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Chestnut Hill College’s School of Graduate Studies Education program has received a discretionary grant of $799,600 over four years from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs. This grant, for personnel development to improve services and results for children with disabilities, enables the Graduate Education program to increase the number of certified special education teachers in the School District of Philadelphia. Through the College’s certification program, teacher candidates will receive extensive training and experience in culturally relevant teaching practices to assist students with disabilities (including students from limited English language backgrounds) in meeting state learning standards. This program will also ensure that teacher candidates achieve qualified status under the No Child Left Behind Act.

School of Graduate Studies Receives $799,600 Grant for Education Program

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Honorary Doctor of Laws degree recipients Frances “Frannie” Maguire (center) and her husband, James J. Maguire, Sr. The couple, longtime residents of Chestnut Hill, are also prominent community leaders and volunteers. They were welcomed to the College by President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D. (left)

Professor of Mathematics Merilyn Ryan, SSJ, Ph.D. (far left) received congratulations from colleagues following her selection for the 2007 Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Award for Distinguished Teaching.

Photo, left to right: Dr. Joyce Munro, dean of the School of Graduate Studies, Dr. Carol Pate, chair of the education department, Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D., president of Chestnut Hill College, Dr. William Walker, vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty, and Dr. Margery Covello, assistant professor of education.

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Take A Chance! Casino Night & Auction

— contributed by Jennifer P. Johnson, Special Events Manager

On March 24, Chestnut Hill College transformed its traditional spring fundraiser, an art auction, into “Take A Chance,” a very lively Casino Night and Auction held in the Sorgenti Arena. More than 275 guests enjoyed the evening’s attractions, which included live and silent auction items, casino games, an international buffet, a martini bar, and a live jazz trio. “Take A Chance” raised $45,000 (gross) in support of the Griffin Fund, with a 100 percent increase in attendance from previous years.

Special thanks to Cathy Lockyer ’92, chair of the spring fundraiser planning committee, as well as all the committee and staff members for their hard work and dedication in making this event a great success.

Cathy Lockyer ’92

Guests were in strict competition over many of the silent auction items offered at “Take A Chance.” Over sixty items were on display and several others were up for bid in the live auction portion of the evening.

Many patrons tried their luck at the roulette wheel and other casino games throughout the evening. Chips could be traded in for chances to win one of several prizes, including a trip to San Francisco!

THANK YOU!

Your generous financial assistance to Chestnut Hill College this year for the following initiatives has made an enormous difference

- The Griffin Fund – unrestricted funds for annual operations
- Capital Gifts Initiative II – long-term impact improvement and construction projects
- SugarLoaf Hill Campaign – property acquisition, short-term building and grounds renovations, and development initiatives
- Specific Designations – library acquisitions, general endowed funds, specific endowed scholarships, lectures, academic programs
- Reunion Giving – specific project options selected by classes and individuals during the five-year anniversary of their graduation

2007 Reunion Giving

Congratulations to the Top Five Classes with the Highest Percentage of Participation:

Class of 1957 – 50th Reunion – 87%
Class of 1952 – 55th Reunion – 62%
Class of 1947 – 60th Reunion – 47%
Class of 1967 – 40th Reunion – 42%
Class of 1962 – 45th Reunion – 38%

Special thanks to all 2007 Reunion Classes for your generous support!!!
Whatever purpose you have chosen to support, your gifts help to provide the financial and spiritual foundation on which this College stands.

We are so very grateful for your ongoing generosity. THANK YOU!

Questions? Please contact Catherine Quinn at 215.248.7137 or e-mail quinnc@chc.edu

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The initiative, Highly Qualified Special Education Teachers: Highly Successful Students, will be directed by the Chair of the Education Department Dr. Carol M. Pate. Assistant Professor of Education Dr. Margery Covello will serve as the Project Disabilities Liaison. Dr. Joyce Munro will serve on the advisory committee. Key collaborators are the Pennsylvania Department of Education, the School District of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Teaching Fellows, and Teach for America organizations.

By 2010, this initiative will produce 34 fully certified special education teachers, two new required courses in culturally relevant practices, and an expanded focus on culturally relevant teaching practices as a requirement for all teacher preparation programs at the College. Necessary skills and knowledge, derived from practices that have been determined through scientifically-based research, will support higher levels of academic achievement in students whose past performances have not met local or state standards.

“This initiative is an important milestone for the graduate school and for our institution. It will increase our capacity to provide crucial training in culturally-relevant practices,” said Dr. Joyce Huth Munro, dean of the School of Graduate Studies. “Most significantly, it builds on capacities we have—faculty members with expertise in special education, our strong relationship with the School District of Philadelphia, our diverse student population, and a track record of commitment to diversity in education.”

Cathy Lockyer ’92

Joanne Fink ’76 (left), president of the Alumnae & Alumni Association, waves her bid card high in the air for one of the many exciting live auction items.

Thank you!
Honors All Around

April’s Honors Convocation was highlighted by roll calls for academic, athletic, and departmental honors, as well as the highly anticipated annual scholarship and awards presentations.

The convocation address was delivered by Robert C. Young, M.D., who for 20 years has served as president and CEO of the nationally recognized Fox Chase Cancer Center just outside of Philadelphia. Dr. Young assured the audience, “We are winning the war on cancer,” and added, “I cannot venture a guess as to whether we are at the ‘end of the beginning’ or ‘the beginning of the end,’ but everyone in medicine and science knows that we will need all of the intelligence and creativity of your generation to see us to the end.”

Joan Lunney, Ph.D. ’68 received the Alumnae & Alumni Association Distinguished Achievement Award. She graduated from the College with honors in chemistry and went on to earn her Ph.D. in biochemistry from John Hopkins University in 1976. Dr. Lunney has become a nationally recognized research scientist, specializing in swine genomics, immunology, and infectious diseases.

She accepted her award with thanks to her “teachers at Chestnut Hill, in particular [the late] Mary Kieran, SSJ, Ph.D., my honors thesis advisor.” She also reflected, “At Chestnut Hill, I took advantage of my liberal arts education. I used to think that English was not important for scientists—only math and science mattered. Now I know those writing courses that I dreaded have been essential to my career as I write grants and manuscripts.”

The Dorothea E. Fenton ’28 Memorial Medal was presented at Honors Convocation from 1929 to 1962 to the senior “chosen by the faculty for qualities of cooperation and loyalty to the school.” (Fournier News, April 21, 1961) This year, the award was reinstated for presentation to a senior nominated by the faculty and staff: Seth Jacobson ’07, a psychology major, plans to spend time after graduation in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps.

Winner of the 2007 Alumnae & Alumni Association Distinguished Achievement Award Joan Lunney, Ph.D. ’68, accepts congratulations from Regina Black Urmson ’76, vice president of the Chestnut Hill College Alumnae & Alumni Association (right).
successful coaching runs with the Philadelphia Eagles, the St. Louis Rams, and the Kansas City Chiefs.

