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Ten Years in the Top Ten

The University of Scranton is celebrating a decade of national recognition following the release of *U.S. News & World Report's* 2004 "America's Best Colleges" issue, which ranks Scranton among the top ten universities in the north for the 10th consecutive year.

In the 2004 edition, the University ranked sixth among "Universities - Master's" in the north. Also in the edition, Scranton was included among "Key Criteria in Judging School" having a graduation rate that was among the highest in the north.

U.S. News has included the University in its rankings since the magazine first introduced them 20 years ago in 1983.

"I congratulate the entire University family - faculty, staff, students and alumni - for helping us to achieve the remarkable milestone of a decade of national recognition," said University of Scranton President Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. "We are delighted to be counted so consistently among the very best colleges and universities in the nation. It is a great way to begin our 115th year of service to the

people of Northeastern Pennsylvania, the nation and the world."

The north is the nation's largest and most competitive region. It includes more than 170 schools in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and the six New England states. As defined by *U.S. News*, the "Universities - Master's" category consists of 572 institutions nationwide that offer a full range of undergraduate programs and also provide graduate education at the master's level.

U.S. News bases its "Universities - Master's" rankings on a range of quality indicators, including peer evaluation, retention of students and graduation rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources and alumni giving. Data are gathered from reports that institutions complete for various government agencies, and from surveys of presidents, provosts and deans of admissions at universities and colleges in the regions.

"As comprehensive as *U.S. News* tries to be in constructing the rankings, their criteria do not take into account many other educational outcomes that make an even



The University has been ranked in U.S. News' Top Ten in the North for the tenth consecutive year.

stronger case for the quality of education at The University of Scranton," Fr. Pilarz added. "These include, for example, the rate at which our students gain acceptance into graduate and professional schools and

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Community Invited to Inauguration

On Friday, Sept. 26, at 11 a.m., the Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. will be formally installed as the twenty-fourth President of the University. The inauguration of Fr. Pilarz - to be held in the William J. Byron, S.J., Recreation Complex - as part of a series of events surrounding Fr. Pilarz's installation.

"We invite and encourage the community to attend the inauguration as we celebrate the University, its mission and its future," said Paul J. Strunk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, who is chairing the Inauguration Committee.

The keynote address will be delivered by Suzanne Strempek Shea, author and freelance writer, who will receive an honorary degree from the University. (See story on page 2.)

A special condensed class schedule has been developed for the day so that all faculty and students can attend the inauguration. Condensed classes will resume following the ceremony and luncheon. All offices will close to allow staff attendance.

The University community is also invited to an Inauguration Eucharist on Thursday, Sept. 25, at 4 p.m. in the Byron Recreation Complex.

For additional information, visit the Web site at www.scranton.edu/inauguration, or call 941-7724.

A list of other inauguration events can be found on page 2.

September 11 Events

The Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University President, will celebrate a Memorial Mass honoring the victims of the national tragedy of Sept. 11, 2001. The Mass will take place at 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, in the Byron Complex.

Five University alumni and 32 relatives of students and alumni were killed in the national tragedy.

Additionally, The University of Scranton's Center for Ethics Studies will sponsor a public discussion entitled "Learning from 9/11." All students, faculty and staff, as well as members of the local community are invited to this public discussion. "Learning from 9/11" will convene from 11:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 11, in the Eagen Auditorium of the Gunster Student Center. Lunch will be served.

A Royal Welcome for A Record Class

The University welcomed more than 1,350 incoming students this weekend, including 984 full-time freshman students; 79 transfers to the undergraduate day school; approximately 100 adult and part-time students and more than 200 students entering the Graduate School.

The incoming undergraduate class is already in the school's record books, representing the largest applicant pool in the University's 115-year history. The entering undergraduate students were drawn from more than 5,654 applicants, which is a 10 percent increase over the last year's record of 5,123 applicants.



Janell Rodgers, Long Island, said that the friendliness and helpfulness of the 'purple people' helped calm her nerves about attending college and now she is 'just excited to be here.' Family members helping Ms. Rodgers move in are her stepfather, Wayne Houck, her mother, Kathy Rodgers, and her brother, Alex Rodgers.

Scranton has seen its undergraduate applicant pool increase 48 percent over the past two years.

Inquiries to the University have increased by approximately 15 percent

over the previous two years. This year, the university received 42,090 inquiries.

The freshman class includes eight valedictorians, nine salutatorians and more than
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Leaving nothing to chance, Student Activities and Orientation Director Anitra Yusinski, right, gives some last minute instructions to (from left) juniors Stephanie Yazinski, Maureen Redington and Kristal Martin.

Royal Welcome for Freshman Class

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60 children of Scranton alumni. The class has an average SAT score of 1123.

Incoming freshmen represent 13 states. Students joining the University's community this year come from as close as the Hill Section of Scranton, and as far away as New Hampshire, Florida, Texas, Maine and Illinois. Of the incoming, undergraduate, full-time students, 30 percent are from local area high schools.

The University's Graduate School typically enrolls approximately 125 students from 30 countries. This year's incoming graduate school class includes seven medical doctors and one nurse, all from Oman. They will pursue master's degrees

in Health Administration as part of a program sponsored by the Oman Ministry of Health. The graduate program in Health Administration is accredited by the Accrediting Commission on Education for Health Services Administration.

Incoming graduate students will also come from India, China, Taiwan, Turkey and Romania. In the past five years, undergraduate and graduate students from 55 different countries have studied at Scranton.

Majors seeing a significant increase this year include Criminal Justice (50 percent increase), Education (30 percent increase), Accounting (29 percent increase) and Nursing (19 percent increase).

Top Ten

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our students' consistent success in garnering prestigious fellowships and scholarships."

In the 2004 rankings, The University of Scranton rose in its peer assessment ranking and continued its trend of receiving especially high marks for alumni support, retention and graduation rate. *U.S. News* spotlighted Scranton among schools in the north with the "Highest Graduation Rate."

According to the magazine, the ranking formula gives the greatest weight to the peer assessment score. Formerly titled academic reputation, the score is based on opinion surveys of presidents, provosts and deans of admissions at peer institutions.

