PHOTO ESSAY

History and hoopla.
Traditions and tributes.
Music, science, nostalgia, insights, inspiration and more. Our Centennial
Celebration had it all.

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It could happen only once—a yearlong 100th birthday party and a grand institutional milestone.

It was a fantastic celebration that belonged to everyone—from those who have invested a few years to others who have given decades to our institution—all of us united by education and our love for the Brown & Gold.

Capturing creativity, collaboration and 100 years of proud progress, photos from our big year tell another chapter of our story—and open the book on our next century.

OUR WONDERFUL ONCE-IN-100

More than 700 students, employees, alumni and friends posed for posterity to kick off the year's events.

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- 1. Centennial times two: the university celebrated its first century and what would have been Henry Rowan's 100th birthday.
- 2. Flags and fanfare set the tone for Accepted Students Day in April.
- 3. Teacher education graduates Ann Williams Henry '45 (seated), Jean Eldridge Henderson '52 (left) and Florida Causey Dixon '55 returned to recall their days on campus and celebrate the 100th anniversary of the College of Education.
- **4.** Computer science students coded a Rowan history-themed word game dubbed Rowdle, digitally stocked with 100 word puzzles.
- **5.** Hundreds of music alumni, students, past and present professors performed a Centennial extravaganza in March, showcasing each Rowan band, chorus and orchestra for a packed Pfleeger audience.
- Gregory Esposito M'10, Ed.S.'12, Rosie Braude Esposito '08, M'09 and their children helped jumpstart the new century with Leap Year photo fun.
- 7. In Bunce Hall's century-old vestibule, Professor Emily Blanck conducted part of her class, "The History of Now."
- 8. April's eclipse made for a science spectacle, only the tenth total eclipse visible in the U.S. in Rowan's 100 years.
- **9.** Banners throughout campus included reminders that the College of Education got its start in 1923, the foundation of all Rowan's programs and still one of its largest.
- 2023 Welcome Week festivities kicked off the school year with Centennial style.
- 11. Distinguished Alumnus David Tarr '65, former lead economist for the World Bank, spoke on "How to Save the Planet" as part of the Centennial Lecture Series.







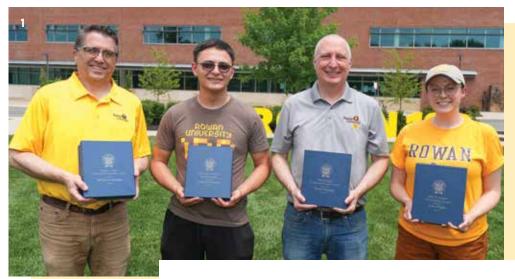








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 Bill Carrigan, history; senior music student Anthony Jimenez; University Publications art director Daniel Murphy M'97; and biology professor Sara Wright received awards for their commitment, dedication, institutional knowledge, leadership and creativity in support of the University's yearlong Centennial celebration.

The once-in-a-century awards honored those whose legacies are indelible at Rowan, including beloved and legendary professors John Sangree, Harold Wilson and Don Bagin. Each honoree's career shines for upholding those legacies, especially, during the Centennial.

- 2. The Pride of the Profs Marching Band did Homecoming's halftime proud.
- 3. At the Centennial Sendoff, guests signed a copy of "100 Years Forward" that will be archived as a record of the Rowan community at 100.
- 4. Renewing the Torch Run tradition begun more than 50 years ago, a team of alumni and employees started at Camden campus at dawn, running the Torch of Knowledge through CMSRU, Stratford and Sewell campuses to the Centennial Homecoming celebration in Glassboro. Front: Juan Sanchez '08, Amy Hoch, Jeanine Dowd '00, M'03, Peter Rattigan, Jon Ratcliffe '18, Daniel Cardona '17, M'20, Quinn Cardona '27. Back: Ernie Holtzheimer '11, M'12, Sandra Wilson MD'27, Tobi Bruhn '98, M'99, Ed.D'16, Collin Cardona '20.
- Art grads Jason Snyder '07 and Briana Feola '08 illustrated their alma mater's first 10 decades of history highlights in a whimsical, fact-filled mural.
- Social media made Centennial connections all year, sharing photo ops and pride points.
- 7. Custom designs for the Centennial Shop stoked belonging and pride.
- 8. At historic Bunce Hall, members of Rowan's 2024 community gathered for the 100 photo.



