Washington, D.C., organization focused on urban problems. She has served on the boards of many nonprofits, including the Rowan Foundation. She has served on the American Bar Association's Board of Governors and House of Delegates and has chaired several association committees. As a participant in the law school accreditation process, she has inspected American law school summer programs in various countries.



Wine mixer educates grads' palates

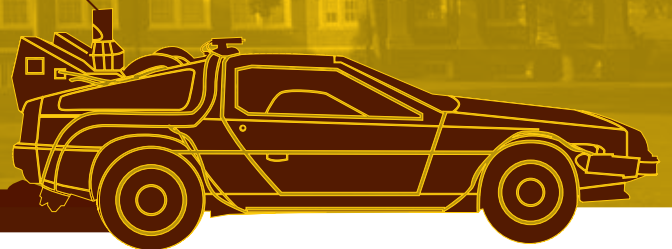
Alumni and friends enjoyed a night of networking, prizes and wine tasting in the Lillian Lodge Kopenhaver Center for Alumni Engagement.

1. Elizabeth Regan-Butts, Garret Jones, Ethel Jones '92, M'12, Leslie West Witcher '95, Angie Pollard '96.
2. Nancy Ott '71, Mary Guglielmo '80, Frank Guglielmo and Edward Ott '72.
3. Kaitlin Adolf '14, Rachel White '14 and Steven Giambrone '14.



BACK TO THE FUTURE

ROWAN UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING 2015



FRIDAY 10/16

Homecoming Block Party

Friday 10/16 | 5 P.M.
Barnes & Noble Green,
Rowan Boulevard

College of Education Mix and Mingle

Friday 10/16 | 5 P.M.
James Hall

New Rowan University Art Gallery Open House

Friday 10/16 | 6 P.M.
6 E. High St.

Field Hockey Alumni Night

Friday 10/16 | 7 P.M.
Wackar Stadium

SATURDAY 10/17

Homecoming Parade

Saturday 10/17 | 10 A.M.
Parking Lot D

Homecoming Tailgate

Saturday 10/17 | 11 A.M.
Parking Lot D

ALUMNI TENT

Saturday 10/17 | 11 A.M.
Parking Lot C

ATHLETICS ALUMNI TENT

Saturday 10/17 | 11 A.M.
Parking Lot C

College Corner

Saturday 10/17 | 11 A.M.
Bowe Blvd. & Carpenter St.

Beer Garden

Saturday 10/17 | 11 A.M.
Wackar Stadium

Homecoming Football Game

Saturday 10/17 | 2 P.M.
Wackar Stadium

Latino Alumni Reunion

Saturday 10/17 | 6 P.M.
Alumni Engagement Center

Annual Step Show

Saturday 10/17 | 7 P.M.
Pfleeger Hall

SUNDAY 10/18

Music Alumni Concert and Reception

Sunday 10/18 | Time TBD

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For more information or to register for events, please visit alumni.rowan.edu/homecoming



McMenamin wedding

Jonathan McMenamin '04 and Kelly Horton McMenamin '07 married last August with Rowan attendants for bride and groom. See note, p. 56.

Her travels have taken her to Australia, China, Thailand, Indonesia, France, England, Greece, Spain, Malta, South Africa, Kenya, India, Russia, Austria, Chile, Brazil, Spain and Morocco. She has two children and three grandchildren.

Anna Marie Sweeten Simpson '65 and her husband, **William J. Simpson '65, M'67**, have two children and five grandchildren. After teaching for several years, William worked for the Camden County Board of Social Services. Anna Marie taught elementary school for 32 years. They have a summer home on Long Beach Island and have traveled to Europe, Central and South America and much of the U.S. They live in Voorhees Township.

Mary Jane Berringer Smith '65 retired as a middle school and elementary school guidance counselor. Previously, she worked in the GSC housing department. She and her husband have three children and two grandchildren. They live in Williamstown.

Regina Coda Sutton '65 is semiretired, working as a consultant to Verizon Wireless where she conducts studies on wireless phone services and applications. She also volunteers at the Minute Man National Historical Park in Concord, Mass. Over the last few years, she has been researching her family history, which dates back to the early 1600s, and combining the data and photos into a book. She enjoys knitting and photography and is learning to weave. She lives in Lexington, Mass.

David Tarr '65 is a consultant and former lead economist with the World Bank. Dr. Tarr has worked in 30 countries providing advice on a wide range of trade policy issues and presented seminars in about 20 additional countries. He wrote the Trade Policy Strategic Action Plan for 2013-2017, which was adopted by the ministers of the 10-nation Central Asian Regional Economic Cooperation. He has written more than 60 refereed journal articles, written or edited 14 books or monographs and over 100 other professional papers. Dr. Tarr, who was a 1998 Rowan University Distinguished Alumnus, is a former top-ranked tennis player in Virginia in the 50-and-over age group. He has two children and two grandchildren and lives in Falls Church, Va.

Kenneth Thompson '65 retired in 1997 from Wall Intermediate School. One of his two children, Cynthia Thompson '94, teaches at that same school.

Margaret DeFrehn Thompson '65, M'77 retired after 30 years as a teacher and a learning disabilities teacher/consultant on the child study team in Wildwood Crest. She is a Sunday school teacher, deaconess, chair of membership committee, pastoral search committee and organizer of her church's first pictorial directory. She and her husband, Ken, enjoy traveling and have visited Mt. Katahdin in Maine, the Matterhorn in Switzerland, Mt. McKinley in Alaska and the fjords of Norway. They live in Cape May Court House.



Phillies fans from the 'Boro
Citizens Bank Park welcomed GSC/Rowan alumni for the Phils' outing against the Rockies in May. Grads and friends enjoyed the game and more.

1. Gene Miller '78, M'97, Thomas Hagen '78, William Alvaro M'98 and Michael Riggs '78.
2. Brian Kanady '08, Jessica Ortuso Kanady '08, M'15 and Stephanie Ackerman '12, M'15.
3. Becky Norton Woods '05.



