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1. Campus News

Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark



Chorus Brings Holiday Cheer to Greystone Patients and Families

You might not expect to hear voices raised in song at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital, but on Dec. 4, the Rutgers-Newark University Chorus inaugurated its winter concert season at the hospital's Main Building chapel – its first-ever performance at the Parsippany facility. The chorus performed for patients and their families.

The special Greystone concert was followed by public concerts on the Newark campus Dec. 7, and the music will continue with performances in the city of Newark Dec. 11 and 12. Most of the performances are free. (See “Upcoming Events/Conferences” section on

page 8 for more details.)

The unorthodox choice of location was the brainchild of Shirley Smoyak, Rutgers Division of Continuous Education and Outreach (DCEO), who is not only a member of the chorus but has been a court-appointed monitor of Greystone since 1977. Music therapy was once an important component of patient treatments at Greystone, Smoyak noted.

The concert was be videotaped by DCEO's academic video services staff, and portions will be included in a planned documentary on Greystone.

Using Scholarship to Enhance Teaching Skills

While many people equate professional development for public school teachers with honing classroom skills, a Rutgers-Newark program aims to stimulate their intellectual development and raise the level of scholarship involved in teaching. The university's Institute on Ethnicity, Culture and the Modern Experience (IECME) teamed with the Newark Public Schools Nov. 11 and 18 as part their collaborative Teachers as Scholars effort, bringing Newark K-12 teachers to the R-N campus for a series of seminars in the humanities, social sciences and the arts. A second session will be offered in the spring of 2006.

Part of the National Endowment for the Humanities' 2005 program, “American Freedom: The History of an Ideal” – and funded by the New Jersey Council for the Humanities – this year's joint IECME-Newark Public Schools effort builds on last year's pilot program by encouraging a deeper understanding of American history and the founding principles of American democracy among educators.

Rutgers-Newark is the first and only Rutgers campus, and only the second university in New Jersey – along with Princeton – participating in the national Teachers as Scholars program, which is overseen by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience

R-N Shares \$1 Million Howard Hughes Grant with NJIT, UMDNJ

A \$1 million, three-year grant from the prestigious Howard Hughes Medical Institute has been awarded jointly to Rutgers-Newark, the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT), and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ). The award will be used to develop a novel doctoral program designed to train future neuroscientists who can integrate approaches used in mathematics, biomedical sciences and computation as they investigate emerging questions in the neural sciences. The consortium of R-N, NJIT and UMDNJ was among only 10 awardees selected from 132 applicants.

The inter-institutional quantitative neurosciences doctoral training program will be co-directed by James Tepper, a professor of neuroscience at Rutgers-Newark's Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience; Robert Miura, a professor of mathematical sciences at NJIT; and Joshua Berlin, a professor of pharmacology and physiology at UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School.

“Although tremendous progress has been made in the neurosciences, daunting challenges remain,” Tepper said. “The solutions to these problems are likely to be found by bringing together the tools and approaches from many different disciplines.”

Rutgers School of Law-Newark

Environmental Law Clinic Tallies Victory in Newark Bay/NY Harbor Area Case

A Rutgers-Newark Environmental Law Clinic team, spearheaded by Assistant Clinical Professor Lisa Garcia, has been instrumental in upholding a 2003 decision – which also involved Environmental Law Clinic attorneys – that challenged a major dredging project by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in the Port of New York and New Jersey.

The Newark Bay/NY Harbor Area is contaminated with the poison dioxin that, without proper protections, would spread into surrounding waterways. Advocacy by the clinic in 2003 in *NRDC v. Army Corps* forced the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to include Newark Bay as part of the 17-mile-long Passaic River Superfund site.

In this year's follow-up suit, the clinic – representing NY/NJ Baykeeper and Greenfaith and working with co-counsel representing the Natural Resources Defense Council – successfully built upon its earlier argument that the Army Corps ignored the impact of dredging on the EPA's efforts to study and clean up the Superfund site. The court ruled that omitting Newark Bay as part of the Superfund site violated the National Environmental Policy Act.

