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Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

New Honors College Director Appointed

John Gunkel has been named new Honors College Director at Rutgers-Newark. Gunkel most recently served as chair of the arts and humanities faculty and chair of the University Committee for Academic Affairs at American International University of Germany. In addition to his role as an assistant professor of philosophy and government there, he also directed the Academic Success Center and the University Honors Program. He earned his master's and doctoral degrees from Georgetown U., where his graduate studies focused on the work of the German philosopher Heidegger.

Rutgers-Newark Geology Professor's Work Featured at the Newark Museum

With an interactive Web site and a new animated video featured at the Newark Museum's recently opened "Dynamic Earth" exhibit, Rutgers-Newark Geology Professor Alexander Gates is making the metropolitan area's fascinating "rock history" come alive for students of all ages.

Gates' field research in New York's Harriman Park has led him to discover evidence of the supercontinent Rodinia, formed almost a billion years ago and including of all of the seven present-day continents. A new video and exhibit at the museum, as well as a new Web site, harrimanrocks.rutgers.edu, is bringing these discoveries to a broad audience. Gates' research and discoveries will be published later this year in a Geographical Society of America Special Paper.

Archeological Team from R-N to Dig at Portuguese Castle Site

A Rutgers team spearheaded by R-N History Professor Robert Stieglitz, director of the Portugal Archeological Research Project (PARP), will join ongoing excavations this summer for six weeks at the site of an ancient castle in Europe.

PARP students and volunteers will be working inside the medieval castle of Castro Marim to unearth early settlements. Previous work indicates the location was near an important regional harbor settled prior to 750 B.C. by – at various times – the Phoenicians, Carthaginians and Romans.

In Memoriam: Virginia Walsh

Plans are underway to establish The Virginia M. Walsh Memorial Fund to honor the R-N political science professor, who passed away in January.

School of Criminal Justice

R-N Hosts Terrorism Conference

Terrorism experts – including those on the front lines in the battle against terrorist attacks – will gather at Rutgers-Newark Feb. 13-14 for a conference titled "Technology and Terrorism: Preparation and Response." Speakers will address topics ranging from preparing for and responding to bio- and cyber-terrorism to border-threat detection and the challenges of international tracking.

Organized by the Center for the Study of Terrorism – which is sponsored by the School of Criminal Justice, the Center for Global Change and Governance, and Rutgers School of Law-Newark – the sessions featured both speakers and break-out sessions on medical preparedness, container security in shipping, corporate preparedness, and state and local coordination.

Rutgers-Newark Students Named State Police Scholars

Ten Rutgers-Newark students were recently named New Jersey State Police (NJSP) Scholars, kicking off the second year of the only program in the country that unites a state police organization with a state university to provide expanded educational opportunities for students interested in pursuing a career with the state police after graduation.

The unique partnership was originally proposed by Michael Maxfield, academic director of the of the NJSP Scholars Program. It was launched in 2001 through a cooperative effort involving coordinators at Rutgers-Newark, the Office of the New Jersey Attorney General and the New Jersey State Police. Scholarship recipients each receive a \$5,000 stipend per academic year and an annual paid state police internship. Once students graduate, they will be expected to fulfill all the regular requirements involved in becoming New Jersey State troopers.

Rutgers School of Law-Newark

Antonakakis Appointed Director of Career Services

Elizabeth Antonakakis has joined Rutgers School of Law-Newark as director of Career Services. She comes to R-N from Emory University Law School, where she served as executive assistant dean for student affairs.

Antonakakis earned her J.D. from Emory Law School in 1998, where she won the James C. Pratt Memorial Award for Most Outstanding Moot Court Society member and the Association of Women Lawyers Award for Outstanding Woman Law Graduate. After graduation, she practiced law for two years at Nixon Peabody LLP, New York.

Rutgers College of Nursing

New Dean of the College of Nursing Feted by University Dignitaries, Colleagues

Felissa Lashley, the newly appointed dean of the College of Nursing, greeted guests and speakers such as University President Richard McCormick and R-N Provost Steven Diner at a special welcoming event held in her honor recently.

