

Building a Better Mousetrap

Disney honors Rutgers students for creating a futuristic theme park.

● Disney sent its most famous character to congratulate Vincent Logozio after he won the Marty Sklar Award, which, far from being some Mickey Mouse accomplishment, honors the student who best exemplifies leadership, creativity, and innovation.

Logozio, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering at Rutgers–New Brunswick, won the award in June for his participation in the 18th Walt Disney Imagineering ImagiNations Design Competition. His team, which took top prize by beating 130 teams nationwide, included Rutgers classmate Raymond Scanlon, a senior majoring in electrical and computer engineering as well as The College of New Jersey's Elissa Hogan and Rowan University's David Lester. The group spent a year creating a futuristic, interactive 48-cubic-foot model theme park dubbed Disney's Spaceport, which featured an aquarium snaking through the park, an elevator rising into space, and a food court serving snacks in the shape of large cubes.



The students spent the summer enjoying the prize:

paid summer internships at Walt Disney Imagineering in Glendale, California.

As Luck Would Have It

When the lottery swells to millions, many of us, feeling lucky in these unlucky economic times, buy a lottery ticket. Hey, who knows, right? Joseph Naus, a professor in the Department of Statistics and Biostatistics in the School of Arts and Sciences, will help you keep things in perspective.

When you buy a New Jersey "Pick-6 Lotto" lottery ticket, you choose six different numbers between one and 49. If your "Pick-6 Lotto" matches the lottery drawing of six numbers, you win the jackpot. There are about 14 million possible combinations (13,983,816, to be precise). Therefore, the chance of a ticket winning the jackpot is one in 14 million.

If 14 million people each buy a "Pick-6 Lotto" combination at random, there is a

37% chance that no one wins the jackpot;

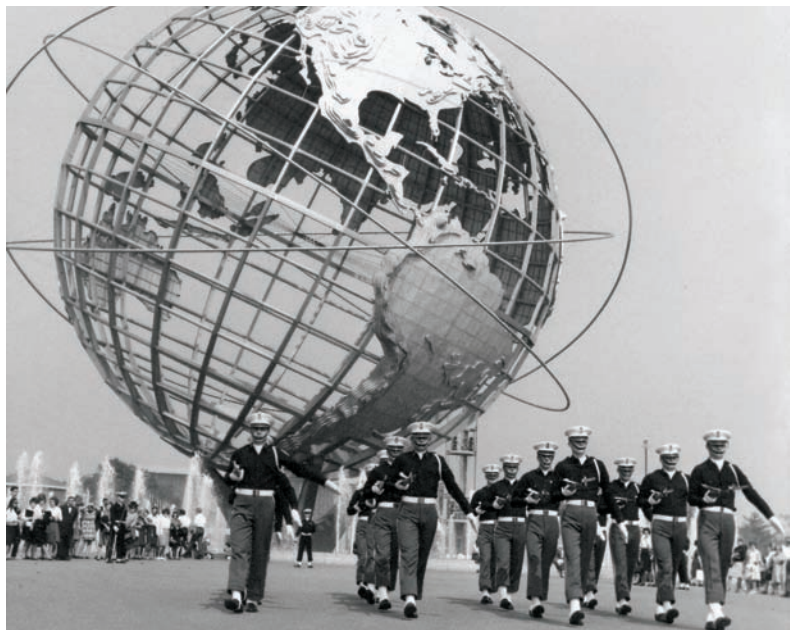
37% chance that one person wins the jackpot;

26% chance that there will be at least two winners;

63% likelihood, however, that you will have to share the jackpot if you have the winning six-digit combination.

Rutgers, on the World's (Fair) Stage

● The routine took a mere eight minutes to perform, but it's a memory that has lasted a lifetime for Bill Dettmer RC'66 (first row, second from left): marching as one of 16 members of the Queens Guard on "Rutgers Day," September 18, 1964, at the World's Fair in Queens, New York. Rutgers was featured prominently in the fair's New Jersey pavilion, in which exhibits saluted Rutgers' upcoming bicentennial as well as Rutgers and Princeton universities' origins as colonial colleges. "It was warm that day, and we had to wear those gabardine and wool uniforms for hours," says Dettmer, senior partner at Goal Systems International in Port Angeles, Washington. More archival photos of the Queens Guard, which celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2007, are on display at the Rutgers Club and Winants Hall in New Brunswick. For more information about the Queens Guard, turn to page 65.



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Arthur Socolow RC'42 received the Ian Campbell Medal from the American Geological Institute. Arthur was a member of the Pennsylvania Geological Survey before becoming a consulting geologist. He authored over 100 geological papers and publications and served on a number of geology advisory committees and professional societies.

Robert Suval AG'42 was in the Coast Guard in WWII guarding convoys, a duty that took him to Casablanca, Morocco. His career was spent as a demolition contractor. He has a son who is a Rutgers grad and two daughters. Bob lives in Lake Worth, Florida (561-967-8447).

