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The Hennessy Center expansion, was dedicated at a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, October 19, 2017.

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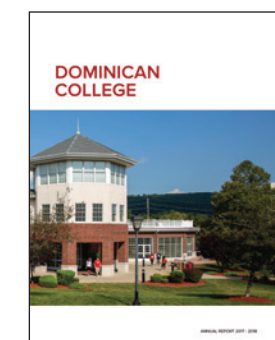
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The Granito Center, the College's main dining facility, also houses the student bookstore, campus health services, and conference areas.

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NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT:



Dear Friends,

I am happy to provide you with a brief overview of the hopes and aspirations of 2017-2018. In 1952, the College opened its doors for the first time. In May of 2018, having graduated 572 students, the College had awarded undergraduate and graduate degrees to over 14,500 alums.

In June of 2018, 16 faculty, administrators, and students joined with representatives of the other 14 American Dominican Colleges at Providence College in Rhode Island. Participants were reminded that the Dominican Pillars of study, community, service, and spirituality provided the support needed to pursue and share truth in ways that encourage “reflective understanding and compassionate involvements.” Creative, mutually beneficial forms of collaboration among like-minded institutions, was a constantly heard theme. The Dominican charism calls us to be formers of community, dedicated to the common good through reflective study and generous service to others.

Among his few written words, St. Dominic Guzmán reminds us that “seed that is hoarded rots; that which is scattered generously, flourishes.” Much good seed was scattered across Dominican’s campus this past year. We take pride in the advances made in our academic programs, the improvements on our campus, and the personal achievements of our students and faculty.

The fiscal year ended with a modest surplus and all covenant agreements with banks and government agencies were realized. The College’s small endowment continued to grow, currently over \$6M.

The dedication of the Hennessy Expansion in October was a promising moment. The new gym, fitness center, athletic training room and conference space have all been used to benefit academic and student life activities across the campus.

The College has often spoken of increasing sources of alternative income, that is, in addition to tuition and fees. The rental of space in the Hennessy Expansion has enabled us to do so in a meaningful manner. It is anticipated that we will do more during the coming year.

The reaccreditation of the College’s first doctoral program, Physical Therapy, was achieved for a period of ten years – no small feat – and a new program in Health Sciences was approved by the State Education Department.

In November, an encouraging Middle States report was received which affirmed many of the directions that the College itself had indicated a desire to pursue. Work has begun on the renewal of the General Education Curriculum under the leadership of Kevin Hermberg and the talented, broad-based committee with whom he has worked. They have proposed a College-wide goal to “educate the mind, develop the self, inspire change, and serve the community.”

How fortunate that as the number of traditional-aged students has declined in the northeast, Dominican’s graduate numbers have been maintained on both the master’s and doctoral levels. The number of



students engaged in one or more internships continues to grow. This past year, close to 150 students took advantage of this exceptional opportunity.

The College’s long-standing rental agreement with South Orangetown Central School District (SOCSD) for the use of Casey and Cooke Halls was renewed at a mutually beneficial rate. However, an analysis of cost and benefit led to the decision not to renew the lease with St. Catharine’s parish. During the ten years that the College occupied St. Catharine’s, good relationships were established with the parish community and the facility accommodated a large number of traditional-aged students. In ending this arrangement, Dominican committed itself to extensive use of current classroom space, seven days a week, where applicable.

As we look to the future, a new turf field for lacrosse and soccer has been identified as a need for use by a significant segment of the College’s 300 student-athletes and for intramural use by other students. To enhance enrollment, the geography of our recruitment efforts will be expanded and the number of graduate programs increased.

As Dominican plans for the future, it is most appreciative of your keeping its endeavors in your prayers and among your priorities. We remain grateful for the accomplishments of our students, the dedication of our staff, and the vision and support provided by the College’s Board.

Best wishes for a fruitful and blessed 2018-19.

Gratefully,

Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien

Sr. Mary Eileen O’Brien, O.P., Ph.D.
President

STUDENT STORIES:

The Dominican College experience extends way beyond the classroom as students develop their skill sets and discover new worlds both near and far. Their accomplishments elevate the entire Dominican College community.

Seniors Present Research Projects

Seniors in our Liberal Arts program presented their research projects on Thursday, April 26, in the Lawrence Room of Rosary Hall. The students explained the results of their capstone projects to fellow students, faculty, and administrators. About 30 liberal arts research projects were on display.

“Students had the opportunity to go through the entire process of a research project—from developing the idea and a method, to then implementing it, dealing with the results, and finally being able to understand and explain the results,” said **Dr. Mark Meachem**, Director of the Arts & Sciences Division.

Dr. Meachem said the projects help prepare students for a career or graduate school.

Students Build Homes During Alternative Spring Break

For more than 10 years, a group of Dominican College students have passed up on the traditional Spring Break and instead volunteered to work with Habitat for Humanity to build homes for families in need of decent, affordable housing.

