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# A Message From the President.



## Dear Friends,

I welcome this opportunity to present to you the 2015-2016 Annual Report and to share with you the achievements of our students, faculty, administrators, and staff over the past year. 2016 was a particularly meaningful and joyful year as the College community joined with Dominicans across the globe in celebrating the 800 Year Jubilee of the founding of the Dominican Order. The Dominican pillars of Study, Community, Service, and Spirituality provide the needed support and encouragement as together truth is pursued and shared in ways that encourage “reflective understanding and compassionate involvement.”

The College’s mission is a constant reminder of the commitment to promote educational, excellence, leadership, and service in an environment characterized by respect for the individual and concern

for the community. In the pages that follow, the growth and excellence of the College’s science offerings will be highlighted. New laboratories, BLISS Scholarships, and an expanding curriculum, developed and taught by outstanding faculty, have attracted enthusiastic students.

As programs have expanded, planning for future campus needs has been undertaken. The Hennessy Center expansion project is underway with an additional gym, fitness center, and offices slated for completion before the start of the next school year. The College has finalized a new Master Plan designed to meet the facility needs of the next decade. Two projects have been identified as priorities—a new turf field surrounded by a four lane track and a safe, attractive campus entrance off Western Highway.

In the meantime, facilities personnel are ensuring that current buildings are properly maintained and improved where possible. Significant upgrades have been made in Casey and Forkel Halls. Offices, classrooms and gathering spaces have been refurbished and rearranged in the Sullivan Library, the Academic Success Center, the Charger Café, and the New Student and Transition Center. A history wall has been installed in Forkel Hall which highlights important dates and events in the life of the College; the Senior Gift of a wall mural in Granito Center depicts student life through the years since the College’s founding

in 1952; and a lamp post and banner have been erected at the reflection site, dedicated to the memory of the beloved Campus Chaplain, Fr. Ron Stanley, O.P.

The Department of Institutional Advancement continues to raise funds for operations through the Annual Fund, as well as to support an expanding scholarship program. Fundraising for the Hennessy expansion continues. The purchase of 17 acres from the Dominican Sisters, along with formerly rented fields and buildings was completed on November 7, 2016. This exchange provides many opportunities for future growth.

The fiscal year ended with a surplus of \$1.4 million dollars. The required Department of Education Composite Ratio of 1.5 was reached based on 2014–15 financials and the ratio will be 1.8 based on the 2015–16 report.

Dominican College has a promising future. The College is grateful for the vision of the Board, the dedication of its staff and the enthusiasm of its students. It takes pride in the good lives and accomplishments of its over 13,500 alumni.

Thank you for keeping Dominican College in your prayers and among your priorities.

## Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D.







# Enhancements in Science

**“Science is coming to the fore as a  
key strength of Dominican College.”**

—Kathleen Conlon Hinge, Ph.D., Science Coordinator and Assistant  
Professor of Physics and Mathematics

The Science Department at Dominican College has celebrated remarkable advances and achievements over the past year: a new Chemistry laboratory opened; a National Science Foundation grant funded a new scholarship program; the College was one of just 20 nationwide chosen by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute to bring more research into biology instruction; the College created a Chemistry minor; and a professor and student received national recognition for their achievements. “Science is coming to the fore as a key strength of Dominican College,” said Kathleen Conlon Hinge, Ph.D., Science Coordinator and Assistant Professor of Physics and Mathematics. “What you are seeing is a blossoming of the Sciences because of a highly talented, creative, and motivated faculty who are excited about what they do. It’s a great time to work and study here!”



# New Chemistry Lab Opens

Equipment donated through the generosity of Pfizer, Inc.

Dominican College unveiled a newly-renovated chemistry laboratory in Forkel Hall on April 14, 2016. The updated lab was made possible by the generous donation of about \$500,000 worth of furniture and equipment from Pfizer, Inc.

The furniture and equipment donated by Pfizer, Inc., include a chemical fume hood, four lab work benches, two equipment benches, glassware, solvent cabinets, and instruments. These additions will enhance the use of the renovated room for instruction and lab work.





# College Participates in National Research Project

Dominican College one of only 20 schools chosen to pilot an exciting genomics study.

Dominican College has been selected by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) to pilot a new laboratory for undergraduate biology students. Just 20 schools were chosen nationwide to participate in the SEA-PHAGES (Science Education Alliance Phage Hunters Advancing Genomics and Evolutionary Science) Project. As part of the project, which began this fall, the students are trained in advanced laboratory techniques while looking for bacterial viruses, otherwise known as bacteriophages, in soil samples.

Once the students isolate a virus and extract the DNA, HHMI does the genome sequencing on the virus and students subsequently piece together the genomic information.



[Top] Madeline Micceri Mignone, Ph.D., with students.



## Freshman Biology Student Accepted into Prestigious National Science Foundation Research Program

**Kimberly Acevedo**, 19, of Brewster, NY, attended a prestigious 10-week summer program at Clemson University for students who are exploring a career in biological research. Acevedo is one of just ten students accepted into Clemson University's National Science Foundation REU (Research Experiences for Undergraduates) Program. There were more than 300 applicants.



# BLISS Program Has Successful Inaugural Year

Program supports talented biology students who are passionate about the sciences.

The academically-talented biology students who participated in the first year of the College's BLISS (Biology for Low Income Student Scholars) program all had positive reviews of the new program. In addition to receiving financial aid, the students take part in field trips and have unique research opportunities. The scholarship winners have a single advisor and work closely with each other to ensure their success in a biology career.

Fourteen Dominican College students, eight freshman, and six sophomores, have been awarded up to \$10,000 a year for four years as part of the BLISS program. This scholarship program was made possible by a \$592,688 grant that Dominican College was awarded from the National Science Foundation (NSF).



## BLISS Students

Darian Fernandez  
Stephanie Denis  
Kim Acevedo  
Albert Martinez  
Amanda Saab  
Michael Joseph Panis  
Yunia Alvarez  
Destiny Lora  
Kayla Johnson  
Cynthia Castro  
Tara Carney  
Rebecca Birmingham  
Annie Segura



# Alumnus Invention Wins \$1.125 Million Google Grant

Adjunct professor uses technology to respond to the needs of people with challenges.

Alumnus and Adjunct Professor John Damiao, '09, has invented a device he calls "a game changer," which gives individuals with Cerebral Palsy an affordable way to turn their manual wheelchair into a power wheelchair and gain the independence they crave. "They don't have the ability to propel the manual wheelchair," he said. "Essentially, they are prisoners of their own wheelchairs."

Google sees the potential in Damiao's invention and has awarded the Center for Discovery, where Damiao works, with a \$1.125 million grant to improve the device and get it on the market. The Center for Discovery in Monticello, NY is a residential facility for people with disabilities.

As part of the project, Google awarded \$20 million in grants to help address accessibility challenges all over the world.





# New Chemistry Minor

Program prepares students  
for interdisciplinary work.

Dominican College now offers students a minor in Chemistry. Assistant Professor of Chemistry Colleen Evans said science graduates are expected to do more interdisciplinary work than ever before, and the Chemistry minor prepares Dominican College graduates to be more successful. Two new courses were created because of the Chemistry minor. Studies in Biochemistry II was offered in spring and Analytical Chemistry is being offered this fall. The creation of a Chemistry minor is seen as the first step toward introducing a Chemistry major in the near future.



[Top] Colleen Evans, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Chemistry.



# Biology Professor Placed on Fulbright Specialist Roster

**Bernadette Connors, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biology, ready to serve as expert overseas.**

Bernadette Connors, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biology, has been selected to be placed on the Fulbright Specialist Roster by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), and the Institute of International Education's Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES). The roster is a list of all candidates who are eligible to be matched with overseas academic institutions needing expertise from Fulbright Specialists in a particular area of study.

Dr. Connors can remain on the roster for up to five years. She is eligible for consideration for two- to six-week grant opportunities through the Specialist Program. While Dr. Connors said she would consider traveling anywhere in the world as a Fulbright Specialist, her top choices are England and China.



Bernadette Connors, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biology.



# Highlights of the Year.

*“It’s important that we examine our needs and have a blueprint for the next eight to 10 years. Then we know what we can do in the future.”*

—Shaowei Wu, Ph.D., Director of Institutional Research, Planning, and Assessment

## Advancing Excellence: The Master Plan.

In the past few months, Dominican College has taken a number of significant steps to prepare for the future by beginning a major construction project, purchasing additional land, and finalizing a new master plan.

President Sr. Mary Eileen O’Brien, O.P., Ph.D., said, “The exciting thing about the 2016 Master Plan is that it is promulgated at the time we’ve acquired an additional 17 acres, and it comes on the heels of construction of an expanded Hennessy Center, which we articulated in the last Master Plan in 2007.”



Dominican College staff at the ground-breaking on September 8.