In his address, Vermeil told the graduates that their learning had really just begun, that it is a lifelong process, and they would discover as much from adversity as they would from success. “Don’t invest too much time fighting battles you can’t win,” he urged, “nor hesitate too long to make changes—move on. The freedom to make a mistake provides the best environment for creativity, as well as improvement.” Speaking as a coach, Vermeil observed, “We never lost sight of the fact that the road to the Super Bowl was always under construction.”

“Youre future belongs to you – treat it with great respect and go ahead and assume total control of all that dictates a quality future,” he advised. “Because I learned a long time ago, life’s most precious moments encompass a very small percentage of your lifetime, so invest wisely in the hours, days, weeks, months, and years between those precious moments, because if you do, you’ll more than likely increase these periods of time that bring such joy to your life and career.”

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By Erin Albright ’07

Saturday, May 12th, was a historic day for Chestnut Hill College, when the School of Undergraduate Studies graduated its first four-year coed class. This class, though undeniably different from its predecessors, still indisputably celebrated the true meaning of the College. The members of the Class of 2007 were told from the beginning that they were making history. They accomplished this by seizing the opportunity of a lifetime to not only be a part of a college culture that emphasizes self-discovery, commitment, and giving back to the community, but to do this as the first ever coed undergraduate class in the College’s history.

In the beginning, many of the men and women that made up the group of students graduating on May 12th came with reservations and hesitation, and not just those of the typical college freshman, but as those who from the beginning carry with them the knowledge that they are making history on a daily basis.

“I think it really hit me the day we moved into the dorms freshman year,” said Keara Claus. “There was a news team on campus, filming us moving in and asking people questions. I remember thinking that this was not the way most people start their college career.”

It was with this welcome that the Class of 2007 took their cue. They have enjoyed and maintained the traditions that have always made Chestnut Hill exceptional, by participating in events such as Christmas decorating, Carol Night, the Empty Bowl Dinner, and of course, regular sporting events. The College has grown under the leadership of the Class of 2007, and many attribute the camaraderie of the class to their historic role.

“When we came in as freshmen, a lot of people were unsure about having guys here, but since we had never known the place as an all-female environment, we liked having the guys around,” said Katherine Quintus. “We had to stick together from the beginning, and that has fostered a strong sense of unity among our class.” Despite the early apprehension of many, the College has maintained its strong sense of community through the efforts of the faculty, staff, alumnae, and students.

“When I first came to school, I was sent home almost immediately because I had mono,” said Steve Tamburo.
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Jim Maguire is the founder of the Philadelphia Consolidated Holding Corporation, which owns four subsidiaries—Maguire Insurance Agency, Inc., Philadelphia Insurance Company, Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company, and Liberty American Insurance Group. Today, the corporation has assets in excess of $3.4 billion. Maguire has also shared his gift of leadership as a member of the Board of Managers of Beneficial Savings Bank, as a past manager of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania Insurance Federation, as the first lay Chairman of the Board of Cabrini College, and as a past Vice Chairman of the Board of Saint Joseph’s University.

Frannie McLaughlin Maguire raised their eight children and also nurtured her own natural talents in the arts and gardening. She has served on the boards of the Woodmere Art Museum and the Academy of Children’s Music, volunteers for the Philadelphia Museum of Art’s Blind Artist Program, and has been named judge emeritus of the Garden Club of America.

As a member of the College’s Special Task Force to acquire SugarLoaf Hill, Frannie shared the College’s vision of how the acquisition would be a good investment for the neighborhood, for the entire College community, and for the preservation of the beautiful green space of gardens and woodlands on the southwest side of the Wissahickon.

Adjunct Professors Honored. This year, the College began a new tradition of recognizing adjunct faculty from all three schools with the Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award. From left to right are Charles Grogan, School of Continuing and Professional Studies (mathematics); Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D.; Lynn Connolly, School of Graduate Studies (human services); Dr. William Walker, senior vice president for the College; and Barbara Guiliano, School of Undergraduate Studies (biology).

Baccalaureate Mass on the Eve of Commencement

A final ritual at the end of the Baccalaureate Mass is the missioning of the graduates to carry the light of the College’s mission with them into the wider world. Seniors George Roitzsch of Howell, N.J. (left) and Seth Jacobson of Philadelphia (right) light the first candles.

Circle of Friends at the Senior Picnic

The Class of 2007 opted to have a senior picnic with President Carol Jean Vale, rather than the traditional formal tea. So on the afternoon of May 10, seniors, administration, staff, and faculty gathered on the lawn by the summer house to share food and memories. Posing one last time together before they go their separate ways are senior friends (left to right) Shaneé Garner, Hava Weber, Nicole Davenport, and Genevieve Tierney.
The Chestnut Hill Community Association announced that President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D. had been voted the prestigious Chestnut Hill Award for 2007. She accepted the award from Patricia Cove (right) at a ceremony on May 2.

President Vale’s hand-lettered and framed plaque reads:

“In recognition of her leadership in the transition of Chestnut Hill College to a coeducational institution now serving the needs of 2,000 students.
And in recognition of her vision and determination to fulfill her dream of expanding the College to include SugarLoaf Hill and priority given to the preservation of the property’s green space.
And her desire to more closely integrate the College to the Chestnut Hill community by developing the answers to:

• How can the College promote the economic growth of Chestnut Hill?
• How can the College be a positive source of life to the community?
• How can the community enhance the experience of the students?
The Association recognizes not only the above accomplishments, but also pledges itself to support this continuing effort toward integration of the College and our community.”

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President Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D. Honored With Chestnut Hill Award

Renovations
The College is currently reviewing renovation proposals for the Mansion and Lodge. After matching the proposals to the budget, it is our goal to fast track necessary work to the extent possible and to begin ASAP. Work will begin with hazardous materials abatement/removal and then go into a typical construction schedule. Based on comments from a few of the bidders, the construction timeline will be three to five months, depending on the final work that is approved.

Roofs have been repaired or replaced on the Mansion and Cottage. There are a few additional areas to be repaired on the Mansion and a study of the Lodge roof is currently underway.

The Lodge will be renovated as a residence hall, with additional use as a living space for academic and rental conferences and events. There will be electrical upgrades, sprinkler installation, new HVAC, new finishes (carpet, lighting, paint), and the possibility of new windows. The elevator will be brought up to code.

The Mansion will be renovated as classroom, conference, and event space for use by students, the College, and the surrounding community. There will be electrical upgrades, HVAC work and lighting improvements. Finishes will be refreshed or updated as needed.

The Cottage will most likely be renovated this summer as either a residence or an office building.

Construction
There is no new construction planned for the near term.

