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Making a Marywood Difference

From generations of families who have chosen to pursue a Marywood education to our current students, there is no shortage of accomplished people in the Marywood University community.

Whether they live, work, serve, and study one block from campus or internationally, each one is making a Marywood difference in the world. How does one make a Marywood difference? Take the core elements of a Marywood education: the mission, the values, the professional knowledge, the ethical perspective, and, yes, the commitment to “live responsibly in an interdependent world,” and make a tangible, transformative difference through it.

People notice Marywood difference makers, because they touch lives and, ultimately, make this world a better place. All of us who share the bond of a Marywood education are heirs to this distinctive legacy. Perhaps the Marywood difference can be seen in your family, when you model for your children the value of serving others. It’s likely your co-workers have noticed that “something special” about what you bring to the workplace, from your professional knowledge to your ethical decision-making skills and compassion for others.

Throughout this issue, you will see that Marywood difference accomplished in myriad ways, at home and around the world. We’ve included features on our Fulbright Scholars; award-winning faculty, students, and graduates; accomplished athletes; successful alumni; and generous benefactors.

Let their stories inspire you!

Kind regards,

Sheryl Lynn Sochoka ’92
Editor

The Marywood difference begins on campus with our students, and it stays with them once they earn their degrees and continue to give back to their families, workplaces, and communities. Here, students are pictured packing hundreds of bags for the recent Adopt-a-Family program, which served regional families in need during the Thanksgiving holiday.
Dear Marywood Community,

During the last eighteen months I have had many experiences that enriched my life and broadened my insights about the value of a Marywood education. In traveling, whether it was the distance of a walk across campus or a flight to San Juan, Puerto Rico, the thoughtful and successful alumni I encountered all shared a message with a similar theme. Of course, they tell stories of collegiate pranks and ask about former professors. They are sure to comment about the changes on campus and the impressive contrast between the classic old architecture and the inspiring and award-winning structural design of new buildings. They never fail to express gratitude for the memories and the values that have stayed with them since their Marywood days, whether they were fifty plus years ago or just since the dawn of the 21st Century.

One of the spoken goals of the Marywood community today is our intention to develop leaders—in Northeast Pennsylvania, across the United States, and internationally. The number of graduates who are leaders in their respective professions form a large percentage of Marywood graduates. Time and again, I hear the tales of alumni who followed particular courses of study, and, after many years of working in the professions for which they had prepared, moved to entirely different career paths with success as accomplished leaders. The transformative character of a Marywood Liberal Arts education is a common denominator for almost everyone who earned a degree here.

I reflect upon the past year with pride in my Alma Mater, an institution of higher education that has grown with the decades and has risen to meet the challenges of an unpredictable era. In a word, we have not only “kept up” but also have exceeded by leaps and bounds even the dreams of our founders. We still graduate first-generation Americans, immigrants, and international students, among many others, and they populate our communities as professionals and business partners and drive the engine of our economy with their entrepreneurial spirit and dogged perseverance. Wherever I go, I meet Marywood alumni. They are ordinary people who live extraordinary lives of service and commitment to helping those who are in need. They live the values that are still woven throughout a Marywood education. They are resilient, visionary, and impactful leaders.

On May 19, the Class of 2018 will celebrate Marywood’s 100th graduation. That helps put into perspective the many generations of students who have chosen Marywood to give them entrée into the world that was waiting for them. When the Class of 2018 joins the workforce of the 21st Century, it will be vastly different from the experience of the first Class of 1919. Although war, political unrest, and inequality among the classes of society still figure into the landscape, the jobs for which they have trained will change every six months. The changes will require agility, resilience, and lifelong learning. All that understood, I am beyond confident that the graduates of Marywood’s Class of 2018 are prepared not only to meet these challenges but also to lead others to do so with success. They have within their spirit the “secret sauce” that will carry them through life. Their education is grounded every day in values that will sustain them and in a Liberal Arts education that is interwoven in their clinical and technical studies. This combination builds character, develops the art of critical thinking, and draws them to the beauty of the Fine Arts.

At this time in Marywood’s history, the readers of this publication have every reason to be proud of the heritage that is passed on to the alumni, families, and friends of our community. I thank you during this Christmas season for all the ways you support us throughout the year. Your loyalty is never taken for granted and, indeed, it is the wind behind our sails as we navigate a turbulent world.

Because of you, we are Marywood strong! Thank you.

A blessed Christmas and happy holidays to all,

Sister Mary

I enjoyed a special evening with Tricia Richards-Service and her family while in Dublin. Tricia and I are shown in Center City Dublin with Ha’penny Bridge and the River Liffey in the background. Tricia is a doctoral candidate and Communication Arts Department adjunct faculty member who has been awarded a 2017-18 Fulbright-Schuman Student Research Grant to the European Union.
Receiving the announcement that you are a recipient of a Fulbright Scholarship is similar to asking the question: What area of the world do you wish you could explore, learn from, and contribute to? For our recent Fulbright Scholarship recipients Rebecca Schwalb, Katlynn Beaton, and Patricia Richards-Service, the opportunities of the Fulbright Scholarship reached far beyond anything they had expected.

Rebecca Schwalb ‘14, was awarded a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship (ETA) to South Korea. Rebecca graduated from Marywood in May 2014 with Bachelor of Arts degrees in both Spanish and History. She was awarded the Fulbright Scholarship based upon her academic achievements, her dedication to community service, and her passion for teaching English to foreign students.

Prior to Rebecca leaving to fulfill her Fulbright Scholarship, she said, “I would like to contribute to the ongoing cooperation between our two nations in a field that I find very important: education.” Rebecca fell in love with her host country, South Korea, and was able to extend her scholarship beyond the first year, serving as an English Teaching Assistant for two years at an all-male high school in the country, with an additional year at a co-ed high school in the city of Jeonju.

Fulfilling her promise to the education of South Korean students, Rebecca first taught English to the all-male student population, but then expanded the curriculum to a more robust one to include science and literature during her teaching assistantship in the city of Jeonju. Fully immersed in the culture and language of her host country, Rebecca traveled extensively throughout South Korea and other areas in that vicinity.

“I encourage anyone who is interested in applying for a Fulbright to do it, as it is truly a life changing experience. Part of the role of the Fulbright Scholarship is to serve as an ambassador, so we were encouraged to travel in South Korea and that part of the world.”

- Rebecca Schwalb


Prior to leaving the U.S. for her Fulbright, Katlynn said, “I was a little apprehensive, not because I was afraid to travel or to teach, but because I really didn’t know a lot about the country.” For Katlynn, that apprehension soon disappeared as she found herself in her element, teaching more than 150 students and being welcomed into a community and host country. Andorra became a second home. “I felt extremely welcome and was treated as a family member. Returning home was similar to still being in Andorra, as I truly felt like a member of a family in Andorra.” Katlynn came to the realization that “If you love what you do and are passionate about it, then anywhere can become like home.”

Beyond the classroom, Katlynn, similar to other Fulbright recipients, had the opportunity to travel the country and other parts of the world. One way to travel, she soon found, was

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-Katlynn Beaton
Patricia (Tricia) Richards-Service, M.A., doctoral candidate at Marywood University, is currently fulfilling her Fulbright Research Grant to the European Union, where she is conducting research on early intervention and best practices in breast cancer prevention efforts. She is affiliated with Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland, and is conducting research in Romania using European Union policy archives. Patricia earned a bachelor’s degree in communications with a concentration in journalism from Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania. She later earned a master’s degree in health care administration from The University of Scranton and completed master’s-level coursework in communication arts at Marywood. She has also completed continuing education courses in healthcare at Harvard University and the University of Pennsylvania. She is presently a doctoral candidate in human development at Marywood, where she is pursuing the health promotion track, and will graduate in May 2018.

Prior to leaving the United States for Ireland, Tricia prepared for the move by prioritizing what was important and what she could do without during her time away. She said, “When you are very limited in what you can bring to another country for a year, you re-prioritize material things in your life. You realize more than ever that what’s most meaningful are people and experiences. I have focused on quality time with family and friends who I won’t see for a year.”

Tricia was able to bring the best piece of home with her—her family. After she and her family were settled in Dublin, they each made lists of things they wanted to see and do. While the day-to-day tasks of school, work, dinner, and movies are something that every family experiences, “there is a thrill when we get to do those things in another country, to live like locals and really experience life somewhere else,” Tricia said. “In spite of the routine tasks, there are moments that wash over me unexpectedly, when I am in total disbelief that I’m here.”

Tricia considers earning a Fulbright-Schuman student research grant “by far the coolest thing I’ve done,” she said. “I am grateful to Marywood University’s faculty and staff for encouraging and supporting my application, as well as giving me the academic foundation to get the most out of my research experience. I’m proud to represent Marywood on an international level,” she continued.

In addition to the Fulbright-Schuman student research grant, she is also networking, traveling, and learning that “when you have to make your way in a foreign country, you become more resourceful and, consequently, more confident.”

Tricia’s Fulbright research work compares and contrasts the practices in Ireland, which has a high success rate in reducing breast cancer mortality reduction, with those of Romania, which has experienced a far lower success rate in reducing breast cancer death. By combining policy analysis and interviews, Tricia brings an approach to the project that reflects her interdisciplinary training at Marywood University and a commitment to research that serves to benefit society at large.

Having no trouble embracing the culture of Ireland, Tricia is exploring and immersing herself in the culture by visiting landmarks and continually learning about Ireland. She recently took a tour of Cong (where The Quiet Man was filmed), Connemara, Adare, Annascaul, the Ring of Kerry, Galway, the Dingle Peninsula, the Burren Region, the Cliffs of Moher, and Blarney Castle, among many other stops. She said, “I can’t get enough of this amazing country.”

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-Tricia Richards-Service

To learn more about the Fulbright Program at Marywood University, please visit www.marywood.edu/fulbright/benefits.html, or contact Alexander Vari, Ph.D., at vari@marywood.edu.
Awards for Leadership, Professional Accomplishments, and Service Merited by the Marywood Community

NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR DR. RICHARD JOSEPH BEHUN

Richard Joseph Behun, Ph.D., LPC, NCC, ACS, Assistant Professor of Counselor Education, won the 2017 NARACES New Professional of the Year Award for the North Atlantic Region of the Association of Counselor Education and Supervision. He was honored and presented with this extremely competitive award on October 6 at the NARACES Board Meeting during the ACES Conference in Chicago. Additionally, Dr. Behun was selected by the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) Foundation to be showcased as its sole featured volunteer for the month of April. This national recognition is bestowed to one Nationally Certified Counselor each month. Dr. Behun has been an NBCC Foundation Volunteer since 2014, serving as a reviewer for the military, rural, and minority scholarship. He also serves as a mentor for the NBCC Foundation Scholarship Program. Dr. Behun’s accomplishments also include his recent election as the president of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association (PCA) in 2018-2019. With more than 500 active members, the PCA is a state branch of the Washington, D.C.-based American Counseling Association (ACA), the national professional association that represents the more than 526,000 professional counselors who live and practice in the United States. Dr. Behun focuses his research on legal and ethical issues in the helping professions, concentrating on civil liability and tort law with a specialty in counselor negligence. He also conducts research in the area of mandated reporting of child maltreatment with an emphasis on child sexual abuse.