James Wakemen '65 and his wife, **Rose Pepe Wakemen '65**, celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this year. They have two children and three grandchildren. James taught math in Cherry Hill for 38 years where he coached basketball for 25 seasons. He has been a high school track coach and football and track official for 40 years, Rose taught for five years then worked in industry, retiring from CSC in Moorestown. She is active politically as a county committee member. The Wakemens have visited eight European countries and half of the U.S., including Alaska and Hawaii. James also takes part in car road rallies with the Sports Car Club of America. They live in Turnersville.

Donna Seldner Lawrence, Valerie Erb Oakland, Pat Schanck Doerler, Ann Molinari Egan, and Elizabeth Ritchie, all '66, convened at Donna's tiki bar in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., to celebrate their 70th birthdays.

Carol Weiner Wilder '69 and **Ellen Rubin '69** met in April for a roommate reunion in Boca Raton, Fla.

70s

Roy Law '70 and **Barbara VanLangen Law '71** retired from teaching. Barbara is a travel agent and the Laws have periodically run an inn on St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands. They have four grandchildren. They spend summers in Longport, where they have lived for the past 19 years.

Deborah Steward Emley '73 is a library assistant at Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, Ga., and plans to retire in another year. She and her husband have four grandchildren.

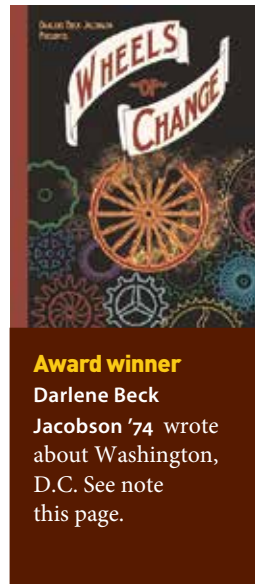
Jim Simmons '73 retired after 42 years as an educator, the last 34 as a counselor.

Darlene Beck Jacobson '74 won a 2015 Notable Tradebooks for Social Studies Award from the National Council of Social Studies for her first book, *Wheels of Change* (Creston Books), a middle grade historical tale about life in early 20th century Washington, D.C. The list of books that receive this award is assembled in cooperation with the Children's Book Council.



Greg Moore '75 and his wife, Elyse, have developed an interactive emotional regulation program based on the work of Dr. Steven Stosny, a clinical psychologist and author of several books on anger management. The couple's program aims to help people who struggle with anger, depression and anxiety.

Russell Altersitz '76 heads the Office of Education Data in the Performance Division of the New Jersey Department of Education. He is responsible for the NJ SMART data collection and reporting system, the Public School District Performance reports and ensuring that New Jersey accurately reports education data to the federal government.



Award winner

Darlene Beck Jacobson '74 wrote about Washington, D.C. See note this page.



Basketball teams hold court

The GSC/Rowan Athletics community welcomed basketball alumni back to Esby Gym in February, with each team member introduced by professional sports announcer Dan Baker '68 during the halftime ceremony. Coach Richard Wackar visited the festivities and Ben Lynch '53, M'67 was the most senior team member among the 66 men (some in the photo above) attending the game and reception.



Brian Temple '77, M'81 wrote the nonfiction book, *Philadelphia Quakers and the Antislavery Movement*. It is published by McFarland, which also published his other nonfiction book, *The Union Prison at Fort Delaware*. He and his wife have two children, one a Rowan student. They live in Gibbstown.

Kurt Schaffenberger, co-authored with Kathy Voglesong. He was a pop culture columnist for the *Asbury Park Press* for years, where he interviewed many movie stars, comic book artists and horror TV show hosts.

Susan Andrews '81 is the dyslexia specialist for the Rockaway Township School District. She is also an adjunct faculty member at Fairleigh Dickinson University's Center for Dyslexia Studies. She lives in Denville.

Joseph Gallo '81, a Hoboken-based playwright, whose one-man show, "My Italy Story," ran off-Broadway, has been performing his new solo show, "Long Gone Daddy," to raise funds for Hoboken's Mile Square Theater. The play is about his adventures as a stay-at-home dad

raising his firstborn daughter in a Hoboken apartment. Gallo's full-length plays include "Two-Man Kidnapping Rule," "Warning: Adult Content" and "Staten Island." Other solo shows include "Whizzy" and "The Jealousy Piece." Gallo is also coordinator of Hudson County Community College's theater arts program, which he helped establish. In a newspaper interview, Gallo praised Toni Libro, former Rowan professor and dean, for encouraging him in her creative writing class.

David Gabriel Geist '81, M'82, the senior pastor at St. Mary's Church in Santa Monica, Calif., celebrated his 30th year as an ordained minister and writer.

Michael Gaimari '83 is chief of police in Bridgeton. Before being appointed chief, Gaimari had been a captain for three years. He has served in the department for 27 years.

Joanne Kaiser-Smith DO'84 is the associate dean for graduate medical education at Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine. She has served as assistant dean for graduate medical education since 2010, and is an associate professor in the department of medicine at SOM.

Todd Schachter DO'84 received the 2015

80s

Mark Voglesong '80, using the name Mark Voger, has written *Monster Mash: The Creepy, Kooky Monster Craze in America 1957-1972*, a new book published by TwoMorrrows Publishing. His earlier books were *The Dark Age: Grim, Great & Gimmicky Post-Modern Comics*, and *Hero Gets Girl! The Life and Times of*

Tour the Shore at Cape May Brewing Co.

Alumni kicked off summer with a stop in Cape May for a brewery tour, samples and giveaways.

1. Kamali Brooks '03, Suzanne Smalley Beers '02, Cristin Kastner Farney '02, M'03.
2. Desiree Hamilton, Matthew Hamilton '03, Joe Gallagher '03 and Dana Kelly.



Comedy Night warms up a cold winter evening

Hosted by Rowan's very own Dena Blizzard '94, the 12th Annual Rowan Alumni Comedy Night left more than 200 alumni and guests in stitches. Grads who were game for a little extra fun took to the stage with Dena and then enjoyed comedians Julia Scotti, Kevin Downey Jr., and Johnny Lampert with a sell-out crowd.

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'07 grads marry

Hillary Blum and Bryan Sculthorpe tied the knot in September with Rowan grads in the wedding party. See note page 58.

