

Building a Career

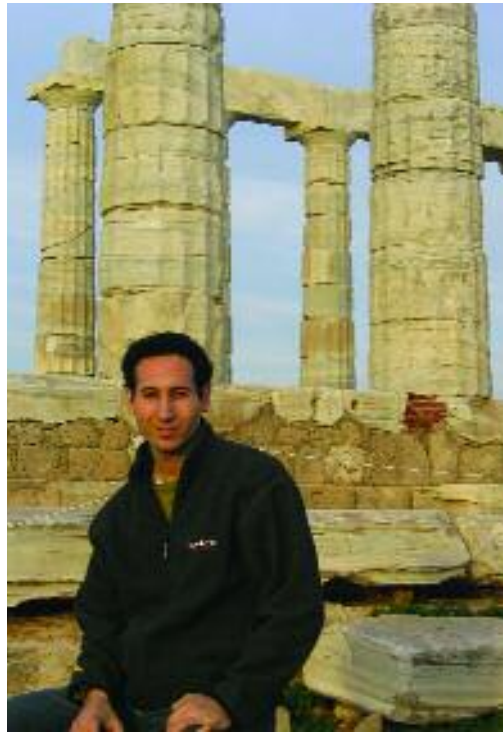
You've heard of "Rikers Island," the prison in New York City, right?

Well, every Wednesday morning, 30-year-old **Efthimios Parasidis** drives to Rikers (it's that sort of "island") to defend the State of New York's Department of Corrections and Division of Parole against anywhere from 35 to 60 lawsuits filed each week against it by prisoners there who claim the state has somehow violated their rights.

As a new lawyer working for New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer, he is the only one assigned to handle this generally unpopular duty each week before a special court that convenes at the prison complex. Happily, he says, there are many other cases to vary his workload, which is normal for lawyers in the litigation bureau of Spitzer's office. He has worked there since January 2005 and is committed to remain for two years. However, considering his career path so far, one might expect he'll eventually try something different.

Ever since he was a philosophy major at TCNJ, Parasidis has wanted to be a college professor of some type. Torn between neuroscience and the law, he chose the latter as a first step, earning both a law degree and a master's in bioethics during three years at the University of Pennsylvania. He soon found himself practicing in New York City as one of some 2,000 attorneys at Jones, Day, Reavis and Pogue, the nation's second-largest law firm.

After three highly productive and instructive years there, he elected to move on to something that might further his academic aspirations. He



Efthimios Parasidis '97

won a Fulbright Fellowship that allowed him to spend a year in Greece studying issues of medical informed consent. (Although born in Atlantic City, he had lived in Greece for two years as a young child, and still has relatives there.) He surveyed patients, doctors, hospital staff, and government officials and is finishing up a report that evaluates how well or poorly patients are informed about medical options and risks before surgery. He hopes to publish the results next year.

Back in the U.S. in August 2004, he decided to stay with the law for awhile, and renewed his activity with the bioethical issues committee of the New York City Bar Association as he pursued the job search that yielded his present position. Now, if an opportunity to be an adjunct professor of law should present itself, he says that would be nice, too.

Bruce B. VanDusen

'54

Colonel Leonard Tharney (E) was selected to receive People to People International's 2005 Outstanding Leadership at the National and Regional Council Level award. The award was presented at a meeting in Seoul, South Korea, on September 23.

'56

Paul Kumpel (E) has retired after a 48-year career mostly spent teaching mathematics at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. After teaching at Lafayette College in Easton, PA for three years, he earned his PhD in mathematics in 1956. Paul then moved to Stony Brook, where he still lives, to teach for 41 years. His duties while at the university included director of teacher preparation for the Division of Mathematical Sciences, and both associate chairman and director of undergraduate studies in the mathematics department. In addition to Paul's recognitions as the mathematics department's Outstanding Teacher Award in 1973 and the President's and Chancellor's Awards for Excellence in Teaching in 1990, he co-wrote a linear algebra text. Paul went to Hawaii in July and, in addition to travel, enjoys golfing and piano.

'59

Marilyn Cowie Barnett (E), Maynard Hess (E) and his wife, **Ellie '61 (E)**, met in Raleigh, NC for their "first reunion." Lyn was an exchange student from Saskatoon, Saskatchewan for the 1958-1959 school year and was able to locate the Hesses several years ago through www.classmates.com. They recently met again for a second reunion, this time in Ontario, where Lyn lives on Georgian Bay. They hope to include their grandchildren in their next get-together.



Ellie Lucaire Hess '61 and Maynard Hess '59 (left and center) with Marilyn Cowie Barnett '59 at a recent "reunion" in the Raleigh, NC airport.

John J. Loeper (E), '60 (MEd) writes from retirement in Bonita Springs, FL: "I was motivated to come out of the anonymity of "lost" grads and blow my own horn. I was not placed on the list of graduates until I visited the alumni office and demanded that they find me, which they did.

"I was a member of the first class to receive a graduate degree under the tutelage of Dr. Dorothy Peterson. My master's project, which was heavily criticized by my graduate mentor, ended up in book form. Titled *Men of Ideas*, it is a philosophy book for young readers and was published by Atheneum, NY. It was recently reprinted in paperback. My next book, *Going to School in 1776*, was published in 1974 and has been in print 28 years. Jean Karl, my editor at Atheneum, guided the publication of 12 subsequent titles, all dealing with Americana. *The Chicago Sun* dubbed me "the young reader's expert on Americana."

