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Hearts & Minds
Heather Wojcik ’99 is an advocate for global connections in learning and teaching.
Seeing higher education today from a global and personal perspective brings both joy and challenge, and once a university president sees, he or she must respond.

My work in international nursing education, for example, led to the recognition that the era of nursing on the global stage had arrived, and I was invited to give the keynote address at a Global Nursing Caucus in Boston last October. Then, in November, I visited with alumni and prospective students in Thailand and Japan. The warm welcome and memories of Regis showed great love of the College, saying a great deal about a Regis global network that already exists and has for decades. Who can forget the story of Sister Jeanne d’Arc O’Hare, CSJ, on Fulbright in Africa in the 1960s and a car pulling up beside her and asking, “Are you a Sister of St. Joseph?” The speaker was a Regis alumna, a diplomat’s wife. Nor shall I forget the Thai alumna whose family I met, and the Japanese alumni who wanted to know all the Regis news.

Meanwhile, at home, contemporary Regis undergraduate and graduate students are revealing the world within us and the globe at our fingertips. Our campus is so multicultural, alive, and electronically connected. “Unity,” a wonderful community action steering committee at Regis, reflects that vitality through the lens of our Sisters of St. Joseph heritage.

The Sisters are dedicated to “unity and reconciliation.”

In December, Vice President Paul Vaccaro visited high schools in Brazil to tell students about Regis. During spring break in March, Regis students traveled on community service and learning trips to Peru and Grenada and on a glee club performance tour to Barcelona. In May, the Erat Scholars traveled to Le Puy, France, to visit the origin of the CSJs; to Geneva, Switzerland, to explore UN programs in human rights; and to Rome, to ponder the teachings of Vatican II during this 50th anniversary year. Last year they visited Kenya.

Our Haitian nursing faculty came here in March from all over Haiti for their spring semester and, having been here two or three times, they, too, now claim Regis as alma mater. Our admission director Wanda Suriel ’98 just returned from visiting Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Ecuador, Panama, and the Dominican Republic. I am just back from Puerto Rico, where I met with many of our wonderful alumni there.

Both here and abroad, a variety of faces, races, and faiths make up the Regis College “new” community. We love it, and we love them, these citizens of the world. The responsibility that comes to me with this global perspective is to build the infrastructure to sustain and develop the connections, to fund the communication and correspondence, and to strengthen our relationships. For these reasons I am working toward establishing a Regis College “Institute for global connections.” At a recent Partners in Health board meeting, Dr. Paul Farmer and Ophelia Dahl singled out the contributions of two universities—Regis and Harvard. I beamed with pride and knew that we were on the right track. So, stay tuned, friends of Regis College all over the world. You will be hearing from me about our global connections.

Antoinette M. Hays, PhD, RN
PRESIDENT
St. Francis and the Hungry Wolf

When a wolf visited the village, yes, hungry. Francis said, feed it, for even the wolf requires our part in the field of life.

And if the wolf had crept closer?

Fingertips of Francis, mouth of Francis blessed by that meeting, the wildness in both their hearts pumping?

Scent of fear in both their hearts stilled with a bright kiss of skin on fur? Neither denying.

Little flowers are stories like tiny boxes in a child’s room. That he lived, that together with the wolf who came to ravage the village he made something like love, concession, agreement. The wolf’s madness cured by accepting Francis’s gift.

What
Rash Vows: Poems and Paintings On the Life of St. Francis

Where
Carney Gallery, Regis College Fine Arts Center

When
March 15–May 13

Writer Julia Lisella, associate professor of English at Regis, and artist Adele Travisano collaborated on a project on the life and works of St. Francis of Assisi. Rash Vows, now on view in the Carney Gallery, brings to life the 13th century St. Francis through pairing the collages of Travisano with the original poems of Lisella.
New Pope’s Global Ministry

During February and March, our wired world was captivated by the dramatic papal transition from His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI, to the newly elected Cardinal Jorge M. Bergoglio, S.J., of Buenos Aires, Argentina. On March 19, having taken the name “Francis,” His Holiness was installed in the Petrine ministry with its emblems of the pallium, made from lamb’s wool and worn on the shoulders to signify the carrying of the sheep, and the fisherman’s ring whose keys signify the extension of Christ’s mission of mercy and justice. In his homily Pope Francis urged everyone to protect children, the family, the aged, the sick, the poor and “not to be afraid of tenderness.”

Our Archbishop, Cardinal Seán P. O’Malley, OFM, Cap., whom the city of Rome embraced as the “cappuccino cardinal,” participated in the general congregations and papal conclave electing Cardinal Bergoglio, and shares with him a deeply pastoral impulse and empathy.

Years ago, in May 1979, presiding at a Mass marking Argentina’s Independence Day at the Cathedral of St. Matthew in Washington, D.C., which included members of the Argentine military junta in the congregation, Father O’Malley did something that Father Bergoglio, then a Jesuit provincial in the midst of “the dirty war” in Argentina, could not; in his homily he bravely condemned the junta’s human rights violations and “disappearances.” The outraged military stood up and walked out, mid-homily.

We at Regis College rejoice in the election of His Holiness Pope Francis to a global ministry in which he is freer to speak to the issues facing humanity, and we look forward to having Cardinal Seán back on campus on May 11, when he will deliver the commencement address and receive an honorary degree.

New and Noted

Shannon Myron O’Neill ’93 is the winner of the AATSP (American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese) Massachusetts Embassy Scholarship for study in Spain in 2013. Shannon is currently a Spanish teacher at Wellesley High School.

Donato Tramuto, a Regis trustee, received the H.I.T. Men & Women award at the 2013 Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) for his innovative leadership in helping Physicians Interactive and Health eVillages advance the use of healthcare technology.

Josh Tuxbury ’14 was one of 20 ROTC students recognized at Boston College for academic and physical accomplishments. Josh received the Dean’s List Award for his academic achievement of 3.5 to 4.0 GPA and Gold Medal Athlete award for his physical fitness training test score.

Ann M. Lagasse ’79 of Newburyport and Meyer J. Chambers of West Roxbury have been named to the Board of Trustees. Lagasse was co-founder and principal of Piper Properties Management Company and is currently managing Boston’s Seaport marina projects and developing an inn and a mega yacht marina in Boston’s North End. Meyer J. Chambers, MLM, a native of New Orleans, is the director of liturgical music at St. Katharine Drexel Roman Catholic Church in Boston and campus minister for liturgical arts at Boston College. He is founder of the Archdiocese of Boston’s Black Choir.

Rob Riley was a Division 1 head hockey coach at the U.S. Military Academy for 18 years; he coached the U.S. hockey team at the World University Games in Bulgaria and Japan; and he was recently head coach of the American Hockey League’s Spring Falcons. Now Regis College is delighted to call him its new athletic director.
Q: What does mobile technology add to the educational experience?

It expands the classroom and provides deeper learning through student engagement. Within the medical field, you can use the device for up-to-the-second content, virtual meetings with clinical colleagues, or updating e-logs. For social work and communication disciplines, it can be a recording device, where students can video mock interviews and critique with peers and faculty. For art and music, students use the multimedia capabilities of iPads to listen to recordings and view art all over the world. The math department uses apps to run simulations and formulas.

Challenge-based learning is a pedagogical tool facilitated by mobile devices where students are presented with a real-world problem to solve. iPads enable mobile investigation and research in the field and can be used for many supporting/foundational activities, such as recording interviews, research, collection of data, video collaboration, and to present and publish findings.

The research and solution of the problem encourages critical thinking across disciplines and provides students the skills of working within a team and presenting their solutions.

Memorial
Sister Jeanne d’Arc O’Hare

Sister Jeanne d’Arc O’Hare, CSJ, PhD, past president of Regis and beloved former professor of government, passed away on March 16, 2013. In her long career as an educator, Sister had been missioned at Mount St. Joseph Academy, Brighton; St. Clement, Somerville; and Cathedral High School, Boston, before becoming a faculty member at Regis. She was on a Fulbright in Nigeria, Africa, when she was called home to become president of the College in 1964. When she “retired” from that post in 1974, she continued ministering as a professor, a director of continuing education and an archivist. She also served as General Councilor for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston; Secretary of Education and Cabinet Member for the Archdiocese of Boston, and a member of the Board of Trustees for St. John Seminary, Brighton; St. Joseph College, Maine; St. Sebastian’s School, Needham; and Boston College High School. Regis alumnae agree, as one of Sister’s nieces put it, that Sister Jeanne d’Arc “opened up the world to us” and made us read and think about the issues affecting governments and people everywhere. Known for her gentleness and kindness as well as her mind, she belonged to a cadre of Boston CSJs who were great women, great educators and, on the global stage of care for “the dear neighbor,” great matriarchs.

THE WORD

We are not going to see an emphasis on trappings and pomp and circumstance. He is radically dedicated to simplicity.

—Professor Ernest Collamati on Pope Francis, on Fox 25 TV
As adults we can vocalize “I want something to eat,” but some kids, particularly those with disabilities, can’t communicate so they act out as a form of communication. Our job as behavior analysts is to find out what they are communicating with their problem behavior and teach a more appropriate behavior.

ABA focuses on the environment and how we can change it to improve behavior through reinforcement and learning. Behavior analysts observe and assess skills and deficits. We look at problematic behavior, such as aggression and self-injury, and conduct assessments to find out why the behavior is occurring.

Techniques include reinforcement, such as attention, edibles, activities, or toys to reward a new behavior. Sometimes this involves using communication boards or sign language. ABA helps in everyday situations at home and in structured classroom settings.

ABA can help children diagnosed with autism catch up to their peers. A powerful study published by Dr. O. Ivar Lovaas in 1987 showed that with early intervention, children can recover from autism. His experiment had three groups: one received 40 hours of intensive ABA, one received 15 hours, and one didn’t receive any. The individuals who had rigorous ABA teaching showed marked improvement and many recovered from autism.

I remember my first client diagnosed with autism—a two-year-old boy. I visited him at his home five days a week while working as a behavior specialist in Tallahassee. He could only say one word: “san” and he’d repeat it over and over when he saw a ceiling fan move. Watching his progress and seeing his parents’ excitement as he began to interact with them was wonderful. His dad cried the first time the little boy called “bye” and waved to him. It was impactful for me. I realized that this type of work didn’t just change an individual’s life but the lives of the people who are with them as well.

There is no magic pill. There are so many unconventional treatments out there. I once worked with a family who had a hyperbaric oxygen chamber in their house—a controversial and unproven treatment for autism. As a behavior analyst, I can only support treatment that is based in science. ABA is. It is slow and methodical, takes time and energy and it works. There is no magic pill.

There is so much potential to expand the field of ABA here. I was hired to direct a new master’s program in ABA and we’re off to a good start after one semester. It’s a 45-credit program that requires students to do a practicum and complete a thesis.

Research and practice are directly linked. Because ABA is an applied field, I’m also working on developing a research lab at Regis where I hope to train graduate students to conduct studies to evaluate effective teaching tactics with children in Regis’s on-site children’s center and at schools in the community.
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Sophorn Nop ’13 usually has the typical day of a Regis student: He wakes up, goes to classes, tennis practice in the afternoon, then goes to work at night. Unlike other students, though, Nop isn’t waiting tables in Waltham to make ends meet or stocking merchandise in the mall. He is an office manager and buyer for his family’s international tire company—in Cambodia.

He’d like to work at the office, but the commute is a bit prohibitive—a 26-hour plane ride. So he does most of his work by email and phone. It’s a 12-hour time difference, so as his day of classes and sports is winding down, the company is ramping up. He works from about 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. each day, after which his Cambodia counterpart takes over and Nop goes to bed.

Normally, this would make many students pause and question whether they want to give up study hours, time with friends or even sleep. But Nop’s parents own the company and he is happy to help them succeed.

The company buys tires worldwide and sells them to local companies that, in turn, sell them to consumers. Nop is engaged in all elements of purchasing: finding distributors in places like the U.S., China, and India; making sales orders; maintaining the correct inventory; and finding ways to save money.

“It is sometimes a long day,” Nop says, “but it is worth it. This is what my parents want for me.” He says that even though he’s “really busy,” he feels he gets the best of both academia and the real world.

Like many students, Nop is able to use his job for internship credit. Internships are a combination of real-world experience and in-class reflection. He keeps a daily log that he discusses with his professor and will have to write a term paper on his work, relating what he has learned in class to what he has had the chance to practice.

“Experiential learning is invaluable,” says Professor James Lane, head of the business department, which requires internships of every student. “It translates what you learn into action.”

“We’re always telling students to be decision makers,” adds Lane, who serves as adviser to all juniors and seniors in the program. “Don’t let the decisions make you—make the decisions.”

Nop says he often sees the benefit of his education as he is managing the office or interfacing with other companies. “Often I’m in class and I’ll see something come up and I get to practice it,” Nop says. Not many students get that opportunity immediately.

In fact, while most students were relaxing at home for Christmas break, Nop and his father journeyed to India to negotiate with a new company from which to buy tires.

“In the meeting, it was a lot of principles from in class,” Nop says. “What to do, how to make a business plan, how to promote the products.”

His parents say they can see a difference in his work because of his four years of study at Regis.

“We are very impressed with…the way Sophorn presented the material to the business partners,” wrote Nop’s father, adding that his son has increased “confidence.”

“They are very proud because I am bringing a more modern way to solve problems,” says Nop, “and I am bringing new ideas to the company.”

This spring, Nop is on track to earn his bachelor’s degree in business management with a concentration in accounting and a minor in economics. Through the experience of managing an office, taking classes, and squeezing in extracurricular activities, Nop has become an experienced multitasker, and he leverages the power of modern-day technology.

“It sounds like a lot and that I’m extremely busy,” Nop demures, reluctant to brag of the work he is doing. “As long as I have my iPad and phone, I can still hang out with my friends.”
Nop is gracious and polite, traits he learned from his doting mother and at Lowell Catholic High School. Nop came to the U.S. six years ago, when his mother visited cousins in Massachusetts. She loved it so much, she decided she wanted her son to come and study here. She chose a Catholic high school because “she loved the uniforms,” Nop laughed. Once she got more information on the school, she was sold.

“Most mothers come home from a trip with a T-shirt,” Nop said. “My mother came home with a high school and new place to live.”

He lived with his mother’s cousin and when his older brother moved from Cambodia to attend Middlesex Community College, the two got an apartment together. (His brother attended English as a Second Language classes there and now attends UMass Lowell.) Nop might have attended a state school as well, but going to a school like Regis was a home away from home. Nop learned more about Regis when a friend visited Regis because of the tennis team. The team has become a big part of his Regis experience, not just because it’s fun, but also because it’s helped him academically.

“He’s really committed,” says tennis coach John Ciarleglio. “He rarely misses practice and is one of the most improved of the team. I’m really proud of Sophorn for his grades.”

As the academic year comes to a close, Nop has begun to think he will take a year off after graduation and use that time to travel and submit applications to graduate schools. He would like to eventually go back to Cambodia and help his parents, and perhaps even open his own shop someday, even though it will mean he will be as busy as he is now. But that won’t pose a problem. “I don’t know what to do with free time,” he says.

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The Play’s Her Thing
Regis Senior Makes Her Directorial Debut

BY PATRICIA MURRAY DIBONA ’84

In two fluid steps, Jacqueline Williams ’13 bounds up a chair and onto a desk, her boots striking a surprisingly loud thud for someone so small. Feet planted in a commanding pose and arms thrown overhead, she shouts out a line. The eight student actors gathered at rehearsal in the Sullivan Theatre take a startled step back and nod their heads. They get it.

“Think of this scene like Hurricane Sandy,” the Regis senior tells them. “It needs to build in intensity. Make it big.” The actors repeat the scene, shaping Williams’s actions into their own. They continue reading the script aloud, pausing now and then at Williams’s thoughtful interjections to repeat a phrase with more emotion or to change body language to elicit a better audience response.

Jacqui Williams is the first student to ever single-handedly direct a play at Regis and on this March rehearsal night it is easy to see why. The 21-year-old communication and theatre double major with an enviable 3.83 GPA is a veteran performer and now an aspiring director who is calmly and clearly in control. A Most Unusual Pencil, the tale of a high school student and his run-amok No. 2 pencil, was performed in April at the Patricia Teehan Sullivan ’55 Studio Theatre in the Fine Arts Center.

The dramatic play centers on a lonely high school student who creates his own world, crafting identities for classmates with a magic pencil. “I was searching for a one-act play to direct and this one drew me in,” says Williams, who coordinated auditions, chose actors, and is responsible for marketing.

Williams calls on her personal acting experience and technical background as a stage manager when directing Regis’s spring play. Sometimes her suggestions to the ensemble of actors are psychological: “Think about the reasons behind your characters’ behaviors—get inside their heads,” she advises. She shifts furniture and actors for dramatic effect. “This will be our focal point,” Williams points to a center-stage trash barrel. “Fire and smoke will pour out,” she says with relish.

Williams has come a long way since catching the acting bug as Bobo the clown in a Canton Recreation Department production at the age of 7. “I wore a purple wig and a red nose. My Nana made the most awesome clown costume,” she remembers with a laugh. Williams never looked back and went on to star in as many as five performances a year with the Little Theater of Stoughton, Stars Community Theatre, and other groups. The Canton resident has shown her comedic chops as Frenchy in Grease, sung Broadway tunes for a dinner theater revue, and tackled dramatic roles with Boston’s Huntington Theater Youth Touring Company.

When it came time to look at colleges, her mother encouraged her to visit Regis, and Williams grudgingly obliged. “I was a teenager. I didn’t want to listen to my mother, but of course she was right!” she said. “I toured the campus and fell in love.”

By second semester, Williams was firmly entrenched in the Regis theatre scene. She landed the lead role of Aksinia in Woman with the Red Kerchief, a play about Leo Tolstoy written by former theatre professor Wendy Lement and historian Firouzeh Mostashari. “It was a lot for a first-year student,” admitted Williams of her demanding role as Tolstoy’s
love interest. “Wendy saw something in me and took a chance. She didn’t know me, yet she gave me the lead and the confidence to perform it well.”

Williams has acted in eight other student plays at Regis since then. She took playwriting and directing classes with Lement and acting classes with Frans Rijnbout, associate professor of theatre and theatre program coordinator at Regis. Rijnbout says Williams had an impressive combination of stage, classroom, and internship experience that made her an ideal student director. “Her mature understanding of the dramatic process makes her the first Regis College student to direct a main-stage production for the Regis College Theatre Company.”

Considering a future in teaching.

When she’s not acting or working backstage, Williams is co-coordinator of the Tower Society for the Office of Admission at Regis, a role she shares with her longtime roommate Angela Holgado ’13. She was also an orientation leader and has been secretary of the Student Government Association for the past four years.

As graduation approaches, Williams admits she’s not quite sure what direction her future will take. Maybe she’ll pursue a career in communications or education or go down the uncertain performance path. “If I could act for the rest of my life and get paid, that’s what I’d do.”

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For the past two years, Williams has worked as an understudy for Theatre Espresso, a nonprofit acting troupe in residence at Wheelock Family Theatre. Theatre Espresso creates and performs interactive dramas that bring American history to life for students throughout New England. “I was in a play about the bread and roses strike of 1912. It was so professional and I really got the feel of what my life as a full-time actor would be like. Acting is a difficult lifestyle and to make it a career you have to juggle multiple acting jobs and always be searching for the next gig,” says Williams, who as an educational theatre minor is also
A Cancer Diagnosis Brings Regis Friends Back Together

Back in the ’80s, long before ionic hair straighteners and keratin treatments, girls like Mary and me, girls with thick and unruly hair, resorted to homespun methods to tame our wild locks. Mary’s tool of choice was a knit ski cap and she wore it with aplomb in Angela Hall, pulled tightly over her wavy mane no matter the season.

