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# *Spirit*

*"You are beginning a new work, which in time will be multiplied..."*

- Comment attributed to Father Louis Florent Gillet, speaking to Mother Theresa Maxis. IHM

This past spring, I celebrated my 20<sup>th</sup> year of service at Marywood. When staff members reach this milestone at Marywood, they are presented with the Sister Theresa Maxis, IHM Service Award. The medal's namesake was a woman of great courage and a determined spirit—some might call her feisty.

Theresa Maxis, who co-founded the IHM Congregation with Father Gillet, was, above all, a visionary leader. Even in the face of adversity, she advanced the Alphonsian values of empowerment, excellence, holistic education, service, respect for all people, and the realization of God-given potential. As Father Gillet wisely observed, the work of Theresa Maxis has multiplied beyond all imagining. Her bold legacy is made new, again and again, in today's IHM Sisters and in all who embrace Marywood University's mission and core values.



Those who claim the Marywood spirit are also claiming the spirit of Theresa Maxis, whether they know it or not, because the two are inseparable. Each generation at Marywood gives new expression and significance to the important work she began so long ago. The pages of this issue proudly celebrate that unwavering spirit, as demonstrated by the accomplishments and mission-driven actions of today's students, faculty, trustees, alumni, parents, and friends of Marywood University.

As summer turns to fall, another inspiring chapter in Marywood's story is being written; we've begun the "new work" of this generation. I think Theresa Maxis would be proud.

Kind regards,

SHERYL LYNN SOCHOKA '92  
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# THE MISSION ENDURES

*“There is no passion to be found in playing small—in settling for a life that is less than what you are capable of living.”*

~ Nelson Mandela

At the turn of the twentieth century, Mother M. Cyril Conway, who was the Superior General of the IHM Congregation at the time, made it her singular mission each day to travel from the former St. Cecilia’s Academy in downtown Scranton up to the hills of Green Ridge, where she could oversee the construction of a new building—the Motherhouse at Mt. St. Mary’s that would eventually become Marywood.

Due to a street car strike, she had to make this arduous journey on foot, dressed in the traditional full habit. Mother Cyril’s daily dedication to this task allowed her to closely supervise the work, make needed changes, and even steeled her to formally object an attempt by the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valley Railroad Company to build a rail line through the grounds. Without her tenacity and faith, Marywood might not have been built; but Mother Cyril was not one to “play small”—she saw a bigger vision before her and moved boldly forward to realize it. She established a solid foundation for a big dream and an ongoing mission that continues to transform lives, generations later.

Our Centennial is on the horizon, and so too are historic plans for this University. As we anticipate this momentous milestone,

just two short years away, it is important to reflect on who we are, where we’ve been, and, most importantly, where we’re going. Recalling the courage of leaders like Mother Cyril gives us confidence to expand that transformative vision, not just for our time, but for future generations.

The Marywood mission endures; it is alive and well in the day-to-day interactions between faculty and students, at scholastic and athletic events, and through the “Forever Green” pride shared by our graduates. Time-honored traditions like Orientation, Commencement, and Reunion Weekend magnify the mission on an even greater scale, from the potential of our newest students to the ongoing success of our esteemed alumni.

This is an incredible time at Marywood University. We will not “play small” and settle for something less; like Mother Cyril, we will dream big, and achieve something more—with great passion.

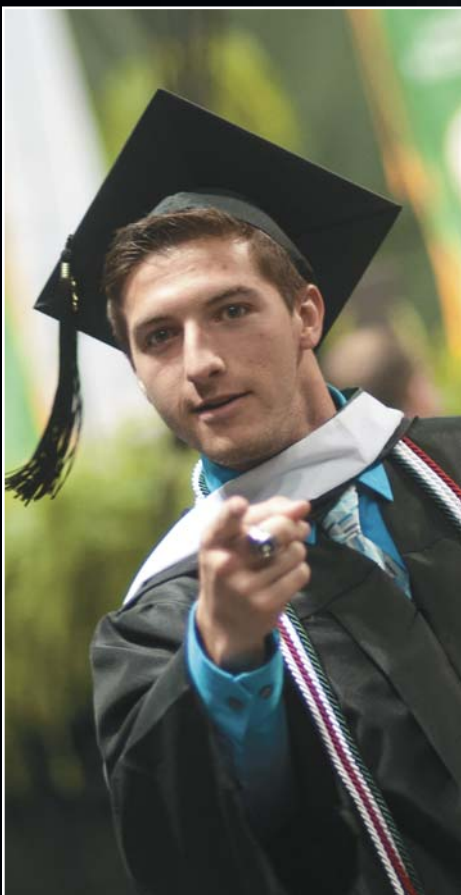
*Sister Anne Munley IHM*

Sister Anne Munley, IHM, Ph.D.  
President, Marywood University



# COMMENCEMENT

**H**is Grace, **The Most Reverend Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.**, Archbishop of Indianapolis, was the keynote speaker at Marywood University's 95<sup>th</sup> Commencement on Sunday, May 12, 2013, at the Mohegan Sun Arena, Wilkes-Barre, PA. He was awarded an honorary doctorate during the ceremony. Archbishop Tobin, a Redemptorist, noted that his order and the IHM Congregation "share a similar spiritual DNA" in their Alphonsian spirituality. Comparing life to a journey, he said the graduates had a choice to travel as tourists or pilgrims—tourists, with cursory, superficial connections to events and people around them, or pilgrims, with a deep connection to God and a commitment to the common good. He urged them to make choices guided by love. "Even when the pilgrimage takes you far from this place, the spirit you breathed at Marywood University will guide the choices you make," noted Archbishop Tobin. "The Spanish mystic, Juan de la Cruz, reminds us that in the evening of our life, we shall be judged on love. It behooves us, I think, not to carry excessive baggage. At the end of the pilgrimage, all that we really will need is love: to love God as God deserves to be loved and to love our fellow travelers as sisters and brothers."







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## James G. Gavin

Elected to Board of Trustees

Sister Anne Munley, IHM, Ph.D., Marywood University President, recently announced that James G. Gavin, Scranton, PA, has been elected to Marywood's Board of Trustees. In addition, the new slate of officers elected for the 2013-2014 year includes **Marion Munley, J.D., Moosic, PA, Chair; Ann R. Henry, Ph.D. '73 Flemington, N.J., Vice Chair; Antonia M. Schierling '60, Rockville, MD, Treasurer, and Michael E. Bugno '88, Roswell, GA, Secretary.**



**James G. Gavin**  
(M.S.W. '73; M.S. '85)

Mr. Gavin is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Community Care Behavioral Health Organization: A University of Pittsburgh

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Marion Munley, J.D.



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and county officials, as well as other behavioral health stakeholders, to ensure the delivery of clinically effective, accessible, and cost-efficient behavioral health services. He has over 40 years of training and experience in behavioral health care, from clinical service delivery through executive management.

His professional affiliations include service as a board member and past president of Pennsylvania Community Providers Associates, where he also was chair of the organization's Managed Care Task Force; membership in the National Association of Social Workers; and founding membership and service as chairman of the Community Behavioral Healthcare Network of Pennsylvania, for which he has also served as interim president.

Additionally, Mr. Gavin has been an active leader on a host of community boards and committees, including St. Joseph's Center,

Area Agency on Aging of Lackawanna County, Goodwill Industries, Holy Rosary Parish Council, IHM Sponsorship Education Program, IHM Peace and Justice Committee, and the Mental Health Association of Allegheny County. His current activities include board membership with the Wright Center for Graduate Medical Education and committee memberships with the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare's Children's Advisory and Quality Committees, Allegheny County's Block Grant Advisory Committee, and the Children's Cabinet for the Allegheny County Human Services Department.

Mr. Gavin, a licensed social worker in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology from the University of Scranton and two master's degrees—a Master of Social Work and a Master of Managerial Science—from Marywood University.

## Hilton Foundation Grant Expands Education Program to Nine African Countries

Marywood University and The African Sisters Education Collaborative (ASEC) recently received a 4.5 million dollar grant from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation that will be used to expand the Sisters Leadership Development Initiative (SLDI) program to serve sisters in Malawi, Cameroon, and South Sudan, bringing the total number of countries participating in leadership and financial management training to nine (Ghana, Nigeria, Kenya, Cameroon, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi and Southern Sudan).

The expansion is part of Phase III, and will enable sisters to advance human development more widely and effectively. Phase III will serve 756 new individual sisters and over 537 sisters via the alumnae associations.

Participating sisters will build their leadership capacities to become more resourceful and learn to effectively steward and invigorate their ministries. Notably, sisters will learn to develop

sustainable plans to support their growing congregations and prepare for increased vocations.

ASEC and Marywood University also have been awarded a \$3.85 million dollar grant from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation for the Higher Education for Sisters in Africa (HESA) project that will enable 233 Catholic sisters to acquire higher education credentials. HESA will be implemented in seven sub-Saharan countries: Ghana, Nigeria, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, South Sudan, and Zambia. Through HESA, 185 sisters will receive bachelor's degrees and 48 will receive associate degrees in a variety of higher education institutions in Africa and through partnerships between American and African universities.



 Read more about ASEC at [www.asec-sldi.org](http://www.asec-sldi.org).





# BRANCHING OUT

## Marywood Welcomes the Class of 2017

The Class of 2017 set foot on campus for the first time as Marywood students during Orientation Weekend, July 12 & 13. Marywood University takes pride in the attention given to assuring success in the transitions students and families face in adjusting to college life. This year, students were encouraged to “Branch Out,” and make the most of their Marywood experience.

During her welcome address, Sister Anne Munley, IHM, President, told the students, “In nature, the tiniest plant is as important as the tallest tree, because each has its own purpose,

its own reason for being. Each one contributes to the overall health and well-being of the entire environment...So, open your eyes, minds, and hearts to the new opportunities before you—branch out and grow. Don’t feel that you have to wait to make a difference—start right away!”

One of the newer traditions of Orientation—walking through the Memorial Arch—was celebrated by students of the incoming class, symbolizing new beginnings, along with the enduring Marywood spirit, mission, and values.





## PSYCHOLOGICAL EXCHANGE

Last year, four Psy.D. students accompanied **Bradley Janey, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Psychology and Counseling, on a trip to Tomsk State University, in Tomsk, Russia. The trip provided intensive training in Clinical Supervision for 50-60 Russian clinical psychologists, university students, and university faculty.

Dr. Janey noted, "There is a profound need for this kind of training, because clinical supervision is a crucial pedagogy in clinical psychology and other allied professions, yet it is virtually unknown in that region of the world."

Over the course of two weeks, participants attended daily lectures on

supervision from Dr. Janey and met for small group discussions led by Psy.D. students, including **Daniel Babskie, Jennifer Kehoe, Sabina Glab,** and **Joseph Reichman.** While in Tomsk, students stayed with Russian host families. This eliminated the expense of lodging for students, while also bringing them into close, daily contact with local residents.

Other activities included a myriad of informal social gatherings, a number of cultural excursions, and student presentations on American culture at the American Center at Tomsk State University. Dr. Janey said, students have repeatedly described the trip as "life-changing" and "a very intensive cultural exchange experience."



*During a recent study trip to Tomsk, Russia, Marywood Psy.D. students, along with Dr. Bradley Janey, flank a statue of one of Anton Chekov's characters (the Russian author spent a lot of time in Tomsk). Pictured, from left to right, are Sabina Glab, Jennifer Kehoe, Dr. Janey, Daniel Babskie, and Joseph Reichman.*



### CHAMBER SINGERS Named Finalists for the American Prize

The Marywood University Chamber Singers, **Dr. Rick Hoffenberg**, conductor, were selected as finalists for The American Prize in Choral Performance (College/ University Division), for 2012. The ensemble was selected from scores of applications reviewed this summer from all across the United States. The American Prize is a series of new, non-profit competitions, unique in scope and structure, designed to recognize and reward the best performing artists, ensembles, and composers in the United States. The American Prize was founded in 2009 and is awarded annually in many areas of the performing arts.

Finalists for The American Prize receive professional adjudication and regional, national, and international recognition based on their recorded performances. In addition to written evaluations from judges, winners, and runners-up are profiled on The American Prize website.