## Hennessy Center Expansion

A ground-breaking ceremony took place on Thursday, September 8, 2016, to celebrate the beginning of construction on a \$5 million expansion of the Hennessy Center. The Hennessy Center expansion will include a new regulation-size NCAA gym on the same level as the current gym, with batting cages that can be lowered from the ceiling. A new lower level will have a fitness center, dance studio, weight room, and coaches’ offices. Plans call for the current exercise room to become an athletic training lab for students in the Athletic Training Academic Program.

The Hennessy Center expansion will meet the needs of a growing student population and an increase in student athletes. In addition to serving as the College’s athletic center, the Hennessy Center serves the community by being home to summer camps, concerts, job fairs, programs for people with disabilities, and community events.

More than half of the money needed for the expansion has been raised. The College recently launched a new fundraising campaign to raise the remainder of the funds. Construction is expected to be completed by the beginning of the 2017/2018 school year.



### Purchase of 17-Acres

The College has purchased a 17-acre parcel of land, which it had previously been leasing, from the Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt. This parcel of land includes Forkel Hall, the nearby soccer and practice fields, and the Rosary parking lot. The purchase of the land allows the College to invest in improvements in the property, and to have additional land for future expansion.

### Land Use and Campus Enhancement Plan

For the first time in nine years, the College has completed a new master plan, also known as the Land Use and Campus Enhancement Plan. "It's important that we examine our needs and have a blueprint for the next eight to 10 years. Then we know what we can do in the future," said Shaowei Wu, Ph.D., Director of Institutional Research, Planning, and Assessment.

The 2016 plan puts forth a number of potential construction projects for the College including a new well-defined College entrance on Western Highway, an outdoor athletics complex, village-style housing, a welcome center, a new academic building, and a performance venue.

Among the first projects expected to be completed is the construction of a safer crossing of Western Highway from the Hennessy Center and Granito Center to Rosary and Forkel Halls.

### Wall Mural Unveiled

On the eve of graduation, the Class of 2016 presented the College with a wall mural in the Granito Center depicting student life since the College was founded in 1952. The Senior Gift has become an annual tradition at Dominican College and is a way for graduating seniors to show their appreciation to the College.

The mural is on the second floor walkway of the Granito Center, above the stairwell

and foyer, and includes photos of students at the College from the 1950's until today. One of the first photos is of nuns ice skating at the College. One of the last photos is of graduating students taking a selfie.

A short description of each of the photos is included on separate wall panels installed at eye level on the first floor of Granito Center, near the entrance.

Recent senior gifts include the Charlie the Charger statue, the Hennessy Center flag pole, and the Alumni Book of Remembrance.

### Dominican College Named a Top Workplace by The Journal News

Dominican College has been selected as a Journal News Top Workplace in the Lower Hudson Valley for 2016. The honorees were chosen based upon the results of an employee feedback survey administered by Workplace Dynamics, LLC, a research firm that specializes in organizational health and workplace improvement.

"We are so pleased to have received this award," said College President Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D., "Our employees often say that the Dominican College community is like



[Top] The 2016 Dominican College Master Planning Committee. [Bottom] Seniors unveil their 2016 gift, a wall mural depicting life at the College since it was founded in 1952.



family to them. We help each other through difficult times and celebrate each other's good news. This is a particularly meaningful award to me, because it is based upon surveys completed by our employees."

According to a May 1, 2016 article in *The Journal News*, Dominican College employees surveyed said they were satisfied with their jobs because of great co-workers and managers, along with the ability to grow personally and professionally.

### A Cappella Group Performs National Anthem at Mets Game

Dominican College's a cappella group, Pitches and Cream, performed the National Anthem at a Mets game at Citi Field on Saturday, September 3, 2016. "What an incredible, indescribable experience," said Musical Director of Pitches and Cream, Lydia Maynard, Ph.D. "To have the honor of singing the National Anthem in front of 36,000 people, hearing the crowd erupt in applause during our final notes, having two Mets players walk by us as we rehearsed near the tunnel, and most importantly, representing Dominican College—none of us will ever forget this experience."

Students, faculty, and administrators traveled by bus to the Mets game to support Pitches and Cream and cheer

the singers on from the stands. Pitches and Cream was formed three years ago by Maynard who is an Assistant Professor of Mathematics at the College. The group auditioned back in March to perform at a Mets game and was featured on Channel 2 News.

### College Holds Interfaith Discussion on the Pope's Encyclical on the Environment

The Pope's encyclical on the environment was widely praised by representatives of

several different world religions during a panel discussion at Dominican College on April 12, 2016. Representatives of Catholicism, Judaism, Buddhism, and Islam took part in the discussion of Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'* in the Lawrence Room.

### New BEST Program Comes to Dominican College

Dominican College is teaming up with Rockland BOCES to prepare high school students with disabilities for the world



[Top Far Left] Pitches and Cream performing the National Anthem at the Mets game. [Top Right] Representatives of different College departments attend an open house to introduce the new BEST Program. [Bottom Right] Members of different world religions took part in the the discussion of Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'*. (L-R) Rabbi Lawrence Troster, Fr. Edward J. Ciuba, Bhikkhu Bodhi, Ibrahim Abdul-Matin, and Dr. Adam Hinge.



of work. The new program is called BEST (Business Expertise for Student Transition and Training), and it kicked off in September 2016, with eight students.

Rockland BOCES is providing a full-time teacher, teaching assistant, and part-time coordinator to work with the students at the College and teach what are considered soft skills. "It could be interview skills, resume writing, social skills—how to dress on the job, how to speak to your co-workers—anything related to a job," said Dawn Kitz, Transition Coordinator at BOCES.

During a recent open house hosted by BOCES in the Badami Room, representatives of different College departments dropped by throughout the day to be briefed on the new program and to sign up to accept BEST students as interns in their departments.

### **Symposium Educates Parents and Health Care Professionals About Concussions**

Parents, health care professionals, and nursing students listened to top experts on concussions during Dominican College's Health Care Symposium entitled "Concussions: What You Need to Know," on Monday, November 16, 2015, in the Prusmack Center.

The evening symposium was moderated by Dr. N. Noel Testa, Former Clinical Professor of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, NYU Langone Medical Center, and a Consultant with the Department of Education, NYC Public School Athletic League.

This is the third annual Health Care Symposium presented by Dominican College.

### **College Works to Expand Internship Program**

In a continuing effort to expand the number of Dominican College students who have internships, an Internship Coordinator was hired in the Career

Development Center last year. Director of Career Development, Evelyn Fiskaa, said that over the past year the new Internship Coordinator, Rose Macom, has been making connections with local businesses to find new opportunities for students.

Last year, more than 90 Dominican College students had internships at a number of agencies, including the Rockland County District Attorney's Office, Autism Speaks, McLaughlin Associates, the Children's Museum of Manhattan,

and the New York State Police. In addition, students who study nursing, education, athletic training, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and social work are placed in required curriculum-based internships, clinical work, or student teaching positions.

### **Priceline.com CEO Speaks at Dominican College in Honor of Palisades Institute Anniversary**

The Chief Executive Officer of the travel discount website Priceline.com, Paul J. Hennessy, was the guest speaker at the



[Top] Dr. N. Noel Testa addresses the Health Care Symposium. [Bottom] Members of the Palisades Institute Board of Advisors at the evening reception celebrating 25 years of service by the Palisades Institute, featuring special guest speaker, Paul Hennessy, Chief Executive Officer at Priceline.com.



Palisades Institute 25th Anniversary Celebration on October 8, 2015.

Hennessy spoke in the Lawrence Room of Rosary Hall during the evening reception celebrating 25 years since the founding of the Palisades Institute. The Palisades Institute was founded in 1990 as part of Dominican College to assist businesses, government, and not-for-profit groups in applying the principles of quality, leadership, and ethics by offering seminars and workshops.

Hennessy's father, James E. Hennessy, founded the Palisades Institute with the former Director of Graduate Studies, Sr. Beryl Herdt, O.P., and Chancellor, Sr. Kathleen Sullivan, O.P.

### Campus Enhancements

All around the Dominican College campus there have been enhancements and upgrades over the past year to beautify, restore, and improve the College. From the design and installation of a History Wall, to the relocation and renovation of several rooms, visitors will notice changes throughout the campus.

### Forkel Hall and History Wall

One of the most striking additions is the new History Wall in Forkel Hall. Seven large glass panels trace the history of the College from its beginnings in 1952 to the present day, noting important events and dates, with photos. Assistant Dean for Student Development and Title IX Coordinator, Christine Dilts, sat on the History Wall planning committee. She said the committee hoped to send a message to the students. "The College's history is your history. You are here. You are part of something greater," she said.

The History Wall begins with a quote from St. Dominic: "Seeds that are scattered, take root and grow." The design with separate panels will allow for the wall to be updated in the future by adding additional panels. The History Wall was designed with the help of the Byne Group, a marketing agency in Suffern, NY.

