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Providence College Athletics' BIG EAST
Kick-Off Fundraiser
March 5 • New York City

34th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade
March 17 • Naples, Fla.

25th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade
March 17 • New York City

Alumni-to-Student Networking Night
March 27 • Providence College

APRIL

Departure for 10-day "Discover Switzerland,
Austria and Bavaria" Friar Explorations
Alumni Travel Program Trip
April 18 to 27

FUSION

April 21 • Providence, R.I.

3rd Annual *A Night in Black and White*
April 28 • Boston, Mass.

5th Annual Friar Field Hockey Golf Outing
& Alumnae Game
April 28 • Cranston, R.I.

MAY

15th Anniversary Celebration of the 1997
Men's Basketball Elite 8 Friars
May 12 • Providence Westin Hotel

Senior Legacy Dinner
May 18 • Providence College

Providence College's 94th Commencement
Exercises, Dunkin' Donuts Center
May 20 • Providence, R.I.

JUNE

Reunion Weekend 2012, for classes ending
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June 1 to 3 • Providence College

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June 14 • Washington, D.C.

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Goal:

A campus culture that is respectful of every individual, and in which forms and expression is valued.

it includes:

Establishing an Office of Institutional Effectiveness to actively recruiting, supporting and retaining diverse faculty, staff, students and alumni; integrating diversity into the curriculum; providing a more global outlook; and the development of Western Civilization courses and ongoing opportunities to create greater understanding and respect for diverse perspectives.

It has succeeded:

in creating an inclusive and welcoming environment considered in every institutional decision. It inspires respect and dignity for all.

It has improved the lives of many.

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Build lifelong relationships, grow financial resources and increase overall institutional effectiveness.

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Preparing students for lives of meaning and purpose

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STRATEGIC

PLAN puts PC on a

path TO
GREATNESS

Goal: become a first-choice, national, Catholic liberal arts college

By DIANE M. STERRETT



“I think our biggest challenge lies in becoming truly national, *the college that people know about* from L.A. to Washington to Chicago to Miami as a distinguished Catholic institution. This plan puts us in a place *we’ve never been before*,” said College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. ’80 in launching the College’s new Strategic Plan for 2011 to 2015.

The plan—*Achieving Excellence. Pursuing Truth. Transforming Lives.*—provides a clear vision built on core values, strategic initiatives for each value, and key metrics for accountability and assessment. It also links the core values with long-range financial planning to ensure success. It will serve as a roadmap so that there is no ambiguity about the College’s future as we approach our centenary milestone in 2017.

Years in the making, the Strategic Plan reflects the College’s current circumstances and recent achievements, and will be a critical tool in guiding progress. “It is important to the future of PC, and the time is right,” Father Shanley said.

“When you have goals, you have some sense of how your vision for the future impacts what you’re doing in the present, and that’s why a strategic plan is so important for an institution,” he said.

“You need to be able to say to people, ‘This is where we’re going.’ And we’ve finally brought all the stars in alignment. The students, the faculty, the alumni—everything is heading in the right direction, except we definitely need more resources if we’re going to compete. We are at a critical point; we’re negotiating a really turbulent economic environment that has stressed every institution that I know of.”

Built on five core values

As the plan was created, four areas of concentration emerged: Advancing the Mission, Academic Excellence, Preparing Students for Lives of Meaning and Purpose, and Building Resources. During a series of forums over the past year among students, faculty, and staff about diversity on campus, another clear priority emerged.

“One thing I took away from last year’s discussions on diversity was that nobody was really going to believe we were serious unless we lifted it up and made it a stand-alone objective. Over the summer, we decided we needed to go to a five-pillar plan to include Embracing Diversity,” explained Father Shanley.

New diversity office

One initiative already realized under the Embracing Diversity core value is the creation of a new Office of Institutional Diversity (OID), charged with promoting an institutional culture that supports diversity in its many forms. Its goal is ambitious—create a campus climate with a common vision that respects, values, and supports the academic, social, and personal development of diverse students, faculty, and staff.

Taking the helm at the OID in early January 2012 was the College’s first chief diversity officer, Rafael A. Zapata [See profile in related insert within next two pages]. He will develop, coordinate, and implement diversity programs and initiatives across College divisions, while also leading efforts to strengthen PC’s many existing diversity-related programs.



“My goal is to get to a point where every student and member of our community feels like PC belongs to them, that it validates who they are while also integrating new learning,” Zapata said.

Complementing the drive

Further supporting diversity initiatives is the Balfour Office for Multicultural Activities, a newly designed unit within the Office of Student Affairs that is grounded in a philosophy of intentional interaction. With a variety of initiatives and lecture series, the center seeks to engage the campus in multicultural events, activities, and opportunities to create transformative learning experiences. Its first director, Elena T. Yee, joined PC in fall 2011.

Combined with the other visionary elements of the Strategic Plan, these diversity initiatives exemplify Father Shanley’s goal to “become a great school.” The plan, which brings definition to PC’s high aspirations, is both aggressive and pragmatic. Once realized, the plan will position PC for even greater impact—on students, on scholarship, and on society—in its second century. ■

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OUR VISION

Providence College will be *a nationally recognized, premier, Catholic liberal arts institution of higher education* that embodies the rich intellectual and spiritual tradition of the Dominican Order, and whose students, transformed by wisdom and enabled by grace, lead lives of virtue, purpose, and meaning—lives that will *transform society*.

ACHIEVING THE VISION

THIS VISION IS BUILT UPON
FIVE CORE VALUES AND RELATED STRATEGIES:

*Advancing the Catholic
and Dominican Mission*

Enhancing Academic Excellence

EMBRACING DIVERSITY

*Preparing Our Students for
Lives of Meaning and Purpose*

Building Lifelong Relationships,
Growing Financial Resources,
and Increasing Overall
Institutional Effectiveness

Using pertinent and objective data to drive decision-making.

Enhancing our alumni network.

Advancing our comprehensive campaign: Moment: The Next Century Campaign for

we'll know we've succeeded:

When PC has state-of-the-art, well-maintained academic, residential, social, and athletic facilities; a robust network of regional alumni clubs; a commitment to continuous improvement, an endowment

The 2011-2015

STRATEGIC PLAN

at a Glance

After much study, conversation, and contemplation, PC's Strategic Plan for the future was built upon five core values. These values, and their related initiatives, will guide the College in its journey to becoming a national, first-choice, destination Catholic liberal arts college.

CORE VALUE

Advancing the Catholic & Dominican Mission



GOAL: Ensure the College's mission is clearly understood and affects and animates all that we do, in order to guide the transformation of self and society.

What it includes:

- Revising the mission to clearly articulate the Catholic, Dominican, and liberal arts missions based on campuswide discussions
- Implementing Faith *Works* to increase service opportunities; creating opportunities for international service; revising the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program; increasing the number of faith formation programs; initiating Faith *Speaks*, an outreach program that includes seminarian interns and a post-graduate residential service program
- Establishing a guest lecture series to address issues of theological and spiritual significance
- Expanding the Father Philip A. Smith, O.P. Student Fellowships Program, which emphasizes study and service abroad in a Catholic and Dominican context
- Beginning an international travel-pilgrimage program, *In the Footsteps of St. Dominic*, to visit places of historic Dominican significance
- Establishing and seeking donor and foundation support for a program of vocational discernment that will bring the lens of faith and discernment to questions of career, major, service, and life dedication

How we'll know we've succeeded:

When our students, faculty, and staff alike have integrated the Catholic and Dominican mission in their teaching, scholarship, work, study, service, and life-long endeavors.

WHERE WE STAND



BEST BUY SCHOOL:
2012 Fiske Guide to Colleges

PC Named to annual National
Community Service Honor Roll
for four consecutive years

Ranked among the Top **5** Schools in
“GREAT SCHOOLS, GREAT PRICES” category among
master’s level colleges and universities in the North in 2011
U.S. News’ America’s Best Colleges’

First-to-Second Year
Retention Rate

90%

Four-Year
Graduation Rate

83%

Graduate Employment **95%** of recent graduates employed or attending graduate
school (or both) six months after graduation

THE PATH TO GREATNESS STARTS WITH **STRATEGIC GOALS**

- Complete new construction/renovation: Ruane Center for the Humanities (2013), Dore Hall as the new home to the School of Business (2015), and various athletics and recreational facilities upgrades
- Reduce unmet financial aid by 10% by 2015
- Increase the percentage of accepted students who choose PC by 50%
- Add a minimum of two endowed faculty positions by 2015
- Achieve a 20% increase in student internship participation by 2015
- Increase the number of student programs that facilitate diversity by 20% this year
- Grow graduate school enrollment by the year 2015
- Increase participation in College-sponsored community service by 20% by 2014



Note: This is a small sample of the dozens of specific goals in PC’s Strategic Plan.

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CORE VALUE

Enhancing Academic Excellence



What it includes:

- Fully implementing the new Core Curriculum
- Recruiting and retaining superior faculty
- Creating a Center for the Study of Humanities Scholarship in Western Civilization
- Creating a Center for Student Engagement
- Earning AACSB accreditation for the School of Business in 2012
- Repositioning the School of Continuing Education as a school of first choice
- Meeting a higher level of student financial aid
- Establishing an academic culture of accountability and continuous improvement

How we'll *know* we've succeeded:

When we are graduating students who are better thinkers and better writers, armed with the skills that give them the confidence to know they can solve any problem and succeed on their chosen path; when we have retained a renowned, diverse faculty educated at the finest national and international graduate schools; when we have established an accredited, internationally recognized business school; and when we have established an academic culture committed to accountability, continuous improvement, and assessment.

GOAL: Establish the College as a nationally recognized, premier, Catholic, liberal arts college that is a first-choice destination school.



Embracing Diversity



What it includes:

- Creation of an Office of Institutional Diversity, led by a chief diversity officer
- Actively recruiting, supporting, and retaining diverse faculty, staff, students, and trustees
- Integrating diversity into the curriculum and extending a more global outlook to studying the Development of Western Civilization
- Providing ongoing opportunities for community interaction to create greater understanding of, and appreciation for, diverse perspectives

How we'll *know* we've succeeded:

When our campus is inclusive and welcoming of all, and where diversity is considered in every aspect of campus life and institutional decision-making, offering a climate that inspires respect and learning from different perspectives.

GOAL: A campus culture that is respectful of the dignity of every individual and in which diversity in its many forms and expression is valued and appreciated.

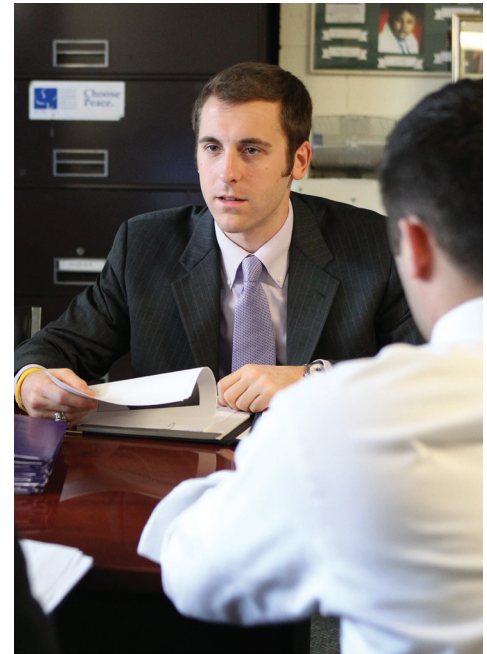


CORE VALUE

Preparing Our Students for Lives of Meaning and Purpose

What it includes:

- Facilitating student wellness initiatives, including fitness and alcohol and drug education
- Developing comprehensive career counseling services, including expanded internship and mentoring opportunities
- Expanding career services to include MBA and other graduate students, as well as creating a comprehensive post-graduate career services program
- Providing a wide variety of service/outreach and service-learning opportunities in the local community
- Fostering a mission-driven, student-centered varsity athletics program
- Expanding athletic scholarship opportunities, recruiting premier coaches, and constructing/renovating facilities



How we'll *know* we've succeeded:

When PC has a holistic approach to student development that reflects unity of mind, body, and spirit; when we have solidified a thriving program of student and career services; when we have developed key alliances with government and community leaders for the purposes of civic engagement and service; and when we have a highly-respected student- and mission-centered varsity athletics program in which each student-athlete can reach his or her full academic, athletic, and human potential.

GOAL: Build a deep sense of personal and community responsibility in our students and prepare them to be successful and productive members of society.



CORE VALUE

Building Lifelong Relationships, Growing Financial Resources, & Increasing Overall Institutional Effectiveness

What it includes:

- Developing a new brand and positioning strategy
- Developing a comprehensive program of renovation and new construction
- Enhancing the College's use of information and instructional technologies to support academic and administrative excellence
- Using pertinent and objective data to drive decision making and bolster assessment
- Enhancing our alumni network through a focused strategy that includes communication, career programming and outreach, and accentuating PC's Catholic and Dominican identity
- Advancing our comprehensive campaign, "Our Moment: The Next Century Campaign for PC"

How we'll *know* we've succeeded:

When PC has state-of-the-art, well-maintained academic, residential, social, and athletic facilities; a robust network of regional alumni clubs; a culture of continuous improvement; an endowment that enables us to realize our full potential; and when giving back to PC has become second nature for all graduates.



GOAL: Increase and sustain philanthropic support for the College to sustain continuous improvement and the highest quality education.



Meet RAFAEL A. ZAPATA, *chief diversity officer*



By DIANE M. STERRETT

As the College's first-ever chief diversity officer, Rafael A. Zapata is leading the Office of Institutional Diversity, supporting the diversity goals outlined in the newly updated Strategic Plan: *Achieving Excellence. Pursuing Truth. Transforming Lives.*

Zapata welcomes working collaboratively with other departments, building on diversity initiatives already under way. "It's [the Strategic Plan] very thorough and well-thought-out. I'm excited to be doing work institution-wide as part of my role," he explained.

Bringing people together is one of his greatest strengths. Zapata comes to PC from Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania, where he worked since 2002 as assistant dean and director of the Intercultural Center. As director, his charge was to create a community in which people can share their commonalities and reach across cultural, geographical, and social lines to exchange ideas and experiences.

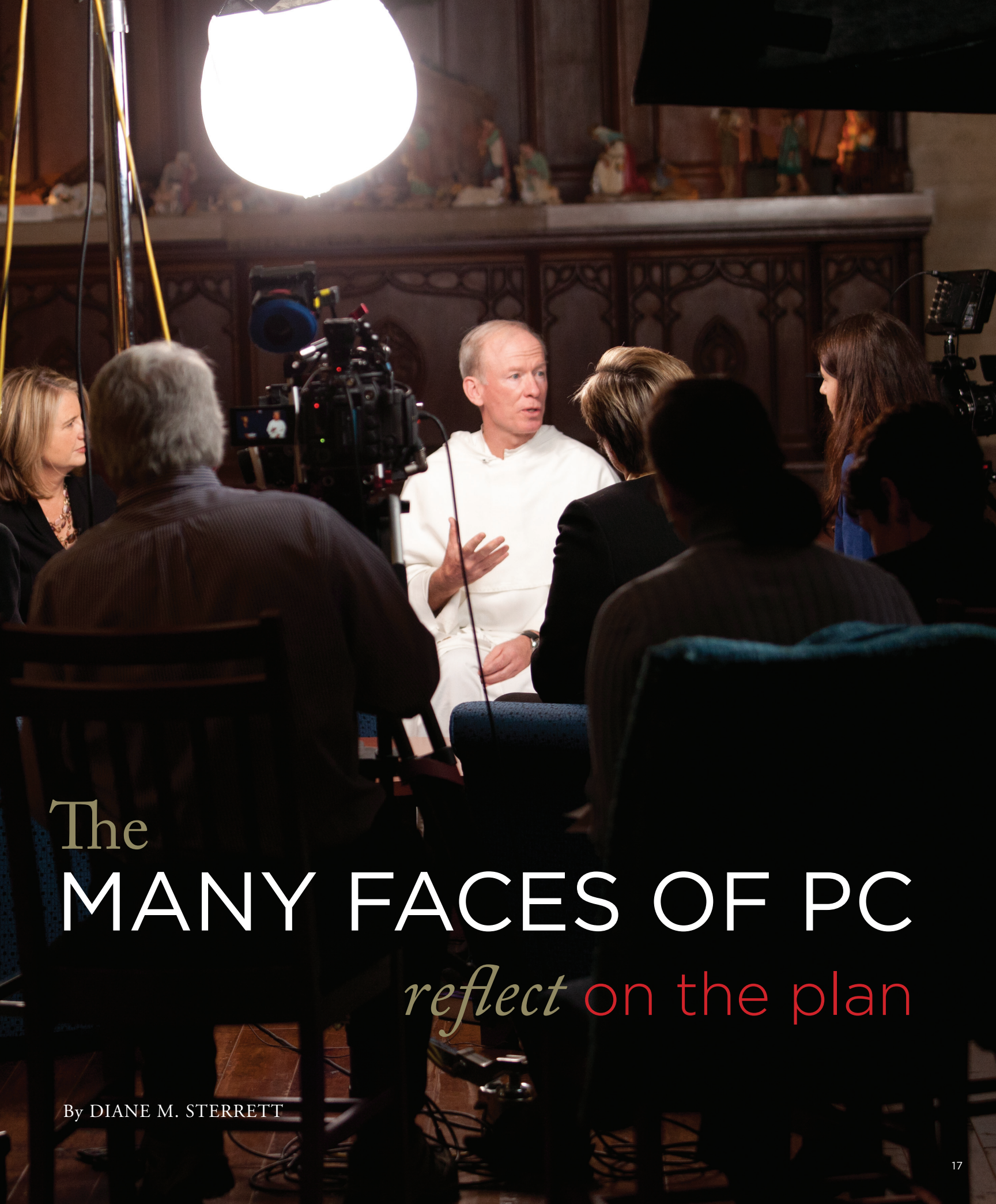
"I tried to embody the values fundamental to the center's mission, which was substantive inclusion and engagement across campus," he said. "I tried to share a vision and incorporate the ideas of others, as well as embed the work we did into the culture and mission of the college, which is very similar to PC's."