The American Prize is administered by Hat City Music Theater, Inc., a non-profit performing arts organization based in Danbury, Connecticut.



### WIND ENSEMBLE Students Earn State Honors

Approximately 100 of the state's top collegiate musicians from more than 25 universities performed together when the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Band convened this past spring. Included in this number were six members of the Marywood University Wind Ensemble who were chosen through a competitive application process.

Intercollegiate Band members spent three days preparing a full program under the direction of Lt. Colonel Alan Bonner, United States Air Force (ret.). The performance was held on Sunday, March 17, at Mansfield University. The Wind Ensemble is under the artistic direction of **Dr. F. David Romines.**



## MSW PROGRAM EXPANDS to the Poconos

Marywood University and East Stroudsburg University recently signed an agreement that will allow Marywood to offer its Master of Social Work (MSW) degree on East Stroudsburg's campus. Beginning with the Fall 2013 semester, MSW students in Stroudsburg and the surrounding areas can earn their Marywood MSW degree off-campus—a move that **Lloyd Lyter, Ph.D.**, Director of Marywood's Pocono Program, calls "significant."

The Marywood-East Stroudsburg University social work collaboration comes at a good time. The Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry has anticipated a nearly ten percent growth in the need for social workers over the next decade in the state. According to Dr. Lyter, this collaboration will help meet that need, providing Marywood students with education and training that will give them a competitive edge in the job market.

**Sister Anne Munley, IHM, Ph.D.**, President of Marywood University, spoke to a joint crowd of Marywood University and East Stroudsburg University students, faculty, and staff at the agreement signing on East Stroudsburg University's campus on June 14.

"There is a growing demand for social workers with graduate degrees, particularly in this region," Sister Anne said. "It is only fitting, then, that we expand our educational outreach by offering a graduate social work program to students in the Poconos, at a location nearer to where the social work professionals of this area live, work, and make a difference each day."

Marywood's School of Social Work and Administrative Studies began in 1969. Since that time more than 4,000 students have graduated from the University with a social work degree.



On hand to participate in the agreement signing were (first row, from left): Sister Anne Munley, IHM, Ph.D., President of Marywood University, and Marcia G. Welsh, Ph.D., President of ESU. Second row, from left: Diane Keller, Ph.D., Director, School of Social Work and Administrative Studies, MU; Jane Koelble, M.S.W., L.S.W., Executive Director of Women's Resources of Monroe County, Inc.; Alan Levine, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs, MU; Lloyd Lyter, Ph.D., M.S.W., L.S.W., Director of the Pocono Program, MU; Marilyn Wells, Ph.D., M.P.H., Vice Provost and Graduate Dean, ESU; L. Patrick Ross, Chair, ESU's Council of Trustees; John Kraybill-Greggo, Ph.D., M.S.W., L.S.W., A.C.S.W., Chair, Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminal Justice, ESU; Van Reidhead, Ph.D., Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, ESU; Celeste Geering, M.S.W., L.C.S.W., Bilingual Counselor, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Warren County, N.J.; and Peter Hawkes, Ph.D., Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, ESU.



## ADDY AWARDS

### Students, Staff Win Silver and Gold Awards

Marywood University art students swept the student awards at the NEPA 2013 ADDY Awards ceremony at the annual awards dinner on March 8. This is the eighth consecutive year in which Marywood art students have won ADDY Awards.

The ceremony, held at the Hilton Scranton, recognized 2012 creative efforts in print, web, video, radio, and outdoor advertising and design, primarily featuring the work of professionals in the ad agency business throughout the region. Marywood University students started winning ADDYs in 2005, when Marywood graphic design faculty members, **John Meza, M.F.A.**, and **Christine Medley, M.F.A.**, began encouraging their students to enter into the competition. Eight years later, the awards keep rolling in.

**Cynthia Jones '12** won a gold ADDY for her self-promotion CD (pictured above). **Colin Bigart**, senior graphic design student, won silver for his eco-friendly package design and product, "TEO" (pictured below). **Erin Risboskin**, a senior graphic design student, won silver for her eye chart call for entries poster. Finally, in a repeat of the 2011 and 2012 ADDY awards, the University staff was recognized. **Jessica Meoni '12**, a Marywood Marketing and Communications staff member and alumna, won three silver awards for her design of university-related promotional materials.

Nationwide, The American Advertising Federation's ADDY Awards attract more than 50,000 entries for local competitions every year. The regional ADDY competition is the first of a three-tier, national competition. At the second tier, local winners compete against other winners in 15 district competitions. District winners then move on to the third tier, which is the national ADDY Awards competition.





# DR. FEDRICK *retires after 42 YEARS*

**F**ew people know Marywood the way **Dr. Mary Anne Fedrick (B.A. '68, M.S. '72, M.A. '80)** does. When someone asks how long she's been at Marywood, the answer sounds like a string of zingers in a comedian's monologue: longer than half the buildings...longer than a lot of the trees...longer than the name "University." She was here before there were men on campus—let alone men's varsity sports teams. She was here when a "smart classroom" meant there were exceptionally bright students in it.

She has been an undergraduate student, a graduate student, an alumna (with a bachelor's and two master's degrees), a library faculty member, a library director, an admissions director, an enrollment officer, and an academic dean. As of June 30, Dr. Fedrick has been enjoying a new Marywood role—that of retiree.

With the exception of the three years that she taught Latin at what was once Scranton Central High School, Dr. Fedrick's whole career has been at Marywood. She served as the Dean of the Reap College of Education and Human Development since 2004. In this role, she enjoyed mentoring faculty, expanding research opportunities for students, strengthening the doctoral programs, and helping to shape the Reap College's identity. Her personal career highlights also include successfully implementing the first automated library system at Marywood (as Library Director), increasing enrollment and admissions (as Interim Director of Undergraduate Admissions), and the acceptance of Marywood's recent Middle States periodic review report (as the Steering Committee Chair).

As a distinguished educator, Dr. Fedrick has researched the areas of technology

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integration, organizational culture, and organizational change. She also became the ultimate "go to" individual for questions about university policies, practices, and almost everything else. During her 42 years at Marywood, she reflected, the one thing that has remained constant is change.

"I see myself as a student of change. My dissertation was about change, and I've studied change," Dr. Fedrick explained. "I've seen a great deal of change since I came to Marywood, and there will be more when I leave."

What she will miss, however, are the people and the community she has known and loved for so long.

"I think the people and the sense of community make Marywood what it is," said Dr. Fedrick. "Reflecting back, I have seen so much growth and expansion, and yet I am always struck by the fact that while Marywood expands and changes physically and even academically, the core values and mission have never wavered or changed. The spirit of Marywood remains true and strong."

Throughout her tenure at Marywood, she served the University as a faithful volunteer, helping with efforts from fundraising for the Marywood Fund, to participating in phonathons, serving on reunion committees, sending referrals for promising students, acting as a class agent, and helping with the Campus Campaign. Twice she served as a member of the Leadership Team for the Campus Campaigns.

During the recent Reunion Weekend, Dr. Fedrick was honored by the Marywood Alumni Association with the 2013 Sister Denis Donegan Award for Long-term Service to Marywood (see story on Page 26).

She observed, "Marywood is a physical place, but it's also just a part of who you are...that's what I will take with me. It's been a great run."



*Sister Anne Munley, IHM, President of the University; Dr. Mary Anne Fedrick; Sally McDonough (Dr. Fedrick's sister); and Dr. Diane Keller at the Cor Mariae Dinner in April.*



# Dr. Clayton Pheasant Retires

## UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT VP GUIDED 22 YEARS OF GROWTH

In 1991, Marywood was in the beginning stages of momentous change. Every area of the campus was ready to grow. Before the transformation of Marywood's next two decades could occur, however, a comprehensive development program had to be put in place.

Thanks to **Clayton N. Pheasant, D. Min.**, who became Vice President for Advancement in 1991, the idea of advancement at Marywood has become synonymous with philanthropy, resource acquisition, branding, donor stewardship, capital construction, and alumni participation at a national level. Dr. Pheasant arrived on campus in the early stages of an ambitious capital campaign—Impact 2000. In 1996, the campaign wrapped up Phase One after surpassing the \$30 million goal. In 2002, the campaign concluded, realizing \$58.5 million and surpassing its goal by over \$3.5 million. These funds helped launch one of the most extensive building programs in Marywood's history.

"I was here at a time when the institution was growing outward. Every building on campus was either built or significantly renovated during my tenure," Dr. Pheasant reflected. "I will say that it is with a great deal of satisfaction that I'm able to look at what's happened and recognize that I've had a part in it."

During his 22-year tenure, Dr. Pheasant guided the advancement operations from a fledgling program to a comprehensive operation with significant progress in development, alumni relations, and marketing and communications. Among the multiple capital initiatives that took place during his career—all of which had a beneficial impact—he recalls with particular satisfaction the construction of the McGowan Center for Graduate and Professional Studies (1997) and the Insalaco Center for Studio Arts (2001).

"Building the McGowan Center was necessary for the development of our graduate programs," said Dr. Pheasant. "We got a commitment of a million dollars from the McGowan Foundation, with a challenge grant to be matched by a million dollars. That money and that challenge grant changed the whole concept of fundraising for Marywood—it was a transition in the way we thought about what we could accomplish."

Just as the McGowan Center strengthened Marywood's graduate programs and transformed the face of philanthropic efforts on campus, Dr. Pheasant noted that the Insalaco Center was the embodiment of a distinctive history and vision for the University's art programs. This kind of project, he said, motivated people to step up and meet Marywood's challenges, helping the institution to grow in ways that deeply reflected its mission and purpose.

"Every benefactor is important, including the support of the named and the unnamed," Dr. Pheasant observed with gratitude. "The important thing is that people commit themselves to giving at the level that is appropriate for them. What it ultimately boils down to is establishing personal relationships—then people hear our story, catch the vision, and want to help us to move that vision forward."

He is quick to thank others—benefactors and staff members alike. "I appreciate good leadership; dedicated, committed trustees and alumni; excellent faculty and staff," Dr. Pheasant stated. "I especially wish to thank **Patti Munley-Cerda**, who served as my Executive Secretary all these years. We arrived at Marywood together, within days of each other. I can't thank her enough for more than 20 years of valuable service and invaluable friendship."

Dr. Pheasant's dedication to the concept of philanthropic support for nonprofit



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community and professional organizations everywhere—including the YMCA, the Dunmore Rotary Club, the National Society of Fund Raising Executives, and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education—combined with his leadership in advancement at Marywood have created a lasting impact on the University and all who share Marywood's mission and vision.

## PA PROGRAM DIRECTOR WINS *Prestigious Award*



**Lori E. Swanchak, Ph.D., PA-C**, Program Director of Marywood's Physician Assistant Program, has received national recognition for her work and writing in the field of physician assistant education. She has been awarded the Physician Assistant Education Association's (PAEA) Article of the Year Award for her well-researched study of "The Effect of Early Geriatric Exposure upon Career Development and Subspecialty Selection

among Physician Assistant Students," published in the *Journal of Physician Assistant Education (JPAE)*.

The award, which was presented at PAEA's recent Education Forum in Seattle, recognizes physician assistant (PA) educators who publish articles about the training and education of future generations of PAs. Criteria for the award include having an impact on the PA profession with implications for workforce and interdisciplinary training/education.

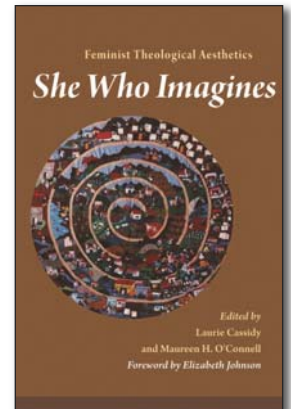
"The Effect of Early Geriatric Exposure upon Career Development and Subspecialty Selection among Physician Assistant Students" focuses on the need for geriatric care as the population of elderly patients grows. Dr. Swanchak's article reflects the current climate of PA education, highlighting the lack of practitioners in geriatric medical care and emphasizing the problems that may result.