### Sullivan Library and Academic Success Center

Over the last year, several enhancements were made at the Sullivan Library to improve communication and to create more collaboration, teaching, and computer space. The ASC, where students can get free tutoring, now has a much larger home on the ground floor of Rosary Hall, accessible via the ramp in front of the building. The bigger space includes additional testing spaces, a classroom/tutoring space, and a multi-purpose room which can be used for studying and practicing presentations.

The Learning Commons, which is a collaborative study space, is now located on the first floor of the Library. The study rooms have been upgraded to include Smart Boards. In addition, the Learning Commons' hours have been expanded to the same hours as the Library.

The Library's Periodicals Room has moved down the hall to the former Computer Lab. The Lab now has a wired table where students can plug in their devices.

Finally, the Library's Computer Lab relocated to the former ASC space at the west wing of Rosary Hall. The bigger space can accommodate larger class sizes. The Lab is accessible through the main entrance of Rosary Hall.

"These improvements further promote learning, research, and teaching on campus," said Gina Shelton, Head Librarian. "I think this is another example of the College's full commitment to Achievement EveryDay."

### Casey Hall

The Cafe in Casey Hall has been overhauled and renamed The Charger Cafe. There is new flooring, a new feature wall with wood detail, and a reconfigured kitchen. In addition, students have been enjoying new offerings including made-to-order smoothies and specialty coffees.

Also in Casey Hall, the Freshman Year Office is now called the New Student and Transition Center to stress that the Office assists all new students—including transfer students who are not freshmen. Along with the new name, the Office



Trustees Joseph Corless, Sr. Mary Flood, and Liliana Lopez admiring the new History Wall in Forkel Hall.



has a new look with updated furnishings. Furthermore, new floors have been installed throughout Casey Hall.

#### TV Studio and Radio Station

Dominican College now has a TV studio on the upper floor of the Granito Center. The College began offering a Broadcast Journalism for TV Course in spring 2016. The students write a newscast which covers campus news, record it digitally, edit it, and upload it to the College server.

The College Radio Station, Radio DC the Voice, has been relocated from Rosary Hall to a new broadcast booth next to the TV studio. The internet-based station broadcasts pop, hip hop, R&B, and sports when school is in session. The students host live shows in the afternoons and evenings, and recorded music plays at other times.

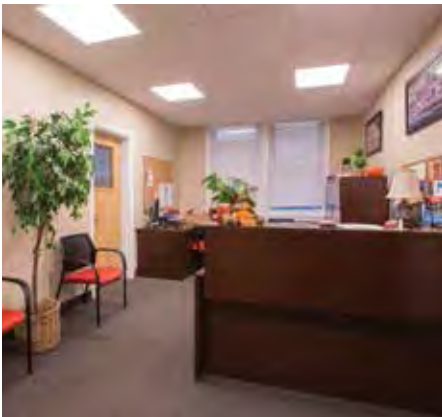
#### Reflection Area Dedicated

The Reflection Area next to Forkel Hall, with a Celtic cross from one of the Sisters' original buildings, has been dedicated in memory of Father Ron Stanley, O.P. A new lamp post and banner have been installed noting that the site has been dedicated in memory of the former College Chaplain, who worked at the College from 2007 to 2012. Father Stanley was beloved for his great love

of working with the poor, especially in the Dominican Republic, where he led efforts to build an elementary school and high school. Director of Campus Ministry, Barbara McEneaney, said Fr. Ron enjoyed nature and often took time for quiet reflection and contemplation.

#### New Bookstore Operator

A new vendor, Follett, took over the operation of the College Bookstore at the beginning of May. Follett is higher education's largest campus retailer, operating nearly 1,200 local campus



[Top Row, Left to Right] New floors in Casey Hall, the Forkel Hall Lobby. [Middle Row, Left to Right] The New Student and Transition Center Office, the Charger Cafe in Casey Hall. [Bottom Row, Left to Right] The College Bookstore, the Academic Success Center at the Library, and the College Radio Station.



stores and more than 1,600 virtual stores across the continent.

## Branding Implementation

Every day, you can see the results of the College's recent branding and messaging project. It's on the web, on the campus, in the College's enrollment management efforts, and in all of the College's marketing strategies.

The College's new "EveryDay" brand was created by Paskill Stapleton & Lord (PS&L) as part of a year-long project that concluded in August of 2015. During a two-phase process that included extensive research followed by brand and identity development, PS&L built a comprehensive new identity for Dominican College based on the fact that the College celebrates achievements every day. Along with the "EveryDay" theme, the new identity developed by PS&L covers everything from a new logo, to colors, typography, and messaging.

"It's a great campaign theme," says Brett Bekritsky, Marketing Director. "The 'Every Day' concept embraces the idea that we have an intense daily involvement with our students."

Following the completion of PS&L's work, and the approval of a new 83-page branding and identity guide, the new branding platform was introduced to the College community and implemented across all materials. Under Bekritsky's direction, dozens of redesign projects were completed including the College website, which now reflects the new identity and messaging points, and enrollment materials such as the Viewbook and Search Piece, which were updated to highlight the new messaging themes in ways that are relevant and memorable to prospective students.

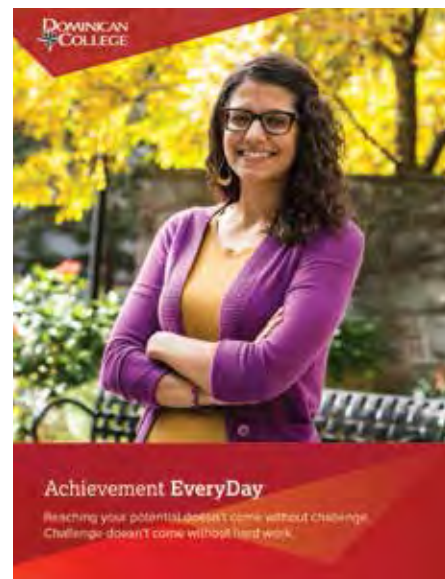
Over the course of the year, new campus banners were installed and Bekritsky has also conducted three town hall style

meetings to discuss the new branding system and to help faculty and staff learn how to use the messages.

## Middle States Committee Completes Preliminary Draft of Self-Study Report

At the start of the fall semester, the

College's Self Study Steering Committee, led by Thom Nowak, VP for Academic Affairs, Brian Fernandes, VP for Enrollment Management, and Kathleen Conlon Hinge, Assistant Professor of Physics and Mathematics, completed the preliminary draft of a Self-Study Report. The final version of



Examples of Dominican College's new 'EveryDay' brand. This new branding platform has been implemented across all materials.



this report will be reviewed as part of an extensive Middle States re-accreditation process that includes a campus visit in 2017.

The process began in late Fall 2015, with College President, Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D., convening a Steering Committee and eight working groups. The Steering Committee and working group members have been working together since then to collect information and prepare the report.

Every ten years, Dominican College, like all other accredited institutions in our region, completes a re-accreditation process with the Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

Accreditation assures students of a quality education and affirms that an institution operates at the highest standards of educational commitment. The Middle States is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) as the accrediting body in several states and territories of the U.S.

### Health Center Wellness Initiatives

Under the direction of Lynda Chesterman, RN, ANP, the Dominican College Health Center has been providing workshops designed to support healthy behaviors and lifestyles. Over the last year, several programs have been offered, including:

- An ongoing series of Lunch & Learn classes that provide an opportunity for the community to learn from a guest speaker about a targeted health care topic such as breast cancer, HIV awareness, nutrition, smoking cessation, depression, and heart health, among others.
- A weight loss program called "Lose to Win," sponsored by Nyack Hospital through the Rockland County

Department of Health. The Health Center also offered students a cafeteria walk-through with a public health nutritionist.

- Several dates when free screenings are offered for HIV, high blood pressure, and depression.
- Smoking Cessation programs coinciding with the Great American Smoke Out (Put it Out Dominican), and Kick Butts Day. Nursing students from the Health Center Work-Study Program distributed information and collected requests for on-campus support.
- Activities throughout the month of February in support of American Heart Month. Work-Study students handed out

dark chocolate hearts and Heart Health Facts while SNADC nursing students set up an information table with Red Dress pins and wristbands. Donations were also collected to support the American Heart Association.



[Top] Kathleen Conlon Hinge, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Mathematics and Physics. [Middle Left] Brian Fernandez, VP Enrollment Management. [Middle Right] Thom Nowak, VP Academic Affairs. [Bottom] Lynda Chesterman, MA, Denise Signorile, and Julie Albrecht, MS, of the Health Center.



# Commencement 2016.

*“You see, we are lifelong learners, lifelong pursuers of truth, extending compassion, and always committed to service.”*

—Sr. Catherine Howard, O.P., Ph.D.