Such bad hair day memories flooded back as Mary Pacilio Haggerty ’84 and I talked on the phone last year, laughing about our love-hate relationship with our hair while commiserating about chemotherapy and baldness. It was another 21st-century innovation that prompted the phone call and drew me back into our once-tight Regis circle. Like a lot of college classmates, Mary and I stayed in touch via Facebook. We kept tabs on one another’s lives through sporadic online photos and comments, applauding family achievements, vacation plans, and, yes, great hairstyles.

So when I read Mary’s Facebook post: “Resting comfortably to Regis white noise,” I dashed off a flippant response. “Is there a Regis get-together and why wasn’t I invited?” I soon learned there was no party or slight. Mary had been diagnosed with breast cancer and a group of Regis friends were gathered at her cozy Connecticut home to offer support, chattering companionably while she dozed on the couch.

Mary’s cancer diagnosis hit home for me. A 13-year non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma survivor, I remembered those pre-treatment days vividly: the shell-shocked feeling of disbelief and helplessness and that awful waiting and worrying. And I knew that while modern medicine, with its arsenal of drugs and survivor statistics, offered assurance that life would return to normal, it was girls like me who proved it.

BY PATRICIA MURRAY DIBONA ’84
Mary Pacilio Haggerty ’84 and her children Patrick and Catherine.
My cancer experience seems a lifetime ago and when I tell someone new, I’m always startled by their wide-eyed reaction. I was a 37-year-old mother of three, married to my high school sweetheart and enjoying a part-time writing career and new baby. But I was also very tired and growing thinner every day. I chalked both up to a busy life and soldiered on.

And then I felt something. It was deep within my armpit (“axilla” as I’d later call it in hospital-speak) and I knew it shouldn’t be there. Against my better judgment, I grasped onto two misdiagnoses, submitting to physical therapy for a supposed pulled muscle and blood tests for a supposed thyroid disorder. Finally, an MRI confirmed what I feared all along. I had cancer.

According to my oncologist, this type of non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma had an 85 percent chance of being cured with chemotherapy. Two months into treatment, even more thin, tired and now bald, I learned I was part of the unlucky 15 percent.

Plan B was an autologous stem cell transplant: a procedure that uses a patient’s own healthy stem cells to replace diseased cells. Stem cells are collected intravenously, frozen and stored, and high-dose chemotherapy, intended to destroy bone marrow and any cancer cells, follows. Days later, the stored cells are returned via transfusion, jump-starting the bone marrow to begin producing healthy cells.

The term “transplant,” evoking operating rooms and masked surgeons, is a misnomer for the stem cell process. Mine involved a friendly nurse named Muriel and several bags of blood. There were many side effects as my immune system recovered in an isolated Boston hospital room, but the worst was being separated from my three little girls for 20 days.

And that’s what came to my mind when my old pal Mary began her cancer journey. Back at Regis, Mary was a wild child, bombing around campus in an old VW bug and cracking up us Boston-area girls with tales of cow tipping in rural Connecticut. But Mary was a single mom now with a busy career and two teenagers and I knew they would be her first priority.

She told them the facts straight out. “I had a test and there’s a lump in one breast,” Mary explained to Patrick, then 17, and Catherine, 15. “Patrick immediately asked if it was cancer.” Mary reassured them the cancer had been caught early and her prognosis was good.

“Every year I have a mammo-gram and an ultrasound. I almost skipped 2011’s ultrasound but thank God I didn’t,” she said. “The mammo-gram showed no evidence of cancer, but the ultrasound caught it.” A surgical biopsy revealed good news. The cancer was stage I and had not spread to lymph nodes. The tumor was a treatable ER-positive and Mary did not have the BRCA2 gene.

“And in the beginning, I thought okay, I’ll have a lumpectomy and follow up with radiation,” she said. Further testing, however, showed the tumor was HER2-positive, a more aggressive type of breast cancer. She would receive six rounds of chemotherapy over 18 weeks, radiation, and a year of Herceptin, a drug that targets HER2-positive cells and reduces recurrence. “It was a lot to take in,” Mary said.

As Mary steeled herself for the physical battle, another raged internally. It was one I remembered well. “Why me?” she wondered. “I exercise. I don’t smoke. I eat healthy. I do everything right and I still get cancer.” I recalled my quick recovery and assured
her that exercise would become her secret weapon. After all, the two of us had been fitness fanatics since college, sweating to Jane Fonda’s workout album in the hallway of our Regis dorm.

Mary began treatment and Regis friends reached out from far and wide. Neighbors rallied, filling a doorstep cooler with meals. Mary soon found her comfortable colonial atop a winding drive in Newtown, Conn., bursting with people. Patty Laliberte Symes ’84 and Heather Sweet Sherman ’85 visited and Michelle Gasson ’84 made the trek from Tewksbury, Mass. Michelle admits to being taken aback by the sheer chaos in the house when she arrived one weekend to help her Regis roommate. “I found myself feeding 30 teenagers. But Mary loved it and I saw her spirits soar,” she said.

Normalcy. That’s what Mary strove for during her “year of cancer.” She worked full time and kept up with her children’s busy lives. “My kids’ friends have always hung out at our house,” she said. “I was concerned this cancer thing would scare them off but it didn’t. Our fight became their fight,” she said of the Newtown teens who dyed their hair pink and formed a Relay for Life team in Mary’s honor.

The picturesque town where Mary lives has gained international notoriety this year. To the Haggerty family, it is simply the place they call home: a tight-knit community that surrounded them with love during a difficult time. “I’m a single mom. I don’t have a husband to pick up the slack. I have my family, my Newtown friends, and my Regis girls,” she said.

One of these Regis girls, “Shell,” as the Haggerty kids call her, talked about her caregiver weekend in the Haggerty’s Sandy Hook neighborhood. “It was Cate’s birthday so we baked a cake,” Michelle said. “I kept the house-hold running—made sure Mary took her meds and that Sadie the dog was fed and Patrick wasn’t late for swim practice. I took care of ‘mom’ things so Mary could rest. It was all I could do,” she said.

In Minnesota, Liz Hughes Vander Aarde ’84 felt the distance acutely. When her advice-filled phone calls weren’t enough, take-charge Liz booked a flight and signed on for one of Mary’s chemotherapy appointments. Chemotherapy brings a physical tidal wave—a surge of steroid-fueled energy post-chemo, followed by a plummet into lethargy and nausea. “Mary wanted me there for the good days, but I insisted on staying,” said Liz. “She’s so strong. She’s used to doing everything herself.”

As Mary hunkered down to ride out the chemo plummet, Liz was a housekeeping whirlwind, wiping down counters with antibacterial soap. The former art major helped Cate with a class project and stocked the kitchen cabinets with forbidden junk food. “They’re kids,” she remembers teasing Mary after Patrick was caught red-handed with a package of Sour Patch Kids. “Let them eat candy!”

By the time I headed to Connecticut, Mary was on an upsing. We spent the weekend laughing, shopping (Mary drove, of course), eating good food, and watching The Bachelor. I taught her how to wrap her head in a bandana like a biker chick and she modeled her collection of wigs. For me, it felt like a weekend away with a long-lost friend. Because it was.

After graduation, Mary and I had drifted apart. Emotions were high when college ended and we argued. Geography separated us and the years passed. I kept up with Mary through Michelle and then Facebook, but I missed her. And here we were, reunited 30 years later thanks to time, mellowed temperaments and cancer.

One year has passed since Mary’s breast cancer diagnosis. She’s sporting a chic hairstyle and is back at the gym with a vengeance. We talk often about life after cancer and joke about putting our Regis English degrees to work and penning a novel together, a funny take on a terrible disease. For now, we revel in our healthy lifestyles, debating our latest fitness craze—she’s all about spin classes and weight lifting and I’m a devoted yogi—and are grateful for our families, our friendships, and life’s simple pleasures.

“What a difference a year makes,” Mary said to me recently after her annual Martin Luther King weekend on Marco Island with Regis friends Liz, Heather, and Eileen Walsh ’86. “Last year, I was newly diagnosed and in shock. That Florida get-away was my last hurrah before a brutal battle. And this year—other than Liz bursting into tears when she met me at the airport—was a celebration!”

“I’m a single mom. I don’t have a husband to pick up the slack. I have my family, my Newtown friends, and my Regis girls.”
The first stage of the renovation will result in restructuring the campus core so at its heart is a grassy quad where now there is a parking lot. Above, the parking lot as it is currently. Below, an architect’s rendering of that same space, transformed into a new campus quad.
Next fall, the Regis campus will begin to take on a new face. After much study and collaboration, the College has crafted a master plan that envisions a more attractive, more technology-driven, more student-centered campus. Above all, more centered, as the first stage—which begins next fall—will result in restructuring the campus core so at its heart is a grassy quad where now there is a parking lot. The larger goal is to create more comfortable and collaborative learning spaces and enhance opportunities for gathering, dialogue, and community.

This new central campus quad will contain improved campus entrances, connective campus sidewalks and in future phases, will open up to a renovated library, an improved student center, and an enhanced residence hall. A loop road and satellite parking lot will be developed as part of the motor vehicle transportation plan.

Though essentially a landscape project, this first phase of the master plan will set the stage both physically and philosophically for the next phases. It will be a harbinger of even bigger changes to come.

Soon thereafter, the library will be renovated with a new entrance that is oriented so it faces the new central quad. The library will be adapted to maximize collaboration and to provide support for current technology and look ahead to the technology of the future. A contemporary learning commons will offer flexible group and individual study spaces, and provide opportunity for technology-aided research and study. Included in the plans are an outdoor study terrace opening onto the Great Lawn.

The third phase will be an addition to Maria Hall. The suite-style accommodations will have 72 beds on the upper floors and, on the ground level, classrooms, fitness rooms, and other multipurpose gathering places. Maria Hall’s new wing will abut the newly developed central quad.

The College engaged Sasaki Associates of Watertown, Mass., on the 10-year master plan process and is pleased that the Town of Weston Planning Board has approved the master plan. The transformation of campus will be funded in part through the refinancing of debt and through a comprehensive capital campaign, now in the pre-planning stage.
Rosie’s Recipe for a Good Life

Dishing Up a Great Sandwich, Slathered with Lots of Love

By Susan Seligson
The lunchtime rush

Figaro’s sandwich shop starts just after 11:30, when a conga line of financial district regulars and suburban sandwich pilgrims assembles at the sliver of a café on an otherwise bleak edge of Boston’s Chinatown. That they inch along happily despite being on the clock is a testament not only to the freshness of the focaccia, the fragrance of the homemade sauces, and hand-cured cold cuts and the nonna-worthy meatballs, but to the warmth and sparkle of proprietor/chef Rosanna “Rosie” Martone ’98. An admiring Yelp reviewer from Waltham sums up the mood: “Rosie makes me happy.”

That’s amore.
Boston’s Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts—is peasant food, the kind that fills people’s bellies and makes them happy.

“Originally it wasn’t a family business,” says Martone, who opened Figaro’s in 2003 with her business partner and brother, John. Her parents got in on the act after they retired from running an indoor sports complex in Hingham. Now they find it hard to stay away. Figaro’s has never been open weekends, which gives Martone the opportunity to run a busy catering operation and tinker with new recipes. All about the food, Martone was glad to hand over the management to John while devoting herself to Figaro’s menu and ambience, dispensing favorites like the top-selling Sonny Corleone—grilled marinated chicken, roasted red peppers, pepperoni, chipotle mayonnaise, and mozzarella cheese. On May 1 she’ll open another Figaro’s in Revere Beach, a more ambitious operation with table service until 11 p.m., wine and beer, and a changing menu of globally inspired dishes along with Italian influences.

La famiglia Martone share nearly identical broad, exuberant features that easily ignite into a signature smile. They’re genetically linked in the humor department too. “I’m only 60,” says Geraldine, whom everyone calls Gerry. “Why do I have 70-year-olds calling me mama?” Help from the family, who all share a “compound” in Saugus, an insatiable devourer of food magazines and cookbooks, to bond with her father curing meat, crafting cheeses, working focaccia dough, and inventing pastries. “We experiment and do artisan things,” says Martone, whose father also makes his own wine.

“I wanted a restaurant that was approachable, something for everyday people,” says Martone of the flagship Figaro’s. Weaned on Italian opera, she named the
Martone is to lunchmeats what Bernini was to marble.

I grab my inspiration from everything—travels, experiences, my brother’s eastern European wife, Olga, who makes a mean borscht,” says Martone. After graduating with a degree in English, Martone headed to the West Coast to launch a career in stand-up comedy. It proved exhausting. She grew weary of always having to be funny. “If you don’t feel like being funny one night that’s not an option,” says Martone, who got her first “real food job” after migrating to Scottsdale, Arizona, where she helped conjure menus and sandwich ideas for a place called The Desert Grind, the inspiration for Figaro’s.

“I really found my niche,” says Martone, who discovered she was more eager to get to her $5-an-hour food job than to do stand-up. It turned out that her real calling was, like the scent of garlic in the Martone household, always right under her nose. “I was rolling meatballs since I was 5. I started curing meats with my dad when I was 15. I was always making sausages.” Martone’s most powerful childhood memories are of a family farm in Italy where they slaughtered pigs. “They didn’t lie to you and say the pig was going on vacation,” recalls Martone, who returns to Italy as often as possible and fluent in both Italian and Spanish.

Though it could be said that Martone is to lunchmeats what Bernini was to marble, even those lacking her evident talents have a thing about claiming sandwich rights. So Martone decided to indulge her customers with an annual sandwich competition, propelled by Facebook to a level.

“Everyone thinks they have a million dollar sandwich,” says Martone, who along with her family is continuously refining the process whereby customers judge finalists for the honor of having one’s sandwich become one of five Figaro’s daily specials. For two weeks customers “vote” by buying one of the competing sandwiches made by Rosie from recipes submitted by hopeful customers in a process that reaches a kind of fever pitch. “We’ve gotten so many bizarre entries,” says Martone, who recalls sandwiches with ingredients like black truffle, foie gras, and sea urchins. “Some guy put in a sardine, fried onion, sliced cucumber, avocados, and mustard,” she says. She “had to break it to him gently” that the sandwich was just...weird. The Whitey Bulger, on the other hand, was a contest winner that remains a crowd favorite.

When it comes to cultivating regulars, Martone has always been guided by instinct and heart. “I think I’m viewed as the mother of the restaurant, so when I’m not there things run very smoothly but it doesn’t have the Rosie touch,” she says. “I know who’s gluten-free, who doesn’t like tomatoes, who likes a little versus a ton of mayonnaise,” says Martone, who plans to divide her time between the two restaurants by spending two days in Boston, five at the Revere place, which will be open weekends. “Our plan is to implement a really fun brunch,” she says. “Who doesn’t love a great brunch?”

Sandwiches may not get credit for being a particularly haute reflection of culinary artistry, but at Le Cordon Bleu Martone dazzled her mentors with her creativity and fearlessness. “I came up with some cockamamie things and Cordon Bleu inspired me to aim further,” says Martone. The idea to enter cooking school eight years ago...
years into Figaro’s came from her parents. Martone agreed that her techniques could improve and she could acquire the confidence necessary for a venture like the Revere restaurant. It was rough going. “I’d leave work, drive to school and stay there until 11 at night, come home wired and not be able to get to sleep until 2, then get up four hours later,” says Martone. Her chef instructors delighted in presenting Martone with different proteins and letting her go wild. “Let me tell you, when you get a big raw turkey breast it does not inspire in the least, and people were making tetrazzini and roulade and I said, ‘I’m gonna make a sandwich. I made my own bread, made a curry-fried turkey cutlet, added some nice spices and cilantro, served it with a pickled remoulade with slices of Gruyère and tomato.’ The result is now a Figaro’s staple, The Bollywood.

“She is really outspoken, ambitious, and passionate but also humble,” says Ying Wei, a Cordon Bleu pastry instructor who came to be Martone’s friend and mentor. “She wasn’t embarrassed when she made a mistake, she’d be laughing and joking, yet she’d say, you tell me how to make it better. She’s a hard worker. A few times she had food sent from Figaro’s for faculty meetings, and I said, ‘This is unbelievable. You have much more experience than I thought you had.’ I have a lot of respect for her as a person, not just as a student.”

But if Le Cordon Bleu was responsible for making Martone a better chef, then Regis College was “monumental” in helping her become the person she is today, she says. “Regis gave me the self-confidence to pursue my goals, the knowledge of the logistics of running a business, the perseverance through the difficult times, and the faith to believe it was all possible,” says Martone, who stays in touch with her college friends. “It is still very much a part of who I am.”

A woman of lesser energies could never sustain an existence like Martone’s, and even she, for a brief time after she graduated Cordon Bleu, was so burned out she almost gave up Figaro’s to move to Europe. She’d been going nonstop for 10 years and longed to see more of the world. But the kitchen beckoned. Some of Martone’s happiest moments happen, she says, at some ungodly hour of a weekend morning, making desserts. “I’m really at peace when I’m in the kitchen,” says Martone. People in her life have on occasion accused her of “choosing the kitchen over everything.” She doesn’t deny it. “I’m still single, I don’t have kids, but I’m really content with what I have. When I talk about opening the second place I say, it’s time to add to the family. Figaro’s is a toddler. Figaro’s is walking. It’s time to have a little brother.”

Con appétit
Deep in their roots, all flowers keep the light.

—Theodore Roethke
May Queen, 1937
The day the Lord created hope was probably the same day he created Spring. —Bern Williams

1940
Mary Kerr Lynch, 275 Mirick Road, Princeton, MA 01541, 978-464-5611
Greetings from the class of 1940! Seventy-three years ago we graduated from Regis College with happy memories of college days and lasting friendships.

Our class extends their profound sympathy to the family and friends of our departed classmate, Alice V. Herlihy May 15, 2012, and Barbara Norton Schlitzer November 11, 2012.

Janet Ahern Rink was transferred several years ago to the medical facility at the Mather Place in Wilmette, IL. Janet is in good health and maintains a happy disposition. Her daughter, Holly Rink Troeger of South Bend, IN, is attentive and visits regularly.

Geraldine Burke Morrill enjoys Plantation Valley, NC, and takes advantage of the many cultural activities offered in nearby Wilmington. Gerrie is active with her 6 children. Son Dick and his family are close by and daughter Claire resides in ME, but has recently purchased a condo in Wilmington so she and her family will see her mother frequently.

Gerrie’s 4 other children and families live in different areas around the US, but are frequent visitors. Mary McDevitt Hadley enjoys Harbor House in Centerville. Mary moved to assisted living after the passing of her beloved husband, Elinus. She has a daughter and 4 sons and many grand- and great-grandchildren, all MA residents.

The Hadley clan spends a lot of time with Mary. Mary Hastings Kilcoyne resides in the family homestead built by her late father in Clinton. Her 4 children grew up in this home. Mary’s son Timothy lives with his mother and takes care of household support, and is “excellent company.” Daughter Julie and sons John and Charles all live close by with their families. Mary said she is fortunate to see them frequently.