According to her research, students at five Pennsylvania PA programs expressed little interest in both geriatric coursework and clinical exposure. She concludes that the current exposure to elderly patients may be inadequate to influence PA students, and that a multifaceted approach may result in an increase of PA students in geriatric medicine.

"I was surprised, yet thrilled, to receive the call from the awards chairperson notifying me of the award," Dr. Swanchak said. "It is a great honor to be recognized by your peers for doing something you enjoy while also contributing to the profession and PA education."

**Kathleen Terry '12** and **Joyce George '12**, who were graduate students at the time, assisted with the research and analysis for Dr. Swanchak's article.

## DR. CASSIDY receives Catholic Press Association Award



At its recent Annual Meeting in Denver (June 19-21), the Catholic Press Association

announced that **Laurie Cassidy, Ph.D.**, Chair of Marywood's Religious Studies Department, along with her co-editor, Maureen H. O'Connell, won a Catholic Press Award. The two were recognized with the First Place Award for Books on Gender Issues for their book, *She Who Imagines*.

This volume includes an introduction written by Dr. Cassidy and her co-editor and 12 essays written by different authors. The collection includes the articles, "Picturing Suffering: The Moral Dilemmas in Gazing at Photographs of Human Anguish," by **Dr. Laurie Cassidy**, and "Being Immaculate: Images of Oppression and Emancipation," by **Sr. Mary Ann Zimmer, N.D., Ph.D.**, both of Marywood's Religious Studies Department.

The citation for the award commends *She Who Imagines* and notes, "The theology of aesthetics takes many steps forward through this expansive work to open the reader's mind, break down barriers, and forge new avenues for women in the Church and in the world. The beauty of this volume lies in the wisdom of its women authors who together provide a life-affirming book that raises the standard of justice and dignity for all people."

## SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

Please join us on **Sunday, April 27, 2014**, for a Scholarship Luncheon as we honor our gracious benefactors who turn bold dreams into bold ideas through the gift of scholarship.

We look forward to holding our luncheon in the spring, in place of our annual dinner in the fall, as we continue down the **path to the Centennial** and look unveil some exciting plans for our bold future.



# Empowering Local Bhutanese COMMUNITY



For 19 years, Khadga Rai lived in Nepal as a refugee. Rai was once a schoolteacher in his native country, Bhutan. But that was then. Now, years later, Rai lives in Scranton, far from his homeland, trying to start a new life.

"I like it here a lot," Rai said. "I am eager to know, eager to learn."

In 2009, Rai and a group of refugees arrived in the United States, eventually settling in

**Photo Above:** Bir Maya Tamang; Sabitra Rai; Sister Angela Kim, IHM; and Sommaya Singer

Scranton. Since their arrival, the Bhutanese have established a community in Scranton's South Side. It was then that **Sr. Angela Kim, IHM, Ph.D.**, and **Stephen Burke, Ph.D.** became acquainted with the group.

"After finding out that there was an increase in the Bhutanese population in the area, my colleague and I decided to conduct a needs assessment to determine the group's necessities," Sister Angela said. "[The Bhutanese refugees] have an unbelievable story to tell."

If forced to find a common thread in the Bhutanese story, it would be challenge—a concept that is all too familiar for Rai. He says that the group has had to overcome language and cultural barriers, technology, and health problems. The weight of these challenges, however, has been lifted because of Sister Angela's help and research, says Rai.

"The people here are very nice, and they are helpful," Rai explained, when asked how the program he has been attending at Marywood has helped. "We learn about health and diet and education. I hope to take what I learned back to

my community, so that they can learn too."

The "Training the Trainer" program, as it would eventually be named, began in October and was the brainchild of Sister Angela and Dr. Burke, both faculty members in Marywood's social work program. Each week, the Bhutanese refugees took interdisciplinary classes covering topics as wide-ranging as health, technology, nutrition, K-12, college information and the cultural integration process. The program grew out of Sister Angela's and Dr. Burke's needs assessment, which they completed last year.

"We are trying to assist the local Bhutanese community to invest in their own human capital," Dr. Burke said. "When that happens, and people invest in their own community, it's a win-win for everyone."

Highlighting Dr. Burke's point, Rai says that the courses he has been taking have helped him and his family in several ways, including making doctor visits a little less complicated. He thanks the bilingual and health education—which was a key part of the "Training the Trainer" program—for that.

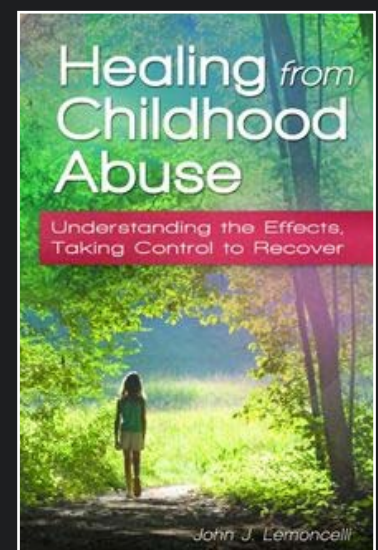
## Professor's BOOK OFFERS HOPE

The American Medical Association currently estimates at least one in every five adults suffered abuse as a child. While childhood abuse or trauma is certainly not a new issue, it has reached epidemic proportion. Yet most clinicians have not been sufficiently trained to appreciate or understand the devastating long-term impact of abuse on the total person.

**John J. Lemoncelli, Ed.D.**, Professor of Counseling and Psychology and Director of the Psychological Services Center at Marywood University, has written a new book, *Healing from Childhood Abuse: Understanding the Effects, Taking Control to Recover*, to enable those who suffer in silence to understand what happened, take control, and begin and maintain a program of recovery. The book helps those abused in childhood to grasp how their experience impacted their development and the extent to which it negatively affects their present lives; encourages them to let go of the belief that they are damaged, dirty, or at fault; and provides an effective strategy for

externalizing the source of their anguish, rather than blaming themselves.

Dr. Lemoncelli, who has taught at Marywood for more than 25 years, outlines several stages and common issues that may need to be addressed. Since no "one size fits all" treatment is possible, he provides strategies that empower victims to identify the specific sources of their pain. For more information, visit [www.drlemoncelli.com](http://www.drlemoncelli.com).





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**W**hat makes a successful college athletics program in the 21<sup>st</sup> century? While great players and skilled coaches can make things happen on the field, it's what happens *off* the field that brings a program to the next level.

For the Men's Lacrosse program, parental support is essential to student success on the field and in the classroom.

"While our budget covers many programmatic activities, there are many opportunities that are only possible with financial support from our parents," says **Scott Dalglish**, Men's Lacrosse Head Coach.

Gifts from parents compose nearly 60 percent of all gifts to the program. These gifts go a long way, helping to support team needs like technology and upgraded apparel. Support from the highly enthusiastic group of lacrosse parents spans further than financial backing for the program, however. Many parents pitch in during team tailgates after each game.

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*Lacrosse parents pictured at a Marywood Lacrosse home game (L to R): Mike and Mary Squillante, parent's of Mike Squillante (Junior); Ted Trill, father of Sam Trill (Junior); Paul Magargal, father of Joe Magargal (Junior); Al and Sue Cornella, parents of Nick Cornella '13*

talents, and prayer," says **Anne Marie Fallek '76**. She and her husband, **Mark**, are the parents of **Alexander Fallek '15**.

The group uses the website **signupgenius.com** to coordinate post-game refreshments and help the team unwind after each contest. (**Learn more by visiting <http://goo.gl/IRD6N>**.) Many parents have even hosted gatherings after away games, welcoming the team and their families into their homes.

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## from the Sidelines

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**Sue and Al Cornella, parents of Nicholas Cornella '13**, expressed the feeling of team unity among parents and the lacrosse

program. “When someone is part of a team they have an immediate sense of belonging,” said Mr. Cornella. “The team truly does become your family. They support you and you support them.”

Parental support of the Men’s Lacrosse program doesn’t end after graduation. Many parents of graduated students, like **Michael and Janet Riley, parents of Christopher Riley '12**, still attend games and enjoy seeing the continued success of the



*Dante Frederico '13 with his parents, Joe and Sharon Frederico.*

*Senior Day, back row (L to R): Volunteer Assistant, Ryan Kearney, Head Lacrosse Coach Scott Dalgliesh, Al and Sue Cornella, Joe and Sharon Frederico, Brian and Eleanor McNamara, Al and Lisa Falco, and David and Margaret Nester, Former Lacrosse Assistant Coach Jeremy Phelps. Kneeling are the Senior players (L to R) Nick Cornella, Dante Frederico, Sean McNamara, Mike Falco, and Greg Nester.*



program. Mr. Riley recently stopped by a game at Stony Brook and was amazed at how many parents of graduated students still support the program. He said, “We miss the four years of traveling to the games along with the friends that we as parents made along the way. You become family, and that is something that the sport and Marywood stands for: family.”

To learn more about the Men’s Lacrosse program, check out the team on Facebook [www.facebook.com/pages/Marywood-University-Pacers-Mens-Lacrosse/251516774899500](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Marywood-University-Pacers-Mens-Lacrosse/251516774899500)



## Bob Simmons NAMED MEN'S BASKETBALL COACH

Hazleton, PA, native **Bob Simmons** has been named Head Coach of Men's Basketball at Marywood University. Simmons returns to the NCAA Division III ranks after spending the past 11 seasons at the Division I level, first as an Assistant Coach at Lehigh University then as an Assistant Coach and Associate Head Coach at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana.

A 1993 graduate of Wilkes University, Simmons got his start in coaching as a student assistant at Wilkes during his senior season. From there, Simmons became an assistant coach at nearby Crestwood High School in Mountain Top, PA, before serving in the same capacity at Bishop Hafey High School in Hazleton. In July of 1996, Simmons was named the Assistant Men's Basketball Coach/ Head Junior Varsity Coach at Lebanon Valley College in Annville, PA.

"Great moments are born from great opportunities, and I think we have a great opportunity here at Marywood" said Simmons. "It feels great to be home, and I think there is unlimited potential here at Marywood. My family and I are very excited to return to our roots, and we want to make an immediate impact in the community of Northeast Pennsylvania, on and off the court."

At Lebanon Valley, Simmons served as the recruiting, academic, scouting, and film exchange coordinator and was also the program's strength and conditioning coach. Simmons remained at Lebanon Valley until March of 2000, when he accepted the Men's Basketball Head Coach position at Delaware Valley College in Doylestown. After two seasons, he accepted an offer from Lehigh University to become its Assistant Men's Basketball Coach. As an assistant at Division I Lehigh

for five seasons, Simmons oversaw the annual equipment budget and the summer camp program while coordinating recruiting, the strength and conditioning program, as well as scouting and scheduling. Simmons and Head Coach Billy Taylor helped Lehigh to the Patriot League Championship and the NCAA tournament in 2004.

In August 2007, Simmons moved to Muncie, Indiana, to become the Assistant Coach under Taylor at Ball State University, NCAA Division I members of the Mid-American Conference. Simmons served as Assistant Coach for two seasons before being promoted to Associate Head Coach in September 2009, a role he held until March 2013.

Simmons earned his bachelor's degree from Wilkes in Organizational Communications and Secondary Education in 1993. He and his wife Deb have two daughters, Hanah and Isabella.



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**-Coach Bob Simmons**

## 20 YEARS of MEN'S ATHLETICS



*In January, Marywood University's Athletics and Recreation Department, in conjunction with the University's Alumni Office, celebrated 20 years of men's athletics, which began with Men's Basketball. Former players and coaches returned to celebrate the milestone. Pictured from L to R: Will Donohoe '93; Pat Shields '96; Paul Dougherty '95 (M.A.T. '99); Keith Van Louvender '96; Mark Gogal '95; Coach Ed Cosgrove '92; Coach Bill Donnelly; Paul Grabowski '09; Jack Dabney '94; and Todd Eshelman '98.*

## Assistant Soccer Coach Earns Accolades

Marywood University Assistant Women's Soccer Coach **Tony Roma '10 (M.S. '12)** was named the 2012 North Atlantic Regional Coach of the Year by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA). Roma, a full-time admissions counselor in undergraduate admissions, earned the coaching



distinction in the Senior College Women's category. One of just two NCAA Division III coaches to earn the accolade this year, Roma helped guide Marywood to a 10-0-1 Colonial States Athletic Conference regular season and the Pacers' third consecutive top-seed in the CSAC's post-season tournament.