The event brought nursing professionals together from throughout the state and region, and attendees included University trustee and chair of the College's Advancement Council Judy Caruso and the College's Alumni Association President Henry Racelis.

R-N to Offer New Post-master's Certificate in Nursing

A new program at Rutgers-Newark targets nurses who have already earned a master's degree but wish to gain national certification as nurse practitioners. Offered by the R-N College of Nursing through the Graduate School, post-master's certification is offered in a wide range of specialty areas, including acute care nurse practitioner, advanced practice in pediatrics and advanced practice in women's health, among others.

Rutgers Business School-Newark and New Brunswick

Third Annual Business Plan Competition Underway

The 3rd Annual Rutgers Business Plan Competition has kicked off on all of Rutgers' three campuses. Current students and first-year alumni are eligible to enter the first round by submitting a one-page executive summary of their business ideas. For more information, please visit bplan.rutgers.edu.

Mini-MBA Degree Program Begins

Rutgers Business School began piloting a "mini-MBA" program on the R-N campus this winter – the first program of its kind on the East Coast and one of only six in the country.

Offered through the business school's executive education affiliate, the Center for Management Development (CMD), the 12-week certificate program focuses on a range of essential business concepts that are normally taught as part of the full MBA curriculum. For more information on the mini-MBA, visit <http://www.cmd.rutgers.edu> or contact Claudia Meer at 732-445-5590 or cgmeer@rci.rutgers.edu.

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Melvin Dubnick, political science and public administration, received one of the inaugural Fulbright Senior Specialists grants in Public Administration to lecture at Universiteit Leiden in Belgium and Universiteit Leuven in the Netherlands. He was one of only 139 recipients of the honor among approximately 750 scholars who had applied. Dubnick said he used the unique opportunity to speak about the issue of greatest concern to him: accountability – both to the public and to higher moral standards.

Yale Ferguson, co-director of the Center for Global Change and Governance (CGCG), has published two new books: *Political Space: Frontiers of Global Change and Governance* (University of Reading), co-edited with R. Barry Jones, and *The Elusive Quest Continues: Theory and Global Politics* (Prentice Hall), co-authored with Richard Mansbach. Ferguson has been appointed a lifetime honorary professor by the University of Salzburg, Austria. He also recently chaired a panel on "The English School Through Non-English Eyes" at the meeting of the British International Studies Association at the London School of Economics.

Associate Dean Annette Juliano was one of three American scholars invited to participate in a recent UNESCO International Symposium on the Silk Roads 2002 held in Xi'an, China. The gathering of 60 scholars and researchers from about 20 countries was co-hosted by UNESCO Japan and China. The conference attendees and participants drafted a resolution calling for the preservation of monuments along the famous trade routes.

Richard Langhorne, founder and co-director of the CGCG, is co-editor and principal contributor to the *Guide to International Relations and Diplomacy* (Continuum Press). He has also been commissioned to write a *Guide to Global Affairs*, to be released by Hodder Arnold press in early 2004. He was invited to give an opening address at a conference on terrorism held by the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences.

Evan Stark, public administration, has been appointed by a federal court to a panel that will oversee an injunction served on the Administration for Children's Services in New York City. The panel's responsibilities include reviewing individual cases, policies and practices, as well as the evaluation of related organizational and accountability structures. Stark's specific role involves representing the plaintiffs in the class-action suit against the city agency and its policies.

School of Law-Newark

Dean Stuart Deutsch is co-chair of the annual Dean's Workshop sponsored by the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, which will be held in Seattle in February during the ABA midyear meeting.

Karima Bennoune's presentation, "Terrorism and Human Rights: In the Wake of September 11," was published recently in the Michigan State University-Detroit College of Law *Journal of International Law* symposium on terror. Bennoune has been appointed to the advisory board of the Center for the Study of Terrorism, an interdisciplinary collaboration among the School of Law, the School of Criminal Justice, and the Center for Global Change and Governance.

"U.S. Taxation of Shipping: Anchored to a Flawed Policy" by **Cynthia Blum** was published in the October 2002 issue of the *Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce*.