Marie Dillon Marcellino enjoys the winter in Lexington and looks forward to summering on Cape Cod. She continues an active life with her 4 children, 6 stepchildren with her late husband, Bill, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Marie will vacation with son Mark and his family in Melbourne, FL. She continues her close friendship with classmate, Marie Scanlon Flaherty.

Rita McNeil Schissel lives in the Amesbury home with her husband, Dr. Charles. Rita said she is “blessed with a wonderful husband and family.” Her 8 children live throughout the US and visit regularly.

Martha Mitten Hosinski has lived in South Bend, IN, since meeting her late husband Bill when she was a Wave in WWII. They raised 6 children: 2 sons continue to live there, while their third son resides in CT. Daughter Anne lives in WA and daughter Claire has recently moved to ME. Martha and her daughters are flying to New Orleans for a cruise up the Mississippi.

Sadly, Yvonne Normandeau Oswald’s husband, Norbert, passed away suddenly. Norbert had helped her recover from some health issues. May the Lord comfort her that Norbert is in the presence of the Lord. We send our prayers and sincere condolences.

Marie Scanlon Flaherty and husband, Matt, live in Scituate. It has been a challenging year for both with medical problems, but they are feeling better. They look forward to spring to enjoy sea breezes. The family of Marie’s sister, the late “Joey” Scanlon Carlson ‘45, is attentive.

Marie continues her long friendship with Marie Dillon Marcellino ’40; they both were “Soc” majors.

On November 11, 2019, Barbara Norton Schlitzer passed away. Her dedicated family was with her: daughter Jean; Jean’s husband, Bill; Jean’s children; son, Victor; and Victor’s family. Barbara will join husband Victor in their heavenly home in the presence of the Lord. Since graduating, Barbara has been dedicated to her alma mater. I will miss chatting with her greatly.

Mary Sampson Schmidt shares a continual interest in the affairs of her alma mater. She resides in San Jose, CA, where her 5 children grew up. Mary enjoys her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren since they all live in CA. Mary Kerr Lynch, enjoy residing in my “in-law apartment” in the home of my daughter Mary and son-in-law Jay Cadwallader. I play bridge weekly and attend the senior citizen luncheons. I’m in constant contact with my 6 children, 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren (our most recent addition, Michael Edward Miller, was born in Dec.). I “have bag will travel” to see my family. I attended the commencement at the U of FL in Jan. 2012, where my granddaughter, Meghan B. O’Donoghue, received her doctorate. Her mother, Kathleen B. Lynch O’Donoghue ’67 is a graduate of Regis College. In Feb. 2012, Meghan married Joshua Altman in San Diego, where the family congregated for a fun-filled celebration. In Sept. 2012, Megan Manning married Timothy Ferrio at a beautiful wedding in Falmouth. Megan is the granddaughter of Marie O’Leary Kerr ’40 and my brother, Peter A. Kerr. To continue the Regis tradition, I am proud to announce that my son Robert’s daughter, Katie, has been accepted to the Masters of Nursing program and will begin attending Regis in Sept.

1942
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You will be receiving a letter in lieu of class notes. It is filled with classmates’ memories of Regis, among other things. Mary Good would like to announce that this
is her last column. Please join Regis in thanking her. If anyone would like to volunteer to be class reporter, please contact the Office of Institutional Advancement and Alumni Relations.

1945

Annette P. Pendergast, 101 Weatherbee Drive, Westwood, MA 02090, 781-326-1230. I’d like to wish each one of you a happy and healthy New Year in 2013. During 2012, however, 2 classmates passed away, each one of you a happy and healthy and a great-grand-nephew and -niece. Now that all 7 grandparents and -nephews have college degrees, the McKenzie family is nurturing 5 college-bound, keeping up with 6 grade-schoolers, and delighting in the wonder of the “little ones.” Catherine Gately McGunigle had quite a brush with Hurricane Sandy. Her home in Far Rockaway, NY, is a mile from the ocean. She got 7 feet of water in the basement! With the help of her son, a pair of generations, and new basement windows, her home is now restored. She is lucky. As I write this, I am pleased to be spending the 2013 winter in Naples, FL, after a challenging 2012 that included extended periods in rehab for a shattered pelvis and then recuperation from heart valve surgery. Grateful for the thoughts and prayers of so many, my husband Al and I look forward to more fun and adventure in Naples and Cape Cod! Dorothy Mahoney McKenna continues to thrive in her new apartment living. Dot’s busy taking trips to theater and family celebrations. The Regis community remembered 4 of our classmates at the 2012 Memorial Liturgy: Catherine Doyle Curran, Patricia Baatz Murphy, Anne Whalen Owens, and Patricia Kelly Webb. Gert Aldredson said it was “a beautiful service,” followed by a brunch that gave our classmates a chance to reconnect.

1946

Longtime class reporter Elizabeth Brugman O’Brien passed away on Jan. 9. Regis is honored by her service to the College and prays to Bemidji, MN. Her Christmas note was penned on a typical winter day: “even though she had graduated from Regis over 60 years ago, it was always near and dear to her and she was very proud to have gone there.” Abie had 2 sons, 1 of whom died at 36 from

1949

Betty Ann Hynes Elliott, 38 Oxford Road, Wellesley, MA 02481, 781-235-4697, baelottiet2@verizon.net. As I write in Jan., snow is falling and most of the country is in the midst of a deep-freeze. Winter is definitely here. By the time this reaches you I presume the weather will have improved considerably and we can enjoy spring at last! For our fall luncheon, held at the Marriott in Newton, only 6 braved the stormy day. Those who did “had a great time,” according to Cay Foley Hines. Marion Comerford Cowie drove up from the Cape, Betty Perrault Joyce from Weymouth, Mary O’Brien Pratt from Woodville, Mary Breslin from Charlton, Eileen Dewire Locke from Billerica, and Cay Hines from Medford. There weren’t many taking in the lobster cruise from the Cape last summer either, but Lois Moulton McWeeny and Cay did and had a wonderful time. Again the Hollyfest in December was held at the Dan’l Webster Inn in Sandwich. Nancy Natoli Fay, Dot Costello Merril, Dot Waldron Fitzgerald, Marion Cowie, Betty Joyce, and ever-faithful Cay Hines attended, enjoying a delicious meal as well as remarks from Regis President Antoinette M. Hays, PhD, RN. Dr. Hays updated them on the latest developments at the College. Both Dot Fitzgerald and Jane Dawson McKearin have joined the leisure-living crowd. Dot and her husband Nick claim Heatherwood in Yarmouthport as their new home. Jane lives at Century Hill in York, ME, near the NH border area where she taught and brought up her family, some of whom still live nearby. Mary Hines Hodgdon leads a busy retirement after teaching in the Waltham Public Schools. She uses her teaching skills volunteering at St. Jude’s school in Waltham. Mary is active in her parish, Our Lady Help of Christians, in Newton. Meanwhile her 7 children and their families make sure she doesn’t get lonesome. Mary enjoys cheering on the Boston Red Sox, and Patriots.

1948 65th Reunion

Mary Lou Cooney Manning, 4942 Bel Pre Road, Rockville, MD 20853, 301-460-5992, jemlmanning@msn.com. We remember 2 classmates who passed since our last column: Rosemary Cheng Stowe on June 15, 2012, and Margaret “Peggy” Graney Lewis on Sept. 2, 2012. Ann O’Hare Smith wrote to tell us of her storm adventure. She chose to stay at home with no heat and light instead of going to son David’s house. She slept in her clothes on the living room sofa—and survived. I apologize for the brevity, but both John and I have had the flu since Christmas. The bug is still resisting all our efforts to get rid of it. So I say God bless us all, and return us to good health.
1. President Hays marched with Regis alumni and friends in the St. Patrick’s Day parade in Naples, FL.

2. Lianne Cronin ’61, Ellen O’Connor ’67, and Carroll Beegan Follas ’61 chatted at the President’s Circles and Associates Reception.


4. Dick Sullivan stands with classmates of his late wife, Patricia Teehan Sullivan ’55.

5. President Antoinette M. Hays, PhD, RN (center) and Chief Development Officer Miriam Finn Sherman ’98 (far right) met with alumni while they traveled to Japan.

6. Dick Sullivan (left) and his family stood in front of the Patricia Teehan Sullivan ’55 Studio Theatre, which was dedicated in memory of Dick’s wife at the annual President’s Circles and Associates Reception in October.

7. Jacqueline Guerrand Lacoste ’56, Mary Keenan ’56, and Gerry Dowd Driscoll ’56 wear their St. Patrick’s green at a Regis event in Florida.

8. Alumni and children mingled with Santa at the Holly Tea & Brunch in December.

Upcoming Alumni Events

2013

May

REUNION WEEKEND
May 17–19
Regis College Campus
May 18
All-Alumni Reunion

July

July 25
Red Sox vs. Tampa Bay Rays
Fenway Park

August

August 8
Cape Cod Luncheon
Wianno Club
Osterville, MA

November

November 10
Memorial Liturgy
College Hall Chapel

December

December 1
Holly Tea & Brunch
Location TBD

December 4
Hollyfest
Danl’ Webster Inn
Sandwich, MA

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Type 1 diabetes, and leaves 2 grandsons, David and Daniel. We offer deep sympathy to Abbie’s family and friends.

We also extend heartfelt condolences to Nancy Gaynor whose husband Charlie passed away last September. Joe and I had so many good times over the years with Nancy and Charlie that it was particularly sad for us that we were unable to attend the funeral due to a conflict that I was in the hospital at the time. Pat Cauley Ross offered her sympathy in person at the wake, and Marion Cowie and Cay Hines represented the class at Charlie’s funeral in Falmouth. I was delighted that Nancy was able to spend some time in Feb. in FL where she lunched with Pat Ross.

Two of our classmates lost their sisters this past year. Louise Kelley Collins’s sister Helen Kelley Colbert passed away in August, and Shirley Hession Hendrickson’s sister Georgia Page died in October. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all those bereaved.

Dr. John Duff recently made a generous gift to the Regis art department in memory of his deceased wife Estamarie Shea Duff. It was a thoughtful and appropriate gesture. We certainly appreciate his generosity.

For the first time in history, Regis will be hosting an All-Alumni Dinner under the Reunion tent on Saturday, May 18. In honor of all alumni returning home to Regis, there will be special entertainment, a delicious buffet, a hosted bar, and stations reminiscent of the 1950s. Since this will be published after the event, I hope we’re able to get a group from our class together and have some fun! Call me at the number above or the office at 781-768-7220. Hope you can make it.

1950

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Unfortunately, we have to begin this column noting the passing of our classmates: Doris Wheelan Harrington, Ann Harrington Callanan, and Helen Konopacka Jennings.

Alfreda O’Hara writes: Helen and I were in touch. A few years ago she wanted to bring a church group to Gloucester and Cape Ann, so I invited her to come and I’d show her around. (I volunteer at the Visitors Center and love it!) Since then we’ve kept in touch by phone, and up until the last call she felt fine. Her sister called her, went to her home, and found her in a chair. It was a shock to everyone, but for Helen, a very good and kind person, it was a wonderful way to meet the Lord.

Barbara Shea Vines, who now lives in So. Yarmouthport, recently celebrated her 60th wedding anniversary with husband Bill at a beautiful family dinner preceded by a Mass at Our Lady of the Highway. Bill has not been well so it was a quiet time. They are the proud parents of 4 and grandparent of 8. Barbara reported that Lila Hodge Cullity and Connie McGoldrick Englert visited her last summer; it was a happy get-together.

Alfreda and Mary Buckley Glennon discovered they both have grandchildren who are students at the U of Santa Clara, a Jesuit university in San Francisco. Mary’s grandson, a sophomore, is the school’s sports editor and Alfreda’s granddaughter is a freshman from Manchester, MA.

Cay Nolan Sokol, Terry LeBlanc Gray, and Alfreda Swiston O’Hara attended the Memorial Liturgy in November. Ann Callanan, Dorrie Harrington, Eleanor Wadden Davis, Nancy Gaynor McGuire, Mildred Riley Nugent were all remembered in this liturgy celebrated by Fr. Paul Kilroy, our chaplain.

Our sympathy goes to Jackie Picard on the death of her beloved husband George in Dec. after a few weeks of illness. Their 7 children came home to spend the last couple of weeks with Jackie and George. They were with him as he went to the Lord. Jackie and George had recently celebrated 61 years of a happy marriage.

Our sympathy to Dorothy Higgins Conroy, who lost both a brother and a sister last fall. A trip to Ireland lifted her spirits; she was joined on the venture by more than 30 of her relatives for a few weeks. She spent Thanksgiving in a church hall with her husband’s relatives. They also visited their ancestral homes in Roscommon and Cork. It was a trip they will forever treasure.

On September 27 we had a class meeting on campus; Terry Gray, Cay Sokol, Alfreda O’Hara, and I (Mary Neylon) had lunch in the Student Union and met Christina Duggan, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving. It was a good meeting, but it was strange not seeing former Alumni Relations Director Barbara Clancy, who was such a good friend to our class. Barbara had recently retired. As we ate in the student caf we couldn’t help but notice how the number of male students is increasing. Regis is still the friendly place it always was—and we are so happy it is growing so well.

Alice Boyce Smith has just moved from her home in Ellington to the nearby home of her daughter Ann, her husband, and their teenage daughter. She has her own space in their big house. She is very happy there, and her new address is 3 Wells Road, Ellington, CT 06029.

In the last class report I failed to mention the attendance of our class at the Golden Tower Luncheon on May 18, 2012. We counted Helen Harty Keough, Jackie Picard, Alfreda O’Hara, Terry Gray, Cay Sokol, and Mary Neylon among the Class of 1950.

Helen Jennings had made arrangements to attend, but fell ill at the last minute. We missed Alice Smith as she was attending the graduation of one of her grandchildren at Marist College in NY that day. We also learned at that luncheon that Helen Doyle McKinnon has relocated from FL to MA. I recently read a wonderful short book of poetry called God Lights His Candles by Dorothy E. Morris. Dorothy was a classmate of my friend at Simmons College. I enjoyed reading her lovely thoughts on nature and her inspirational thoughts on moments with God.

Dorothy lives in Quincy, MA. We hope to see you at the Golden Tower Luncheon in the spring.

1951

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We start off with sad news. Several of our classmates have passed away since the last report:

Helen Kelley Colbert, Margaret Stewart Enwright, Barbara McCarthy Glynn, Joan Murphy, and Ann York McNamara.

There was a Memorial Liturgy Nov. 18, 2012 in the College Hall Chapel. Those who attended included the following: Pat Chisholm, Janice McBride Power, and Margaret O’Brien.

Margie brought Helen Colbert’s daughter Ann. During the brunch they showed a video of yearbook pictures of the deceased. It was very well done.

Ann McNamara’s brother, Jerry, is having a great season as the winning coach of the BC Hockey Team. Speaking of BC, Florence Kelly McKenna’s granddaughter, Siobhan McKenna, played the trombone in the marching band at Obama’s inauguration.

St. Joseph’s Hall (formerly the convent) is now being used for offices and dorm rooms, as there are not enough sisters now. The sisters still teaching at Regis were relocated.

S. Marie Phyllis de Sales Dineen has retired and is living in St. Joseph’s Hall Bethany, 73 Bethany Rd. Framingham, MA, 01702, Tel: 508-626-3428.

Here’s another interesting piece of news: A great white shark was tagged and followed from Cape Cod to FL. It was spotted by Anne Tierny when it reached FL. We imagine Shark was named MaryLee. We Math Majors have to stick together.

Please send
any kind of news to Ann or Anne, kids, grandkids, great-grandkids, new boyfriends.

1952

Joan Hartley Meagher, 102 Blodgett Drive, Folsom, CA 95630, 916-985-0643, marrhar1@comcast.net. It is hard to believe we are into another year! Before we know it, it will be time plan for our 65th Reunion! Sally Finnerty Tully, Mary Elizabeth “Zay” Dunphy Hyde, Patricia Arroll Pettrilli, Ann Purcell MacDonald, Marie Rizzo, Mary Gallagher Watts, Ann Geisel, Jill McKearin Paredes, Loyola Doherty Sylvan, and Nancy Quinn O’Keefe enjoyed the Fall Luncheon/class meeting at the Newton Marriott on October 16. Plans were made for an April meeting. Details to be announced. Zay spent a few days with Sally. She has 6 children; all were home for the holidays.

Marie Rizzo, Patricia Hogan, Patricia Donovan Bondelevitch, Sally Tully, and Patricia Wentworth Delorey attended the Memorial Liturgy at Regis on November 18. Our classmates Jane Hennessy Jaeger, Louise Fay Dyer, and Mary Azzarito Kosmos were remembered. We are saddened by their passing and extended our thoughts and prayers to their friends and families.

Our condolences to Mary Donovan Coleman and her husband Paul on the loss of their son, Brian, who passed away in December after a long illness.

Governor Deval Patrick named Mary Foley Noon’s daughter, Rosemary Noon ’79, to the Massachusetts Cultural Council in December. This is a first for Lowell.

Ann Purcell MacDonald is back in action after a bad fall in November. We wish you a complete recovery, Ann. As we all get older, balance is a problem and we all need to be super careful. Ann and Jane Phillips Carbonneau visited with Pat Bondelevitch at her charming older home in Northwood, NH.

Pat Delorey and husband Len spent time in December in Sarasota, FL, with their daughter who teaches dialect to actors performing on cruise ships. Marie Rizzo was delighted to have her picture taken with Red Sox star David Ortiz. She also received an autographed baseball.

Pat Hogan took a Disney cruise in the Western Caribbean with family and friends in Feb. Pat Pettrilli returned from visiting her daughter in Texas after the holiday. She and her husband have 24 grandchildren between them. Is that a record?

Kay Deveney

The Founder’s Society

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Kaladin had her son Phillip from Jupiter, FL, and her sister, Claire, from Boynton Beach, FL, to visit during the holidays. They complained it was too cold. Kay goes to Florida every year but prefers the Cape.

1953 60th Reunion

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This will be my last issue as class reporter; it would be wonderful if we could have a volunteer to take it over. Thank you for keeping me up to date, and I look forward to seeing what new life a new reporter will breathe into our column! We are deeply saddened by the death of Anne Ponch Cousineau and extend our heartfelt sympathy to her family and friends. We remember Anne’s fun-loving humor and amazing talents. She will be missed by all.

Helen Valle Binell keeps in touch with S. Stella who is 93 and lives at Bethany in Framingham.

Last September, Maureen Cremen and her friend Lily, enjoyed a fabulous Bermuda cruise on the Norwegian Dawn. The evening shows fascinated them and both had a wonderful time. Eleven-hundred passengers and 500 crew members were aboard. Maureen continues to keep busy with water aerobics on the Cape. Barbara Keenan McLarney kept extremely busy last December because her husband Cornelius spent time in a N.H. Rehabilitation Center. Also, Barbara began planning our 60th Reunion with the help of Vera Sullivan Beaumont, Connie Torrisi Miragliotta, Peg Donnelly, Jeanne O’Sullivan McCarthy, and Helen Binelle. Thanks for all you did to ensure a wonderful Reunion weekend. Connie Miragliotta, Corinne Mollomo LaRoche, Vera Beaumont, Peg Donnelly, and Barbara McClarney attended the Nov. 2012 Memorial Mass at Regis.

Jeanne McCarthy suffered a stroke during the summer of 2012, and lives at Bethany in Framingham.

