



"Patti's Folly" : Alum Discovers More Than Just a Passion

For the last 17 years, Patti Kane-Vanni has been a practicing Philadelphia attorney working in the areas of corporate insurance law, regulatory compliance, government relations, and contracts. It is a career she has appreciated and enjoyed. But in the late 1990s, Patti discovered her true passion, paleontology. And despite a packed schedule that includes singing, acting, producing, painting, and spending time with her husband Cigus and 14-year-old son Christian, Patti has amazingly found time to pursue her newest passion with a vengeance.



Patti uncovers several sauropod ribs at "Patti's Folly" in Montana, July 2000.

A member of the class of '75, Patricia Kane-Vanni graduated from Chestnut Hill College with a degree in Sociology and Studio Art. In 1978, she attended and completed two years of drawing and painting at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, specializing in realistic and detailed illustration techniques. While teaching high school art and social studies, Patti attended Temple University's Beasley School of Law at night, and obtained her J.D. degree in 1985. Since then, she has worked for a number of Philadelphia institutions including Cigna Corporation, the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, and Reliance Insurance Company. "I enjoyed the intellectual and interactive stimulation of the legal profession, but in my field, I rarely had the opportunity to forge new paths or even get off the already well-beaten path."

That opportunity presented itself in the late '90s when Patti's son caught the 'dinosaur bug.' In response to his interest in dinosaurs, Patti began making frequent trips to the Academy of Natural Sciences where she, too, developed a fascination with dinosaurs. As a volunteer, Patti has worked hundreds of hours per year as a fossil preparator, fossil illustrator, fossil dig manager, paleo-educator, tour guide, birthday host, membership coordinator, and teacher-naturalist. She also joined the Delaware Valley Paleontological Society of which she quickly became Vice President and Program Chair. Patti began taking geology and paleontology

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Academically Speaking

Lakshmi Atchison, Ph.D., associate professor of biology, presented "YYI cannot correct anatomical defects in PcG Mutants but requires PcG function for transcriptional repression", at the 15th Annual Conference of the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society (HAPS), Maui, Hawaii in June 2001.

Marie Conn, Ph.D., associate professor of religious studies, presented a paper on "Intergenerational Genetic Modification (IGM) and Social Justice: Ethical Implications," at the 2001 Human Genome Odyssey Conference, Akron, Ohio.

David Contosta, Ph.D., professor of history, wrote *Saint Joseph's: Philadelphia's Jesuit University, 150 Years* that was published by St. Joseph's University Press. He was co-curator of "Saint Joseph's University, 1851-2001", an archival exhibit at Saint Joseph's Drexel Library, 2000-2001.

Lorraine Coons, Ph.D., associate professor of history, presented a paper on *'Floating Palace' or 'Portable Jail': the experience of Women Seafarers on Transatlantic Steamers (1919-1939)*, at the International Conference on "Transporting Gender," at the Institute of Railways Studies, York, England. Dr. Coons was the guest historical lecturer on Silverseas's Mediterranean and Black Sea region cruises' *Cultural Enrichment Series at Sea*.

Dominic Cotugno, Ed.D., assistant professor of education, published an article on "The Myth of Zero Tolerance" in *The Leader, The New Jersey School Board Journal*.

Susanne Czarniecki, Ph.D., assistant professor of biology and chemistry, presented a co-authored paper on "Composition of rice bran oil and several palm oils in experimental atherosclerosis" at the FASEB meeting in Orlando, Florida; she also co-authored "Red palm oil in experimental atherosclerosis" that was presented at the PORIM International Palm Oil Meeting in Malaysia.

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A Future Full of Hope

On November 13, 2001, President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D. made an historic announcement that Chestnut Hill College would open its traditional age, full-time, liberal arts undergraduate program to men in the Fall 2003. *A Future Full of Hope* was mailed to every graduate, as well as, friends of the College, in November explaining the College's announcement and the factors that contributed to this decision. If you have not received your copy of *A Future Full of Hope* (shown on the right), please contact the Office of Public Relations at 215.248.7025 or e-mail kspigs@aol.com and another copy will immediately be sent to you.



2001 Alumnae/i Achievement Awards

The Social Room was the setting for Chestnut Hill College's Alumnae/i Association Leadership Conference held on October 21, 2001. Alumnae Freda M. Gorelick Oben, Ph.D.'40 and Barbara D'Iorio Martino '60 were the honored recipients of the 2001 Alumnae/i Achievement Award.

Freda M. Gorelick Oben was recognized for her contributions in the field of scholarly research and writing. She has spent more than 35 years researching and writing about Edith Stein, a Jewish convert to Catholicism who later entered the Carmelite community, died in a gas chamber at Auschwitz in 1942, and was canonized in 1998 as St. Edith Stein.

