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t has been 65 years since Elisabeth “Betty” O’Hearn ’47 graduated from Emmanuel.
Yet, as she and many others can attest, she has never really left.

Her involvement with Emmanuel throughout the years has included many roles, from serving as secretary to Emmanuel’s first dean, Sister Helen Madeleine Ingraham, SND, to representing the College as Alumnae Association president, vice president and board member. She recalls fondly all of the events she coordinated through her association with Emmanuel, notably the Golden Jubilee celebration in the late 60s, which she chaired, honoring the 50th anniversary of the College and attended by 1,500 guests.

Even throughout a 37-year career in education in the Brockton Public School system, a dozen trips across seas, and countless other life experiences, she has always returned to give back to the place that meant so much to her. Whether through volunteering her time, continued gifts to the Annual Fund or through her named scholarship fund that provides financial assistance to incoming Emmanuel students from Brockton High School, her loyalty remains true.

“Emmanuel was my first love,” she said. “I am so grateful for the education and experience I received and the friendships I have made. I have gained much more than I have given.”
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Building an Engaged Campus, One Student at a Time
If you took the sum total of a college student’s week — all 168 hours of it — and deducted all the hours spent on studying, attending classes, sleeping, eating, working and other personal activities, you would have left roughly 50 hours of unscheduled time.

Fifty hours. That is the number that shapes Patricia Rissmeyer’s work at Emmanuel College.

As Emmanuel’s Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Rissmeyer knows from experience that how students make use of that time will largely determine their success as undergraduates and throughout their lives after college. The process of engagement for incoming freshmen actually begins before they officially arrive in the fall and continues throughout their four-year career on campus.

During Emmanuel’s summer Orientation program, incoming students are exposed to many of the 100-plus clubs and activities that might interest them as they settle into their student routines. They are guided by Orientation Leaders, a select group of sophomore, junior and senior students trained in familiarizing them with all things Emmanuel. When the freshmen and transfer students arrive in the fall, they again meet with their Orientation Leaders and group mates. They take part in Welcome Week activities such as the annual New Student Day of Service, a volunteer assignment off campus to help them expand their experience beyond the physical campus boundaries and to give something of themselves to their new community.

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The proposition has produced some interesting ideas, including a women’s ice hockey club, a swimming club and even a sailing club. The fact that Emmanuel has no hockey rink, swimming pool or a boathouse on the Charles River hasn’t dampened the enthusiasm of club members. The current 54 clubs will change again as some clubs are dropped in favor of new ones and often reflect the interests of the day.

At the core of student life is Emmanuel’s philosophy that college is also about discovering what is inside you, what inspires you and what gives you a sense of peace and belonging. That philosophy is expressed on the College’s website: “We are big-hearted in spirit, global in outlook and small enough to create individual access to whatever opportunities we seek. We are a community with a strong sense of mission, a vibrant, confident faith and a joyful spirit.”

For many students, that mission and spirit is expressed through the growing athletics program, which today includes 17 men’s and women’s varsity teams. For others, it is found through the eclectic club offerings. Many students find their place volunteering their time and energy in the community or organizing events to benefit the myriad nonprofit organizations throughout the city. Eighty-five percent of Emmanuel students participated in a community service activity last year, some of whom gave up their spring break to volunteer for a week as part of Emmanuel’s Alternative Spring Break program.

This past spring, students participated in a 12-hour overnight dance marathon and raised $18,400 for Children’s Hospital Boston, more than double that raised by any of the other five area schools participating in the event. Assistant Director of Student Activities Kevin Farrell, who served as Emmanuel Dance Marathon’s advisor, said that while the money raised was the primary objective for the event, it wasn’t the focus for Emmanuel students. “It was about doing something larger than themselves and making a difference in the Boston community. These students did just that.”

“I’ve never walked away from an event feeling like I did walking away from Dance Marathon [that] Sunday morning,” said Kim Masse ’13, the overall chair of Emmanuel’s Dance Marathon. “It was the best thing I have witnessed at Emmanuel. It was really rewarding to see the whole effort pay off and to witness how the entire Emmanuel community came together to help us.”

While it isn’t always obvious how a certain activity might dovetail with a student’s academic pursuits, there are countless examples of how those seemingly unrelated halves of a student’s life form a fully integrated life by the time they graduate. The tremendous growth the College has experienced in its student population over the last decade has led Emmanuel’s Office of Student Activities and Multicultural Programs to expand its extracurricular offerings and activities in order to fulfill the student affairs staff’s commitment to meet students more than halfway.
Emmanuel students who are trained to help them navigate the many academic, co-curricular and social opportunities available. Dunn’s efforts have one goal: Helping students get connected as soon as possible in order to start college off on the right foot.

“As we’re honest with them,” she said of incoming students. “We tell them, ‘This is going to be great, you are going to lose it here, but it is going to be hard at first and these are the challenges you are going to face.’”

Emmanuel now attracts many more students from outside of New England. The effect of that change is that more students remain on campus during the weekends than ever before and the demand for on-campus activities during the weekend is also the highest it has ever been. In the last academic year, there were 110 weekend programs or activities offered.

In the summer of 2001, as the College prepared to welcome its first coed class to campus, Emmanuel hired Associate Dean Dan Darcy to lead its Student Activities department. Enthralled by the energy of the student body and the longstanding tradition of student engagement, Darcy embraced his new responsibilities.

“When I met with students who hadn’t signed up for an activity or a club, I told them ‘my role here is to get you involved in one activity,’’” said Darcy.

Darcy recalled convincing four of those students who had yet to find something of interest to run for seats in the Student Government Association (SGA). All four lost those bids, but each went on to become campus leaders and some of the most engaged students on campus.

His work is shared with Kelly Dunn ’05, Emmanuel’s Director of First-Year Experience, whose job is to assist incoming students with the transition into college life. She oversees the College’s Orientation programming and a mentor program, Student Adjustment Guided Effectively (S.A.G.E.), offered to all first-year and transfer students interested in maximizing their first semester on campus. Participants are paired with returning students who are trained to help them navigate the many academic, co-curricular and social opportunities available.

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Dunn was part of that first coeducational class at Emmanuel, after transferring in during her sophomore year. The difference in the campus in less than a decade is noticeable, she said. “There is even more activity now than when I was here as a student, which is amazing given all the opportunities I had to be involved.”

Dr. Rissmeyer relates a story about a trip to Washington, D.C. offered last year that speaks to the Emmanuel way of making things happen for students. When Associate Professor of Art Cynthia Fowler approached her about financing travel expenses for a class trip to the Capitol to visit the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, at first it appeared there simply weren’t enough students to justify the expense of hiring a bus. Yet the indefatigable Rissmeyer told her, “Let me see what I can do.” She remembered that the Black Student Union had expressed a desire to visit the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial. She called on Associate Director of Student Activities and Director of Multicultural Programs Damita Davis, who immediately took the lead coordinating the joint trip. Vice President of Academic Affairs Joyce De Leo and the Executive Board of the Student Government Association jumped on board to split the expenses with the Office of Student Affairs and the trip was advertised as a weekend program open to all students.

It turned out to be a memorable and far richer trip than anyone had expected. The group was invited to a reception at the home of MaryEva Candon ’72 and had the opportunity to meet additional Emmanuel alumni. After the weekend’s events, one student characterized the entire experience as a turning point in her relationship with Emmanuel, as she was moved by the efforts of the faculty, staff and administration to make such a trip possible, and by the inspirational words of the alumni at Candon’s home.

“It is wonderful to see members of the Emmanuel College community working together for the greater good of our students,” said President Sister Janet Eisner, SND. “It speaks volumes about the experience we provide that they are so responsive to their needs. Ultimately, these are the events in their...
lives that really matter and we try to make them happen.”

Catherine “Cat” DesRoche ’05 recalls that upon her arrival at Emmanuel she was still feeling burned out from being involved in too many activities in high school and wanted to wade in slowly at Emmanuel. “I wasn’t involved in one thing,” she said of her high school years. “I was involved in everything.”

Yet by her second semester, she was fully onboard. She helped organize the celebration for the Chinese and Vietnamese New Year, won a Leadership Award, was the secretary of the Programming Board, joined the Education Club, the Residence Hall Council, and became a Resident Advisor in both her junior and senior years. Her bid to remain uninvolved, she now laughs, “was an epic failure.”

After graduating in 2005, she went to Suffolk University to get her master’s in higher education with a focus on administration and by the age of 22 she was essentially running the student life program at the New England Conservatory. She returned to Emmanuel College in 2007 to work with Darcy, whom she calls her mentor, before leaving in 2009 to teach elementary school. She currently teaches third grade in Milton, Mass.

Meanwhile, the roster of new clubs on campus was growing quickly. The rules were simple: If you can get organized and find other students to share your passion, start your own club.

When Sam Hopperstad ’11 arrived at Emmanuel College in the fall of 2007, he was in search of people like himself who were passionate about playing music. A drummer in high school, he arrived on campus with a set of bongos and began playing while sitting around his room in St. Ann Hall. Before long, he was joined by other percussionists who were also searching for an outlet for their musical talents. Soon, the percussion group Ill Beatz was born, comprised of a core group of 10 musicians who spent their formative years at Emmanuel developing their music and building a following.

“The club and everything that the club created was my whole social and campus life,” said Hopperstad. Among the founders of Ill Beatz were Byron Glaus ’10, Mike Craig ’12, Alex Silba ’11, Ryan Milliken ’11, Joe Aube ’11 and Hopperstad. By junior year, Ill Beatz was playing in clubs around Boston and in the fall of 2010 performed what Hopperstad says was the largest concert ever staged at Emmanuel College with more than 500 people in attendance.

But what Ill Beatz created was more important than music and underscores the student affairs...
staff’s philosophy that college isn’t about one or two things. It is about everything. The group created lifelong friendships, performing talents and even the necessary band-related skills in finance, marketing and public relations.

Those bonds and skills are hard at work today as Hopperstad’s post-Emmanuel band Simple Syrup plays on. Three of the four members of Simple Syrup — which is now recording its first demo — are Emmanuel grads, including Hopperstad, Glaus and Craig. Aube also serves as the band’s manager, handling the band’s finances, public relations and marketing.

“We are all very intertwined,” said Hopperstad, who also works professionally as a graphic designer.

Emmanuel faculty and administrators are so good at plugging students into extracurricular opportunities that students seem surprised and maybe even bemused when they are suddenly recruited for something they had never even thought about.

Joe Horgan ’13 is one of those students.

When Horgan arrived at Emmanuel, his goal was to prepare for a career teaching history while also taking advantage of nearby Mass College of Art and Design where he planned to take classes in film, his other interest. Somewhere along the way, though, Assistant Professor of English Lisa Falvey issued a challenge to her class, of which Horgan was a part: Whoever came up with the best plan to take to a new level the Emmanuel College radio station (began by alumnus David Phillipo ’05) would get an A for the assignment.

What Dr. Falvey didn’t mention to Horgan was that the person who came up with that plan was probably the same person who would implement it in the role of station leader, which proved to be a true learning experience for Horgan.

“I didn’t know what I was doing when I came in, but I learned a lot quickly and I think I made more good decisions than bad decisions and we got a lot of other people involved,” he said.

The station quickly rose in popularity around campus. Faculty members happily volunteered to anchor the microphone, play their own brands of music and comment on current events. Horgan created a live music café, dubbed Emma Café, in the basement of St. Joseph Hall next to the station that routinely attracted 50-60 students. He began featuring unknown bands, many of them on their way up, giving them exposure well beyond the campus as the station broadcasts across the Internet. He even blended his love for history and politics with the station by showing up in New Hampshire during the winter presidential primary where he interviewed former New Hampshire Governor John Sununu for broadcast. The station has also been invited to both the Democratic National Convention and the Republican National Convention this summer.

“When people see me around campus now they say, ‘hey, you’re the radio guy.’”

It is stories like Horgan’s that exemplify the philosophy of Emmanuel today; a college focused on making opportunities available to it students and being the best fit possible.

“It certainly speaks to the possibilities that exist within our campus,” said Sr. Janet. “With an open mind and a willingness to get involved, a passion can be sparked at any corner. It is one of the things that truly makes Emmanuel the special place that it is.”

—ERNIE CORRIGAN

Joe Horgan ’13 never envisioned spending his time at Emmanuel behind a microphone. Yet when his plan to revitalize EC Radio was accepted as part of a class assignment, he implemented his ideas and turned the station into one of the top college radio stations in the city.
Th**rough the Years**

Emmanuel has had a rich tradition of clubs, organizations and activities over nearly 10 decades. While some have come and gone over time, the spirit of engagement outside the classroom has lived on. Here are a sampling from each of the previous decades:

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**Clubs listed in 1962 Yearbook:**
- Art Club
- Athletic Association
- Biology Club
- Chemical Society
- Confraternity of Christian Doctrine and Education
- Dramatic Society
- Foreign Missions Society
- Historical Society
- Literary Society
- Mathematics Club
- Modern Dance Club
- Modern Language Club
- Musical Society
- Psychology Club
- Social Service Club
- Publications: Epilogue, Ethos and Focus

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**Oldest Club:**
Epilogue Yearbook

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2006: Student Government Association Executive Board

1927: El Club Español

1933: Athletic Association

1954: Focus Newspaper

1965: Ethos

1976: Epilogue Yearbook

1987: Peace and Justice Committee

1998: The Bowl: Battle of the Residence Halls

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2006: Student Government Association Executive Board
It is March and spring is just around the corner, yet as Director of Athletics and Recreation Pam Roecker sits in her office above the pristine Jean Yawkey Center gymnasium, she can still hear the all-familiar and repetitive thud of the ball striking the hardwood and the screeching of sneakers across the court.

At this particular moment, the noise she hears coming from the practice below is that of one of the top women’s basketball programs in the country, en route to a season that will end with a spot among the NCAA Division III Women’s Basketball Tournament’s “Elite Eight.” Since arriving at Emmanuel in 2003, Roecker has learned to expect this — when March rolls around and the vast majority of teams across the country have wrapped up their winter seasons, there’s still basketball left to be played for the Saints.

Soon after practice comes to an end, Roecker again hears similar sounds resonating from the gym floor. This time, however, it is the men’s volleyball team producing the clamor. A young, talented group, these Saints opened their season ranked 12th in the country. Much like the women’s basketball squad, they too expect to be playing long into the postseason. And they will. A few weeks from now Roecker won’t simply be taking in a practice, but watching the team play in the GNAC Championship.
— the fourth title game appearance for the program in five years.