Vera Sullivan Beaumont is frequently sees time with her 9 grandchildren. Claire frequently sees Kathy Cauley Driscoll and Claire O’Connell McCauliffe. Both are well and Kathy spent the winter in FL. Ann Campbell Rouleau has 7 grandchildren and loves spending time with them. Her life is near the ocean in Scituate. Mary Driscoll Herrmann hails from Brewster, MA and worked more than 30 years as an engineer and section manager at Raytheon. At that time engineering was a male-dominated field. S. Leonards of the Regis math department encouraged Mary in her career. Mary had 4 children and 4 grandchildren. One of her sons works as an engineer in Shanghai. A 2nd son is an orthodontist. Mary had a stroke 4 years ago but is now doing well. Every summer she and her husband visit different parts of Cape Cod.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lorraine DeStefano Tegan. We extend our sympathy to her family and friends. Have a happy and healthy summer everyone.

1954

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The annual Memorial Liturgy was held on Nov. 3, followed by lunch in Alumnae Hall. (Remember when that was the open-air “smoker”?) The following were some attendees: Mary Driscoll Gardetto, Marcia Gaughan Mahoney, Cornelia Murphy Davidson, Mary Roche Sullivan, Margaret Rogers Savage, Marianne Sanderson Shay, Regina Seales Caines, Helen Sullivan, Catherine Tobin, Sheila Joyce Greenlaw, S. Louise Macchia, Mary Alvord Biette, and Maureen Carey. Fr. Corbett Walsh celebrated the liturgy. A special remembrance of our deceased classmates was made. At the luncheon, we wished S. Louise a happy birthday and determined that she must be the youngest member of our class. We discussed our upcoming 60th Reunion (imagine!). It was suggested that we have our class wine-and-cheese party following the Tower luncheon on Friday afternoon. Many might not be staying for the weekend and are unable to drive at night. We also suggested that there be sufficient golf carts to drive us to the different events. Another topic generating much discussion was cataract surgery. It seems that most of us have already had it.

Rosemary Murphy Tavalone ’55 and Norma McNamara Quinn joined Pat Hule for an al fresco luncheon upon Pat’s arrival in FL. Pat and her daughter Barbara had a great trip to London and Normandy. Pat’s brother was 18 when he landed as a GI on Omaha Beach on D-Day in June 1944. This was a very moving experience. Pat also welcomed her first great-grandchild, Amelia Jane. Congratulations.

Maureen Carey, her husband Paul, and several friends attended the Regis Christmas concert. It was a joyful start for our Christmas season. We extend our condolences and prayers to the families of Sheila Joyce Greenlaw and Judith Gioiosa Keohan who recently passed away. Sheila has been very active in our Alumni Association and Judy added much to our Reunions with her humorous memories of Regis days.

1955

Peg Vincent Kelley, PO Box 1246, Edgartown MA, 02539, 508-627-8596, pveky@aol.com

Rosalie L’Ecuyer, up in Alaska, said, “I feel a sense of wonder and awe at the thought of reaching 80 later this year. As a kid, I probably considered anyone over 35 a fossil. Yet, today, many people remain active well into their 90s. In our time, we have seen such tremendous strides in technology, science, health care, transportation, education, etc. Unfortunately, warfare, poverty, hunger also continue. My great-grandchild will undoubtedly know even more of the great and the bad. Personally, though, the idea of receiving or giving instruction by iPad is scary for me. I am definitely not a child of the advanced computer age.”

Barbara Kelley’s retirement has allowed more time for prayer, study, and social activities and action. My family, my parish community and particularly my Regis classmates are all important in my life. I still enjoy taking part in activities with grandchildren, the children of neighbors and of other parishioners. While some events in the Church cause concern, my faith in Jesus gives me hope for the future of the Church.”

Janet Condrey Beyer spent 3 nights in Jan. with Frank and Pat Hogan Sullivan in their Alexandria home. Because Janet was one of 11 MA electors for the President, she and Harry had seats during the inaugural ceremony, but were far back from the podium and watched the proceedings on large screen television. The experience, she said, was exciting but she would not do it again, preferring to watch it in the warmth of a local pub with friends. Four years ago she watched the inauguration from downtown Concord with Rosemary Weidner Mahoney ’57 and husband Kevin. They were warmer, well fed, and had a good view via CNN. The visit with Pat and Frank was worth the trip: good conversations, comfy casual breakfasts, and slow reading of the Washington Post. Pat and Frank took the train to DC into the city but were swallowed by the crowds and returned to the warmth of their home. At night they gathered around the television and relived the day. Janet said that the excitement
A Reminder

Class Notes for the
Winter 2013 issue are due
Sept. 13, 2013; each class
is limited to 750 words.

You are invited to submit
articles and news that are
of interest to your class-
mates. If you know of an
alum who would make
an interesting feature
story, please let us know.
News may be submitted
to your class reporter or
to the Office of Institutional
Advancement and Alumni
Relations, Regis College,
235 Wellesley St.,
Weston, MA 02493 or email:
classnotes@regiscollege.edu.
Notes received after
Sept. 13, 2013 will run in
a later issue.

Dec. and to Mary Keenan whose
sister, Betty Quinn, passed in Jan.
Please keep them and their families
in your prayers. If you would like
to receive email updates from me,
please let me know.

1956

Geraldine Dowd Driscoll, 7 Conant
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Ten members of our class braved an
impending Nor’easter to attend the Nov. class
meeting at the Wollaston Country
Club. Special thanks to Ann Flaherty
Walsh for hosting the luncheon. Other
attendees were Mary Lou Rawson, Mary
Keenan, Mary Rose Campbell, Margie
Casey Mulcahy, Carol Bonner Connell,
Jane Nyhan Kelly, Nancy Foley LaDue,
Carolyn Ambrose Donovan, and Gerry
Driscoll. It was nice to have Carolyn
join some of us regulars! Margie
Mulcahy shared the happy news of
the birth of her second grandchild, a
beautiful baby boy. Bea Pattavina Sloan
missed our get-together as she was in
California for her son’s 50th birthday.
Much of the conversation covered the
Presidential election, which had taken
place the previous day. As you know
Mary Lou has worked hard to produce
a beautiful bookmark about the estab-
lishment of the S. John Scholarship.
If you have not received the bookmark
or if you know of someone who would
like one (e.g. the spouse or relative
of a deceased member of the Lay
Apostolate from our class),
please send along the name and address.
Each recipient of the Scholarship
will receive a bookmark and a brief
description of the background of its
establishment at our 50th Reunion.
Mary Keenan announced the recipi-
ent of this year’s $5,000 scholarship:
Tamara Leroy. Tamara is a senior at
Regis with an impressive GPA. She
went on the trip to Mississippi this
past spring and has a strong record of
community service. We congratulate
Tamara and hope that she will join us
at a future class meeting. We hope
our class will continue its generous
support of The Regis Fund. Over 60% donated in 2011–2012. Thanks to
Carol Connell, our class fund agent.
When you make your donation you
may designate it for the “S. John
Scholarship” by so noting on the check,
as well as in an accompanying note.
We extend sympathy to Sally O’Connell
O’Connor, whose husband, Jack, died
in Nov. and Mary Queeney Shinn
on her loss of her husband, Michael, in

1957

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We might be in our late 70s, but our classmates
are still traveling. The top award goes
to Cynthia Souza Nakane. She and her
husband Paul went to Japan twice,
for Paul’s mother’s 100th birthday
and later for her memorial. They also
spend 3 weeks in Barcelona. In Aug.
they sailed along the coast of ME for
3 weeks as they do every summer.
Sheila Cruchley Campbell’s love of
cruising took her and her sister Helen
Cruchley Jones ‘52 on a Pacific cruise
to HI in March. Hopefully Helen’s
move from Ohio to SC will not end
their travels. Some of our classmates
made cross-country connections. Suzy
Treacy McGovern traveled by train from
NY to CA where she met with
Gabriella “Elly” Zarotschenzef Doyle.
Jane Denmark Maher came from FL to
stay with Ginny Pyne Kaneb. Ginny
does not spend as much time in FL,

so the Kanebs sold their beach home
for a condo to use in March for the
Red Sox spring training. Isabel Long
Chesak’s latest suburb history/food
essay took us to Strasbourg. She is
a trustee for the Boston/Strasbourg
sister city which was celebrating its
50th anniversary. Regis trustee Spud
Sanderson Kingsbury and her husband
Bob hosted alums in a meet-and-greet.
Jeanne Thibodeau Sleeper attended
Jeanne has family members who have
moved down from Caribou. Jeanne and
husband spend winters in FL. Pat
Handricken Bell, who lives year round
in FL is back in her nursing home
after a hospital stay from which she
ventures in her scooter. Mac Hanlon
O’Leary has finally finished her treat-
ment at MGH and is feeling much
better. Unfortunately her husband
Neal died after a short illness. After
living many places during their mar-
ried life Margaret Lamoureux Ledoux
and husband settled in Chatham. After
several years there her husband died
in Nov. It is always sad to receive
those small envelopes from Regis since
we know what the news is. The class
sent sympathy to the families of Alice
Collins and Joanne Drohan Keenan.
My salute for this issue is to all those
classmates who have taken such loving
care of their husbands. Carol Noonan
Driscoll is an extraordinary example
in her present care for Tom. I also
salute the husbands who made the
best decision of their lives by marrying
a Regis woman.

1958

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Paula Kirby Macione, 11 Zeus Dr.,
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Our condolences to the
family of Alice Murray, who was remem-
bered at the Nov. Memorial Liturgy
attended by Paula Kirby Macione and
Nancy Burke Norbedo. We are
happy to hear that our president, Lou
Berube Williams, has returned to good
health after her illness and surgery
this past fall. Also, Pat McNenimen
Pietropaolo reports that her health
has improved, and Frankie Boyle Nugent
is making a good recovery from hip
surgery. Frankie and husband Jerry
have moved from the old homestead
in Shrewsbury to a nearby condo,
and are very happy with the change.
Donna Coffey Young spent a snowy,
icy Christmas with their son in West
Chester, PA, while Paula Macione
enjoyed 88-degree weather in New
Orleans while celebrating her 11th
consecutive Louisiana Christmas with
her son and family. Paula also enjoyed
attending an art display at the Regis
Carney Gallery featuring Lorraine
Sullivan, a former student and fellow
teacher at Burlington High School. ¶ Jeanne Denning Collier has moved from CA to CO with her daughter. Her new address is 1122 Olympia Avenue, Unit E, Longmont, CO, 80502. ¶ Lea Toto Dmytryck stays connected with her local theatre group but mostly serves as primary caregiver for husband Paul. ¶ Supporting Youth Athletics has been a fun experience for many of our classmates. Mary Jo Kilmain had a busy fall cheering for her grandnephews at their football games, and Pat Salmon Hilmmer found herself sitting next to Frankie Nugent’s daughter at Shrewsbury High School as they cheered on the girl’s basketball team. ¶ Maureen O’Connor Fitzgerald and husband Bill enjoyed a visit in Palm Beach Gardens from Jean Paul Richard, husband of the late Mary Downing Richard. ¶ By the time you receive this issue we will probably have celebrated our 55th Reunion at Regis and hopefully will have a lot of news to report in the next issue of Regis Today. Remember that, as a Reunion class, we always try to give a bit extra to the Annual Fund, now called The Regis Fund. Our dedicated Fund reps, Paula Buckley Buckley, Anne Smith Tobin, and Elaine O’Connell Fitzpatrick were invited by Tara Brady, Director of Development, to share coffee and muffins while learning about the new Regis College Master Plan. Many exciting changes are in store. ¶ Dotty Madden Cannon, Janet Lynch Dougherty, Nan McGuire, Dot Bucci Murphy, Carrie Sarossick Peacock, and Pat Donnelly Tardif. I have had email messages to you returned for bad addresses. Please send me your updated information.

1959

¶ Maureen O’Connell Palmer, 525 Washington Street, Apt 206, Hanover, MA 02339, Maureenpalmer59@hotmail.com, Liz Russell Bilafer, 15 Victoria Road, Arlington, MA 02474, jlbilafer@comcast.net. ¶ It’s 2 degrees today as we put together another 1959 class report. FL or the Caribbean sounds good just about now. Hope some of you have been able to escape these frigid temperatures for warmer climates. ¶ We apologize for the mix-up last issue and hope you received the email from Carol and/or the hard copy that the alumni office sent out for us. ¶ What a feeling to open up Regis Today, head to the class notes and nothing for 1959. ¶ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Kay O’Connor Johnson and her family on the death of her husband, Ray, last fall. You may remember meeting Ray during the 50th Reunion weekend as he and Kay were hosts at the Friday night cocktail party at the Marriott. ¶ We heard from Audrey Bowen Criado who tells us that she is putting her condo in Jupiter on the market and moving back to Vero Beach. We hope it all works out for her. ¶ Marcia Shepard LeMay says all is well in Michigan. She and husband Bruce did a lot of traveling last fall, North, West and South. ¶ The class of 1959 was well-represented at the Memorial Liturgy. We hope it all works out for her. ¶ Last News remembered 3 new grandchildren, Charlotte Anne Memory, who joins her sister, Katie, 3, born to son Rob and his wife, Cathy, in Needham. ¶ What a surprise for Chris Kennedy McCann and her family when their oldest grandson, Norwich grad Lt. Patrick O’Brien, unexpectedly appeared at their door on Christmas Eve in his Army fatigues and boots covered with the sand of Kandahar, Afghanistan! His safe return was a Christmas gift to their family! His next assignment is in the USA. ¶ Regis is humming with 1,250 Apple tablets presented by President Antoinette M. Hays, PhD, RN, to all professors and students, making Regis the first college in Massachusetts to become an all-iPad institution. Enrollments continue to rise and the future looks great! Chris’s trustee term ends in June 2014 after 8 amazing years at Regis, Chris! Tight work schedules kept Marilyn Stasio from serious vacationing but she did spend Christmas with friends in Tucson, AZ. There she bought some Western gear that looks ridiculous on the streets of Manhattan. On the work front, she is still writing her review column for the New York Times Book Review. Big changes at her second job at Variety resulted in her reviewing musicals and Broadway plays. ¶ Mary Dunleavy Jones spends summers in a little house, which she bought on Lake Michigan outside Chicago to be closer to her grandchildren. When in Miami she takes adult ed classes at U of Miami, mostly on economics and on the Middle East. She also goes to the symphony and theatre often, travels, and enjoys life. ¶ Joan Findleisen Wise enjoys what VT has to offer and continues to be the part-time Reading Specialist at Killington Elementary School. She is still downhill skiing, only black diamonds! Biking, tennis, and curling, which she picked up 3 years ago, are part of her agenda. Her 2 children are busy following their dreams. Chris lives in Bangkok and runs a café/art gallery with his wife. Suzanne and her husband are in Brooklyn; Suzanne is working for Poet’s House, a non-profit in Manhattan. ¶ Mary L. Lobianco (Lifelong Learning At Regis College) courses are excellent,” states Brenda McCran. Some standouts are courses taught by Bernie Shuster, Mary Nowak, and Bill Brady. As a result
of Bill’s course on the Medici, Brenda is reading The Suerte. For a listing of classes, email LLARC@regiscollege.edu or phone 781-768-7135. Brenda traveled to Turkey last fall and continues to tutor 1st graders in the mysteries of math. ¶ Lucy Ricker Sheehan spent the Feb. vacation in Scottsdale, AZ with 3 generations of Sheehans. Her advice to everyone is to get a singles shot. ¶ Elaine McNulty Sullivan says her 2nd-semester German language course at BU is well underway. These courses pick up where she left off 48 years ago upon returning home after a 3-year residence in Frankfurt, Germany. Her effort to learn German has become an absorbing hobby. In March she traveled to Berlin and to Munich. Her granddaughter Katie is in her 1st year at New College at Oxford U and is a member of the varsity sailing team. Katie’s brother Daniel is in his 2nd to last year at Harrow School with a special interest in linguistics. Elaine says that Facebook is an excellent means of keeping up-to-date with family members and sharing photos. ¶ Catherine Memory reported that one of our classmates, Anne McIsaac Sullivan, sang in the Alumni Chorus, along with her daughter (a Regis alum) who is the Cantor. ¶ Mary Grover Rossetti and Catherine represented our class at the Oct. 11, 2012 dedication of the Patricia Tewan Sullivan '55 Studio Theatre in the Regis Fine Arts Center. It was a wonderful evening showcasing the new theatre with a musical presentation by the Regis College students and a reception with Dr. Hays.

1961
Kate Martin Hawke, 4 Rockland Road, Marblehead, MA 01945, 781-639-3492, kfhawke@comcast.net ¶ Judith King Weber, 52 Apple Blossom Lane, Lynn, MA 01904, 781-595-7397, judithweber@comcast.net ¶ Patricia Kelly passed in Nov. She was a loyal and generous supporter of our class and the College. We have also lost two husbands: Christine Roessel’s husband Raymond Kelliher and Ellen Donahue Foley’s husband Neil. You may remember both men who had a wonderful time at our 50th Reunion. ¶ I am happy to share the news that Dr. Joan Murray recently received the Person of the Year 2012 Award from the Boylston Schul-Verein, a German Cultural and Social Organization. Joan was recognized for her years of service as Director of the German School Sunday for Children and of the Evening School for Adults. Joan is still a Professor of Communication at Regis. In late Oct. a dozen members of our class met for a luncheon at Morrison House. Present were the following: Carroll Beegan Follas, Mary Doane Cassidy, Judith Weber, Ellen Kelliher Guillotte, Catherine Ross Bettencourt, Judith Wilson Sullivan, Lianne Cronin, Patricia Bench, Joan Murray, Maureen Bostel Fleming, Agnes O’Hara Barrett and her charming husband, and myself. In addition to good talk and food, we toured the upper floor of Morrison House, which I recall used to be off-limits. There are 5 comfortable bedrooms and a kitchen. In January, Carroll tested the accommodations when she had a “sleepover” with Christina Kennedy McCann ’60. Carroll reports that the beds are comfy, the towels thick and the views superb. ¶ Before all the snowbirds left for FL, Judy Weber and Bob hosted a “chowda” party at their home for the Regis gang. It was a wonderful mini-reunion, which will keep us going until the next one. ¶ Hope you all have a happy and healthy 2013. Keep in touch.