John R. Wilcox, Ph.D., professor of philosophy and director of the Edith Stein Research Center at Spalding University, notes that "Dr. Oben has clearly and firmly distinguished herself as one of the

unquestioned pioneers in North America for scholarly research in the life and thought of St. Edith Stein, Sr. Theresa Benedicta of the Cross, OCD." Professor Wilcox continues: "Dr. Oben's scholarly work on Edith Stein began in the 1960s when Stein was virtually unknown on this continent... If it is the mark of distinguished scholarship to recognize and call attention to undiscovered greatness, then Dr. Oben's scholarship on Stein receives the highest distinction possible. ... Dr. Oben is a renowned authority."

Professor Wilcox of Spalding University summarizes: "The thought and life of Edith Stein has shaped Dr. Oben's own persona so deeply that to hear her lecture on Stein is to feel the influence of Edith herself. Dr. Oben can mesmerize an audience like few other lecturers I have ever heard on any topic. ... there is no one who delivers a more compelling, thoughtful, or moving lecture on this important new Saint."

Dr. Oben's most recently published book is titled, *"The Life and Thought of St. Edith Stein"*.

Barbara D'Iorio Martino was

honored for her philanthropic work at Chestnut Hill College and elsewhere. A tireless devotee to Chestnut Hill, Barbara has served as a class officer, a fund agent, an officer of the Alumnae Association's Delmo Club in the '70s, and its president in 1978-79. She served



2001 Alumnae/i Achievement Award recipients, Freda M. Gorelick Oben, Ph.D. '40 (left) and Barbara D'Iorio Martino '60 display the crystal bowls they received in recognition for their work.

on the Alumnae Association Board of Directors in the late '70s and early '80s and was voted president in 1982-1984. She later served as a director-at-large for four years. In 1988, Barbara was invited to serve on the College's Board of Trustees, a position she held until June 2001.

Under Barbara's chairmanship,

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Kathleen Duffy, SSJ, Ph.D., professor of physics, presented a paper titled *"A Study of Textile in Teilhard de Chardin"* at the 77th Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Academy of Science. She also presented "The Texture of Spirit in Teilhard De Chardin" at the 12th Interdisciplinary Conference on Science and Culture, Institute for Liberal Studies, Kentucky State University; and "The Texture of the Evolutionary Cosmos: Matter and Spirit in Teilhard de Chardin" at a conference on Interpreting Evolution: Scientific and Religious Perspectives at Haverford College, Haverford, PA.

Jean Faustman, SSJ, D.M.L., assistant professor of French, presented a paper on "The Voice of Enunciation in Chronique Des sept miseres of Patrick Chamoiseau" at the Carolina

Conference on Romance Literature; University of North Carolina.

Wendy H. Hallows, Ph.D., assistant professor of chemistry, spent the summer working in the Chemistry Department at St. Joseph's University supported by a grant from the American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund.

Jessica L. Kahn, Ph.D., associate professor of technology in education, presented with Dr. Carol Pate and others, "Electronic texts and on-line resources: A progress report" at the 14th Annual Pennsylvania Educational Technology Conference, in Hershey, PA and "Seventh graders using electronic text: What qualitative research tells us" at the University of Pennsylvania's Ethnography in Education Forum.

Mary Helen Kashuba, SSJ, D.M.L., professor of French and Russian, was elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Conference

on the Teaching of Foreign Languages and participated in planning sessions for the annual meeting.

Honor Keirans, SSJ, Ed.D., associate professor of education, coordinated and presented workshops on "Writing in the Math Classroom" for 175 K-8 teachers of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. She also participated in a conference on *"Advanced Instructional Modification for Reading-Extending Expertise on Exceptional Learners"* at Penn State University and at Conferences on Assessment Across the K-12 Curriculum at the NCTM and NCEA Conventions.

Sara Ellen Kitchen, J.D., associate professor of sociology, presented "Teaching the Convention on the Rights of the Child for the International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for the World's Children 2001-2010" and "Children and Young People in a Changing World: A Holistic

Chestnut Hill's first capital campaign exceeded its goal by more than one million dollars at the same time that it refurbished numerous science and technology classrooms and labs in St. Joseph Hall. Sister Matthew Anita MacDonald, SSJ, Ph.D. '60, former president of the College, notes that "... Barbara's tremendous commitment of time and talent enabled the College to approach the last decade of the century financially secure, technologically advanced, and scientifically upgraded." Barbara has introduced new benefactors to Chestnut Hill, has attracted substantial gifts to the College, and has moved Chestnut Hill to a new level of fundraising. Barbara and Rocky's \$2.5 million leadership gift to the Capital Gifts Initiative, represented today by Martino Hall, produced the first new building on the campus in more than 45 years. Chestnut Hill students now enjoy a first-class facility for athletics, academics, and performance. Classmate Kathleen M. Wagner '60 says that Barbara's "devotion, dedication, and service to CHC is unmatched. For forty years, she has served the College in many capaci-

ties, and her generosity is noteworthy to many of her sister alumnae."