DR. JOSEPH A. POLIZZI MERITS THE 2017 DONALD WALTERS LECTURE AND AWARD

Joseph A. Polizzi, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Education and Educational Leadership at Marywood University, recently received the 2017 Donald Walters Lecture and Award at the 8th Annual New DEEL (Democratic, Ethical, Education, and Leadership) conference at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa. Dr. Polizzi was also an invited speaker at the conference. The Donald Walters Lecture and Award, which began at the 2007 New DEEL conference, continues the tradition of Professor Emeritus Donald Walters of connecting scholarship to practice.

The topic of the 2017 New DEEL conference was: DEWEY 101-The Meaning of Democracy and Education in a Complex Turbulent and Dangerous World. Dr. Polizzi gave a talk, titled “Seeking Resilience, Wellbeing and Even Happiness in the Dark Places of Education,” at the conference. Dr. Polizzi’s interests lie in experiential and transformational learning, school leadership, small schools, and preparation and professional development of new teachers. He has presented at numerous education and leadership conferences and has published a chapter in the book, Using the Arts to Make People Think and Remember Issues of Global Sustenance, titled “Democratic Ethical Educational Leadership; reclaiming school reform.” (2015).

2017 RAYMOND P. HEATH LEADERSHIP AWARD: TYLER WARD

Tyler Ward, M.S., Director of Housing and Residence Life, recently received the 2017 Raymond P. Heath Leadership Award for his outstanding service to student life at Marywood University. Mr. Ward met all of the criteria set for the Raymond P. Heath Leadership Award, including the following qualities: Consistency, being keenly aware of the need to treat people equally by developing clear policies and adhering to them; Development, recognizing the potential in others; Harmony, looking for consensus, seeking areas of agreement; Positive Attitude, upbeat attitude in work and social interactions with colleagues; and Student Affairs Commitment, working with and for students to help them gain the maximum success and benefit from their college experience and to promote the personal growth and development of the “whole” student. The characteristics and qualities that this award represented were inspired by Dr. Raymond Heath, who served as Vice President for Student Life from 1996-2014. A true leader in the student life field, Dr. Heath championed both the students and the University as a whole, but he also was keenly interested in the professional development of those who worked and thrived under his leadership.

NIKKI MOSER RECEIVES STATE AWARD FOR SCULPTURE

Nikki Moser, Assistant Professor of Art, was awarded second prize in the sculpture division of the 2017 Art of the State Awards for her piece “Springville Fracking Well and Pond.” Art of the State is an annual juried exhibition that has been showcasing the work of Pennsylvania’s artists at The State Museum of Pennsylvania since 1968. This year marks the 50th anniversary of this prestigious exhibition. Awards were given in painting, photography, sculpture, craft and work on paper. The winners were chosen from 130 works selected from more than 2,200 submissions.
The University’s Chapter of the Society for Collegiate Journalists (SCJ) took home 15 awards and six honorable mentions in the national contest for the students’ work at The Wood Word, Marywood University’s student-run online news source, and TV-Marywood, the campus television station. The nine first place awards included: Online News Website Overall Excellence for the student-run online news organization, thewoodword.org, as well as Companion Broadcast Website Overall Excellence for TV-Marywood’s YouTube page. The Wood Word’s editorial board placed first for its editorial titled “Our Opinion,” and TV-Marywood placed first in the Television News Show Overall Excellence for its Live Election 2016 coverage. Students also picked up individual awards for work produced at The Wood Word, TV-Marywood, and 91.7 VMFM. First-place winners include: Alex Weidner, junior, East Greenville, Pa.; Connor Moffitt ’16, recent graduate, Scranton, Pa.; Katlynn Whitaker, senior, Apalachin, N.Y.; Bethany Wade, sophomore, Bear, Del.; and Jessica Bonacci, sophomore, Dickson City, Pa. Second-place winners include: Kyle Clouse, senior, Shohola, Pa.; and John Ferraro, senior, Dickson City, Pa. Third place winners include: Kyle Clouse, Rachel Looker, senior, Blandon, Pa.; Alex Weidner, Jessica Bonacci, John Ferraro, Haley O’Brien, senior, Scranton, Pa.; Anne Zukowski, junior, Wantage, N.J.; and Katlynn Whitaker.

PICTURE ID above: Seated (left to right): Kyle Clouse, Anne Zukowski, Haley O’Brien, and Rachel Looker. Standing (left to right): Katlynn Whitaker, Bethany Wade, Jessica Bonacci, and Alex Weidner.

A new event, the Leadership Awards, was held in the spring. Organizers plan to make it an annual event, to highlight leadership among students and campus organizations/advisors.

WINNERS INCLUDE:

- Award of Exceptional Leadership in Athletics: Brooke Labs
- Community Service Award: Nadine Burton and the Marywood Field Hockey Team
- Sister Mary Persico Emerging Leader Award: Harlow Alexander
- Outstanding Senior Leader: Maria Temples
- Outstanding Graduate Student: Cen Jiao
- Pacer Pride Award: Gabrielle Creazzo and Alexis Namyak
- Student Organization of the Year: Student Government Association (SGA)
- Advisor of the Year: Antonia Cerda-Bevan
- Fishbowl Award: Tyler Smith
- Sister John Michele Southwick Award for Acceptance and Inclusion: Salma Ahmed
- Program of the Year: Mr. Marywood - Hosted by the Music Therapy Club
- Most Improved Student Organization: Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA)

Marywood University has once again ranked among the top universities in the 2018 U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges. The new rankings, issued in September, named Marywood 31st as a “Best Value School,” 34th in the category of “Best Colleges for Veterans,” and 56th overall among institutions in the “Masters-North” category, which includes 196 schools.
F. DAVID ROMINES, D.M.A., Associate Professor of Music Education and Co-chairperson of the Music, Theatre, and Dance department, has been invited to be a presenter at the upcoming 2018 College Band Directors National Association Eastern Division Convention, which will take place at Yale University, New Haven, Conn. A blind panel committee reviewed recordings of the Marywood Wind Symphony along with a redacted description of how Marywood University’s band program(s) are organized. Dr. Romines has been asked to speak on how the Marywood program has developed over the past eight years and make repertoire suggestions for collegiate band programs at smaller schools. Recordings of Marywood’s band will be played for those in attendance. Also, Dr. Romines recently assisted with the establishment of the Northeastern Youth Wind Ensemble at Marywood University, which attracts students from throughout the Northeastern United States. Marywood’s ensemble is one of only five such youth wind ensembles in the country.

DR. BILL CONLOGUE, Professor of English, recently published his book, Undermined in Coal Country: On the Measures in a Working Land (Johns Hopkins University Press). From the Publisher: “Bill Conlogue explores how two overlapping coal country landscapes Scranton, Pennsylvania, and Marywood University have coped with the devastating aftermath of mining. Examining the far-reaching environmental effects of mining, this beautifully written book asks bigger questions about what it means to influence a landscape to this extent and then to live in it. In prose rivaling that of Annie Dillard and John McPhee, Conlogue argues that, if we are serious about solving environmental problems, if we are serious about knowing where we are and what happens there, we need to attend closely to all places that is, to attend to the world in a cold, dark, and disorienting universe. Unearthing new ways of thinking about place, pedagogy, and the environment, this meditative text reveals that place is inherently unstable.”

SUSAN C. TURELL, PH.D., Provost, published an article in the special edition of the peer-reviewed journal, Sexual and Relationship Therapy, titled, “Disproportionately high: an exploration of intimate partner violence prevalence rates for bisexual people.” Co-authors are Michael Brown & Molly Herrmann. The print version will be released soon. Dr. Turell also published an article in the special issue of the Journal of Social Issues with her colleague, Sheila Smith, Ph.D. The theme for the issue is Translating Stigma and Intergroup Relations Research to Explain and Reduce Sexual and Gender Minority Health Disparities. Their article, “Perceptions of healthcare experiences: Relational and communicative competencies to improve care for LGBT people,” examines the subjective experiences of LGBT people with medical health care, noting both similarities and differences among these communities.

STANLEY J. KANIA III, ABD, M.B.A., Graduate Admissions Counselor, presented some of his current research at the 2017 Northeast Association of Business, Economics, & Technology (NABET) Annual Conference, State College, PA, in October. His research, “Taking Employee Training to the Next Level: A ‘Flipped Classroom’s Approach to Workforce Development,” examines the use of the “flipped classroom” concept for employee training in the workforce. Stan is presently a doctoral candidate (ABD) in the Ph.D. Administration & Leadership program at Marywood University and also received his Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from Marywood in 2014.

YERODIN LUCAS, a doctoral student in Marywood’s Ph.D. in Human Development Program, recently gave a presentation, “Challenges and Potential Solutions toward Persistence in Earning a Baccalaureate Degree for Black Male Students Attending Predominantly White Institutions,” at the Consortium for the Study of Leadership and Ethics in Education (CSLEE)’s 22nd Annual Values and Leadership Conference in Los Angeles, Calif. Born and raised in Philadelphia, Mr. Lucas is a graduate Arcadia University, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in political science and international relations, and he holds a master’s degree in education from Temple University. He also has studied abroad, teaching and traveling in North America, Europe, and Asia. Mr. Lucas, who serves as the president of Marywood’s Graduate Student Council, is presently pursuing his doctoral degree in the Ph.D. Program in Human Development at Marywood University.

BRUCE LINDEMUTH ‘17, who graduated in May with a bachelor’s degree in marketing, was provided funding through the Student Government Association to attend the Phi Beta Lambda/Future Business Leaders of America (PBA/FBLA) National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, Calif., during the last week of June. Mr. Lindemuth placed 8th in the nation for his event, called Management Analysis and Decision Making. A Dean’s List student, he founded Marywood’s Phi Beta Lambda chapter and was also voted president of the chapter for three years. He served on the state level of the organization as reporter for PA Phi Beta Lambda. Mr. Lindemuth presently works full-time as the Advertising Manager for Dragonfly Signs & Outdoor Advertising.
Speech-Language Pathology Students Achieve 100% Pass Rate

Marywood University’s Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD) department recently announced that its 2017 graduating class from the Master of Science program in Speech-Language Pathology has achieved a 100% pass rate on the National Examination in Speech-Language Pathology. In addition, the graduating cohort has obtained 100% employment in the field of speech-language pathology. The CSD department at Marywood University currently has a three-year average of 100% for both the passing of the National Examination and the employment of its graduates within one year of graduation.

Core Curriculum Undergoing Revision

A substantive revision of Marywood’s Core Curriculum is underway, and the members of the Core Curriculum Revision Task Force are working diligently to finalize a model that will be implemented for incoming students by the 2019 Fall Semester. Details will be forthcoming when the final version of the plan is endorsed by the faculty and approved by the Provost and the President.

Pennsylvania Companies Can Transform the Lives of Future Students

Marywood University is an approved recipient of the Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program (EITC). Companies can transform the lives of future college students through the EITC program by making a contribution to Marywood’s Momentum program, an approved EITC program that gives high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to earn college credits by enrolling in college level courses at a significantly reduced cost.