Rutgers Business School-Newark and New Brunswick

Symposium Emphasizes Importance of Customer Relations Management in the Pharmaceutical Industry

The Customer Relationship Management (CRM) Center at Rutgers Business School (RBS) recently co-sponsored a panel titled “Symposium for Sales and Marketing Issues in the Pharmaceutical Industry.” The CRM Center joined forces with BusinessEdge Solutions Inc., a management consulting firm, and Siebel Systems, a customer relationship provider, for a presentation attended by executives from many leading pharmaceutical firms.

Panelists agreed that changes in the business environment are requiring a significant response from pharmaceutical companies in the way they do business. They noted that areas such as market segmentation and insight, as well as effective campaign and service management, are issues that can be crucial to determining success for today's pharmaceutical firms. More stringent regulatory requirements, pressure on drug pricing, and increased consumer voice and demand are requiring that companies bolster their agility in the marketplace.

The CRM Center is dedicated to advancing the field of customer relationship management by linking the intellectual resources of a leading academic institution with the practical business experience of industry.

School of Criminal Justice

Motorola Lecture Features Delaware Homeland Security Official, Internationally Renowned Crime Scientist

David Mitchell, secretary of the Department of Safety and Homeland Security for the State of Delaware, shared his insights with his New Jersey law enforcement counterparts and others Nov. 9 as part of the Police Institute's Motorola Lecture, titled “Crisis Intervention: A Homeland Security Perspective.” His address was followed on Nov. 30 by keynote speaker Gloria Laycock, director of the Jill Dando Institute of Crime Science at University College of London.

Mitchell's three-decade law enforcement career includes serving as superintendent of the Maryland State Police, as executive in residence at Johns Hopkins University where he was an instructor in public safety leadership and as director of law enforcement relations with the Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence in Washington, D.C.

Laycock is widely regarded as one of the world's leading experts on crime and crime prevention. She has been an International Visiting Fellow in both the U.S. Justice Department and Australian Institute of Criminology.

Kennedy to Speak About Security at Regional Business Partnership Newark Insiders Forum

Dean Leslie Kennedy will be among the featured speakers at the Regional Business Partnership (RBP) Newark Insiders Forum Dec. 13 discussing municipal security and making Newark a safe place to live, work and visit. Other speakers include Newark Police Chief Anthony Ambrose; Lou Dell'Ermo, president of Gateway Security; and Gary Hogencamp, property manager at Advance Realty Group and chair of the Newark Downtown District Security Task Force. Kennedy and the others will discuss both actions that have been taken and priorities for the future. The forum, to be held at the RBP Center at 744 Broad St., is sponsored by the RBP and Bank of America. To learn more or register to attend, contact the RBP at 973/242-4203 or rbp@rbp.org.

Institute on Education Law and Policy

Institute on Education Law and Policy Announces New Initiatives

In an effort to keep citizens and politicians more informed about the current debate over property tax reform and the importance of balancing demands for reform with the needs of public schools, Rutgers-Newark's Institute on Education Law and Policy (IELP) has initiated a new project. Titled "Setting the Stage for Informed, Objective Deliberation on Property Tax Reform," the effort has already convened a group of interdisciplinary experts from the fields of education law, school finance and state tax policy. Participants have included former New Jersey Gov. James Florio and former New Jersey Supreme Court Justice Gary Stein.

Another IELP effort has led to the institute's collaboration with the Foundation for Educational Administration (FEA), an arm of the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association. Together, they have established the Rutgers-NEA Education Law and Policy Institute, an intensive nine-month professional development program for public school principals and other school leaders. The program will cover topics such as education finance, governance, school desegregation, special education and student rights.

Campus News

RU-NEW LEADS Brings Together R-N Student Leaders to Boost Community Activism

In its inaugural year, RU-NEW LEADS – a new community-oriented group consisting of 33 committed Rutgers-Newark student organization leaders – has gotten off to a fast start.