Scranton's four-year graduation and continuation rate has averaged roughly 80 percent since 1989, the fourth highest among top ten institutions in the region. *U.S. News* bases its "Universities-Master's" rankings on a range of quality indicators, including peer evaluation, retention of students and graduation rates, faculty resources, student selectivity,

Faculty Promotions and Tenure Decisions Announced

University President Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., has announced 16 faculty promotions, including tenure decisions, which went into effect at the beginning of the 2003-2004 academic year.

The following faculty have been promoted to professor effective this fall: Michael O. Mensah, Ph.D., Accounting; Daniel S. Townsend, Ph.D., Biology; Rose Sebastianelli, Ph.D., Operations and Information Management; Nabil Tamimi, Ph.D., Operations and Information Management; Sharon Meagher, Ph.D., Philosophy; Robert A. Spalletta, Ph.D., Physics; and Steven Dougherty, Ph.D., Mathematics.

The following were promoted to associate professor and granted tenure beginning

this fall: Scott Bader-Saye, Ph.D., Theology; Ann Pang-White, Ph.D., Philosophy; and Elizabeth Jacob, Ph.D., Counseling/Human Services.

The following were promoted to associate professor beginning in the fall: Narda Tafuri, M.A., Library; and Richard Larsen, M.F.A., English.

Tenure for the following faculty members became effective this fall: Ronald Deitrick, Ph.D., Exercise Science and Sport; Timothy J. Hobbs, Ph.D., Education; Barbara Cozza, Ph.D., Education; and Carol L. Reinson, Ph.D., Occupational Therapy.

The University currently employs 252 full-time faculty members, 85 percent of whom hold doctorate or terminal degrees.

Noted Polish American Author to receive Honorary Degree at Inauguration Ceremony

The University of Scranton will award an honorary degree to author Suzanne Strempek Shea, in recognition of her work, which eloquently acknowledges the reality of today's society while simultaneously inspiring hope through family, friends and faith.

Ms. Shea will receive the honorary degree and provide the Keynote Address at the Sept. 26 Inauguration Ceremony of Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., University of Scranton President.

"For 500 years, Jesuit educators have recognized that literature can provide a moral and spiritual compass," said University President Scott R. Pilarz, S.J. "Suzanne Strempek Shea is one of today's authors whose works encourage a more gentle and just society."

An award winning author, Ms. Shea's

novels and short stories often depict Polish Americans living in New England's industrial towns as the setting for a broader message that is both inspirational and challenging.

"She writes from a sacramental perspective, seeing grace operative in the ordinary," said Fr. Pilarz.

During his tenure as an English professor at Georgetown University, Fr. Pilarz included Ms. Shea's novels in his literature classes. Ms. Shea has spoken to his students on several occasions.

Ms. Shea's novels include "Selling the Lite of Heaven", "Hoopi Shoopi Donna", "Lily of the Valley", and "Around Again", and "Songs From a Lead-lined Room".

A resident of Bondsville, Mass., she earned her bachelor's degree from the Portland School of Art, Portland, Maine.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON
INAUGURATION
OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PRESIDENT
REVEREND SCOTT R. PILARZ, S.J.

COMMUNITY RECEPTION
Thursday, Sept. 18, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
The Estate

STUDENT INAUGURATION BALL
Friday, Sept. 19, 9:00 p.m.
The William J. Byron, S.J.,
Recreation Complex

INAUGURATION 5K WALK/RUN
Sunday, Sept. 21, 10:00 a.m.
Nay Aug Park

INAUGURATION EUCHARIST
Thursday, Sept. 25, 4:00 p.m.,
The William J. Byron, S.J.,
Recreation Complex
Reception on the Royal Way follows

**INAUGURATION OF REV. SCOTT
R. PILARZ, S.J.**

Friday, Sept. 26, 11:00 a.m.
The William J. Byron, S.J.,
Recreation Complex
Luncheon on the Royal Way follows
INAUGURATION CONCERT
Saturday, Sept. 27, 7:30 p.m.,
The Houlihan-McLean Center
University Symphonic Bands
and Choirs

Second Annual disABILITY Conference to be Held

Three keynote speakers and more than 30 other experts and authors will explore "Transition from School to Work" during the University's second annual "disABILITY" Conference, Sept. 18 and 19 on campus.

The conference is supported, in part, by the Pennsylvania Department of Health through the Maternal and Child Health Services Title V Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and by a grant from Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit #19.

The conference is designed to be of special interest to rehabilitation professionals, human resource professionals, school administrators and educators, par-

ents and students with disabilities. It is being presented by the University's Panuska College of Professional Studies, The Edward R. Leahy, Jr., Center, and the Office of Equity and Diversity.

"This year's conference provides a forum for participants to explore two key themes," according to Conference Coordinator Lori Bruch, Ed.D., Associate Professor of Counseling and Human Services. "Presenters will discuss issues relevant to school-age students with disabilities, as well as how these students can make successful transitions into the workplace and the community."

The conference, being held in conjunction with National Rehabilitation Week,

Sept. 14-20, will offer participants a chance to discuss best practices, increase networks, develop advocacy skills, update legislative knowledge and expand awareness of global initiatives.

Keynote speakers are Denise Bissonnette, an author and motivational speaker; Brother Rick Curry, S.J., founder and artistic director of the National Theater Workshop of the Handicapped (NTWH); and the Honorable Joanne Wilson, the Commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration, Washington, D.C.

Honorary Chairpersons of the conference are Edward R. Leahy and Patricia Leahy, who endowed The University of Scranton's Edward R. Leahy, Jr., Center. The endowment was made in honor of the Leahy's late son, Edward, a child with significant disabilities. The Center was established to support research on behalf of children and adults with disabilities. This past March, the Center opened the Leahy Community Health & Family Center at The University of Scranton to provide physical and occupational therapy, family counseling and related services to underserved children and their families in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Mr. Leahy is an alumnus and is former Chairman of the University's Board of Trustees. He is managing partner of AEG Capital LLC in Washington, D.C. During the conference, Mr. Leahy will discuss "Working with Community Boards."

"This important conference will explore

ways to develop a seamless system by which to transition eligible special education students to the Public Program of Vocational Rehabilitation," said Mrs. Leahy, Director of Governmental Affairs of the National Rehabilitation Association in Washington, D.C., and one of the featured speakers at the conference. "This will include continued collaboration and dialogue among, and outreach initiatives to, parents, students, post-secondary education staff and other partners involved in the transition process."