SOM Distinguished Alumni Award at the commencement ceremony in May. He is the immediate past president of the New Jersey Association of Physicians and Surgeons and Alumni Association past president and board member emeritus for SOM. He received this honor in recognition of his tremendous leadership with the New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, the New Jersey Osteopathic Education Foundation, the SOM Alumni

Association and his unwavering support of the Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine.



Michael Wood '84 is director of internal communications at American Water in Voorhees. He is responsible for strategic counsel to the senior leadership team and communication with 7,000 employees across the U.S.

Mark Myslinski '85 who changed his name to Matthias while in the

entertainment industry, was ordained as a Catholic priest in June and is serving at St. Patrick's Church in the Borough of Brooklyn in New York City. Father Matthias' decision to enter the priesthood began when he became a parishioner of Immaculate Conception Church in New York City. Volunteer work as a parish catechist at that church and summer assignments at two other churches helped confirm his decision. He studied philosophy at the Cathedral House of

Formation in New York City before going to Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary in Weston, Mass., a seminary for men between 30 and 60, where he earned a master's degree in divinity. He served as a deacon at St. Stephen Church in Framingham, Mass. Previously, he worked in radio and television, graphic design and acting.

Michael Cesaro '89 is governmental services department managing partner at Bowman & Co., South Jersey's largest accounting firm and the 14th largest in the Philadelphia region. Previously, Cesaro chaired the department, which serves county and local government, school districts, federal and state financial assistance programs and nonprofit organizations. He joined Bowman in 1989 and became a partner in 2005. He is licensed as a certified public accountant, registered municipal accountant and public school accountant. He is also a certified municipal finance officer.

Nicole Karagula Zulawski '89 retired from the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office as a detective after 25 years. Retirement plans include traveling with her husband, John.



Communication family thanks Ned Eckhardt

Alumni, faculty and staff honored their longtime TV professor and mentor with a retirement dinner in April that reunited grads from several decades. Proceeds from the evening and friends' donations established the Ned Eckhardt Television Production Scholarship.

1. Charles Ozuna '06, Cara Angelucci Rodgers '05, Ned Eckhardt, Andrea Puszczkowski '05, Brian Bordieri '05.
2. Scholarship recipient Lauren Rauffer '16, Ned Eckhardt.
3. Ed Glavin '85, Tara DiLullo Bennett '94, Carl Frandino, Tommy Rosa '85, Julie Haynes, Ned Eckhardt, Diana Nicolae, Keith Gale '90, Keith Brand, Joseph Truncala '89.



Alumni provide “Sips & Tips” at Bus Stop Cafe

Coordinated by the Student Alumni Association, a panel of alumni shared their experiences with more than 50 students.

FROM LEFT: Kelly Barb '13, Kerwyn Velasco '08, John Trussell '05, Autumn Gondecki '05 (hidden), Jessica Kanady '08, M'15 and Jon Vogel '11.

90s

Paul Petruccelli '90, who heads the Digital Output Centers at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, was chosen by Hewlett-Packard as one of their “Success Story Case Studies,” an article on the achievements Paul and Pratt’s facility have made using HP equipment. Over the past nine years, Paul built the largest noncommercial, large-format print facility in New York City. The article cites him for designing and building new, effective print workflows for fine art printing as well as technical output, architectural printing and printing original designs on fabric. His students have won design awards in each of the past three years. He is also involved in 3D printing and has already had one jewelry design major win an award in the 3D output lab’s first year.



Sandra Mozee-Smith '90 is corporate director

of internal audit and compliance at Kennedy Health, which has hospital campuses in Cherry Hill, Stratford and Washington Township.

Rich Bostwick '92, former Rowan cross country and track & field standout, was inducted into the Gloucester County Sports Hall of Fame. In cross country, he was a three-time New Jersey Athletic Conference champion. His 1988 performance in the NCAA Mideast Regional broke the meet and course records. In track and field, Bostwick was the 1991 NJAC champion in the 3000 meter steeplechase and the 5000 meters. He was also a state champion in 1988; a three-time NCAA qualifier, twice in the steeplechase and once in the 10,000 meters; an All-American in the steeplechase in 1989 and in the 10,000 meters in 1990 and took first in the 10,000 meters at the 1991 Collegiate Track Conference

Championships. He was a Rowan assistant cross country coach from 2002-08 and was inducted into the Rowan-Glassboro State Athletic Hall of Fame in 2005.

Oskar Castro '92 is a research analyst for Local 32BJ of the Service Employees International Union.

Colleen Farley Shute '93, M'96 was named Teacher of the Year at Chews Elementary School in Gloucester Township.



William Castner '95 of the Gibbons P.C. law firm

in Newark was named to the 2015 *NJBIZ* Power 50 Health Care list. A former counsel to the New Jersey governor, he represents organizations such as Verizon New



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Honoring the MLK legacy, inspiring action

Rowan held its 29th annual Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial with best-selling author and cultural critic Michael Eric Dyson as keynote speaker at the scholarship breakfast.

- 1. Michael Eric Dyson.
- 2. President and Mrs. Houshmand amid the audience.
- 3. Douglas Mapp, Michael Erik Dyson, Charllene Mapp, Omarey Williams '07.



Congrats, Katie and Michael

Katie Zyskowski Jahoda '08 and Michael Jahoda '05 married last fall. See note, p. 58.

Jersey, Rowan, and the state Senate in various practice areas, including litigation, regulatory affairs, corporate compliance and ethics.

Richard Beckman '96, M'03 earned a doctorate in music education at Rutgers University. His dissertation centered on the use of vocalization methods while teaching band instruments. He teaches in Cherry Hill.

Col. Lisa Hou DO'96 is the state surgeon for the New Jersey Army National Guard Medical Command at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. She has served in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Jodi Lennon M'96 received the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials' 2015 Distinguished Service Award for 21 years of

exemplary service as the Riverside School District business administrator and board secretary (photo, p. 54.) As part of the award, Lennon presented a \$1,000 NJASBO scholarship to a Riverside student. She has chaired the NJASBO editorial review committee and served as secretary and treasurer for the association's Burlington County affiliate. She is treasurer of the Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund and an Association of School Business Officials International member. She lives in Medford with her husband and one child.

David C. Mason DO'96 is on the Board of Governors of the American Academy of Osteopathy. He serves as chair for the department

of osteopathic manipulative medicine at the UNT Health Science Center Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth, where he is also an associate professor.