Walking across the street from campus to the city’s Roberto Clemente Field, home field for the Saints, Roecker again finds herself looking out upon a sea of talented student-athletes. Atop the synthetic turf field practices the Emmanuel men’s lacrosse team, the College’s 17th varsity sports program, participating in its inaugural NCAA season. Meanwhile, in full flight along the rubberized surface surrounding the field are members of Emmanuel’s men’s and women’s outdoor track and field team. Among them are the members of the men’s 1600- and 3200-meter relay teams, who will garner All-New England and All-Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) honors by season’s end, respectively. Individually, two of the relay members, Nate Bruno ’14 (400-meter hurdles) and Adam Julien ’15 (400-meter dash) will rank among the top 30 in the nation after their final races of the year.

All around Roecker there is visual proof of the growth of Emmanuel College’s athletic program in the last decade. Yet it is not the national rankings, the championships or awards that fill her with the most pride. It is overseeing the development of a department that has more than doubled in size in the last 10 years. It is witnessing the College’s commitment to athletics through the construction of state-of-the-art facilities. Most importantly, it is achieving success within a philosophy aimed toward shaping individuals, building character and preparing student-athletes for life beyond their playing days.

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Tony DaRocha started his program with just five student-athletes total. Men’s Basketball Head Coach Jamahl Jackson, then an assistant coach recruiting the first class of men to Emmanuel, had to house recruits at a nearby hotel because there were no male residence halls on campus. Now, DaRocha fields a team of 50 student-athletes. Men make up nearly a third of Emmanuel’s undergraduate population. Nine new athletic programs have been introduced since 2001, making Emmanuel one of the largest programs in the Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC), home to nearly 300 student-athletes.

As a Division III college, Emmanuel competes as a member of the NCAA’s largest grouping, which includes nearly 430 institutions across the country. Historically, Division III schools have promoted themselves as colleges or universities that do not offer athletic-rated aid or even highlight athletics beyond a complementary piece of the overall student experience. Over the last few years, the division has embarked on a more detailed “identity initiative” to better differentiate itself from the other two divisions. The research resulted in a new identity platform based upon the key words “discover,” “develop” and “dedicate.” As explained on NCAA.org by Jack Copeland, a consultant with the identity initiative, the Division III experience distinguishes itself by allowing student-athletes to “discover their potential and develop their passions through full participation in campus life, and ultimately to dedicate themselves to success as citizens and leaders in society.”

The athletic experience at Emmanuel College is no different. When members of the athletics staff utter the phrase, “academics come first,” it’s not an empty promise. Emmanuel’s athletics department operates under a no-class-excusal policy for its student-athletes, a rule that can lead to athletes having to miss contests due to conflicting class schedules. Roecker acknowledges the added challenges this provides members of her coaching staff, who in certain cases may have to compete with limited players, but considers herself fortunate to have coaches who support the characteristics that make the Division III athletic experience distinctive.

“I am so proud of our staff members and the accommodations they make to ensure that our student-athletes have the opportunity to excel in the classroom,” she said. “It is very common for our teams to travel with abbreviated rosters because of class time issues, and you can imagine the challenge a legitimate academics-first commitment creates for these competitive coaches. “A focus on ‘academics first’ may affect the outcome of a game or two throughout the course of a season, but when looking at the big picture, I am confident that our student-athletes — and parents — appreciate the academic encouragement and support they receive,” Roecker added. “As a result, our student-athletes are afforded a chance to excel, and in fact, graduate at higher rates than students who do not participate in varsity sports.”

“It’s about letting our athletes take advantage of all the opportunities available to them,” said Women’s Volleyball Head Coach Denitra Seals of the department’s philosophy. “Allowing them to really be a ‘student’-athlete.” It’s a challenge today’s Saints fully embrace.

In addition to serving as Emmanuel athletes, students are also leaders on campus; track and field’s Jordan Coulombe ’12, for instance, served as president of the Student Government Association. They are researchers like tennis and lacrosse player Jenny Konecnik ’14, who presented a paper at the Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting in February 2012 on “The Functions of Alternative Schooling for At-Risk Youth: Through the Eyes of Teachers.” They are also volunteers, having contributed more than 500 hours of community service during the academic year; world travelers, taking advantage of opportunities to study abroad; and real-world explorers, who find time to fit internships into their busy schedules.

“Because athletics is so engrained in the College as a whole, it lets you become so much more invested in the Emmanuel experience,” said Coulombe. “It is geared toward being a scholar before an athlete and still maintaining the integrity of the overall college experience.”

Emmanuel’s commitment to athletics and the development of its student-athletes is reflected in the expansion of

Fiona O’Dwyer ’13 and the women’s basketball team went undefeated in GNAC play, capturing the program’s sixth-straight conference title en route to a spot in the NCAA Division III Women’s Basketball Tournament’s “Elite Eight.”
the athletic department, both in terms of staff and amenities. The department has grown its full-time and part-time coaching staff to 38 members and added new positions in athletic training and sports information. The College also initiated a renovation of nearby Roberto Clemente Field, home field for its softball, soccer and lacrosse programs, in addition to building the Jean Yawkey Center on campus in 2004.

The restoration of Clemente Field in 2009 was completed in partnership with the city of Boston, supported in part by a grant from the Yawkey Foundation II. Today, the facility is a far cry from what it was just a few years ago, when the field was more dirt than grass and the track was uneven and damaged. It is home to an upgraded 120,000 sq. ft. NCAA-regulation synthetic turf field, a three-lane rubberized track, practice facilities for track and field events, new MUSCO lighting, scoreboard, spectator stands and benches. The Jean Yawkey Center includes a gymnasium that serves as home court for the men’s and women’s basketball and volleyball programs, a fitness center, athletic training room, athletic offices and a Booster Room that is suitable for small gatherings during athletic events.

For Saints coaches and players alike, there is much pride in calling these facilities home. The women’s soccer team hosted the GNAC championship game at Clemente Field the first season it was refurbished, while seniors on the men’s soccer team, who spent their first year without a field to call their own, closed out their athletic careers this past fall with the program’s first-ever GNAC tournament win. The year the Jean Yawkey Center opened, the men’s basketball team had its first winning season, losing only three games in its new home venue. The women’s volleyball program, meanwhile, won three-straight GNAC championships in the first three years after the building opened.

Head Women’s Basketball Coach Andy Yosinoff, whose tenure at Emmanuel spans 35 years, remembers well the on-campus facility that predated the Jean Yawkey Center, which in his early years housed just two baskets with wooden backboards, short ceilings and barely enough room for benches along the sidelines. Sometimes he sits in the Athletic Booster Room overlooking the gymnasium, props his feet up against the table, leans back in his chair and thinks about how far Emmanuel has come.

“I do this all the time,” he said. “It’s like I moved into a palace. I think this is the best facility in Boston. The resources and support Emmanuel has given to athletics has just been phenomenal. Athletics represents a great opportunity for recruiting a more diverse student body.”

When Head Men’s Volleyball Coach Adam Martel and Director of Lacrosse/ Men’s Head Lacrosse Coach Brendan McWilliams joined the Saints’ coaching staff in 2010, their respective arenas were big draws toward their visions of recruiting top student-athletes to their programs. In the Jean Yawkey Center gymnasium, Martel recognized a home court facility as attractive as any offered in all Division III. In Clemente Field, McWilliams saw a unique place to play, an open environment where lacrosse games could evolve into a neighborhood event.

For both, the high-quality facilities were the most obvious sign of the College’s continued on page 12
commitment to its athletics programs and to its student-athletes. It didn’t take either coach long to realize that what Emmanuel was offering was really the whole package. “Emmanuel is the best of both worlds. Beyond athletics we offer access to professors, academic support, and the ability to take advantage of all the resources within the city of Boston,” said McWilliams. “It’s not a hard sell. We are the liberal arts and sciences college in downtown Boston with lacrosse. There isn’t anyone doing what we are doing.” “Academically, kids want to go somewhere they can succeed,” said Martel. “Emmanuel is great at making opportunities available to its students. When you take into consideration the academic, athletic and social aspects available all within a major city location, not many other schools can compete. Emmanuel is the perfect storm of a Division III program. There is no reason a student-athlete wouldn’t want to come here.”

The rise of Emmanuel’s athletics programs has certainly proved a boon for the College’s recruiting efforts overall. For a college that draws a high percentage of its student population from within the New England area, athletics has been a successful vehicle for expanding into new markets. When Jackson originally began the legwork for recruiting men’s basketball players, he looked to establish himself in the pipeline of key areas around the country. His initial class included players from Utah, Iowa, Indiana and Florida. The following years saw recruits come from Louisiana, Georgia and Michigan.

“I found out early in the recruiting experience that it was easy to have success out of region,” he said. “If guys had the chance to play and get an education, they were willing to travel. We were offering a private Division III liberal arts education with a new athletics program in Boston and they saw it as a great opportunity.”

McWilliams is employing a similar approach with the Saints’ newest program and is heavily recruiting in lacrosse hotbeds such as Baltimore, Md., and Long Island, N.Y. His first recruiting class included Cody Gallagher ’15, who hails from West Islip High School, N.Y., regarded as the top high school lacrosse program in the country. Martel, meanwhile, is entrenched in California, where he says resides the strongest pool of players in the nation. Currently, three men’s volleyball players come from the “Golden State,” including captain Nick Updike ’13 and Ashanti Jackson ’15, both 2012 All-GNAC First-Team selections. Martel considers recruiting a collaborative effort between the coaches and Emmanuel’s admissions staff. “It’s a mutual relationship,” he said. “I wouldn’t be a successful recruiter without admissions and with their support I help create exposure for Emmanuel on the West Coast.”

Regardless of where student-athletes come from, the hope is that through their participation in athletics they will develop a sense of pride for their respective teams — and Emmanuel as a whole — that will resonate with them long after their collegiate careers are over. Roecker and her coaching staff enjoy few things more than seeing alumni return to campus to cheer on their old teams or reconnecting with former players and staying up to date with new developments in their lives. One need only look at the Saints’ staff to realize the impact athletics has on Emmanuel students, as a number of coaches and staff are alumni of the College, including Assistant Sports Information Director

A little over a decade ago, the cross country/track and field program started with just five student-athletes total. Today the team consists of 50 student-athletes, including Nathalie Victoria ’13, a member of the 2011 women’s outdoor track All-New England 4x400-meter relay team.

The College ushered in a new era in Saints athletics in the spring of 2012 with the inaugural season of men’s lacrosse, Emmanuel’s 17th varsity sport. Ted Dimando ’13 earned a spot in the annals of Emmanuel history on March 4, 2012, when he scored the first-ever goal for the program.
Athletics has served as a successful vehicle for expanding Emmanuel’s overall admissions’ recruiting efforts into new markets. The men’s volleyball coaching staff, for example, is entrenched in California, from where top-level talent like Ashanti Jackson ’15, a 2012 All-GNAC First-Team selection and one of Emmanuel’s “Freshman of the Year” award recipients, hails.

Dan Campagna ’07, Assistant Women’s Softball Coach Sarah Palmer-Thompson ’10, Assistant Men’s Soccer Coach Mark DaCruz ’08, Assistant Men’s and Women’s Track and Field Coach Irene Limlengco ’11, and Assistant Men’s Basketball Coaches Levi Smith ’08 and Albert Hayle ’05.

“Both of these guys I recruited and brought here,” said Jackson of Smith and Hayle. “Now, they are men, who are helping to bring new guys into our family. I couldn’t be happier to have them. They are the best salesmen of this program, of the College, they are role models to our players, and it makes me feel great about what we’ve built here that they want to continue to be a part of it.”

As the Saints’ programs continue to grow in strength and numbers and the student-athlete experience continues to evolve, what will remain constant are the defining characteristics that entice alumni to return and new, talented crops of student-athletes to rise to the challenge of wearing the Blue and Gold.

“One of the things I like most about our athletic department here is that it’s not ‘win at all costs,’” said McWilliams. “At the end of the day our mission is to graduate smart, successful student-athletes. If we can field a competitive program while meeting that end, then I think we are doing the right thing.”

“The growth we have experienced in the last decade is amazing,” said Roecker. “We have added teams and staff members, remodeled and added facilities, and have significantly increased our numbers, but one thing that has not changed is our overall philosophy and focus on the student-athletes.

“The relationships they build with teammates and coaches, the opportunity they have to improve their individual skills, the commitment we make to encouraging our student-athletes to ‘be the best they can be in the classroom’ remains consistent,” she added. “Our goal is for our student-athletes to leave Emmanuel with pride in their program and in themselves, and believing that it was a privilege to participate.”

–BRYAN MAHONEY

Logan Carr ’12, a member of the women’s soccer and lacrosse programs, exemplified the Division III athletic philosophy throughout her playing days. Carr was honored as the 2012 recipient of the Saints’ Senior Leadership Award, given annually to a senior athlete who has distinguished him or herself by demonstrating the qualities desired to lead successful teams during his or her athletic career.
Imagine a first-grade class with 60 students ranging in age from six to 17 years old. The class is being taught in a large open room in an abandoned building, alongside four or five other classes, or outdoors, subject to the heat, humidity and seasonal winds and rains of a tropical climate.

This is a typical scenario in the West African nation of Liberia, a country recovering from the lingering effects of 14 years of civil war that caused its infrastructure to collapse. As a result of the wars, which ended in 2003, the education system suffered, schools were destroyed and the national literacy rate fell to 58 percent. Though classrooms are overcrowded, enrollment in Liberia’s schools is low, and many teachers are instructing at levels they barely achieved themselves.

Here at Emmanuel, Associate Professor of Mathematics Education Kimberly Sofronas was looking for ways to make learning more purposeful. During the fall 2011 semester, she began collaborating with her former University of Connecticut classmate and Liberian native, Dr. Blidi Stemn, associate professor of mathematics education at Hofstra University, on how to help restore systems of education in Liberia.

“The methods of teaching and learning at schools in Liberia are focused on memorization and rote learning,” Dr. Sofronas said. “We would like to open the door to more active learning.”

Dr. Stemn is developing in Harper, a coastal town of nearly 18,000 and the capital of Maryland County in Liberia. Before her students began the project, they participated in a Skype session with Dr. Stemn, who exposed them to some of the cultural differences they would need to consider in developing mathematical resources for Liberian students and teachers.

“That aspect of the project was a challenge,” Molly Sherer ’14 said. “We couldn’t make a game of fractions using ‘pizza’ or ‘pie,’” as pizza is not a familiar food to those living in rural Liberia. He recommended that they use “cake” as a model for their fraction game.

Dr. Sofronas encouraged her students to be as resourceful as possible when designing their games, as schools in Liberia, as well as many in the United States, work with extremely limited means. With a materials budget of $25, Sherer’s group engineered a “math Scrabble,” modeled on the game “Smath,” which uses numbers and operations instead of letters and words. Rather than purchasing ready-made materials, the team crafted five elaborate laminated boards and sawed and painted more than 500 wooden pieces by hand.

After researching current math games, Rebecca Benigno ’13 and her group created a memory game with various decks of cards including division, multiplication, equivalent fractions and digital/analog time.