The Class of 2016 was given a challenge during Commencement 2016 exercises at the Westchester County Center on May 22, 2016. President of the Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt, Sr. Catherine Howard, O.P., Ph.D., delivered the commencement address and told the graduates that their Dominican education began, rather than ended, that day.

“You see, we are lifelong learners, lifelong pursuers of truth, extending compassion, and always committed to service,” Sr. Catherine said. The students were asked to embrace the future with enthusiasm, confidence, imagination, and innovation. “The world needs you. The world needs the Dominican difference. This is your

moment. You stand at the beginning of a new era,” she added.

Sr. Catherine was awarded an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humanities during the ceremony for her courageous and inspiring outlook, and for the generous use of her talents on behalf of all who have looked to her for wise leadership and judgment.

The Badami Outstanding Alumna Award was presented to Michelle Krupna-Gaylord, Ph.D., '07. After graduating magna cum laude with Departmental Honors with a B.A. in Biology from Dominican College where she was a star softball player, Krupna-Gaylord continued her education at New York Medical College. She graduated with a Ph.D. in Microbiology and

Immunology in 2012 with high honors, and received the Graduate Faculty Council Doctor of Philosophy Award.

The 2016 Veritas Medal was presented to Welles Remy Crowther, in memoriam. His parents, Alison and Jefferson, received the medal on his behalf. Crowther, also known as “the man with the red bandana,” is credited with rescuing 18 people from the World Trade Center on 9/11, while wearing his signature red bandana.







# Campus Events.

## [1] Healthcare Symposium

Parents, health care professionals, and nursing students listening to top experts on concussions during the College's Health Care Symposium entitled "Concussions: What You Need to Know," on Monday, November 16, 2015, in the Prusmack Center.



## [2] 2016 Scholarship Recognition Dinner

The top students at Dominican College were honored on Wednesday, October 19, 2016. This year, 87 scholarships were awarded. Former Kaplan Scholar Carolyn Monroe, '02, was the speaker.



## [3] 2016 Persons of the Year

Carl, Martin, and Peter Wortendyke, owners of Cal Mart Enterprises, Inc., were honored at the College's 44th Annual Grand Reception on Friday, May 6, 2016.





**[4] Annual Alumni Reunion**

Edward Astorino, '98, Melissa Lucido, '95, and Clare McClarnon Steward, '99, all former members of the Aquin Players, Dominican College's theater group, were honored for excellence at the Annual Alumni Reunion, held on Saturday, May 7, 2016.

**[5] 37th Annual Golf Classic**

Many enjoyed the 37th Annual Dominican College Golf Classic on June 19, 2016, at the Rockland Country Club.

**[6] Christmas Concert**

The popular Dominican College Christmas Concert featuring the Reverend Alphonse Stephenson and the Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea, on Sunday, December 6, 2015, in the Hennessy Center.

**[7] Earth Week**

The College's Facilities Staff receiving the College's Friend of the Earth Award during Earth Week.

**[8] Federal Reserve Bank Presentation**

Local business leaders at Dominican College on January 15, 2016, listening to Joseph Tracy, Executive Vice President and Senior Advisor to the President, of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.





# Founders Week 2016.

*The Dominican Order is celebrating the 800-year anniversary of the founding of the Order.*

The annual Founders Week activities at Dominican College had special significance this year because the Dominican Order is celebrating the 800-year anniversary of the founding of the Order. In honor of the Jubilee, several renowned and accomplished Dominican Sisters spoke at the College. Throughout the week, the focus was on the Dominican pillars of study, community, spirituality, and service.

Founders Week kicked off on Monday, September 19, 2016 with a keynote presentation from Sr. Kathleen McManus, O.P., Associate Professor of Systematic Theology at the University of Portland. Sr. Kathleen reviewed important Dominicans throughout the 800-year history of the Order and focused on St. Catherine of Siena's famous quote, "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." She reached out to students and brought the age-old history of the Order of Preachers into the present by asking, "How do you know who you are meant to be?"

Sr. Kathleen encouraged the students to be touched by the needs and suffering of our world, to study, and to contemplate to find the answer to that question. She concluded her speech by telling the students, "When—not if—but when you are who you are meant to be, you will set the world on fire

because you are all about the Dominican difference."

Throughout the day on Monday, the Sisters of the Blauvelt congregation, as "Itinerant Preachers," visited classes to explain the mission of the Dominican Order. The Sisters also spoke with students and faculty about the meaning and significance of the Jubilee Celebration.

Monday evening, Sr. Barbara Reid, O.P., VP and Academic Dean of the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, addressed a crowd of Dominican Sisters, board members, administrators, faculty, and staff about seeking truth in a year of mercy. She talked about seeking the truth about God, seeking the truth about ourselves, and seeking the truth about others. "If the truth about God is that God is mercy and seeks to be with us, then it is incumbent on us who are made in God's image to be the bridge to God's mercy and to one another," she said. Sr. Barbara added that while it may be easy to be a bridge of mercy to our beloved family and friends, a greater challenge is building bridges of mercy to our enemies and accepting mercy from them as well.

The Living the Legacy speech, delivered each year by a Dominican College graduate, was given on Tuesday,

September 20, 2016, by Sr. Mary Doris, O.P., '63, the Foundress and Director of Siena House in the Bronx, which provides shelter to pregnant women and women with children under the age of three. Sr. Mary urged the students to get involved. "Whatever way—whatever small or big way—you can reach out in your neighborhood or wherever you live, there are people who need your help. So whatever decision you are making in your life choices, please think about making a difference in the lives of children," she said.

Two students, Brianna Torres, '18, and Christine Ditzel, '19, spoke to fellow students on Wednesday, September 21, 2016, about their trip to Fanjeaux, France, in June to walk in the footsteps of St. Dominic with students and staff from Dominican colleges across the United States. Each year, two students are chosen to go on the trip, which is partially paid for by the College. Brianna said this Founders Week was more meaningful to her because of what she learned. "Now I fully understand how the Dominican Order began, the work that was put into it, and the spirit of St. Dominic," she said.

The Dominican College community and the Dominican Sisters gathered on Thursday, September 22, 2016, in the Dominican Sisters Chapel for



a Dominican Jubilee Liturgy. Father Kenneth Letoile, O.P., said in his sermon that he was educated by the Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt and credited the Sisters with his decision to become a priest. He then asked all the Sisters to stand and thanked them for helping us be who we are meant to be. The sisters were thanked by everyone in attendance with a hearty round of applause.

Dominican College students practiced what they had learned during the week with Preaching in Action activities on Friday, September 23, 2016. More than 30 students traveled to Goshen, NY, to volunteer at the House on the Hill and Harmony Farm. The House on the Hill, which is run by the Sisters of St. Dominic, provides daycare to the children of migrant farm workers. In addition to helping to care for the children, the students worked with the migrant workers in the farm and did heavy landscaping and clean up on the property to make the grotto usable again.

Founders Week concluded with the 66th Annual Dominican Sisters Festival. Dominican College students volunteered at the Festival where local residents enjoyed food, games, and pony rides.



[Top Row] Father Kenneth Letoile, O.P. [Second Row, Right] Kenneth R. Marks. [Third Row] Sr. Kathleen McManus, O.P., Sr. Barbara Reid, O.P., Ph.D., Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D., Kenneth R. Marks, and Sr. Kathleen Sullivan, O.P.



# Athletic Highlights.

## **Maryellen Massey Montera Inducted into CACC Hall of Fame**

Former Dominican College basketball and softball star Maryellen Massey Montera, '88, was inducted into the CentralAtlantic Collegiate Conference (CACC) Hall of Fame on Saturday, February 6, 2016. This is the first year that the CACC has inducted athletes into a Hall of Fame.

The ceremony honoring Montera took place in the Hennessy Center between games of the Dominican–Philadelphia University basketball double header. CACC Commissioner Dan Mara presented Montera with a framed portrait featuring photos from her legendary career.

In women's basketball at Dominican College, Montera is the all-time leading scorer with 2,066 points. In softball, she

was a standout as a pitcher and a hitter. She posted a 1.23 ERA during her career, which is tops in program history. She also pitched a pair of no-hitters, including a perfect game against John Jay College. At the plate, she had a .414 batting average and became the first and only student athlete in school history to have her jersey retired in 2009.

Just six athletes, including Montera, were chosen for the inaugural class of the CACC Hall of Fame. The CACC is a NCAA Division II Conference composed of 14 schools in Connecticut, Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania.



Maryellen Massey Montera, '88, along with Joe Clinton, Director of Athletics, and CACC Commissioner Dan Mara.



## Team Highlights

### Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team finished the season with an overall record of 2-12 and a CACC record of 2-10, winning their final game of the season against Nyack College.

### Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team finished the season with an overall record of 7-10 and a conference record of 7-5. The Chargers finished in third place in the CACC and received the #3 seed in the CACC Men's Soccer Tournament. In first round action, the team fell to the #6 seed, Bloomfield College, 4-2 to end their season. Senior Lukas Nordin earned All-CACC First Team accolades and was named to the 2015 Co-SIDA Academic All-District Division II Men's Soccer Team, the 2015 Division II Conference Commissioner's Association (CCA) Men's Soccer All-East Region

Second Team and to the CACC All-Tournament Team.

### Women's Volleyball

The Lady Chargers finished the season with an overall record of 6-26 and a 6-13 record in the CACC. DC finished in fourth place in the CACC North Division and earned the fourth seed in the division in the CACC Tournament. The team suffered a tough 2-3 loss to #1 seed Philadelphia University in a quarterfinal match. Senior Ashley Joyner was named to the CACC All-Tournament Team.

### Women's Cross Country

The women's cross country team finished in thirteenth place at the CACC Championships. The team competed in a total of six meets this season and had the high finish of eighth place at the Ramapo College Roadrunner Invitational.

### Men's Cross Country

The Chargers competed in six meets this season and took eleventh place at the CACC Championships. As a team, they had the high finish of third place at the Ramapo College Roadrunner Invitational. Junior Booray Adam Nour won the individual title at the Fordham Fiasco and the Jack St. Clair Memorial Cross Country Championships, finished second in two other races, took fifth in another and finished seventh at the CACC Championships. For his efforts, he was named to the All-CACC Men's Cross Country Team.

### Women's Basketball

The Lady Chargers basketball team finished the 2015-2016 campaign with an overall record of 14-15 and a Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (CACC) record of 10-9. The Lady Chargers finished in third place in the CACC

Women's Soccer



Men's Soccer



Volleyball



Women's Cross Country



Men's Cross Country





North Division standings and earned the third seed in the North Division in the CACC Tournament. Senior Deja Gabbidon earned two CACC Player of the Week honors and one Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Player of the Week selections. For Gabbidon's efforts, she was named to the All-CACC First Team, the ECAC All-Star First Team and to the All-Met Division II First Team. At the Annual Awards Night, she was named Dominican College Women's Basketball Most Valuable Player (MVP).

### Men's Basketball

The Dominican College men's basketball team finished the year with an overall record of 10-19 and a Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (CACC) record of 9-10. DC finished in fourth place in the CACC North Division standings and earned the fourth seed in the CACC

Tournament. Senior team captain and point guard Joe Clinton was the recipient of the men's basketball Most Valuable Player (MVP) Award at the Annual Awards night and was honored with the "Charger Award."

### Softball

The Lady Chargers finished the season with an overall record of 30-16-1 and 22-4 in CACC play. DC finished second in the conference and earned the



Coach Joe Burbridge

second seed in the CACC Softball Championships. Dominican lost two games in the first day of tournament play to be eliminated and end their season. Dominican was ranked as high as 8th in the NCAA

Division II East Region Poll this season. The team had six players earn All-Conference honors, while head coach Joe Burbridge was named the CACC Coach of the Year for the first time in his career. Senior Shannon Haukap recorded her 200th career hit this season.

### Baseball

The Chargers finished the season with an overall record of 19-29 and a 10-10 CACC record. The team finished in sixth place in the conference and earned the sixth seed for the tournament. DC upended #3 Wilmington University in a play-in game to advance to the double elimination portion of the tournament. The College then upset #2 Chestnut Hill College to move into the winner's bracket. However, on day two of the Championships, the team fell to #4 Philadelphia University

Women's Basketball



Men's Basketball



Softball



Baseball





and #1 Felician University to end their season. The team had four players earn All-Conference honors. Senior Carlos Lopez recorded his 200th career hit this season.

### Women's Lacrosse

Dominican College finished the season with a 3-6 CACC record and a 3-12 overall record. Senior Christina Brennan earned two CACC Player of the Week honors. She also netted her 100th career goal to become the fifth player in program history to reach that plateau. Christina Brennan and Haliann Fitzgerald were both named the All-CACC Second Team.

### Men's Lacrosse

The team finished the season with an overall record of 3-12 and an East Coast Conference (ECC) record of 1-7. DC faced numerous nationally ranked teams this

season and had the honor of playing one game at Johns Hopkins University. Freshman David Arent earned two ECC Rookie of the Week honors, while Blake Israel earned one Rookie of the Week selections.

### Golf

The golf team competed in 13 tournaments between the fall and spring portions of the golf season. DC took two first place finishes at the Spring Griffin Invitational and the Philadelphia University Spring Match. The team finished in sixth place at the CACC Championships. Hunter Wescott earned one CACC Rookie of the Week honor. Freshman Daniel Parker won two individual titles at the Spring Griffin Invitational and the Philadelphia University Spring Match.

### Women's Track and Field

The Lady Chargers went to nine meets this season. The team finished in seventh place at the CACC Championships.

Women's Lacrosse



Men's Lacrosse



Golf



Women's Track and Field





# Trustees.



Trustees meeting with Madeline Micceri Mignone, Ph.D., in the new biology laboratory.

## Michael McLaughlin Appointed to College Board of Trustees

Michael McLaughlin was appointed to the College Board of Trustees at the April 16, 2016 meeting. McLaughlin is the Lead Operating Engineer for Urban Foundation Engineering. The Blauvelt resident recently retired from Verizon as a marketing and sales executive, where he won the company's highest honor, the Leaders in Excellence Award, three times.

McLaughlin earned a B.S. in Marketing Management at Dominican College, and went on to earn an MBA in Management

from Long Island University. Despite having a demanding career at Verizon, he has always found time to give back to his community.

McLaughlin coached CYO basketball at St. Catherine's parish, and began the annual tournament there. In addition, he coached basketball at the JCCY, PAL, and Spring Valley Youth organizations.

He also served as President for the New York Falcons AAU non-profit basketball organization, which has helped 3,000 boys and girls learn life skills through the game of travel basketball. McLaughlin's

volunteer efforts extend beyond the basketball court. He worked tirelessly to raise funds for St. Catherine's new rectory and community room, after helping St. Augustine's Parish raise \$3 million for its new building campaign.

McLaughlin was inducted in the the Alumni Hall of Achievement for Excellence in 2015.

## Liliana Lopez Newest Member of Board of Trustees

Dr. Liliana Lopez, '99, '04, the newest member of the Board of Trustees, was appointed on October 14, 2016. Dr. Lopez, a nurse practitioner, operates En Su Casa Primary Health Care in Spring Valley, a health care practice that primarily serves Spanish-speaking immigrants who are uninsured or under-insured. In four years, her practice has grown to more than 2,100 active patients. She sees patients five days a week, with appointments available during the day, evening, and weekends.

As a nurse at Nyack Hospital, Dr. Lopez first noticed the need for quality, affordable, primary health care for Latino immigrants. She became concerned that many immigrants without insurance were using the emergency room as a substitute for a



[Left] Board member Michael McLaughlin, appointed on April 16, 2016. [Right] The newest member of the Board of Trustees, Liliana Lopez, DNP, appointed on October 14, 2016.



primary doctor. At En Su Casa Primary Health Care, Dr. Lopez' goal is to change the mindset of the Latino immigrants she serves, by educating them about preventative health care—teaching them about the importance of proper nutrition, regular exercise, and routine medical exams.

Dr. Lopez attended Rockland Community College to earn a nursing degree while juggling family responsibilities. She graduated at the top of her class, earning the Hispanic Student Achievement Leadership Award. Years later, while working as Director of Nursing at a local residential treatment center for adolescents, she decided to further her education at Dominican College, earning her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing in 1999 and later her Master of Science degree in Nursing in 2004—becoming a family nurse practitioner. Still looking to learn more, she went back to school again to earn her Doctor of Nursing Practice from Pace University in 2013.

Dr. Lopez has been inducted into the Dominican College Alumni Hall of Achievement for Leadership and was recently named as one of the Dominican College Alumni of Distinction. In May 2016, she received an honorary degree from Dominican College, Doctor of Science, for her unwavering commitment to deliver the best health care to her patients regardless of their financial means, her dedication to excellence in the nursing profession, and her enthusiasm to mentor young nurses to follow in her footsteps.

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### Endowed General Scholarship

Thomas Nowak, Ph.D.  
Ryan O'Gorman  
Robert Tyrrell, Jr.



Snapshots from the Scholarship Awards Ceremony.

## RESTRICTED CONTRIBUTIONS 2015–2016

**Big Brother/  
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**Biology**  
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Madeline Mignone

**Occupational Therapy**  
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**Rotaract Club/  
El Salvador Project**  
Rotary Club of Pearl River, Inc.

