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Dean's Alumni Council Inaugural Meeting

ON NOVEMBER 12, 2007, THE MILANO DEAN'S ALUMNI Council held its inaugural meeting in the Orozco Room at The New School. Chaired by Gail Freeman, '86, a longstanding member of the Milano Board of Governors, the council is a historic initiative for the school: an all-alumni body of donors and volunteers committed to advancing the school and ensuring that the value of a Milano degree continues to appreciate.

Ms. Freeman set the tone for the meeting. "When I came to Milano, I wanted to change my life in order to meet my goals. The school enabled me to do that, and I think this is something that a lot of alums have in common. We are people who want to make an impact in the lives of others, and we seek out the school as a way of fulfilling our personal and professional goals."

The council is nation-wide in scope. While several council members are currently based in the New York City metropolitan area, Kenneth Gear, '85 traveled from Washington, D.C. and Mario Marin, '95 flew from Los Angeles for the inaugural meeting. "Our geographical diversity adds to our strength," said Dean Fred Hochberg. Putting a different twist on the Las Vegas tourism

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Paul Travis and Mark Fichandler hosted dinner for the members of the Dean's Alumni Council and Milano faculty after the inaugural council meeting. From left to right in back row: Paul Travis, Gail Freeman, Dean Fred Hochberg, Bob Zilg, Professor David Howell, Louis Dorff, Mario Marin. Front row: Joe Benning, Professor Bryna Sanger, Susan Halpern, Susan Morris, Karen Adler, Professor Mark Lipton, Jessica Arnold, Mark Fichandler.

DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS,

THIS IS A HISTORIC MOMENT FOR MILANO. THIS YEAR, FOR THE FIRST TIME ever, half of the world's population lives in urban areas. That trend is expected to continue worldwide, especially in the developing world, with nearly 60 percent of the population of poor countries projected to be living in urban areas by 2030. The United States is the only developed nation that will experience dramatic population growth, 40% more people by 2050, bringing our population to 420 million people, most of them in urban areas.



Timothy Greenfield-Sanders

Fred P. Hochberg

Milano's students and alumni have never been more needed than they are today. Our school is poised to meet the challenge. Over the past year we established new scholarship programs; we increased our enrollment; we hosted mayors, governors, philanthropists, world-renowned academics, journalists, and other leaders as speakers at the school; we disseminated new publications; and we continued the work of transforming our curriculum.

Let me give you a few examples of our alumni's most recent accomplishments:

- **B. Keith Fulton**, '91 was named president of Verizon West Virginia. He will now oversee the company's operations and financial matters in West Virginia and assume responsibility for Verizon's public policy, external affairs, and regulatory matters in the state.
- **Gail Freeman**, '86 a longstanding member of the Milano Board of Governors, convened the inaugural meeting of the Dean's Alumni Council, of which she serves as chair. The goal of the council is to ensure that the value of the Milano degree continues to appreciate. Thanks to Gail and her fellow council members, this council will provide insight, guidance, and support to the school. And it will benefit all of our students and alumni, from every class year, now and in the future.
- **Paul Travis**, '77 a member of our board, completed a transaction for the purchase of the gallery at Fulton Street and an adjacent parking garage in downtown Brooklyn for \$120 million. This will lead to the development of a 1.6 million-square-foot mixed-use complex to be called The Center at Albee Square.
- **Emily Youssouf**, '77, also a board member, stepped down from the New York City Housing Development Corporation (HDC) to start a new affordable housing finance division at JP Morgan Chase. "Under Emily's leadership, HDC became the nation's top issuer of affordable housing bonds, putting out \$1.65 billion in housing bonds in 2006 alone, surpassing its previous record of \$1.54 billion in 2005," said Mayor Bloomberg.

While Milano alumni are making their mark, the faculty is working with the board of governors, the administration, and others to transform our master's degree curriculum and create a new paradigm of management and policy education. And at the same time, we are laying the groundwork for a curriculum for undergraduates—moving Milano into an intensely competitive and important area of higher education.

