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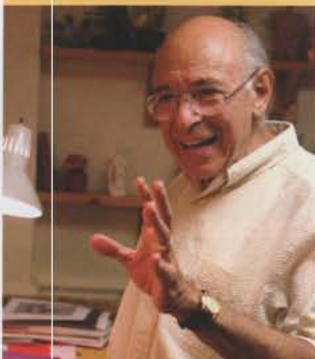


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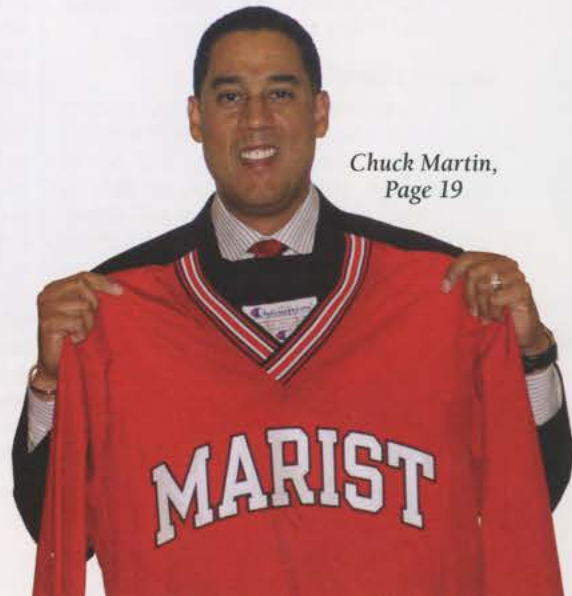


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New Deans Are Appointed to Three Academic Schools

New deans have taken the reins of three of Marist's academic schools.

Dr. Martin B. Shaffer began as dean of the School of Liberal Arts Sept. 1. This past summer, Dr. Lauren H. Mounty became dean of the School of Continuing Education, and Dr. Steven M. Ralston became dean of the School of Communication and the Arts.

Shaffer was appointed interim dean of the School of Liberal Arts on Aug. 1, 2007. He joined the Marist College faculty as an assistant professor of political science in 1994, and he served as chair of the Political Science Department from 2001 to 2007, overseeing a period of significant growth in that major. He earned a BA in political science from Le Moyne College and an MA and PhD in political science from the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at SUNY Albany.

Leading Liberal Arts

Shaffer teaches a variety of courses in American politics including History of the American Presidency, Congress Today, and Scope and Methods of Political Analysis. He has team-taught the American State and Urban Politics course with New York State Sen. Steve Saland on several occasions. His research interests include presidential leadership, the environmental movement, and New York state politics. He has published articles in such scholarly journals as *Policy Studies Review* and *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, and his book project, *Empire State Politics*, is under contract with McGraw-Hill. He has also participated

in the Teaching American History Project, a federally funded teacher enhancement program.

A Global Focus

Mounty came to Marist from the Fordham University Graduate School of Business Administration, where she was associate dean for Academic Programs and was responsible for the oversight of all academic programs, admissions, career services, and program management activities for the graduate business school at Fordham's campuses in Manhattan and Westchester County, N.Y., and Beijing, China. She was instrumental in the development of Fordham's top-ranked program in Beijing and other global partnerships in Belgium, Italy, Istanbul, and Barcelona. She also developed numerous graduate degree programs including the school's first Executive MBA program.

Mounty has a PhD from Fordham University in social service as well as an MEd in higher education administration and a BA in journalism from the University of South Carolina. She has published and lectured on how the World Trade Center disaster affected students working in the financial industry and on the development of global academic initiatives in China. She served as a primary representative to the Graduate Management Admissions Council and as a member of the Jesuit Business Schools Network and has been active with the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. Previously

she worked with Fairchild Publications in Manhattan.

The Art of Communication

Prior to joining Marist, Ralston was a professor and chair of the Department of Communication at Northern Illinois University, where he oversaw the university's largest undergraduate major and a sizeable MA program. Previously, he was a professor and chair of the Department of Communication and Visual Art at the University of Michigan-Flint. He was also director of the Oral Communication Proficiency Program and assistant director of the Teaching and Learning Center at East Tennessee State University. He also has served on the faculty of Iowa State University and Creighton University.

He holds a PhD from Indiana University in communication theory and research, an MA in speech communication from the University of Tennessee, and a BA in speech and theatre from Old Dominion University. His research interests include the study of organizational and business communication and, in particular, employment interviewing.

He has written more than 60 articles, papers, and presentations. His research has appeared in numerous scholarly publications. He is the former editor of the *Journal of Business Communication* and past president of the East Tennessee chapter of the American Society for Training and Development. He serves on the editorial review boards of several scholarly journals. ■



Nicole Brooks Donolli '08, one of 58 James Madison Fellows, is pursuing a master's in history at Boston College.

History Major Is Awarded a James Madison Fellowship

Nicole Brooks Donolli '08, a native of Medford, N.Y., has received a highly competitive 2008 James Madison Fellowship.

Brooks Donolli, who graduated magna cum laude from Marist with a degree in history/adolescent education, was one of 58 fellows named from among 325 applicants. She is pursuing a master's in history at Boston College.

The James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation offers James Madison Fellowships to a select group of individuals who are dedicated to teaching American history and politics. The foundation was established by Congress in 1986 to improve teaching about the U.S. Constitution in secondary schools. Madison Fellows receive \$12,000 (a maximum of \$24,000 for two years) for graduate study leading to a master's degree. There is typically only one award recipient per state.

In the course of their graduate studies, fellows are required to take a two-course sequence focusing on the Constitution. Each fellow is required to attend the foundation's Summer Institute during the term of fellowship. The four-week Summer Institute is held at Georgetown University. The centerpiece of the institute is a graduate course, "The Foundations of American Constitutionalism." Participants also visit historic sites associated with the institutions of American government and the Constitution's framers.

After receiving the master's degree, each Madison Fellow must teach American history, American government, or social studies for one full year for each academic year of aid received under a fellowship, preferably in the state in which the recipient won the fellowship. ■

A Science Standout Again Wins a Top National Award

Andrew F. DeBlase '09, a chemistry major from Hopewell Junction, N.Y., has been awarded a 2008-2009 Goldwater Scholarship, the nation's most prestigious undergraduate award in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences, and engineering. The \$7,500 annual scholarship defrays the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board for the current academic year.

DeBlase is one of 321 sophomores and juniors chosen on academic merit from among a pool of 1,035 students nominated by faculty at their home institutions. DeBlase, who received an honorable mention in the 2007-08 Goldwater competition, is the second Marist student in the past three years to have been selected for the award, which honors the late Senator Barry M. Goldwater. Katherine D. Amodeo '08, a biomedical sciences major from Marlboro, N.Y., and the 2008 valedictorian, was a 2006-07 Goldwater Scholar.

DeBlase is a recipient of one of Marist's Hudson Valley Scholarships and is a member of the College's Deans' Circle and a student affiliate member of the American Chemical Society.

During summer 2006, DeBlase conducted research under the mentorship of School of Science faculty member Dr. John Galbraith on a project funded by Research Corporation. He presented the results of the research, which

continued through the 2006-07 academic year, at a conference at Hamilton College and at Marist's Celebration of Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity.

Along with Galbraith and a former Marist student, DeBlase co-authored a paper recently accepted for publication in the *Journal of Physical Chemistry*. During summer 2007 at Columbia University, he conducted computational research on chemical bonding that was funded by the National Science Foundation and presented at several symposia.

More recently DeBlase has been working with Marist faculty member Dr. Jocelyn Nadeau throughout the 2007-08 academic year as well as during summer 2008 on a project funded by the American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund to investigate the charge transfer mechanism in polymers that conduct electricity. DeBlase plans to pursue a PhD in physical chemistry and eventually would like to investigate the fundamentals of chemical bonding and reaction mechanisms with the hope of developing alternative energy sources to lower dependence on fossil fuels.

Other institutions with 2008-09 Goldwater Scholarship recipients include Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Penn, Cornell, MIT, Duke, and Notre Dame. This year, almost 80 percent of Goldwater Scholarships went to students at large research universities. ■



Dr. Jocelyn Nadeau, assistant professor of chemistry, works with Goldwater Scholar Andrew DeBlase '09 on a project supported by the American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund. Nadeau and DeBlase and two other students presented their research at the 236th American Chemical Society Meeting in Philadelphia in late August.



Marist Again Is Ranked Highly by "Best College" Guides

For the 15th year in a row, Marist College is ranked in the top tier of colleges and universities in the northern United States in the annual *U.S. News & World Report America's Best Colleges* guide.

For the first time, *U.S. News* also identified "colleges and universities that have recently made striking improvements or innovations—schools everyone should be watching," including Marist College.

Marist was tied for 13th out of 171 colleges and universities in the northern United States that offer a full range of undergraduate and master's level programs. The ranking is the highest the College has achieved, up one spot from last year. Marist has moved up six places over the past seven years.

A School to Watch

U.S. News also named Marist one of 70 "schools to watch" nationwide. The magazine notes these "colleges and universities (were) identified by top college officials in spring 2008 as schools that have recently made the most promising and innovative changes in academics, faculty, students, campus, or facilities."

The *U.S. News* rankings were based on data collected on students who applied for college admission as first-year students in 2007.

For the sixth consecutive year, Marist is one of the nation's best institutions for undergraduate education, according to the Princeton Review. The New York-based education services company features Marist in *The Best 368 Colleges*, the new 2009 edition of its annual "best colleges" guide. Only about 15 percent of the four-year colleges in America are in the book.

Outstanding Academics

The book's profile on Marist commends the school for its "competitive academics, career placement, and a well-rounded college experience." The guide highlights Marist's pre-professional and career-track programs, making particular note of communications, "with its unique digital media major and strong internship connections," the "very good education program," the "popular business programs," and the "excellent chemistry department, where personal attention is unmatched."

"We chose schools for this book primarily for their outstanding academics," says Robert Franek, Princeton Review's vice president for publishing. "We evaluated them based on institutional data we collect about the schools, feedback from students attending them, and our visits to schools over the years. We also consider the opinions of independent college counselors, students, and parents we hear from year-long. Finally, we work to have a wide representation of colleges in the book by region, size, selectivity, and character."

Students Praise Marist Abroad

The student surveys cite Marist's "small classes, great computer facilities, (and) great library." Students also praise the Marist Abroad office, "which has connected students with many countries around the world, allowing students to study abroad for a semester, year, or short-term period."

"Further sweetening the deal," the guide adds, "are the school's strong connections to IBM and an amazing library that is ranked among the top 20 in the country."

The Princeton Review is not affiliated with Princeton University or the Educational Testing Service. ■

Scholarships Support International Study for Four Business Majors

Four Marist business majors in the Class of 2009 were awarded scholarships to study abroad during the spring 2008 semester.

Two received Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships: Jamie Wong to study in Hong Kong and Courtney Chan to study in Shanghai. The congressionally funded Gilman Scholarship program is sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State and administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE), the same organization that oversees the Fulbright programs. The program awarded more than 1,200 scholarships of up to \$5,000 this academic year for U.S. undergraduates to study abroad.

Wong and Chan also received the Freeman Awards for Study in Asia. Two additional students received the Freeman-ASIA distinction: Carmen Chan for Hong Kong and Linda Yu for Shanghai. Freeman-ASIA are also administered by IIE.

For the Freeman-ASIA, IIE selects approximately 500 recipients per year. Award amounts range from \$3,000 to \$7,000. Since the program's inception in 2001, it has provided approximately 3,600 students with financial support to study in East and Southeast Asia. ■



Travel scrapbook: Courtney Chan '09 (top, left and right) at the Lantern Festival in Shanghai and at the Ice Sculpture Festival in Harbin. Jamie Wong '09 in Toisan and at the Great Wall.



In addition to being a top business student, Jesse Shea '10 is a volunteer firefighter.

Top Business Student Awarded the Prestigious McGowan Scholarship

Jesse Shea '10 of Tinton Falls, N.J., has been named a William G. McGowan Scholar and Marist's top business student for the 2008–09 academic year. The prestigious and highly competitive scholarship from the William G. McGowan Charitable Fund will provide an \$18,000 tuition award toward his junior year as a business administration major.

A committee of School of Management faculty members selected Shea from a slate of business students nominated by management faculty. The committee reviewed nominees' academic records, leadership qualities, character, and commitment to helping others.

In addition to maintaining a GPA of 3.96 in his major and earning a spot on the Dean's List every semester at Marist, Shea is president of the College's chapter of Students in Free Enterprise and is herald, or historian, for the recently established Marist chapter of Theta Delta Chi, an international fraternity.

He also serves his hometown as a volunteer firefighter and holds several certifications related to dealing with hazardous materials and disaster response.

Inspired by the onerous cost of health-care for a family member with a chronic health condition, Shea hopes to use his business skills to one day start his own discount medical supply business. "It feels great to be recognized for such an honor, especially one connected to the legacy of William G. McGowan," he says.

Named in honor of the founder and long-time chairman of MCI Communications Corp., the William G. McGowan Charitable Fund qualifies a select group of 60 colleges and universities nationwide to participate in its McGowan Scholars program. The McGowan Charitable Fund established the program to provide significant scholarship support to the country's top students pursuing a business education. ■



The Hudson River Valley Institute at Marist College was honored in June by Locust Grove, the Samuel Morse Historic Site in Poughkeepsie, for outstanding achievement in preserving and promoting the Hudson River Valley's unique history, culture, and natural beauty. Locust Grove officials presented photos of the site's scenic grounds on the Hudson River to HRVI representatives at their 13th annual Spring Garden Party. Shown are (left to right) HRVI Executive Director Dr. James M. Johnson; HRVI Advisory Board Chair and Marist Trustee H. Todd Brinkerhoff; Marist Vice President for Academic Affairs and HRVI Director Dr. Thomas Wermuth; 2008 Garden Party Chair Denise Doring VanBuren; Marist President Dennis J. Murray; Locust Grove Board President David Cullen; and Locust Grove Executive Director Kenneth Snodgrass.

New Townhouses Open

Juniors and seniors had an additional housing option this fall: the brand-new Lower Fulton Townhouses.

The facility, completed on schedule this past summer, joins three other similar developments east of Route 9, all a short walk to the center of campus. It offers 264 beds in seven buildings and is patterned on the same style as the Marist townhouses featured on ABC-TV's *Good Morning America* last year in a story about

campus residences. GMA called the Marist residences among the best student housing in the country. The new buildings abut the future site of the Dutchess County Rail Trail, a walk/bike path on a former railroad line that will eventually reach the Hudson River.

The whole complex provides all modern amenities and offers Jazzman's Café, courtyards for outdoor gatherings, recreational space, and NCAA Division I tennis courts. ■

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(IN BRIEF)

The **Empire State Games** will return to the Marist campus in summer 2009. The event, to be held in Dutchess, Orange, and Ulster counties from July 22 to 26, is one of the largest amateur athletic programs in the nation, featuring nearly 6,000 New York athletes participating in 28 different Olympic-style sports. It is expected to attract more than 20,000 visitors to the region and generate an economic impact of more than \$12 million. Competitions and programs will be held primarily at locations in Poughkeepsie, Newburgh, and New Paltz. Marist first hosted ESG opening ceremonies and several athletic competitions in 2005.

The **Council for Advancement and Support of Education** has selected Marist as a winner of its 2008 awards for superior educational fundraising. Marist was chosen to receive an Overall Improvement award based on the judges' analysis of three years of fundraising data the College supplied to the Council for Aid to Education's annual Voluntary Support of Education survey.

Tony Carrizales, assistant professor of public administration, has been named editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Public Management and Social Policy*. JPMSP publishes theoretical, applied, and/or discussion papers on public administration, political science, and public policy issues associated with the process of economic, educational, environmental, and social well-being of diverse populations. ■

OUT & ABOUT

Trustees, alumni, and friends enjoyed the President's Dinner Dance, held each spring at the Culinary Institute of America.



New York State Sen. Steve Saland with President Dennis J. Murray



Barbara and Peter Ferrigno, parents of Kristen '10 and Robert '12 and Parent Chairs of the 2009 Marist Fund



Alice and Tom Taylor '66, Kathy Finn, and Dennis Murray



The volleyball team was honored for academic excellence by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.

Marist Again Leads MAAC on Academic Honor Roll

Marist leads the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference with 150 student-athletes selected to the Academic Honor Roll for the 2007-08 season.

The MAAC's August 2008 announcement marks the seventh consecutive year the Red Foxes have led the MAAC in number of student-athletes placed on the Honor Roll, and the total number of honorees is the highest in school history.