Other conference presenters include Pamela Leconte, Ed.D., CVE, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.; Ricardo Serrano, Ph.D., Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico City, Mexico; and Jozef Matulnik, M.D., Ph.D., Department of Sociology, Trnava University, Slovakia. Eight faculty members from The University of Scranton will also be featured speakers, including Oliver J. Morgan, Ph.D., Faculty Fellow, Professor and Chairperson, of the Department of Counseling and Human Services.

The cost of the conference is \$100 for professionals and \$50 for family members or students for the full two-day conference, or \$50 for professionals and \$25 for family members or students for one day only. Registration fees include all sessions, exhibits, meals and social events. The conference registration deadline is Sept. 15.

For additional information, contact Dr. Bruch at The University of Scranton, (570) 941-4308, or bruchl1@scranton.edu.



Among the FIRST volunteers who ended their four days of volunteer service by helping fellow classmates move in are, from left, Ken Helmrich, Yonkers, N.Y., Melissa Kalinowski, Hazleton, Catherine Higgins, Floral Park, N.Y., and Rebecca Stewart, Altamont, N.Y.

Making a FIRST Impression

Through a new program at The University of Scranton, 28 incoming freshmen began volunteering at community organizations days before their classmates even arrived.

The freshmen were the first participants in a program called FIRST (Freshmen Involved in Reflective Service Together). The reflective service immersion program involved the students in service at eight local sites over three days prior to move-in.

The program was spearheaded by senior Clare Strockbine, Stony Brook, N.Y.

"When I was a freshman, I wanted the opportunity to do community service as part of orientation," said Ms. Strockbine. "I approached Pat Vaccaro with the idea for starting this program and both she and the University supported it wholeheartedly."

"We thought this program offered a great way for freshmen to begin their experience at The University of Scranton," said Pat Vaccaro, Director of Collegiate Volunteers. "So many of them will be involved in service projects during the next four years."

Each year, between 2,300 and 2,500 University students serve as volunteers. In the past five years, students have contributed approximately 750,000 hours to

service projects. In the 2002/2003 academic year alone, University students logged approximately 159,000 hours in volunteer service projects.

Ms. Strockbine, with the help of seven student leaders, organized and led the freshmen through the reflective service program.

Over three days, the students volunteered at Habitat for Humanity, the Jewish Home, the Scranton Public Library, Keystone Community, St. Joseph's Center, the Infant Day Care Center at Covenant, St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen, and Lackawanna State Park.

Each evening they gathered at the Conference and Retreat Center at Chapman Lake. They met as a group to reflect on themes, like service as part of life and justice.

They also had time to meet each other.

"I was surprised how quickly we bonded," said Allison Rubino, a criminal justice/chemistry major from Long Island. "This program was great - it went beyond what I expected."

On Saturday, 23 August, the FIRST participants got a chance to meet many other members of their class when they volunteered to help with move in.

A Guide to Office Relocations

Over the course of the summer, a number of University offices and departments were relocated. Following is a guide to these moves.

OFFICE/DEPARTMENT	FROM	TO
Graduate School	The Estate	O'Hara Hall, Room 201
Center for Public Initiatives	St. Thomas Hall	The Estate, Third Floor
Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence		St. Thomas Hall Harper McGinnis Wing Room 576
International Programs and Services	The Estate	St. Thomas Hall, Communications Wing, Room 5110
Office of Instructional Technology	St. Thomas Hall	Alumni Memorial Hall Room 104
Provost's Office	The Estate	St. Thomas Hall, Communications Wing, Room 5122
Royal Technology Group	St. Thomas Hall	The Estate, Third Floor
Small Business Development Center	St. Thomas Hall	The Estate, Second Floor
University Press	St. Thomas Hall	Smurfit Arts Center Lower level

Counseling Center Begins Mental Health Initiative

Healthy minds create a healthy campus community.

With this thought in mind, the University's Counseling Center has formed a Mental Health Initiative to serve as a resource for and a link among students, faculty and staff.

This initiative has four objectives, according to Virginia Schwalm, Ph.D., former Director of the Counseling Center, who was instrumental in establishing this initiative before her retirement in June. The objectives are as follows:

- To create awareness of mental health issues on campus;
- To provide information about the more common health issues to students and faculty;
- To give faculty and staff information about how to identify students in distress and how to direct these students to the Counseling Center; and
- To destigmatize mental health issues.

According to Dr. Schwalm, students who choose counseling services to deal with problems make a healthy choice.

"No one wants to experience major problems in life. But things happen - and when they do, we want our students to come to the Counseling Center for help," said Dr. Schwalm.

A key component of the Mental Health Initiative is to involve faculty as a link between students and counseling.

"Faculty members are out on the front lines interacting with students, and are, therefore, in a position to help identify students in need of counseling," said Dr. Schwalm.

By educating the educators about mental health issues, they can become agents of positive change, she added.

To this end, members of the Counseling Center have already met with the University's Provost, Deans and Deans Conferences to discuss mental health issues and explain the services available to students. Beginning this fall, Counseling Center staff members will meet with department chairs and faculty to present information about how to identify students in distress, and to understand the

steps that faculty members can take to help students in need.

In addition, the Center continues to reach out directly to

students. During the spring 2003 semester, tent cards were placed on tables in the cafeteria to create awareness about suicide. A series of similar cards is planned for the fall to address such subjects as depression, anxiety, relationships, alcohol abuse and eating disorders.

This fall, the Counseling Center will open a room dedicated to treatment of Seasonal Affective Disorder (depression resulting from lack of sunlight) and stress. The room will feature a full spectrum of light for SADS clients, CDs of calming music or the sounds of nature, tapes with relaxation exercises and a tabletop water fountain to induce deep relaxation.

Women's Mental Health Week will be held Sept. 29 through Oct. 2, and Men's Mental Health Week is slated for March 1 - 4, 2004. Also on the horizon is training with Residence Assistants and peer educators.

These mental health initiatives are

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Mullin Lecture Set for Oct. 8

Nobel Prize-winning scientist Torsten N. Wiesel, M.D., will present the Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture on Oct. 8 at the University. Dr. Wiesel will present "Do We Learn to See? The Role of Nature and Nurture in Brain Development" at 8 p.m. in the University's Eagen



Engineering, and Institute of Medicine (of which he is also a member).

He has also been honored with many prestigious awards, including the The Ledlie Prize, Harvard University (1980), the Helen Keller Prize for Vision Research (1996), and the

Presidential Award, Society for Neuroscience (1998), and is the recipient of several honorary doctoral degrees.