"After Karl's retirement, I continued working with Atheneum, now a part of Simon and Schuster, and published *Crusade for Kindness*, a biography of Henry Bergh, founder of the ASPCA. I was then asked by Marshall Cavendish to do five books for Benchmark Books for their American Family series. Portions of my books have been included in reading and social studies texts published by Scott Foresman, Ginn, and McGraw Hill.

"After graduation, I taught grades five through eight, was a guidance counselor, and ended as a principal. I also taught a graduate course on American educational practices at Bergische University in Germany, and in retirement have taught adult education courses at Aquinas Emeritus College in nearby Naples.

"I am also an exhibiting artist (inspired by landscapes near our home in Bucks County) and have had shows in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Martha's Vineyard, New Hope, Lambertville, Connecticut, and Florida. I illustrated one of my books, *The House on Spruce Street*, the story of a real house in Philadelphia's Society Hill. These illustrations are now in the collection of the Voorhees Zimmerlie Museum at Rutgers University, as are some of my original manuscripts and galleys. So, we "old timers" from Trenton State days have made our mark!"

'62

Carol Marie Metzger (E) sings in a choir at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Palm Desert, CA. In June, she sang with the San Fernando Valley Master Chorale at Carnegie Hall, New York. The retired music teacher lives in Palms, CA.

'64

Carole Harchar (E) has retired from teaching at Mill Lake Elementary School. Having spent 30 years as a second-grade teacher in Monroe School District, Carole has earned the reputation as "the teacher who never yells," according to the weekly *Cranbury Press*. The Monroe Township resident's retirement plans include spending time with her husband and two children, sewing, redecorating her home, visiting her grandchildren, and traveling.

Joan Tunbridge (E) has retired after teaching grammar school for 38 years. Her career includes teaching at Arthur Brisbane Child Treatment Center, Bradley Elementary School in Asbury Park, Thurgood Marshall Elementary School, and Hope Academy in Asbury Park, where she has taught fourth grade since founding the charter school in 2001. Joan lives in Point Pleasant.

'65

Michael Gallina (B) '69 MA (music) and his wife, Jill, recently attended a performance of *The Castaways*, for which they composed the music, at Morristown-Beard Middle School. They have shared national success as composers for plays and choral music for elementary, middle, junior high, and senior high schools. Television events that have featured their music include the Disney Channel, *The World's Largest Concert*, PBS, the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, *Sing for the Cure*, *The New York Philharmonic*, and a documentary produced by the United Nations on children's rights. Michael and Jill live in Millington.

'69

Mary Schoenstein Joseph (E) has retired from Egg Harbor Township School District after 36 years of teaching. Her career includes teaching fifth and sixth grades and serving as a middle school media specialist for 30 years. Mary's retirement plans include spending time with her grandson. She lives in Linwood.

'70

Naomi Drew (E) works with groups of at-risk children in Trenton, Princeton, and other communities on conflict resolution, anti-bullying, gang resistance, and anti-violence. In June she presented a workshop, "Creating a Peaceful Summer With Your Kids: Practical Ways to Make It Happen." Naomi, who lives in Lawrenceville, has written six books on conflict resolution with children.

'71

Keith Charlesworth (E), of Ridgewood, has been selected to represent the regional school district in the 2004-2005 Governor's Teacher Recognition Program. He teaches industrial arts and applied technology at Ramapo High School. As part of the program, Keith received \$100 from the school board for educational materials of his choice.

Claire Snyder (AS) '78 (MEd) retired from Monroe Township High School in Jamesburg after teaching there for 33 years. The Princeton Junction resident originally taught French for six years and then permanently switched to language arts. Four years ago, Claire began the school's first poetry club. Her tentative retirement plans include volunteer work, a part-time job, or going back to school.

'72

Lt. Bob Buchanan (AS), of the Princeton Township Police Department, graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy on March 18. The program included both physical and mental training such as six-mile runs through the snow and taking five graduate level courses through the University of Virginia. Fewer than one percent of law enforcement executives are accepted to the program and Lt. Buchanan was only the third officer sent by his department.

Linda Jewell (E) of Ocean City, is now principal of her alma mater, Freehold High School in Freehold Borough. She began her career as a teacher in that school district. Then she served the Freehold Regional High School District for 14 years, holding positions such as supervisor of extracurricular activities and athletics, substance abuse coordinator, administrative supervisor of the adult high school, GED program, and community education school. Linda then served as assistant principal at Freehold Township High School for four years. Since September 2001, she has been principal of Jackson Memorial High School in Ocean County.

'73

Frank McSherry (AS) teaches eighth-grade English at Charles Boehm Middle School in Yardley, PA, and coaches softball at Pennsbury High School. Frank and his wife live in Langhorne, PA. They have four children and two grandchildren.

Joseph S. Pizzo (E), '75 (MEd) received a Governor's Award for Arts Education on The College of New Jersey campus in June. He is one of 18 educators in New Jersey to receive

this recognition. The Bound Brook resident teaches language arts at Black River Middle School and is an adjunct professor at Centenary College and Union County College.

