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Montclair’s class of Distinguished Alumni for 2022 were selected for personal accomplishments, professional achievements, community service involvement and support of the University’s mission. Each spoke at a college or school convocation, the first convocations held in three years.

In the photo, the Distinguished Alumni, clockwise from the top left, are:

• **COLLEGE OF THE ARTS:** Joetta Di Bella Sautter ’69 earned a BA in English and then, deviating from her initial plans to become an English teacher, she instead launched a successful career in television and broadcast media that took her from NYC to Hollywood. An Emmy Award-winning producer, she received several Los Angeles area Emmys for her work with KTLA Channel 5 and has served on the Television Academy’s Diversity Committee and its Foundation’s Education Committee.

• **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES:** Frank Alvarez ’76 went on to earn an MA and EdD from Teachers College, Columbia University. He is an educational consultant assisting districts to improve educational practices with a focus on underrepresented student achievement, special education and principal effectiveness. During his career, he has served as superintendent of schools in four districts: North Caldwell (N.J.), River Vale (N.J.), Montclair (N.J.) and Rye (N.Y.).

• **COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES:** Tracy Doyle ’87 is a managing partner at eNOVA, a medical communications software and services company serving the life sciences industry. Doyle finds creative solutions to industry challenges and designs initiatives that help health-care providers connect and learn about advances in science and medicine.
• **SCHOOL OF NURSING:** Elsie Alabi-Gonzalez ’18, ’21 MSN was a member of the inaugural RN to BSN class at Montclair State University. As a registered nurse caring for adults in long-term care facilities and in the community, she also served as a peer development coach during her studies at Montclair. In the MSN degree program, her specialty concentration was in the educator role and she joined the Montclair faculty in fall 2021, serving as clinical specialist.

• **FELICIANO SCHOOL OF BUSINESS:** Helane Becker ’79 is a managing director and senior research analyst at Cowen who covers airlines, air freight and aircraft leasing. She has more than 35 years of experience on Wall Street, holding positions within the research, trading and investment banking departments of several broker/dealers including Citi, Lehman Brothers and Smith Barney.

• **COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS:** Erika Hamden, PhD is an astrophysicist. The daughter of Montclair State University Physics and Astronomy Professor Dean Hamden, it’s no wonder that she developed a love of science. She attended Montclair before completing her bachelor’s degree in Astronomy and Astrophysics at Harvard College in 2006 and a doctorate in Astrophysics at Columbia University in 2014. Her research focuses on measuring and mapping diffuse hydrogen around other galaxies and within star-forming regions in our own galaxy.

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**ONE DAY FOR MONTCLAIR**

Montclair’s community of alumni, students, parents, faculty, staff and friends came together to make a difference. Here’s how each group ranked in giving.

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**TOTAL RAISED**

- **$100K** ALUMNI
- **$90K** FRIENDS
- **$17K** PARENTS
- **$15K** FACULTY/STAFF
- **$3K** STUDENTS

**TOTAL RAISED: $225K**

This year’s giving day, One Day for Montclair, celebrated donors and their contributions, which help provide opportunities for students through scholarships and programs. Thanks to matching gifts and donation challenges, including a challenge to donate what you’d spend on your latte for one day (or a week or a month), One Day for Montclair raised more than $225,000 through 1,426 gifts. “We asked our campus to come together to create something special, and they did,” says Director of Annual Giving Kara Baldwin Brennan ’92. “We are so inspired, knowing how impactful these gifts will be.”

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A Night with The Jersey Four

The Black Alumni Advisory Council hosted an evening with The Jersey Four on campus in February. Twenty-three years ago, Rayshawn Brown, Jarmaine Grant, Keshon Moore and Danny Reyes, headed to North Carolina hoping to play college basketball, but were pulled over and shot by police on the New Jersey Turnpike. Their story continues to resonate today, particularly in the wake of so many high-profile killings by police.

Wine Tasting Returns

Sommelier Gerry Piserchia teaches alumni and friends all about wine at the 10th Annual Alumni Wine Tasting event, held for the first time in two years in person at University Hall on April 5, 2022.

EOF Champion Awards

From left, Lou Gilleran ’79, Julia Lanigan and Greg Collins ’79 received EOF Champion Awards at the EOF alumni induction and awards ceremony for graduating seniors on May 4, 2022.
Fraternity Celebrates 31st Reunion

The Kappa Chapter of Lambda Theta Phi, Latin Fraternity Inc. celebrated the fraternity’s 31st anniversary on campus in February. Reunion committee chairs, Rey Acevedo ’13, Jason Velante ’00, Antonio Garcia ’01 and Luis Roeder ’05, worked with Montclair’s Annual Giving and Alumni Engagement team on the event. “Thank you Montclair State University for accepting us, many of us first-generation students, from poor or working poor ‘at-risk’ families, wanting a better life through achieving a college education,” said Acevedo.

