

# The Pinnacle

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## Welcome Class of 2006!

### Welcome message from Dr. Woll:

I would like to welcome all of you to the Rutgers-Camden Honors College. It's an exciting time for us, as Rutgers expands its borders, with our new baseball stadium, athletic fields, soccer field, and the new Gateway Park. We have several new courses available for you this year, and they are taught by the top professors on the campus. I am looking forward to meeting with each and every one of you during the semester, and hearing what your plans are for the future. Both Dolores Pfeuffer-Scherer and I will do everything possible to help you achieve success at Rutgers-Camden, and in the world beyond.

## Another Great Year for the Honors College!

\*Our successful CEO Lecture Series continues this fall. On February 19, New Jersey State Assemblyman Louis Greenwald met with students to discuss the current budget crisis. Greenwald stressed the need for partnerships between New Jersey businesses and research labs, non-profit programs, and educational institutions. Students peppered him with questions, and he was glad to address their concerns. Students gained a better understanding of the budget crisis, and what Greenwald is doing to help them. He also offered students internships in his office, giving students a chance to be a part of the political process.

\*Gene Muller of the Flying Fish Brewing Company in Cherry Hill, a

graduate of Rutgers-Camden, spoke to students on March 4, discussing how he went from a free-lance writer to an entrepreneur. He treated students to a history of beer brewing and how he created a business in a market dominated by large companies.

\*Steven Schilling of the Quaker Development Group and owner of the successful Camden Riversharks baseball team met with students on April 8. We are proud that one of our own Honors Student Frank Caruso serves as the team's mascot Finn.

All CEO Lectures are held in the Octagon Room of the Camden Campus Center. The series will continue this year with speakers to be announced.



*John Clancy talking  
with Assemblyman  
Louis Greenwald.*

## Honors Professors—Leaders on Campus

Congratulations to Dr Allen Woll, Director of the Honors College and Professor of History, for being selected as the 2002 recipient of the Provost's Teaching Excellence Award. We applaud Dr Woll's dedication to his students and the Camden Campus. The author of numerous books on popular culture, Dr Woll teaches at both the undergraduate and graduate level. One of Dr Woll's previous graduate students, produced a documentary entitled *Enthusiast*, which will premiere at the Prince Music Theater in Philadelphia this fall.



**Prof. Roger Dennis and Dr. Allen Woll.**

holds degrees from Mount Holyoke College and West Chester University, and is currently a PhD candidate at Temple University. Her dissertation, "The Winning Girl" Images of Athletic Women in American Popular Culture, 1880– 1920, combines her interest in sports with her focus on gender analysis. She has been invited to numerous conferences, delivering papers on gender issues, sports, history, and teaching issues. Dean Rosoff has been a consultant for the Women's Suffrage History Project at the Pankhurst Centre in Manchester, England, where she

Assistant Dean Nancy G. Rosoff, who has been with Rutgers for three years as the Dean in charge of Academic Program Development and Administration, taught an Honors Seminar this past spring. Her seminar "Ball Four, Title IX, and Holes-in-One: Sports and Society in Contemporary and Historical Perspectives" considered the relationship between sports and such issues as gender, race, class, ethnicity, sexuality, nationalism, and the role of the media in shaping our perceptions. Dean Rosoff came to Rutgers after teaching high school for eighteen years. She has developed a pictorial exhibit for them called "The World of Women's Sports" in conjunction with the Commonwealth Games that were held in Manchester this summer. She is enthusiastic about working with the honors students, having worked with honors students on campus events such as Alumni Reunion Night, in the Women's Studies Program, and is looking forward to teaching another seminar in the spring of 2003 which will focus on the history of domestic advice.