1962
Joanne Fitzgerald McCrea, M.H.H.S., 386 Essex St. #3, Salem, MA 01970, 978-745-8448, jfjtzcm429@gmail.com ¶ Joanne Bellucci-Harding: I am in southwestern Florida for the winter taking P.T. Don’t be envious—spondylitis is the culprit, and it is painful. Keep me in your prayers. Martha Brown Martley moved from NY to VA after husband Frank died in 2008. She’s now closer to her girls and 2 grandchildren. Living in a 55+ Del Webb community, Martha gets into DC on a fairly regular basis. She hopes to get together with Bill and Dottie DeNave Rossi soon. Undergoing 2 operations for glaucoma this past year, she looks forward to a Caribbean cruise in Feb. with friends. Retired after 30 years as a real estate broker, Martha is using her background as an English major and writing for Regis Today. Marie Mannella Flynn and her husband have visited Martha, as they have a daughter in MD. ¶ Joan Darney Dwyer and John winter at their condo in Ft. Myers, FL and spend the rest of the year at home in East Falmouth. They are taking time to travel around FL, and visiting friends. They also cruised to Nassau and the Bahamas. A plan is in the works to visit daughter Caitlin in San Diego. She really enjoyed the 50th Reunion; Mary and her committee “did a great job!” She caught up with Betsy Comeau Kadehjian, a friend since high school. Joan looks forward to seeing Regis classmates at the Regis luncheon next summer on Cape Cod. Catherine Norris Norton said she was “heartstick” to miss the Reunion but health issues kept her down. By Sept., she was able to give a talk on biodiversity informatics at the U of AK in Anchorage. She saw the most amazing sites: mountains, glaciers, salmon, and bears. Alaska is Disney World for nature lovers. She still works at the lab and writes about the future of research libraries, but is starting to enjoy retirement a little more. ¶ Ann McManus Joyce attended Reunion and felt much about the campus and buildings was the same, despite new additions. A “day hop” and Home Economics Food and Nutrition major, she was in a distinct minority: only 3 in this major in ’62. She is happy to see that Regis has once again Nutrition in the curriculum. In the days 50 years ago, Regis as a Catholic college, had a unique and singular position in the Phi Upsilon Honor Society for Home Economics. She is most proud of our department and the students that graduated with this major. The concentration allowed Ann to become a Registered and Licensed Dietitian. Retiring in 2000, she enjoys her children, grandchildren, family, friends, and life. ¶ Penny Van Dell returned from The Villages in FL, where she’s spent Jan. for the last 2 years. It’s a nice getaway after the holidays. Penny still operates the haunted house in Salem in Oct. She does yoga and practices the Samba Canasta. She loved having Angie and Tom stay with her during Reunion. ¶ Una Foley Redgate went to the Rose Bowl Parade in Pasadena with her daughter Karin who is an OR nurse at Children’s in Denver. Karin worked during the recent Denver shootings. Una had a great time: nice mother-daughter time and one more thing off bucket list. Bob
stayed home with Pepper (dog) and son Bill.

1963 50th Reunion

Mary Jo Pescatore Cicchetti, quincycy1@yahoo.com Our plans for our 50th Reunion are exciting! If you are reading this column, I hope you have made it to Reunion. As Secretary for our Reunion, it’s my mission to find our missing classmates and urge them to attend. Sometimes we move, change email addresses or phone numbers, and the Office of Institutional Advancement and Alumni Relations (aka “the alumni office”) cannot contact you. So if you know Regis classmates who are not receiving notices, please ask them to contact the Regis Office of Institutional Advancement and Alumni Relations (aka “the alumni office!”). Committee members are contacting you about our plans for the Reunion. I got so excited and talked so much with my contacts, I ended up with laryngitis for several days. However, I rediscovered what made my Regis experience so special—the wonderful classmates we have.

Kay Hurley Dermody’s husband just passed. She is so gracious in spite of her loss. She will be at the 50th. We offer our condolences.

Many of us are relocating. Rosanne Beil Wiltlht and her husband are in St. Petersburg and spend the summers in upstate NY at their lake home. Fel Murphy Cullen, who lives in Pt. Myers, is selling her Sctuate home and moving to DE to be near her grandchildren. Jane Camp Wallisora lives in Sarasota and visits her daughter in Tulsa, OK.

Mary Dowd Eberle attended our Jan. planning meeting by phone. She looks forward to the annual St. Patrick’s Day parade in Naples, FL, where she winters. Regis has a bus and many grads enjoy the event. Mary works with Joan Iverson Gallivan (fundrais- ing chair), JoAnne Duftor, and Jane DeMarco Witteich to raise money for a class gift. Our goal is $100,000.

Connie Cream Carven lives in Wellesley, MA, and summers in Sagamore, MA. Still involved in the Greek Project for Newton School System, she goes to Greece every year. Connie has 2 sons, Christian, an engineer, and John, a social worker, and 2 grandsons. Connie sees Amy Huestis Donovan, also of Wellesley, at the grocery store. Both are planning on attending the Reunion.

Additionally, Elly Keilty Svab may come with Valerie Jane O’Heare Leger. She is supposed to go to CA that weekend, but I urged her to come to the Reunion instead. Elly, you can go to Peter’s home another time: There will only be one 50th Reunion!

Finally, I promised to have a beach party for classmates who are coming prior to the weekend. Invitation is for Thursday, May 16, at our home in Marshfield, MA. We are 35 minutes away from Regis and across the road from the beach. Email at maryjo42@gmail.com or 781-834-9529. All are welcome! Rain or shine.

Guest speaker is Barbara McNamara ’63, Former National Security Agency Deputy Director and Special US Liaison to the UK, topic is Inside National Security.

1964

Virginia McNeil Spep, 40 Jeffrey Road, Wayland, MA 01778, virginiaslep@ comcast.net Barbara Bye Murdock, PO Box 266, Little Compton, RI 02837, barbara@murdockadvisors.com This time next year we will be getting ready to return to Regis for our 50th Reunion. Where did the years go? Words uttered recently, as most of us have celebrated our 70th birthday.

Our class has enjoyed an Oct. dinner in past years, but now since our schedules are changing, lunch seems to be the preferred venue. My co-reporter, Virginia Spep, prepared a few questions for classmates that were delivered in the Oct. mailing. Barbaraacken Compton, and husband Jim Toney sailing, getting in 4 weeks this summer. Once Jim stops practicing law they’d like to travel more. Barbara plays bridge with 2 groups, improving greatly since the days in the “Smoker.” She also reads on her Kindle and gardens. For the past 12 years, Barbara has volunteered at the Boston’s MFA, first as an Associate and now as a Senior Associate. Look for her there at the Scharf Visitor Center of the MFA at the information desk. Karen Johnson Cell will retire after 30 years as an Occupational Therapist specializing in hands and the upper quadrant at the New England Baptist Hospital. She hopes to travel more with her husband. Karen missed our Oct. luncheon, as she was visiting her daughter Carolyn and her family.

Pat Luben O’Hearn recently purchased a home in Dennis on Cape Cod. She hopes it will be a haven of fun for the family and a place for relaxation and social interaction with friends. Pat is grateful for the support of her children and assists them with their young families.

Eileen Toomasian Nichols retired from Long Automotive in Framingham last April after working there for 16 years.

Ann Batterbury Fitzpatrick works part time administering assessments for that federal program the nation’s report card. She works on a team with 2 friends from the middle school where she taught. Ann’s kids are all fine: Kate in MN, Sean in MD, Maura in Ohio, and Claire is close (in Andover). She’s collected lots of frequent flyer miles and enjoys visiting them.

Mary Lou Kelleher Homan relocated to Green Valley, AZ, full time in 2005, after wintering there for 3 years. This April, she joins Sue Baker Olson and Mary Byrnes for a nature tour in Costa Rica. Her spouse declined, having traveled there in the ’60s. They enjoy opera and drive to Santa Fe for the sum-mer opera festival. Elderhostel offers great programs in Europe and they have enjoyed several music-related ones, and some riverboat cruises.

Lucille Demers Reilly had joyous, hectic holidays seeing family. The 6 grandkids keep them moving and up to date, teaching them about technology, but Lucille says, “I can Zumba better than they can.” She and husband Ted have lived in the Atlanta area for the last 18 years.

Judy Machal Susanin and Ann O’ Sullivan traveled to the Berkshires for a visit to Tanglewood last summer. They had a great visit with Marge MacLelland Wyde who has lived in Williamstown for many years. Marge worked at Williams College but is retired. A few years ago, Mary Kay Reid Shields responded to my email from New Zealand saying she would be home soon! Another year, I phoned her, only to hear that the very next day they were hosting their daughter’s wedding reception at their home. We finally connected recently and had a great phone visit. Mary Kay’s 4 children all live in the greater Philadelphia area. They enjoy seeing their family often, along with the 6 grandchildren who are under 8. Bob works at his law firm in the Philadelphia area. They have enjoyed some wonderful travels, the next trip being a long visit to India. Their only daughter has followed her dad into law, now working for the U of PA. This fall, Ann Casey Collins and I had a brief visit in Little Compton, RI, where I live now. She attended the wedding of her niece, her brother Bill’s daughter. I was able to meet 2 of her children in between their wedding festivities.

1965

Kathleen McCaffrey Ford, Mixief@verizon.net Joan Hartley Meagher, 102 Blodgett Drive, Folsom, CA 95630, 916-985-0643, marrahar@comcast. net Patricia Hogan, 100 Luce Street, Lowell, MA 01852, 978-453-1502 Deepest sympathy to Anne Bartley-White and her husband Charles White on the passing of their daughter Gabriela A. Bartley, and to the family but I last spoke with Hyland on the death of Barbara’s husband George Hyland.

This is the final year for Class President Katherine Moynihan McGovern to serve on the Alumni Board. Kathleen Henighan, Mary
Ellen Lavenberg, and Carole Groncki McCarthy have also been on the Regis Fund Executive Committee this year. On October 10, 2012, the annual Barbara Hyland Lecture took place. Prior to the lecture, Kathy McGovern chaired a class meeting and luncheon to discuss planning for our 50th Reunion (May 2015). Kathy would love to hear from you with ideas (bfmcgovern@snet.net). If she does not have your email, please forward that as well. The speaker for the lecture was MA State Rep. Denise Garlick, introduced by her predecessor Lida McMahon Harkins ’66. She discussed her current role as a nurse. She also noted activities she had been previously involved in including health care, clinical health policy, and the President of the MA Nurses Association. Members of our class in attendance were Kathy McGovern, Joanne Massey Howes, Kathleen Davis Sparrow, Cynthia Glacken, Carole McCarthy, Anne Bartley-White, Anne Marie Fontaine Healey, and Anne Henri Healy. Following the lecture the Hyland committee met with the new Dean, who will oversee the internship, to brainstorm how the Hyland Internship should be integrating into ongoing Regis programs.

Classmates have been traveling. In August Sharon Gibbons Reardon and her husband went on a 16-day cruise to Russia, the Balkans, Berlin, Belgium, and Scandinavia. During the summer Melanie Varol Cashio traveled to Easton, MD, for a family reunion. Maryl Curtin Redmond (winner of the Regis Class of ’65 raffle) and her husband enjoyed a fantastic weekend at the Custom House in Boston. Amenities included a welcome reception, VIP tickets to the MFA, and a trolley ride. In the fall, Carole McCarthy and husband Ken went on a pilgrimage to Poland. Carole met a second cousin for the first time. Plans are underway for them to return in 2013 to visit homesteads of Carole’s grandparents. Late Oct., Joanne Howes came to visit homesteads of Carole’s grandparents. Kathy McGovern attended the annual Holly Tea, which was held in the atrium of the Fine Arts Building; she heard from Virginia Burke McKinnon who continues to live outside London. This summer she will still be in Truro, MA; she is looking forward to getting together with Regis friends.

1966

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Greetings and happy spring. Our 50th Reunion is 3 years away (2016), but work has already begun on preliminaries such as updating classmates’ contact information, especially phone numbers and email addresses. To that end, Connie Alexander Giorgio and committee reached out via phone and mail to 40 class members with incomplete data. If we don’t have your up-to-date info, please contact Connie (connie@thegiorgios.com or 508-432-4845). Interested in any aspect of planning the Reunion or intermediate mini-events? Contact Jane Cronin Tedder (jltedder@comcast.net or 860-673-0136) or Susan Clark Cronin (amcrorini14@verizon.net or 508-563-7653). Mini-events hosted by classmates last year included a St. Patrick’s Day party in Ft. Myers, FL (Ro Sacco Verderico), and a lovely tea in South Hamilton in Oct. (Susan Airoldi Kalloch). More ahead; watch for announcements!

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1967

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Our condolences to Carolyn Conway Stack on the death of her brother William Conway on Jan. 27, 2012. One George moved from Rhode Island to “Sun City” over-55 community in Bluffton, SC, last December. Beth Lewis Bowen made her 6th and last trip to India to visit daughter Melanie before the family returns to the US after 5 years in Delhi. Frannie Murphy, a TV-documentary freelancer for 30 years, now feels she can claim the title “black journalist.” She recently won an award from the National Association of Black Journalists for her documentary on Washington DC’s Howard Theater, the first theater in the United States for African Americans. Frannie has won 6 Emmies over her career as well as a 2012 “Gracie” (named for Gracie Allen) for her film on actress Hattie McDaniel. Now, she is making a documentary on MLK’s “I Have A Dream” speech for its 50th anniversary in August. Mary Brennan attends auctions for fun. Jane Tedder and husband Dick spent 5 weeks in New Zealand this winter. Sheila Gately Zappala and husband spend a lot of time in airports, meeting family or flying to visit kids, grandkids, and family. Another frequent flier is Mary McAuliffe, who toured the South Pacific with Ann Bernson, Susan Hennessy Kobayashi, and Nancy Greene Barry last fall, then traveled to Cuba in Dec. with Clare Donaher and Mary Adams. They brought a letter from S. Nancy Corcoran, CSJ, stating they were researching an historic Havana convent in case of trouble getting in or out – but had no problems. Describing travel to Cuba as “quite easy,” she recommends a trip “before it all changes.” Mary Lou Scanlon Calcuterra and husband Victor ran into Joe and Kathy Lynch Caruso at the West Newton Cinema and caught up over dinner. Mary and Victor both work part time, she as a psych nurse-practitioner and he as an ENT doctor. Eileen Dooley Wood and husband Denis, living in WV for 21 years, visited Dooley and Wood cousins in Ireland last fall. They stay busy with ESL tutoring and parish activities. Anne Boyle Tatum, east from Tucson for a Reunion in Oxford, MA, visited Jane Tedder and Beth Bowen. Carole Marinelli Auth and husband Gerald are bi-coastal businesspeople, with businesses in Westfield, MA, and CA. Jo-Anne Rapp-Holden’s daughter and future son-in-law sang with the Boston Lyric Opera. Thanks to all who sent along news this winter. Stay in touch!
of 9 children, Carolyn has had 3 brothers die. 2012 brought many health challenges to Carolyn and her husband George. Their wonderful family is supportive during difficult times and happy ones. Our sympathy to Anna Cavanaugh Newbould whose mother, Virginia Cavanaugh, also died in Jan. Anna is engaged to Bob Prentiss with whom she met ballroom dancing. Anna Louise Gibbons O’Brien of Bluffton, SC, and is in her third year of retirement. She taught special needs children for 42 years in MA and SC. She and husband Kiah visit daughter Bridget, son-in-law Darren, and granddaughter Agnes, 17, in North Pole, AK. Bridget teaches home-school science.

Agnes rides horses and wants to be a large-animal veterinarian. Darren leaves the Army soon, and will return to school. Ann sews, walks, and meets with a group of retired special educators at Starbucks. Her home abuts a nature preserve, so she cares for feral pets. Ann hopes to join us for our next Reunion, and keeps in touch with Mary Barnett Messerschmidt. Elke Schmidt Eykman retired from the Framingham Public Schools where she taught special-needs children. I crossed paths with her in the past when I also worked in Framingham. Elke brought patience, love, and understanding to her students. Her husband plans on retiring after 45 years at BC where they met. They have 2 sons Alex, 41, and Matt, 39. Matt met his wife at a friend’s funeral, and they now live in Sutton. His wife was a cousin of his friend, and Elke says this romance born out of a tragedy brings great joy. Matt and wife have 3 children: Karolina, 5; Danika, 3; and Lida, an infant. Elke spends a month each summer in native Germany on Amrum Island in the North Sea. She came here in 1955, and Elke took care of her mother who lived next door to her, and died in Aug. 2009. Most recently, she lost 60 lbs. by walking and a Jenny Craig program. Elke keeps in touch with Paula Murphy Fletcher, a minister in northern NH. Elke considers joining the group that meets weekly at the Chateau in Waltham for supper. Contact Mim Riley Flecca at miflecca@yahoo.com to join that email list. Mim broke her wrist in Dec., and is recovering. It is always an evening of sharing joys and sorrows, laughs, and memories.

Donna Lacouture MacLeod enjoys the sunshine in Naples, FL along with seasonal residents and visitors: Ellen O’Connor. Donna’s former roommate Ellen Farrell, Ellen White Hill, Beth Bronzi Pooff, Carol Mullen McCormack-Major, Fran Sweeney, Janet Williams Cross, Sara Farrar Reilly, and Ann LaBreque Baird. Donna was en route to meet Annie to see Les Mis the night we spoke. Ten convened a few years ago for a mini-reunion. Donna spends time in Naples and Chicago. She is an interior designer as is her older daughter in Chicago. No longer running, Donna is now walking. Many years ago, my daughters and I cheered her on one October while she ran by the Charles River in Boston. She looked great! Her youngest daughter, Madison, is a junior at Madison-Ohio. Frances Hogan heads to Rome in February for her 17th annual meeting of the Pontifical Academy for Life. Susan Lang Abbott did the color commentary for Catholic Radio for the installation of Bishop Robert Deeley. She is co-host of “The Good Catholic Life” at 1060 AM, Thursdays from 4-5 p.m. I met with S. Jeanne d’Arc, CSSJ, our president sophomore through senior years, at Bethany in Framingham when the Mount St. Joseph Academy Alumnae Glee Club sang there in Jan. Sadly, she just passed away. She spoke lovingly of her parents, sisters, and home in Belmont. She received wonderful care there.

Ellen Kearns is off to Los Cabos, Mexico, in February. Cheryl Adkins Boss retired from the Lowell Public Schools and visits her daughter and grandchild in Houston. Patricia Conneen Deveaux’s granddaughter Emily is considering her acceptances to college.

Peggy Jones Gigante ran into Peggy Lally Collaran at the Wellesley Library. Paula Dempsey Beauregard awaits the births of twin grandchildren to her daughter Danielle in March. They will join an older brother and sister. I am learning Italian at an adult program in Falmouth; one of my classmates is Nancy Natoli Fay ’49.

1968 45th Reunion

Tricia Nelson Cross, 160 Oak Common Ave., St. Augustine, FL 32095, tricia.cross915@gmail.com Our classmate Ellen Morrison, a home economics major originally from Jamaica Plain, passed away in April of 2012. Our prayers and condolences go out to her family. We also have sad news of the passing of Fred Diaferio, husband of Sandy Towalski Diaferio, in October 2012. Fred and his fraternity brothers from Lowell Tech were the crew that “misappropriated” the shiny new Regis sign that graced the entrance to the campus in 1967 during our senior year. After some negotiations with the administration, they returned the sign and proudly had their picture taken with the nuns who good-naturedly tolerated the prank. Our prayers are with Sandy and her family. Maryann Skeiber Burtman, Judy Murphy Lauch, Jeanne Gianturco Jahrasweski, Marion Morascio Voorheis, Linda Gaioni Dranchak, Marybeth Govoni Cormier and I were able to attend Fred’s funeral in Adams, MA. I wanted to reprint the great email from Jo Sullivan as it somehow was split in two in the last issue. Jo retired in June 2011 from the Randolph (MA) Public Schools after two years as the Assistant Principal for Teaching and Learning at Randolph High School, working with, she says, “a wonderful team of administrators, hardworking teachers and students from all over the world. After 7 years as a central office administrator, being with students and teachers every day at the end of my career was a great privilege. After my retirement, I was able to do more to care for my father, who died last fall. He was a great husband and father, a dedicated teacher and administrator, and a kind friend and neighbor. We miss him. Colin still works on jet engines at GE. Peter is a bartender in Boston; he and his girlfriend Jade became engaged this past spring. Last fall, I traveled to DC to participate in the Friends of Liberia activities for the 50th anniversary of the Peace Corps. It is hard to believe that it was 44 years ago that we first went to Liberia. The Liberia events in DC were moving, and fun—lots of grey hair and tie-dye! I am finally feeling retired. I relish getting together with friends I have not seen for a few years (and on weekdays!), visiting museums, reading lots and lots, being in my own home in the daytime and sleeping past 5am — I was never a morning person.”