“I think the fact that we knew we were sending our games to real children in Liberia made us work a lot harder than we would have on any other assignment, because we knew that we would be making a difference to these children who had never been exposed to math games before,” Benigno said.
“The project is small, but my goals are rooted in Emmanuel’s mission of education and service,” Dr. Sofronas said. “I want my students to think of Liberia as another part of their extended classroom.”

Dr. Stemn’s advocacy for education in Liberia began with out-of-pocket funding for school supplies, professional development for teachers and scholarships for high-achieving students. Still, he felt as though he wasn’t doing enough.

“I wanted to really make a change,” Dr. Stemn said. “I wanted to raise the bar and give these kids the kind of education they deserve.”

He founded a nonprofit organization, Education First, Inc., and through donations and partnerships, purchased a few acres of land and started construction on a K-12 school, Education First Academy, which will open in September beginning with kindergarten through third grade.

“This will be the first school in the country to focus on math, science and technology,” Dr. Stemn said, adding that the school will emphasize small class sizes with qualified instructors and an innovative curriculum.

“Elementary school classrooms should be bright and have activities hanging on the walls,” Dr. Stemn said. “But instead of going from school to school, trying to help each one individually, I want to create this school to serve as a model for others. Schools can visit [Education First Academy] and see what they can do to improve their own classrooms.”

In February 2012, Dr. Stemn traveled to Liberia and brought the Emmanuel students’ math games to pilot in an existing elementary school. The third grade class he visited had more than 60 students, of all ages and all abilities. Dr. Stemn couldn’t demonstrate the game to all of them at the same time, so he took 15 students into another classroom and the rest were instructed to go outside for recess. Eager to watch and be part of the lesson, all 60 students followed Dr. Stemn into the next classroom and clustered around him.

“I think that speaks volumes,” Dr. Sofronas said, “on how something can be so influential and inspiring.”

While learning that involves critical thinking and the discussion of thought processes was foreign to these students, they quickly caught on.

“This was their first time playing a math game,” Dr. Stemn said. “Once they started playing, they didn’t want to stop. It’s amazing how these kids are so hungry to learn.”

Dr. Sofronas will continue the project with her students in fall 2012. In the meantime, her goal is to enhance the efforts with a grant, of which a portion will be set aside for materials to continue building low-cost games and funds to ship the games to Liberia. The bulk of the grant will be used to implement technology at Education First Academy, providing the school with two computers as well as a web camera and Internet access to support video conferencing between Education First Academy and Emmanuel College. According to Dr. Sofronas, the video conferencing will be mutually beneficial.

“Not only will students in my class learn by observing students and teachers from a different culture, but students and teachers in Liberia will benefit from live instructional support by Emmanuel students.”

Dr. Sofronas wants to make this project systemic in her teaching in order to demonstrate the value of mathematical games to her students, as there are typically one or two students who are skeptical of their value in the teaching and learning of mathematics.

“They wonder if kids are really learning, or if they are just playing,” she said.

“During the course of this project, while building the games themselves, not one student doubted the effectiveness of mathematical games as a learning tool.

“I feel I’ve accomplished what I set out to accomplish in teaching my students the role of math games, but in a real-world context and on a global scale. Now, I want them to realize the power of outreach and service to others, while creating purposeful learning experiences that are accessible to everyone so that they may model those practices in their own elementary school classrooms someday.”

—AMY STEWART
Emmanuel College is committed to becoming a more environmentally sustainable institution through the pursuit of green practices and the education of the Emmanuel community on the benefits of reducing consumption, reusing items and recycling goods. Assistant Vice President of Operations Kristen Conroy, with the assistance of Operations Coordinator Kristen Zapata, oversees the College’s efforts in moving toward a healthier learning and working environment.

Emmanuel Magazine spoke to Conroy this spring about the College’s sustainability efforts and how students, faculty and staff are working together to reduce the College’s overall environmental footprint.

**Emmanuel Magazine**: More than ever, high school students are looking at a college’s level of eco-awareness before making a decision on which school to attend. What steps has Emmanuel taken to raise its sustainability efforts?

**Kristen Conroy**: The level of green programming has really grown in the last couple of years. In the fall of 2010, Sr. Janet signed the American College & University Presidents’ Climate Commitment (ACUPCC), pledging to reduce and eventually eliminate all of the College’s net global warming emissions, with climate neutrality as the long-term goal. The commitment requires the College to develop a climate action plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, setting target dates and interim milestones for becoming climate neutral. All of the plans and progress reports are available to the public.

Emmanuel Magazine: What else is the College doing in terms of recycling?

**KC**: I think recycling needs to be easy for it to become a habit and the most effective way to assimilate recycling into our culture is to provide receptacles in prominent locations. Paper, bottle and can recycling is available in all of our buildings, including the residence halls and in classrooms. We’ve also added an outdoor bottle and can unit on the quad near the Jean Yawkey Center.

For the past two years, Emmanuel has also participated in the RecycleMania tournament, which is an eight-week competition among more than 600 colleges and universities that promotes waste reduction on campus. We have seen our recycling
rates significantly improve each year. In 2012, the College recycled 5,220 lbs. of bottles and cans, as compared to 2,220 lbs. in 2011 and 1,080 lbs. in 2010.

**EM: How can the College ensure those rates keep improving?**

**KC:** More promotion and more visibility. This year, Emmanuel applied and was selected for two grants to promote recycling. Keep America Beautiful, the organizer of the tournament, provided the funds for us to run a “Get Caught Green Handed” contest. The Sustainability Committee served as “spotters,” looking out for people doing something green, like picking up trash or using a reusable beverage container. The names were entered in a weekly drawing for some great prizes like a one year membership to the Appalachian Mountain Club or the New Balance Hubway, a new bicycle-sharing system in Boston.

The other grant was from Keep America Beautiful and the Coca-Cola Foundation. Emmanuel is scheduled to receive 24 “Waste Watcher” recycling bins for bottles and cans. These will be placed in the common areas and kitchens in the four residence halls to continue promoting recycling and making it readily available to our students, which will boost our numbers even higher. As part of the grant, we will be responsible for tracking and reporting our recycling numbers.

We want to keep getting the communication out there in a way that people can understand it and we hope to integrate sustainability into the curriculum and develop academic programs, internships and extra-curricular activities that are environmentally focused.

**EM: How are other departments contributing to Emmanuel’s green programming?**

**KC:** It’s definitely a campus-wide effort. Our Facilities Department has a number of sustainable initiatives, including a commitment to purchasing energy-efficient appliances and electronics. The College also donates old classroom furniture and computers and our Information Technology staff ensures that any e-waste is recycled in an environmentally sound way. Eighty-percent of our cleaning products are Green Seal certified and all of our paper cleaning products are recyclable. The College also encourages employees to commute to work by public transit by subsidizing MBTA passes and participating in the CommuteWorks program.

Bon Appétit (food service) also adheres to a number of green initiatives, such as Farm to Fork, which purchases ingredients from small local farmers who use sustainable practices within a 150-mile radius of our campus.

**EM: What is Emmanuel’s policy on green construction?**

**KC:** The Maureen Murphy Wilkens Science Center, which opened in 2009, follows the city of Boston zoning guidelines calling for new construction to be equivalent to LEED-certified construction. The building was built from low-emitting, recycled and locally available materials and has an energy-efficient mechanical system. The building’s façade is also glazed with low-emissivity glass, which allows for daylighting without compromising insulation, and the interior lighting system has daylight sensors that automatically dim the lights if there is sufficient sunlight.

The Maureen Murphy Wilkens Science Center and the Administration Building both contain stormwater retention systems that collect, treat and recharge stormwater runoff. All future construction and redevelopment projects will provide stormwater recharge and will be equivalent to LEED-certified construction.

--AMY STEWART
Emmanuel celebrated its 90th Commencement Exercises on the College’s campus on May 12th, conferring more than 600 degrees to bachelor and master’s candidates.

Anne Hawley, Norma Jean Calderwood Director of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, delivered the Commencement Address and received an honorary degree. The College also honored Executive Director of Sociedad Latina Alexandra Oliver-Dávila ’92.

“Leadership” and “involvement,” which became the hallmarks of Emmanuel’s Class of 2012, were themes discussed by speakers throughout the ceremony. Sahal Abdi Osman, a graduate representing the Graduate and Professional Programs, and Bernadine Desanges, who received a B.A. in sociology, were chosen as this year’s student speakers, each addressing the topics during their respective discourses.

Osman entitled his speech “Call to the Effective Learners and Leaders” and highlighted the challenge of completing a graduate degree while balancing work and family. Desanges underscored the many ways she and her classmates served as “trend setters” at Emmanuel, while continuing to drive themselves individually to achieve their goals.

“As role models, the Class of 2012 set new standards in regard to what it means to be a well-rounded Emmanuel College student,” she said.

“Each of you is here today because someone believed in you. But most importantly, you believed in yourself.

“Never forget the home we chose to make our place,” she added.

“Today, May 12, 2012, marks the end of one milestone that simply opens the doors to achieve so much more.”

The Class of 2012 processes in front of the Administration Building to the applause of members of the platform party.
In addressing the graduates, College President Sister Janet Eisner, SND reflected on the journey on which the outgoing seniors embarked during their four years at the College and the impact they had on Emmanuel. She encouraged those present to continue onward with the same enthusiasm and determination they demonstrated as students.

“Way back in 2008 when I welcomed you to Emmanuel, you took to heart your Orientation theme, ‘This is your place,’” she said. “As involved students and leaders, you created new organizations to ensure you had a place in the College…You have been leaders since arriving on campus and I challenge you to continue to lead as you write the next chapter of your lives.”

In her Commencement Address, Hawley reinforced the importance of staying well rounded. She shared the one wish she had for the graduates — to care and nurture their imaginations as a means of developing ideas and dreams and establishing a path toward making them happen. While so much emphasis is placed on recent graduates’ career pursuits, she emphasized the importance of maintaining other interests.

“I urge you — in fact, I beg you — to find an avocation for your life. What might be called an amateur pursuit or hobby,” said Hawley, who received an Honorary Doctor of Fine Arts during the ceremony. “Because as you head into your careers you will find they will be extremely demanding. They will take all of your time. And if you don’t set up a pursuit outside your work, you will find that all your time is taken up by your work. You won’t be setting boundaries and you won’t have a rich and fulfilling life in other places.”

Hawley became the director of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in 1989 and has been instrumental in the restoration and preservation of the historic museum. Most recently she was the driving force behind the museum’s $114 million expansion, including a new concert chamber, a gallery for the shows of the artists-in-residence, a restaurant and a lounge. She is the founder of the Cultural Education Collaborative, an organization dedicated to stimulating arts education and arts public policy. She became the executive director of the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities in 1977 and in 1988 won the Lyman Ziegler Award for Outstanding Service to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Oliver-Dávila received an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters during the Commencement Exercises. She is the director of Sociedad Latina, a nonprofit organization located in Mission Hill that works with Latino youth and families to end destructive cycles of poverty, health inequities, and lack of educational and professional opportunities. In her citation, read by Vice President of Government and Community Relations Sarah Welsh, Oliver-Dávila was praised for her work as “a leader and mentor [who] has inspired thousands of Latino youth in the Mission Hill neighborhood of

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Boston to foster their potential and find confidence in their race, culture and language.”

Two members of the Emmanuel College faculty were also recognized during the ceremony: Assistant Professor of Psychology Jacqueline Alfonso Barry and Associate Professor of Mathematics Jeanne Trubek. Alfonso Barry was honored with the Faculty Excellence Award while Trubek was conferred the rank of Professor Emeritus. Trubek served Emmanuel for 19 years, contributing to its strong mathematics program. Sister Janet acknowledged her “leadership in the field of mathematics and the deep commitment to the students and the mission of the College.”

On Friday, May 11th, the College celebrated Baccalaureate with a Liturgy and hooding ceremony. During the ceremony, graduates processed by major and were hooded by Dean of Arts and Sciences William Leonard.

Legacies

With the Class of 2012 now officially among the alumni ranks, the College also welcomed several new legacies to the Emmanuel family:

- **Deanna Borrelli ’12**
  (Kristina Borrelli ’10, sister)

- **Emily Brady ’12**
  (Stacy D’Amico ’81, mother)

- **Kara Foley ’12**
  (Kaitlyn Foley ’04 and ’09, sister)

- **Brenna Catherine Hunt ’12**
  (Aideen Hunt ’78, mother; Catherine Guthrie ’53, grandmother; Eleanor A. Meskell ’51, cousin, godmother)

- **Deirdre Jango Lathrop ’12**
  (Jane Lathrop ’11, sister)

- **Jeanne Micalizzi ’12**
  (Elizabeth “Betty” Grimes ’46, grandmother)

- **Laura O’Shea ’12**
  (Mike O’Shea ’09, brother; Mary Favaloro O’Shea ’75, mother)

- **Cristina Quagliato ’12**
  (Irene Dillen Griffin ’57, grandmother)

- **Paul Wentworth ’12**
  (Kevin Wentworth ’10, brother)
A Gown for Generations

There was an understated difference in the garb Maggie MacKay ’12 wore during this year’s Commencement Exercises, a distinction unnoticeable to most among a sea of black gowns; recognized by a few as a subtle gesture honoring someone always in her heart, especially on that day.

When MacKay crossed the stage on May 12th, she was dressed in the same gown worn by her grandmother, Barbara Ferson Mulcahy ’47, 65 years earlier at her own Emmanuel College Commencement ceremony. In doing so, MacKay established an impromptu family tradition; her aunt Jean, a graduate of Trinity Washington University, a fellow Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur institution, donned the same robes for her own graduation, making MacKay the third generation of Mulcahy women to process in the gown.

The gesture was not planned by any means. In fact, when MacKay’s mother Christine pulled the garment from her hope chest and mentioned the idea in the days leading up to the Commencement Exercises, MacKay admitted she had to think about it. Ultimately she chose to wear the gown as a quiet nod of respect to the person she says was the reason she “fell in love with Emmanuel.”

MacKay’s enthusiasm for her alma mater was evident immediately upon entering her home; MacKay recalls the house as “always filled with Emmanuel College things.” Theirs was a natural connection forged when MacKay was young; while her cousins often huddled around their grandfather, chances were that where Barbara was, Maggie would not be far behind. When Mulcahy passed away, she bequeathed her Emmanuel class ring to MacKay. MacKay admits it was her grandmother’s passion for the College that actually steered her clear during her own college search initially — she wanted to find her own place to love just as much as her grandmother did Emmanuel.

“Then I came to campus,” said MacKay, “and couldn’t imagine being anywhere else.”

Commencement having now come and gone, the gown has returned to the hope chest. Reflecting upon the day, MacKay can only imagine the pride her grandmother would have felt watching her walk across the Emmanuel College stage dressed in her robes.

