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NOVEMBER 14

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NOVEMBER 20

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DECEMBER 8

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Faculty and students extend academic year
with *beyond-the-classroom* experiences



Above Left: Anne E. Ruelle '13, left, who assisted Dr. Stephen J. Mecca '64 & '66G, professor of physics, with a sanitation project in Ghana as part of an internship at the end of the 2010–11 academic year, stands with a nurse in Pokuase Village. Ruelle's major focus was conducting a sanitation–health survey.

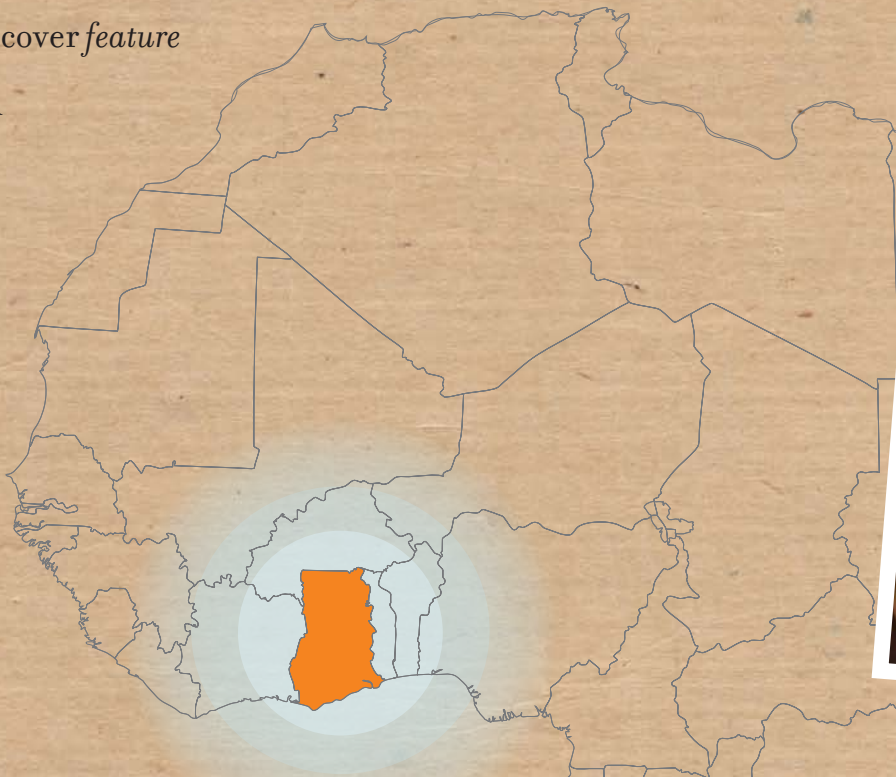
Above Right: Students of Rev. Nicanor Austriaco, O.P., associate professor of biology, who conducts year-round, cancer-related research on yeast-programmed cell death, made presentations related to their research with Father Austriaco at the annual meeting of the American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology in Washington, D.C.

Above: PC students, faculty, and friends who traveled to Greece and Turkey on the Greco-Roman and Early Christianity Theology Trip visit the waterfront city of Thessaloniki, Greece.

Providence College faculty and students regularly give new meaning to the notion of the “academic year.” As the stories and the reflection in the following pages attest, the summer of 2011 was a rich opportunity for these focused academics to delve into extra-curricular projects, research, and international travel.

The feature begins with the inspiring story of the work of physics professor Dr. Stephen J. Mecca '64 & '66G in Ghana and ends appropriately with early-career success accounts involving recent graduates and alumni this summer.

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Alum and professor Steve Mecca's '64 & '66G latest deed:

NOVEL SANITATION SYSTEM

in Ghana



BY CHRIS MACHADO

Top: Children in Pokuase Village have more reasons to smile, thanks to the multi-faceted efforts of Dr. Stephen J. Mecca.

Left: Mecca works with two girls on a project from the "Village Physics Workbook" one of his classes developed last spring. Class members created a workbook that could be used to teach physics in a village setting. They designed experiments that teach physics using minimal materials such as string, water bottles, and rocks.

If environmental and societal issues in Ghana are analogous to physics problems, Dr. Stephen J. Mecca '64 & '66G is taking a similar approach to the solutions: one step at a time.

For the past half-dozen years, Mecca, a professor of physics, and his family have dedicated themselves to many humanitarian efforts in the West African country. The list includes work conducted by the Ghana Sustainable Aid Project (GSAP)—a non-governmental organization co-founded by his granddaughter that promotes healthy and sustainable development in developing communities, including Pokuase Village in Ghana.

Mecca's specific efforts include teaching a semester at the University of Ghana, working with the GSAP and the Girls' Exploration and Empowerment Club to encourage female students to continue their schooling, and creating the "Books to Ghana" program that has delivered thousands of books to the University of Ghana. Frequently within these projects, Mecca is able to involve his students, thereby embellishing their knowledge and college experience.

Perhaps Mecca's greatest contribution has been designing and coordinating the installation of groundbreaking toilet facilities that will have far-reaching impacts on sanitation and health in Ghana.

Experts estimate that 50 percent of the residents in sub-Saharan Africa defecate in the open or in contraptions. By not having proper bathroom facilities, the citizens' overall health is affected by tainted drinking water and various diseases.

During a seven-week stay in Ghana this summer, Mecca oversaw the planning, construction, and installation of the Pokuase Village's first effective sanitation facilities—one private toilet, a 10-stall co-op facility, and a five-stall school bathroom.

The modern facilities, which house a sink and toilet, use the Microflush-Biofil technology developed by Mecca, Colin MacDonagh '10, and Ghanaian engineer Kweku Anno. The system works by harvesting rainwater, which is used for the sink in the stall. The resulting gray water is transported to the toilet, which flushes using just about two-thirds of a cup of water. The waste is then filtered twice before being deposited in a small leeching field. Two years later, that waste will be used as compost.

The toilets—with the exception of the school facility—are used by residents through a co-operative system, which calls for them to pay about 70 cents per month. Mecca said the system will allow the facilities to be self-sustaining and cut down on the transmission of a range of diseases.

Gates Foundation muscle

In May, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation recognized the potential for the Microflush-Biofil system by awarding Mecca and the Ghana Sustainable Aid Project \$100,000 through its Grand Challenges

Explorations initiative. Partial funding for Mecca's research and work in Ghana also has been provided by the College through the Committee on Aid to Faculty Research.

On a recent two-week trip back to Ghana—his seventh journey there—Mecca said he was overjoyed by how well the toilets are working.

"The first facility we opened (the single stall) is going really well," he said. "One man said to me, 'Kids who are using the facility aren't getting their usual stomach cramps and diarrhea.' There hasn't been a single incident since they started using the toilet."

Mecca hopes the facilities will be the model for similar facilities throughout the 170 districts of Ghana.

"The one-toilet facility is working so well with 27 or 28 people using it, I'm thinking smaller facilities might be better," he explained. "People don't believe these are real toilets because there is no smell and no flies."

He said the next steps he needs to take to "scale up the project" include finding a way to produce 1,000 toilets per week, growing more local earth worms to digest the waste, and securing appropriate financing for small revolving loans.

"I can prove the technology works," he said. "If I received \$40 million, we could solve the problem in Ghana in five years."

He added, "All the country's problems are intertwined. Pure water is a problem, which is linked to a lack of sanitation, which is intertwined with school attendance and disease, among other issues. These problems are avoidable with a little inventiveness, a little ingenuity, commitment, and hard work."

Potential to change students

During the summer trip to Ghana, Anne E. Ruelle '13 (Greenwood, Minn.), a global studies and Spanish double major, accompanied Mecca and conducted sanitation assessments throughout the village. She went with nurses on school visits and infant weigh-ins. Ruelle interviewed more than 70 women, men, and students on the health of their family and the sanitation facilities they used.

"The independent work I did on the sanitation interviews was one of the most valuable parts of the whole experience," exclaimed Ruelle, who assisted Mecca on other projects as well.

Mecca said more students will be returning to Ghana with him during the spring, when they'll be working on developing hand-washing stations that use the same technology as the toilet facilities.

"My program isn't a travel program. Students get engaged because you give them a problem to solve," he said. "It gives them a new perspective on their own culture. The potential for change in individual students is enormous."



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Research Lab

wins out over the beach



BY GENEVIEVE MARIE ILG '14

Above: Rev. Nicanor Austriaco, O.P., associate professor of biology, who had five of his students take part in the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship program this summer, conducts year-round, cancer-related research on yeast-programmed cell death in his lab. His team of research students is known as the "Dead Yeast Society" and has its own mascot.

Right: Vanessa M. Fiasconaro '12 spent much of her summer in the Department of Psychology's "Kid Think" laboratory, assisting a faculty research project that involves children and the act of pretending.



During summer, many college students embrace days in the sun and long evenings with friends. But for more than 20 Providence College students who conducted research in natural and social science disciplines, their summer was permeated with academic wonder and faculty mentoring.

Nineteen students and seven faculty members immersed themselves in the 2011 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) program. SURF is administrated by the Rhode Island Idea Network of Biomedical Research Excellence (RI-INBRE).

INBRE, which is funded by the National Institutes of Health, is comprised of students and faculty members from PC, Brown University, the University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island College, Roger Williams University, and Salve Regina University. The fourth annual SURF program lasted 10 weeks and culminated with formal research presentations.

Concentrated research valued

One of the participants, Christopher M. Brennan '13 (Litchfield, N.H.), conducted research in the lab of Dr. Brett J. Pellock, assistant professor of biology. They studied the function of the *hfq* gene in a bacterium called *Shewanella oneidensis*, or “*Shewy*.” *Hfq* is significant because it plays a vital role in the proper folding of small regulatory RNAs—molecules that help bacteria quickly adapt to changing environmental conditions.

Brennan was thankful for the fellowship opportunity because it helped him in his training as a scientist.

“We made a lot of progress working full time over the summer, which we could not have done during the semester with a full class schedule,” he said.

Expressing a similar sentiment was Brendan Swan '13 (Freehold, N.J.). He conducted cancer research with Rev. Nicanor Austriaco, O.P., associate professor of biology, studying programmed cell death in yeast cells. Swan is investigating the function of a gene called *Bax Inhibitor* (BXI1) that has been implicated in breast, prostate, and other cancers. To date, no one is sure what *Bax Inhibitor* does in normal or cancer cells.

“Taking biology classes and exams is one thing, but actually sitting down at a lab bench and running experiments on my own for 10 weeks was a pretty cool experience,” said Swan.

Pellock, and another faculty member who participated with two students in SURF for the first time, Dr. Jennifer Van Reet, assistant professor of psychology, said the summer fellowship program resembled a graduate school-like experience and offered other benefits.

“I think the most valuable part is that the students are able to participate in scientific progress in a concentrated way,” said Pellock. “The discoveries we make are novel, and there is great educational value for students to engage in the scientific process and practice their scientific critical reasoning skills.”

Dual-institution research bonanza

Van Reet also worked with students in a separate psychology research project partially funded by the College’s Committee on Aid to Faculty Research (CAFR) and involving the Causality and Mind Lab at Brown University.

“The CAFR project is somewhat unique in that it is part of a collaboration with Dr. David Sobel at Brown,” pointed out Van Reet. “My research assistants and I have been collecting the data, which will actually fit in to a much larger project Dr. Sobel and I are working on together.”

The two primary research assistants, Elizabeth A. Moriarty '12 (Haydenville, Mass.) and Vanessa M. Fiasconaro '12 (Staten Island, N.Y.), worked in the psychology department’s “Kid Think” lab, which examines children’s capacity to pretend and how it develops.

They helped Van Reet and Sobel try to figure out how children learn from other people through the act of pretending. The faculty researchers are analyzing if children 4 and 5 years old are more willing to accept information from a “good” pretender or a “bad” pretender.

Moriarty said the lab experience sharpened her research appetite and skills.

“I’ve gained a lot of experience working in the lab,” she said. “Actually being involved in the whole process of running the study, data coding, and data analysis not only has taught me how to do research, but has given me a better understanding of research studies by others.”

She added, “The experience helped me feel a lot more prepared for graduate school and for a future profession in psychology.”



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Classroom Abroad

HUMANITIES TRIP IMMERSION

crystallizes public health advocacy goals



BY GENEVIEVE MARIE ILG '14

The theology study trip group, which included friends of PC students and faculty, stands in the Theater of Delphi in the valley of Phocis in Greece. Its 35 rows can seat 5,000 spectators. Trip members are, front row from left, Olivia Hatton '14, Katie Fallon '12, and Alexandra Fallon '13, and rear, Tess Trudeau, Genevieve Marie Ilg '14, Dr. Karen A. Holland '73, assistant professor of history, Elizabeth Tangney, Dr. Despina D. Prassas, associate professor of theology, Elizabeth Fortino '12, Anthony Miller, Dr. Arthur P. Urbano, assistant professor of theology, Evelyn Fortino '12, Amanda Dion '12, Kaylee Miller, and Molly Shapiro '13.

Reflection

As a health policy and management major and a philosophy minor, I enrolled in Providence College with the hope of one day using my education to protect health as a human right. I knew that by engaging in an in-depth study of the Development of Western Civilization (DWC) curriculum, I would be uniquely transformed into an agent for such change.

In late May, I traveled abroad for the first time with the College's Greco-Roman and Early Christianity Theology Study in Greece and Turkey. I was enamored with the opportunity to explore the locations that I studied in Civ throughout my first year at PC.

During my trip, I visited and left cities before I could process what I had seen. But, I came home with a rejuvenated appreciation for studying the humanities. My passion for public health advocacy has been strengthened because of this two-week experience.

A classroom abroad

From the moment we landed in Athens to the moment we departed Istanbul, the group of 16 traveled approximately 1,400 miles. We traced St. Paul's path and assessed Greek paganism, early Christian depictions, and Islamic roots.

This integrative study of society, ideas, and the arts allowed us to analyze many facets of theology within the same time period. This was a life-changing journey to a region that is rich in ancient historical, religious, and cultural heritage that enhanced the lessons and readings ingrained in my first semester of DWC.

The trip brought to life what I read in textbooks and heard in lectures. I was able to see, firsthand, the remnants of the classical period. It underscored the degrees I am pursuing, with opportunities to walk in the footsteps of the Fathers of Philosophy and to drink from the natural spring at the site of Asclepius, the god of medicine and doctors.

We visited such landmarks as the Acropolis and the Parthenon in Athens; the Oracle at Delphi; the Macedonian Tombs in Vergina; Troy, the fabled city of Homer's epics; the House of the Virgin Mary and temples in Ephesus; and Hagia Sophia and the Blue Mosque in Istanbul.

We experienced contemporary religious life through visits to the monasteries of Meteora in Greece and by attending an Eastern Orthodox service at the Ecumenical Patriarchate, seat of the Patriarch of Constantinople, Bartholomew I. We immersed ourselves in these countries' modern-day cultures by indulging in local cuisine and shopping and bargaining at some of the largest markets in the world.

The trip included regular interaction among all faculty and students, with a unique touch of student involvement. Alex Fallone '13 (New York, N.Y.) lectured in the Mausoleum of Galerius in Thessaloniki, Greece, for she had written a final paper on the location. Her sister, Katie '12, read an excerpt from Homer's *Iliad* at Troy.

The rest of us asked questions and engaged in lectures led by our tour guides. Trip leader Dr. Despina D. Prassas, associate professor of theology, shared her expertise on early Christian and early Byzantine iconography. Another trip leader, Dr. Arthur P. Urbano, assistant professor of theology, explained excerpts from the Bible. This level of participation transformed each participant.

With this international interaction, I was transported into the humanities. I analyzed the ancient ruins during the day and socialized among the natives during the night. Each day, I felt as though I was standing in two worlds simultaneously. In the same moment of time, I experienced what these countries were and what they are today.

Lessons learned

This contrast caused me to contemplate further. I came to the conclusion that from paganism to monotheism and from Islam to Christianity, the ancient world is in a state of timelessness.

Today, theologians and philosophers debate the meaning of life, the essence of virtue, and which religion is the true religion. But the one fact that these scholars cannot debate is that communities have been discussing these very questions since the days of antiquity.

During my two weeks abroad, I studied the development of the Western and Eastern worlds and the fusion of the ancient and modern eras. I discovered that the study of the humanities is essential for my work in public health advocacy.

The humanities is not about the chronicling of dates. It is the study of how events, ideas, faiths, music, art, and architecture reflect the people of the time. Within these disciplines lie answers to the questions of who we are, what is right, and when to act.

Humanistic study integrates understandings of aesthetic, intellectual, and moral value that are inherent in the works of culture. Diversity, as this trip emphasized, is defined by the evolution of culture and ingenuity within civilizations.

Participating in the humanities allows me to focus my professional concerns on understanding the various demographics in which I plan to serve.

Genevieve Marie Ilg '14 is from Bloomfield, N.J.



Concert Tour

OF educational, papal, and cultural PROPORTIONS



BY GENEVIEVE MARIE ILG '14

For many young people, the word “concert” conjures up images of large venues packed with fans singing along with the show’s musicians. But for several dozen Providence College students and faculty, a recent concert tour was housed in the ambiance of some of the world’s oldest cathedrals and other storied settings.

Dr. T. J. Harper, assistant professor of music, led 46 students and 30 parents, siblings, and faculty on a two-week performance tour throughout Italy at the end of the 2010-2011 academic year.

This touring choir was made up of singers from all three of the College’s choral ensembles (Concert Chorale, Women’s Chorus, and *I Cantori*, PC’s premiere vocal ensemble). Other PC students participated as instrumentalists, performing as part of a Symphonic Winds ensemble under the direction of Dr. Jennifer Bill ’00, special lecturer of saxophone.

Harper said the group’s most notable experience was participating in a papal audience, singing for Pope Benedict XVI.

Also, members performed as special guests of Cardinal Bernard F. Law, archbishop *emeritus* of Boston, and sang during a Mass celebrating the 50th anniversary of his priestly ordination at Santa Maria Maggiore.

“As members of an ensemble, each student worked towards the common goal of creating music that transcended the notes on the page and entered into the realm of true spiritual and artistic expression. My hope

is that each participant was able to develop a more meaningful relationship to each other, to the music, to the text, and to the underlying intentions of the composers,” said Harper.

Other highlights were singing High Masses at St. Peter’s Basilica and St. Francesca Basilica in Assisi and giving concerts at San Francesca in Maiori in Naples and in Sant’ Agnese in Agone on Piazza Navona.

The group had many cultural immersion opportunities, touring the Abbey at Montecassino, the ruins of Pompeii, the Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel, the towns of Assisi and Siena, and the Accademia Museum in Florence.

For Anna O’Connell ’12 (Plainsboro, N.J.), aside from the performances, she was thankful for the opportunity to learn more about Renaissance art. “What I found to be most amazing was the way in which the churches of Italy are living museums, both housing great works of art, such as Caravaggio and Bernini, and being beautiful places of worship,” she said.

For James Brodeur ’14 (Forestdale, R.I.), the trip served as a pilgrimage and a concert tour. He said, “I couldn’t pass up the opportunity to visit Rome, the Eternal City, the center of Roman Catholicism.”

He continued, “It is a great feeling to be able to share music with others. Though I could not speak Italian, I felt connected by the universal language of music.”

Above: PC’s touring choir gathers in front of Santa Maria Maggiore, a patriarchal basilica in Rome, after singing for the 50th anniversary of the ordination of Cardinal Bernard F. Law, archbishop emeritus of Boston.

Alumni networking

SEALS JOBS FOR NEWEST GRADUATES



BY LAURA DUNN

In the midst of an unsettled economy, some of the College's most recent graduates landed their first professional jobs, thanks to alumni networking.

Whether through FriarLink, the alumni networking database, or through an Office of Career Services event, these students credit alumni with jump-starting their careers this summer.

Craig J. Belhumeur '11 (Gorham, Maine) received his B.S. in marketing in May. He interned for two months at the Boston headquarters of iProspect, an online marketing company, and then was hired as a search marketing coordinator.

Belhumeur says he owes his quick career start to *FriarLink*, a database of more than 875 alumni volunteers who provide career advice, job shadowing, and networking to PC students.

"I looked up alumni in the cities I was interested in working in," Belhumeur says. "I got a lot of good responses."

The response that ultimately landed Belhumeur his job came from Jacqueline R. Gill '04, a former employee of iProspect. Gill forwarded Belhumeur's résumé to iProspect; four days and two interviews later, Belhumeur was hired.

"It was all Jackie's doing, because she reached out personally," he says. "Before using *FriarLink*, I was just putting my résumé in through Monster and other job search sites. I was getting nowhere."

Kelli M. O'Donohue '11 (Sparkill, N.Y.) earned her B.S. in finance after an undergraduate career filled with campus involvement. She was a member of the Student Alumni Association, the Liberal Arts Honors Program, the Friars Club, and several other groups.

She credits a combination of contacts made through Career Services resources—an internship showcase, *FriarLink*, and a winter networking event—to her securing a job as an inside sales representative at Fidelity Investments in Smithfield, R.I.

"I was able to get a lot of insight about the position and found out things that were pertinent to the profession. It was all really crucial in how I was able to present myself for the interview and get the job," O'Donohue says.