I'm looking forward to your continued engagement and support as we build the new Milano. I hope to see you on campus in the weeks and months ahead. Have a wonderful holiday season.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fred P. Hochberg". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Fred P. Hochberg
Dean

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slogan, Dean Hochberg said "What happens at Milano reaches into every part of the country, and in time, will reach into every part of the world."

Much of the discussion focused on plans for strengthening curriculum, helping current students, and planning the Milano Alumni Week scheduled for April 14 through 18, 2008. The week will include alumni panels, faculty seminars, and other highlights. It will culminate with a reunion party at the Union Square Ballroom just blocks from the campus on the evening of Friday, April 18.

"I am eager to greet all of our graduates during Alumni Week," said Susan Morris, '78, Associate Dean for Student Affairs at Milano. "And I hope as many alumni as possible join the Steering Committee and the Dean's Alumni Council. They are a fabulous, yet still barely-tapped, resource and are eager to be involved."

For more information on the Alumni Week Steering Committee, please contact Jessica Arnold, '05 at 212.229.5662 x3557 or by email at arnoldj@newschool.edu. For more information on the Dean's Alumni Council, please contact Louis Dorff at 212.229.5662 x1418 or by email at dorffl@newschool.edu.

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Community Development Finance Project



Becky Pear, Kristyna Jones, William Holmes, and Professor Dennis Derryck

ON NOVEMBER 5, 2007 MILANO HELD A RECEPTION TO kick off the 2007–2008 year of the Community Development Finance Project (CDFP) and the *pro bono* Consulting Clinic at Milano. The CDFP began in 2004 with seed funding from JP Morgan Chase and New York Community Trust, amongst others.

As the community economic development field evolves, practitioners face daunting challenges. In order to launch new projects and sustain those in existence, community-based organizations of all kinds must now operate within sophisticated

“My project will probably be one of the best experiences I take away from my education at Milano. Lisa [Servon] is so knowledgeable and respected in the field, giving us access to economic development experts in the academic world as well as key practitioners and policy makers here in NYC and around the country. As a student, you can’t ask for a better opportunity to learn.”

–William Holmes '08

private capital markets instead of relying on government and philanthropic funds. Yet the majority of these organizations lack the skills to use these markets to their advantage.

Each participant in the CDFP at Milano learns how to find solutions to social issues and frame them as business opportunities for the corporate realm. The program equips Milano students with the business skills they need and provides a valuable service to community organizations.

The cornerstone of the CDFP is a two-semester, three-credit course called the Community Development Finance Laboratory, which provides students with valuable hands-on experience and

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provides local community-based organizations with quality analysis that they are not able to conduct in house.

The *pro bono* Consulting Clinic allows students to work with community-based organizations to conduct feasibility studies and business plans for their community economic development projects.

Lisa Servon, director of the project said, “The CDFP is the only program in the country filling the niche of providing students with financial and community service training. The consulting clinic is a hugely important aspect of the program, allowing students to get their hands dirty, work on real projects, and provide value for community-based organizations.”



Daniel Nissenbaum of HSBC

“Working with a distinguished organization with a strong reputation in this sector gave me the opportunity to think on a large, citywide scale and effect change. This master’s program allowed me to do research that you normally would see at the PhD level.”

–Amber Seely '07



Pat Swann of the New York Community Trust, Brian Segel of HSBC, Professor Lisa Servon, and Becky Koch of HSBC

This year, with generous support from HSBC, Milano students will be working with the Urban Homesteading Assistance Board, an organization that transforms renters into homeowners who will collectively own and democratically govern truly affordable housing cooperatives. Students will develop financial models to evaluate these transactions, research the relationships and financial interests of all parties involved, and develop policies that state and local governments can adapt.