“It would have meant absolutely everything to her,” she said.
Restoration of Historic Administration Building Continues

Phases three and four of the Administration Building renovation began during the second semester and will be completed in winter 2013. Phases one and two of the project included the east wing of the building, facing the Cardinal Cushing Library. In the west wing renovation, the upgrade of all classrooms and HVAC systems will be complete, in addition to a new Auditorium, an expanded dining facility, enhanced technology, a new elevator, and faculty and administrative offices.

The restoration of the academic hub of Emmanuel’s campus will have a significant impact on the student experience, and will maintain the historic significance of the College’s signature building, through which all graduates have walked.

Emmanuel Receives Grant to Strengthen Global Studies and International Affairs Program

Emmanuel College was recently awarded a grant in the amount of $100,000 from OneWorld Boston, a Cummings Foundation affiliate. The award will help the College develop an interdisciplinary program in Middle East Studies and an Arabic Foreign Language Certificate, building on existing courses within the Global Studies and International Affairs Program (GSIA), and strengthening the study of Arabic at Emmanuel.

New courses will be developed in the Departments of Political Science, History and Foreign Languages, including: “Turkey and the Middle East,” which will include a study abroad component in Istanbul; “The Politics of Energy”; “History of the Middle East”; “Intermediate Arabic I and II”; and “Arabic Literature.”

The grant will also fund a weeklong Institutional Colloquium that will focus on issues of human rights, social justice, and international understanding in the Middle East.

For more information on the Cummings Foundation, visit www.CummingsFoundation.org.

New Sites and Web Content Launch

Emmanuel continues to expand its online communication efforts, with a number of new projects completed or on the horizon. This summer, a mobile version of emmanuel.edu launched, making site content more accessible on mobile devices like smartphones and tablets.

The College has also re-launched the athletics site, goecsaints.com, with a new look and features to keep alumni, students, parents and more updated on the latest Saints action.

The number of Emmanuel videos has increased nearly 500% over the past year, with spots featuring lectures, student and faculty profiles, campus events and more. See all this content on the College’s Vimeo page at vimeo.com/emmanuelcollege.

The College also has new pages on Google+ and Pinterest — check them out at emmanuel.edu/connect.

An initiative to redesign the main College website is also underway, with an all new emmanuel.edu launching in the summer of 2013.
Emmanuel’s Center for Science Education Introduces New Programs

The Center for Science Education at Emmanuel College recently expanded its offerings to include three new programs aimed at promoting scientific literacy and inspiring K-12 students to pursue careers in the sciences.

Throughout March 2012, local middle school students came to campus to participate in the Saturday Science and Engineering Programming. Students chose from two courses offered through the program, which took place during four two-hour sessions in March. “Can You Build This?” offered the chance for students to explore engineering principles by building their own toothpick bridges, mini trebuchets and gliders. The “Forensic Science” course allowed students to experience the science behind a crime scene by analyzing trace evidence, fingerprints, bite mark and blood stain patterns.

In all, nearly 25 students in grades 6-8 from Brookline’s Pierce School, Boston’s James P. Timilty Middle School, The Thomas Edison School, and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission Grammar School in Roxbury participated in the program.

“It was fun getting them excited about it and seeing them learn something they never thought they would,” said Joe Horgan ‘13, who served as a teaching assistant for the “Can You Build This?” program. “Science is important to any curriculum. It is a great foundation for any scholarly pursuit and it is great to have kids be prepared at a young age.”

Twelve Emmanuel College students volunteered to pilot the Saints Science Ambassador Program this past year, visiting local middle school classrooms to conduct inquiry-based sciences experiences for students. According to Associate Professor of Chemistry Christine Jaworek-Lopes, who served as a coordinator for the new program along with Assistant Professor of Biology Anu Seshan and Biology Lab Instructor Ana Otero, the goal during the pilot year was to schedule one trip for the Emmanuel students in March. Interest from nearby schools, however, led to visits to Saint Patrick School and Tobin School in Roxbury, and Saint Anthony School in Everett.

Emmanuel students selected popular experiments from the American Chemical Society’s website to conduct in class, including a hand-washing activity with Glo-Germ lotion and a black light that emphasized how easily germs can be passed from person to person. Participating students received Emmanuel College pens and a copy of the American Chemical Society’s publication “Celebrating Chemistry,” which included additional fun activities. In another experiment, Emmanuel biology majors assisted middle school students in making their own DNA extraction kit from household chemicals and using it to extract DNA from strawberries.

For Ashley Smith ‘15, a biology major who hopes to teach in the sciences, the Saints Science Ambassador Program offered a nice break from her studies and a unique opportunity to share her passion.

“My end of each school visit, it was nice to see that the kids actually learned something and had fun doing it,” she said. “After participating in the program, it has made me want to pursue a career in either science education or any other way that would allow me to share my love of science with others.”

The Saints Science Buddies: After School Science Program was established in the spring of 2011 for education students to conduct out-of-school experiences in science, engineering and technology for students in neighboring elementary schools. This past year, the program was selected to pilot a new program for the Museum of Science, Boston called “Engineering Adventures,” which consisted of hands-on, team-based activities in science and engineering. The main project involved a scenario in which students had to design aid drop packages to be sent to Thailand, using clay balls to represent the packages and determining problems and solutions toward successful delivery. In other sessions, Emmanuel students helped participants construct balloon cars, balloon rockets, trebuchets and catapults and make simple electrical circuits out of Play-Doh.

Emmanuel students Rachael Montville ’13, Amanda Sheehan ’13, Rebecca Benigno ’13, Julia Warren ’13 and Victoria Perrone ’13 conducted the program at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission Grammar School with a revolving group of 17 elementary students.

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The kids were excited to do something science-based,” said Montville. “I think science should be exposed as early as it can be.”

“The after-school setting has provided a rich setting for our education majors to observe and explore authentic learning and teaching,” said Associate Professor of Science Education Fiona McDonnell. “It has been wonderful to see young elementary students learning science through exploring materials and situations that the Emmanuel education students provide and, likewise, to observe the education majors learning about teaching through observing the elementary students’ authentic and spontaneous explorations.

“The whole experience really has been a strong example of learning through service,” she added. “One interesting outcome of this program has been the mentoring relationships that have developed, not only between the young elementary students and the Emmanuel College majors, but among the students who participate in the program, many of whom are in different grade levels.”

The Center for Science Education at Emmanuel College has been established to be a major resource in science for K-12 teachers and students. Through access to facilities and resources in the Maureen Murphy Wilkens Science Center, the Center for Science Education at Emmanuel College provides service to the Greater Boston community with a special focus on serving the College’s urban neighbors.

McDonnell, Jaworek-Lopes and Seshan are members of the Center for Science Education advisory board along with Vice President of Programs and Partnerships in Education and Director of the Carolyn A. Lynch Institute Sally Dias, Associate Professor of Psychology Michael Jarvinen and Assistant Professor of Physics Allen Price.

Emmanuel President Honored by Charitable Irish Society

The Charitable Irish Society of Boston presented a lifetime achievement award to Emmanuel College President Sr. Janet Eisner, SND on March 17th during its 275th Anniversary Dinner. The annual event, held at the Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel, recognizes those in the community who have contributed with “Good Will Doing Service,” the motto of the society.

Society Board Member and Emmanuel College alumna Paula Carroll ’72 presented Sr. Janet with her award.

“She is now a leader — inspired and inspiring, pioneering, dogged, sincere, down to earth and practical, yet willing to reach for the stars and always, always, gracious and thoughtful of others,” said Carroll. “I believe — I know — that this inspiration and courage to pursue goals for the good comes from her deep faith in God and her dedication to the ideals and values of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur whose original mission wasn’t just to educate young women and girls and later boys and men but to educate them to go out into the community and contribute to its betterment.”

Established in 1737, the Charitable Irish Society of Boston is the oldest Irish Society in North America. Its purpose for 275 years has been to provide aid and assistance to newly arrived Irish immigrants in the Boston area. Fellow honorees for 2012 included Chief Inspector of Garda Síochána Inspectorate Kathleen O’Toole, Founder and Past President of the Friends of the Public Gardens Henry Lee and media personality, poet and playwright Dick Flavin.
Catholic Charities of Boston President Speaks at Sister Marie Augusta Neal, SND Lecture

Deborah Kincade Rambo, LICSW, president of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Boston, addressed “Meeting the Needs in our Communities Through Catholic Charities” at the annual Sister Marie Augusta Neal, SND Lecture on March 28th in the Janet M. Daley Library Lecture Hall.

Catholic Charities agencies across the country serve approximately 25 percent of the nation’s 46 million poor, answering the call of an emerging social policy that “expects less from the state and other public agencies, more from the market and a great deal from nonprofit organizations,” Rambo said.

The Sister Marie Augusta Neal, SND Lecture is dedicated to promoting the social justice mission of Emmanuel College. This annual lecture honors one of Emmanuel’s most esteemed graduates and faculty members, Sister Marie Augusta Neal, SND ’42, who influenced several generations of students and scholars worldwide through her inspirational teaching and her numerous groundbreaking publications on social justice and change, and women in the church.

To see a video of the lecture, visit www.vimeo.com/emmanuelcollege.

Eurozone and European Crisis Addressed During Emmanuel Panel Discussion

Consuls General of France, Greece, Italy and Spain took part in a panel discussion on campus to offer their insight into “The Eurozone and the European Crisis: Growing Pains of a Monetary Union” on March 26th. The event was a collaborative effort by faculty from Emmanuel’s Departments of Foreign Languages and Political Science, who viewed it as an opportunity to bring to light the financial crisis in Europe, which has largely been overlooked by Americans and the U.S. media.

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Each panel member offered his perspective on the financial crisis in the eurozone, which consists of the 17 members of the European Union that adopted the euro as its common currency more than a decade ago. With the eurozone economy continuing to struggle — unemployment rates are as high as 23 percent within individual countries within the union — the panel discussion offered an “interesting and timely dialogue” on campus, according to Associate Professor and Chair of Foreign Languages Arlyn Sanchez-Silva.

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Yosinoff Receives Red Auerbach Award

Head Women’s Basketball Coach Andy Yosinoff received the 2012 Jewish Coaches Association Red Auerbach Award, an honor presented to college basketball’s Jewish coach of the year. Yosinoff received the prestigious award after leading the Emmanuel women’s basketball team to the NCAA Division III National Quarterfinals last month. The Red Auerbach Award was presented to Yosinoff on March 31st in New Orleans, La., at the NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Final Four Convention. The Red Auerbach Award is given annually to the nation’s top Jewish college coach, as voted upon by the members of the Jewish Coaches Association (JCA). By winning the Red Auerbach Award, Yosinoff is both the first collegiate women’s coach and the first Division III coach to receive the honor. These firsts are just the tip of the iceberg for Yosinoff, who has taken the Emmanuel women’s program to extraordinary heights in his 35 years at the helm. This past year, the Pawtucket, R.I., native led the Saints to Emmanuel’s 17th NCAA Tournament appearance and to the program’s 14th Great Northeast Athletic Conference Championship.

Emmanuel Earns Mark of Distinction on President’s Community Service Honor Roll

Emmanuel College was named to the 2012 President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction, one of just six Massachusetts colleges/universities to earn the award. The 2012 Honor Roll recipients were announced at the American Council on Education’s 94th annual meeting Ahead of the Curve on March 12th, in Los Angeles, Calif. This was the third straight year the College was recognized with distinction. The President’s Honor Roll increases the public’s awareness of the contributions that colleges and their students make to local communities and the nation as a whole. It is the highest federal recognition a college or university can receive for its commitment to volunteering, service-learning and civic engagement. The Corporation for National and Community Service administers the annual Honor Roll award.
Laura Adrien ‘12 received a fellowship through the Fulbright U.S. Student Program while Emily Shea ‘14 won an award through the US-UK Fulbright Commission. Adrien will travel to Macau, China, as part of an English Teaching Assistantship during the 2012-2013 school year; Shea will participate in the 2012 Fulbright King’s College London Summer Institute for three weeks in July and August.

The Fulbright Program is the “flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government and is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries.” Adrien and Shea’s recognitions represent the second straight year an Emmanuel student has been chosen to participate in a Fulbright program. Last year, Megan Rose Carr Laporte ‘11 received a Fulbright scholarship to teach English in Thailand.

Assistant Professor of Theology and Religious Studies/Director of Fellowships Laurie Johnston worked with both students on their applications and noted, “This represents a significant achievement for both of these students. I am delighted to see that their hard work at Emmanuel and in these particular competitions is paying off.” Dr. Johnston chairs the Fellowships Committee at Emmanuel, which helps students discover and apply for nationally competitive fellowships.

Adrien, an English Literature and Spanish major, chose Macau for its diverse language background. A special administrative region in China, the area has two official languages, Portuguese and Cantonese. She will teach English — a language rarely spoken in the region — in the Macau school system. Though the Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship program does not require past experience with teaching English, the fact that Adrien has strong interests in linguistics and bilingualism should make the experience particularly worthwhile for her. She was recently accepted to a master’s program in applied linguistics at the University of Massachusetts Boston, which she will begin when she returns from the Fulbright fellowship. Adrien previously studied abroad in Argentina, Peru and Spain, but looks forward to the challenge of immersing herself in such a different setting.

“The Asian language is a whole new ballgame,” she said. “I wanted to do something new and different while I have the time to do it. It is going to be fun, hard and very interesting because the school system is so very different. I don’t know what to expect.”

Shea, meanwhile, will travel to London for the three-week cultural and academic program “Getting a Head Start: Learning about Leadership Through the 2012 Olympic Games.” The program takes place July 22nd-August 11th while the Olympic Games are being held in London. In addition to studying Olympic history and politics, Shea will take part in cultural and social trips around the city. The London 2012 Festival, an immense cultural celebration, will also be happening this summer in the city, bringing together dance, music, theatre, visual arts, film and more from around the United Kingdom.

“As a sociology major I am very interested in studying cultures and looking at their similarities and differences,” she said. “There will be people from all over the world in London. I’m looking forward to it.”

The Fulbright Program was established in 1946 under legislation introduced by then-Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas. Since then, The Fulbright Program has provided approximately 310,000 participants — chosen for their academic merit and leadership potential — with the opportunity to study, teach and conduct research, exchange ideas and contribute to finding solutions to shared international concerns. The Fulbright Program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Currently, it operates in over 155 countries worldwide.
Associate Professor of Nursing Diane Arathuzik was awarded Certification as a Nurse Educator (CNE) by the National League for Nursing.

Special Instructor of Journalism Mark Baard served as the faculty advisor to The Hub, the new Emmanuel College student newspaper, which published its first issue in December. Special Instructor of English Katie Liesener is also providing direction to The Hub’s reporters.