Zapata said PC's mission resonates with the beliefs he was surrounded by growing up, attending Catholic schools from second grade through attaining his bachelor's degree.

"Through the interviewing process, I realized how much the values of PC and the Catholic Church are intertwined with my cultural heritage and social background," he said.

Prior to joining Swarthmore, Zapata was assistant director of the Office of African American, Latino, and Asian American Student Services at New York University for three years. Before that, while at the University of Pennsylvania, he worked as the Latino Graduate Program coordinator at the Albert M. Greenfield Intercultural Center, advising students and implementing programs to promote academic, personal, and cultural development.

Zapata earned his master's degree in sociology at Arizona State University and a bachelor's degree in sociology from Iona College. He has done doctoral work in sociology and urban studies at the University of Pennsylvania.



The
MANY FACES OF PC
reflect on the plan

By DIANE M. STERRETT



THE COLLEGE'S TRANSFORMATIVE, NEW STRATEGIC PLAN will affect stakeholders both on and off campus. On a sunny, late-fall afternoon, six people with extensive knowledge of the plan gathered on campus to discuss its five core values and their impact.

Moderated by Laurie White, president of the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, the panel shared opinions and insights. Participants in the roundtable discussion were College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80; Ana-Maria C. Sima '12 (Bucharest, Romania), president of the Board of Multicultural Student Affairs (BMSA); Dr. Joan R. Branham, professor of art history and department chair; and alumni-parents Sharon R. Kennedy, C.P.A. '83 & '13P and Charles M. Borkoski '71 & '12P, who are members of the Providence President's Council and active in other College programs and alumni relations.

Above, at the roundtable are, from left, Laurie White, Dr. Joan R. Branham and Charles M. Borkoski '71 & '12P, Sharon R. Kennedy, C.P.A. '83 & '13P, and Ana-Maria C. Sima '12.

Advancing the Catholic and Dominican Mission

Bringing students' faith to life in their everyday activities and nurturing all aspects of their intellectual and spiritual aesthetic is an ambitious goal, which Kennedy said is enhanced by the unique interactions students have with members of the Dominican Order.

"Having the opportunity for a one-on-one conversation, to not be afraid to approach a Dominican, or have an intellectual or personal conversation is invaluable because it takes away the mystery, and it's something that you can't find anywhere else," said Kennedy. "And, you just learn by watching them and how they approach people, and how they deal with their everyday life. It's not something that, as a parent, you can teach your child."

Borkoski is pleased his daughter has immersed herself in the Dominican experience.

"The fact that the entire person is developed—body, mind, and soul—in his or her educational experience is very important to me," Borkoski said.

It is essential that the College work to meet students at all levels of their faith and spirituality, including those who are indifferent or lack belief, said Father Shanley. The College must honor and respect students at their varying points of spirituality and encourage them to seek the truth during their journey here.

He said that means providing a bridge for the devout between their lives of faith and the rest of their lives, answering the questions of the "seekers" in order to encourage them to search for truth and God, and helping the disengaged get to a point where they begin to ask questions and, perhaps, consider commitment.



Enhancing Academic Excellence

A major part of achieving excellence is the new Core Curriculum that emphasizes engaged and interactive learning while introducing core concentrations. The new Core “rethinks how we teach and learn,” Father Shanley said, and that’s what he’s most excited about.

“We’re thinking more about what kind of a mind we want our students to have and less about what information they need to have in their brains,” said the president. “I really do believe that the function of a good education is learning how to learn because that’s what you do for the rest of your life. We want our students to be able to actively find out information, analyze things, be able to communicate what they know, and have the confidence that comes from being well educated ... that they can solve any problem.”

As a senior, Sima agreed that learning those problem-solving skills in a liberal arts setting will give her a competitive advantage.

“In job interviews, I talk about my liberal arts background and how it opens my perspective, how I see the big picture in a different way and try to figure out a solution,” Sima said.

Branham is excited about the initiatives written into the plan for supporting lifelong learning.

“There are a number of strategies that give students power to learn and do original research,” she pointed out. “It could be they are shoulder-to-shoulder with the science teacher in the lab helping in an experiment which they will then present at a conference, or in art history where

students have an original research project that is published when they graduate, so they then move into the world with a piece of research that they own. And we have a number of grants that support this kind of student engagement with their own learning.”

Embracing Diversity

Roundtable participants were excited about creating an educational environment and campus culture where it’s more likely that students will confront diverse people and ideas in and out of the classroom. As an international student and president of the BMSA, Sima brings a unique perspective to the topic.

“We talk about diversity a lot. It’s not necessarily your nationality or skin color or even religion, but it’s also the way you think and what you are pursuing and the way you act. Being in a diverse environment is helpful in the long run because you are interacting with people who are different than you and that actually makes you understand yourself better and find the truth within you,” said Sima.

“And the most powerful transformation about diversity is for our students to become friends with somebody who’s not like them, who’s from a different country, socioeconomic class, and religion,” Father Shanley said.

Branham said diversity in the faculty and the student body will improve the learning environment.

“We encourage our students to challenge each other, to challenge us, to speak their minds, to think critically. Diverse opinions and backgrounds will help fuel that,” Branham said.

Preparing Students for Lives of Meaning and Purpose

Living a meaningful life, engaged in work that is true to students' core and to their spirit, is a challenge in an economy where parents and students are expecting a return on their investment. With the position of associate director for employer relations created last year, bolstering the staff and resources in the Office of Career Services, the College is poised to make some exciting progress, engaging students early.

"Part of what we tell them is, the average person changes jobs seven or eight times in his or her career. A good education gives you that ability to jump from one job to the next," Father Shanley said.

Borkoski said, "Job-shadowing opportunities, networking events with alumni, and mentoring programs all make a difference. It's all been very transforming for my daughter, to meet these people and network in a one-on-one situation."

"I know my daughter's going to have a very fulfilled life because she has learned so many things being here, not all of which are taught in a classroom," Kennedy remarked.

White pointed out that PC's efforts around internships and career opportunities increase the likelihood students will stay in the area after graduation, with positive effect. "We're talking about transforming lives, but PC's wonderful student and faculty talent can help transform the local economy and really help Providence move into the knowledge-based economy," she said.

Building Lifelong Relationships, Growing Financial Resources, and Increasing Overall Institutional Effectiveness

Any strategic plan must factor in the financial resources needed to bring it to life. "Relying on tuition alone will not enable the College to achieve its vision," Father Shanley said, "so fundraising will be crucial."

"Any investor wants to know what you're going to use his or her money for," Father Shanley said. "Now we can point to the plan and say, 'This is what we need your help with, this is going to make Providence College an incredible transformative experience.'

"At the end, it's all about our students. It's about Katie [Kathryn C. McCann '12, recipient of a 2011 Father Smith Fellowship for Study and Service Abroad], for example, who went to Kenya and worked in an orphanage for six weeks and lived with three other students and Dominicans. You can see the transformation—she will never be the same person. So we can say to a donor, 'Here's what you made possible,'" said Father Shanley.

Getting alumni excited about the plan will be key, Borkoski said. Being involved with students in mentoring and community service is one way he stays connected.

"When you're out there with the students you see how passionate they are, trying to make the neighborhood a better place. And you just know that our students are making the city a better place, and hopefully the state, our nation, and the world, too," said Borkoski.

Veritas

The quest for the truth is not only at the heart of the College, but in the plan's initiatives, Father Shanley emphasized.

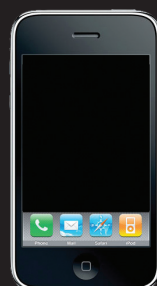
"We have a privileged four years in human life where students have this gift of trying to figure the world out and figure themselves out. We get to walk with them and help them to understand what's true, help them grow spiritually as well in their own tradition, and love the truth as they understand it. It's that awakening of a lifelong love of the truth that's really the heart of what we're trying to do," he said. ■



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EXPLORING the *intersection* of sport, art, & identity

SPORT:ART plays out over two months

By VICKI-ANN DOWNING

College community members and guests finger-paint an interactive mural featured in *SPORT:ART*.



An “interactive” mural that featured student-athletes competing alongside runners from ancient Greece... A display of lithographs about the Negro Baseball League... A series of films and discussions focusing on women in athletics...

... Those were just a few of the highlights of *SPORT:ART*, a unique collaboration this winter between the Department of Art and Art History and the Department of Athletics that examined the relationship among sport, art, and identity.

The idea to explore those links began with a conversation between Catherine Little Bert '77, a College trustee, art gallery owner, and former PC student-athlete, and two art history professors, Dr. Joan R. Branham, department chair, and Dr. Deborah J. Johnson.

Bert's brother, David E. Little, an art historian and curator in Minneapolis, had developed *The Sports Show*, an exhibit examining the role the visual media plays in promoting athletics. Bert wondered, “How do visual images shape the perception of athletes and vice-versa—how do athletes mold visual images?”

“It occurred to me how many of our art students were athletes, and about cognition studies I'd read citing hand-eye coordination as the link between artists and athletes,” Johnson said.

They brought the discussion to Robert G. Driscoll, Jr., associate vice president for athletics and athletics director.

“We wanted to reach across campus,” said Branham. “What do art and athletics have to say to each other?”

SPORT:ART soon grew into a collaboration among multiple departments, including black studies, biology, history, women's studies, the Center for Teaching Excellence, the Balfour Office for Multicultural Activities, and the deans of the School of Arts & Sciences and the Office of Student Affairs.



The lithographs in SPORT:ART's Negro Baseball League exhibit present a realistic, sobering commentary by artist Joe Norman. The exhibit is in the Reilly Art Gallery. This scene is from the opening-night reception.



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To see more photos and to view a time-lapse video of the mural process, visit www.providence.edu/sportart2012

Showcase of student work

The project launched in January at the Smith Center for the Arts and Hunt-Cavanagh Hall with the opening of two exhibits that also served as the community preview for *Gallery Night Providence*, a city-wide celebration of the arts that drew members of the local art community to campus. The exhibits will remain on display through March 22.

In the Hunt-Cavanagh Gallery are photographs of student-athletes taken by student photographers studying with Eric E. Sung, assistant professor of photography. The Reilly Art Gallery in the Smith Center contains *Out at Home! The Negro Baseball League*, a collection of lithographs by Joe Norman, art professor at the University of Georgia.

A highlight of *SPORT:ART* came during *Alumni & Family Weekend* in February, when alumni, students, athletes, and guests took turns painting an “interactive” mural in the Smith Center and in the Ruane Atrium of the Concannon Fitness Center, where it served as the backdrop for a reception commemorating the 40th anniversary of women’s athletics at PC.

The mural was created by Peter Tigler, an artist in Santa Monica, Calif., based on a photograph by Dominic Channon '13 (Nelson, New Zealand), a student of Sung’s who is also a member of the cross country and track and field teams.

Lectures also were featured. Filmmaker Byron Motley, the son of Bob Motley, a chief umpire in the Negro baseball leagues, lectured at the College in February during Black History Month.

Little also visited campus, lecturing on *The Sports Show* and providing a career services program for students, “A Career in the Museum World.”

SPORT:ART runs through March with a film series, “Women in Sports.” For a full schedule, visit www.providence.edu/sportart2012. ■



The work of five talented PC students is featured in the student-athlete photography exhibit in Hunt-Cavanagh Gallery.

Top: Painted fingertips and broad smiles greeted the painting of a community mural during Alumni & Family Weekend. The interactive project was part of SPORT:ART, inspired in part by College trustee Catherine Little Burt '77, seen painting at top right, in rear.



COLLEGES AGAINST CANCER CHAPTER HAILED

PC's Colleges Against Cancer (CAC) chapter was one of just 27 student groups nationally to be recognized in 2011 by the American Cancer Society's "Leader of Hope" program. Leaders of Hope are singled out for their advocacy, cancer education efforts, and service outreach, including commitment to the society's annual *Relay for Life* fund-raiser. PC's CAC chapter raised more than \$90,000 at last year's relay, which drew approximately 860 participants and 101 teams.



FRIARS CLUB PARTNERS WITH BOGAN '11 TO DONATE HOLIDAY GIFTS

The Friars Club raised close to \$400 to buy holiday gifts for 11 youths through Youth Villages, a Massachusetts nonprofit that assists behaviorally and emotionally troubled children. Club members responded after receiving an appeal from Mary Bogan '11, a family intervention specialist at Youth Villages.

MLK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AND SUPPORTERS CELEBRATED



Dr. Wanda S. Ingram '75, senior associate dean of undergraduate studies and a recipient of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship as a student, presents Rev. Robert A. Morris, O.P. '44 with a lifetime achievement award at the celebration of the scholarship program.

A celebration of the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program, which was founded in 1968 after the assassination of the civil rights leader, recognized the efforts of two individuals who were instrumental in its formation: Dr. Francis "Pat" MacKay, a retired associate professor of chemistry, and Rev. Robert A. Morris, O.P. '44, former College executive vice president and former vice president for institutional development.

Scholarship recipient Dr. Wanda S. Ingram '75, now PC's senior associate dean of undergraduate studies, presented a lifetime achievement award at the event to Father Morris, who served as a mentor for many MLK scholars. MacKay, who was one of three faculty members who started the scholarship program, also received a lifetime achievement award.

The MLK scholarship dinner was the culmination of a series of events honoring Dr. King's legacy that was an initiative of the newly established Balfour Office for Multicultural Activities this winter. The office is directed by Elena T. Yee, who started in fall 2011.

To support its Strategic Plan core value of Embracing Diversity, the College also established an Office of Institutional Diversity and hired its first chief diversity officer, Rafael A. Zapata, in January.



A new CHAPTER for longstanding study abroad program

Financial aid policy shift, Santander grants lead more students overseas

By VICKI-ANN DOWNING



COSTA RICA
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL MAPS
SCALE 1:315,000

When Courtney Halloran '13 (Lakeville, Mass.) left to spend a semester studying health care in Costa Rica, she brought along her laptop, hiking boots, bug spray, and something equally important: *her full-tuition scholarship to Providence College.*

Since last fall, PC students are now able to apply their financial aid to the cost of studying abroad. As a result, the number of students choosing to spend at least a semester outside the country rose 40 percent in a single academic year, from 163 students during 2010-2011 to 229 students this academic year, according to Adrian G. Beaulieu, dean of the Center for International Studies (CIS).

The number of countries selected by students increased as well, from 21 to 27, with students studying for the first time in Bolivia, Japan, Lebanon, and Morocco.

PC students have studied overseas since 1965, but until this year, they paid the costs directly to program providers—typically a college, university, or nonprofit organization. Through a new Home School Tuition policy implemented in September, students now pay their regular tuition, minus merit-based scholarships and need-based financial aid, directly to PC, along with a \$1,000 study abroad fee. Only costs of room and board are paid to the program provider.

Knowing her full-tuition scholarship would cover most of her expenses made the decision to go to Costa Rica “an easier choice,” Halloran said. “It cost my parents hardly anything for me to go, because my scholarship transferred.”

Christian Selinski '13 (Lutherville, Md.), a Spanish and biology double major who studied in Madrid during the fall, also was able to apply his financial aid package to the cost of overseas study.

“I would definitely say it made a difference,” said Selinski. “Study abroad is really encouraged for Spanish majors. This made it that much easier for myself and my class as a whole to take advantage of the study abroad experience.”

The portability of financial aid “clearly has made the difference for a lot of students, and the numbers are bearing that out,” said Beaulieu.



Having fun outside the Leaning Tower of Pisa is Kathleen W. Miller '13, who studied at PC's new Center for Theology and Religious Studies in Rome during the fall semester. PC's undergraduate enrollment there rose from four in the fall to 11 this spring.

Thailand

Costa Rica

Strategic Plan provides impetus

Increasing the number of students who study abroad is a goal of the College's Strategic Plan, which notes that study abroad enhances academic excellence, exposes students to cultural diversity, and prepares them for lives of purpose and meaning. The plan sets a target of 30 percent participation.

Since 2007, when Beaulieu became the College's first dean of international studies, the percentage has increased from 12 percent to 25 percent. Next year, the 30 percent goal will be achieved, Beaulieu said.

"One of our guiding principles is to make study abroad an integral part of the academic experience for students," said Beaulieu.

Overseas study a valuable investment

The Home School Tuition policy is not the sole reason for the increased participation in study abroad. In 2010, the College entered into an agreement with Sovereign Bank/Santander Universities to make Diversity Scholarship Grants available to "under-represented students," including first-generation college students and those with physical disabilities or high financial need.