To be eligible for the MAAC Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must hold a grade point average of at least 3.2 on a 4.0 scale and be in the second year of athletic eligibility. A total of 938 student-athletes were named to the Honor Roll, which is open to full-time and associate members of the MAAC.

In addition, the Marist volleyball team again was honored for academic excellence by the American Volleyball Coaches Association. The team, which is led by Coach Tom Hanna, received the AVCA's 2007-08 Team Academic Award. The Red Foxes are the only MAAC team to earn the award each of the past two seasons.

The award honors teams at the high school and college level that succeed in the classroom. Nominees include teams whose members have a minimum GPA of 3.30 (on a 4.00 scale) or 4.10 (on a 5.00 scale) over a full academic year and include all varsity athletes who competed in volleyball with the institution for any portion of the academic year. ■

Ahead of the Curve:



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Marist Trustee Ellen Hancock

Their vision soon will be realized in the Hancock Technology Center, named for their leadership gift and slated to open as early as fall 2010. The \$35 million Hancock Center will offer students and faculty the most advanced information technology available.

The 54,600-square-foot facility will provide much-needed academic space at a central campus location—the site of Benoit and Gregory residence halls—with spectacular views of the Hudson River. (New townhouses opened in fall 2008 to replace residence hall rooms lost by dismantling Benoit and Gregory.) Roadways will be reconfigured and the Lowell Thomas Communications Center parking lot eliminated to create a new campus quadrangle joining the Hancock Center, Lowell Thomas, and the Dyson Center.

The Hancock Center will house the School of Computer Science and Mathematics, the Marist Institute for Public Opinion, the International Programs office, the headquarters for the IBM Joint Study, and the Center for Collaborative and On-Demand Computing. The CCODC has been designated a College Applied Research and Technology Center by the New York State Office of Science, Technology and Academic Research.

“The Hancock Technology Center will be another step in Marist’s drive to become one

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With more than 35 years of experience in executive positions in companies such as IBM, National Semiconductor, and Apple, Marist Trustee Ellen Hancock knows about leadership in the technology industry.

When she heard about Marist’s plans to build a pioneering center focused on technology, she and her husband, Jason, committed \$5 million to support it.

“Why Marist?” she says. “My husband and I believe in the power and value of education. We’ve given to several schools that have been important to us. We give to Marist because we see it making great strides. The academic leadership is exceptional, and the College, in many ways, is ahead of the curve. That’s where we want to be.”



View from campus entry gate

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—Marist Trustee Ellen Hancock



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The Campaign for Marist at 68 Percent



Vice President for College Advancement Robert L. West and Marist Trustee and Campaign Chair Tim Brier '69 greet guests at the campaign kickoff reception at the Metropolitan Club in New York City.

The Campaign for Marist, publicly launched in November 2007, has reached \$50,757,297, or 68 percent of the campaign's \$75,000,000 goal.

"The campaign is making great progress," says Robert L. West, vice president for college advancement, noting that the total includes 16 seven-figure gifts. "The momentum is building as we reach out to more alumni and friends."

"The campaign will support new and expanded academic facilities including the Hancock Technology Center; endowed chairs for faculty; student scholarship aid; music, art, theater, and athletics programs; and the community service programs that are so much a part of the College's mission. The campaign will also strengthen our centers of excellence such as the Marist Institute for Public Opinion, the Center for Advanced Technology, and the Hudson River Valley Institute and create new ones."

Marist Trustee Tim Brier '69, who heads the campaign, was one of the first to make a gift. "This is an extremely important endeavor," he says. "I'm proud to lead this effort because I think it's important for the future of the College. I wanted to be a part of this transformational opportunity for an institution that means a lot to me and is very much a part of who I am."

The Campaign Committee consists of President Dennis J. Murray; Trustees Jim Barnes '84, Rob Dyson, Dan Hickey '66, Mary Joyce '74, Bro. John Klein '70, Pat Lavelle '73, Ross Mauri '80, Chris McCann '83, John O'Shea, Pat Connolly Pantello '76, Tim Tenney, and Tom Ward '69; and Jim Duncan '69, Ken Gestal '70, and Genine McCormick '88.

To learn more or to make a gift or pledge, please contact Robert West at (845) 575-3412 or robert.west@marist.edu.

68%



View from campus green

The Hancock Technology Center

of the nation's premier academic institutions," says President Dennis J. Murray. "Although the Hancock Center will house our School of Computer Science and Mathematics, the concept is that technology is not just for computer science majors but for everyone. The center will help students across all disciplines learn how technology impacts their fields of study and the professions they will enter.

"In addition to being a first-rate academic building, the Hancock Center will enhance our efforts to assist the state's economic development through incubation of start-ups. It will nurture entrepreneurs in their business development with the goal of companies creating jobs and growing the economy in the Hudson River Valley."

Resources in the new building will include three computer labs, nine classrooms, six conference/seminar rooms, an executive presentation room, and an equipment data center. The facility will also have a café/student lounge and an outdoor patio.

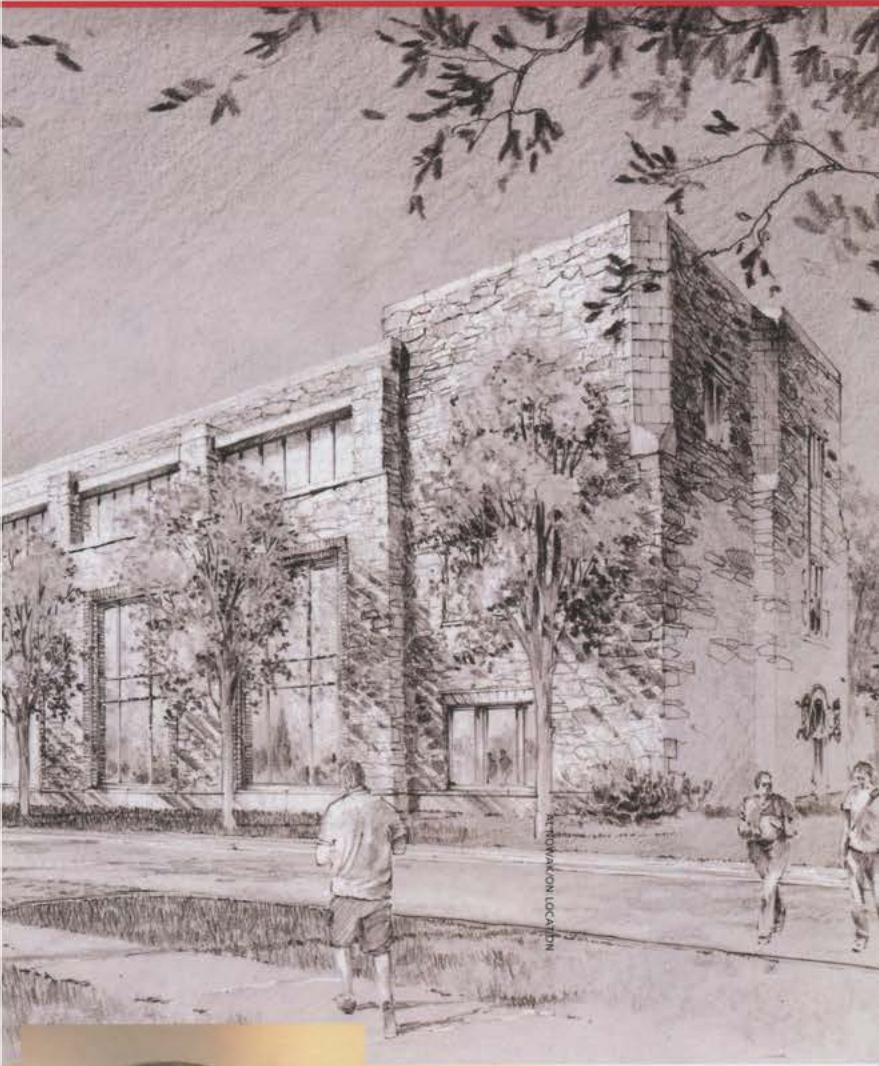


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"The Hancock Center will allow Marist to better exploit its capacity to develop and test emerging technology. These technologies are an increasingly important part of all academic disciplines, and the interdisciplinary configuration will allow faculty and students from different academic backgrounds to work together, creating a synergy that will help fuel innovation."

—Dr. Thomas Wermuth '84, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty

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View from campus quadrangle (library is at far left)

The center has been designed by Robert A.M. Stern Architects, LLP. The firm's founder and senior partner, Robert A. M. Stern, dean of the Yale School of Architecture, recently won the 2008 Vincent Scully Prize awarded by the National Building Museum to honor exemplary practice, scholarship, or criticism in architecture, historic preservation, and urban design.

Among many projects the firm has designed for institutions of higher education are the William Gates Computer Science Building at Stanford University, A. James Clark Hall at the Whitaker Biomedical Engineering Institute at the Johns Hopkins University, the Colgate Darden School of Business Administration at the University of Virginia, and the Spangler Campus Center at Harvard Business School.

Through the Campaign for Marist, the College's capital campaign publicly launched in November 2007, the center has attracted the support of others, including three brothers who earned master's degrees through the School of Computer Science and Mathematics. Suresh

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“The School of Computer Science and Mathematics at Marist College has been very much involved in economic development activities over the past five years. Through our NYSTAR-designated Center for Collaborative and On-Demand Computing (CCODC) we have worked with numerous small and medium-sized New York companies, helping them work with new information technologies to help their businesses grow. We currently have a company from Nevada that has co-located to Marist in order to work with the CCODC. We have held workshops and training programs for individuals from around the country, introducing them to new advanced technologies. The new Hancock Center will contain wonderful spaces and advanced technologies to further our abilities in the area of economic development throughout New York state.”

—Dr. Roger Norton, Dean, School of Computer Science and Mathematics



View of west terrace

The Hancock Technology Center



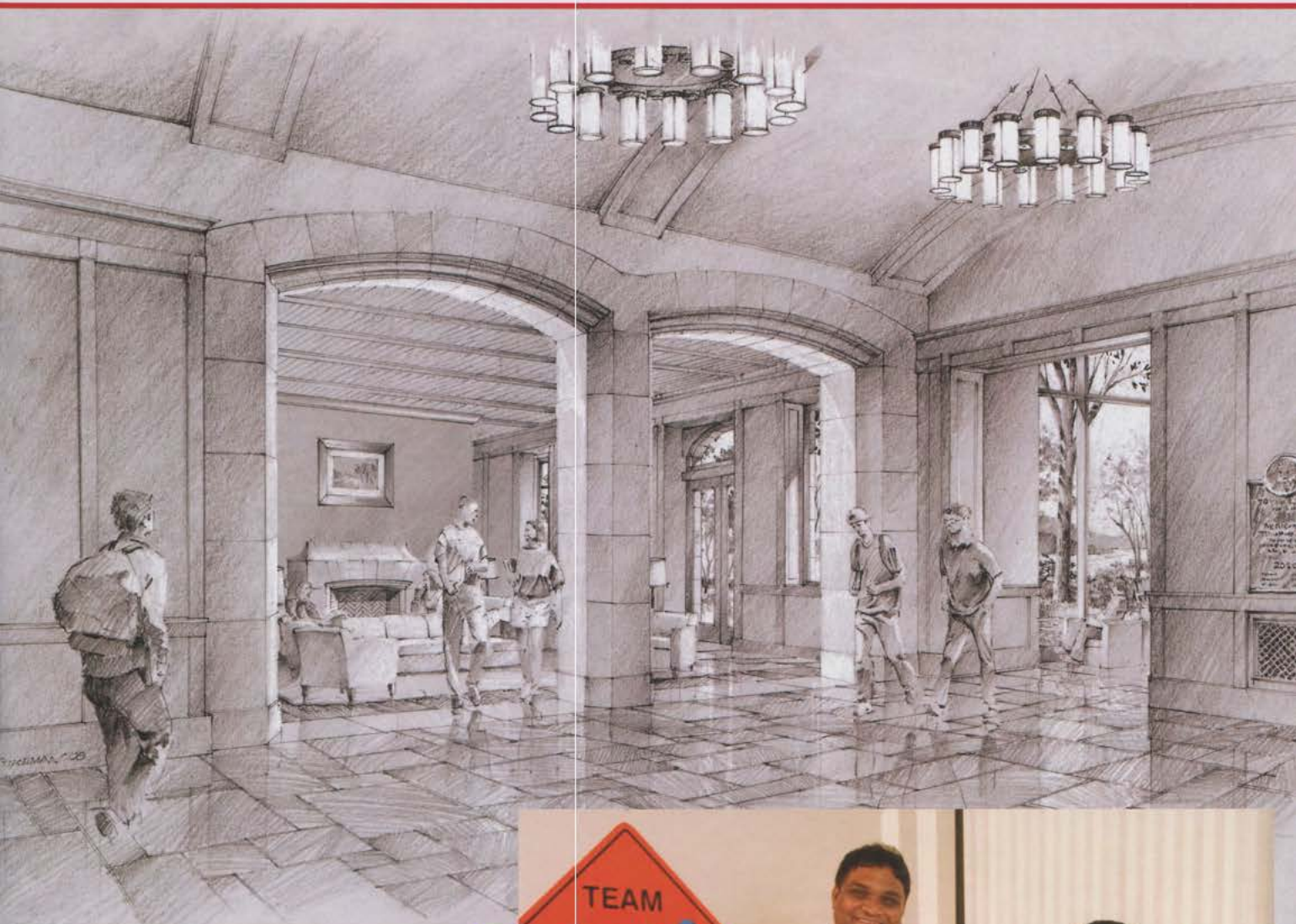
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“The Hancock Technology Center presents an unprecedented opportunity to link the technologies of opinion research and communication. It will truly bring the Marist Institute for Public Opinion to the next level. Students at the Marist Poll will be at the

forefront of discovering new ways to measure and analyze public opinion and to communicate this information around the globe. As new ground is broken, Marist students will be at the cutting edge of opinion research. The new facility will open the door to the next generation of survey technology for the next generation of students.”

—Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director, Marist Institute for Public Opinion

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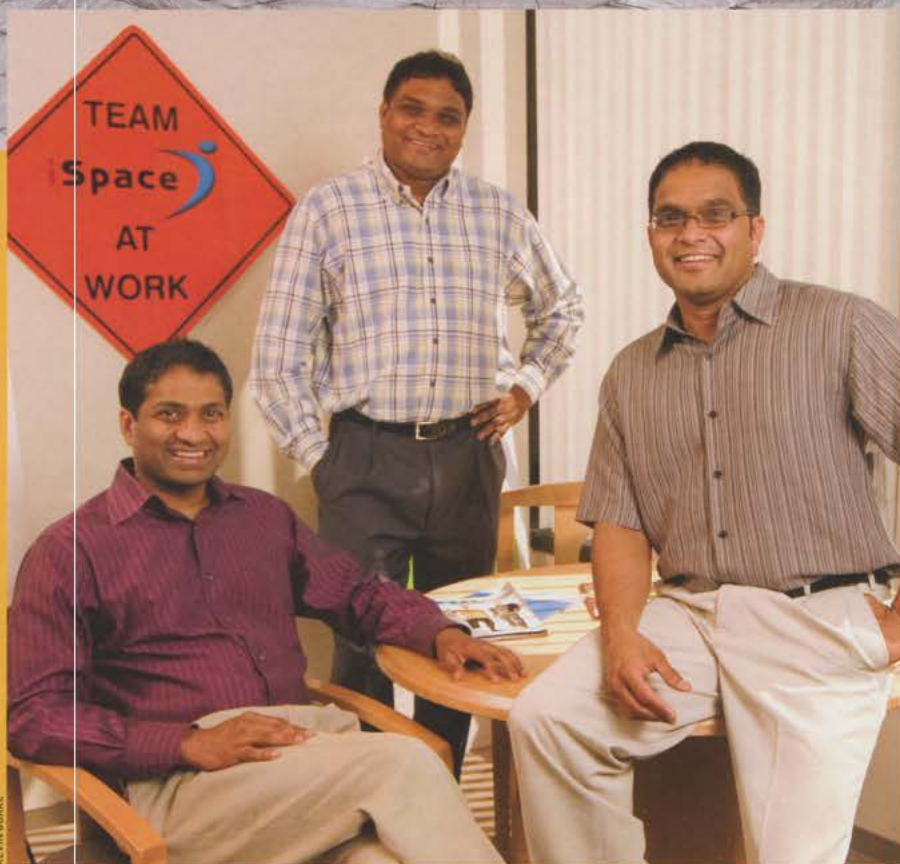
First floor lobby and student lounge

Kothapalli '91MS, Rajesh Kothapalli '92MS, and Vinod Kottapalli '94MS have pledged \$100,000 toward the center. Their company, iSpace, which specializes in IT outsourcing, IT staffing, and business process outsourcing, was named in 2007 by *Inc.* magazine as one of the 5,000 fastest growing companies in America.