Andrew S. DeSoiza '11 (Scarsdale, N.Y.) earned his B.S. in management and now works as a demand programs professional in the marketing department at IBM in Somers, N.Y. He says it was a conversation he had with Bob Ferreira '83, assistant vice president for alumni relations, at a PC networking event that led to his position. Ferreira put DeSoiza in touch with Sharon T. Driscoll '80, vice president/marketing in the Systems & Technology Group at IBM Corp.

"I think it's very valuable to put a face with the résumé," says DeSoiza. "The alumni network was really helpful because it added a personal connection. It was nice to know that people cared where I ended up."

Laura Dunn is a freelance writer from Danielson, Conn.

Above, from left: Craig J. Belhumeur '11, Kelli M. O'Donohue '11, and Andrew S. DeSoiza '11

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9/11 COMMEMORATION: looking *forward* with HOPE

“Weeping may *remain* for the night, but
rejoicing comes in the morning.”

— PSALM 30:5

With that Old Testament proclamation as a guide, Providence College observed the 10th anniversary of the September 11 attacks in a mood of serious reflection but with a spirit of looking to the future.

Masses and commemorations throughout the September 10-15 observance centered on those themes. But while the opportunity to grieve was necessary, it was also important for the College community to “learn how to work our way through it, to look forward with hope, knowing rejoicing will come,” stated Rev. R. Gabriel Pivarnik, O.P., assistant professor of theology and director of the Center for Catholic and Dominican Studies.

Father Pivarnik chaired the seven-member committee that coordinated the campus commemoration, called *Ten Years After the Towers Fell: A Week of Prayer and Remembrance*.

The observance began with weekend Masses and continued Monday with four events. The first was the dedication of a plaque in memory of five alumni, a spouse, and two graduate students killed in the 9/11 attacks. [See next page.] There also was a dramatic reading by Jeffery M. DeSisto '13 (Barrington, R.I.), Patrick M. Saunders '13 (Riverside, R.I.), and Kelly E.

Smith '12 (Foxboro, Mass.) of Meron Langsner's *Bystander 9/11* one-act play, an opening reception for a 9/11 photography exhibit, *Vanishing Points*, and a prayer vigil.

Later in the week, there was a lecture by College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80, “Where Was God? Contemporary Thomistic Reflection on the Problem of Evil,” and a screening of the film *Of Gods and Men*.

While the question of “Where Was God?” in 9/11 may linger, Father Shanley challenged audience members to contemplate their relationship with God. He discussed four biblical stories that philosopher Eleonore Stump used in her book *Wandering in Darkness: Narrative and the Problem of Suffering*.

Stump used the stories of Job, Samson, Abraham, and Mary of Bethany as examples of God working in the midst of suffering to bring some good. While all endured extreme suffering, each ultimately returned to God and experienced a belief that was deeper than before, Father Shanley said.

Regarding Job, a righteous man who becomes afflicted and demands an explanation from God, Father Shanley said it was futile to seek an explanation.

“What is needed is speaking directly to God. How do you go on after suffering tremendous evil? How you go on is by developing a deeper relationship with God.”

Top: Images by photographer Jason Eskenazi from the 9/11 exhibit “Vanishing Points” hang in the Reilly Art Gallery in the Smith Center for the Arts.

ETERNALLY *remembered*



“Now and always, God sustains our *hope* ...
Our work for *peace* is never done.”

— INSCRIPTION ON 9/11 MEMORIAL PLAQUE

On the 10th anniversary of 9/11, we remember all alumni, all other members of the College community, and friends of PC who lost relatives and loved ones.

The following individuals, victims of the 9/11 attacks, are memorialized in the new plaque at the War Memorial Grotto.

David L. Angell '69 & '94 Hon. and Lynn Angell

A long-time benefactor, David was a highly respected, Emmy Award-winning executive producer and writer of sitcoms, including *Frasier* and *Cheers*. The David and Lynn Angell Scholarship Fund is a tribute to their memory.

Gertrude M. Alagero '86

“Trudi” was a senior vice president for Marsh Private Client Services. She was the beloved sister of Stephen '75, Charles '78, and Paul '81 Alagero. The Trudi Alagero '86 Memorial Scholarship has been established in her honor at PC.

Michael J. Berkeley '85

A successful Wall Street executive, Michael was senior vice president/partner of Utendahl Capital. A varsity basketball player for two years at PC, he lived life with zest.

Joseph A. Corbett '95

Joseph was a securities trader at Cantor Fitzgerald. Married for just over a year at the time of 9/11, he was recognized for his core values and particularly, his devotion to family.

Linda M. George '96

A buyer for TJX, Linda loved sports and played rugby for the Friars. The PC Women's Rugby Club Alumni established an MVP award in her memory, given to a junior who is an outstanding student-athlete, promotes team unity, and is a role model for younger teammates.

Lynn C. Goodchild and Shawn M. Nassaney, MBA Program students

Lynn and Shawn were best friends, united in love, and students in the MBA Program. Lynn was a plan administrator for Putnam Investments. Shawn was a sales team leader for APC corporate headquarters.

Top left: College Chaplain Rev. James Cuddy, O.P. '98 leads a 9/11 prayer vigil in St. Dominic Chapel. Top right: The names of eight members of the College community who were killed in the 9/11 attacks are on a new plaque at the War Memorial Grotto.

Campus renovations

REFLECT STUDENTS' NEEDS

Student-oriented facilities—classrooms, residence areas, and social spaces—were the centerpiece of wide-ranging renovations across campus this summer.

The renovations took on a sense of urgency this year. Building upon the summer 2010 phase 1 work of a three-year revitalization plan, the College completed a major overhaul of Harkins Hall by combining phases 2 and 3 into a frenzied timetable. Enhancements include new, energy-efficient windows that are expected to reduce heating costs by more than 30 percent and a new roof.

“Harkins Hall now is ready for the next 100 years, structurally and space-wise,” said John M. Sweeney, senior vice president for finance and business/CFO.



Harkins Hall



Harkins Hall, Classroom

The prime objective in Harkins was the enhancement of teaching and learning areas. Twelve classrooms were created or renovated, making for 16 new/renovated classrooms on campus including four classrooms in Phillips Memorial Library.

The most noteworthy of the newly constructed classrooms is a tiered, lecture-style classroom on the third floor. It includes a specialized sound/amplification system and a projection screen to display large digital images.

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Harkins Hall, Lobby Outside Financial Services Headquarters

Other major Harkins projects were a new financial services center that includes offices for financial aid and student accounts/bursar, a new faculty/staff lounge, and the renovation of multiple academic and administrative offices.

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Slavin Center



Slavin Center, 'Living Room'

PC's student hub, the Slavin Center, likewise received special attention. The biggest enhancement was a new "living room" lounge, complete with a fireplace, on the lower level. Other Slavin highlights include a larger and relocated "soft lounge" and renovated—and in some cases, relocated—offices for several clubs and organizations and for the offices of Student Activities-Involvement-Leadership, Residence Life, and Off-Campus Living.



Davis Hall, Student Suite

As part of the College's seven-year housing renovation plan, Davis Hall was overhauled. Eighty-four apartments housing 354 students were renovated. Service areas were upgraded; new ceilings, flooring, closet systems, furniture, and appliances were installed; and kitchen cabinetry and countertops were replaced.

In addition, elevators in Davis and in Bedford Hall were upgraded and bathrooms were improved in Guzman and Raymond halls.

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BUILDING BRIDGES SERVICE DAY

Building community & College ties

They raked and weeded, pulled docks out of water, restored trails, washed vans, and did so much more. In the process, they sweated, muddied their sneakers and themselves, shared laughs, and got to know some of their classmates. Nearly 1,000 members of the Class of 2015 joined upperclass students, faculty, staff, and alumni at nearly 30 community sites in Rhode Island and Massachusetts during the College's third annual *Building Bridges* day of service on September 2. The program is a highlight of New Student Orientation that brings the freshman class to campus the week before classes begin.

Top: Students are directed to a work site location on Neutaconkanut Hill in Providence by a member of the park's trail crew. Right: Students work to remove a dock at Camp Massasoit in Johnston, R.I. The camp is used during the summer by the Cranston YMCA.



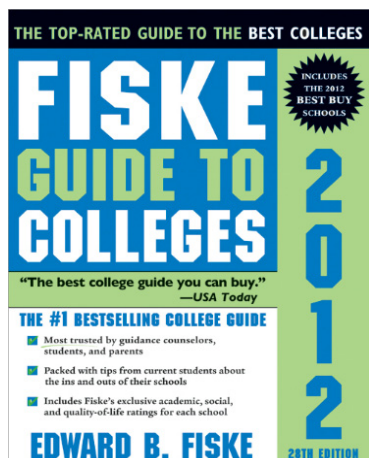


BRIEFLY

PC chosen 'Best Buy' by Fiske Guide

Providence College was named a "Best Buy" in the 2012 *Fiske Guide to Colleges* for the first time in College history. The guide designated 49 institutions nationally as "Best Buys."

PC is one of only two institutions in New England to receive the designation. PC was specifically noted for its strong Roman Catholic heritage, its Core Curriculum, small class sizes, and for fostering a spirit of volunteerism.



Honorary bachelor's degree bestowed on third WWII veteran

Dr. Malcolm Ekstrand was awarded an honorary bachelor's degree by PC in August for his service in the U.S. Army Specialized Training Program (ASTP). Ekstrand was the third World War II veteran to receive an honorary bachelor's degree this year from PC. George Fisher '11Hon. and Paul V. Salley '11Hon. were awarded diplomas during Commencement Exercises in May.

All three were members of the ASTP that trained at PC in 1943 and 1944. They are the first in College history to receive honorary bachelor's degrees. The nearly 400 young men of Unit #1188 who enrolled at PC were called to service in March 1944 and never returned to complete their education.

PC earns community service honor

For the fourth consecutive year, PC was chosen to the Corporation for National & Community Service's "President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll." The honor roll is the highest federal recognition a school can receive for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement.

Several offices and departments lead service initiatives at PC, including the Feinstein Institute for Public Service, Campus Ministry, and the Office of Student Activities-Involvement-Leadership. PC also was honored for its Standing Committee on Service and for projects that had measurable impacts on the community, such as *Building Bridges* and *Urban Action*.

SCE repeats as 'Military Friendly School'

PC's School of Continuing Education (SCE) was designated as a "Military Friendly School" by *G.I. Jobs Magazine* for the third year in a row. The annual magazine list honors the top 20 percent of colleges, universities, and trade schools nationally that are doing the most to embrace America's military service members and veterans as students.

The SCE assists military members, veterans, and their spouses with completing their bachelor's degrees, associate's degrees, or certificates. Currently, PC is serving approximately 25 military students, primarily in the SCE and in graduate studies.

Above: Dr. Malcolm Ekstrand, left, accepts congratulations on his honorary bachelor's degree from Major James Tuite, professor of military science and department chair at PC.



great expectations

ENGAGED LEARNING: Co-Curricular Experience

Inaugural Freshman Common Reading Program

REVISITS 9/11

BY CHRIS MACHADO

EDITOR'S NOTE:

We continue the series on engaged learning inaugurated in the Winter 2011 issue, with this issue focusing on co-curricular and curriculum-embedded experiences. Also known as "active learning," engaged learning is a teaching-learning strategy in which out-of-class, "hands-on" experiences supplement and reinforce more traditional classroom lectures, readings, discussions, and other assignments.

One thousand students. One thousand books. One fresh introduction to Providence College.

For the first time in College history, an entire incoming class participated in a Freshman Common Reading Program (FCRP) this fall. Members of the Class of 2015 and new transfers were asked to read *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2005) before classes began.

Top: College President Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 leads an engaged-learning discussion centered on the book "Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close" in the new Freshman Common Reading Program. Copies of the book are in the background. Left: Another book discussion leader was Dr. Matthew Eriksen, associate professor of management. Next page: Students take part in a discussion session led by Dr. Vance G. Morgan, professor of philosophy and director the Development of Western Civilization program, at far right.





A fiction work, the book is about a precocious 9-year-old named Oskar, whose father died in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center. The book was given to students during the summer, and they posted reflections on discussion boards set up by the College.

As the students reconvened for New Student Orientation (NSO) in early September, they discussed the book in group sessions with other new students, upperclassmen, and faculty and staff members. Further online discussion and programming is taking place this fall, including a lecture by the book's author, Jonathan Safran Foer, at Freshman Family Weekend.

The objectives of the FCRP include establishing an intellectually stimulating environment for new students and providing meaningful ways for the entire College community to participate in a common academic program.

Originally proposed by the Core Curriculum Review Committee in 2007, the idea of a common question or theme was further developed by the College's One Campus/One Question Committee. After approval by College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 and Dr. Hugh F. Lena, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, the committee forwarded its findings to PC's Implementation and Book Recommendation Committees.

Applicable for first-year college life

John McShane '15 (Madison, Conn.), a music education major, praised the orientation leaders and faculty members in his discussion group for making him and his fellow freshmen "think about the meaning of the story and how it connected with life at PC."

"To me, the book was all about adapting to change, and that's something here at college we have to deal with," he said.

Nhung Truong '12 (Winsted, Conn.), a music education major who co- led a discussion group, said the FCRP and the book are particularly relevant to incoming students because of their unifying qualities.

"The first year of college is especially difficult because most incoming students don't know each other," she said. "The main plot of the book was the journey of a young boy. Similarly, the incoming class is embarking on their own journey of self-discovery as they step foot on campus."

Amie Fracker '13 (Trumbull, Conn.), a health policy and management major, said a practical benefit of the program is that it allows freshmen to build skills and relationships.

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"It allows them to see what a college-type discussion is going to be like and allows them to interact with professors who they are going to have throughout their time here," she said.

Jenna Raymond '12 (Worcester, Mass.), a health policy and management major, added that the theme of the book—and many subplots—could be particularly significant to PC freshmen.

"I firmly believe the book gave the new students a chance to participate on an academic level and stretch their minds, which in the grand scheme of things is what college is all about," she said.

Faculty impressed

Dr. T.J. Harper, assistant professor of music and director of choral activities, said the FCRP dovetails with the College's focus on scholarship and critical thinking.

"With the FCRP, the College has made a very clear statement to all incoming students that becoming part of the 'Friar Family' includes the ability to understand and analyze information set before them," he said.

Dr. Robert B. Hackey, professor of health policy and management, noted that his session "was one of the best student-led discussions I've had the pleasure of participating in at PC."

"Every student in our group had something to contribute, and the students really seemed to engage in a conversation with the characters in the book," he said. "As one student observed, just like Oskar carried his tambourine with him to remind himself of who he was while he searched for answers in New York, we're all bringing our memories and experiences from home to Providence College."

ENGAGED LEARNING:
Curriculum-Embedded Experience

PROFESSOR, ALUMNA
foster innovation



BY PAULA L. KEOGH

Nine Providence College students—seven management and two global studies majors—learned how to think more creatively thanks to last spring’s *Innovation & Design Seminar*, co-taught by Dr. Thomas R. King, assistant professor of management, and Leigh Anne LeMoult Cappello ’87 & ’92G, vice president, Future Now Division at Rhode Island-based toy, game, and entertainment company Hasbro, Inc.

They learned the process of innovation by developing an idea from conception through business plan. Along the way, they visited Hasbro’s corporate headquarters; the MIT Media Lab in Cambridge, Mass.; the Business Innovation Factory, a Providence-based nonprofit that helps organizations design and test innovative business models; and the Tockwotton Home, an assisted-living facility and nursing home in Providence.

“We were asked to come with our minds ‘empty’ and to develop new ideas about ways of seeing things,” said Colleen E. Reilly ’12 (East Sandwich, Mass.). Even before the semester began, she added, students were urged to “get into the mind of a child,” as it is often hard for adults to express creativity.

At Tockwotton and with help from their families, the students identified medication management as a critical need of America’s burgeoning senior population. They developed a business plan for a proposed

company, LinkAge, and for its first product, MedEasE, a “dosage assurance system” to dispense medication for seniors at prescribed intervals.

“By working together in a classroom environment different from the norm, we were able to create an extraordinary business and product that will be of tremendous benefit to the elderly, caregivers, doctors, and family members,” explained Kevin J. Cassidy ’11 (Scotch Plains, N.J.).

School of Business vision

The Innovation & Design Seminar reflects the future of business education at PC, said Providence College School of Business (PCSB) interim dean Dr. MaryJane Lenon, associate professor of economics.

“You help me see the vision that is laid out for the future of the Providence College School of Business—being engaged and partnering with the business community,” Lenon told the students.

King explained that the seminar was developed after Cappello—a member of the PCSB Advisory Council—shared with him that college graduates are often unprepared for the creative work that companies such as Hasbro require.

“Much of our work together,” he said, “was to develop ways of educating students so that they could contribute to business innovation.”

Cappello noted that King and she share “a common passion for innovation and that childlike mind, and being OK with breaking the rules.” She added, “The students talked about the issue of compassion—which starts with your upbringing and continues in an educational system like Providence College. I have never been more proud to be an alumna.”

Above: Seminar participants are, front row from left: Caroline E. Kinsella ’11, Emmy M. Loefstedt ’11, Keryn L. Sartanowicz ’11, and Colleen E. Reilly ’12, and rear: Leigh Anne LeMoult Cappello ’87 & ’92G, Mark A. ElBach ’11, Kevin J. Cassidy ’11, David W. West ’11, Michael K. Kriner ’11, Dr. Thomas R. King, and Matthew R. Connelly ’12.



ENTREPRENEUR MCNULTY '97

learned to make *'big picture'* connections

BY LAURA DUNN

There's a common thread that runs through the college undergraduate and professional lives of Ellen A. McNulty '97: a unique perspective gained at Providence College and through its Liberal Arts Honors Program that she says helped shape her career and one-of-a-kind business, Corra Consulting, Inc.

"At PC, I learned how to think about things differently in order to create something different that didn't exist before," says McNulty. And, that's just what McNulty and her business partner did when they founded Corra in 2005.

The company, based in Southborough, Mass., with a recently opened office in New York City, is an innovative branding and design house that acts as a consultant for home goods retailers looking to revive sluggish sales with fresh products.

Corra helps retailers work with manufacturers to develop new products that will fit their price point and offer greater quality and value. The Corra partners then consult on marketing and branding techniques to ensure the product offers a unique appeal to consumers.

"For a while, no one knew how to work with us because we operated differently from a traditional importer," says McNulty. "The industry had become saturated with generic goods as a result of retail-direct sourcing, and the retailers, overall, were conditioned to simply ask for a product at a given price. We thought, 'What if someone worked with the retailer to create branded programs ... infusing more into the product experience and building businesses that were positioned to grow over time?'"

McNulty credits her innovative thinking to PC, where she earned a B.A. in English, *summa cum laude*.

"I had the best possible experience in college because of PC and the Liberal Arts Honors Program," she says. "It had a huge impact on how I grew as a professional.

"I learned that it's really all about making connections—not just about what you're looking at, but about making connections in the bigger picture—and having consistency in that process of thinking."

"There was also such a sense of what you could do for the community that was instilled and really reinforced. There's this sense of you've been given something and now you have to do something with it."

McNulty gives back by serving on the Honors Program's Leadership Council and assisting in other ways. In 2008, she gave the Distinguished Alumna Address at the program's annual convocation.

"When I went to PC, there were so many things to benefit from and enjoy that were made possible by alumni. Today, I feel privileged to help a dedicated team of alumni carry on this tradition of giving back to the College community in any way I can."



ELLEN A. MCNULTY '97

- Founding Partner/Partner, Corra Consulting, Inc., est. 2005
- B.A., English, *Summa Cum Laude*
- Member, Liberal Arts Honors Program Leadership Council
- Previous Position: Director of Marketing, Berkshire Blanket



FATHER SMITH FELLOWSHIPS:
LESSONS
for a *lifetime*

BY GENEVIEVE MARIE ILG '14

The eight Providence College students who were awarded Father Philip A. Smith, O.P. Student Fellowships for Study and Service Abroad said their lives were transformed by their time abroad this summer.

Sponsored by the Office of Mission and Ministry, the fellowships encourage students to deepen their understanding of the Catholic and Dominican intellectual tradition and the Gospel mandate of Christian service.

The fellowships were established in 2009 in part through a gift from Kathleen Tellier Murray '83G, a former PC trustee, and her husband, Thomas Murray. Father Smith, who died in 2007, was a member of the Class of 1963 and served as PC's 11th president from 1994-2005.

This year, the fellowships allowed **Kevin P. Brawley '12** (Rehoboth, Mass.), a history major; **Thomas R. Cody '13** (Wilton, Conn.), an English major; **Kathryn C. McCann '12** (Stewart Manor, N.Y.), a political science and public and community service studies double major; and **Kathryn B. Tripp** (Bridgeport, Conn.), a finance major, to work with the Dominican Sisters and staff at Our Lady of Grace School and the Dominican Friars of St. Martin de Porres Priory in Kisumu, Kenya.