Frank Sinatra '96 hosts "Scary Bad Movies," a new program on Channel 19, Pennsauken Television. The show, in homage to programs such as "Saturday Night Dead" and "Svengoolie," features public domain horror films and also highlights local community events.

Ryan Wachter '04 is the show's co host and producer. Sinatra is also director of public relations for Pennsauken Township and editor of *All Around Pennsauken*, the Township's monthly newspaper.



Bill Cowen '97, M'99, a professor and public

relations program director at Villanova University, earned a doctorate in education at the University of New England. His was the first degree awarded from the new program in UNE's College of Arts and Sciences. Cowen is also the owner and founding president of Meterspective Communications LLC, an award-winning, full-service boutique public relations agency headquartered in Philadelphia.

Christine Thiede Fisher '97 and her husband are in Stuttgart, Germany, where he is employed. She volunteers at the USO. They are looking forward to traveling around Europe.



Friendly competition for Prof Sweethearts

The Prof Sweethearts Game, hosted by professor Ed Streb, featured alumni couples, aka "Prof Sweethearts", competing before an alumni audience at the Kopenhaver Center for Alumni Engagement to see which couple knew each other best.

1. Lewis Bivona '13 and Brooke Golden Bivona '13.
2. Colleen Stone Weaver '94 and Dennis Weaver '90.
3. Profs Sweethearts winners Chris Delia '11, M'12 and Lindsay Petros '11.

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Lennon's distinguished service

Jodi Lennon M'96 was one of six recipients of a statewide award presented by officials Frank Ceurvels and John F. Donahue. See note page 52.

Moira Benton Larrea '97 married Anthony Larrea in June after a 21-year friendship that began at Rowan in 1994. Earlier in the year, she earned a master's degree from Ashford University.

Angela McKinsey Brown '98 received the 2015 Winslow Township Public Service Award. She is the executive director of community engagement and strategic partnerships at Perfecting Ministries, where she oversees all marketing communication, media, government and community outreach. She is a contributing writer to the "Heart of a Woman" blog and guest host of WGTW-TV's "Joy in Our Town." She serves on the Winslow Township Economic Development Council, the City of

Philadelphia Mayor's Commission on Aging and the Urban Affairs Coalition Community & Economic Development Committee.

Stephen J. Vetrano DO'98 has been named the recipient of the Robert D. Aranosian, D.O., FACOEP – Excellence in Emergency Medical Services Award by the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians. The award recognizes outstanding physicians in the field of emergency medicine who are known for their life-long devotion to EMS.



Melinda Morrison '99 earned a master's degree in social work at the University of Texas at Arlington.

00s

Courtney Cifaloglio '00 earned Senior Certified Professional status from the Society of Human Resource Management.

Joseph E. Herrera DO'00 was appointed the chair of Rehabilitation Medicine at Mount Sinai Beth Israel. In addition to his new role, Dr. Herrera will remain the program director of both the Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Residency Training Program and the Sports Medicine and Interventional Spine Fellowship Program.

Amol Shah '00 is vice president, software development and data management/BI at WOW! Internet, Cable & Phone.

Crystal Cream '01 earned a master's degree in public administration and has begun work on a doctorate.

David Gealt DO'01 was named a Fellow of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine at the annual sports medicine convention.

Jeff Byorick M'02, a senior electrical project engineer in the Mount Laurel office of Gannett Fleming, was named one of *Consulting-Specifying Engineer* magazine's 2015 "40 Under 40 Award"



North Jersey networking

The Alumni Association visited Morristown for a special North Jersey happy hour hosted by Andy McLaughlin '91, M'94.

1. Melissa Bass '07 and Edward Lucas '07.
2. Paul Dodge '84 and Peter Reilly '84.
3. Jeffery Anderson '64, M'69, Jane Anderson, Sandra Kopcha and Daniel Kopcha '64.





President's Forum fetes friends

President and Mrs. Houshmand hosted our largest gathering of President's Forum friends at The Mansion on Main Street in Voorhees this spring. The reception brings together alumni, corporate and foundation allies and regional leaders to celebrate Rowan successes and to inspire support for more ambitious achievements.

- 1. Senator Fred Madden '80, Rhonda Holland '72, and Thomas Holland M'79.
- 2. Connie Lisa '70 and Tony Lisa '75, M'78
- 3. Gus Bader '68 and Janice Bader '68, M'79.
- 4. Dean Micciche '91, Todd Schachter, DO '84, and Jay Stiefel, DO '86.
- 5. Paul Hilton '83, Angeliqe Hilton '15, Rick Williams, Erica Ortiz '99, M'04 and Tony Rivera '94.
- 6. Joe Bottazzi '80, Rowan University Foundation Board Chair.
- 7. Barbara Chamberlain '88 and Chrissy Buteas '04.
- 8. Farah Houshmand, President Houshmand, Board of Trustees Chairman Linda Rohrer, David Burgin '82, M'02, and Brighid Burgin '12.



Intagliata nuptials

Keri Lyn Humen '07 and Anthony Intagliata tied the knot. See note, this page.

recipients. The award recognizes those under 40 who stand out in their academic, professional and personal lives and who demonstrate responsiveness to clients and commitment to quality. Gannett Fleming, a global firm with 65 offices worldwide, provides planning, design, technology, and construction management services. Byorick handles safety issues and designs communications systems as well as power and lighting systems for roadways, parking lots, toll plazas and railroad stations. He lives in Williamstown.

Anthony Mongeluzo '02 and his wife, Shelly, announce the birth of Ally on Thanksgiving 2014. Anthony is president and CEO of

PCS, an IT firm based in Moorestown. He is a regular contributor to technology coverage on Fox 29. See photo, p. 44.

Karen Greenberg DO'03 has been named a co-recipient of the Practice Innovation Award by the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians. The award recognizes innovative practices in emergency medicine that can be used profession-wide to provide better care to patients.

Jamie Ginn '04 is a marketing and business development manager at PolyAd Services LLC, a global plastic additives business. A published author, she has a decade of scientific and commercial development experience with major organizations.