The brothers also have offered to help raise additional funds for the Hancock Center. Touched by this leadership support provided by former students who are now very successful alumni, Dean of the School of Computer Science and Mathematics Roger Norton has made a significant gift in response to their challenge.

Ellen Hancock hopes the Hancock Center will capture a spirit of innovation and synergy. "We want to put people in a position where they can exchange ideas and work across disciplines, with technology at the core. When you do that, you get a lot of 'aha!' moments." ■

Suresh Kothapalli '91MS, Rajesh Kothapalli '92MS, and Vinod Kottapalli '94MS at their company, iSpace, in El Segundo, Calif.



KEVIN BURKE



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A Lifetime of Educating the Head and the Heart

A semi-circular driveway, paved with bushels of white seashells, guides visitors to a Cape Cod home at 6 Sachus Drive in Brewster, Mass. Yellow pansies and lavender Johnny jump-ups nest in ceramic pots on the front stone steps, and blue hydrangeas grow in profusion along the length of the weathered, natural-shingled house.

For nearly 10 years this has been the home of Dr. Milton Teichman, Professor Emeritus of English and Marist College Heritage Professor, and his wife, Dr. Sharon Leder, also a former college professor. Describing himself as "smitten" by Cape Cod many years ago, Teichman says he and his wife were fortunate to have found their charming home, which is more than a residence. It is also a creative center, providing a spacious studio for Teichman to pursue his lifelong passion for art and a quiet setting for each of them to write fiction.

The couple also runs the Teichman Gallery, which is an extension of their home and features contemporary art. Opened in 1999, the gallery has shown the work of many prominent Cape artists while also offering musical performances, dramatics presentations, and readings of poetry and fiction. More recently it has become an outlet for Teichman's paintings and sculptures exclusively. Open from June through September by appointment and by chance, the gallery is at the corner of Brewster's main thoroughfare, Route 6A, and Sachus Drive.

Inspired by his Cape surroundings, Teichman paints quasi-representational landscapes as well as nonobjective paintings and collages, both reflecting his interest in the interplay of form and space on a two-dimensional surface. "In my three-dimensional work," he says, "I now focus on small sculptures in sheet brass, ceramic, and bronze, the ceramic and bronze pieces showing the influence of the primitive art of Mexico." Mexico is where he and his wife spend winters.

Milton Teichman's journey began 78 years ago when he was born in New York City. It has included a long stopover in Poughkeepsie. In 1962, while a doctoral student at the University of Chicago, Teichman read a bulletin board notice about an opening at Marist College to teach early 19th-century English literature. "I was halfway through my dissertation on Wordsworth's poetry," recalls Teichman, who was also teaching courses at a nearby state

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Opposite page and above: Dr. Milton Teichman and his wife, Dr. Sharon Leder, run the Teichman Gallery, adjacent to their Cape Cod home.

university. "I liked the idea of teaching and living in the Hudson Valley. It was also a chance to teach in my specialty and at a small college. I knew little about Marist except that it was church-related."

Teichman was hired by Dr. George Sommer, another future legend of the English Department and now a Cape neighbor in South Dennis. "I thought I would stay at Marist two or three years," says Teichman. "When I finished my doctoral dissertation, my plan was to move on to a more prestigious institution." Instead he stayed for 39 years. "Sometimes we think the treasure is someplace else. Reputation and salary were not my highest priorities. The treasure," he says, "was at Marist."

What Teichman found attractive at the College was a community with common goals, a family-like atmosphere, and warm relations between faculty and students. He recalls that, unlike other institutions, "faculty and administrators, and the faculty themselves, were not in collision." The new professor was also impressed by the young Marist Brothers, who formed about 85 percent of the then 500-member student body. "It was hard to

leave those young Brothers," Teichman says, smiling. "They were so motivated, so bright, so committed to a life of service."

Something else bonded him to the College. When Teichman came to Marist, he asked who was teaching art. It was the late Evelyn Rimai Fisher, founder of Marist's Art Department and someone who also would be named a Heritage Professor. "Evelyn invited me to paint alongside the Brothers. It was a thrilling experience," says Teichman. "After grading a pile of student papers, I would reward myself by going to the Art Department to paint... Evelyn Fisher was a great teacher. Composition and color were her primary talents. She was a fabulous critic of my work."

At Marist, partly under the influence of the abstract expressionists, Teichman turned to nonobjective painting and collage. That direction was anticipated during his early years in Brooklyn, where at 14 or 15 he developed a passion for art museums. "I was exhilarated by paintings of the 20th century," he says, referring to Picasso, Matisse, Braque, and Klee. On his gallery web site he explains why. "I loved [these painters'] visual simplifications, their deliberate

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and creative distortions of factual reality. In my early years, I was intrigued also by the work of Kandinsky and Mondrian. Their work struck me as a form of visual music, stirring the feelings through the eye as music stirs the feeling through the ear."

"My parents loved visual art," he says. Whenever he went to a museum, he would stop in the gift shop to purchase five- or ten-cent postcards of favorite paintings. Eventually he reproduced some of the postcard paintings on large canvases. His parents proudly displayed these paintings in the family's apartment, he says. "We didn't have a lot of money, but my father made sure my pieces were framed at Macy's."

Teichman's parents were Polish Jews who in 1920 came to the United States, where they met and married in 1925. The Teichmans raised three sons. The eldest, Emanuel, died in military service during World War II.

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In time, this dialogue would enrich Marist's curriculum and broaden many of its students' views of the world. In addition to teaching two generations of Marist students the poetry of Wordsworth, Coleridge, Shelley, and Keats, Teichman developed such courses as *The Hebrew Bible as Literature*, *Hebrew Literature in Translation*, and *American Jewish Writers*. "A wonderful thing about Marist," he says, "is that one could teach outside one's specialty if one felt prepared."

In 1975, Teichman introduced the course *Literature of the Holocaust*. "We were then one of the few colleges in the United States offering such a course. The fact that Marist was church-related made it all the more unusual. Today it would be hard to find a college that did not offer one or more such courses." Over the years he became a leading educator in the field of Holocaust studies. In 1996 he was awarded the highest honor in the field of human rights granted by the New York State Education Department for his outstanding contributions to teaching students, teachers, and members of the general community about the lessons of the Holocaust.

His heritage was what motivated him to become a Holocaust educator. "My parents came from two small towns outside Warsaw. Were it not for an accident of fate, it could have been me... Had my parents not come to this country from Poland in 1920, we most likely would have been consumed in the catastrophe.



Their home is a creative center, providing a studio for Teichman to pursue his lifelong passion for art and a quiet setting for each to write fiction.

The Holocaust is thus very much in my consciousness," he says. "Most of my father's relatives in Europe were lost in the inferno. Only one niece, who visited the United States just before the Germans invaded Poland in September 1939, was spared.

"It became clear to me that students needed to learn about this tragedy and to extract lessons and meanings from it," which, Teichman says, include understanding the dangers of religious, ethnic, and racial hatreds and recognizing that indifference to injustice and human suffering is itself a great evil. "Because Marist's religious tradition reinforces the belief that human life is sacred, it seemed to me that teaching about the Holocaust at Marist would be most fitting."

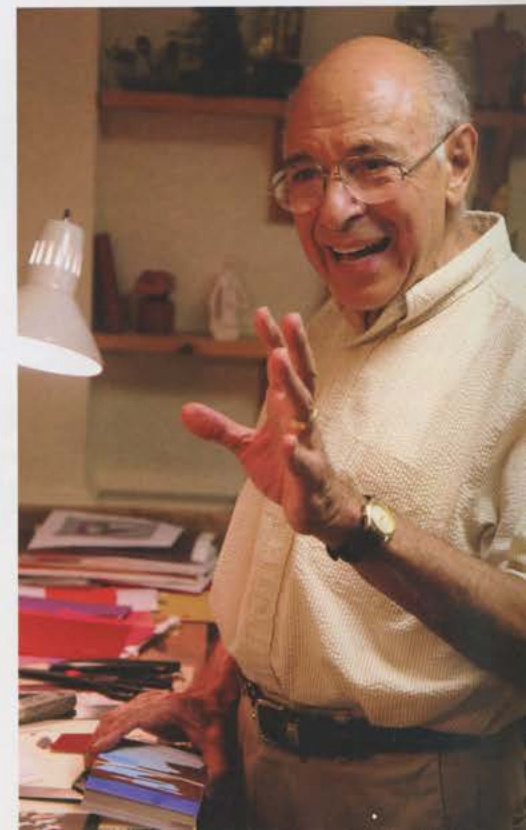
Teichman would often invite a Holocaust survivor to speak to his class whenever he taught *Literature of the Holocaust*. "Listening to a witness is a powerful emotional experience. It can jar students into a deep awareness of themselves and others. An education cannot be just cultivation of the intellect. Of course the intellect is very important, but so are moral feelings, spirituality, emotions. An authentic education has to educate the heart, not just the head."

Observing the impact that survivors' testimonies had on his students, the professor sought to extend the experience to all Marist students by founding, with others including students, the Marist College Holocaust Remembrance Program. This past April, Teichman was honored at the 18th annual program for his role in establishing the event and for his many years as a Holocaust educator.

In 1996 the state of New York honored Teichman for his outstanding contributions to educating students, teachers, and the community about the lessons of the Holocaust.

His wife, with whom he co-edited *Truth and Lamentation: Stories and Poems of the Holocaust*, accompanied him to Marist. Attended by more than 250 students, the event included a performance by the Marist College String Orchestra, student readings, and a candle-lighting ceremony in commemoration of those who perished in the Holocaust. This year's speaker was Michael Silberstein, a Poughkeepsie resident and survivor of the Auschwitz concentration camp.

As an educator, Teichman was an innovator in other ways. In the late '70s as a member of the English Department, he took an interdisciplinary



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approach to creating a Jewish Studies minor by collaborating with colleagues in religious studies, history, and philosophy. To support the founding of the Jewish Studies program at Marist, Teichman interested one of his adult students, Sadie Effron '79, in establishing a lecture series with her husband, Bill. The Poughkeepsie couple was receptive, and the 32nd William and Sadie Effron Lecture in Jewish Studies will be held in November. (At age 101, Effron is Marist's oldest living graduate.)

In the '80s, when the academic world was experimenting with computers in the classroom, Teichman directed an IBM-sponsored pilot project with a team of English Department colleagues to determine whether word processing might improve the quality of student writing and develop among students a more positive attitude toward the writing experience. The project was supported by IBM's Thomas J. Watson Research Center and involved 160 Marist students over a four-year period.

To engage students who approached literature reluctantly, Teichman introduced the one-credit, five-week mini-course focused on a single poet like Whitman, Dickinson, or Frost. He also used the format to teach Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, *Macbeth*, and *King Lear*. A perennial teacher of composition and creative writing, he advocated for workshops in poetry, fiction, and nonfiction writing. Bringing together his two passions, literature and visual art, was never far from his imagination. He experimented with workshops in which students created both poetry and painting, incorporating their lines of poetry into artwork.

Today Teichman creates visual art and fiction for his own pleasure and for the public. He also remains committed to his calling as an educator. At Marist, the emeritus professor recently provided a planned gift in the form of a charitable gift annuity to underwrite the permanent purchase of library books on the subject of Judaism and Jewish culture. In his Cape Cod community, he and his wife lead an annual Holocaust remembrance program that involves Jewish and Christian congregations.

In retirement, Teichman remains engaged and enthusiastic, erudite and eloquent, and genuinely empathetic. The poetry lover in Professor Teichman might call the assonance in the above sentence excessive. But to others, the blending of the head and the heart in this educator seems just right. ■

Shaileen Kopeck, senior development officer for planned giving and endowment support, has been a member of the Marist College community for 36 years.

The Holocaust Remembrance Program: Sharing a Story of Survival



Gathering in the rotunda, just prior to the 18th annual Holocaust Remembrance Program, are (left to right) Associate Dean for Student Affairs Steve Sansola; Professor Emeritus Dr. Milton Teichman, the evening's honoree; Coordinator of the Jewish Studies Program Dr. Joshua Kotzin; Ira Effron and his mother, Sadie Effron '79, co-founder with her husband, William, of the Effron Lecture in Jewish Studies; Michael Silberstein, the evening's speaker; and President Dennis J. Murray. Sansola and Kotzin co-chair the Holocaust Remembrance Committee.

Michael Silberstein was a teenager in January 1945 when he and 60,000 other prisoners were evacuated from the Auschwitz concentration camp in a hellish retreat undertaken by the Nazis. He had survived seven months in Auschwitz and earlier, along with his family, more than five grueling years of persecution in his native Poland.

Now a grandfather and an IBM retiree living just 20 minutes from the Marist campus, Silberstein was the featured speaker at the College's 18th annual Holocaust Remembrance Program. Since its inception, the program has included a witness to the Holocaust. According to a report in the student-run newspaper *The Circle*, this aspect had particular impact on the more than 250 students in attendance on April 23.

"You always hear stories from textbooks about the horrors of concentration camps," said Brian Rehm '10, "but to have actually been in the same room as a survivor, and to listen to what he fought through, is something truly special. It was such a powerful experience."

"I thought it was so moving that his two grandchildren were there," said Michelle Faber '10. "That seemed to make the whole situation more real for me."

"The Holocaust is an event that touches us all," said Dr. Joshua Kotzin, assistant professor of English, coordinator of the Jewish Studies Program, and an organizer of the event. "This remembrance offers an opportunity to rededicate ourselves to fighting racism and prejudice wherever they appear." ■



VICTOR VAN CARPELS

Between classes in front of the James A. Cannavino Library

Marist More Popular Than Ever

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Marist received 7,300 applications for the fall 2006 freshman class and 9,198 for the fall 2008 class, an increase of 26 percent. "It speaks to Marist's tremendous reputation, excellent faculty, beautiful campus, and successful alumni base," says Rinehart.

The increase has allowed Marist to be more selective. The College accepted 49 percent of its applicants for fall 2006 but only 37.5 percent for fall 2008, placing it among the top 5 percent of institutions across the country in admissions selectivity, according to Rinehart. "With that growth, we have been able to bring in a class that is stronger academically and significantly more diverse ethnically and geographically."

For fall 2008, SAT scores of accepted students were an average of 12 points higher than for fall 2007. Members of the fall 2008 freshman class "have taken more honors and Advanced Placement courses and a more challenging curriculum," Rinehart says.

While some 54 percent of recent previous first-year classes hailed from New York state,

49 percent of current first-year students call it home. "We're seeing growth in markets that we have targeted," Rinehart says, noting an increase in students from Hawaii, California, and Florida.

From fall 2006 to fall 2008, Marist increased its enrollment of African-American, Native American, Latino, and Asian-American students by 25 percent. "We're trying to bring in a freshman class that's a microcosm of the world today," says Rinehart.

Another indication of increased interest in Marist is the number of applicants who chose Marist's binding "early decision" option, in which candidates are limited to Marist as their sole choice. The early decision deadline is Nov. 15 and notifications are mailed on Dec. 15. Accepted candidates are required to submit a nonrefundable deposit by Feb. 15. The number of applicants choosing this option increased 57 percent for fall 2008 over the previous year.

Three factors have led to growth in college applications over the past decade, according to David Hawkins, director of public policy and research at the National Association for College Admission Counseling. First, this year marked

an all-time high in the number of students who graduated from high school. Second, more high school graduates than ever are enrolling in postsecondary education immediately after high school. "Third, and most important, students are submitting more applications per capita than ever before," Hawkins says, a trend enabled by the rise of online applications.

Even so, Marist's growth is way above the norm, says Rinehart. "Most colleges are seeing 2 to 3 percent increases and we are double digit year after year."

Rinehart points to Marist graduates as another reason for heightened interest in the College. "We thank alumni around the globe who are helping us do our work by sharing their positive experience about Marist with prospective students and their families.

"The alumni's help in our enrollment efforts going forward will be critical. In the coming decade, the number of high school students will be lower. The reduction will be most dramatic in the Northeast, Marist's core market," says Rinehart. "Competition is expected to be fierce for students and we appreciate all the help we get from our alumni base." ■

— and More Selective

Chuck Martin Takes Over

Since joining Marist in April, the men's basketball coach has prepared for the 2008-09 season by hiring staff, bringing in new players, and getting the Marist name on the airwaves.