A Night of Gratitude

More than 200 supporters of the University gathered in May for a festive celebration at the Alexander Kasser Theater and promenade recognizing their commitment to students. While celebrating and showing appreciation for all donors and the impact they have on student success and Montclair’s excellence, the event also honored a singular donor, Josh Weston ’97 Hon., by awarding him the Mary Mochary and Michael Kasser Award for Philanthropic Leadership in recognition of his generosity and engagement in supporting the University and Montclair community. “Philanthropy transforms potential into reality…and when you make a contribution you are helping to create the future of this University,” said President Jonathan Koppell in acknowledging donor impact. For more information and photos visit the News Center at montclair.edu.

Author and Alumna’s Legacy to Endure

The legacy of Patricia Schall ’68 will continue for many generations to come – both at Montclair and through a recently published nonfiction historical crime story that occurred in 1879. Peter Wosh, Schall’s co-author and husband of more than 30 years, has pledged to fulfill Schall’s wish of supporting future students at Montclair State University. Schall was a longtime professor at Saint Elizabeth University in Morristown and a community activist who was admired and loved by her students, colleagues and the community. Before Schall’s passing in 2020, she and Wosh co-wrote Murder on the Mountain: Crime, Passion, and Punishment in Gilded Age New Jersey, published by Rutgers Press. The University welcomes Pat and Peter to the Carpe Diem Legacy Society.
With the world reopening and alumni living and working remotely across the country, University representatives, including President Jonathan Koppell, were on the road again, visiting gatherings in Arizona, California and Florida this year.

In February, alumni and friends gathered at El Chorro in Paradise Valley, Arizona, enjoying an evening of spectacular views and rekindled connections. There are close to 1,000 alumni living in Arizona.

In March, Wendy Gillespie ’73 hosted a reception in her home in San Diego, California. Gillespie, an entrepreneur and Broadway producer of the musical *Come From Away*, has remained engaged with the University, ever grateful for her Montclair education. “With 2,000 alumni and friends living in California, our Red Hawk community is as strong as ever,” she says.

Also held in March was a gathering in Florida, a state that more than 6,000 alumni now call home. Hosting the Delray Beach reception were Robert Lieberman and his wife, Barbara. Lieberman, who serves on the University Foundation board, is an enthusiastic advocate for Montclair, regularly supporting scholarships and creating opportunities for students as interns in his business.

“We are grateful for the generosity of our hosts across the country for giving our alumni opportunities to connect,” says Jeanne Marano, assistant vice president for Annual Giving and Alumni Engagement. “As part of our series of regional events and activities, we reach beyond campus to host alumni networking opportunities, so even those alumni who don’t live in New Jersey can network with fellow alumni and friends in their neighborhood and reconnect with the University.” ■
When Lou Gilleran ’79 says he has an “interesting background,” the physician and retired Navy captain is really underselling himself. A foster child in his teens, he navigated college and career choices alone, worked construction to help pay for college and still found time to play sports.

After graduating Montclair with a BS in Biology, Gilleran dropped out of New Jersey Medical School “because I just don’t think I was ready for it.” He went to St. George’s University School of Medicine in Grenada and then the U.S. invaded Grenada while he was there. “I came back and actually did a television interview with Montclair State after I got evacuated from Grenada.”

Growing up in New York City, Gilleran was one of six children; his parents divorced when he was 5. As a teen, he lived with his aunt briefly, before going to live with a friend’s mother in Montclair as a foster child at 16. A conversation with a guidance counselor led him to Drew University before he transferred to Montclair.

“A real saving grace is when I spoke to my guidance counselor at Montclair High School, and he told me because I was in the foster care program, I was considered an emancipated minor and eligible for assistance through the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) program,” Gilleran recalls.

“I worked all through college,” he says. “If I had had to work any more, there’s no way I would have been able to graduate, let alone excel.”

In addition, Gilleran says he took full advantage of tutoring offered to EOF students, especially for calculus. “So, the program really saved me.”

After completing an internal medicine residency in Cleveland, he joined the Navy as a medical officer and served as a flight surgeon and in various leadership roles, completing a residency in aerospace medicine. He was deployed to many locations, including Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan.