For more up-to-date Athletic Department news:  
[marywoodpacers.com](http://marywoodpacers.com)



## 17<sup>th</sup> Hall of Fame Class

Two former Marywood University men's basketball players and a former women's soccer star were inducted as the 17<sup>th</sup> class of honorees into Marywood University's prestigious Athletics Hall of Fame on Saturday, February 2, 2013, on the University's campus.

**Lindsay (Pappas) Pagniucci '03**, **Doug Billet '03**, and **Harold Shaw '01** were selected for induction by the University's Hall of Fame Committee.

**Lindsay (Pappas) Pagniucci '03** established nearly every offensive record during her four-year career on the women's soccer team.

**Doug Billet '03** was a four-year starter for the men's basketball program, named to the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference's All-Conference Second Team for both the 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 seasons, and was an Honorable Mention selection in the 2000-2001 season.

**Harold Shaw '01** became the first Marywood men's basketball player to earn an All-Conference honor when he was named to the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference's Second Team for the 1999-2000 season. Along with Billet, he guided the Pacers to their first ever post-season appearance in the 1999-2000 season PAC playoffs.

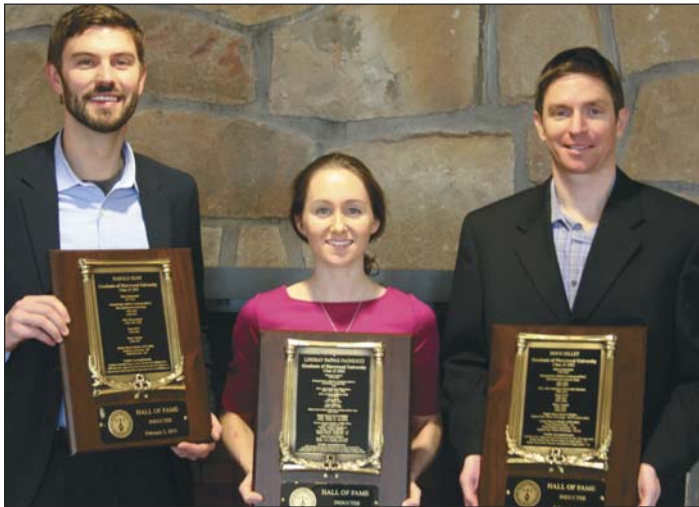


Photo: (L-R) Harold Shaw, Lindsay Pappas Pagniucci and Doug Billet were inducted into the Hall of Fame as the 17<sup>th</sup> class.



Read more about the Hall of Fame Inductees at [marywoodpacers.com/hof.aspx](http://marywoodpacers.com/hof.aspx)

## OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD added to Athletics Program

Director of Athletics **Dr. Mary Jo Gunning** has announced the addition of Outdoor Track and Field to Marywood's varsity athletics offerings. With competition to begin in the fall of the 2014-2015 academic year, the men's and women's Outdoor Track and Field teams are the University's 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> varsity athletics programs, as well as the sixth and seventh sports added since 2008.

Marywood becomes the fifth Colonial States Athletic Conference

## Jones Leads USA to Gold Medal at Maccabiah Games

Marywood University alumnus **Ryan Jones '13** led the United States open men's soccer team to its first-ever gold medal at the Maccabiah Games in

Israel. The United States needed penalty kicks to defeat Argentina 2-2 (4-3) in the championship game July 29.

Jones connected on the United States' second penalty kick opportunity, placing his shot in the top right corner to tie it at 1 apiece. Argentina evened it at 3-3 before the Americans' Scott Rowling connected on the fifth and final kick to clinch the championship.

Held every four years since 1932, the Maccabiah Games is the world's third largest international athletics competition, consisting of over 7,000 Jewish athletes from 60-plus countries. Jones, a native of Holland, Pa., received his bachelor's degree from Marywood in May and finished his collegiate career with CSAC Player of the Year honors last season.



## Women's Basketball earns first-ever ranking in WBCA Academic Poll

Marywood University finished the 2012-2013 academic year ranked 12<sup>th</sup> in the country in team grade point average, as the Women's Basketball Coaches' Association (WBCA) announced its annual Academic Top 25 for NCAA Division III. Coach Tara Macciocco's Pacers posted a 3.514 grade point average for the year and are the only Colonial States Athletic Conference (CSAC) institution in the rankings.

Marywood finished the 2012-2013 season with an overall record of 15-13, which included a 11-5 mark in conference play. The Pacers reached the CSAC semifinals for the second consecutive year in their fifth straight playoff appearance, while also qualifying for the Eastern College Athletic Conference South Region tournament for the third year in a row.

(CSAC) member institution to offer outdoor track and field, increasing the likelihood of a Conference Championship meet and automatic berth into the NCAA Division III team and individual Championships. Marywood joins Gwynedd-Mercy College, Immaculata University, Keystone College, and Neumann University in offering outdoor men's and women's track and field.

A national search for a full-time Head Coach of the Outdoor Track & Field Teams is ongoing. The new coach will assume duties this fall with a full year to recruit new team members for the Fall 2014 season. The Head Coach will also become the Head Coach of the Men's and Women's Cross Country Teams as of January 2014.

# Ready to Lau





# Launch: NEW ENTREPRENEURS

by: Patricia J. Thomas

*"Houston, we have a problem."*

When Captain Jim Lovell, aboard the crippled Apollo 13 spacecraft, made that historic call for help, it sent NASA engineers, experts, and astronauts scrambling to find a rescue plan—and it triggered an equally historic response from mission control: "Failure is not an option." The story that might have been a tragedy became instead a triumph of American ingenuity, determination, and courage.

Precisely this same can-do spirit and outside-the-box thinking is alive and well at Marywood—with a bold new generation of business leaders, ready to blast off and make history of their own from the University's innovative, ready-for-liftoff Entrepreneurship Launch Pad.

The ELP concept, as a way to help students get off to a flying start in the business world, is a brainchild of **Drs. Art Comstock** and **Chris Speicher**. Geared especially for students whose goal is to launch their own business enterprises, the program pairs practical, down-to-earth experiences with a broad academic and theoretical background—plus a firm grounding in values of ethical leadership, integrity, and accountability, at which Marywood has long excelled.

In a sense, ELP is an extension of the "Sandbox Initiative," undertaken with the help of a state grant. Its aim was to get teams from area colleges and universities together to put forth business ideas. Different entrepreneurs, professionals, and instructors would speak each week, giving students the nuts-and-bolts of how to do a start-up, covering everything from legal aspects to marketing strategies, personnel, social media, and more. The ensuing Great Valley Technology Alliance (GVTA) Business Plan Competition required teams to present a plan for a new business—with start-up capital as the top prize. Marywood sent four teams each year...with stunning results: to wit, three winners and four runners-up since the competition began eleven years go.

Winner or not, for budding entrepreneurs, the experience itself has proved invaluable; 61 percent of participants have started businesses as a direct result of participation; 55 percent have started other businesses; 91 percent indicated that being part of the GVTA competition was extremely helpful; 70 percent said participation had a positive effect on their careers. Proposed entrepreneurial ventures have been as varied as the students themselves.

Take for instance, **Jack Reager '00 (MBA '04)**, pictured at right, a GVTA finalist who founded BlackOut Design. This creative, full-service, interactive marketing agency blends emerging technologies with traditional media. Under Reager's innovative guidance, BlackOut Design turns out award-winning materials for an impressive, constantly-growing list of nationally famous clients. **(See how Jack Reager defines success: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=jrgwPajDasA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jrgwPajDasA))**

Winner of the Entrepreneur Institute Competition, grad student **Richard Powers '11**, who earned his bachelor's degree in Biotechnology, teamed up with MBA student **Richard Satyavrata '11**, who earned a BBA in Aviation Management, and **Jonathan Bieler '12**, who was, at the time of the proposal, an undergraduate Business Management student, to present a business plan for Powers' unusual invention: customized turkey calls.

Powers has been hunting turkey with his father since he was a boy; he developed the exceptionally realistic calls using laser engraving and web-based personalized design. He'd once planned to become a





Dr. Chris Speicher, Alyssa Kintz '14, Antonia Cianflone '15, Evana Salierno '15, and Dr. Art Comstock

dentist, but with the GVTA win, he's looking to market his Triple Toe Turkey Calls to an estimated 980,000 turkey hunters across the U.S. He's already had a chance to demonstrate his call to thousands of area hunters through a recent feature on WNEP's popular *Pennsylvania Outdoor Life*.



(<http://wnep.com/2012/04/08/triple-toe-turkey-calls/>)

The aroma of success takes many forms. Consider **Danielle Fleming (M.A. '03, M.Ed. '11)**, founder of Danielle and Company, Inc., who had already earned her M.A. as a mental health professional when she returned to Marywood to pursue a second master's in Instructional Leadership. Fleming, who has served on the board of the GVTA, was a previous judge for the Business Plan Competition, and a lecturer for Marywood's Entrepreneurship Series, had been fascinated with the way certain aromas can influence moods and behaviors. She decided to try infusing beneficial scents into bars of soap, an effort that began as a "bubbly experiment," she said. Fleming made specially scented soaps in her kitchen and sold them at the local farmer's market, beginning her business in 2002 while still a graduate student at Marywood.

"I love how Marywood is working with students to encourage entrepreneurship," she said, noting that when she started her company, "there was little support in the region" for such endeavors. There was, however, support and encouragement from the Marywood community. Fleming won a Keystone Innovation Grant in 2009 that awarded \$49,000 to her project, "The Behavioral

Scent Classification System: Development and Commercialization." This collaboration between Danielle and Company and Marywood University created baseline research in the development of a behaviorally-based scent classification system. Fleming and **C. Estelle Campenni, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Psychology and Psychology Program Director, were the principal investigators on the yearlong project. Today, the firm



markets a range of wonderfully scented, eco-friendly beauty products internationally—and Danielle Fleming is the recipient of multiple academic and business awards.

([www.danielleandcompany.com](http://www.danielleandcompany.com))

Convinced that technology can help block one of the world's cruellest killers, three enterprising young women, **Antonia Cianflone '15**, **Alyssa Kintz '14**, and **Evana Salierno '15**, all undergraduate Business Management students, have developed a "Safe Sleeping" baby "onesie" to help prevent the tragedy of SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome)—a leading cause of death among infants. A special sensor in the garment will monitor a baby's vital information, which parents can access via a downloadable app. These inventive entrepreneurs are presently seeking a patent for their innovative idea.

**Shaun Hynes '13**, who just earned his BBA in Business Management, wants to put technology to work in another important medical field—as an app to help diabetics. He's developing software with potential to decrease the number of needed punctures and increase accuracy. The app will be trained to adapt to individual body movement, food intake, and insulin needs—and it could be paired with hardware that has a universal remote for insulin pumps, to wirelessly automate shots. Hynes has already received a Sandbox grant and a research grant. With the enthusiastic support of prominent physicians, he also could receive well over \$850,000 more in research funding.



The Entrepreneurship Launch Pad as a curriculum concept will be open to all disciplines observes **Chris Speicher, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Business and Managerial Science. "Starting a business isn't discipline-specific. I've sat in on art classes, and students have some amazing ideas for how to sell and market what they do," Dr. Speicher says. "We're impressed by the entrepreneurial spirit in students majoring in architecture, nutrition, music, the physician assistant program. This is about passion; it's about channeling that passion into specific training. We can provide the right tools and help with that."



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“We’ve built the program on what we’ve identified as three pillars of excellence—Instruct...Instill...Inspire,” says **Art Comstock, Ph.D.**, Executive Director and Chairman of the Business and Managerial Science Department. “The approach we took about five years ago was to expose students to as many outsiders [in the business world] as we possibly could.”

“I absolutely insist that they get mentors,” Dr. Speicher states. “I ask, ‘Who do you aspire to be?’ Find that person who inspires you. We host the Entrepreneurship Speaker Series, in which we have about ten or twelve entrepreneurs come and make presentations each academic year. Then we instruct students go out and interview three people who have started companies they admire.