Milano's Cycle of Celebration

LIFE IS FILLED WITH SIGNIFICANT moments and rites of passage that test our will and develop our character. Milano follows an annual cycle marked most importantly by its students. Students enter Milano to prepare for meaningful careers. They spend years gaining knowledge and developing professional skills and growing in ways that they never envisioned. Then they leave Milano to pursue personally and professionally enriched lives. The Milano year is defined by welcoming new students,

her speech because of its optimism. "It so embodies what we're doing here at Milano," said Dean Hochberg. He noted that the faculty works tirelessly to provide students "with a unique set of skills, competencies, and capacities" and expressed the hope that Milano's approach would serve them well in their future careers.

Graduating student Jessica Donner, introduced the Honorable Cory Booker, the keynote speaker. Mayor Booker reaffirmed three-core lessons he learned as a student,

lawyer, and mayor. The first lesson came from his grandfather who would always end his points with: "All I want from you, boy, is to go out there and stand up. Go out there and stand up for who you are. Go out there and stand tall for where you come from, for what you inherited and represent." The second core lesson was from a very old woman who, according to the mayor, had "the ignominious distinction of being the first person" he represented as a lawyer. She was a fighter who chose to fight if it would help



Jean and Bob DiQuollo, President of the Milano Foundation

recognizing graduating students, and all that the students experience in between.

On the evening of Thursday, May 17, Milano held its annual recognition ceremony in the John L. Tishman Auditorium for the 234-member class of 2007. To start off the evening, Dean Hochberg recognized the faculty, friends, and families of the graduates; the Board of Governors; and donors. In his remarks, he referred to a speaker from an earlier recognition ceremony, the late Ann Richards, former governor of Texas and member of the Milano Board of Governors. He recalled her message to the graduates that "the world will be better for their efforts because they were trained at Milano." Though Governor Richards' recent death was a sad event, Dean Hochberg quoted from



Susan Morris, Associate Dean for Student Affairs



Mayor Cory Booker

others, even if her chances of seeing the benefits were slim. Mr. Booker took this as a lesson in the power of love. The third core lesson came from a woman from his days as Councilman Booker. She would call him in frustration about the drug dealers in her community and demanded that he take action. At first he thought there was nothing he could do because he was "a legislator, not an administrator." But she was persistent stating that she "could not do it alone". Finally, he decided to join her and set up camp on the street. Through this experience, Mr. Booker learned the value of standing together and "realizing that you [by] yourself are not strong, but you with other people can be invincible."

Mayor Booker concluded his remarks with a rousing call to action, telling the graduates, "Go out there and stand tall. Stand tall because this world desperately needs you. It needs your love. It needs your courage. It needs your honor. It needs your sacrifice... Stand up! There is nothing in this world that cannot be achieved. Humanity is a testimony to the perpetual achievement of the impossible. And today,

Don Pollard

Marty Heitner

Don Pollard

more than any day, the impossible is being demanded of us as a people. I am inspired by you all. And I truly believe that this class here can transform this world if you stand tall.”

Following the mayor’s address, Dean Hochberg announced the establishment of the Cory Booker Scholarship and introduced Ms. Archie Gottesman of Manhattan Mini Storage, a family business that started with one parking lot in Newark. She stated, “It is such an honor to be a business in Newark and be able to stand with Cory and fund the Cory Booker Scholarship at The New School. Just as Newark needed hope and Newark needed Cory so badly, there is a whole world out there that needs each one of you.” Dean Hochberg also thanked Mark Gerson for supporting the Booker Scholarship.

Almost immediately after the celebration of the success of Milano’s 2007 graduates, efforts were turned to preparations for the start of the next academic year and another new beginning. On August 27, Milano welcomed 135 new eager and enthusiastic students representing states including California, Oregon, Texas, Illinois, Massachusetts, Louisiana, and Maryland and countries as diverse as Mexico, Kyrgyzstan, Australia, Bangladesh, India and China. As expected, the highlight of orientation week activities was the new student welcome dinner with guest speaker, The Honorable Judith S. Kaye, New York State chief judge.

President Bob Kerrey first took the lectern to welcome the new students, the faculty, and several members of the board of governors attending the dinner. He told the students “There’s no shortage of problems in this city to put your mind, your heart, and your talents to try to solve. The most important problem is the one that you want to solve, the one that you want to spend time with... because that’s the challenge.”