Demoition
Of the six structures on the property, three will have to be demolished. These regrettably include the original Wyncliffe Mansion, irreparably damaged by fire, as well as the dilapidated small stone house, known to some as the “hippie house” and the greenhouse visible from Germantown Avenue. However, the College is studying the feasibility of salvaging the Wissahickon schist from these buildings to enhance future SugarLoaf buildings.

Landscaping
We have removed dead, diseased, and dangerous trees and have cleaned up the forested buffer along Germantown Avenue. Future landscaping plans will be incorporated into the College’s master plan which is currently being revised by Dagit Saylor to include the SugarLoaf Hill property.

The College is seeking bids on repairs to the stone wall on the Bell’s Mill Avenue side of the property. The walls in some sections are in bad shape and the removal of a few very large trees has made things worse. In the very near term, we will proceed with this repair work.

The College is also having a study done about storm water drainage on the south western quadrant of the property.

Grants
The College received a $1 million Growing Greener Grant to support the conservation of a portion of the SugarLoaf property as green space in perpetuity.

The College was also awarded a $1.5 million grant

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Team Beams at Second Win

Chestnut Hill College's chapter of the business honor society Phi Beta Lambda can now claim to be the “championship chapter.” Competing against 23 colleges and universities with 268 contestants at the State Leadership Conference in Harrisburg this past April, the business team eclipsed last year's record five awards with a dazzling eighteen this year.

Adviser Robert Durney, M.B.A., assistant professor of business, says proudly, “All fifteen of our students earned an award, with three students winning two each.”

Shown, left to right, the winners include: Durney, Sarah Possinger ’09 (1st place, Sales Presentation); Katerina Huertas ’09 (1st place, Management Concepts); and Dr. William T. Walker, senior vice president for the College. Back row: Mark Hammons ’08 (2nd place, Business Ethics); Amanda Lipsett ’07 (2nd place, Business Decision-Making); and Joanna Corley ’09 and Nicole Bayer ’09 (both, 2nd place, Emerging Business Issues).

Missing are Amanda Cappelletti ’10 (3rd place, Public Speaking); Nadarah Dark ’10 (3rd place, Job Interview); Lisa Doria ’08 (2nd place, Business Ethics); Jon Gambino ’08 (1st place, Management Concepts); Tom Hollenbach ’08 (3rd place, Business Plan); Ned Kamburov ’07 (2nd place, Future Business Executive); Tom Miller ’08 (3rd place, Business Plan); Kristin Wagner ’09 (2nd place, Emerging Business Plans); and Dan Washington ’09 (2nd place, Business Ethics).  🎩

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from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program to support the development of SugarLoaf and in particular, the renovation of the Mansion as classroom, conference, and event space for use by students, the College, and the surrounding community.

Fundraising

The acquisition of SugarLoaf Hill has unexpectedly created a re-energized donor pool. SugarLoaf’s fundraising initiative, through the telemarketing firm IDC, has to date contacted about 1,000 non-donor alums and new parent constituencies, and has secured pledges from 30% of those solicited for the property's development – a huge response for us! 🎉

Reflections of My Class — continued from page 4

“While I was home, all my teachers called me to see how I was doing, even though I had never met any of them. I realized right then and there that this was more then a college.”

In this spirit of helping others and reaching out to people you’ve never even met, members of the Class of 2007 took up vital roles in the classrooms, on the sports fields, and as students workers all over campus. Like their predecessors, several members of the class worked in the admissions office as tour guides, and helped spread the message of the CHC community to potential students. The past four years have seen a 76 percent increase in admissions.

Others have honed their leadership skills in an academic fashion, leading classroom discussions and working in groups to help better themselves and their departments. Under their leadership, in the past four years, Chestnut Hill has added several new national honor society chapters. Many excelled in their individual departmental honors programs, and everyone can officially say that they successfully completed the ever-notorious senior seminar.

Griffin pride has also never prospered more than on the sports field. While the women of the College continued their tradition of excellence in sports, the men have acquired bragging rights of their own. The men’s basketball team, led by seniors Isaac Greet, Shawn Bolling, Mike Devine, and Steve Tamburo, boasted a 19-9 regular season record this year and were seeded second in the North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) South Division.

These young men enrolled here largely for the opportunity to make history playing college basketball, but it’s unlikely any of them anticipated the contribution they would be making to the athletics program in the long run. All four seniors are disappointed to miss playing for the College when it moves up to Division II this fall, but each is exceedingly grateful for the opportunity they’ve had, and will miss both the competition and their teammates.

“I enjoyed playing basketball here because it was a great learning experience,” said Tamburo. “I cannot imagine not playing college basketball, and I know I will miss it when I am going to work every morning for the rest of my life.”

While life on the ‘Hill’ has undeniably changed since the men arrived, the College has not only maintained, but fortified, its sense of community and high standards for academic and athletic achievement. It has been able to hold strong to traditions that many feared would be lost. And after all, no one seemed to mind the help on Christmas decorating night when the guys offered to haul lumber or hang up some large, unwieldy decoration.

Over the past four years, Chestnut Hill has changed, but it has grown even stronger in its mission and values. The men have changed the campus, but President Carol Jean Vale put it best in an interview with the Chestnut Hill Local, when she predicted, “Going coed is the best decision we could have made.” 🎉
New Faces on the Hill

Megan Albrecht, B.S.
Admissions Counselor/Coordinator of On-Campus Recruitment, SUS

Sandy Bumgardner, Psy.D.
Substance Abuse Counselor

Danielle Buettner, M.S.
Act 101 Counselor

Theresa Carfagno, Ed.D.
Assistant Professor of Education (effective 8-27-07)

Andrea Ciarello, B.A.
Administrative Assistant, SGS

Denise Costello, M.Ed.
Associate Director of Development Operations, Office of Institutional Advancement

Jacqueline Egitto, B.A.
Admissions Counselor/Coordinator of Alumnae & Alumni and Parent Ambassadors Program, SUS

Erin Funk, B.S.
Head Women’s Lacrosse Coach

Moira Gallagher, B.A.
Applications Manager, SUS

C. Nicole Henderson, M.A.
Director, Act 101 Program

John A. Kovach, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Sociology

Catherine Looker, SSJ, M.A.
Assistant Professor of Religious Studies (effective 8-27-07)

Lisa M. Mixon, B.S.
Media Relations Manager

Michael Reig, J.D.
Assistant Registrar, SUS

Carmen Rogers, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Spanish (effective 8-27-07)

Barbara Reiter, M.S.
Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Institutional Advancement/Office Manager

Robert L. Spratt, M.Ed.
Director of Student Learning Services

Albert Stroble, M.Ed.
Assistant to the Athletic Director/Head Men’s and Women’s Tennis Coach

Three faculty members were promoted in April by the College’s Board of Directors. From left to right, Mary Margaret Murphy, SSJ, M.A., assistant professor of Latin to associate professor of Latin; Kathleen McCloskey, SSJ, M.M.Ed., instructor in music, to assistant professor of music; and Judith Sullivan, M.Ed., assistant professor of mathematics to associate professor of mathematics.
Dear Alumnae and Alumni:

I want to welcome the Class of 2007 of all three Schools of the College to our Association! It was with great pleasure that, as president, I had the honor of inducting our first full-time undergraduate coed class into our organization at this year’s graduation.