Nathan Ricci '12 (Warwick, R.I.), a philosophy and political science double major, studied at Blackfriars Hall at Oxford University in England and its Las Casas Institute on Ethics, Human Rights, and Social Justice. **Michael A. Wahl '12** (West Warwick, R.I.), a theology and

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— THOMAS R. CODY '13

mathematics double major, undertook a tutorial at Blackfriars Hall and supervised research on Blessed John Henry Newman's *The Idea of a University*. **Anne E. Wendel '13** (Ridgefield, Conn.), a public and community service studies major, worked with the Eastern Australian Dominican Sisters in Sydney and with the Most Rev. Christopher M. Cardone, O.P. '80 & '01 Hon., bishop of Auki, Malaita Island, Solomon Islands. **Thomas J. Mills '13** (Taunton, Mass.), a theology major, worked at the Blackfriars' Priory School in Adelaide, South Australia. The school is run by the Australian Dominican Friars.

In the first three years of the program, 15 students have received fellowships. Selected highlights of the 2011 recipients' experiences follow:

At Blackfriars Hall, Wahl examined how a university's scholarly life could be integrated with the religious and moral formation of its students, particularly those within a Catholic ethos.

“I chose to focus my research especially on Newman's understanding of a Catholic university,” Wahl said. He explained that John Henry Newman, a 19th-century English scholar and convert from Anglicanism, lived in Oxford and wrote *The Idea of a University*, which investigates the purpose of the university and the place of religion within it.

He gained a deeper appreciation for Cardinal Newman not only as a man, pastor, scholar, and an educator, but for his culture.

“I immersed myself in the culture of Oxford, from going to dinners and balls at the different colleges to getting involved in the local parish. The experience allowed me to really get a feel for what it is like to live and study in Oxford,” Wahl said.

Cody compiled the life stories of the students at Our Lady of Grace School (OLG) in Kenya, a school for orphaned and abandoned children started by an American Dominican, Rev. Thomas R. Heath, O.P.

“I felt that by recording their incredible stories of hardships, failures, triumphs, and perseverance, I could give the PC community the opportunity to experience, in a secondary way, the importance of the Dominican missions abroad and grow in communion with the men and women of OLG,” Cody said.

Cody and the other three Smith Fellows taught students in grade 3 through high school. OLG was founded after the political violence that



followed the 2008 elections. The school provides a safe environment for students from different tribes who otherwise would not receive an education.

“The trip has changed the way I think and approach life. I learned that hope and love endure. If we do not have hope or love, we have nothing,” Cody said.

During her fellowship, Wendel experienced the hands-on portion of the field she is studying at PC.

During the first four weeks in Australia, she learned about a variety of organizations, such as the Aboriginal women Catholic ministry, interfaith dialogues, and refugee communities. During her final three weeks, she taught English at a local secondary school in Auki, Solomon Islands.

“I have grown in confidence of my own skills and abilities in adjusting to new situations. This was an eye-opening experience. I was deeply inspired by the dedication and hard-working people involved in the various programs I visited and shadowed in Australia, and seeing this has furthered my passion and commitment to social justice issues,” Wendel said.

On opposite page: Kathryn C. McCann '12 shows children at Our Lady of Grace School in Kisumu, Kenya, how to take pictures and view them afterwards. Above: Kevin P. Brawley '12, left, gives a guitar lesson to youths in Kisumu.



BRIEFLY

PC STUDENTS CAPTURE NESN 'Schooled' title

PC won bragging rights as New England's "smartest" school by capturing first place in the *AT&T Schooled: NESN's College Face Off* competition.

Representing the College were Allison M. Burg '14 (Vernon, Conn.), Christopher J. Pedraita '13 (Glen Cove, N.Y.), and Steven T. Fleming '11 (Wakefield, Mass.)

Eight New England schools competed in the three-round, single-elimination challenge, which tested students' academic prowess and teamwork in pressured, time-sensitive situations.

PC was the only Rhode Island school chosen to participate in the competition, which was taped on college campuses in the spring. The PC students defeated the University of Connecticut and the University of Massachusetts in the first two rounds before scoring their final victory over the University of Maine.

All three rounds were telecast on NESN, a regional cable network, in September. On the night of the first telecast, a viewing party, including a scavenger hunt with prizes provided by NESN, was held in McPhail's in the Slavin Center.

Class '11 awarded Fulbright assistantship

Leah Glass '11 (Troy, N.Y.), a global studies major who earned *magna cum laude* honors at Commencement Exercises in May, was awarded a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship (ETA) to teach English and American culture at Mehmet Akif Ersoy University in Turkey.

The Fulbright program is the flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government to increase mutual understanding between the people of the U.S. and other countries.

Glass is the second PC student to earn a Fulbright ETA this year, joining Alexandra BetGeorge '11 (Syracuse, N.Y.), who received an assistantship to teach English in Bulgaria.

Talented Class of 2015 enters PC

Approximately 975 students with impressive credentials in and out of the classroom make up the Class of 2015. Forty percent finished their high school careers in the top 10 percent of their class academically and 62 percent finished in the top 20 percent.

Overall, the new class carried an unweighted grade point average (GPA) of 3.39 on a 4.0 scale. It includes 25 valedictorians, 13 salutatorians, and 379 members of the National Honor Society. Outside the classroom, 249 freshmen participated in student government, 742 played sports, and 800 took part in community service projects.

Early Christian scholar named Randall Professor

Dr. Robert Louis Wilken, professor of the history of Christianity *emeritus* at the University of Virginia, was named the Rev. Robert J. Randall Professor in Christian Culture at PC for the 2011-12 academic year. His primary field of expertise is Christianity in the first 1,000 years.

Wilken, who began his teaching career in 1967, has taught at several higher-education institutions, including Notre Dame and Fordham University. This semester, he is teaching an Honors course on Christianity and Islam.

The Randall Professorship is named for the priest and scholar who taught at PC for more than 25 years in the Department of English, the Development of Western Civilization Program, and the Liberal Arts Honors Program.

Above: PC's winning team in the NESN "Schooled" competition celebrates with the host, comedian Michael Showalter. From left are Christopher J. Pedraita '13, Showalter, Allison M. Burg '14, and Steven T. Fleming '11.

DEEPLY ROOTED

in *friartown*



LOCAL PRODUCT

Cooley sets *clear standards* for his new Friars

BY CHARLES C. JOYCE

This is one homecoming party that Ed Cooley never plans to leave.

The 15th head coach in Providence College's men's basketball history, Cooley is poised to tackle and affirm the high expectations that come with leading Rhode Island's most storied collegiate athletics program.



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“I have an aggressive nature, but I try to show my players a balance of tough *love, coach, man, mentor, and father.*”

— ED COOLEY

Only in his case, the stakes are off-the-charts: He’s returning to his hometown, where seemingly everyone knows him.

A product of South Providence, Cooley grew up in and around several of the city’s public housing projects and was a two-time Central High School all-stater. As the Friars’ new *maestro*, he is attempting to right a program that has won just eight BIG EAST Conference games the last two seasons and seen its reputation slip in recent years.

The 15-year coaching veteran craves the opportunity...and plans on sticking around.

“There’s no other place I want to be,” exclaims Cooley, whose debut in the November 12 regular-season opener at home against Farleigh Dickinson University is being billed a “Welcome Home Party.”

Cooley, who has maintained a high profile in the media and the community since being named head coach in March, certainly knows the coaching landscape well. As the head coach at Fairfield University the last five seasons, he compiled a 92-69 record, including 58-32 in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC).

Last year, he guided Fairfield to a school-record 25 wins, the MAAC regular-season championship, and a post-season tournament berth for the second consecutive season. He was named 2011 MAAC Coach of the Year—one year after he was chosen the first recipient of the Ben Jobe Award as the top minority men’s basketball coach in the nation.

Before Fairfield, Cooley spent 10 seasons as an assistant coach to Al Skinner, first at the University of Rhode Island for a year and then for nine years at Boston College. BC made five NCAA Tournament appearances during that stretch.

Perhaps the biggest vote of confidence in Cooley came last April when Andre LaFleur left the University of Connecticut after 10 seasons to become the Friars’ associate head coach. LaFleur helped the Huskies to two NCAA championships, including the 2011 title.

“I thought this was an ideal opportunity to come and work with someone I truly believe in ... to help him and to be a part of building a championship program,” said LaFleur. The two have known each other for 10 years, and LaFleur calls Cooley “one of the best communicators I’ve ever been around.”

“He’s such a genuinely good person. He warms you up and he motivates you,” adds LaFleur.

The game plan

Since arriving on campus, Cooley has developed and openly shared his philosophy and vision for the Friars. His foremost priority is to educate his players. Noting many come from disadvantaged backgrounds, he has appealed to the College community to help shape the young men into “the best possible student-athletes they can be.”

His three-fold vision for the program is centered on his players. Cooley insists that they be education-focused and carry themselves in a proper manner as student-athletes at all times. His third aim is to develop a championship-caliber basketball program.



Cooley, whose no-nonsense talk and imposing 6-foot-4 frame will garner any recruit's attention, has several "non-negotiables."

COACH COOLEY'S

'non-negotiables'

- be *prompt*, *prepared* for, and *active* participants in class;
- always act *respectfully* and with integrity;
- be *grateful* and take *advantage* of opportunities when you have them;
- *return* calls and other communications; and
- go *after* loose balls on the court.

These expectations speak to the coach's belief in good habits. "Habits define our whole being," whether they are social, academic, family-oriented, recreational, or otherwise, says Cooley.

"We are the face of Providence College. If we are going to be a window for our college, we have to have it open and must be loving, caring, and respectful," he adds.

Indeed, Cooley's words are not simply team-centered, points out LaFleur.

"In Cooley's view," he says, "it's for us all. It's a philosophy the school, the city, and the state should embody. It's important to do positive and special things, and to work hard and appreciate."

A culture shift

Another focus of Cooley's is campus culture; he is insistent on support for the program and the College. He gets offended when he sees someone on campus with another institution's T-shirt or sweatshirt.

"We are Friar black-and-white, and we need to bleed it," he states.

The new coach, who was a three-time captain at Stonehill College, is working hard to reach out to the student body to increase spirit and attendance at home games. Ideas that have been discussed include a student season ticket holder party, PC T-shirts for every student, and new game day traditions on campus and at the Dunkin' Donuts Center. Cooley said he'd love to see game day sleepovers on Aquinas Quad and students marching from campus to the Dunk.

He'd love to see 95 percent of the students attend home games and feels it's just as important to get increased backing from alumni, faculty, and staff. He wants the "positive buzz and vibe" surrounding the program to continue, pointing out support is vital at a time when the future makeup of the BIG EAST Conference is clouded by the membership crisis affecting athletic conferences nationally.

"I need everyone at PC to help us out," says Cooley. "We need 12,000 people in the Dunk every game. If we do that, we'll create a buzz and be at that championship level."

He is well aware he is stepping into a program that has a proud tradition of respect and success nationally ... a tradition he notes was carved by late coaching greats Joe Mullaney '65Hon. & '98Hon. and Dave Gavitt '89Hon. He aspires to mold the Friars into a team that is in the championship hunt every season and to sustain the standards of success Mullaney and Gavitt set.

And, he's delighted for the opportunity to do so in his hometown where, whether it's been family, neighborhood friends, or his new Friar family, he feels welcome.

"I don't want to be here just two or three years, or five years," says Cooley. "I want to be here my whole career."





IN MEMORIAM:
David Roy *Gavitt '89Hon.*

1937-2011

BY VICKI DOWNING

For all his basketball accomplishments, Dave Gavitt showed us how to live, said College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80, the principal celebrant at Dave's funeral Mass on September 22. Dave's legacy—a love of faith, family, and friends—will endure beyond his successes in the basketball world, noted the president.

“For Dave, basketball was secondary to life,” said Father Shanley. “It was more than X’s and O’s. It was about how to live a good life and be there for others.”

David Roy Gavitt '89Hon., the greatest athletics figure in Providence College history, died September 16 at age 73. He was associated with PC for nearly 50 years, as basketball coach, athletic director, member of the Providence President's Council, and adviser and confidante.

As the commencement speaker in 2007, he was awarded the *Veritas Medal*, the highest honor bestowed by the College, in gratitude for outstanding devotion.

His funeral Mass, celebrated in the Cathedral of SS Peter & Paul in Providence, included a “who's who” of representatives from college and professional basketball and athletics, state and local government, the business and general communities, and the College.

Among the pallbearers were three players from the PC team he coached to the NCAA Final Four in 1973: Marvin Barnes '74, Ernie DiGregorio '73, and Kevin Stacom '73.

A day before, hundreds stood in line for up to 3½ hours at his calling hours on Providence's East Side. Among those paying respects were Boston Celtics' greats Larry Bird and John Havlicek.

No one had as many friends as Dave, Father Shanley said in his funeral homily. He was a storyteller whose entertaining tales "wove groups of people together." He was loyal, always ready to make a call to help someone get a job or to send a note to an ailing friend.

"He would often say to his wife, Julie, if they knew someone who was sick or in need, 'Julie, let's call right now,'" said Father Shanley, who was joined in celebrating the Mass by 11 priests, including nine from PC's Dominican Community. "We need to take that away with us today. That's the way we know Dave Gavitt."

Family was also a priority. When Dave left his coaching position at PC in 1979, it was to spend more time with his wife and sons, Father Shanley said. The decision surprised many, but Dave "wanted to watch his boys grow up.... He understood what matters most in life."

The love demonstrated by Dave and Julie Gavitt in their marriage of nearly 47 years was an example of "the way Christ loves us," Father Shanley said. He added that Dave also showed his faith in the way he treated others.

"In Dave's life, his final conformity to Christ was his suffering," Father Shanley said. "He bore it with dignity and grace. Dave was the most eloquent person I ever met. The way he suffered was the most eloquent way he lived."

Dave's sons, Dan '95G and Corey, also offered reflections.

Dan Gavitt remembered how his father bestowed nicknames on friends, sang college fight songs, dressed as Santa Claus for Christmas parties, and loved to embellish stories.

"He wore his celebrity lightly," Dan Gavitt said. "He was approachable and deeply human ... a coach and mentor."

Corey Gavitt said his favorite nickname for his father was "Coach." Noting that Grace before a meal was important to his father, Corey Gavitt had the congregation sing *Amen* in Dave's memory.

"The best way we can honor Dave is to give back," said Father Shanley. "We need to take from this day a gratitude for life, and that's something to be grateful to Dave for. His presence was such a gift in our lives.

"God would say to Dave, 'You did more than we could ever imagine.'"

Above: Dave Gavitt, giving directions to his players at a practice in Alumni Hall during his early years as the Friars' coach, was a family man who stepped down as head coach in 1979 to spend more time with his sons.



IN A LEAGUE of his own

As PC's men's basketball coach from 1969-1979, Dave Gavitt led the Friars to their first NCAA Final Four berth in 1973 and recorded eight seasons with 20 or more wins. His teams went to five NCAA tournaments. He holds the highest career winning percentage (.713%, with a 209-84 won-lost record) in program history.

Dave, who served as athletic director from 1971-82, was inducted into the Providence College Athletics Hall of Fame in 1984. The basketball court at the Dunkin' Donuts Center in Providence was named "Dave Gavitt Court" in 2007.

He was awarded an honorary doctoral degree in business administration by PC in 1989 and was presented the *Veritas Medal*, the highest honor bestowed by PC, in 2007 for outstanding devotion.

Among his other lifetime accomplishments in athletics:

- co-founder of the BIG EAST Conference in 1979 and its first commissioner from 1979-90
- head coach of the U.S. Olympic basketball team in 1980
- chairman of the NCAA Division I Basketball Committee from 1982-84, overseeing the expansion of the tournament to 64 teams and the first contract with CBS Television
- president of USA Basketball from 1988-92, sending the first "Dream Team" of NBA standouts to win a gold medal at the Summer Olympics in Barcelona in 1992
- chief executive officer of the Boston Celtics from 1990-94
- executive director of the NCAA Foundation from 1996-99
- inducted into the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics Hall of Fame in 2000
- chairman of the board, Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, until 2003
- inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 2006



Karen Thatcher '06

AROUND

Friartown

Guard/forward **Marshon Brooks '11** was selected in the first round of the NBA Draft by the Boston Celtics before being traded to the New Jersey Nets. Brooks became the 10th PC player to be selected in the first round. As a senior, he was the only player in the nation to average 24.0 points and 7.0 rebounds per game. He earned Associated Press Third Team All-America and All-BIG EAST First Team honors. Brooks ranks ninth all-time in scoring at PC with 1,629 points.

A total of 145 PC student-athletes earned **BIG EAST Academic All-Star honors** after maintaining a minimum grade point average of 3.0 during the 2010-11 academic year. The women's cross country and track teams combined for 24 honorees, the lacrosse team had 21, and the men's swimming and diving team had 15.

Andrew Sousa '11 and **Timothy Murray '09** made their professional soccer debuts with the New England Revolution against Sporting Kansas City in May. Sousa scored eight goals and seven assists in 51 career games at PC. Murray holds the PC record for career shutouts (27) and helped PC reach the NCAA-Tournament in 2006 and 2007.

The Department of Athletics' annual **Cox Sports Friar Golf Classic** raised a record \$140,000 in June. The proceeds benefit the Friars Forever Athletic Fund, which assists PC's student-athletes through academic scholarship, support, and improved facilities.

Women's ice hockey assistant coach and former forward **Karen Thatcher '06** participated in the 2011 USA Hockey Women's National Festival in August. For Thatcher, the competition was the latest in a long line of National Team appearances, which include the 2010 silver medal-winning U.S. Olympic Team.

Friar basketball legend **Lenny Wilkens '60** received the Chuck Daly Lifetime Achievement Award from the NBA Coaches Association. Wilkens is one of only three Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Famers enshrined as both player and coach. His Lenny Wilkens Foundation has raised more than \$2 million for the Odessa Brown Children's Clinic in Seattle.

Jim Larranaga '71 was named head men's basketball coach at the University of Miami after serving as head coach at George Mason University for 14 seasons. He led George Mason to five NCAA Tournament appearances and the 2006 NCAA Final Four. Larranaga played for the Friars from 1969-1971.

Jackie (Gladu) Barto '84 stepped down as head coach of women's ice hockey at The Ohio State University after 12 years there and 27 years of collegiate coaching altogether. She ranks eighth in career victories among Division I coaches with 248. At PC, Barto played field hockey, ice hockey, and softball. Her 200 points place her fifth in women's ice hockey program history. She was the Friars' head coach from 1994-1998. She also coached field hockey for 13 seasons and softball for three years.

Rick Bennett '90 was named head men's ice hockey coach at Union College, replacing PC's current head coach, Nate Leaman. As an assistant, Bennett helped Union earn its first ECAC regular-season title and first NCAA Division I Tournament berth last season. Before Union, Bennett spent five years as an assistant coach at PC. After his PC playing career, Bennett played three seasons with the NHL's New York Rangers.

Amy (Carlson) Bourbeau '96 was awarded the inaugural Women's Ice Hockey Assistant Coach Award by The American Hockey Coaches Association. The award recognizes the career body of work of an assistant coach. Bourbeau served as an assistant at Princeton University for 12 seasons before recently being named head coach at Brown University. As a player, she scored 64 points and helped lead the Friars to three ECAC titles.

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PHELAN '66, CHRISTIE '61

boost lacrosse program

Two PC graduates have caught the fast-growing national passion for lacrosse and directed personal funds to bolster the Friars' program.

Kevin C. Phelan '66 and William J. Christie '61 & '11 Hon. say the buzz surrounding lacrosse and their desire to strengthen and sustain PC's standing in the BIG EAST Conference have spurred them to make what they feel are sound investments.

Phelan, a College trustee, has established the Kevin C. Phelan '66 Lacrosse Student-Athlete Fund.

Christie, a former trustee, recently redirected the William and Maryann Christie Scholarship Fund his wife and he established in 2002 to support lacrosse. The fund now assists lacrosse student-athletes who come from one of the areas where the Christies have resided: Long Island, New York; Indian River County in Florida; or Barnstable County on Cape Cod, Mass.

The two alums join another graduate and lacrosse standout—Sean Horrigan '91, who established the Lacrosse Alumni Student-Athlete Scholarship Fund this year—in attempting to bring PC's scholarship aid to NCAA standards. [Horrigan is profiled in the *Annual Donor Report* at the rear of this magazine.] Currently, PC has funding for approximately half of the NCAA team maximum of 12.6 scholarships.

Phelan, who has a daughter who played lacrosse in college, started his scholarship because he feels it's one of the sports PC should brand.

"A school like ours has a limited budget," he said. "Lacrosse is a sport that's hot as a pistol. With coaching and good talent, we can make inroads. The goal is to modestly create a brand that is a hot spot."

Christie, meanwhile, said he was a fervent supporter of PC's move from the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference to the BIG EAST two years ago. He said College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 expressed concern at the time about adequate scholarship aid.

Christie noted he has long been drawn to the sport. He lived on Long Island, a lacrosse hotbed, and his sons, William '93 and Emmett '93, played lacrosse in high school—William also played a year at PC—while a nephew, Liam Smith '06, played three seasons at PC.

"I felt it was a good investment, and lacrosse traditionally has a web of support from good, enthusiastic, and supportive lacrosse families," said Christie.

For more information on athletic scholarship funds, call Steve Napolillo '98, associate athletic director for external relations, at 401.865.2677.

Above: Jake Nolan '12, a midfielder for the Friars' lacrosse team, competes in a match last spring. Scholarship funds established by three College graduates will help strengthen the lacrosse program which, over time, is attempting to reach the NCAA maximum of 12.6 full scholarships per team.