Leadership Conference keynote speaker Marie A. DiBerardino, Ph.D. '48 (left) with President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D.

The keynote speaker, Marie A. DiBerardino, Ph.D. '48, 2000 Alumnae/i Achievement Award recipient and Professor Emerita of Biochemistry, MCP-Hahnemann University addressed the Leadership Conference on "*The Ethics of Cloning and Stem Cells*". A pioneer in one of the most important and controversial areas in all of science, Dr. DiBerardino's field of research is cloning, specifically frog cloning, which was a precursor to the cloning of mammals, most notably the Scottish sheep Dolly.

Her undergraduate education has, in her words, "prepared me

well for a profession in science and, at the same time, strengthened my moral and religious values that have sustained me throughout my life." Indeed, it has, as Marie has been a featured lecturer, invited speaker, and panel participant on the topics of ethics and technology, cloning and its implications, and animal cloning for biology and medicine before audiences that include the New York Academy of Sciences, the National Institute of General Medical Sciences, and the Society for Developmental Biology.

Professor Robert McKinnell of the University of Minnesota summarizes Marie's contributions to science: "Historians of developmental biology honor Marie A. DiBerardino whose work with 'quiescent' nuclei preceded Dolly by over a decade... The scientific world in general, and workers in the field of cloning in particular, are grateful for the lifetime efforts of Marie A. DiBerardino. ... [Her] research on nuclear transplantation was, and remains to the present day, the most advanced development ever recorded for an adult frog cloning experiment."

Approach" at the meeting of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences in Agrigento, Italy.

Thérèse B. McGuire, SSJ, Ph.D., professor of art, presented a paper titled "*Obscurity or Fame: The Influence of the Works of Early Medieval Writers on Scholars of the Later Middle Ages*" at the Seventh Biennial Conference for the Early Book Society: The Book and the Art of Narrative, 1350-1550 at the University of Cork, Cork, Ireland.

Georgia McWhinney, Ph.D., associate professor of education, presented a paper with Dr. Carol Pate on "First grade actions and investigations of written language: The Alphabet's Role in Constructivism" at the 29th Annual PAC-TE Teacher Education Assembly in Harrisburg, PA.

Carol Melvin Pate, Ed.D., assistant professor of education, presented a paper with Dr. Georgia McWhinney, on "First Grade

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Agnes Shields, SSJ, Ph.D., associate professor of English, presented a paper on "Multiple Interactions between Literature and Film in *The Sweet Hereafter* and *Kiss of the Spider Woman*" at the Literature/Film Conference in Ocean City, MD. She also presented "American Artistic Media Interaction: *Sweet Hereafter*, The Novel and the Film" at the American Culture Association Annual Conference in Philadelphia.

Judith Sullivan, M.Ed., assistant professor of mathematics, served as devel-

oper and coordinator of a Summer Institute (New Directions in Teaching Mathematics) that was supported by a grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Education, United States Department of Education.

Margaret Thompson, SSJ, MFA, assistant professor of art, exhibited her artwork in a juried exhibition on "Meaning in the Mundane: Inspiration from Daily Life" at the Moore College of Art and Design. Her commissioned works include an oil painting and drawing of "Trinita" for "Our God Beyond All Names" Deepening Day for the Inclusive Language Committee of the Sisters of Saint Joseph; the creation and donation of an original watercolor painting *Spirit of Siloam* for the art exhibit and auction *Art and Soul* to benefit SILOAM ministries; and the creation and donation of an original oil painting *An Annunciation* for an art exhibit and auction to Inn Dwelling.