This year, four administrators and 31 undergraduate students traveled by train to the Florida communities of Flagler Beach and Bunnell to participate in the week-long Alternative Spring Break Program. **Melissa Leigh Grau**, Director of

Community Engagement and Leadership Development, said the group worked on four different homes, all in different stages of construction.

“The houses they are building are going to members in the community who are trying to break out of the cycle of poverty,” Grau said. Because the homeowners are required to put in “sweat equity” by working alongside the volunteers, the students get to meet the people who will be living in the homes they are working on.

Students Investigate Mock Crime Scene



Students taking a Criminal Investigations course were busy on February 20, 2018 investigating a mock crime scene outside the Granito Center.

The scene included a car with two gunshot victims and a missing driver. Adjunct Professor **William Barbara**, who also serves as Chief of Patrol for the Rockland Sheriff’s Department, said that he teaches the students interview and interrogation techniques as part of his course.

“The students will photograph the scene, sketch the scene, gather the evidence, collect the evidence, lift the fingerprints, and do the interviews of all the witnesses,” he said. After processing the crime scene, the students interview a suspect and try to get a confession.



History Club Steps Back in Time for Debate; Students Build Homes During Alternative Spring Break; OT Students Launch Intergenerational Program for Dominican Sisters.

First Student to Graduate with New Theater Minor



The first student with a Theater minor graduated at the end of January. **Jamilya Williams**, who will graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and a Theater minor, has been backstage working on costumes for Dominican College’s Spring Musicals since she was a freshman. She said she has always loved the theater.

“I thought the Theater minor would be a good idea because I plan to be an elementary school teacher and I’d like to do plays with the kids,” she said. She plans to attend graduate school before working as a teacher.

History Club Steps Back in Time for Debate

Students in the Dominican College History Club stepped back in time to debate whether the colonies should seek independence from Britain. The debate was held at the ‘76 House in Tappan on November 16, 2017.

“This was an idea generated from the curator of the Orangetown Historical Museum and Archives as they look for ways to deepen a collaboration between the museum and the History Club,” said **Christopher Libertini**, Assistant Professor of History.

The collaboration has allowed students to learn about history in the area and has opened up opportunities for internships at the Orangetown Historical Museum



and Archives. Professor Libertini said the Loyalists won the debate over the Patriots.

OT Students Launch Intergenerational Program for Dominican Sisters

Two students in the Occupational Therapy Program, **Alyana Pomerantz** and **Daniela Naclerio**, debuted their intergenerational program on Friday, November 3 as part of their fieldwork, under the direction of **Michael Pizzi**, Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy. The program brings preschoolers from St. Catharine’s Early Childhood Center to play and do arts and crafts with Dominican Sisters at the Convent in Blauvelt.

The OT students have also introduced gardening, cooking, painting, and socialization and memory activities to engage the Sisters.

Junior Nursing Student Delivers the Student Address at the Scholarship Recognition Dinner



Scholarship recipients received certificates of recognition at the Annual Scholarship Recognition Dinner on November 9, 2017. During the evening, the College gives thanks for the accomplishments of the students, for the guidance of parents and faculty, and for the generosity of donors, followed by a Thanksgiving feast.

Junior Nursing student, **Amanda Carby**, (pictured) delivered the student address. “We have all been told plenty of times that education and knowledge are the keys to



success, but to obtain that success we need to have dreams, goals and aspirations,” she said.

Amanda received the Riversville Foundation Scholarship—one of five new scholarships. At the first Scholarship Recognition Dinner in 1995, just six scholarships were awarded to 14 recipients. This year, 45 scholarships were awarded to 98 students.

College Places Students in Record Number of Internships



Evelyn Fiskaa, Director of Career Development, said students were placed in a record 103 paid and unpaid internships during the 2017 – 2018 school year—more internships than ever before.

Fiskaa said students benefit from internships in a number of ways. “It gives them an opportunity to try out a field to see if they really like that field or not. It’s an opportunity for them to build some skills in their area of interest,” she said. “It’s a resume builder, an opportunity to have a mentor, and also to develop professional contacts and networking for the future.”

In addition, Fiskaa said many large companies are looking to hire student interns full time after they graduate. A number of new organizations were added to the list this past year, including the MSG Garden of Dreams Foundation, Columbia University, and the Hackensack University Medical Center.

The internship program is directed by **Rose Macom** (pictured above).



Dr. Joan Faccile, M.D., Dominican College Trustee and Rockland County District Attorney Thomas Zugabe at the Healthcare Symposium on the Opioid Epidemic.

COLLEGE NEWS:

Dominican College celebrated major milestones and well-earned recognition for our programs, facilities, and staff. Notable events and lectures were held on campus throughout the year and we were honored to keep company with distinguished leaders and dignitaries.