**Assistant Dean Nancy Rosoff with Dr. Myra Bluebond-Langner, Director of the Center for Childhood Studies.**



**Dr. Rakesh Sambharya with students.**

Dr. Rakesh Sambharya, Associate Professor of Management and International Business at the School of Business, Camden (SBC) taught an Honors Seminar this past spring on globalization. Dr. Sambharya has attended school in India and earned his PhD from Temple University. His research interests are in the areas of global strategies, international competitiveness, Japanese management, foreign direct investment and corruption. He is also interested in innovation and technology, international and product diversification, composition of top management teams, corporate reputation, and organizational performance. He has been published in many academic journals including the Strategic Management Journal, Journal of International Business Studies, Organization Studies, Management International Review, Business Horizons, and the British Journal of Management. He has previously taught at the University of Kentucky.

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**Honors Trips!** This spring the Honors College sponsored a trip to the Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C., a trip to the Cloisters in New York City, and a trip to the play *Waiting for Godot* at Villanova Theater. This fall trips are planned to Philadelphia and to see the Arthur Miller play *All My Sons* at the Arden Theater.

**Focus on the Future:** Cheryl Hallman of the Career Center presented a workshop in April for students interested in applying

to graduate school. We also offered workshops on exam-induced stress and another on time management. This fall Cheryl will present a workshop on internships, and we will have the members of the Rutgers Study Abroad Office from New Brunswick as well as the Camden International Studies Program to discuss travel opportunities. The Honors College is proud to sponsor a mini-travel grant program to assist students with the expenses incurred while studying abroad.

# Welcomes and Goodbyes

**Dolores Pfeuffer-Scherer • Senior Program Coordinator**

As we begin another year, I want to welcome the class of 2006 and encourage you to become an active part of our campus community. I wish you the best of luck, and I hope that you will find Rutgers-Camden as enjoyable as I did as an undergraduate. I am sure that many of you will find your niche and become our campus leaders. As I welcome all of you to the program, I must admit I will miss the seniors who graduated this past spring. While watching students grow and progress is exciting, it is also somewhat sad as we see students who have been here for a least four years moving onward. I often hear from students that Dr Woll and I have made an impact on them; what I think that you fail to realize the impact all of our students have on us. I will miss the wit and enthusiasm the class of 2002 has brought to our program. I am awed by the scope of their accomplishments, and I hope they meet with success as they journey forward. This year has been one of great upheaval, but I find solace in what I see for our future in our graduates. I know that our students will bring a kindness, understanding, and tolerance to a world that needs all of the above. Thank you for making this job enjoyable and for enriching my life -- Congratulations Class of 2002 and Welcome Class of 2006.

## Class of 2002 Plans

### **STEPHANIE ADDISON**

Stephanie, a Biology major/Psychology minor, is attending University of Maryland School of Medicine. Along with Chantelle Powell (see below), she helped establish the on-campus branch of the American Medical Student Association.



**Class of 2002 Graduates Gwen Harrison (left) and Stephanie Addison (right).**

### **CHELSEA AIKEN**

Chelsea is attending Rutgers-Camden Law School and would like to pursue a career in international marketing law. She would like to work with companies that wish to expand into foreign markets.

### **LORETTA APPLEBAUM**

Loretta, a Psychology major, is planning on pursuing a career in education. For her senior year project she developed a program

for autistic children by incorporating a Music Therapy Program into a developmental disabilities class in Marlton

### **MICHAEL BARONE**

A Computer Science major/Philosophy minor, Mike is pursuing a career as a software engineer.

### **PETER BLEICKARDT**

Majoring in Art with a filmmaking/computer animation emphasis, Peter's primary interest is filmmaking. Having worked as a teaching assistant for visiting professor Don Klingler, he plans on applying to a smaller production house like NFL Films (in Mt. Laurel). While a student he has been running his own successful business-- a partnership with another Rutgers student -- doing Web development, design and hosting, plus a number of concept projects.

### **NORA BREWSTER**

Nora, a Theater Arts major/English minor who was extremely active in our Fine Arts Department, is pursuing a career in arts management and performance.