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Alliance Project**  
Stephen Germanakos  
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**2016 Spring Break Fund**  
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## CAPITAL EXPANSION PROJECTS 2015–2016

### Granito Expansion

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James Tully  
David VonHolt

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Robert Andriola  
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Dominican College  
Atlantic Business Products  
John Bartolotta  
Beacon Offset Printing  
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Vincent Billi  
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Margaret Boyd, Ph.D., ’89  
Walter Brooks  
Joseph Burbridge  
John Burke, ’98  
The Byne Group, Inc.  
Dawn Chase  
Steven Chetcuti  
Chiapperino and Sons  
Seamus Clarke, ’00  
Joseph Clinton  
Coca Cola Bottling Company  
Gerianne Coffey  
Lester Coffey  
Sr. Mary Ann Collins, O.P., ’68  
P. Joseph Corless  
James Crawley, ’04  
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Anna Desposati  
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James Doane  
Jean Ehardt, ’83  
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Margaret Kivlehan, ’88  
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Christopher Mahoney  
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AnnaMarie Mastroberardino  
Hector May  
Linda McCauley, ’76  
James McDonald, ’77  
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Connections, Inc.  
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Gift Program  
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Laurie Zailski, ’97



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Scholarship  
Karl Walker Memorial  
Scholarship

**COLLEGE EVENTS**

**The Fire in the Sky**

Applebee's  
American Dream Diner  
Atlantic Tomorrow's Office  
Calabria Restaurant  
Dunkin Donuts/  
Baskin Robbins  
Nonna Rosa Pizza  
Planet Wings  
Red Bull North Atlantic, Inc.  
Wok King



Students at the Fire in the Sky Event.

# Milestones.



Michael Coffey [Left] and William Carter.



## In Memorium

### Michael Coffey

Michael Coffey, Assistant Sports Information Director and an Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, passed away suddenly on April 20, 2016, from complications with Duchenne muscular dystrophy, at the age of 27. Mr. Coffey passed away just days after being inducted into the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame and receiving the Joseph Holland Lifetime Achievement Award.

Mr. Coffey's untimely death shocked the Dominican College community. Faculty, staff, administrators, and students all gathered in the Hennessy Center that day to share their stories of a man who was described as "a true legend and a hero." Mr. Coffey was remembered for his spirit, his confidence, his great sense of humor, and his wonderful smile.

Although he was confined to a wheelchair, Mr. Coffey never complained. President Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D., said, "Michael accepted himself, did his best, counted on others, enjoyed life. His body slowed down, but his spirit soared. He loved deeply; he was so grateful."

Mr. Coffey attended Dominican College, where he studied biology, and managed the basketball team before his

graduation in 2010. After graduation, he began working full time as an Assistant Basketball Coach, and for the past three years has also been working as Assistant Sports Information Director. He earned an M.S. in sports management from Southern New Hampshire University in 2014.

### William Carter

William Carter, an adjunct professor of Social Work, passed away on January 15, 2016. Bill received a BSW from Dominican College in 1995, and an MSW from Columbia University in 1996, before continuing in their Ph.D. program. He recently served as Commissioner of the Theodore Young Community Center run by the White Plains Department of Resources.

During his life, Bill touched thousands of young people as an educator, social worker, and mentor. He began teaching at Dominican College in 1996 and quickly became a fixture in the Social Work program. The William L. Carter Foundation has been established in his honor

## Awarded Promotion

**Yvette Blitzer, M.Ed.,** (Teacher Education), to Assistant Professor.

**Marge Boyd, Ph.D.,** (Occupational Therapy), to Assistant Professor.

**AnnMarie Dellipizzi, Ph.D.,** (Biology), to Associate Professor.

**AnnMarie DiSiena, Ed.D.,** (Communication Studies), to Associate Professor.

## Faculty Departures

**Joanne Clemente, Ed.D.,** Director of Online Learning, after 11 years of full-time service (and 20 years all together) at the College.

**Fabiana DesRosiers, Ph.D.,** Associate Professor of Psychology, after 11 years at the College.

**Kathleen Femiani, M.S.Ed.,** Assistant Professor of Teacher Education, after 11 years of service.

**Deborah Guerra, D.N.P.,** Assistant Professor of Nursing, after one year at the College.

**Eva Humbach, M.S.,** Assistant Professor of Nursing, after 15 years of service.

**Denise Lowe-Holt, M.A.,** Assistant Professor of Nursing, after 23 years of service.



**Valerie Olson, Ph.D.**, Professor and Director, Physical Therapy, after six years at the College.

**Sarah Strout, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Psychology, after six years at the College.

**Roger Tesi, Ed.D.**, Associate Professor and Director, Teacher Education, after 12 years at the College.

**Kristina Vilonen M.A.**, Instructor and Coordinator of Academic Studies and Fieldwork, Occupational Therapy, after 29 years at the College.

## Administrative Departures

### Cathy Contey

When President Sr. Mary Eileen, O.P., Ph.D., announced that Cathy Contey was retiring, she told those gathered at the Service Awards that Contey had been more than a Presidential Assistant for the past 11 years. "She has been a source of calmness, an example of thoroughness and creative organization, a respectful person who cares about everyone she encounters," she said.

Contey was indeed much more than a Presidential Assistant prior to serving in the President's Office. She previously served as Director of Financial Aid, Director of Personnel and Purchasing, and worked in the College Library.

Sr. Mary Eileen pointed out that Contey is a former high school English teacher, and the College has benefitted from her outstanding writing skills. She was a key player in coordinating the development of the College's Policies and Procedures, and the revised by-laws of the Board of Trustees. Contey helped organize the Commencement ceremony, and coordinated the hosting of large meetings. Among fellow employees, Contey was known for her delicious shortbread cookies that she made each year for the College's St. Patrick's Day celebration.

Contey retired on August 14, 2016. "Cathy has been gracious to all and helpful to so many. Thank you Cathy," said Sr. Mary Eileen. "Many will miss you, No one more than I."

### Sr. Carmel McEneaney, O.P.

Sr. Carmel McEneaney, O.P., retired as a Transfer Counselor at the end of May after 25 years of service to the College. She received a touching send-off during the Service Recognition Ceremony in May from Brian Fernandes, M.B.A., VP for Enrollment Management.

Fernandes described Sr. Carmel as a knowledgeable, dedicated, and meticulous worker who encouraged and supported transfer students. In addition, he said Sr. Carmel had worked on every single articulation agreement that the College had with two-year institutions and high schools. "Sister cares deeply about the College, our students, and her colleagues in the Admissions Office and across the campus," said Fernandes.

Former co-worker Bridget Shalvey couldn't agree more. "Students often stopped by to see Sr. Carmel, just to talk or get advice. Her door was always open," said Shalvey. "She was the same with all the staff who worked with her. We would ask her advice on everything. She would listen to all of us and gave the best

guidance. I always say she was my first friend at Dominican College, and I could not have asked for a better one."

Fernandes pointed out that Elvis and Sr. Carmel share the same birthday and joked that Elvis had rewritten a song for her, which he then recited: "We love you tender. We love you sweet. We can never let you go. You have made the life of our transfers complete. And for that we love you so. We love you tender, love you true. All our best wishes for you. We are grateful to you and will always be."

## Service Anniversaries

### 35 Years

**Henrietta Malzacher**,  
Executive Assistant

**Ann Vavolizza, Ph.D.**,  
Associate Academic Dean



[Top] Cathy Contey, with College President Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D. [Bottom Left] Sr. Carmel McEneaney, O.P., with Brian G. Fernandes, M.B.A., Vice President for Enrollment Management. [Bottom Right] Ann Vavolizza, Ph.D., with Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D.