Healthcare Symposium Focuses on the Opioid Epidemic

Dominican College’s Fifth Annual Healthcare Symposium, “The Opioid Epidemic: What You Need to Know,” drew a crowd of interested health care professionals, educators, concerned parents, and students to the Fury Lecture Hall in the Prusmack Center on Wednesday, November 15. Rockland County District Attorney Thomas Zugabe was the keynote speaker at the evening symposium. He said that in 2016, more than 64,000 people across the U.S. died from overdoses, and 75% of the overdoses were from opioid-based drugs. Most people addicted to heroin begin by taking opioid prescription drugs, Zugabe said. Although the U.S. has only 5% of the world’s population, Americans use 90% of the world’s opioid pain-

killers. Zugabe blamed pharmaceutical companies for creating the problem with an aggressive marketing campaign to convince doctors that the opioid drugs were safe for long-term use and non-addictive. There is no easy solution, said Zugabe, but officials are tackling the problem from a number of fronts, including aggressive law enforcement and treatment programs like the Rockland County Drug Court. He said the biggest focus going forward must be on prevention. “One of the key areas we’ve decided to focus on is doctors—educating doctors to change their prescribing methods,” he said. A panel of experts discussed services available in Rockland County and answered questions from

L-R: Sr. Mary Eileen O’Brien, O.P., Ph.D., Senator David Carlucci, and Kenneth R. Marks, Chair of the Board of Trustees. At the Dominican Colloquium, Kathleen Hickey, Ed.D. and Mark Meachem, Ed.D.



the audience. The symposium was moderated by Joan Facelle, M.D., M.P.H., the former Commissioner of Health for Rockland County.

College Accreditation Reaffirmed

The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) has reaffirmed accreditation for Dominican College. Recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), MSCHE is the accrediting body overseeing all regionally accredited colleges and universities in the Mid-Atlantic States, U.S. territories, and several foreign countries. Consequently, MSCHE accreditation is an expression of confidence in an institution’s mission and goals, its performance, and its resources.

Sr. Mary Eileen O’Brien, O.P., Ph.D., President, announced the accreditation to administrators, faculty, and staff on Monday, November 20.

“This decision validates our commitment to continuous assessment and improvement of our institution. I take the opportunity of this positive news to thank all in the College community for participating in and contributing to the Self-Study Report. This is a proud moment for the College,” she said.

The two-year re-accreditation process included the preparation of a report by the College’s Self-Study Steering Committee, led by Dr. Thomas Nowak, VP for Academic

Affairs, Brian Fernandes, VP for Enrollment Management, and Dr. Kathleen Conlon Hinge, Assistant Professor of Physics and Mathematics. The Self-Study Report was submitted in March 2017, in advance of a three-day site visit in April.

Faculty Presentations at Dominican Colloquium at Providence College in Rhode Island



Seven Dominican College professors delivered presentations during a four-day Dominican Colloquium held at Providence College in Rhode Island from June 21-24. The Colloquium meets every other year and brings together representatives from 15 Dominican colleges across the country. The next Dominican Colloquium will be held in two years at Edgewood College in Wisconsin.

Chancellor of External Affairs, Sr. Kathleen Sullivan, O.P., said the goal is for the colleges to collaborate, “to share ideas and experiences to help formulate what it is that

we are providing to our students and to the communities we serve,” she said. “The colleges are all rooted in the four pillars of Dominican life and they really work to involve everybody as a community within this framework.” The four pillars are community, study, service, and spirituality. The Dominican College professors presented on a variety of topics including biology, communications, education, and occupational therapy. The presenters were: Bernadette Connors, Ph.D.; Giovanna Czander, Ph.D.; Dianne DiSpagna, Ed.D.; Kathleen Hickey, Ed.D.; Mark Meachem, Ed.D.; Mary Walsh Roche, OTR/L; and Nadia Rust, OTD, OTR/L. The latest campus addition, the Hennessy Center expansion, was showcased during a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, October 19, 2017. College President Sr. Mary Eileen O’Brien, O.P., Ph.D., reviewed the College history from its founding in 1952 and the need since then for recreational opportunities for residential students. “This expansion includes an additional gym, a well-equipped fitness center, and creative practice and program space,” she said. Sr. Mary Eileen thanked the many donors and committee members. In addition, she thanked State Senator David Carlucci, who was in attendance, for his support.



Dr. Robert K. Musil addressing students about climate change.

Senator Carlucci cited a study that found students enrolled in a school fitness center had higher GPAs and were more likely to graduate, leading to greater community contribution. “The things that are going on here at Dominican College don’t just stay within these walls, they proliferate to our community and improve the quality of life of all of the people in our community and in New York State,” he said.

