

Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients

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- **Livingston College Distinguished Alumni Award:** Established in September 2000 to recognize Livingston College alumni who have distinguished themselves by contributions they have made in their chosen fields of endeavor, by the leadership they have exhibited, and by the general benefits to the larger society resulting from their activities.
- **Seth Dvorin Distinguished Young Alumni Award:** Established in November 2004 in memory of Army Lt. Seth Jeremy Dvorin (LC'02, Administration of Justice; pictured at right), who was killed in Iraq on February 3, 2004. The Seth Dvorin Award was presented to Livingston College young alumni who have distinguished themselves by contributions they have made in their chosen fields of endeavor, by the leadership they have exhibited, and by the general benefits to the larger society resulting from their activities. *The three recipients of this award are noted below. This award is now retired.*

2000 Inductees

RIKI JACOBS (LC'80,
NLAW'89)



Director of AIDS
Support Organization;
Health Educator (*died
in 2009*)

CLIFTON R. LACY
(LC'75, RWJMS'79)



Medical Leader;
New Jersey State
Health Commissioner

JOHN S. LIPORI
(LC'77)



Banking
Executive

**ALFRED E. RAMEY,
JR.** (LC'73)



University Counsel;
New Jersey
Assistant Attorney
General

2002 Inductees

THOMAS F. DALEY
(LC'75)



District Attorney;
Judge; Adjunct
Professor of Law (*died
in 2015*)

SUSAN KILLE
(LC'74)



Newspaper
Journalist

DAVID A. LASKOW
(LC'77, RWJMS'81)



Surgeon; Associate
Professor of
Surgery

STEVEN D. PLOFKER
(LC'78)



Real Estate
Developer;
Attorney

2004 Inductees

FRANK CARVILL (LC'75)

GINA COLLINS CUMMINGS
(LC'84)

**EDWARD E. JOHNSON,
JR.** (LC'79)

		
New Jersey National Guardsman Killed in Iraq (<i>Posthumous; died in 2004</i>)	Environmental, Health, and Social Justice Activist	Wall Street Executive
MICHAEL C. LARACY (LC'74)	KAREN ROGERS (LC'92)	HARRY V. SWAYNE III (LC'90)
		
Advocate for Children and Families	<i>Seth Dvorin Distinguished Young Alumni Award</i> Television Meteorologist/Journalist	Football Executive and Player

2006 Inductees

AVERY BROOKS (LC'73, MGSA'76)	COLLEEN FRASER (LC'74)	MARK HELIAS (LC'74)
		
Actor; Director; Singer; Professor, Mason Gross School of the Arts	Advocate for People with Disabilities; Hero of United Airlines Flight 93 (<i>Posthumous; died in 2001</i>)	Jazz Musician and Composer
LIZA KIRSCHENBAUM (LC'87)	ANDREA D. LYON (LC'73)	GREGG SPIRIDELLIS (LC'93, RBS'93)
		
Advocate for Children in the Courts	Law School Dean; Expert in Death-Penalty Defense	<i>Seth Dvorin Distinguished Young Alumni Award</i> Entrepreneur in Online Entertainment

2009 Inductees

KEVIN APUZZIO (LC'06)	MARLA DIAMOND (LC'92)	FRANCOISE JACOBSON (LC'79)	MARTHA NELL SMITH (LC'77, GSNB'82,'85)
			
<i>Seth Dvorin Distinguished Young Alumni Award</i> Heroic Firefighter and Radio Emergency Medical Technician (<i>Posthumous; died in 2006</i>)	Journalist	Advocate for Women and Workers	Professor of English; Emily Dickinson Scholar

2011 Inductees

GREGORY Q. BROWN (LC'82)	EDWARD M. JORDAN (SMLR'15)
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Rutgers Board of Governors Chair;
Business Leader



Rutgers Men's Basketball Head Coach
(2013-2016)
and Player (1973-1977)

2013 Inductees

NDIDI N. AMUTAH-ONUKAGHA
(LC'03)



Assistant Professor
Researcher on Health and
Nutrition

NICHOLAS FERRONI
(LC'03)



Educator and
Historian

JESSIE J. HANNA (LC'07,
RWJMS'14)



Physician
Researcher on Pediatric
Cancer

2015 Inductees

ROBERT P. BERTRAND
(LC'01)



Radio Engineer

KENNETH B. COP (LC'95)



Rutgers University Executive
Director of Police Services / Chief
of Police

DEBORAH L. STOKES
(LC'74)



Museum Curator and Arts
Educator

2018 Inductees

STACI BERGER (LC'94,
EJB/GSNB'04)



Housing and Community
Development Advocate

JEANIE BRYSON (LC'81)



Jazz/Pop/Latin Vocalist

EVERETTE B. PENN (LC'91)



Race/Youth/Justice Scholar

CARLYLE E. SHELTON JR.
(LC'80)



Deputy Inspector
General,
U.S. Marine Corps

ROBERT W. SNYDER (LC'77)



Professor, American Studies
and Journalism

MARIE VARGHESE (LC'03)



College Advisor and
Social Justice Advocate