Born in 1924 in Upsala, Sweden, Dr. Wiesel received his M.D. from Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, in 1954. He has been President-emeritus at Rockefeller University since 1998, when he stepped down after seven years of service as Rockefeller's president.

The Harry Mullin, M.D., Memorial Lecture, honors the late Dr. Harry Mullin, who earned his bachelor's degree from The University of Scranton in 1931.

being organized in collaborative programs with the University's Center for Health, Education and Wellness, Student Health Services and the Jane Kopas Women's Center on campus.

"We're all - all of us - charged with helping students to grow," said Dr. Schwalm. "The Mental Health Initiative promotes a healthy state of mind that nurtures the academic growth of our students."

For additional information about this initiative, visit the Web site at www.scranton.edu/counseling.

Royal Technology Group Awarded Contract

The University's Royal Technology Group has been awarded a \$96,000 contract from the Pike County Criminal Justice Advisory Board for information technology (IT) usage and support. The project is funded through a grant from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

Through the program, the Royal Technology Group will provide IT-related evaluations and consultation for members of the Pike County Criminal Justice Advisory Board, databases to support justice agencies and their program reporting, training of county staff, and electronic support for online collaboration and sharing of justice information.

Robert H. Springer, S.J.
1918 - 2003

Rev. Robert H. Springer, S.J., one of the original 19 Jesuits to arrive at The University of Scranton in 1942, died July 7, 2003 at Murray-Weigel Hall at Fordham University, Bronx, N.Y.

Fr. Springer was born in 1918 in Washington, D.C., and entered the Society of Jesus in 1935 at St. Andrew-on-Hudson, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. After studying at various colleges and universities around the United States, Fr. Springer spent two years examining the area of Moral Theology in Rome, Italy.

Fr. Springer's arrival in Scranton began with a teaching position at Scranton Preparatory School, where he taught freshmen in the subjects of Greek and French. He later went on to be a Professor of Moral Theology and Pastoral Theology at Georgetown University, and then a Professor of Ethics and Natural Law at Loyola Seminary, Shrub Oak, N.Y.

In 1975, he began his tenure at the West Side Jesuit Community, New York, N.Y. Initially a minister to students and priests, he soon became a Professor of Theology at Maryknoll, and a Chaplain at Columbia University. Fr. Springer was a teacher of Medical Ethics from 1991 to 1994 and then became a consultant in Medical Ethics for the Catholic hospitals of New York.

Karen Hoerst moves into an apartment in Madison Square, three new townhouses which opened this fall at the corner of Madison Avenue and Mulberry Street.

Madison Square Townhouses Open

One hundred and fourteen University of Scranton students had a new place to call home when they returned to campus this fall. The students are living in the newly built 37,301 square foot apartment complex called Madison Square.

The three-story apartment style townhouses, located on the corner of Madison Avenue and Mulberry Street, house juniors and seniors in 25 apartments.

The complex consists of three buildings surrounding an outdoor garden area. Each building has three, four, five and six bedroom apartment suites. Each

apartment style suite includes a kitchen and sitting room, and one bathroom for every two to three bedrooms.

One unit of Madison Square has a basement lounge and conference area. Parking is provided for students on the west side of Madison Avenue.

Sordoni Construction Services, Inc., was awarded the contract for construction of the complex.

The design by Burkavage Design of Clarks Summit closely resembles the University's award-winning Mulberry Plaza.



University to Add Nearly 100 Parking Spots

The parking lot located in the 400 block of Madison Avenue has been extended to run from the Smurfit Arts Center to Mulberry Street, adding 72 spaces for a total of 154 spaces at this site. When construction is completed, the University will add a 20-space parking lot on the corner of Monroe Avenue and Mulberry Street.

University Announces New Appointments

Rev. George A. Aschenbrenner, S.J.

Following a 21-year absence, the Rev. George A. Aschenbrenner, S.J., has returned to the University as Rector of the Jesuit Community.



Father Aschenbrenner was a member of the Campus Ministry staff at the University from 1979 to 1982, as Spiritual Director for lay faculty and facilitator of reflection on Ignatian charism.

He has most recently served as Director of the Jesuit Center for Spiritual Growth in Wernersville. From 1986 to 1991, he served as Director of the Whole Spiritual Formation Program at the North American College in Rome.

Fr. Aschenbrenner is a nationally known lecturer and author on topics of spirituality and religious life, and is the author of "Quickening the Fire in Our Midst — The Challenge of Diocesan Priestly Spirituality", and "The Jesuit University Today: An Introduction to the Ignatian Vision in Higher Education." He is co-founder of the Institute for Priestly Formation based at Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.

Debra Busacco, Ph.D.

Debra Busacco, Ph.D., has been named the Director of the University's new Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence (CTLE).

Dr. Busacco has received two outstanding faculty awards, one from Hunter College in 1998 and one from Howard University in 2002. She has held faculty positions in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at several universities,

including Hofstra University, Hunter College, University of Maryland at College Park, Howard University, Towson University and Loyola College.

Most recently, Dr. Busacco served as director of the academic affairs unit of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) in Rockville, Md.

Thomas P. Smith, Psy.D.

Thomas P. Smith, Psy.D., has been named director of the University's Counseling Center. Dr. Smith has been a clinical psychologist at the center since August 1989. Prior to his service at the University, Dr. Smith had worked in various inpatient and outpatient psychiatric settings.



Dr. Smith is a licensed psychologist, and maintains a private practice in Scranton. He is also an adjunct faculty member at the University's Department of Counseling, and a clinical instructor at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

He is a member of the American Psychological Association and is the author of several books and articles in his field.

Kathleen Davis, Ph.D.

Kathleen Davis, Ph.D., has been named Dean of Dexter Hanley College.

Dr. Davis's career includes service as Chief Executive Officer at Cambia County Area Community College in Johnstown, as the Dean of Instruction and Student Services at the Fauquier Campus, Lord Fairfax Community College, Va., and as Dean of Continuing Education and Assistant Dean of Continuing Education at Orangeburg-Calhoun



Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence Opens on Campus

The University began a new initiative this summer to enhance the teaching and learning of both students and faculty. The Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence (CTLE), which offers support services to both faculty and students, is housed on the fifth floor of the Harper-McGinnis Wing of St. Thomas Hall.