Closely following Commencement was Reunion Weekend, and what a fantastic weekend it was! The planned events were met with great enthusiasm by the alumnae. While it wasn’t my reunion year, I was on campus all weekend long, and had the opportunity to meet many of you who were celebrating your milestones. I have to say this has been one of the most enjoyable benefits of being active in our Association. Participation in the Alumnae & Alumni Association has given me the opportunity to meet people I would not have met otherwise. Many of these alum I now consider to be my close friends. For this reason alone—expanding your base of friends who share a common College experience—I recommend being an active member of our Association.

One of the most gratifying parts of Reunion Weekend was the number of alumnae who came up and thanked me for its new look and feel since their last reunion. It was nice to know that everyone was enjoying their time on campus so thoroughly. While I appreciated their thanks, these alum really should have been directing their kudos somewhere else. Credit goes to the Reunion Weekend Volunteers Committee, this year directed by Kathleen Quigley Grimm ’88, who worked hard to carry out the weekend programming and planning devised by the Alumnae & Alumni Relations Office. I cannot thank everyone enough who helped to bring us this 3-day event—from the alumnae and alumni volunteers, to the student workers, to the College dining services, housekeeping, maintenance, and campus ministry staffs, to the Alum Office and the rest of the Office of Institutional Advancement. If anyone is ever looking for a way to help the Association, while working with various College offices, at the same time reuniting with members of classes before and after theirs, volunteering at Reunion Weekend is certainly it.

The Class of 1957 celebrated its 50th reunion at Saturday’s luncheon, and on Sunday it was my honor to welcome these alumnae into the Golden Griffins, our society of those who have been out 50 years or more. The Golden Griffins Brunch had a record attendance of more than 150. For the first time ever, spouses now known as Golden Griffin Spouses were invited to attend. In fact, families and other adult guests were welcome to attend many of the weekend events, and this seemed to add to everyone’s enjoyment.

As I conclude my first year as president, I’m happy to report success and progress with several items important to our evolving Association. Working in partnership with the Alumnae & Alumni Relations Office, we can look at the 2006-07 year as one that reoriented the Nominating Committee’s focus on identifying and recruiting Association directors who will move the College into new areas of impact; charged the By-Laws Committee to review the entire document for revision in light of the new realities of the College and its graduates; supported the Young Alums Committee in its efforts to reach out and connect with undergraduate alums of the most recent 10 years, and enjoying their record attendance at the Carol Night performance and Holiday Cheer; introduced alumnae and alumni participation with first-year students in the College’s oldest continuous tradition—Christmas Decorations; began exploratory discussions with the College on student/alum community service activities; launched the first two new Association chapters in many years—the South Jersey Chapter and the Jersey Shore Chapter, with more to come; and conducted one of the best-attended Fall Leadership Conferences in many years, where we were urged to view ourselves as constant CHC Ambassadors by guest speaker Liz Shafer ’70. Not everything on an ambitious goals list was met, but all in all 2006-07 was a very good year, topped by an awesome and well-attended Reunion Weekend. I do hope the enthusiasm people showed for Chestnut Hill during that weekend will spill over into the next year, and our efforts to have a more active and meaningful organization will materialize.

I look forward to meeting more of you over the coming year! Be well and have a wonderful summer!

Joanne Fink ’76, President
Chestnut Hill College Alumnae & Alumni Association

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To share your big news in alum notes, e-mail us at alumni@chc.edu
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Name Change for School
The School of Continuing Studies has modified its name to the School of Continuing and Professional Studies, effective in April.
According to Dr. Elaine Green, dean of the school, the change was made “to better reflect the expansion of the program to include credit and non-credit courses offered in alternative formats for both professional development and personal enrichment.”
More than 270 alumnae from classes ending in “2” and “7” returned to campus on June 1-2-3 to celebrate the College’s 60th annual reunion. This get-away weekend, a much-expanded version of the original 1947 reunion luncheon, provided activities, events, and other opportunities for alums to reconnect, renew friendships, and rediscover their “loved Chestnut Hill.”

“A Tale of Two Horses,” one of four Friday afternoon sessions, tugged at the heartstrings of close to 50 alums and guests as Smarty Jones owner Pat Chapman joined Barbaro owner Gretchen Jackson in sharing their recollections, laughs, and tears of the last three years. Approximately 110 additional alums registered for other educational and personal enrichment sessions presented by history professor David Contosta, religious studies professor Marie Conn, foreign language and literature professor Mary Helen Kashuba, SSJ ’55, and financial advisor Michael Buchanan in various locations throughout the Logue Library.

The air-conditioned lounge of the New Residence Hall provided relief from a humid early evening as alums arrived at the President’s Reception for their first social gathering of the weekend.

“Everyone I spoke to from our class thought the weekend went so well, even with the last-minute rain changes… The extended weekend of activities was wonderful—it gave many of us a better chance to catch up…”
Barbara Jani ’67

Spouses and friends joined alums in enjoying a selected number of reunion activities, including Friday night’s Dining Around the World buffet dinner, where they sampled appetizers of crab rangoon, baba ganoush and other light bites, followed by a variety of Asian, Mexican, and Italian selections, ending with the butlered chocolate-dipped strawberries and ice cream sundaes.

“I wish more of my classmates had come. They missed a great time…this was a terrific weekend.”
Cathy Lockyer ’92

Late evening showers washed out the piazza setting for Friday night’s Margaritaville on the Hill, but nothing dampened the spirits of at least three young alums when the event moved inside!
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“As it was when introduced last year, Casino & Martini Night proved to be the perfect evening activity following the Saturday evening BBQ on the Fournier Oval.”

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“I wanted to say thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the Reunion Weekend so nice. My classmates were very impressed with all of the care that had gone into the planning and execution of each event.”

Kathy Boyle Jarvis ’62

“Thanks for a great time this weekend. My sister (Class of ’57) and I spent more than an hour yesterday trading stories.”

Midge (Margaret) Moran ’67
"Reunion Weekend was a success from beginning to end… Thirty eight of our class (more than 50%) attended and participated in some of the different planned offerings of the weekend… It was great to be back on campus to see and feel the growth and progress…"

Mary Merz Berko ’52

"… We all wished that just for that weekend we could have had 48-hour days… we enjoyed every second we had at CHC. Just to see our classmates we had not seen in 30 years was absolutely priceless!! We made a ‘YaYa’ type vow we would all meet again in 5 years…"

Ina Negron-Zorrilla ’77

A comprehensive summary of Reunion Weekend 2007, including an extensive photo gallery, is found on CHC Griffins Online, the College’s new alumnae and alumni online community, which can be accessed directly at www.CHCh GriffinsOnline.com or through the College’s home page at www.chc.edu, “Alumnae/i.”
Suzanne Raymus Kuhn ’78 has opened ACE Organizing, offering “affordable, customized, energizing solutions to home, school and small business” in the five-county Philadelphia area and South Jersey. Her services include time management, clutter control, and electronic/paper information organization.