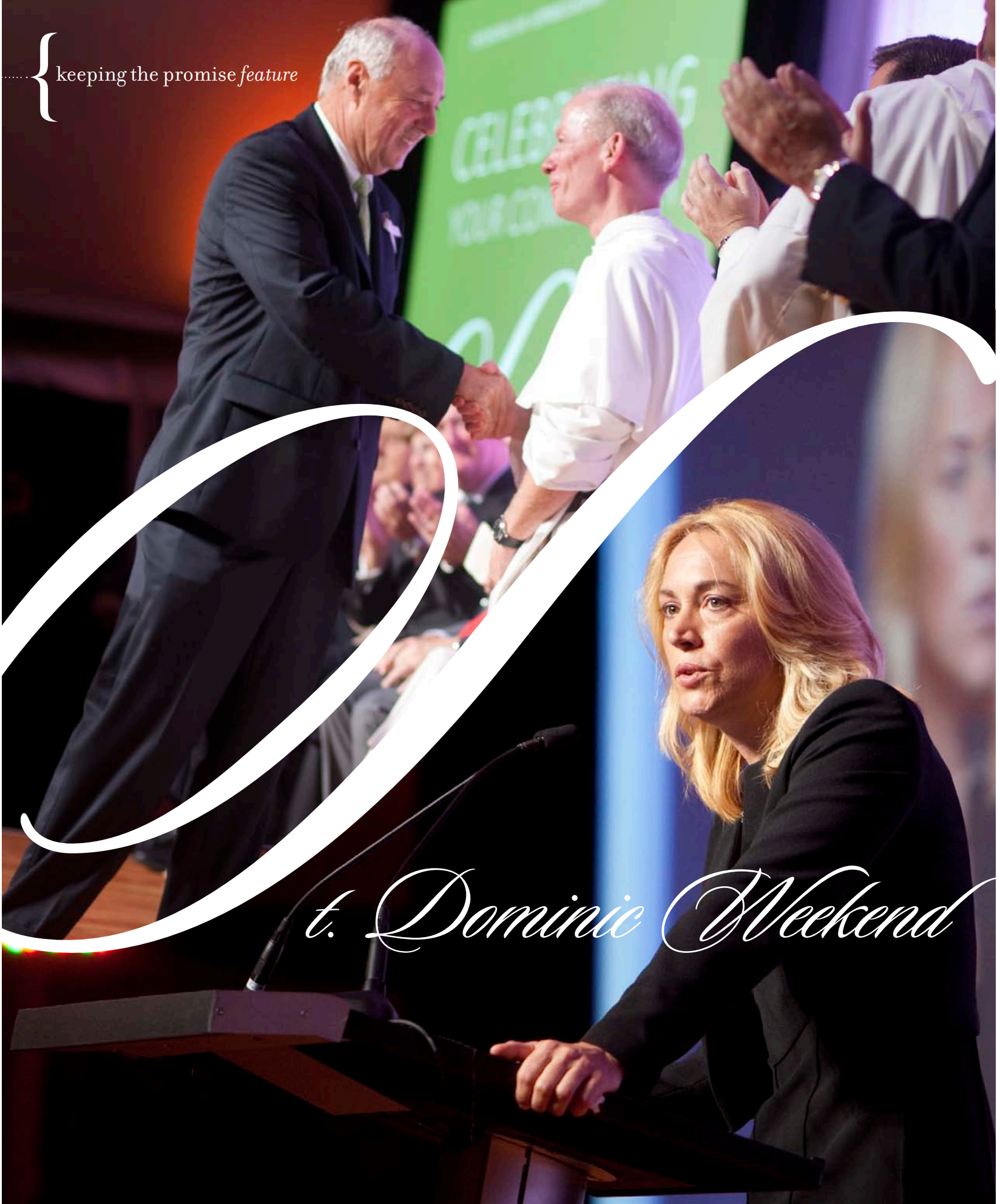


Shelby Greany '13

**All-American
BIG EAST Champion
All-Academic Team**

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t. Dominic Weekend

CELEBRATING YOUR COMMITMENT

Ruanes' gift for academic building caps grand celebration that draws hundreds

BY CHARLES C. JOYCE

Over two days filled with presentations, videos, and anecdotes underscoring the impact the College's leading benefactors have on students' education and experiences, it seemed fitting that a new leadership gift affecting learning and teaching would be a hallmark of St. Dominic Weekend on September 30 and October 1.

The announcement by College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 that the gift by Board of Trustees' chair Michael A. Ruane '71 and his wife, Elizabeth, will be the foundational funding pillar for a new humanities building came during the closing *Evening of Appreciation* celebration. The dinner program capped a whirlwind weekend focused on celebrating and gratitude.

In addition to the announcement of the Ruanes' gift, the other emotional moment that captured the audience's attention at the *Evening of Appreciation* was the heartfelt address by keynote speaker Doris Burke '87, '92G, & '05Hon.

Ruane Center for the Humanities planned

Father Shanley prefaced his announcement by pointing out that a revitalized Core Curriculum will go into effect in fall 2012. He alluded to the prominence that Development of Western Civilization will retain in the new Core and stated there was a need for a new academic facility to support Civ and the humanities in general.

With a leadership gift from the Ruanes, the College will build an academic building near Phillips Memorial Library and the Albertus Magnus-Hickey-Sowa science complex, said Father Shanley. The facility, to be called the Ruane Center for the Humanities, will be the campus' "signature academic building." It will be dedicated to disciplines in the humanities, be the home of the Civ and Liberal Arts Honors programs, and house several academic departments and offices.

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WEEKEND FLASHES

St. Dominic Weekend, held September 30 and October 1 on campus, annually honors the College's most loyal and generous benefactors in the St. Dominic Society (annual giving), the Harkins Society (planned giving), and the 1917 Society (lifetime giving).

This year's theme, *Celebrating Your Commitment*, recognized the generosity and commitment benefactors make in supporting students in their educational journey, as well as the College overall in its most compelling priorities.

The weekend also was an opportunity for several advisory groups to work on strategic institutional interests. These included the Board of Trustees, the National Board of Overseers, the School of Business Advisory Council, and the National Regional Alumni Club.

Other points of interest:

- There were nearly 20 programs, from receptions, a student research showcase, and a scholarship donor luncheon, to Mass and the closing *Evening of Appreciation*.
- More than 4,00 benefactors and their guests attended.
- Members of 69 classes attended, with the oldest alumnus present being Samuel Chester '34.
- The benefactors and guests came from 16 states and the District of Columbia.
- Twenty-one new members were welcomed into the Harkins Society, and eight new members were inducted into the 1917 Society.

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St. Dominic Weekend at

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On opposite page, top: Michael A. Ruane '71, Board of Trustees' chair, greets College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 after Father Shanley announced that Ruane and his wife, Elizabeth, had contributed a leadership gift for a new humanities building on campus. At left: Another highlight of the "Evening of Appreciation" was the emotional keynote address by Doris Burke '87, '92G, & '05Hon.



Top: Sharing conversation in the Slavin Center Atrium on St. Dominic Weekend are former trustee Joseph M. Cianciolo '60, left, a member of the Providence President's Council, and William J. Christie '61 & '11Hon., a former trustee.

Middle: Vendita Correia '13, a recipient of the Dr. Kenneth R. Walker '57 Scholarship, meets Anthony Vernaglia and his wife, H. Ernestine Burke Vernaglia, at the Scholarship Donor Luncheon. There is a scholarship established in memory of Ernestine's late brother, Robert P. Burke '63.

Above: Newly inducted members of the 1917 Society and two fellow Dominicans—Very Rev. Brian M. Mulcahy, O.P., prior provincial of the Dominican Province of St. Joseph and chair of the Providence College Corporation (third from right), and Rev. Mark D. Nowel, O.P., dean of undergraduate and graduate studies and associate professor of biology—listen to remarks by College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 after the induction ceremony. Welcomed to the society were E. James Mulcahy, Jr. '66 and Kathryn Mulcahy, Alfred A. Lamy '53 and Barbara J. Lamy, John F. Killian '77 and Laura Killian, and Robert J. Palmisano '66 and Jane Palmisano.

Groundbreaking will be held in spring 2012, and the building is expected to be ready in fall 2013.

"I couldn't be any more excited about a new academic facility than this building," said Father Shanley, who praised Michael Ruane for the "countless hours" he devotes to PC.

"I can't thank you enough, Mike and Elizabeth," he added.

Ruane, who has served as a trustee since 1999 and as chair since 2004, remarked, "This contribution was made for sustaining and advancing the Catholic and Dominican mission that Providence College embodies and which you embody."

A longtime benefactor and a member, with his wife, Liz, of the 1917 Society, Ruane said his passion for PC will never abate.

"I am very, very happy to be a part of the Providence College community. We are unique, and that uniqueness is in this room," he stated.

Burke captivates audience

Later, Burke closed the celebration with engaging anecdotes about her undergraduate days and her career as a college and professional basketball analyst and reporter—and how her PC education continues to shape her. Introduced by Ed Cooley, the Friars' new men's basketball coach, she explained she was the youngest of eight children and the first to attend college. Scholarship aid allowed her to attend and play basketball for PC, said Burke, who is a member of the PC Athletics Hall of Fame.

One of her most defining moments at PC occurred during the second semester of her senior year when the Friars' basketball coach took her out of the starting lineup one game for having missed a class. She admitted she "sulked and pouted" and didn't play with passion when she got into the game.

The next day, she received a bouquet of flowers and a note from Rev. John S. Peterson, O.P. '57, who was the College's treasurer at that time. The note said, "We expect better. We have standards for you and wouldn't make them unless we knew you can meet them. We give you the tools to meet them."

Burke, who broke down with emotion several times, noted, "I realized that for four years, my teachers were sending me the message that my value had nothing to do with my success and rather that it was more important God loved you."

Burke closed her remarks by reading a quote she found inspiring from a former college president. Looking out into the audience, she concluded, "I thank you from the bottom of my heart for the lives you have changed, including mine."



SCHOLARSHIP DONOR LUNCHEON

celebrates Dominicans' influence

Nearly everyone who graduates from Providence College has a favorite Dominican story to tell.

For some, it would involve a conversation about faith or an inspiring homily. For others, it would be a classroom “learning moment.” Still others would recount how a Dominican acted to ensure they received extra financial support to avoid leaving school.

For these reasons and countless others, PC's Dominican Fathers were celebrated at St. Dominic Weekend's annual Scholarship Donor Luncheon. This year's theme centered on scholarship funds named in honor or memory of Dominican Fathers.

Joseph P. Brum '68, special assistant to the president for development projects, told the more than 250 benefactors, student recipients, and other guests that there are 28 scholarships named for PC Dominicans with a market value exceeding \$3.3 million.

Brum acknowledged several Dominican scholarship donors or family members in attendance. One was David Accinno '96 SCE, whose uncle, John J. Accinno, C.P.A. '46, has established six scholarships for individual Dominicans. Another, Veronica Kenny Farrell, who attended with her niece, Heidi M. Kenny '76, has established scholarships in honor of her late brothers, Rev. Bernard D. Kenny, O.P. '38 and Rev. John P. Kenny, O.P. '31.

Also recognized was Dr. Donna T. McCaffrey '73G, '83Ph.D., & '87G, assistant professor of history, who was at the luncheon with her sister, Roseanne McCaffrey-Hicks '89G. Donna McCaffrey and her mother established a scholarship in the name of Donna's late uncle, Rev. Cornelius P. Forster, O.P.

“What a wonderful legacy you have set for our students,” said Brum.

Two longtime members of PC's Dominican Community who continue to serve the College received special recognition: Rev. Thomas J. Ertle, O.P. '51, '82G,

& '84Hon., assistant chaplain, and Rev. John S. Peterson, O.P. '57, chaplain of the National Alumni Association.

The scholarship established in Father Ertle's honor by Alfred '53 and Barbara Lamy was the subject of a video that included remarks by Father Ertle, the Lamys, and students who have received other scholarship aid.

Father Peterson, who has a scholarship named in his honor that was established by Thomas R. McLaughlin '84, was singled out at the luncheon by an alumnus who expressed gratitude for PC and its Dominicans. John M. Conaty '68, a former TV journalist whose distinguished career included 22 years at a FOX station in Chicago as a political correspondent, nightly news anchor, and weekly news show host, praised Father Peterson and his late brother, former College President Very Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P. '51, for helping him stay in college after his father died his junior year.

In appreciation, Conaty presented his 2009 Peabody Award—often considered the electronic media equivalent of a Pulitzer Prize—to Father Peterson. The award recognizes excellence, distinguished achievement, and meritorious public service. Conaty and several of his television station colleagues were honored for the professionalism and restraint they showed in covering the brutal murder of a Chicago teenager.

Father Peterson graciously accepted the award, saying there were three moments in his life for which he was forever grateful: his *baptism*, his priestly *ordination*, and the *present* moment.

“The Peabody Award you earned and deserved is given to your *alma mater* and, in a unique benefaction, *you honor me*. My gratitude ... is beyond all telling,” said Father Peterson.

Above: One of the highlights of the Scholarship Donor Luncheon was the presentation of the Peabody Award—earned by former TV journalist John M. Conaty '68—to Rev. John S. Peterson, O.P. '57, chaplain of the PC National Alumni Association.

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SUPPORT SPURS rich learning projects, results

BY VICKI DOWNING

During his sophomore year, Christopher T. Horn '12 (West Simsbury, Conn.) brought an Apple MacBook along to the weekly recreation night sponsored by the Feinstein Institute for Public Service at the Chad Brown public housing project in Providence.

"Just an awkward kid from PC" studying public and community service, Horn was a folk music fan who didn't relate to hip-hop. But he knew that music was an emotional outlet for him and could be a unifier for the at-risk youths who gathered around him in the recreation center. They were there waiting for him the next week as well, eager to record music.

Thanks to a \$4,000 grant from an anonymous donor, Horn has transformed that simple effort on the MacBook into a full-fledged recording studio for youths from throughout the city. At the Institute for the Study and Practice of Nonviolence in South Providence, youths record under the "No Affiliation" label, which Horn says is "associated with community involvement, not violence."

Horn, who is assisted by Benjamin L. Kreczko '12 (Weatogue, Conn.), was one of three students who presented the results of research projects at a "Minds in the Making Engaged Learning Lunch" during St. Dominic Weekend. Benefactors also had the opportunity to attend an Engaged Learning Fair to view student projects, many financed through the Davis Educational Foundation's *Fostering a Culture of Student Engagement* grant.

Dr. Julia M. Camp, assistant professor of accountancy and chair of the Student Engagement Advisory Committee, moderated the luncheon discussion on the benefits of applying classroom work to the real world. Anne E. Wendel '13 (Ridgefield, Conn.), a recipient of a Father Philip A. Smith, O.P. Student Fellowship for Study and Service Abroad, told

of teaching English grammar to secondary school students in the Solomon Islands. "We can talk about it in class, but until you are fully immersed in their culture," differences aren't understood, Wendel said.

Michelle L. Fleury '11 (Littleton, Mass.) described her work as a research assistant studying non-embryonic pluripotent stem cells with Dr. Charles R. Toth, associate professor of biology. In biology especially, Toth said, engagement is "essential for learning."

Dr. Stephen J. Mecca '64 & '66G, professor of physics, discussed projects that have sent students to Ghana [See pages 4 and 5.] to work on water harvesting and sanitation. Mecca said education has a contextual component, involving classroom study, and a practical one, applying knowledge to real-world conditions.

"If you leave out (the practical), you've left out a great deal from the paradigm we call liberal arts education," Mecca said.

The student projects were "amazing," said Michael Demcsak '66, an information technologies director from Annapolis, Md.

"A lot of projects the students are doing seem like graduate work to me," said Demcsak. "It's incredible they're getting this kind of experience."

Above: The Hon. William C. Leary '60 & '10 Hon. and his wife, Emily, stop by the Engaged Learning Fair to learn about a community music project in which Christopher T. Horn '12, rear, and Benjamin L. Kreczko '12, right, are involved.



NEW CORPORATE PARTNER PROGRAM *bolsters* PC's priorities



ST. DOMINIC SOCIETY
CORPORATE PARTNER PROGRAM

BY LAURA DUNN

Nearly 130 businesses are current members of the College's new St. Dominic Society Corporate Partner Program. Together, they contributed nearly \$500,000 last academic year, demonstrating their belief in the value of a PC education.

Launched this year, the Corporate Partner Program is an initiative of the St. Dominic Society, the College's leadership giving society. Businesses that contribute \$1,000 or more annually are recognized with automatic induction into the program. These leadership gifts fund critical institutional priorities such as providing students in need with immediate financial aid, enhancing faculty recruitment and campus facilities, and expanding services and programs for students.

"PC is a highly respected liberal arts college in New England, and many of our graduates stay in the area and go on to become leaders in the local business community," said Andrea Keefe '03, assistant director of corporate/foundation relations and constituent engagement in the Office of Institutional Advancement.

"With their support, our corporate partners are helping to shape their potential future employees and the local business and community leaders of tomorrow. This year, we hope to reach 200 partners in support of the College."

Corporate partners include locally and nationally recognized businesses, such as Citizens Bank, Cox Communications, Verizon, Aero Mechanical, Inc., Dexter Credit Union, Converse, KPMG, Wilmington Trust, Barnes & Noble, Partridge, Snow & Hahn, and E. Turgeon Construction Corporation.

In August, Francis E. Ducharme, president of E. Turgeon Construction, located in Cranston, R.I., was named the first chair of the Corporate Partner

Program. A long-time supporter of PC and the father of Diana M. Ducharme, Esq. '87, Ducharme said he feels a strong commitment to the College.

"The education my daughter received at PC was wonderful," Ducharme said. "She's now a successful attorney practicing in Providence, and I really feel it was her experience at PC that set the foundation for that.

"My company is also privileged to have been involved in construction on campus for 20 years. Now, through the Corporate Partner Program, we're really happy to be involved in what I think of as the renaissance of Providence College, lending our support toward expanding on the excellence in education that PC has always offered."

The Corporate Partner Program offers special benefits to members in recognition of their support and to keep them informed of issues at the College. These include invitations to exclusive receptions with College administrators and during special occasions such as Reunion and St. Dominic weekends; a newsletter; and opportunities to participate in PC career fairs and employer recruiting activities.

To learn more about the Corporate Partner Program, call Andrea Keefe '03 at (401) 865-2165 or visit www.support.providence.edu/corporate-foundation.

Above: Francis E. Ducharme '87P, chair of the new Corporate Partner Program, speaks during a program reception during St. Dominic Weekend.

FRIENDS FUND

scholarship for '82 classmate with ALS

BY LAURA DUNN

In 1982, Kenneth Douglass, Steve Duryea, and the rest of their classmates graduated from Providence College with bright futures ahead of them.

But nearly 20 years later, in November 2000, the course of Douglass' life took a devastating turn when he was diagnosed with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), or Lou Gehrig's disease.

Douglass, who lives in Massachusetts and had established his own seafood importing business, continued to work until his illness forced him to give it up in 2003.

Duryea, who now works in California as the regional development director for PC's Office of Institutional Advancement, was serving on the College's Board of Trustees at the time and was the owner/president of Stephen Duryea, LLC, a supermarket brokerage company.

"I visited Kenny every four months, every time I had a board meeting," Duryea said. "Over time, his condition changed, but his spirit didn't. He hasn't been able to talk for about eight years, and he hasn't been able to move most of his body for nine.

"But he's still smart as a whip, and he can still communicate using a computer. He's a fighter. He was an outstanding guy [in college], and he still is today. The guy is just amazing."

Although the typical survival period after a diagnosis of ALS is three to five years, Douglass has been fighting much longer. His daughters, Brooke and Casey, were just toddlers when he was diagnosed.

"The only reason I'm still here is my wife, Mary," he writes. "I wanted to see my girls grow up at least for a little while, and Mary has the mental and physical stamina to help me do it. It's a wonderful gift."

In April, Duryea and his classmates established the Kenneth Douglass Class of 1982 Scholarship, a scholarship that Douglass' other close friends from the Class of '82 and he are working to endow (\$50,000). The intent of the scholarship is that it be available for Douglass' children, should they choose to follow in their father's footsteps and attend PC. After that, it will continue to live on in perpetuity, in honor of Douglass' life and legacy.

"I'd love for my kids to have the type of college experience that I had, but being sick is expensive and so is college," Douglass writes. "This scholarship fund is a giant step in a positive direction for my family.

"What makes Providence College special and unique is the Dominicans' influence on the curriculum and on campus life. And you can see that spirit of goodwill and brotherhood in the actions of my classmates. I am blessed to have friends like these in my life."



Kenneth Douglass '82 is an inspiration to all who know him, including his classmates, from left, Steve Duryea, Chris D. Servidio, and Thomas C. Puleri.

TRAINORS' GRATITUDE UNDERSCORED as trust tops *a million*

Francis R. Trainor, Ph.D. '50 & '10Hon., professor *emeritus* of biology at the University of Connecticut, still passionately pursues his research into the culture, nutrition, and development of green microalgae.

He also remains passionate about the quality of his Providence College education, his appreciation of the career it spawned, and the responsibility he believes alumni have to support future PC students.