### **GREGORY BUTHUSIEM**

Greg, a Mathematics minor/Art major, is pursuing graduate studies in mathematics part-time while working to finance graduate school.

### **CAROLINA CABRERA**

After four great years of being an active presence on campus, Carolina will attend Rutgers University – Camden Law School this fall. Carolina majored in Political Science and minored in both Spanish and Psychology.

### **SHAWN CARNEY**

Shawn will graduate in 2003 with a major in Psychology and a minor in Sociology. Shawn hopes to return to Great Britain, where he spent his junior year abroad.

## **Class of 2002 Plans *continued...***

### **CAROLYN COBB**

Carolyn will remain at Rutgers for another year to finish the requirements for the Teacher Preparation Program. A Biology major, she hopes to eventually pursue graduate work in biology and possibly medical school.

### **TIFANI COTTINGHAM**

Tifani, a Chemistry with a Business Option major is attending Rutgers University – Camden Law School to study patent law.

### **BRIAN DERSHOWITZ**

A Psychology major with minors in English and Sociology, Brian plans on attending graduate school for sports medicine.

### **HOLLYE DYBALSKI**

Hollye, a double major in German and History and an active presence on campus, has been awarded a full Rotary Club Fellowship for an entire year of graduate studies in Germany.

### **SHAYLA EDWARDS**

A Nursing major/Psychology minor, Shayla plans on pursuing a career in nursing.

### **DESIREE ERICKSON**

Desiree, a French major, completed the Teacher Preparation Program and plans on a career in teaching.

### **TALITHA FAIRCLOTH**

An Art major/Management minor, Talitha plans on graduating in December and then pursuing employment in a museum.

### **ROBERT FARDELLA**

A Psychology major, Bob's future plans include finding the perfect shoes, seeing as many Madonna concerts as possible, and serving as an arbiter of hip taste. In his spare time he hopes to pursue a Ph.D. in clinical psychology.

### **GEORGE ERIC FLEMING**

Eric recently completed Officer Candidate School for the US Marine Corps. Upon graduation from Rutgers, he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant and was sent to school in Virginia for six months. After that, he will head to Pensacola, Florida for flight school.

### **KYLE FLOOD**

An Urban Studies major/Political science minor, Kyle is attending graduate school for City Planning at the University of Pennsylvania.

### **CHARLENE FRANKLIN**

A double major in Political Science and Art, Charlene is interning at an art museum in Dallas for a year then will apply to Law School. She would like to specialize in Fine Arts Law.

### **JOHN GIBSON**

A Computer Science major/Philosophy minor, John has a position working for the Rutgers Library System

### **GWEN HARRISON**

Gwen, a triple major in Marketing, Management, and Spanish, aspires to find employment working for a film production company like Miramax.

### **PETER HIGGINS**

Pete has already begun graduate studies at Arcadia University as a Physician's Assistant. Pete was a Biology major whose senior project centered on interning at the LEAP Academy in their medical clinic and for a suburban clinic. During his internship he witnessed open-heart surgery and childbirth, which cemented his desire to pursue a career in medicine.

### **REBECCA HOLLOWAY**

A double major in German and English, Becky also completed the Teacher Preparation Program. She is pursuing a career that will utilize her writing skills.



**Maureen Johnson and her mother.**

### **MAUREEN JOHNSTON**

After studying Art History and majoring in Art (as well as minoring in English and Marketing), Maureen is seeking employment in the museum field.

### **AVERY KEYES**

A Computer Science major/Mathematics minor, Avery is attending graduate school in computer science.

### **SHERIN KEYS**

After spending a year abroad in Mexico, Sherin decided to major in Spanish as well as Computer Science. She will graduate in December and then seek employment.

### **ANNE LOYLE**

Anne will graduate in December with a major in Chemistry and a minor in Biology. She hopes to teach at a county college.



**Class of 2002 Graduates Eric Zeplin, Anne Loyle, Craig Shellenberger, and Shawn Carney.**

### **MAREK MANDAU**

Marek is enrolled in the Dual Degree Program (BA/MA) in Biology and also completed a Psychology minor. He plans on attending to medical school after he finishes his Master's Degree.