Debra Valenti-Espino, Esq. ’78 SCS, writes that although the law and business occupy her left brain as an attorney with the Roxborough Law Office (Philadelphia), her soul is in art. The Manayunk Art Center (MAC), a highly regarded non-profit community art center, presented her as the featured artist for its June 2007 show. Her acrylic, oil, and mixed media works were captured in the title “Transitions.” She notes: “I attended my first art classes at MAC when I was 12 years old. My personal identity formed as an art major in high school, and the UArts Graphic Design Department developed my sense for the connection of art to the world. My psychology education at CHC cultivated my sensitivity and sense of irony for cognitive interpretation. I am looking to sharing this artistic journey” through the exhibit. She is a co-founder of the MAC’s Artists’ Go-Op and assists in developing art curriculum for children, teens, and adults.

Marylou Mongiven Delizia ’78 SCS, director of Temple University Fort Washington, received the Community Leadership Award from Manor College at the Manor Scholarship Gala in April. Manor College confers the Associate of Arts and the Associate of Science degrees in the liberal arts and offers a host of career-oriented programs, certificates and diplomas in various areas of study. Marylou worked at Manor for 11 years as an admissions counselor and director of counseling. She is the past volunteer president of the Women’s Center of Montgomery County and is currently president of the Fort Washington (Pa.) Business Alliance. She is active in several township and local causes, including the Upper Dublin Education Foundation, the Upper Dublin Medals Committee, and the Ambler YMCA. She served as president of the Manor College Alumni Committee and is completing her first two-year term on the Chestnut Hill College Alumni & Alumni Association Board of Directors and chaired its Nominating Committee this past year. She was awarded an M.Ed. degree in psychosocial educational processes from Temple University in 1985.

Valerie Lee-Jeter ’79 was featured in The Consobodochny Weekly (March 1) for her leadership in music education at Chestnut Hill’s Our Mother of Consolation School.

Angel Maher Harris ’80 recently moved from South Dakota to Ames, Iowa, and writes to ask if “any kind of mid-west alum group for CHC” might exist. Not yet, but perhaps those in the general area might want to correspond: aharris136@yahoo.com.

Celeste LaBella Morello ’80 was featured in an extensive profile in four Philadelphia community newspapers in March for her work as a tour guide and historian of Philadelphia’s Bella Vista neighborhood, primarily the famous Italian Market. She is the author of three books on the Italian community and culture, including The Philadelphia Italian Cookbook (1999) and Philadelphia’s Italian Foods: A History of Over 200 Years with Recipes from the City’s Best Italian Cooks (2006). Celeste is the official historian of the 9th Street Italian Market Merchants Association and can be reached at www.ItalianMarketTour.com.

Angie Pia De Simone ’81 has been living in Italy since 1982, has two children (Massimiliano, 20, and Lorenzo, 14) and has worked in a biomedical research center as an English teacher as well as a tour guide and historian of Philadelphia’s Bella Vista neighborhood, primarily the famous Italian Market. She is the author of three books on the Italian community and culture, including The Philadelphia Italian Cookbook (1999) and Philadelphia’s Italian Foods: A History of Over 200 Years with Recipes from the City’s Best Italian Cooks (2006). Celeste is the official historian of the 9th Street Italian Market Merchants Association and can be reached at www.ItalianMarketTour.com.

Anne Doody ’97 earned a Ph.D. in biochemistry, molecular & cell biology at Cornell University in 2004 and is now a postdoctoral associate in the University's Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering. Trisha Murphy Langrehr ’77 resides in Pennsauken N.J., and works in training and development at GMAC Mortgage LLC.

Yonaira Rodriguez ’00 was selected to teach science lab for grades 3 through 5, which is a new endeavor at her Orange County (Fla.) school. She also was appointed head of the science department and serves as the lead teacher for the school’s 21st Century Grant after-school program, overseeing an enrollment of 180 and a staff of 15. In 2005, she was elected to represent her school as Orange County’s Teacher of the Year. In addition to carrying out her additional responsibilities, including mentoring new teachers, she is working on her master's degree in educational leadership.

Kate Delany ’01 is an instructor of English at Rutgers University. Camden and recently published a first book of poetry titled Reading Darwin (Poet's Corner Press, August 2006).

Meriann Reinoehl Lee ’02 is an elementary school music teacher in the Purchase Line School District (Pa.) and has begun master's degree studies in music education at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Liz Feldstein ’02 SCS was recently profiled in the “Volunteer Spotlight” of the Abington (Pa.) Township Public Library Newsletter for her 16-year commitment to the library. She also serves as a board member of the Greater Glenside Civic Association.

Ashley Cortese Bonner ’03, who resides in New Castle, Del., has been promoted to systems project manager in the Operations and Technology Center at WSFS Bank.

William Gross ’03 SCS is assistant director of annual giving at The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. He earned an MBA in health administration from Eastern University in 2005 and was recently promoted to associate director of planned giving for The Children’s Hospital Foundation, which is the tax-exempt organization benefiting the hospital.

Christinette Franklin Thompson ’03 is the residency coordinator for Coore-Crzeske-Keystone Health System, a major provider of health care in Delaware County, Pa., northern Delaware, and part of western New Jersey.

Miranda Clark-Binder ’04 is leaving her position as the Artworks! manager of the Philadelphia Mural Arts Program for LaSalle University, where she was recently promoted to associate director of the university’s art museum.

Kelli O'Donnell ’06 is the emergency medicine program coordinator at Philadelphia’s Albert Einstein Medical Center while also beginning a master’s degree program in forensic medicine at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. “I highly recommend this program to any Criminal Justice major looking to get into the field of Forensics…it’s a great program!”

SCS: School of Continuing Studies

SGS: School of Graduate Studies

Alumnae & Alumni Association Names 2007 Volunteerism Award Winner

The Alumnae & Alumni Association presented its 2007 Eleanor Dolan Egan ’28 Award for Outstanding Service to Chestnut Hill College to Anne Duffy Mirsch ’52 during the Reunion Weekend 2007 Luncheon on June 2. She was cited for her five decades of volunteerism to the College, but primarily for her 55-year dedication to the Class of 1952.

Her services in many offices and appointments include treasurer of the Alumnae Association’s Northeast Philadelphia group — only one year out of college — three terms as a member of the Alumnae, now the Alumnae & Alumni, Association Board of Directors, as well as board executive vice president and secretary, and member of the board Nominating Committee. She also served in leadership capacities in the former Philadelphia Club of the Alumnae Association and on the College’s Golden Jubilee Committee in 1975, the Diamond Gala Committee in 2000, and the 80th Anniversary Gala Committee in 2005.