“We’ve had some of the most bizarre things happen,” he continues. “I had a student who picked up the phone and called T. Boone Pickens. The student received a hand-signed book and a business card with Pickens’ private number and a note that said, ‘Call me if you need me.’”

“You never know what’s going to grab students’ interest,” Dr. Comstock explains. “You have to make sure you get as many different entrepreneurs [as speakers/mentors] as you can...in all different areas to inspire them.”

Some of the successful business leaders featured in Marywood’s Entrepreneurship Speaker Series, Dr. Speicher notes, include **Sal Maiolatesi** of Maiolatesi Wine Cellars; **Adam Ceresko** of Pathmapp and Apppek Mobile Apps, **Jim Ritter** of Ritter’s Farms; and **Dick Yuengling** of Yuengling Brewery. “We already have a student who wants to start a brew pub,” he adds.

An especially positive mentor has been **Patrick Sandone**, whose impeccable credentials include an MBA from Columbia University, and a *summa cum laude* Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Pennsylvania. After a highly successful career as a venture capitalist and investment banker in New York City, he returned to his Lackawanna Valley roots and founded Net Driven, a service technology firm (something of a natural, considering his family background in the automotive industry). Key contributors to the success of the forward-thinking firm are all products of a Marywood education: regional sales manager **William Martellaro (MBA ’12)**, lead graphic designer **Kathryn Bondi ’10**, and creative director **Travis Christianson**, who studied graphic design at Marywood.

Dr. Speicher, who teaches an entrepreneurship class, says the ELP involves an “extremely hands-on” approach to making students who want to start their own businesses a success. “Our tagline is ‘Entrepreneurs Helping Each Other.’ The idea is to have an exchange of services. Our students will be looking to experienced entrepreneurs for assistance and guidance. In exchange, the students will be providing services to the entrepreneurs through internships, volunteerism, employment, and other factors.

“When you open up a text book, they all say the same thing. We all teach the same thing in the classroom about how to start a business, but until you take the students and inspire them to actually DO it—that’s when you get to that next level. That’s when it makes sense.”

In other words: if you’re daring enough to shoot for the entrepreneurial moon, it’s a good idea to (a) have had solid, real life experience in handling the craft that can get you there...and (b) when challenges come along, look for backup and guidance from folks with know-how—those who believe “failure is not an option.” **M**

## ENTREPRENEURSHIP Speaker Series 2013

The Business Faculty of Marywood University would like to invite you to the Wednesday Night Entrepreneurship Speaker Series, to be held in the **McGowan Center, Room 1059**. The public is invited, but reservations are required and can be made by contacting **Marie Griffin at 570-348-6274 or at [mariegriff@marywood.edu](mailto:mariegriff@marywood.edu)**.

### ■ Tech Night: September 18 | 5:30 p.m.

**Adam J. Ceresko**, Co-Founder, CEO  
Apppek Mobile Apps, Scranton, PA

**Erin Baker**, Founder and CEO  
Digital Net Agency, LLC

### ■ Environmental Entrepreneurs | Green Energy: September 25 | 5:30 p.m.

**Ed Shoener**, Shoener Environmental Inc.  
Dickson City, PA

**EJ Flynn**, Flynn Energy Transport, LLC  
Towanda, PA

**Robert Breslin**, President  
Pure Green Consultants, Taylor, PA

### ■ Serial Entrepreneurs: October 2 | 5:30 p.m.

**Robert Ellis**, Founder and CEO,  
Ellis Management, West Chester, PA

**Joseph Aichholz**, Founder and CEO,  
Aichholz Investments, Bernville, PA

### ■ Sources of Capital | How to Find the Money: October 9 | 5:30 p.m.

**Kenneth G. Okrepkie**, Regional Manager,  
Pocono Northeast Region, Ben Franklin Tech.  
Partners of NEPA

### ■ Local Food and Wine: October 23 | 5:30 p.m.

**Sal Maiolatesi**, Founder and President,  
Maiolatesi Winery, Scott Township, PA

**Mario Bevilacqua**, WhatTheFork Food Truck,  
Dunmore, PA

**Jim Ritter**, Ritters Farm Market, Mt. Cobb, PA

### ■ Think Big but Act Locally: October 30 | Depart Marywood, 4:30 p.m.; Tour, 6 p.m.; Talk, 7 p.m.

We will be traveling to Pottsville, PA, for a tour of the D.G. Yuengling & Son Inc plant and a presentation by **Dick Yuengling**.

### ■ Woman Entrepreneurs | Via WEBEX: November 13 | 5:30 p.m.

**Michele Dempsey**, President and Founder,  
DxDempsey Architecture Design Planning  
Scranton, PA

**Nadia N. Dailey**, President | CEO, JuJaMa, Inc.  
600 Jefferson Ave, Scranton, PA

**Danielle Fleming**, Founder and CEO  
Danielle and Company, Clarks Summit, PA

# REUNION WEEKEND 2013

**M**ore than 400 alumni visited Marywood University's campus, May 31-June 2, to celebrate Reunion Weekend—an annual gathering where generations of alumni have the opportunity to meet and mingle, reconnect and re-engage.

**Mary Burke Tracy '63**, who is also a retired Director of Marywood's Alumni Office, attended the weekend-long event. She was eager to discuss her relationship with the University after many decades. "Fifty years ago Marywood gave us many things," she said. "Our college years gave us something infinitely precious: we found each other and became longtime, close friends." During the reunion, the Class of 1963 presented a check for \$2,665,600 to Sister Anne Munley, IHM, which was reflective of their collective endowments, capital projects, and scholarships over the past five years.

"It is always a pleasure to be back on the Marywood campus to see the progress of development that has been made since the last Reunion I attended," noted **Cheryl D'Andrea Lottman '73**, who was celebrating her 40th Reunion. "The best part is being with fellow classmates to share and remember. As I looked through the yearbook before this Reunion, I realized that there are so many classmates who touched our lives during our time on campus."

This year's Reunion Weekend was also one of the most popular; more than 90 alumni from multiple classes volunteered to help organize the event, which resulted in a 14 percent increase in attendance. The excitement generated by Reunion Weekend continues—the spirit of cooperation has sparked interest, prompting alumni to become more involved. A large committee has already formed and has begun planning next year's event. **Go to [www.marywood.edu/reunion](http://www.marywood.edu/reunion) to get involved!**









# MARYWOOD *Alumni Award* WINNERS

## **Dr. Mary Anne Merkel Fedrick, B.A. '68, M.S. '72, M.A. '80** 2013 Sister Denis Donegan Award for Long Term Service

Dr. Mary Anne Fedrick recently retired from her position as Dean of the Reap College of Education and Human Development, after 42 years of distinguished and dedicated service, in various capacities, to her alma mater. A three-time alumna, Mary Anne earned an undergraduate and two graduate degrees at Marywood. Later, she added her Ph.D. in Higher Education from Penn State University. She began her official career at Marywood as a librarian in 1971 and eventually became Director of the Learning Resources Center. She also served in leadership positions that encompassed enrollment management and admissions before becoming dean. A distinguished educator, Mary Anne was involved in research in technology integration, organizational culture, and organizational change. She also became the ultimate "go to" individual for questions about university policies, practices, and almost everything else. Throughout her tenure at Marywood, she has continued to serve the University as a faithful volunteer.



## **Colonel Lorraine Rupp Breen '78** 2013 Award for Excellence in Health and Human Services

From the moment she walked off the Marywood University campus in the spring of 1978 as a Nutrition and Dietetics *magna cum laude* graduate, Colonel Lorraine Rupp Breen immediately demonstrated her potential for leadership success in the health care, food service, and military professions. That step from the Rotunda 35 years ago would be the first of 19 moves she would make in that same period, traversing the nation numerous times and around the world, while performing in positions of senior health care leadership in both the civilian and military sectors.



Today, she is the Chief of Staff for the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs. The one thread in all her assignments has been her ability to lead large and small organizations while mentoring literally hundreds of people throughout her career. Reflecting Marywood University's mission to prepare tomorrow's leaders, Colonel Lorraine Rupp Breen has been a shining example for others to emulate.

## **Daniel Simrell '88** 2013 Award for Excellence for Creative and Performing Arts

Dan Simrell has, since his student years, been active and creative in his profession. With the ink barely dry on his diploma, Dan started VideoLab, a video production company, serving businesses and advertising agencies in Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey. He later expanded his resume by accepting a position as marketing director for CCI, a national healthcare consulting company based in Pittsburgh. With the experience he gained, he formed Dan Simrell Advertising, a full-service agency. Through his creative, unconventional approach to marketing, Dan has earned a reputation for fresh, innovative, and highly successful campaigns.



## **Therese M. Redmond Dempsey, B.S. '73, M.S. '77** 2013 Award for Excellence for Education and Human Development

As a teacher, peace advocate, and volunteer for many, many causes, Terry Dempsey's impact has been profound. She and her husband, Dr. Jody Dempsey, also a Marywood graduate and clinical child psychologist, devised a Peace Camp with support and space from their Vestal home parish, recruiting teens from the area as counselors. Almost 2,000 children have attended the annual camp since its founding, often bringing friends and siblings. A special education teacher in Vestal, New York, with almost four decades of helping thousands of struggling children from preschool through high school, Terry's impact on youth has extended far beyond academic and developmental concerns.



## **Paula C. Rochon Mackery '93** 2013 Award for Excellence in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Paula Mackery is the exceptional journalist/entrepreneur, publisher, and owner of *Happenings Magazine*, the popular full-color, smartly designed publication dedicated to showcasing the fascinating people, places, and events of Northeast Pennsylvania. Thanks to networking, she already had a job with *Happenings* lined up before she graduated. Paula had plunged right in with the magazine, doing "a little of everything," until, a few years later, when the opportunity arose for her to buy out the operation. Paula balances a career as a hard-working publisher with the role of wife and mother, plus she still finds time for involvement with community and professional organizations.



## **Jason Muskey '98** Recent Graduate Award for Excellence for Professional Achievement

As a student athlete who competed on Marywood's men's cross country and basketball teams, Jason Muskey was certainly on the ball. Today, as a successful entrepreneur, owner of his own independent financial services agency, he is still very much on the ball. Jason kicked off his professional career as an agent and manager with the Prudential Insurance Company, and then became a manager at MetLife. With solid experience behind him, in 2005, he formed Muskey Financial Services, which he now operates as owner and general agent. This year, he also became co-owner of a second firm, Prevailing Wage Consultants. Jason has teamed up his fondness for sports with his commitment to community service, and his winning attitude sets a standard for future students.





## Robert “Bob” Ide ’88

*Nets Great Satisfaction as a Marywood Volunteer*

During his student years at Marywood, **Bob Ide ’88** didn’t picture himself as the type of guy who would eventually become a prominent and involved alumnus.



As an undergraduate student, Bob was involved with TVM (Marywood’s television station), and he also did his own radio show on WVM-FM. He was also very involved with the Intramural Men’s Basketball team, forging lifelong friendships with many of his teammates. [Men’s basketball wasn’t a recognized team sport at Marywood until 1991, at the junior varsity level; in 1993, it officially became a varsity sport.]

After graduation, Bob focused on his career, beginning a journey which led him to various news

stations in Northeastern Pennsylvania. During that time, he met his wife, Susan, and they started a family. Bob was invited to serve on the Alumni Association Board and decided it was a great opportunity to give back to Marywood.

He quickly became involved in various events, like Breakfast with Santa, the MAC baseball game, MAC Knoebels Day, as well as Reunion Weekend. Tying into his passion for sports, Bob has been integral to the recent excitement surrounding Alumni Basketball Day. He has worked together with former Men’s Basketball Coach Eric Grundman, Women’s Coach Tara Macciocco, Assistant Director of Athletics and Recreation Andrew Smith, and Director of Athletics and Recreation Dr. Mary Jo Gunning. He noted, “It’s a great way to get student athletes, alumni, coaches, and friends together.”

Alumni Basketball Day is just the start of a new initiative to honor former team players. Soccer Alumni Day is already being planned, and reunions for other popular sports are soon to follow.

