James M. Shuart Stadium Dedication ...

On August 29, 2002 James M. Shuart Stadium was dedicated in honor of Hofstra's seventh president. Dr. Shuart ’53, a former student athlete who played football and lacrosse, served as Hofstra’s president for 25 years before retiring in 2001. Shortly thereafter he was named President Emeritus of Hofstra University. On the day of the dedication, just prior to Hofstra's first home football game against the University of Montana, President Stuart Rabinowitz unveiled a portrait sculpture of Dr. Shuart, which remains on display at the Stadium. (L to r) former Chairman of the Board of Trustees John J. Conefry, Jr., President Rabinowitz, President Emeritus Shuart and his wife Marjorie Strunk Shuart ’60.

Hofstra USA Productions World Premiere ...

This winter Hofstra USA Productions will present the world premiere of an original play, *Heaven-Sent, The After-Life of Mark Twain*. The play was written by Drew Keil and will be directed by Ed Dennehy ’68. Keil summarizes the play’s unusual plot which pits Sam Clemens against his alter ego Mark Twain: “They employ their homespun wit and worldly wisdom to showcase the facts and fantasies of their singular, celebrated life.” Show dates for *Heaven-Sent* are weekends January 10 to 26 at the Emily and Jerry Spiegel Theater. For more information on *Heaven-Sent* and future shows by Hofstra USA Productions, call the Hofstra Box Office at (516) 463-6644.

Way to Go Wayne! ...

Former Flying Dutchman standout and current wide receiver for the New York Jets, Wayne Chrebet ’95, was honored by the University and had his jersey retired during the Homecoming halftime ceremony on October 2002.

Wayne, who was a two-year starter and four-year letterman at Hofstra from 1991 through 1994, recorded 150 receptions for 2,297 yards and 31 touchdowns during his career. He graduated after setting six University records and tying one NCAA I-AA mark. As a senior, he received the Iron Mike Award as the team’s Most Valuable Player. “It is with great pleasure that we honor Wayne with the retiring of his Hofstra jersey,” said Hofstra University President Stuart Rabinowitz. “He is a role model for many of today’s youngsters and student-athletes.”

Wayne Chrebet was signed as a free agent by the Jets in 1995 and has since become one of the most productive wide receivers in the NFL over the past seven seasons.

Award for Alumni Achievement ...

Hofstra recognized outstanding alumni at the Award for Alumni Achievement dinner and reception in September 2002. The recipients, joined by President Stuart Rabinowitz (left) and former Chairman of the Board John J. Conefry, Jr. (right), were honored for exemplary service to Hofstra and for outstanding career achievements in their fields: Richard S. Laskin ’60, ’64 Holly J. Seirup ’95, Mike Starr ’73, Ellen Bernstein Deutsch ’81, ’91 and Robert F. McKeon ’53, ’55.