BIRTHS

Molly Elizabeth to Joanne Sauer Burke '82
 Noelle to Mary Pat Olley Perri '83
 McKenna Grace to Kathleen O'Boyle '84
 Cara Marie to Maura Kehoe Davis '87
 Aileen Frances to Maria Pié Hughes '87
 Grace Elizabeth to Patricia Haenn Le Brun '87
 Gavin James to Kathleen Shea Pié '87
 Shawn Marie to Bridget Rochford Atzinger '88
 Ethan Joseph to Karen Katelhon Blair '88
 Margaret Wakefield to Colleen Wakefield Doolin '88
 Nora Veronica to Kathleen Quigley Grimm '88
 Timothy Lawrence to Karen Murphy Harris '88
 Julia Rose to Kristen Burke McGrath '88
 Caroline, Eva and Daniel to Katherine McGowan Timoney '88
 Anna Rose to Caroline Reilly Dignan, M.D. '89
 Nolan Thomas to Michelle Quinn Smith '90
 Lillian Marie to Jill Borowski D'Angelo '91
 Griffin Joseph to Carmel Lynch McGuckin '91
 Justin Gabriel to Antonina D'Alicandro D'Emilio '93
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 John Forrest to Jenny Burgener Timan '93
 James Michael to Amy McLeer Frangione '94
 Alena Manuela to Yolanda Hemler Livelsberger '94
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 Catherine Patricia to Diane Szamborski GD '96
 Jillian Noel to Kimberly Rider Bopp '96
 Robert Alexander to Kathleen Funk Knorr '98

CLASS NOTES

1950-1959

S. Mary Elizabeth Carlson, MSB '50 is director of a transitional shelter for homeless women recovering from substance abuse.
 Marie Ritchotte Kelleher '55 is an officer of the National Federation of Democratic Women.
 Barbara Dunn Hunter '57 is with the Indiana Dept. of Education planning and facilitating workshops for Math teachers throughout the state.
 Barbara Schwitzer '58 is retiring as principal of Archbishop Spalding H.S., Severn, NJ.

1960-1969

Marie Micale Dumbra '60 is a website manager for Lucent Technologies.
 Jean Higgins Mattle '60 is the Career Development Director at the Chubb Institute, a computer training school.
 Denise Love McDaid '62 and Joyce Renzulli Wuenschel '62 displayed their work at a juried exhibition at the Woodmere Art Museum.
 Dolores Sue Horrigan Ozar '63 and her husband have become missionaries for the Los Angeles Archdiocese Lay Missionary Association. They will serve in a third-world country for three years.
 Denise Belcher Crenshaw '65 is the Director and Dean of Studies of the Whitaker School of Theology of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan.
 Mary Sullivan Esseff '65 has published her first fictional short story, "Love Made Visible" in the anthology Three Naked Ladies Playing Cellos. She also developed a Reader's Guide for the anthology.

Kathleen McGrath Beirne '66 and her husband have started a newsletter called "Foundations" for newly married couples. It is based on contemporary research in communications, intimacy, conflict resolution, careers, and spirituality.
 Barbara Curran Merdiushev '67 is the Director of Development for Cabrini College, Radnor, PA.
 Anne M. Fatkin Heim '68, a Gloucester Catholic High School teacher, was named the "New Jersey best private school teacher of the year for 2000" by the New Jersey Council for American Private School Education.

1970-1979

Patricia Canning '70 has been appointed Director of Development for Germantown Academy, Fort Washington, PA.
 Jane Kelly '70 has published "Cape Mayhem," the second mystery in a three-part series.
 Janet Brown Quintal '70 is Vice President & Assistant Treasurer for R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. in NC.
 Margaret Betz, Ph.D. '71 teaches "Art & Spirituality" at The Savannah College of Art and Design where she is professor of Art History.
 Marie Rennich Alexander '72 was named the 1999 Chapter Leader of the Year by PAMPI, the Philadelphia Area Chapter of Meeting Professionals International. Marie currently serves on PAMPI's Executive Committee, and is V.P. for Membership. She is also President of Made-to-Order, Inc., a destination management corporation.

Katherine Regan Dupuis '72 is a tenured Superior Court Judge in Union County, New Jersey
 Betty Ann Sauter Weber '74 has been appointed the Director of Non-Public School Services at the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit.
 Karen A. Rogers '75 is part of a medical missions team to the villages of the northern Dominican Republic.
 Mary Ellen O'Laughlin, Esq. '76 has joined the law firm of Pepper Hamilton LLP as a partner litigating complex business disputes. She is actively involved with the Support Center for Child Advocates in Philadelphia.

1980-1989

Cynthia Clarke '80 has been named Vice President and General Counsel for Wellington Management Company, LLP, Boston, MA.
 Nancy Meiklejohn Wolgamot '80 is a science teacher at Audubon High School in New Jersey.
 Jacqueline Young Rattigan '80 is an elementary principal for the Neshaminy School District, Langhorne, PA and serves as supervisor for the district's Violence Prevention Programs.
 Kathleen Clarke '83 has been appointed Chief Financial Officer of the town of Darien, CT.
 Mary B. Lipinski, Esq. '83 has been elected a shareholder of the Philadelphia law firm of Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman & Goggin.
 Maria Jonas Hobson '85 is an on-line editor for AOL in their Knowledge Database.