Jeff Hodgman, a member of the Milano Board of Governors, and Peter Eisinger, Henry Cohen Professor at Milano

Marty Heitner



Archie Gottesman of Manhattan Mini Storage, Mayor Booker, and Dean Hochberg

Don Pollard



Emily Youssouf, a member of the Milano Board of Governors, and Jim Torrey

Don Pollard

In his address to the students, Dean Hochberg stated that now is a particularly opportune time to study management and policy at Milano. “The world we’re living in right now is globalizing at a pace that has never been seen before. For the first time in human history, more than half the world’s population lives in urban centers.” This means that people who know how to manage cities and understand urban issues will be in high demand in the years to come.

Judge Kaye’s speech was so well-received that the students talked about it for weeks afterward. She reflected on her own background that brought her from a childhood just outside the town of Monticello, New York where she attended a one-room schoolhouse to Barnard College in Manhattan and ultimately to the Court of Appeals of the State of New York and then to her current position as chief judge. In her remarks, Judge Kaye recounted some of her significant life experiences and shared five life lessons from these moments.

The first life lesson was learned as a freshman at Barnard, when she was given an inkblot test. The inkblot flashed and she recognized a rooster, but became uneasy when the person next to her wrote

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Judge Kaye with students

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Bob DiQuollo and Steve Bloom, Chair of the Milano Board of Governors

Marty Heitner



Bob Kerrey

Dante's *Inferno*! "Trust your judgment," Judge Kaye advised. "Trust your instincts. They've gotten you here to this wonderful place." Lesson number two came when she altered her career path in response to things missing from the journalism career she thought she wanted. "Every now and then, it's really good to return to square one and reconsider the life course that you're on. You just shouldn't be doing things that



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have no meaning for you." She began her law career at a time when barriers for women seemed insurmountable. However, Judge Kaye boldly and successfully sought a position with a Wall Street law firm. Life lesson number three: "When you reach a fork in the road,



Marty Heitner

Professors Tatiana Wah and John Clinton

take it. It's no time to pause for reflection, no time to be timid, no time to ask too many questions, no time to study the odds. Just do it. Just go for it." The next life lesson was that a miracle can happen to you, but only if you have ambition. "When you are in pursuit of a miracle, don't be timid or wishy-washy." Life lesson number five echoed Margaret Mead's advice, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. It's the only thing that ever has." Judge Kaye's final words to the incoming class were, "Whatever you do, whatever you yearn for or strive for, few things are beyond your reach unless, in your own mind, you believe that they are beyond your reach and you place them there."

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JULE GRANT, URB '91 was recently featured in the *Queens Courier* in an article entitled, "Star of Queens." Grant is program director of the Jamaica Neighborhood Center, a consultant at the Association of Minority Enterprises of New York, a member of the Cambria Heights Civic Association, and works with the new Cambria Heights Local Development Corporation. She is also a member of the More than Conquerors Ministry of St. Albans.

DALE ORREN, HRM '91 was recently promoted to program manager and deputy director at Advancement Technology Institute.

MARY SHARON CHARLES HAZNEDAR, RN, MS, MSN, HSM '92 has been named administrative director of training and policy development for behavioral health services (BHS) at Saint Vincent Catholic Medical Centers (SVCMC). She served as director, regulatory affairs at SVCMC, of BHS since 2003. Ms. Haznedar also graduated from the Columbia University Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Program on May 16, 2007.

E. SCOTT GOLDEN, HRM '94 was promoted from principal to partner of Coleman Lew & Associates, Inc., a national executive search firm in Charlotte, North Carolina.

MICHAEL GARY, NPM '96 has been appointed director of institutional gifts at the New York City Opera. Previously he served as associate vice president for foundation relations at The New York Botanical Garden.

STEPHANIE THOMAS, NPM '96 has recently been appointed president of Susan Ulin Associates Ltd., a consulting firm that specializes in event management for nonprofit organizations. Since joining the firm in 1995, Ms. Thomas has advised a broad spectrum of organizations, coordinating both inaugural and annual benefits. Events coordinated by the firm consistently raise a collective amount of more than \$30 million annually.