Tax credits may be applied against the tax liability of a business for the tax year in which the contribution is made. These are available on a first-come, first-served basis for contributions to EITC approved organizations like Marywood University. Companies in Pennsylvania that pay any of the following taxes qualify to participate: Corporate Net Income Tax, Capital Stock Franchises Tax, Bank and Trust Company Shares Tax, Title Insurance Companies Shares Tax, Title Insurance Companies Shares Tax, Insurance Premiums Tax, and Mutual Thrift Insurance Premium Tax.

The EITC Program enables companies to support nonprofit schools at minimal cost. Rather than sending tax dollars back to the state, companies can reallocate them to support Marywood University’s Momentum Program. Participating businesses can receive a tax credit equal to 75 percent of a contribution, up to $750,000 per year. The credit increases to 90 percent if the business agrees to provide the same amount for two consecutive years.

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**PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATION**
The University’s principal certification program, which is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, educates school principals who serve children, families, teachers, and communities in ethical and inspiring ways. Courses are delivered in hybrid and online formats, with periodic on-campus workshops that offer the opportunity to network with current and aspiring school leaders, learn from engaging speakers, and review coursework. Classes are taught by experienced principals, superintendents, and other school administrators from Northeast Pennsylvania.

**MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION**
Our fully online master of science (M.S.) degree in higher education administration will prepare you for a variety of mid-level careers in public and private colleges and universities. Career opportunities in the field of higher education administration include: student services; enrollment management; institutional advancement; alumni affairs; institutional research; career development; academic advising/support; and international affairs.

**MASTER’S DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE**
Marywood began offering an online graduate program in criminal justice in the fall. “The online program accommodates people’s busy schedules without weakening the integrity of a strong education,” said Jeremy Rich, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of the Criminal Justice Program at the University. Two criminal justice courses, Crime Mapping and Cybercrime, began in the fall and are being taught by Mr. Jeffrey E. Clutter and Ms. Hannarae Lee.

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No Shortcuts to Success
By: Sheryl Lynn Sochoka ’92

“I could’ve taken the elevator—the shorter route, focusing on making money, but doing unfulfilling work. Instead, I chose to take the staircase. It might take longer to get to my destination, but I am strengthening myself on my way. I am doing meaningful work. When I reach my destination, it will be worth it.”

Sheikh Dukuly
Citing an example from the book, The Hollywood Commandments, by DeVon Franklin

Sheikh Dukuly cares about the world around him and takes seriously his place in it. Originally from Monrovia, Liberia, and now a doctoral student in Marywood’s Ph.D. Program in Human Development, he had pondered attending medical school at one time. His focus changed, however, when he realized that he could make a greater difference—much sooner—in the area of public health.

When talking about his career and education goals, Sheikh realizes there are shortcuts he could have taken, but, citing an example from the book, The Hollywood Commandments, by DeVon Franklin, he says, “I could’ve taken the elevator—the shorter route, focusing on making money, but doing unfulfilling work. Instead, I chose to take the staircase. It might take longer to get to my destination, but I am strengthening myself on my way. I am doing meaningful work. When I reach my destination, it will be worth it.”

Sheikh’s journey to Marywood had several twists and turns, but he has never veered from his focus of getting an education and making a difference. His primary schooling took place at a Catholic school in Liberia, and he also taught at a Catholic school at one point in his career. He holds a bachelor’s degree in Biology from the University of Liberia and a Master of Public Health degree from American University. He’s certified in Mental Health and Disaster and Emergency Response Planning from the John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Health and has Emergency Management Training from the Federal Emergency Management Institute. In 2015, he was a public health research intern for the City of Bethlehem’s Bureau of Health. There, his internship director connected him to Marywood.

Sheikh, whose doctoral studies are focused on Health Promotion, has relied on the guidance and wisdom of faculty mentors Sister Gail Cabral, IHM, and Dr. Phil Jenkins. His research centers on how culture impacts health intervention, as well as how culture influences intensive standardized testing scores. He presently works as a Community Health Education Coordinator for Mercy and Trinity Health System in Southeast Pennsylvania. An avid Scrabble player, Sheikh is part of the North American Scrabble Players Association (NASPA), which has about 400-500 members nationwide. He has competed in a number of cities around the country. This past summer, he placed 13th out of 81 players at a national competition in New Orleans, Louisiana. He just started a Scrabble Club at Marywood and hopes to get other graduate students interested and active. He was invited to hold Scrabble Games with the Students On Campus Achieving Results (SOAR) a group of students on the autism spectrum in November.

Beyond his studies and his profession, Sheikh wants to find a way to provide desks for students in his home country of Liberia. He tried to connect with UNICEF, which sponsors the KIND Program (Kids in Need of Desks), but that program is currently focused only on Malawi, although they hope to expand the program in the future. “This problem is not just a Malawi problem,” he states. “This is a problem throughout Africa, including Liberia. I want to help.”

After 14 years of civil unrest and conflict, as well as looting, there is a sense of normalcy in Liberia, but challenges remain. Sheikh explains. “When you look at these classrooms—even in the very school I attended—what do you see? An empty room. A cement floor. No educational tools. Some of the kids who attend school have to use a canoe to cross the river to get there, and then they go to school and have to sit on the cement floor all day. Imagine that…how do you motivate kids in that environment?”

After he earns his doctorate, Sheikh wants to return to Liberia to help, possibly to teach, because, he says, his country suffers from a dearth of teachers, as well as a skill gap. “There’s an incentive problem,” Sheikh explains. He feels he can use his knowledge to help develop other health professionals. He speaks warmly of his time at Marywood, feels honored to be here, and is grateful for the support he’s received throughout his doctoral education. Sheikh concludes, “When you come to know another culture and embrace diversity, it helps you to realize more fully how blessed you are.”
Ryan Jones ’13 earns Second Soccer Gold Medal

Alumnus Ryan Jones ’13, who played men’s soccer at Marywood, won his 2nd Gold Medal at the 20th Macabbiah Games Sunday, July 16, 2017, as a member of the United States of America team. Jones helped the USA Open Men’s team to its first Gold Medal in soccer during the 19th Maccabiah Games, just months after his graduation from Marywood.

From the Gold Medal in 2013, Ryan went on to England as part of the IASA (International Academics and Soccer Academy) program, based out of Leeds, where he played for local side Eccleshill United while studying for his Master’s degree in Public Relations and Strategic Communications. Upon finishing his classwork at Leeds Beckett University and completing a training stint with League 1 side Bradford City, Ryan fulfilled his dreams of playing professional soccer overseas by signing with (then League 2 side) PS Kemi Kings in Finland. Upon his return to the United States, he began coaching and earned his USSF ‘D’ coaching license.

In the fall of 2016, Ryan got a call from his Head Coach from the 19th Maccabiah Games, Preston Goldfarb, asking him to accompany the team back to Israel to repeat the glorious feat. This came just a short while after Ryan underwent major reconstructive surgery on his right ACL/meniscus. However, just over 10 months after surgery, Ryan flew back to Israel to take part in the 20th Maccabiah Games and scored in his first competitive game in almost two years.

This accomplishment was made sweeter because his mom, Sherri; brother, Brandon; and girlfriend and Marywood graduate, Jess Waclawski ’15, were in the stands in Jerusalem to celebrate this momentous achievement. The USA team repeated the Gold Medal in excellent fashion by only losing one game (1-0 to Great Britain) throughout the tournament. After going 2-1 during the Group Stage, USA defeated Uruguay in the Quarterfinals (4-2) and Israel in the Semifinals (2-1), leading to a 3-0 thumping of Great Britain in the finals to propel Jones to back-to-back Maccabiah golds. Along with previous coach Preston Goldfarb and four teammates, Max Kurtzman (University of Pennsylvania ’15), Evin Nadaner (Boston Univ. ’14), Kovi Konowiecki (Wake Forest ’14), and Daniel Kohen (San Diego State ’15), Jones played integral parts in both the 2013 and 2017 performances.

“It was amazing back in 2013 to have represented the United States and to win Gold then, as the first USA Men’s team from any age group to win Gold in soccer, but to return, especially after a major surgery, to win back-to-back Maccabiah golds. Along with previous coach Preston Goldfarb and four teammates, Max Kurtzman (University of Pennsylvania ’15), Evin Nadaner (Boston Univ. ’14), Kovi Konowiecki (Wake Forest ’14), and Daniel Kohen (San Diego State ’15), Jones played integral parts in both the 2013 and 2017 performances.

“The new athletics logo symbolizes the strength of Pacer sports and projects a spirit of competitiveness,” said Dr. Mary Jo Gunning, Director of Athletics and Recreation. “It is an appropriate visual representation of Marywood’s current athletic tradition and future expectations.”

In addition, a new uniform policy has been implemented that will give teams options other than forest green, white, and gold as colors. While Marywood will continue its partnership with SIDEARM sports for www.marywoodpacers.com, the newly launched website not only incorporates the new logo, but is much more fan friendly than the previous site. The updated site will help the Athletic Department promote its 22 varsity sports with enhanced features through live stats, live video, and social media feeds.
Congratulations are in order! Both our women’s and men’s cross country teams won CSAC championships this season. The women won for the 13th time, seventh time in the past eight years, and 12th time in 15 years. This is the first championship for the men’s team in program history. They received their award at halftime of the Women’s championship soccer match against Cabrini from Sister Mary Persico, University President; Ann Boland-Chase, Vice President for Enrollment Services and Student Success; and Mary Jo Gunning, Athletic Director. In addition, ten cross country runners received Colonial States Athletic Conference postseason recognition for their performances at the 2017 championships, Coach Senecal received Men’s and Women’s Coach of the year honors, and freshman David Haines ’21 became the first Marywood University runner to qualify for the NCAA Division III Men’s Cross Country Championships, and he finished as the 9th fastest freshman at the NCAA Division III Championships in Elsah, Illinois.

John Gulden has been selected to lead Marywood’s newest varsity athletic programs, men’s and women’s rugby. He was selected after an exhaustive search and began his duties in July. The Rugby programs will begin varsity competition in the 2018-19 academic year, giving Coach Gulden a full year to recruit prospective student-athletes.

“Coach Gulden brings to this position a wealth of knowledge and experience, both as a player and as a coach. I believe his enthusiasm and energy will help him to build programs that we can all be proud of,” said Eric Grundman, Assistant Director of Athletics and Recreation/Head Men’s & Women’s Golf Coach, who chaired the search committee. “His experience coaching at the varsity level was a critical factor in determining him to be the right fit for this very important position.”

Serving most recently as the Assistant Women’s Rugby Coach at West Chester University, Coach Gulden assisted the Golden Rams in virtually every aspect of the program, including practice and game preparation, scouting, recruiting, and off-season conditioning. He also served as Head Men’s Rugby Coach and Head Women’s Rugby Coach at Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania, where he was responsible for every aspect of the program.