Jonathan McMenamín '04 and **Kelly Horton McMenamín '07** married in Dennisport, Mass. on Aug. 9, 2014 (photo, p. 46). The wedding party included **Cory Lieber '05**, **Adam Liszkiewicz '04**, **Steve Partesi '05**, **Kristen Doyle '06**, **Sarah Angus '06** and **Tara Roe '07**.

Jonathan runs an online business; J&J Coffees (www.jjcoffees.com).

Tony Racioppi '04 was an instructor at the prestigious Manning Passing Academy in Louisiana in July. Only the top 35 coaches in the country are selected and invited. Racioppi was a two-time All-American Quarterback and NCAA player of the year runner up for the Profs. He is ranked in the top 25 passers in NCAA history.

Brian Sokolasky DO'05 was named a Fellow

of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine at the annual sports medicine convention.

Brian Pinto '06, M'08 and his wife, Kristin, announce the April 16 birth of Rylee (photo, p. 58).

Patrice Martin Robinson '06 and **Stephen Robinson '06** announce the March 17 birth of Laila.

Jade Cooper '07, using the pen name Loren Techie, has created a blog for women in technology at a new website called MS. I.T. The link is www.cjaka07.com. It's also located in MS It in Facebook and @techdiva15 for Twitter.

Keri Lyn Humen Intagliata '07 married Anthony Intagliata on Sept. 6, 2014, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Alumni gather in state capital

Now in its third year, the Rowan Alumni in Trenton networking event brought together grads at Rho Restaurant on the waterfront.

1. Jennifer Holdsworth '03, Jennifer Cioe Ekstrom '04, Christine Davis '04.
2. Ismael Rivera '10, Christopher Jones '96, Scott Janney.
3. Hilary Beckett '13, Chrissy Buteas '04, Assemblyman Whip Wilson '79, Bill Moen '09.



Hollybush

S O C I E T Y



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Welcome, baby Pinto

Proud dad Brian and Rylee. See note, page 56.

Parish in Galloway Township. Keri Lyn is an organization development professional at Dun & Bradstreet. Anthony is an Adco Corp electrician.

John Neidecker DO'07 was named a Fellow of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine at the annual sports medicine convention.

Hillary Blum Sculthorpe '07 and **Bryan Sculthorpe '07** were married at Jack's Barn in Oxford, in September (photo, p. 50). The bridal party included **Jamie "Will" Clark '07**, **Rachel "Ramie"**

Cullen '07 and **Amy Recine '08**. Hillary is manager of internal communications for Wyndham Hotel Group. Bryan owns Yardsale Press LLC and is a screen printer for TDT Screen Printing.

Katie Zyskowski Jahoda '08 (Delta Phi Epsilon) and **Michael Jahoda '05** (Tau Kappa Epsilon) married in August 2014 at St. Leo the Great Church in Lincroft (photo, p. 52).

Jessica Humphrey Cintineo '09 is an assistant editor at a community newspaper group in Bergen County and also a representative of Ava

Anderson Non-Toxic, a nontoxic and organic personal, beauty and home line for women, men, babies and pets (AvaAndersonNonToxic.com/ *JessicaCintineo*).

Gregory Ganley '09 and **Crystal Whitely Ganley '09** married on April 4.



Ellen Mauk Higgins M'09 is national president of

the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Through volunteerism and charitable works, the group's members, who can prove a direct lineal descent to a Civil War veteran, honor past and

present veterans. Ellen, who teaches math at the Atlantic County Institute of Technology in Mays Landing, has been a high school field hockey, swimming and diving, and track and field official for over 35 years.

Daniel Rizzolo '09 and **Chelsea Caro '12** are engaged.

James Viola '09 is a full-time freelance graphic designer and blogger specializing in brand and logo development for companies throughout the U.S. He also designs posters and other merchandise under a new design initiative: Damn Good! brand. He and his wife, Alison, who works at Campbell's in product development, married in November. They live in Cherry Hill.



10s

Sazia Hasib '10 is co-editor of *Desi Girl Magazine*, a publication about young women of South Asian descent. Desi, derived from an ancient Sanskrit word meaning "country," is used to describe the people, cultures and products of Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Maldives.

Brittney Slovak Patrick '10 (Alpha Sigma Alpha) married **Ron Patrick '10** (Alpha Psi Omega) on Feb. 21 in Spring Lake. Ron is a producer for the "Chris Stigall Show" at

Honoring Coach Fritz

Track & Field Coach Bill Fritz guided hundreds of athletes in his 40+ years at Rowan. In June, many returned to campus to remember the legendary coach and reconnect with teammates.

1. Nick Tyson '08, Brian Makinson '11, Jayce Maxwell '12, Brandon Taylor '13, Daniel Collier '11, Will Alston '13, Assistant Track & Field Coach Norm Tate, Joe Mineo '13, Benjamin Bradley '11, Nehemiah James.
2. Jennifer Rainey Buccino '88, Paul Buccino '89, Peter Buccino '89, Elena Tiberi Buccino '89, Alyssa Buccino.
3. Peter Sharpless '81, Ron Moore '66, Robert Abdullah '84.

WPHT in Philadelphia, and Brittney is a production associate for Slack Inc, a full-service medical publishing and communications company headquartered in Thorofare.

Jane Gandenberger Medio '10 teaches art at Egg Harbor Township High School, where she is the Visual Arts Club advisor. She was awarded a Stockton University scholarship for an Artist Teacher Institute program which she used to take a printmaking class this summer. She and her husband, **Anthony Medio '11**, married in August 2014. They live in Vineland.

Mike Smith '10 started Smith & Diction, a graphic design firm in Philadelphia, with his fiancé and copywriting partner, Chara Odhner.

He had worked for a Philadelphia firm serving higher education institutions and professional sports clients, including the Philadelphia Eagles and the U.S. Open, and then for a New York City non-profit called charity: water, which focuses on bringing clean water solutions to developing countries. When Mike isn't working, he's usually hiking or planning some sort of trip. He and his fiancé took a 10-day trip from Denver to Las Vegas and stopped at all the national parks in between.

Thuy Vo '10 married Nguyen Ton in December 2014 in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. Nguyen Ton is an architect, who recently started his own design

studio in Vietnam. Thuy is a graphic designer at Rowan. She also runs *ShamelesslySparkly.com*.