The dignitaries and donors at the ceremony toured the improvements and additions to the Hennessy Center. The festivities included a ribbon cutting outside both the new gym and the fitness center, and the unveiling of a plaque outside the gym listing the project’s top donors. Before the event, Sr. Barbara McEneaney, O.P., Director of Campus Ministry, blessed the area outside of the fitness center with Holy Water.

Dr. Robert K. Musil Delivers Environmental Awareness Lecture

Environmental leader and author Dr. Robert K. Musil, head of the Rachel Carson Council and former CEO of the Nobel Peace Prize-winning

Physicians for Social Responsibility, urged students to speak out about climate change on March 19, 2018.

During his lecture, “Last Chance for the Environment? Why Scientists and Citizens Must Act,” Dr. Musil said the science behind climate change is undeniable and the students should speak up and do what they can to raise awareness.

“Unless you all make it part of what you do—when you wake up, when you go to bed, and in 2018—things aren’t going to change in your lifetime, and they will get very bad,” he said. “There will be more Superstorm Sandys. There will be more forest fires. There will be more destruction of coastal lands. It will be bad.”

Dr. Musil was on campus for several days as part of the Council of Independent Colleges Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellows Program. This program brings prominent artists, diplomats, journalists, business leaders, and other non-academic professionals to campuses across the United States for substantive dialogue with students and faculty members. Arrangements for the lecture were made by Kathleen Conlon Hinge, Ph.D.

Economist with Federal Reserve Bank of NY Presents “Outlook on the Economy”

Jason Bram, Research Officer, Regional Analysis Function, spoke about the latest economic indicators in his annual presentation to business leaders and college administrators, on Thursday, January 25, 2018, in the Fury Lecture Hall. His talk on the “Outlook on the Economy” was positive, as he spoke about the latest economic indicators.

Though the securities industry has long been the most important driving sector of the New York City economy, Bram said that something unexpected has happened since the recession. “That is that the city would have its strongest economic boom—really in recent history—with no help from Wall Street,” he said. “While the securities industry is still a bigger industry in the city, technology is quickly gaining on

it,” said Bram. Since 2010, the number of technology jobs has doubled.”

Bram produces the regional Beige Book reports, and uses monthly business surveys to monitor and analyze current and emerging economic trends and issues of concern. He told the audience that the U.S. economy and labor market have gained some momentum, while manufacturing and housing have shown increased strength as well. The regional economy has fared well, with NYC continuing to lead, and home prices have picked up across much of the region.

Parents of “The Man with the Red Bandanna” Speak with Education Students

Education students who read about the hero known as “the man with the red bandanna” met for more than two hours with his parents to discuss Welles Remy Crowther’s incredible life. Welles is credit-

ed with rescuing 18 people from the World Trade Center on 9-11, while wearing his signature red bandanna. His parents, Jefferson and Alison, have traveled all over the country sharing his story. Alison said she enjoyed the discussion on December 14, 2107, with students in Professor Diane DiSpagna’s Literacy Class.

The students had read a biography about Welles, called “The Red Bandanna” by Tom Rinaldi, and they presented the Crowthers with a study guide they wrote for the book for grades 4 through 12. The guide includes suggested activities and comprehension questions for teachers to use when assigning this book in their classrooms.

“To me, it’s the most wonderful thing to see these young people inspired by Welles, embraced and excited by his story and them wanting to share it,” said Alison. “And these are future teachers who developed a beautiful study guide.”



Jason Bram of the Federal Reserve Bank of NY presenting “Outlook on the Economy.”; Jefferson and Alison Crowther meet with students in Professor Diane DiSpagna’s Literacy Class; Tom Rinaldi meets with students following Commencement.



Approval of the Health Sciences Program

Dominican College will begin offering a new undergraduate degree this fall—a Bachelor of Science in the Health Sciences. The College recently received approval to begin offering the new degree from the New York State Education Department. This degree furthers Dominican College’s long tradition of providing top-quality educational programs, particularly in the field of healthcare.

Director of the Allied Health Division Pamela Story, OTD, OTR/L, said there are three tracks offered within the new Health Sciences Program. “We have two tracks specifically designated as pre-professional tracks—one for OT and one for PT,” said Story. “There is a third general track that has a lot of flexibility in it and a lot of space for electives.” The students in the third track can use the electives to take prerequisites for graduate studies in other fields such as speech-language pathology, physician assistant, or athletic training.



Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien and Sr. Kathleen Sullivan with Professor Eugene Wall, President of Mary Immaculate College.

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Dominican College offers a Master of Science degree in Occupational Therapy and a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree. Most students in those advanced programs earned their undergraduate degrees at other institutions. With the new B.S. in Health Science, students can now earn their undergraduate degree from Dominican College directly and continue on to the graduate Health Sciences program tracks.

