

The William Paterson University of New Jersey

I. Major research and public service activities

The University actively pursues outside resources to support its activities. Last year the University's Office of Sponsored Programs helped faculty and administrators bring in more than \$3,500,000 grant dollars. Many of these grants were for student related activities and professional development activities in addition to faculty research. A few examples show the range of these grants. For example, Professor Carey Waldburger was awarded a National Institutes of Health grant for his work on *Factors Influencing PhoQ Phosphorylation* in the amount of \$73,698 in FY 2006 and an additional \$74,376 for FY 2007. These grants support the faculty member's scientific research as well as providing paid research assistantships for WPU undergraduates.

The New Jersey State Council on the Arts generously supports the University's long-running Jazz Room Series. The University's Alumni Association also awarded nearly \$40,000 in grants to faculty and other William Paterson offices. The figures below are a subset of the \$3.5 million. They represent only federal funds and only funds for faculty research and public service activities.

From the New Jersey Department of Education's Mathematics and Science Partnership Program, WPUNJ received \$616,673 for the first year of a three-year project entitled "REFORMS: Reclaiming Educational Foundations of Rigorous Math and Science." The College of Science and Health, working in collaboration with the College of Education and the Paterson Public Schools, will provide professional development to teachers in several Paterson public schools.

The Passaic County Planning Department awarded a \$63,000 contract to Dr. Richard Pardi, Environmental Science, for NJ Department of Environmental Protection-funded research on the water quality of the Molly Ann Brook that runs through Haledon, Prospect Park and Paterson to the Passaic River.

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R&D EXPENDITURES : YEAR 2006	
Institution: <u>William Paterson University</u>	
	Amount (\$)
Federally Financed Academic R&D Expenditures	353,180
Institutionally Financed Academic R&D Expenditures	704,946
Total Academic R&D Expenditures	1,430,884 *
* Total includes \$372,758 for externally financed expenditures	
Note: Dollar amount as reported to the National Science Foundation (NSF) on Form #411 (<i>Survey of Research and Development Expenditures at Colleges and Universities</i>).	

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I. Community Service and Outreach

William Paterson University offers a wide variety of programming and activities to the surrounding community. The following is a list of just a few of these activities.

- The William Paterson *Small Business Development Center* in downtown Paterson, NJ, under the direction of Kate Muldoon, provides a number of services to small business owners and those who would like to be Paterson entrepreneurs. Classes are conducted in English and Spanish. Last year interested persons were able to learn how to write a business plan as well as learn the basics of business start up.
- Donning heavy gloves, approximately 135 William Paterson University Students and Staff spent the day cleaning up Paterson's Great Falls for *Service Leadership Day*. Dead tree limbs and discarded tires were hauled from the area as well as bags of trash. Students spent the morning in a training session on service leadership before arriving at the falls by bus. The event was part of a William Paterson University service leadership effort, Collaborations for Change, designed to help students develop an expanded view of leadership and understand their responsibility to act as role models for the campus and community.
- The University once again hosted the *New Jersey National History Day* celebration. "Taking a Stand in History" was the theme as students in grades 6 through 12 from across the State's public and private schools competed for highly desired prizes. The Valley Middle School in Oakland won first place in the junior level in group exhibits for an entry entitled "Elizabeth Gurley Flynn: The Rebel Girl" and the New Jersey History Prize for their level sponsored by the New Jersey Historical Commission.
- Last year marked the 29th season of the highly acclaimed University-sponsored *Jazz Room Concert Series*. The series concluded with a performance by Kevin Mahogany with William Paterson's own Jazz Orchestra.
- William Paterson University's very popular *Distinguished Lecturer Series* completed its 27th season last year. It offered the surrounding communities a number of exciting evenings that featured programs on the arts, history, sports and law. One lecture was given by Chief Justice Deborah Poritz, who just retired from the New Jersey Supreme Court. She reflected on her years as Chief Justice and State Attorney General.
- *The Center for Closely Held Business* was developed by and for successful, closely held and family business leaders. It draws on the strengths of the University's Christos M. Cotsakos College of Business as well as actual owners of closely held businesses. This past year the Center offered a series of very successful roundtables including, "*Unlocking Decision Deadlocks: A Key to Partnership Success*".
- The newly restructured *Center for Continuing and Professional Education* greatly expanded its offerings this past year. Community members were offered a range of courses and activities such as: test preparation, in-service courses for educators, computer and technology classes, grants workshops, and the very popular summer camps for kids.

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- Finally, more than 200 senior citizens from northern New Jersey attended the University's Ninth Annual *Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner* last November. The event is hosted by William Paterson as part of its outreach to the community. The purpose of the dinner is to recognize the contributions of senior citizens in the community.