### 25 Years

**Marge Boyd, Ph.D.,**  
Coordinator of Academic Studies and  
Fieldwork, Occupational Therapy

**Carmel McEnenay, O.P.,**  
Transfer Counselor

**Mary (Maureen) O'Keeffe,**  
Library Clerk

**Maria Pizzano**  
Administrative Assistant

### 20 Years

**Paul Bonk, Ph.D.,**  
Assistant Professor of Political Science

**John Burke,**  
VP Student Development

**Ellen Dolgin, Ph.D.,**  
Professor of English

**Jan Garbarini, Ph.D.,**  
Assistant Professor of  
Occupational Therapy

**Mildred McGrath, M.S.N.,**  
Adjunct Lecturer in Nursing

**Lorraine Morris,**  
Administrative Assistant

**John Spillner, Ph.D.,**  
Assistant Professor of  
Business Administration

**Edgar Villamor,**  
DC-1Card

**Lorrain Motta,**  
Administrative Assistant

**Robert Tyrrel,**  
Admissions

### 10 Years

**Kathleen Boylan**  
Administrative Assistant

**Anna Desposati**  
Executive Assistant

**Russel Diaz**  
Information Technology

**Eileen Doyle**  
Human Resources

**Patty (Mary Patricia) Furlong, M.S.,**  
Assistant Professor of Nursing

**Kathleen Hinge, Ph.D.,**  
Assistant Professor of Physics  
and Mathematics

**Eleanor Klepper**  
Accounts Payable

**Karen Ko**  
Library

**Karen Ko, M.Ed.,**  
Library Clerk

**Christopher Libertini, Ph.D.,**  
Assistant Professor of History

**Marianne Mockler**  
Administrative Assistant

**Debra Moinz, Ed.D.,**  
Learning Resource Center

**Debra Moniz, Ed.D.,**  
Director of Academic Success Center

**Eileen Piccininni**  
Counselor

**Kathleen Rosenberger**  
Bursar

**Denise Signorile**  
Administrative Assistant

**Pauline Teahan**  
Accounting

### 5 Years

**Michael AINETTE, Ph.D.,**  
Assistant Professor of Psychology

**Yvette Blitzer, M.S.,**  
Assistant Professor of Education

**Diane DiSpagna, Ed.D.,**  
Assistant Professor of Education

**Helen Hallinan**  
Office Assistant

**AnneMarie McDermott, DNP,**  
Assistant Professor of Nursing

**Anne Reeves**  
Administrative Assistant

**James Reitter, Ph.D.,**  
Assistant Professor of English

### 15 Years

**Andrea Catania**  
Administrative Assistant

**Lynda Chesterman**  
Health Office

**Sue-Ann Doebler, M.S.,**  
Adjunct Instructor in Nursing

**Jack Gremli, Ph.D.,**  
Choral Director

**Kathleen Henry, M.S.,**  
Adjunct Instructor in Nursing

**Eva Humbach, M.S.,**  
Assistant Professor of Nursing

**John Lennon, Sr.,**  
Receptionist

**Madeline Mignone, Ph.D.,**  
Associate Professor of Biology



[Left] Marge Boyd with Thom Nowak. [Right] 20-year employees at the Service Anniversary celebration.





**Lorraine Vitale, M.S.,**  
Instructor in Nursing

**Kaye Whyte**  
Lab Assistant

### **Chancellor Honored by Molloy College**

Chancellor for External Affairs

**Sr. Kathleen Sullivan, O.P.,** received the St. Catherine of Siena Professional Service Medal from Molloy College in Rockville Centre, NY, on April 1, 2016. The medal, presented by Molloy College President Drew Bogner, Ph.D., is awarded to women who have made a significant contribution to their professions or to their communities through public service. Sr. Kathleen served on the Molloy College Board of Trustees for four consecutive three-year terms.

"I felt very honored to be a recipient of this award," said Sr. Kathleen. "I loved serving with Molloy on their board. They are very fine people, who are very committed to the Dominican mission, but also committed to serving the community in various ways."

### **Trustee Appointed Bankruptcy Judge**

**Mary Kay Vyskocil, '80,** has been sworn in as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York. Vyskocil graduated summa cum laude from Dominican College and was valedictorian. She attended St. John's University Law School. Subsequent to her graduation, she has stayed active at Dominican College, serving on the College Board of Trustees for more than 25 years.

### **Basketball Coach Joe Clinton Inducted into Union College Athletics Hall of Fame**

Dominican College Director of Athletics and Head Men's Basketball Coach

**Joe Clinton** was inducted into the Union College Athletics Hall of Fame on November 14, 2015. Clinton is a 1983 graduate of Union College and traveled

up to Schenectady, NY, with his family for the ceremony.

At Union College, Clinton was a standout on the basketball court and set the all-time assists record as a junior, finishing his career with 556 assists, while also owning the single season and game records for most assists with 182 and 15 respectively. In addition, Clinton graduated as the third highest all-time scorer with 1,270 points, a mark that now ranks 11th.

Clinton is also a member of the Rockland County Sports Hall of Fame and the Hall of Fame at Albertus Magnus High School in Bardonia.

### **Filippelli Named to Faculty**

**Dr. James Filippelli,** longtime director of the Aquin Players, will now be teaching full-time as Assistant Professor of Fine and Dramatic Arts. This is the first time in 25 years that Dominican College will have a full-time arts instructor.

The new position follows Filippelli's retirement last year from the Walter Panas High School in Westchester County, where he taught English for 35 years, and directed musicals there as well. Earlier this year, the Lakeland School District Board of Education voted to rename the Walter Panas High School Performing Arts Center in Dr. Filippelli's

honor. The move to rename the center came after a former student started an online petition that garnered more than 800 signatures.

### **AnnMarie DiSiena Receives Faculty Service Award**

Coordinator of the Communication Studies Program **AnnMarie DiSiena, Ed.D.,** received the 2016 Academic Dean's Award for Faculty Service on Wednesday, May 18, 2016, during the annual Service Award Ceremony.

In presenting the award, Academic Dean Thomas Nowak said students have described Dr. DiSiena's teaching style as engaging, entertaining, and wonderfully stimulating. "On our evaluation forms, her courses are consistently rated excellent, averaging an extremely high 3.85 out of 4. Students praise her for providing them with skills that are very helpful for future jobs and real life," he said.



[Top] AnnMarie DiSiena receiving the 2016 Academic Dean's Award for Faculty Service. [Bottom Left] Sr. Kathleen Sullivan, O.P., receiving the St. Catherine of Siena Professional Service Medal from Drew Bogner, Ph.D., President of Molloy College. [Bottom Right] Dr. James Filippelli, the College's new arts instructor, with College President Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D.

# Scholarly and Professional Activities.



Lynn Weissman, DNP, with a class of advanced nursing students.



**Lucinda Acquaye, Ph.D.,** (Social Work), has had her co-authored article, "Putting Principles into Practice: Addressing Historical Trauma, Mistrust, and Apprehension in Research Methods Courses," published in a recent issue of the *Journal of Social Work Education*. This past November, she accompanied two upper-level Social Work majors, Tevin Skeen and Jeffrey DeGuzman, to the New York School of Social Work Association's annual program in Saratoga, NY. She was also selected to participate in this year's CSWE Program Director Academy.



**Michael Ainette, Ph.D.,** (Psychology), served as a contributing author to a chapter on "Social Support" in *Assessment in Health Psychology*, which was published earlier this year.



**Yvette Vazquez Blitzer, '00,** (Coordinator of the MS.Ed. Program for the Visually Impaired), delivered the 2015 Founders Week presentation "Living the Legacy" about the impact of her Dominican education on her life.



**Andrew Burns, M.A., Mark Meachem, Ed.D., and AnnMarie DiSiena, Ed.D.,** (Communication Studies), were interviewed on radio station WRCR about the College, its Communication Studies Program, and student internship opportunities in broadcasting.

**William Cabin** (Social Work), an adjunct in our Social Work Program, delivered his paper "Utilizing Evidence-Based Policy to Enhance Informal Caregiver Effectiveness: The Case of Medicare Home Health," at the 16th Congress of the European Society for Health and Medical Sociology in Geneva, Switzerland, in June.



**Bernadette Connors, Ph.D.,** (Biology), secured support from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) for the piloting of a new lab for the College's General Biology I and II classes. Dominican College was one of only 20 institutions chosen for this support. She also accompanied two seniors in Biology, Jamie McGinn and Alina Panchyshyn, to this year's National Council for Undergraduate Research Conference in Asheville, NC, where they presented their original research poster projects.



**Giovanna Czander, Ph.D.,** (Religious Studies), whose translation of an article by Giulia Paola DeNicola was published in an edition of *Claritas: Journal of Dialogue and Culture* earlier this year, participated in an ecumenical panel at St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry in Rochester this fall for the celebration



of the 50th anniversary of Nostra Aetate, the Second Vatican Council's document on interreligious dialogue.



**Bonnie DeSimone** (Nursing), had her article, "Curriculum Design to Promote the Ethical Decision-Making Competence of Accelerated Bachelor's Degree Nursing Students," published in the February, 2016 edition of *SAGE OPEN*.



**AnnMarie DelliPizzi, Ph.D., and Emma Sarro** (Biology), have had their original Anatomy and Physiology laboratory manual published by BVT Publishing.



**AnnMarie DiSiena, Ed.D.,** (Communication Studies), presented a six-week communication skills program for high school juniors and seniors; she served as contributing co-author of a chapter titled "Reducing Fear of Public Speaking," in *WORD, Becoming THAT Confident Speaker: Public Speaking Guide Book*, recently published by Kendall and Hunt; and she drafted a manuscript review for *Organizational Creativity: A Pearson Guide for Innovators and Entrepreneurs*, a publication of SAGE Publishers.



**Ellen Dolgin, Ph.D.,** (English), served this April as the guest author at the Comparative Drama Conference in Baltimore, at which her work "Shaw and the Actresses Franchise League: Staging Equality," was the subject of the plenary session, "Author Meets Critics."



**Ayse Edeer, Ph.D., Marie Kelly, and Valerie Olson** (Physical Therapy), have had their articles, co-authored with three 2015 PT program graduates, accepted for publication; one in the *Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy*, and the other in the *Journal of Student Physical Therapy*. In addition, they had the following co-authored poster and platform research articles accepted for presentation at the 2016 annual CSM Physical Therapy Conference held this February in Anaheim, CA: "The Correlation of Kinesthetic Awareness with Gait Speed and Fall Prevention in Elderly Community Dwelling Females;" "Effect of Aerobic Exercise and Visual Imagery on Anxiety in Females: a Single-Blind Randomized Pilot Study;" and "Influence of Therapeutic Exercises: Targeting Hip Musculature in the Treatment of Patellofemoral Pain Syndrome: A Systematic Review."