The only constant in Chuck Martin's life over the past few months has been change.

On April 7, Martin was on college basketball's biggest stage. As an assistant coach to John Calipari at the University of Memphis, his team faced the University of Kansas in the national championship game. A few days later, he was in Poughkeepsie interviewing for the open Marist men's basketball head coaching job.

Martin was introduced as the sixth Division I head coach in the history of the Marist men's basketball program on April 17. Since then, he has been committed to instituting change within the program. A new coaching staff has been hired, and several recruits have committed. Martin, meanwhile, has invested a considerable amount of time and energy getting the word out about his coaching acumen and his new program.

A day after Martin began as head coach, he announced the hiring of Paul Lee and Tyrone Weeks as his top two assistant coaches. Lee, a 20-year coaching veteran, spent the previous eight seasons as an assistant at Northwestern. He has been rated among the top assistant coaches in the country by *Basketball Times* magazine. Weeks was also a member of the Memphis staff this past season, serving as the program's coordinator of basketball operations. The Philadelphia native was a standout in his playing career at the University of Massachusetts, helping lead the Minutemen to the Final Four in 1996.

"We're extremely fortunate to have two quality men, first and foremost, and two quality coaches who have a wealth of experience in collegiate athletics," Martin says. "Both are excellent communicators as well as great teachers of the game."

Soon after that, Martin made two more hires, bringing on Bashir Mason and Will Lanier. Mason is a 2007 graduate of Drexel who was a four-year starter for the Dragons at point guard. In 2004, he became the first player in the history of the Colonial Athletics Association to be named Defensive Player of the Year as a freshman—



Left to right, President Dennis J. Murray joins men's basketball Head Coach Chuck Martin, women's basketball Head Coach Brian Giorgis, and Director of Athletics Tim Murray before the press conference on campus announcing Martin's appointment.

BY MIKE FERRARO '01

a season in which Martin was on Drexel's staff as an assistant. Lanier spent the past four years on staff at St. John's and had previously served as a student manager at Georgia Tech, which reached the national championship game in 2004.

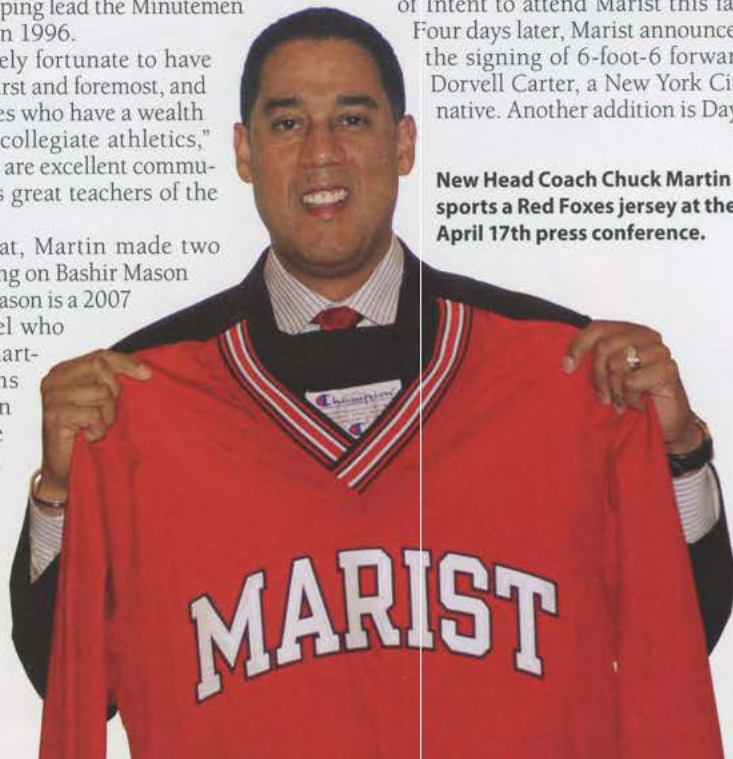
Emphasizing performance on the court and in the classroom, the staff has brought in five new players. On May 16, it was announced that 5-foot-10 guard R. J. Hall, a native of New Jersey, and 6-foot-9 Alex Vouyoukas, who hails from Greece, had signed National Letters of Intent to attend Marist this fall. Four days later, Marist announced the signing of 6-foot-6 forward Dorvell Carter, a New York City native. Another addition is Daye

Kaba, a 6-foot-3 guard who is originally from France. Kaba played the past two seasons at Boston College. Although he must sit out the 2008-09 season to serve his NCAA-mandated year in residency, he will have two years of eligibility with the Red Foxes.

In early September, it was announced that 6-foot-4 guard Javon Parris would join the program. Parris, who previously played at College of Charleston and Barton County Community College, will have two seasons of eligibility beginning this year.

Martin has also been busy getting the Marist name on the airwaves and in print, as he is eager for the region to become familiar with him and his style of basketball. He had plenty of opportunities to do this the week of the NBA Draft, as Derrick Rose—a player Martin recruited and coached at Memphis last season—was selected first overall by the Chicago Bulls. Two more Memphis players—Joey Dorsey and Chris Douglas-Roberts—were also selected in the draft. In the days leading up to and following the draft, Martin appeared on 1050 ESPN Radio New York's *Brandon Tierney Show*, ESPN Radio's *GameNight* with Freddie Coleman, MSG's *On the Hardwood* with Jon Rothstein, and WFAN with Steve Somers. He was also the subject of a story written by Mike Benischek of the *Poughkeepsie Journal*. Martin has had several local media appearances, including Cablevision's *Sports Scene* with Charlie Cornacchio, Time Warner's *Sportswire* with Lindsay Liquori, and Dan Reinhard's radio show on WKNY. ■

New Head Coach Chuck Martin sports a Red Foxes jersey at the April 17th press conference.



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Marist Wins 2007-08 MAAC Commissioner's Cup

The Red Foxes earn the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference's top honor for the fourth consecutive year.

Marist College has earned the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference's highest honor, the MAAC Commissioner's Cup, for the 2007-08 academic year. It is the fourth consecutive year the Red Foxes have won the Commissioner's Cup, and eighth time overall, tying La Salle for the highest total in conference history.

Marist captured conference tournaments in men's and women's swimming and diving, women's basketball, men's and women's crew, men's and women's tennis, women's lacrosse, and water polo in the 2007-08 season. The Red Foxes earned a share of the MAAC Football League title as well.

This is the second time Marist has won four Commissioner's Cups in a row, as the Red Foxes also prevailed every year from 1999 to 2002. Marist has now won the overall title eight times in the past 10 years.

"We've proved once again that both academic and athletic excellence can go hand in hand," says President Dennis J. Murray. "This is a significant accomplishment for our athletes, coaches, and athletics administration. We all take great pride in what they've been able to do. All Marist students have to complete a rigorous curriculum, which makes this accomplishment all the more significant."

Loyola College was awarded the men's cup for the first time in school history, while the Red Foxes won their fifth women's cup.

The MAAC Commissioner's Cup is awarded annually as a symbol of overall excellence in athletics in the 24 championship athletic events conducted within the conference. Each institution is scored in all championships in which it fields a varsity team. However, only the scores from the men's and women's basketball participation, plus the other top six men's and other top six women's championships, are used to determine an institution's total points.

Marist finished the overall race with a total of 138.50 points, 30.50 points ahead of runner-up Fairfield. On the men's side, Loyola captured the league crown with 55.50 points, just one point more than second-place Marist. The Red Foxes finished in the top spot in the women's cup race by compiling 84 points, 17 points ahead of Fairfield.

In the overall Commissioner's Cup race, the rest of the field behind Marist finished as follows: Fairfield (108), Loyola (107), Iona (92), Siena (87), Canisius (86.50), Manhattan and Niagara (83), Rider (80.50), and Saint Peter's (61).

In the men's standings, Marist finished second with 54.50 points, followed by Rider (52.50), Siena (44), Niagara (41.50), Canisius and Fairfield (41), Manhattan (40.50), Iona (39), and Saint Peter's (33).

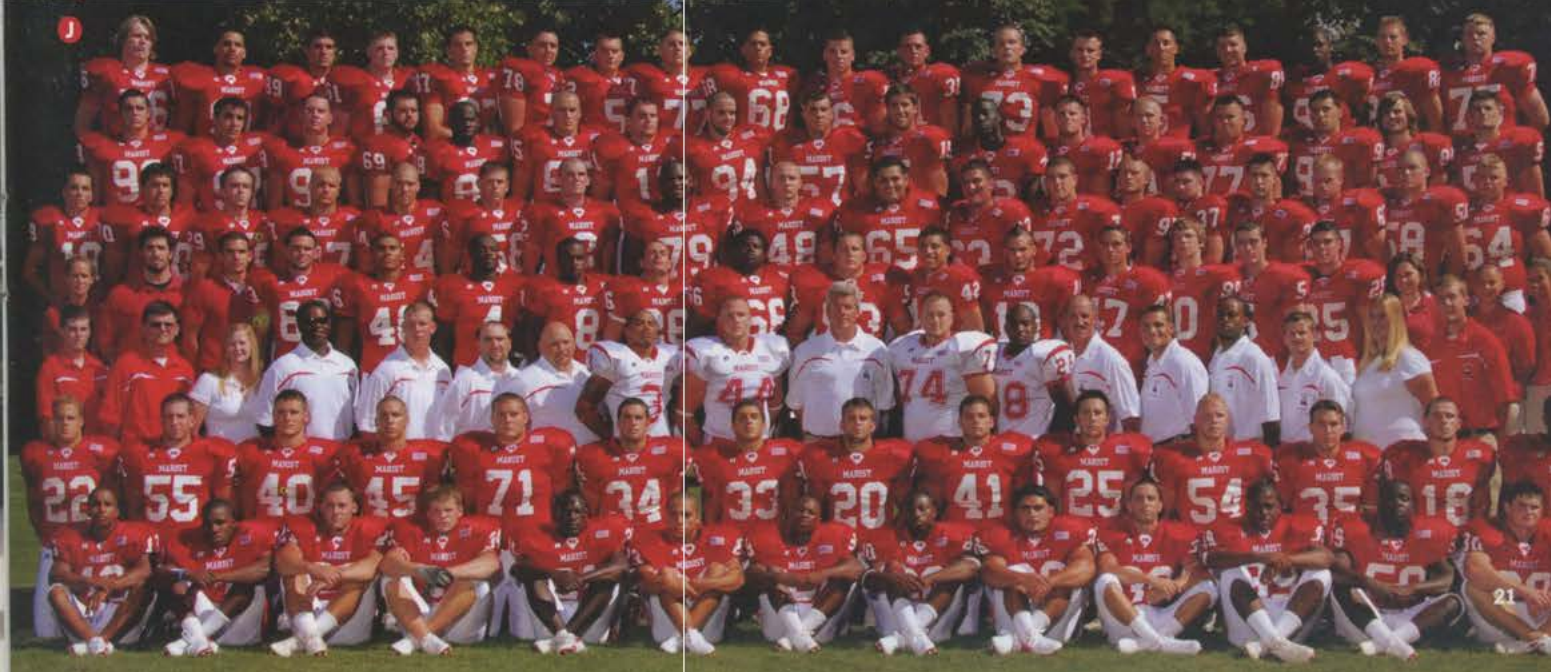
On the women's side, Fairfield was second with 67 points, followed by Iona (53), Loyola (51.50), Canisius (45.50), Siena (43), Manhattan (42.50), Niagara (41.50), Rider, and Saint Peter's (28). ■

—Mike Ferraro '01





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D Women's basketball **E** Women's crew **F** Women's lacrosse
G Women's swimming and diving **H** Women's tennis **I** Water polo **J** Football





Washington (top) and Marist crossed the finish line 1-2 in the men's varsity four at this year's IRA National Championships in Camden, N.J. The rowers were (above, left to right) Shawn Marion '08, Jonathan Martin '10, Matthew Keys '08, Kevin Fletcher '09, and Holly Adler '09.



COURTESY WASHINGTON ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

Rowers Excel Nationally and Internationally

The rich tradition of rowing at Marist College has added a new chapter as several newsworthy performances took place near the close of the 2007–08 season.

On June 7, the men's varsity four turned in its best finish in program history at the top event in the nation, the Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) National Championships. The Red Foxes earned a second-place finish in a time of 6 minutes, 20.8 seconds at the event in Camden, N.J. The rowers in the Marist boat were Shawn Marion '08 (stroke seat), Jonathan Martin '10 (two seat), captain Matthew Keys '08 (three seat), Kevin Fletcher '09 (bow seat), and Holly Adler '09 (coxswain).

The second-place finish enabled the Red Foxes to earn a medal at the regatta for the first time in their history. Marist had never placed higher than fifth at any IRA event previously.

In order to attain such a lofty result, Marist

The men's varsity four brought home Marist's first medal in the Intercollegiate Rowing Association National Championships, beating UC Berkeley, UCLA, and Brown. Crew's Lisa D'Aniello '08 reached the semifinals of the world rowing championships.

had to beat out some of the best the country had to offer. The Red Foxes' time was 2.8 seconds better than third-place Cornell. The University of California at Berkeley, UCLA, and Brown finished fourth, fifth, and sixth, respectively, in the grand final. The Red Foxes were edged out by Washington, which had a time less than eight-tenths of a second better than that of Marist. Men's crew won its eighth consecutive MAAC championship during the

2007–08 season.

"I'm really excited for the future of our crew team, and these guys put in a lot of hard work all year," Marist men's Head Coach Sean Clarke says. "They deserve to be fully rewarded for their efforts. They rowed above and beyond their capabilities."

On the heels of the magnificent accomplishment of the men's program, a women's rower made a dream come true. Lisa D'Aniello, a crew and track star for the Red Foxes who will graduate in December, qualified for the United States Under-23 National Rowing team in lightweight doubles. D'Aniello and doubles partner Kristin Headstrom, a 2008 Wisconsin graduate, competed at the 2008 FISA World Rowing Under-23 Championships in Brandenburg, Germany, in July.

After finishing fifth in their heat on the first day of competition, D'Aniello and Headstrom won the repechage the following day—defeating boats from Italy, Poland, the Czech Republic, Japan, and Hong Kong—to advance to the semifinals. They would end the competition placing sixth in the "B" final.

D'Aniello served as captain of the women's crew team and helped the Red Foxes win three MAAC championships. In track, she set the school record in the mile in 2006 and then broke it at this year's MAAC Indoor Championships. D'Aniello also made the Dean's List eight times and the MAAC All-Academic Team each of the past three years. ■

—Mike Ferraro '01



Lisa D'Aniello '08 (left) and doubles partner Kristin Headstrom, a 2008 Wisconsin graduate, compete in the semifinals at the 2008 FISA World Rowing Under-23 Championships in Germany.

The New Face of the Red Foxes

The Marist Athletics logo gets a facelift to strengthen brand recognition.

There's a new fox in town. On June 19, the Marist Athletics Department held a press conference at the McCann Center to unveil its new family of logos. The event was a culmination of careful planning and strategy between the Athletics Department and campus community, as well as the dawning of a new era.

In an effort to build a stronger brand and achieve more consistency with its athletics logos, the department worked with Phoenix Design Works based in New York City to redesign the current athletics logos and add more options.

"We wanted to use the unique characteristics of the Red Fox logo that have been part of the Marist tradition for a number of years to update our logos," says Director of Athletics Tim Murray. "This project was not about getting rid of our old logo; it was about taking what we had and enhancing it to build a more recognizable brand."

Phoenix Design Works created a new family of athletics logos that will serve as the foundation of the Marist Athletics brand, a process that began this past January. The new logos were created for the Athletics Department's use on apparel, printed materials, digital applications, and merchandise. The new primary logo mark includes the Marist name with a newly designed fox coming around the "M." Varsity sports, club sports, spirit groups, and various departments will be given their own "sports specific" logo. The new family of logos also includes traditional collegiate marks that will be featured on Marist Athletics apparel.

"We are pretty unique in that we are the only Red Foxes in the country," Murray says. "We have a very distinctive mascot that we are showcasing in our new logo, along with the Marist name, to form what we think will be a strong brand that our fans, alumni, faculty, staff, and students will be proud of."

Phoenix Design Works has been instrumental in creating and developing some of the most recognizable brands in the world, including more than 150 of America's best known colleges and universities such as Arkansas, Harvard, LSU, Oklahoma, Tennessee, UMass, and UCLA.