Trainor and his wife, Margaret, steadfastly contribute to planned giving programs at PC, including their charitable remainder trust, which they began about 20 years ago. The trust offers donors tax benefits and a yearly distribution from the income. Upon a donor's passing, remaining funds go to PC.

Their dedication is paying off handsomely, as the trust recently topped \$1 million.

Inducted into PC's 1917 Society as "Gold Torchbearers" during the 2009 St. Dominic Weekend for reaching the society's \$750,000-\$999,999 giving level, the Trainors have since ascended to the "Platinum Torchbearers" level by passing the \$1 million mark.

"After graduation, I soon realized Providence College had provided me an excellent foundation—one of breadth, depth, and critical thinking, from which I could continue my education," Trainor said.

When he pursued his master's and doctoral degrees at Vanderbilt University with students who had been educated throughout the South and Midwest, the quality of his PC education was evident.

"They were well prepared, but so was I!" he said.

Chemistry courses taught by the late Rev. Frederick Hickey, O.P., Rev. James Hackett, O.P., and John Hanley—and math with the late Rev. Edward Gallagher, O.P.—stand out to him even now.



"I really began to appreciate good teaching and concern for students," he said.

Thankful for the foundation PC had given him, Trainor joined the National Alumni Association. Margaret and he became enthusiastic participants in alumni activities, which led to him serving as association president for 1991-92. He received an honorary doctor of science degree from PC in 2010.

They are still fixtures at PC alumni events and continue to support the College financially—with Frank somewhat in awe of their trust passing \$1 million.

"Start early, continue with regularity, and before you know it, the total is higher than you ever imagined," Trainor said, which he believes is "a successful approach in many facets of life."

For information about charitable remainder trusts and other planned giving opportunities, call Megan A. Artz, director of major gifts and gift planning, at 401.865.2169, or Joseph P. Brum '68, special assistant to the president for development projects, at 401.865.2411.

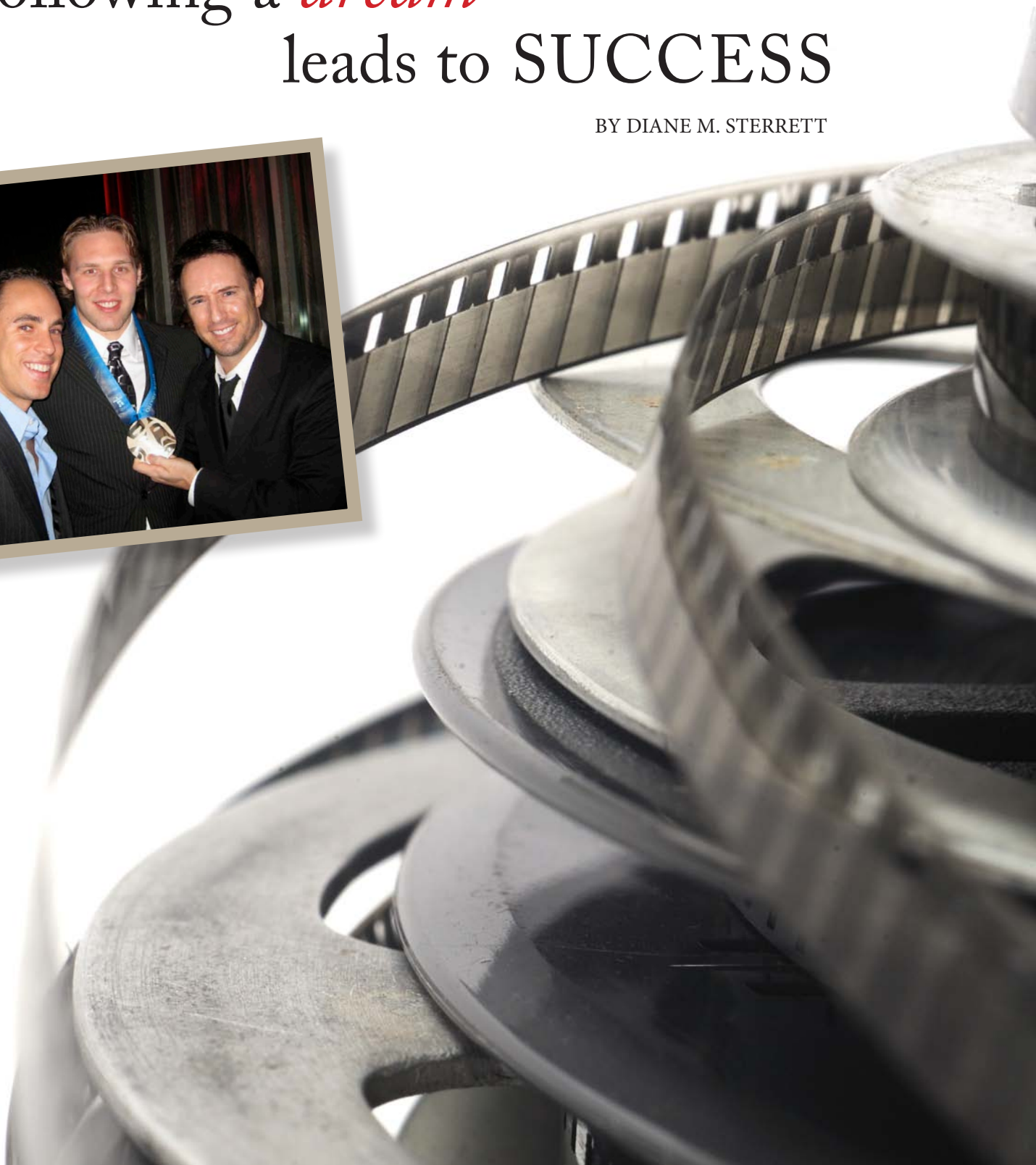
Above: Francis R. Trainor, Ph. D. '50 & '10Hon. and his wife, Margaret, pictured during Commencement Weekend in 2010, began their charitable remainder trust at PC some 20 years ago. The insert is from Trainor's college days.

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TODD SLATER '97

Following a *dream*
leads to **SUCCESS**

BY DIANE M. STERRETT



How does a PC political science graduate end up in Hollywood as a top independent film producer?

By thinking big, working hard, and bringing his “A” game to every project.

With dreams of changing the world through politics, Todd Slater '97 went to D.C. after graduation. Soon after, this lifelong East Coaster took a leap of faith across the country to pursue a dream of changing the world through film.

“Working in the film and entertainment business seemed like taking a rocket ship to the moon, but I was very passionate about finding a way to get involved. I knew film could affect a large demographic if done and produced correctly. Providence College definitely taught me to never give up on my goals,” Slater says.

He sent out a thousand résumés and received one phone call back—from Paramount Pictures, for a part-time internship in the television department. Realizing the film industry is incredibly difficult to break into without connections, Slater took the offer in 1999.

“I waited tables at night for extra money and never looked back,” he relates. “Two years and a lot of sandwich runs for my boss later, I got a break. Philip Anschutz was starting his film company and hired me as a creative executive.”

Quickly promoted to director of marketing, distribution, and studio relations, Slater made a niche for himself. While at Anschutz Film Co., he wrote the business and marketing plan for the Academy Award-winning film *Ray*, starring Jamie Foxx, and created one of the largest brand integration deals of 2005 with Jeep/Chrysler on the film *Sahara*, starring Matthew McConaughey and Penélope Cruz. A young talent on the rise, Slater was highlighted in *The Hollywood Reporter's* annual “Next Generation” issue, dedicated to the top executives under age 35 in Hollywood.

Becoming independent

In 2009, Slater launched his own shingle, Slater Brothers Entertainment (SBE), with his two brothers, Grant and Wade. By combining their strengths, they established a multi-dimensional entertainment and media company capable of producing major film, sports, and art events.

As a producer, Slater ensures a high-quality movie, on time, and within budget. That means supervising and packaging the project from conception to distribution while interfacing with the studio and managing the work of hundreds of individuals at times.

“Producers have overall control on every aspect of a film’s production, bringing together the screenwriters, directors, cast, finances, and production team. Their primary responsibility is to foster an environment in which the creative talents of the cast and crew can

flourish. Producers must be strategists, motivators, negotiators, and creative visionaries, with the ability to spot and deal with potential problems before they materialize, and the drive to do whatever it takes to get the film made,” he explains.

Considered a top producer, Slater has put together the financing and packaging for more than 10 films in the last 2½ years. All of them were made, which is an accomplishment in the movie world.

“I think another reason we as a company have a good reputation is that we have secured worldwide distribution on every film we have been involved with,” he explains modestly. “To put that in perspective, roughly 9,000 films were submitted to the Sundance Film Festival last year, and about 200 were accepted. Out of the 200, roughly 20 received worldwide distribution deals.”

This summer, SBE finished shooting *House of Dust*, filmed throughout Connecticut. A thriller genre film that attracted an impressive cast of some of today’s brightest young stars, it is slated for a summer 2012 release.

Slater considers himself fortunate to be working with talented A-list actors. “But, I have worked with many actors who most people would never know who are incredibly talented,” he notes.

PC influence

Slater describes PC as a place that encourages critical thinking and has a calming sense of tradition. To this day he relies on skills learned at PC.

“Every day I talk to people from different walks of life, constantly looking for ways to motivate them regardless of their economic, educational, or religious background. My objective is to keep a project on track and moving forward,” said Slater, noting the late Sister M. Elaine Scully, R.S.M. '64G, assistant professor of theology, was a major influence on him.

“PC was a place that encouraged this type of behavior, enabling me to make friends and bond with people from different walks of life. PC helped make me a more well-rounded person, and that has helped tremendously with my work.”

Diane M. Sterrett is a senior magazine contributor from Tiverton, R.I.

Opposite page: Todd Slater '97, right, mugs with Jack Johnson of the silver-medal-winning 2010 U.S. Olympic men’s ice hockey team, center, and a Paramount Pictures executive at the Vanity Fair Oscar Party in Hollywood last year.

A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY

“If I am able to impact *even one person* with one of my films I have accomplished a lot.”

— TODD SLATER '97

BY DIANE M. STERRETT

Knowing first-hand how hard it was to break into the film business, Todd Slater '97 has several projects under way to lend others—including PC graduates and students—a helping hand.

There is the annual film festival his brothers and he run in Hamilton, N.Y., where they grew up. Now in its third year, it draws sold-out crowds and a global audience. The goal is to promote the arts and filmmaking while giving back to local charities.

“We try to give the independent filmmaker—who perhaps doesn't have the clout or the star power to get his or her film into Sundance or Cannes—the opportunity to showcase their work to an audience so that it can be distributed at the highest level,” says Slater.

“We accomplished this goal in our first year with *The Other Side of the Tracks*, directed by Alex Calvo. Just about every film festival had passed on it before we brought it to Hamilton. After appearing at our festival, and with the help of Slater Brothers Entertainment (SBE), the film went on to receive worldwide distribution from Fox Studios, Showtime, and MTI video,” he explains.

In addition, fundraising efforts around the festival have enabled Todd and his brothers to donate thousands of dollars to the Hamilton public schools, food pantry, shelter, and other organizations that are important to them.

Steering Friars to Hollywood

Slater also engages PC undergraduates and alumni interested in pursuing film and media careers in Hollywood through SBE's INHOLLYWOOD program. It's an intensive five-day seminar that gives aspiring actors, agents, directors, and producers an overview of the Hollywood industry and an opportunity to interact with industry leaders.

“It's great to meet with students for an informal conversation, but it's very hard for a graduating senior to take that one conversation with a PC alumnus or alumna and turn it into a job or an internship.

“Through INHOLLYWOOD, we offer students a chance to have an intimate conversation with people they would ordinarily never have access to. And we've placed many individuals in jobs and internships, several at major studios like Fox and Paramount,” Slater says.

Slater noted there are plans to do another INHOLLYWOOD program in January. The session is scheduled to include Rev. Kenneth R. Gumbert, O.P., professor of film studies in theatre arts, and Steve Duryea '82, regional development director in the Office of Institutional Advancement, who is based in California.

Thirdly, encouraging PC graduates is also prominently on his to-do list. In fact, this summer he hired Joseph Chambrello '10 as production assistant on *House of Dust*.

“If I am able to impact even one person with one of my films I have accomplished a lot. Joe now has real-world job experience in the entertainment industry to put on his résumé, giving him the much-needed foot in the door to go on to greater things,” says Slater.

Left: Todd Slater '97, second from right, and his brother, Grant, right, gather with representatives of this year's Hamilton (N.Y.) International Film Festival and their family members. The Slaters, including another brother, Grant, started the festival in 2009.





'I'M HAPPY to be *back*'

Father Quigley '60 appointed associate alumni chaplain

After a six-year, teaching-based sabbatical in Rome, Rev. James F. Quigley, O.P. '60 couldn't be more pleased that his return to his *alma mater* is for the expressed purpose of reaching out to alumni.

A former longtime associate professor of theology at PC, Father Quigley recently was appointed associate chaplain of the National Alumni Association by College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80. He will assist the association's chaplain, Rev. John S. Peterson, O.P. '57, in ministering to the College's 50,000 alumni.

"I'm happy to be back," he said. "I'm excited to re-establish contact with so many alums I've known over the years.

"My hope, as a Dominican, is to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to them and to serve and assist them in any way that I can."

As associate chaplain, Father Quigley will offer alumni additional opportunities for spiritual and theological growth through retreats, days of recollection, and lectures. His ministry will take place on campus and at regional alumni club and chapter locations.

Using social media platforms such as YouTube and Facebook, he also will offer theological and Gospel-based reflections on life, such as the video he taped on the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks.

In addition, Father Quigley will counsel students in their priestly formation at Our Lady of Providence Seminary in Providence. Many of these seminarians take their undergraduate course work at PC.

Father Quigley returns to PC after serving since 2005 as the Father Carl J. Peter Chair of Homiletics at the Pontifical North American College (PNAC) in the Vatican. The PNAC is the largest American Catholic seminary.

In Rome, he taught American Catholic Church history at the Gregorian University and at the Dominican Angelicum University. He also advised seminarians in fundamental theology at Gregorian University and in human, spiritual formation—including preaching and homily preparation—at the PNAC.

His faculty and administrative ties with the College began in 1969, when he was appointed a special lecturer in religious studies. He was named to the Ordinary Faculty in 1970.

With the exception of the period of 1989-93 when he served as College executive vice president, he was a full-time faculty member until leaving for Rome. Father Quigley also has served as College chaplain and as vocation director and a member of the Provincial Council of the Dominican (Eastern) Province of St. Joseph.

"I know so many of our young adult graduates already, so I really look forward to reconnecting with them and reaching out to all of our alums," he said.



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1959

Kenneth R. Dooley of Newport, R.I., wrote *The Auerbach Dynasty*, a play about the late Boston Celtics coach and general manager, Red Auerbach. It was performed at the Park Theatre in Cranston. Dooley is a veteran author of books, plays, and films, including a motivational film he did with Auerbach.

Joseph R. O'Brien of Shelter Island Heights, N.Y., was honored by the Shelter Island Lions Club as its Citizen of the Year. A retired executive account manager for Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield, his volunteer efforts include working on behalf of Eastern Long Island Hospital, where he established the Junior Volunteer Program and organizes the annual golf outing, and serving on the town's Recreation Committee and Planning Board.

1961

Francis M. O'Boy, Esq. of Taunton, Mass., was honored at the Boston College Law Day Dinner as the recipient of the Judge David S. Nelson Award for Public Service. A former Bristol County District Attorney's Office prosecutor, he also has served as a private lawyer and public defender.

1964

R.I. State Rep. Peter F. Martin of Newport received the 2011 Legislative Award from the National Association of Social Workers, Rhode Island Chapter, for his legislative work on behalf of the association and for his legislative and personal efforts concerning homelessness and mental health issues.

1966

Joseph P. Capossela, Esq. of South Windsor, Conn., a partner in the law firm of Kahan Kerensky & Capossela LLP in Vernon, was honored by the Connecticut Bar Association's (CBA) Planning and Zoning Section with its Lifetime Achievement Award for his exemplary work in the fields of real estate and land use. The CBA recognized his 42 years of distinguished and ethical service to clients, the legal profession, and the Connecticut community, as well as his collegiality and civility.

John P. Donohue, Esq. of Philadelphia, Pa., a partner with Thorp Reed & Armstrong, LLP, was appointed to lead the firm's International Law Practice Group. He is an adjunct professor of international trade law at Seton Hall University School of Law.

1967 (45th Year Reunion)

Samuel H. D'Ambruoso, Jr. of Middlebury, Conn., had one of his oil paintings, *Connecticut River Cove*, chosen by former Gov. M. Jodi Rell to be displayed in the library of the governor's mansion in Hartford. The painting was chosen to become part of the state's permanent art collection.

1968

Brian M. Maher of West Islip, N.Y., was honored by St. Joseph's Church in Babylon for his involvement as a parishioner for the past 35 years, including serving as a lector, president of the school Parents Association, and serving on the Stewardship Committee and 100th Anniversary Committee. He also has written a weekly column in the parish bulletin since 1997 and takes part in the *Neighbor to Neighbor* feature on Telecare.

Richard A. McCullough of Shoreline, Wash., retired as assistant professor of educational administration and coordinator of the Executive Leadership Superintendent Program at Seattle University's College of Education. He completed his 43rd year in education, including 31 years as a superintendent

in Washington and Oregon. His honors include the 2003 Washington State Superintendent of the Year Award from the American Association of School Administrators.

1969

Lee D. Grossi of Greenville, R.I., was honored by *Providence Business News* with a lifetime achievement award for his service as chief financial officer of several entities, including as current CFO of Children's Friend Providence, and previous service as CFO for the State of Rhode Island, its Department of Human Services and the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, and other agencies.

1970

Geoffrey B. Gneuh of New York, N.Y., was awarded the Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Work for his drawing, *Woman at Rest*, and the Best Work Award by the Salmagundi Club in New York City at its annual exhibition.

William H. Hansen of Irvington, Ky., retired after 34 years as director of the U.S. Army Armor School Library at Fort Knox. He operates a farm in rural Kentucky with his wife Margaret.

John F. Robitaille of Portsmouth, R.I., was named executive director of the Larry Friedman International Center for Entrepreneurship at Johnson & Wales University's College of Business.

1971

Vasilios J. Kalogredis of West Chester, Pa., spoke at the Real World Dermatology for Residents Symposium at Planet Hollywood in Las Vegas, Nev., where he discussed healthcare law and its impact on the everyday citizen. Also, he was selected as a "Philadelphia Super Lawyer" and was listed in the June 2011 issue of *Philadelphia Magazine* and *Philadelphia Super Lawyers* magazine. This is the eighth consecutive year he has received this honor.

John A. Scarcella of Granite Springs, N.Y., was named vice president and general manager of consumer business for Harris Corporation's Broadcast Communications Division.

1972 (40th Year Reunion)

Paul F. Heffernan of North Grafton, Mass., was named vice president of human resources at Women & Infants Hospital of Rhode Island. He most recently served as vice president and chief human resources officer at Tufts Medical Center in Boston.

1974

Capt. Michael D. McCarten, USN of Alexandria, Va., is the commanding officer of the NATO Role III Multi-National Medical Unit in Kandahar, Afghanistan.

1976

Patrick B. Cook of Centreville, Va., retired from the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a deputy assistant director of the Operational Technology Division, where he was in charge of more than 700 employees and an annual budget exceeding \$450 million. He served as an FBI special agent for more than 22 years and worked on counterintelligence, white-collar crime, terrorism, and other investigations throughout the world. He has accepted a position with MITRE Corporation, where he will continue to focus on issues that are vital to national security.

1977 (35th Year Reunion)

James F. Driscoll, Esq. of Scituate, Mass., was named executive director of the Massachusetts Catholic Conference, the public policy arm of the four Roman Catholic dioceses in Massachusetts. He will address legislative, social, and moral concerns on behalf of the bishops of those dioceses. Driscoll is the former general counsel in the state Auditor's Office.

Nancy J. Thomas of Cranston, R.I., is the owner and president of Tapestry Communications, a full-service public relations and marketing agency with specialties in the arts, healthcare, and nonprofit organizations.

1978

John W. Hannen of Dulles, Va., is the director of international business development for Brazil and Chile for Raytheon Space and Airborne Systems.

James D. Naber of Boston, Mass., was named office managing principal for the Reznick Group, a top-20 national CPA firm in Bethesda, Md.

Paul E. Pelletier of Fairfax, Va., joined the Washington, D.C., office of Boston-based Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky and Popeo, P.C, where he will help expand the firm's white-collar crime division. He most recently was an attorney for the Department of Justice, where he helped to build the criminal fraud section aimed at white-collar crime.

1979

Capt. Thomas C. Duncavage of League City, Texas, was appointed to the Texas Military Preparedness Commission by Gov. Rick Perry. Duncavage is a retired colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps, a supervisory engineer and executive at the NASA Johnson Space Center, and a NASA visiting executive to the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership.

Theresa Maneri McGuinness of Fairfield, Conn., a licensed marital and family therapist, became certified in addiction counseling and added the specialty to her offerings at her private practice in Westport.

1980

Laurence G. Cochrane of Saint Paul, Minn., was promoted to vice president of Securian Financial Group, where he will lead all retail product distribution. He joined Securian in 2006 as national sales vice president for independent distribution.