Catherine Hanssens, a nationally-recognized expert on legal issues related to AIDS and HIV infection – has been appointed a visiting assistant clinical professor and the New Jersey Bar Foundation Fellow in the Women and AIDS Clinic for the spring semester. From 1994 until last September, she headed the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund AIDS project. She has also served as acting executive director of the National Abortion Rights Action League in New Jersey.

Eric Neisser Public Interest Program Director Marcia Levy was elected treasurer of the Association of American Law Schools' Section on *Pro Bono* and Public Service Opportunities.

Penny Venetis has been named chair of the Litigation Group of the U.S. Human Rights Network.

Rutgers Business School-Newark and New Brunswick

Phipps Arabie, marketing, and co-authors L. Hubert and J. Meulman had the article "Linear Unidimensional Scaling in the L2-Norm: Basic Optimization Methods Using MATLAB" published in the *Journal of Classification*.

A paper titled "Modeling the Clickstream: Implications for Web-based Advertising Efforts," co-authored by **Patrali Chatterjee**, marketing, D. Hoffman and T. Novak, has been accepted for publication in *Marketing Science*.

Farok Contractor, business environment, had his book *Cooperative Strategies and Alliances*, co-authored with P. Lorange, published early this year.

"The Maximum Box Problem and its Application to Data Analysis," co-authored by **Jonathan Eckstein**, MSIS, P. L. Hammer, Y. Liu, M. Nediak and B. Simeone, appeared in *Computational Optimization and Applications*. His paper "A Practical General Approximation Criterion for Methods of Multipliers Based on Bregman Distances" has been accepted for publication in *Mathematical Programming*.

George Farris, organization management, was one of four professors elevated to the rank of fellow by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). The eminent U.S. scientific organization selects fellows based on their efforts in advancing science or fostering applications considered scientifically or socially distinguished.

Paul J. Miranti Jr., accounting and information systems, had his paper "Corporate Learning and Traffic Management at the Bell System, 1900-1929: Probability Theory and the Evolution of Organizational Capabilities" published in *Business History Review* 76.

Michael Rothkopf, MSIS, had an article titled "A Joint Energy and Transmission Rights Auction: Proposal and Properties" appear in the *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems*. Two of his other papers, one co-authored with R. Harstad and Y. Fu titled "Is Subsidizing Inefficient Bidders Actually Costly?", and another co-authored with R. O'Neill, U. Helman, R. Baldick and W. Stewart titled "Contingent Transmission Rights in the Standard Market Design," have been accepted for publication in *Management Science*.

"Black Box Logging and Tertiary Monitoring of Continuous Assurance Systems," co-authored by **Miklos Vasarhelyi**, accounting and information systems, M. Alles and A. Kogan, was published in *Information Systems Control Journal*. A second paper, "Electronization of Business," co-authored with M. Greenstein, has been accepted for publication in the March 2003 issue of the *Journal of Information Systems*. Vasarhelyi also has been appointed to the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' new Special Committee on Business Reporting.

Robert Werner, accounting and information systems and director of the Master of Accountancy Program in Governmental Accounting, has won this year's New Jersey Society of CPAs Outstanding Educator Award. He was recognized for his excellence in teaching, innovative educational techniques and active involvement in New Jersey's CPA profession. Werner is responsible for creating the Rutgers Master of Accountancy Degree Program in Governmental Accounting, the first such masters degree program of its kind in the country.

Rutgers College of Nursing

Dean Felissa Lashley is the author of an article titled "Newborn Screening: New Opportunities and New Challenges" in the December issue of *Newborn and Infant Nursing Reviews*. Lashley also teamed with J.D. Durham to edit *Emerging Infectious Diseases: Trends and Issues*. The book was published in 2002 and is the winner of the 2002 Book of the Year Award from the *American Journal of Nursing*.

Geri Dickson and Jong Im Kim co-authored an article titled "Reconstructing a Meaning of Pain: Older Korean-American Women's Experiences with the Pain of Osteoarthritis," based on a post-doctoral study performed at Rutgers, for the journal *Qualitative Health Research*. The piece will be published in May. Dickson also has been elected co-chair of the Advisory Council for the Promotion of the Profession of Nursing.