Beaulieu said seven scholarships were awarded for this spring to students who are now studying in India; Madrid, Barcelona, and Seville in Spain; and Lancaster, England.

In addition, this semester is the second for the new "PC in Rome" program in which students are studying with Dr. Dana L. Dillon, assistant professor of theology, at PC's Center for Theology and Religious Studies in Rome. The center operates in partnership with Cultural Experiences Abroad.

Last semester, four PC students, joined by five from Ohio Dominican University, the University of San Diego, and Boston University, participated in a course called *New Testament in the*

Eternal City, taught by Dillon in the cathedrals and basilicas of Rome. [Follow Dillon's blog on news at the Rome center at: pcinrome@blogspot.com]

One of the Rome students, Kathleen W. Miller '13 (Lenox, Mass.), also took classes on the *Culture of Food and Wine in Italy*, the Italian language, *Art and Architecture in Ancient Rome*, and *Living Italy*, a sociology class about modern Italy.

"I learned a lot about Italy, the different churches, about religion, and about myself, too," said Miller. "I was pushing myself. I usually get very homesick when I'm at school. I'm surprised at how much I grew when I was there. I think everybody should study abroad." ■



As a result of the new Home School Tuition policy, more students, like Christian Selinski '13, are studying abroad. Participation has increased 40 percent from academic year 2010-11 to this year. Selinski, pictured at an exhibit of inflatable globes, studied in Madrid in the fall.

EDITOR'S NOTE: *The following two reflections by a current student and an alumnus who studied in Fribourg in 1980 are intended to demonstrate the enduring vibrancy and value of study abroad—an educational beacon in its fifth decade at PC.*



A LIFE-ALTERING LEAP

into the *unknown*

By SARAH McCONNELL '12

STUDYING ABROAD IN MY JUNIOR YEAR WAS THE BEST THING I COULD HAVE DONE FOR MYSELF. When you're preparing to study abroad, everyone who has done it tells you: It's amazing. You'll learn a lot about yourself. You'll mature so much. It's a once-in-a-lifetime experience. I couldn't appreciate what they meant until I spent four months in Milan, Italy, last spring.

I'm a student first and foremost. When you miss class, I'm the girl you ask for notes. But before studying abroad, I had never experienced my education. Overseas, I learned new facts, concepts, and marketing approaches in the classroom, but my time outside the classroom is when I learned the most.

At PC, we spend two years learning about Western civilization. Studying abroad, I stood atop the Acropolis of Athens, ran in the ancient stadium of Olympia, explored the ruins of Pompeii, and saw the magnificence of the Statue of David in person. As a marketing major, we learn about business strategies and read case studies. Studying abroad, I extended those lessons, as my business class met with the marketing teams of amazing European-based brands like Swarovski.

In my Italian class at PC, I learned grammar and vocabulary and read about Italian culture. In Italy, whether I was buying groceries, ordering a coffee, or walking home from school, I actually interacted with the culture I had read about.

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Experiences like that remind you why college is so valuable. They remind you that although what you learn in class can seem abstract and unimportant sometimes, it will have practical applications in the end.

Studying abroad gave me the chance to take a step back, see the bigger picture, and gain perspective. It allowed me to make the distinction between what's important and what's trivial. I realized that happiness and success cannot be measured and that having a plan is great but living in the moment and seizing unexpected opportunities is almost always more rewarding.

Learning to build a life

As a result of studying abroad, I refocused my attention on truly educating myself rather than obsessing over my GPA. I concluded that it's important to work hard to reach your goals but that nothing is more important than the people in your life. I realized that even if you are the richest CEO in the world, you don't have a great job unless you love what you're doing every day. I learned that building a résumé is not nearly as important as building a life.

I used to be a person who asked why I should do things. I realize now that I was often a “no” person because I don't like to disrupt my plans. But after seeing that there is literally a world full of amazing opportunities, I've become open to expanding my horizons. My motto has become “Why not?” (or in Italian, *Perché no?*)

Overseas, I realized that every day was an opportunity that I'd be crazy to waste. So, I snowboarded in the Italian Alps, took a spur-of-the-moment trip to Paris, sang at an open microphone in Milan, rode a donkey up 600 steps to the top of Santorini, explored the island of Mykonos on an ATV, swam in the Mediterranean in April, and gave myself the opportunity to become a “yes” person.

Study abroad is life-changing. I am now a better and more focused student, a stronger and more qualified job applicant, and a more confident, capable, well-rounded person. Interrupting your life for four months to live in a foreign country can be intimidating, but if there's one thing I've learned, it's that life is much better when you learn to say “yes” and take the leap. ■

Sarah McConnell '12 is a marketing major from Ridgefield, Conn.



Sarah McConnell '12 says her four months studying in Italy made her “a better and more focused student.” Above, she is seated at an overlook in Agrigento, in Sicily, at the Ancient Akragas. On the opposite page are the buildings of Corfu, Greece, one of four countries she visited while abroad.

- Q** • WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE
• STUDY ABROAD DISH?
- A** • Pizza ... authentic Italian pizza
• with fresh ingredients!



Fribourg academic, CULTURAL EXPERIENCES *'unforgettable'*

By STEPHEN T. GOLIA '81 & '13P

AS 1980 ALUMNI OF PC'S JUNIOR YEAR ABROAD PROGRAM, my wife, Mary (We-solowski), and I are thrilled the study abroad program is thriving and that many more students will have the opportunity to enjoy one of the truly great experiences of their lives.

We are 1981 graduates who spent a spring semester at the University of Fribourg in Switzerland. Although we missed campus, nothing could compare to our experiences abroad. Whether recounting the 20 combined countries we toured or the countless cultural events we experienced (Easter Mass with Pope John Paul II at the Vatican and walking the Acropolis ruins in Athens among them), our time abroad was unforgettable.

While Mary did her best to sample every international treat, including *sachertorte* in Vienna and *crêpes* in Paris, and chronicled each café throughout her travels, I visited as many places in Europe as possible, once venturing solo several thousand miles through Scandinavia into the Arctic Circle.

We also enjoyed great academic experiences in Fribourg. Mary was a language major who heightened her skills by taking nearly all her courses in French, while I was a poli-sci major benefitting from a broad-based, liberal arts schedule that fulfilled graduation requirements. Best of all, our professors

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came from diverse backgrounds (Swiss, South African, French, and even a 1950s Hungarian revolution freedom-fighter), adding to the rich learning environment.

We also derived many intangible benefits from our time abroad that enhanced our personal growth and developed skills and character that benefitted us later in life. Forced to take care of ourselves, we experienced independence and self-reliance and became accomplished at managing and organizing our time and priorities, planning trips, and balancing busy academic and travel schedules. Importantly, we learned how to relate to various cultures and compromise with travel companions.

Our experiences increased our self-confidence and maturity, as we learned to accept adversity, overcome challenges, and become more adventuresome—all of which assisted us in our careers and our personal lives.

Appreciating cultures, points of view

It was fascinating to get to know people from different cultures and experience new perspectives. We discovered that the American way of life was generally admired by Europeans, although resented by some. The Swiss often emulated American culture, and it was interesting to witness peaceful protests and leather-jacketed motorcycle gangs right out of the 1960s.

Once, a Swiss student I befriended invited the Americans to scrimmage against his university championship basketball team in a neighboring town. After five of us crammed into a tiny, borrowed car and ventured into the mountains, we arrived feeling ambushed. Awaiting us were 12 uniformed players, including a 6-7 center, with coaches, officials, scoreboards, and even fans, intending to show Americans how accomplished they'd become.

Although lacking even matching T-shirts, our rag-tag team was sure we represented Larry Bird, Magic Johnson, and American basketball. Despite that heavy burden, we made Larry and Magic proud and returned to Fribourg and an “Animal House” toga party at our favorite café feeling like conquering heroes. To this day, we embellish the story and brag about taking on the Swiss National Team, rather than college intramural champs, but it was one of many fond memories.

Study abroad programs are the best opportunity students will ever have to spend significant time overseas in an organized environment while viewing history and experiencing varied cultures in many countries. We hope that PC students, including our daughter, Holly '13, who is studying in Copenhagen this semester, will benefit as we did from many wonderful experiences and memories that will endure for the rest of their lives. ■

Stephen T. Golia '81 & '13P and his wife, Mary '81 & '13P, live in Nutley, N.J.

Q • WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE
• STUDY ABROAD DISH?

A • Steve: Fondue or *raclette*, with
• a *cannettes* (mug) of our local Fribourg brew, *Cardinale*

Mary: *Coupe Denmark* (hot fudge sundae)



Mary and Stephen T. Golia, fourth and fifth from left, reconnect with 1981 classmates at a reunion last year for alumni who studied in Fribourg in 1980. With them are, from left, Mark J. Clafflin, Esq., Helen “Holly” (Clifford) Grossman, William D. Gardiner, and Peter Walsh.

On opposite page are members of the Class of 1981 who studied abroad in Fribourg in 1980. At far right in the first row is then-College President Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P. '51. Stephen T. Golia, the author of the reflection on these pages, is at top right with the French chapeau, and his wife, Mary, is second from left in the second row.



Collaborative effort

STEERS PC TO NATIONAL *accounting championship*

By VICKI-ANN DOWNING

IT TAKES A LOT MORE THAN SHARP PENCILS AND CALCULATORS to win an xTREME Accounting (xACT) competition.

Competing on a national stage against some of the largest business schools in the country, a five-student team from Providence College captured first place in the national xACT competition sponsored by PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), the global accounting and auditing firm, in January.

The five—a senior, two juniors, and two sophomores—gave a flawless 12-minute presentation in New York City before judges who were all PwC national partners, then defended it under 10 minutes of rigorous questioning. They accomplished what no academic team in PC history had done before, winning a national title. The other teams represented the University of California-Berkley, University of Texas, University of Washington, and Villanova University.

xACT SUPPORT NETWORK

Alumni from PricewaterhouseCoopers and faculty who helped in this year's campus xACT competition:

Alumni: John R. Formica, Jr. '81, Paul F. Hanley '86, Gerard P. Maron '91, Joseph T. Colagiovanni '00, Walid I. Sukarich '03, Robert L. Burkhart '04, Jeffrey D. Carlson '05, and Jonathan H. Zinno '06

Faculty: Dr. Patrick T. Kelly, Dr. Julia M. Camp, Dr. Christine E. Earley, Dr. Nancy Feng, Carol A. Hartley, C.P.A., Dr. Matthew J. Keane, Ann Galligan Kelley, C.P.A., Dr. Michael L. Kraten, C.P.A., Judith M. Morse, C.P.A., and Margaret P. Ruggieri, C.P.A.

“In the accounting world, this is like our basketball team winning the national championship,” said Dr. Patrick T. Kelly, associate professor of accountancy and department chair. “The competition is outstanding there, but I’ve always said that we can compete with anyone nationally.”

Kelly noted that the team's participation and performance reflect a goal of the College's new Strategic Plan to Enhance Academic Excellence and is consistent with PC's effort to gain accreditation this year for its School of Business—one of the initiatives within the goal.

The road to the xACT championship began with a campus competition in November. Eight teams, comprising 40 students, developed and presented the best solution to a business challenge: whether a company in the cosmetics industry should develop its own line of organic products or acquire a smaller company with its own line.

The event was won by “The Consolidators”—Ann C. Montemarano '12 (Malverne, N.Y.), David J. Glaser '13 (Westborough, Mass.), Vincent A. Traveyn '13 (North Scituate, R.I.), Amanda P. Medeiros '14 (Fall River, Mass.), and Philip M. Pin '14 (Wilbraham, Mass.)—who were coached by Dr. Christine E. Earley, professor of accountancy.



Their presentation was then sent to PwC headquarters in New York for judging against the winners of about 45 other campus competitions nationally. In late November, PC was notified that its team was selected as one of five national finalists for the second time in three years.

PC's prominence in the competition comes as accountancy—one of four undergraduate disciplines in the School of Business—is skyrocketing in popularity. Between 2000 and 2007, about 30 students a year majored in accountancy. This year, there are 62 seniors, 73 juniors, and 82 sophomores majoring in the subject.

Collaboration leads to student victory

Kelly credited the team's success to a consistent and collaborative approach to xACT: hard work by students, the participation of every faculty member in the Department of Accountancy, and the support of alumni who work for PwC.

"This is a tremendous accomplishment for our department," said Kelly. "We have a great team of faculty members. All faculty have volunteered to serve as xACT advisors, which is very unusual for this competition."

Kelly especially praised Earley, the team's coach, and PC's xACT coordinators, Carol A. Hartley, C.P.A., assistant professor of accountancy, and John R. Formica, Jr. '81, a PwC national partner. Like Formica, he noted that many of the PwC professionals are alumni and volunteer in several capacities, including as judges and advisors.

Earley, Formica, and Margaret P. Ruggieri, C.P.A., assistant professor of accountancy, accompanied the students in New York for their presentation. Formica called the performance "absolutely outstanding."

PC was given the Montgomery Award, a silver bowl kept at PwC headquarters with the names of all winning teams inscribed on it. Earley and each student received a small Tiffany replica. They also were awarded cash prizes for winning the campus competition and for being named national finalists. ■

Above: Seated, from left, are national xACT champions Amanda P. Medeiros '14, Philip M. Pin '14, Ann C. Montemarano '12, Vincent Travelyn '13, and David J. Glaser, '13. Standing, from left, are Ann Ulett, PwC recruiting manager; Dr. Christine E. Earley, professor of accountancy; John R. Formica, Jr. '81, PwC partner; Margaret P. Ruggieri, C.P.A., assistant professor of accountancy; and Caroline Carr, PwC senior associate.

xACTLY *proud* ...

"THE SCHOOLS WE COMPETED AGAINST WERE *huge universities* AND THEY LOOKED AT US AS THE *underdogs*, A LITTLE LIBERAL ARTS SCHOOL IN RHODE ISLAND."

—ANN C. MONTEMARANO '12

"I think a combination of **HARD WORK** and how close we were as a team really made the difference and gave us that **SLIGHT ADVANTAGE** in the national competition."

—DAVID J. GLASER '13

briefly

ETHICS IN ACCOUNTANCY

Thanks to a \$10,000 grant from the PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) Charitable Foundation, the Department of Accountancy has added an ethics component to each of its undergraduate courses.

The “Ethics Across the Curriculum” grant will better prepare students to make ethical decisions both as students and as employees, said Dr. Patrick T. Kelly, associate professor of accountancy and department chair. The grant assisted faculty members in reviewing the curriculum to find ways to introduce ethics in all IO undergraduate accountancy courses.

The introduction of ethics complements the College’s mission of educating the whole student, Kelly said, and also satisfies the demands of employers.



1ST ROTARIAN SCHOLAR

Laurie G. Moise '12 (Malden, Mass.), the first PC student to receive the Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship, will study at the University of Pretoria in South Africa after graduation.

Moise will work toward a master’s degree in public health. Her major at PC is health policy and management, with a minor in public and community service studies.

While abroad, ambassadorial scholars serve as goodwill ambassadors, and when they return to the United States, they inform Rotarians about their experiences.



TOPS WITH APSA

The American Political Science Association (APSA) presented its highest award for leadership and career-long contributions to the profession to **Dr. Anthony D. Affigne**, professor of political science.

The Frank J. Goodnow Award was created to honor the commitment of teachers, researchers, and public servants working in political science.

Affigne was cited for his work with the organization, especially for his role in founding APSA’s Organized Section on Race, Ethnicity and Politics. He has taught at PC for more than 20 years.

Dr. Anthony D. Affigne, center, is honored at the American Political Science Association Meeting (APSA) by Carole Pateman, APSA president, and Michael Brintnal, APSA executive director. (Photo courtesy of Mike Moffa and APSA)

ORTHODOX-CATHOLIC CIRCLE

When the North American Orthodox-Catholic Theological Consultation held its 81st meeting at St. Paul's College in Washington, D.C., in the fall, it welcomed a new Orthodox member, **Dr. Despina D. Prassas**, associate professor of theology at PC. The consultation is the official Orthodox-Catholic dialogue in the United States and Canada.



At the meeting, members heard reports about major events affecting Catholic and Orthodox churches, especially hardships created by the “Arab Spring” uprising in the Middle East.

‘START-UPS’ WANTED

PC hosted students from Bryant University, Johnson & Wales University, Rhode Island School of Design, and the University of Rhode Island for “Start-Up Weekend,” a 54-hour marathon of entrepreneurial brainstorming.

The team of Michael S. English '12 (River Forest, Ill.), Collin D. Kennedy '12 (Stratford, Conn.), and a URI student captured the top prize for the proposed product “Pocket Block-It,” a plastic packet containing enough sunblock to cover an adult and two children. The packet, which can be stored in a pocket for later use, was designed for sale at ball parks, beaches, and golf courses.

The winning team received \$300 in seed money and a free consulting office hour with the Rhode Island Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, which advises and mentors startups.

Dr. Matthew Eriksen, professor of management and department chair, said the weekend was a significant initiative for the School of Business. It was the second of its kind held in Rhode Island and the first for PC.

VATICAN ADDRESS

Rev. Nicanor Austriaco, O.P., associate professor of biology and instructor of theology, addressed the first-ever Vatican conference on adult stem cell research, discussing the role of the soul in science.