Coach Gulden stated, “I look forward to the opportunity to build a new varsity rugby program from the ground up and am excited to be a part of a University that cares so much about their athletic programs. My goal is to put together two teams that will be competitive from the start. I will dedicate my time to these programs to ensure we have student-athletes that will make the University proud on and off the field.”

The men’s and women’s rugby programs will begin competitive play in 2018-19 as members of both USA Rugby (the national governing body) and the Small College Division of the Mid Atlantic Rugby Conference (MARC). Marywood will have the opportunity to compete against a wide range of institutions that currently sponsor rugby and will be one of the very few institutions in the country that will employ a full-time coach.

Read more about Coach Gulden and Rugby at Marywood at: marywoodpacers.com/index

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When Mary Elizabeth Ware ’17 stepped across the stage to receive her bachelor’s degree in psychology on Sunday, May 20, she became the fourth generation of her family to hold a Marywood degree.

Her family’s ties to Marywood stretch all the way back to 1926, when her great grandmother, the late Mary Lenore Young Dorr ’30, first stepped on the campus as a student. She graduated with a bachelor’s degree in French in 1930. Originally from Scranton, Mary Dorr also was an accomplished musician. She taught guitar and piano and served as a church organist in Michigan, where she had moved with her family during the Great Depression.

When it was time for her daughter, Christina Dorr Kennedy ’65, to consider college, she began her studies at Marygrove College in Michigan, but soon transferred to Marywood, where she majored in elementary education and lived with her aunt while attending school. Christina, who had grown up in Michigan and had been educated in Catholic schools there, welcomed the transition to Marywood with open arms. “I loved my time at Marywood,” she said. “I was well-educated and well-prepared. Once I graduated, I walked into the classroom absolutely ready to teach on day one.”

After teaching for several years in the Scranton School District, Christina became a full-time mother to her five children. Later, when all of her kids were in school, she returned to teaching at a local Montessori school, which allowed her to practice her profession and still “be there” for all that her children might need. She is an advocate for Catholic education, emphasizing its importance to her family through several generations. “I, along with my children and grandchildren, have been educated from primary grades through high school in the Catholic education system,” she said. “Many (in my family) have gone on to Catholic higher education as well.”

Christina’s daughter, Kara Kennedy Ware ’90 (M.S. ’08), spent her first year of college at another university, but she soon decided that she really belonged at Marywood. Just as her mother had done two decades earlier, she transferred to Marywood and loved it. “We knew she would,” stated Christina.

“Growing up in Green Ridge, on the border of Marywood’s exquisitely beautiful campus, made for a wonderful childhood,” Kara recalled. “We attended Mass with the IHM Sisters, went to the (former) Pink Lounge for a treat, swam at the (former) Recreational Field House, and rode bikes to the pond by the Science Center for a nature expedition.” She said that the IHM Sisters influenced her life and education in many ways, dating back to grade school at St. Clare’s, where she attended and had after-school piano lessons. After earning her bachelor’s degree in elementary education/early childhood education, Kara married and had a family. She continued to strengthen her ties to Marywood through her children, who took swimming lessons on campus and attended Mass with her, just as she had done as a child.

In the meantime, Bridget Selemba Kennedy ’96, who is married to Kara’s brother, James, earned her bachelor’s degree in accounting, while another Kennedy sibling, Patrick Kennedy ’99, earned his bachelor’s degree in comprehensive social sciences/secondary education, adding yet more ties to the family’s connection to Marywood. Patrick, who was part of the first men’s basketball team, also worked at Marywood for a number of years, as did his brother, Tom Kennedy.

Bridget noted, “There was never a question for me which college to attend. It was always Marywood. Its excellent academic reputation, deep-rooted connection to the community, and Catholic tradition were all draws for me.” As a commuter student who worked full-time while attending school, Bridget said she couldn’t be as involved in clubs and activities as some of the resident students, but she still made numerous friends, soaked up as much of the campus experience as she could, and always felt safe and comfortable at Marywood.

“I felt that I belonged,” Bridget shared. “My Marywood years
More than 900 students were part of Marywood University’s 99th annual commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 20, 2017. Jill Dougherty, CNN foreign correspondent and former Moscow bureau chief, distinguished Visiting Practitioner at the University of Washington’s Evans School of Public Policy and Governance, and a Global Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C., was the principal speaker and an honorary degree recipient. For more photos from Commencement 2017, go to: www.marywood.edu/commencement.

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- Christina Dorr Kennedy ’65

prepared me for my professional career by instilling in me the value of hard work, self-discipline, and working with others toward a common goal.” She loves to reminisce about her Marywood years and still gets nostalgic whenever she visits the campus, mere blocks from her home. “I am certain these feelings will always stay with me,” said Bridget.

That positive Marywood experience also remained with Kara. In 2003, when she wanted to return to school to pursue her master’s degree in reading education, there was no hesitation regarding where she would attend. “At the time, I was employed by the Diocese of Scranton, and my own children were students at St. Clare’s,” said Kara. “Walking back on Marywood’s campus as an adult learner, I was confident that the professional knowledge I would glean from superior educators would prepare me for my reading education degree.”

Once Kara earned her M.S. degree (2008), she was immediately asked to assume responsibility for the Intermediate Reading Program at St. Clare/St. Paul School. “My educational experience at Marywood University made it possible for me to assume this task,” she stated. “I am now an ELA teacher for the Scranton School District.”

When it was time for her own daughter to attend college, Kara knew the direction that Mary should take. Like her mother, Mary grew up just a few blocks from Marywood, and she recalled playing in the “Tree Stadium” with her siblings, going to Mass on campus, and enjoying nature outings to the old pond by the Science Center. “Marywood was the obvious choice, since it was so engrained in my childhood, and I felt at home on campus,” said Mary, adding, “I have had an excellent experience as a Marywood student.”

Now that she has earned her bachelor’s degree in industrial/organizational psychology with a minor in business, Mary’s plans include a move to Philadelphia to seek work. She credits her positive student experience to Marywood’s excellent Psychology Department. “I cannot say enough good things about the faculty and staff in that department,” Mary stated. “They are immensely skilled in their field and have instilled in me a great love of psychology. I have made friends at Marywood with people who share my interests and passions, some of the best friends I could ask for. Since attending Marywood, I have grown to love learning and to value education. This love drives me to succeed in and thrive in my field.”

Her mother, Kara, once again decided to further her Marywood education, attending school at the same time as her daughter, this time in pursuit of certification through the Education Department’s Principal Leadership Program.

“I have been returning to Marywood University at different periods throughout my entire life,” said Kara. “The person I am, the teacher I always aspire to be, and the administrator I will become in the future come from a foundation of many positive encounters I have been blessed to experience during my 50-year relationship with the IHM Sisters and Marywood University.”

Christina Kennedy, who couldn’t be more proud of her family’s accomplishments, past and present, proclaimed on behalf of each generation, “Marywood is part of our heart, and the IHM Sisters are our neighbors.”
Ask **Zack Graham '15 (M.A. '16)** and **Eric Kuhn (M.A. '18)** how they became friends and eventual business partners, and both respond with one word: “Fashion.”

The recent Marywood University graduates opened their venture, The Haberdashery, Forty Fort, Pa., this past summer. They sell a wide variety of clothes, from jeans and t-shirts to full suits. “We have something for everybody,” says Eric. That “something” includes their own private label shirts. The label design is inspired by the painting, *The Son of Man*, by Belgian surrealist painter René Magritte, which in turn inspired one of Eric’s favorite movies, *The Thomas Crown Affair*.

Zack recalls finding his love for fashion in high school. “I realized that your sense of fashion tends to define the person you are. I never thought I fit in, and when I decided to not be in ‘the norm’ was when I discovered the love of fashion. It’s not about brands or what’s ‘popular’ but more so what makes you comfortable and what makes you feel confident. My style has always been louder, but that matches my personality, so I just roll with it.”

Eric relates a similar passion for fashion. “I have always loved fashion for as long as I can remember. I hated sports and never liked video games. I loved when school started, solely for back-to-school shopping. My first magazine was *GQ*, and I was always hooked.” Eric was also fortunate enough to work under the mentorship of Philip Friedman, who owned the Scranton area’s iconic fine men’s store, Friedman’s Clothier, until his retirement at the end of 2016.

Eric recalls, “I met (Mr. Friedman) at his store one day while buying a sport coat for my grandfather. He started talking to me about clothes and was amazed at my knowledge. I was amazed at how much I didn’t know. He asked me to come work for him, and he became a very important mentor and role model. He taught me the business and would have me work with his reps to bring a more youthful approach to compliment his store. He also took me to Fashion Week, and I loved the business.”

In the meantime, these two friends of fashion met at Marywood as both were pursuing their graduate educations in Communications and Business. Zack earned his bachelor’s degree in 2015 and master’s degree in 2016. Eric, who holds a Bachelor’s degree in Letters, Arts, and Sciences from Penn State, just earned his master’s degree from Marywood.

“Marywood was in my blood,” Zack explains. “All of my family went there, and it was a well-rounded educational experience that helped me realize that my dreams could never be too big.” Eric appreciated his education, but it was the mentorship of Mr. Friedman that truly set his path in motion, so his retirement prompted both young men to fill the hole in the market that he left.

“I always wanted to be an entrepreneur, and when Eric approached me about this business idea, everything just fell into place,” Zack says. “I wouldn’t take a risk until I knew there was a market need and that it was practical; this business fit both those criteria. The idea of going into a field that I was passionate about, while also filling the gap in the market seemed like my ideal opportunity to fulfill my entrepreneurial dream.” Eric said the encouragement and direction of Mr. Friedman were invaluable, and he even guided them to their current location on Rutter Avenue in Forty Fort. “It’s an amazing environment,” Eric stated.

The Haberdashery definitely takes eclectic style and kicks it up a notch, from a graffiti-decorated desk to a chandelier on the ceiling and a traffic light near the cabinet of private label shirts. As different as it may seem, it works. The 900 Rutter Complex is filled with other small businesses, and it was the perfect location for the store, which is customer-focused and serves clients from the entire region. It’s not just the store’s décor, however.

“People are drawn to the store because of the atmosphere we provide. It is outside the box, but still very welcoming and interesting,” says Zack. “We offer brands that are exclusive to our store as well as tailoring and green dry cleaning services. We are a part of all the marketplace events at the 900 Rutter Avenue building, as well as other events that go on in the area. We are all about synergy and working with local businesses, so we try to get involved in as many things as possible.”

Eric and Zack said The Haberdashery serves “the fashion-forward man,” and they are filling a niche market as one of the only men’s stores in the area. “Not only are we an exclusive men’s store, but we are also...
Father Shane Kirby ’96 didn’t grow up Catholic. As a boy in Waynesburg, Pa., he attended public schools and was raised in the Pentecostal Christian tradition. Now, he’s in Rome, serving the Vatican Congregation for the Clergy, a department that assists the Holy Father in his mission to the universal Church.

“There was something about the Mass and the Holy Eucharist that drew me to Catholicism,” Father Kirby recalled. After the RCIA program at St. Ann’s Church in Waynesburg, he was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church at the age of 17. His new faith led him to seek small Catholic schools when he was looking for colleges to attend, and this part of his journey eventually led him to Marywood.