'77

Joseph R. Koury (AS) is the new laboratory director of the Union County Prosecutor's Office Forensic Laboratory in Westfield and recently graduated from the West Point Command and Leadership Program. In addition, he obtained an MA from Rutgers University Graduate School of Criminal Justice and he graduated from the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA.

'78

Lewis D. Bivona (B) works at the accounting firm of Amper, Politziner, and Mattia in Flemington. He was recently named senior manager of the firm's healthcare services and insurance industry groups. Lewis has worked in the healthcare field for more than 26 years and lives in Cherry Hill.

Nicholas Harbist (AS) has been appointed to the Justinian Society, a legal organization comprising attorneys, judges, and law students of Italian heritage. In June, he also served as a moderator for the Annual Criminal Law Institute at the Institute for Continuing Legal Education of the New Jersey State Bar Association in New Brunswick. As the program moderator, Nicholas participated in panels and discussions on insurance fraud in New Jersey and other white collar criminal law issues, including "Hot Topics for Criminal Defense Lawyers" for an audience of approximately 60 New Jersey attorneys. The Moorestown resident practices with the Blank Rome law firm in Cherry Hill.

Jim Hoffman (E) has been appointed the first assistant superintendent for the Greater Amsterdam, NY, School District since the 1970s. He resides in Delmar, NY.

'79

James P. Bolden (MEd) in June was appointed assistant business administrator for Jersey City by Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy. Previously, he was an executive assistant assigned to the Office of the Business Administrator of Jersey City, his hometown.

'80

Regina Lemerich Botsford (MEd) has recently been named assistant superintendent of the Ridgewood School District. She has worked in the district for two years as director of curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

Neil M. Boumpani (AS) earned his PhD this spring and is an assistant professor of Music at Gordon College, GA. He lives in Durham, NC.

'82

Brad Filson (AS) works for Nisus Corporation as an area sales manager for Washington, DC, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and northern Georgia. For more than 18 years, he has worked in the pest control industry for companies such as FMC Corp., Bayer Corp., and BASF. Brad lives in Wilson, NC.

'84

Steven A. Karg (EN) has been appointed treasurer of the Somerset County Bar Association for a two-year term that started in July. The Branchburg resident, who focuses his legal practice on product liability issues, is a member of the Norris McLaughlin & Marcus law firm in Somerville.

Paul Ostrander (B), of Florence, has been re-elected to a second three-year term on the Florence Township Board of Education, where he serves on the facilities and finance committees.

'86

Gina LaMandre (E) resigned as the University of Maryland softball coach in July, after 11 seasons. Gina's achievements during her tenure include ACC Coach of the Year in 1999, when she led her team to the NCAA regional finals. Prior to coaching at UMD, Gina was an assistant coach at the University of Massachusetts for eight seasons.

Michael Taylor (AS) has founded MET Investigations, a local detective agency. His service spans over 25 years and includes training at the state police academy, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Glynco, GA, and a training program from the state attorney general's office. Michael's career began as a Princeton Borough police officer for eight years, before promotion to detective. He then spent four years as a special agent with the Office of Naval Intelligence, where he helped protect George H.W. Bush and Oliver North. After that, Michael worked for the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office until January. Beginning in fall 2006, the Mercerville resident plans to accept TCNJ business students to help out in his office.

'88

MarySue Lacovara Flaherty (AS) graduated in May from Gloucester County Community College in Sewell, NJ. She graduated with honors and earned an associate degree in nursing. MarySue will be working as an emergency room nurse at Cooper University Hospital in Camden, NJ.

'90

Gregory Moore (AS) has been named general counsel of the ABA Newark Express professional basketball team. As a managing partner of The Moore Law Group in Newark, Gregory is also a member of the Black Entertainment and Sports Lawyers Association and the Entertainment Law Section of the New Jersey State Bar Association. The Newark resident published a book in 2001 titled *Searching for Michael Jordan*.

Eric Swensen (AS) was hired as Pinelands Regional School District's new director of student personnel services in June. A former mathematics and science teacher at Roy V. Brown Middle School, he leaves his guidance counselor post at Pinelands Regional High School for this new responsibility. Eric lives in Lanoka Harbor.

'91

Robert Goodall (E) is the new Monroe Township High School principal, after being assistant principal since 2004. The Point Pleasant resident also has experience as assistant principal in a Brick Township middle school for two years, and as a teacher in middle and high school in Jackson for 10 years.

'92

Rebecca Machinga (B) has been promoted to shareholder at WithumSmith+Brown, a regional CPA and consulting firm based in Princeton. Rebecca has been with the firm 13 years and serves on the board of directors of the Institute of Management Accountants. She has held numerous leadership positions with the IMA, including four terms as president of the Princeton chapter, and has served on the national committee. She is actively involved with the accounting program at TCNJ, keeping in touch with professors and speaking to the accounting students each year. Rebecca has also taken on leadership roles at WS+B with the Women's Leadership Development Group, as well as the firm's mentoring and recruiting programs. Rebecca and her husband, **Jarod '92 (EN)**, reside in Hopewell.