HEIDI JOHNSON, NPM '02 recently moved to Columbia, South Carolina where she is the new executive director for Keep the Midlands Beautiful, an organization that promotes recycling, litter prevention, and beautification in the greater Columbia area.

JOSEPH LIU, NPM '03 has been appointed managing director of ReelWorld Film Festival and Foundation in Toronto. A fundraising veteran with almost ten years of experience with nonprofit organizations in Los Angeles and New York, his employment history has included positions at Chet Baker Foundation in Toronto and City Parks Foundation in New York.

MARY TAYLOR, NPM '04 was recently appointed to the position of senior director of development at The Jericho Project, a supportive housing organization in New York City.

ZHANNA BASKAKOVA, HSM '05 is project manager at the International Business Leaders Forum (ILBF), where she is involved with work-based health programs. She recently co-authored an article, "Russian Business Unites for a Better Society," in the Association of European Businesses' magazine *AEB Business Quarterly* for its review on the health care sector.

ALEXIS BOURGEOIS, URB '07 is associate asset manager at National Equity Fund, a job she received through her internship, which was part of her Professional Decision Report at Local Initiatives Support Corporation. In her new role she will continue to work on environmentally friendly affordable housing she began while a student at Milano.

MAYA BRENNAN, URB '07 co-authored the latest Center for Housing Policy report, which focuses on affordability and quality housing problems that low-to-moderate-income working families are facing today.

JACOB SMITH, NPM '07 was recently hired by the Foundation for Early Learning in Seattle, Washington, where he will serve as the director of development.

What's New ALUMNI OFFICE

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www.newschool.edu/alumni often to see what's going on around the university, keep your contact information up to date, and see what your fellow alumni are up to on the class notes page. Also, our benefits page now includes new deals for alumni such as a 66 percent discount on an annual Zipcar membership.

Urban Conversations 2007



Mayor Adrian Fenty of Washington, NYC Council Speaker Christine Quinn, Mayor Shirley Franklin of Atlanta, Dean Hochberg, and Ester Fuchs of Columbia University

THIS YEAR, MILANO CONTINUED the annual Urban Conversations Conference series a bit differently than in the past. Our topic was Strengthening the Middle Class, and we decided to devote multiple programs to it since the issue is so critical, complex, and central to every aspect of urban life. The conference was cosponsored by the Center for New York City Affairs and underwritten by the Altria Group, Inc. and the Rockefeller Foundation.

The discussion opened over a dinner on May 29 hosted by Darren Walker, vice president of the Rockefeller Foundation and a past speaker in the Urban Conversations series. Over dinner, Mayor Shirley Franklin of Atlanta, former Bloomberg special

advisor Ester Fuchs, and Nicole Gelinas of the Manhattan Institute probed the issues. Several other guests also joined in the discussion. The public program began on the morning of June 1 with introductory remarks by Dean Hochberg and City Council Speaker Christine Quinn.

The first panel of the day included Mayor Adrian Fenty of Washington D.C., Mayor Franklin, Ms. Fuchs, and Nassau County Executive Tom Suozzi. The topics under discussion included affordable housing, city-state issues, national politics, and the environmental issues that cities face as they grow. Mayor Franklin described the situation in Atlanta. "People are striving to find housing that they can afford, that they believe is suitable to their position, and it is requiring more and more asphalt," Mayor Franklin said. "We are 'sprawl' personified."

The second panel of the day entitled, A Viable New York for Working Families included Dan Cantor of the Working



Jonathan Capeheart of the *Washington Post*

Families Party; Ms. Gelinas; Andrea Batista Schlesinger of the Drum Major Institute for Public Policy; and Dennis Walcott, Deputy Mayor for Education and Community Development for New York City. Speakers explored issues including education, affordable housing, and transportation infrastructure. The conference was moderated by Brian Lehrer and broadcasted live on his show on WNYC New York Public Radio.