A first-generation college student, Father Kirby began as a Religious Studies major, but then decided to switch to Theatre Arts and English Literature. Through all of this, his call to God was always there, but Father Kirby said that there were moments in life when he resisted it.

After college, he did some graduate work in drama at CUNY-Brooklyn, worked for a while, then moved back to Scranton, where he attended Nativity Parish in Scranton’s South Side. It was here that his fire for God was rekindled and the call to the priesthood became clearer. Father Kirby entered seminary formation in 1998. He spent two years in Pre-Theology formation at Saint Pius X Seminary, while earning a second bachelor’s degree in Theology with a minor in Philosophy at the University of Scranton. Father Kirby then began graduate theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, while preparing for the priesthood at the Pontifical North American College.

Ordained to the priesthood in 2004, he became the Assistant Pastor of St. Patrick, Holy Ghost, and St. Michael Parishes in Olyphant, Pa., later returning to Rome to complete a Licentiate in Sacred Theology (STL) at the Pontifical Gregorian University, from which he graduated magna cum laude. He returned to the Diocese of Scranton and undertook several parish assignments before becoming the Secretary to Bishop Martino and Assistant Director for Worship, and, later, a Parochial Administrator. He became the Pastor of St. Joseph the Worker Parish in 2009, and then, in 2012, was appointed by Bishop Bambera to graduate studies in canon law at the Catholic University of America, where he earned a Licentiate in Canon Law (JCL) in 2014.

Upon his return to the Diocese, Father Kirby was appointed Episcopal Vicar for Canonical Affairs and became the pastor of Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish in Jermyn, Pa. In 2015, he was appointed Chancellor.

Now, at the request of the Holy See, he is serving as an official of the Congregation for the Clergy, a department of the Roman Curia, for a period of five years. While he will be doing English language casework, Italian will be spoken as the working language at the office where he will serve. Father Kirby said he will “gain a real sense of the global church, as well as the challenges confronting priestly ministry globally.” He added, “I’m excited to explore what seminary formation is like in other countries. What can we learn from this? How can the Church be more effective at what it is supposed to be doing?”

Father Kirby spoke warmly of his time at Marywood. “The formative education in liberal arts, the development of the whole person—all of these things prepared me for my life, because they also taught me to be generous with my life. I definitely saw this in the IHM Sisters,” stated Father Kirby. “Also, as a theatre major, I learned the value of teamwork, which has prepared me for ministry. I learned vocal projection in my public speaking courses, which, again, prepared me well.” He cited “dedicated faculty and Sisters” as his inspiration, including Sister Alphonsa Concilio, IHM ’59, Sister Maria Rose Kelly, IHM ’65, and Dr. Paulette Merchel ’69.

“I would advise students to be open to service and to being surprised by God. Don’t plan your whole life—live it! Be willing to be continually amazed.”

- Father Shane Kirby ’96

“Marywood was in my blood. All of my family went there, and it was a well-rounded educational experience that helped me realize that my dreams could never be too big.”

- Zack Graham ’15 (M.A ’16)

a quality men’s store. The brands we carry are only available in metropolitan areas, which separates us from the current market,” states Zack.

The two men are “100 percent focused on customer service.” After working in the service industry, they realized they were not always happy with the service that they received.

“We appreciate people being honest with us and not just trying to make a sale. We have become style consultants. It’s more important for our customers to be happy than anything else,” says Zack.

You can find The Haberdashery on Facebook at @thehab900 or on Instagram at @the_haberdashery900, as well as their website www.thehab900.com, which, as of November, features an online store.
Five New Members Elected to the Marywood University Board of Trustees

Board Officers Also Announced for 2017-2018

Sister Mary Persico, IHM, Ed.D., Marywood University President, recently announced that five new trustees have been elected to Marywood’s Board of Trustees. New board members include: Sister Nancy DeCesare, IHM, Ph.D., Philadelphia, Pa.; Clayton J. Fitzhugh, North Palm Beach, Fla.; Bernadette Gray-Little, Ph.D., Lawrence, Kan.; Reverend John M. Lapera, Clarks Green, Pa.; and Daniel J. Santaniello, Roaring Brook Twp., Pa.

Sister Nancy DeCesare, IHM, Ph.D. ’78
Sister Nancy, Philadelphia, has worked for more than 30 years in the fields of administration and social work. Her professional background includes experience as a front-line social worker on the streets of New York City, a supervisor, and executive director, and, presently, as a professor of human services at Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia. She earned her Ph.D. in Clinical Social Work from the Shirley M. Ehrenkraus School of Social Work, now the Silver School of Social Work at New York University. Additionally, Sister Nancy holds a Master of Social Work degree from Marywood University, as well as a Master of Public Administration degree from the New York University’s distinguished Robert F. Wagner School of Public Service.

Clayton J. Fitzhugh
Recently retired, Mr. Fitzhugh enjoyed a long, distinguished career as a seasoned executive who worked at the highest levels of diverse global Fortune 500 corporations, especially in the healthcare industry. Most recently, Mr. Fitzhugh served as Executive Vice President Shared Services and Chief Human Resources Officer for Trinity Health, Livonia, Mich. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree, Magna Cum Laude, from Hyles Anderson College, Crown Point, Ind. He has participated in lectures, reviews, seminars, and case studies presented by Japanese Union of Scientists and Engineers (JUSE) and has attended and instructed over 25 workshops in Executive Management, Leadership, Communications, TQM, and Six Sigma (2000+ overall hours).

Reverend John M. Lapera
Presently serving as the Pastor at the Church of St. Gregory in Clarks Green, Pa., Rev. Lapera has served the Diocese of Scranton in numerous leadership capacities, both at the parish and diocesan levels. In addition to his pastoral duties at the Church of St. Gregory, Rev. Lapera serves as a consultant for pastoral planning on the Bishop’s Episcopal Council, Diocese of Scranton. He holds degrees from the University of Scranton and the Catholic University of America’s Theological College.

Bernadette Gray-Little, Ph.D. ’66
Dr. Gray-Little, recently retired, served as the 17th Chancellor at the University of Kansas from 2009-2017. During her distinguished tenure, she advanced the university’s mission of lifting students and society by educating leaders, building healthy communities, and making discoveries that change the world. Dr. Gray-Little oversaw a remarkable physical transformation of the university, including the construction and renovation of multiple facilities. Her prior experience in higher education includes service as executive vice chancellor and provost from 2006-2009 at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A native of eastern North Carolina, Dr. Gray-Little received her bachelor’s degree from Marywood and her master’s and doctoral degrees in psychology from Saint Louis University. She earned a Fulbright Fellowship to study in Denmark. She also served as a Social Science Research Council Fellow and received a Ford Foundation Senior Scholar Fellowship through the National Research Council.

Daniel J. Santaniello ’90
Since 2010, Mr. Santaniello, also known as Dan, has served as the chief executive officer and president of Fidelity D&D BanCorp, Inc., and its subsidiary, Fidelity Deposit and Discount Bank. Mr. Santaniello has held a number of leadership positions in the banking industry. Firmly believing that community service is also his business, he has been involved in a number of civic, charitable, and professional activities. Mr. Santaniello holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Marywood University and was the recipient of the Marywood Alumni Association’s Award of Excellence in Liberal Arts and Sciences in 2010.

In addition, the slate of board officers elected for 2017-2018 includes: Lisa A. Lori, Esq. ’93, Philadelphia, Pa., Board Chair; Mary Ellen McDonough ’73, Scranton, Pa., Vice Chair; Susan Cognetti, Clarks Green, Pa., Secretary, and James G. Gavin, M.S.W. ’73, Scranton, Pa., Treasurer.
Marywood University’s Fifth Annual Community Leadership Celebration on Thursday, May 3, 2018, will honor former Lt. Governor of Pennsylvania, William W. Scranton III and Maryla Peters Scranton, North Abington Township.

Mr. Scranton is a fifth generation descendant of the founders of the city of Scranton. He has followed a career similar to his forebears, including business management, community service and public office. He directs the Scranton Family Office and previously served as the Chairman of the Board of the Harleysville Group of Insurance Companies. Mr. Scranton is currently a member of the boards of Allied Services, Penn’s Northeast, The Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce, Geisinger Marworth, the Willary Foundation, the Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Business and Industry, and tecBRIDGE, an organization he helped found. He has been a strong and persistent voice for a cooperative regional approach to NEPA’s economic revival and for putting behind us our region’s historic divisions.

As Pennsylvania’s Lieutenant Governor from 1979-1987, he developed and implemented the state’s first energy policy and was instrumental in managing the state’s response to the Three Mile Island crisis. As Chairman of the Governor’s Energy Council, he was an early leader in the national effort to deregulate electric utilities, and developed Pennsylvania’s first renewable energy atlas. Mr. Scranton created the Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority, developed the blueprint for the Thornburgh administration’s comprehensive reform of human services, and championed the state’s entrepreneurial revival through the Pennsylvania Small Business Council and Ben Franklin Technology Partners. In addition, he chaired the Pennsylvania Board of Pardons and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Council. In 1986, he was the Republican nominee for Governor.

Though a seasoned public leader, Mr. Scranton’s life has largely been defined outside the halls of political power as an entrepreneur and job creator. Prior to public service, he ran small businesses in Northeastern Pennsylvania, including Greenstreet News Company and Sauquoit Industries. From 1987 to 1995, he managed consumer direct marketing companies in the San Francisco Bay area, including Smith & Hawken, Fortune’s Inc., and Worthington-Tuthill. A 1969 graduate of Yale University, Mr. Scranton holds honorary degrees from King’s College, Lehigh University and The University of Scranton. He has received numerous awards, including the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association Award for Investigative Journalism, the Salvation Army Others Award, NEPA Boy Scouts Distinguished Citizen Award and The National Wildlife Federation Conservation Service Citation.

Maryla Peters Scranton is a community activist and volunteer. She had a long and successful career as a fundraising executive for non-profit organizations, where she planned and executed Annual and Capital campaigns that raised millions of dollars throughout the United States. Mrs. Scranton served as Director of Development for The University of Scranton and as Campaign Director for their first national capital campaign, A Second Cornerstone. In addition, she has been Development Director at Lackawanna College; Allied Services; Marywood University; and The Langley School, McLean, Virginia. She also served as Vice President of Community Relations and Development for The Mercy Health System regionally, a division of Catholic Health Care Partners, and established the Mercy Foundation and the Monsignor Andrew J. McGowan Institute for Community Health Initiatives.

A graduate of Penn State University, Mrs. Scranton started her own business, MPS Consulting, in 2004. She has done volunteer work in Pennsylvania and Virginia. Currently, she is a member of the Board of Governors of The Scranton Area Community Foundation and a Trustee of The University of Scranton. Mrs. Scranton has presented at numerous local and national conferences. She was the Commencement Speaker at Penn State-Worthington Scranton’s 2013 commencement. She has been the recipient of several awards during her career, some of which include; The Children’s Advocacy Center’s Champion of Youth Award, Penn State’s Greater Scranton Chapter Alumnus of the Year Award, and the Lackawanna College Outstanding Employee Award.
CELEBRATING SCHOLARSHIP

At the Scholarship Luncheon on April 30, 2017, Marywood University recognized the establishment of three new endowed scholarships and a new commencement medal.