'93

Eileen O'Sullivan (E), '96 (MA in audiology) and her husband, **Tom '95 (B)** live in Hoptacong with their two children. She is a part-time audiologist at St. Clare's Hospital in Dover, while he is the interactive technology manager for Coldwell Banker Commercial in Parsippany. Eileen brought us up to date with three of her classmates from '93. **Joanne Siracusa (AS)** and her husband, Frank, live in Elmwood Park with their two children. She's a stay-at-home mom these days. **Frances Carroll (AS)** and her husband, Jack, live in Hamilton

Executive producer

When Barbie, the doll who has nurtured the imaginations of millions of children for 46 years, stars next spring in a traveling performance called "Barbie Live in Fairytopia," **Stacey Burns** will have had a lot to do with it.

Burns, an executive producer in the family entertainment production division of Clear Channel Communications, has been developing the "Barbie Live" project, latest in a series of road shows spawned by successful television cartoons, since early this year. In this project, Mattel, Inc., the toy maker that has owned Barbie since her "birth" in 1959, has partnered with Clear Channel to help boost Barbie's sales.

Burns has been working in this kids' slice of the theater world since shortly after graduation in 1996. She cut her teeth as assistant manager for three summer tours of a pop music program called the "All That Music and More Festival," followed by producer roles for "Rugrats," "Blue's Clues Live" and "Dora the Explorer" – programs geared to a variety of pre-teen audiences and, of course, their parents.

The producers for such shows hire the writers, the acting company, the stage crew, booking agents, musical talent, bus companies, and so on. They then arrange for sponsors like Procter & Gamble, General Mills, Ford, and Gateway Computers who sell the products young parents need. They do the bookkeeping, prepare and negotiate contracts, and schedule what, in the case of the "Barbie Live" show, will be an 80-city tour. Stacey does it all from her office on 42nd Street.

She seems to love every aspect of her job, particularly the opportunity to live on the Upper West Side of Manhattan and enjoy the endless variety of life in the Big Apple's entertainment industry.

"When I was a freshman, I thought I wanted to teach," Stacey recalls, "but after I saw the sort of structured program I would have to follow, I switched in the second semester to communication studies and did what I really liked." Which, she's discovered, is fast moving, ever changing, highly competitive, and rewarding in a number of ways.

"Barbie" goes on the road early next year, while Burns keeps her fingers crossed on 42nd Street.



Stacey Burns '96

Ten Little Legacies?



These 10 youngsters are the offspring of four members of the Class of 1993 who met during their freshman year as floor mates on Wolfe 10 and have remained friends ever since. The picture was taken July 23 in Duke Island Park in Bridgewater and shows: (top row) Sarah O'Sullivan, 5, and Stephanie Siracusa, 6. (second row) Andrew Carroll, 7 months; Shannon O'Sullivan, 2; Anthony Siracusa, 2; Jessica and Julia Carroll, 22 months. (front row) Shyla Werneke, 2, Nicholas Werneke, 4 months, Colin O'Sullivan, 18 months. Above to the right mothers are, from the left: **Eileen (Moroney) O'Sullivan '93 (E)** and '96 (MA audiology), **Frances (Sexauer) Carroll '93 (AS)**, **Sheetal (Desai) Werneke '93 (AS)**, and **Joanne (Krejsa) Siracusa '93 (AS)**. See the Class Notes for 1993 for more news about these families.

with their three young ones. She left her job as an education writer and columnist for the *Home News Tribune* in Middlesex County in late 2003 after the birth of their twins, and she's busy at home with their children. **Sheetal Werneke** (AS) and her husband make their home in Matawan with their two children. Her husband, Charles, is a sports photojournalist for News 12 New Jersey. Sheetal, a communication studies major in college is a part-time producer of a nationally syndicated radio program called "The Money Pit."

Jon Paradise (E) collaborated with other tri-state writers to create a collection of short stories entitled, *Spirit House*. All proceeds benefited the victims of the 2004 Indonesian tsunami disaster.

Richard Perez (N) earned both medical and law degrees in May 2004. He earned the former at the School of Osteopathic Medicine of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ), and the latter from Rutgers University Law School. In addition to being a Second Lieutenant in the New Jersey National Guard, Richard was also co-chair of the National Student Medical Association while studying at UMDNJ. He hopes to eventually return to TCNJ to conduct career development seminars for pre-college students.

'95

James Mulligan (EN), who lives in Flemington, won the Innovative Technology Educator Award, an unrestricted \$10,000 cash prize sponsored by the Martinson Family Foundation, in May. In addition to teaching design and problem solving at Montgomery Middle School, he also mentors the school's Science Olympiad team and constructs sets for school musicals.



James Mulligan '95

Bernard "B.D." Lenz (AS) and his band recently released their fourth contemporary jazz recording entitled *Tomorrow's Too Late*, which includes a mixture of jazz, funk, Latin, rock, and electronica. B.D. has worked with musicians such as trumpeter Randy Brecker, bassist Mark Egan, and guitarists Mike Stern and Vic Juris. He teaches math at Lenape Valley Regional High School in Stanhope and lives in Hackettstown.

'96

Michael R. Kelliher (AS) teaches history at Nottingham High School in Hamilton Township. The Toms River resident earned his master's in educational administration and supervision from Rider University in December 2004. *The Trentonian* and *The Times* of Trenton voted Michael the Colonial Valley Conference girls' basketball Coach of the Year for 2004-2005.