Sr. Michelle Nugent Memorial Lecture

On November 6, 2017, the Division of Social Sciences hosted its annual Sr. Michelle Nugent Memorial Lecture, featuring Dr. Venezia Michalsen from Montclair State University. Dr. Michalsen teaches Statistics, Research Methods, Seminar on Gender and Crime, Human Trafficking, Victimology, Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies, and Criminology.

The lecture was entitled “Gender and the Criminal Punishment System: What’s different about women and girls?” Dr. Michalsen explained how the American Criminal Punishment system is by far the largest in the world, with millions of people behind bars. While the vast majority of these people are male, the rates at which females are criminalized and incarcerated has been rising dramatically.

Male rates, meanwhile, have leveled and overall crime rates continue to fall to lows not seen in decades. Dr. Michalsen’s lecture identified the personal characteristics of criminalized women and girls, the ways in which they get involved in the system, and also the ways in which larger national trends are gendered.

Prior to working at Montclair State University, Dr. Michalsen worked for six years at the Women’s Prison Association, the nation’s oldest organization serving women with criminal justice system involvement.

Mary Immaculate College Exchange Program

Sr. Mary Eileen O’Brien, President and Sr. Kathleen Sullivan, Chancellor, were guests of the Irish Ambassador to the United States on Friday, February 2. The gathering, a cocktail reception, included representatives from several other colleges and universities and was held to celebrate the effort of these schools to collaborate with Irish institutions of higher learning. Dominican College has recently signed an undergraduate exchange program agreement with Mary Immaculate College in Limerick, Ireland.



Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien, O.P., Ph.D., received the Our Lady of Rosary Leadership Award.



Michelle Monaco, Jennifer Sassano, Ed.D., and Catherine O'Leary.

Annual Honors Convocation and Alpha Chi Induction

The top students at Dominican College were recognized during the annual Honors Convocation and Alpha Chi Induction on Monday, November 13, 2017, in the Hennessy Center. The Alpha Chi Honor Society is a national honor society which recognizes academic excellence, leadership, and service.

The two co-presidents of Alpha Chi, Senior Nursing student Michelle Monaco and Senior English student Catherine O’Leary delivered the Honors Convocation Address. Monaco told the students that they are all role models. “Getting good grades is not based on luck,” she said. “Luck did not get you all here tonight. Rather, you’re gathered here because of your motivation, sacrifice, determination, discipline, and passion. So remember this: You are not lucky. You are deserving.”

O’Leary told the students, “As you mature and progress throughout your college experience and throughout your life, you will realize that the definition of success changes. However, the most important thing is to live your life with integrity and to never succumb to the negativity around you.”

During the ceremony, the inductees lit candles from a Candle of Knowledge and were presented with a white stole around their necks. In addition to the Alpha Chi induction, students were honored for being on the Dean’s List by maintaining a Grade Point Average of 3.5 or higher for two, four, or six consecutive semesters.

College President Receives Leadership Award

Sr. Mary Eileen O’Brien, O.P., Ph.D., received the Our Lady of Rosary Leadership Award at the Inaugural Catholic School Breakfast on April 30, 2018. St. Thomas Aquinas College President Dr. Margaret Mary Fitzpatrick, S.C., Ed.D., also received the award.

Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan, the Archbishop of New York, was a special guest at the event and said it was “providential” that two Sisters were being honored. “Remember what Pope Francis said in St. Patrick’s Cathedral when he visited three years ago: ‘Where would the Catholic Church of the United States be without the Sisters?’”

About 450 representatives of Rockland Catholic schools attended the scholarship breakfast, which raised money to provide financial assistance for students attending Catholic schools.



1988 Baseball Team



*celebrating
50 years
of athletics*



2010 Softball Team



Joseph Gartner



2007-2008 Women's Basketball Team



2003 Men's Lacrosse Team



Dominican College marked 50 years of athletics at the College with a major celebration on April 7, 2018. The special honoree for the evening was Joseph Gartner, '78, who has worked at the College compiling statistics on Charger athletes for the past 42 years.

Affectionately referred to as "Joey G" and "the G-man," Gartner was praised for doing invaluable work, having a big heart, and being like family to his co-workers. "I've enjoyed every minute of it," he said.

Along with a Special Recognition for the 2003 Inaugural Men's Lacrosse team, the following teams were inducted into the Dominican College Athletic Hall of Fame:

- 1983 Men's Soccer
- 1988 Baseball
- 1995-1996 Men's Basketball
- 1997-1998 Men's Golf
- 2007-2008 Women's Basketball
- 2010 Softball



1995-1996 Men's Basketball Team

COMMENCEMENT 2018

ESPN Correspondent Delivers Inspiring Commencement Address

ESPN Correspondent and author Tom Rinaldi delivered an inspiring address to the Class of 2018 during Dominican College’s 64th Commencement Exercises on Sunday, May 20, 2018 at the Westchester County Center in White Plains. A total of 572 students graduated—123 with doctoral degrees, 100 with master’s degrees and 349 with bachelor’s degrees

During the Commencement Ceremony, Rinaldi received an Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters. Others honored at the Commencement Exercises included Judith Kydon, M.A., M.Ed., President and CEO of St. Dominic’s Family Services, who received an Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humanities. Rockland County District Attorney Thomas P. Zugibe was awarded the Veritas Medal for his service to the community. Wendy St. Felix, ’17, DNP, Family Nurse Practitioner at the Montefiore School Health Program at P.S. 85 in the Bronx, received the 2018 Badami Outstanding Alumna Award.