Dedicated to achieving what the group describes as "civic expressions of leadership," members' activities have included a motivational visit to Newark's Central High School, a day of helping to build houses in Newark with Habitat for Humanity, an early morning shift at St. John's Soup Kitchen on Mulberry Street, and the "Walk for Literacy" at the Newark Bears' Riverfront Stadium – among other things.

Council founder and group director Darryl Holloman, associate dean and director of the Paul Robeson Campus Center, describes RU-NEW LEADS as both a leadership development project and a leadership research project. He noted that the newly formed association of student leaders dovetailed well with the addition of the component of leadership to the mission of what was formerly the Office of Student Activities and is now the Office of Student Life and Leadership.

Holloman said he expected RU-NEW LEADS to expand in the 2006 spring semester to include students who are not presidents of organizations.

Rutgers-Newark Community Raises Awareness During World AIDS Week Activities

From Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, the color red took on a whole new meaning on the Rutgers-Newark campus as student activists hosted a series of events at the Paul Robeson Campus Center to mark World AIDS Week. The familiar curled red ribbon denoting support for those suffering from the global pandemic appeared on lapels and on signs throughout campus directing faculty, staff and students to the booths at Robeson. A host of student, state and area organizations pitched in to make the event a success.

For the entire week, members of the Rutgers community, as well as the general public, could get free private STI and HIV counseling, as well as purchase items to raise money for the AIDS Resource Foundation for Children, a local charity that works with children affected by HIV. Other events included the creation of a panel for a Rutgers-Newark HIV quilt, a performance by UNITY Theatre and two film screenings: *And the Band Played On* and *Philadelphia*.

New Director Joins Rutgers-Newark Admissions Staff

There's a new face to welcome prospective students to campus. Jason Hand began as the new Rutgers-Newark director of undergraduate and graduate admissions Nov. 28. He previously worked as the director of admissions at New Jersey

City University, where he was responsible for a growth in enrollments as well as an elevated academic profile for entering students.

2. Faculty and Administration News

Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

An essay by **Alex Hinton**, anthropology, about the genocide perpetrated by the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia, “The Perpetrator, the Victim and the Witness,” has been reprinted in the *Best American Essays of 2005* (Houghton Mifflin, 2005). The piece originally appeared in the *Mānoa Journal*, which is published by the University of Hawaii Press.

Henry Martin, music, had a new CD release titled *Henry Martin – Chamber Music for Strings and Piano* (Albany Records, 2005) in November. The album features the Innisfree Piano Trio.

Lewis Porter, music, was featured as a commentator on a Black Entertainment Television (BET) documentary about Thelonious Monk and John Coltrane. In addition, Porter and his colleague, **John Howland**, music, are editing a major peer-reviewed journal of jazz scholarship titled *Jazz Perspectives*. The first issue is expected to be out in early 2007.

Norma Riccucci, public administration, has won the 2006 Charles E. Levine Award. The award is granted by the American Society for Public Administration and the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration to university faculty who have demonstrated excellence in teaching, research and service, and whose publications have made an impact on the field. Riccucci was the unanimous choice of the committee that chose the Levine Award recipient.

Evan Stark, public administration, has been named the International Fellow for 2006 at the University of Bristol, School of Policy Studies. He will be a scholar in residence at the school’s Centre of Family and Child Welfare during the spring.

Anna Stubblefield had her book *Ethics Along the Color Line* (Cornell University Press, 2005) published in November.

The Institute of Puerto Rican Culture in San Juan, Puerto Rico, sponsored the premier of *If not then, what*, a video installation by **Edin Velez**, visual and performing arts. The work was part of an ongoing series of video exhibitions in San Juan called “Rewind, Rewind.”

Rutgers School of Law-Newark

Bernard Bell moderated a panel titled “The Structure of Statutory Interpretation Within the Executive Branch” at the American Bar Association Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice’s Administrative Law Conference Nov. 17.