Associate Professor of Information Technology Gouri Banerjee was an invited panelist at a Boston College Law School student organization event on March 19th for a discussion about “Legal Tools to Empower Victims and Survivors of Domestic Abuse and Violence.” This was as part of her role as a board member of Saheli Support and Friendship for South Asian Women. Saheli is a nonprofit social service organization located in Burlington, Mass., that works with immigrant women and families to reduce family violence, poverty, health inequities, and the lack of educational and professional opportunities among the poor.

Assistant Professor of Psychology Jacqueline Alfonso Barry was the recipient of Emmanuel College’s Excellence in Teaching Award for 2012. Dr. Alfonso Barry was also the first-author of a publication in Clinical Psychology & Psychotherapy entitled “Feedback-Based Alcohol Interventions for Mandated Students: An Effectiveness Study of Three Modalities.”

Stace Budzko won Quiddity’s Book Trailer Contest for his short story collection, How to Set a House on Fire. In partnership with Benedictine University and NPR/PRI, his work will be featured in future broadcast, Web and print promotions. His flash memoir, “I Like You Cause You Like Me,” appears in the latest Portland Magazine.

Assistant Professor of Sociology Catherine Simpson Bueker’s article entitled “Resources, Relevance, and Relationships: Differential Motivations Behind Local Civic Engagement Over Park Usage” was accepted by the New England Journal of Political Science.


Associate Professor of Mathematics Yulia Dementieva co-authored the paper, “Why Has the BMI Gone Up So Drastically in the Last 35 Years?” which was published in December in the Journal of Addiction Medicine.

Associate Professor of Art Cynthia Fowler’s article, “Herman Trunk’s Cubist Crucifix: A Case Study,” was just released by Religion and the Arts, a journal published by Boston College.

Assistant Professor of Sociology Janese Free presented a paper at the National Conference on Alternative Education entitled “Assessing the Effectiveness of an Alternative School Program for At-Risk Youth” in Nashville, Tenn., February 8th-10th.

Assistant Professor of Chemistry Aren Gerdon and the chemistry department received a 2012 Pittsburgh Conference Memorial National College Grant to purchase an attenuated total reflectance (ATR) attachment for the College’s existing Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR) instrument.
Professor of Theology and Religious Studies Mary Hines gave a presentation in December 2011 to the wives of the men studying for the permanent diaconate in the Archdiocese of Boston. The presentation was entitled “In Search of Mary” and focused on changing images of Mary in Christian history.

Assistant Professor of Education Sister Karen Hokanson’s first-year seminar course, “Computers in Society,” was featured in an article published in the Mission Magazine of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. The article, entitled “Neighbors Reach out to Neighbors: Roxbury Parish and Catholic College Join Forces to Enrich Neighbors’ Lives,” highlights the senior citizen cyber café class taught by first-year seminar students on location at Saint Katharine Drexel Parish Center. The cyber café program began five years ago under the leadership of Carolyn Caveny, senior associate dean of academic advising, who worked with Sister Karen to reach out to the senior citizens in Roxbury.

Instructor of Nursing Terri Jabaley was awarded a research fund grant from the Pi Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International in recognition of her dissertation research entitled “The Experience of Cancer Risk Management Decision Making in BRCA+ Women.”

Assistant Professor of Economics Shuyi Jiang’s paper, “Survival in the U.S. Petroleum Refining Industry,” was accepted by the Journal of Applied Statistics.

Assistant Professor of Theology and Religious Studies Laurie Johnston had an essay on teaching bioethics accepted for publication in Health Care Ethics USA. Her review of the book “Peacebuilding: Catholic Theology, Ethics and Praxis” will also appear in the journal Theological Studies.

Dr. Johnston also spoke at a conference in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo in June. The conference was the biannual gathering of the presidents of all the Catholic universities in Africa. Dr. Johnston was one of three invited experts from the U.S.-based Catholic Peacebuilding Network. She helped conduct a two-day workshop for the presidents about peace studies and Catholic social teaching. While there, Dr. Johnston also had the opportunity to meet with the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur who live and work in the area.

Assistant Professor of Sociology Katrin Križ co-authored an article entitled “The Role of Earned Income Tax Credit in the Budgets of Low-Income Families,” which was accepted for publication by Social Service Review.

Associate Professor of Biology Josef Kurtz had his work on “Establishment of Stable Mixed Chimerism Across Major Histocompatibility Barriers in Miniature Swine: Role for Anergy in the Induction of Donor-Specific Tolerance to Vascularized Composite Allografts” accepted as a presentation in a concurrent oral session at the 24th International Congress of the Transplantation Society in Berlin, Germany, from July 15-19, 2012. Dr. Kurtz and Associate Professor of Biology Todd Williams also had their work on “Contribution of Hematopoietically-Derived Progenitors to the Central Nervous System in Mixed Chimeric Mice” accepted as a conference poster.

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Associate Professor of Theology and Religious Studies Fr. Thomas Leclerc, M.S. was invited to write a review of “The Desert Will Bloom: Poetic Visions of Isaiah” for the journal *Semitic Studies* (Sheffield, England). Fr. Leclerc gave a three-part presentation on “The Death and Resurrection of Jesus according to St. John” on March 14th, 21st and 28th as part of Adult Education at St. John the Evangelist in Cambridge. On March 24th, he presented and led a discussion of “The Passion of Jesus according to John” for the La Salette Faith community in Topsfield, Mass. He also presented “The Paschal Mystery: Lent in the Year of Mark” on Feb 5th for the La Salette Faith Community; “Introducing the Bible: Canons, Revelation, and Inspiration,” on February 7th and “Introducing the Bible: How to Interpret the Bible” on February 14th for adult education at St. John the Evangelist in Cambridge, Mass.


Assistant Professor of Management Sharon McKechnie co-presented the paper titled “Perceptions of Intentional and Unintentional Discrimination” at the Gerontological Society of America’s 64th Annual Meeting in Boston on November 18, 2011. She co-authored the paper entitled “Exploring the workplace impact of intentional/unintentional age discrimination,” which was accepted for publication by the *Journal of Managerial Psychology*.

Assistant Professor of Economics Rebecca Moryl completed a report for the city of Lowell’s Cultural Organization entitled “2012 Strategic Assessment of the Cultural Organization of Lowell (COOL).” The report assessed the effectiveness and efficiency of COOL’s programs and the organization’s ability to achieve its mission to promote the creative economy for the city of Lowell. Dr. Moryl also presented her paper, “Local Economic Development, Why Can’t We Get What We Want? A Study of the Alignment of Local Economic Development Goals and Policies,” and hosted a roundtable discussion entitled “Policy and Citizen Participation in City Governance” at the 42nd annual Urban Affairs Association meeting in Pittsburgh, Pa., in April 2012.

Associate Professor of Art Megumi Naitoh co-led a travel course to Japan called “Contemporary and Traditional Ceramics in Japan” from May 30th-June 12th. In addition, Naitoh’s work was exhibited in the invitational show, “Clay and Print III,” at Amaco/Brent Gallery in Indianapolis through June 2012.

Special Instructor of Informational Technology Rodica Neamtu was invited to serve on the Advisory Board of EDULEARN, an international organization focused on Education, Research and Innovation. Neamtu also designed and delivered an online workshop for the Sloan-C International Consortium called “Over the Summer: Strategies for Pioneering an Online Summer Program.” Additionally, Neamtu was invited to serve as a reviewer on the technical program committee for ISBEIA 2012 (2012 IEEE Symposium on Business, Engineering & Industrial Applications) and for ICCSII 2012 (2012 IEEE Conference on Control, Systems & Industrial Informatics). Both are worldwide organizations gathering and sharing scholarly works by faculty in higher education.

Assistant Professor of English Mary Beth Pope’s short story, “Endless Caverns,” was accepted for publication in *Bellingham Review*. Her creative nonfiction essay, “Personal Space,” appears in the current issue of *Passages North*. 
Assistant Professor of Physics Allen Price presented a talk at the March meeting of the American Physical Society entitled “Measuring Fluctuations in Shear Stretched DNAs Using Site Specific Labeling.” Two students, Allison Harbottle ’12 and Jillian Cavanaugh ’13, who are working with Dr. Price, presented their poster titled “A New Multiplexing Single Molecule Technique for Measuring Restriction Enzyme Activity” at the same meeting.

The arts organization WordSong, co-founded and co-directed by Associate Professor of Performing Arts Tom Schnauber, was invited to give performances in and around Washington D.C., in the last weekend of January. Dr. Schnauber’s “Harlem” for voice and piano was performed at an educational outreach program at Trinity School in Falls Church, Va.; in a salon performance in Washington, D.C.; and at a public concert at The Lyceum in Alexandria, Va.

Assistant Professor of Political Science Adam Silver served as a discussant on a panel entitled “Howard Zinn: A Democratic Theory in Disobedience and a Legacy for a New Generation in Political Science” at the Northeastern Political Science Association meeting in Philadelphia in November 2011.

Professor of Art Kathy Soles’ work is on exhibit for six months as part of the Rotational Art Exhibit at the AstraZeneca Hope Lodge Center. This center is part of the American Cancer Society’s New England Division, located in Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Professor of English Lisa Stepanski was named to the Mary Baker Eddy Library Board of Trustees. The Mary Baker Eddy Library’s mission is to promote “exploration and scholarship through its collections, exhibits and programs.”

Visiting Assistant Professor of Psychology Lee Stevens presented his talk, “The Relationship between Reaction Time Measures With and Without Emotional Valence and Resting State Anterior Cingulate Cortex Activity Level in Veterans With and Without Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD),” at the Social and Affective Neuroscience Society meeting on April 19th-20th in New York, NY.

Assistant Professor of Theology and Religious Studies Jon Paul Sydnor won a Whiting Foundation grant to study Hinduism and interreligious relations in Trinidad. Dr. Sydnor also spoke at the Center for the Study of World Religions at Harvard University on March 30th. He compared and contrasted the Christian doctrine of the Trinity with the Mahayana Buddhist doctrine of emptiness, utilizing both to develop the metaphysic and ethics of social relationality.

Associate Professor of Political Science Petros Vamvakas presented a paper titled “Lotus Eaters of a Bitter Country: Consumption and the Limits of Greek Democracy” at the Northeastern Political Science Association meeting in Philadelphia in November 2011.

Assistant Professor of Psychology Xiaowei Zhao co-authored an article entitled “Connectionism,” which was peer-reviewed and accepted for publication in Oxford Bibliographies in Linguistics.
Six science students were chosen as Merck Scholars and will receive scholarships for the 2012-2013 academic year: Eric Batista ’14, Matthew DeFazio ’14, Sandra Hernandez ’13, Michael Lynch ’13, Victoria Perrone ’14 and Nicholas Rizzo ’13.

Anna Boutin ’13 received a grant supported by Emmanuel’s Center for Mission and Spirituality to carry out a community service project over the summer. Boutin will work part time with the Notre Dame Montessori Preschool in Dorchester, with a focus on introducing the children to theater.

Monica Busch ’15, Frank Decusati ’13, Johanna Salisbury ’14 and Hillary Schumacher ’14 presented conference papers as part of a panel organized by Assistant Professor of English Lisa Falvey at the Popular Culture Association’s 2012 National Convention in Boston in April 2012. The panel was titled “The Muted Sexuality of Philip O’Connor’s Erotic Novel, Steiner’s Tour.” The papers were written for Dr. Falvey’s “Persuasive Strategies” course in fall 2011.

Brittany Bye ’14 is working part time with the children at Julie’s Family Learning Center in South Boston in summer 2012, with a focus on connecting children to programs at Revision Urban Farm and other food and nutrition programs around the city. The project is part of a community service grant supported by Emmanuel’s Center for Mission and Spirituality.

Becky Camarda ’12 had an essay titled “Bottle Up and Explode” accepted for publication. Her essay was originally written as part of a course with Associate Professor of English Mary Beth Pope.

Rachael DeNoncour ’14 received a Summer Community Service Fellowship from the Jean Yawkey Center for Community Leadership. She is working part time with children at Sociedad Latina in Roxbury. As part of the fellowship, DeNoncour will receive on-campus housing at Emmanuel and a stipend for the summer.

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Bernadine Desanges ’12 presented a paper at the Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting in New York, February 23rd-26th. Her paper, co-authored with Assistant Professor of Sociology Janese Free, was entitled “How Risk Factors Influence the Academic Lives of At-Risk Youth.”

Jonathan Edmond ’15 received a Summer Community Service Fellowship from the Jean Yawkey Center for Community Leadership. Edmond is carrying out a full-time, independent project focused on promoting the importance of college education and technology literacy among inner-city youth in Boston. This project will build on his past experience working with the Hyde Square Task Force and with Mel King at the South End Technology Center. As part of the fellowship, Edmond will receive on-campus housing at Emmanuel and a stipend for the summer.

Aaron Fatato ’12 was one of 48 undergraduate students selected to participate in the American Sociological Association’s Honors Program at this year’s national conference in Denver, Co., from August 17th-20th. He will present on his distinction project, “What Will the Owner of the Vineyard Do?: Theology and Societal Oppression.”

Michael Fierro ’12 had two essays accepted for publication this year. He wrote an essay about his English internship at Knopf Doubleday this past summer that was accepted by Epiphany Magazine. Fierro initially wrote the essay in Associate Professor of English Mary Beth Pope’s “Writing Seminar” course. The second essay, entitled “The Boy and The Dancer,” which he originally wrote as part of Dr. Pope’s “Prose Writing” course, was accepted at Marco Polo Literary Magazine.

Allison Harbottle ’12 and Jillian Cavanaugh ’13 presented a poster titled “A New Multiplexing Single Molecule Technique for Measuring Restriction Enzyme Activity” at the March 2012 meeting of the American Physical Society.

Jenny Hayes ’14 received a Summer Community Service Fellowship from the Jean Yawkey Center for Community Leadership. She is
Meghan Kirwan ‘12 was named a 1st Team Capital One Academic All-District selection. Kirwan, a captain of the Saints women’s basketball team, graduated with a 3.75 cumulative grade point average, while majoring in elementary education at Emmanuel. She was one of just five women’s basketball players from New England to receive 1st Team Academic All-District honors.

Soktola Long ‘13, an accounting major, received the Katz, Nannis + Solomon, P.C. Scholarship at the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants Recognition Reception in May.

Franko Kosic-Matulic ‘14 received a travel grant for advanced study as part of the new Emmanuel Summer Fellowship Program. He is attending an intensive summer printmaking workshop at the Maryland Institute for Contemporary Art.

Grant Kuehl ‘15 received a travel grant for advanced study as part of the new Emmanuel Summer Fellowship Program. As part of his research, “Few and Far Between: The Hunt for Quality Education and Great Teachers for American Students,” Kuehl will travel to Washington, D.C., and Sacramento, Calif., for an investigative research project on education reform, with a particular focus on former chancellor of Washington, D.C. public schools Michelle Rhee and reactions to her ideas.