Class Column: At our 67th reunion, we couldn't expect a crowd. We had **Bill Bauer ENG'42**, **GSNB'47**; **Lew Bloom RC'42**; **George Claflen ENG'42**; and me. Bill Bauer and I walked in the parade but were upstaged by two Class of '39 men preceding us.

At the Rutgers Living History Society Annual Meeting were **Lew** and **Ada Bloom DC'41**; **George** and **Cecilia Claflen DC'43**; **Lynne**, widow of classmate **Bill Berglund RC'42**, and her son **Christopher**; **Nancy**, widow of classmate **Bob Christensen RC'42**, and her son **Scott**; and my wife **Marie** and me. A quote from late classmate **Russ Janoff ED'42** was read in the Memorial Service, and our Class of '42 Travel Fund was mentioned by **Sandra Holyoak RC'97**, director, in her report on the Rutgers Oral History Archives. Your class correspondent scripted the annual meeting, as he usually does, and was privileged to be the one to meet Ambrose Award honoree **Ken Burns** at the New Brunswick station and bring him to Neilson Dining Hall.

In June, **Sandra Holyoak** and **Shaun Illingworth RC'01**, **SCILS'04**, assistant director, will travel to Florida's east coast to conduct interviews. I called and arranged for these '42ers to be interviewed: **Harold Kahn RC'42**, **Carmine Perrapato RC'42**, **Arthur Roth RC'42**, **Joseph Schofel AG'42**, and **Robert Suval AG'42**.

During the Reunion Block Party Celebration and Lunch on Saturday, it was fascinating to see how many of the milling crowd was attracted by our WWII Memorial Plaza. During the week, high school students and their teachers are frequently seen studying it.

We've lost four classmates: **George Gordon ENG'42** (3/30/09), **John D. Toole Sr. RC'42** (2/22/09), **George R. Wells RC'42** (3/25/09), and **John H. Wiles RC'42** (12/3/08).

For the living, it's time to communicate. I've been listing phone numbers. Are they doing any good? Please write, phone, or email and tell me of a call you've made to a classmate.

— **Tom Kindre RC'42**: 89A Brandywyne East, Brielle, NJ 08730; 732-528-5025; yankeetom@optonline.net

43 **Walter G. Alexander II ENG'43** was inducted to the Rutgers Hall of Distinguished Alumni in May. After serving as a Tuskegee Airman, he earned a dentistry degree from Howard University. He later became the first black man to be appointed to New Jersey's State Board of Dentistry. He retired in 2007,

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Commander Verne A. James Jr. RC'81 (center) stands among Queens Guard members on the esplanade of Edinburgh Castle at the 1980 Edinburgh Military Tattoo in Scotland.

Guard Duty

Archival prints of The Queens Guard exhibition tours, on display at Rutgers, underscore the group's newfound sense of mission.

The Rutgers University Queens Guard Precision Rifle Drill Team—founded in 1957 as an extracurricular activity for cadets of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program—was once known as one of the best military rifle exhibition display teams in the world. The 25-member drill team represented New Jersey at President John F. Kennedy's inauguration in Washington, D.C., in 1961. That same year, it won the national championship under the command of **Ken Iuso RC'61**, the Rutgers University registrar. By the late 1980s, the guard had represented Rutgers and the United States at events in Australia, Canada, France, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and West Germany.

Eight black-and-white archival prints from the guard's exhibition tours are on permanent display at the Rutgers Club, a gift from the Queens Guard Alumni Association (QGAA) to commemorate the team's 50th anniversary in 2007. During the fall, the images are on view on the second floor of Winants Hall on Old Queens Campus, and plans are afoot to provide a permanent digital photo and film library as part of The Queens Guard Collection in University Archives.

The photos represent a recent revival of the guard, which, after disbanding in 1993, reformed in 2005. In 2007, the drill team entered competition for the first time in 14 years. A year later, a core group under the guidance of ROTC cadets, ROTC faculty, and **John Waldinger RC'72**, QGAA vice president and team adviser, took home top honors at an intercollegiate northeast regional competition in Boston.

This fall former guard members who served the nation will provide support and guidance as part of the new Veterans Mentoring Program for current Rutgers students who served in the military. "Because many of our alumni pursued military careers, we can offer unique guidance for relevant curriculum choices and career paths," says **Joseph Carlan RC'84**, QGAA president. "Many students are returning veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan and could benefit from our members' advice, experiences, and perspective as they resume their civilian lives."

Learn more about the guard's rich history at www.queensguard-rutgers.org.

► The QGAA is a special constituent group of the Rutgers Alumni Association, and a chartered organization of the Rutgers University Alumni Association. Find out about group chartering at Ralumni.com.