Thanks Jo, great to hear from you. My column is brief this time. I am gearing up for our 45th Reunion and will surely have lots and lots of information from many classmates. Hope to see a lot of you in May! How can it be 45 years?

1969

Linda Garstka Daigneault, 300 Forker Boulevard, Sharon, PA 16146, tj.dano@verizon.net Another year! Time sure flies! Ted and I are blessed with continued good health, family nearby, and travels. We took a Canal Barge Cruise in France last year and assorted other trips statewide. We went to Disney World with our daughter and family in Nov. While in Orlando, we took a side trip to Ocala to visit with Peggy Corr Veneziano and husband Tony. We enjoyed a “royal” tour of their home and community. We hope to visit again when Ted retires and we have more time. Christine turpin Brandt is working again after retiring from the Dover, MA, school district where she was a principal for 8 years. Prior to that, she was a principal for 9 years in Wellesley. In “retirement,” she
does school accountability reviews for various states. Christine has also led reviews for the United Arab Emirates in Dubai. Christine and husband Jerry enjoy road trips across the country, hauling a teardrop camper and staying in parks. They are fulfilling a lifelong dream of exploring the USA by car. She lives in Weston and likes reading about Regis’s successes. She is grateful for the rules but we obeyed them (for the most part). Now, looking back, it wasn’t so bad and it made us who we are today. Until next time, take care and God bless. Start thinking about Reunion 2014: 45 years, oh my!

1970

**Nora Quinlan Waystack, 126 Merrimack Street, #50, Newburyport, MA 01950, 978-462-5777, nqwaystack@comcast.net** - The New York Times keeps America informed. From Manhattan Beach, CA, has been retired a year from American Airlines after 42 years of international service. She’s seen it all: the Taj Mahal, the Forbidden City, the Great Wall of China. In her retirement she plays tennis, visits the East Coast every 6–8 weeks, and has taken up piano. Piano has proven to be the biggest challenge. Every 3–4 years Betty and fellow classmates Beth Golden, Sara Donahue, Joan Archer, Frannie Burns, Pat Sullivan, and Margie Cohan Craven meet and catch up. They were all together this last Oct. in Martha’s Vineyard, and reminisced lost memories and hilarious stories while perusing our yearbook.

**Nancy McCallum Brenerman** celebrated her retirement last July by taking a spiritual pilgrimage with 8 women to England. They visited cathedrals in southwest England around Stonehenge. They lived and cooked together in a large house doing yoga each morning in a yurt! This past Dec. Nancy began part 2 of her retirement plan. She started a part-time/ part-year job working for a non-profit, supporting their lobbyist for the 6-month legislative session. Then she “retires” again during summer and fall. Nancy’s husband David is still working, so they take small vacations until he retires. Last Feb. they visited San Diego. Daughter Molly is 22 and doing great finding her way in the world. Nancy stays in touch with her classmates through the New York Times. Dr. Margot Cleary continues to work on body weight and its effects on breast cancer using animal models. She presently has a 5-year grant. Retirement plans are not in the immediate future for her. Margot was in FL in Feb. where she met with Barbara Lipcan Bagley. They are planning a summer trip in their motorhome to the Black Hills, SD, to celebrate their 65 years on this Earth. They are taking husbands to do the driving!

**S. Gladys Marhefka** is involved in Social Justice Awareness as a Sister of Charity of Montreal, Grey Nun in Lexington, MA. Last year she collected for youth in Kasungu, Malawi. Each year they also organize a day of reflection on an ecology, peace, or justice issue which is open to the public. S. Gladys also does spiritual companionship/direction. She feels she is kept more than busy these days.

**S. Judy Park** has been a Sister of Charity of Halifax for 45 years, living in NY since 1973. Her first assignment was in Manchester, NH, for 2 years. She then studied at Loyola U receiving an MPSW in counseling in 1983. She is currently Chaplain at St. John’s Bread of Life in the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn. They serve the needy through emergency food programs and social services programs. Their Mobile Soup Kitchen van is going into neighborhood devastations by Hurricane Sandy. During 6 years of service, S. Judy also taught elementary and high school for 15 years. She spent 10 years in pastoral care at residential treatment centers. She also served her congregation in several leadership positions over the years. Being in administration takes her to Canada, Peru, and the Dominican Republic quite often. She recently completed Kathy Murphy Lockwood’s book *Major League Bride* and realized that they were in NY at the same time for a few years.

**Paula Melican** is back in central MA and lives with oldest daughter Anna, who is disabled with cerebral palsy, and her son Steven, a student at the Auburn Middle School. Paula is an ABA tutor at the Finn School in Southborough teaching autistic children. Paula’s youngest son, Martine, lives with his wife and son Logan, 10 months old, in Grafton, MA. Paula’s middle child, Tessa, lives in San Francisco with her fiancé. They are to be married in Siena, Italy, in September. Needless to say, Paula is looking forward to this trip, she sees college roommate Pat Riley Barry regularly.

1972

**Mary Lou Wenthe, 8485 Berkeley Street, Honolulu, HI 96814, 585-208-4337** - It is with sadness that we open these notes. Valerie Hickey Farrell passed away Nov. 9, 2012. After Regis, she received her Master’s Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling at Springfield College. Val had been a counselor, stay-at-home mom, and for the last 17 years, a teacher in the Westfield Elementary school system. Our condolences to her family, husband William, and children Brendon, Rory, Meghan and Moira. Another sad note to report is the death, in Dec., of Ann Garguliniski Desmarais’s husband after 40 years of marriage. We send our sympathies, Ann.

**John Lanagan** and her husband have purchased their retirement home in South Yarmouth, MA. It borders the 14th hole of the Blue Rock Golf Course.

**Mary Lou Wenthe** has volunteered to give golf lessons. Joan has retired after 37 years of teaching Spanish in the Wayland School District but now has a full-time position as the master of their 2 golden retrievers. Dr. Susan MacDonald is the Associate Chair of Medicine at Johns Hopkins. Susan handles administration and faculty development. She finds it a challenge, especially in light of funding cuts. Still, she reports, she loves it and feels she was born to do this.

**Sukey Saunders** was planning a spring trip to Ireland to connect with family and her roots. We hope she had a great time. Mary Lou loves life on the lake in Roneoye. She’s finishing the rehab of her cottage and finds carpentry satisfying. You know she loves golf. She wants to put out an invitation to all Class of 1972 golfers. The Regis Athletic Department has a golf tournament every year and Mary Lou would love to get some classmates together to “swing” for this fundraiser.

If you are on Facebook, look to join the Class of ’72 page. It’s a great way to keep in touch between the magazine issues and the Reunions! Take care.

1973

**Pat D’Amore, pattidamore@gmail.com** - I know I do not have the emails of many of our classmates so I am unable to solicit contributions for this column. Please email me at pattidamore@gmail.com with your email address and that of any of our classmates who you think would want to hear from me. I hope that you made it for our 40th (wow!) Reunion weekend!

1977

**Karen Driscoll Montague, kdm55@verizon.net** - Hello everyone. We enjoyed the Reunion last year. Some of us have managed to get together twice since. To celebrate the holidays we got together at the Concord Inn last Dec. for brunch. Judy O’Brien, Jane Lenox Leary, Julie O’Connor McGinn, Janet Prior, Patty Schofield, Sara Monahan, Sharon Lally Doliber, Anne Marie Hurley, and Karen Driscoll
Montague attended. Sharon, a social work major, started a new job in senior care with North Shore Services. Anne Marie began a life coaching practice. Following in her mother’s footsteps, her son Michael is in his last year of law school. He was married last summer on Pete’s Island, ME. Son Matthew graduated from BU and teaches. Anne Marie’s daughter is applying to medical school. She works part-time in catering and event planning at Dushes Kosher Catering. Betti works at Fidelity as a Pension Analyst. She has joined the Pease Greeters Group. They welcome men and women in the Armed Forces who pass through Pease Airport on their way to or home from military deployments. She also juggles the demands of 2 aging parents who live in Saco, ME.

Congrats to Jan Gleason Rogers on her son’s engagement. This will be the 1st wedding in her family. Empty nesters, Joan Whalen Wilson and husband Gary have downsized, selling their home in Chelmsford and buying a place on the Cape. Marion Quinn-Jowett and husband Jake look forward to son Christopher’s graduation from FIT in NY in May.

1978 55th Reunion

Janet Buckley Bernard, 113 Hubbard Street, Concord, MA 01742, janet bernardi@gmail.com. Our class will be celebrating its 55th Reunion this spring. I hope you made it! Mary Roche and I hatched plans, and you’ll hear how it went on this Facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Regis-College-Class-of-1978/321736679853767

Big congratulations to Mary Ames who was confirmed as Associate Justice of the Superior Court in Jan.

1979

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Janet Mills-Knudsen, 12 B Lawrence Street, Woburn, MA 01801, 781-491-0698, janetknudsen@rcn.com. Joyce Blanchard Campbell has qualified to run her 13th Boston Marathon this spring. Joyce teaches group exercise classes, including spinning, BodyPump strength training, and CXWorx core strengthening near her home in Oakland Park, KS. She and husband Peter have recently purchased a second home in Charleston, SC. Joyce’s daughter Christine attends Wellesley College and, coincidentally, has Marie Cain Blackwood’s brother as her advisor. Roberta Fox works at Oracle and cycles in her spare time. She completed the 100-mile Dempsey Challenge this past October. She and Rosemary Noon rode the Tri States Century in September (100 miles in a day). Roberta and Rosemary can frequently be spotted biking through Andover, North Andover, Boxford, Georgetown, Topsfield, Wenham, and Hamilton.

Jeanne McGillicuddy has a new job as a Senior Business Analyst for Trade Finance at ACI Worldwide in Waltham. Congratulations to Rosemary Noon, who was recently appointed by Governor Deval Patrick to the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Loretta Salvucci McClary became a grandmother in March. Her son Robert and daughter-in-law Jennifer had their first child. Loretta’s daughter Gina graduated from Bentley U this past May and works as a Financial Analyst at NewStar Financial in Boston. Daughter Loretta-Marie is a nursing student at Regis.

1981

Teresa M. McGonagle, Flagship Wharf 612, 197 Eighth Street, Charlestown, MA 02129, 617-241-0866, Tmm387@comcast.net. Kelly Carney Kelly, 622 Lewis Wharf, Boston, MA 02110, 617-523-7007, kelly@kellykellyinc.com. Joanne Lynch Schamber and Donna Ribaudo Schow attended the Holly Tea. Also attending were Mary Anne Kelly, Maureen Fallon Leonard and her daughters, Maureen Stephens, and Carol Weigel DiFranco.

Charlotte O’Malley Kelly and husband Brendan hosted a Christmas dinner with Regis classmates Anne Dowd Goodhue, Susan Cronin Robinson, Joanne Schamber, and their husbands. Adela Gadala-Maria DeMaldonado, who had suffered with MS for years, passed away on December 21 in her home in Puebla, Mexico. I flew in the next day and spent the week with her family members from San Salvador, husband Sergio, and 2 sons, Javier and Juan. It was a very sad occasion and I shall miss her forever. We formed a close bond while at Regis and continued to see each other on a regular basis whether she was in Miami, San Salvador, or Mexico. Farewell to our friend Adela.

Passing thru Winchester? Teresa McGonagle has a yarn and needlepoint business that people rave about! Sue Robinson was seen in Panera with her daughter, one of Sue’s 3 children. Tricia Russo keeps very busy with her young twins.

Elaine Mason is on the Cape, and happy.

Pilar Picon-Alcalde Duque is Director, Regulatory Affairs, at Mary Kay Inc. in Dallas.

1983 30th Reunion

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Interested in the program. Catherine Mary Jane England ’59 for getting her from Regis in May 2012 with a Master Foster Care system — Mystique, now a year ago, Catherine Cavanaugh and meeting the Regis seniors. The dinner, all of the speakers’ talks, Night. She has wonderful memories of highlight was when she was invited and Deborah Castelli ’84. Since our Caley is a freshman at Thayer and is certain that other parents share this satisfaction. Catherine Wilson ’s daughter was just 25th Reunion, ’s daughter was just left MIT about 3 years ago and is now the Associate Director of Health Physics at Brigham and is in 7th grade at Derby Academy in Braintree and son Collin is in 7th grade at Derby Academy in Braintree and son Collin is in 7th grade at Derby Academy and is in Needham with in 7th year working at the Harvard Extension School. She also passed her license exam and is looking at graduate course- over the summer. Maureen’s son Santos has stayed on at Harvard as an administrator for a research lab, which focuses on understanding ALS (Lou Gehrig’s disease). She has also taken a number of master’s level management classes at the Harvard Extension School. She studies the drums, a lifelong goal. Taking on a new activity and learning a new skill later in life is “daunting!” Diane says. She keeps busy with volunteer work at a local animal shelter, tackling various home improvement projects on her childhood home (where she lives), and seeing fellow classmates Gail McDonough Donahue, Catherine Cavanaugh, Anne Haggerty, and Deborah Castelli ’84. Since our last Reunion, Diane writes that a highlight was when she was invited to speak at the Regis Senior Alumni Night. She has wonderful memories of the dinner, all of the speakers’ talks, and meeting the Regis seniors. About a year ago, Catherine Cavanaugh adopted 2 children from the MA State Foster Care system — Mystique, now 13, who is interested in science/engineering and Jaquan, 4, who is very athletically inclined and has a love for animals. She is a volunteer at a local animal shelter having an active home, between children and pets, has taken some time getting used to. For the past 3 years, she has been working for Xerox as a Business Analyst, and is lucky to be able to work from home. In her “free” time, Catherine and her dogs volunteer as therapy dog teams for DOG B.O.N.E.S., a local therapy group. She invited her family to Regis to visit and is having questions on adopting from foster care or adopting at these ages, to get in touch (I will share her email). Back from another family trip to India, Gail Mulani is in her 7th year working part-time as a volunteer at the Belmont School of Belmont as an Administrative Assistant for the Food Services Department. Gail enjoys her schedule as it provides maximum flexibility for family vacations and summers off. Her office is at the high school and she assists the principal. This is helpful for her, but she is not so sure that her sons like it. Gail’s older son Jay loves sports and is in the middle of his college application process. Neal, her younger son, looks forward to his role in the spring musical at the high school. Gail manages the ticket sales for the shows and is involved in the creation/coordination of fundraising events. In my household, I have a couple more years before sending my first off to college. You would think that after having worked for Johns Hopkins for almost 20 years, I would have all the answers but I certainly will be looking for advice at the Reunion to get some helpful tips. Again, let’s make the effort to gather for our 30th! 1984

Hello Class of ’84! I’m sorry to leave you all hanging in the last edition. I think my notes got lost in the big recycle bin on the Internet. It’s hard to believe this cold winter night will be a distant memory when you read these notes, but I for one can’t wait for the warmer weather. And apparently, there is a nugget of truth to the sentiment that “time flies.” Case in point, the majority of our class turned an unbelievable 50 during the past year! Happy half century to one and all! Patricia McAuley graduated from BC in May 2012 with a master’s in Social Work. She now works as Hospice Social Worker at Hospice of the Good Shepard in Newton, MA and loves it. She also passed her license exam and now proudly sports LCSW after her moniker! Patricia has been married to Jerry for 23 years. Son Sean, 20, is a sophomore at American U in DC, majoring in International Service and Mandarin. In July, Patricia hosted a mini Regis reunion at her home in Needham with Cheryl Keneavy Hablarian, Deirdre Moraes, Anna Cabral Augiar, and Leah Pellegrino, with Kathy Minihane Pardy phoning in from FL. They reconnected and reminisced, dusting off the Regis Yearbook and digging up old photographs. Karen Peterson Snook says life is good in Elliot, ME, where she has lived since she married husband Dave in 1989. Dave is an assistant store manager for Market Basket and Karen carts daughter, Heather, 15, all over New England for AUA Basketball. Liz Hughes VanderAarde visited Marco Island with Heather Swett Sherman ’85 and Mary Pacilli Haggerty in 2012. While there, they saw a Facebook post from Eileen Walsh ’86 who was making her way to Marco Island from NC with her mom and aunt. They all met up for dinner and shared a lot of laughs. Liz has 2 seniors this year: son Jack finishes his studies at Fordham U and Sam is a high school senior at Academy of Holy Angels High School in Minneapolis. Her youngest, Max, is in 7th grade. In between college visits with Sam and year-round soccer travel, life is crazy busy, but Liz says she “wouldn’t have it any other way.” Deb Scott says hello from Newburyport. She continues to move forward on her “reinvention” mission from Cardiac Surgery sales to the personal growth venue. In 2012, Deb founded a teleseminar program called The Motivation Marathon, which brought together 46 international experts and celebrities to share tips that could be trusted to help people live their best life (www.motivationmarathon.com). Deb’s radio show “The Best People We Know Radio Show” (www.blogtalkradioshow.com/thebestpeopleweknow) has over 200,000 global listeners on blog talk radio, ranking 1–2% in 17 categories. Her book, The Sky is Green & The Grass is Blue—Turning Your Upside Down World Right Side Up continues to inspire people and has won 4 national awards for excellence since it was published in 2009. Deb is also pursuing her Master’s Degree in Theology in New Evangelization and wants to continue helping teens with their Catholic faith. Deb formerly was Confirmation Director in her local parish. Deb’s social media network continues to grow on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. “I would love to hear how everyone is doing!” Deb Tremblay Lynch is enjoying a big year. She and husband Kevin celebrated their 20th anniversary last May, and a trip to ME in Sept. was planned for her 50th. Deb and Kevin live at NH. Daughter Olivia studies at Marymount U in VA. Teri Maio Morrow in Bedford is busy with work, vacation, and twin daughters Kate and Elie. She’s dismayed that we didn’t not far away from our 30th Reunion. “I keep doing the math and coming up with the same answer. Regis couldn’t have been that long ago!” says Teri. Celine Boyle and Marie Lefebvre kept trying to plan a
get-together in 2012. I’m not sure if it actually happened with everyone’s busy schedules, but I expect a report for the next edition! Celine has a great website that features her humor- ous and touching essays, along with a delightful blog. I especially have enjoyed her tales (and trials) about gardening. They have made me feel less alone in my own attempts at horticulture and beautiful my own part of the world. I highly recommend checking out Celine’s great writing at www.celineboyde.com. ∥ I visited Lisa Clivio-Wentrup during 2012 at her home in Newport, NH. She reminded me that that was only my 2nd trip north to see her in about 14 years. And then she reminded me of that a few more times during our visit. I had been spoiled with Lisa’s frequent trips south to visit her parents in Woburn. Since her dad’s death in summer of 2011, Lisa doesn’t make the trip south as often since her mom has been living in a beautiful assisted living facility close to Lisa and family in NH, and is doing well. We had fun and I promised I would be up at least a couple more times in the next 14 years. ∥ That’s all I have for now. I’m doing my own math now (I wasn’t a math major) and apparently Tori is correct. We will be 30-year alumni next year! Please send me your news and/or updated email addresses, or friend me on Facebook. I really enjoy hearing from the women in the Class of ’84.