The initiative merges the services of the University's Learning Resource Center, its Office of Instructional Development, and its Academic Technologies Center into a single unit.

"The CTLE allows us to combine our resources and services and to join together the learning and teaching needs of students and faculty," said Charles Kratz, Dean of the Weinberg Memorial Library, who oversees the initiative. "The outcome will be a

comprehensive resource center that takes a synergistic approach to learning."

According to Mr. Kratz, combining student and faculty services and resources is a relatively new approach to learning and teaching that has only been done at a handful of colleges in the nation.

The University's CTLE enhances and expands its services to the academic community to help create an environment that encourages and supports student learning, faculty enrichment, instructional design, and the use of technology. The center will assess student and faculty academic support needs and monitor and evaluate its effectiveness at meeting those needs. The center will also provide support for research and scholarly activity that involves faculty and students.

The support given to traditional and non-traditional students includes tutoring, assistance with writing, reading, research, and study skills, technology training, and time management training. The CTLE also provides services and procedures for students with disabilities.

For faculty, the center works to provide opportunities for enrichment, for instructional consultation, and for support as they employ technology in their classrooms. The center encourages interdisciplinary networking among faculty members and will sponsor faculty-mentoring programs. Efforts also encourage closer collaboration between part-time and full-time faculty members. In addition, the program fosters the use of new teaching skills and techniques and recognize teaching excellence and innovation.

Forensic Health Concentration Offered

Beginning this fall, the University is offering a Forensic Health Interdisciplinary Concentration designed by the departments of Nursing and Criminal Justice to advance students' interest in the field of forensic health. The program will be open to all undergraduate students.

Forensic Health is the application of the health-related sciences to public or legal proceedings and the scientific investigation and treatment of trauma and/or death of victims and perpetrators of abuse, violence, criminal activity, and traumatic accidents. Forensic health care professionals work with a variety of clients, including victims of intrafamilial violence and sexual assault, criminal offenders, and juvenile delinquents. Career settings include emergency departments, psychiatric facilities, correctional facilities, schools, community health, and legal consulting in the court system.

"Today's health care professionals, particularly nurses, deal with violence on a regular basis. It's part of the job," notes Mary Muscari, Ph.D., Associate Professor of

Nursing and the Program's Director. "Our program enables students to work with the criminal justice system in the care of victims and offenders, and we're honored that it was developed with assistance from Dr. Ann Burgess, a pioneer in forensic nursing and one of the authors of the FBI's "Crime Classification Manual."

Students interested in this concentration are required to complete four 3-credit courses and one 3-credit elective course for a total of 15 credits. The core courses provide students with an introduction to the criminal justice system, as well health care's role in working with victims and offenders, including evidence collection and death investigation. The elective allows students to focus on an area of interest, such as juvenile justice, victimology, or the investigative process.

For further information, call the Department of Nursing at (570) 941-7673, or e-mail Dr. Muscari at muscarim1@scranton.edu.

SPORTS

By **Kevin Southard**
Sports Information Director

NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR WALL OF FAME

Kevin Southard, Sports Information Director, has announced that the University is accepting nominations for the Wall of Fame. The Class of 2003 will be inducted on Saturday, Feb. 7, 2004, in the John J. Long, S.J., Center. The nomination deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 15.

The Wall of Fame was founded to honor former student-athletes, coaches, administrators and those in the community who have been instrumental in the overall development of the University's athletics program.

In order to be eligible, a former student-athlete must have completed his or her athletic eligibility ten years prior to the year of the class that is being inducted. For example, a student-athlete whose athletic eligibility expired in 1993 is eligible for induction this year. For those classified as a coach, administrator and/or those in the community who have been instrumental in the overall development of the University's athletics program, there are no specific eligibility requirements.

Anyone may nominate someone for the Wall of Fame. It is strongly encouraged but not required that some type of documentation be provided. A nomination form can be obtained by contacting the sports information office at (570) 941-7571, or by e-mail at southardk2@scranton.edu or athletics@scranton.edu. Nominations will also be accepted by standard mail, fax (570-941-4223) and/or by e-mail. Nominations can be mailed to: Sports Information Director, The University of Scranton, 208 Long Center, Scranton, Pa. 18510.

LEE EARNS PRESTIGIOUS POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Bridget Lee (West Nyack, N.Y./Albertus Magnus) '03, of the Women's Lacrosse Team, has been awarded a post-graduate scholarship by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). Lee, who graduated in May with degrees in psychology and philosophy, *summa cum laude*, becomes the 11th student-athlete in Royals history to garner such an honor.

On the field, Lee was a first-team Verizon Academic all-American (2003), three-time Verizon District II all-Academic (2001-2003), three-time first-team all-Middle Atlantic Conference (2001-2003), two-time first-team all-Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Southern Division (2002, 2003) and third-team all-American

selection by Warrior/Inside Lacrosse (2003). She was instrumental in leading the Royals to its first-ever Middle Atlantic Conference title and NCAA Division III tournament appearance this past season.

In the classroom, Lee, a Presidential Scholarship recipient, was named to the Dean's List eight times and was a member of three national honor societies and the Special Jesuit Liberal Arts Program. She was the female recipient of the 2003 Middle Atlantic Conference Scholar-Athlete for spring sports and earned the first Senior Scholar-Athlete award at the University's Senior Student-Athlete banquet.

FALL SPORT SCHEDULES



Senior John Barlow, a 2003 Verizon/District II all-Academic selection, highlights a veteran cast of harriers that will look to keep Scranton among the upper echelon programs in the Middle Atlantic Conference.



Senior Jennifer Serra earned all-Middle Atlantic Conference honors last fall by placing 19th at the league championships before capping off the year with a 30th-place showing at the NCAA Mid-east regionals.

Cross-Country

Head Coach: **Bill King**

Sat. Sept. 13	at Lebanon Valley Invitational 11:00 am
Sat. Sept. 20	at New York University Invitational 10:00 am
Sat. Sept. 27	at Paul Short Invitational (Bethlehem, Pa.) 9:30 am
Sat. Oct. 4	at Dickinson Invitational 10:30 am
Sat. Oct. 18	at DeSales Invitational 9:00 am
Sat. Oct. 25	at Gettysburg Invitational 10:30 am
Sat. Nov. 1	at Middle Atlantic Conference Championships TBA (DeSales University, Center Valley, Pa.)
Sat. Nov. 15	at NCAA Mid-East Regional 11:00 am (Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa.)