Mei Fu was recently nominated as "Eminent Scientist of the Year 2003" of the International Research Promotion Council (IRPC). The IRPC is an international organization committed to promoting academic and research programs in science and medicine in the developing and underdeveloped countries of the world.

Former Dean Hurdis Griffith was honored by the New Jersey Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Deans in New Brunswick for her dedication to nursing in New Jersey.

Elsie Gulick had an article titled "Influence of Infant Feeding Method on Postpartum Relapse of Mothers with MS" published in the *International Journal of Multiple Sclerosis Care*.

Mary Hughes and co-authors Justine Shults, Jacqueline McGrath and Barbara Medoff-Cooper recently had an article, "Temperament in Preterm Infants in the First Year of Life," published in the *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics*.

Noreen Mahon, Adela Yarcheski and T. Yarcheski co-authored "Health and Well-being in Early Adolescents Using Rogers' Science of Unitary Human Beings," which had been accepted for publication in *Nursing Science Quarterly*.

Wanda K. Mohr and co-authors M. Foley and T. Hopkins had their workbook titled *Study Guide to Accompany Johnson's Psychiatric Mental Health* published by Lippincott, Williams and Wilkins. Mohr also co-authored a paper with J.N. Olson titled "Accuracy in Communication: A Contextual Approach to Child Behavior Assessment," which was published in the *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing*.

Jeanne Ruggiero received the Trainee Research Merit Award from the Associated Professional Sleep Societies at the 16th Annual Scientific Sessions in Seattle, Wash.

Charlotte Thomas-Hawkins was the invited international speaker at the 21st South Africa Renal Care Society Nephrology Congress in Bloemfontein, Free State Province, South Africa.

Professor Emeritus Beverly Whipple was recently inducted as President of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality in Montreal, Canada.

▶ ▶ NEW GRANTS

Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

The National Institute of Mental Health has awarded a two-year, \$568,759 grant to a research team culled from four universities and spearheaded by **Catherine Myers**, psychology, and co-director of Rutgers-Newark's Memory Disorders Project. The group of investigators also includes Memory Disorders Project co-director **Mark Gluck**. The brain-imaging studies will seek a better understanding of the different causes and types of memory impairment, and will provide a foundation for more effective therapies for their treatment.

The Department of Psychology has received \$205,000 as the first installment of a three-year grant from the James S. McConnell Foundation totaling \$495,000. The funding will go to Neuroscience/Dynamic Brain Imaging and Archive.

The Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation has awarded a \$50,000 grant to the Institute on Ethnicity, Culture and the Modern Experience's fellowship program.

Rutgers College of Nursing

The F. M. Kirby Foundation awarded a grant for \$100,000 to partially fund construction of a new building for the Rutgers College of Nursing on the New Brunswick campus. The two-year grant is part of a \$4.3 million initiative to replace two smaller facilities.

Geri Dickson was awarded \$712,213 by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to continue funding the New Jersey Office for Nursing Workforce Development, a statewide coalition that is researching nursing workforce development issues. Dickson was also awarded \$100,000 by the New Jersey Department of Human Services for the Colleagues in Caring program.

Elise Lev was awarded \$49,143 by the New Jersey Commission on Cancer Research to fund a study titled "Quality of Life of Men Receiving Brachytherapy for Prostate Cancer." Lev also was awarded \$97,522 by the New

Jersey Commission on Cancer Research to fund research for the "Prospective Study of Quality of Life of Men Receiving Brachytherapy for Prostate Cancer."

Wanda Mohr received \$118,874 from the Packard Foundation to fund a research project titled "Building Scientifically Valid Systems to Investigate the Prevalence and Impact of Child Exposure to Domestic Violence."

▶ ▶ NEWSMAKERS

Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

April Benasich, neuroscience, and director of the Infancy Studies Laboratory at the Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience (CMBN), and **Paula Tallal**, neuroscience, and co-director of the CMBN, were featured in a Star-Ledger article (Dec. 12) about their research into the early signs of learning disorders as they develop in very young children.