1987

∥ Annamaria Cobuccio Paone, 26 Marshall St., North Reading, MA 01864 apaone@arquile.com; paonefam5@comcast.net ∥ It’s wonderful to hear from you all and hope to continue to hear from many more for the fall issue! As I write this edition, with my Regis yearbook close at hand, my 13-year-old daughter is reading hers laughing and commenting on the “haidors.” I tell her she is fortunate to have a straightening iron. Let’s pray that big hairstyles of the ’80s do not make a major comeback! ∥ My daughter is active in our town’s soccer and basketball travel teams. We have competed against nearby North Andover for many years and last fall confirmed my suspicions of a familiar face on the soccer sideline. Kerri Cashman Pierson, daughter plays on the North Andover travel soccer and basketball teams. Kerri hasn’t changed a bit! She and husband James have 3 children. ∥ Lisa Nerich has suggested creating a Facebook page for the Class of 1987. Let me know if you think this would facilitate better communication. ∥ Aspasia Alexopoulos Bakolas works full time for BW Faulkner Hospital as a financial counselor and continues to work as a freelance designer. She often consults for her husband’s business, Wood & Stone Construction. She still lives in Boston. Her 2 sons attend college—n Majd College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences and UMass Boston—and her daughter is a sophomore at Boston Latin. Everyone is healthy and happy. ∥ Lisa Mae DeMasi is an MBA, Reiki Master and writer, and lives in Newton with her husband Dennis and their entourage of furry friends, reptile, and amphibian named Phibby Newton. Having left the corporate world behind nearly 5 years ago, she is making significant progress working with her editor on her 1st memoir manuscript titled Calamity Becomes Her. Lisa hopes to soon become published, which, 1st and foremost, will give her the opportunity to tell her mother “I told you so.” Check out her blog nurtureismynature.com; she’d love to hear from you. Her email is lisa.demasi@gmail.com. ∥ Petra Fallon has been with Reckitt Benckiser Pharmaceuticals and specialty called Suboxone for 7 years, with 12 years total in the industry. Her daughter Keara, 9, is in the 4th grade. She is competitive in Irish Step Dance and also plays soccer on the Medway girls travel team. Petra has been happily divorced for 2 years. All in all she is healthy, happy and well. Petra can be reached at petra.fallon @rb.com. ∥ Since graduation, Carol Flynn has gotten together faithfully every 2 months for dinner with Deb Falvey, Marsha Slayton, Deb Wright, and Nancy Finnell. Kathy Bourke and Jane Zeytoonian have joined them many times. In addition to having fun, they have supported each other through numerous personal and family crises and medical issues. Having made such strong friendships has been a major benefit of our Reignition! Carol adds, “Because we were pioneers in the nursing program and our classes were almost all in the evening, we didn’t get to know our non-nursing classmates—we were the ones with the different color hoods at graduation!” ∥ Elizabeth Conlin Hays has recently been laid off from her job as a Paralegal in Lynnfield, MA, but is enjoying quality time at home. She and fiancé, David McIver, plan to be married on March 17, 2013 in Stoneham, MA. They are planning to honeymoon at the Poconos in the warmer weather, and are also planning to travel to Gettysburg. David is a Civil War history buff. They are enjoying wonderful trips around New England together. Her daughter, Elizabeth Courtney, has relocated to Austin. She holds a master’s degree in forensic psychology from the Chicago School. Her mother, Genevieve, is enjoying winter in Fort Lauderdale. Best wishes on your wedding Elizabeth and David! ∥ Donna McLellan MacLellan is Director of Client Management at Sun Life Financial in Wellesley. She lives in Hingham with her husband Paul and 8-year-old Mark. ∥ Angela Iatrou Simon started a new job in January as a project manager for Tyco Integrated Security, a division of Tyco International. She is responsible for fire protection and security system installations for commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities in New England. She’s very excited about this new challenge in her career. Angela continues her unending
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1988  25th Reunion

Kym Miele Johnson, 31 Randall Street, Greenville, RI 02828, KymboR@sol.com. Michelle Gray Bird, 4416 Blantyre Place, Valrico, FL 33594, dmbird01@verizon.net. Reunion has now passed since, but I hope you joined us and got out your pearls, found your shoulder pads, sized your class ring, found your sweatpants, and got yourself to Regis to take over the campus for our 25th Class Reunion! Your 25th Class Reunion Committee members were: Mary Ellen Kelley, Kym Johnson Miele, Laura Doherty Reynolds, Liz Higgins Fitzgerald, Marianne Ritchie McMorrow, Kathleen Forrest Regan, Kara Laverty Flynn, Mary Waldron and Valerie Brown McGuire. And you will never believe that Liz Fitzgerald has a Facebook page just for us: www.facebook.com/irvemtn_tmnbn/#/groups/RegisClassof88 Look how far we have come with modern technology and a few more grey hairs. We expected a large turnout; I hope you did not disappoint us. News from Reunion will be in the next issue of Regis Today. And now, our regular class notes.

Kathleen Forrest Regan began 2012 with a new job as an independent insurance broker. She keeps busy with modern technology and a few more grey hairs. We expected a large turnout; I hope you did not disappoint us. News from Reunion will be in the next issue of Regis Today. And now, our regular class notes.

Maureen O’Donnell, 1988. In Oct., she had dinner with Kathy Puchovski, 1988, and two kids—Matt, 10, and Ella, 8. Together they have an old kitty named Minnie. They look forward to moving to a bigger house in Haverhill because they are busting the seams of the current house! Lisa Spadaford Thompson is still living in Medfield with her fantastic husband, John, and 2 kids—Matt, 10, and Ella, 8 going on 18. Ella’s a handful like her mommy. Her firm, Monitor, was just bought by Deloitte so she went through orientation. Gabriella Lagiogia Viggliotta now lives in Winthrop, MA, with husband Angelo, and 2 daughters, Jessica, 16, and Francesca, 14. She enjoys staying home and being a full-time mom. Rosemary Hughes met up for a great girl’s night out with old Angela Hall Wing mates: Gabriella Viggliotta, Tara Philipin Corcoran, Mona Connolly-Casper ’92, and Paula Ventura ’92. They had a great night at Gabriella’s beautiful house, where husband Angelo (who deserved a diploma from Regis after all the time he spent there with us girls) played bartender. Myself, I am going on 8 years as Director of Creative Services at Putnam Investments. Time flies much too fast. Jennifer Blake Meyer lives in southern MD with husband Tim. They have 2 children, Son Sam, 17, is a junior in high school, and daughter Blake, 9, is in 4th grade. Jennifer works for the Department of the Navy as a Financial Analyst. She is now the Deputy Director for the business and financial management department. She also owns a small cafe with a friend. In her spare time she volunteers at her daughter’s school and the community hospital. Laura Fahey Murphy is in Leonardtown, MD, and does volunteer financial casework for Sailors and Marines at the WA Navy Yard in DC. Tim is a PAX NAS. Martha Andre Magoo said that after spending 12 years post-graduation living and working in Boston, her partner Verna and she gave up urban living and moved to North Carolina in 2003. They live in the country with their 2 children, Michael, 6, and Lola, 3, and 5 dogs, 2 cats, and 13 chickens. They use all natural methods on their land and have veggie and herb gardens as well as fruit trees and blueberries! Martha commutes into Raleigh every day to work at NC State U as a manager in the Casier’s department. She has spent her entire career in higher education working in Financial Aid and student loans, and loves the work she does making higher education a possibility for the next generation. When Martha is not working or “tending the farm,” they are desperately feeling their age and trying to keep up with the kids and their busy schedules! Both Martha and Verna miss Boston but love the shorter winters! They wish you all love, peace and happiness.

Kathie Feesey Farris and Jeff have been married 20 years this May (see going to all those kid parties did pay off)! They live in Medfield, MA, and have 2 daughters Kendra, 17, and Jesse, 13. She is a stay-at-home mom. She still sees Dawn Polito Morris, Meg McWilliams Garvey, Nicole Amnott Tongue, and Laura Murphy. If you are in her neighborhood, she would love to catch up so give her a call.

Heather Flynn Visconte works at South Shore Hospital. She switched to nights (7pm–7am), not her 1st choice, but works for the kids right now. Her children are Nick, 10, and in 5th grade and Alexa, 7, in 1st grade. They also adopted 2 Maine Coon cat brothers a couple of years ago, James and Carlos. Vito is training for an Ironman Triathlon. Adrienne Hammel Aarons is still involved in lifestyle shows on a freelance basis. She just completed a series of cooking shows with Sara Moulton for public television, which included a trip to Turkey. They spent a week there
filing, visiting spice markets, and enjoying local cuisine. Currently, she is working on 52 half-hour episodes of a fitness show called Workout from Within with Jeff Haley in NYC. A personal trainer in NYC, he’s teamed up with Michelle Obama and Mayor Corey Booker from NJ on the Let’s Move! campaign. The show will air in April on Veria Living Network. Her most important “project” is Will, 4, who has quite the personality. She calls herself “an older rookie mom.” She’s so glad to have a little guy to keep her young and up to speed on pirates and ninjas. They still live in Towson, MD. She commutes to NY several weeks a year to produce these series. The rest of the time she volunteers and chases after Will.

Kathy O’Connor-Elliott is a local reporter for both the Reminder News and Journal Inquirer in CT. She and husband Don are navigating the dark ages of parenthood. (Translation: raising teenage sons.) John, 16, is starting drivers ed and the college search, and Brendan, 12, is a 7th-grade class officer and member of the swim team. On a funny note, she was interviewing a boy’s basketball coach for an article a few weeks ago and it turns out he went to Regis! Her 1st reaction: “But you’re a BOY!” Melissa LeRay bought a house in Westford, MA, 2 years ago and still works as the Director of Special Education at Nashoba Valley Technical High School (9 years now). Melissa continued her education after Regis with an MEd in Special Education from Salem State in 1995 and an MEd in Administration from Fitchburg State in 2000. Now, she is enrolled in a CAGS program at Fitchburg State in Interdisciplinary Studies, combining Education and History. Melissa lives very close to a lake and spends most of her free time enjoying it.

Lisa White Nelson teaches Anatomy and Physiology part-time at BC as an adjunct and started as an adjunct at Curry College 3 years ago doing the same. She will be married for 15 years this Sept. to Duane and has 3 amazing boys; Garrett, 11, is in 5th grade; Christopher, 8, is making his First Communion this year; and her youngest, Aaron, 5, is in his last year of preschool.

Mary Ellen Gillis Dubois and husband, Paul, live in Norfolk, MA. Last March, they moved from a house in town to another. In August, they will be married 15 years. Mary Ellen works in the graduate program at Framingham State teaching online classes, and just started working part-time in for Medfield Public Schools as a math MCAS tutor. They have 4 children: Maryellen, 12; David, 10; Jacquelyn, 7; and Rachel, 3. They are busy with sports, art classes, dancing, and scouts.

Sheron Thorp Doucette teaches middle school drama and in the “it’s a small world” category, she had the son and daughter of Caragh Whalen-Feinblatt in her classes. Sheron is the Camp and Workshop director for Reagle Music Theatre. This past spring she received her Master’s in Education. This summer Sheron will direct a play at the Regis Fine Arts Center.

Caragh Whalen-Feinblatt worked from home for the past 15 years doing PR consulting, but recently decided to do something part-time, giving her more flexibility to be with her kids. She started as a Kindergarten Classroom Aide a year ago in Framingham and loves it! She earned an EEC (certification in Early Childhood) and hopes to continue taking education classes. Her 4 children are growing fast and furious. Her oldest started high school this fall and her baby started kindergarten, another is in 7th grade and one in 5th grade. It’s “very bittersweet to say the least,” she says. She and Mike will celebrate their 20th anniversary this year.

Norma S. Roque-Moran lives in Western North Carolina. She is a lawyer and mom of 5: Mitch, 25; Tyler, 21 (a junior @ Mars Hill College); Olivia, an 8th grader; Ryan, a 7th grader; and Ben, a 5th grader. She and husband Pete have 2 dogs, a mutt Bowzer and a Boxer Lulu. “Life is good,” says Norma.

Deirdre Higgins Crescioli, John, Erica, and Tessa live in VA. She teaches high school math but switched schools this year after 9 years at her previous school. She now teaches at James Madison HS in Vienna. Her oldest, Erica, is a freshman at Clemson University in SC and is double majoring in math and secondary ed. Her youngest, Tessa, is in 5th grade.

Kimberley Hughes’s oldest, Tyler, is a sophomore at Norwich U in VT. Cody is a senior and will be attending the U of NE, Kearney to major in education and biology. Son, John, started middle school this year. Youngest, Jesse, is a 4th grader; she loves bosses her older brothers around. Kimberley is still working in education as the Destined for Success Coordinator at Grand Island Senior High School in Grand Island, NE. She works with at-risk youth and loves it! Her caseload is 320 students—sometimes a little overwhelming.

Stephanie Duffy Seeley works as a Director in the Taxpayer Advocate Service, which is an independent organization in the IRS. She and husband Brian have 8-year-old twin daughters who they adopted from China 7 years ago. She is busy as a brownie troop leader like Brenda! Brenda Orta Cardona works hard as a doctor with a specialty in Family Medicine.
5 in July. Lisa Morrissey Wu had her second son on November 5, Aiden YuJing. She has a 3-year-old named Avery DaJing. Lisa just left her job as a Nurse Manager to work for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts as a Nurse Case Manager. She and her sister Jen are constantly together and Jen’s 2 girls are Lisa’s son’s best friends. Paige Eaton has a new job/title at work. She is now a Web Developer at Digital Loom. In Feb., Jennine Giaquinto Lesser and Trinity Hurbut Edwards traveled together, with their clans, to Disney World! Looking at their Facebook posts, it was clear that a magical time was had by all. As for me, I ran my first half marathon, the Disney World Wine and Dine, in November. It was the hardest and most rewarding physical challenge I’ve ever done, so I signed up for the Disney Princess half marathon to be run at the end of Feb.!

1997

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Please submit class notes via email or on our Regis Class of 1997 Facebook Page: http://www.facebook.com/groups/344127782281192/

Sabrina Greenwood-Briggs has started a musical convention business OvertureCon with her roommate. They will be producing their first event in May 2013 in Los Angeles. Best of luck to the both of you! Jen Brown King and husband, Steve traveled to Jiangxi Province, China, in August to bring home their son, Cameron Arthur Xiping King. He was born on May 11, 2011 and joins his proud big sister, Grace, 5, also from Jiangxi. Jen is taking a year of leave from her English teaching position at Greater Lowell Technical High School to spend some time with Cam. They love being a family of 4! Lorie Azz got engaged to Nathan Adams on New Year’s Eve! They’re planning a destination wedding in Antigua early December. Congrats to Lorie and Nathan!

1998 15th Reunion

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Amy Cahill Hickey and husband Brian welcomed their 3rd child, a boy, in Oct.: Crispin Michael Hickey. His brother Conlon, 11, and sister Caitlin, 8, welcomed Crispin home and all are doing well. Sarah Gagnon Kravchuk recently published her first children’s book, There’s So Much More to Wear Than Hair. Sarah wrote and illustrated this book for young children who have lost their hair due to medical treatment. Each page incorporates a creative idea of something to wear instead of hair. Her goal in creating this vivid book is to make the readers, both children and adults, laugh and let their imaginations carry them into a fantasy world for a moment. She was inspired to create this book after completing her own brain cancer treatment. Sarah hopes this book will empower children to fight their battle, with strength, courage, and a little creativity.

1999

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Hello ’99ers! Hope all is well. Here are the headlines:

Congrats to Lorie and Nathan! Mike, along with son Ethan, now live in sunny San Diego. Sarah Greenwood is working in Boston as a graphic designer for Houghton Mifflin. She also launched a photography business on the side. Check out her new website: shiningstarphotography.net. The Fiesty Greek restaurant in Norwood, co-owned by Tina Bontas-Tigianidis (and sister Amy ’98), recently launched a live music night, which will be held once a month. Check it out...the food is incredible!
2001
Jessica Shumaker Grondin, jshu20@yahoo.com, Katie Stickler Tommasini, ksttick729@yahoo.com, Margo Cicciarella Bednarz, mcicciarella@gmail.com, Margo Bednarz Cicciarella took on a new role at The Hartford as an HR Manager within Hartford Investment Management Company (HIMCO). Kate Hancock just joined the Board of Directors for the Marine Museum of Fall River, MA. The museum is currently undergoing a revitalization and she’s pleased to be a part of it. Kate’s first job in high school was at the museum (as was her sister’s, Rebecca Hancock ‘99). So, for Kate, joining the Board brings her full circle with this local non-profit. In addition, she’s preparing for the March 2013 tour of Spain with the Regis choral groups. She serves as the Co-chair of the Regis Alumni Chorus and is pleased to report that several alums (including Martha Douty-Perez) will be trekking to Barcelona and the surrounding countryside on a tour that promises to be exciting musically and personally.

九龙 Swanson Walther and husband Josh welcomed baby boy Jackson Matthew on December 8. He checked in at 8 lbs, 5 oz, and 21 inches. Congrats! Patty Furey and fiancé Christian will travel to Ireland this spring to attend Paula O’Neill’s wedding. Many of you may remember that Paula attended Regis as an exchange student during our sophomore year and she even came back over for our 5-year Reunion. Paula is marrying her long-time love, Steve Runalls on April 12, 2013, in Fermanagh, Ireland. April 12, 2013, in Fermanagh, Ireland.

九龙 2003 10th Reunion
Kara Bilotta, 284 Riverside Ave, Unit 1, Medford, MA 02155, kbilotta@gmail.com, Regis2003@gmail.com. When these class notes were submitted, the class of 2003 was gearing up for an exciting Reunion weekend in May. I have to give an enormous amount of credit to the following ladies who worked for months to plan the events: Becky Brann Moisan, Carolyn Danduran, Carolee Meehan, Katie Sullivan, Kelly Enman, Laura Phaneau Bertonazzi, Lynne DeSisto Mailhot, and Mary Caufield. We hope we saw an excellent turnout! I am busy working as Conference Chair to finalize the details on a regional conference for higher ed IT professionals through my affiliation with NERCOMP. I serve on the organization’s board, which has been wonderful. These activities and personal interests have convinced me to jump head-first into the Twitter universe, @KaraBilotta. In my professional life at Tufts, I am taking on leadership of a new team, Service Measurement and Analysis, as a part of the integration of 2 technology groups on campus. Never a dull moment!

九龙 Kat Blais works in Waltham, down the road from Regis, at 1mm, which does online marketing in their client services department. She married Marc Lavallee on Oct. 7 in Boston. Marc finishes his PhD this spring. At home they have a cat named Donut and a dog named Stella. Sarah Lombardo enjoys continued success using her MSW at Reliance House while she works in a residential with young adult women. She recently accepted a full-time position working part-time for almost two years. The job offered her that good things come to those who wait; having a network of people who support and pray helps a lot! She currently works on her LCSW. After attaining it, Sarah wants to move from CT to Boston, and do urban youth programming for a nonprofit. She welcomes anyone who wants to network with her to give her a shout at socialworker419@hotmail.com.