Marist Athletics has unveiled a new family of Red Fox logos including these on the T-shirt and helmet of Obozua Ehikioya '09, running back and co-captain for the Red Foxes football team.



The Red Fox logo, 1963



The modern era



A drawing from Marist's 1965 yearbook



The new logo, unveiled June 19, 2008

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Phoenix has created new franchise identity branding, property development, and event branding for the NBA, NFL, NHL, and MLB. All visual identity, logo marks, and uniform design for the Florida Marlins, Colorado Rockies, Cincinnati Reds, and Philadelphia 76ers were products of the company. Phoenix has also created event identity branding for the Super Bowl, Indy 500, Brickyard 400, MLB Opening Day, MLB All-Star Game, and this year's U.S. Open tennis tournament.

Why a Red Fox?

A 1961 meeting marked the adoption of the Red Foxes as the official nickname and mascot. Athletics Director Bro. William Murphy decided to organize a varsity basketball team to play scheduled games against other schools and thought a nickname and logo would be appropriate.

While glancing at a sports magazine, he noticed a reynard, more commonly known as a red fox, on the cover. The red fox was indigenous to the Hudson River Valley, making it a perfect fit for Marist. He decided this furry little creature was to become the mascot and logo of Marist College teams.

The reynard was a cunning, intelligent character in a set of stories from medieval France. Because the term reynard was so uncommon, the athletics director chose to call the team the "Red Foxes." Although the football team was known as the "Vikings" during its club days, the Red Fox has been the college mascot ever since.

However, at one point the mascot did sport some headgear not normally seen on a fox. In the 1960s and early 1970s, the Red Fox was pictured wearing a sailor's hat: the sailing team won the Eastern College Athletic Conference championship during the 1960s and was the dominant Marist sports team at the time. ■



1954

Bro. Martin Ruane, FMS, took part in a "3rd Age Renewal Program" for Marist Brothers in Manziana, Italy, from Oct. 21 to Dec. 21, 2007. "It was a fantastic experience spiritually and culturally," he writes. ■ **Laurence Sullivan** is a pastoral counselor for Catholic campus ministry at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

1956

John (Jack) Duggan serves on the development committee for St. Ignatius Retreat House in Manhasset. He was also honored at Winthrop University Hospital for his 800-plus hours as a volunteer in its pastoral care program.



1958

Dr. Roger Fernandez traveled to Spain in April to present his book *Odissea Lirica Recuerda*. The English version (*Lyrical Odyssey Remember*) is already translated but not yet published.



1963

Frank Sutton is still welcoming guests at Sutton's Place, the guest house he runs in Manchester, Vt.

1964

Deacon **Peter R.C. Haight** completed his 60th year in the Boy Scouts of America Hudson Valley Council.

1965

Dennis J. Feeney's fifth grandchild, Isabella Lauren, was born Jan. 15, 2008. He says both retirement and grandchildren are wonderful.

1966

Bro. **John A. Allen, FMS**, completed five years as chancellor of the Diocese of Laredo and took part in a Marist Brothers renewal program in Manziana, Italy. From January to March 2008 he participated in the Marist Ad Gentes Orientation-Discernment program in Davao, Philippines. ■ **Frederick Gilmore** retired and moved to Arizona in 2005 with his wife of 40 years, Barbara. ■ **Peter Nesteroke** writes that he is "slowing down but still having a good time." ■ **Alan Schultz** is airport



Paul Rinn '68 was invested as a Knight in the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem at St. Matthews Cathedral in Washington, D.C., by Bishop Paul Stephen Loverde of the Diocese of Arlington, Va.

manager and chief flight instructor at Kingston-Ulster Airport in Ulster County, N.Y. He retired as lab director at the City of New York Department of Environmental Protection's Ben Nesin Lab at Shokan, N.Y.

1967

Philip Ambrosio welcomed his first grandchild, Sophia Kathleen Marko, born Oct. 2, 2007. "We are extremely overjoyed." ■ **Jerome Bohnert** retired on Dec. 31, 2007, after 40 years of service in education, 37 of those as a school business administrator and 22 years with the Paramus (N.J.) Board of Education. He is also a past president of the state association of school business administrators. He and his wife of 39 years, Dolly, live in Barngat and have three grown children and three grandchildren. ■ **Peter Higgins** missed the Class of 1967 reunion in 2007 but did make it back to Baghdad to work with the prime minister's office there. He worked with several senior Iraqi officials in preparing a briefing on a national identity card program for Iraq. He worked with the PM's special assistant, the director of identity and passports, the director of the Iraqi Census Bureau, the director of e-government for Iraq, and several other senior people. The highlights of the trip included participating in a several-hour sub-cabinet meeting

at the PM's villa—conducted all in Arabic. From time to time the chair would ask Peter what they had meant on chart X, in English, of course. Everyone he worked with was very optimistic and discussed the positive changes since he had been there in 2005. The flight home started at Baghdad International Airport where there were iPods for sale in the duty-free shop. Peter reports that he might have a chance to go to Afghanistan this year. ■ **Thomas Crimmins** was honored by the Sewanhaka (N.Y.) Central High School District for his 25 years of service as a guidance counselor at Elmont High School. ■ **Robert Johnson** retired in June 2007 but still owns Kaffe Magnum Opus, a specialty coffee roasting company that sells to independently owned coffee houses and cafes. He rode a bicycle from Poughkeepsie to Key West in September and October 2007 to show support for these coffee houses and cafes. ■ **Dennis Mega** is happy to announce the birth of his second grandchild, Marcus Sam Mega, born Sept. 9, 2007. Marcus Sam was welcomed by his big brother Maddox, mom Mirsade, and dad Matthew. Grandpa Dennis and Grandma Palma are thrilled and looking forward to the day when the boys will form the starting backcourt for the Marist men's basketball team!

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REUNION 1968

William Cloonan, Esq., and his wife, Kathleen, became grandparents in February. Connor William Lindgren is the son of their daughter, Kate, who is an attorney in Virginia. Her husband, Jon, is a land developer for Pulte Development in Washington, D.C. ■ **William Karl** has retired after 32 years of teaching. He is a full-time realtor in the Albany/Saratoga Springs area and is a proud grandfather as well. ■ **Thomas Reichert** is continuing his career by working with inner-city special education students at Eastside High School in Paterson, N.J. ■ **Eugene Smith** is the CEO of the Central Bucks County YMCA in Doylestown, Pa. His YMCA career spans 37 years and three states—Pennsylvania, Connecticut, and New York, including New York City. He earned an M.A. from Springfield College and married Barbara in 1971. They have three children and several grandchildren. He is ranked at the masters' level in swimming, running (5K, half and full marathons), and triathlon. He is a Vietnam-era veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. His nephew, William Succoso, is a sophomore at Marist.

1969

Pete Clarry retired from a 32-year teaching career in the William Floyd School District in Mastic Beach, N.Y. His wife, Debbie, teaches kindergarten. Pete's daughter, Kim, is an '04 graduate of UConn and '08 master's graduate from Dowling College and his son, Chris, expects to graduate in '09 from Florida Southern College. ■ **Richard A. Dickinson, DDS**, is working with daughter Grace Dickinson Branon, DMD, in St. Albans, Vt., and skiing at Jay Peak. His daughter Lindsey and son Rich were each to get married in 2008. ■ **James Duncan** was among four honorees at the inaugural De LaSalle Leadership Dinner sponsored by the St. Raymond High School for Boys in Bronx, N.Y., and held at the Cornell Club in New York City in April. During the past 20 years Jim has been a mentor to students, served on the school's Alumni Association Board, and, with his family, provided numerous scholarships. ■ **Sean O'Neill** was elected vice commodore of the Albany Yacht Club, founded in 1873 and one of the oldest yacht clubs in America. ■ **Joseph Sommers** is a retiree from New Jersey public schools. He enjoys teaching human biology at Bergen (N.J.) Community College. A former Marist crew team

Marist Names New Officers for Alumni Executive Board

The Marist College Alumni Executive Board is proud to announce a new slate of officers. **Jeffrey M. Schanz '94/'99M** is now president, **Pat Mara '97** vice president, **Alicia Ross-Grasfeder '98** treasurer, and **Maura Brouillette '96** secretary.

Jim Daly '72, who has been the president of the Alumni Executive Board since 2005, passed the gavel to **Jeff Schanz** during the board's annual planning session in June. "The College is grateful to Jim for his dedication, support, and service during his term as president," says Executive Director of Alumni Relations **Amy Woods '97**. Jim will continue to serve on the board as chairman of its Membership Committee.

The Alumni Executive Board supports the Office of Alumni Relations by fostering communication between alumni and the College, offering programs and activities that will further the welfare of the College and alumni, encouraging and facilitating support of the Marist Fund and other development programs, and developing a relationship with undergraduates so that in the future they will play active roles as alumni.



Jeffrey Schanz '94/'99M

Jeff is assistant vice president for alumni relations at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y., and executive director of the Rensselaer Alumni Association. He is responsible for planning, managing, executing, and evaluating all programs of the Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving and maintaining a strong relationship with the Alumni Association Board of Trustees who work on behalf of Rensselaer's 90,000 alumni worldwide.

Prior to his position at Rensselaer, he served as director of alumni relations at

Marist and also spent three years in Marist's Office of Admission. He has been a speaker at professional conferences and is an active member and leader of the Association of Private College and University Alumni Directors, for whom he maintains an assessment and metrics database. He received a BA in political science and an MPA from Marist and earned a CAS and an MS degree in educational administration and policy studies from the University at Albany. Jeff has been a member of the Alumni Executive Board since 2001 and has served as vice president for the past three years.

Patrick Mara currently serves as manager of government relations at ML Strategies in Washington, D.C. He is a former Marist student body president and has been a member of the Alumni Executive Board since 2000, serving as treasurer for the past year. **Alicia Ross Grasfeder** is vice president and chief administrative officer at State Street Corporation Corporate Audit in Boston, Mass., and has been a member of the Alumni Executive Board since 2003. **Maura Brouillette** is the human resources director for Sasaki Associates, Inc., in Watertown, Mass., and has been a member of the Alumni Executive Board since 2006.

To see a list of all of the members of the Alumni Executive Board, visit www.marist.edu/alumni/board.html.

member, he no longer rows but swims and walks with fellow teacher retirees three times a week.

1970

Robert Brown, Esq., announces the birth of his first grandchild, Keagan Robert Brown, born Feb. 9, 2008. ■ **Richard Scott** retired from the New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities after 33 years of service. He now works

for Dutchess County (N.Y.) ARC as a residential administrator. ■ **Peter Varol** recently retired from a 36-year career in factoring/finance.

1971

Terry Nash's son, Matt, has received a Division I baseball scholarship to Iona College. Terry reports that Matt is considered one of the top players in the Capital District. He has played in the Mickey Mantle World Series

in Texas, the AABC 17 Under World Series in New Jersey, and the World Wood Bat World Series in Georgia. Terry is the principal at Schalmott High School in Schenectady, N.Y. ■ **Dr. Steve Wysowski** has been appointed adjunct professor of graduate education at the University of New Haven

1972

William Romito retired from Marlboro High School in 2005. Since September 2005, Bill has worked at Marist as a student-teaching supervisor.

REUNION 1973

Dr. Dana Delaware was elected chair of the Chemistry Department at Truman State University for a term of three years. ■ **Daniel Faison Jr.** became a grandfather on April 26, 2008. In addition, his oldest child, Jillian, graduated in May from the Penn State Dickinson School of Law. ■ **Michael Marso** retired in June 2007 after 34 years of teaching. In fall 2007 he spent three weeks in France and Italy.



Thomas Mauro '74

1974

Thomas Mauro has been named chief of the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department, supervising 87 officers. A member of the department since 1976, he is a New York state-certified master police instructor and instructor evaluator. He has also been a Police Department training instructor since 1979. He earned an MPS in criminal justice at C.W. Post Center of Long Island University in 1981.

1975

Michael Asip was appointed director of exceptional education in Chesterfield County Public Schools. Mike leads a department that provides special education services for almost 8,000 students with disabilities in 62 schools in Chesterfield County, the fourth largest school division in Virginia. He is a doctoral candi-



Michael Asip '75

date in the College of William and Mary's Educational Policy Planning and Leadership program. He lives in Williamsburg, Va., with his wife, Leslie Baskin-Asip, and daughter, Cailin, a Hollins University sophomore. His son, Danny, recently moved to Phoenix, Ariz., to work with the Phoenix Suns after graduating from Muhlenberg College with honors. ■ **Pastor Maryann Paradiso Berry** has been selected to be included in the 2008 edition of Marquis *Who's Who in American Women*. ■ **Richard Beaney** recently moved from Utah to Massachusetts. ■ **Joseph Cirasella Jr.** is in his 15th year at Eastchester High School in Eastchester, N.Y. He is an 11th grade U.S. history teacher and the school's varsity golf coach. He was named the league and conference golf coach of the year for 2007 and 2008. His son Joseph III will graduate from Iona College in December 2008. His son Justin is a freshman in Manhattan College's engineering program.

1976

Jo-Ann Brown is a broker and owner of ACE Real Estate, LLC. ■ **Janet Lang's** daughter, Alyssa, is attending Northeastern University. ■ **Lesley Springstun Schaffer** has finished her first year as a special education teacher in Grants Cibola County Schools in Grants, N.M. Her recent career change called upon her original degree and special education certificate.

1977

Charles Bang recently accepted a new position at CJ Apparel Group as vice president of finance. ■ **Walter Janeczek** is director of operations at Cascade Medical Enterprises, LLC. ■ **Robin Redeker** is proud that her oldest son, Harry, is a sophomore at Marist.



1978

Jack Boyle, MD, is senior vice president of scientific services with Caudex, Inc., a medical education firm. ■

Vincent Capozzi is a defense business development and sales manager for Schott North America. He is working in Washington, D.C., with the Department of Defense, Department of State, and Department of Homeland Security. ■ **Noreen Fennell** is the vice chair of the Orange County Citizens Foundation Board of Trustees. She was recently named the recipient of the PruCares Award and a grant was made to the foundation in her honor.

1979

Stanley Kardas and his wife, Karen, are very proud of their daughter, Sara, who graduated from Marist in May 2008. ■ **Kathleen Norton** recently began writing a "baby boomer" humor column for the *Poughkeepsie Journal*. Boomer alumni can find it at www.poughkeepsiejournal.com/boomer. Kathleen and her husband, **Gerald McNulty**, reside in Red Hook, N.Y. Their daughter and son-in-law, Kara and Lucas Baron, were also graduates of Marist, Class of 2004.

1980

Andrea Firpo, a social worker with the FBI, started the FBI New York Office's Victim Assistance Program in 2002 before transferring to the FBI office in Asheville, N.C., in 2007. She lives in "the beautiful mountains of western North Carolina" with her 9-year-old son, Morgan. ■ **Stanley Frangk** is a partner in the law firm of Levine, Hofstetter and Frangk in Poughkeepsie. He and his wife, Debra, reside in Hyde Park with their three children, Denise, 23, Andrea, 21, and Steven, 16. ■ **Louis Merlino's** niece, Kristen Merlino, graduated from Marist in 2008. His stepson, William DeMilio, has just completed a four-year Navy tour of duty in Guantanamo Bay and Spain. ■ **Elizabeth Diggelman Pectal** is controller for Arista Laboratories, Inc. Arista performs tobacco and ignition propensity testing.

1981

Rich Michos was named vice president of distribution strategy at IBM. ■ **Don Purdy** received a Master of Arts in communication degree in December 2007 from the University at Albany, where he has served as an adjunct lecturer in the School of Business's Marketing Department since January 1998. ■ **Rock J. Vitale** is founder and CEO of Environmental Standards, Inc., which recently celebrated its 20th anniversary at its Valley Forge, Pa., headquarters. The company is a privately held consulting firm with more than 60 employees and specializes in environmental chem-



T. Brendan Mooney '71 (right) visited with **Ernie Belanger** (left) and his wife, **Alicia**, (center) in Madrid this past April on his ninth trip to Spain. Ernie, brother to faculty member and Marist Abroad Program founder **Bro. Joe Belanger, FMS**, directed Marist's study program in Madrid. Brendan took part in the Madrid program during the 1969-70 academic year, an experience that gave him "an indelible love of Spain and its people," he says, "so much so that 38 years later I am still returning with my family and they are now making friends of my friends and their children." Brendan retired in 2005 after 30 years of government service.

istry, geosciences, ecological and human health risk assessment, environmental data management, logistics auditing, and indoor air quality/mold issues. It was recently named to the Inc. 5000 list of the nation's fastest-growing private companies and was ranked 71st among the top 100 environmental firms in the Inc. 5000 list. Rock and his wife, **Valerie Poleri Vitale '80**, and their two children live in Berwyn, Pa.

