



Commencement 2006:

"Your Hands Will Be Busy in the Years Ahead"



Three presidents: Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D., (far right) president of Chestnut Hill College since 1992, presided over Commencement, presenting honorary degrees to two other former college presidents: (left) Sister Matthew Anita MacDonald, SSJ, Ph.D., Chestnut Hill College president from 1980 to 1992; and (center) Nan Hechenberger, Ed.D., president emeritus of Neumann College and a former Chestnut Hill College board member.

Just before the rain came down in earnest at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 13, the Board of Directors and President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D. made it into the shelter of the wide, white "big top" tent for commencement ceremonies, fast on the heels of the faculty and the degree candidates who preceded them.

The first two honorary degrees of the day were awarded to former College Board member Nan B. Hechenberger, Ed.D., and to Sister Matthew Anita MacDonald, SSJ, Ph.D. '60, fifth president of the College. Dr. Hechenberger, a member of the College's Board of Directors from 1999 to 2005, served on the executive committee, the academic affairs committee, and on the long-range planning committee, bringing her rich experience in the administration of higher education to the direction of the College. In 1989, she became the first lay president of Neumann College in Aston, Pa. She is currently a senior consultant in higher education with Cassidy and Associates of Washington, D.C.

The first alumna president of the College, Sister Matthew Anita MacDonald, SSJ, Ph.D.'60 served from 1980 to 1992. Under her leadership, the College expanded its academic offerings in critical ways by introducing three new graduate programs: the M.A./M.S. in Counseling Psychology and Human Services in 1987; the M.A. in Holistic Spirituality/Spiritual Direction in 1990; and the M.S. in Educational Technology in 1992. Sister Matthew Anita received the Chestnut Hill College Alumnae Association's Distinguished Achievement Award in 2000 and was named a charter member of the Libris Society in 2005. Sister Matthew Anita is the Head of School at the Country Day School of the Sacred Heart in Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Since graduating *cum laude* from Chestnut Hill College in 1969, commencement speaker Katherine E. Marschall, M.D. has never wavered from her dream of pursuing a challenging career in medicine. She was accepted to Georgetown University

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David Arena, Psy.D., coordinator of the School of Graduate Studies Counseling and Clinical Psychology program at DeSales University in Allentown, Pa., presented a continuing education workshop in October 2005 at Arcadia University. The workshop was titled "Maintaining Ethical Standards and Practice in a Managed Care Environment."



Lakshmi Atchison, Ph.D., professor of biology, participated in human anatomy and physiology seminars and workshops at the 20th Annual Conference of Human Anatomy and Physiology

Society (HAPS) in Austin, Texas this past spring. She plans to spend her fall 2006 sabbatical writing a laboratory manual for the Biology of Cancer course offered both to majors and non-majors. Dr. Atchison is finalizing plans for the fall 2006 Biomedical Seminar Series, which will feature Carole Muto, R.N., B.S.N., CPAN, chair of the staff nurse council at PACU/Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience.

Stephen Berk, Ph.D., assistant professor of psychology, presented a one-day workshop in October 2005 for the Philadelphia Neuropsychological Society. The topic was "Ethics Issues in Neuropsychological Assessment."

David Borsos, Ph.D., associate professor of psychology, contributed four chapters to and



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On The Lecture Circuit

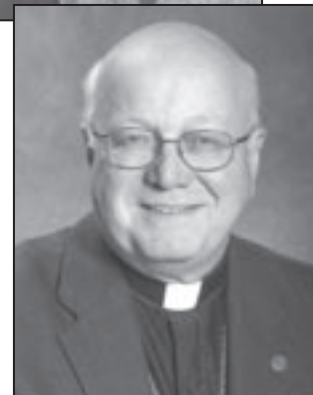


Author Chris Lowney returned to campus on April 25 to lecture on his new book, *A Vanished World*, about Muslim-Jewish-Christian relations in medieval Spain. He also engaged in an informal discussion with student leaders about leadership qualities as proposed in his earlier work, *Heroic Leadership*. Here the author (right) chats with President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D. after the talk.

“Lessons From Many Species About How and Why We Sleep” was presented by



Dr. Joan Hendricks, the Gilbert S. Kahn Dean of Veterinary Medicine in the department of clinical studies at the University of Pennsylvania, and a recognized expert in how microbiology can be applied to neuroscience, specifically to the field of sleep and sleep disorders. Dr. Hendricks (above, right) was instrumental in establishing an innovative partnership with Pfizer Animal Health to support clinical trials. The lecture series is sponsored by the Biology Department under the direction of Professor Lakshmi Atchison, Ph.D (above, left).



Roy Almquist, Bishop of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, spoke at the College on March 22 at the invitation of the faculty’s lecture committee on “The Death of Christianity in the Holy Land: The Modern Plight of the Palestinian Christian.” Since being elected bishop in 1994, Almquist has regularly sought to



fortify urban ministry through the recruitment of strong urban pastors, the launching of Russian and Latino missions, and the sponsorship of special appeals in support of challenged city churches.