At the close of the conference, which drew more than 250 scientists, religious figures, educators, and industry representatives, Father Austriaco met Pope Benedict XVI and asked His Holiness to pray for his biology students.

An expert in the biology and ethics of stem cell research, Father Austriaco spoke on the topic “Will the Advancement of Life Sciences Change Our Vision of Mankind?” He was invited to speak after representatives of the Vatican’s Pontifical Council for Culture heard him lecture last summer at the University of Notre Dame.

The Catholic Church supports research into adult stem cells, which are harvested from blood, bone marrow, fat, and tissues, and hold promise for treating autoimmune and degenerative diseases. ■



Father Austriaco introduces himself to the pope.

Up Close

Lawyer/professor O'MALLEY '93 *remains* grounded in 'Civ' roots

HE'S LIVED, WORKED, AND TAUGHT IN EUROPE for nearly two decades, and to this day, Patrick J. O'Malley, Esq. '93 and PC's Liberal Arts Honors Program remain inseparable.



ALUMNI PROFILE

Patrick J. O'MALLEY, ESQ. '93

- International Corporate and Securities Lawyer: Attorney-at-Law (U.S.) and Solicitor (England & Wales)
- Adjunct Professor in Comparative Law Matters: Italy, Spain, France, elsewhere in Europe, U.S.
- B.A., History and Modern Languages, *Summa Cum Laude*; DES, International Relations, The Graduate Institute of International & Development Studies, Geneva; J.D., Boston College School of Law

“My experiences at Providence College and in the Honors Program changed my life,” said O'Malley, who moved back to Europe in 2000 and lives in Italy.

“They have remained with me as I have traveled throughout the years,” he continued. “[The Honors Program] is, in a sense, always with you. It's your mindful companion. What you experience here will be with you; this is just the beginning.”

O'Malley's remarks came during the *Distinguished Alumnus Address* at the Liberal Arts Honors Convocation in the fall. The son of Dr. Paul F. O'Malley '60, assistant professor of history at PC, he has maintained close ties with his *alma mater*. He has taught a graduate course in international business and capital markets law in the MBA Program for several summers.

O'Malley is an international corporate and securities lawyer, dual-qualified as an attorney in the United States, England, and Wales. He also is an adjunct professor in comparative law matters at the Università Commerciale L. Bocconi in Milan and the Universidad de Navarra in Pamplona, Spain. He serves at least a dozen other universities, companies, and professional legal/business training organizations around Europe and the U.S.

O'Malley said his education was defined by the Development of Western Civilization curriculum. He recalled being in “Civ” classes with brilliant, yet humble, students, who represented multiple majors and sat with professors in small groups. It was “an ideal learning community,” he said.

Honors Civ instilled in him the ability to reason, discuss, and argue—pivotal career attributes—and “a deep sense about who we are as a society,” said O'Malley. It also inspired him to continually learn about other civilizations.

“What starts in Honors Civ around that Woodrow Wilson table sets in motion a never-ending process of learning in life through work and study,” he said. ■



PROPELLED by
vision & determination

From 'girls' to Olympians, PC women's athletics celebrates 40 years

By VICKI-ANN DOWNING

Lynn Sheedy '80 dribbles during a game in Alumni Hall.



“The girls have three hours a week in Alumni Hall exclusively set aside for their varsity practice. Beyond these hours, many of the girls take advantage of extra hours throughout the week.... The major difference now between girls’ and boys’ basketball is that there is less physical contact in girls’ games.... The girls’ varsity uniform is feminine looking, yet ideal for comfortable wear.”

—THE COWL, DECEMBER 14, 1972

Top: Key individuals and moments in PC’s 40-year run in women’s athletics include, from left, the late Helen Bert, the first coordinator of women’s athletics; the volleyball team in its inaugural season, 1977-78; Linda Wage ’81, who finished her field hockey career with a record 95 goals; the tennis team in 1989, the year it won its first New England Championship; and Lisa Brown ’88, the first of nine ice hockey players to be named ECAC Division I Player of the Year.

When Providence College opened its doors to women in September 1971, it also made plans to accommodate their athletic aspirations by hiring Helen Bert, a New York City basketball coach, as coordinator of women’s athletics.

Converting a small area of the Alumni Hall gymnasium to a Women’s Center with fitness equipment and meeting space, Mrs. Bert progressively introduced 12 sports for women. It was slow going at first—the “Lady Friars” were initially allotted only an hour a week to practice basketball—but under her persistent guidance over the next 17 years, scholarships were established, championships were won, and women in sports were accepted and celebrated.

This year, PC marks the 40th anniversary of the women’s athletics program started by Mrs. Bert, who died in 2002. Today, 182 women compete in basketball, cross country, field hockey, ice hockey, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, and volleyball. Women receive 59 percent of available athletic scholarship aid at PC, an amount proportional to their enrollment.

During those four decades, women earned All-America honors 121 times. Fifteen women made 23 Olympic appearances. Women’s cross country captured the College’s only national varsity team title, the NCAA Championship, in 1995. When women’s ice hockey debuted at the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan, seven then-current and former Friars led Team USA to the gold medal.

“The 40th anniversary celebration honors and recognizes female student-athletes, past and present, whose many years of participation and dedication have provided Providence College women’s athletics with such a rich tradition and history,” said Jill M. LaPoint, executive associate athletic director and senior women’s administrator.

A reception to honor former athletes was held during *Alumni & Family Weekend* in February.



LaPoint noted that PC's commitment to athletic opportunities for women pre-dated Title IX, the 1972 federal legislation that required any educational institution receiving federal aid to provide equality in programming.

"PC was on a pace to implement a women's collegiate athletic program before it was mandated by the government," said LaPoint.

Basketball's early days

Dr. Donna T. McCaffrey '73G, '83 Ph.D., & '87G, assistant professor of history, played on Mrs. Bert's first basketball team. She remembered the experience in a booklet, *The Untold Story: The Origins and Early History of Women's Basketball at Providence College*, compiled in 2000.

"(Bert) recruited—dragged, nagged, and harangued—interested women to come to a plenary practice session during the first week in October 1971," McCaffrey wrote. "Seven freshmen and one graduate student composed the first varsity. Handicapped by the restricted use of the gym, it was a less than auspicious beginning."

But it *was* a beginning. Catherine Little Bert '77, now a College trustee, remembers that when she arrived at PC in 1973 she played "everything Helen told me to play."

"The goal was to field teams," said Cathy Little Bert, who later became Helen's daughter-in-law. "Helen would say, 'I need you to play field hockey,' or 'I need 10 students to play volleyball,' and so I played."

Through Helen Bert's persistence, money for athletic scholarships was awarded in 1975.

The first recruits began to arrive on campus, and "when I saw them, I was in awe," said Cathy Little Bert.

One was Lynn Sheedy '80. As a high school junior, Sheedy was injured during the state basketball finals in Alumni Hall. There were no trainers then, so Sheedy limped into the Women's Center.

"A woman came out, dressed to the nines, and said, 'I can take care of that,'" Sheedy recalled. "She wrapped my knee, and I went back out and won the state championship. That was Helen Bert. Later, she said to my mother, 'We would love to have your daughter come to school here.' That was the beginning of nine years at PC for me, four as a player and five as a coach."



Ice hockey players with the gold medals they won at the 1998 Winter Olympics are, clockwise from top left, Vicki Mousessian '94, USA captain Cammi Granato '93, Chris Bailey '94, Laurie Baker '00, Alana Blahoski '96, Lisa Brown-Miller '88, and Sara DeCosta '00.

Sheedy was among the women whose experiences as student-athletes led to careers in coaching and college administration. She was coach, athletic director, and dean of students at Salve Regina University and also coached at the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth.

BIG EAST arrives

Sheedy witnessed many changes in the women's athletics program. In her early days, she rode "the bumblebee"—a gold and black van—to games. She wore a skirt as part of her basketball uniform and paid half the cost of her Adidas sneakers. All women's teams shared a locker room, and the field hockey team played on the outfield of the baseball field.

But in 1979, Sheedy's senior year, the BIG EAST Conference was organized, bringing a larger budget, additional travel, and more scholarships. Among those recruited to play was Kathy Finn Hill '84, a star on her state championship high school basketball team in New Jersey.

Hill joined "a really up-and-coming program" at PC. "They were ready to break through, and I wanted to come aboard and help them do that," she said.

Hill remains the only player in PC women's basketball history to be named BIG EAST Player of the Year. Her jersey was the first to be retired by the program in 2010.

Hill knew what it was like to be excluded from sports. She waited her turn to play basketball alongside her four brothers on a court across the street from her home.

"I was constantly fighting to play," Hill said. "I had to really ask. It only happened if they had nine people and they needed another one. Girls just couldn't walk onto the court and play. But once you were good enough, they let you."

Today, her five children are athletes, including her daughter Kaitlin Hill '15, a freshman on the rugby team.

"As good as the men"

The women's athletics program reached the international stage in 1998 when Team USA defeated Canada for the first gold medal in ice hockey, led by seven current and former Friars, including goalie Sara DeCosta '00.

"It really is amazing, the representation PC had on the Olympic team. That was really neat," said DeCosta.

PC women's ice hockey "was legendary," said DeCosta. "When I was a little girl I used to watch the Friars play. A lot of the top female players



CELEBRATING 40 Years of Women's Athletics

The 40th anniversary of the College's women's athletics program was celebrated in February with a reception during *Alumni & Family Weekend* attended by more than 100 former athletes, coaches, and their supporters. Athletes shared their stories about the early days of the women's program, mingled with student-athletes of today, and heard about plans to expand athletic facilities.

Top: Former Friar student-athletes are introduced at halftime of the PC vs. Seton Hall women's basketball game during Alumni & Family Weekend. Below, John O'Neill, PC's men's and women's swimming and diving head coach, looks on as Courtney Larcom '11, left, and Caroline Caliri '12 admire a commemorative program of the 40th anniversary. Larcom competed for the swimming and diving team, while Caliri is a member of this year's team.



1971

Helen Bert hired as coordinator of women's athletics



Women's basketball and ice hockey debut

1974

1984

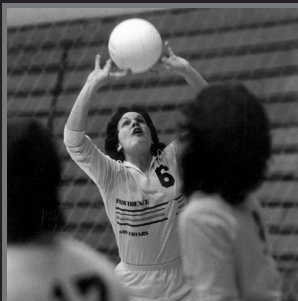
Ice hockey wins first ECAC Championship

First women (Helen Bert and Lynn Sheedy '80) inducted into PC Athletic Hall of Fame



Kathy Finn '84 named BIG EAST Basketball Player of the Year

1984



Volleyball wins third BIG EAST Championship of decade (also 1983, 1985)

1987

1989

Field hockey wins BIG EAST Championship, makes first NCAA appearance



Basketball wins BIG EAST Championship; Andrea Mangum '90 named MVP

Cindi Luciani '90 wins three BIG EAST titles for a career total of six, most for any Friar swimmer

1990

1992

Geraldine Hendricken '92 wins PC's first NCAA individual title for track: indoor 3,000 meters



Cathy Guden '94 named BIG EAST Field Hockey Player of the Year; also is program's only three-time All-American

1993

1993

Soccer wins inaugural BIG EAST Championship, Jen Mead '94 named MVP; team makes first NCAA appearance



Softball wins BIG EAST Championship; Kim Robbins '95 named Most Outstanding Player; team makes first NCAA appearance

1994



Cross country team wins NCAA Championship, PC's only national varsity team title

1995

1998

Seven Friars lead Team USA to inaugural gold medal in Olympic women's ice hockey

2002

Ice hockey becomes founding member of HOCKEY EAST, proceeds to win three consecutive titles

2005

Kim Smith '05 wins two NCAA titles in indoor track, bringing total to program-best four

2010

Cammi Granato '93 becomes first woman inducted into Hockey Hall of Fame (Toronto)



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in the country were from the PC program. When I started learning a little bit about the women's game, I knew PC was where I wanted to be."

Among the most successful women's programs is cross country, which qualified for the NCAA Championship meet for 22 consecutive seasons through 2010 and won the national title in 1995. Head coach Ray Treacy '82, director of track and cross country operations, took over the program 28 years ago.



Kim Smith '05 leaves the field behind in capturing the 2004 NCAA Division I Women's Cross Country Individual Championship.

"It was just a fledgling program that Mrs. Bert wanted to make something of," said Treacy. "She gave me the reins. Her first words to me were 'I want you to be as good as the men.' They were second in the country at the time. That wasn't putting any pressure on me straightaway, of course. But we got there fairly quickly, and it's been a great run."

Multiple-sport athletes

In the early days, it wasn't unusual for women to play multiple varsity sports. Jackie Gladu Barto '84 selected PC because it would allow her to play three—field hockey, ice hockey, and softball.

"Mrs. Bert and the coaches said I could do it if I kept my grades up," said Barto. "When field hockey ended in October, I went right to the ice, even if I missed a week or two of practice. When hockey ended, it was right to the softball diamond."

Barto, who coached field hockey, softball, and ice hockey at PC, retired last year after 12 seasons as head coach of The Ohio State University's women's ice hockey team. She also coached the U.S. National Team to the gold medal at the 2008 World Championships in China.

PC's early female athletes don't consider themselves pioneers. Instead, they credit those who came before them, especially Mrs. Bert and Dave Gavitt '89Hon., the legendary men's basketball coach and athletic director, who died last year.

"Dave Gavitt was a visionary. Helen Bert built the framework. It was her wisdom, foresight, intuitiveness, class, and dignity," said Sheedy. "Many female athletes all through the country, coaching at high schools and colleges, had a great experience at PC and were able to take what they learned and share it with others because of the two of them." ■

Top: Images from more recent women's athletics action include, from left: the soccer team in 2001, when it qualified for the BIG EAST Tournament; Jessie Bryant '13 leading the softball team in home runs in 2011; and the basketball team advances to post-season play in 2010.

MARINATTO '79:

Changes *bolster*



BIG EAST'S national profile

By MIKE SCANDURA

The membership changes that the BIG EAST Conference has experienced in recent months strengthen the conference's profile in the long run, Commissioner John M. Marinatto '79 believes.

"The addition of seven new members clearly moves the BIG EAST far beyond its origins in the Northeast," said Marinatto. "As a result of this expansion, the conference will continue to have the single-largest media footprint in college football, spanning literally from coast to coast and all major regions in between.

"In effect, the BIG EAST will be the first truly national football conference."

In December, Boise State University and San Diego State University joined the conference in football, while the University of Central Florida, the University of Houston, and Southern Methodist University were welcomed in all sports commencing with the 2013-14 season.

A month later, the U.S. Naval Academy joined the conference in football, effective in 2015. Traditionally an independent in football, this will be Navy's first conference affiliation.

In February, before *Providence College Magazine* went to press, the conference's landscape changed again with the addition of the University of Memphis in all sports beginning with the 2013-14 season.

The BIG EAST was formed in 1979, with Providence College among its charter members.

Although high-profile basketball schools Syracuse, Pittsburgh, and West Virginia have announced plans to leave, Marinatto said the BIG EAST still will rank among the nation's elite conferences in the sport.

"The BIG EAST set an NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament record of 11 berths last year, which underscored our strength and depth as a league," he said. "Despite our recent losses, the conference continues to have an exceptional number of high-quality programs in men's and women's basketball."

Most importantly, Marinatto feels the conference has stabilized and has a bright future.

"Over the last 33 years, the BIG EAST Conference has constantly evolved along with the landscape of college athletics," he said. "The inclusion of these seven great institutions, each of which brings a unique blend of premier academics, top markets, strong athletics brands, and outstanding competitive quality, marks the beginning of a new chapter in that evolution."

The former PC athletic director, who was named commissioner in 2009 and has served in conference leadership since 2002, emphasized that the BIG EAST "has evolved into a highly-respected brand that transcends borders, boundaries, or regions." ■

BIG EAST'S *Potential*
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around friartown



IT'S "DAVE GAVITT WAY"

The City of Providence and State of Rhode Island honored late PC athletics legend **Dave Gavitt '89Hon.** in January by renaming a downtown street in his honor. Dave Gavitt Way runs parallel to Interstate 95 and near the Dunkin' Donuts Center, home court for the Friar men's basketball team that Gavitt led as coach (1969-79) and championed as athletic director (1971-82). Gavitt's impact on Friar athletics continues as teams in most sports compete in the BIG EAST Conference he co-founded in 1979. He died on September 16, 2011.

Above, admiring a replica of the street sign is Dave Gavitt's wife, Julie.

BURKE '87 PRESENTED NCAA SILVER ANNIVERSARY AWARD

PC Hall of Fame basketball player **Doris Burke '87, '92G, & '05Hon.**, a sports journalism pioneer who broadcasts professional and college basketball on ABC and ESPN, received NCAA recognition in January in Indianapolis. Burke was one of six former student-athletes to receive an NCAA Silver Anniversary Award, accorded 25 years after the conclusion of their college careers, for distinguished achievement. The award was presented by College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80.