Jenny Konecnik ‘14 and Amy Longwell ‘12 presented a paper at the Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting in New York, February 23rd-26th. Their paper, co-authored with Assistant Professor of Sociology Janese Free, was entitled “The Functions of Alternative Schooling for At-Risk Youth: Through the Eyes of Teachers.”

Amy Leu ‘12 will have an essay published in Absinthe Revival: An Online Literary Magazine. She initially wrote the piece as a part of Associate Professor of English Mary Beth Pope’s “Advanced Prose Writing” class.

Michael Lynch ‘13 received a Sigma Xi Grants-in-Aid of Research award in support of his research project with Professor of Chemistry Faina Ryvkin. The Sigma Xi Grants-in-Aid of Research program has a highly competitive application process and only approximately 20 percent of applicants receive funding.

Kaitlyn Murphy ‘14 received the St. Julie Billiart International Community Service Grant supported by Emmanuel’s Center for Mission and Spirituality. She traveled to Nicaragua this summer to work with the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur in Matagalpa and to work with a nonprofit that is constructing a high school in Granada.

Kelly Peragallo ‘12 and Charles Desper ‘12 were finalists in the Say Something Poster Project, a poster design competition affiliated with nonprofit organizations that have a long-term commitment to youth services.

Harrison Powell ‘13 was selected as a Merck summer research intern for summer 2012. He is a biology major with a concentration in neuroscience.

Alejandro Ramirez ‘12 had three essays accepted for publication this year. His essay, “Pokemon Shuffle,” was selected for publication in Defunct: A Literary Repository for the Ages, a journal devoted to essays on pop culture published by the University of Iowa. His short story, “Crossing the River,” was accepted for publication in the literary magazine Imitation Fruit. His work, “It’s Complicated,” was chosen for the spring 2012 issue of *Solstice: A Magazine of Diverse Voices*. All three works were written as part of Associate Professor of English Mary Beth Pope’s courses.

Danielle Sheehan ‘13 co-authored a scholarship project with Assistant Professor of Psychology Michael Jarvinen entitled “Increasing Student Engagement and Learning through Digital Video: Taking a Page from Social Media.” Dr. Jarvinen presented the research at the annual National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology in January 2012, in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Aida Zapata ‘12 was featured in the November 20th issue of The Boston Globe in the article “Latino students get lift toward college.” Zapata is a sociology major who is interning at Sociedad Latina, a nonprofit organization in Roxbury that works with Latino youths. The article highlights the organization’s “Mission Possible!” program, which mentors and prepares Latino students for college.
2012 Alumni Gatherings & Regional Events

ALUMNI WEEKEND 2012

More than 450 alumni and guests returned to campus for Emmanuel’s Alumni Weekend, held June 1st through June 3rd. Highlights included the Class of 1962 celebrating its 50th reunion, a trip to the Boston Pops and Emmanuel Night at Battery Park in the Financial District. Alumni braved the elements for the 3rd annual 5K run/walk, took in a presentation on “American Catholic Higher Education/The Catholic Intellectual Tradition” by President Sister Janet Eisner, SND and Director of Values-Based Education and Professor of Philosophy Raymond Devettere, and participated in the Alumni Procession and Liturgy.

Eleanor Murphy Kuppens ’42 with her daughter, Ellen Kuppens Faherty ’77.

Anna Fargnoli DeLellis ’47, her granddaughter and Jeanne Connolly Clancy ’47 caught up at the dessert reception on Friday evening.

Class banners honoring milestone reunion years were displayed in the Jean Yawkey Center.
ALUMNI WEEKEND 2012

For class photos from Alumni Weekend, see “Class Notes” on page 43.

Members of the Class of 1947 gathered for the procession before Sunday morning’s Alumni Liturgy in the Chapel.

Classes of 1967 through 2007 celebrated with a dinner in the Jean Yawkey Center Gymnasium on Saturday night.

President Sr. Janet Eisner, SND spoke on “American Catholic Higher Education/ The Catholic Intellectual Tradition” on Saturday afternoon.

Alumni traveled by trolley to Emmanuel Night at Battery Park on Friday evening.

Runners braved the wet weather to compete in the 3rd annual Emmanuel 5K Run/Walk.

Michael Gaudet ’09, Evangeline Rooney ’07, Michael Valanzola ’07 and Michael Callini ’07 during Emmanuel Night at Battery Park.

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Black Student Union 40th Anniversary
Emmanuel’s Black Student Union (BSU) hosted its 40th Anniversary Gala at the Boston Marriott Long Wharf on December 3, 2011. The BSU honored its first president Charlotte Simmonds-Hammons ’71, Academic Advisor Sr. Mary T. Kelleher, SND ’67, Albert Hayle ’05, and Dr. Sheila Nutt, all of whom had a significant impact on establishing a legacy for the organization.

Honoree and former Director of Emmanuel AHANA Programs Dr. Sheila Nutt with Sheree McCain Holmes ’88 and Associate Director of Academic Advising Carolyn Caveny.

Christmas on the Wharf
Graduates from the Classes of 1980-2011 came together December 8, 2011, for the second annual Alumni Christmas Reception, sharing an evening of memories and laughter as they began to gear up for the holidays with their fellow graduates. More than 100 alumni and guests attended the event, held at Boston Harbor’s Fairmont Battery Wharf.

Current and former members of the Alumni Association Board enjoying the Christmas on the Wharf event. Back row, left to right: Lenore Merullo Delvecchio ’84, Karen Fosa-Salhaney ’82, Suzanne Wenz ’94 and Lisa Alton Miller ’83; front row: Diana Morrissey Kenneally ’94, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations Valerie Stephens, Serghino René ’05 and Gwyn Oesterle Thakur ’75.

Class of 1951 Annual Luncheon
Members of the Class of 1951 gathered for lunch in the Administration Building’s Fenway Room following the monthly Memorial Mass in the Emmanuel Chapel on May 17, 2012.

Class of 1955 Annual Luncheon
Members of the Class of 1955 enjoyed a docent-led tour of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum on May 9, 2012. After their Gardner tour, the group returned to campus for lunch in the Jean Yawkey Center.

Baseball Club vs. Alumni Game
Alumni of the club baseball team again met current team members on Roberto Clemente Field for the second annual alumni softball showdown on April 29, 2012. The current EC Saints bested the alumni, bringing this annual game series to a 1-1 tie. A post-game luncheon was held on campus followed by an alumni reception at the Baseball Tavern.

Alumni and current members of Emmanuel’s club baseball team.
Orientation Leader Volleyball Game
On June 24th, 29 Orientation Leader (OL) alumni returned to campus to take on this year’s crop of OLs in the 3rd annual Orientation Leader volleyball game. The game was co-sponsored by the Office of Student Activities and Multicultural Programs and the Office of Development and Alumni Relations.

Ansel Adams: At the Water’s Edge
On June 19, 2012, the Emmanuel College North Shore Regional Alumni Group held a reception at the Peabody Essex Museum. The featured exhibit was “Ansel Adams: At the Water’s Edge,” a retrospective of Mr. Adams’ shots of the water throughout his career. The event was led by alumni volunteer Jane Connolly Lyness Wall ’53 and a committee of North Shore alumni.

Western Mass Regional Catholic Women’s Conference
The Emmanuel College Western Massachusetts Regional Alumni Group attended the Fifth Annual Catholic Women’s Conference, in Chicopee, Mass., on April 21, 2012. The conference featured several speaking programs, an exhibitor’s hall, and opportunities for prayer and reflection. The College hosted a table in the exhibitor’s hall and Emmanuel’s own Professor of Sociology and Religious Studies/Director of the Center for Mission & Spirituality Sister Mary Johnson, SND was featured as one of the conference’s speakers.
**RHODE ISLAND**

**Rhode Island Christmas Brunch**

The Rhode Island Regional Alumni Club welcomed the Christmas season on December 4, 2011, with its annual brunch-social at the Eleven Forty Nine Restaurant, nestled in the East Greenwich neighborhood of Warwick, R.I. This year, current students and faculty from Emmanuel’s art department joined the 30 alumni in attendance, making for a memorable afternoon.

**NEW YORK**

**New York Regional Alumni Waldorf-Astoria Tour**


Left to right: Carol Makowski ’71, Cathy Carr ’71, Elizabeth “Liz” Thompson ’05, Helen Drew Kosuda and Mary Kathryn Harrity ’71.

Cathy Carr ’71, with Edie Turna of the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, was the winner of a gift basket of Waldorf-Astoria goodies.

Trisha Patel Walsh ’03 and Janine Ting Jansen ’03 tour the Presidential Suite.

Jane Boland Clark ’75, Susan Pomerleau Carkery ’75 and Nancy O’Donnell Connors ’65.
Naples Regional Alumni Gathering
An alumni reception was held February 9, 2012, at The Club at Mediterra in Naples, Fla. More than 50 alumni and guests attended. President Sister Janet Eisner, SND addressed the group and brought them up to date on exciting developments, accomplishments and ongoing endeavors at the College.

Naples Regional St. Patrick’s Day Parade
Alumni of sunny Naples, Fla., and surrounding areas joined the 34th Annual St. Patrick’s Day parade, held March 17, 2012. The Emmanuel blue and gold was well represented on the parade route by regional alumni riding on the Emmanuel College trolley. Alumni then gathered at the Inn on Fifth in Old Naples for a reception and traditional Irish fare.
D.C.-AREA

Spring Tea at the Ritz-Carlton
Graduates from the Washington D.C., Virginia and Maryland area convened in Northern Virginia at The Ritz-Carlton, Tyson’s Corner. The 15 alumni mingled and socialized over afternoon tea on April 15, 2012.

CALIFORNIA

San Francisco Bay-Area Holiday Gathering
Northern California alumni had the chance to meet, mingle and soak up some contemporary art on December 10, 2012. Linda Hennessey ’90 and Peter Eller hosted a regional holiday gathering for 15 alumni at Eller’s gallery, Beyond the Point.

Southern California Regional Luncheon
Eileen Barry Banta ’62 hosted a luncheon for 10 members of the Southern California Regional Club at her home in Woodland Hills, Calif., on May 5, 2012. The group continues to stay well connected and gets together every couple of months. Emmanuel Head Volleyball Coach and Development and Alumni Relations staff member Adam Martel had the chance to join them for lunch, noting they were “... a close group of women who were vibrant, energetic and passionate about Emmanuel. They told great stories about their time at Emmanuel and the feeling of pride for their alma mater was infectious.”
Summer Events

July 2012
26 35th Annual Cape Cod Summer Luncheon

August 2012
1 GOLD Initiative Challenge Red Sox Game
12 Cape Cod Regional Emmanuel Pops by the Sea
21 Emmanuel Night at the Red Sox

September 2012
11 Academic Convocation
13 Cape Cod Ruth B. Geller Memorial Mass and Luncheon

Visit events.emmanuel.edu for more information on these events and other opportunities to stay connected with Emmanuel!

2012—2013 Alumni Association Board Announced
Emmanuel College congratulates the new and returning members to the Alumni Association Board. The following is a complete listing of the 2012—2013 board. Those who have been elected or re-elected are in bold.

Executive Committee:
President: Jennifer Puccetti ’89
Vice President: Judy Chadwick LeBlanc ’64
Treasurer: Serghino René ’05
Secretary: Gwyn Oesterle Thakur ’75

Directors-at-Large:
Peggy Benz ’79
Judy Ansara Campbell ’71
Clara Firmani-Musto ’81, ’08
Betty Cox Gravelle ’64
Jeff Joseph ’07
Ann Marie Keegan ’72
Diana Morrissey Kenneally ’94
Joyce Lonergan ’84
Joan Glidden McGrath ’60
Eleanor Surprenant Morisseau ’56
Susan Cooney Murphy ’71
Anne Toye ’65
Rosemary D’Ambrosio Verri ’66
Suzanne Wenz ’94

Young Alumni Participate in Inaugural Service Trip

Alumni from the Classes of 2005-2012 traveled to New Orleans, La., during the week of May 21st as part of a new service trip for graduates of the last decade sponsored by Emmanuel’s Center for Mission & Spirituality. In all, 10 alumni were involved in the venture, including Sister Diane Roche, RSCJ ’71, who hosted the group at the Duchesne Volunteer House, a Society of the Sacred Heart-sponsored project that offers a cultural immersion and reflection program for volunteers who travel to the area for service in the wake of Hurricane Katrina.

The Young Alumni Service Trip was established in response to a recent survey conducted by the College’s Office of Development and Alumni Relations, which reported interest by young alumni in continuing to stay connected with Emmanuel through service. Participating alumni included Tiare Baird ’07, Greg Brown ’12, Laura Clark ’12, Wesley Cowles ’12, Natalie Honsinger ’11, Elizabeth Humphries ’10, Elizabeth Kaseta ’12 and Amanda Williams ’05.

During the week, the group volunteered with the St. Bernard Project, “an award-winning rebuilding, nonprofit organization whose mission is to remove physical, mental and emotional barriers for vulnerable families, senior citizens and disabled residents who are struggling to recover from the devastation and trauma caused by Hurricane Katrina.” Emmanuel partnered with the organization as part of its Alternative Spring Break program this past March.

In addition, the group had the chance to experience the culture of the city, taking part in various tours and sightseeing adventures during their stay.

“Alumni were thankful for having another opportunity to get involved,” said Associate Director of the Center for Mission & Spirituality Mark Harrington ’08, who coordinated the trip. “It’s something new that resembles their Emmanuel experience of giving back.”
Mary Alice Duplain has a keen fashion sense and regularly attends the PNC-Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy Spring Hat Luncheon in Frick Park. You can bet she’ll have something special on her head May 5th when she attends her 14th luncheon — at 100 years old.

She was born on March 31, 1912, in Boston, the only girl and the youngest of five surviving children born to Patrick Malloy and the former Mary Margaret Conner of Shadyside. She majored in French and took part in French plays while attending Emmanuel College in Boston. After graduation, she received a master’s degree from Massachusetts State Teacher’s College.

During World War II, she volunteered as a hostess at the Stage Door Canteen in Boston. Hostesses were to provide friendly companionship and be dance partners for servicemen, but no romantic fraternization was allowed. With heightened wartime security, the hostesses had to be fingerprinted. The man who fingerprinted her was Charles J. Duplain, another canteen volunteer who had been recently discharged from the Army. They were married on June 8, 1946, and went to Mexico for their honeymoon.

The Duplains had one child, Meg Cheever, president and CEO of the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy. Mrs. Duplain was executive secretary of the alumni association at Emmanuel College and edited the alumni magazine until about 1962. Mr. Duplain died in June 1961.

After that, she taught in the Boston Public Schools. Her last assignment was at the English Language Center, where she taught English as a second language to foreign students. In the early 1970s, she took a sabbatical and spent about six months living in Spain, studying Spanish so that she could better teach English to the many Hispanic immigrants who were settling in Boston. She retired in the late 1970s and has been living in Pittsburgh since 2005.