Milano announced its second annual Urban Conversations Scholarship Fund benefiting exceptional students from the speakers' districts. Fannie Mae, Bill and Sheila Lambert, the Philip D. and Tammy S. Murphy Foundation, and Booz Allen Hamilton contributed a total of \$135,000 to help students from Washington D.C., Atlanta, and Nassau County pursue their master's degrees at Milano. Kevin Georges, who hails from Hempstead, New York, started at Milano this semester and is the



Brian Lehrer of WNYC New York Public Radio



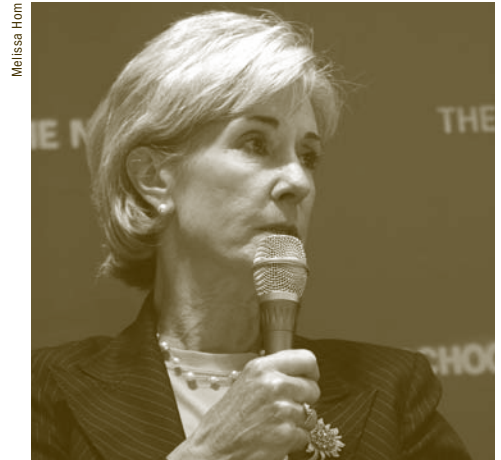
Andrew White of the Center for NYC Affairs and Nick Turner of the Rockefeller Foundation



Norman Adler and Jane Crotty



Dean Hochberg, John Carpenter of Fannie Mae, Steve Parrish of Altria, Mayor Franklin, Mayor Fenty, Nassau County Executive Tom Suozzi



Melissa Horn

Kathleen Sebelius, Governor of Kansas

first Urban Conversations Scholar from Nassau County.

On September 25, Strengthening the Middle Class continued with a conversation moderated by Jonathan Capehart of the *Washington Post*. The first panel focused on New York City's persistent and deepening lack of affordability for middle-class residents. Diane Baillargeon of Seedco, David Jones of the Community Service Society, and Rick McGahey of the Ford Foundation discussed strategies for improving job opportunities and increasing incomes.

The second conversation featured Governors Ed Rendell of Pennsylvania and Kathleen Sebelius of Kansas, and

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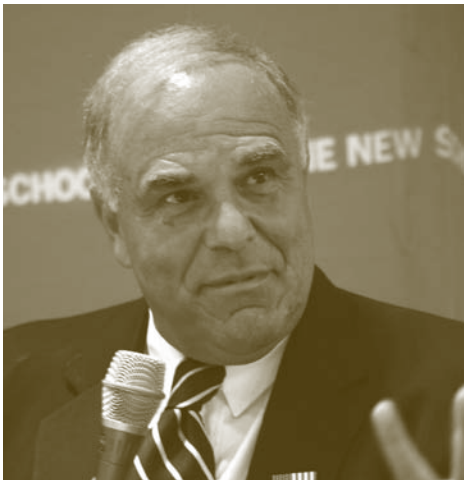
focused on political solutions to economic inequality. Both governors highlighted the need for greater federal engagement in community development.

The program can be viewed at www.fora.tv/2007/09/25/Urban_Conversations_Strengthening_the_Middle_Class

Milano will continue the Urban Conversations series next semester. Check out the home page at www.newschool.edu/milano for updates on upcoming Urban Conversations events, amongst others.



Gail Freeman '86, a member of the Board of Governors, and Eric Galloway



Ed Rendell, Governor of Pennsylvania



Susan Halpern '76, a Trustee and Board of Governors member, and Ilie Wacs



Dean Hochberg, Darren Walter of the Rockefeller Foundation, and Prof. Darrick Hamilton



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Ritta McLaughlin '95, Mayor Franklin, and Bill Hayden, Trustee and Governor

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Tenenbaum Leadership Initiative – Leading After the Founder

MILANO IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR new ways to serve the needs of professionals and organizations in the nonprofit sector. The school is committed to strengthening nonprofit leaders at all stages of their careers, developing programs that are accessible to working professionals, and responding to emerging needs in the sector. Leading After the Founder, the inaugural Tenenbaum Leadership Initiative at Milano, will target executive directors and CEOs who are the first to succeed the founder of their organizations.