Anne graduated in 1952 with a degree in mathematics, cum laude, and as a member of the National Honor Society. She also graduated as her class president. Classmate and good friend Mary Merz Berko notes: “What particularly distinguishes Anne is her never-ending dedication to CHC in her role as president 'for life' of our class. It is her continuing enthusiasm, her sincere interest for events in the life of each class member, her constant communication, and her example of generous financial support to the College that has led our class to record support at alumnae and other College events.”

A full profile of Anne Duffy Mirsch’s volunteerism can be found on www.chc.edu, Alumnae/fi, Honors & Awards.
When Chestnut Hill College Board member Peter McGlinchy, a senior vice president at MetLife, wanted to make a difference with a gift to the College, he decided to part with his valuable collection of framed duck prints and their original matching commemorative duck stamps.

Wildfowl stamps have been printed in the United States since 1934 as part of a program for funding refuges for migratory birds. Each of the 50 states has also issued its own unique duck stamp over the years to profit the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Foreign countries joined in issuing wildfowl stamps to aid conservation efforts abroad and overseas.

Mr. McGlinchy's 28-piece collection includes examples of federal, domestic, and international prints and stamps, all handsomely mounted, matted, and framed. Some of the pieces include a gold-plated medallion and 2 first-day covers (mint stamps).

The sale of this collection will bring the College a generous gift from Mr. McGlinchy's planned legacy. Making a gift to the College through a gift-in-kind, such as a valuable collection, is another way you can leave a legacy to your alma mater.

For additional information about gifts-in-kind and other planned giving opportunities, please contact Director of Planned Giving Mary Theresa Shevland, SSJ, at 215.753.3617, or e-mail shevlandm@chc.edu 📧

On the Lecture Circuit

Philadelphia “Top Doc” Richard D. Lackman, M.D., F.A.C.S. (left) was featured at the 13th Annual Biomedical Lecture Series in March. Dr. Lackman, a distinguished orthopaedic surgeon who practices at Penn Orthopaedic Institute, presented “Design Evolution in Orthopaedic Devices.” He was asked to the College by Dr. Lakshmi Atchison (right), professor and chair of the biology department and director of the lecture series.

Wentzel van Huyssteen, Ph.D., the James I. McCord Professor of Theology and Science at Princeton Theological Seminary, (right) lectured on “Human Origin and the Emergence of Religious Awareness” on March 22 at the invitation of Kathleen Duffy, SSJ, Ph.D., professor of physics (left).

“Growing Up Under Trying Conditions: Memories of a Holocaust Survivor” was presented by Anneliese Nossbaum on April 17. Her lecture was co-sponsored by the History Department faculty and the Chestnut Hill College Lecture Committee. Lorraine Coons, Ph.D., professor of history, arranged the talk.

Laura Ford, who works in prison ministry with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, visited the College on April 17 with two former inmates to address the subject, “Gender and Justice: Women in Prison.” Ford’s appearance was sponsored by the Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Human Services Department. The appearance was coordinated by Sara Kitchen, J.D., associate professor of sociology.

On April 25, Catherine T. Nerney, SSJ, Ph.D., associate professor of religious studies, shared the experience of her sabbatical travels in Rwanda in the lecture, “The Life-Giving Power of Forgiveness: Stories from Post-Genocide Rwanda.”

“I was interested in what lessons the Rwandan people have to teach all of us,” said Dr. Nerney. “They have been through the worst, and still look for the best in all of everyone.” 📖
Honor Societies Proliferate on Campus

In the 2006-07 academic year, three chapters of honor societies held induction ceremonies on campus, underscoring the College’s increased commitment to academic excellence.

Alpha Lambda Delta, the National Honor Society for First-Year Students, installed new members in a ceremony on March 19. To become a member of this prestigious organization, students need to earn a G.P.A. of 3.5 in their freshman year. Thirty-three students from the Class of 2010 were welcomed into the chapter by advisor Jacqueline C. Reich, Ph.D., assistant professor of political science. Anitra Babic ’10 (above, right) was one of the first-year students welcomed into the society by officers Chiarina Turner ’07 (far left) and Joanna Corley ’08 (at microphone).

Alpha Xi Beta Chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honors Society, held its inaugural induction ceremony in September 2006, with a second installation held in April. Part of the society’s pledge is to “encourage worthwhile reading. [and] to promote the mastery of written expression.” Suzanne delGizzo, Ph.D., assistant professor of English and chapter advisor, displays the banner for the chapter’s newest members (left to right): Kevin Kuczynski ’08, Rachel Steinberg ’09, Christina Lehman ’08, Leslie Trulock ’07, and Jeffrey Ryan Ambrose ’09.

Lambda Pi Eta, the National Honor Society of the National Communications Society, welcomed its inaugural members in an installation ceremony on April 2. Faculty advisor, Donna Celano, Ph.D., assistant professor of communications (center) poses with the chapter’s officers: Secretary Ashley Houser ’08; Vice President Colleen Reasoner ’08; Treasurer Gregory Gorski ’07; and President Erin Albright ’07 (left to right).

Senior Carl Maticks was the first winner in the prize raffle for students who participated in the “Nessie” this spring, collecting the $200 VISA gift card as her reward. NSSE, or the National Survey of Student Engagement, was distributed for the first time to most first-year and senior students in the School of Undergraduate Studies and the School of Continuing Studies. It was supplemented with an Advising Survey given to juniors and sophomores in the School of Undergraduate Studies. Responses to the surveys will help the College plan better for ways to meet student needs in the future. The NSSE/Advising Surveys were distributed and the results tabulated by Patricia O’Donnell, SSJ, Ph.D., associate professor of philosophy and director of institutional research, who devised a series of incentives by raffle to help promote participation. The Class of 2010 had the highest percentage of participation, topping the seniors by less than 2%.

College’s Athletics Program Moves to Division II This Fall

“The move from Division III to Division II is another important step for the growth and development of the athletics department,” explains Bill Stiles, director of athletics at the College since 2004. “The mission and core values of Chestnut Hill College and the Division II Strategic Positioning Initiative share the same key attributes – service, character development and balance to name a few,” he confirmed.

“In making this move, we were delighted to accept the invitation to join the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (CACC). Affiliation in this conference will allow Chestnut Hill the opportunity to develop city rivalries with Philadelphia University, Holy Family University and University of the Sciences and the increased exposure that goes with it. The welfare of our student-athletes will also be improved with this transition, decreasing the amount of time our teams spend traveling and, in turn, reducing the amount of missed class time.”