Fulbright scholar and Islam expert Dr. Ibtesam Al-Atiyat, (right) program officer for the Jordanian National Commission for Women in Amman, Jordan, spoke on “Women, Islam, and Politics in the Arab World” on April 3. Dr. Al-Atiyat is currently a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at the University of Wisconsin, Green Bay, in the department of social change and development. A citizen of Jordan, she has a Ph.D. in political sociology. She was introduced by Dr. Lorraine Coons (left), professor of history and chair of the history and political science department, which sponsored the lecture. 🦋

Transitions

Krista Bailey, M.A., has been named the Director of Community Engagement, effective July 10, 2006. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communications Studies and Psychology from Ursinus College and a Master of Arts in Higher Education and Student Affairs from Ohio State University.

Nancy DeCesare, IHM, Ph.D., has agreed to serve as Chair, Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Human Services Department effective July 1. Dr. DeCesare will serve a two-year term that is renewable.

Elaine Green, Ed.D., associate professor of sociology, has been appointed Dean of the School of Continuing Studies effective July 1. She has served as coordinator of the Administration of the Human Services Program, chair of the Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Human Services Department; acting dean of the School of Graduate Studies; and currently, as acting dean of the School of Continuing Studies.



Rebecca Losinno, M.A., director of campus ministry, is leaving the College at the end of June. She has accepted a position at the Convent of the Sacred Heart High School in New York City and will begin doctoral studies in theology at Fordham University in the fall. Her immense contribution to the college community will be missed.

Margaret “Meg” Mitchell, M.S.L.S. '03 SCS has been appointed to the new position of Print Collection Librarian in Logue Library, effective July 1, 2006. She has worked for several years as a faculty assistant while completing her bachelor’s degree in history at the College and subsequently obtaining her



M.S. in Library Science from Clarion State University. 🦋

Dear Alumnae and Alumni Friends,

By the time you read this, Reunion Weekend will be a fond memory and it's impossible to say "thank you" enough to all the volunteers and College personnel who made it the wonderful time it was. Few realize how many months of planning go into this one event. The volunteers put in hundreds of hours to serve their fellow alums, asking for nothing in return but their smiles. It's truly amazing and I thank them for their unrivaled love of Chestnut Hill.

That's what it's all about: our volunteers serve because of their deep affection for their *alma mater*. During my two-year tenure as President of your Alum Association, it's been my privilege to work with countless alums who roll up their sleeves and donate their time, talent, and treasure to the College. As my term draws to a close on June 30, I want to use this last *Newsletter* message to offer a heart-felt "thank you" to each and every one of them.

Our alum volunteers have served on a dozen committees, coming out for meetings in all sorts of weather, scrounging for a parking space, and working late into the night many, many times. I am sure that as they drove to the college, they were tired or had numerous other projects to do at home. But they came and became energized and went home thinking how invigorating it is to work with such wonderful women!

But, while I thank you, I also challenge you to keep your good works going strong. Please be as supportive of our new President, Joanne Fink, as you have been of me. You're going to love working with Joanne. She is a dynamic entrepreneur and independent businesswoman from the class of 1976 who resides in Wall, New Jersey. Congratulations, Joanne, on becoming President of the Association and thank you for serving in this leadership role.

For the next two years I will serve as the Immediate Past President so I will still be involved at the College and working with the greatest volunteers. But, I'll be glad to have more time to spend at my special place: Sanibel Island, Florida. I look forward to the day when I'll be starting a South West Florida chapter of the Chestnut Hill College Alum Association down there!

God bless you and God bless "our loved Chestnut Hill." 🦋

Suzanne Schulz Dressler '71

Suzanne Schulz Dressler '71, President, Chestnut Hill College Alumnae & Alumni Association

P.S. It's impossible to name names when thanking volunteers but there is one group I want to acknowledge: our young alums from the Class of 2005. Soon after their graduation, several of them said, "Yes!" to volunteering. They pitched in at Homecoming, Christmas Open House, the Art Auction, the Young Alum Committee, and Reunion Weekend. They are off to a great start in becoming great alums! Thanks!



**Suzanne Schulz Dressler '71
Alumnae & Alumni
Association President**

Profiles in Planned Giving:

Catherine Winter McDonnell '45 and Philip McDonnell

"I shall always treasure the memories of my happy and wonderful days at Chestnut Hill College," writes Catherine Winter McDonnell '45 from her home in Atherton, California. After graduating in 1945 with a B.S. in psychology, she met and married Philip and became mother to seven: Dennis, Adrienne, Corinne, Kevin, David, Carolyn, and Douglas.

Now retired, she and Philip have decided to establish a generous charitable gift annuity, a step that allows them to receive an income from the principal while benefiting the College. In explaining the gift, Catherine says simply, "I am filled with gratitude for the dedication and support of the sisters; for the enduring friendships of classmates; and for all the positive things I learned about life and the world while I was there.