'97

Mark Kmiec (E) will become Crossroads North Middle School's new assistant principal in January. The Kendall Park resident has worked at the school in Monmouth Junction for nine years, fulfilling many duties such as teacher leader, physical education teacher, treasurer of the student activities account, middle school head cross country coach and head coach of varsity ice hockey at the high school. Mark also served as the Crisis Response Team leader, where he developed school plans for emergency situations.

Elizabeth Scheuerer (AS) was named Outstanding Intermediate School Teacher for 2005 by the Optimist Club of Westfield, where she teaches eighth-grade mathematics at Roosevelt Intermediate School. In addition to her duties in the classroom, Elizabeth mentors Roosevelt's peer leadership program, advises the Mathcounts team, assists with Student Council events, and serves as a mentor to a new teacher in the math department. She lives in Cranford.

'98

Robert Jason "Jay" Black (AS) made what he called "the dream of a lifetime" come true during the opening of College this fall when he performed as a stand-up comedian at what has long been a "Welcome Back Comedy Show" designed to tickle summer-dulled student minds back into more rapid-fire academic life. Jay teaches English to high school students at Seneca High School in rural Tabernacle, but has been a serious stand-up hopeful on the college, radio, television, and comedy club circuit for two years.

Jay was pumped before the Kendall Hall crowd September 1. As the least well-known of the performers, he opened the show. He knew the students were not expecting him to be the best, but after his elongated 30-



"Jay" Black '98

minute time slot, he got what he had come for, mainly, a sustained and high-pitched standing and yelling ovation. "It was the best half-hour I have ever had as a stand-up comedian," he said later.

In addition to a full load of English classes at Seneca, Jay advises a club of about 20 young wannabe comedians, a handful of whom, he says, are regulars and who perform before middle school students in the Lenape School District. (The guidelines are such that school authorities approve of the humor, Jay says, but they still leave the younger students limp from laughter.) He has the students do a lot of writing ("rather than just do arm-pit noises as," he says, "they tend to do otherwise") before getting on stage. So far as he knows, it's the only club of its kind in the country.

On his own, Jay has built a popular reputation on XM Radio, is a regular on the roster of "Comedy Zone" (a chain of 70 comedy clubs mainly located in the South), and appears at well-known regional clubs such as Dangerfield's, Caroline's, and Rascals. He's been writing for the Richie Byrne Show, and is a columnist for both *collegehumor.com* and *thecollegeweb.com*.

For his visit in September, Jay brought along his wife and fellow Seneca High School teacher, Kristin; her sister, **Regina Panarella** '98 (E) and '00 (MA, speech pathology); and a college friend, **Vincent Nardiello** '99 (E), who also is a teacher and stand-up comedian.

Tim Collins (E) teaches social studies at Lawrence Middle School and assistant coaches the Lawrence High School girls' cross country team. He lives in West Trenton.

Catherine Elliot (E) has been appointed a physical education teacher at Cranbury Elementary School. She also is an assistant coach for the girls' soccer team, and head coach of the girls' basketball and softball teams. Catherine had taught physical education in Holmdel for five years at Indian Hill School and for two years at William R. Satz School. She lives in South Amboy.

Bert Giovine (AS) teaches English and coaches baseball at Morris Hills High School in Rockaway, not far from his home in Morristown. His baseball team won 20 games this year and went to the sectional finals. The team's success earned Bert the 2005 *Daily Record* baseball Coach of the Year award. Bert enjoys cooking Italian dinners before big games and organizing an annual alumni game.

Mark Mongon (E) is the new principal of Midland Elementary School in Rochelle Park. The Sparta resident began his career as a science, social studies, and reading teacher at Eric Smith Middle School in Ramsey, then moved to assistant principal at Sparta Middle School.

Pawel Ochalski (AS) of Pennington has received his MD from Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. He graduated in the top 10 percent in his class and was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha National Medical Honor Society and the Gold Humanism Honor Society. His residency will be in neurosurgery at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia.

'00

Nick Beykirch (E) has left Bernards High School to begin a new position at William Annin Middle School in Basking Ridge. At Bernards, Nick was an accomplished woodworking teacher, was named the school's "Teacher of the Year," and was elected to the state Governor's Advisory Board for the Technology Education Association. He also contributed prize-winning entries at the annual North Jersey Student Craftman's Fair. He lives in Bedminster.

Jeffrey Gander (AS) has received his MD from Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha National Medical and the Gold Humanism Honor societies as well. He will do his residency in general surgery at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York and hopes to specialize in pediatric surgery. Jeffrey lives in Scotch Plains.

Michael Walker (AS) won the 28th Annual June Fete 10K run in Princeton, an event that drew 448 competitors. Despite a lack of spring training due to his teaching and track coaching commitments at Rancocas Valley High School, Michael managed to defeat the runner-up by more than a minute. He lives in Ewing and is training for a marathon.

'01

Jason Blind (B) has left the WithumSmith+Brown CPA and consulting firm and has joined the Amper, Politziner, and Mattia, CPA and consulting firm as a staff accountant. He lives in Brick.