Class of 1968 Reunion

Commencement Weekend included a 50th reunion for former students on Saturday, May 19, for the first time in Dominican College’s history. The celebration kicked off with a welcome reception and champagne toast for the Class of ’68. The former students toured Forkel Hall where all of their classes had been held during their enrollment. The Class of 1968 had just 20 students. All the students were women and all earned degrees in education.

During the Baccalaureate Mass in St. Dominic’s Convent Chapel, the members of the Class of ’68 sat in the pews near the altar and wore white embroidered stoles. Rev. Michael P. Kerrigan celebrated the mass and welcomed the returning alumnae. The reunion concluded with a private dinner in the Badami Room in the Granito Center.



Class of 2018 Senior Gift Unveiled

On the eve of Commencement, a new stainless steel arts sculpture was unveiled. A gift from the Class of 2018, the sculpture represents a flame and rotates with the wind. The flame is based on the dream St. Dominic’s mother had when she was pregnant. She dreamed of a dog with a torch in his mouth, which is believed to symbolize St. Dominic spreading God’s light around the world. The sculpture is located on a brick pedestal outside of the entrance to the new fitness center.

The Senior Class Gift has become an annual tradition at Dominican College and is a way for graduating seniors to show their appreciation to the College. Past senior gifts include the Charlie the Charger statue, the Hennessy Center flag pole, the Alumni Book of Remembrance, and the Student Life Wall Mural in the Granito Center.

The student members of the 2018 Senior Gift Committee were Amanda Corriere, Amanda Magnotta, John Ameen, Hannah Ameen, Miriam Taylor, Joe Piccini, Patricia Simmons, and Stefani Reyes.





EVENTS

A. 20th Annual Alumni and Friends Golf Outing
October 5, 2017

B. Relay For Life
November 10, 2017

C. Scholarship Dinner
November 11, 2017

D. Christmas Concert
December 3, 2017

E. Mulligan/Heller Game
January 27, 2018

F. College Fair
April 11, 2018

G. 46th Annual Grand Reception Honoring John A. Gallucci, Jr.
April 15, 2018

H. Earth Week
April 16 – 22

I. Barley & Hops Kuka Beer
April 25, 2018

J. Kaplan Tea
May 3, 2018

K. 39th Golf Classic
June 18, 2018

Heritage Luncheon
June 20, 2018





Golf Team



Keith Prokop, Men's Golf Coach

Athletic HIGHLIGHTS

Men's Golf Coach, Keith Prokop Named the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (CACC) Coach of the Year

Prokop was named the CACC Coach of the Year after guiding the Chargers to four tournament championships during the fall and spring seasons. The voting for the coach-of-the-year honor is conducted by the league's sports information directors. This is his first time winning the award.

Three members of the golf team were named to the All-Conference Team as determined by the final Golfstat individual rankings for the regular season. Dominican College golfers, Carlos Armas Stenner, Leonard Lee, and Hunter Wescott were all named to the All-CACC Team.

Sr. Mary Eileen, Michael McLaughlin, and Bob Hurley, Sr., at the Tip-Off Dinner.

Basketball Tip-Off Dinner Features Legendary High School Coach Bob Hurley, Sr.

The men's basketball team, along with their friends and family, got advice on basketball, coaching, and life from Coach Bob Hurley at the Tip-Off Dinner on October 12, 2017 at the Casa Mia Manor House in Blauvelt. Hurley spoke about how he first started coaching as an 18 year old for CYO Basketball before taking a job at St. Anthony's High School in Jersey City, NJ, where his teams won 28 state championships and four national titles. Coach Hurley was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 2010 and was a 2017 ESPY Award winner as "Best Coach." College Trustee and former DC Basketball Player Michael McLaughlin, '88, introduced Coach Hurley by saying that he has changed lives. "You want to talk about character? Here's a man that could have demanded a seven or eight figure contract and gotten it later on in his career," said McLaughlin. "He bypassed that because there was a community that needed him."

When one of his players was being overlooked by college recruiters, Coach Hurley called Dominican College men's basketball coach Joe Clinton to take a look at the player—Shelton Gibbs.

Gibbs remembers the day Coach Clinton came to see him play. "You know I always try to put my best performance on and I put on a good performance," said Gibbs.