May I wish you the Class of 1945 motto: *Ad astraper aspera – 'to the stars through endeavor'* – as you move forward with your visions for the new century."

For additional information about charitable gift annuities and other planned giving opportunities, please contact Mary Theresa Shevland, SSJ, director of planned giving, at 215.753.3617 or e-mail shevlandm@chc.edu.



Marschall Commencement Address May 13, 2006



Chair of the Board of Directors Sister Patricia Kelly, President Sister Carol Jean Vale, administration, faculty, staff, graduating students and guests. It is indeed a great honor and privilege for me to share this happy occasion with you all. After I had accepted the invitation to speak here today, I received a note saying “We know you will present an exciting and challenging message...” So prepare to be excited and challenged!

In the words of Constance Magee of the Class of 1928, “On September 22, 1924 the denizens of Chestnut Hill, more particularly of the vicinity of Mount St. Joseph, were electrified by the punctual assemblage of fifteen charming damsels...who were destined to form the nucleus of what is the only Catholic women’s college in Philadelphia - Mt. St. Joseph. And so in a state of expectant excitement and regret that it must soon be over, the class of ’28 waits for the day which shall mark the culmination of four years of work and play. ..we pioneers have blazed an honorable trail in that four years journey.” These “Mounties” as they were called — the college was not officially called Chestnut Hill College until 1938 — blazed an honorable trail indeed. Over 10,000 people have earned degrees from CHC.

A college is, by its nature, an impermanent community, a transient community. Students arrive, stay four years or so and leave. The faculty

may stay longer, some for decades but only the Sisters of St. Joseph, the Catholic traditions and the land have been here uninterrupted since 1924. For a college to continue to be a vibrant community it must be able to be ever-changing, ever new yet ever cognizant of its history and traditions. Certainly the Chestnut Hill I experienced as a student in the 1960s is very different from the one you experienced in this early part of the 21st century. Back then on your first day you received your copy of the official Chestnut Hill College handbook which offered you the patterns of behavior expected of a Chestnut Hill girl – translation -- it was the rule book. There were rules about deportment, decorum, and curfews, about where men could go on campus (which was practically nowhere) and lots of rules about dress. Basically we could only wear dresses and skirts to class and in public places -no shorts, no pants no jeans, except in your own room or in the student lounges. To travel through the public spaces you had to put on a trench coat or raincoat over your shorts or slacks. They had to be hidden under the trench coat. See no evil!! I suppose. Since Hilary Clinton brought pant-suits into respectability at almost every level of social function, I had toyed briefly with the idea of wearing a pant suit today. Then, conditioned as I was to the rule, I realized that I would have to wear a trench coat over it! So I decided to wear something else!

On a more serious level, Chestnut Hill College, a traditional Catholic women’s college, has worked very diligently to adapt itself to the changing needs of higher education in our society. It added the School of Continuing Studies in 1972 to allow non-traditional students, mature men and women, the flexibility to pursue bachelor’s degrees. Later opportunities became available for graduate education in several disciplines and master’s degrees and

doctoral degrees are now awarded. In the fall of 2003, perhaps the single greatest change in the history of the College occurred with the transition to a coeducational undergraduate program. Today marks a milestone in the history of CHC. The graduating class is comprised of the last group of women to enter Chestnut Hill as a women’s college and the good men who have transferred in to join them along the way. The College is ever-changing, ever new! New traditions are being born and being celebrated today. Indeed we have graduates here today representing all the major areas of change at Chestnut Hill in the past three decades: we have undergraduate women and men, continuing studies students, women and men and graduate students, women and men, receiving degrees at this convocation. What might have appeared as ill-matched threads to some have been woven into the rich tapestry that has been and continues to be Chestnut Hill College.

In the course of my work, I have the privilege to see people’s hearts –literally-- to see them beating, pulsing with life, generating the power to keep the rest of the body alive and energized. Obviously this is not the norm. We don’t usually see a person’s heart in the literal sense. The heart’s primary function is to pump blood throughout the body. Blood courses everywhere. It courses through our fingertips, warming our hands and filling them with energy, an energy that can be passed on to another. When you extend your hand to another, you are not just extending skin and muscle and bone but you are offering an extension of the core of your being, your heart, your life energy, to another. Extending a hand then becomes a gesture of tremendous significance. The spiritual writer Edward Farrell suggests that we not think in terms of fingerprints or handprints left after touching

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another but that we think in terms of heart-prints instead.

We celebrate today the hand that all of you have had in the life of Chestnut Hill College and in the education of these graduates. We celebrate the parents, spouses and family members that have lent a hand in personal and financial support. We celebrate the administrators and employees of the college who had a hand in providing this environment so conducive to learning. We celebrate the guiding and encouraging hands of the faculty who have helped you to acquire ever deeper planes of knowledge and wisdom. And we celebrate your hand in your own education — the creative works of your hands: in writing, art, music, social and natural science, sports — the hands that you extended to each other in friendship and joy — and the moments of quiet hands, of prayer, of thought and reflection, of pondering the values that you have, the choices that you have made and the forces that have shaped you and made you into the person you are.