An article about a walking tour of the real "Gangs of New York's" turf on Manhattan's Lower East Side, led by **Brian Ferguson**, sociology and anthropology, appeared in USA Today (Dec. 3).

Yale Ferguson, political science, and co-director of the Center for Global Change and Governance (CGCG), was interviewed on 88.3 FM WBGO-Newark (Jan. 31) about the status of the United States peace movement – especially in light of recent anti-war protests directed at American policy toward Iraq – and about the differences between the current looming conflict in the Mideast and the 1991 Persian Gulf War and invasion of Afghanistan.

Richard Langhorne, political science, and co-director of the CGCG, was interviewed by News 12 (Feb. 6) about Secretary of State Colin Powell's address to the United Nations concerning Iraq.

History Professor **Clement Price's** seat on a high-profile commission of Newark's civic and business leaders, whose aim was to mediate a deal to build an arena downtown, was noted in articles by the Associated Press (Dec. 9) and the Star-Ledger (Dec. 10).

Robert Snyder, associate professor and program director of journalism, was quoted in two New York Times articles (Dec. 12 and 15) about the possibility of a strike by New York City MTA workers.

School of Criminal Justice

Associate Dean Bonnie Veysey was quoted in a Star-Ledger article (Dec. 30) about crimes at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital and difficulties in determining mental competency.

School of Law-Newark

Dean Stuart Deutsch was quoted in a front-page New York Times (Dec. 16) article about Rutgers' participation in the Consortium of Community Legal Resource Networks, a group of law schools that is trying to help alumni develop economically successful small and solo community-based law practices that serve low and moderate income clients. A January 2003 *ABA Journal* article about the consortium notes Rutgers' membership. Deutsch's comments on the structuring of admissions policies to achieve diversity were featured in the *ABA Journal eReport* (Jan. 24).

A *New Jersey Law Journal* article (Jan. 20) on the job prospects for 2003 graduates featured comments by **Associate Dean Fran Bouchoux '87**.

Associate Dean Ronald Chen '83 participated in a discussion on NJN's "Due Process" show about the 9th Circuit Court finding that the "under God" line in the Pledge of Allegiance is unconstitutional. The show aired Jan. 15 and 19.

Assistant Dean Kenneth Padilla '95 was endorsed by the Bronx (NY) Democratic Party organization for a vacant seat on the New York City Council. Padilla is a Democratic district leader in the South Bronx. The New York Times (Jan. 6) covered the upcoming special election for the City Council seat.

The Record (Jan. 5) included a comment from **Frank Askin** on a lawsuit against the state police by one of the defendants whose cases were dismissed because their arrests involved racial profiling. Askin was interviewed extensively on New Jersey radio and by the Daily Targum (Jan. 23) in connection with the 30th anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* decision. Askin and his wife, **Marilyn Askin**, are profiled as one of New Jersey's "power couples" in the February 2003 issue of *New Jersey Monthly*.

The Associated Press (Dec. 25) reported that the New Jersey Supreme Court agreed to hear the **Environmental Law Clinic's** challenge to regulations that allow the expansion of commercial cranberry growing operations in the Pinelands. The Clinic will argue the case on behalf of 10 state and national environmental groups. The New York Times (Dec. 26) carried an article about the lawsuit.

Tom Borden was quoted in several media outlets: a Courier News (Jan. 5) article about the impact of a special master's findings in a civil suit that a proposed housing development; in the Star-Ledger (Jan. 13) on Clinic plans to respond to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's request for suggested waterways to receive Category I protection; and in the Asbury Park Press (Jan. 16) on Gov. James E. McGreevey's proposal to allow towns to impose one-year building moratoriums.

The Gay City News (Jan.10-16 issue) profiled **Suzanne Goldberg** and the argument presented in her paper "Equality Without Tiers," which was recently honored by the Association of American Law Schools as the Best Scholarly Paper. Goldberg, director of the Women's Rights Litigation Clinic, was quoted in an Asbury Park Press article (Jan. 22) about *Roe v. Wade* and the current judicial climate.

The Star-Ledger (Jan. 24) quoted **Jonathan Hyman** about a judge's decision to overrule an arbitrator's award in an insurance fraud case.