In 2016, Gilleran retired from the Navy after 27 years, having achieved the rank of captain and with more than 20 awards, including the Legion of Merit, six Meritorious Service, Navy Commendation, two Navy Achievement and two National Defense medals. Today, Gilleran lives in San Diego, where he practices internal and preventive medicine part time and is also part of the San Diego Sheriff’s Department team that provides medical care for inmates.

Despite his challenges in college, Gilleran remembers Montclair fondly. “I had time to play water polo and be on the swim team my junior and senior years and hung out at the Student Center,” he says. “I played some Frisbee on the lawn and spent a lot of time in the library, needless to say.”

He’s donated to Montclair over the years but reading about fellow ’79 graduate Greg Collins in Montclair magazine last year inspired him to do more. Both were named EOF champions (page 38). Grateful for EOF’s assistance, he has created two scholarships, one to help EOF students with books and other needs, and the other for students in the Health Careers program.

“It’s important to give back; I’m honored to do it,” Gilleran says. He wants to help students the way EOF helped him and demonstrate that “you can get through some of your trials and tribulations and make something of yourself, and then hopefully, help other people out on your way up.”

—Sylvia A. Martinez
Franklin Walker Sr. ‘74 retired after a 48-year career in Jersey City Public Schools in January.

John F. Clabby ‘75 MA, PhD was appointed to the position of professor emeritus in the field of Behavioral Health by the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School at Rutgers University.

Joe Cosentino ‘77 published Drama TV, the 13th book of the Nicky and Noah series, in December.

Gregory Dell’Omo ‘77, president of Rider University, was included in the 2021 NJBIZ Education Power 50 list.

Nancy Erika Smith ‘77, Esq. was included in Senator Loretta Weinberg’s 2021 Women’s Power List in InsiderNJ. (See profile, page 43).

Donna Bonavita ‘78, principal of Bonavita Design LLC, collected eight awards at the 53rd Annual Jersey Awards statewide competition in September, winning four first and one second place awards as well as three Certificates of Excellence for corporate and promotional marketing material.

Samuel “Sam” D. Mills Jr. ‘80 was inducted posthumously into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in February. He played for the New Orleans Saints and the Carolina Panthers. (See story, page 33)

Constantino “Gus” Milano ‘81 was included on NJBIZ’s 2021 Commercial Real Estate Power 50 list.

William C. Petzinger ‘82, ‘97 MA was appointed as a major in Civil Air Patrol’s Maj Thomas B. McGuire Composite Squadron at Joint Base McGuire Dix Lakehurst. He is the squadron commander and also serves as its public affairs officer. Founded during World War II, Civil Air Patrol pilots flew missions over the nation’s coasts and borders to protect the U.S.

Peter D. Aquino ‘83 was appointed the new president and chief executive officer of SeaChange International, Inc. – a leading provider of video delivery, advertising and streaming platforms – in September.

Gina Coleman ‘91 was named chief diversity officer of PNC Bank. She also serves as co-chair of the PNC Corporate Diversity Council, which focuses on embedding inclusion into every aspect of the organization.

James Dorey ‘92 became senior vice president of operations for Inserra Supermarkets in December.

Kevin J. O’Connor ‘92 was certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey as a civil trial attorney in January. Fewer than 2% of attorneys in New Jersey have this accreditation. He is the chair of Peckar & Abramson P.C.’s business litigation practice and vice-chair of the firm’s labor and employment practice.

Mary Bell Steffen ‘96 MFA exhibited her paintings at the Aiken Center for the Arts in Aiken, Pickens County Museum of Arts & History in Pickens, and ArtFields in Lake City, all located in South Carolina. She was also awarded honorable mention in the Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild Members Show in November. Steffen is a member of the National Association of Women Artists and has been treasurer of the South Carolina chapter since 2019.

Anthony J. Scardino ‘97, PhD was appointed the associate dean of the School of Business and Information Sciences at Felician University in November. He is also an associate professor.
Nancy Erika Smith ’77 has scaled the heights of her profession as a civil rights lawyer who, since the age of 25, has been breaking ground and making news, winning cases for those who face discrimination based on age, race, gender, sexual orientation or disability.

And as she squares off in court with lawyers who went to institutions like Brown, Columbia and Harvard, she remains proud and appreciative of her degrees from Montclair (Social Work) and Rutgers Law School.