Now the President-Elect of the Marywood Alumni Association, Bob would love to see his fellow alumni take part in events, especially those who, like him, never imagined volunteering for the University.

“Even if it’s for just one event a year, and even if they can only take registrations for an hour or two, we would love to have our alumni back on campus.”

If you’re interested in volunteering, attending an event, or helping to plan an alumni gathering, please contact the Alumni Office by calling **570-348-6206** or e-mail [alumni@marywood.edu](mailto:alumni@marywood.edu).

# FOREVER GREEN

We’re moving forward, we’re moving fast. It’s hard to believe another academic year has begun, as we zoom quickly toward the University’s Centennial. We’ve added another 850 alumni into our ranks at Commencement in May. We held another Reunion Weekend, too—this one even larger and more exciting than the last. It was hard work, and we made some changes on the fly, but it turned out great and was well received by all in attendance!



This academic year we’ll continue to pick up speed and momentum. We have plans—big plans—as we prepare for that BIG celebration. We’ll be building strong alumni bonds with current students and other alumni through more career networking and better outreach. Our programs for recent graduates will get bigger and stronger as more young alumni are getting involved. And we’ll work to ignite the passion of alumni around the country to build a stronger network of alumni chapters, so every graduate, no matter the location, can feel united to our Marywood family. We’ll also continue to pay it forward this year—all of us together—supporting students by making a gift to the University. The dollar amount doesn’t matter; what matters is having more alumni make a contribution. That’s what counts.

To maintain this pace we’re putting out the “Help Wanted” sign. A vibrant alumni program means we need more alumni volunteers. We have something for everyone. You can even nominate yourself or a friend right now to serve on our Alumni Board starting next year. Contact the Alumni Office to volunteer today.

And, let’s not forget—we’re now accepting nominations for our **all-important 2014 Alumni Awards**. It’s our time as a group to recognize and honor the outstanding accomplishments of our fellow alumni. Reach out now to nominate a friend or yourself!

We’re moving forward and we’re moving fast, but no matter our speed, we are **Forever Green**.

Forever Green,  
**Thom Sueta ’89**



Become part of your alumni community today! Share what **Forever Green** means to you on the **Marywood Alumni Facebook Page**.

## IN MEMORIAM



### Sister M. Gabriel Kane, IHM '52

The Marywood University community is saddened by the loss of **Sister M. Gabriel Kane, IHM**, former Vice President for Student Affairs (1969-1975), former Director of Admissions (1975-1984), and a former Marywood trustee, who died on Thursday, January 17, 2013, at Our Lady of Peace Residence in Scranton.

Sister Gabriel served as a teacher at elementary and high schools in Maryland, New York, and Pennsylvania, before beginning her tenure at Marywood. From 1984 to 2005, Sister Gabriel served as the Vicar for Religious and Associate Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Scranton. She also was the Director of the Renew Program during this time and served on the Diocesan Council of Women Religious, The Pontifical Association for the Missions, and as coordinator of the Religious Retirement Fund.

From 2005 to 2007, Sister Gabriel once again contributed her valuable service to Marywood—this time on the staff for Conference and Event Services. From 2007 until the time of her death, she was a prayer minister at Our Lady of Peace Residence in Scranton.

In addition to Marywood, Sister Gabriel also served on the boards of The University of Scranton; Scranton Preparatory School; St. Pius X Seminary, Dalton, PA; and St. Vincent Seminary, Latrobe, PA. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Marywood, a Master of Arts degree in French from Assumption College, and a Master of Science degree in Counseling from the University of Scranton.

### Frank E. LaVerghetta

Marywood University is saddened to report the death of **Frank E. LaVerghetta**, a former trustee, loyal friend, and staunch champion of this institution.



He came to know and contribute to Marywood because of his commitment to his wife, **Angela Sette LaVerghetta '48**, a distinguished alumna, who had returned to serve her alma mater as a member of the Marywood Board of Trustees. When she tragically passed away, Frank chose to pay tribute to her through his own strong support for Marywood and its students, providing funds to endow scholarships and renovate the performing arts facility, which was rededicated as the Sette LaVerghetta Center for the Performing Arts in 1998. In grateful recognition of his dedicated support and many contributions to the University, Marywood bestowed the Presidential Medal upon Frank LaVerghetta in 2001. Angela had been unable to complete her service on Marywood's Board of Trustees, but Frank graciously took up that charge and fulfilled three terms as a trustee of the University, contributing his expertise to both the Physical Plant and Financial Affairs Committees.

Through the years of his association with Marywood and throughout his distinguished service on the board, he charted a true course of strong support and unflinching commitment to the University and to the cause of education.

### Stacy Elias Davis, M.P.A. '07

The Marywood University Community mourns the loss of **Stacy Elias Davis (M.P.A. 2007)**, who was serving as Coordinator of Transfer Enrollment in the Marywood Admissions



### Dustin Rhodes '06

The entire Marywood University community was saddened to learn of the recent passing of **Dustin Rhodes '06**. Dustin, 29, succumbed to stage 4 glioblastoma multiforme (GBM), a severely rapid and aggressive type of brain cancer, on July 31. He is survived by his wife, **Rebecca Russo Rhodes '06**, and a son, Michael, 1, as well as his parents, brother, extended family, and many friends. His courageous journey, which began in December 2012 when a biopsy confirmed the presence of brain cancer, was chronicled in words, photos, and prayers on a website, <http://dustrhodes.com/>, and a Facebook page, **Dustin Rhodes - The Fight Against Brain Cancer**.

Office when she died unexpectedly on July 5, 2012.

A Wilkes-Barre native who resided in Moosic, she was the wife of Jeffrey Davis. Born August 31, 1981, Stacy was daughter of George J. and Madelyn Hannon Elias. She was a graduate of GAR High School, Class of 1999, received her bachelor's degree from Shippensburg University in 2003, and earned an M.P.A. degree from Marywood University in 2007. She also was pursuing her doctorate at Marywood.

Stacy was a beloved colleague and friend, as well as an active employee. She was always ready to lend a helping hand, serving on both the University's Professional Staff Senate and its Professional Development Committee. She is greatly missed by those who worked with her and had the privilege of her friendship.



## UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

9/27 - 9/29	Family Weekend
9/28	Oktoberfest Andy Gavins   7-10 p.m.
10/6-10/13	Alumni Trip to Scotland
10/21	Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo Reception   Houston TX
12/4	Binghamton Chapter Annual Christmas Dinner   PS. Restaurant Vestal, NY   6-8 p.m.
12/8	Breakfast with Santa Latour/Fireplace Lounge   11 a.m.-2 p.m.

## 2014 FLORIDA EVENTS .....

1/25	Naples, Florida Waldorf Astoria/Banyan Room 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
1/19	Tequesta, Florida Turtle Creek Club 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
2/9	Jacksonville, Florida San Jose Country Club

For more information and to register, please visit [alumni.marywood.edu](http://alumni.marywood.edu).

## Memorial REUNION Gift

A gift was received by Marywood University in honor of **Anna Bowman Rauscher '61** by her daughter **Audrey Boucher**. Sadly, Audrey passed away suddenly on February 13, 2013, but she chose a very special way to honor her mother—making a gift in her mother’s name in honor of her 50<sup>th</sup> reunion from Marywood.

## KEEP US UPDATED!



Alumni Updates

We would like to hear from you and so would your classmates. When you submit a class note, your name will go into a drawing for a gift from the Marywood Alumni Association.

**Attention snowbirds:** Do you spend the winter months in Florida? Provide us with your contact information to receive updates about our annual alumni events in Florida.

Submit your class note or snowbird information by e-mailing [alumni@marywood.edu](mailto:alumni@marywood.edu) or by calling the Office of Alumni Engagement at **570-348-6206**.

## WHERE IS THIS?

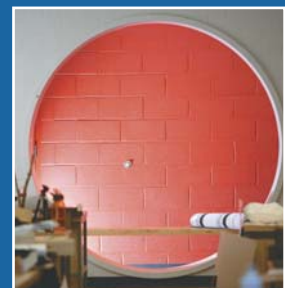


This is our **featured photo** from somewhere on Marywood’s campus. If you know where it is, please send your guess to: [MarywoodMag@marywood.edu](mailto:MarywoodMag@marywood.edu). The first five people to guess correctly will receive a gift from the Marywood Alumni Association.

*\* Because of the overwhelming response, only off-campus individuals are eligible to participate.*

Last issue’s photo: Inside Phase I of the Center for Architectural Studies. The following individuals correctly identified the photo and received a Marywood gift:

- Steven Snitzer (parent)
- Ellen Monteleone (parent)
- Margaret Hodorawis Mancuso '96
- Matthew Faber '07 (M.S. '09)
- Lindsay Burke '12
- Katherine “Kat” Kilcullen '12
- Tom and Jeannie Garubba (parents)



# Class Notes

**60s** Regina Magnotta Peters (1968) recently joined Keystone College as senior adviser to the president for special projects.

Elaine Mooney Geroulo, M.S. (1969) received the Celebrate Literacy Award from the Northeastern Pennsylvania Reading Association.

**70s** Marla Pacchioli Kinney (1975) received the Easton Rotary Club Teacher of the Year (Easton School District) Award for 2012.

Rosemary Chromey, M.B.A. (1975; M.P.A. 1982) was elected to serve as president of the Wyoming Seminary Upper School Parents Association and will serve as association representative to the board of trustees.

Ann Pipinski, Ed.D. (1977) received the 2012 SAGE Award in the category of "Women of Excellence".

**80s** Margaret Ace Breznay, D.C. (1980) completed training and passed the FMCSA's certification test and is now one of the first providers in the area to be listed in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's national list of certified medical examiners.

Susan Murphy Petula (1982) received the "Exceptional Contribution Award" from the National Council of State Boards of Nursing for her contribution as a nursing adviser to the Pennsylvania Board of Nursing.

Julia Munley, J.D. (1987) was named a partner at Munley Law Firm.

**90s** Lisa DeNaples, D.M.D. (1990) was elected to serve on the board of directors at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Michele Margotta Neary (1990) was honored with the Roseann Smith Alperin Award from the Junior League of Scranton and The Scranton Area Foundation.

Jane Ventre (M.A.T. 1991) and James Schildt were married on October 6, 2012.

Brian Picchini (1993) was appointed the new chief executive officer of United Methodist Homes' Wesley Village retirement community.

Elizabeth Fasching Gasper (1993; M.A.T. 2002) and Ernest Mengoni (1987) were married on October 6, 2012.

Timothy Callejas (1993; M.A.T. 2005) and Marisa Steinas were married on June 11, 2012. The two welcomed a baby boy on December 5, 2012.

Susan Balczeniuk (M.A.T. 1995) and Anthony Konchar were married on October 6, 2012. (pictured at right)



Christopher Tigue (1998; M.S. 2006) and Elizabeth Galat were married on June 23, 2012.

Jonathan Pietrowski, J.D. (1999) assistant district attorney for Lackawanna County, recently resigned to start his own criminal defense firm, Jonathan L. Pietrowski, Attorney at Law.

Michelle Merkel (1999) and David Stiner were married on November 9, 2012.

**2000s** Martin Flynn (2000) was sworn in earlier this year as a representative for District 113 of Pennsylvania serving part of Lackawanna County.

Sara Schofield (2000) and Kris Booker were married on July 22, 2012.

Sarah Smith (2000) and Paul Bransfield were married on August 24, 2012. The two welcomed a baby boy on January 11, 2013.

Lori Swanchak (2001; Ph.D. 2010) was awarded the Physician Assistant Education Association's Article of the Year Award for "The Effect of Early Geriatric Exposure upon Career Development and Subspecialty Selection Among Physician Assistant Students," published in the Journal of Physician Assistant Education.

Two Marywood classmates welcomed children recently. Elizabeth Grady Wiorowski (2003) and husband Paul welcomed a baby boy, Ethan, on August 8, 2012. Sarah Brady Parker (2003) and husband Stefan welcomed a baby girl, Keira Rose, on August 12, 2012. Keira Parker and Ethan Wiorowski are best buddies just like their mommies.