You step out today into “the world” with boundless hopes, dreams, enthusiasm, and excitement. Your hands will be busy in the years ahead. Let them not be greedy hands, grasping for power and possessions --for the best, the most expensive, the most fashionable, the newest, the biggest “things.” Let them not be clenched fists that hold onto these things as though they are a measure of your self-worth. Rather let them be softer, more open hands willing to be extended in marriage, to hand on faith and traditions and values to your children, willing to hold the hands of loved ones as they lie ill or dying, willing to be extended in prayer over the living and the dead, willing to work for the betterment of your family and your church and your community,

willing to be open in a gesture of hospitality not only to your family and your friends but to all, willing to work toward the correction of the inequalities and injustices in society as well as toward the creation of a life-affirming and happy home.

You will perform all kinds of works. Some days your hands will be very energetic, other days tired and achy, some days hurt, other days gentle and tender and loving. You may remember from the movie that the character *ET* had an index finger that had special powers. All of your fingers have special powers. We believe that God dwells in us, that the Spirit of God dwells in our hearts. Extending your hand to another is then an act with great spiritual dimensions. *We are, not only symbolically but actually, the heart and hands of God in our community — we leave not only our heart-print but also the heart-print of God on one another. We are reaching out with our hands, but as Teresa of Avila reminds us, in fact our hands are also God’s hands, for God has no other hands but ours.*

So I wish you well. I wish you love, contentment and joy in your personal lives and success and satisfaction in your professional lives. When you are handed your diploma today accept it as an affirmation of your accomplishments and as a sign of the confidence, guidance and understanding of all those who have helped you to attain this important milestone in your lives. Congratulations to you all! 🦋

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School of Medicine, where she earned her Doctor of Medicine in 1973 and was the recipient of the American Medical Women’s Association Award for Academic Excellence. Dr. Marschall has been with Yale-New Haven Hospital in New Haven, Conn. since 2001, where she is both attending physician in the department of anesthesiology and an associate professor of anesthesiology.

Among her many professional awards are the New York University Department of Anesthesiology “Teacher of the Year” Award and a Fellowship from the American College of Anesthesiology. Dr. Marschall was the 2003 recipient of the Yale University Department of Anesthesiology Award for Excellence in Education and Leadership, and was elected a charter member of her *alma mater’s* Libris Society in 2005.

Before the presentation of degrees, the President noted that the graduates of the School of Undergraduate Studies represented the last vestiges of the College for Women, entering as first-year students before the College went coed. This year, the College awarded 159 bachelor’s degrees, 128 master’s degrees, and 15 doctoral degrees in clinical psychology. At 3:30 p.m., the ceremony adjourned, and the cheering crowd moved from the tent onto the puddle-splotted ground, under a clearing sky.

Dr. Marschall’s commencement address is reprinted beginning on page 4. 🦋

David Contosta, Ph.D., professor of history, was named the recipient of the 2006 Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Award for Distinguished Teaching to the enthusiastic applause of his colleagues. Contosta, who joined the faculty in 1974, is a prolific scholar and lecturer whose efforts on behalf of historical preservation earned him the Chestnut Hill Award in 2005, the highest honor given by the Chestnut Hill Community Association.

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co-edited the recently published *Foundations of Mental Health Counseling*, 3rd edition, C.C. Thomas, publisher.

Marie Conn, Ph.D., professor of religious studies, has been invited by filmmaker Gerry Straub to join the Board of Advisors of the San Damiano Foundation, a non-profit, Burbank, Ca.-based organization that produces fundraising films for Christian charities aiding the world's poor. Members of the Board of Advisors endorse the foundation's mission and are willing to do whatever they can (in a non legally-binding fashion) to help ensure the foundation's success.



Dominic Cotugno, Ed.D., associate professor of education, has returned from a fall semester sabbatical. Dr. Cotugno was awarded a sabbatical to study the equity of policies used in schools to curb violence and to examine the extent to which service



learning is incorporated into the public school curriculum. Dr. Cotugno's article, "Zero Tolerance Policies-Revisited" was published in the *School Leader*, a journal of the New Jersey School Boards Association.

David Contosta, Ph.D., professor of history, received the 2006 Christian R. and Mary Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching. Dr. Contosta will be spending a month this summer at Cambridge University (in England) researching the Charles



Darwin Papers for a book that he is writing about Abraham Lincoln and Charles Darwin. Says Contosta, "Believe it or not, Lincoln and Darwin were both born on the same day in the very same year, February 12, 1809. Both of them remain giant figures on the world stage as we approach the 200th anniversaries of their births." While in England, Contosta will also visit the scenes of Darwin's life, especially Down House in Kent, where he spent most of his adult life and where he wrote *Origin of Species*. The tentative title of Contosta's book is "Birthday Revolutionaries: Abraham Lincoln and Charles Darwin, February 12 1809."