The Marywood University Class of 1959 Endowed Scholarship was established in celebration of the Class of 1959’s 50th Reunion Year in 2009, to recognize their special year and to collectively express appreciation for their Marywood education. The scholarship will benefit future undergraduate and graduate students who present financial need, so they too will have the opportunities that the Class of 1959 enjoyed at Marywood University.

Ms. Priscilla Calabro Scovell ’59 and Mary Jane Memolo ’59, representing the class in making the gift, said, “The members of the Class of 1959 came together to give back what they so graciously received during their Marywood years.”

The Tara Lee and Kelly Erin Ruddy Sisters Memorial Endowed Scholarship was established to provide financial aid to graduate students majoring in social work at Marywood University. Both Tara Lee and Kelly Erin Ruddy grew up at Marywood University, beginning their connection with the campus community when they were children. Their mother, Mary Theresa, worked in the Library, and their father, Leo, is an alumnus of Marywood University’s School of Social Work. During their time at Marywood, Tara Lee and Kelly Erin not only achieved their educational goals, they also lived lives of exemplary service, inspiration, and joy. The sisters shared an unending love of animals, remarkable athletic ability, and the gift of making others smile. Sadly, their lives ended due to separate, tragic circumstances, however, the legacy of love, care, and compassion that they cultivated during their lives endures. To honor their memory and assist future Marywood University graduate students majoring in social work, the Tara Lee and Kelly Erin Ruddy Endowed Memorial Scholarship has been established by their parents, Leo and Mary Ruddy, and their classmates and friends.

The Barbara Sowinski Endowed Scholarship was established as a merit-based award and will benefit undergraduate and graduate students pursuing studies in the field of architecture. Ms. Sowinski’s journey to Marywood—and to college in general—was a roundabout one. She had a series of jobs in various cities before traveling the world with United Airlines. After studying drama at Northwestern University, she became an actress in Manhattan, where she studied under some of the best drama professionals of that time. After recovering from a serious illness, she earned her B.A. in Psychology from Hunter College and later worked as a sales representative to banks in a six-state Midwest territory, as a sales representative to hospitals in a New York State territory and also a California/Nevada territory. Ms. Sowinski retired to Bradford County 30 years ago and decided to study at the Art Students League in New York City, The Studio School of New York City, the Vermont Studio Center, and, then, earned a Master of Arts degree from Marywood University. Ms. Sowinski’s non-traditional approach to college has led to her appreciation for lifelong learning, and she prides herself on being able to help students in the field of architecture.

The Robert E. Quinnan Medal for Distinguished Service in the Alphonsian and IHM Tradition was awarded for the first time to a graduating senior, Paul M. Kraycer, who has given quiet, generous, unassuming service to others while matriculating at Marywood University. The medal has been established by Catherine G. Quinnan ’61, Marywood graduate and trustee, to honor the memory of her husband, who died very unexpectedly on June 7, 2015. Inspiration for this medal came from a scripture passage found that day in Give Us This Day, a daily prayer book. The verse exemplified the way Mr. Quinnan had lived his life: “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interest of others.” (Phil 2:3-5) While recognizing the student who has exemplified St. Paul’s words in campus life, this medal also recognizes the mission and charism of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, that is at the heart of a Marywood University education.

Making Lifelong Learning a Priority:
Center for Transformational Teaching and Learning Established

By: Dr. Helen Bittel, Founding Director of the CTTL

A long-anticipated center that supports and enhances teaching and learning is up and running on Marywood’s campus. The new Center for Transformational Teaching and Learning (CTTL) opened in July under the leadership of founding director Dr. Helen Bittel, Associate Professor of English, and library liaison Amanda Avery, Marywood’s Digital and Assessment Librarian. The CTTL, located in the Learning Commons, assists campus faculty in their ongoing development through individual consultations, curated resources, and programming related to the art and science of effective teaching.

One way that Marywood faculty foster lifelong learning in students is by modeling it themselves, not only through study and research in their disciplines, but also by participating in an evolving discussion of best practices for teaching and learning in higher education. We partner with the Instructional Effectiveness Committee (which serves as its advisory board) to support endeavors like the peer observation program and the brown bag lunch discussion series. Our Facebook page identifies current pedagogy-related articles and invites our faculty to engage with colleagues from other universities and K-12 institutions in responding to them. We meet with colleagues who wish to troubleshoot classroom challenges, think through new approaches, or incorporate digital projects in their courses. An online archive of research and support materials on topics like online learning, responding to student writing, and the Catholic intellectual tradition is in the works.

One area of focus for our inaugural year will be accelerating our newest faculty through ongoing orientation, a new faculty survival guide, a more structured mentorship program, partnership with Mission Integration, and formal and informal programming. Another focus will be supporting two major curricular initiatives. More summer classes will be moving to an online format, and we will coordinate training for those faculty in online course design and pedagogies. In addition, a new Core Curriculum model is currently in the design phase. Though there is still much work to be done, we know that its key features—an integrative approach to general education grounded in proven high-impact teaching practices—will include significant support and development for faculty.

Curricular design that is very intentional in leading students to make connections across different disciplines has proven effective in enhancing student learning. However, it also requires more planning than traditional instruction, as well as regular collaboration among participating instructors. We at the CTTL look forward to facilitating both that foundational work and a larger conversation with colleagues across campus about teaching and learning practices that can transform and empower us all.
ALUMNI WEEKEND
2017 Highlights

Alumni from across the country gathered on Marywood’s campus to reminisce and have fun during Alumni Weekend on June 2, 3, and 4, 2017. While the event celebrated honor classes ending in 2s and 7s, graduates of all class years were “welcomed home” to campus. In addition to honor class gatherings, the weekend featured the All-Class Party with a DJ, wine tasting, wine glass painting, a street fair, and the annual Alumni Awards presentation. For more photos from Alumni Weekend 2017, go to: www.marywood.edu/connect/events/event-photos.html.

SAVE THE DATE

ALUMNI WEEKEND
June 1, 2, and 3, 2018

It’s time to get ready! This year’s event features several new events and event formats, including:

• 50th Reunion Ice Breaker on Friday
• Sister Cuthbert Luncheon on Saturday
• Mass at 4 p.m., with Alumni Awards ceremony to follow on Saturday
• All-Alumni party at the new amphitheatre, featuring The Exact Change Band

All alumni are welcome, whether or not you’re celebrating an honor year.

Call for Volunteers
We need you to make Alumni Weekend 2018 successful! Volunteer for the planning committee, nominate a classmate (or yourself) for an Alumni Award or for membership on the Marywood Alumni Association Board.

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When Valerie Rott Garafalo ’67 graduated from Marywood, she made a promise to her classmates, and they with her. “We promised each other that we would come back every five years, and we did that.”

Valerie’s journey to Marywood and to music began at a young age, from her grade school days at St. Ephrem’s in Brooklyn, N.Y., through her high school years at Marywood Seminary, and eventually, at Marywood College. Music, it seems, was in her blood. Valerie’s father was accepted to the acclaimed Julliard School, but was drafted before he could attend. Still, her talent shone, and she was encouraged to pursue musical studies. She did so, on her own terms.

While at St. Ephrem’s, Valerie did not wish to study piano, so she fibbed and told her mother that the school didn’t offer piano lessons. When it came time to attend high school, Mother John Francis Marley, IHM at St. Ephrem’s encouraged Valerie to attend Marywood Seminary in Scranton, PA. It was another world compared to Brooklyn, but one in which young Valerie thrived. Once she was at Marywood Seminary, Valerie’s resistance to piano lessons yielded, and she studied piano under the tutelage of Sister Maryla Farfour, IHM.

“Sister Maryla was—and still is—a guiding light. She’s just incredible,” observed Valerie of her now 94-year-old mentor. Following her high school graduation in 1962, Valerie initially attended Hunter College, but that didn’t last long. In the interim, she continued music studies with one of the IHM Sisters from St. Ephrem’s and then transferred to Marywood, beginning her studies in Music Education in the fall of 1963.

“All of the IHM Sisters at Marywood were talented and caring. Mrs. (Mary) Perry was also a great teacher. Truly, all of my teachers were wonderful,” she recalled.

During her senior year at Marywood, Valerie did her student teaching in Scarsdale, N.Y., staying with an elderly couple that was a friend of the family. She didn’t have a car, so she used to ride the school bus to her student teaching assignment. In doing so, she met her future husband, Miles Shanahan. He attended the Symphony Ball with her at Marywood, and, three years later, they were married. Together, they had three children, two boys and a girl, and the family now includes eight grandchildren.

At Marywood, Valerie gained the confidence and skills she needed to be a good teacher. In addition to her professional education, Valerie said she had a spiritual foundation, which was just as important. “As a teacher, some days are rougher than others. It was good to know that I had Mary and Jesus on my shoulder!”

As promised, every five years, she reunited with her classmates.
Music at her 50th Reunion gives the gift of right now! We’re all waiting to welcome abound. But much remains the same—the same love, laughter, creativity, past 50 years—impressive new buildings, new programs, and new faces. The Class of 1968 is gearing up for a memorable 50th reunion. Members of the class are raising funds to create a Class of 1968 Amphitheatre Endowment to provide funding for programming activities to take place at the new three-tiered lawn amphitheatre as well as a Class of 1968 Endowed Scholarship to support architecture students.

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- Regina Magnotta Peters, Team Leader

Magnotta ’67, served as co-chairs. There, it was decided that the Class of 1967 would channel its gift efforts into two scholarship funds—one focused on music and another on a general scholarship. Valerie and Kathleen coordinated with their classmates to establish the Class of 1967 Music Graduates’ Scholarship Award at Marywood University. Valerie’s gifts include a contribution that helped endow The Class of 1967 Music Scholarship, as well as an estate plan, through which she will give Marywood a beautiful Steinway grand piano to help students pursuing a music education.

I took advantage of all the arts opportunities available when I was a student. A Marywood education is a truly wonderful education, so students need to make these opportunities (especially in the arts) a priority and enjoy the well-rounded educational experience that is offered.”

- Valerie Rott Garofalo ’67

Marywood education is a truly wonderful education, so students need to make these opportunities (especially in the arts) a priority and enjoy the well-rounded educational experience that is offered. There are many ways to make a gift to Marywood, and an estate plan is one of many options people can and should pursue. Valerie noted that estate plans are a great way to gift heirloom pieces, such as she has done with her Steinway, to Marywood, where it will be cherished and used to educate students.

“I shared with one of my classmates at our Reunion Mass that I had made this kind of gift, and it also got her thinking about making a similar donation,” Valerie stated.

For future classes, Valerie suggested that a class gift should be one that best expresses their Marywood connection. “Let your heart be your guide,” she advised. “Reflect on how Marywood has made a positive impact on you, your families, your profession, and your life, then take it from there.”

She emphasized that the commitment and connection need to begin while people are still students.