1982

Diana Galioto Andrews's oldest son, Michael, is a freshman at the College of Charleston in Charleston, S.C. ■ **Michael Seider** opened a shop called Hats Off to You at 105 Healy Blvd. in Hudson, N.Y., 12534, 518-828-4488. The shop carries NASCAR, sports, and rock 'n' roll merchandise.



1983

Jim Comes's daughter, Tara, was to attend Berklee School of Music in Boston this fall. ■ **James Gorman's** eldest daughter, Callie, was to start

at Holy Cross this fall. ■ **John Stephen** retired from the state of Connecticut in June 2003 after 23 years of service. From 1986 to 1997 he was director of the Youth Challenge Program and from 1997 to 2003 he was youth services officer.

1984

James R. Barnes received the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year 2008 Award in the "Business Services" category for the New England region. The national Entrepreneur of the Year will be chosen Nov. 15 from among the winners in 26 regions across the United States. Jim is president and CEO of OAKLEAF, a leading provider of waste and recycling services. The company serves more than 100,000 locations through its network of more than 4,800 haulers, recyclers, and waste diversion providers. Jim is a member of Marist's Board of Trustees.

1985

Shawn Mulligan recently had a new addition to his family, child No. 3, Kelly John. ■ **Richard Patterson's**



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daughter, Marina, will be attending Marist, as a member of the Class of 2012, from Singapore American School.

1986

Thomas Begg completed the 2007 Ironman, a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and 26.2-mile run, at Lake Placid, N.Y. He founded the Glen Rock Triathlon Club (www.grti.com). ■ **Andrew Hall** and his wife, **Patricia Brady Hall**, had a son, Christopher Joseph, on Sept. 18, 2007. He joins siblings Kieran, Amanda, Ryan, and Julia. ■ **Theresa Kelly** was to start a new job as a first grade teacher in September. ■ **Julianne Ward** came in No. 1 in sales at her company during 2006.

1987

Jeffrey Beliveau moved back to Dutchess County after spending the past 16 years in San Diego. ■ **Terrence Kenny** has been living and working abroad in Germany for the past five years. Terry is a contracting officer for the U.S. government's Defense Information Technology Contracting Office in Europe. He received the Commander's Award for Civilian Service from Maj. Gen. Scott G. West of the 21st Theater Sustainment Command on Jan. 20, 2008. ■ **Marydale Dolezal Leonard** announces the birth of her second child, Grace Alana Leonard, born May 25, 2007. ■ **Robert Saunders** and his wife, **Ellen Fitzpatrick Saunders**, welcomed their sixth child, Kyra Jade, their second daughter, born Sept. 12, 2007. ■ **Jeanmarie Ward** recently started Abridged Solutions, Inc., an HR consulting firm specializing in Medicare health insurance. She lives in Pelham, N.Y., with her husband, Glenn, and two sons, Timothy, 12, and Cameron, 7.

REUNION

1988

Robert O'Connor reached his 20th anniversary at CSEA, Inc., on May 2, 2008. He says he is still enjoying and grateful for his Marist degree. ■ **Barbara Pushman** married Tracy J. Kaber on Oct. 5, 2007. They reside in Hermosa Beach, Calif. ■ **Thomas Ruede** has accepted a position as director of creative business development at the Suddath Co. in Jacksonville, Fla. His wife, **Nora Bomba Ruede**, works at Eagle Ridge Elementary in Coral Springs, Fla. ■ **David Schifter** has won a national Emmy Award for investigative journalism for a series on deadbeat dads

that aired on Cleveland television. In addition, he is cast as a series regular on a new Fox series called *Whitaker Bay*. The young-adult drama was scheduled to air starting in September 2008. David plays the role of Marty Visted, a single dad facing the challenges of raising teens and dating the wife of the district attorney. ■ **Michelle Young Medley** recently relocated to North Carolina with her husband, two children, and dog. She opened her own mediation services office.

1989

Carol Anne Gordon Arriaga is employed as a contractor at Testware Associates in Somerville, N.J, currently working on assignment at Pfizer in Bridgewater, N.J. Other than working, she is having fun watching her two children, Justin and Jessica, grow up. ■ **Eve Carlin, Esq.**, is a legal instructor for Montreat College, teaching business law, and runs the University of South Carolina Law School bookstore in Columbia, S.C. ■ **Barrie Daneker** will be up for re-election as commissioner in District of Columbia Advisory Neighborhood Commission Ward 5C07 in November 2008. Barrie has served as vice chair of Ward 5C and chair of the D.C. Economic Development Committee for Ward 5C and is a member of the Dupont Social Club. ■ **Richard DiBona** is chief technology officer and co-founder of Fлимп Media in Hopkinton, Mass. He was recently profiled in an article in the *MetroWest Daily News*, a Massachusetts newspaper. ■ **Marc Eisenhauer** completed a study abroad experience in Poland in June 2007. He visited multinational corporations and historic sites including Jasna Góra and Auschwitz. In December 2007 he earned an MBA from Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N.Y. ■ **Marc Hamlin** was promoted to major in the Tampa Police Department. Since joining the Tampa Police Department in 1990, Marc has served in all three patrol districts, the Criminal Investigations Division, and the Special Operations Division. He spent more than seven years as a detective and sergeant in undercover units of the Narcotics Bureau and the Street Anti-Crime Squad. As a captain in District III since 2005, he commanded the sector encompassing downtown and Ybor City. During his command, crime fell 29.7 percent in Ybor City. He is also the commander of game day operations at Raymond James Stadium and is

heavily involved in the planning of Super Bowl XLIII. Marc earned an MPA from Troy State University and is also a graduate of the University of Louisville's Southern Police Institute. ■ **Craig Lynch** and his wife, Cheryl, have adopted a baby boy. Jack Powell Lynch became part of the family in June 2006. ■ **Margaret Rutherford-Carriero** works on the creative team at the *Villadom Times* newspaper in northern New Jersey. She lives in Mahwah, N.J., with her husband and three children.

1990

Judith Connolly Rebholtz welcomed the birth of her daughter, Braedon Catherine Connolly-Rebholtz, on June 22, 2007. ■ **Yolanda Robano-Gross** is director of developmental disabilities services for PSCH, Inc. She lives with her husband, John, and their daughter, Morgan, in Woodmere, N.Y. ■ **Susan Schmitt** was scheduled to move during summer 2008 to Chisinau, Moldova, where her husband was to be a military attaché for the U.S. Embassy. ■ **Gary Vincent** is a senior project manager for Age of Travel, Inc., in Atlanta, Ga.

1991

Julie M. Goss, who studied business administration and marketing at Marist, was to receive a master's in acupuncture and oriental medicine from the Oregon College of Oriental Medicine in Portland in August. After completing board exams for acupuncture licensure, she will work at an integrative medical clinic practicing traditional Chinese medicine along with Western allopathic medical practitioners.

1992

Jon Cerabone joined Cablevision on Dec. 3, 2007, as manager of interactive commerce. He also welcomed his daughter, Ella Marie, born July 1, 2007. ■ **Julia Morrison Desmond** and her husband, Mark, are pleased to announce the birth of their third child, Charles Morrison, born Jan. 2, 2008. Charlie joins big brother Jack and big sister Jane. ■ **Mike Dumont** and his wife, Danielle, welcomed their baby girl, Julia Grace, born July 11, 2007. Mike was promoted to associate director of broadcast promotions at ESPN. ■ **Kevin Weigand** is a marketing executive for FreeLife International, which markets Gochi juice. He lives in Fort Myers, Fla.

REUNION

1993

Kelly Cammer Cleary was promoted to executive vice president at Healthy Directions, LLC, in Potomac, Md., in May 2007. Kelly and her husband also announce the birth of their son, Sean Richard, born Feb. 13, 2008. ■ **Kevin Gilmartin** welcomed daughter Rowan Margaret into the world on Oct. 10, 2007. ■ **Carey Allaband LeRoux, Esq.**, and husband Tim announce the birth of their daughter, Sophia Grace, born Aug. 17, 2007. ■ **Susan McNamee** married Van Snyder in 2003. Their son, Jonah, was born Dec. 19, 2006. ■ **Marta Newkirk** has been named to the board of directors for McQuade Children's Services in New Windsor, N.Y. ■ **Amber Bosco Price** and husband David announce the birth of their son, Michael, born May 11, 2007. ■ **Ann Ferrante Soutar** and her husband, **Keith Soutar**, announce

Long Island Elite has presented its Member of the Year award to William J. Corbett Jr. '89 (left, with Dawn Strain, LIE president) for his dedication to the group and the community. LIE is an organization dedicated to fostering the development of Long Island's emerging business leaders. The group focuses on community outreach, fundraising for Long Island charities, mentoring, and networking.



Bill is the president of Corbett Public Relations, Inc., based in Floral Park, N.Y. In 2002 *Long Island Business News* named him one of the Top 40 Business Professionals under the age of 40. *Newsday* recognized him as one of "Five People to Watch" in the public relations profession. He is a member of the board of directors of the Marty Lyons Foundation and the Core Committee of the Long Island Fight for Charity.

the birth of their son, Kellen Patrick, born Sept. 26, 2007. Kellen joins big sister Abbey. ■ **Bartholomew Steinhorn** and his wife, **Kimberly Meehan Steinhorn '95**, welcomed a son, Jacob McDonald, born Nov. 10, 2007. Bart received an MPA in public administration from Baruch College in August 2006. ■ **Brenda Wittman** lives in Avon, Ohio, and works as a certified personal trainer and spinning instructor. She has two boys, JT, 10, and Avery, 6.

1994

Evans Ashong and his wife welcomed baby Ryan-Evans, born Jan. 11, 2008. ■ **Karen Mariotti Besemer** and her husband announce the birth of their son, Colin Joseph, born Nov. 28, 2007. ■ **Cynthia Carroll-Pearl** and her husband are living in the Atlanta area with their new baby girl, Sophia. ■ **Edgar Glascow** is the principal at Poughkeepsie Middle School. He coached two Hudson Valley Express all-star high school lacrosse teams this summer. His son, Kevin Patrick, is 17 months old. ■ **James Hocking** and his wife, Linda, announce the birth of their son, Ethan James, born Sept. 8, 2007. ■ **Colleen Talbot Jacques** and **Scott Jacques '95** are the proud parents of Erin Susan, born July 12, 2008. ■ **Kimberly Jarvis-Saleur** has been working for asset management firms in Monaco since 2001. Now in private banking, she was to become a partner in a new asset management and multifamily office in Monaco scheduled to open in September 2008. ■ **Eugene Keener** and his wife, Patricia, announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Rose, born March 29, 2007. ■ **Rob Kolb** and his wife, Elisa, announce the birth of their second child, Ava Madison, born Feb. 21, 2008. ■ **Brian Laffin** and his wife, **Kim Magrone Laffin '02**, welcomed son Patrick Darren into the world on March 3, 2007. Brian teaches history and is the head boys' basketball coach at Poughkeepsie High School. He was named the 2007 New York State Section I League C Coach of the Year and the 2007 Poughkeepsie Journal Coach of the Year. ■ **Jennifer Poccia** married Chris Talkowski on April 19, 2008. ■ **Kent Rinehart** and his wife, Deborah, welcomed a baby boy, Logan Ian, born May 18, 2008. Logan joins big brother Jackson. ■ **Vicki Richter Robb** and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of their son, Lukas William, born Nov. 16, 2007. ■ **Barbara Sanchez** has moved to Waterfront Media and is now director of member acquisi-

tion for sites like DeniseAustin.com and JillianMichaels.com.

1995

Kathleen Dick Boland and her husband, Brian, just bought a house in Norwalk, Conn. ■ **Matt Bourne** was named vice president of business public relations for Major League Baseball. Matt handles public relations matters for MLB's business groups, which includes promotional activity around the launch of the MLB network in January 2009. Previously he was vice president of marketing communications for the NBA. ■ **Chris Cordaro** relocated to Tokyo, Japan, in September 2006. He married Nicole Castronuovo on Dec. 1, 2007. ■ **Jennifer Erichson Clum** is director of human resources at McQuade Children's Services. McQuade has more than 200 employees at six locations throughout Orange County, N.Y. ■ **Amy Ellen Fontana** and her husband, Dominick, announce the birth of their son, Samuel Christian, born Jan. 17, 2008. ■ **Matthew Gillis** welcomed his son, Richard Joseph, into the world on April 24, 2007. ■ **Scott Haywood** and **Janis Russell '97** recently married at the Marist College chapel. ■ **Linda White Hocking** and her husband, James, announce the birth of their son, Ethan James, born Sept. 8, 2007. ■ **Dan Iazzetti** married Christine Lavoie on Sept. 15, 2007. ■ **Scott Jacques** and **Colleen Talbot Jacques '94** are the proud parents of Erin Susan, born July 12, 2008. ■ **Joel Kraft** and his wife, Stacy, announce the birth of their son, Jacob Carter, born March 8, 2008. ■ **Mike Mengler** married Arti Mathur in September 2007. The *Danbury* (Conn.) *New Times* featured the wedding in one of its publications. ■ **Margaret Ryan** is founder/co-director of Harlem Link Charter School, for kindergarten through fourth grades, with her husband. For more details, visit www.harlemlink.org. ■ **Suzanne Schiano**

Jennifer Erichson Clum '95



Scully welcomed her second daughter, Grace, into the world on March 29, 2007. Grace joins her big sister, Brooke, 4 years old. ■ **Colleen McGrath Shanley** and her husband, Kevin, announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Olivia Rose, born March 7, 2008. ■ **Kimberly Meehan Steinhorn** and her husband, **Bartholomew Steinhorn '93**, welcomed a son, Jacob McDonald, born Nov. 10, 2007. Kimberly received an MA in liberal arts with a focus on women's studies from Manhattanville College in May 2006. ■ **Dawn Dimmock Wesley** is raising funds for the Leukemia Society in Charlotte, N.C., so that she can participate in a half-marathon on behalf of a classmate of her daughter.

1996

Andrea DeRosa Barber and her husband, Tim, announce the birth of their son, Benicio Elliott, born May 21, 2007. ■ **Christopher Berinato** was promoted to producer at Fox45 News at Ten in Baltimore, Md. ■ **Beth Buonaguro** and Joe Barone married on Nov. 10, 2007. ■ **Todd Coulson** began working as a web developer for Comcast Interactive Media in June 2007. ■ **Monica DeMaio Donlin** and her husband, Louis, announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Grace, born Oct. 3, 2007. ■ **Kathleen Doody Gallagher** and her husband, Devin, welcomed their first child, a son, Finn Michael, on Jan. 9, 2008. ■ **Jay Johnston** has moved to Minnesota to work for Target Corp. ■ **Maura King** and Patrick O'Grady married in September 2007. ■ **Susan Ferinde McWhirter** and her husband and 2-year-old daughter, Katie, recently moved to State College, Pa. She is the human resources manager at Penn State University, supporting the Research Department and the Graduate School. ■ **Kristen Mooney McGarry** and her husband, Kevin, ran the NYC Marathon and dove the Great Barrier Reef in Australia. Kristen also recently received the CRPC—Chartered Retirement Planning Counselor—designation from the College for Financial Planning. ■ **Laurie Robb** was promoted to director of communications and training at Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield in Rochester, N.Y. ■ **Jenny Benedetti Rousos** had a daughter, Gabriella Renee, on May 20, 2008. ■ **Scott Sullens** has joined Aramith, a billiards manufacturer, as chief sales and marketing officer for North America. ■ **James Tolfree** and his wife, Christine, announce the birth of their daughter, Julia Rose, on Feb. 11, 2007.