Susan Magee Kephart '85 co-authored "The Power of Positive Confrontation." She was awarded the 1999 PA Council of the Arts Grant for Fiction.
 Cecilia Haenn Turner '88 has been named Vice President, International Marketing and Sales, American Telecast, West Chester, PA.
 Carolyn Reilly Dignan, M.D. '89 is Deputy Medical Examiner at the Office of the Medical Examiner, Onondaga County, NY.
 Vernice McCullough '89 is an English instructor at Glendale Community College, CA.

1990-1999

Christine Condello Bish '90 is a Human Resource System Analyst for the corporate offices of Home Depot, Atlanta, GA.
 Sheryl Mowers-Cardona '91, a Regulatory Compliance Specialist for Aventis Pharmaceutical, is an adjunct instructor at LaSalle Univ., Graduate School of Nursing.
 Gretchen Reilly, Ph.D. '91 is associate professor of American History, Temple College, Temple, TX.
 Amy McLeer Frangione '94 is Associate Director of Donor Relations at the Wharton School of the Univ. of Pennsylvania.
 Rebecca Walker '95 is a third grade teacher at the John Cooper School in Woodlands, TX. She also coaches the freshman and junior varsity volleyball teams.
 Rashida Weathers '95 is a forensic chemist for the US Dept. of Justice, San Diego, CA.
 Lisa A. Durst '95 does healthcare public relations and marketing for Abington Memorial Hospital.
 Christina Madden, Esq. '96 prosecutes child abuse cases for the City of New York.
 Love Jennings Lynch '97 is a case manager with the Women's Association for Women's Alternative (WAWA) in their Mother/Baby Supervised Independent Living Program.
 Rieke C. Baize '98 is a Medical Cost Analyst at AmeriHealth HMO, Mt. Laurel, NJ.
 Renee J. Wildermuth '99 recently published an article in the Journal of Protein Chemistry, titled *Influence of Neutral Salts on the Hydrothermal Stability of Acid-Soluble Collagen*. She is with the Eastern Regional Research Center, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Wyndmoor, PA.

2000-2001

Lauren Abruzzese '00 is a third grade teacher at St. Luke School in Stratford, NJ.
 Mary Rose Faustman '01 has been named Director of Media Relations for the Atlantic City Boardwalk Bullies ice hockey team.

CED/KIRBY DIVISION

Loretta McLaughlin '74 Chief Operating Officer, Magee Rehabilitation Hospital, was named as one of Philadelphia's Women of Distinction by the Philadelphia Business Journal.
 Debra Valenti-Epstein, Esq. '78 has joined the Board of Directors of the Roxborough Memorial Health Foundation and the Board of Trustees of Roxborough Memorial Hospital.

Karen Doyle, SSJ, D.M. '81 has joined the staff of Croi Inisfada, the Jesuit retreat house in Manhasset, NY, to train and supervise spiritual directors.

Linda Marie Sariego, OSF '82 has been elected to the board of trustees at Neumann College, Aston, PA.

Melinda J. Lewis '85 is an Admissions and Registration Representative in the Student Services Division of Albuquerque, NM Technical Vocational Institute.

Mary Beth McGranaghan, Ph.D. '85 was named a 2000 Distinguished Prendergast Alumna by the Archbishop Prendergast H.S. Alumnae Association.

GRADUATE DIVISION

Katherine Daley Sand GD '01 is with 521 Management Group, a governmental relations firm specializing in educational issues.

ADVANCED DEGREES

Rosemarie Tort Schroeter '74, M.A. in Education, Georgian Court College.

Karen Rogers '75, Physicians Assistant, MCP Hahnemann U.

Melinda J. Lewis '85, MA in Professional and Technical Writing, U of New Mexico.

Susan Magee Kephart '85, MFA in Creative Writing, Bennington College.

Claire Dente '85, Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology, Temple U.

Elena Pié Adkins '90, M.S. in Gerontology Counseling, St. Joseph's U.

Debora Floyd '90, M.A. in Counseling Psychology, Towson U.

Gretchen Reilly '91, Ph.D. in History, George Washington U.

Carolyn Hehn '93, M.A. in Art Therapy, MCP Hahnemann U.

Julie Burton Swift '95, Ph.D. in English, SUNY at Stony Brook.

Kimberly Sawchak D'Andrea '96, M.S. in Psychology, St. Joseph's U.

Diana Barnett Keedes '97, M.D. in Medicine, Temple U.

Lisa Domico '97, M.S. in Veterinary Science, U of Florida

Megan Burghart '97, M.S. in Education, U. of Pennsylvania.

Carrie Hutchinson '97, V.M.D. in Veterinary Medicine, U. of Pennsylvania.

Alicia Pallas Elsietinow '97, Ph.D. in Chemistry, Temple U.