A *New Jersey Law Journal* article (Dec. 23) on the report of the New Jersey Supreme Court Commission on the Rules of Professional Conduct featured comments by Commission member **John Leubsdorf** regarding proposed revisions to restrictions on attorney advertising and public comment.

The winter 2003 issue of Rutgers Magazine devotes four pages to a profile of the work of **Randi Mandelbaum** and the Child Advocacy Clinic. The online version of the article can be found at <http://ur.rutgers.edu/magazine/stand.html>.

Comments by **George Thomas** were included in a Record (Jan. 8) story about an appellate court's decision to reverse a jury's guilty verdict in a drug case.

The Record (Jan. 13) carried a front-page article on the law school's admissions policy. Dean Stuart Deutsch, **Paul Tractenberg**, and first-year students Oris Bryant and Regina Stefanelli were quoted. The article ran on the Knight-Ridder Tribune newswire as well. Tractenberg was quoted in a Record article (Jan. 16) about the Bush administration's challenge to the University of Michigan's admissions policy.

Rutgers Business School –Newark and New Brunswick

Tom Bryant, organization management, was quoted in the Star Ledger (Jan. 23) and in the Home News Tribune (Jan. 25) in stories on the Rutgers Business Plan Competition, which Bryant is directing.

The New York Times (Dec. 22) quoted **Ted Hollander**, director of the MBA in Professional Accounting Program, and undergraduate accounting students Melanie Cobb and Michael Godlewski in a titled "A Silver Lining to Scandals: More Are Drawn to Accounting."

A Washington Post story (Jan. 24), "U-Md. Says Students Use Phones to Cheat – Text Messaging Delivers Test Answers," quoted **Don McCabe**, organization management.

Bernadette Tiernan, associate state director of the New Jersey Small Business Development Center (NJSBDC), and **Randy Harmon**, NJSBDC's director of technology commercialization, were quoted in a Wall Street Journal article (Dec. 16) titled: "Changing Careers What to Look for in Programs that Promise to Help Midlife Entrepreneurs."

Rutgers College of Nursing

Geri Dickson was quoted in a Home News Tribune article (Dec. 13) reviewing bill S-495, which approves the establishment of the New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing at Rutgers University. The center will continue the work of Colleagues in Caring, where Dickson currently serves as project director for New Jersey.

▶ ▶ UPCOMING EVENTS/CONFERENCES

For more events: www.newark.rutgers.edu/events

“W.E.B. Du Bois, A Man for All Times” Feb. 12, 2:30 p.m., Bradley Hall Theater, 110 Warren St. Performed by the Pulse Theater of New York, adapted by Alexa Kelly. Directed by Kelly in collaboration with R-N English Professor Nina DaVinci Nichols, the performance is based on the writings and speeches of NAACP-founder W.E.B. Du Bois.

23rd Annual Marion Thompson Wright Lecture Feb. 15, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Paul Robeson Campus Center, 350 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Pulitzer Prize-winning author David Levering Lewis will give the keynote address, “W.E.B Du Bois in Africa,” as the centerpiece of this year’s lecture program. Other speakers will include W.E.B. Du Bois’ granddaughter, Dr. Y Du Bois Williams. Dignitaries expected to attend include Rutgers University President Richard McCormick, New Jersey Governor James McGreevey and Newark Mayor Sharpe James. The event will launch a citywide “Newark Reads Du Bois” literary campaign.

Concert at Center for Law and Justice, Feb. 18 12:30 pm, Atrium, Center for Law and Justice, 123 Washington St.. The first event in series of free lunch hour concerts features members of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra with violist Elizabeth Miller of the Dept. of Visual and Performing Arts in chamber music by Mozart and Gershwin.

“Jazz for Justice” Feb. 20, Van Vleck House & Gardens, Montclair. Hosted by the Association of Black Law Students.