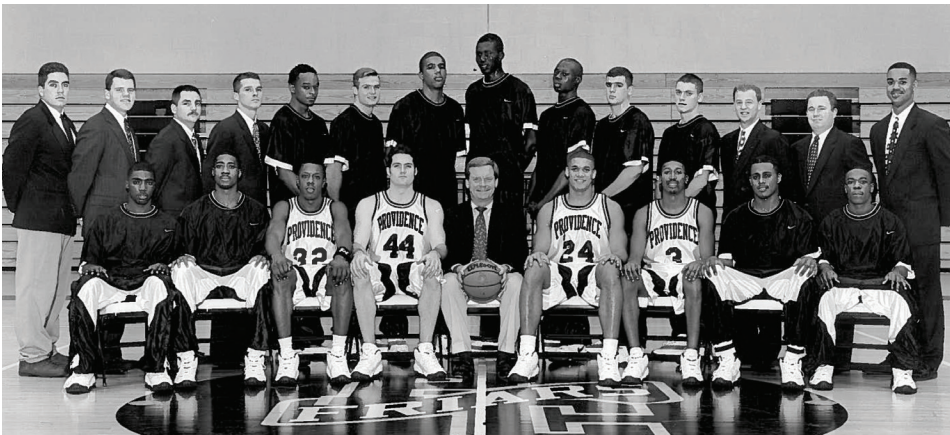
ATHLETES HIT 10-YEAR GPA MILESTONE

Friar student-athletes turned in an outstanding classroom performance in the Fall 2011 semester, posting a combined GPA of 3.03—the highest fall GPA in 10 years. The women's soccer team had the highest combined GPA, 3.43. The swimming and diving team registered the highest men's team GPA, 3.12. Eighty-two student athletes qualified for the dean's list, while 57 percent achieved a GPA of 3.0 or higher.



CLARKES PRAISED FOR HOCKEY LOYALTY

New Friars' men's hockey coach Nate Leaman welcomed guests at the program's first-ever **Summer in September** fundraising event last fall. Leaman and Athletic Director Robert G. Driscoll, Jr. expressed special appreciation to Cortlandt Clarke '67, his daughters Becky (left) and Sarah (right), and Cortland's late wife, Penny, for whom the hockey program's Penny Clarke Endowment Fund is named. The event raised more than \$11,000 to support that fund and Miriam Hospital's Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program.



ELITE EIGHT FRIARS TO BE FETED

Vanquishing the likes of the Duke Blue Devils along the way to an NCAA Tournament Elite Eight berth, the **1996-97 PC men's basketball team** captured the imaginations of fans all over the country. PC Athletics, along with sponsors Cox Sports and Coast Promotional Products, will honor Coach Pete Gillen's scrappy Friar squad with a 15th-anniversary celebration on May 12, 2012. The gala event, to benefit the men's basketball program's Mullaney Fund, is scheduled for 6 to 9 p.m. at Providence's Westin Hotel. Team members expected to attend include Austin Croshere '97, Jamel Thomas '99, and Derrick Brown '98, along with Gillen.

For more information, visit alumni.providence.edu/elite8.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY PLACES 22ND AT NCAAS



PC's men's cross country team capped another successful season under coach Ray Treacy '82 with a 22nd-place finish in the NCAA Championship in Terre Haute, Ind., in November. **David McCarthy '12** (Waterford, Ireland) paced the Friars with a 31st-place finish, covering the IOK course in 30:14.90. Dominic Channon '13 and Julian Matthews '12, both from Nelson, New Zealand, finished 54th and 93rd, respectively. The Friars have advanced to the NCAA Championship 16 times in the past 17 seasons.

LATE PC COACH NAMED TO AHL HALL OF FAME

The late **Zellio Toppazzini**, Rhode Island hockey legend and former PC coach, is one of four members of the American Hockey League Hall of Fame Class of 2012. Mr. Toppazzini, who played 12 seasons for the Rhode Island Reds, served as the Friars' head coach from 1964-68. His sons, **Mike '82** and **Hugh '83**, later skated for the Friars.

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One *night* ... one *cause* ... one *family*!

Sometimes, even the best ideas take a while to catch on. Not so with *A Night in Black and White*, Providence College's signature fundraising event, scheduled this year for Saturday, April 28, in Boston.

In just two short years, *A Night in Black and White* has become a singular, mark-your-calendars event that vividly represents alumni, parent, and friend passion for PC.

More importantly, the impact has been extraordinary. The majority of the proceeds benefit the PC Fund, which the College uses to address immediate, mission-driven needs. A robust unrestricted fund like this is invaluable to PC's leaders, providing much-needed flexibility in pursuit of strategic goals. Some proceeds also benefit the National Alumni Association Scholarship Fund.

Thanks to the visionary leadership of Bryan and Susan Koop '11P & '12P and Mark '97 and Susan Gasbarro, the 2010 and 2011 events raised more than \$750,000 for the PC Fund. With the million-dollar aggregate total well within reach, excitement is building for this year's event at the magnificent Park Plaza Castle in historic Back Bay—a new location.

As leadership committee co-chairs for two years, the Koops and Gasbarros led a planning group of more than 60 alumni and parents representing a cross-section of PC supporters in developing the template for this extraordinary success. The

Gasbarros continue as co-chairs for this year's event, joined by Ted '86 and Kim '86 McNamara.

A Night in Black and White also provides a great opportunity for the College to honor some of its most generous supporters and loyal friends. This year's Black and White Award honorees are Bryan and Susan Koop '11P & '12P, along with William '77 and Claudia Concannon '08P. That same recognition was paid last year to Maureen Davenport Corcoran, C.P.A. '79 and Richard Gotham '86.

This year's *A Night in Black and White* promises to be a great opportunity to mingle with old friends and make new ones while providing much-appreciated support to the College and its students. Building from last year's sell-out crowd of 750, the co-chairs and committee members hope to attract 1,000 people and encourage all members of the Friar family to consider being part of the fun. ■



Scenes like these from last year's record-setting *A Night in Black and White* will be repeated at this year's fund-raiser on April 28. From left: Enjoying the night's offerings and festivities are, from left, Connie Case Ellis '83, Judy McNamara Murphy '83, Gayle McCarthy O'Connell '83, Kathleen McNamara Harris '89, Kimberley Allen McNamara '86, and Jane Aries Joyce '89; guests view items during the silent auction; and Black and White Award recipients Maureen Davenport Corcoran, C.P.A. '79 and Richard Gotham '86.

NEW PARENTS LEADERSHIP

COUNCIL *co-chairs:*

Support equates to student success

By LAURA DUNN

Frank and Donna Ferruggia '14P of Bridgewater, N.J., are no strangers to higher education—they have two children in college and one in law school. Their youngest, Rachel, is a sophomore at Providence College.

After experiencing the PC community through her, the Ferruggias felt compelled to get more involved and, last fall, became the new co-chairs of the Parents Leadership Council (PLC) of the Parents for Providence Association.

Parents for Providence is dedicated to increasing parent engagement with the College through volunteerism. All parents of PC students are members; those who wish to get actively involved support the College's mission through networking, fundraising, and ambassadorship.



Donna, Rachel '14, and Frank Ferruggia

Established in 2008, the PLC is a smaller committee within the association, currently comprised of 30 families representing 12 states including Ohio, Minnesota, Florida, Illinois, New York, and several in New England. The PLC provides direction and leadership for the rest of the association's members. Council members act in many roles, including as admission ambassadors and career mentors, frequently facilitating internship and employment opportunities.

The Ferruggias say it's critical for parents to step up and support the College as it nurtures students and pursues its strategic goals.

"The mission of PC is to not just educate the students, but to send them out into the world with a certain moral and ethical framework that you don't get at every college," says Frank.

"The more we contribute to PC's stature in the educational community, the more valuable a diploma from PC—even ones that have already been received—becomes in the marketplace."

A major focus of the PLC has been supporting one of the College's key annual fundraising events, *A Night in Black and White*. Last year's program was the largest single-event fundraiser in PC's history, raising nearly \$450,000. Planning this year's event has been a top priority for the Ferruggias since they took over for the PLC's first co-chairs, Bryan and Susan Koop '11P & '12P, in September.

"There are so many other alumni and friends of the College who have contributed so much to supporting the mission," Frank says. Through *Black & White* and other outreach, the PLC is committed to furthering that goal, too. ■

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GIVING SPIRIT

contagious among reunion classes

By LAURA DUNN

At Reunion Weekend 2012 on June 1 - 3, alumni from class years ending in '2 and '7 are invited to "Step into Your Story."

This year's reunion committees, however, are not only stepping in but stepping up. Many have enthusiastic plans to bolster reunion giving not only as a sign of alumni and class pride, but also because they realize that supporting PC will make it even stronger.

"We tend to see a spike in alumni giving with reunion classes, whether it's an individual stretching the amount he or she can give or a larger participation rate within the class," said Michael Verzino '07, assistant director of annual giving in the Office of Institutional Advancement.

"It's a time when alumni are reconnecting. When they're flooded with all those great memories, it makes them want to pay it forward," adds Verzino.

This year's reunion alumni seem to be taking that sentiment to heart, noted Verzino. As of the end of December, the average gift amount from an individual had increased by nearly \$200 over the average gift made by reunion classes last year.

Verzino suspects that's due in part to the competitive nature within this year's class committees. The Class of 1962, for example, is set on raising more money during its "golden" reunion than was raised by the Class of 1961. Additionally, Dr. Richard J. Grace '62, professor of history at PC, is appealing to Liberal Arts Honors Program graduates from his class to make gifts to the program's Paul van K. Thomson Fund in celebration of their 50-year reunion.

Alumni can donate to any fund at PC to help their class reach its goal. But Verzino says unrestricted giving to tackle the College's greatest needs is what's needed most. To encourage that, reunion alumni who give \$250 or more to the PC Fund or the Angel Fund can have a brick engraved with their name and placed on Alumni Lane.

In another show of class spirit, members of the 1992 committee are challenging classmates to raise an additional \$1,992 over their goal, by adding \$19.92 to their annual gift. The extra funds will be used to purchase bricks in honor of each of their eight deceased classmates.

Other reunion class initiatives include:

- Class of 2002: *Contributions to the John Philpott Scholarship*
- Class of 1982: *The Duryea Challenge to meet class participation goals and for the Kenneth Douglass ('82) Scholarship*
- Class of 1987: *Encouraging classmates to attend "A Night in Black and White" on April 28 as a pre-reunion kick-off*

goals:

CLASS	Giving		Participation	
	RAISED*	GOAL	TO DATE*	GOAL
1947	\$1,450	\$2,050	23%	45%
1952	\$72,013	\$76,000	16%	40%
1957	\$20,555	\$36,000	23%	50%
1962	\$29,330	\$100,000	19%	50%
1967	\$86,988	\$90,000	23%	50%
1972	\$39,228	\$60,000	14%	30%
1977	\$106,538	\$225,000	16%	25%
1982	\$93,468	\$125,000	15%	25%
1987	\$53,068	\$287,000	14%	25%
1992	\$145,018	\$100,000	9%	25%
1997	\$19,838	\$30,000	8%	25%
2002	\$11,525	\$25,000	6%	25%
2007	\$5,089	\$15,000	6%	25%

TOTAL \$684,108 \$1,177,050

*As of 1/19/12

Reunion gifts can be made at www.givetopc.org or by contacting Michael Verzino '07 at 401.865.1087 or mverzino@providence.edu.

Graham Memorial Scholarship CELEBRATES *ties of friendship*

By LAURA DUNN

Marty Graham '92 was a fighter. Diagnosed with bone cancer during high school, Marty overcame the illness and entered Providence College in remission.

“Marty was a man who knew no limitations—he walked with a cane, a limp, and had 66 screws in his leg, and still was the number-one selected escort to walk girls home from Phillips Library,” recalls Matthew Rice '92, one of Marty's roommates at PC.

But by Christmas break of his senior year, Marty found his cancer had returned. Even while struggling to overcome it, he finished his studies and earned his bachelor's degree in history.

Sadly, Marty succumbed to his cancer in 1994. But his memory lives on in the hearts of his friends and classmates, whose annual golf tournament now supports the Marty Graham Memorial Scholarship Fund.

“I don't believe it's common for 20 guys spread out across the country, 20 years removed from college, to still be getting together every year,” Rice says. “My hope for this scholarship is that it funds a full year's tuition, and for those benefitting, that they meet friends like Marty and foster relationships at PC that allow them to pay it forward just like the guys from the Class of '92.”

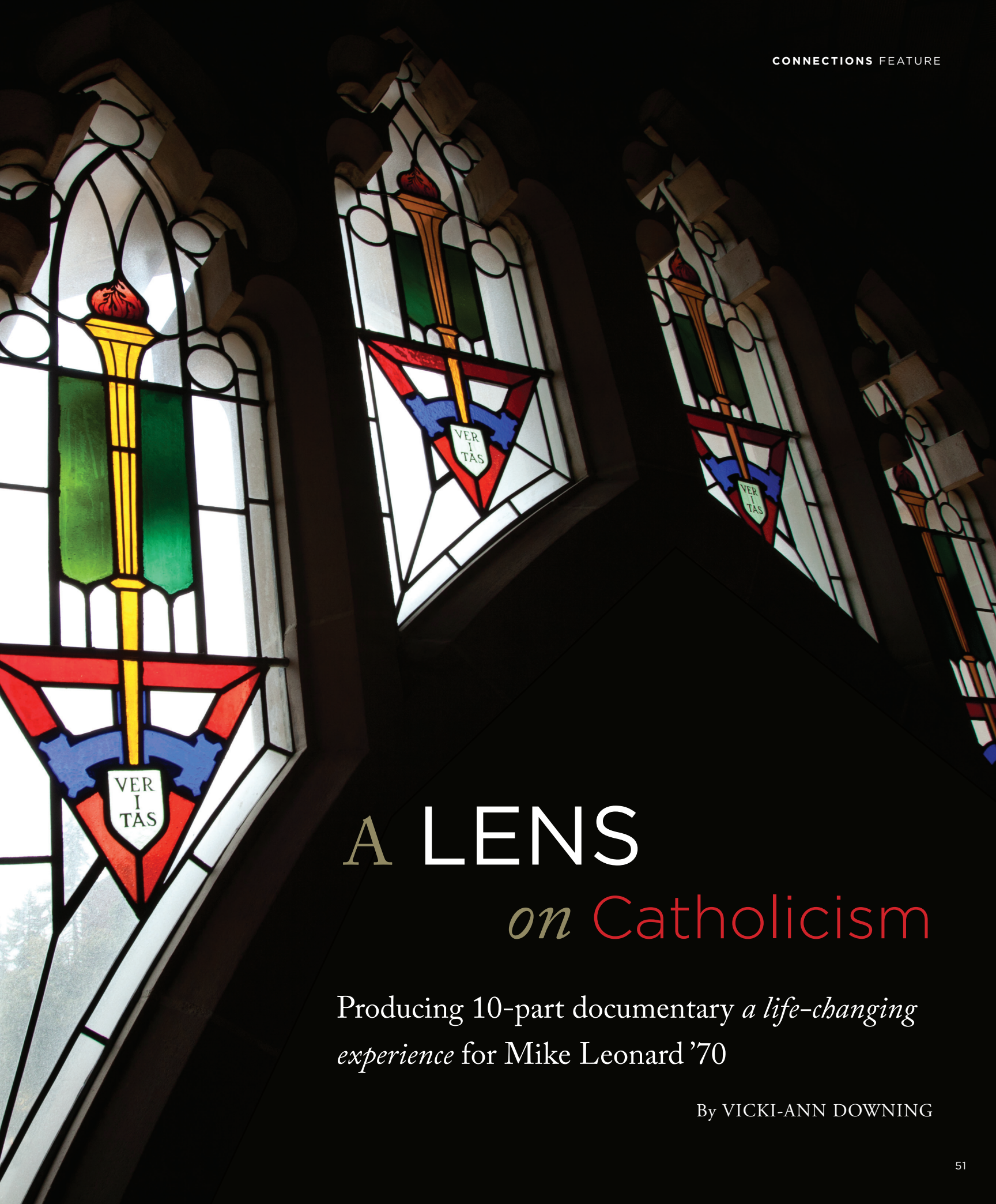
Friends of Marty Graham '92 celebrate his life and memorial scholarship following a golf tournament at Kiawah Island, S.C., in 2010. At right, front row, from left, Ed Kneafsey '92, Al Tornatore '92, Tim Archer '92, and Kurt Kern '92; second row, Joe Gately '92, Bob Lobue '92, and Kevin Humason '92 (green jacket); third row, Mike Corbi '92, Joe Guerrero '92, Matt Gaffney '91, Matt Rice '92, Jim Mossey '92, and Jodi Santos '92.

Not pictured: Mike Hurley '92, Brian Kirkwood '92, Brian Rail '92, John Regan '92, and Thomas McNamara '92

5 THINGS TO KNOW *about the* MARTY GRAHAM Memorial Scholarship Fund:

1. About 20 of Marty's closest classmates organized their first golf tournament the summer after graduation to raise money for holistic treatment for his cancer. After Marty's passing, the group continued the tradition to keep in touch and honor Marty's memory. The friends decided to direct the funds toward a scholarship in his name.
2. The Marty Graham Memorial Scholarship Fund was founded in 1996.
3. Because Marty was a native of Chicago, the scholarship is open to residents of the Chicago area who attend PC.
4. Over the past 15 years, the tournament, along with a few outside donations, has grown the endowed fund to a value of about \$300,000. It now sheds about \$12,000 in scholarship aid per year.
5. Rice says the hope for the scholarship is that it provides bright futures to deserving students whose PC ties and friendships will remain strong through time.