# Class Notes Class Notes

## ALUMNI

**Emily Leombruni Walsh (2003; M.S. 2005)** and husband Brian welcomed a baby boy on June 9, 2012.



**Karina Szymanski (2003)** and James Kapuschinsky were married on September 1, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Abigail Drewes Davis (2004; M.S. 2006)** was appointed as an assistant professor of physician assistant studies at Misericordia University.

**Ann Marie DeFilippis (2004)** and James Nasser were married on September 1, 2012.

**Stephanie Maison Sluck (M.S. 2004)** and husband Daniel welcomed a baby boy on January 18, 2013.

**Donnel Leiva (2005)** and Erica Cascio were married on February 18, 2012. The two welcomed a baby boy on January 27, 2013.

**Ellen Conway (2005)** and Matthew Foley were married on December 28, 2012.

**Melanie Kochmer Lacomis (2005)** and husband Justin welcomed a baby girl on June 5, 2012.

**Rachel Olson Baldini (2005) and William Baldini (2003)** welcomed a baby boy on October 9, 2012.

**Sarah Ciccone (2005)** and Ryan Peil are engaged to marry in Spring 2014. Dr. Ciccone is a practicing optometrist in Toms River, NJ. The couple met in 2002 while both attending Marywood University.



**Elaine Birney (2006; M.S. 2008)** and David Nihen were married on June 29, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Elizabeth McGill, M.A. (2006)** recently became the new Residence Director of Madonna Hall at Marywood.

**Justina Malinak Ferguson (2006; M.S. 2010)** recently joined The Pennsylvania State University as an instructor of nursing at the school's Worthington-Scranton campus.



**Kyle Pypiak (2006; M.S. 2011)** and John Zeoli were married on May 7, 2011. *(pictured at left)*

**Laurann Liuzzo Hoover (2006; M.A. 2008)** and husband Kevin welcomed a baby boy on August 12, 2012.

**Marianne Finney (2006) and Matthew Reynolds (2008)** were married on October 20, 2012.

**Michael Peregrin (2006)** and Nicole Sandy were married on August 18, 2012.

**Nicholas Lopuhovsky (M.S. 2006)** and wife Rebecca welcomed twin girls on February 4, 2013.

**Nicole Sweeney Valenzano (2006)** and husband Anthony welcomed a baby boy on November 7, 2012.



**Corie Meck (M.S. 2007)** and Kevin Klinger were married on July 1, 2012. *(pictured at right)*

**Elyse Italia (2007)** and Daniel McGill were married on September 7, 2012.

**Jamie Hallowich Lastauskas (M.A.T. 2007)** and husband E.J. welcomed a baby girl on June 18, 2012.

**Jamilyn Taraschuk (M.S. 2007)** and Kevin Perry were married on January 5, 2013.



**Jenna Butash (2007)** and Joseph DeAngelis were married on September 15, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Kristy Weidow Keeler (M.A. 2007; Ed.S. 2007)** and husband James welcomed a baby girl on June 11, 2012.

**Lynette Thick (M.A. 2007)** and Phillip Lemke were married on October 20, 2012.

**Mary Kate Williams Carpenter (2007)** and husband Edward welcomed a baby girl on September 22, 2012.

**Molly Gleason (2007)** and Ryan Chafin were married on July 14, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



**Monica Ernst (2007)** and Frank Bevacqua were married on December 26, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Morgan Owen (2007; M.S. 2010) and Ernest Englehardt (2008)** were married on September 22, 2012.



**Nicole Finella (2007, M.A. 2001)** and Trevor Cozza were married on August 25, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Stephanie Broyan (M.H.S.A. 2007)** and Jeffrey Iseman were married on April 21, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



**Stephanie Sluko Levandoski (2007; M.S. 2009)** and husband Mark welcomed a baby boy on May 5, 2012.



**Tamara Hendershot (M.S.W. 2007)** and Alan Keiper were married on September 29, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Heather Ohmnacht (2008)** and Von Barhight were married on October 6, 2012.

**Kristina St. Jean (2008; M.S. 2010) and Patrick Massino (2009)** were married on October 13, 2012.

**Leigh Mannina (M.A. 2008)** and Justin Abromavage were married on October 13, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



# ALUMNI

**Mari Bidwell (2008)** welcomed a baby girl on February 14, 2013.

**Patrick McGlynn (2008)** and Ashley Tesluk were married on November 3, 2012.

**Sara Olivetti (2008)** and Owen Worozbyt were married on February 18, 2012.

**Stefanie Waligorski (M.S.W. 2008)** and Charles Adzema were married on June 8, 2013.

**Summer Schoenberg (2008)** and Mark Frisco were married on August 25, 2012.



**Victoria Gundling (2008)** and Kyle Garton were married on July 26, 2012.

**Amy Fisch (2009)** and Dominick Sylvester were married on December 1, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Caitlin Walters (2009)** and Sean Gilroy were married September 29, 2012

**Jennifer Mischello (M.A.T. 2009)** and Marc Wyandt were married November 10, 2012 *(pictured at right)*



**Kathleen Jackson (M.S. 2009)** and Shawn Venesky were married on October 6, 2012. *(pictured at left)*



**Laura Kelly (2009; M.S.W. 2011)** and Ryan Janov were married on July 14, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



**Lindsey Metcalf (2009)** and Brian Charneski were married on June 22, 2013.

**Maria Musheno (2009; M.S.W. 2011)** and Miguel Perez are engaged to marry on October 18, 2013.

**Mary Moskwa, M.S. (2009)** and Matthew Prudente were married on July 7, 2012

**Michelle Davis (2009)** and Brian Sledzinski were married on June 29, 2012.



**Michelle Hudak (M.A. 2009)** and A. J. Bilski were married on August 17, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Stacie Gowat (2009)** and Justin Betti were married on October 13, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



**2010s** **Alicia Washko (2010; M.S. 2012)** and Tyler Waters were married June 29, 2013.

**Barbara Serino (M.S.W. 2010)** and Joseph Swortz were married in September 2012 .

**Brian Smith (2010)** and Kaitlyn Savner were married on June 22, 2012.

**Ellen McCormick, M. A. (M.A.T. 2010)** and John Sipper were married on August 18, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



**Jessica Taylor (2010; M.S. 2011)** and Robert Ashby (2009) were married on August 18, 2012.

**Jillian Martines (2010; M.S. 2011)** and Carl Everts were married on August 25, 2012.

**Joseph McCormack (M.B.A. 2010)** and Stacey Yerrick were married on June 9, 2012.

**Kasey Phillips (M.S. 2010)** and Michael Gribble were married on August 10, 2013.

**Kelley Teeple (2010; M.A.T. 2013)** and Anthony Roma were married on July 20, 2013.



**Kimberly Kaub (M.A. 2010)** and Christopher Ratchford were married on September 22, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Kristin Hricko (M.A. 2010)** and Nicholas



Stanavitch were married on June 15, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



**Leah Dudzinski (M.S.W. 2010)** and John Parduski were married on June 9, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Megan Bauman (2010)** and Roger Gardner were married July 21, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



**Paul Bradigan (2010)** and wife Hillary welcomed a baby boy on February 27, 2012.

**Rebecca Rupell (M.A. 2010)** and Thomas Nallon (2007) were married on March 2, 2013.

**Stacey Schield (M.S. 2010)** and Tyler Moore were married on May 17, 2013.



**Stefanie Croasmun (M.S.W. 2010)** and Michael Mastrangelo were married on December 1, 2012. *(pictured at left)*

**Aislinn McNulty (2011; M.S. 2012)** and Dean Silvon are engaged to marry on September 21, 2013.

**Amy Rickert (2011; M.A. 2012)** and Ryan Hnat (M.F.A. 2010) were married on July 7, 2012. *(pictured at right)*



**Nadia Malinak (2011, M.S. 2013)** and Allen Lucas were married on August 4, 2012.

**Paul Bartkovsky (2011)** and Ashley Grove were married on July 28, 2012.

**Sara Carr (2011)** and Matthew Scott were married on September 29, 2012.

**Sean Hughes (M.S. 2011)** and Katie Cappelloni were married on July 28, 2012.



Send us your updated info for the next issue by **Oct. 15, 2013**, to [classnotes@marywood.edu](mailto:classnotes@marywood.edu). Photos are welcome. For digital, please provide **high resolution** images that are 3 inches by 5 inches at 300 resolution. Images that are smaller than these dimensions might not be used.



**Abigail Nalevanko (M.A.T. 2012)** and Donald Fisch were married on August 18, 2012.  
(pictured at right)



**Brian Roerden (2012)** recently joined the public accounting firm of Nugent & Haeussler, P.C. as a staff accountant.

**Charlene Feduchak (2012)** and James Paolucci were married on July 14, 2012.



**Jamie Trichilo (M. A. 2012)** and Mark Buonomo were married on May 5, 2012. (pictured at left)

**Kristen Cucura (2012; M.S. 2013)** and **Michael Maritato (2011)** were married on December 1, 2012.

**Meurcie Redding (2012)** recently became the new Residence Director of the Woodland Residences and the small living units at Marywood.

**Michael Kondrat (2012)** and wife, Cara, welcomed a baby boy, David, in March 2012. He joins older brothers Nathan, Jack, and Bruce.

**Stephanie Jennings (M.S. 2012)** and Zach Hopkins were married on June 18, 2012.

**Tiffany Cline (M.A. 2012)** and Kyle O'Toole were married on June 3, 2012.



## ALUMNI GET-TOGETHER

Marywood alumni and their families at Albert and Erin Stoble's house. BACK ROW: **Bob Gilmartin '99**, Jessica Price, **Patrick Price '99**, **Albert Stoble '99**, Anna Stoble (on lap). MIDDLE ROW: (seated slightly below) Lillian Wilson, **Jennifer (Jancola) Wilson '01**, **Timothy Wilson '99**, Erin Stoble with Claire Stoble on lap. FRONT ROW: Joseph Wilson, Natalie Gilmartin, Jenna Gilmartin, **Barbara (Rattigan) Gilmartin '01** (seated slightly above).