James G. Gardiner of Grafton, Mass., was named director of the Molly Bish Center for the Protection of Children and the Elderly at Anna Maria College. He previously served as commissioner for health and human services for the Worcester Department of Health and Human Services.

Michael J. O'Riordan of Norfolk, Mass., was promoted to senior vice president in the Credit Administration Division of Middlesex Savings Bank, where he has been a specialist in loan workouts and managed assets.

Lisa Rau Staff of North Andover, Mass., was named "North Andover Hero of the Year" by the *North Andover Patch* for her volunteer efforts on behalf of the special needs community. She is a master's degree candidate in counseling psychology at Lesley University.

1981

Donald W. Reilly of Cranston, R.I., has been named chief financial officer at Evergreen Solar, Inc., a Marlboro, Mass.-based provider of solar wafers, cells, and panels.

1982 (30th Year Reunion)

Kenneth J. Albano, Esq. of Monson, Mass., was appointed counsel for the Town of Holland. He also serves as counsel for the towns of Monson and Southwick. He is a partner in the Springfield-based regional law firm of Bacon Wilson, P.C., where his areas of practice include corporate, commercial, and healthcare law.

1983

Raymond C. Coia, Esq. of Cranston, R.I., was nominated by Gov. Lincoln D. Chafee to an additional term on the R.I. Coastal Resources Management Council. His appointment was confirmed by the state Senate.

Daniel A. Modelane of Norfolk, Mass., was named vice president of financial services and treasurer of Dean College. He most recently was the director and vice president of finance at One Communications Corporation in Burlington.

1984

Douglas C. Heske of Oakland, Calif., joined Stone & Youngberg as a managing director and branch manager of the firm's San Francisco Private Client Group.

1986

David V. Ring of Yorktown Heights, N.Y., was named New England regional president of First Niagara Financial Group, Inc. He will lead the company's New Haven-based team across Connecticut and Massachusetts upon the completion of its merger with NewAlliance Bancshares, Inc.

1987 (25th Year Reunion)

Timothy E. Crafts of Smithtown, N.Y., former chief of the Smithtown Fire Department, was honored by the Firefighter Cancer Support Network for his dedication to cancer support and research. He is the regional sales director in the Surgical Imaging Division at Olympus America.

Alexander F. Incera of Pomfret, Conn., was named president of Coburn Technologies, Inc., following the company's acquisition of Gerber Coburn, the ophthalmic lens processing company of which he was president.

Michael F. Kelly, Esq. of Stony Brook, N.Y., was elected president of the Long Island Builders Institute. He is the principal of Kelly Development Corporation and a partner in Rose and Kelly Development, LLC.

Patrick F. Nero of Somerville, Mass., was named the athletic director of George Washington University. He most recently served as the commissioner of the America East Conference.

Christopher J. Walsh, Esq. of Roslindale, Mass., was appointed chief of the Criminal Bureau in the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office. He most recently served as chief of the office's Medicaid Fraud Division.

1988

Lt. Col. Robert A. Dwan of Westwood, Mass., of the 26th Yankee Brigade of the Massachusetts Army National Guard, was deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, as garrison commander for the New Kabul Compound for one year in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Dwan, a military police officer, is in charge of 1,200 soldiers from the Army, Air Force, Marines, and Navy, as well as coalition forces from Greece and France, who will assist the U.S. Forces in Afghanistan in transferring the responsibility of security to the Afghanistan National Security Forces. Serving in the brigade with Dwan is Lt. Col. Daniel Arkins, senior intelligence officer and the father of Brendan Arkins '11.

Joseph P. Maruszczak of Warwick, R.I., was named superintendent of the Mendon-Upton (Mass.) Regional School District. He most recently served as principal of Mansfield (Mass.) High School.

Michael J. Spencer of Duxbury, Mass., was appointed principal of Nathaniel Morton Elementary School in Plymouth. He previously served as principal of Bates Elementary School in Wellesley.

1989

Gregory S. Christenson of Kent, Wash., was named chief financial officer and vice president of Oberto Foods in Seattle. He most recently served as director of finance of Kraft Food's Cheese Business Unit.

David S. Kozora of Stonington, Conn., was promoted to vice president of small business lending for The Washington Trust Company.

**Kimberley Farias Sefrino of Assonet, Mass., was named principal of the John F. Kennedy Elementary School in Canton.

Joseph B. White, Esq. of North Kingstown, R.I., joined the Boston law firm of Robinson & Cole, LLP, as a resident in the firm's Providence office and member of its Business Transactions Practice Group. He is a Municipal Court judge for the Town of North Kingstown and is a member of the R.I. Board of Governors for Higher Education.

1991

Jonathan Evans of Sudbury, Mass., was named principal of Keefe Tech High School in Framingham. He most recently served as the school's student services coordinator.

Michelle Tolini Finamore of Salem, Mass., received the American Members of CINO Award for outstanding dissertation for her Ph.D. dissertation, "Fashioning Early Cinema: Dress and Representation in American Film, 1905-1930." She received her Ph.D. at the Bard Graduate Center in 2010.

*Lynne M. Malone of Pawtucket, R.I., was one of eight people honored by the *Providence Business News* with its inaugural Chief Financial Officer Award. She is the CFO of Meeting Street, a nonprofit social service agency in Providence.

Christopher D. McDemus, Esq. of Chalfont, Pa., was appointed director of VENTURESeries, a track for entrepreneurship in the MBA program at Lehigh University, and as professor of practice in entrepreneurship. He will continue working with start-up and emerging growth companies through his law firm, MCD Law Partners, LLC, and his consulting company, Match-Stick Partners, LLC.

1992 (20th Year Reunion)

Jason A. Costa of Cumberland, R.I., was named vice president and commercial lender at Washington Trust in Providence. He will develop and maintain commercial banking relationships throughout the bank's market area in southern New England.

Heather Nichols Sheley of Middletown, R.I., was appointed chief financial and administrative services officer for the Rhode Island Interlocal Risk Management Trust. The nonprofit organization offers comprehensive insurance solutions to municipalities, school departments, and special purpose districts.

1993

Nicole P. Hazel of Holmdel, N.J., was named assistant superintendent of student services for the Freehold Regional High School District. She previously served in an interim capacity in that role and also served as the district's administrative supervisor of curriculum and instruction.

Michael N. Suchenski of Stamford, Conn., joined Gartner Group's Global Strategic Accounts team in the Financial Service Sector. He will serve as an SAO senior account executive in the company's Stamford world headquarters.

R.I. State Rep. Stephen R. Ucci of Johnston was named a 2011 "40 Under Forty" honoree by the *Providence Business News*, which chose winners based on career success and community involvement. Ucci, the deputy majority leader of the R.I. House of Representatives, is the general counsel for the Raytheon Company's Seapower Capability System.

1994

Thomas M. Finocchiaro of Pepperell, Mass., was named an investment representative in the Lunenburg office of the Fitchburg-based Workers' Credit Union.

Heidi Paskowski Hanson of Beverly, Mass., president of Hanson Financial Group of Baystate Financial Services in Boston, was named a winner of the Boston 2011 Five Star Wealth Managers Award. She is a Certified Financial Planner™ practitioner, an investment advisor representative of Baystate Wealth Management, and a registered representative of New England Securities.

Meg Mitchell Moore of Newburyport, Mass., wrote her first novel, *The Arrivals* (Reagan Arthur Books, May 2011). The novel, which centers on the twists and turns of what happens when a couple's empty nest fills up again, has been lauded by *Entertainment Weekly* and *Publishers Weekly*, and by well-known authors. Moore spoke about her novel at the Jabberwocky Bookshop in Newburyport.

1995

Daniel S. Meade, Esq. of Arlington, Va., returned to Hogan Lovells as a partner in its corporate practice in Washington, D.C. He previously served as senior Democratic counsel for the U.S. House Financial Services Committee.

James A. Mello of Lebanon, Conn., presented at the 9th International Conference of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities in San Juan, Puerto Rico. His presentation focused on the impact of income inequality and financial aid practices on efforts to internationalize institutions of higher education.

BARRON'S RANKS **7**

alums among top financial advisors

Seven Providence College alumni are included in *Barron's* magazine's 2011 ranking of the 1,000 top financial advisors. The list includes two private wealth advisors with Merrill Lynch's Private Banking and Investment Group who are recognized among "America's Top 100 Advisors"—Patrick Dwyer '91 and Thomas J. Keegan, Jr. '80.



Thomas J. Keegan, Jr. '80

Barron's annual advisors' ranking is based on the volume of assets overseen by the advisors and their teams, the revenues generated for their firms, and the quality of their practices.



Patrick Dwyer '91

Dwyer, of Key Biscayne, Fla., is the Miami-based managing director-investments of Dwyer & Associates, one of the 10 largest advisory practices worldwide at Merrill Lynch. He was ranked the #1 financial advisor in Florida for the second consecutive year.

Keegan, of Fairfield, Conn., is managing director of the Private Banking and Investment Group at Merrill Lynch's New York City office.

He is a co-founder and senior operating partner of the KKM Team, the largest and longest-tenured Private Banking and Investment Group team at Merrill Lynch. A member of the College's Board of Trustees, he was named #13 among New York-based financial advisors.

Also honored among the top 1,000 advisors are:

- Robert L. DiColo '80, of East Greenwich, R.I., senior vice president-investments, of the Providence office of UBS Financial Services, Inc., #3 in Rhode Island;
- Robert D. Finan '79, of Fair Haven, N.J., wealth management advisor with the Finan Group of Merrill Lynch in Red Bank, #37 in New Jersey;
- David P. Higgins '92, of Atlanta, Ga., managing director-investments with Merrill Lynch's Ponder, Higgins, Jowers & Associates group in Atlanta, #6 in Georgia;
- W. Corby May '65, of Rockville Centre, N.Y., managing director-investments of The May-Parks Group of Merrill Lynch in Garden City, #83 in New York; and
- Kurt Sylvia '89, of Jupiter, Fla., senior vice president-investments with UBS Private Wealth Management in Palm Beach, #15 in Florida.

1995 (CONTINUED)

Scott V. Nicol of Portland, Conn., was named director of performance management for the Hartford Public School System.

1996

**Thomas A. Barbieri '96 of Cranston, R.I., principal of Hugh B. Bain Middle School in Cranston since 2005, was named Rhode Island Middle School Principal of the Year for 2011 by the Rhode Island Association of School Principals. He began his teaching career in the Cranston School District in 1991 and moved into administration in 2000.

**Robert J. Gerardi of Seekonk, Mass., was named superintendent of schools in Maynard. He most recently served as superintendent of schools in Woonsocket, R.I.

1997 (15th Year Reunion)

Mark W. Ashworth of Baton Rouge, La., was named Young Businessperson of the Year by the *Baton Rouge Business Report*. He is the president and chief executive officer of Oxford Alloys, a distributor of high-quality, corrosion-resistant welding alloys.

**Patricia Wegrzyn McGreen of Warwick, R.I., was elected president of the Board of Directors of the House of Hope Community Development Corporation. She is a senior vice president in the Marketing Division of Citizens Bank.

1998

Susan Rowan Henrikson of Exeter, R.I., an account vice president with United Healthcare of New England, was named a 2011 "40 Under Forty" honoree by the *Providence Business News*, which chose winners based on career success and community involvement.

Ronald D. Truppa of Sherman Oaks, Calif., is the founder and leader of The Santa Catalina Film Festival, held for the first time in May. More than 1,000 people attended and more than 74,000 viewed portions online. Sixty-two films were screened and four informative panels about the film industry took place. Becky Curran '96 of Los Angeles served as the festival's marketing director. The festival benefits the Catalina Island Conservancy.

1999

Daniel R. Blanchard of Southborough, Mass., was selected by the U.S. Army Center for Military History to present his research on the Imperial Roman Army during the biennial Conference of Army Historians.

Ellen Fantini Cullinan of Wellesley, Mass., was named an associate vice president at Grubb & Ellis, a commercial real estate firm, where she specializes in tenant representation in the Boston area.

2001

Bethany Schneider Lyons of Groton, Conn., was promoted to vice president of the Commercial Real Estate Group for The Washington Trust Company.

Kristen Pueschel of South Hadley, Mass., was featured in *BusinessWest* for her current role as assistant vice president and secondary market officer for PeoplesBank in Holyoke, her community service endeavors, and her participation in Holyoke's St. Patrick's Day Road Race.

Brian S. Westerlind of Paxton, Mass., was named senior vice president, chief financial officer, and treasurer of Webster Five Cents Savings Bank. He most recently served as senior manager at Wolf & Co., PC.

2002 (10th Year Reunion)

Shaun E. Adamec of Windsor Mill, Md., was named vice president of communications for City Year and will serve in its Boston headquarters. City Year unites young people of all backgrounds for a year of service. He served most recently as press secretary for Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley.

2002

Stephanie So Frenza of Bristol, Conn., is a specialty sales representative for Warner Chilcott, a pharmaceutical company.

Elizabeth Sustar of Atlanta, Ga., is the production manager of the Bailey Performance Center at Kennesaw State University.

2003

Brendan W. McGair of Cranston, R.I., was named the 2010 Rhode Island Sportswriter of the Year by the National Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association. He has worked at the *Pawtucket Times* since 2005.

2004

Jennifer Dlugasch McPhillips of Washington, D.C., was promoted to senior director of federal government affairs for the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America. She previously served as senior director of political affairs for the association's grassroots program.

**Kenneth A. Duva of North Kingstown, R.I., was named director of student services for Jamestown. He most recently served as assistant director of special education for the Woonsocket School System.

Russell N. Jarem, Esq. of Hartford, Conn., was named a partner at the law firm of Gordon, Muir and Foley in Hartford.

Stephanie Pietros of Dobbs Ferry, N.Y., was appointed director of the Writing Center at the Lincoln Center campus at Fordham University for the 2011-2012 school year. She is working on her dissertation on 16th- and 17th-century lyric poetry at the university.

Brian M. Rys of Franklin, Mass., earned his Certified Financial Planner (CFP) & 174 certification from the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc. He is a financial professional with Independence Financial Partners and a member of the John Hancock Financial Network.

2005

John J. Cronan III of Abington, Mass., joined the Portland, Maine, office of the firm of Preti Flaherty as an associate in its Litigation and Workers' Compensation Practice Group.

Stacey L. DonFrancesco of Ardmore, Pa., was awarded her doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is continuing her medical training in general surgery at the college.

Kristina T. Ruff of Bethpage, N.Y., received a doctorate in podiatric medicine from the New York College of Podiatric Medicine. She will be completing a four-year surgical residency at New York Hospital of Queens in Flushing.

2006

Matthew M. Weber of East Longmeadow, Mass., is now the new and social media officer for Harvard University's Graduate School of Education.

2007 (5th Year Reunion)

Peter M. Crommett of Cumberland, Maine, and three partners have started a business, Cheeky Fly Fishing, which manufactures fly reels and apparel for progressive fly fishermen who are seeking new adventures and pushing the limits of the sport. The Boston-based company launched the first two reels of its five-reel series this spring and summer.

Meghan P. Kain of Neptune, N.J., was inducted into *Kappa Delta Pi*, the national honor society in education. She is in the Master of Education Program at Seton Hall University and is a third-grade teacher at Our Lady of Mount Carmel School in Asbury Park.

2008

Mandee L. Adams of Millbury, Mass., is co-authoring a series of bilingual children's books with Dr. Nuria Alonso Garcia, associate professor of Spanish and chair of the Department of Foreign Languages at Providence College. The two also have begun the process of opening their own publishing company, "Project Crisol."

Mary P. Grayeck of Mystic, Conn., an auditor with Deloitte & Touche, was elected a board member of the New London Main Street organization, a comprehensive downtown revitalization program.

Vimala D. Phongsavanh of Woonsocket, R.I., a member of the Woonsocket School Committee, was one of three women recognized as rising political stars at the YWCA of Northern Rhode Island's third annual Women Holding Office celebration. The YWCA supports the celebration to encourage women to become more involved in government.

2009

**Antonio DiManna, Jr. of Cumberland, R.I., was appointed principal at Clayville Elementary School in Scituate.

2010

Kathleen T. Foote of Raleigh, N.C., received a travel grant from the American Physical Society's Indo-U.S. Science and Technology Forum, which allowed her to spend a month at Miranda House, an all-women's college in New Delhi, India. While there, she pursued a research project that explored the background factors that motivate female students in India to pursue studies in science and shape their career goals.

Elena R. Piperno of Cherry Hill, N.J., was selected to the Board of Directors of Hopeworks 'N Camden, a nonprofit organization which empowers inner-city youth by offering learning opportunities, guidance, and encouragement for success. Piperno also serves on the board of her *alma mater*, Resurrection Catholic School in Cherry Hill. She is the coordinator for summer and afterschool programming for Catholic Partnership Schools and the director of the Domenica Foundation, which works to empower those who are less fortunate, primarily in Camden.



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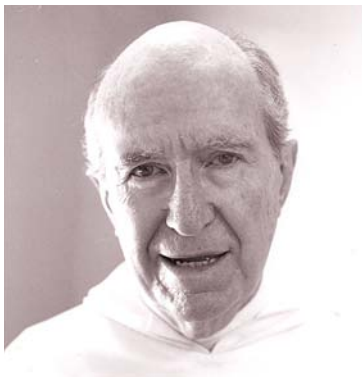
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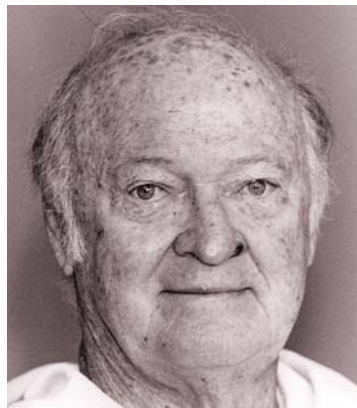
IN MEMORIAM



REV. JAMES JOSEPH DAVIS, O.P. '46, a retired College faculty member and a member of the Dominican Community of the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas at PC, died on July 28. Father Davis taught religious studies and theology at PC from 1968-94, retiring as associate professor. He continued preaching and ministering to the community and lectured on theological topics to lay groups.

DR. RAYMOND J. HANLON, who taught education at the College from 1961-2007 and who retired as associate professor, died on September 1. He was head coach of men's cross country and track at PC from 1961-70. Dr. Hanlon invented the Hanlon Air Conditioner and was a member of the LeMoyné College Athletic Hall of Fame.

THE HONORABLE EDWARD V. HEALEY, JR. '42D, a loyal alumnus and renowned public servant, died on May 21. Judge Healey, who served for 27 years as an associate justice and senior associate justice of the R.I. Family Court, received PC's Exemplary Citizenship Award. He served as president of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and was appointed by Presidents Ford and Reagan to national advisory committees on criminal justice, juvenile justice, and delinquency prevention.



REV. JOSEPH LUKE LENNON, O.P. '40 & '61Hon., a retired College faculty member and administrator who was a member of the Dominican Community of the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas at PC for more than 60 years, died on June 21. Father Lennon taught education, theology, and philosophy from 1949-68, retiring with the rank of professor. He received the Outstanding Faculty Service Award. Father Lennon served as vice president for community affairs until

1988. He also served as College dean and as a member of the PC Corporation and Providence President's Council. The Father Joseph L. Lennon, O.P. Scholarship was established in his name to assist students in financial need. PC's field hockey and lacrosse field was named Lennon Field in recognition of the generosity of Father Lennon and his late sister, Marjorie D. Lennon.

ERNEST B. MAROT, a longtime College chef, died on April 26. Mr. Marot was the priory chef at PC for 16 years, retiring in 1993. A lifelong resident of Pawtucket, R.I., he founded the Pawtucket Soup Kitchen, which he led for more than 16 years and which continues to feed the hungry.

IN MEMORIAM (CONTINUED)

JOHN F. MONTANARO III '13 died on April 26. Mr. Montanaro was a secondary education/math major and a member of PC's Liturgical Choir. Afflicted with cancer, he was the captain of the "Power of Prayer" team in the American Cancer Society's annual Relay for Life fund-raiser at PC. An avid athlete and sports fan, he was known for his genuine spirit and compassion.

DR. GEORGE F. SAWDY, assistant professor of economics and a faculty member for 35 years, died on August 16. Dr. Sawdy came to PC in 1976 as an instructor and was promoted to assistant professor in 1983. His areas of expertise included natural resources, macroeconomics, monetary theory, and public finance. He was the husband of Dr. Mary Anne Sedney, PC professor of psychology and women's studies.

WILLIAM D. SLATTERY, JR. '53 & '03Hon., a fervent alumnus, benefactor,



and member of PC's Providence President's Council, died on August 4. Mr. Slattery, president of W.D. Slattery Real Estate in Pawtucket, R.I., was the first alumnus to serve as chair of every level of the Annual Fund—now the PC Fund—and helped raise a record total of more than \$4 million during the 1985-86 fiscal year. He served on the alumni Board of Governors and the College's Building and Grounds Committee. Mr. Slattery received an honorary doctorate in 2003, the Mal Brown Award in 1993, and the Faithful Friar Award in 1988. Mr. Slattery and

his wife, Barbara, established the William and Barbara Slattery Scholarship Fund for students in financial need in 2007.