Senior Katie Szczepanski, a 2002 first-team all-Freedom Conference selection, leads the field hockey team in its quest to qualify for the play-offs for the third straight year.

Field Hockey*

Head Coach: **Brenda Brewer**

WED. SEPT. 3	RICHARD STOCKTON	4:00 PM
WED. SEPT. 10	MUHLENBERG	4:00 PM
SAT. SEPT. 13	HARTWICK	1:00 PM
THU. SEPT. 25	*WILKES	4:00 PM
SAT. SEPT. 27	ELIZABETHTOWN	1:00 PM
WED. OCT. 1	MORAVIAN	7:00 PM
SAT. OCT. 4	MONTCLAIR ST.	1:00 PM
SAT. OCT. 25	*DREW	1:00 PM
SAT. NOV. 1	ITHACA	12:00 PM

Women's Soccer*

Head Coach: **Joe Bochicchio**

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT
SAT.	AUG. 30	LPL FINANCIAL/SCRANTON TOURNAMENT ROGER WILLIAMS VS. WESTERN CONN. 1:00 PM NEUMANN VS. SCRANTON 3:00 PM
SUN.	AUG. 31	NEUMANN VS. ROGER WILLIAMS 12:00 PM WESTERN CONN. VS. SCRANTON 2:30 PM
SAT.	SEPT. 27	ELIZABETHTOWN 3:00 PM
THU.	OCT. 2	SUSQUEHANNA 4:00 PM
SAT.	OCT. 4	*DeSALES 3:00 PM
THU.	OCT. 9	*KING'S 7:00 PM
TUE.	OCT. 14	LEBANON VALLEY 4:00 PM
SAT.	NOV. 1	*FDU-FLORHAM 2:00 PM
Wed.	Nov. 5	Freedom Conference Semifinals TBA
Sat.	Nov. 8	Freedom Conference Championship TBA



Two-time first-team all-Freedom Conference selection and junior forward Alicia Sodano is among the many veterans returning who will make the Royals the favorite to repeat as Freedom Conference champions this fall.

Men's Soccer*

Head Coach: **Matt Pivrotto**

FRI. SEPT. 19	*DELAWARE VALLEY	7:00 PM
TUE. SEPT. 23	SWARTHMORE	7:00 PM
THU. SEPT. 25	*KING'S	7:00 PM
MON. OCT. 6	ROWAN	7:00 PM
FRI. OCT. 17	*FDU-FLORHAM	7:00 PM
SAT. OCT. 18	PENN STATE-BEHREND	3:00 PM
Wed. Nov. 5	Freedom Conference Semifinals	TBA
Sat. Nov. 8	Freedom Conference Championship	TBA



Senior forward/defender Josiah Sulouff has been a member of two Freedom Conference play-off qualifying teams.

Volleyball*

Head Coach: **Jud Holdredge**

WED. SEPT. 10	MORAVIAN	7:00 PM
FRI. SEPT. 12	SCRANTON INVITATIONAL	4:00 PM
SAT. SEPT. 13	SCRANTON INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM
TUE. SEPT. 30	*WILKES	7:00 PM
WED. OCT. 22	*LYCOMING	7:00 PM
TUE. OCT. 28	*DeSALES	7:00 PM
THU. OCT. 30	BAPTIST BIBLE	7:00 PM



Senior Krista Hylinski, a two-time second-team all-Freedom Conference selection, will lead the Royals in its attempt to post its tenth straight 20-or-more win season.

Women's Tennis*

Head Coach: **Jane Johnson**

SUN. AUG. 31	STEVENS INSTITUTE	12:00 PM
THU. SEPT. 4	ELIZABETHTOWN	4:00 PM
SAT. SEPT. 6	*FDU-FLORHAM	12:00 PM
TUE. SEPT. 9	MORAVIAN	4:00 PM
SAT. SEPT. 13	*LYCOMING	1:00 PM
MON. SEPT. 15	KEYSTONE	4:00 PM
TUE. SEPT. 23	MESSIAH	3:30 PM
THU. SEPT. 25	*KING'S	4:00 PM
SUN. SEPT. 28	EAST STROUDSBURG	1:00 PM
THU. OCT. 2	MARYWOOD	TBA
Wed. Oct. 8	Middle Atlantic Conference team semifinals	TBA
Sat. Oct. 11	Middle Atlantic Conference team championships	TBA
Fri. Oct. 17	at MAC individual championships	TBA