Weddings

Dave Silverstein '79 (E) wed Cassandra Walker May 21, 2005.
Sandra M. Miron '90 (CS) wed Sean R. Armetta January 17, 2004.
Bernadine O'Leary '91 (AS) wed Ralph G. Cataldo July 31, 2004.
Doriann Scimeme '91 (AS) wed Otto Palagyi in June, 1998.
Laura Butler '93 (AS) wed Enrique Cruz November 20, 2004.
Heidi Heleniak '93 (AS) wed Glenn Donatiello '92 (AM) April 2, 2005.
Jason Faris '94 (S), wed Katie Bates August, 2004.
Jennifer L. Whalley '94, '96 (AS) wed Brian C. Moog April 23, 2005.
Jenny Cooley '96 (AS) wed Robert T. Babb April 16, 2005.
Regan Yeldell '96 (B) wed Byron Works '98 (EN) September 20, 2003.
Dana Fraytak '97 wed Stephen Troiano '97 (B) June 4, 2005.
Lisa Reyes '97, '00 (AS) wed Sheldon Overton '96 (B) November 28, 2004.
Christopher Burrows '98 (AS) wed Kieran Snyder July 2, 2005.
Nikki Cieplinski '98 (B) wed Eddie Kuchie July 5, 2003.
Nicole Davis '98 (E), wed Michael Frame '98 (B) August 27, 2004.
Pamela Slicner '98 (E), '03 (MEd) wed Sean M. Sullivan August 6, 2004.
Christopher Tedesco '98 (B) wed Kathleen Daly June 25, 2005.
Kristen Dalfonzo '99 (AS) wed Michael McGhee '99 (E) August 9, 2003.
Kelly Gavin '99 (AS) wed Walter Cupit December 20, 2003.
Carolyn C. Nurse '99 (EN) wed Duane P. Morris '98 (EN) October 17, 2004.
Linda Marie Tridente '99 (AM) wed David Matthew Blazier July 11, 2004.
Corinne Darata '00 (B) wed Philip Crimaldi '00 (B) September 19, 2004.
Taryn Decker '00 (S) wed Nicholas Prybella October 30, 2004.
Vivian Kalugdan '00 (E) wed Jason Brock August 6, 2005.
Amanda Lee '00 (E) wed Matt Dranchak November 26, 2004.
Jennifer Roensch '00 (AS) wed David Reiersen October 30, 2004.
Taryn Sichta '00 (B) wed Greg DePaul October 22, 2004.
Karin Turick '00 (E) wed Brian Woglom July 23, 2005.
Michelle DeSantis '02 (E) wed Brian Coombs '02 (AS) July 30, 2005.
Janae Durkin '02 (E) wed Michael Zechman July 23, 2005.
Colleen McDermott '02 (CS) wed Philip Ujiiie July 16, 2005.
Carol Ann Berchtold '03 (E) wed Frank J. Santo, Jr. July 3, 2004.
Sonia Sehgal '03 (S) wed Cesar Romero '03 (B) July 4, 2003.
Rachel S. Brauer '04 (E) wed Brian S. Mueller '04 (E) July 11, 2004.
Karla Ashley Santora '05 (S) wed Arthur Elliot Hirshorn III June 18, 2005.



Left to right and top to bottom: Laura Butler '93 and Enrique Cruz; Nicole Davis '98 and Michael Frame '98; Pamela Slicner '98 and Sean M. Sullivan; Linda Marie Tridente '99 and David M. Blazier; Corinne Darata '00 and Philip Crimaldi '00; Janae Durkin '02 and Michael Zechman; and Rachel S. Brauer '04 and Brian S. Mueller '04.

New Arrivals

Susan Price Rubin '84 (AS) and husband, William: a son, Micha David, June 16, 2004.
Henry DiPasquale '87 (AS) and wife, Nancy: a son, Colin Henry, June 28, 2005.
David Berman '89 and wife, Josephine: a son, Matthew James, October 22, 2004. He joins his brother, Ben, 8.
Pattiann Rossmell Agnolet '92 (AS) and husband, Richard: a daughter, Natalia Marie, March 21, 2005. She joins her sister, Juliana.
Lauren McQueney '92 (AS), a daughter, Ellyn McQueney, June, 2004.
Deanna Vang Musolino '92 (B) and husband, Steve: a son, Anthony Pasquale, February 26, 2005.
Dana Evans Baker '93 and husband, Timothy: a daughter, Bridgette Grace, February 8, 2005. She joins her sister, Lillian, 2.
Patricia M. Wilson Irilli '93 (E) and husband, Anthony Irilli '92 (AS), '95 (MED): a son, Anthony Gerard, December 13, 2004.
Donald J. Martel '93 and wife, Patricia (Whealan) Martel '98: a daughter, Emily Sage Martel, in June of 2004, joining her sister Becca, 2.
Neil Schloss '93 (B) and wife, Kristin: a son, Parker James, September 10, 2004.
Cherylyn Paredes '94 (E) and husband, Frank: a daughter, Amanda Grace, July 1, 2005. She joins her brother Logan, 2.
Michelle Weamer Shaw '94 (AS) and husband, Jeffrey: a son, Ryan Donald, January 19, 2005.
Patricia Wilson Zylka '94 (E) and husband, Michael: a daughter, Taryn Rose, March 23, 2004.
Linda McCulloch McAfee '95 (E) and husband, Matt: a son, Tyler Benjamin, February 19, 2005.
Maureen McCabe Roberts '95 (B) and husband, Michael: a daughter, Sara Ann, April 8, 2005. She joins her brother, Aidan, 3, and sister, Katie, 1.
Kevin Smith '95 (AS) and wife, Linda: twin sons, Luke Wesley and Toby John, April 7, 2005.
Linda Williamson Sobieski '95 (S) and husband, Brian: a son, Thomas Charles, May 9, 2005.
Maryann Trecozzi '95 (E) and husband, Douglas Tapp '95 (B): a daughter, Katie, September 22, 2003. She joins her brother Michael, 4.
Laura Baron '96 (AS) and husband, Michael: a son, Thomas William, October 19, 2004.
Amy Wehrman Beardsley '96 (E) and husband, Erick Beardsley: a son, Jack David, born January 8, 2005.
John Braun '96 (AS) and wife, Sharon: a daughter, Isabella Nicole, January 9, 2005.
Michael R. Kelliher '96 (AS) and wife, Karen: a son, Nathaniel Lawrence, September 20, 2004.