A LENS

on Catholicism

Producing 10-part documentary *a life-changing experience* for Mike Leonard '70

By VICKI-ANN DOWNING

Mike Leonard '70, a veteran filmmaker and television news correspondent, underwent a journey of faith when traveling the world as the executive producer of *Catholicism*, the new documentary series about the Catholic Church created and hosted by Rev. Robert Barron.

The 10-part series, which began airing last fall on public broadcasting stations and EWTN, explores the history of the Church. It was filmed over two years at 15 locations in 50 countries, including the Holy Land, Europe, Asia, South America, Africa, as well as the United States.

The project was born several years ago in Leonard's home parish in Winnetka, Ill., where Father Barron, a professor at Mundelein Seminary near Chicago, was often a visiting priest. Leonard was impressed by the clarity and depth of Father Barron's homilies. Nancy Ross, a parishioner and local television reporter, suggested to Leonard that Father Barron ought to have a larger audience.

Their brainstorming led to the formation of Father Barron's media company, *Word on Fire Catholic Ministries*, and to plans for the documentary series, which was financed entirely through private donations. The project was directed and edited by Leonard's son, Matt Leonard '93, at the family's video production office, "Picture Show Films."

Another son, Brendan '07, also works at Picture Show and did some work on the *Catholicism* project. Mike Leonard and his wife, Cathy, also have two daughters who graduated from PC and who work for Father Barron's media company, Megan '95 and Kerry '00.

Whenever he wasn't traveling as a correspondent for NBC-TV's *Today* show, Mike Leonard accompanied Father Barron to Israel, Turkey, and throughout Europe. He can be heard on some segments as the off-screen voice pressing Father Barron to further explain Church teachings.

"I think those of us who were part of the '60s and beyond, you sort of took Catholicism for granted," Leonard said. "You were born Catholic like you were born Italian or Irish."

Below: Mike '70 and Matt Leonard '93 pose at the ruins of Ephesus, an early center of Christianity in Turkey, during the filming of the Catholicism documentary series.



Historical journey impacts faith

For most people, Leonard said, a renewal of faith results from a crisis, such as a serious illness or a death in the family.

“I didn’t have that,” said Leonard. “Instead, I got an opportunity to have all these experiences with Father Barron. I went to the site of the crucifixion, Jesus’ birthplace, where Paul walked and was jailed, where Peter was crucified.

“I would wonder and think about how revolutionary it all was,” Leonard said. “You lose the meaning in modern times. Forgiveness back then was not an option—you had to be forgiven by someone in authority. If someone was sick, it meant the gods were against them. Something so common in this life, showing empathy and compassion, was not an option until Jesus.

“What side would I have been on? Maybe I wouldn’t have been on the right side. It was beyond brave what those folks did.”

Since the documentary series was released, Leonard has traveled the country with Father Barron to publicize it. Some of their appearances have been at churches, many of which have purchased the DVD set and study guide for use by parish groups.

In February, Leonard was the keynote speaker at PC’s *Alumni & Family Weekend*, discussing the series and its personal impact.

Attuned to creativity

Leonard studied economics and played varsity hockey at PC, where his film career was sparked as well. In his senior year, he bought a Super 8 movie camera. Because film was expensive and available only in three-minute reels, Leonard created short films reflecting life around him.

That ability to present life “as a series of short segments” eventually won him his job at NBC more than 30 years ago.

“To this day, that’s what I do,” said Leonard. “I find little moments of life that are universal and understood by everybody. I tell a big story through small images.”

In college, “I had a vague sense that I wanted to be a creator,” said Leonard. “I didn’t consider myself a writer... I was an observer. I didn’t understand that it was another form of intellect that’s not graded. It’s how you look at life and ponder it and understand it.” ■



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—MIKE LEONARD '70

Watch the video and hear Leonard’s keynote address at *Alumni and Family Weekend* at www.alumni.providence.edu/alumniandfamily2012

Top: Mike Leonard '70 with Rev. Robert Barron, the creator and host of the Catholicism series and the founder of Word on Fire Catholic Ministries

Feeling right **AT HOME** at

Alumni & Family Weekend



More than 1,600 alumni, family members, and friends attended the first *Alumni & Family Weekend* on campus on February 10-12. Presented by the offices of alumni relations and college events, the new event merged features of the former Homecoming Weekend for alumni with the traditional Winter Family Weekend for upper-class students and their families.

With a theme of “One Home, One Family,” the weekend included entertainment, sporting events, a reception marking the 40th anniversary of PC women’s athletics, the painting of an “interactive” mural as part of the *SPORT:ART* collaboration [See pages 13-15.], and a keynote talk by Mike Leonard '70 & '00Hon., NBC *Today* show correspondent and executive producer of the *Catholicism* documentary series [See related story on pages 43-45.].

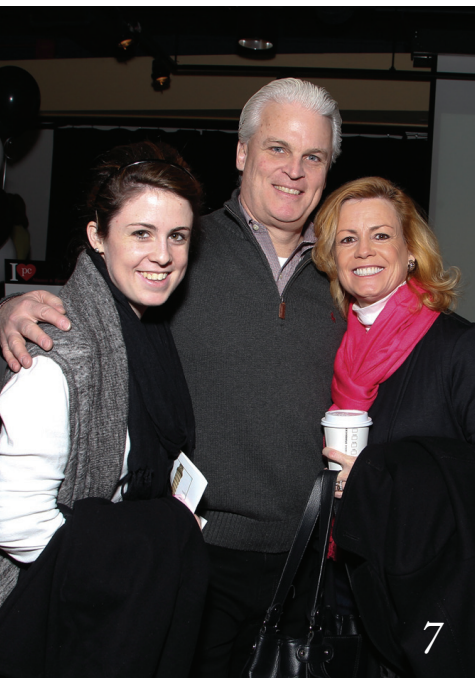


Top: Mike Leonard '70 & '00Hon. delivers keynote remarks on how the Catholicism documentary series he helped produce reinvigorated his faith. Above: Coffee mugs, emblazoned with the logo symbolizing the weekend, were an appreciated memento.

On opposite page: 1) College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 welcomes alumni and families prior to Leonard's remarks. 2) From left, Mary Pat Caputo '79 and her husband, Gene Caputo, enjoy Irish Night at the Celtic Lounge in downtown Providence with Mary Pat's sister, Ann Larkin Smith '81, her daughter, Mary Elizabeth Smith, and the Caputos' daughter, Sarah '12. 3) Ann Bedford '79 with her daughter, Kaitlin Bedford '14. 4) Sean Ryan, 10-year-old brother of Kate Ryan '14, gets in the spirit at Friar Fest before the men's basketball home game against South Florida. 5) Kathleen Sullivan '14, left, and Emily Foster '13 take part in the bus-decorating contest during Friar Fest. 6) John Quinn '83 and Liza Quinn '83 with their children, from left, Emma, Hugh, Gracie '14, and Charlie. 7) Jacqueline Stimola '14 with her parents, John '83 and Ursula Stimola '83, at the study abroad showcase. 8) Sylvie Giard-Souza and her daughter, Alexandra-Marie Souza '14, enjoy Irish Night. 9) On hand to decorate a bus at Friar Fest are, front row from left, Caroline Young '14, Amanda Talbot '15, and Matthew Pavia '15, and rear, Tucker de Villier '12, Alexander Acunzo '15, and Margaret Van Name '12.

For additional *Alumni and Family Weekend* photos, visit: www.alumni.providence.edu/photos

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Student Alumni Association



EXPANDS ROLE, *influence*

By ROBBIE SMITH-MacDONALD '12

The 87-member Providence College Student Alumni Association (SAA), the undergraduate arm of the National Alumni Association (NAA), is diligently boosting its campus presence—and outreach—in only its second operational year.

This academic year, more than 70 students joined the association for the first time, following an interview process that attracted highly qualified and eager students seeking to join the group.

The association aims to spur undergraduate interest in the NAA, establish relationships among current students and alumni, instill a sense of pride, loyalty, and tradition in its members, and educate students about post-graduate alumni involvement and its benefits.

“We are really focused on building awareness with current students and developing relationships among students and alumni through presentations and shared stories and experiences,” said Ashley Buglio '10, coordinator for alumni relations in the Office of Institutional Advancement and moderator of the SAA.

Since last spring, the SAA has been an increasingly visible and supportive influence around campus and at signature College events involving alumni, including *A Night in Black and White*.

Pillars at key events and as ambassadors

During the fall, Buglio noted that SAA members offered significant assistance to institutional advancement staff during *St. Dominic Weekend*, facilitating several events. Students also

helped with various tasks at the *Friar 5K* and attended the fall networking event for the Greater Providence Chapter of the NAA, the Mal Brown Club.

In addition, members have worked to expose prospective and new PC students to the SAA and NAA brand through initiatives including Move-In Day and the legacy program.

This spring, SAA members have facilitated an alumni panel featuring administrators in the field of education and supported institutional advancement staff in February during PC's *Alumni & Family Weekend*. During the days leading up to the weekend, the SAA sponsored a series of “Spirit Week” events and programs for members and students across campus.

Jenna Borkoski '12 (Barrington, R.I.), SAA president, said being involved in the association has given her the opportunity to interact with graduates from a vast range of class years.

“Through these relationships, I have been able to see the importance and rewarding nature of lifelong involvement at the College. While my four years here have flown by, I have seen that I can continue my PC legacy as an engaged and proud alumna,” she said. ■

Student Alumni Association (SAA) members took time out from assisting College staff members during Alumni & Family Weekend in February to participate in the Friar Fest bus-decorating competition. Holding paper hearts symbolic of the weekend are, front row from left, Joe Dorman '14, Kaitlin Donovan '12, Danica Lynch '13, and Jenna Borkoski '12, SAA president, and rear, Jenna Raymond '12, SAA vice president, and Kerrin Reilly '12.



Alumni clubs **WELCOMED** in Charlotte and Southern California

The College's National Alumni Association expanded its geographic reach and added its 14th and 15th clubs in Charlotte, N.C., and Southern California this past fall.

The Charlotte Club launched with a cocktail reception attended by about 40 people at the Marriott Hotel Renaissance. Guests viewed videos from *St. Dominic Weekend* and heard from Rev. John S. Peterson, O.P. '57, alumni association chaplain; Joseph A. Hulbig, '96, regional director for major gifts in the Office of Institutional Advancement; and Jennifer Carr, assistant director of alumni relations.

Peter F. Bergen '60 said he was inspired to organize the club after attending his 50th class reunion.

"I got reacquainted with a lot of things going on. I was amazed at the new buildings and how the campus has grown," said Bergen, who hadn't visited since his 25th reunion. "I found there are hundreds of alumni just in my area."

In December, the new club hosted a bus trip to the PC men's basketball game at the University of South Carolina. Bergen is hoping the club will become a networking resource for young alumni. There are 300 alumni in the Charlotte area and 500 in the state.

Top: Alumni and friends at the Southern California Club launch are, from left, Mike DeForest, Bridget McMeel '96, Greg Ainsworth '79, David Philips '98, Jess Prosser '99, and Liz Ramos '99.

California launch spans 70 class years

More than 100 people attended a four-hour reception at The Yard House restaurant in Long Beach that marked the launch of the Southern California Club. They included E. John Fitzpatrick '41, members of the Class of 2011, and Paul '67 and Carol Courcy, who drove four hours from San Luis Obispo.

College trustee John O'Hurley '76 & '06Hon., actor, TV show host, and entrepreneur, discussed changes at PC, including the expansion of the theater program. Also attending were Bob Ferreira '83, assistant vice president for alumni relations, and Stephen C. Duryea '82, major gifts officer.

"With over 500 alumni in California, we look forward to building the network, identifying prospective students for the school, and building the Providence College community," said the club president, Tom May '92.

The Southern California Club held a career networking night for students and alumni in January at the Jamaica Bay Inn in Marina del Rey.

"It is so amazing to see how connected our alumni are, even at a distance, and how much they love their *alma mater*," Carr said. "Both groups were thrilled to hear about what is happening on campus and all around the country." ■

BATTLE OF THE BULGE ANNIVERSARY

THE BLOODIEST BATTLE

Veterans gather locally to recall Hitler's ferocious last stand in the Ardennes forest.

By MICHAEL LAFORCIA
Palm Beach Post Staff Writer

The funny thing about the men who died in the forest that winter is they never get old.

Here their friends are, crowded Sunday in a ballroom at the airport Hilton in West Palm Beach, bald or gray-haired in blazers and slacks and loafers, contending with sore backs and bad hips and arthritic knees and pained hands.

You might stand behind one of these men in the grocery store checkout line, maybe a little impatiently, oblivious to the role he played in a battle that helped to decide the fate of the Western world.

Sixty-four years ago today, in the frozen mountains of Belgium, France and Luxembourg, the army of Adolf Hitler's Third Reich made a last desperate push through the Ardennes forest to win World War II.

And that old man, the one you've already forgotten about as he shuffles with his bags toward the door, stopped them.



George Fisher welcomes fellow vets to a luncheon at West Palm's airport Hilton. He was 20 (below) when he fought in WWII's Battle of the Bulge.



"The ones who were killed never grow old in our memories," says George Fisher, 84, of Palm Beach, who used to be Pfc. George Fisher, 20, of Brooklyn, a grunt in the 26th Infantry Division who clutched a rifle and peered into the woods through the falling snow.

Fisher was resting in Metz, France, the day before the Germans put their secret plan into action.

Alumni ambassadors tribute to the

CARRY ON

'Greatest Generation'

"Every one of us who has had the privilege of presenting these degrees has had a similar reaction: an honor and privilege to bestow upon the last of the 'Greatest Generation' a degree from Providence College."

—FAY A. ROZOVSKY '73 & '08HON.,

President, National Alumni Association Board of Governors



Edward Lynch Jr. reads his honorary bachelor's degree that was presented by, from left, U.S. Army personnel and PC alumni Capt. Stephen D. Gerry '06, Capt. Robert T. Thorne '05, and First Lt. Sean M. McKenna '08.

Thirteen additional men whose college studies were interrupted for military service in World War II have received honorary bachelor's degrees from Providence College, thanks to alumni ambassadors in Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Florida, California, and Wisconsin.

The 13 were among approximately 400 students who trained with the Army Specialized Training Program at PC and were called suddenly to active duty in March 1944. Most never returned to complete their studies. Last year, at Commencement Exercises and in a private ceremony, PC presented honorary bachelor's degrees to George Fisher of Palm Beach, Fla., Paul V. Salley of Beverly, Mass., and Dr. Malcolm Ekstrand of Cranston, R.I.

Sometimes, as with Arthur Friedman of Gurnee, Ill., Robert Madson of Green Bay, Wisc., and Edward Hauck of Lancaster, Pa., the presentations drew media attention. Others were like Ned Herzog of New Haven, Conn., who received his degree surrounded by black-and-white balloons, a PC banner, and cards made by his grandson.

Other diploma recipients were: Vernon Futterman of West Orange, N.J., Robert Lippin of Brooklyn, N.Y., Joseph Lurie of Delray Beach, Fla., Edward Lynch Jr. of West Nyack, N.Y., James O'Brien of Wauwatosa, Wisc., Jack Sneesby of Milwaukee, Wisc., Leo A. Wurtzel of Palm Beach, Fla., Joseph Kessler of Davie, Fla., and Alvin Blinder of Torrance, Calif.

Alumni ambassadors were: Fay A. Rozovsky, J.D., M.P.H. '73 & '08Hon., Michael Sheridan '81, Maureen Hession Sheridan '81, Stephen D. Gerry '06, Sean M. McKenna '08, Robert T. Thorne '05, Mike McCarthy '64, Jack Farley '02, Tim Farley '93, Robert DeRoche '65, Fred Burke '93, Benjamin Brown '04, and Jim Kane '94. ■





Alumni research **SPURS**

Jewish Chaplains Monument at Arlington

Kenneth G. Kraetzer '79 never forgot his father's 22 years of service in the U.S. Army, including World War II in Italy.

A member of the Sons of the American Legion in Pelham, N.Y., Kraetzer took his appreciation of military service to Washington, D.C., by helping lead a four-year, national effort that culminated in the dedication of the Jewish Chaplains Monument at Arlington National Cemetery in October.

The new monument had its roots at Providence College, amid the names on the World War II Grotto Memorial. Kraetzer, a past president of the PC Alumni Club of New York, has researched the stories of veterans in his native Pelham and decided to do an on-line search for the 65 alumni remembered at the grotto.

He discovered two were military chaplains who died in service and are honored at Arlington: Rev. Valmore G. Savignac '32 and Rev. Anthony E. Czubak '32. A third, Rev. Leo Peter Craig, O.P. '35, died in the Korean War in a heroic moment that is memorialized in Harkins Hall.

Upon subsequently visiting Chaplains Hill in Arlington in 2007, Kraetzer found the three PC names on the Catholic monument. While there, he looked for the "Four Immortal Chaplains"—whose story is remembered annually by veterans groups. The quartet—two Protestant chaplains, a Catholic chaplain, and a Jewish chaplain—died when their troop ship, the *Dorchester*, was torpedooed in the North Atlantic Ocean in 1943.