**James Filippelli**, a longtime adjunct in Speech/Communications and Director of the annual Aquin Players musical, was honored by the Lakeland School District Board of Education, which voted to

approve the renaming of the Performance Arts Center at Walter Panas High School after him.



**Dorothy Filoramo** (VP Institutional Advancement), completed a successful humanitarian project as President of Pearl River Rotary. She traveled to El Salvador with water filtration systems for 65 families.



**Kevin Hermberg, Ph.D.,** (Philosophy), was named Co-Editor in Chief of *AAPT Studies in Pedagogy*.



**Kathleen Hinge, Ph.D.,** (Physics), at the invitation of the Vice President and Dean of Academic Affairs at John Cabot University in Rome, taught a five-week course in engineering statics there this summer.



**John Kelly**, (Teacher Education), was invited to Rome by the World Health Organization to assist in the development of international standards for vision rehabilitation.



**Michael Kelly, Ph.D.**, this fall presented a Dignity for All Students (DASA) workshop for Dominican College alumni and teacher education students from the community, applying for additional certification.



**Madeline Mignone, Ph.D.**, (Biology), served on the planning committee and presented “Developing a Service Learning Restoration Along the Sparkill Creek,” at the Environmental Consortium Conference held at Vassar College.



**Claudia Moreno, Ph.D.**, (Social Work), who last November appeared on ENFOQUE, a program on the Telemundo network in which she was interviewed about autism, was recently appointed as a member of the CSWE Council on Practice Methods and Specializations for a three-year term.



**Michael Pizzi**, (Occupational Therapy), delivered his presentations titled: “Childhood Obesity: Assessment, Intervention, Theory, and Research in Schools, Homes, and Communities;” “Occupational Therapy in the Promotion of Health and Wellbeing for Obese Children and Adults;” and “Interprofessional Strategies to Address Childhood Obesity: Implications for

Occupational Therapy and Research,” at the 2016 AOTA Annual Conference and Expo held this April in Chicago.



**James Reitter, Ph.D.**, (English), presented a conference roundtable, “Look to the Book: How Literature Can (and Should) be Used in the Freshman Seminar,” and participated in a panel on regionalism in horror films at this year’s Northeast Modern Language Association Conference.



**Phil Sciamé** (Computer Information Systems), **Bernadette Connors** (Biology), and **Mike Kelly** (Teacher Education), were among the interdisciplinary team of faculty who this April hosted high school students in the P-Tech (Pathways in Technology) program on campus, providing them with exposure to, and learning in, STEM fields including biology and computer programming.



**Gina Shelton, MSLIS**, (Head Librarian), delivered an address titled “What You Don’t Learn in Library School: Tales from the Other Side,” as the invited keynote speaker at the recent Beta Phi Mu-Theta Honor Society Induction at Pratt Institute, her alma mater. She also delivered two presentations, one with Assistant Librarian Ellie Horowitz, at the April conference of the Southeastern New York Library Resources Council (SENYLRC).



**Robert Stauffer, Ph.D.**, (English), presented a paper, “Marguerite Porete in England: The Transmission of the Mirror of Simple Souls across the Channel,” at the International Association for the History of Religions (AHR) Conference held last August in Erfurt, Germany. He also has had the following works accepted for publication in the spring: “A Companion to Marguerite Porete and the Mirror of Simple Souls,” by Brill Publishing; “The Ballad of the Lonely Medievalists,” by Punctum Press; and a book review of *Labels and Libels: Naming Beguines in Northern Medieval Europe*, for *Church History*, a journal out of Florida State University.



**Carol Strax** (Teacher Education), had her paper “Transforming Teachers of Special Education into Classic Professionals,” accepted for presentation at The Learner Conference in Vancouver this June.



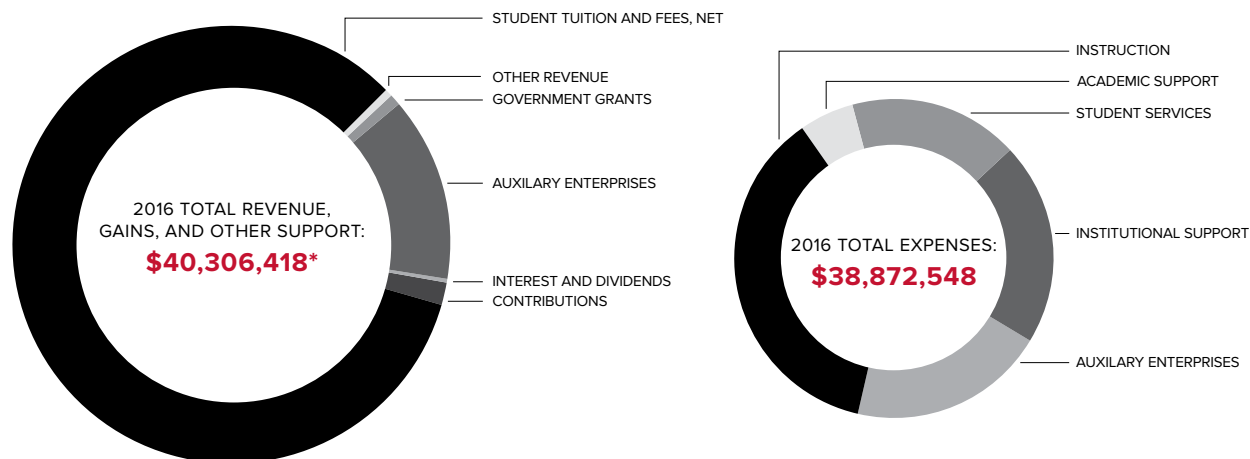
**Anthony Troncone** (History), is providing significant research to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Honor Society and the US Department of Defense, for the upcoming 100–year observance of the creation of this national monument.

**Lorraine Vitale** (Nursing), in her role as advocate for the New York Arthritis Foundation, was selected to participate in the Department of Defense Peer Review Medical Research Program panel assembled in Washington, DC in December.



*Dominican College Statement of Activities 2012-2016  
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# Financials.



## REVENUE, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT

	2016*	2015	2014	2013	2012
Student Tuition and Fees	\$ 46,686,150	\$ 43,077,845	\$ 40,986,414	\$ 40,226,494	\$ 39,084,481
Less: Institutional Aid	\$ (15,726,356)	\$ (12,970,946)	\$ (11,512,464)	\$ (11,316,368)	\$ (11,864,890)
Student Tuition and Fees, Net	\$ 30,959,794	\$ 30,106,899	\$ 29,473,950	\$ 28,910,126	\$ 27,219,591
Government Grants	\$ 545,747	\$ 575,114	\$ 434,672	\$ 625,627	\$ 514,045
Contributions	\$ 774,223	\$ 1,249,509	\$ 1,116,752	\$ 863,036	\$ 818,517
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$ 7,641,199	\$ 6,766,800	\$ 6,390,670	\$ 6,812,176	\$ 7,470,777
Interest and Dividends	\$ 157,070	\$ 122,762	\$ 185,272	\$ 172,941	\$ 191,228
Other Revenue	\$ 228,385	\$ 238,950	\$ 213,313	\$ 273,139	\$ 365,122
Total Revenue, Gains, and Other Support	\$ 40,306,418	\$ 39,060,034	\$ 37,814,629	\$ 37,657,045	\$ 36,579,280
Instruction	\$ 14,284,882	\$ 14,478,802	\$ 13,787,499	\$ 13,592,509	\$ 12,912,241
Academic Support	\$ 2,149,207	\$ 2,177,599	\$ 2,112,575	\$ 1,992,954	\$ 1,870,671
Student Services	\$ 6,704,359	\$ 6,385,483	\$ 6,266,243	\$ 6,032,808	\$ 5,745,781
Institutional Support	\$ 8,032,167	\$ 7,752,768	\$ 7,558,966	\$ 7,488,416	\$ 6,829,827
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$ 7,701,933	\$ 7,469,182	\$ 7,674,349	\$ 7,728,411	\$ 8,514,194
Total Expenses	\$ 38,872,548	\$ 38,263,834	\$ 37,399,632	\$ 36,835,098	\$ 35,872,714
Increase in Unrestricted Net Assets From Operating Activities	\$ 1,433,870	\$ 796,200	\$ 414,997	\$ 821,947	\$ 706,566
Endowment Growth	\$ 5,011,000	\$ 4,933,500	\$ 4,543,100	\$ 3,897,324	\$ 3,282,152

\* The financial information provided above is unaudited.

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