The American Society of International Law appointed **Karima Bennoune** to the program committee for its 2006 centennial conference. She also was elected to the board of trustees of the Center for Constitutional Rights. In addition, this fall she led discussions on international law and women in armed conflict following performances at New York’s Jean Cocteau Theater of Albert Brecht’s *Mother Courage*. Later this month, Bennoune will monitor human rights conditions in Afghanistan in her capacity as an Amnesty International USA board member.

Alfred Blumrosen spoke at New York’s Fraunces Tavern Museum about the new book *Slave Nation: How Slavery United the Colonies and Sparked the American Revolution* (Sourcebooks, 2005), which he co-authored with the late Ruth Blumrosen.

Neil Buchanan was the chair and discussant at a National Tax Association annual meeting panel on Legal Perspectives on Tax Policy Issues Nov. 18. He also had an article titled “Social Security, Generational Justice and Long-Term Deficits” published in the fall 2005 issue of *Tax Law Review*.

Anna Gelpern authored “Argentina’s Pathways Through Financial Crises” with Brad Setser, which was published in September by the Global Economic Government Programme, Oxford University and University College, Oxford.

Suzanne Goldberg received a Dukeminier Award, which recognizes the best sexual orientation law review articles of the previous year, for “Morals-Based Justifications for Lawmaking: Before and After *Lawrence v. Texas*” in the

Minnesota Law Review. Her article will appear in a special journal published by the Williams Project at UCLA Law School.

Tanya Hernandez was a senior editor of *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the United States* (Oxford University Press, 2005).

Keith Sharfman had his article “Judicial Valuation Behavior: Some Evidence From Bankruptcy” published in the *Florida State University Law Review*.

George Thomas was the guest editor for the fall symposium issue, titled “The Warren Court Criminal Justice Revolution: Reflections a Generation Later,” of the *Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law*. He also contributed the article “Through a Glass Darkly: Seeing the Real Warren Court Criminal Justice Legacy.”

Rutgers Business School-Newark and New Brunswick

Dean Howard Tuckman served as a judge on *NJBIZ*'s “40 Under 40” panel, which selected 40 young, pioneering New Jersey business leaders who have achieved notable success and demonstrated strong leadership both within and outside their chosen fields.

College of Nursing

Lucille Joel has been elected president of the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools. She will assume her position in January 2006.

Noreen Mahon and **Adela Yarcheski** co-authored an article with Thomas Yarcheski titled “Psychometrics of the Laffrey Health Conception Scale for Adolescents” in the *Journal of Nursing Measurement*.

The Mid-State Black Nurses Association of New Jersey presented its Outstanding Educator award to **Deborah Walker-McCall** Nov. 12. Walker McCall is director of the Rutgers College of Nursing-Equal Opportunity Fund (EOF) program and also serves as director of the Rutgers College of Nursing Minority Nurse Leadership Institute (MNL). The kudos were for her ongoing work with both the EOF and MNL.

Wendy Nehring received the Distinguished Alumna Award for Excellence in Nursing Practice, Education and Research from Wesleyan University's School of Nursing. Her accomplishment was reported in *The Record* (Oct. 31).

Julia Plotnick, a Rutgers College of Nursing visiting faculty member, received a 2005 Diva award from the Institute for Nursing of the New Jersey State Nurses Association Foundation at the organization's sixth annual gala Dec. 1.

3. Newsmakers

Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

Frances Bartkowski, English, had a column about porches and the social fabric of neighborhoods published in the *New York Times* (Nov. 13)

Philip Cerny, political science, had a letter about the importance of cooperation among member countries in the European Union published in the *New York Times* (Nov. 13).

The speech that **Peter Golden**, history, gave as the first recipient of Rutgers-Newark's Provost's Distinguished Research Award was covered in *Forum: The Turkish-American Newspaper* (Nov. 2).