Valerie suggested, “Commit to one another—now—that you will return to Marywood periodically to reconnect and maintain friendships. Stay involved! Be aware of the University’s needs and do your part to help meet them, so that students who follow you will have the opportunities you now enjoy.”

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Class of 1968 Planning Committee, pictured (1st row, L-R): Dorothy Williams Maher, Jean Pascoe Weinschenk, Sharon Brady LaBelle, Barbara Spellman Shuta, Elaine Eiden Cross, and Ann Coyne Coleman.

2017 ALUMNI AWARD WINNERS

Dorothy Brelish Magnotta (B.M. 1967), Sister M. Denis Donegan Award for Long Term Service to Marywood

Dorothy Brelish Magnotta’s service to Marywood is a testament of true dedication and enduring love for her alma mater. She holds a Bachelor of Music degree, with a major in voice and a minor in piano and organ, from Marywood, and has used her musical talents to educate, to heal, and to uplift. She served as a teacher in the Keystone Training and Rehabilitation program for the Northeastern Educational Instructional Unit (NEIU), as well as a music therapist at Scranton State General Hospital and as an organist and vocalist at St. Eulalia’s Church for many years. She has supported arts and recreation in the community through her board service for the Northeast Philharmonic, Northeastern Pennsylvania Women’s Golf Association, and the Elmhurst Country Club Women’s Golf Association. A Past President of the Marywood Alumni Association, Dorothy has particularly given of her time and talents to alumni events, such as Homecoming and the Reunion Committee for her class. Dorothy has been an alumni mentor, has led the Alumni Division of the Marywood Fund Drive, and has served as a Presidential Society volunteer. She also has channeled her love for golf into her volunteer efforts, particularly the Marywood Fund Golf Committee, on which she served for countless years. In 2002, the University honored Dorothy by awarding a Presidential Scholarship in her name to a worthy student. In recognition of her 50th class reunion, she established the Dorothy Brelish Magnotta ‘67 and Albert Magnotta Endowed Scholarship. Dorothy recently concluded three full and distinguished terms—a total of nine years—as a Marywood University trustee, guiding Marywood’s growth in ways that considerably benefitted the University. For her abiding and longstanding dedication, framed always by her spirited enthusiasm, the Marywood Alumni Association is pleased to recognize Dorothy Brelish Magnotta with the 2017 Sister M. Denis Donegan Award for Long Term Service to Marywood.

Sister Cor Immaculatum Heffernan, IHM, M.F.A. (B.A. 1954; M.S. 1973), Distinguished Alumnus Award

For many Marywood graduates, the name of Sister Cor Immaculatum Heffernan, IHM is synonymous with the Department of Visual Arts, which she joined as a faculty member in 1978, then served as department chair for 14 years at both graduate and undergraduate levels. She continued to teach until her retirement in 2008 and now holds the distinguished title of Professor Emerita of Art. Sister Cor holds several degrees: a Bachelor of Arts degree in English/Art and a Master of Science degree in Counseling, both from Marywood, a Master of Arts degree in Sculpture from the University of Notre Dame, and a Master of Fine Arts degree in Illustration from Syracuse University. Her multifaceted life is itself a masterpiece. Sister Cor is a teacher, a mentor, and a consultant; she is a sculptor, a harpist, a calligrapher, and a creator of mosaics; she is a counselor, a spiritual director, and, above all, she is a servant of God to others. Her collected works are featured in the 2004 book, Spirit of Light, an effort led and championed by her students. Also established by her students, the Sister Cor Immaculatum Heffernan, IHM ‘54 Endowed Scholarship benefits graduate students in the “Get Your Master’s with the Masters” summer M.F.A. program at Marywood, which she founded in 1984 and has supported every year since. In 2014, she was awarded Marywood’s Presidential Medal for her lifetime dedication to the arts and to Marywood. With the deepest appreciation for all she has done, for who she is, and for all she continues to create, the Marywood Alumni Association is pleased to recognize Sister Cor Immaculatum Heffernan, IHM with the 2017 Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Daniela Ganem Vojta (B.F.A. 1998)
2017 Alumni Achievement Award

Daniela Ganem Vojta has always approached her life and her work with a creative flair, open to new possibilities. Born and raised in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, she came to Marywood as an international student and was the recipient of an IHM Scholarship. While at Marywood, she studied graphic design, ultimately earning her B.F.A. in 1998. With Marywood’s help, Daniela secured an internship with acclaimed New York designer Milton Glaser, and she landed her first job as a Junior Art Director at Lotus Minard Patton McIver, a New York advertising agency. From there, her career advanced, and she’s had tenures at several notable agencies, including Publicis, Saatchi & Saatchi, and McCann, creating advertising campaigns for clients such as Microsoft, MasterCard, Coca-Cola, Target, L’Oreal, General Mills, and many others. Presently, Daniela lives and works in New York City with her husband, Jon, and daughter, Alba. She is the Group Creative Director at McCann M united for Microsoft. She launched the Windows 10 global campaign, as well as the “Girls do Science” initiative, which aims to close the gender gap in the tech industry. Often listed among the top Creative Directors in the world, Daniela was recently nominated as Creative Director of the Year by AdAge magazine. Previously, she was featured in Adweek’s “Creatives100” and AdAge’s “Creatives You Should Know.” Her numerous awards for her creative work include Cannes Lions, Clio, Art Director’s Club, Webby Awards, New York Festivals, and many more, for campaigns such as Microsoft’s #MakeWhatsNext, which encourages girls to pursue science, the Brady Campaign’s “Keep America Safe,” advocating common sense gun laws, and the Ad Council’s “AdoptUSKids.” To these many accolades, the Marywood Alumni Association is pleased to add its own by recognizing Daniela Ganem Vojta with the 2017 Alumni Achievement Award.

Josh Mecca (B.S. 2013; M.S. 2014) and John Strauss (B.S. 2014), 2017 Recent Alumni Award of Excellence for Professional Achievement

Josh Mecca and John Strauss combined their love for science with their goal to create a successful healthcare analytics company. Every great idea begins somewhere, and theirs was developed at Marywood. The two joined forces while still students—Josh was a graduate biotechnology student and John was an undergraduate biology student. Together, they used their scientific knowledge to develop a successful business proposal. They entered their plan in the tecBRIDGE Entrepreneurial Institute Business Competition in 2014, placing second in the collegiate division and winning the overall wildcard award “for innovation and breakthrough technology,” which came with $5,000 cash and $90,000 of in-kind services. Today, they lead the venture they founded, M&S Biotics, LLC. The company is the first fully comprehensive solution to aid in the advancement of healthcare efficiency, efficacy, and safety. M&S Biotics is developing a multi-functional system that automates the surgical counting of instruments in operating rooms, while providing data analytics for hospital administration/supervisors. Their proven business leadership and solid expertise in research and development continue to drive these two young entrepreneurs, as they advance the healthcare industry and truly live the Marywood mission of “living responsibly in an interdependent world.” To their numerous accomplishments and accolades, the Marywood Alumni Association is pleased to add its own recognition of these two brilliant young graduates, by presenting Josh Mecca and John Strauss with the 2017 Recent Alumni Award of Excellence for Professional Achievement.
New Director of Alumni Engagement

Marywood University recently announced that Cara Bell Green has been named Director of Alumni Engagement. In her new position, Mrs. Bell Green will work directly with alumni to lead all alumni-related engagement activities of the University.

Prior to her new position, she served as Assistant Director of Admissions/Recruitment Coordinator at The Pennsylvania State University (University Park, Pa.). She also previously served as a Facilities Coordinator at Penn State and as Assistant to the Athletic Director at East Stroudsburg University. Additionally, she was the Supervisory Community Recreation Coordinator for U.S. Army Morale, Welfare, and Recreation at Fort Sill, Okla., and Fort Benning, Ga.

Mrs. Bell Green holds a Master of Professional Studies degree in Organization Development and Change from The Pennsylvania State University (University Park, Pa.). She also earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management from Penn State.

During her time at Penn State, she was President of the Alumni Program Group, served as an alumni mentor for the College of Health and Human Development, special events class mentor, and as a member of the Military Student Team, IBM Nittany Watson Challenge Transfer Credit Team, Outreach Event Steering Committee, and the External Engagement and Recognition Committee. Mrs. Bell Green has presented on the topics of integrating technology into recruitment strategies; engagement, yield, and retention; and event planning, in both educational and military settings.

Mrs. Bell Green is a Northeast Pennsylvania native, and resides in West Pittston with her husband, Michael.

GREETINGS FROM THE MAA PRESIDENT

As your new Marywood Alumni Association Board President, I am truly honored to represent the voice of our 30,000 alumni, living and working around the world. I want to welcome our most recent graduates, the Class of 2017.

This is a very exciting and dynamic time to represent the University. It is truly amazing to witness the significant changes occurring daily on campus, and I look forward to having a long and wonderful relationship with you.

The Alumni Association Board is comprised of a very committed group of volunteers who focus on the needs of our alumni and the needs of our students – career networking, mentorships, admissions recruitment, alumni engagement and support, alumni service, chapters/national gatherings, internships, the Marywood Fund, and social gatherings/events that bring alumni together. We currently have 22 board members who represent many of the classes, departments, and major areas of study. We have many diverse backgrounds; however, our common goal is to engage our alumni where they live and work. How do you stay connected?

Here are my Top Ten Ways to Stay Connected to Marywood.

1. Follow the MAA on Facebook and Twitter, the Marywood e-newsletter, and the Alumni website to get up-to-date information about alumni, programs, and events.
2. When traveling back home to NEPA, stay tuned to our student-operated radio station, WVWM-FM 91.7.
3. Get your 10,000 steps in: visit campus and take a walk around our beautifully expanding, renovated campus.
4. Attend an alumni event in your area (or bring alumni together in your community) or on campus...the Marywood Pacers, theatre, year-long scheduled musical performances, speakers programs, Breakfast with Santa, the Annual Nutcracker performances, Christmas Tree Lighting in Marywood’s beautiful Rotunda, luncheons, and so much more.
5. Turn off Game of Thrones and indulge in the cultural life of our Marywood Community.
6. Show your PACERS PRIDE and come to a sporting event where you live or on campus. Have you seen our new Turf Field? Absolutely stunning!
7. Pay it forward: Make a difference in the life of a student; participate in our annual Giving Day; help meet our $300,000 Turf Field challenge by December 31, 2017; talk with a student during our student-calling phonathon. Each of us makes a difference in the life of our University and the life of our students.
8. Give a shout-out to an outstanding alumnus/alumna by nominating them for one of our distinguished Alumni Awards.
9. Join the Alumni Board; let us know of your interest.
10. Stay connected! Alumni Weekend is scheduled for June 1, 2, 3, 2018. Gather alumni friends and family to come home to Marywood. It’s time to create more fond memories.

Let’s continue to build on our Marywood spirit and pride!

Sincerely,
Michelle Summers ’00
President, Marywood University Alumni Association

A Note from Cara...

Hello, Marywood University Alumni!