Kevin Robert Klucsarits '96 (AS) and wife, Donna: a daughter, Kathryn Elizabeth, July 2, 2005.
April Hild Krihak '96 (E) and husband, Jonathan: a daughter, Hannah Elizabeth, March 28, 2004.
Amanda Mather Davis '97 (AS) and husband, Chris '95 (AS): a son, Colin James, February 15, 2005.
Scott LeFante '97 (B) and wife, Joyce: a son, Kyle Joseph, May 12, 2005.
Ellen Thomas '97 (E) and husband, George: a son, George Jr., February 23, 2005.
Amy Chacko '98 (E) and husband, John: a daughter, Sydney Faith, May 11, 2005.
Carla Cousins '98 (AS) and husband, Anthony: a daughter, Alexa Ellaine, July 27, 2004.
Patricia Whealan Martel '98 (AS) and husband, Donald '93 (AS): a daughter, Emily Sage, June 2004. She joins her sister, Becca, 2.
Danielle Silvia Reynolds '99 (E) and husband, Keith '99 (B): a daughter, Emma Catherine, January 17, 2005.
Sabrina Wiltenberg-Wilfrid '00 (E) and husband, Damien: a daughter, Rachel Kayla, July 17, 2004. She joins her brother, Jake, 4.
Jill Swarts Falletta '01 (E) and husband, Richard '99 (AS): a son, Andrew Richard, May 2, 2005.
Cari Gallagher '03 (MED) and husband, Charles '05 (E): a daughter, Reece Bridget, July 25, 2005.

Pictured clockwise from top left: Anthony Gerard Irilli, son of Patricia Wilson Irilli '93 and Anthony Irilli '92 and '95; Thomas Charles Sobieski, son of Linda Williamson Sobieski '95 and Brian Sobieski; and Reece Bridget Gallagher, daughter of Cari Gallagher '03 and Charles Gallagher '05.



Brian Drelick (E), a teacher at High Point Regional High School since 2000, won The Innovative Technology Educator Award, a \$10,000 unrestricted cash award sponsored by the Martinson Family Foundation. He was one of five recipients of the annual award chosen from a pool of 40 applicants. Brian, who lives in Vernon, developed the curriculum for and teaches a three-year power, energy, and transportation course in addition to teaching two classes in engineering and design.



Brian Drelick '01

Todd Smith (E) is the new West Windsor-Plainsboro High School South football coach. Todd played offensive tackle for TCNJ and coached one season for the Lions upon graduation. Todd has also coached the high school's girls' cross country team for three years and track and field team for four years. The Ewing resident plans to run the high school football team with the same approach used in College.

'02 Liz O'Connor (E), '03 (MED), teaches physical education at Travell Elementary school in her hometown of Ridgewood. She began the Marathon Madness program there in which the students have the month of May to run the equivalent of a marathon and record each mile they run by using foot-shaped stickers. Liz hoped to run the New York City Marathon in the fall with her students in cheering sections every mile of the race.

Jennifer N. Testa (CS) received a master's of divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary in May, after three years of study. Jennifer lives in Scotch Plains.

Keith Trnka (S) received his master's in computer science from the University of Delaware in January.

Jessica Williams (CS), a Virginia state trooper, was transferred from Warren County to Clarke County in April. She has been a police officer since graduating from the State Police Academy in Richmond in June, 2003.

State honors six grads

Six recent graduates were among among 16 state residents selected in May by The New Jersey Department of Education as recipients of the 2005 Commissioner's Distinguished Teacher Candidate Award.

Pictured above, four of the winners are, from left: **Jillian Newsome '04**, **JenniLee Groegler '04**, **Elizabeth Hults '05**, and **Louis De Angelo '05**. Now in its 20th year, the award is given annually in recognition of the year's top graduates of teacher preparation programs administered by New Jersey colleges and universities. All six winners attended a ceremony at the Department of Education building in Trenton, where they were greeted and honored by then State Commissioner of Education William L. Librera.

Groegler, of Flemington, is a fifth-grade teacher at the Barley Sheaf Middle School in Flemington. Newsome, of Wall, is a sixth-grade resource room teacher at the Neeta School in Medford Lakes. Hults, of Forked River, teaches English at Barnegat High School, and De Angelo, of Colonia, teaches mathematics at Westfield High School.