DR. VINCENT C. TROFI '52, a retired assistant professor of management, died on April 30. Dr. Trofi was a PC faculty member from 1984-2006 and taught in the undergraduate day school, the graduate program, and the School of Continuing Education. He served as director of the Division of Business Administration from 1986-94. He also served as Department of Management chair from 1994-2001.

REBECCA HERSON TWERSKY '79G, a longtime special lecturer in the School of Continuing Education, died on May 19. Mrs. Twersky taught biblical Hebrew and Jewish studies for 31 years, stepping down last year at the age of 90. She received a master's degree in biblical studies from PC in 1979.

JOSHUA D. WILDENHAIN '12 of Riverside, R.I., died on August 10. He was a history major and had a minor in film/video. Although he was afflicted with cystic fibrosis, he is remembered by others as always living life with a big smile.

DEATHS

William I. Swift '38
Lawrence X. Shea '39
William D. Corrente, D.D.S. '40
Rev. Joseph L. Lennon, O.P. '40 & '61Hon.
James F. McGrath '41
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The Honorable Edward V. Healey, Jr. '42D
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Lino Tiberi, D.M.D. '43
Raymond L. VanDewalle '43
Joseph T. Barrett, M.D. '46
Rev. James J. Davis, O.P. '46
John D. Buckley '48
Henry P. Shepard '48
Gerard A. Thibert, D.D.S. '49
Vincent Pellegrino, Jr. '50
Benjamin F. DeLellis '51
William J. Kerin '51
Daniel J. Magiera, M.D. '51
Daniel P. Ryskiewich, Ph.D. '52
Vincent C. Trofi '52 (Faculty)
Robert H. Marcil '53
Andrew F. Resnisky, Jr. '53
William D. Slattery, Jr. '53 & '03Hon.
James A. Bolton, Jr. '54
Paul J. Coyle, M.D. '54
Michael F. Filippelli '54
Edward T. Ryder '54
Rev. Arthur J. Payne, O.P. '56
Eugene F. Sweeney '56
Gregory W. Coughlin, Jr., M.D. '57
John J. Gianino '57
Donald J. Gleason, Jr. '57
Franklin G. Putney '57
P. Gary Mennitt, Ph.D. '58
Vincenzo M. DiIorio '59
Roland B. Mergener '59
Robert I. Stearns '59
Donald L. Brown, M.D. '60
J. Thomas Coughlin '60
Pasquale Marsella, Jr. '60
John B. McBennett '60
John F. Lafferty '61
Fredrik D. Holth '62
Robert J. Baumer, M.D. '65
Robert P. Clerc '65
Paul J. Duffy '66
Victor M. Macaruso '66
Thomas A. Cloutier, Sr., Esq. '68
Richard B. Donati, M.D. '69
Robert L. Santopadre '69
Stephan C. Flanagan '70
Paul J. Gillis '70
Michael D. Harrison '70
Edward J. McGunagle '71
Guy P. Erickson '72
Judith Hart Langford '74G
Gary F. Lattanzio '75
Frederick R. Carter '79
Jane E. Thomson '79
Rebecca Herson Twersky '79G
Stephen P. Marra '80
Brian C. O'Friel '81
Sister Mary Elizabeth Kelleher, O.P. '81G
Maureen A. Tandy Kempf '81G
Brother Benedict (Vernon) Hirsch, O.S.B. '84
Sister Germaine Demers '85G
Richard A. Lewis '85
Andrea Hickey Cady '86
Gary J. Day '86
Anthony Medeiros '87G
Robert M. Graham '88
Eileen Phillips Montgomery '88
Michael J. O'Neill '93
Traci Blais Thomassen, J.D. '03G
John F. Montanaro III '13
Joshua D. Wildenhain '12
Maria Togneri Ricci (Staff)
George F. Sawdy (Faculty)
Ernest B. Marot (Retired Staff)

EXIT STAGE RIGHT

BY REV. JOSEPH J. GUIDO, O.P.

Each May from my perch in the front row, I watch as more than a thousand pairs of them make their way across the stage. They walk, shuffle, and stride, teeter and trot, sometimes slip and slide, and on occasion spring and bounce. They are encased in finely polished leather, spiked with heels that make for an unsteady gait, or are bared in flip-flops, festooned with polish and glitter or draped in thin gold chains.

Peeking out from beneath long black robes, they suggest a recent tan or reveal the tiniest of tattoos; a butterfly, perhaps, or a Chinese character. In the absence of socks, they are either silky smooth and elegant, or all thick, wiry hair that mocks their owners' thinner, fainter whiskers.

But always they exit stage right and rarely are they ever seen again.

Historically, Dominicans are itinerant, moving from place to place to preach the Gospel and to meet a given need. But here we generally stay, year after year, in obedience to the peculiar demands of academic life. It is rather our students who are itinerant. But the ascetical pinch of their coming and going is no less than if we ourselves had been the ones to move. After all, it is not the movement that matters so much as the loss that follows in its wake.

Many years ago, my high school friends and I fell to grousing about a particular Brother who had a reputation for being snappy and mean spirited. Overhearing us, another Brother sidled up and said, "Hold your horses. He wasn't always bitter. But he never got used to the fact that he had to pour everything he's got into you boys, only to watch you walk away, never to be seen again. But that's the way it's supposed to be. You've got to love and then let those you love go."

There is a fair bit of wisdom in that. Priest or parent, teacher, coach or friend, even spouse, the choice is always the same: to love, knowing that the pain of separation is inevitable, or to guard our hearts by refusing to love.

That is as true when the circumstances are mundane—sending a child off to college, for example—as it is when they are heart wrenching: letting a spouse die peacefully when you would give anything for one more day, one more hour, one last kiss. It also is why such circumscribed loss as attends graduation, where sadness is mixed with pride and promise, yet hints at a greater loss to come. For if friends can keep in touch and reunions beckon, there is an exit we must all make from which none but one has returned.

Yet his return is sufficient assurance that love is worth the pain of separation. As the 14th century English mystic Julian of Norwich put it, he knows full well the "sorrow and darkness which we are in", for he had made it his own. He asks only that we "cleave to him", and if we would "learn thy Lord's meaning in this thing",

Learn it well: Love was His meaning. Who shewed it thee? Love. What shewed He thee? Love. Wherefore shewed it He? For Love. Hold thee therein and thou shalt learn and know more in the same. But thou shalt never know nor learn therein other thing without end. Thus was I learned that Love was our Lord's meaning ... and in this love our life is everlasting.

No loss then is final, for none can withstand Love's beckoning; and no separation is unbridgeable, not by Love's span.

Why then not love? Why not give, over and over, knowing that there is loss to come but knowing, too, that in his returning, Love has put an end to loss? In this sense, the choice to love is an act of faith, in the one who rose from the dead, and an act of hope, that our loves, too, shall be redeemed from the exits we fear.

This is heady stuff, wisps of heaven hard to grab hold of. But it is not without its earthly hints and intimations. For each September a thousand new pairs walk and stride across campus. They are sneakered, clomping down stairwells, or in sandals, tapping impatiently as they wait in line. They dangle flip-flops from their biggest toe as their owners lie on Slavin lawn, taking in the sun. They carry young people eager to belong, to make this new place home, and perhaps without knowing it, eager for our love and lessons; everything we've got to give. And in their own unsuspecting way, they redeem May's losses and remind us, "Love was His meaning."

In a few short years they too will leave us, exiting stage right. That's the way it's supposed to be. But for now they enter, stage left.

Rev. Joseph J. Guido, O.P. is vice president for mission and ministry, assistant professor of psychology, and a counseling psychologist in the Personal Counseling Center.

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On behalf of our students, faculty, staff, and my fellow Dominicans, we *thank you* and *celebrate* your loyal commitment to the Catholic and Dominican education that is uniquely Providence College.

This past year, committed donors contributed \$11.9 million to the College, an increase of close to 10% over the previous year. I am particularly heartened that the Angel Fund, established to provide emergency aid for students, surpassed the \$1 million mark in cumulative gifts since its inception in 2009.

We celebrate this milestone and your ongoing commitment to help Providence College close the financial aid gap for students through your Angel Fund donations, unrestricted gifts to the PC Fund, and support for endowed scholarships. This past year alone, thoughtful donors established 14 new endowed scholarship funds.

We celebrate your commitment to support academic excellence in our classrooms and engage students in learning opportunities such as the Father Philip A. Smith, O.P. Student Fellowships for

Study and Service Abroad, which recently funded eight fellows and their summer travels to Kenya, Australia, the Solomon Islands, and Great Britain.

We celebrate your commitment to initiatives that improve the learning and living environment for our students, including major renovations to historic Harkins Hall, the adoption of new technologies, and continued improvements to athletic and residential facilities. And, we celebrate the foresight of 21 new Harkins Society members who, by including PC in their estate plans, have ensured a Providence College education for future generations.

As we celebrate your commitment to Providence, may the Lord continue to bless, guide, and bestow his grace upon you.

Brian J. Shanley, O.P.

Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80
President



ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP *says*

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The Lamy Family *thanks* Father Ertle

and Providence College with a “*forever*” gift

“I’ve got a *special feeling* for PC and the Dominican Friars *in my heart*.
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—AL LAMY ’53

WHILE PC CHAPLAIN AND PRIOR OF PC’S DOMINICAN Community from 1979 to 1983, Rev. Thomas J. Ertle, O.P. ’51, ’82G, & ’84Hon. discovered a unique way to meet students: he sold “Friar Franks” from a hot dog pushcart. During his sojourn into the fast food business, he recruited student Marianne Lamy ’85 as a helper. Their ensuing friendship led to Father Ertle becoming close friends with her family.

“Marianne told Father Tom where we lived, which at the time was Chestnut Ridge, N.Y.,” remembers her mother, Barbara Lamy. “He was going by that area and saw we were one of the exits off the New York State Thruway—so he came over!”

“We were very impressed with him. He is very humble and caring. Anything you ask him to do—even if it brings him out of his way—he’ll do for you.”

As the relationship grew, Father Ertle celebrated the marriages of Marianne and her sister Patti, and baptized all six grandchildren of Barbara and Alfred “Al” A. Lamy ’53. Al adds that Father Ertle, who replies “Never better” to every “How are you?” is “always optimistic and happy.”

When a joyful Providence College experience such as the Lamys’ lasts forever in your heart and mind, an apt “thank you” in response is an endowed scholarship that continues in perpetuity.

And that’s exactly the purpose of the new Rev. Thomas J. Ertle, O.P. Scholarship that Al and Barbara, and their children—Marianne Lamy Zinzarella ’85, Rick Lamy ’81, and Patti Lamy Smolley—established at Providence College.

“We are doing this as a family to honor Father Tom for all he’s done for our family, PC, and the Dominican priests,” says Al Lamy, a chemistry major who was senior class president, in the Friars Club, and a member of PC’s Corporation and Board of Trustees during the 1980s.

“It’s such a great honor. I’m kind of spellbound,” Father Ertle admits. “Al, Barbara, and their whole family are very important to me and very precious in my life.”

Scholarship will help students with disabilities

Father Ertle, who returned to PC in 1998 as assistant chaplain after administrative roles with the Dominican Province of St. Joseph—including that of prior provincial—requested that the scholarship fund in his name benefit students with financial need who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, or have other physical disabilities.

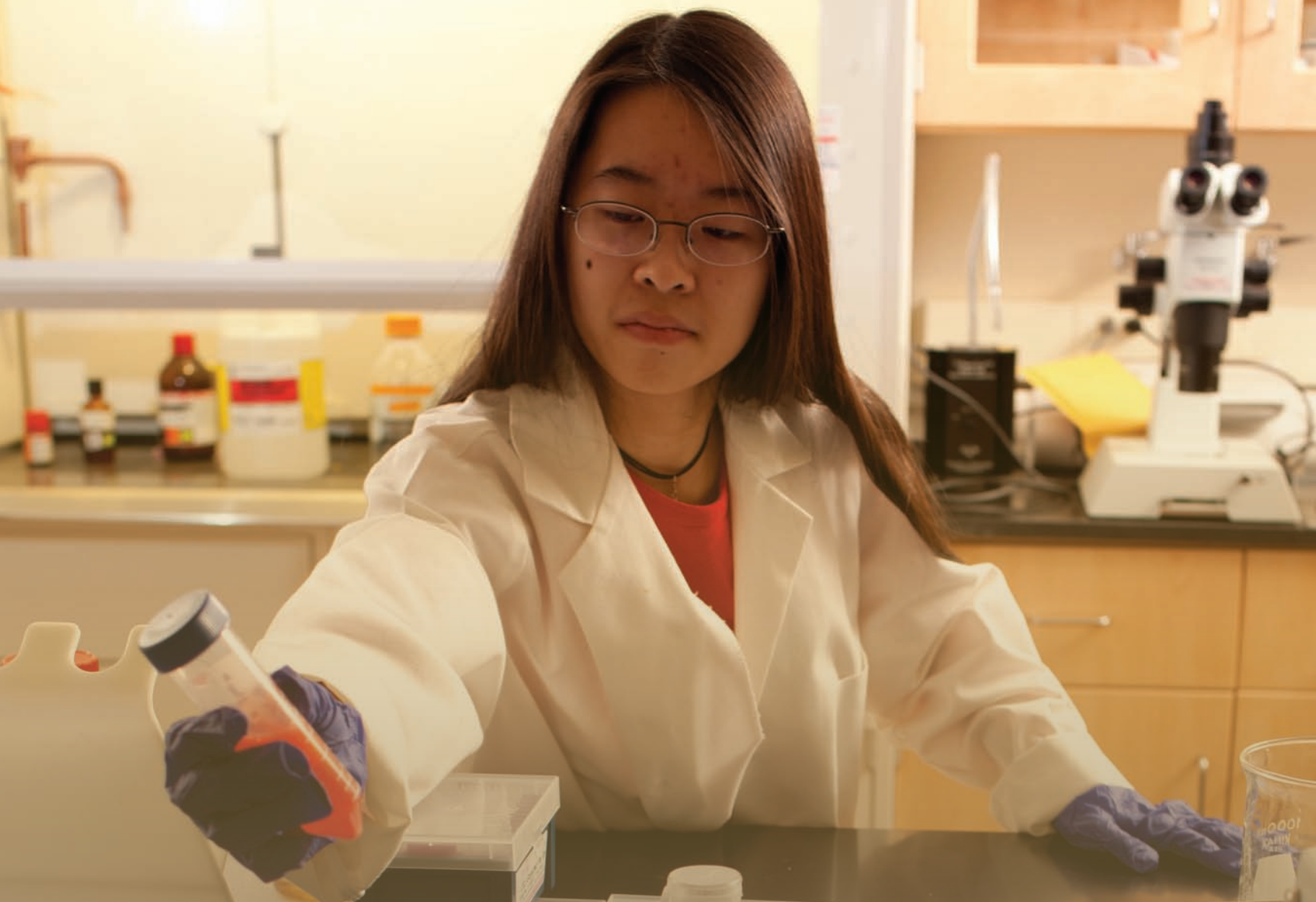
He enjoys a special ministry with the deaf, in particular, occasionally celebrating Mass in sign language that he learned from Sister Gabriel Marie Clune, O.P., who ministered to the deaf community, and Rosie Boyle ’82 & ’90G, then PC’s disability support services coordinator.

A “special feeling for PC”

Al Lamy began giving back to PC by establishing the Alfred and Barbara J. Lamy Scholarship Fund in 1992. He has helped fund—and raise funds for—the Class of ’53 Scholarship Fund, the class’s gift of the altar for St. Dominic Chapel, and its gifts for the Cannon Fitness Center, Smith Center for the Arts, and Moore Hall.

“I’ve got a special feeling for PC and the Dominican Friars in my heart,” says Lamy, a current Providence President’s Council member and previous Faithful Friar Award recipient.

“You never lose that feeling, even after you graduate.”



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—DR. SHEILA ADAMUS LIOTTA

ONE OF THE HALLMARKS OF EDUCATION AT Providence College is engaged learning—hands-on experiences that bring students beyond the traditional classroom setting to explore learning through collaborative research with faculty members, internship opportunities, study abroad, and unique laboratory assignments.

Thanks to the generosity of Dr. Herbert Brennan '89SCE and Roderick H. '80 and Lisa M. Lichtenfels, newly-minted PC graduate Allison M. White '11 and several classmates enjoyed a hands-on opportunity most biology undergraduate majors can only dream about—exploring human anatomy by dissecting a cadaver.

“I never thought I'd be able to have this type of experience in undergraduate school,” remarks White, who was a student laboratory assistant to Dr. David B. Baier, assistant professor of biology and instructor of the human anatomy course.

“When you are able to see everything firsthand, you really understand how intricate and complex the human body is,” she says. “I'm able to see everything that I've only previously learned about in textbooks. Every time I work on a dissection, I see something new and exciting.”

“In the textbook,” Baier explains, “everything is two dimensional.”

Throughout the semester, Baier impressed upon students that respect for the human cadaver was paramount. As they carefully dissected tissue and other parts of the body, he urged them to be mindful that “the individual remains an individual as much as possible.”

Supporting PC's commitment to academic excellence

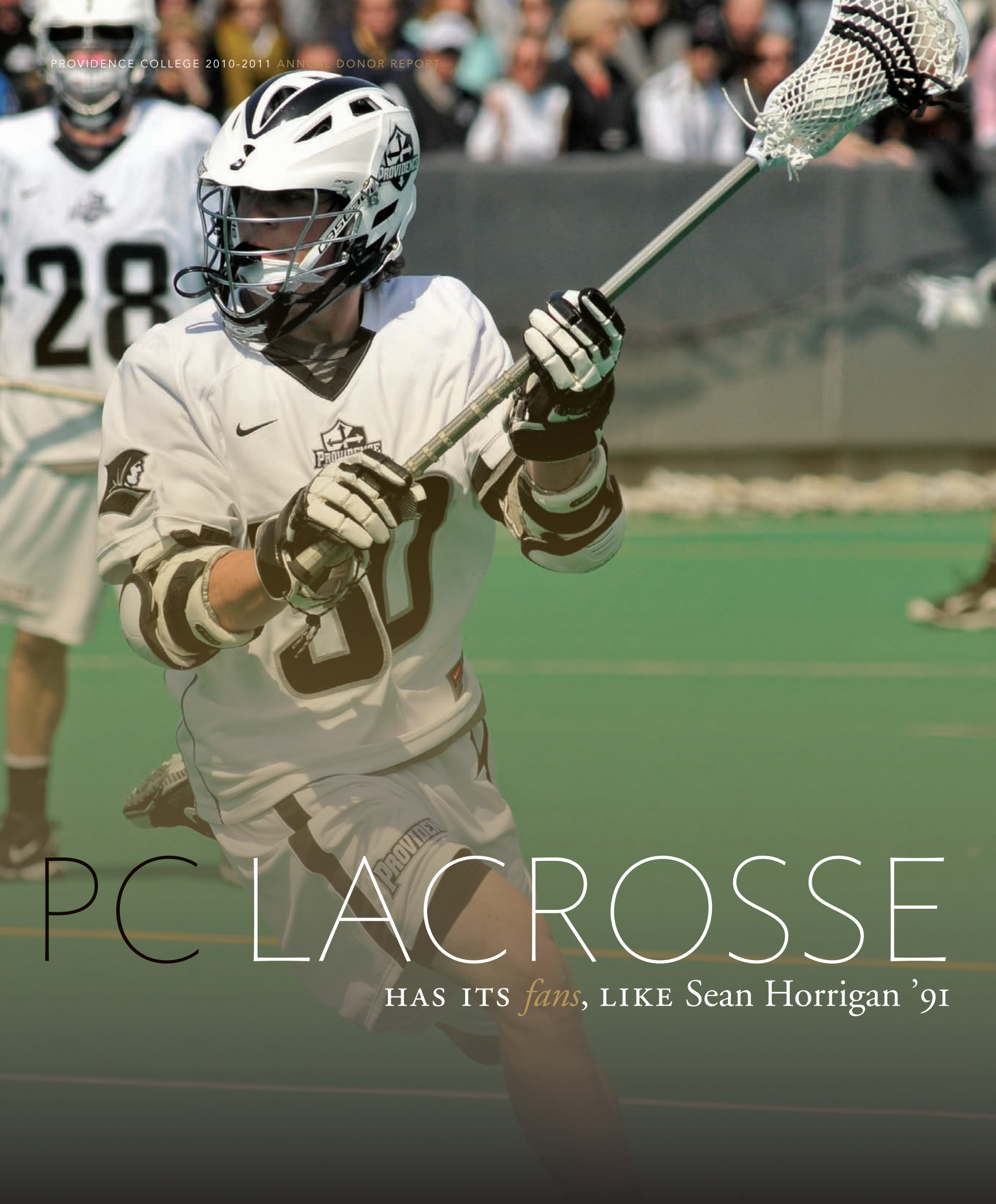
Brennan, a strong believer in developing health profession-related initiatives at PC, contributed to the cost of the renovations necessary to store the cadaver and facilitate dissection. His gift was matched by the Lichtenfels, who have two sons at PC, Benjamin P. '13 and Carl J. '12.

With their support, Baier obtained a female human cadaver, a dissection table, and appropriate surgical lighting from the Anatomical Gift Program at Brown University, where he earned his doctoral degree. He hopes to permanently obtain a second table and autopsy tools that had to be borrowed for this inaugural class.