*Freedom Conference Games



Katie King, who enters her senior year with an overall singles and doubles record of 41-23 (.641), will be counted on to lead the Royals in its quest to challenge for a Middle Atlantic Conference team championship.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 3** Last Day 100% Tuition Refund (non-flat rate only)
- 4 p.m. Field Hockey hosts Richard Stockton, Fitzpatrick Field
- 4 p.m. Coffeehouse Series, Bent Blue, The Royal Way. 941-6233
- 4** 4 p.m. Women's Tennis hosts Elizabethtown, Poly-Hi Courts
- 5** 3:30 p.m. University Convocation in the Royal Theater, McDade Center. A reception will follow in the lobby.
- 8-11 p.m. Last Day to Request Credit/No Credit Option (Undergrad only)
- 8-11 p.m. New England Alumni Chapter Charles River Boat Cruise, Cambridgeside Galleria, Cambridge, Mass. 1-800-SCRANTON
- 9 p.m. Comedian Rusty Dooley, Eagen Auditorium, Gunster Student Center. 941-6233
- 6** Noon Women's Tennis hosts FDU-Florham, Poly-Hi Courts
- Noon-5:30 p.m. University Picnic for all University employees and their families, CRC, Chapman Lake. Rain date Sept. 7.
- 9** Noon Scranton Pocono Northeast Alumni Chapter Business Meeting, The Estate. 1-800-SCRANTON
- 4 p.m. Women's Tennis hosts Moravian, Poly-Hi Courts
- 10** Last Day 75% Tuition Refund (non-flat rate only)
- 11 a.m. Student Activities Fair, Patio, Gunster Student Center. 941-6233
- 4 p.m. Field Hockey hosts Muhlenberg, Fitzpatrick Field
- 7 p.m. New York Southern Tier Business Card Exchange, Holiday Inn/Arena, Binghamton. 1-800-SCRANTON
- 7 p.m. Volleyball hosts Moravian, Long Center
- 11** 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. "Learning from 9/11" panel discussion, Eagen Auditorium, Gunster Student Center. Lunch included.
- 5 p.m. Memorial Mass, Byron Complex, 941-7419
- 9 p.m. Coffeehouse Series, Jerry Chapman, Wolves' Den, Gunster Student Center. 941-6233
- 12** 4 p.m. Volleyball hosts Scranton Invitational, Byron Complex
- 13** 10 a.m. Volleyball hosts Scranton Invitational, Byron Complex
- Noon Alumni Baseball 2003 Fall Classic, Schautz Stadium, Scranton. 1-800-SCRANTON
- 1 p.m. Field Hockey hosts Hartwick, Fitzpatrick Field
- 1 p.m. Women's Tennis hosts Lycoming, Poly-Hi Courts
- 14** Hope Horn Gallery Exhibit, "Made in America: Recent Works by Jaune Quick-to-See Smith," on display through 21 November. Fourth Floor, Hyland Hall. Free and open to the public. 941-4214
- 1-4 p.m. Hope Horn Gallery Lecture by visiting artist Jaune Quick-to-See Smith. Executive Center, Fifth Floor, Brennan Hall. 941-4214
- 2-4 p.m. Hope Horn Gallery Opening Reception, Fourth Floor, Hyland Hall. 941-4214
- 7:30 The Performing Arts Series presents, "In Concert" with David Ostwald's Gully Low Jazz Band, Houlihan-McLean Center. Free and open to the public. 941-7624
- 15** 4 p.m. Women's Tennis hosts Keystone, Poly-Hi Courts
- 17** Last Day 50% Tuition Refund (non-flat rate only)
- 18** The Second Annual "disABILITY" Conference today and tomorrow, Brennan Hall. 951-4038
- 6-9 p.m. Greater Philadelphia Alumni Chapter welcomes the Class of 2003, Finnegan's Wake, 537 N. 3rd St., Philadelphia. 1-800-SCRANTON
- Noon-4 p.m. Roaming Balloon Artist, Gunster Student Center. 941-6233
- 19** 9:30a.m.-Noon Lehigh Valley Alumni Chapter Community Service Project, Northampton County Meals on Wheels, Bethlehem. 1-800-SCRANTON
- 7 p.m. Men's Soccer host Delaware Valley, Fitzpatrick Field
- 9 p.m. Student Inauguration Ball, Byron Complex. 941-6233
- 21** 10 a.m. Inauguration 5K Walk-Run, Nay Aug Park
- 23** 3:30 p.m. Women's Tennis hosts Messiah, Poly-Hi Courts
- 7 p.m. Men's Soccer hosts Swarthmore, Fitzpatrick Field
- 24** Last Day 25% Tuition Refund (non-flat rate only)
- Last Day to Drop a Course with No Grade
- 25** 4 p.m. Inauguration Eucharist, Byron Complex, reception following on The Commons. (Reception rain location, Long Center).
- 4 p.m. Women's Tennis hosts King's, Poly-Hi Courts
- 4 p.m. Field Hockey hosts Wilkes, Fitzpatrick Field
- 7 p.m. Men's Soccer hosts Kings, Fitzpatrick Field

- 9 p.m. Student Talent Night, Wolves' Den, Gunster Student Center. 941-6233
- 26** Family Weekend, today through 28 September, various campus locations. 941-6233
- Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown
- 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Hope Horn Gallery and NEIU #19 workshop for elementary and high school students, teachers and/or parents. "Made in America." Fridays through Nov. 14, Fourth Floor, Hyland Hall. 941-4214
- 11 a.m. Inauguration Ceremony for the 24th President of the University, The Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., Byron Complex, followed by luncheon on The Commons. (Luncheon rain location, Long Center).
- 8 p.m. The University Players present, "The Fantasticks" today through Sept. 28, with a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, Royal Theater, McDade Center. 941-4318
- 27** 1 p.m. Field Hockey hosts Elizabethtown, Fitzpatrick Field
- 3 p.m. Women's Soccer hosts Elizabethtown, Fitzpatrick Field
- 4 p.m. New York Metropolitan Alumni Chapter, Yankee Game, Yankee Stadium, 1-800-SCRANTON
- 7:30 p.m. The University Symphonic Bands and Choirs, Presidential Inauguration Concert, Houlihan-McLean Center. 941-7624
- 28** 11 a.m. Family Weekend Liturgy, Byron Complex, 941-7419
- 1 p.m. Women's Tennis hosts East Stroudsburg, Poly-Hi Courts
- 30** 7 p.m. Volleyball hosts Wilkes, Long Center

OCTOBER

- 1** 4 p.m. Coffeehouse Series, Georgia Avenue, The Royal Way. 941-6233
- 7 p.m. Field Hockey hosts Moravian, Fitzpatrick Field
- 2** 4 p.m. Women's Soccer hosts Susquehanna, Fitzpatrick Field
- 5:30 p.m. Scranton Pocono Northeast Alumni Chapter Business Card Exchange, Fifth Floor, Brennan Hall. 1-800-SCRANTON
- 8 p.m. Fall Revue, today through Oct. 4, Eagen Auditorium, Gunster Student Center. 941-6233
- 8 p.m. The University Players present, "The Fantasticks" today through Oct. 5, with a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, Royal Theatre, McDade Center. 941-4318
- 4** 1 p.m. Women's Field Hockey hosts Montclair State, Fitzpatrick Field
- 3 p.m. Women's Soccer hosts DeSales, Fitzpatrick Field
- 6** Yom Kippur
- 7 p.m. Men's Soccer hosts Rowan, Fitzpatrick Field

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Midori Yamanouchi, Ph.D., Professor, Sociology/Criminal Justice, was invited to deliver the commencement speech at the Kazakhstan Institute of Management, Economics, and Strategic Research, for its 11th graduation exercise for the graduate school combined with the first undergraduate class, held March 31, 2003.

Dr. Yamanouchi was also invited by the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center of the University of Montana, Missoula, Mont., as one of the two "guest experts" for its High School Teachers Seminar, June 21-28, 2003. It focused on the wars in Asia in the 20th century. Fifteen participants were selected among the high school teachers who teach Asian History, including three from China and two from Korea.