Rieke C. Baize '98, Master of Health Administration, Washington University, MO.

FROM CHESTNUT HILL COLLEGE

Mary Ann Ballisty Bonner '71, M.Ed. in Education.

Elaine Evans Nicoletti '79, M.Ed. in Elementary Education.

Kimberly DiMascio CED '92, M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education.

Kristin Dudley CED '92, M.S. in Counseling Psychology/Human Services.

Jody Linta '92, M.S. in Applied Technology.

Mary Elizabeth Valle '93, M.A. in Holistic Spirituality.

Molly Hashian '94, M.Ed. in Elementary Education.

Jodie King '94, M.S. in Applied Technology.

Kathleen Auman '95, M.S. in Counseling Psychology/Human Services.

Tiffany Jackowski-Bartol '95, M.S. in Applied Technology.

Dana DiPietro '95, M.Ed. in Elementary Education

Carolyn Glenn CED '95, M.S. in Technology in Education.

Shernise Blackwell Whiting CED '95, M.Ed. in Elementary Education.

Joan Simmons '96, M.S. in Counseling Psychology/Human Services.

Therese Werner Dougherty '97, M.Ed. in Elementary Education.

Brenca Kenny '97, M.S. in Applied Technology.

Barbara Hassler Martell GD '97, M.S. in Counseling Psychology/Human Services.

Dana Tancredo '97, M.S. in Applied Technology

Rebecca Cratin GD'98 M.S. in Counseling Psychology/Human Services

Jessy Kuruvilla '98, M.Ed. in Elementary Education

Kelly Ann Ritchie '98 M.S. in Counseling Psychology/Human Services

IN MEMORIAM

S. St. Vivian Castello '30

Rita Madeleine Gruber, SSJ '30

Eleanor Burke Rowland '32

Margaret Healy Haney '33

Mary G. Atkins Honeyman '33

Edna Steck Cabrey '34

Catherine P. Elliott '34

Margaret Kelly Finnegan '34

Marguerite Quayle Sheridan '34

Elda Roman '34

Regina Augusta Todd, SSJ '34

Mary Kalahan Conte '35

Margaret Keily Lennon '35

Helen M. Kelleher McCauley '35

Margaret Simmons Mercer '35

Elizabeth McHugh '36

Pearl Cleary Bolger '37

M. Louise Bolger Guthier '37

Rita Ryan '37

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Dorothy Molinari '38

Gail Seidle Cattie '39

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Ann Margaret McHugh Schmidt '39

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Catherine Crowley Tomaselli '39

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Margaret Sherry Dirvin '41

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Dorothy Kelly Moore '41

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Margaret Purdy Mayer '42

Elizabeth Clime Lockyer Merriam '42

Madeline Somers Nixon '42

Emily Frunzi Barrett '43

June Walker Hurst '43

F Estelle Topoleski Loftus '44

Ruth Hutchinson Craig '45

Mary Walker Hawley '45

Hilda Daroff Rosenbaum '45

Rona Harrington Drake '46

Mary Gardner Baker '47

Anne M. O'Donnell Lang '47

Catherine Gagliano '48

Eileen Jones Barrett '49

Rosemary Jacobs Garrity '49

Ellen Kiernan Hetzel '49

Bernadette Tyndall McGann '50

Dorothy Weaver Mendala '50

Mary Therese Martini Genovesi '51

Margaret Donohue Kenny '51

Camille Brunetti Sharkey '51

Genevieve Dobbin '53

Grace Stein Gallagher '53

Jane Gilbert Williams '53

Anne VanHerwarde Meade '54

Carol Keating Tuthill '54

Gabriele Kappatsch Wertis '54

Patricia Kiernan Albanese '55

Helen Regina Buckley '56

Ellen Casey Heaney '57

Margaret Farne Silli '58

M. Eileen Kelley Reynolds '59

Patricia Reilly Waldron '59

Helen Julia Wallace '59

Rita Quinn Tragesser-Burke '60

Catherine Knobbs, SSJ, Ph.D. '60

Jean Kappes '61

Elizabeth Smith Miller '61

Regina Streckfuss Kollhoff '62

Irene Beckmann Krone '62

Elizabeth Powers Roche '62

Elaine Capparell Minger '63

Margaret Higgins John '64

Susan Harvey Rush-McNamara '65

Helen Teti '65

Lorraine Guiseppi Tobia '65

Mary Jo McNichols Devitt '68

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Clarissa Vinson-Paramore '01

CED/Kirby Division

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Christina Ann Smith McDonald '93

Ian D. McDowell '95

MARRIAGES

Cecilia Kline Finley '41 to Frank J. Guthier

Maria Stranieri '79 to Michael Michener

Melinda J. Lewis CED '85 to Eric P. Mattson

Lynn Mulvaney '87 to Eugene Sharp, Jr.