Kraetzer found the names of all but the Jewish chaplain, Rabbi Alexander D. Goode. Recognizing that the memorials were incomplete without recognizing Jewish chaplains, he contacted the Jewish War Veterans office in Washington. He was put in touch with Rear Admiral Harold Robinson, U.S. Navy (retired), director of the Jewish Chaplains Council.

Robinson and Kraetzer led a committee that directed the effort to erect the monument. The memorial contains the names of 14 Jewish military chaplains who died while in military service from 1943-74. Last May, the U.S. House and Senate gave unanimous approval for the Jewish Chaplains Monument.

The dedication ceremony at Arlington was attended by members of Congress; Air Force, Navy, and Army personnel; veterans and Jewish organizations; and others, including Rev. John S. Peterson, O.P. '57, chaplain of the PC National Alumni Association, and Fay A. Rozovsky, J.D., M.P.H. '73 & '08Hon., alumni association Board of Governors president.

For Kraetzer, the most rewarding part of the effort was the messages of appreciation from the 50-plus family members of the memorialized chaplains who attended.

"That is what makes it all worthwhile," he said. ■

Top left, from left: Kenneth G. Kraetzer '79 joins Fay A. Rozovsky, J.D., M.P.H. '73 & '08Hon., National Alumni Association (NAA) Board of Governors president, and Rev. John S. Peterson, O.P. '57, NAA chaplain, at the ceremony for the Jewish Chaplains Monument. Top right: Kraetzer offers remarks during the ceremony.

alumni notes



PC INHOLLYWOOD

Over winter break, 11 PC students flew to Los Angeles for PC INHOLLYWOOD, an intense, three-day series of informational meetings with entertainment industry leaders, including alumni such as **Peter Farrelly '79**, producer and director of films such as *There's Something About Mary* and *Dumb and Dumber* (second from left at rear in photo).

The program was organized by producer **Todd Slater '97** of Slater Brothers Entertainment. Rev. Kenneth R. Gumbert, O.P., professor of film studies in theatre arts, and Patti Goff, interim director and associate director/internships in the Office of Career Services, accompanied the group.



ALUMNI-STUDENT CAREER NETWORKING

More than 100 alumni offered career advice to more than 200 students at alumni-student networking nights in New York, Boston, and Southern California over winter break.

In New York, **Ryan Olohan '96**, head of consumer packaged goods and personal care for Google, was the guest speaker. Boston's networking event featured **Brian Potvin '91**, a senior account executive with Procter & Gamble.

This was the first time a "Career Conversations" night was held in Southern California. Addressing alumni and students was **Mary-Jo Gagliardi '89**, senior vice president and director of human resources for Wells Fargo Capital Finance.

Above: Bridget M. Long '08, a project coordinator at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in New York City, left, discussed career experiences with Daelina Lockhart '15 at the New York alumni-student night.



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CLASS *notes*

LEGEND

- * = School of Continuing Education
- ** = Graduate Studies
- All others are day school graduates.

1940

'42 (70th-Year Reunion)

Francis L. McNelis, M.D. '42M of Warren, R.I., wrote "Laryngeal Cancer Today Compared to a Study 50 Years Ago" in *Medicine & Health/Rhode Island*. Before retiring, he was chief of the Department of Otolaryngology at Rhode Island Hospital.

1950

'51

Joseph J. Box, D.D.S. of Pawtucket, R.I., was honored with the Good Citizenship Humanitarian Award by the Rhode Island Dental Association. The award honors an individual who has a passionate commitment to improving lives through dentistry and acts of kindness. His practice has served four generations of patients, and he has traveled the world offering dental services to the poor. A U.S. Navy veteran, he served as chief dental surgeon with the R.I. Air National Guard for 21 years before retiring as lieutenant colonel.

'56

Joseph H. Hagan '96Hon. of Little Compton, R.I., and Rome, Italy, was reappointed by the governor to a three-year term on the Rhode Island Board of Governors for Higher Education. He is chairman of the Board of Trustees of John Cabot University in Rome and a member of the Board of Overseers of Boston University. Hagan completed 10 years of service as a consultant to the Pontifical Council on the Family, to which he was appointed by the late Pope John Paul II, and is a Gentleman-in-Waiting to Pope Benedict XVI.

Paul S. Quinn of McLean, Va., a partner with Nossaman LLP in Washington, D.C., was presented with the Irish Legal 100 Award for 2011 by the *Irish Voice* newspaper.

Chair named for Iannuccilli '61 at medical school

Edward A. Iannuccilli, M.D. '61 of Bristol, R.I., had an academic chair named in his honor: the Frances Weeden Gibson-Edward A. Iannuccilli, M.D. Professorship in Emergency Medicine at The Warren Alpert School of Medicine at Brown University.

A retired gastroenterologist, Iannuccilli is the first appointed clinical professor at the Alpert School of Medicine, where he has taught since 1972. A longtime fellow of the American College of Physicians, he served as director of medical education and chairman of the Board of Trustees of Rhode Island Hospital.

He is also a member of PC's President's Council and the author of *Growing Up Italian: Grandfather's Fig Tree and Other Stories* (Barking Cat Books, 2008).

1960

'61

Thomas A. Drennan of Wakefield, R.I., retired after 22 seasons as head men's golf coach of the University of Rhode Island. He was inducted into the Golf Coaches of America Hall of Fame in 2008.

'63

William F. Frain of Agawam, Mass., was honored with the Presidential Medallion by the College of Our Lady of the Elms in Chicopee for his commitment to education and to service. Along with a successful career in financial services, he has volunteered as a board member of the Downey Side Adoption Agency, Friends of the Homeless, and the College of Our Lady of the Elms.

'66

Robert J. Palmisano of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., was appointed president and chief executive officer of Wright Medical Group, Inc., a global orthopedic medical device company and a leading provider of surgical solutions for the foot and ankle market. He most recently served as president and CEO of ev3, Inc., a global endovascular device company. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Bausch & Lomb and the Providence College Board of Trustees.

1970

'71

Vasilios J. "Bill" Kalogredis, Esq. of West Chester, Pa., spoke at the Pennsylvania Bar Institute in Philadelphia on the topic of physician-hospital relationships. He is a partner at the healthcare law firm of Kalogredis, Sansweet, Dearden and Burke, Ltd. in Wayne.

'73

William M. Mahoney of Auburn, Mass., chief financial officer of UniBank, which has several locations in the Blackstone Valley in Massachusetts, was promoted to the additional position of chief administrative officer. He is responsible for oversight of all administrative functions of the bank, including human resources, marketing, compliance, operations, technology, and security.

'78

Nancy J. Culotta of Ann Arbor, Mich., has retired as vice president for food safety product certification and consumer products from NSF International, a public health and safety company. During her 25-year career, she played a key role in globally expanding the company's public health services to Europe and the Asia-Pacific region and spearheaded several innovative initiatives to improve public health and safety.

1980

'80

Dennis C. Leahey of Providence, R.I., a lieutenant with the Burrillville Police Department, was honored by the Boston Celtics as a 2010-11 "Heroes Among Us" recipient at a Massachusetts Statehouse ceremony. He was recognized for saving the life of a man who suffered a seizure and was choking at a restaurant.

'82 (30th-Year Reunion)

Stephen E. Burke, C.P.A., of Holden, Mass., has joined Norwood Hospital as executive director of finance. He previously served as director of finance at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Boston.

Jackie Colson-Miller, CIPS, Certified International Property Specialist, of Tampa, Fla., has been named the National Association of Realtors President's Liaison to Austria.

Andrea L. Forster, C.P.A., of Wilton, Conn., was named corporate controller and principal accounting officer at MasterCard, Inc. She previously held various finance positions at Pepsi Bottling Group, Inc.

Donald P. Kaczvinsky of Ruston, La., was named dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Louisiana Tech University. He also holds the George E. Pankey Eminent Scholar Chair in English and has served as director of the university's School of Literature and Language.

Thomas J. Sheehan of Kennett Square, Pa., was appointed senior vice president of sales at Andera, Inc. of Providence, a leader in online customer acquisition solutions for financial institutions. He is responsible for the company's sales strategy and execution. He recently served as vice president of sales at ACI Worldwide.

'83

Jamie D. Moore of Warwick, R.I., was installed as the president of the Rhode Island Association of Realtors. She is the owner of Jamie Moore Appraisal Services, Inc.

'84

Carol E. Bulman of Scituate, Mass., was named one of 10 "Mortgage Titans of New England" designees for significant achievement in her profession by the New England Mortgage Bankers Association. She also was named one of 10 "Women of Fire" in real estate by *Banker & Tradesman*. She is the chief executive officer of Jack Conway & Co. Realtor, based in Norwell.

James F. Coffey, Esq. of Hopkinton, Mass., a partner at Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP in Boston, was selected for the 2012 list of *The Best Lawyers in America*. He is a member of the firm's Business Department and the Emerging Companies and Workout, Restructuring, and Bankruptcy practice groups, where he concentrates his practice in the areas of corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, and bankruptcy law.

***Sandra J. Pattie** of Rehoboth, Mass., was promoted to president and chief executive officer of BankNewport in Newport, R.I. She previously served as executive vice president and chief operating officer. A member of the College's Providence President's Council, she joined BankNewport in 1984 as a consumer lending officer.

'85

Carl R. Ficks, Jr. of Farmington, Conn., was appointed chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hospital for Special Care, a long-term, acute care hospital located in New Britain and Hartford. He is responsible for the hospital's governance and management affairs. He is a partner in the Connecticut-based law firm of Halloran & Sage, LLP.

****Sister Pat Howell, O.P.** of Bronx, N.Y., was named principal of St. Anthony's School, a Catholic, parochial elementary school in Nanuet, N.Y. She previously served as principal of St. Luke School in the Bronx.

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Rego '44 marks 25 years as non-profit founder



The Bristol (R.I.) Helping Hands Committee, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping the needy, and founded and directed by **Dr. Alfred R. Rego '44** of Bristol, is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. The organization provides daily distribution of food and clothing to those in need, sponsors an annual children's Christmas party, and provides toys and books to churches and libraries for distribution.

Rego, a retired exporting business executive, has been involved in humanitarian and community service for most of his life. He has been recognized by national and foreign leaders, including Pope Paul VI. In 1946, President Harry S. Truman appointed Rego consul for the Dominican Republic, a position he held for 48 years. He was a candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1963 and was listed in the *Who's Who Diplomatic Directory* of London, England.



Burke '77 launches Independence Trail in Providence

Robert I. Burke '77 of Barrington, R.I., (at right in photo, alongside Providence Mayor Angel Taveras) the proprietor of Providence's Pot au Feu restaurant and a history enthusiast, presided over the launching of the Independence Trail in Providence on Rhode Island Independence Day at the Old State House. He is the founder and executive director of the Independence Trail Educational Foundation, Inc.

The three-mile, green-striped trail makes a circle through 75 historical locations in Providence and highlights four centuries of the state's history, culture, architecture, and folklore. Visitors stop at various points along the trail and, by dialing a phone number from their cell phone, learn about each spot's historical significance.

The trail, which opened in August 2011, is managed, promoted, and maintained by the nonprofit Independence Trail Educational Foundation.

'85 (continued)

Stephen Kunze of Germantown, Md., was appointed chief financial officer of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He is responsible for the agency's \$4.5 billion budget. He has spent nearly 25 years in federal government service.

'86

Martin N. Piscioti of Denville, N.J., was appointed vice president/general manager of T-Mobile USA, Inc., the U.S. wireless operation of Deutsche Telekom AG. His region consists of Philadelphia and the surrounding suburbs, and parts of Delaware, Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey, and upstate New York. He joined T-Mobile in 2007.

'87 (25th-Year Reunion)

Patrick F. Nero of Washington, D.C., is the new director of athletics at George Washington University. The former commissioner of the America East Conference, he has more than 23 years of experience in leadership roles in NCAA Division I sports.

Frederick Tobia of Boston, Mass., was named director of regulatory and clinical services for Medical Device Consultants, Inc. in North Attleboro. He has more than 20 years' experience in the medical device and contract research organization industry.

'88

Donald M. Demers, Ph.D., CFRE '03G of Woonsocket, R.I., director of institutional advancement at Mount Saint Charles Academy in Woonsocket, received his Ph.D. from Salve Regina University in Newport.

Michael T. Flanagan of Randolph, N.J., was named chief financial officer of Paradysz, a marketing development agency, and is based in its New York City office. He previously held executive positions with TMP Directional Marketing and Monster Worldwide.

'89

James L. Eliason, C.P.A. of Bedford, Mass., was named chief financial officer of Qvidian, a market leader in cloud computing sales effectiveness applications. He will oversee the company's finance, legal, and human resources operations.

Paula Sullivan Harris of Duxbury, Mass., was elected a corporator of South Coastal Bank in eastern Massachusetts. She is a co-founder and principal of WH Cornerstone Investments, based in Duxbury.

Reverend Monsignor Albert A. Kenney of Providence, R.I., vicar general and moderator of the Curia for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, was named by Pope Benedict

XVI as "Chaplain of His Holiness" in honor of his service and commitment to the Church and given the title "Reverend Monsignor." He is a former rector of the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence.

Michael J. Raso of Hingham, Mass., was named senior vice president and director of institutional retirement of Old Mutual Asset Management, the U.S.-based global asset management business of Old Mutual plc, based in London. He previously served as a partner at Crosswind Investments, based in Boston.

Timothy G. Shanahan of Darien, Conn., was named a director of BMO Capital Markets, the investment and corporate banking arm of BMO Financial Group, and is based in New York City. He will focus on the Central Banks and Sovereign Wealth funds. He previously served as executive director of Central Bank sales at UBS Securities.

1990

'90

Bill Kearns of Annapolis, Md., wrote his first book of poetry, *Fire Breathing Faith* (CreateSpace, 2011), a collection based on 20 years of writing. He is chair of the Special Education Department at Meade Middle School in Fort Meade.

Paul G. Maguire of New York, N.Y., wrote his first book, *Professor Atlas and the Summoning Dagger* (Dog Ear Publishing, 2011). Intended for the juvenile fiction market, the book relates the adventures of an old wizard, an explorer, and two seventh-grade boys and the quest to find a buried dagger.

'91

Robert J. Connelly III, Esq. of Mystic, Conn., received the "Hero Award" from the Rhode Island Alliance for Better Long Term Care for his dedication and service to protecting elder rights. He operates the Connelly Law Offices in Pawtucket, R.I., and Mystic, and is one of a select group of Certified Elder Law Attorneys in the United States.

Patrick J. Dwyer of Key Biscayne, Fla., is one of two Merrill Lynch financial advisors in Florida who were recognized on "The Top 100 Wirehouse Advisors in America" list in the September 2011 edition of *Registered Rep.* magazine.

****Jonathan Evans** of Sudbury, Mass., was appointed principal at Joseph P. Keefe Technical School in Framingham, where he has served for 15 years and was most recently the student services coordinator.

Christopher D. McDemus of Chalfont, Pa., was appointed the director of VENTURE-Series, a track for entrepreneurship in Lehigh University's MBA program, and a professor of practice, entrepreneurship. He will continue working directly with start-up and emerging growth companies through his law firm, MCD Law Partners, LLC, and his consulting company, MatchStick Partners, LLC.

'92 (20th-Year Reunion)

Lorraine N. Dooley of Brooklyn, Conn., was named Teacher of the Year at Norwich Free Academy, where she has taught social studies for 15 years and now also is teaching global studies and citizenship and an advanced academic literacy course.

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

'93

Jason I. Brum of Fairfield, Conn., was promoted to director of sales of both the NBC Sports Network and The NHL Network. He has been employed by NBCUniversal for 11 years and recently attained a master's degree in sports management from Columbia University.

James M. Ludes of North Providence, R.I., was named executive director of the Claiborne Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy at Salve Regina University in Newport. He previously served as the executive director of the American Security Project in Washington, D.C. He is a member of PC's Liberal Arts Honors Program Leadership Council.

'94

****Bethany L. Coughlin** of Cumberland, R.I., was named assistant principal at Joseph L. McCourt Middle School in Cumberland. She began her teaching career at the school 22 years ago and then taught at North Cumberland Middle School for 17 years.

Craig A. DeGiacomo of Marshfield, Mass., was named vice president of institutional sales and consultant relations at Pioneer Investments, based in Boston. He previously spent 15 years at State Street Global Advisors.

Boyd E. Foster, C.P.A., of Lincoln, R.I., has announced a new partnership, Feeney & Foster CPAs, a full-service accounting and business advisory firm in Cumberland. He previously was a principal at the accounting firm of Sullivan & Company in Providence.

Brian J. Lamoureux of West Warwick, R.I., was a member of the 2011 "40 Under 40" class announced by the *Providence Business News* in recognition of his career achievements and community service. He is a senior counsel with Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC of Providence.

Meg Mitchell Moore of Newburyport, Mass., wrote her first novel, *The Arrivals* (Reagan Arthur Books, 2011), a book on parenthood that was selected as a "Pick of the Year" by the SheKnows Book Club.

Joel Pace of St. Paul, Minn., was promoted to full professor at the University of Wisconsin in Eau Claire, where he teaches English.

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DiLauro '77 chosen 'Champion of Criminal Justice'

Michael DiLauro '77 of Warwick, R.I., assistant public defender, director of training, and legislative liaison for the Rhode Island Office of the Public Defender, was honored with the inaugural Champion of State Criminal Justice Reform Award. The award, presented by the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers at its annual meeting in Denver, recognizes exceptional efforts that lead to progressive reform of a state criminal justice system.