Margery Covello, Ed.D., assistant professor of education, was invited to present at the National Catholic Education Association's 103rd Annual Convention and Exposition on April 18-21, 2006. Her presentation was titled "Pervasive Developmental Disorders: Important Considerations for Teachers."



Jean Faustman, SSJ, D.M.L., assistant professor of foreign languages, will be doing pastoral ministry in Santa Ana Parish in Yauri, Peru, located in the South Andes for a period of one to three years. She is leaving in July 2006.



Melanie Goodman, Ph.D., assistant professor of education, is preparing for this summer's reading clinic. The clinic pairs young students for tutoring sessions with the College's graduate students in the reading specialist program. Dr. Goodman will serve as the Chestnut Hill College liaison to the High School Academy initiative. Colleges and universities involved in this initiative bring the college experience closer to high school students in the School District of Philadelphia. Next month, Dr. Goodman and the Education Department will host a group of high school students for a tour and visit to Chestnut Hill campus.

Barbara Hogan, Ph.D., assistant professor of holistic spirituality/healthcare, has been named Chair of the Religious Studies Department, after serving as acting chair this past semester.



Jessica Kahn, Ph.D., associate professor of education, has been named the Education Department's new Title II Coordinator. Her responsibilities include reporting data on the College's certification programs to the Pennsylvania State Department of Education. Dr. Kahn will also serve as site coordinator of the Act 48 Continuing Education System. Dr. Kahn continues her responsibility as coordinator of Blackboard.com.

Joseph Micucci, Ph.D., chair of the psychology department, has had his book, *The Adolescent in Family Therapy: Breaking the Cycle of Conflict and Control*, published in a Spanish translation. It is also available in Chinese.



Joyce Munro, Ph.D., dean of the school of graduate studies, met in January 2006 with Lori Shorr, special assistant to the Pennsylvania Secretary of Education, to discuss the secretary's "Inspired Leadership" initiative. Dr. Munro's role in the initiative will be clarified in upcoming meetings.



Carol Pate, Ed.D., chair of the education department, attended the National Association for Alternative Education Conference this past February in San Diego. This event was part of the Pennsylvania Department of Education ACT grant (\$390,000 funding for tuition and administrative assistance) and the grant covered the expenses of Dr. Pate's attendance. Dr. Pate attended sessions to identify possible programs to help reduce the number of uncertified teachers in the School District of Philadelphia. Dr. Pate has also been named to serve as the Chestnut Hill College liaison to the School District of Philadelphia's University Partnership Program. This program enables the College to participate in federal and city-funded initiatives.



Cheryll Rothery-Jackson, Psy.D., associate professor of psychology, served on the organizing committee for the National Council of Schools and Programs of Professional Psychology (NCSPP) Conference held in Las Vegas, Nevada, in February 2006. 🦋



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Joan Cunningham Kelley '45
Christina Kropp '45
Jean Roualt Galloway '46
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MARRIAGES

Antje Syre '96 to David Lennon

BIRTHS AND ADOPTIONS

Rosa Marie Carbon to Ann McGee Carbon '86
Jillian Paige and Colin Bennett
to Carole Trone '89
Dominic Giovanni to Lisa Auker Antinucci '96
Luca to Antje Syre Lennon '96
Noelle Camille to Jeanette Krisko Marin '96
Charlotte Emma to Cindy Marx Davidson '97

ALUM NEWS

Madeleine Gercke Costigan '54, author of more than 75 published short stories, taught a workshop on short story writing at the Philadelphia Writers Conference on June 9-11.

Elizabeth Harvey Majane '57 recently retired from a 30-year career with the National Institutes of Health. For the last

11 years, she was project officer for a large colony of mutant mice that were collected and bred specifically for the use of immunological research worldwide. The colony is housed in upstate New York and grew from 63 strains to more than 350. Retirement with husband John allowed for a recent month-long trip to Australia to visit their son and his family.

Bethany Schroeder Oberst, Ph.D. '65 is returning to James Madison University at the end of the summer following her return to the States in June from the United Arab Emirates. She has been serving as professor and dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at the United Arab Emirates University in Al-Ain.

Margaret Englebert '74 was elected executive director of ARC of Camden by the Camden County Board of Directors. Her county agency presents daily workshops for 600 or more handicapped people and directs the operation of several homes for people with mental and/or physical handicaps.

Cecelia (Cissy) Englebert Passanza '77 was presented the Nurse Practitioner of the Year Award of the Bux-Mont (Bucks and Montgomery Counties, Pa.) Chapter of Nurse Practitioners in late April. A chapter other than each nominee's reviews candidate qualifications and achievements to determine the final selection.