New Articulation Agreement Reached

In March, the College signed an articulation agreement with Salem County Community College in southern New Jersey. This is the College’s sixth such agreement and the first in New Jersey. During the coming months, both administrations will explore the possibility of obtaining New Jersey state approval for Chestnut Hill to offer baccalaureate degrees on site at Salem Community College.
Chestnut Hill Participates in $2 Million Grant for African Sisters Education Initiative

Marywood University, in partnership with the African Sisters Education Collaborative (ASEC), has received a $2,000,000 grant from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation to manage a three-year pilot project to train and educate African women religious in five African nations. Drawing on support from four Pennsylvania colleges as well as religious congregations in the U.S. and Africa, the Sisters Leadership Development Initiative (SLDI) will provide instruction in leadership, management, and technology to 340 African Sisters, enabling them to improve their skills in administering programs that address human suffering and destitution in their communities.

The ASEC partnership of colleges and congregations include Marywood University and the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary; Rosemont College and the Society of the Holy Child Jesus; Chestnut Hill College and the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Philadelphia; Neumann College and the Sisters of Saint Francis of Philadelphia. Marywood University will provide financial management for the grant, ASEC will oversee the general administration of the grant, and all four partner colleges will provide faculty support in curriculum development and course management. The religious congregations associated with the colleges will provide in-kind services and ministry expertise to the African Sisters.

“We are most grateful for this generous grant from the Hilton Foundation,” said Sister Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, Ph.D., president of Chestnut Hill College, Philadelphia, and chair of the ASEC Board of Trustees. “The grant will make it possible for women religious in Africa to be at the forefront of a positive transformation in the lives of current and future African women religious and, through them, tens of thousands of their country women and men.”

This summer, Lisa Olivieri, SSJ, Ph.D., assistant professor of computer sciences at the College, and Rose Albert Reda, SSJ, a member of the computer technology team at Mount Saint Joseph Convent, will return to Africa to continue their technology training for African sisters.

Danielle and Mike: Coeds to Wed

Serendipity has danced into the life that Danielle Griesbach ’07 and Michael Santacroce ’08 will share with their wedding next April at a New Jersey shore town. Father Ray “Tibs” Tribuiani, Chestnut Hill College chaplain, will officiate, and the wedding party will include several classmates from Chestnut Hill College.

Until then, Danielle will work in the Office of Institutional Advancement as a gift entry/donor records assistant, while deciding on graduate school plans and waiting for Mike, a psychology major, to continued on page 19

COLLEGE’S FIRST ONLINE COMMUNITY READY FOR ALUM SIGN-UP

A flyer announcing the launching of Chestnut Hill’s first online community is in the mail to all Chestnut Hill College alumnae and alumni. A personalized three-step, first-time log-in procedure—indicated in the flyer—will take each alum into CHC Griffins Online. Once on board, all alums will be able to:

• update and customize their own records
• search the password-protected directory for classmates and friends
• share personal photos and latest news
• post résumés or job openings for career networking
• promote business, service, or other commercial/professional endeavors in the Alumni Yellow Pages
• obtain permanent e-mail address forwarding
• voice their opinions through surveys, message boards, and online discussions
• register for College events … and see who else is registered, too
• read College announcements and news … and so much more.

This free service is offered to alums of all three Schools for whom the Alumnae & Alumni Relations Office has a current mailing address. CHC Griffins Online is powered by iModules, Inc., of Overland Park, Kansas, a company that provides interactive Web-based communities for more than 150 colleges, universities, and large corporations.
On April 23, the Athletics Department celebrated a year of achievement with the Athletics Awards Reception. This year, the Griffins garnered various awards and recognition from the North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC), Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC), D3hoops.com, and the National Association for Basketball Coaches (NABC).

Headlining the list of honorees were the recipients of the annual Athletic Director's Award, chosen by the Senior Athletics Department staff. The criteria include not only athletic accomplishments, but also dedication to the mission of the College which is evident in athletics, the classroom, and the community. The 2007 recipients were two multi-sport senior student-athletes, Mike Devine and Morgan Nichols.

Mike Devine is a three-sport student-athlete who captained the soccer team to a NEAC Championship and directed the Griffins to an appearance in the 2006 NCAA DIII Men's Soccer Tournament, while garnering First Team All-Conference recognition.

Morgan Nichols participated in soccer and lacrosse, serving as a captain for both programs. She was a Second Team All-Conference selection in the NEAC for women's soccer after leading the Griffins to a 9-6-3 overall record, and posting team-highs in goals (8), assists (5) and points (21).

The Griffins Award, presented annually to a loyal and dedicated friend of Chestnut Hill College Athletics, went to former College Vice President for Enrollment Management Art Goon. Art was an ardent supporter of the athletics program, overseeing its expansion in 2003 to include men's sports, and guiding the College as one of the founding members of the NEAC.

The head coaches of each sport recognized those student-athletes who made the greatest impact on their teams' play with Most Valuable Player (MVP) honors. They were:

- Ramzy Shreim '10 (Men's Cross Country), Colleen Harner '09 (Women's Cross Country), Jeff Lewin '08 (Men's Soccer),
- Erin Bagdasarian '07 (Women's Soccer), Landra Ginder '09 (Women's Tennis), Marianne Finfrock '09 (Women's Volleyball),
- Shawn Bolling '07 (Men's Basketball), Andrea Carter '07 (Women's Basketball), Nick D'Amico '07 (Men's Golf), Shane Lesher '08 (Men's Tennis),
- Kaitlin McKeever '08 (Softball), and Stephanie Carlyle '08 (Women's Lacrosse).

Coach's awards are given to those who have made a significant, intangible contribution to their teams. The recipients were:

- Mike Cavanaugh '10 (Men's Cross Country), Natalie Trevino '09 (Women's Cross Country), Mike Ritter '08 (Men's Soccer),
- Stephanie Carlyle '09 (Women's Soccer), Lisa Graeber '08 and Colleen Reasoner '08 (Women's Tennis), Kim Paynter '08 (Women's Volleyball),
- Isaac Greer '07 (Men's Basketball), Judy Parise '07 (Women's Basketball), John McLaughlin '09 (Men's Golf),
- Mike Devine '07 (Men's Tennis), Jessica Day '09 (Softball), and Stephanie Jordan '09 (Women's Lacrosse).

Isaac Greer Selected for Herb Good All-Star Team

The Herb Good Basketball Club, which annually honors the top basketball players in all divisions for the tri-state area, selected senior guard Isaac Greer as a member of the 2006-2007 All-Philadelphia area team. Greer and the seven other honorees were recognized at the club's 62nd annual banquet sponsored by the Herb Good Basketball Club and the Philadelphia Sports Writers Association.

Greer also garnered the NEAC Player of the Year title, and earned Second Team honors on both the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) All-District Team for the Middle Atlantic Region, and the D3hoops.com All-Middle Atlantic Region Team. The senior guard finished in the top ten in seven NEAC statistical categories at the end of the 2006-2007 season, and directed the Griffins to their first conference finals appearance.