Elizabeth Hull, political science, was quoted in a *New York Times* article (Oct. 30) about wealthy political candidates who personally finance their own campaigns.

Jyl Josephson, women's studies, commented on attempts to reach out to gay and lesbian teenagers – and resistance to it by conservative organizations – in the *Bay Area Reporter* (Nov. 17).

Barry Komisaruk, psychology, was quoted extensively about his studies of the ability of paralyzed women to experience orgasms in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* (Nov. 7) and *FortWayne.com* (Nov. 11).

Clement Alexander Price, history, was quoted in an article in *The Record* (Oct. 26) about the late civil rights icon Rosa Parks. A forum with former N.J. Gov. Tom Kean, moderated by Price was the subject of a column in the *Star-Ledger* (Oct. 27).

Leo Troy, economics, commented on the value of unions in getting out the Democratic vote in a *New York Times* story (Nov. 6).

Rutgers School of Law-Newark

Dean Stuart Deutsch was quoted in a *Star-Ledger* article (Nov. 3) about U.S. Supreme Court nominee Judge Samuel Alito's championing of privacy rights as a student at Princeton.

Frank Askin commented in Associated Press (Oct. 26) and *Star-Ledger* articles (Oct. 27) and on New York 1 about a case involving a Catholic high school's ban on students placing their own profiles and blogs on what it called "unsavory" Web sites. The story was picked up widely by other print and electronic media, including the *Washington Post*, *Business Week*, the *Kansas City Star*, *SiliconValley.com* and *phillyburbs.com*. The *Home News Tribune* (Sept. 28), *New Jersey Law Journal* (Oct. 3) and the *Legal Intelligencer* (Oct. 7) all reported on the Sept. 27 appeal he argued of *NAACP v. Harvey*. Askin also was quoted in a *Daily Record* story (Oct. 31) about the constitutionality of distributing leaflets expressing a political or policy stance at a public recycling center and similar locations. In addition, he commented about the qualifications of U.S. Supreme Court nominee Judge Samuel Alito in the *New Jersey Law Journal* (Nov. 1) and *New Jersey Lawyer* (Nov. 7). Askin also was quoted in Associated Press (Nov. 2) and *New Jersey Law Journal* (Nov. 7) articles about the Appellate Division ruling against the Constitutional Litigation Clinic lawsuit regarding the barring of felons and parolees from voting.

A *Star-Ledger* story (Sept. 6) quoted **Norman Cantor** in an article about decisions by the late U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Rehnquist that had a direct impact on New Jersey.

Associate Dean Ronald Chen commented on a Pennsylvania township's restrictions on where convicted sex offenders can live in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* (Oct. 26). He also was quoted in numerous print articles and broadcast reports about President Bush's nomination of Judge Samuel Alito to the U.S. Supreme Court, including the *New York Times* (Nov. 3), the *Los Angeles Times* (Nov. 2), the *Washington Post* (Nov. 9), the *Baltimore Sun* (Oct. 31), the *Star-Ledger* (Nov. 1), the *Record* (Nov. 1), Newhouse News Service (Nov. 11), National Public Radio's *All Things Considered* (Nov. 17), and New York City channels 2 (CBS), 4 (NBC) and 9 (WOR). He contrasted the rulings of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia and Alito in subsequent *Star-Ledger* article (Nov. 18). Chen also commented on attempts to use zoning laws to restrict where sex offenders can live in the *New Jersey Law Journal* (Nov. 21). In addition, he was quoted in two *Jersey Journal* stories (Oct. 8, Nov. 22) about a Jersey City eminent domain case.

Gary Francione was interviewed by Breeze Radio (Oct. 31) about U.S. Supreme Court nominee Judge Samuel Alito.

Suzanne Goldberg commented on the nomination of Judge Samuel Alito to the U.S. Supreme Court for the Associated Press (Nov. 3) and *Workforce Management* (Nov. 2).