Anita Mullen Brodsky '81 has been with the Department of Veteran Affairs for the last 18 years and currently

serves as a training coordinator for the Veterans Service Center. She trains new employees to assist veterans with benefits and disability claims. The Gulf War veteran served eight years with the U.S. Air Force Reserves and has also worked with disabled individuals for five years with the Elwyn Industries.

Maureen Kelsey O'Hara '88, mental health specialist/federal probation officer by day, won Best of Show for her untitled photograph of tulips in the 2nd Garden Life Juried Photographic Exhibit sponsored by the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania in Chestnut Hill. She reports that her photo is scheduled to appear on the arboretum's Web site as well as on Penn's.

Monica Hadfield Russo '90 is director of operations for Maine Medical Partners in Portland.

Licia Knight '04 SCS was selected to receive a Terri Lynne Lokoff Child Care Foundation National Care Teachers Award sponsored by Tylenol. She was given \$1,000 in seed money for her project proposal, "Play and Grow Lending Library." Knight graduated from the College *magna cum laude* with a B.S. in child care management. She is currently a group supervisor and education coordinator for the infant care program at the Green Byrne Child Care Center in Philadelphia. 🦋

SCS: School of Continuing Studies
SGS: School of Graduate Studies



Vamping it up in furs donated for auction at the College's 3rd Annual Art Auction on March 18 were committee member Jo-Marie Victor '03 SCS (left) and committee chair Cathy Lockyer '92 (right). This year's art auction was the most successful to date, with all proceeds benefiting the Academic and Student Life programs at the College.



Ready for occupancy: the College's new multi-story, 150-bed residence hall, rising behind Logue Library, welcomed its first tenants, alums returning for reunion weekend, on June 2, 3, and 4. The residence hall, which features amenities such as two spacious elevators, air-conditioning throughout, and spectacular views from the top floor, will help to accommodate the College's steadily increasing enrollment numbers.

Honors All Around



The annual Distinguished Service Award, voted to a staff member by co-workers, went to Nancy Dachille, M.Ed., director of career services.

Arthur L. Kaplan, Ph.D., (right) the Emmanuel and Robert Hart Professor of Bioethics, Chair, Department of Medical Ethics, and Director, Center for Bioethics at the University of Pennsylvania, delivered the address at Honors Convocation on Sunday, April 30.



Elizabeth Anne (Betty) Marron Cooper '71 (center) was honored with the 2006 Chestnut Hill College Distinguished Achievement Award at Honors Convocation in April. Currently the Senior Vice President/Director of Strategic Services at Gillespie/A McCann Erickson World Group Company, Cooper is an "industry titan" in her field of direct marketing and advertising, winning numerous accolades and awards within the industry. She ardently supports many charities, especially one she instituted: the Reverend Joseph P. Marron, CM Foundation to assist the elderly in living with dignity.



Cooper accepted congratulations from (far left) Joanne Fink '76, incoming president of the Alumnae & Alumni Association; Suzanne Dressler '71 (left), outgoing president of the Association; Pat Canning '70 (right), director of alumnae & alumni relations; and Regina Ventresca Creedon '71 (far right), chair of the Association's honors and awards committee.

History was made by George Roitzsch '07, the first male at the College to be awarded the Saint Catherine Medal, given to a sophomore or junior who represents the high ideals of a Catholic college education. The recipient is selected by faculty and classmates on the basis of leadership and service. Roitzsch, a biology major and native of Howell, NJ, accepted the award from President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D. (right) while William T. Walker, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty, (center) looked on.



Esther Mallouh (foreground), executive director of the W.W. Smith Charitable Trust, met with the College's W.W. Smith scholarship recipients at a reception in the East Parlor on April 25. The trust has made funds available for student financial aid since its inception in 1951. This year's scholarship recipients included (left to right) John McLaughlin '08, Elizabeth Freeman '08, and Greg Gorski '07. 🦋



“Footloose” Lets Loose on College Stage



The high-energy dance musical “Footloose” bounced into the College Auditorium on April 7, 8, and 9. A production of the Music Department, the rousing play starred junior Seth Jacobsen, a Philadelphia native, in the lead role of Ren McCormack, a big city boy who finds himself living in a small Midwestern town where dancing is banned. Maya Ben-Yaacov, a vocal major at Philadelphia High School for the Creative and Performing Arts, played opposite him as Ariel, daughter of the town's strict preacher, played to type by Bruce Todd, the real-life pastor of Lafayette Hill's St. Peter's Lutheran Church..

Men and women from the community joined with many Chestnut Hill College students in creating a spirited production under the direction of Randy Young, backed by producer Kathleen McCloskey, SSJ. 🦋



Many alums from the School of Continuing Studies returned to campus for the first annual reunion on May 6. Among them were (left to right) Brian McKenna '03, Alice Jenkins '04, and Jim Israel escorting his wife, Carolyn Quattrone Israel '02. The cocktail reception and dinner was hosted by the College's Office of Alumnae & Alumni Relations.

