

## 2009 WALL STREET JOURNAL STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

**Maria Matarazzo,\* Professor and Chair  
and  
Eric Drouart,\*\* Associate Professor  
Division of Business Administration, Rivier College**

The Educational Service Bureau of Dow Jones developed the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award program in 1948. The scholarship program is a collaborative effort between the Wall Street Journal and participating universities to honor excellence in the academics. Founded July 8, 1889, The Wall Street Journal is the world's leading business publication, receiving the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for International Reporting and the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for Public Service.

For more than 55 years, this distinguished program has given colleges and universities an exclusive opportunity to recognize the performance of their most outstanding students. Currently, more than 15,000 professors at 3,000 colleges and universities participate in the Journal-in-Education program.

**Nicholas James Shepard**, Business Management, GPA 3.68 and Officer in the RBSA has been selected to receive the **2009 Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award**. Nick has earned the highest GPA for graduating seniors in the business programs.

As an award recipient he will receive a commemorative medallion, a one-year subscription to the Wall Street Journal in print and online, and his name will be listed in a full-page announcement in the Journal. Additionally, his name will be added to the permanent commemorative plaque at the Business Division offices listing the annual award winners. ■

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\* **Professor MARIA MATARAZZO** is Chair of the Division of Business Administration at Rivier College and has served as a faculty member for the past 20 years. Matarazzo has a comprehensive background in business management, business communications, and business software applications. Matarazzo has previously held full-time faculty positions at Southern New Hampshire University and Manchester Community College. Professor Matarazzo has served on the Board of many professional organizations. She is past president of the New Hampshire Business Education Association and has held memberships in the National Business Education Association, the Eastern Business Education Association, the Academy of Management, the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs, the National Campaign for Tolerance, and local organizations such as the Nashua Chamber of Commerce. She serves as a marketing advisor for *Business Week*. Matarazzo has been named several times to *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*, as well as being inducted into several honor societies—Pi Omega Pi, Alpha Sigma Lambda, and Alpha Delta Kappa. She has been honored with the State of NH Excellence in Education Award, 2005. Additionally, Matarazzo has been honored with the State of NH/BPW "Excellence in Advocacy" Award, and the 2003-2004 "Megaphone Award" for her advocacy of legislative issues that impact working women, families, and minorities. Matarazzo has presented to the International Management Council, the New England Council of Lions, and the National Regional Conference of the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs, the New Hampshire Business Education Association, and other professional organizations. She has recently published a paper "Shifting Hemispheres: Age, Altruism, and New Markets" that will be presented at the 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Knowledge, Change, and Culture in Organizations. Professor Matarazzo resides in Nashua, New Hampshire.

\*\* **ERIC DROUART**, a native of France, after graduating from Institut de Préparation à l'Administration et à la Gestion (IPAG) in Paris, France, attended the University of Massachusetts (Amherst), and received a Bachelor's in Business Administration and a Master's of Science in Business Administration. Drouart joined Rivier College in early 2000. He is an Associate Professor in the Business Administration Division teaching courses in management, marketing, advertising, international business, and strategic management. Drouart had extensive international marketing and general management experience with Bristol-Myers Squibb. He was based in Paris, France from 1994 to 1999. Eric also spent five years, from 1986 to 1991, in Japan, and one year (1993) in Italy. Drouart had prior international research experience with General Foods Corporation and Burke Marketing Research. Drouart is a member of the American Marketing Association.