He is a three-time member of the NEAC All-Conference First Team and is the Griffins' all-time leader in points (2,065), rebounds (558), three-point percentage (39%, 189-of-490), free throw percentage (81%, 362-of-448), steals (227) and blocks (77).

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Kate Quintus Named to Philadelphia Inquirer All-Academic Team

On April 15, the Philadelphia Inquirer announced the 2006-2007 Academic All-Area Women's Basketball Team. Senior forward Kate Quintus was one of six members named to this year's team.

Quintus, a psychology major, maintained a 3.77 G.P.A. and has been on the Dean's List for four years. She is a member of three honor societies and participated in the College's Interdisciplinary Honors Program. Quintus is a three-time scholar-athlete at the College and is the women's basketball program's all-time leader in rebounds, with 865. Over her four-year career, she averaged 10.0 points-per-game (PPG) and 8.4 rebounds-per-game (RPG) to place fourth on the all-time scoring list with 1,034 points.

Karen Guwuriro '09 Chosen as Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar

Diverse: Issues In Higher Education announced in April that sophomore Karen Guwuriro was selected as a 2007 Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar for women's tennis. In addition to their athletic ability, Arthur Ashe Sports Scholars must exhibit academic excellence and community activism. Guwuriro is a campus tour guide and an admissions department representative. She also volunteers her time to Pilgrimage of Children of Tanzania, a program which raises money for hostels in remote areas of that country. Guwuriro was also named the NEAC Student-Athlete of the Week for the weeks ending March 25, October 16 and October 23, 2006.

Stephanie Jordan '09 Named to Philadelphia Inquirer All-Academic Team

The College placed its second student-athlete on the Philadelphia Inquirer's 2006-2007 Academic All-Area Team, as sophomore goalkeeper Stephanie Jordan earned a spot on the Women's Lacrosse Team. Jordan was one of 12 student-athletes selected from Philadelphia-area colleges and universities for athletic and academic excellence.

Jordan, an accounting major, holds a 3.88 G.P.A., has been named to the Dean's List for three semesters, and is a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society. Jordan was an integral part of the women's lacrosse team this season, taking home the Coach's Award at the Athletics Awards Reception and earning three weekly awards from the ECAC. In addition, Jordan was selected as the ECAC South Region Goalkeeper of the Week for the weeks ending March 25, April 8, and April 15, 2007.

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finish his degree while working at the New York City banking firm of J.V. Kelly, Inc. They both want a family, but it's a long-term goal. As Mike points out, "The national average for getting married is age 28; we'll only be 23. That's the nice thing—we have lots of time."

But Danielle and Mike almost never found each other.

Though raised Roman Catholic, neither attended parochial schools while growing up. Danielle graduated from a class of 150 students in seaside Rumson, New Jersey, while Mike was among 1,100 graduating seniors at North Penn High School in landlocked Lansdale, Pa. Both, however, wanted to attend a small Catholic college.

Mike had already been accepted at Gwynedd-Mercy when his mother learned that Chestnut Hill was going coed and suggested he apply. "I first saw the campus in the early spring," Mike remembers, "and my mind was made up." Danielle had nearly committed to Immaculata, but on the suggestion of family friend, Karen Dietrich, SSJ, she visited Chestnut Hill and perceived "an overall good feeling," so she too was on her way to becoming part of the historic Class of 2007.

The two met not the first day of class, but in their first semester in the Interdisciplinary Scholars Program. They were immediate friends who talked nightly, even over the summer months. By their sophomore year, it dawned on them how comfortably compatible they were, so they began dating. Although, the couple says, most people thought they already were. "People here can't picture us not together." If you look at pictures of campus activities, Danielle and Mike are in many: as orientation leaders, on the Student Government Association, as crew for Mask and Foil productions, and closest to their hearts, in campus ministry.

After two-and-a-half years of dating, it was on an April retreat to Cape May Point that Mike proposed to Danielle on Sunset Beach. She gladly accepted. They both mention gratitude to then-Dean of Students Lisa Breslin, SSJ, who "helped us take our first steps as a class." Mike asserts, "She believed in us when others didn't. She told us we could make coeducation work and to continue the ideas and traditions of the school."

"We had the opportunity to have even more of a fresh start than most students do," reflects Danielle, "and to create something that had never existed. It's been a gift to us."
Special Events...

Information Sessions
School of Continuing and Professional Studies
Saturday, August 11, 10 a.m.
Monday, September 10, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, November 6, 6 p.m.
Social Room, Fournier Hall
Information: 215.248.7062

Saturday Visits
School of Undergraduate Studies
August 18, September 22, December 1, 10 a.m.
School of Undergraduate Studies
Admissions Office, Fournier Hall
Information: 215.248.7001

President’s Circle Reception
Sunday, September 16
Information: 215.753.3666

Biomedical Lecture
Speaker: Sheldon L. Gerstenfeld, V.M.D.
How to Balance Your Life for Physical and Mental Health—A Veterinarian’s Journey
Wednesday, September 26, 4 p.m.
East Parlor, St. Joseph Hall
Information: 215.248.7159

Art Exhibit:
Watercolor Landscapes: A World Awash in Grace
Paintings of Tuscany, LePuy, South Florida and the Everglades
Created by Margie Thompson, SSJ, M.F.A.
Associate Professor of Art
Dwight V. Dowley Gallery, St. Joseph Hall
Daily, October 1 through November 30
Information: 215.248.7042

Information Session
School of Continuing and Professional Studies and School of Graduate Studies
Saturday, October 20, 10 a.m.
Rotunda, St. Joseph Hall
Information: 215.248.7193
or e-mail fremana@chc.edu

Open House
School of Undergraduate Studies
Sunday, October 21, 12 p.m.
Saturday, November 10, 12 p.m.
Sorgeni Arena, Martino Hall
Information: 215.248.7001

Public Lecture
Speaker: Dr. Noreen Herzfeld
Professor of Theology and Computer Science, College of St. Benedict, Saint John’s University, Collegeville, Minn.
Does the Future Need Us? Prospects for Humanity in a Technological Age
Thursday, November 8, 7:30 p.m.
Social Room, Fournier Hall
Information: 215.248.7197

Public Lecture
Speaker: Gerry Straub
Poverty Activist and Documentary Filmmaker
Thursday, November 15, 7:30 p.m.
Information: 215.248.7044

Christmas Concert
Sunday, December 9, 3 p.m.
Information: 215.248.7194

Biomedical Lecture
Speaker: Dr. Dean W. Richardson (Surgeon to Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro)
Charles W. Raker Professor of Equine Surgery, School of Veterinary Medicine, University of Pennsylvania
Mechanical and Biological Challenges in Equine Orthopaedics
Wednesday, April 2, 2008, 4 p.m.
East Parlor, St. Joseph Hall
Information: 215.248.7159

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