The new laboratory opportunities in anatomy, as well as in stem cell research, point not only to the strength of the biology program at PC, but also to a College-wide commitment to increased student research and engagement, says Dr. Sheila Adamus Liotta, dean of the School of Arts & Sciences and an associate professor of chemistry.

Liotta also notes that in 2008, PC joined the Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR), which supports and promotes high-quality, undergraduate student-faculty collaborative research and scholarship.

“Students coming to Providence College for the liberal arts do not have to choose between attending a smaller, mission-driven, supportive institution and having first-rate, hands-on experiences,” she points out. “They can do both right here at PC.”



PC LACROSSE

HAS ITS *fans*, LIKE Sean Horrigan '91

“I am already *grateful* to PC. I loved every minute I was there and lacrosse has *opened so many doors for me*. I’m really glad to be able to do the same for somebody else.”

—SEAN HARRIGAN ’91

PEOPLE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN passionate about the game of lacrosse, which already had been on campus 15 years when Cleveland-born Sean M. Horrigan ’91 became a student at Providence College.

“I started playing lacrosse late in high school. I fell in love with it immediately. Lacrosse is physical, dynamic; it takes a lot of skill,” says Horrigan.

Horrigan and his twin brother John played Division I lacrosse throughout their years at PC, with Sean becoming captain of the team his senior year. He registered one of the greatest all-time single game performances in Friar history when he recorded five goals and one assist in a game versus Georgetown.

Though he loved simply playing the game at PC, lacrosse turned out to be pivotal to Horrigan’s life.

“I graduated into the recession of the early 90s. When I went home to Ohio, there were no jobs, so I coached lacrosse at Ohio State, where I got my MBA in return. My lacrosse connections got me my first job, too,” he points out.

Today, Horrigan is a successful bonds trader in Baltimore, a “big lacrosse town.” He has been coaching kids’ teams on the side for five years, and boasts that, 20 years later, he still has his PC Friars gear.

Team needs scholarships to compete

PC joined the BIG EAST lacrosse conference when it formed two years ago. Competition has been tough, with the team finishing with a losing record.

While the NCAA permits a maximum of 12.6 scholarships, PC currently has funds for only half that amount, 6.3 scholarships.

“I got tired of my friends from Villanova ribbing me,” jokes Horrigan. “For our program to compete in the BIG EAST, we need to be able to provide the scholarships that are necessary to recruit high caliber student athletes,” he says.

And, Horrigan has done just that. He stepped up with a \$50,000 donation to fund the Lacrosse Alumni Student-Athlete Scholarship Fund.

“The generosity of Sean and the Horrigan family has a direct impact on our student-athletes,” responds Head Coach Chris Burdick. “I had Sean speak to our team in the locker room before our game versus Syracuse [ranked #1 in the nation]. I wanted our players to appreciate the hard work of the alumni who came before them.”

PC recently gave Horrigan the inaugural Go Friars Award, which will be known as the Sean Horrigan Go Friars Award in recognition of his efforts. He admits he didn’t need the reward.

“I am already grateful to PC. I loved every minute I was there and lacrosse has opened so many doors for me. I’m really glad to be able to do the same for somebody else,” adds Horrigan.

“Sean’s generous lacrosse scholarship donations will have a tremendous impact on our student-athletes at Providence,” says Robert A. Driscoll, associate vice president for athletics and athletics director. “His thoughtful commitment enables our young men to get a world-class education, while at the same time compete against some of the best lacrosse programs in the nation.”

Class of 1961

TALK ABOUT “golden”
FRIARS!



The generosity of the Class of '61 makes a *significant impact* on the PC community, helping the College continue its trajectory to become a *nationally recognized*, Catholic liberal arts institution.

GOLDEN INDEED! The Class of '61, this year's 50th Reunion class, made a splash during Providence College's Reunion Weekend not unlike the one they did during the years they dominated the campus five decades ago.

One classmate, Dr. Edward A. Iannuccilli '61, reminisced about one of the most important events in PC history up to that point:

So there we were in New York City. The PC Friars, the upstart team from our small New England College, was in the Big Apple for the Big Games at the Big Palace, Madison Square Garden, in the biggest basketball tournament of the year. And we fan(atic)s, members of the Class of '61, were to be an integral part of the national spotlight. We—well, our team—were about to be the 1961 National Invitation Tournament Champs.

The energy ran through the Class

"Yours was a dynamic class," remembers Rev. Robert A. Morris, O.P. '44, then a new member of the English faculty and honorary chair of the Class of 1961's 50th Reunion Committee.

"You followed traditions, but you also started several," adds Father Morris. "You had your own class newspaper, *The Scowl*. You organized (and always won) a campus-wide track meet. Thirty-one of you were chosen for *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. Yours was the first class with the Liberal Arts Honors Program."

Record reunion gift surpasses \$600,000

"Golden" also is an apt description of the Class of '61's generosity towards its alma mater. The alumni contributed more than \$600,000 during their reunion year to support key campus initiatives, including the PC and Angel funds; the Thomson Fund—supporting Liberal Arts Honors Program initiatives in honor of the program's co-founder, the late Rev. Paul van K. Thomson; the Friars Forever Athletic Fund; the Rev. Robert A. Morris, O.P. Scholarship Fund and several other endowed scholarships.

Iannuccilli and many of his classmates attribute much of their success in life to the education and life experience PC gave them. Consequently, it is important to them to fully support PC's mission to help generations of students that have followed after.

The generosity of the Class of '61 makes a significant impact on the PC community, helping the College continue its trajectory to become a nationally recognized, Catholic liberal arts institution.

"This is a class that has exhibited remarkable leadership as PC alumni, including four elected trustees and several presidents of the National Alumni Association Board of Governors. I'm not surprised by their generosity," says Father Morris, who was honored by the class at a special Reunion Weekend tribute event.

Donor YEARBOOK 2010/11



1

St. Dominic Weekend attendees donated more than \$70,000 to the Father Philip A. Smith, O.P. Student Fellowships for Study and Service Abroad Fund, after hearing moving presentations by 2010 Father Smith Fellows who travelled to countries including Kenya and Australia. Because of their generosity, eight students received fellowships in 2011, bringing PC closer to its goal of funding 10 annual fellowships.



2

The Angel Fund surpassed the \$1 million mark in November—barely a year and a half after its inception—thanks to the generosity of nearly 4,000 donors. By the close of FY11, the Angel Fund, a beacon of support for Providence College students whose families continue to be impacted by the sluggish economy, has helped nearly 500 students continue their studies at PC.



3

Thanks to the 750 supporters who attended PC Fund's second annual fundraiser and sold-out event, *A Night in Black and White* set a fundraising record of \$450,000. The Boston gala easily surpassed last year's inaugural benefit which raised over \$300,000, thanks to 450 attendees. The PC Fund builds a bridge between tuition revenues and the actual cost of a PC education, ensuring that all students have access to a first-rate, Catholic liberal arts education.



4

Entrepreneur and author Dal LaMagna '68, also known as "Tweezerman" for his successful business venture, pledged a generous gift of \$250,000 to the School of Business. His gift will support two areas he is passionate about—entrepreneurship and responsible capitalism—helping to catapult the School of Business to the next level of excellence.



5

Endowed scholarship donor Joseph A. Coccia '41 visits Providence College four times a year to show how much two passions in his life—his late wife, Rose, and his Catholic education—mean to him. A lifelong resident of Cranston, R.I., Coccia, 91, marked his most recent visit with a contribution to the Rose A. Coccia Endowed Scholarship Fund to honor what would have been their 65th wedding anniversary. He likewise marks his wife's birthday, her passing, and Christmas by memorial contributions to the fund he established shortly after his wife's death in August 2003 to help undergraduate and graduate-level education majors in financial need. Over the past four years, the fund assisted 11 students with nearly \$20,000 in aid.

6

Challenged by a \$10,000 gift from a generous alumnus, the Class of 2011 raised more than \$35,000 and established a new Senior Giving Program participation rate record of 60 percent, surpassing the previous record of 54 percent set by the Class of 2010.

7

Providence College and Sovereign Bank/Santander Universities signed a three-year, \$360,000 agreement that will provide students with expanded opportunities to study and serve abroad. The renewable agreement supports two new initiatives—Diversity Scholarship Grants for Study Abroad and World Learning and Service Engagement Grants. The study abroad grants will assist multicultural, under-represented, or first-generation students with high financial need, while the learning and engagement grants are open to all students.

8

Providence College Athletics' primary fundraiser, the annual Cox Sports Friar Golf Classic at Warwick (R.I.) Country Club, realized a record \$140,000. The sold-out event benefits the Friar Forever Athletic Fund, providing academic scholarships and support for PC's 300 student-athletes and funds to improve athletic facilities.

class participation

CLASS	GIFTS & PAYMENTS	NO. DONORS	AVERAGE DONATION	% PARTICIPATION	CLASS	GIFTS & PAYMENTS	NO. DONORS	AVERAGE DONATION	% PARTICIPATION
1935	\$1,000.00	1	\$1,000.00	25.00%	1973	\$49,489.00	90	\$549.88	22.39%
1936	\$250.00	1	\$250.00	16.67%	1974	\$57,118.04	99	\$576.95	21.20%
1937	\$200.00	2	\$100.00	66.67%	1975	\$68,994.12	142	\$485.87	21.81%
1938	\$2,305.00	4	\$576.25	44.44%	1976	\$75,574.57	161	\$469.41	23.27%
1939	\$200.00	1	\$200.00	12.50%	1977	\$218,216.17	169	\$1,291.22	22.99%
1940	\$1,175.00	7	\$167.85	77.78%	1978	\$231,103.56	221	\$1,045.72	25.43%
1941	\$11,250.00	4	\$2,812.50	26.67%	1979	\$201,181.67	219	\$918.64	23.45%
1942	\$5,820.00	21	\$277.14	56.76%	1980	\$196,664.79	207	\$950.07	22.23%
1943	\$3,480.00	8	\$435.00	40.00%	1981	\$116,675.22	185	\$630.68	20.95%
1944	\$3,475.00	5	\$695.00	26.32%	1982	\$106,063.25	198	\$535.67	21.88%
1945	\$257.06	3	\$85.69	33.33%	1983	\$128,464.14	196	\$65.53	22.00%
1946	\$2,245.00	13	\$172.70	61.90%	1984	\$410,126.82	218	\$1,881.32	21.63%
1947	\$2,050.00	10	\$205.00	43.48%	1985	\$144,345.24	190	\$759.71	20.11%
1948	\$4,322.00	18	\$240.11	72.00%	1986	\$308,779.86	235	\$1,313.96	24.82%
1949	\$13,385.00	35	\$382.43	43.75%	1987	\$156,554.31	219	\$714.86	22.88%
1950	\$175,955.00	57	\$3,086.93	41.91%	1988	\$185,340.96	167	\$1,109.83	17.38%
1951	\$17,950.00	57	\$314.91	35.40%	1989	\$112,736.65	188	\$599.67	17.72%
1952	\$74,354.17	71	\$1,047.24	40.34%	1990	\$119,667.50	169	\$708.09	14.72%
1953	\$75,152.50	67	\$1,121.68	40.85%	1991	\$166,354.90	164	\$1,014.36	15.98%
1954	\$26,845.00	53	\$506.51	44.17%	1992	\$92,891.73	161	\$576.97	15.62%
1955	\$1,260,522.00	55	\$22,918.58	41.67%	1993	\$65,160.71	159	\$409.82	13.58%
1956	\$21,381.67	63	\$339.39	42.86%	1994	\$43,306.83	134	\$323.18	12.49%
1957	\$34,240.00	86	\$398.14	46.49%	1995	\$56,970.17	140	\$406.93	13.93%
1958	\$75,744.50	80	\$946.81	40.20%	1996	\$38,429.40	140	\$274.50	12.99%
1959	\$81,282.50	130	\$625.25	45.45%	1997	\$28,546.07	136	\$209.90	12.35%
1960	\$229,464.90	92	\$2,494.18	27.54%	1998	\$20,794.94	116	\$179.27	10.34%
1961	\$214,506.20	117	\$1,833.39	40.63%	1999	\$21,875.00	143	\$152.97	12.85%
1962	\$44,467.47	106	\$419.50	34.19%	2000	\$19,379.88	124	\$156.29	10.68%
1963	\$185,884.98	92	\$2,020.49	33.21%	2001	\$24,447.92	149	\$164.08	14.41%
1964	\$111,385.28	153	\$728.01	36.60%	2002	\$31,882.16	133	\$239.71	11.67%
1965	\$333,971.79	145	\$2,303.25	36.07%	2003	\$15,841.50	110	\$144.01	9.46%
1966	\$378,174.19	131	\$2,886.83	30.32%	2004	\$10,749.82	104	\$103.36	9.93%
1967	\$84,834.50	132	\$642.70	34.83%	2005	\$18,717.55	119	\$157.29	11.19%
1968	\$125,975.00	159	\$792.30	32.99%	2006	\$13,719.12	107	\$128.22	10.05%
1969	\$72,053.95	140	\$514.67	27.56%	2007	\$12,005.27	147	\$81.67	13.93%
1970	\$108,791.44	146	\$745.15	29.08%	2008	\$12,052.44	165	\$73.04	15.49%
1971	\$212,618.15	112	\$1,898.38	27.32%	2009	\$7,148.81	172	\$41.56	17.55%
1972	\$58,718.56	113	\$519.63	27.56%	2010	\$7,515.21	157	\$47.88	16.37%
					2011*	\$32,898.63	559	\$58.85	61.7%
					TOTAL	\$7,683,471.74	9,102	\$977.62	20.28%

*Senior Giving 2011

We are pleased to include senior class giving in the Class Participation Report. Student-donors achieved a record breaking 60% Senior Giving Program participation rate, breaking the previous participation record of 54% set by the Class of 2010.

Note—Purple class years and participation details indicate Reunion year.

regional participation

TOTAL SOLICITED
43,999

TOTAL DONORS
8,543

TOTAL GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$7,650,573

WEST COAST

NO. SOLICITED NO. DONORS
1,318 **232**

GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$211,437

NEW ENGLAND

NO. SOLICITED NO. DONORS
29,950 **5,695**

GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$3,888,280

SOUTHWEST

NO. SOLICITED NO. DONORS
835 **137**

GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$118,364

MIDWEST

NO. SOLICITED NO. DONORS
1,283 **268**

GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$139,260

TRI-STATE AREA

NO. SOLICITED NO. DONORS
6,272 **1,218**

GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$2,278,385

OTHER

NO. SOLICITED NO. DONORS
266 **140**

GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$234,641

SOUTHEAST

NO. SOLICITED NO. DONORS
2,450 **414**

GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$488,382

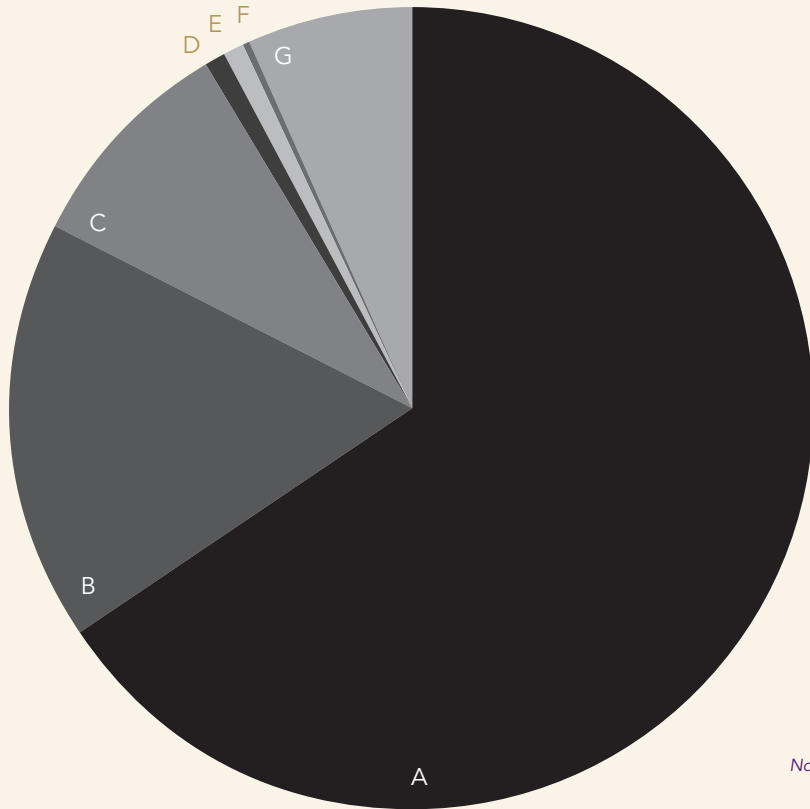
MID-ATLANTIC

NO. SOLICITED NO. DONORS
1,625 **439**

GIFTS & PAYMENTS
\$291,824

reports

GIFTS BY SOURCE | DONORS & DOLLARS REPORT



gifts by source

TOTAL CASH GIFTS

\$11,537,859

TOTAL DONORS

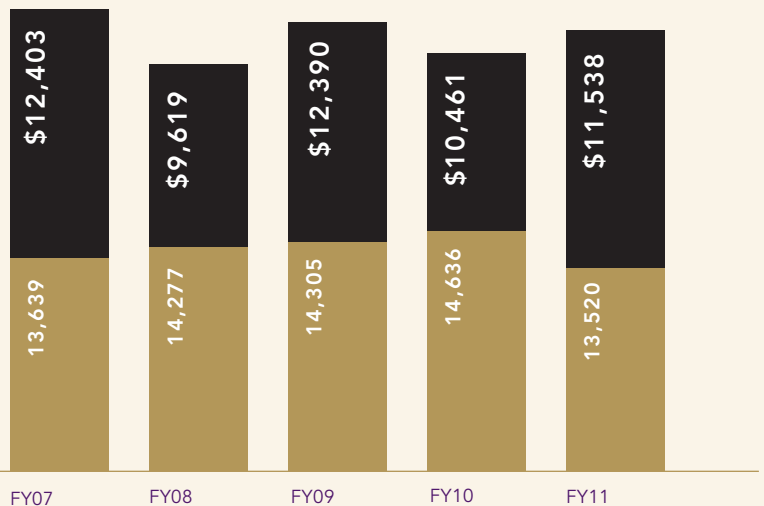
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SOURCE	CASH GIFT	NO DONORS
A ALUMNI	\$7,609,102	8,552
B CORPORATIONS & FOUNDATIONS	\$1,985,491	230
C PARENTS	\$1,029,217	3,040
D FACULTY & STAFF	\$69,975	202
E MISCELLANEOUS	\$120,058	6
F STUDENTS	\$33,526	516
G FRIENDS	\$743,767	974

Note: Alumni includes SCE, Graduate, and Undergraduate; Trustees and Former Trustees. Parents include current parents, past parents, and grandparents.

donors & dollars

DOLLARS RAISED (IN MILLIONS)
 TOTAL DONORS



endowment

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011
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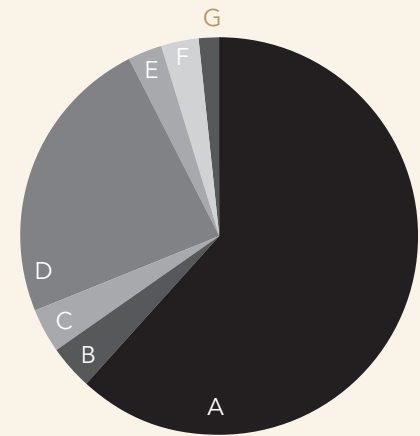


operating revenues

SOURCES OF FUNDS

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011, UNAUDITED

A	NET* TUITION & FEES	62%	\$98,615,637
B	ENDOWMENT SPENDING & INVESTMENT INCOME	3.4%	\$5,425,960
C	ATHLETICS	3.7%	\$5,889,048
D	ROOM & BOARD	23.7%	\$37,669,961
E	CONTRIBUTIONS & GRANTS	2.7%	\$4,293,232
F	OTHER/RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS	3.1%	\$4,871,776
G	GOVERNMENT GRANTS & CONTRACTS	1.5%	\$2,315,083



* Tuition net of \$49.9 million of financial aid.

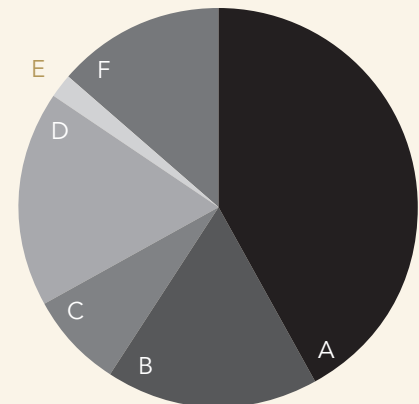
\$159,080,697

operating expenses

USES OF FUNDS

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011, UNAUDITED

A	INSTRUCTION, RESEARCH & ACADEMIC SUPPORT	42%	\$62,603,855
B	*AUXILIARY SERVICES	17.3%	\$25,831,824
C	STUDENT AFFAIRS	7.8%	\$11,602,077
D	INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT	17.6%	\$26,158,897
E	INTEREST ON DEBT	1.9%	\$2,795,905
F	ATHLETICS	13.4%	\$19,962,828



* Expenses associated with student housing and food services.

\$148,955,386



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st. dominic society

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