Two other alumnae, who at the time were completing their graduate studies in



Jillian Newsome '04



JenniLee Groegler '04



Elizabeth Hults '05



Louis De Angelo '05



Lauren Connor '01



Kara Ingling '03

education, also received honors from the commissioner. **Lauren Connor '01**, of Fair Haven, was nominated by Monmouth University and this fall began her first full year of teaching English and film studies at

Rumson-Fair Haven High School. **Kara Ingling '03**, of Vineland, was nominated by Rutgers University and teaches eighth-grade English at Churchill Junior High School in East Brunswick.

paintings, photographs, and a short subject film. The former math major turned to art while at the College and now works at Tapestry International, a production company that delivers a daily show to the Discovery channel. She also sketches, writes screenplays, and takes pictures in her free time. Jen lives in Hamilton.

Julie Purkiss (N) resigned her nursing position at Morristown Memorial Hospital in May to work in Zimbabwe for three months as a nurse and missionary. She applied for this program, a part of the Evangelical Alliance Mission, as a voluntary missionary at the Karanda mission hospital, which is two to three hours outside the nation's capital of Harare. There she treated more than 300 patients a day with cases ranging from newborn babies to AIDS patients. The Succasunna resident is now back at Morristown Memorial Hospital.

Jennifer Reese (MED) has accepted a collaborative kindergarten teaching position at Toll Gate Grammar School in Pennington, having left her position at Bear Tavern

Elementary School. She devotes her free time to yoga, music, and her guitar.

Kathryn Robbins (MED) has been appointed principal of Lawrence Township's Eldridge Park Elementary School. She leaves Ben Franklin Elementary School, where she taught kindergarten, first grade, third grade, and was a reading specialist. Kathryn had been acting principal several times at Ben Franklin. The Lawrenceville resident has received the Governor's Teacher Recognition Award in 1989, Lawrence Township Teacher of the Year in 1999, and Mercer County Teacher of the Year in 1999.

'04 Jeff Baer (CS) in April graduated in the 139th class of the New Jersey State Police Academy in Sea Girt, NJ, and is stationed in Totowa.

Emily Benjamin (E) was hired as an upper-grade math teacher at Cranbury Elementary School. The Plainsboro resident already has experience as a long-term substitute and a teacher of language arts literacy in the primary grades.

'05

Lauren Audick (CS) biked 3,700 miles from Annapolis, MD to California from June 12 to August 20 to raise money for affordable housing. The 120 riders in the event, which includes 10 other TCNJ alumni, raised approximately \$4,000 each. Highlights of the trip included building houses for needy families, and overnight stays at community centers, churches, and schools. Lauren's post-college plans are still tentative, but the Washington Township resident hopes to work in criminal justice.

Derick Grant (B) is searching for a spot on a professional basketball team. He's attended exposure camps around the country for leagues such as the AAPBL and the ABA, and also is looking at overseas opportunities. He spent the summer playing in the Princeton Recreation Men's Summer Basketball League.

Dan Nardiello (E) was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps aboard the USS New Jersey one day after graduation. In September, he began Marine Corps Officer Basic School in Quantico, VA.

In Memoriam

Ella Ulrich Robinson '25
Eugenia B. Snedeker '28
Anna Stava Wenzel '28
Eleanor Wosnick Ireland '32
Evelyn Terhune MacKinnon '33
Vera D. Naylor '34
Sara Carlisle Watson '36
Eleanor Walker Malone '37
Carroll M. Mynard '38
Ethel J. Bowen '40
Elizabeth Fesko Horbourn '41
Malcolm B. Roszel '41
Loraine Conklin Werner '45
Mary Voorhis '47
Barbara Feldman Thompson '48
Bernice Eagle '50
Edward L. Mann '50
Vera Bauck Older '50
Charlotte E. Bull Shrader '50
Donald Jarrett '52
Josephine Lobravico Cavanaugh '55
Rosalie Gerhauser Foreman '55
Linda Pennacchini Lenney '55
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Donald S. Prayzich '55
John E. Singer '55
Winifred Ann Drake Smink '55
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Adele Michalski Fagan '63
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Judith Sedwick '64
Joy Corrigan Lang '65
Bruce F. Powell '66
Martha S. Hyatt '67
Deborah S. Frieder '68
Katherine J. Fees '70
Ellen Sari Brown '72
Barbara Schuloff Rodin '72
Jeryl A. Reynolds '74
Paul Q. Swallow '75
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John Brad Henderson '77
Helen Mitt Moryoussef '78
Lauren Frank Lindsay '84
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B Business
CS Culture and Society
E Education
EN Engineering
N Nursing
S Science

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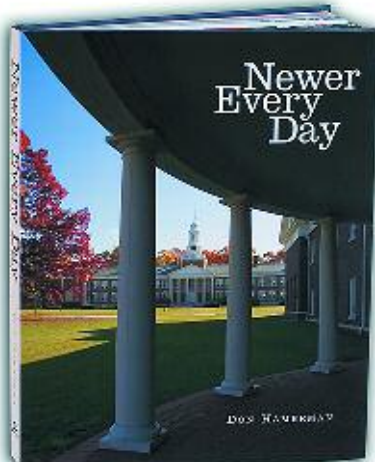
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Newer Every Day update



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