### **THU NGUYEN**

Thu doubled majored in Computer Science and Biology, and hopes to pursue a career in Bio-Informatics. She will graduate in 2003.

## Class of 2002 Plans *continued...*

### KEISH PARKER

Keish, a Social Work major, is enrolled in the Master of Social Work (MSW) program at Rutgers-Camden. Keish was an active presence on campus, serving as president of both the SGA and EGC.



**Class of 2002 Graduates Keish Parker and Robert Fardella.**

### CHRISTOPHER PINKERTON

After graduating with a degree in Biology, Chris has begun graduate school for physical therapy through the joint program between Rutgers-Camden and UMDNJ. He is interested in working with children.

### RACHEL PITTARD

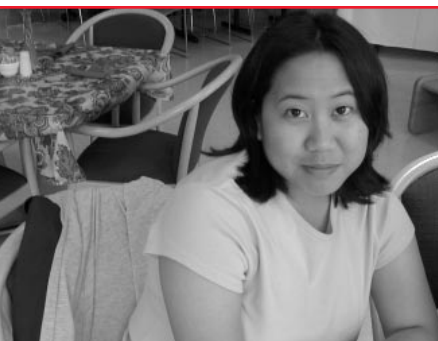
Rachel, a Sociology major/Women's Studies minor, is pursuing a Master's Degree in Public Administration (MPA) here at Rutgers-Camden. She intends to specialize in the International Track and aspires to work for the Peace Corp.

### CHANTELLE POWELL

Chantelle, a Biology major, plans on pursuing medical school. She co-founded the on-campus branch of the American Medical Student Association.

### JENEVIE RAVAGO

After majoring in German and spending her junior year abroad in Germany, Jenevie is contemplating graduate school or pursuing



**Class of 2002 Graduate Jenevie Ravago.**

a career in New York City or Europe.

Regardless of which path she chooses, she will always have a passion for the German language and a love for wine, food, and fashion.

### SAMANTHA REITANO

Samantha, a Nursing major/Psychology minor, plans on pursuing a career in nursing.

### KEEMYA RICHARDS

Keemya, a double major in Marketing and Management, is attending Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Michigan to study corporate law.

### DONALD ROSSITER

A Mathematics and Computer Science major, Donald has enrolled in the Master's Degree program in mathematics at Rutgers-Camden.

### NICOLE SANCHEZ

Nicole, a Psychology major/Criminal Justice minor, is pursuing employment in education or non-profits which work with children. After gaining some work experience, she plans on pursuing a PsyD. in School Psychology

### PATRICIA SEIDMAN

Pat, a double major in Urban Studies and History, plans on pursuing graduate school in Public Policy (MPA) at Rutgers-Camden after she graduates in December 2002.

### CHERYL STARRETT

After graduating with a Biology major and completing the Honors Program in Biology, Cheryl, the campus president of the pre-med society, is attending medical school at UMDNJ-Stratford.

### JANINE STEVENS

Janine is a political science major enrolled in the Dual Degree Program (BA/MPA) in Public Policy and Administration. She hopes to work in government at the federal level in Philadelphia.



**Class of 2002 Graduate Janine Stevens.**

### LACEY TAYLOR

A German major/graduate of the Teacher Preparation Program, Lacey is teaching in the Hamilton Township School District.

### AMY THOMPSON

An English major with minors in Psychology and Childhood Studies, and a member of the Teacher Preparation Program, Amy is interested in a teaching career.

### PATRICK WALLACE

Patrick, an English major/American Literature minor, plans to attend Graduate School (Ph.D.) in English, either at Rutgers or Temple. After such intense study, he wants to retire from academia and pursue his true vocation, that of the tattoo artist. In between tattoos, he hopes to pursue his other love, writing.