Carlos Gonzalez commented in an NJN news report (Nov. 2) about the verdict finding the Port Authority negligent in the 1993 World Trade Center bombing. He also was quoted about the verdict in the New Jersey Vioxx trial in a *Record* story (Nov. 4).

Tanya Hernandez was interviewed on Pacifica Radio's *Against the Grain* program (Nov. 30) on the topic of hierarchies of skin color. She also commented on the misappropriation of funds from a special-needs trust in an *Asbury Park Press* story (Nov. 20).

Howard Latin was quoted in a Dow Jones wire article (Sept. 6) on the Vioxx trial then taking place in Atlantic City.

John Leubsdorf commented about lawyers' paying jurors in the first Vioxx trial to discuss their views on the arguments used by plaintiff and defense attorneys in *Lawyers Weekly USA* (Nov. 21). He also was quoted in a *Star-Ledger* story (Nov. 29) about New Jersey's crackdown on unethical behavior by lawyers.

Star-Ledger stories (Oct. 28, Nov. 5) described efforts – which were ultimately successful – by the **Rutgers Constitutional Litigation Clinic** to defend a bar owner in Jersey City against having his property seized by city officials under eminent domain laws and given to a Catholic school.

Sabrin Safin commented on an Italian lawsuit charging an American museum curator and a co-defendant with trafficking in stolen antiquities in a *Star-Ledger* story (Nov. 20).

WCBS radio interviewed **Keith Sharfman** about the new bankruptcy law (Oct. 17).

Carter Strickland was quoted in a *Philadelphia Inquirer* article (Oct. 26) about the Environmental Law Clinic's involvement in a lawsuit challenging the proposed New Jersey Motorsports Park. He also commented in the *Record* (Oct. 3) about environmental problems at a dumpsite where Ford Motor Co. disposed of hazardous waste materials. In addition, he was quoted in a *Herald News* story (Oct. 14) on the storage of hazardous materials at transfer stations near railroad lines.

Rutgers Business School-Newark and New Brunswick

Edwin Hartman, international business and business environment and director of the Prudential Business Ethics Center at Rutgers, commented on the pilfering of office supplies by employees in a *Star-Ledger* article (Nov. 18).

Brenda Hopper, director of the Small Business Development Center (SBDC), was the subject of a Q&A about the SBDC's programs and activities, as well as her advice for budding entrepreneurs, in *NJBIZ* (Nov. 28). She also was quoted extensively in an article about the sixth annual New Jersey SBDC Success Awards Luncheon in the same issue.

Donald McCabe, management and global business, commented on the way in which increasing campus sizes encourage a sense of anonymity and greater likelihood of cheating in a *Trenton Times* article (Oct. 26). He also noted the rising use of cell phones by students to cheat on exams in a story in the *Bakersfield Californian* (Oct. 31).

School of Criminal Justice

George Kelling was the subject of a *Denver Post* article (Nov. 6) about efforts by Denver city officials to tap Kelling's expertise as a consultant to evaluate the efficiency of the city's police department and recommend staffing levels and anti-crime strategies.

College of Nursing

Dean Felissa Lashley was quoted in articles about the possibility of a 1918-like pandemic caused by avian flu in the *Asbury Park Press* (Oct. 17) and the *Star-Ledger* (Oct. 23). She also was interviewed for a News12 report (Oct. 26) about hospital preparedness in the face of such a pandemic, as well as 101.5 stories about the flu (Oct. 18) and the value of Tamiflu in combating its symptoms (Nov. 21). In addition, she addressed New Jersey's nursing shortage in a *Home News Tribune* article (Nov. 21).

Robert Atkins was interviewed for a program about Camden that aired on the Fox channel show *Geraldo at Large*, as well as on news programs on Fox affiliates WNYW-TV in New York City and WTFX-TV in Philadelphia (Nov. 25).

Rachel Jones (as well as her cast and crew) were the subjects of *Herald News* story (Oct. 27) about Jones' computer video vignette project to reduce the HIV/AIDS risk among young urban women.

Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience

Mark Gluck was quoted extensively in a *Star-Ledger* article (Oct. 27) about a grant he received from the Pentagon's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency to help develop computers to think and react to tasks more like human brains.

4. Upcoming Events/Conferences

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

Rutgers-Newark University Chorus Winter Concerts: Dec. 11, 3 p.m., St. Mary's R.C. Church, 528 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. (at Williams Street), Newark; **Dec. 12, 11:45 a.m.**, PSE&G Lobby, 80 Park Place, Newark.

Admission: St. Mary's R.C. Church – \$10 general admission, \$25 preferred seating, \$5 students/senior citizens; PSE&G Lobby – free admission. For more information, contact John Floreen at 973/353-5119 ext. 28 or jfloreen@earthlink.net.

Center for Global Change and Governance Colloquium on Frontiers of Research and Practice in Global Affairs: Professor Helen Schwenken, University of Kassel, Germany, “Migration Politics and Current Controversies within the EU,” Dec. 12, 5-7 p.m., Provost Conference Room 502, Center for Law and Justice, 123 Washington St. Free admission. For more information, contact Désirée Gordon at 973/353-5585 or cgcg@andromeda.rutgers.edu.

Police Institute Motorola Fall Lecture Series: David Osborne, “Reinventing Criminal Justice,” Dec. 14, noon, Center for Law and Justice, 123 Washington St. Free admission. For more information, contact Michael Wagers, director of the Police Institute, at 973/353-1000 or mwagers@rutgers.edu.

Joseph C. Cornwall Center for Metropolitan Studies Winter Holiday Open House, Dec. 14, 1-3 p.m., Joseph C. Cornwall Center for Metropolitan Studies, 47 Bleeker St. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by Dec. 10 to Irene Welch at irenew@rutgers.edu.

Opening Reception for “Khmer Rouge, Then and Now: A Photographic History,” rescheduled to March 28, 2006, from Jan. 12, 2006, 2:30-4 p.m., Dana Room, John Cotton Dana Library, 185 University Ave. Free admission. Alex Hinton, Rutgers-Newark professor of anthropology, will speak about the history of the Khmer Rouge and this photographic exhibition, which portrays the crimes carried out under the Cambodian regime. Organized by the Documentation Center of Cambodia. The exhibit can be viewed in the Dana Library lobby during normal library hours. For more information, contact Lynn Mullins at 973/353-5222 or lmullins@andromeda.rutgers.edu.

5. Student News

Office of the Provost

Three of Rutgers-Newark's Student Ambassadors – **Kerby Dort '08, Mubarak Guy '06 and Brandan Lawrey '06**, all of whom went to high school in Newark – addressed students at Newark's Technology High School about the advantages of attending Rutgers-Newark. A story about their presentation appeared in the *Star-Ledger* (Nov. 28) in which both they and **Marcia Brown**, vice provost for student and community affairs, were quoted.

Faculty of Arts and Sciences-Newark

Six top economics students – **Peter Eberhard '06, Miodrag Kapor '07, Alif Makani '06, Anthony Restaino '07, Pawel Skonieczha '06 and Andrew Verdon '07** – were the first team ever to represent Rutgers-Newark at a national competition called the FED Challenge. The FED Challenge involves teams of college students from across the country that compete in early November at their local Federal Reserve Bank in front of a panel of three judges. Each team gives a 20-minute presentation acting like the Federal Open Market Committee of the Federal Reserve, setting current monetary policy, then responds to 15 minutes of questions from the judges. The R-N team – which had drilled for months with **John Graham**, economics – placed second in its grouping of five universities, beating teams from Columbia, Fordham and Iona.

Rutgers School of Law-Newark

Alexander Saingchin '06 has received a 2006 Equal Justice Works Fellowship to continue his work with the Asian-American Legal Project (AALP) after graduation. Saingchin worked with other students during his second year to create the AALP with the goal of applying their legal training to benefit local Asian-American communities.

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