“When an adversary feels the need to tell me where they went to college 30 years ago, I always tell them where I went – starting with Ocean County College. Then I beat them,” Smith told graduates as the Distinguished Speaker for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences Commencement last year.

Smith, who has argued before the U.S. Supreme Court, is perhaps most famous for her role in the sexual harassment suit that resulted in Roger Ailes being fired from Fox News, but she has many wins in her column starting with Slohoda vs. United Parcel Service, which ultimately rewrote the law on marital status discrimination.

“It helped that I didn’t know anything,” says Smith, who pursued an argument for the workplace termination suit that big firm lawyers thought was outrageous. “Jon Slohoda was fired from UPS for having a relationship outside his marriage, but he was separated, getting a divorce and not supervising his wife. They fired him because he was an ‘adulterer.’ Isn’t that marital status discrimination?”

It was a heady start to her career, but it didn’t go to Smith’s head. Coming from a working class background in Keyport, New Jersey, Smith is well grounded. After her father died when she was 15, she and her mother lived in a trailer park in Toms River. Smith started at Ocean County College and ultimately transferred to Montclair as a commuter student when she moved to Parsippany.

Now Smith lives a busy life, rich with court cases, five grown children, nine grandchildren (so far) and a successful law practice with her husband. One secret to her success: “Do your best in everything you do,” she told students last spring. “Never settle for OK.”

But she also says she doesn’t want to play into the Horatio Alger myth.

“Very few people change class in our society,” says Smith. “I’m really eternally grateful to Montclair State, and I really hope that we can invest in public education so that kids don’t leave with debt and they can afford to do public interest work.”

“I think that Montclair doesn’t get enough credit for that,” says Smith. “We need to really let people know that this is the place where we do public service and train people to do public service.”

She adds, “I appreciate and understand the privilege of an affordable public education that prepared me for a life of meaning.”

–Mary Barr Mann
Allison Bressler ’00 became the co-founder and co-director of A Partnership For Change, a New Jersey-based nonprofit organization that trains individuals statewide on preventing and ending domestic violence and dating abuse.

Keith T. Campbell ’06, Esq. was promoted to senior associate of Scarinci Hollenbeck out of the firm’s Lyndhurst, N.J., headquarters. He practices education and special education law.

Al-Nesha Jones ’07, ’13 MBA is a member of the Intuit® Tax Council, and recently provided content to “The Path to Advisory,” a guide to creating and managing an advisory practice.

Paige A. Dworak ’08 played a pivotal role in the rebranding of the East Orange General Hospital, now named CareWell Health Medical Center. She is the co-owner and CEO.

Cristina A. Pinzon ’08 was included on InsiderNJ’s 2021 Top 100 Millennials list. She is the founder of Stateside Affairs, which serves as a critical bridge between the state’s political structure and the Latinx community.

Emily Midkiff ’10, who went on to earn a master’s and a PhD, published a book of research with the University Press of Mississippi. Titled Equipping Space Cadets: Primary Science Fiction for Young Children, the book is about how science fiction is great for children.

Mark J. Comesañas ’11 MA was named the first full-time executive director of My Brother’s Keeper Newark, an initiative of Newark Opportunity Youth Network aimed at helping young people in New Jersey succeed.

Christina A. Vance ’11 and Gregory S. “Greg” Winick ’15 Cert. were married in November 2021, at the Westmount Country Club in Woodland Park, N.J.

Sean R. Verbst ’11 and Matthew Dobrowolski ’12 helped save a six-day-old infant in December when his airway was obstructed. They are both Montclair police officers.

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Hope Kremer ’16, ’21 MA hopes to raise $3,000 for the Lymphoma Research Foundation in order to gain entry to the New York City Marathon in October. She also recently began working full time in University College as an academic advisor.
Diamonique Lundy ’21 MS had always been fascinated by the holistic approach of nutrition and the role our diets play in our overall health. “I love the idea of farm to table and of knowing where your ingredients come from,” she says. “Plus, I really enjoy cooking. It is so rewarding to use great ingredients and recipes to make healthy meals.”

Lundy’s coursework in Montclair’s Master of Science in Nutrition and Food Science program added a new dimension to her thinking. “I learned that many communities, both urban and rural, do not have access to fresh ingredients, which leads to poor health and dietary diseases,” she says. “In addition, the communities that lacked access to healthy eating options tended to be populated by people of color.”