I am so excited to serve as your Director of Alumni Engagement and work with the over 30,000 Marywood alumni located around the world! I hope to connect with all of you in some way, whether that is virtually or in person, to gather your valuable feedback on how you would like to engage. The pride, experience, and passion you bring is unparalleled, and will only continue to advance Marywood University for current and future alumni.

As we continue traditions and begin new initiatives, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at cgreen@marywood.edu or via phone at 570-961-4725 with any ideas, questions, or concerns. You can also let us know your thoughts on Twitter using the hashtag #MUAlumFeedback, or stop by my office in Maria Hall if you happen to be on campus.

I am ecstatic for what is on the horizon for the alumni network at Marywood!

Sincerely,
Cara Green

P.S. Don’t forget to save the date for Alumni Weekend, being held June 1-3. We look forward to hosting you back on campus!
1970s

Joseph Lukas (M.S., 1976) recently retired after a long career as an educator, Supervisor of Special Education, and School Administrator.

Arlene Crandall (1978) graduated on May 16, 2017, from St. John’s University, New York, with a Doctorate in Education from the Department of Administrative and Instructional Leadership. Her dissertation title is “An Analysis of the CAEP Standards and edTPA Preservice Assessment System to Determine the Common Components and Disconnects between the two Systems.”

1990s

Kim Babcock, LCSW (M.S.W., 1995) was recently selected for the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Under Secretary for Health’s Award for Excellence in Social Work Practice. This prestigious honor is given to just one Social Worker in the VA system annually. Ms. Babcock is a native of Scranton, Pennsylvania. She holds a BA from West Chester University (Cum Laude, School of Social Work, 1994) and a Master of Social Work from Marywood University. She began her career in 1995 at the San Francisco VA Medical Center, where she now serves as the Associate Chief of Social Work. According to Acting VA Under Secretary for Health, Poonam Alaigh, MD, this award was given to Ms. Babcock for her “leadership, compassion, and ability to bring about change in the world of Social Work.” Ms. Babcock has dedicated most of her career to taking care of Veterans, and this award acknowledges her willingness to improve herself and put our veterans’ needs ahead of her own. On receiving this award, Ms. Babcock noted, “I’m humbled. It’s a privilege to spend my career working with veterans and our amazing staff.”

2000s

Amy Tuttle (2001) participated in the CROP walk for hunger for the 25th consecutive year. Tuttle has walked to raise money for hunger both on a local and global level. For the past few years, she has also served as a Team Captain for her church and has recruited many people in the community to become involved with the CROP walk.

Marissa Racht Ryan (2001) is currently residing in Florence, Italy. She recently completed an M.F.A. in Contemporary Jewelry at Alchimia in Florence. As part of the degree, she had to organize and present a solo thesis exhibition at a location outside of the school, completely independently, as well as create a website (www.rachtryanartjewelry.com) and publish a book. At the end of May, she taught the Late Spring Beginning Jewelry course for SACI in Florence.

Joan F. Miller, RN, Ph.D. (Ph.D., 2003), was recently welcomed to the prestigious International Nurses Association with her upcoming publication in Worldwide Leaders in Healthcare. With over three decades in her field, Joan is renowned for her expertise in all facets of nursing, especially leadership studies and clinical nurse supervising. As Professor Emeritus at Bloomsburg University, Joan is committed to developing the next generation of nurses. She attained her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, becoming a Registered Nurse. An advocate for continuing education, she went on to gain her Master of Science degree in Nursing within the same educational venue, before completing her Post Master’s certification as a Nurse Practitioner from The Pennsylvania State University. Joan then went on to earn a Ph.D. in Human Development from Marywood University. With her physician husband, Joan conducts service and short-term international trips to Jamaica and Ecuador for college students. She is also involved in Harvard University’s “The Good Project.” An inductee of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, Joan attributes her success to her dedication, the diverse experiences she has had as a nurse, and the connections she has made with respected educators such as Dr. Howard Gardner. When she is not working, Joan enjoys running marathons and spending time with her 11 grandchildren.

Amanda E. Marchegiani, AuD (2006) was selected as a participant of the Labyrinth Leadership Experience through Sigma Sigma Sigma National Sorority. The experience took place from June 7-11 in Washington, D.C. and ended in Woodstock, VA, home of Tri Sigma’s National Headquarters. This program provides a transformational,
engaging, and intergenerational experience for members to grow in their appreciation of the lifelong commitment associated with membership. She also was selected as a participant in the 2017-2018 Leadership Lackawanna Core Program, which began in September. Additionally, Amanda received the Scranton Area Community Foundation’s Government Leadership Award and the H. Leigh Woehling Leadership Lackawanna Scholarships. This 10-month program allows participants to gain leadership, interpersonal and managerial skills, as well as an enhanced understanding of the issues relevant to the Greater Scranton area, through monthly sessions. Areas of focus include community development, economic development, government, health care, law, education, quality of life, sustainability, history and media, with sessions featuring widely recognized specialists. Class participants also devote a large portion of their time to develop and implement community projects benefiting local nonprofit organizations.

2010s


Andrea Fritchey (2013) and Joshua Carey (2015) were married on January 7, 2017, surrounded by many members of their Marywood family.

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Haydn Lewis Gilmore, a member of the English Department faculty for more than 20 years, passed away on October 8, 2016. He held a bachelor’s degree in philosophy from Temple University, a Master of Theology from Dallas Theological Seminary, and a Master of Arts in journalism from Syracuse University. Ordained in 1955, he was Methodist pastor in Centermoreland before serving in the Air Force as chaplain for 10 years. Prior to teaching at Marywood, Haydn taught at Keystone College, Luzerne County Community College, and Penn State extensions. He was author of Jog for Your Life (Zondervan, 1974) and a frequent contributor to Runner’s Gazette. Haydn received the Freedoms Foundation medal in 1967, was a member of St. David’s Society and Wyoming County Chorale, and also was a beekeeper.

Sister Eileen M. Palma, IHM, (formerly known as Sister M. Virginis) of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary died on Wednesday, March 8, 2017, at Our Lady of Peace Residence in Scranton. Sister Eileen served as a teacher in elementary schools in New York and Pennsylvania and as a purchasing agent at the former St. Joseph’s Hospital, Carbondale. At Marywood, she served as receptionist in academic records (1981 to 1986) and as a purchasing agent (1986 to 1999). Following her retirement from Marywood, Sister Eileen was receptionist at the IHM Center. From 2008 until the time of her death, Sister Eileen was a prayer minister at Our Lady of Peace Residence in Scranton. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education and a Master of Science degree in Religious Education from Marywood.

Patricia A. Munley-Cerda, Executive Secretary to the Vice President for University Advancement for 22 years (1992-2014), passed away Friday, March 10, 2017, at home following a brief illness. A graduate of Jessup High School, she received a degree from Lackawanna Junior College. After graduation, Patti served as an executive secretary for the U.S. Department of State in Washington, D.C. She received numerous Exceptional Performance Awards. She served two years in South Korea and in Germany and three years in Mexico City, with temporary service assignments in Thailand, Japan, and Burma. Patti retired from the government in 1992, and received an Award for Career Achievement and Honorable Service with the State Department. She was a member of the Society of Irish Women, Citizens for a Healthy Jessup, and Queen of Angels Parish. Patti was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, friend, and co-worker, who will be greatly missed by all who knew her.
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EDGES
Donna Pucciani ’70
(Purple Flag Press, Virtual Artists Collective, Chicago, December 16, 2016)

In her seventh book of poetry, Edges, Donna Pucciani ’70 explores the boundaries of human experience, the way persons and things overlap, collide, or simply parallel each other. The four sections of the book, named for Shakespearean references, begin with “The Web of Our Life,” which explores the personal in such poems of family tragedy as “Billy’s Gun” and faith vs. doubt in “Padre Ernesto Peels an Apple,” “The Discipline of Gratitude,” and “Psalm for Wall Street.” The next section, “I Do Wander Everywhere,” follows the author’s travels through England, Spain, and Italy, with insights both geographical and familial, as she connects with cousins and even long-buried ancestors in “Beach Stone,” “Leaving Madrid,” and “Liverpool Airport.” The most adventurous section of the book is titled “The Language I Have Learn’d,” which presents the author’s second language, Italian, in all its grammatical complexity and aural beauty, often crossing the border into bilingual territory, but never beyond the reader’s reach. As in her other books, Pucciani approaches natural phenomena—crickets, wind, desert, snow, blackbirds, and the “edges” of days and seasons—in the final section, “Where the Bee Sucks,” with a combination of the real and surreal that is a trademark of her work. In Edges, Pucciani takes emotional risks and draws new psychological maps. The juxtaposition of diverse subjects and far-flung settings surprises the reader throughout, with the tension between the sensory and the imaginary always hovering on the page. You can find her work on her blog, https://donnapuccianipoet.wordpress.com, which features weekly excerpts of her published poetry. For ordering information, visit the publisher’s website, http://vacpoetry.org/edges/, or purchase from various online booksellers.

TEACHING TIME MANAGEMENT TO LEARNERS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER
Caroline DiPipi-Hoy, Ph.D. ’96
(AAPC Publishing, May 4, 2016)

Caroline DiPipi-Hoy, Ph.D. ’96, Associate Professor, Special Education and Rehabilitative and Human Services at East Stroudsburg University, has co-authored a book, Teaching Time Management to Learners with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Time management is a valuable skill to acquire. An individual with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) may quickly learn time-telling skills; however, simply being able to tell time does not necessarily lead to time-management skills. For people with ASD, mastering important time management skills leads greater independence and less reliance on others. This book provides the tools necessary to move beyond time identification and, instead, effectively teach learners on the autism spectrum how to use time in a way that promotes independence in school, at home, and in the community. This is a vital resource for anyone, parent or professional, interested in teaching time-management skills that will be utilized throughout life. Perhaps the greatest strength of Teaching Time Management resides in the offerings of both low- and high-technology methods for managing time. Useful application activities are included at the end of every chapter, followed by discussion questions that enable the reader to relate the text to personal life experiences. Time-management worksheets are also provided at the back of the book, which readers can use at home and in educational settings. The book is available at the publisher’s website, https://aappcpublishing.net/aapc-bookstore/product-viewer.aspx?slug=Teaching-Time-Management, or can be purchased through various online booksellers.

THE KNIGHT OF THE ORB: A LEGEND AND A MYTH
M.W. Penn (Marianne Waering Prokop ’66)
(Math Word Press, 2017)

In the midst of the thirteenth century, a young knight and a friend he injured in a joust, journey together through England, Ireland, and time to overcome powerful foes. Their victories are aided by a thief scullery maid, the owl that protects her, and the mystical orb. The book is available at the author’s website, https://mwpenn.com/the-knight-of-the-orb, and also can be purchased through various online booksellers. Additionally, Marianne accepted an invitation to speak at the annual National Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference in Washington, D.C., in April 2018. NCTM national conferences are the most prestigious meetings of math educators in the U.S., and this will be Marianne’s fifth appearance there.

If you are a Marywood graduate with a new work—book, music, film, video, art—that has recently been published, produced, performed, or exhibited, let us know!

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