Many of the program founders of the School of Graduate Studies were reunited and recognized for their contributions to the College as the School celebrated its 25th Anniversary at the annual graduate dinner on May 10. From left to right, former Dean Roberta Rivello, SSJ, Ed.D.; President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D.;

former Dean Roseann Quinn, SSJ, D.Min.; former Dean and College President, Mary Xavier Kirby, SSJ, Ph.D.; former Chair of the Graduate Applied Technology program, Dr. Louise Mayock, SND; former Dean Caroline Golab, Ph.D.; Acting Dean of the School of Continuing Studies, Elaine Green, Ed.D.; Dean of the School of Graduate Studies, Joyce Munro, Ph.D.; former Chair of the Graduate Education Department Peggy Vogelsson, Ph.D.; and former Vice President of Enrollment Management Kathleen Rex Anderson, Ed.D. 🦋



Senior Rites of Spring



Alum Association Induction

Awaiting initiation into the mysteries of wine selection were (left to right) seniors Kristine Kozin, April Neiderer, Angela Garafalo, Amy Ciaburri, and Theresa Croskey at an evening of wine tasting on April 6, sponsored by the Alumnae & Alumni Association as a welcome to its newest inductees, the Class of 2006. Wine connoisseur Mitchell Shenker from Chartwell's Dining Service directed the taste-testing tutorial.



Senior Tea

What IS a crumpet, anyway? Seniors Maura Sullivan, Kristy Clothier, and Beth Castone (left to right) sampled the goods at the annual President's Tea for seniors on May 4 – an opportunity for the president and faculty to enjoy “high tea” (a late afternoon meal of hot tidbits, cakes and tea) and share informal conversation with students. The tea isn't complete without a musical farewell by an underclassperson. “It's Time to Say Good-Bye,” a bittersweet rendition sung in both Italian and English by Lauren Fertsch '07, moved many to tears.

Baccalaureate Mass

A candlelit liturgy in honor of the graduating class is observed each spring in the Mt. Saint Joseph Convent Chapel the night before graduation. Senior Theresa Nguyen solemnly shields her candle's flame during the May 12 Mass celebrated by College Chaplain Father Ray Tribuani (“Trib”).



“We Remember Them”



Diane Driscoll, SSJ, M.A. '63 (inset) led reflections in renewal during a “Day of Remembrance and Renewal” for families, classmates, and friends of recently deceased alumnae and alumni on March 26 at the College. Her guidance to renewal followed a morning memorial mass of remembrance said by Reverend Ray Tribuiani, college chaplain. Among those in attendance were (left to right) Suzanne Dufasne '58, Phyllis Basenfelder Kennedy '51, Marguerite Stein Zuccarello '58, and Anne Duffy Mirsch '52.

For information about future memorial events, please contact Mary Theresa Shevland, SSJ, M.A., director of planned giving, at 215.753-3617 or e-mail shevlandm@chc.edu

SPRING SPORTS WRAP-UP

Women's Softball

The softball team finished fourth in the conference this year. The team achieved key wins over Atlantic Women's Colleges Conference (AWCC) opponents Wilson, Wells and Chatham as well as a victory over non-conference opponent Philadelphia Biblical. Team defense has improved this year; the team has significantly reduced its errors. No errors were recorded in the team's doubleheader with Gallaudet in the beginning of the season.

Keara Clauss and Freshman Colleen Devlin provided consistent pitching for the Griffins throughout the season. Sophomore shortstop Michelle Bauer was a solid defensive player and also led the team, batting .377 overall. Caitlin Rickey followed closely behind, finishing the season batting .370 overall. The Griffins were defeated by top-seeded Hood in game one of the 2006 AWCC Softball Tournament. Both Bauer and Rickey were 2006 AWCC All-Conference First Team selections. Also honored was Jessica Day '09, who was an AWCC Second Team selection. Colleen Devlin '09 and Carla Hojnacki '08 received Honorable Mention.

Women's Lacrosse

Led by first-year coach Megan McHugh, the lacrosse team finished their season with four solid wins. The team defeated AWCC rivals Wells and Hood, while also recording non-conference victories over Cazenovia and Cedar Crest. This was a rebuilding year for Chestnut Hill's lacrosse program; the roster included 13 freshmen and only one senior.

Freshman Katie Donovan is ranked fifth nationally for goals-per-game in the NCAA Division III with an average of 4.69 goals-per-game. She finished the season with an impressive 61 goals. Donovan, Morgan Nichols, Katie Taylor and Stephanie Carlyle were 2006 AWCC All-Conference Team selections. Casey Manzi '09 was an AWCC Honorable Mention selection. The team is poised for great success in the future as they continue to mature.