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Todd Antenucci and **Shanay Smith, Esq., '98** married on June 22, 2007, in Peekskill, N.Y. ■ **Daniel Bianchi** is a CPS investigator for the Dutchess County Department of Social Services. He is also a 2008 graduate of Adelphi University with a master's degree in social work. ■ **Craig Chandler** was hired as IT operations program manager in Microsoft's Advertiser and Publisher Services division in March 2008. ■ **Jason Daingerfield** and his wife, Jill, announce the birth of their daughter, Maeve Elsie, on July 20, 2006. ■ **David DeVito** and his wife announce the arrival of their son, Andrew Lachlan, born May 5, 2008. ■ **Catherine Leibman Kirby** and her husband, Mike, announce the birth of their second daughter, Addison Jane, born June 17, 2008. ■ **Donna Matthews** is a school psychologist at Ulster BOCES. She works primarily with middle school students who have emotional and behavioral issues. ■ **Christopher Mero** and his wife, **Amy Cotter Mero '99**, announce the arrival of a son, Brady Norman, born April 21, 2007. Brady joins big brother Noah Christopher, born June 17, 2003. ■ **Christopher Nielson** and his wife, **Meredith Kamp Nielson**, announce the birth of their daughter, Amelia Mae, born Jan. 8, 2008. ■ **Kristen Eberth Noble** and her husband, Brian, had a daughter, Adalyn Karina, on May 16, 2008. Mother, daughter, and grandparents—**Jack Eberth '69** and his wife, Susan—are all doing well. ■ **Chris Rawls** and his wife, **Robyn Peet Rawls '98**, welcomed their son, Schuyler Christopher, born Jan. 30, 2008. ■ **Janis Russell** and **Scott Haywood '95** recently married at the Marist College chapel. ■ **Adam Towne**, and his wife, Tracy, had a son, Alexander, on June 1, 2007.



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Gianna Pino Casini and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of their daughter, Domenica Maria, born Jan. 23, 2008. ■ **Dana Coghlan** married Charles Stabile on Nov. 4, 2006. ■ **Michele Donovan** and Jean Paul Klose married Sept. 22, 2007, in Clifton Park, N.Y. ■ **Michael Goot** is an education reporter for the *Daily Gazette* in his hometown of Schenectady, N.Y. ■ **Russell Heigel** and his wife, Suzanne, announce the birth of a son, Nicolas Anthony, born Feb. 25, 2008. ■ **Jeffrey Keene** and his wife, Heather, announce the birth of their son,



The flag denotes classes that celebrated reunions in 2008



Alumni Authors

Half-Past Nowhere, a collection of short stories by **Joseph Cavano '65**, has been published by CPCC Press. Many of the stories are set in and around the Hudson Valley and several have earned critical recognition.

Vincent Begley '70's history of two prominent New York families, *The Burton and Van Duzer Descendants*, was published in December 2007 by Wilstead and Taylor.

Dr. Robert Sommer '74's new novel, *Where the Wind Blew*, was published in spring 2008 by the Wessex Collective. He writes columns in the series "Midwest Voices" for the *Kansas City Star*.

Penguin Books published **Patrice Sarath '84's** novel *Gordath Wood*, a contemporary fantasy-mystery tale, in June 2008. *Gordath Wood* tells the story of two young women whose adventures bring them from the elite horse country of upstate New York to a dangerous medieval fantasy world. Lynn and Kate must use all their strength and all their cleverness to survive in a land beset by war and magic.

Kimberly Knox Beckius '90's fifth book, *The Everything Family Guide to New England*, was published in April 2008 by Adams Media. Her sixth book, *The New England Coast*, is due this fall from Voyageur Press.

Ian O'Connor '86's book *Arnie & Jack: Palmer, Nicklaus, and Golf's Greatest Rivalry* was published by Houghton Mifflin in April 2008.

Kirkus Reviews calls it "an exemplary sports history." Ian had exclusive access to Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus and conducted some 200 interviews in chronicling the five-decades rivalry—on the course and off—between golf's two iconic figures. *Sports Illustrated* ran an excerpt in April in its master's preview issue. Ian is a columnist for Foxsports.com and the *Bergen* (N.J.) *Record*.

If you would like news of your book included in *Alumni Authors*, please send the title, the name of publisher,

the date of publication, and a description of the content to leslie.bates@marist.edu or to *Alumni Authors*, c/o Marist Magazine, *Advancement*, Marist College, 3399 North Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601-1387. Feel free to have your publisher e-mail us a pdf of the book's cover.

Steven, born April 15, 2008. ■ **Michael Kenney** and Susan Boyle married Nov. 24, 2007. ■ **Paul McHugh** and his wife, Peggy, announce the birth of daughter Molly Julia on Dec. 26, 2007. ■ **Melissa Manso Pennucci** and her husband, Adam, welcomed their second daughter, Camryn Lee, born Jan. 4, 2008. Camryn Lee joins big sister Adeline. Melissa left her job of 10 years with World Wrestling Entertainment to be a stay-at-home mom to her daughters. ■ **Kelly Quinn Mosbarger** and her husband, Derek, announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Quinn, born Feb. 20, 2008. ■ **Stefanie Pacheco** received national board accreditation in teaching as a middle childhood generalist. ■ **Bridget Foy Pomerantz** and **Jason Pomerantz** welcomed a daughter, Mary Josephine, on June 8, 2008. Bridget is the daughter of President

Emeritus Dr. Richard Foy '50. Jason is the son of **Robert Pomerantz**, a member of Marist's Physical Plant staff. ■ **Robyn Peet Rawls** and her husband, **Chris Rawls '97**, welcomed their son, Schuyler Christopher, born Jan. 30, 2008. ■ **Christine Rosenvinge** gave birth to a son, Donald, on Nov. 10, 2007. ■ **Shanay Smith, Esq.**, and **Todd Antenucci '97** married on June 22, 2007, in Peekskill, N.Y. ■ **Ryan Soucy** and **Gyna Slomcinsky Soucy** welcomed their son, William Albert, to their family. ■ **Jane Rosick Wasyliw** and her husband, Christopher, had a daughter, Eva Marsalla, on Feb. 1, 2008. ■ **Christine Winter Silver** and her husband, **Brian Silver**, had their second child, a son, Grayson James, on Dec. 11, 2007. ■ **Rebecca Spearrin** married Michael Paholski in March 2007.

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Lark-Marie Antón and her husband, Dan Menchini, welcomed a daughter, Amelia Ines, on Dec. 30, 2007. Lark is vice president of marketing and public relations at the Miss Universe Organization. ■ **Steven Conroy, MD**, graduated from Lehigh Valley Hospital's emergency medicine residency as chief resident and was hired at Lehigh Valley Hospital as core faculty and associate clinical professor in emergency medicine residency for Penn State. ■ **Emily Carozzo Dickson** and her husband, Nicholas, announce the birth of their son, Spencer Christopher, born Feb. 24, 2008. ■ **Dylan Edgar** and **Karen Mora** married on Sept. 7, 2007. Dylan is a senior producer at City Lights Media in New York City. ■ **Allison Rigaud Eriksen** and her husband, Eric, announce the birth of

their baby boy, Owen Christopher, born Dec. 7, 2007. ■ **Chantal Poirier Glancy** and her husband, James, welcomed their daughter, Tallulah James, on Oct. 30, 2007. ■ **Heather Woods Guzman** and **James Guzman** announce the birth of their son, Ryan James, born June 5, 2007. ■ **Edward Kenyon** lives in the Garden City area of Long Island, N.Y., and is an officer in the New York City Police Department covering the Gramercy Park area. ■ **John Killeen** was recently promoted to asset protection manager at Polo Ralph Lauren in New York City. ■ **Cardi Kramer Fogarty** and

her husband, **Holt Fogarty '00**, had a son, Pierce Patrick, on June 10, 2008. ■ **Joelene Lyons Lenyk** and her husband, Michael, welcomed a daughter, Lauren Michele, born April 24, 2008. ■ **Charles Leone**, and his wife, Tracy, had a son, Patrick Thomas, on Feb. 24, 2008. They recently purchased a home in Fanwood, N.J. ■ **Kathleen Wisniewski McEnroe** and her husband bought a house in Nassau County, N.Y. She earned a Certificate of Advanced Study in literacy studies from Hofstra University and now has 30 credits beyond her master's degree. She teaches fourth grade in New York City. ■ **Brian McGovern** and his wife, Jamie, announce the birth of their son, Patrick Jason, born May 27, 2008. ■ **Amy Cotter Merrow** and her husband, **Christopher Merrow '97**, announce the arrival of a son, Brady Norman, born April 21, 2007. Brady joins big brother Noah Christopher, born June 17, 2003. ■ **Michael Milby** married Catherine Tai on May 17, 2008. They recently relocated from Southborough, Mass., and Michael left his job at Wellington Management in Boston to join HSBC Global Asset Management USA, Inc., in New York City as an assistant vice president and credit analyst. ■ **Kristi Valleau Morris** announces the birth of a daughter, Kendall Ann, born Jan. 16, 2007. ■ **Timothy Rifenburg** has finished his fourth year of teaching at Roy C. Ketcham High School in Wappingers Falls, N.Y. He is grateful for all he received at Marist. ■ **Megan St. John** graduated on May 16, 2008, with a master's degree in school counseling. ■ **Tom Schwab** is a reporter and anchor for Regional News Network

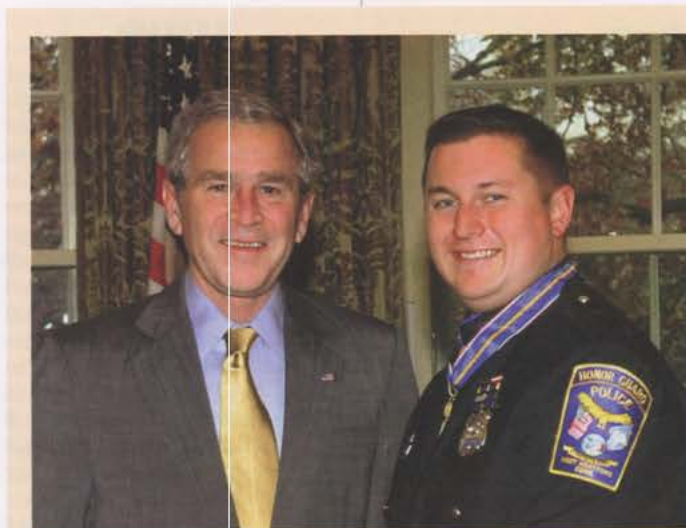


To celebrate their 10-year reunion, the "Boys of Townhouse B3," members of the Class of 1998, got together in Lake George, N.Y., for a weekend. Pictured are (left to right) Matt Vinciguerra, Ryan McGrath, James Mitchell, Keith Sunderland, Michael Accuosti, Trent Sano, Michael Blanchette, Robert Hoey, Joseph Debona, and Michael Benevento. Missing from the photo is Andrew Manning.

(WRNN-TV) covering New York City. Tom was recently profiled in an article in *The County Seat*, a newspaper covering the Hackensack, N.J., area. ■ **Carmelita Seufert** and her husband, **Evo Rondini '06**, purchased their first home, located in Poughkeepsie, in June 2007. ■ **Beth Cimino Tomlinson** and her husband, Timothy, had a daughter, Rylee Elexis, on Sept. 13, 2007. ■ **Charles Williams** and his wife, **Tina Angiulli Williams '00**, welcomed their daughter, Madison Catherine, born April 1, 2008.

2000

Kristyna McMahon Acerno completed a master's degree in library science in May 2008. ■ **Janeen VanBeesel Allmendinger** and her husband, Keith, announce the birth of their second child, Lily Ann, born Dec. 31, 2007. Janeen is pursuing a master's degree in administration and supervision at Montclair State University in New Jersey. She has a master's in teaching reading. ■ **Melissa Ciarelli Balu** and her husband, Theo, announce the birth of their daughter, Gianna Kalie, born Nov. 9, 2007. ■ **Jennifer Boudreau** and Robert Djang welcomed a daughter, Mia Leigh, born March 6, 2008. ■ **Megan Moore Boyd** and **Daniel Boyd** had their second child, a son, Macklin Charles, on Oct. 11, 2007. ■ **Alicia Czander, MD**, and **Griffin Murray** married June 14, 2008. She is in her residency at St. Luke's Hospital in New York City and will be changing her name to Dr. Alicia Murray. ■ **Korin Daniels** and **James Chisholm** married on March 28, 2008. ■ **Holt Fogarty** and his wife, **Cardi Kramer Fogarty '99**, welcomed their son, Pierce Patrick, born June 10, 2008. ■ **Meghan McKenna** and **Robert Bavol** married on Dec. 22, 2006. Their daughter, Ava, was born Nov. 28, 2007. ■ **Keri Stevenson Healy** and her husband, Sean, announce the birth of their third child, a daughter, Nora Bea, born Dec. 21, 2007. ■ **Heather Suydam Herrington, Esq.**, works for Rawle and Henderson. The firm was founded in 1783 and is the oldest continuously practicing law firm in the nation, according to its web site. She is an associate in the firm's Philadelphia office. ■ **Mary Beth Kohlhepp** and **Martin Roche** married Dec. 8, 2007, in Playa del Carmen, Mexico. ■ **Debra Flanigan Lubas** had a son, John Joseph, on Nov. 7, 2007. She lives in Monterey, Calif., while her husband pursues a master's degree at the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School. ■ **Meredith Kamp Nielson** and her husband, **Christopher Nielson '97**, announce the birth of their daughter, Amelia Mae, born Jan. 8, 2008. ■ **Elizabeth Owens** works for Becton Dickinson as a medical sales representative. ■ **Amy Spero Petersen** and her husband, **David Petersen**, announce the birth of their son, Joshua David, born Dec. 7, 2007. ■ **Erin Smith** was promoted to assistant director of production and editorial at the *Grow Network/McGraw-Hill*. She received the company's November 2007 Excellence in Achievement Award and the CTB/McGraw-Hill Georgia CRCT



President George W. Bush presents the Medal of Valor to Todd Myers '99 at the White House.

Todd Myers '99 Awarded Medal of Valor

On a warm, sunny July morning in 2005, Todd Myers '99 left his house in Connecticut for his job as a West Hartford police officer. As he descended a hill on Route 44 in Avon, he saw a dump truck loaded with dirt and boulders lose control, flip over, and careen through an intersection, killing four people and striking 20 cars and a Hartford transit bus.

Todd ran about 200 meters toward the wreckage while using his police radio to call for assistance. After throwing dirt at the flames on the first car he approached, he used his pocketknife to cut through the seatbelt of the woman trapped inside. He took her to a safe area just as her car became engulfed in flames. Todd suffered first- and second-degree burns. Next, he made his way to the burning bus, where he freed the trapped and critically injured driver. Todd continued to assist victims while help arrived.

This past December, President George W. Bush awarded Todd the 2005-2006 Medal of Valor, the highest national award of valor by a public safety officer. (To see a short video of the occasion, visit www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2007/12/20071212-4.html.)

Todd, who grew up in Simsbury, Conn., always knew he wanted to be a police officer. His father was a Simsbury police officer until his recent retirement. Todd completed two internships with the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department before graduating from Marist in 1999. He was hired by the Enfield, Conn., Police Department before he graduated from Marist and by June of 1999 was enrolled in the Connecticut municipal police academy. He also has been a volunteer fireman since he was 16 years old.

About a month after the accident, he had a visitor at the Police Department. It was the woman he saved from the first burning car. She wanted to thank Todd in person for saving her life. "That has never happened to me before," Todd says.

ter, Amelia Mae, born Jan. 8, 2008. ■ **Elizabeth Owens** works for Becton Dickinson as a medical sales representative. ■ **Amy Spero Petersen** and her husband, **David Petersen**, announce the birth of their son, Joshua David, born Dec. 7, 2007. ■ **Erin Smith** was promoted to assistant director of production and editorial at the *Grow Network/McGraw-Hill*. She received the company's November 2007 Excellence in Achievement Award and the CTB/McGraw-Hill Georgia CRCT

Team Achievement Award. ■ **Jessica DeCicco Stalters** and her husband, Anthony, announce the birth of their first child, a son, Andrew Thomas, born April 24, 2008. ■ **Jennifer Starzyk** and **Joseph Verderame** were married July 3, 2004. ■ **Michael Walsh** and **Lauren Sabo '02** married on Sept. 29, 2007. ■ **Koustubh Warty's** daughter, Niharika, turned 3 years old in July 2008. ■ **Adam Weissman** joined Griffin Public Relations in May 2008 as a senior account executive. In

June Adam started his third term as president of the Hoboken (N.J.) Ski Club and invites all Marist alumni to come to a meeting or visit the club's web site at www.hobokenskiclub.com to learn about plans for the '08/'09 ski season. ■ **Lisa Douglas Whelan** and her husband, Erik, welcomed their first child, a son, Lukas Anderson, born March 25, 2008. ■ **Tina Angiulli Williams** and her husband, **Charles Williams '99**, welcomed their daughter, Madison Catherine, born April 1, 2008.