## Deceased

Barbara Lyncheski Volk (1930)  
Elizabeth Swift Loughney (1931)  
Margaret Spillane (1933)  
Mary Muldoon Mullally (1933)  
Leah Needle Hershfield (1934)  
Libbie Tuck-Rosenberg (1936)  
Ligia Colon DelValle (1937)  
Florence D'Arienzo Cardoni (1939)  
Grace Houser Max (1939)  
Helen Dolores Androsky Ritsko (1939)  
Janet Dixon Harbottle (1939)  
Grace Callahan (1941)  
Victorine Chappen (1941)  
Evelyn "Peggy" Gardier Barrett (1942)  
Margaret Murray Gartland (1942)  
Helen Guley Pechmann (1943)  
Marianne Hickey Gavigan (1943)  
Mary Beilman Hansen (1943)  
Rose Englander Chartock (1943)  
Kathleen Sammon Chesavage (1945)  
Sister Virgilius Smith, IHM (1945)  
Eleanor Stuart Belden (1946)  
Mary "Kay" Catherine Burke Lydon Kosieracki (1946)  
Mary Kay Glancy Clark (1946)  
Grace McGarry Moran (1947)  
Irene Sleboda Dubiel (1947)  
Margaret Jean Moran Rhue (1947)  
MaryEllen Campbell Schalk (1947)  
Regina O'Connor Haggerty (1947)  
Sister M. St. Paul Cafferty, IHM (1947)  
Jean Cushman McKay (1948)  
Sister M. Gillet Beach, IHM (1948)  
Margaret Mary Nealon Coddington (1949)  
Sister M. Greta Collins, IHM (1949)  
Loraine Kelleher (1951)  
Alice Marie Campbell Kenefick (1952)  
Sister deRicci Baker, IHM (1952)  
Sister Dorothy Lancor, IHM (1952)  
Sister M. Gabriel Kane, IHM (1952)  
Lois Arnold Steele (1953)  
Sister M. Laurentia Mayan, IHM (1953)  
Sister Sarita Gesler, IHM (1953)  
Mary Blewitt Kelly (1955)  
Sister Kathryn Rolley, IHM (1955)  
Joan McCarthy Cavanagh (1957)  
Mary Glynn FitzGibbons (1957)  
Sister Kathleen O'Dea, IHM (1957)  
Patricia "Tia" Kelley-Keating (1959)  
Regina Kelley Flanagan (1960)  
Sister Mary Kathleen Newett, IHM (1960)  
Grace Bohr (1961)  
Carolyn Butler Lane (1962)  
Ellen O'Keefe Barber (1962)  
Patricia Consey (1964)  
Barbara Arabio (1966)  
Margaret Brennan (1966)  
Maryanne O'Brien Donohue (1966)  
Patricia Zilliox (1969)  
Marjorie O'Hora Tierney (1970)  
Bernadine Cosmark Novack (1971)  
Joseph Geffert (1971)  
Ruth Bombaski (1971)  
Elinor Jeanne Payne Kantz (1972)  
Ronald Mortimer (1973)  
Jane Gardier Haller (1974)  
MaryAnn Walsh (1974)  
Paul O'Donnell (1974)  
Isabel Allan Cross (1975)  
Karen Blomain (1975)  
MaryAnne Healey Greech (1975)  
Asghar Shahpari-Azar (1976)  
Michael Ostrowski (1976)  
Ann Boylan Yanchak (1977)  
Margaret Haworth Replogle (1977)  
Roberta Green Novick (1977)  
Marion Forte Seitz (1978)  
Rev. Richard Gabriel (1979)  
Selyne Youngclaus (1979)  
Sharon Deyo (1979)  
Thomas Palumbo (1979)  
Greg Ward Simpson (1980)  
Elaine Swoboda Lyons (1981)  
Mari Beth Ferris (1981)  
Ronald Noyalis (1982)  
Alice Petersen (1983)  
Sister Margaret Benfield, IHM (1983)  
Clyde Allan Lewis (1985)  
Edward Gallagher (1988)  
Honour "Nori" King Cognetti (1988)  
Robyn Zigmund Cecchini (1994)  
Ellen Foster (1998)  
Capt. James Minicozzi (1999)  
Rev. Thomas Sokolowski (1999)  
James Frank Thomas (2000)  
Mathew Bortree (2002)  
Nicholas Woolsey (2004)  
Theresa Cecilia Kinney Fox (2005)  
Kristina Susan Adams (2006)  
Dustin Rhodes (2006)



## Sharing the Successes of Our **BEST & BRIGHTEST**

### **MICHAEL HEALEY**

#### **Marywood Teaching Certificate Inspires Community Leadership**

Teaching and other certification programs are a vital part of the graduate offerings at Marywood University. **Michael Healey**, Bethlehem, earned his teaching certificate from Marywood in 2003 and took courses toward his master's degree. He demonstrates the vibrancy of this program and the impact it makes—on those who earn certificates and on the lives they touch.

"The trait I admired most about my professors was their commitment to preparing every student to be the best educators they could be," says Michael, a social studies teacher and club advisor at East Stroudsburg High School. "My professors' doors were always open for a professional or personal conversation. The idea of a teacher as a community leader, accessible and approachable, is the main lesson I carried with me from my time at Marywood."

Michael was recently chosen as the recipient of the PSEA 2013 Human Rights and Civil Rights Award for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He also was awarded the Colonial Intermediate Unit's 2012 Excellence in Education Award for the work of his social justice and global citizenship student group ASPIRE, which is officially recognized as a high school branch of the United Nations Academic Impact. He has been repeatedly recognized for showing his students the importance of embracing who they are and giving back to their community.

In February, Michael and his students were chosen by WNEP-TV for a "16 Salutes" feature (<http://wnep.com/2013/02/27/16-salutes-pocono-teacher-for-giving-back/>), which highlighted their community activism and advocacy for inclusion and tolerance. In addition, the class was filmed and included in the PBS documentary adaptation of the international bestselling non-fiction book, *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity*, by *New York Times* reporters and Pulitzer Prize winners Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn.

Michael loves being a teacher and praises the work of his students—work that goes beyond what is learned in the classroom.

"We have fundraised for Haiti, Japan, the Red Cross, the United Way, written letters to our soldiers abroad, and participated in the Social Good Summit. My students and I have presented at the United Nations Headquarters on several occasions, including the 56<sup>th</sup> Commission on the Status of Women," he says. "I feel my students and my student group are an example of everything that is right with public education when so much seems to be wrong."

Michael's students, in turn, credit him, saying that he pushes them to be their best and shows them—by example—how they can make a difference in their community.

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### **The Accidental Chef**

**JOSEPH CAPUTO '77**

*(Dog Ear Publishing, September 19, 2012)*

*The Accidental Chef* is the story of a man who took almost a lifetime to realize that the accidentals of his first fifty years were really the essentials he needed to blossom as a happy, productive chef who enjoys what he does, how he does it, and how he brings enjoyment to others. Joseph Caputo has enjoyed a lifetime of family, educational, and theatrical experiences. He has combined his passion for food, storytelling, and theatre into a recipe for success. Spending countless hours in the kitchen of his boyhood home and in exceptionally fine restaurants in New York City and worldwide have helped him to develop a unique culinary style. Blessed with keen perception as to which ingredients created the great dishes he enjoyed, he most often came home with a recipe all his own, and more spectacular than the original. Today, he is chef/owner of two successful businesses, Catering by Joseph LTD and *Zuppa del Giorno*, both located in Scranton. The book is available online through national booksellers.

### **If You Can Play Scranton**

**NANCY McDONALD '62**

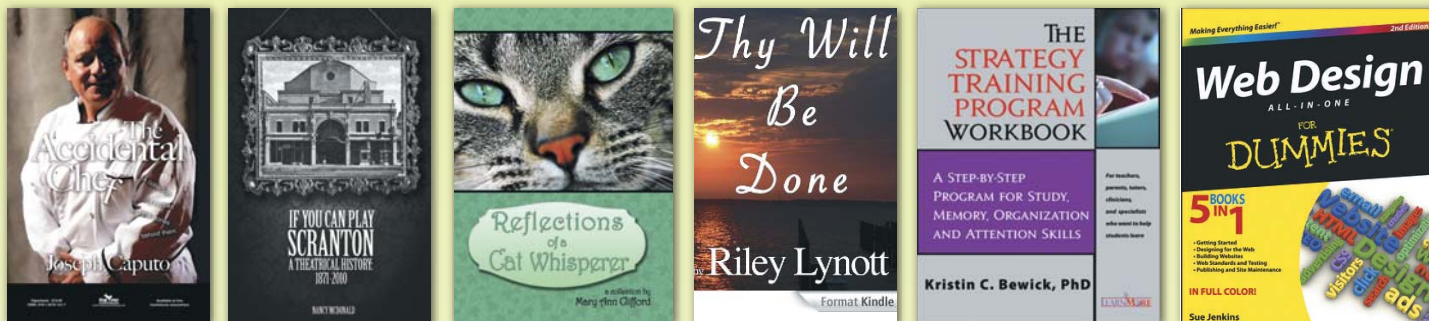
*(Tribute Books, November 18, 2011)*

At the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, Scranton, Pennsylvania, was one of the most famous try-out towns for legitimate stage productions. *If You Can Play Scranton* is a theatrical history of America as seen through the famous performers who came to Scranton. It discusses performances by the best known actors and actresses of the tragic and comic stage, ethnic performers, vaudevillians, musical comedy, concert, orchestra and band performers from 1871-2010. To find out more, you can visit the book's website at [www.IfYouCanPlayScranton.com](http://www.IfYouCanPlayScranton.com) or visit its Facebook page.



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## **Reflections of a Cat Whisperer**

**MARY ANN MCNULTY CLIFFORD '73**

(Kindle Publishing, November 20, 2012)

*Reflections of a Cat Whisperer* is about the author's journey from childhood and then into life as an adult. This book contains short stories, thoughts, and verses that present descriptions of her interactions with numerous felines over the years. This collection is not one continuous story; rather, it contains descriptions of moments with her thundering herd and other felines. All the expressed observations represented in this book are part of her wishes and dreams. In addition, some food for thought, alongside many tears and countless smiles, can be found throughout its pages. The proceeds made from the sale of this book are designated for research in feline hypertrophic cardiomyopathy heart disease at the Cornell Feline Health Center. For more information or to order the book, visit the publisher's website ([www.xlibris.com](http://www.xlibris.com)), online national booksellers, or a local bookstore.

## **Thy Will Be Done**

**M. E. LYNOTT (SHIMP), M.ED. '72 (PEN NAME: RILEY LYNOTT)**

(Kindle Publishing, January 2012)

Maggie Schmidt is no stranger to loss. Her mother passed away when she was young. Her husband disappeared in a scuba diving accident. Despite this, Maggie lives a happy life with her twin daughters at the beach. When her father dies, she thinks she knows how to handle death, and the changes that come with it. She has no idea that her Father's Will could change everything. With these changes come decisions. Can Maggie open herself up to love again? Is she willing to risk it all with a crush from the past, or will her business partner finally win her heart? Join Maggie in *Thy Will Be Done* and enjoy the heartfelt story of love, life, and family. May be purchased through [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) for the Kindle or download the free Kindle App for your computer.

## **The Strategy Training Program Workbook**

**KRISTIN BEWICK, '85 (M.S. '93, Ph.D. '02)**

MathWord Press, LLC (December 23, 2011)

*The Strategy Training Program Workbook* grew out of Kristin Bewick's doctoral dissertation research at Marywood University. However, the learning strategies in the workbook have been developing since 1987 when she worked as a therapist with clients with special cognitive needs at the John Heinz Institute. Dr. Bewick went on to field test her learning strategy program with children of various ages and grade levels, including those with special needs. The workbook's fun activities help children develop their skills in studying, remembering, organizing, and concentrating. *The Strategy Training Workbook* can be used by teachers, parents, tutors, clinicians, and specialists who want to help students learn. *The Workbook* is available online and at [www.avventurapress.com](http://www.avventurapress.com).

## **Web Design All-in-One For Dummies, 2nd Edition**

**SUE JENKINS (M.F.A. '12)**

(John Wiley & Sons, Inc., January 29, 2013)

An award-winning Adobe Certified Instructor and an Adobe Certified Expert, Sue Jenkins is a web and graphic designer, illustrator, and fine art photographer. This second edition of *Web Design All-in-One For Dummies* is her latest publication. Presently serving as an Assistant Professor of Graphic Design at Marywood University, Sue has written many "For Dummies" and other instructional books on design, including *Smashing Photoshop: 100 Professional Techniques*; *Web Design For Dummies All-in-One Desk Reference*; *Tumblr For Dummies, Portable Edition*; *Dreamweaver CS5 For Dummies All-in-One Desk Reference*, and *How To Do Everything Illustrator*. Her publications may be found online at the publisher's website ([www.wiley.com](http://www.wiley.com)) or through [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) and other online retailers.



If you are a Marywood graduate with a new work—book, music, film, video, art—that has recently been published, produced, performed, or exhibited, let us know! Write to "Seen & Heard," *Marywood Magazine*, Marywood University, 2300 Adams Avenue, Scranton, PA 18509, or [MarywoodMag@marywood.edu](mailto:MarywoodMag@marywood.edu) (subject line: "Seen & Heard"). Because of the overwhelming popularity of this section, it may take a few issues for your submission to appear in print.



## REUNION WEEKEND | MAY 30-JUNE 1, 2014

As we are always looking to increase excitement and provide the best experience for our alumni, we are combining Homecoming events (typically held in the fall) with Reunion Weekend events to create one big celebration!

Whether you're a recent graduate or you graduated 50 years ago, Reunion Weekend 2014 promises exciting, fun events for all. Planned events include; **Downtown Reunion Weekend Kick-off, Flag Football/Ultimate Frisbee Tournament, Marywood Then and Now, Affinity Reunions, Wine Tasting** and **Class Parties**.

**Register for your class party at [marywood.edu/reunion](http://marywood.edu/reunion) or by calling 570-348-6206 before March 1, 2014, and receive a free overnight stay on campus for Saturday, May 31, 2014.**

To learn more and to register, please visit [www.marywood.edu/reunion](http://www.marywood.edu/reunion) or call the Office of Alumni Engagement at 570-348-6206.