九龙 Katie Sullivan lives in Wilmington and continues to work as a Graphic Designer. Katie dedicates a good amount of her time as Marketing Co-chair and Designer for the non-profit organization, Friends Fighting Breast Cancer (FFBC). FFBC has recently embarked on an exciting journey to reach $1 million in total giving to 2014. All funds raised by FFBC are directed to breast cancer research and care initiatives at the MGH Cancer Center. She assists with the planning and does the design for signature gala events, silent auctions, run/walks, and exclusive shopping events. If you are interested in learning more about FFBC, please visit www.friendsofightingbreastcancer.org.

九龙 Kelly Enman adopted a 2-year-old Australian cattle dog in April 2012 named Freckles. She starts her 3rd year as the vocational coordinator at the Walden Street School in Concord. If anyone needs a high-school-aged employee or volunteer in the area, please reach out to Kelly at Reunion. Kelly also had the opportunity to travel to Haiti and volunteer with the St. Joseph’s family at the “Wings of Hope” school.

九龙 Carriane Hickman Lake married Patrick Lake in July with both Julie DeStefano and Lyda Kiedong in attendance. She and Patrick moved to Woonsocket, RI, this past fall with his rescue Rottweiler, Bella. She attended Lincoln Technical Institute for Pharmacy Technician training, on her own dime, between the years of 2005–2006. Carrieanne has worked at a number of different pharmacies since her graduation.

九龙 Laura Phaneau Bertonazzi is pursuing her doctorate degree at U of New England through their Educational Leadership program online. She lives in Wilmington, MA, and continues to work as a Graphic Designer with both the Walden Street School in Concord and the “Wings of Hope” school.

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with the Regis Alumni Chorus.  

Jessica Clancy Schinell has worked in the Theatre District in downtown Boston since graduation. She worked at the Wang Theatre for 4 years as the bullpen manager and assistant to the Artistic Director at Chamber Theatre Productions, a nationally touring educational theatre company. Jessica recently returned to Regis to get her Master’s in Special Education, inspired by the educational theatre company she was working at. She has 2 classes left and a practicum before she receives her initial licensure.

Jessica was married in 2009 to her wonderful husband Todd Schinell; they hope to start a family soon and are in the beginning stages of building a house in Norwell, MA.  

Katie Kuhl works at FloDesign Wind Turbine in Waltham as an HR Administrator. She is also heavily involved with Theatre with a Twist, a non-profit theatre organization that she started. She performed in “Noises Off” during the second weekend in March, and she and the cast of “Dog Sees God” will be traveling to Scotland to participate in the Edinburgh Fringe Festival this August. She is really looking forward to seeing everyone at Reunion!

Please continue to send updates to regio2003@gmail.com so we can all stay connected. A heartfelt sentiment from the Reunion committee: “Please consider joining us in May to celebrate our 10 successful years!”

2004  

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Paula K. Power, paulak.power@gmail.com  

The class of 2004 has been busy! Melanie Acuña is still living in Washington DC and currently works as a Public Defender in MD. She said she loves every minute of it! Angela Donahue Bailey just got out of the military and has been working as a Career Counselor at Middlesex Community College. Kaitlyn and Will are living in their new home in Chelmsford, MA.

Lastly, your two class reporters, can’t get enough of school! Paula Power just completed a second master’s degree. She earned a degree in Public Health from Tufts University and started a new job as an Integrated Care Manager. After 9 years of dating Mike, they are ready to tie the knot. The wedding is November 2 and three Regis grads are their bridesmaids, Jess Homer and Lorick Walsh, and her sister Dr. Fran Power-Charmatsky ’98.

Bobbie Finocchio went back to school, but this time as an adjunct instructor at the Graduate School of Education at Regis College.

2005  

Christina Aprea Young, aprea.christina@gmail.com  

Sharon Ploss gave birth to a beautiful baby boy in January, Callen Charles. Judy Solar Olivenza gave birth to boy and girl twins on Jan. 8. Their names are Maximus and Emilee and they’re doing well. Michelle Class Peterson’s little guy Zachary is doing wonderful! He is very happy to be growing up with wonderful friends like Callen Ploss, Evan Bucelewicz, and Emmaline Kelley (his future wife, no wedding date has been set).

As for me, Christina Aprea Young, I’ve moved to Franklin Pierce University in Rinage, NH as the Director of Alumni Relations. I’m finally working and living in the same state! It’s amazing! I hope to see many of you at the All-Alumni Reunion in May!

2006  

Erin Campbell, erinmarie326@gmail.com  

Hppy 2013! Many congratulations and well wishes are in order in this edition of Class Notes. Nicole Messuri added to her family over the summer and adopted a kitten. She also ran 2 half marathons. She plans to run the NYC Half Marathon and visit with Melissa Gonzalez Sweeney during her NYC trip. Melissa has finished her MBA and currently lives in Manhattan, NY. She works as a Program Coordinator at a non-profit in the Bronx, NY. Heidi Gomez moved to Northern CA in Sept. 2012. She works at STE Consultants and was quickly promoted to a Lead Therapist position. She is doing ABA home therapy with 3 different families and clients. Heidi loves her job and is very happy to be back in the US, but does miss the desert weather.

Taryn Face got engaged April 21, 2012, and will be married on April 20, 2013, at the Liberty Hotel. Erin Whalen Raymond was married on July 6, 2012, at the Renaissance Waterfront in Boston. She and her husband honeymooned in Ireland, a trip that she won! She currently resides in Weymouth and works as a teacher in Quincy. Laura Pelletier celebrated her 5-year work-aversary as an Assistant Director of a non-profit childcare center and is “having a blast” teaching a genius group of Pre-K students. She’s enjoying not having homework after finishing her M.Ed. in August but is busy planning her Sept. wedding, which will feature fellow classmates Amy Carbone and Heidi Gomez as bridesmaids.

Kristin MacKenzie is enjoying motherhood to her adorable baby girl, Julia. Caitlin Clark Seaman, Keri Bertorelli, Lisa Crowley, Kimberly Luciani, Katie Horan, Amanda Iverson, and I made a day trip to meet Julia. She is one of the happiest and sweetest babies we have ever met and we were all very excited to meet and spend time with our “niece.”

Stephanie Larocque bought a house in Norwood, MA. I’m hoping that Steph and Jackie Gentle can touch base at some point. Jackie and her wife are in the preliminary stages of finding their first home; any advice is appreciated! Jackie now supports her company’s marketing department and is gearing up for its annual conference in April.

Bing Anuszczyn is currently married, living in CA, and has adopted a dog. She has made a few Boston trips within the past few months and it was great to get together and catch up. Who am I kidding? We talk daily. As for me, Erin Campbell, I’m still living in Stoneham, MA. I just passed 5 years as a Project Manager at Boston Color Graphics. If you Facebook as much as I do, take 5 seconds to “like” our Class of 2006 Facebook page and message me any life updates. Till next time...

2007  

Leah & Sarah Boniface, 200 Manning Street, Unit 14A, Hudson, MA 01749, LBoniface15@yahoo.com, SBoniface17@yahoo.com  

We can’t believe this spring marks 6 years since we graduated from Regis! Our classmates
have been up to a lot in the past few months. Marrissa Gondola Brunetti celebrated 1 year of marriage to Michael Brunetti this past November in York, ME. In November she also joined the Cape Cod Club and met other alumni for lunch at the Hyannis Yacht Club. She attended her 5th Reunion in May 2012 and was nominated to serve as Class of 2008 Treasurer for the next 5 years.

Kate Daley Fisher bought a house in Holbrook in November and welcomed her son, Paul “PJ,” on Dec. 21, weighing a tiny 10 lbs, 4 oz.

Holbrook in November and welcomed her son, Paul “PJ,” on Dec. 21, weighing a tiny 10 lbs, 4 oz. Erin Gilmore is a 2nd-year dental student at Tufts. “I’m always tired and I don’t even have kids yet!” she said. She’s living in Charlestown and “leads a relatively boring life.” Leah Boniface started a new role in Staples in September as a Senior Store Operations Analyst. January marked her 1-year anniversary at Staples.

Sarah Boniface Sauder married Justin Sauder on Sept. 8, 2012, at Butternut Farms Golf Club in Stow, MA. Leah Bonifac was her Maid of Honor while 2 other Regis classmates, Aislynn Quinn and Nicole Lantry ’08, were also in her bridal party. Quite a few familiar faces from Regis were in attendance including Scarlett Leta ’04, Erin Campbell ’06, Megan O’Donnell, Melissa O’Donnell, Alex Kluckk ’09 and even Dr. Joan Murray ’61! All these recent Class of 2007 weddings are proving the saying on the t-shirts from the Regis bookstore: We go to Regis to meet our bridesmaids, not our husbands.

2008 5th Reunion

Lauren Garrity-Aquillt, Ignatius@msuemofrussiangicons.org Sarah Giannotta, sarahg_316@yahoo.com Amanda Lynn Mauro got engaged on 10/27/12 at the Nubble Lighthouse in York, ME, to the love of her life, Brian. They are planning a Nov. 2013 wed- ding. Hope we saw you at Reunion! Our next round of class notes will include updates from our 5th Reunion.

2009

Hillary Mosher, hillary.mosh@gmail.com Ashley Elliott Varone and her husband Dan welcomed a daughter, Magdelynn Cai Varone on October 26, 2012. Kendra Creonte works at MGH in Obstetrics. In August, she and high-school boyfriend Shawn Keefe were engaged and purchased a condo in South Boston. They set the date for November 9, 2013. Molly Gulbin ’10, Katelyn Sheal ’08, and Melissa and Megan O’Donnell ’07 will all be in the wedding party.

Victoria Dunham Stokes welcomed a daughter, Rayna Lynn, on July 25. She is also starting her own business making wedding invitations and stationery. She will soon be opening an esty shop called Love and Laughter Press.

Adam Finelli provides professional-grade video camera rental packages and production gear to student and independent filmmakers throughout Eastern Massachusetts. Adam provides rental equipment at an affordable rate through his business AdamCamera. He is also studying the Meisner acting technique with Richard Bailey at the Lai Lup studios in Wellesley, MA. Adam is always looking for new tennis partners.

Kassandra Kerness lives and work in Los Angeles at Showtime Networks, Inc. She reads scripts, works with talent and photographers, and attends parties with press and talent. She was even featured in a twit-pic by America’s favorite villain, Abu Nazir (actor Navid Negahban). When she isn’t working on climbing the career ladder, she spends time with friends and family, and vol- unteering with the Junior League.

2010

Shannon Tonelli, Framingham, MA 01701, stone084@regiscollege.edu Alanna DelRose, Watertown, MA 02472, alanna@facebook.com Katharine Bradford has started a new job as a RN at Spaulding Hospital in Cambridge.

Maria Mendes (aka “Miss Truly Blessed”) completed her Master of Science in Organizational and Professional Communication at Regis! She thanks Regis College for all the support during this time! In September 2012, she became the Regional Program Manager at Raising A Reader Massachusetts. Raising A Reader MA is an evidence-based, early literacy organization that helps families with young children (newborn to age 5) develop, practice, and maintain habits of reading with their young children at home. She is thrilled to be part of an organization that works hard to bring more books home to children all over Massachusetts! Additionally, she consults for Better Oral Health Massachusetts Coalition (BOHMAC). The goal of this initiative is to educate and engage the Brockton community about key aspects of oral health prevention and on a range of health equity issues. Overall, she remains truly blessed and happily grateful!

Maria Pino came home to America from Korea for one more year to teach ESL. She planned to travel to different countries.

Maggie Waksim is in the process of getting her MS in Nutrition from the University of Bridgeport.

Shannon Tonelli works on her MAT in Moderate Special Needs at Regis and teaches 3rd grade at the Woodland School in Weston, MA. She enjoys being near Boston and reconnecting with her extended Regis family.

2011

James Guaragna, james.guaragna@regiscollege.edu The Class of 2011 is everywhere on the map! You can’t go anywhere without finding one of us! Nathan Fagundo works at EMC in a new role as a Technical Consultant in Franklin, MA. This is quite literally Nathan’s dream job and we couldn’t be happier for him. Yash Shah has been promoted at Fidelity Investments and has started the new year off right! Yash works out every day at the gym and continues to do cross-fit training.

James Guaragna works as the Resident Director of Angela Hall at Regis with the freshman class. Along with being the Assistant Men’s Women’s Volleyball Coach at Regis, James will finish his master’s in May 2013! Nathan, Yash and James all traveled to Puerto Rico together in September 2012 and took their first “big boy” vacation together post-graduation. It was a trip to remember. Rest assured that Fantasy Football will start again although the 3 of us didn’t win the league this year!

Alycia Murray works at Regis as an Intern for the Office of Student Programming and Leadership. Alycia wears many hats in the office as she advises student organizations and runs many events on campus as well. Alycia continued her traveling this year in Vegas and Puerto Rico. She is definitely the most traveled person in our class: I challenge anyone to top the amount of places she has been to!

Caitlin Erwin has started her dream as an RN at the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center in September 2012. Although we dearly miss Caitlin at Regis, we are very proud and happy for her and wish great things for her career!

Tanya Young has a new role in her life as a Dialysis Nurse at the Medford Dialysis Clinic in Medford, MA. We wish Tanya the best of luck!

Michael Fernandes works as an Agent with New York Life Insurance Company. He currently lives in the city of Waltham and works with individuals, families, and businesses across New England.

Remember, Commencement is coming up for the Class of 2013. We would love to see you all to support the Class of 2013 and Regis. Also this year, on May 18, there is a Reunion event that all classes are invited to participate in—the Al-All-Alumni Dinner. Let’s represent the Class of 2011 well and show up to the event! Look for more news from our wonderful ladies in the Office of Institutional Advancement and Alumni Relations! As always, Regis has taught you well! God is good, all the time!
To all of the classes who did not submit notes, please contact your reporter so we can keep you connected through Regis Today!

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In Memory

Regis would like to remember the following alumni and friends that have passed away. May they rest in God’s grace and peace.

1936
Genevieve Casey Gallagher (1/16/13)
Agnes Herbert McCarty (10/4/12)

1938
Gertrude Magner (1/16/13)

1939
Sister Jeanne d’Arc O’Hare, CSJ (3/16/13)

1940
Elizabeth Donovan Day Pollock (1/24/13)
Barbara Norton Schlitzer (11/11/12)

1941
Helen Brennan Cahill (1/23/13)
M. Patricia Carey (11/25/12)

1944
Doris Johnson Costello (10/5/12)
Odette Cardanha Maciel (11/19/12)
Barbara Reynolds McGillicuddy (12/25/12)
Virginia Bulger Smith (2/13/13)

1945
Elizabeth Cronin Crane (9/4/12)
Jane Erickson Flanagan (3/27/13)
Barbara McCarthy Kerigan (1/11/13)
Frances Ford O’Toole (12/10/12)

1946
Elizabeth Brugman O’Brien (1/9/13)

1947
Elizabeth Hogan Birmingham (2/27/13)
Anne Whalen Owens (9/4/12)

1948
Claire Johnson Bennett (10/9/12)
Marion Mullin Gallagher (11/27/12)
Margaret graney Lewis (9/2/12)

1949
Ann Bolger Mangum (12/20/12)

1950
Mary O’Neil Bell 2/11/13
Helen Konopacka Jennings (1/7/12)

1951
Barbara McCarthy Glynn (9/11/12)
Ann York McNamara (11/14/12)
Teresa Powers Morrissey (3/16/13)

1952
Jane Hennessey Jaeger (9/28/12)

1953
Anne Ponch Cousineau (7/14/12)

1954
Charlene Ryan Fitzgerald (1/5/13)
Sheila Joyce Greenlaw (11/27/12)
Judith Gioiosa Keohan (12/24/12)

1956
Mary-Alice Powers Garmer (3/21/13)

1957
Alice Collins (12/3/12)
Joanne Drohan Keenan (12/22/12)

1958
Therese Reilly Simmons (1/15/13)

1960
Nancy Burden Day (1/2/13)

1961
Patricia Kelly (1/6/12)
Joan Petrell Truli (2/2/13)

1965
Sline Heimbuch (7/17/12)

1968
Ellen Morrison (4/20/12)

1969
Mary Ann Gilbert (4/20/12)

1970
Marite Kelly Koch (2/16/13)

1971
Joan Hallisey (1/1/13)

1972
Valerie Hickey Farrell (1/9/12)

1981
Adela Gadala-Maria De Maldonado (12/2/12)
Global Cultures, English Language

BY HEATHER WOJCIK ’99

While studying English and elementary education at Regis, my passion for global cultures began with teaching English to a young Chinese woman. Within a few months, I received a contract to peer tutor international students at Regis. I’ll be forever grateful to my dear alma mater for these opportunities to ignite my lifelong vocation.

I then moved into a teaching career with English Language Learners in Massachusetts public schools. Although most of my students are born in the U.S., I also teach recent immigrants. With students who speak a total of 18 different languages, it takes great effort for them to become confident and independent learners. (By the way, readers, I have only rusty Spanish, limited Chinese phrases, and an ability to mime very well!) When a student who struggles to understand the classroom discussion shyly raises a hand to participate, when a student with just a little English attempts a conversation with a classmate, when a student who writes only a handful of words suddenly blossoms in a personal essay, I smile on the inside and out.

My journey came full circle with an opportunity to share American teaching methods with Chinese teachers and teach English to Chinese students in China through a program sponsored by SABEH (Sino-American Bridge for Education and Health). For three summers, I was fortunate enough to actually teach in China: Fuzhou in 2010 and 2011, Hanyin and Xi’an in 2012.

What struck me most was the way I always felt like a part of the community. In the mornings, I joined the women in Hanyin, climbing the stone steps up the mountain to participate in the daily dancing routine on top. In the evening, I traveled to the square near the Han River. There the women danced, the children played freely, and the men chatted over games or cards. During my evening stroll, I always met familiar faces—I felt like I was on the set of Cheers, where everybody knows your name!

I learned that both the American and Chinese teachers encounter the same challenges of time and class size. Class size (more than 50 students in Chinese classes), class times too short for the amount of material they need to cover, and the necessity to teach to the test are common problems in both countries. But the way both groups handle teaching in general is very different. The Chinese teachers teach in classrooms lined with rows of desks and stand at the podium. Their teaching style includes lecture, memorization, and testing. In the evenings, they correct piles of student papers. By contrast, American classrooms have desks clustered in groups for small discussions sprinkled throughout the lesson. American teachers rely on creative planning and spend their evenings making modifications based on evidence of student learning.

The feedback from the Chinese teachers included such comments as this: “It’s you and your attitude toward teaching and your love for students that make your class unforgettable.” So we see what the Chinese teachers learned. As we exchanged teaching methods, we enriched each other and changed forever.
When Guernsy Calls...

Phonathon Manager Finds Passion and Purpose

Guernsy Bernadeau ’13 wanted to help people and nursing seemed like the obvious choice. Little did the Randolph, Mass., resident know that four years later, she’d be graduating with a degree in social work, after having found her passion.

Guernsy’s high school adviser, Christine Fregosi Beagan ’71, guided her toward Regis’s nursing program, where Guernsy received a generous financial aid package, which included the Anniversary Scholarship and Regis grants—both funded by donations from alumni and friends.

She started school, but nursing didn’t feel right. After attending a Regis career fair and hearing social work professor April Fletcher speak, it was like a light bulb went off. She’s now a social work major and has a field placement at a local anti-poverty agency.

For four years, Guernsy also worked as a Chatty Cat for the Phonathon. Her work there has motivated her to give through the student giving program.

“It’s important to build and help your school,” she said, and she plans to continue to be a part of Regis as an alumna.
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