### ROBIN WATERHOUSE

Robin, an English major/Journalism minor/Teacher Preparation Program graduate, is considering teaching and pursuing graduate school.

### BRYAN WILSON

An Accounting major/Finance minor, Bryan is working as an auditor for Tait, Weller & Baker, located in Philadelphia. Bryan notes: "On every interview I went on, they all were interested in my being a member of the Honors College. It really helped me to stand out."

### ERIC ZEPLIN

A History major/Music minor, Eric plans on attending either Philadelphia Theological Seminary or a Unitarian Seminary.

### JULIANN ZITZLER

Julie, a Finance major/Accounting minor, plans on pursuing a career in finance (she hopes to work at the Philadelphia or NYC Stock Exchange) then graduate studies in Business.

# Class of 2001 Notes

## *Here are some alumni notes from our great 2001 students:*

### **Ian Bonilla**

Ian, an Art Major with a concentration in Graphic Arts, is employed in his field.

### **Sonja Cortes**

Sonja, a double major in Criminal Justice and Urban Studies, is employed by the INS in Cherry Hill.

### **Cynthia Everly**

Cindy, a Criminal Justice major/Women's Studies minor is attending Weidner School of Law.

### **Lynn Fischer**

Lynn, a Biology major/English minor, attends Rutgers Law School in Camden, and is pursuing a career in Patent Law. She landed a position as a Research Assistant for Professor Randall Abate her first year.

### **Anthony Flamini**

Anthony, a Political Science major, was awarded a fellowship to attend Rutgers Law School in Camden.

### **Katherine Gribbin**

Kate, an English Major, was awarded a full fellowship/teaching assistantship for the MA program in English at Rutgers-Camden. She interned this summer for a publishing company.

### **Christopher Hannock**

Chris, a Mathematics major, is an actuary for Towers-Perrin in Philadelphia.

### **Amber Jagielski**

An Accounting major/Management minor, Amber recently wed fellow Honors College graduate Jerry Pinkerton (01). She is employed by Ernst & Young.

### **Sabrina Kane**

Sabrina, a Social Work major, is enrolled in the Master's program in Social Work at Rutgers-Camden.

### **Michael Lawandy**

A Biology major, Michael is attending medical school at UMDNJ in Stratford, NJ.

### **Jerry Pinkerton**

Jerry, recently wed to Amber Jagielski, is attending medical school at UMDNJ in Stratford, NJ.

### **Brian Thiel**

Brian, a Biology major, is employed at the Wisstar Institute in Philadelphia as a lab researcher. He also wishes to open up a Bed and Breakfast with a medieval theme.

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## HSO—Honors Student Organization

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Under the direction of hard-working officers, the Honors Student Organization (HSO) had its most successful year! All events were well attended, and activities spanned everything from cooking meals for the Ronald McDonald House to seeing the Philadelphia Orchestra and having fun at Dorney Park. New members are always welcome—contact president Amy Sampson (sampson3@camden.rutgers.edu) or Secretary Heather Hilt (hhilt@camden.rutgers.edu) for more information.

### **HSO CHARITIES**

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**Ronald McDonald House in Camden**—The HSO raises money to purchase food to cook dinner for families at the RMH once a month; arts and crafts are also planned for the children staying there, and we work at purchasing items for their “wish list”.

**Cerebral Palsy School**—Join the HSO in donating Holiday gifts to the children at the school in December. This is a five-year HSO tradition and your support is always appreciated.

### **HSO events for the fall included:**

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#### **SEPTEMBER 15**

Wildwood Trip—Join us for a day of fun at Morey's Piers!

#### **OCTOBER 5**

Light the Night Walk to help the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society—Camden Waterfront

#### **OCTOBER 17**

Annual Haunted Hayride—Creamy Acres in Mullica Hill.

#### **OCTOBER 24**

Costume Ball

#### **NOVEMBER**

Dinner and Theater Trip.

#### **DECEMBER 7**

NYC Trip.