Merewyn Furiga '88 to Mark Sheeran

Lorraine Doran '90 to Robert Cuber

Christine Condello '91 to Travis J. Bish

Ife Nilaya James '91, GD '97, to Daniel Campbell

Freda Lukov, Esq. '92 to Justin Kleinman, DMD

Stacey Persia '92 to David Umland

Yolanda Hemler '94 to Christopher Levelsberger

Ernestine (Tina) Murillo '94 to Richard S. Clements GD '93

Christina Madden, Esq. '96 to Brian Hutchings, Esq.

Joy Lynn Nelson '96 to Charles Everett Phillips, III

Marie D'Souza GD '97 to Michael Weinstein

Maria Lucchetti GD '99 now Maria Lucchetti Heiser

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courses at the Wagner Free Institute of Science before enrolling in vertebrate paleontology and veterinary gross anatomy graduate courses at Penn.

In June 1999, Patti volunteered to spend two weeks on a dig site in the badlands flanking the Pryor Mountains in southern Montana. She accompanied a field crew led by Penn dinosaur paleontologist Dr. Peter Dodson. Despite the 115-degree heat, Patti's team uncovered a rich cache of fossil and bone, including an eight-inch claw from a new species of ancient plant-eater, a 50-foot, long-necked dinosaur that had been buried since the Jurassic period 155 million years ago.

While collecting fossil float – loose pieces of fossil and bone that had been washed from the main site – Patti identified bone sticking out of the ground

In addition to her paleontological skills, her legal know-how proved to be extremely valuable as well. The dig site, originally thought to be on privately owned ranch land, was actually situated on federal rangeland administered by the Bureau of Land Management. Patti was instrumental in obtaining the permit necessary to authorize the dig. In 2000, Patti returned to the Montana dig site to continue the excavation.

In January of the same year, she participated in an expedition to Egypt. She spent five weeks at Bahariya Oasis in the Western Desert where she helped uncover another cache of remains, including a five-foot, seven-inch, 400 pound humerus belonging to a second new species of plant-eating dinosaur, one of the largest to have roamed the earth. This discovery received front-page coverage around the world,

Dinosaurs of Egypt" that is expected to be broadcast on A&E later this year. In addition, a companion book of the same name has been written and will be published by Random House. "I am, as with the video production, a background player, but still a field team member," says Patti.

Patti credits her CHC experience for providing her with the courage necessary to pursue such a divergent second career. Originally a Studio Art major, Patti discovered that she also had a love of Sociology. "When I discovered Sociology I was ecstatic that such a field existed and decided to double-major." Of course Patti had no idea how she was going to utilize these courses of study in pursuit of a living, but the passion with which she devoted herself to her interests overrode any concerns. "That encompassing of interests has been a force in my life since. There are many things that interest me, fewer things that hold that interest and fewer still that evoke a passion. This passion is what I am willing to devote my time and energy to...."

In January 2000, Patti matriculated part-time at Penn to pursue her master's degree in Environmental Studies with a specialization in environmental law and paleontology. Since then she has continued her work as a contract attorney, as well as working at the Academy of Natural Sciences and illustrating fossils for scientific publication. Patti gives dinosaur/fossil tours and presentations at the museum, as well as presentations on her Montana and Egyptian digs at area schools, colleges, and libraries. "My wish is that this will all culminate someday into a full-time paleo-occupation of a sort, combining fieldwork, lab work, paleolaw, paleoart, writing, teaching/presenting and research. I guarantee you this much, I will never 'retire.'"



Patti (left) and another member of the Egyptian dig, "jackets" a 400 pound humerus, a process of applying a protective covering to enable fossils to be safely transported.

several yards west. After an hour of digging, she discovered part of a scapula and ribs associated with the dinosaur from the main site. In honor of her finds, Dr. Dodson subsequently named this annex to the main site, "Patti's Folly".

and was hailed as one of the top scientific discoveries of 2001.

The Egyptian dig was filmed by MPH Studios, a major underwriter of the expedition. They produced a two-part documentary titled "The Lost

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Chestnut Hill Celebrates Dedication of Art Gallery and Studio and the Installation of "Free Spirit"

In October of 2000, Chestnut Hill College learned that we were one of the unexpected beneficiaries of the estate of Dwight V. Dowley, a Chestnut Hill neighbor and philanthropist. Through the extraordinary generosity of Mr. Dowley, the College renovated the art studio and created an adjoining art gallery. On October 11, 2001, the College community gathered to dedicate the Dwight V. Dowley Art Studio and Gallery, in honor of our generous benefactor.