Nicolette Absil '11 has used some of what she learned in her Rowan art classes to build a successful career creating hand-painted enamel jewelry set in sterling silver. Her creations have been shown at numerous juried craft shows and exhibitions throughout the U.S. and are available at many fine galleries along the East Coast. Nicolette, who teaches enameling courses at the Center for American Craft, in Lancaster, Pa, is a juried member of the Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsmen. Her work can be seen at Art Star in Northern Liberties and Gravers Lane Gallery in Chestnut Hill, both in

Philadelphia. In November, she will exhibit at the Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show and the Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsmen Fine Craft Fair in Lancaster. Her website is *nicoletteabsil.com*.



Pembroke Kenner '12 earned a master's degree in criminal justice from American Public University. He graduated with honors, maintaining a 4.0 GPA. He is a member of Alpha Phi Sigma, the national criminal justice honor society, and Pi Gamma Mu, the international social sciences honor society.

William Briggs '13 received Cumberland County's 2015 High School Counselor of the Year Award. William, who



Vo wedding
Thuy Vo and Nguyen Ton married in Vietnam. See note, this page.



Music alumni celebrate Pfleeger Hall rededication

Grads, faculty and friends enjoyed music and a welcome to the refurbished concert hall in February.

1. Daniel Trent, Virginia Wasas-Trent '68, Bill Zeltman '67 and Cathy Zeltman '68.
2. Rebecca Dilks '09, Rachel Michel '09, Joe Akinskas '70, Performing Arts Dean John Pastin, Rick Dammers, Scott McCarron '89.
3. Charlotte Gould '94, Lynda DeGregorio '89, Connie Jo Waters Sullivan '91, Sal Scarpa '76.



Puppy proposal

Goldendoodle Riley helped pop the question for Jordan DiPinto and Danielle Brasco. See note on this page.

worked for Rowan's Aim High Science and Technology Academy, is a counselor at Bridgeton High School. He also created and runs a nonprofit, XL-For Life, which specializes in helping middle school and high school males, particularly from low income and underrepresented populations. He gives local workshops and runs counseling groups for males.

Jordan DiPinto '13 and **Danielle Brasco '13** are engaged to be married in January 2017. Jordan proposed in Philadelphia's Rittenhouse Park in March with the help of the couple's golden-doodle, Riley. Jordan is interning at the

U.S. Attorney's office in Camden for the summer and will begin his second year of law school at University of Pennsylvania in September. Danielle plans to complete a master's degree in school counseling at Wilmington University in 2016. She finished her third half-marathon and third 10-miler this year.

Amanda Grady '13 is group and corporate sales coordinator for The Philadelphia Orchestra. She works with the group and corporate sales manager, handling group and tourist travel to orchestra programs from across the country and along the East Coast. She also helps manage all things related to the Young Friends of The

Philadelphia Orchestra and the college student membership program eZseatU. She also volunteers with Emerging Arts Leaders: Philadelphia and the Arts and Business Council of Greater Philadelphia's Business Volunteers for the Arts.

Brent Redrow '14 graduated from the 155th New Jersey State Police Academy in Sea Girt on February 20 and is assigned to Troop A. He is engaged to be married in 2016. Brent worked at Rowan as a security officer before attending the academy.

Jacob Basch '14 (Tau Kappa Epsilon) and **Ariel Gordon '14** (Theta Phi Alpha) got engaged on June 14.



Corinthea Harris '14 is an associate media planner at Communications Media Inc., a Philadelphia agency that develops media strategy for pharmaceutical firms to help them reach physicians and other healthcare professionals, patients and consumers.



Christopher Heilig D'14 is superintendent of Rancocas Valley Regional High School. He has been a Burlington County educator for more than 20 years in a variety of roles. He earned a bachelor's degree at Kean College and a master's degree in educational leadership at The College of New Jersey.



Class of 2015 finishes with fun
The Class of 2015 was sent off in style. This year's outdoor festivities included a live band, champagne toast and Rowan alumni T-shirts for all.

1. Timothy Kain, Joe Chen, Emily Bierman and Jason Mudrock.
2. Michelle Rosenthal, Casey Sickler, Leanne Zaug, Korrine Allyson Brown, Jessicarose Johnson, Dominique Noelle Wood, Alyssa Scarpato and Sarah Blake, all '15 (all Alpha Sigma Alpha).
3. Alex Cimiluca, Joey Romanczuk, Kevin Peterson, Kyle Morrison, Jeremy Samala, Derek Corry, Simone Kurzum, all '15 (all Pi Kappa Alpha).





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Remembrances

Fond eulogies of campus friends offered by AFT colleagues

David W. Bartelt

Sociology

David W. Bartelt, 70, of Ardmore, Pa., died May 15 at Sunrise of Haverford, Pa., assisted living.

A Philadelphia native, Dr. Bartelt taught first in then-Glassboro State College's sociology department and later in Temple University's geography and urban studies department. He was also a visiting professor at King's College, London.

He retired as professor emeritus from Temple in 2012 after 32 years but continued to conduct research in urban housing and other fields.

He held a B.A. from Temple University, an M.A. in sociology from Ohio State University and a Ph.D. in sociology from Temple University.

During his scholarly career, Dr. Bartelt examined issues such as racial and socioeconomic inequality and the nature of housing in U.S. cities and suburbs, including homelessness, transportation and mortgage lending practices. He was noted for his in-depth perspective on Philadelphia and is co-author of *Philadelphia: Neighborhood, Division and Conflict in a Postindustrial City*, among other works.

Dr. Bartelt is survived by his wife, Pearl Winter Bartelt, former dean of Rowan's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and sociology department member; two daughters, Susan and Deborah (Andrew); and two grandsons, Joshua and Ethan.

A memorial service was held in May at Bryn Mawr College. Donations may be made to either The Reinvestment Fund, Attn: Richard D'Amico, 1700 Market St. 19th Floor, Philadelphia, Pa. 19103, or to the Melanoma Program at Penn Medicine's Abramson Cancer Center, 3535 Market St., Suite 750, Philadelphia, Pa. 19104.

Maurice C. Blanken

Political Science

Maurice C. Blanken, 97, of Glassboro, died March 22 at home. He taught political science from 1957 to 1982 in the economics and political science department at then-Glassboro State College.