DiLauro was recognized for his "tenacious advocacy" throughout his career on numerous criminal justice proposals, especially those addressing two leading causes of wrongful convictions in the United States: mistaken eyewitness identification and false confessions.

He joined the Office of the Public Defender in Providence in 1980 following his graduation from the University of Toledo College of Law.

'94 (continued)

Jennifer Tidd Salpietro of Swansea, Mass., was promoted to assistant vice president of claims at Starkweather & Shepley Insurance Brokerage, Inc. in East Providence, R.I.

'96

Christopher J. Caruso of Richmond Hill, N.Y., has joined The After-School Corporation (TASC) as senior vice president for Expanded Schools, which offers methods for educators and communities to work together to reinvent struggling public schools. TASC is located in New York City. He is the former executive director of generationON, the global youth service movement dedicated to empowering youth to make their mark in the world.

Joe Mullin of Mashpee, Mass., was re-elected to a second term on the town's Planning Board, where he serves as vice chairman. He is the deputy general counsel to the Massachusetts state comptroller.

'97 (15th-Year Reunion)

Caldwell Camero, Esq. of St. Paul, Minn., was honored with the Minnesota Lawyer 2011

"Up and Coming Attorneys" award in recognition of her leadership, professional accomplishments, and service to the legal community. A corporate counsel for Best Buy Co., Inc., she also was elected to the Board of Directors for the Junior League of St. Paul, a women's volunteer organization that helps children in need.

****Patricia B. Gablinske** of Bristol, R.I., is in her first year as principal of Central Elementary School in Lincoln. A longtime teacher in the Bristol-Warren Regional School District, she also served as a principal, co-principal, and interim principal for a total of five years.

Pieter J. Ketalaar of Brick, N.J., is cofounder and contributor to the PhGeek.com Web site and is an advisor to Wall (N.J.) High School's student newspaper, which has placed first for two consecutive years in competitions for schools with enrollments between 1,001 and 1,700.

'99

Gloria C. Anglon of Baltimore, Md., graduated from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, with a master of arts degree in applied sociology and was inducted into

Alpha Kappa Delta, the international sociology honor society. She also earned a post-baccalaureate certificate in the non-profit sector. She accepted an administrative fellowship at Harvard University as assistant director of graduate admissions in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

2000

'00

John J. DiChello of Philadelphia, Pa., was elected partner at Blank Rome LLP. He is a member of the corporate litigation group and practices in the firm's Philadelphia office.

Curtis J. LeGeyst of Washington, D.C., has joined the National Association of Broadcasters as senior vice president and legislative counsel in the government relations department. He was previously senior counsel to Sen. Patrick Leahy's (D-Vt.) Senate Judiciary Committee. LeGeyst is a graduate of Cornell Law School.

Rev. Christopher M. Mahar of Providence, R.I., was installed as rector of Our Lady of Providence Seminary, where he leads the largest number of seminarians (27) ever enrolled. Previously, he served as assistant pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Church in East Greenwich and at St. Mary Church in Cranston.

Michael P. Paone of New York, N.Y., joined Patriarch Partners, a private equity firm based in New York City, as a senior associate. He received his MBA degree from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

'01

John W. Zilch, Jr. of Walpole, Mass., received his MBA degree with a focus on investments and new ventures from the Boston College Carroll School of Management.

'02 (10th-Year Reunion)

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



Six young alumni serving as Jesuit Volunteers

Six young alumni began serving in the last year with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC). They are among 340 Jesuit volunteers living in 49 communities in the U.S. and six countries who work full time for peace and justice within four core values: social justice, simple living, community, and spirituality. The PC volunteers and their service missions are:

Anna L. Fox '11 of Wethersfield, Conn., YWCA of Silicon Valley, San Jose, Calif.; **Bobby C. Fredrickson '11** of York, Maine, Catholic Charities of Tennessee in Nashville; **Bethany R. Killian '11** of Thomaston, Conn., Gonzaga Primary School in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania; **Charles V. Mansour '09G** of Lowell, Mass., St. Cecilia's Primary School in Chuuk-Saramen, Micronesia; **Sonia R. Penso '11** of Woonsocket, R.I., Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles, Calif.; and **Lillian J. Shields '11** of Wilder, Vt., The Primavera Foundation, Inc. in Tucson, Ariz.

From left, Anna L. Fox '11, Lillian J. Shields '11, and Sonia R. Penso '11, pictured at orientation for the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, are serving in states out West.

Joseph A. Smiga of Southport, Conn., joined Russo & Associates, LLC, a general practice law firm, in Southport. Following law school at the University of Connecticut, he spent five years in the Air Force as an active-duty JAG attorney.

'03

Patrick S. Cannon of Cumberland, R.I., accepted an associate position with the Providence office of Morrison Mahoney LLP, a Boston-based trial, litigation, and business service law firm. He concentrates in defense of workers' compensation claims and general liability defense.

Patrick A. Lynch, Esq. of Warwick, R.I., has joined the law firm of Donoghue, Barrett & Singal, P.C. in Providence.

Jill M. Murphy of Arlington, Mass., joined Buyers Brokers Only, LLC, a buyer agent real estate brokerage firm serving eastern Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire. She is a licensed real estate broker and earned a law degree from the Massachusetts School of Law in Andover.

Peter L. Parks of Waterbury, Conn., was promoted to sergeant in the Milford Police Department. A certified field training officer, he is assigned to the Patrol Division.

'04

Caitlin A. Cahalan of Rockville Centre, N.Y., received her MBA degree from Fordham University, majoring in both marketing and media and in communications management. She is a promotions manager in the Integrated Marketing Department at CNN in New York City.

Corey L. Christman of Somerville, Mass., was named the project/sales and marketing coordinator for FGI Research in Chapel Hill, N.C.

Brian M. Rys, CFP, CLU, ChFC, of Franklin, Mass., earned his certified financial planner certification from the Certified Financial Plan-

ner Board of Standards Inc. He is a financial professional with Independence Financial Partners, a member of the John Hancock Financial Network.

Nicole A. Secondi of Allston, Mass., was awarded a Fund for Teachers Fellowship. She attended a Creativity Workshop and completed the fellowship in Florence, Italy, last summer. She is an English teacher in the Boston Public Schools system.

Todd S. Sorensen of Manlius, N.Y., was certified by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards for teaching social studies and history at the adolescent/young adulthood level.

'05

Malisa C. Iannino of Norwood, Mass., graduated with a bachelor of science in nursing degree from the MGH Institute of Health Professions in Boston, an independent academic affiliate of Massachusetts General Hospital.

Daniel J. Kabala of Brighton, Mass., was awarded the Fellowship designation by the Casualty Actuarial Society (CAS) after he completed nine topic-specific examinations. He also completed the required CAS Course on Professionalism, which presents real-world situations involving ethical and professional issues. He is an assistant actuary with the Liberty Mutual Group.

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

Andrew E. Wallace of Newtonville, Mass., is leading an expanded workers compensation team at the offices of Carter Mario Injury Lawyers, which has offices in Connecticut.

'06

***Rosamaria E. Amaros** of Providence, R.I., was appointed marketing and communications director at Save The Bay, a Rhode Island community organization committed to protecting and restoring Narragansett Bay. The first Latino-American to be appointed to the agency's senior leadership team, she is charged with implementing a forward-thinking brand strategy and increasing revenue growth for the organization's public programs.

Rev. John D. Dickinson of Waterville, Maine, was ordained to the Roman Catholic priesthood at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland. He is a parochial vicar at Corpus Christi Parish in Waterville.

Matthew M. Weber of East Longmeadow, Mass., graduated from the Harvard Graduate School of Education with a master's degree in technology, innovation, and education.

Meghan K. Welsh of Alexandria, Va., has joined the Fox News Channel in Washington, D.C., as a producer, covering politics, including the presidential campaign. She was previously a reporter/producer at *PBS NewsHour*, also in Washington.

'07 (5th-Year Reunion)

Lt. Jg. Brendan D. Brown, USN of Virginia Beach, Va., returned in July from deployment on the *USS Enterprise* with his squadron, VFA-211, The Fighting Checkmates of Naval Air Station Oceana in Virginia Beach. He was deployed for five months supporting Operation Enduring Freedom over Afghanistan and Operation New Dawn in Iraq, as well as general counter-piracy operations in the Gulf of Oman.

Alison J. Espach of Trumbull, Conn., has written a short story, "Someone's Uncle," which is available as an e-book.



Friar pride reigns in Afghanistan

Former PC roommates and Army ROTC Patriot Battalion graduates Denis P. Campbell '09, left, and Daniel J. Marusak '09 reunited last fall in Afghanistan, where both are first lieutenants in separate locations in Kunar Province. Campbell is serving with the 2nd Battalion, 27th U.S. Army Infantry Regiment, while Marusak is with D Company, 1st Battalion, 182nd Infantry Regiment of the Massachusetts U.S. Army National Guard. Both have earned Combat Infantry badges for meritorious conduct in combat.

'07 (continued)

Katelyn Auclair Stamoulis and her husband, **Dino Stamoulis '07**, of North Smithfield, R.I., launched their own company, Paleonola, an all-natural, grain-free, granola snack (www.paleonola.com).

Rev. Michael James Wood, Jr. of West Springfield, Mass., was ordained to the priesthood in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield during an ordination Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral. He is serving as parochial vicar at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in West Springfield.

'08

Amanda Marie Silk Baer of Holden, Mass., graduated with *magna cum laude* honors from the Georgetown University Law Center, where she was inducted into the Order of the Coif National Honor Society. She is an associate with the law firm of Mirick, O'Connell, DeMallie & Lougee, LLP and is based in Worcester.

Nancy Andrade of Seekonk, Mass., received her master of public administration degree from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University. She is working as a Public Health Prevention Service Fellow with the

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta. The fellowship is a three-year program designed to develop public health managers.

'09

Jacqueline R. Cyr '10G of Wakefield, R.I., received the Gold Award, which is presented to the Rhode Island C.P.A. candidate who achieves the highest average score on the C.P.A. exam. She is an audit associate at KPMG LLP in Providence.

2010

'10

Jessica K. Costa of Rumford, R.I., is a third-grade teacher at Primrose Hill School in Barrington.

'11

****Julie S. Dorsey** of North Providence, R.I., is the new principal of Saylesville Elementary School in Lincoln, which serves students in grades kindergarten through 5. She previously taught in Durham, N.C., Detroit, and Attleboro, Mass.



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IN MEMORIAM

Rev. Edward Louis Cleary, O.P., professor *emeritus* of political science and a scholar of Latin American studies, died November 21. A member of the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas on campus, he served as a Dominican priest for 54 years. Father Cleary began teaching at PC in 1993 in the Latin American Studies Program and retired in 2011. He served as program director for approximately a dozen years. In all, he wrote or co-authored 14 books, including *The Rise of Catholic Charismatics in Latin America*, which was published in 2011.

Joseph A. Coccia '41, a College benefactor and longtime high school teacher and principal in Cranston, R.I., died on November 14. He distinguished himself with visits to PC four times a year to make donations in his wife's memory to an endowed scholarship fund that benefits undergraduate and graduate education majors in financial need. The fund was renamed the Joseph and Rose Coccia Scholarship Fund after his death.

J. Joseph Garrahy '79Hon., who served as Rhode Island governor from 1977 to 1985, died on January 24. Governor Garrahy taught at PC as a distinguished visiting professor of government and public service after serving as governor. He received an honorary doctor of public administration degree from the College in 1979.

Rev. Ralph Theodore "Ted" Hall, O.P. '52, a retired theology professor and a member of the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas on campus, died on January 9. He taught at PC from 1959 to 2002, retiring as associate professor of theology. He also taught philosophy courses. Father Hall served as a priest in the Dominican Order for 55 years.

Dr. Robert H. Hamlin '79G, director of the College's Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program from 1972 to 1997, died on December 17. Dr. Hamlin, who had a book award for high school seniors named in his honor at PC, also was an instructor of English at the College. He was the first African-American male teacher in the Providence Public Schools System.

Rev. John A. McMahon, O.P. '60, who served as assistant vice president for student services and director of the Slavin Center from 1973 to 1988, died on September 9. A Dominican priest for 43 years, he served many positions during his 18 years at PC. Father McMahon was an instructor in the Department of Education, director of security, moderator of Student Congress, director of the Pre-Novitiate Program for Dominicans, chaplain of the Friar Council Knights of Columbus, and sub-prior of the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas. An annual award is presented in his memory by Student Congress to a faculty or staff member for exemplary service to students.

Robert H. Walsh '39 & '66Hon., one of the College's leading benefactors in the sciences, died on October 7. A Platinum Torchbearer member of PC's 1917 Society that recognizes lifetime giving (\$1 million and above), he endowed the Robert H. Walsh Scholarship Fund and the Robert H. Walsh '39 Biochemistry Teaching Resource Fund. The first assists chemistry majors in financial need, and the second provides enrichment grants to faculty and students in the sciences. A retired executive with the DuPont Company, he was one of three alumni to have the College's Albertus Magnus Science Complex dedicated in his memory.

DEATHS

Leo F. Geoghegan, M.D. '37
 Maurice A. Regan '37
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 Joseph A. Coccia '41
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JOHN J. ACCINNO,
C.P.A. '46 & '93HON.,
 leading benefactor, former
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John J. Accinno, C.P.A. '46 & '93Hon.,
 one of the College's leading benefactors and
 a former member of the Board of Trustees,
 died on January 26 in Providence.

A Providence native and Barrington, R.I., resident, Mr. Accinno earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from PC. He credited the Dominican friars with giving him insight and opening a new world to him.

In gratitude for his education, he personally funded 16 endowed scholarships to honor special people in his life, including six members of the Dominican Community. He also gave \$150,000 to help establish the Joseph R. Accinno Faculty Teaching Award, named for his late brother. Accinno Hall, which houses classrooms and the Department of Information Technology, is named in his honor.

Mr. Accinno was a member of the Providence President's Council and a past member of the Board of Trustees and the College Corporation. He was honorary co-chairman of *Providence 2000*, a seven-year, \$75 million fund-raising campaign, and a regional alumni chairman for PC's first capital campaign.

Mr. Accinno and his wife, Jean (Richard) Accinno, were Platinum Torchbearers in the College's 1917 Society, a designation reserved for those donating \$1 million or more, and were members of the Harkins Society.

Mr. Accinno was secretary of the National Alumni Association Board of Governors for three terms. He received the Mal Brown Club's Very Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O.P. Award for devoted service in 1976 and the National Alumni Association's Faithful Friar Award in 1986.

Mr. Accinno was a self-employed C.P.A. and owned East Side Clinical Laboratories until his retirement in 2009.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Accinno leaves a brother, Mario Accinno of Barrington, and many nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on January 30 in Holy Angels Church, Barrington.

Life *between* two CANDLES

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



THE LAST WORD

I BEGAN WRITING THIS REFLECTION ON THE EVE OF ADVENT. IT WAS AN UNSEASONABLY WARM AND SUNNY DAY FOR LATE NOVEMBER, A PRETENSE OF SPRING THAT BELIED THE LONG WINTER TO COME. BUT THE EARLY DARKNESS TOLD THE TRUTH: WINTER WAS CLOSE AT HAND.

At Mass that evening we lit a single candle, the first of the season's four. Somewhat surprisingly, it brought me great joy and a quickened sense of hope. I would not have thought I needed it, the day having been so bright and pleasant, and yet I found that I did. It appealed to something in me that cannot be deceived by a day's respite. Deep down, I want something real, not merely comforting, something true and lasting. A light that does not merely mock the darkness but which dispels it: be gone! And it is.

Alas, the busyness of the end of the semester intervened, and I had to put this aside. Only now in January and many weeks later am I free to take it up again.

It is undeniably winter now. The cold and darkness reign unchallenged, and the sky is shifting shades of grey. Some say there is even a chance of snow later today. Chilled on my walk across campus, I find myself thinking about spring, the return of the sun and warmth, and the appearance of the first crocus. But here again, I risk deceiving myself. For whether it is winter or spring, it will not last. Ecclesiastes and Lucretius are right: it is the nature of things to change, this side of heaven.

So I am consoled by the fact that we will light a second candle come Easter in April. Tall, thick, and majestic, it will stand alone in the darkness. A wisp of its sturdy flame will be carried to many outstretched hands holding tapers, and into as many lives. "A flame divided but undimmed... a pillar of fire that glows to the honor of God...to dispel the darkness", says the ancient hymn.

Our lives are lived between these two candles. It does not matter whether ours is a season of promise, like spring; or one of strength and exuberance, like that of summer; or perhaps one tinged with the wistfulness of fall, or thick with winter's losses and hard-won wisdom. To one and all, and in every season, they beckon.

One bids us to hope in a child, born in a stable, and in whom "heaven is wedded to earth." The other invites us to believe in his victory, that he truly "dispels all evil, washes guilt away, restores lost innocence, brings mourners joy; ...casts out hatred, brings us peace, and humbles earthly pride."

Here there is no deception, no comforting lie or passing semblance of what our hearts desire.

That is why when he says to the darkness that shrouds our common frailty, and to the particular darkness in a given human life, be gone, it is. Really, truly and forever.

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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