"Tonight you see what this gift has made possible," stated President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ. "Because of it, we have been able to renovate the art studio, provide state-of-the-art technology for the teaching of art and art history, and construct a small art gallery. We are deeply grateful for the Dowley gift, for the trust and respect it signifies, and for the great good it will bring to our present and future students."

In a separate ceremony earlier in the evening, the College community assembled to celebrate the installation of the College's first piece of sculpture on campus, "Free Spirit," a gift from the Mary and Peter Esseff Art Foundation. Caryl Picker, sculptor of "Free Spirit," also joined the festivities. Sister Carol Jean Vale applauded Caryl Picker's creativity and genius. "Despite being a maiden 6'7" high, 5'5" wide and weighing over 900 pounds, "Free Spirit" graces the landscape with a lithe beauty and an air of freedom."

Sister Carol Jean Vale recalled her visit seven years ago to the Maryland residence of alumna Mary Sullivan Esseff, Ph.D. '65 and her husband Peter. "I was struck by this mesmerizing piece of sculpture located in a flower-filled island in front of their beautiful home. The grace and the beauty, the sheer magnetism of the piece caught my imagination. Before I knew it, the thoughts I was thinking became words and the words were out of my mouth. 'If you ever have to part with "Free Spirit," I think that Chestnut Hill College would be a perfect home for her.' Little did I know that six years later, "Free Spirit" would move to the College campus."



A view of the newly created Dowley Art Gallery as seen across the Rotunda of St. Joseph Hall.



Guests at the dedication admire the many pieces of art on display in the Dowley Art Gallery.



Peter and Mary Esseff (left) and sculptor Caryl Picker pose with "Free Spirit," the college's first piece of sculpture on campus.

Lost Alums

The Alumnae/i Office is looking for these people! Can you help us find them? If you have any information about the name(s) listed here, please contact the Alumnae/i Office.

Betty Ann Christie Sweeney '47
Maria Maio Carlock '62
Jeannette Lewis Gilbert '67
Kathleen Crowley Charles '72
Debra Lucas McGady '78
Bonnie Burns Guarini '82
Christine Sullivan Miller '82

Wendy Little Schieki '82
Eva Cintron '86
Sarah Maneely Bradley '88
Miriam Connors Gormley CED '89
Linda Chmielewski GD'92
Marisol Romasn '92
Veronica Severino Rose '92
Christine Anderson '97
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Special Events...

Alumnae/i Day of Recollection

Saturday, March 2, 2002, 9:30 a.m.

Information: 215.248.7144

Catholic Seven Leadership Program

March 14 & March 21, 2002, 7 to 9 p.m.

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Spring Musical

March 22, 23, & 24, 2002

"The All-Night Strut"

Music from the Thirties and Forties.

Information: 215.248.7155

Career Management Series

Saturday, April 13, 2002, 9:00 a.m.

Information: 215.248.7144 or

www.accessalumni.org

3rd Annual

All-Women's Golf Invitational

Wednesday, April 24, 2002

Sunnybrook Country Club

Information: 215.248.7137

Commencement

Saturday, May 4, 2002

Reunion Weekend

May 31, June 1, & June 2, 2002

Classes 1932, '37, '42, '47, '52, '57, '62,

'67, '72, '77, '82, '87, '92, & '97.

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Chestnut Hill College Travel Programs...

Hawaiian Islands Cruise

April 8-18, 2002

Let the Norwegian Wind show you the paradise of Hawaii the way it was meant to be seen. Begin your cruise from Honolulu and enjoy ports of call in Kona, Hilo, Maui, and Kauai. Only this itinerary includes the private pacific paradise of Fanning Island for a day. Priced from \$1,796. per person, including airfare from Philadelphia, all port charges and airport transfers in Hawaii.

Alaska Cruise

July 1-8, 2002

Experience Alaska aboard the NORWEGIAN WIND! Set sail from Vancouver and cruise the Inside Passage, Alaska's spectacular maritime highway. Ports of call include Skagway, Haines, Juneau and Ketchikan. Prices

begin at \$1595. per person and include round-trip air from Philadelphia, all port charges and taxes.

New England and Canada Cruise

August 11-18, 2002

The Norwegian Cruise Line's Norwegian Sea sails from New York to Halifax, Bar Harbor, Boston, Martha's Vineyard, and Newport. Prices begin at \$899. per person and include round-trip motor coach service to New York, all port charges and taxes. All shore excursions are included in this price.

For more information on these Alumnae/i Association sponsored trips, please call: Craig Martin at Crusin', Inc. at 610.341.1979 or 800.506.7447 or visit the website at www.alumnivacations.com.

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