Politically active, particularly with the McCarthy and McGovern campaigns, he wrote numerous articles on political and economic issues, which appeared in

South Jersey and Philadelphia newspapers. His book, *Force of Order and Methods*, was published after a sabbatical in the Netherlands.

He held a B.A. from Drew University and an M.A. from Columbia University. He also did graduate work at the New School for Social Research in New York City.

A World War II veteran, he served in the Army from 1941 to 1944.

Former colleague and friend, Ben Hitchner, said, "Maurice was a scholar, a writer, a knowledge-seeker, a carpenter and a physical activist, as he was a great walker."

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Helen J. Blanken; two daughters, Jean Ramsay and Elizabeth Petterson; and two grandsons. A memorial service was held in April at the First Presbyterian Church of Glassboro. Condolences and memories may be shared online at bell-hennessy.com.

Rhys H. Craver Sr.

Chemistry & Physics

Rhys H. Craver Sr., 85, of Stone Harbor died June 2 at home.

He joined the department of chemistry and physics at then-Glassboro State College in 1963 and retired in 1994. During that time, he was assistant football coach and assistant wrestling coach. He also was the public address announcer for indoor track and field meets, as well as Special Olympics events.

He earned a B.A. from Millersville University, an M.S. from the University of Delaware, and a Ph.D. in chemistry from Walden University. While in college he was on the football and wrestling teams. He served in an intelligence unit of the 82nd Airborne Division in postwar West Germany.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara; son Rhys H. Jr.; daughter Kim Houston; and three grandchildren. Services were private. Condolences may be offered to the family at 222.fertigfuneralhome.com.

William Eugene "Bill" Fritz

Athletics

William Eugene "Bill" Fritz, 77, of Moorestown, died May 28 at Cooper University Hospital in Camden.

He started at then-Glassboro State College in 1971 as an exercise science professor and men's cross country coach. He retired in 2015. Over his 44-year career, the

men and women he coached won numerous championships, titles and honors, with 69 NCAA Division 3 national champions, 277 All-Americans and 44 NJAC champions. Coach Fritz was inducted into the Gloucester County Hall of Fame.

Born in Pierre, S.D., he lived in Illinois before moving to New Jersey. He was proud of his heritage as a member of the Cherokee Indian Nation. He attended Northern State College and South Dakota State University, where he earned a master's degree in exercise physiology. He was an AFT Retirees Chapter member.

He is survived by his wife, Susan Enger Fritz-Myers; children Billi Jean Dudley and Karl Fritz; stepsons Rex and Tyler Myers, and eight grandchildren. A life celebration was held June 20 on the Rowan University track.

Francis E. "Fran" Masat

Mathematics

Francis E. "Fran" Masat of Key West, Fla., died on Dec. 30. A former mathematics department member, Fran served from 1972 to 1998.

Fran held a B.A. from Blackburn College in Carlinville, Ill.; an M.S. from Kansas State University and a Ph.D. from the University of Nebraska.

During his years in Key West, Fran volunteered for the Key West Wildlife Center, a nonprofit rescue, rehab and release service, for 14 years, and was a member of the center's board. He was an avid runner and ran the first of many marathons at 66.

Fran deepened his lifelong love of poetry after his retirement, particularly haiku. His award-winning poetry has appeared in more than 75 publications worldwide. His books include *Lilacs After Winter*, *A Taste of Key West*, *Threshing* and *A Prairie Trilogy*. His obituary in the *Florida Keys* included this haiku he wrote: "with a whip of her trunk, an elephant sprays, another rainbow."

He is survived by his wife, Carol, daughter Betsy, son Thom and two grandchildren.

Donations may be made to the Key West Wildlife Center, 1801 White Street, Key West, Fla. 33040.

Hugh J. Ward '43, M'60

Foundations of Education

Hugh J. Ward, 96, of Washington Township, formerly of Glassboro, died on Feb. 11. He was

the oldest member of the AFT Retirees Chapter.

He graduated from Woodbury High School where he was class president for four years. He earned a B.A. and M.A. from Glassboro State College and did postgraduate work at Temple University.

He taught in several Gloucester County public schools before joining the GSC foundations of education department in 1959, where he taught until his retirement in 1976.

After he retired, he and his wife moved to Florida where he enjoyed golfing, gardening and fishing. He was a founding member of the Suntree Country Club.

Because of his background in education, the editor of The Orlando Sentinel often asked him to write articles on specific educational issues. What he wrote in defense of public education caught the attention of Florida's U.S. Sen. Jacob Nelson, who regularly consulted him on education topics being debated in the Senate.

When his wife became ill in 2003, they returned to New Jersey, to be closer to family.

He was predeceased by his wife of 66 years, Marion Mauk Ward. He is survived by son Michael Ward (Kathryn); daughters Rosemary Camiolo (Arthur), Anne O'Neill (Richard) and Patricia Collingwood and several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Donations in his memory may be sent to the St. Vincent DePaul Society of the Church of the Holy Family, 226 Hurffville Road, Sewell, NJ 08080.

Thomas J. Wriggins '60

Registrar

Thomas J. Wriggins, 77, of Glassboro, died at home on Dec. 22.

Tom held a B.A. from Glassboro State College and a M.Ed. from Temple University. He taught math and science for a few years before moving to GSC in 1967 to work in the registrar's office, where he eventually served as registrar. He retired as director of support services in 1992.

Spending time in Sea Isle City was one of his greatest pleasures. He also enjoyed traveling with his wife, Betsy McCalla Wriggins.

In 2011 he sustained a life-altering spinal cord injury after a fall, but bravely persevered for the last three years of his life.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by sons Jay Scott and Gary Walter, sisters, Susanne Trasoras and Alice Tosi White, brother Robert and two grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Dec. 30 at the First Presbyterian Church of Pitman, where he served as an elder. Donations may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, 10 Wildwood Ave., Pitman, NJ 08071, or to the charity of one's choice.

Entries excerpted and reprinted courtesy of the Rowan AFT Retirees Chapter newsletter, AFTerwords, with thanks to Toni Libro, editor, and Rose Glassberg, president.