Mrs. Duplain has three grandchildren, all of whom returned for a big birthday party last weekend. Among the out-of-town friends and relatives, many from New England, was great-nephew Matthew Malloy, who sang “People Will Say We’re in Love” from “Oklahoma,” Mr. and Mrs. Duplain’s favorite song.

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1935
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Anastasia writes: “Emmanuel has lost two more members of the Class of 1935 and I shall miss delightful telephone visits with these two classmates, Sister Elizabeth McMahon, SHU was living in retirement in the Holy Child Convent on Convent Lane in Rye, N.Y. after her teaching career at Rosemont College. Sister died on August 30, 2011. ‘Plans for her 98th birthday on Halloween have been quietly laid to rest,’ the sisters said, as they prepared for a ‘very touching wake service in our chapel.’

When Annie Sweeney called to tell me of her mother’s death (Agnes Handrahan Sweeney), I hoped that she could join me at the monthly Memorial Mass remembering her mother and that Agnes’s brother, Rev. Edward Handrahan S.J., could accept Father John Spencer’s invitation to concelebrate. This did not happen, but Martha ‘Markey’ Mooney Walton ’70 and her husband, Albert, were with me. Markey’s mother Martha Doherty Mooney and Agnes had been classmates at Notre Dame Academy before coming to Emmanuel. I hope to join Annie in a visit to Father Handrahan in Weston. Markey and Al were here from Long Island on one of their frequent visits, this time to attend the Louise Doherty Wyant Lecture featuring Niroampa Rao, India’s Ambassador to the United States. I went with them and learned much about India today. At the reception afterwards, I had the pleasure and privilege of talking with Sister Janet and Sister Anne and meeting the Vice President for Academic Affairs Joyce De Leo. Finally a group of us moved on to Pier 4 where Markey and Al hosted a dinner party, honoring her cousins, Amy Doherty Carson and Amy’s sister, the late Louise Doherty Wyant ’63. Louise’s close friend, Mary Fleming ’63, was there and one of Markey’s long time friends…and this member of ’35. It was an evening of remembering, including the late Lucietta Piscopo Doherty ’29, mother of Louise and Amy. It had been two beautiful Emmanuel days.”

1936
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1938
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1939
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1940
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1941
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Ipswich, MA 01938-1308
kleh@SNDeN.org or theresegerard.KLEH@SNDeN.org

Surprisingly, we do have some news of the ’41ers. First, we have the sad news of the passing of Helen Barry, a life-long resident of Beverly, MA, Helen went to God last October 10, 2011. May she rest in peace.

We are glad that Frances Murphy Epstein and Helen Coleman Stanton represented the Class of ’41 at our 70th reunion in June 2011.

Please remember in your prayers Therese Senecal Bernique, who lives in France and will be having serious surgery in June.

As we amble along through these 90 years, let us say with St. Julie, “Ah, God is good,” for our mobility and health (such as they may be), for our family and friends, and untold blessings.

May your summer be pleasant.

1942 reunion
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Class of 1942
Eleanor Murphy Kuppens, Anna Murphy Faulstich and Marjorie Readdy Sullivan with President Sr. Janet Eisner, SND.

Rita Duffy Pervier sadly passed away on May 19, 2012. The College offers condolences to her family.

1943
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1945
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1946
Alice McCarthy
3B Pond View Way
Northborough, MA 01532-1500
Gloria A. Ferullo writes: “Hello to the Class of ’46. Regret missing our 65th reunion last year but was having a hip replaced. Miss those reunions — looking forward to the next!”

1947 reunion
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Agnes Bagley Marchetti writes: “As I don’t intend to do any more flying, I won’t be attending the reunion. My health is fine, and I still play the piano daily and tend the gardens. My brother, Mark, and my daughter, Marianne Stephens, wrote The G Stands for Guts: A Glider Pilot Remembers WWII by Hellgate Press. They finished it just before Mark died. My brother, Frank, is 91. My best wishes and prayers to all for a great reunion.”
1950
Lorraine Muse Crosby
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jmrcosby@comcast.net

Margaret Lane Brady writes: “My husband, John, and I have had many blessings of good health and a wonderful family. Our oldest granddaughter married last November. We have six grandchildren in college. Another in the working world — social worker in New York City, and our youngest at 11 years old is a great swimmer! Our four daughters, three of whom are married, are all working! God has been good to us all. Both John and I are still skiing and playing tennis.”

1951
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The College is sad to report the loss of 1951’s Class Correspondent Ann Blute Vogt.

1952 reunion
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1953
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Jane Berestecki Baatz writes: “This spring will mark 38 years working for Valley Opportunity Council, Inc., a non-profit community action program in Western Massachusetts. I serve as Director of Education Services overseeing the federally-funded Educational Opportunity Center, Educational Talent Search, and GEAR UP. I also run the state funded College Access and Adult Education classes providing English for speakers of other languages and literacy and GED preparation for dropouts. In my spare time, I enjoy my five grandchildren, ages 3 to 23, and feed my addiction to CNBC.”

Elizabeth Casey Saulnier’s granddaughter, Samantha Lyn Hellthaler, attends Emmanuel! She is Class of 2015!

1954
Barbara A. Raftery
151 Wolcott Road
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467-3132
Lois Leitch Nihan passed away in December 2010 after a lengthy illness. Lois was the bright light at our class reunions: vivacious, full of good cheer and creative ideas. We shall miss her, and we extend our sincere sympathy to her family. We also send our condolences to Eleanor Kilduff Howard on the recent deaths of her husband John and her son Joseph. Joseph died after a brief illness, leaving a wife and two beautiful daughters. Eleanor is now living in East Dennis, and is the grandmother of seven wonderful granddaughters. She is retired from her position of 31 years as a teacher and speech pathologist for the Boston School Department.

On a happier note, several classmates have enjoyed recent travel adventures. Early last summer, Kathleen Fennessy spent several weeks traveling with a tour group throughout Ireland. She visited cousins in Bantry and Cork then headed north toward Derry and Belfast. Later, in August, she traveled to Berlin with her daughter and two grandchildren. In the fall, friends of Kay’s late husband invited her to join them for a cruise on the Columbia and Snake Rivers. Kay’s eldest granddaughter, a student at the University of Chicago, is emulating her grandmother’s love of travel. She is spending her junior year in Aix-en-Provence, France.

In February, 2011, Lee Gregory and a friend joined a group tour to the Arabian Peninsula, visiting Bahrain, Qatar, Oman, Dubai, and Abu Dhabi. They landed in Bahrain just two days before the beginning of the “Arab Spring.” Everything was peaceful there at the time, as well as in the other places they visited. Lee was deeply impressed with the friendliness and hospitality of the people. She walked without fear, visiting the markets and bazaars and found everyone open and welcoming. Lee and her friend met many young women who spoke impeccable English. Highlights of the trip included a visit to an exquisite mosque in Abu Dhabi; window shopping in Dubai, where luxurious goods from all over the world were displayed; and even a night flight over Iraq, where the wing lights on the plane were extinguished for safety. Lee reports that her respect for and understanding of the Muslim culture grew enormously as a result of her trip.

Locally, Helen Cummings reports that our Emmanuel classmates who graduated from Girls’ Latin School, Class of 1950, still get together regularly for lunch. Marian Connor has attended several intensive training sessions to become a volunteer at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. If you visit the new building at the Gardner (which opened in January 2012) you may see Marian in her new role! Thank you for all who helped me with these notes. Please write or call. I would love to hear from you!

1955
Ann Kelley Ryan
404 Country Way
Scituate, MA 02066-2514
annkryan@verizon.net

To honor the significant contributions of Mary Matthews to the Pratt Institute in Construction and Facilities Management, Mary was recently given the title, Professor Emeritus. We congratulate Mary on her long leadership career and many accomplishments at Pratt in New York City.

Dorothy Hughes Wieber writes: “In June 2011, I went to Quincy, MA to attend the 50th wedding anniversary of Maryann Fusateri Bracken ’56. She was my junior sister at Emmanuel. She and I worked together and through her I met my future husband who worked in her office. We have remained good friends since our college days.”

1956
Joan Mailloux Paille
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South Easton, MA 02375-1580
jpaille@aol.com

Rita Manzi Fauliso is working on her golf game.

Eleanor Suprenant Morisseau is continuing her leadership position for a second year on the Alumni Board as Director-at-Large.

1957 reunion
Irene Dileen Griffin
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Braintree, MA 02184-6030
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In May of last year, Alicia Cushing Flaherty was a finalist for the “Outstanding Federal Volunteer Award” from the Excellence in Government Awards for the Greater Boston area. The award was in honor of the 7,500 volunteer hours that she has given to the veterans in the Boston VA Healthcare System. The program was started by U.S. President John F. Kennedy 50 years ago and includes the following government agencies: Social Security Administration (SSA), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), U.S. Coast Guard, Homeland Security, National Transportation System, US Postal Service and VA Boston Healthcare System. A luncheon was held at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum, where Alicia received a plaque for her service to U.S. veterans. Congratulations to Alicia!

1958
Joanne Cannon Murphy
11 Lilac Circle
Wellesley, MA 02482-4569

Joyce-Ellen Tulis Kaseta writes, “Volunteering in a first-grade classroom; enjoying day trips and spending time with family and friends.”

Jane M. Keating-Latus, a history major with a Master of Library Science from Simmons, and a former medical librarian, is currently in her 22nd year as a senior tax professional with H&R Block in Weymouth. She is now looking for a retirement spot which classmates would rate No. 1! Please e-mail! Jane sees classmate Mary Skaff Akoury, also of Weymouth, especially when supporting civic causes. Jane gave much time and energy supporting Mary’s cause as Mary led the parish
sit-in and won the battle to keep the St. Albert the Great Church in Weymouth open. Way to go, Jane and Mary!

Joan Sprague O’Brien and her family are in their third year living in Belgrade, MT, near their older son and his family. He has two daughters and they love being near them. Their other son lives in Somerville, MA. Joan is currently writing her memoirs.

1959
Phyllis McManus Hayes
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Our wonderful, smiling Ellen Hayward MacCall died on June 10, 2011. Ellie and her husband, Bruce, had been married 48 years and lived in Charlottesville, VA. Our condolences to Bruce, who attended the 50th reunion with Ellie, their four daughters, five sons, 12 grandchildren, one great grandchild — what a legacy! Our condolences are also sent to classmates Mary Arapoff Mcdwen on the death of her husband, Jim. Mary and Jim were married 53 years and lived in The Woodlands, Texas. We were also saddened to hear of the death of our professor, Msgr. Stanislaus T. Sypek in October. Msgr. Sypek was 96 and the oldest active priest in the Archdiocese of Boston.

1960
Mary Sheehan Butler
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Mary Lou Kelly Kraemer died Monday, April 30, 2012, after a brief illness. Mary Lou attended our 50th reunion in 2010. Mary Lou was a wonderful teacher, mother and friend.

On May 16, 2012, Joan Glidden McGrath was honored as an “Unsung Heroine” by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women. Representative Kay Khan recommended Joan for this recognition because of her exceptional work to make a difference in her community. Joan was honored with the other Unsung Heroines for her outstanding contributions to the Social Justice Commission, Ward 4 Newton Democratic City Committee (NDCC), NDCC Executive Committee, and the Newton community. The Unsung Heroines are women who don’t make the news, but make the difference. They are the women who use their time, talent and enthusiasm to enrich the lives of others and make a difference in their neighborhoods, cities and towns. They are mentors, volunteers and innovators who do what needs to be done without expectations of recognition or gratitude.

These women are the glue that keeps a community together and every community is better because of their contribution. Joan appears in the photo below — in the center.

1961
Maureen McKenna Horn
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maureenhorn1@verizon.net

1962 reunion
Maureen P. Martin
300 Great Plain Avenue
Needham, MA 02492-4131
maureenp18@comcast.net

Rosemary Tipping Timoney is the secretary for the Spinal Cord Injury Support Group (SCISG), and she is very grateful for the purpose the group has given to her life over the last few years.

1963
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1964
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1965
Anne Toye
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from Emmanuel. “Laima Tubis Flynn, now living in Jacksonville, Ore., joins us once a year, when she comes to her Beacon Hill home in Boston. Cathy Quill Walsh now lives in Clearwater, Fla. We hear from her from time to time. We feel blessed to have made such lasting friendships at Emmanuel.”

Joyce McDonnell McDonough and her husband are retired from Brockton Public Schools, but stay busy with travel, book clubs and their five terrific grandchildren. Janit Romayko was an honored participant at the inaugural USA Triathlon Multisport Awards during the 2011 season. She received the Spirit of Multisport Award, which “recognizes individuals who illustrate the principles of the positive spirit of the sport as displayed through acts of sportsmanship and leadership in multisport, with no deference to athletic ability.” The USA Triathlon goes on to praise Janit as “an experienced, enthusiastic, compassionate female triathlete who has been active in the sport since the 1980s.”

1966
Joan Hurley Black
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Vero Beach, FL 32967-1817
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1967 reunion
Marcia Grandone Powers
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Charlene Gough Dondis, June Kelleher Tomaiolo, Cheryl Babineau Alexander, Susan Poor Daily, and Janit Romayko get together several times a year and have been doing so since graduation as classmates and mentors, volunteers and innovators.

1968
Elizabeth Sullivan Cimini
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Cranston, RI 02905-4030
shrimpymami@hotmail.com

Jane D. Corcoran-Costa writes from Walnut Creek, Calif. She is enjoying retirement and working with seniors in the city’s Arts and Crafts Department. Her daughter Hilary, 28, was married in September to a British newscaster, which means living in a number of foreign cities! She predicts lots of travel in her future.

Diane Fava D’Errico’s son, Dr. Keith Golden, has completed his fellowship in cardiology at University of North Carolina Medical Center Chapel Hill and is now a fellow in electrophysiology at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis, IN.

Sheila Kramer is delighted to announce that she has become a first time grandmother. Sheila’s daughter, Karen, and her husband, Guy, welcomed Alexandre Paul Durandal on October 3, 2011. His birth will make Sheila’s annual trip to Paris, France to see Karen and Guy even more exciting.

1969
Patricia Claus Keating
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Mary Connolly Leekley and her husband Ed became grandparents in March 2011. “It has been a very exciting year for our family. My mother was (at 88) able to go with us to see our grandson and great-grandson when he was born. Although he had some problems at birth, Jason is thriving now. God has indeed given us all a great gift!”

Rev. J. Mary Luti is retiring as Andover Newton Theological School’s Visiting
Professor of Worship and Ministry and as Director of Wilson Chapel. Mary received her Bachelor of Arts in English at Emmanuel, Master of Arts in English and Theology at Boston College, and a Ph.D. in Theology with distinction at Boston College. Mary also was Andover Newton Theological School’s Baccalaureate speaker.