She began creating workshops to educate people about nutrition from a culturally competent viewpoint and began thinking about how she could make healthy, fresh food convenient and represent what people like to eat. The result is SoLo’s Food, a meal prep service specializing in healthy and authentic soul, Caribbean and Latin food. Her company offers research-based meal plans that allow people to enjoy their cultural foods while also meeting their healthy eating goals. The entrepreneurial venture was a winning team at the 2020 Startup Montclair pitch competition, sponsored by the Feliciano Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation.

The company is already reaching a national market and Lundy has plans for more. She earned a coveted spot in Target’s Accelerator program, an online incubator for some of the country’s most promising entrepreneurs. “My goal is to get SoLo’s Food onto retail shelves, to bring healthy food to an even broader population,” she says.

“Montclair State provided my first adult experience with social justice,” Lundy continues, noting that as a student at Montclair, she worked part time on campus as a graduate program coordinator. “In addition to the conversations and projects that were part of my classes, Montclair connected me with volunteer opportunities at a community garden and food pantry in Paterson. I learned the importance of equity and inclusion, and of making sure everyone is represented and has a voice.”

It’s a philosophy that infuses all of Lundy’s entrepreneurial ventures, including WEALTTH Social, a social networking mobile app that helps business-to-consumer professionals connect in real life.

Despite the demands of entrepreneurship, network building and lifting up the talents of others, Lundy finds time to give back to the community. “I particularly like mentoring students,” she says. “I encourage them to always be authentic in what they believe and in their life’s mission. When you are sure of your purpose and goals, and you keep them front and center in your mind, you can put your energy into executing your plans.”

–Michele Hickey
Stephen P. Blazejewski ’17 led the branding transformation process of the New Jersey Pride Chamber of Commerce (NJPCC). He was appointed president of NJPCC in 2021 and is the youngest president to preside over a chamber in the state. He has worked to improve the brand and reorganize the board and its processes, in order to add more value to its membership.

Samantha Johnson Boyer ’17 was named the 2021 Cumberland County Teacher of the Year. She is a pre-kindergarten teacher in Upper Deerfield (N.J.) Township at C.F. Seabrook School. She is the first Pre-K teacher to earn this title.

Beth L. Gottung ’19 MA joined Montclair Film as the new co-head and executive director in February. In her new role, she leads development, external affairs, education and community relations initiatives for the organization.

Gabrielle “Gabi” Bartnik ’21 won a 2021 Jersey Award at the NJ Ad Club’s 53rd Annual Jersey Awards, along with Joanna Zaccardi ’21, Zoe W. Gleason ’21, and Christina Giordano ’22 in October. They created a Motown curriculum guide for the Motown Museum.

Rahjaun Gordon ’21 PhD was promoted to director of the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) program at Montclair State University.

Marilyn Joyce Lehren ’21 MA and Ariana Leyton ’17, ’18 MS, ’22 MA helped produce an episode of Amazon Prime’s The College Tour, which featured Montclair State University. (See story page 12)

Diamonique Lundy ’21 was a featured speaker at the Feliciano School of Business’ 8th Annual Women Entrepreneurship Week in October. (See profile, page 45)

Craig J. Merkle ’21 was sworn in as a police officer for Montgomery Township, N.J., in January.

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From 2011 through his retirement at the end of 2021, Gerard “Gerry” Costa took Montclair’s groundbreaking Center for Autism and Early Childhood Mental Health from a founding staff of three to an influential statewide and national beacon of research and knowledge in infant, toddler and early childhood development with a team of more than 70. Corinne Catalano ’95 MEd, ’18 PhD, assistant director for Consultation Services at the Center, met Costa in 1999 while pursuing a certificate in Infant Mental Health. “He has been my mentor, teacher and dear friend ever since. He taught me to wonder about the inner lives of infants, children and families. He taught me about the power of relationships and the need to foster trust before trying any other intervention. Gerry brought these lessons to Montclair State and shared them with others throughout New Jersey.” Colette Ryan met Costa at a conference where he asked her to join the University’s Infant Mental Health fellowship program. “Gerry has the wonderful ability to make everyone want to be better, do better and serve others better,” says Ryan, who is now pursuing a doctorate in Infant and Early Childhood Development. “There are so many impressive things about Gerry but what stands out is his ability to talk to everyone,” says Lorri Sullivan, assistant director for Curriculum and Training at the Center, who worked with Costa since the early 1990s, when they met on the job at the Center for Family Resources in Ringwood, New Jersey. “He thinks about parents, caregivers, children — and he always makes a definite point to talk about infants. To Gerry’s credit, in our state, anyone who is working with infants, toddlers and young children, probably has learned from Gerry in some capacity.”

—Mary Barr Mann

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