This innovative new executive development program will help leaders in the nonprofit sector who are facing the challenge of leading and advancing their organizations after years of continuity in

the executive role. In the initiative's "laboratory" each participant will examine the leadership issues they currently face, while setting a course for their organization's future. Twenty fellows will be selected through the nominating process to participate in the program, and will work individually with a personal executive coach on a regular basis for six months.

Milano is offering this program free of charge thanks to the generosity of Ann



Ann Tenenbaum

Tenenbaum and Tom Lee, first-time donors to Milano. Ms. Tenenbaum said, "From my work with so many great organizations in New York, I recognized the need for a new program like this to help strengthen their strategies and their leadership. Milano is the perfect place for such a program, with its history of producing successful professionals in the nonprofit sector and its willingness to go after innovative programs that fill a specific, real-world need. It's something that no other school has been able to do yet."

Mark Lipton, a veteran professor at Milano, is the chair of the Tenenbaum Leadership Initiative. For more information, please visit www.newschool.edu/milano or call 212.229.5400 x1202

Jamie Fox and Steve Nislick Join Milano Board of Governors

IN THE FALL OF 2007, MILANO WELCOMED TWO NEW members to its board of governors, Jamie Fox and Steve Nislick. We are thrilled to welcome these two men, who have both already made a terrific impact here at Milano.

A graduate of Villanova University, **JAMIE FOX** entered public service as chief of staff for former U.S. Senator Robert Toricelli and under New Jersey Governors Florio and McGreevy. Mr. Fox served as the deputy executive director of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, the nation's largest public authority. As deputy director, Mr. Fox was an integral part of negotiations involving the redevelopment of the World Trade Center site and the effort to modernize and renovate Newark Liberty International Airport as well as the campaign to bring a fourth airport to the New York metropolitan region. This year, Mr. Fox used his expertise to co-found Warrington, Fox, and Shuffler, a consulting firm that focuses on transportation, economic development, and infrastructure policy and planning.

Prior to becoming a member of the board, Mr. Fox helped Milano secure funding from the Port Authority and helped bring New Jersey Governor Jim Florio to speak in the fall of 2006.

"As deputy director of the Port Authority, I reached out to some Milano students for an outside opinion on some of the larger projects we were undertaking at the time," said Mr. Fox. "I was extremely impressed by their intelligence and their knowledge of regional transportation issues. Now, a couple of years after [that] introduction, I am pleased to join the board."

STEVE NISLICK, a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, serves as CEO of Edison Properties, a real estate management and development company based in Newark, New Jersey. Edison Properties and Mr. Nislick have already made a mark at Milano, underwriting the conference on December 12, 2006 *Governing Change: Policy, Politics, and the Spitzer Administration*. The company also established the Cory Booker Scholarship Fund, which enables exceptional students from Newark, New Jersey to study at Milano.

"I have spent a lot of time with at-risk children in urban communities and have recognized that the need for professionals can build healthy, caring communities. Milano interested me because of the school's focus on urban policy and community development and other important issues. I value this work and am proud to be associated with Milano," said Mr. Nislick.

In addition to serving on the board of governors at Milano, Mr. Nislick is also an advisory board member of the Carolina Center for Jewish Studies and is on the Board of Trustees for the Citizens Budget Commission, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that works to influence positive change in New York State and New York City governments.



Steve Nislick

Don Pollard

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SAVE THE DATE APRIL 14-18, 2008

MILANO ALUMNI WEEK

- reconnect with faculty and classmates
- check out current classes
- meet our students

The week will culminate in a cocktail party at Union Square Ballroom on the evening of Friday, April 18.

Get involved! To join the planning committee and help us engage your fellow alumni, contact Jessica Arnold, '05 at arnoldj@newschool.edu or 212.229.5662 x3557.

**Thinking about making a year-end gift?
Let it be to Milano.**

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