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We’re always glad to hear of your latest professional news and activities. As the Law School continues to expand its online presence, we will share that news primarily through our e-newsletter, UB Law Links, and the alumni section of our Web site, www.law.buffalo.edu/alumni. Here are the news items we have received most recently.

’50s

Maryann Saccomando Freedman ’58 is named in the 2011 editions of both Who’s Who in American Women and Who’s Who in American Law. Freedman is of counsel to Cohen & Lombardo in Buffalo, where she resides.

’70s

Howard S. Rosenhoch ’76 was named president of Temple Beth Zion in Buffalo. Rosenhoch is a partner in the litigation department of Jaeckle Fleischmann & Mugel in Buffalo, where he resides.

’80s

Kathleen McDermott ’82 published Style for All: Why Fashion, Invented by Kings, Now Belongs to All of Us, an artist’s book/fashion history in e-book and paperback. The entire book is available in slide show at http://web.mac.com/hautehistory/iWeb/Style%20For%20All/Style%20For%20All.html. McDermott is an instructor at Massachusetts College of Art and Design, graduate and continuing education division in Boston, where she resides.

Mark G. Pearce ’78 received the Trailblazer Award from the Minority Bar Association of Western New York, in Buffalo. Pearce was recently named to the National Labor Relations Board by President Obama and is a past recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award from UB Law School’s Students of Color. He is a Buffalo resident.

’90s

Tina M. Stanford ’90 was appointed director of the New York State Office of Victim Services, in Albany, by Gov. David A. Paterson. This new position was created with the enactment of the governor’s public protection budget bill and replaces the New York State Crime Victims Board. Stanford previously served as chairwoman of the board. She lives in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Richard A. Grimm ’87 was named second vice chairman of Meals on Wheels for Western New York in Buffalo. He is a partner in Magavern Magavern Grimm in Buffalo. Grimm is a resident of Amherst, N.Y.

Matthew G. Shaw ’84 has become a partner in McCullough Ginsberg Montano & Partners in the New York City office. Shaw practices customs and international trade law. He lives in Scarsdale, N.Y.

Kevin E. Raphael ’94 of Philadelphia was appointed a hearing committee member on the disciplinary board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania for a three-year term. He was also named a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer for 2010 by Law and Politics. Raphael is a partner in Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti in Philadelphia and co-chair of the firm’s health care litigation practice group.
Nicole M. Marro '95 joined Bond Schoeneck & King in the Rochester, N.Y., office. She handles estate planning including wills, revocable and irrevocable trusts, charitable trusts and prenuptial agreements. Marro lives in Victor, N.Y.

Rosanna Berardi '97 was named to Business First 2010 “40 Under 40.” She is founder of Berardi Immigration Law, one of the only woman-owned immigration law firms in the Buffalo-Niagara region. Berardi is a resident of Lancaster, N.Y.

Jennifer Bowen '97 has become senior adviser to President John B. Simpson at UB, expanding her current position as associate vice president for human resources. Bowen will provide strategic business and legal analysis of emerging trends within higher education and various initiatives in support of UB 2020. She lives in Getzville, N.Y.

Leanne Lapp ’98 received the 2010 Kevin M. Andersen Memorial Award from the New York State Defenders Association. She is first assistant public defender for the Ontario County Office of the Public Defender in Canandaigua, N.Y. Lapp is a resident of Farmington, N.Y.

Russell Klein ’99 was promoted to first assistant attorney general of the financial and health services unit of the Office of the Colorado Attorney General in Denver. Klein lives in Longmont, Colo.

Laura A. Myers ’05 has been chosen as an Up & Coming Attorney for 2010 by The Daily Record. She is an associate, focusing on complex litigation matters involving insurance coverage and mass toxic tort litigation in Ward Greenberg Heller & Reidy in Rochester, N.Y., where she resides. Myers is co-chair of the Rochester Chapter of the Law Alumni Association.

Katherine E. Courtney ’06 was named an Up & Coming Attorney for 2010 by The Daily Record. Courtney is the staff attorney for the Empire Justice Center in Rochester, N.Y., where she resides.

Michelle A. Daubert ’07 was elected to the board of directors of Meals on Wheels for Western New York in Buffalo. Daubert is an associate in Hodgson Russ in the Buffalo office. She is a resident of Williamsville, N.Y.

Justin R. Hartman ’09 has joined Brown & Kelly as an associate in Buffalo. He practices civil litigation, including personal injury claims. Hartman lives in Alden, N.Y.

Births

To Joanna L. Silver ’97 and Kevin Organ, a son, Jacob Christopher, on Jan. 6 in Brooklyn, N.Y.
To Marc W. Brown ’99 and Shira Brown, a son, David Ian, on June 29, in Buffalo
To Emilio Colaiacovo ’01 and Kimberly Colaiacovo ’06, a son, Brayden Michael, on May 15, in Kenmore

Marriages

Congratulations to the following newlyweds:
Matthew M. Becker ’02 and Meegan Marie Michalek, July 9, 2010

In Memoriam

The Law School extends its deepest condolences to the families and friends of the following friends and alumni/ae:

John F. O’Donnell ’54, Guilderland, N.Y.
Franklin Pack ’55, Osprey, Fla.
Thomas E. O’Brien ’56, Amherst, N.Y.
David G. Jay ’66, Buffalo
Hon. Michael L. McCarthy ’68, Rochester, N.Y.
Hugh F. Brantley ’75, Rochester, N.Y.
John Yuhas Jr. ’78, Spafford, N.Y.
John P. Hains ’83, Hamburg, N.Y.
Patrick J. Young ’86, Buffalo
Amanda Anne Gresens ’02, Amherst, N.Y.

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