“Democracy in the Balance: Security and Justice in the Israeli Courts” Feb. 21, Baker Trial Courtroom, Center for Law and Justice, 123 Washington St. Professor Pnina LaHav, Boston U. School of Law, will tackle the topic of legal systems in the Mideast in a lecture co-sponsored by the Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life. **Minority Student Program 35th Anniversary Celebration April 10**, Mayfair Farms, West Orange
For more information on the dinner celebration, contact Assistant Dean Ken Padilla at 973-353-5644 or kpadilla@kinoy.rutger.edu.

“Welcoming our Future: A Celebration for Dr. Richard McCormick” April 8, 2:30-6 p.m. A spirited colloquium and reception will mark the inauguration of Rutgers’ 19th president. **“Urban Research Universities and the Future of Metropolitan America,” 2:30-4:30 p.m.**, Paul Robeson Campus Center, 350 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. A multidisciplinary panel will discuss the responsibilities of urban research universities in shaping the future of American cities. Marc Holzer will moderate, and Richard McCormick will be the responder. **Reception for Dr. McCormick, 4:30-6 p.m.**, Center for Law and Justice Atrium, 123 Washington St.

The Rutgers College of Nursing Spring Alumni Awards Dinner April 11, 6:30 p.m., The Manor, West Orange. Sponsored by the Nursing Alumni Association, the dinner will celebrate leadership and excellence with hosts Felissa Lashley, dean of the College of Nursing, and Henry Racelis, president of the College’s alumni association.

“The Grand Bargain: The Pharmaceutical Industry and Society in the 21st Century” April 21-22, New Jersey Performing Arts Center. Hosted by the Prudential Business Ethics Center at Rutgers, this conference is designed to create opportunities for dialogue on ethical issues among business executives, government officials, non-governmental organizations, academics, advocacy groups and the general public. For more information, call 973-353-5879.

21st Annual Weintraub Lecture April 24, Baker Trial Courtroom, Center for Law and Justice. The Hon. Julio M. Fuentes, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, will be the keynote speaker. The lecture will be followed by the Alumni Judges Dinner. For more information, contact Evie Task at 973-353-1617 or alummail@kinoy.rutgers.edu.

"A Celebration of Chinese Heritage with Chinese Folk Songs, Music and Dances" May 3, Paul Robeson Campus Center 350 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd. **The Xiang Yin Chorus and Huaxia Performing Arts Ensemble** – both of which are non-profit performing arts organizations based in New Jersey – will present Chinese folk songs and dances. Organized with the help of Rutgers Business School faculty members Chao Chen, Lei Lei and Yangru Wu, members of the two groups include faculty and staff members from Rutgers-Newark and the New Brunswick campus.

Provost’s Research Day April 29, 2:30-5:30 p.m., University Club, Paul Robeson Campus Center, 350 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. About a dozen new faculty at Rutgers-Newark – as well as guest speakers from NJIT, UMDNJ and the Public Health Research Institute – will present their research.

▶ ▶ STUDENT NEWS

Rutgers College of Nursing

Wanda Mohr's psychiatric advanced practice nursing students presented a workshop titled "Multicultural Issues in Working with Families Who Have a Mentally Ill Member" at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. The presentation was made to resident physicians, students and attending physicians.

Approximately 30 junior level nursing students of the Nursing Care Provider I class administered more than 250 preventative flu shots at the flu clinic for Rutgers University employees on Oct. 15, 22 and 23. **Jeanne Ruggiero** supervised the students' class project at the Livingston Health Center on Livingston campus, along with **Beverly Karlik** and **Cheryl Krause-Parello**.

Rutgers Business School – Newark and New Brunswick

Gregg Ruppberger, Terry Davidson, and Ian Karp (all MBA '04) will represent Rutgers in the final round of the 4th annual "Owen@Vanderbilt eStrategy Contest." They were one of 45 teams to enter the MBA case competition and one of only six teams to advance to the final round. They will compete against teams from Harvard, MIT, Duke, Wharton and Maryland in Nashville on Feb. 15. The competition focuses on advancing an e-health growth strategy for RocheDiagnostics, the competition's sponsor. The six teams will present their business proposals to executives from Roche Diagnostics, who will determine the winner and award a \$25,000 prize. The three Rutgers students are Industry Scholars in the Rutgers MBA in Pharmaceutical Management program.