NEW STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Karen Cashin, Area Coordinator,

- Residence Life
- William Fiorini**, Carpenter, Maintenance Building
- Robert Griffiths**, Painter
- Clara Hudson**, Adjunct Librarian, Weinberg Memorial Library
- Janine Lamonica**, Research Technician, Institute for Molecular Biology
- Walton Martin**, Coordinator of Conferences and Summer Camps
- Shannon McGaughey**, Area Coordinator, Residence Life
- Aimee Redd**, Public Safety Officer
- Mevlida Ribanovic**, Custodian, Gonzaga House
- Richard Rousseau, S.J.**, Director, University Press
- Ann Scarp**, Annual Fund Officer
- Michael Selvaggi**, Painter
- Frank Sislo**, Custodian, O'Hara Hall
- Jerry Terhune**, Carpenter
- Joseph Waring**, Custodian, McDade Center

Professor's Research Shows Benefits of Health Care Program

A program that benefits residents of Lackawanna and Luzerne counties who do not have medical insurance or medical assistance also has far-reaching benefits to the local health care community and the larger society, according to research by a University of Scranton professor and two University colleagues.

The research investigates health, economic, and quality of life benefits that can be expected from the Healthy Northeast Access Program (HNAP).

HNAP is a program that helps medically uninsured people in Northeastern Pennsylvania to obtain low-cost, high quality medical care. The program, administered by The University of

Scranton's Center for Public Initiatives (CPI), is funded through the Community Access Program of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Services Administration.

The research is being conducted by Peter C. Olden, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of the Graduate Health Administration Program of the University's Graduate School. Assisting him are Steve Szydowski, MHA, an alumnus of the Program, and Joe Fruhman, a student now in the Program. They are identifying, analyzing, and applying prior relevant scientific studies to HNAP in order to estimate

anticipated benefits and savings associated with health care availability and HNAP interventions such as care management.

The findings are significant.

For example, providing people with permanent, primary care may reduce non-urgent visits to hospital Emergency Departments by 37 percent, based on published research.

"The benefits are not limited to decreased inappropriate use of health care services.

As the research illustrates, the HNAP can positively affect the quality of life of people and the community at large."

Peter C. Olden, Ph.D.

Applying the anticipated 37 percent decrease in emergency visits to about 200 patients enrolled in the HNAP since February, and using local data for emergency care costs, the HNAP project saves \$44,000 in emergency visits this year in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Health and quality of life measures are also considered in the research. In prior scientific studies, enrolling uninsured people into a permanent health insurance program, for example, was found to add two years of life to heart attack patients, cut the mortality rate of colorectal cancer patients by 28 percent and triple the survival rate of women with cancer. (The actual HNAP results could be higher or lower because the HNAP population and health insurance program are not identical to those of the prior studies.)

Commenting on the research findings, Dr. Olden said, "The benefits are not limited to decreased inappropriate use of health care services. As the research illustrates, the

HNAP can positively affect the quality of life of people and the community at large."

According to Lisa Baumann, Director of HNAP at CPI, the research is important because it enables the HNAP to begin to evaluate outcomes and benefits of its work before measuring the actual outcomes that may take years to become apparent.

"Instead of waiting two or three years to know the advantages of the program, we can project its positive impact after just six months of operation," said Mrs. Baumann. "We can anticipate the kinds of savings and benefits that HNAP offers and can, therefore, sooner justify the

return on investment to our stakeholders, including funding sources, health care providers, local residents and taxpayers who help fund these services."

Dr. Olden's research has received national interest from the Community Access Program (CAP) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Services Administration. HNAP is one of 158 CAP programs throughout the nation. Dr. Olden's research can be used to encourage financial support of other CAP programs, although some caution is needed in translating results of one study to other programs and populations.

Family Weekend Events Announced

Between 300 and 400 families will make the University their "Home Away from Home" during the annual Family Weekend, Friday, Sept. 26, to Sunday, Sept. 28.

The program is open to the parents and families of current students. The weekend will include a variety of activities both on campus and throughout the city.

Among the many scheduled events will be an opportunity to meet and talk with The University's new President, Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., during a dinner reception held on Saturday night. Sponsored by the Office of Student Life, Family Weekend will include presentations of "The Fantasticks" by the University Players, a screening of the recent movie hit "Finding Nemo", and Parents College, where parents of current students will have an opportunity to experience life as a university stu-

dent. Other activities include a tour of the Lackawanna Coal Mine and a night of fun at Lahey Family Fun Park.

While on campus, families are invited to attend the Inauguration of Father Pilarz as the twenty-fourth President of the University. The inauguration will be held Friday, Sept. 26, at 11:00 a.m. in the Byron Recreation Complex. Families and students are also invited to attend an Inauguration Concert on Saturday, Sept. 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Houlihan-McLean Center.

The weekend will conclude with Sunday morning Mass in the Byron Recreation Complex, followed by a brunch in the Long Center.

Pre-registration is required for Family Weekend events. For registration or other information, call the Office of Student Life at (570) 941-6233.

Distinguished Author Award Announced

Best-selling crime novelist Linda Fairstein has been named as the recipient of the 2003 Royden B. Davis, S.J. Distinguished Author Award. Ms. Fairstein will be honored at a dinner sponsored by the Friends of the Weinberg Memorial Library at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 8. The event will take place in the Eagen Auditorium on campus.

Ms. Fairstein is the author of a series of crime novels featuring Manhattan prosecutor Alex Cooper. Her most recent novel is "The Bone Vault." Other books in the series are "Final Jeopardy" (1996), "Likely to Die" (1997), "Cold Hit" (1999), and "The Deadhouse" (2001), which was translated into more than 12 languages. "The Deadhouse" also debuted on *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal* and *The London Times* bestseller lists.



Linda Fairstein

A former prosecutor for the New York County District Attorney's Office, where she was Chief of the Sex Crimes Prosecution Unit, Ms. Fairstein is also the author of a non-fiction work, "Sexual Violence: Our War Against Rape" (1993), a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year.

The Distinguished Author Award Series was born out of the Friends of the Weinberg Library's interest to recognize and honor the

work of fiction and non-fiction authors. The annual event also helps the Friends of the Weinberg Library Endowment Fund, which supports special gifts for the Weinberg Library's collections and services.

The Distinguished Author Award was named for the late Royden B. Davis, S.J., who served as the first president of the Friends of the Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Library.

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