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Our sympathies

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What to expect when you're expecting #10

By Patricia Quigley '78, M'03

Patricia Quigley is an assistant director of media & public relations and an adjunct professor at Rowan. She is looking forward to continuing her tradition with her Rowan "kids" and introducing #10 to hamburgers at The Landmark.

Number 10 is coming in the fall.

Number 10 is Jay, the daughter of one of my best friends, whom I met in Kathy Stevens' magazine article writing class years ago. Number 10 is my honorary niece, a young woman I have known since she lay swaddled in her mother's hospital bed, a little bundle of much-loved cuteness. Number 10 is the young Jewish woman who has spent every Christmas Eve of her life—except the one when she was in Israel—with my Catholic family. Number 10 is pretty and funny and big-hearted and sociable—and sometimes grumpy with her mother, with whom she shares the same enthusiasm for life.

And I am like a little kid eyeing a big present, because in the fall Number 10 enrolls as a history/secondary education major at Rowan, where I have worked for almost 17 years.

She follows the children (and siblings) of friends and family, nine of them as best I can tally, who have graduated from or now attend Rowan: brothers Peter (engineering) and Tom (business); Alex (business); Dan (engineering); siblings Bill, Bianca and Brittney (either biological sciences or math); Jessica (athletic training); and Tommy, the son of another BFF and dear-to-me-forever (computer science). She also follows her mom, her aunt and me.

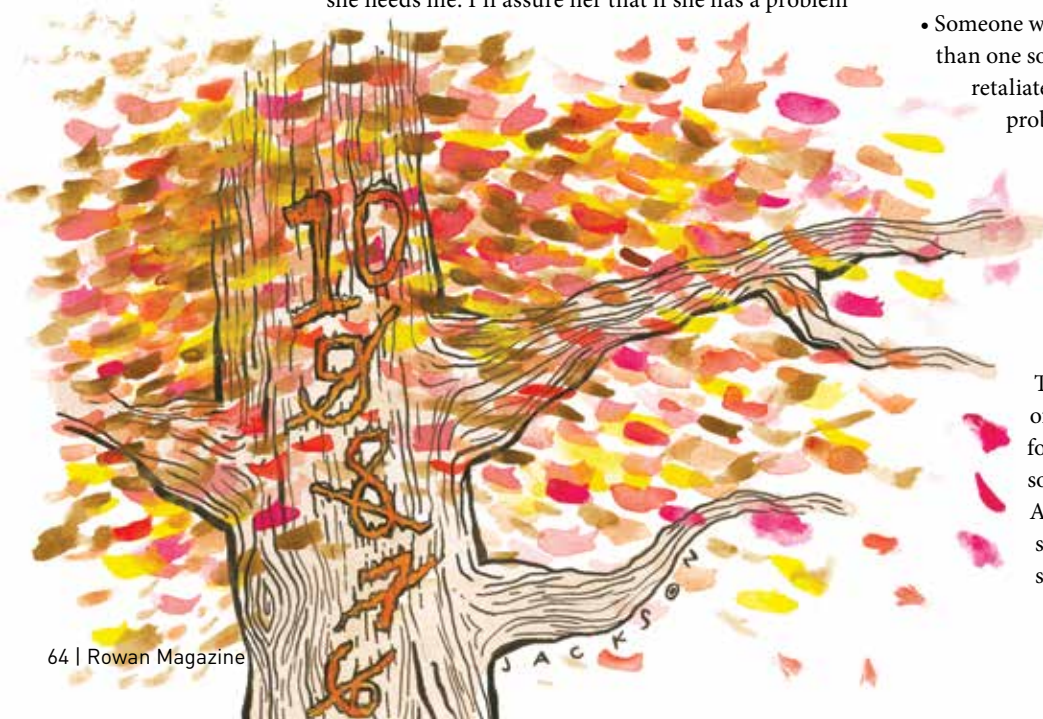
I'll offer to treat Jay to lunch her first semester, like I offered her predecessors. I'll give her my number and show her where my office is on campus in case she needs me. I'll assure her that if she has a problem

she can tell me anything and legally, I can't tell her parents (but I will push her to do so, because that's what responsible aunts do). I will ask about her classes, point her to others who can assist her if she has a crisis and nag her about studying. I will make sure my guest room and guest bath are in tiptop shape in case she wants to come visit one night for a home-cooked meal and conversation at Aunt Pat's, just 15 minutes from school.

And I will tell her things:

- College, like life, is what you make of it.
- Join something (Hillel tops my list for you).
- Expect me to live vicariously through you. Oh, you won't be climbing the railroad bed to get to the Triad for journalism classes like I did; your Campbell Library is much bigger than ours was in Savitz in the 1970s; WGLS, your mom's home away from home, has evolved and moved. But I want to hear about classes and parties (have fun, but not too much). I want to know which profs you think rock (because I might just agree). I want to know what you are doing in and out of the classroom.
- Give back. That's a big part of the Rowan culture and I know you already have woven volunteerism into your life. Keep it up.
- Be careful crossing Route 322.
- Be selective about those you date.
- Someone will hurt your feelings. Maybe more than one someone. Know you are special. Do not retaliate. Recognize that mean is more the problem of the "disher" than the "dishee."
 - Work hard. It will be worth it.
 - You are coming to a wonderful school.

Number 10 is coming to Rowan in the fall. If I am very lucky, she will follow in my honorary nephew Tommy's footsteps and show up at my office unannounced, even if only just for a quick hug; reach out if she needs something; learn; enjoy her classes. And hopefully, like me and her mother, she will make lifelong friends who shared her Rowan home. ■



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Child's play

College students took to the stage and kids packed the seats starting in 1966 when professor Michael Kelly introduced Glassboro Summer Theatre, part of a long college tradition of offering arts and culture to the community.

The summer '72 program premiered professor Joe Robinette's musical whodunit, "Mr. Herman and the Cave Company."

Above, Anne Marie Weaver, Wayne McCarthy '77 and Lori E. Pittenger '77 performed in one of the three remakes of the

likeable show in the '70s. Linda Lee Jaffrey '74 designed the playbill for the 1972 run.

Critics said the original play was entertaining for the grown-up crowd, too, another success for children's theatre on campus.