1970
Valerie B. Gigliotti
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Boston, MA 02115-4721

1971
Susan Cooney Murphy
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murphysusan@coventryschools.net

Leslie Perry Blank, Cathy Carr, Marie Mancuso Cromwell and Rosemary Hanrahan Maher have been working closely with the College on a lecture series supported by the alumni of the Class of 1971. Fundraising for the Dorothy Day Lecture Series is underway and the group is hopeful that they can raise $100,000 to endow this lecture series in order to launch it soon.

1972 reunion
Ann Marie Keegan
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Women, recognized Gearan for her volunteerism in the Geneva community.

As Vice Chair of the Happiness House/Finger Lakes Cerebral Palsy Association Board of Directors, Gearan has been a major force in the creation of the Happiness House Gala, which has raised more than $200,000 for children’s services in the Geneva community. She and her husband, Mark, President of Hobart and William Smith Colleges, served as honorary chairs of the 2003-07 capital campaign and, as such, were instrumental in the efforts to raise $1.5 million toward a new Happiness House building and a 4,500-square-foot expansion project. In 2011, Happiness House presented her with the “Happiness is Helping” Humanitarian Award.

1974
Anne “Nancy” Lynch Bunch
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Ramrod Key, FL 33042-5411
abunch@bellsouth.net

Anne Ierardi exhibited her oil painting series “Landscapes of the Imagination” at the Cahoon Museum in Cotuit from November 8 to December 30, 2011. These paintings were inspired by her travels; she attended an 11-day singing workshop in Italy. She continues her ministry in spiritual direction and counseling on Cape Cod at Healthsigns Center. Her artwork can be viewed at www.amifinearts.com

1975
Marie Campagna Franklin
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Druccilla Daigle Fitzgerald married C. Richard Fitzgerald of Salem, NH on October 22, 2011, in Dracut, MA. They are currently residing in Salem, NH They honeymooned in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

1976
Eileen Devlin MacPherson
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Waltham, MA 02451-1431

1977 reunion
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1980

1981
In 2011, Happiness House presented Gearan with the “Happiness is Helping” Humanitarian Award.

1982 reunion
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Classes of the 1980s

Lauren Bowerman, Assistant Attorney General of the State of Vermont, is the recipient of the KidSafe Collaborative Outstanding Advocacy Award.

1983
Donna M. Johnson
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(617) 975-9400.

Classes of the 1980s

1984
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kkeough19@comcast.net

Donna M. Johnson is now employed at MIT’s Institute for Nanotechnology as a Research Support Associate. She started in January 2010 after having been laid off from a previous job of almost 20 years in August 2009. Her new job is different every day, and she works with a great group of people.
Griabudo ’83 Recognized with Distinguished Alumnae Award

Monica Griabudo ’83 was presented Emmanuel College’s Distinguished Alumnae Award in recognition of her long-term success as a mathematics teacher at Boston Latin School. Griabudo accepted her award as part of the Emmanuel education department’s “Celebrate Teaching” event held in the Fenway Room on May 9, 2012.

During the ceremony, Griabudo was praised for maintaining a high level of teaching excellence at a school that “holds teachers to very high standards for their own and their students’ performance.” She was also recognized for her connection with the College, having served as a mentor to many Emmanuel student teachers through the years. Griabudo graduated from Emmanuel with a degree in mathematics and secondary education. She received a Master of Education degree from Cambridge College in 2001.

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Marybeth G. Thoresen writes, “My husband, Ken Carson, and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary in February 2012. Although it’s impolite to brag, we are very proud of our son, Ryan, who is a sophomore at Pratt Institute, North Carolina State University. He has been on the President’s List each semester and is majoring in creative writing.”

1985
Kathryn T. Bowler Vitali
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AnnMarie Murphy Nagelin is currently teaching high school biology at Mystic Valley Regional Charter School in Malden, MA. She teaches an advanced honors biology class for seniors and biology for students enrolled in the International Baccalaureate Program.

1986
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1987 reunion
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Jacquelyn Buck Kelley
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East Bridgewater, MA 02333-1918
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Lisa Majeski Pedersen writes, “I have loved reconnecting with my classmates on Facebook! So, so fun! Would like to hear from others, too.”

1988
Christine Busi DeGiacomo
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Stoneham, MA 02180-2121
stephanie.medeiros@wasserman.net

Pamela A. Torpey has been promoted to Principal and Shareholder at Hamilton Brook Smith Reynolds, an Intellectual Property Law firm in Concord, MA. Pamela received a Juris Doctor from New England School of Law and a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry, cum laude and with distinction in the field, from Emmanuel College. Pamela’s scientific experience includes conducting research for over a decade in academic and industry settings.

1989
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1990
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1991
Julie P. Reyburn
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New York, NY 10019-3512

Susan Bragg Meurer has been promoted to Principal at Development Guild/DDL. She joins an established leadership team that collaborates with nonprofit boards and senior leaders on organizational strategy, fundraising and talent management. As part of the leadership team, Susan will work to advance the firm’s pioneering executive recruitment strategy. She will focus on continuing to apply the science of using in-depth research and sophisticated targeting tools to the art of understanding human behavior, derived from the deep pool of nonprofit professional relationships the firm has built over three decades. Congratulations to Susan!

1992 reunion
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Karen Zraket Pappalardo
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1993
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Patricia Lawson writes: “I am enjoying retirement, continuing to paint and spend fun times with friends. Betty Breen, also ’93 and one of my dearest friends, is living on the Cape. We both treasure the years at Emmanuel where we were ‘adult learners.’ We are no more adult now than we were! Betty and I do reminisce about the years at Emmanuel remembering fondly our time at the college! My son has married and relocated to Cambridge. It’s great having them both nearby.”

1994
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1995
Aine Mairead Cryts
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1996
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Kelli Chapin Kennedy
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Whitman, MA 02382-1024
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Elizabeth A. Motte
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Plymouth, MA 02360-6140
ldm1975@hotmail.com

Julia Stitson Fehmel and her husband, Erik Fehmel, and big brother, Max, are happy to announce the arrival of Grace Olivia Fehmel on November 18, 2011. The now family of four lives in Pelham, NH where Max will begin kindergarten in September.

1998
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1999
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2000
Hilary K. Oak Hiers
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Darlene M. Dowdy is in her second year of a master’s program in myth studies at Pacifica Graduate Institute. She studies culture, society, history and religion from...
Jennifer Meehan Matthews and Brian Matthews announce the birth of their baby girl, Emily Elizabeth Matthews. Emily was born on August 19, 2011 at 6 pounds and 19 inches.

2006
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Kelly Clark married Brian Clark on July 8, 2011, at St. Therese’s Church in West Roxbury and the reception was at the Sapphire Estate in Sharon, MA. Alumni in attendance included Meghan Murphy, Kristy Ferreira, Jennifer Dunphy, Brian Forsman, Jenna Boutilier Forsman, Wendy Canty and Rebecca Engle Hohenwelger.

After spending time studying Arabic in Cairo, Egypt, Lauren Protenitis recently began to work as a program analyst for the State Department in the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, at the North Africa, Middle East and South/Central Asia desk.

2007
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Elizabeth Maris Michael was married to Scott Michael in her home town of Nashua, NH, on September 10, 2011. She received her Master in Divinity from Andover Newton Theological School in May 2011 and is currently pursuing ordained ministry with the United Church of Christ.

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2009
Caitlin M. Santacroce
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Megan Brophy is entering her third year of law school at the first public law school in Massachusetts, UMASS Law-Dartmouth and plans to practice public interest law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts following completion of the program.

Stephanie Goodman received her Masters of Arts in English from Simmons College in May of 2011. She is working for Brookline Public Schools.

Kelly Ann Thompson married Edward Hurley in September of 2009 at the Commander’s Mansion in Watertown, MA Members of the Class of 2009 were in attendance.

After working two years at Consumer United, Seth Urbanoski just completed his first year of law school at Suffolk University.

Christine Yandow received her Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Connecticut in May 2012. She is a second-year third grade teacher at St. Bridget School, Cheshire, Conn.

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Jenna A. Malavasi is a graduate student at Quinnipiac University and is currently engaged in an internship at North Branford High School, North Branford, Conn.

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Alexandra Nigro is the College’s newest class correspondent.

In Memoriam
We pray for the following alumni who passed away or were remembered at a Memorial Mass in the Emmanuel College Chapel from October 2011–May 2012.

1930s
Roberta M. Daly ’34
Agnes Handrahan Sweeney ’35
Margaret G. Devaney ’37
Mary T. Cronin ’38
Irina Delego Zagami ’38
Elizabeth F. Smith ’39

1940s
Sister Helen M. Wright, SND, ’40
Helen V. Barry ’41
Alice R. McElroy ’41
Mary Kitteridge McNulty ’41
Sister Helen Cullen, SND, ’42
Eleanor A. Driscoll ’42
Rita Duffy Pervier ’42
Mary B. Moran ’42
Anne Roma Garguilo Politi ’42
Mary Elizabeth “Libby” Sheehan ’42
Elizabeth “Betty” Maguire ’43
Mary Mcginnis Mahoney ’43
Sister Mary Noel Blute, RSM, ’44
Kathleen F. Cleary ’44
Mary Elizabeth Sullivan ’44
Margaret E. Burns’45
Rose M. Dell’Elce ’45
Natalie G. Murphy ’45
Mary “Mae” Campbell Sheehan ’46
Marie Ovitt Wholley ’46
Virginia Carey Grondin ’46
Miriam “Mimi” Ahern Mullin ’46
Mary Buckley Snyder ’46
Kathleen Cummings Huber ’47
Winifred Acton Kinamarry ’47
Constance Mackin O’Malley ’47
Katherine Kain Regan ’47
Mary Jane Neary Stanton ’47
Marie T. Carey Doyle ’48
Rita A. Mulkern ’48
Barbara Scully Tracy ’48
Arlene McClosky Ahearn ’49
M. Louise Collins ’49
Claire Hurley Hopkins ’49

1950s
Sister Barbara Eaton, SND, ’50
Martha Dignan Gregory ’51
Louise Saracino Ingala ’51
Ann L. Blute Vogt ’51
Mary Patricia O’Brien ’52
Denise Therese O’Leary Stanton ’53
Patricia Manning Morrissey ’54
Sister Loretta Omar, SND, ’54
Edith Ann Beauchamp ’55
Rita Corcoran Harney ’55
Elizabeth Walsh Driscoll ’56
Ann Sullivan Glenn ’56
Sister Ellen O’Connor, SND, ’56
Joan Alves Pano ’56
Judith “Judy” Curley Colbath ’57
Mary Louise Lennon ’57

1960s
Eleanor O’Connell Earley ’60
Mary Lou Kelly Kramer ’60
Sister Lucy Leonard, SND, ’60
Sister Mary Martina McDonough ’60
Joanne Norton Mahoney ’61
Margaret G. Sheil ’61
Marguerite Slyn ’62
Elizabeth Doherty Storms ’62
Nancy Marshall Reardon Blanaru ’63
Sister Helen Cornelia Lyons, SND, ’64
Carolyn Rinkus Thompson Brown ’67
Eleanor Desmond Fallon ’68
Frances Panarauskas Smith ’69

1970s
Louise A. Ellis ’77
Elizabeth Prata ’78

1980s
Mary A. Buxton ’82
Suzanne Shuman-Slipp’s ’85

1990s
Beverly Annesse ’92
Mary Ann Ferris ’94
Dorothy A. Teko ’94
Deacon Christopher C. Meyers ’97

2000s
Lauren Demeulle ’11
A Message from the President

SUMMER 2012

Emmanuel is full of life and energy this summer! In June, we were delighted to welcome members of our incoming class of 2016 to campus during Orientation programs. This entering class of first-time freshmen is more than 560 strong and from an applicant pool which was up 18 percent over the previous year. Students enrolling for fall 2012 also demonstrated a significant increase in academic quality. We look forward to move-in day in September, when these students will join our dynamic community.

This July, Emmanuel hosted and co-sponsored the international Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur Education Conference — Networking for Mission II. More than 200 educators from around the world came to our campus for a series of vibrant discussions and interactive workshops focused on such topics as the SND mission in the 21st century, values in a diverse society, service-learning, technology in the classroom, leadership and more. It was an inspiration and a joy to be part of this event, and I was so proud to welcome participants from five continents to Emmanuel College.

During our keynote address during this conference, I spoke of the powerful and moving story of Catholic education, and the role of the mission of the Sisters of Notre Dame in providing transformational experiences for students locally, nationally and globally.

Members of our 1804 Society participated in this conference, providing a wonderful example of how students have embraced our mission and taken a leadership role in ensuring that our community has a strong understanding of SND traditions. The 1804 Society is a student leadership organization named in honor of the founding year of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. The society provides an opportunity for students to promote service to others, act as peer educators on the mission of the SNDs, and infuse the mission into campus life through events and programming.

Students and mission continue to be at the forefront of our work. Throughout the summer we have moved ahead with our mission-based planning efforts as we develop a strategic plan for the next five to 10 years. I am pleased to announce that the City of Boston approved our Institutional Master Plan (IMP), which provides a framework for planning and arrays anticipated changes to the College’s campus over the next decade. In the next issue of Emmanuel Magazine, we will be sharing details about all of our plans for the future.

This is an invigorating time to be part of the Emmanuel community and I invite you to stay engaged with us — our mission is more compelling than ever!

Sister Janet Eisner, SND

Elisabeth “Betty” O’Hearn ’47

It has been 64 years since Elisabeth “Betty” O’Hearn ’47 graduated from Emmanuel. Yet, as she and many others can attest, she has never really left.

Her involvement with Emmanuel throughout the years has included many roles, from serving as secretary to Emmanuel’s first dean, Sister Helen Madeleine Ingraham, SND, to representing the College as Alumnae Association president, vice president and board member. She recalls fondly all of the events she coordinated through her association with Emmanuel, notably the Golden Jubilee celebration in the late 60s, which she chaired, honoring the 50th anniversary of the College and attended by 1,500 guests.

Even throughout a 37-year career in education in the Brockton Public School system, a dozen trips across seas, and countless other life experiences, she has always returned to give back to the place that meant so much to her. Whether through volunteering her time, continued gifts to the Annual Fund or through her named scholarship fund that provides financial assistance to incoming Emmanuel students from Brockton High School, her loyalty remains true.

“Emmanuel was my first love,” she said. “I am so grateful for the education and experience I received and the friendships I have made. I have gained much more than I have given.”
Turning Vision into Action.

Whether in the lab or in the classroom, academics at Emmanuel are all about the hands-on approach. A gift to the Annual Fund helps us to enhance the interactive teaching and learning opportunities that turn ideas into results.

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