Men's Tennis

The men's tennis team has made great strides and enjoyed several successes in its second year as a varsity program. The team was competitive with such teams as Penn State-Berks, Keystone and Goucher, and achieved victories over Immaculata, Lincoln and Philadelphia Biblical. Chestnut Hill placed sixth in the North East Athletic Conference (NEAC) Men's Tennis Conference Championships. Garret Senior, playing at number four singles in the tournament, finished fourth. In doubles action, Mike Devine and Ryan Karle finished fourth at number one. Sophomore Shane Leshner left the Championship Tournament with a second place finish at number two singles and was also an NEAC All-Conference Second Team selection. 🦅

Contributed by: Sheila Walsh — Athletic Communications and Community Outreach Coordinator



FIRST IN ACCOUNTING — Kelly I. Carroll '06 (right) received a certificate of achievement from the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants (PICPA) in recognition of her academic success in her major field of study, accounting. Associate Professor Frank Pufko, M.B.A., (left) of the Business Administration Department, explained that the award is given annually to outstanding scholars in the accounting field. A dean's list student, Carroll was also a W.W. Smith Scholar prize recipient this year. She will work for McNeil Consumer Specialty Products following graduation. 🦅

We Mean Business — Five students won two first-place prizes in the Future Business Leaders of America state-wide competition held in Lancaster, Pa. in April. More than 220 students from 30 colleges and universities across the commonwealth participated. The group moves on to advanced competition in Nashville in June.

Pictured left to right are: John Gerace, Ph.D., assistant professor of business, William Walker, vice president for academic affairs, Amanda Lipsett '06, Mark Hammons '08, Ryan McLean '06 (displaying the awards for "Business Decision-Making" and "Business Ethics"), Beccah Stiles '08, Kristin Wagner '09, Sean Dorety '07, Cecelia Cavanaugh, SSJ, Ph.D., dean of the school of undergraduate studies, and Assistant Professor of Business Robert Durney, M.B.A. Not shown: Katiria Rivera '06 and Ned Kamburov '07. 🦅

Special Events...

Information Session

School of Graduate Studies

Tuesday, June 27, 5:30 p.m.
Rotunda, St. Joseph Hall
Information: 215.248.7193

Information Session

Computer Forensics

School of Continuing Studies

Wednesday, June 28, 6:00 p.m.
Social Room, Fournier Hall
Information: 215.248.7062

Information Sessions

School of Continuing Studies

July 13, August 10, September 11,
and October 11, 6:00 p.m.
Social Room, Fournier Hall
Information: 215.248.7062

School of Undergraduate Studies

Saturday Visits

July 15, August 12, & September 23,
10:30 a.m.

Undergraduate Admissions Office,
Fournier Hall

Information: 215.248.7001

New Student Orientation

School of Continuing Studies and

School of Graduate Studies

Tuesday, August 22, 6:00 p.m.
Social Room, Fournier Hall
Information: 215.248.7062 or
215.248.7193

Opening Liturgy

Thursday, August 31, 2006
Sorgenti Arena, Martino Hall

Fleur de Lis Society Reception

Sunday, September 17
Information: 215.248.7137

Public Lecture

Speaker: John Grim, Ph.D.
Co-Founder, Forum for Religion and Ecology
*Indigenous Traditions and Ecology: Land,
Sovereignty, and the Wheel of the Universe*
Tuesday, September 26, 7:30 p.m.
Information: 215.248.7197

Family Weekend

September 30 & October 1
Information: 215.248.7011

Fall Convocation/Founders Day

Sunday, October 1

The Legacy of Santiago Ramón y Cajal

A Multidisciplinary Conference
Celebrating the Centenary of the 1906
Nobel Prize for Medicine
Thursday, October 5 - Saturday, October 7
Information: 215.248.7148

Annual Fall Alum Leadership Conference

Sunday, October 8
Information: 215.248.7144

24th Annual Golf Invitational

Honoring George Nise, President, Beneficial Savings Bank

Monday, October 9
Whitemarsh Valley Country Club
Information: 215.248.7137

Public Lecture

Speaker: Maureen Corrigan
Book critic and author of *Leave Me Alone,
I'm Reading!*
Thursday, October 12, 6:00 p.m.
East Parlor, St. Joseph Hall
Information: 215.753.3626

Open House

School of Undergraduate Studies

Sunday, October 15 &
Saturday, November 11, Noon.
Rotunda, St. Joseph Hall
Information: 215.248.7001

Carol Night

Friday, December 1
Information: 215.248.7194

SAVE THE DATE!

Tutankhamen and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs

Friday, April 13, 2007, 12:00 p.m.
Franklin Institute, Philadelphia
Limited tickets are available!
Information: 215.248.7144

Reunion Weekend

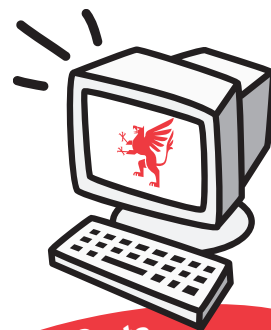
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