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Ben Amarone joined Sciele Pharma as a pharmaceutical sales representative. ■ **Joseph Catrino** and his wife, **Holly Angelbeck Catrino '02**, announce the birth of their son, Noah Joseph, born April 21, 2008. ■ **Cheryl Chaffin Nethercott** and her husband, **Brian Nethercott '01/'04M**, announce the birth of their son, Gavin Robert, born Oct. 14, 2007. ■ **Leah Cristi** is teaching seventh and eighth grade Spanish at Parker Middle School in Reading, Mass. ■ **Dana Felice** and **Joe Podwol** married on Aug. 12, 2007, at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. ■ **Kelley Frink** and **David Conley** married on Sept. 29, 2007. ■ **Elizabeth Higgins** announced the birth of her son, John David, born May 16, 2006. He joins big sister Sara. ■ **Jeanneil Kulik-Warren's** son, Jake Nevada, turned 4 on Aug. 24, 2008. ■ **Mark Lawrence** is a financial advisor with Prudential Financial. He bought a home in Commack, N.Y., in 2005 and married in 2006. He says he misses the Hudson at sunrise. ■ **Salvatore (Sam) Mondesando** and his wife, Corinne, announce the birth of their son, Nicholas Anthony, born May 7, 2008. Sam and Corinne married on Nov. 5, 2005. ■ **Melissa Novick** and **Brendan McCarthy** married on June 15, 2007. They reside in Las Vegas, where she is a manager at the Venetian Hotel. Melissa and Brendan welcomed their son, Jack Dylan, born June 5, 2008. ■ **Chris Sparks** is teaching human rights at East Hartford High School and coaches the baseball team there. He is also pursuing a degree in education administration. ■ **Patrick Spence** has moved on from WTOP/Federal News Radio. He is a freelance news writer at WJLA-TV, the ABC-TV affiliate in the Washington, D.C., metro area. ■ **Mary Tomm** married Richard Knowlton on June 30, 2007. ■ **Katie Twist Rowlinson** and her husband, George, welcomed a son, George Henry VI, on March 25, 2007.

2002

Karla Beauregard has a new position in talent relations at World Wrestling Entertainment. ■ **Holly Angelbeck Catrino** and her husband, **Joseph Catrino '01**, announce the birth of their son, Noah Joseph, born April 21, 2008. ■ **Patrick Driscoll** teaches at Tappan Zee High School in Orangeburg, N.Y. He is the girls' cross country and track coach there. ■ **Benjamin Hecht** and his wife, Jennifer Stockwell, announce the birth of their son, Grey Stockwell, born Dec. 22, 2007. ■ **J. Curtis Kelly** has become an RN and works in the Emergency Department at University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester, Mass. ■ **Edward Nini** married Catherine Murphy on Nov. 10, 2007. ■ **Emily Green Pacella** is in her fifth year of teaching at Middletown High School in Middletown, N.Y. She is pursuing certification in educational administration. ■ **Jessica Harmer** married Alex Pardee on Dec. 8, 2007. ■ **Geoffrey Rejent** and his wife, **Kristin DeCrescenzi '03**, welcomed their daughter, Kailyn Elizabeth, born Nov. 29, 2007. ■ **Kimberly Rowe** has started her own company, Go Live Give. The company produces a TV series showing people how to vacation green and volunteer in the cities they visit. Visit the web site, www.golivegive.com, or contact Kim at happyearth@golivegive.com. ■ **Susan Safer** graduated with a master's in elementary mathematics in May 2007. She teaches first grade in Manhattan. ■ **Lauren Sabo** and **Michael Walsh '00** married on Sept. 29, 2007. ■ **Carrie Matarazzo** and **Charles Sollin** married on Oct. 27, 2007. ■ **Jonelle Formato** and **Joseph Santo** married on July 13, 2007. ■ **Justin Spraker** and his wife, Sarah, welcomed a baby girl, Gabriella Grace, born Oct. 5, 2007. Gabriella joins her big sister, Hannah Elizabeth, born Oct. 8, 2006. ■ **Jennifer Stewart**



Jim Tyrrell '02



Kevin Beall '03 in Afghanistan

received a Doctor of Optometry degree from New England College of Optometry in 2007. She is a staff optometrist at Austin Ryan Optika in New Paltz and Vision City in Newburgh. She is a member of the Vistakon World Performance Vision Council and performed evaluations on the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team in Hawaii in December 2007. She was to be a vision consultant for the 2008 Olympics in Beijing, China. She is also a member of the New York State Optometric Association and the American Optometric Association. ■ **Jim Tyrrell** was promoted to head baseball coach at Florida Southern College. Previously he was assistant baseball coach. Florida Southern was 29-21 in spring 2008 and finished second in the Sunshine State Conference.



Kevin Beall was deployed to Afghanistan in December 2007 and was scheduled to return in September 2008. Kevin is with the New York Army National Guard Charlie Company 1/69 Infantry Battalion out of Camp Smith in Cortlandt Manor, N.Y. His criminal justice degree is being put to good use, he reports. "My mission is to train, mentor, and advise the Afghan National Police." ■ **Catherine Coco** and **Brian Sutch** married on Oct. 27, 2007. Catherine received an MBA from Marist in 2008. ■ **Patrick Connell** and **Lisa Sakell** married on Oct. 7, 2006. ■ **Kristin DeCrescenzi** and her husband, **Geoffrey Rejent '02**, welcomed their daughter, Kailyn Elizabeth, to the world Nov. 29, 2007. ■ **Jordan Eible**

and **Kevin Binder** married on Aug. 31, 2007. ■ **Kimberly Espey** welcomed a daughter, Peyton Nicole, into the world. ■ **Meredith Fabian** and **Kevin Bielen** married on July 15, 2006. ■ **Jenny Farnam** and **Joseph Neuhoff** married on May 17, 2008. ■ **Amy Kane** and **Nicholas Balestrino '04** married in July 2007. ■ **Travis Mason** is pursuing a master's in communication at Illinois State University. ■ **Brian Shaughnessy** graduated as valedictorian from the federal law enforcement officers training academy in Potomac, Md. He is a U.S. postal inspector in Honolulu, Hawaii. His duties include investigating and arresting suspects for mail theft, identity theft, and counterfeiting postal money orders as well as presenting his cases for prosecution.

2004

Nicholas Balestrino and **Amy Kane '03** married in July 2007. The wedding party consisted of six fellow Marist grads. ■ **Danielle Barrett** was to complete a master's in reading/literary education at SUNY New Paltz in August. She plans to move to Florida. ■ **Eli Bisnett-Cobb** moved to San Diego, Calif., after spending two years as an athletic trainer with the Minnesota Vikings of the NFL. He is now an assistant athletic trainer at the University of San Diego and is "loving life!" ■ **Marissa Cucolo** received a master's in communication from Marist in 2006 through the College's online program. She is a senior production coordinator at ESPN in the Event Production Department. ■ **Gary Finke** and **Jennifer Miller** married on July 14, 2007. ■ **Lauren Hellthaler** and **John Healy III** married in September 2007. ■ **Meghan Nilan** and **Michael Doyle**

married on Sept. 8, 2007. ■ **Matthew McCarty** was promoted to manager of IT Services at Media Logic. ■ **Sophia Sarantakos** is a social worker in New Orleans. ■ **Nicole Thompson** and **Daniel Acker** married on Dec. 2, 2007. ■ **Greg Zurawik** married **Elizabeth Biktjorn** on Dec. 8, 2007. He is the corporate communications coordinator at Saint Francis Hospital in Poughkeepsie.

2005

Robin Degen married **Jason Corlis** on June 9, 2007. ■ **Caitlin Donahue** graduated from Thomas M. Cooley Law School on May 17, 2008. ■ **Victoria Drake** has started a new position after 10 years working for a financial company. She is now in the American/International Studies Department at Ramapo College. ■ **Anthony Lombardi** completed the Ironman Triathlon in Louisville, Ky., in 13 hours and 35 seconds. He did it to raise money for a scholarship that honors a close friend named Jared Grenier who passed away in 2003. ■ **Ken Kohler** made a documentary of Tony's participation. Anyone seeking more information or wishing to contribute may write to jpgscholarship@gmail.com. Tony is an IT project manager in the Personal Insurance Division of Travelers in Hartford, Conn. Kenny is an associate producer at Nancy Glass Productions, working on a show for HGTV called *Spice Up My Kitchen*. ■ **Robert Reid** retired from the New York City Police Department in February 2007 after 21 years of service. ■ **Richard Sassi II** and his wife, Lisa, had a son, Richard J. III, on April 6, 2008. ■ **1st Lt. Patrick VanHorne, USMC**, is stationed at Camp Pendleton, Calif. He is preparing for his second deployment. ■ **Kerri Oliveira** married Capt. Nathan C. Whitten on May 5, 2005. ■ **Ashley Woerner** lives in Chicago and works for Publicis. She plays water polo in a masters' league and is active in the Chicago Junior League and a Kappa Kappa Gamma alumni group.

2006

Kellie Cunningham relocated with her company, Taylor Global, to Los Angeles. After two great years working in Taylor's New York City office, she decided to take a chance and see what life is like on the West Coast. She will continue to work on the Microsoft Xbox and BRP accounts, specializing in sports and entertainment public relations. ■ **Jessica DeMeo** has worked as an international assignment consultant at Cartus since May 2006. She is pursuing an MBA at Fairfield University. ■ **Craig Falicon**

is a communications assistant for the New York Giants. ■ **Julia Graham** is an account executive at Text100. ■ **Lisa Herring** teaches in the Wappingers Central School District and is enrolled in the master's in educational psychology program at Marist. ■ **Jodi Iarossi** is an immunohematology reference technologist for the Carolinas Region American Red Cross Blood Services in Durham, N.C. ■ **Andres Oranges** accepted a new job with National Grid as a junior trader specializing in natural gas and electricity. He started in January 2008. ■ **Meghan Partlow** is living in Hawaii, teaching kindergarten and first grade special education. She ran in the Honolulu Marathon on Dec. 9, 2007. ■ **Brendan Morris** is in his second year at Seton Hall Law School in Newark, N.J. ■ **Evo Rondini** and his wife, **Carmelita Seufert '99**, purchased their first home, located in Poughkeepsie, in June 2007. ■ **Jill Rutherford** is pursuing a DVM in the Atlantic Veterinary College at the University of Prince Edward Island in Canada. She expects to complete the program in 2011. ■ **Michaela Sweet** is a marketing manager and ticket sales account executive for the New Hampshire Fisher Cats, an affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays. ■ **Kevin Ten Kate '03/'06M** purchased a franchise called Collision on Wheels. ■ **Alec Troxell** has worked for BBDO, a large advertising agency in New York City, for two years.

2007

Elizabeth Aprea has been accepted in the master of social work program at New York University. ■ **Marybeth DeLaRosa** is a commercial credit analyst at TD Bank. She is also an adjunct faculty member at Adirondack Community College. ■ **Thomas DePace** is director of marketing for Advance Sound Co. in Farmingdale, N.Y. ■ **Charlene Dudginski** is a seventh grade special education

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More than 80 alumni and guests participated in the 2008 Marist Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament on July 31 at Dutchess Golf and Country Club in Poughkeepsie. All proceeds from the tournament supported the Alumni Legacy Scholarship Fund, which is the only award specifically reserved for the sons and/or daughters of Marist graduates. One foursome, above, consisted of (left to right) Juan Campos '74, Joe DeVita '71, Bob Hatfield Jr. '69, a past president of the Alumni Association, and Dan Faison Jr. '73.

teacher in Waterbury, Conn. ■ **Sheila Finnegan** has taught in Hawaii for a year. ■ **G. Parker Huntington** started his career with JP Morgan Chase as a sales strategy support specialist. ■ **Himanshu Patel** and his wife, Jigna, announce the birth of their daughter, Mahek Patel, born June 8, 2008. ■ **Sankung Susso** is a New York City teaching fellow working with students with special needs. He is also enrolled at Mercy College pursuing a master's

in education and expects to graduate in the summer of 2009. ■ **Derek Valentine** is pursuing a master's in city planning at Boston University this fall.

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Several members of the 2001 Master of Public Administration (MPA) Goshen extension center cohort gathered at a Middletown, N.Y., restaurant to recall their graduate school days and to inaugurate a scholarship in memory of Nancy Smith '01M, who died shortly after graduation. Smith is remembered as a vibrant person who gave to others through her work in the health care field and as a devoted daughter and friend. With the support of these and other classmates, as well as Smith's parents, the first Nancy S. Smith Memorial Scholarship has been awarded to current MPA Goshen cohort student Lanette Perez-Villaruel. Pictured left to right are (back row) Roz Magidson, DeNise Cook Bauer, Deb Gesner, Danette Shepard, Adrienne Lambert-Jacobs, (front row) Caryl Mallory, and Lenora Vaughan.

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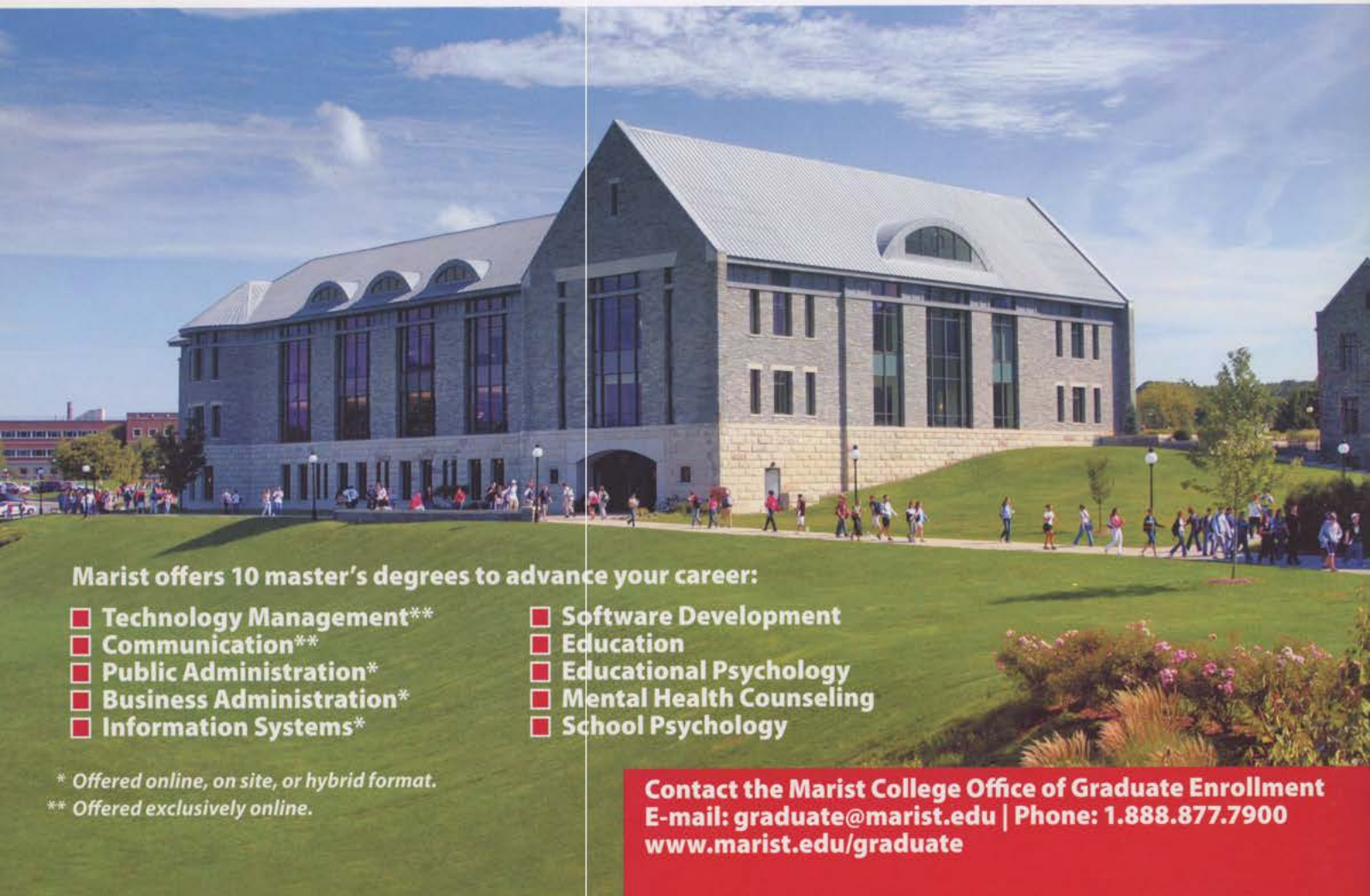
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