Clinton said giving Gibbs a basketball scholarship was a terrific decision. "Shelton had a great career with us. He was one of the best defenders we've ever had since I've been a coach here."



Men's Lacrosse

The men's lacrosse team finished the season with an overall record of 3-11 and a CACC record of 2-3. The team finished in a tie for fourth place but failed to make the playoffs due to a tie-breaker. This was the inaugural year of men's lacrosse in the CACC. Junior Kyle Souza was named to the All-CACC First Team, while Ryan Wiberly and Phil Shields earned Second Team honors.

Women's Lacrosse

The Lady Chargers had a 6-10 overall record and a 5-4 CACC mark. DC finished in a three-way tie for fourth place in the conference, but was seeded sixth in the CACC Tournament due to tie-breakers and a coin toss. In a quarter-final contest, DC fell to #3 Chestnut Hill College,

18-16 to end their season. In the loss to CHC, sophomores Alayna Heegan and Jenna Fox both scored their 100th career goal. Fox earned All-CACC First Team honors, while Heegan was named to the Second Team. Heegan was also named to the CACC All-Tournament Team.



Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team finished the season with an overall record of 21-10 and a CACC record of 13-6. The Chargers finished in second place in the CACC North Division and were seeded second in the North Division for the CACC Tournament. DC defeated #3 Wilmington University to reach the semi-finals and then won a thrilling overtime victory over Goldey-Beacom College to reach the Championship game for the second consecutive year. In the finals, the team battled back from a 15 point deficit, but ultimately fell to Jefferson by one point to end their season. Sophomore Daniel Grant was named to the All-CACC First Team.

Women's Basketball

The Lady Chargers finished the season with an overall record of 11-18 and a CACC record of 10-9. Dominican College finished in third place in the CACC North Division and was seeded third in the North Division for the CACC Tournament. DC traveled to #2 Jefferson, where they fell 74-55 to end their season. Senior Rebecca Rabeiro netted her 1000th career point on February 15, 2018. Rabeiro and sophomore Jasmine Gee were named to the All-CACC Third Team.



Softball

The Lady Chargers softball team ended the season with an overall record of 26-20 and a CACC record of 16-10. DC finished in fourth place in the CACC and earned the fourth seed in the tournament. Following a 1-1 record on day one of the Championships, the Lady Chargers won three tough elimination games on day two to advance to the Finals. Up against the top seed, Caldwell University, Dominican College fell 10-7 in extra innings to end their season. Taylor Daniels and Samantha Fitzgerald earned All-CACC First Team honors, while Jillian Regan and Jennifer Paride were named to the Second Team. Daniels, Alyssa Schwed, and Rajene Bowe were all named to the CACC All-Tournament Team.

Baseball

The baseball team finished the season with an overall record of 20-32 and a conference record of 17-15. Dominican College earned the second seed in the North Division and hosted a first round play-off game in which they defeated the #3S Chestnut Hill College to advance into the double-elimination portion of the tournament. In the second round, DC fell to #1S Felician University and #1N Post University to end their season. Elijah Tavarez and Justin Decker were named to the All-CACC Second Team, while Decker was also named to the Google Cloud Academic All-District First team for the second consecutive season and to the CACC All-Tournament Team.



Golf

The men's golf team qualified for the NCAA Division II Atlantic/East Super Regional for the second straight season. DC was ranked as high as sixth in the East Region during the spring season. At the Super Regionals, the team finished in 14th place. Head Coach Keith Prokop, '14, was named the CACC Coach of the Year, while Carlos Armas Stenner, Leonard Lee, and Hunter Wescott were named to the All-CACC Team. The golf team competed in seven tournaments in the fall, including hosting the annual "Charger Challenge" and the CACC Championships. DC won the Charger Challenge where junior Leonard Lee won the individual medal at the tournament. Lee earned one CACC Golfer of the Week honors and was named to the CACC All-Tournament team after finishing fifth place overall. Sophomore Carlos Armas Stenner also earned one CACC Golfer of the Week honors. The Chargers finished in third place at the CACC Championships and in fourth place at the Saint Rose Fall Shootout.



Men's and Women's Track and Field

The Chargers track and field team competed in 10 meets this season, including the CACC Championships. They finished fourth at the CACC Championships with Michael Merced winning the 200m dash and taking second in the 400m dash at the CACC Championships, while tying the 200m dash record at the CACC Championships. Merced also earned two CACC Runner of the Week accolades this season. Seth Wilson won the 100m dash and finished in second place in the 200m dash, and set a new CACC Championships record in the 100m dash.

The Lady Charger track and field team competed in six meets this season, including the CACC Championships, where they finished in 11th place. Djzamina Jean-Pierre was named the CACC Runner of the Week once this season.

Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team finished the season with an overall record of 2-14 and a CACC record of 2-10. DC finished in a tie for 11th place in the CACC. Ina Koeder, Kim Koeder, and Samantha Simler were all named to the CACC Women's Soccer All-Academic Team.



Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team finished the season with an overall record of 3-14 and a conference record of 3-9. The Chargers finished in 11th place in the CACC. Matthew Snow and Marco Flores were named to the CACC Men's Soccer All-Academic Team.

Women's Volleyball

The Lady Chargers finished the season with an overall record of 1-29 overall and 0-19 in the CACC. Sophomore Deanna Knopf was named to the CACC Women's Volleyball All-Academic Team.

Women's Cross Country

The women's cross country team finished in 8th place at the CACC Championships. The team competed in a total of five meets this season and had the high finish of 4th place at the SUNY Purchase Invitational and the Cougar Chase. Freshman Andrea Nardone finished 11th at the CACC Championships to earn All-Conference accolades and was named the Rookie of the Week twice this season. Kaitlynn Connor, Djazmina Jean-Pierre, Jennifer Heller and Micaela Ripsoli were all named to the CACC Women's Cross Country All-Academic Team.



Men's Cross Country

The Chargers competed in five meets this season and opened the season with a first place finish at the SUNY Purchase Invitational. They placed 8th at the CACC Championships where senior Jovan Zigic took 10th place to earn All-CACC honors, took second place at the SUNY Purchase Invitational and was named to the CACC Weekly Honor Roll once this season. Teammate Oscar Vidal was named the CACC Rookie of the Week once this season and was named to the weekly honor roll twice this season. Adam Klein was named to the CACC Men's Cross Country All-Academic Team.

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Since 2013, Dr. Leahy has been the CEO of the Bon Secours Charity Health System, which includes three acute care hospitals, the Bon Secours Medical Group, a regional home health care agency, two long-term care facilities, an assisted living facility, and an adult home. Under her leadership, Bon Secours Charity Health System became part of the Westchester Medical Center Health Services in 2015. This partnership allowed Bon Secours Charity to expand advanced clinical services to people living and working in Rockland and Orange counties.

A longtime Rockland resident, Dr. Leahy is a board-certified internist who formerly operated a solo practice and then joined with other physicians to form Rockland Pulmonary & Medical Associates. She is an involved community member and serves on the boards of Catholic Charities Community Services of Rockland, the Rockland Business Association, and the Rockland Economic Development Corporation.

In May 2017, Dr. Leahy received an honorary degree from Dominican College, Doctor of Science, honoris causa, for her highly-regarded leadership and commitment to providing excellence in health care resources to our community.

College Elects Two New Trustees and a Trustee Emerita

The College Board of Trustees appointed Mary P. Leahy, M.D., and Tom McNamara, ’88 as new trustees on June 7, 2018. At the same meeting, Judge Mary Kay Vyskocil, ’80 was approved as trustee emerita.



Tom McNamara

For the past two years, Tom McNamara, ’88, has served as Special Assistant to the General Manager of the Seattle Mariners. He is responsible for scouting both amateur and professional players around the globe. Previously, McNamara worked as Seattle’s Scouting Director for eight years and held numerous other scouting positions for professional baseball teams since 1994.

McNamara was a standout baseball player during his years at Dominican College and was one of the College’s first inductees into the Athletic Hall of Fame. As a center fielder, he set the New York State College record for the most stolen bases in a season with 71 in 1988.

His promotion two years ago allowed McNamara to move from Seattle to New York City to be closer to family and friends, and to become more involved with Dominican College.



Mary Kay Vyskocil

Judge Mary Kay Vyskocil, ’80, has served on the Board of Trustees for the past 30 years—serving two consecutive 15-year terms. During that time, she served on the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs committees and was a source of invaluable legal advice for fellow trustees and administrators.

In 2016, Vyskocil was appointed a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York. Prior to becoming a judge, she had a 33-year career at the New York law firm of Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett LLP, where she litigated some of the most significant insurance and reinsurance cases, representing major domestic and foreign insurers in complex coverage litigations.

Vyskocil graduated summa cum laude from Dominican College and in 1992 was honored as the first recipient of the Badami Outstanding Young Alumnus Award. In 2018, Vyskocil was inducted into the Alumni Hall of Achievement, recognized for excellence.

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Former Soccer Players Inducted Into the Alumni Hall of Achievement

Three former Dominican College soccer players were inducted into the Alumni Hall of Achievement on Sunday, April 28 during a ceremony in the Granito Center. The new inductees are:

Donald Briggs Jr., '83, for Excellence
Michael Hagopian, '02, for Leadership
Alice O'Hara, '99, for Service.

A photo of the three inductees will hang in the lobby of the Prusmack Center with other honorees.

Philosophy Professor Receives National Teaching Award

Dr. Kevin Hermberg, Associate Professor of Philosophy, was named this year's recipient of the Award of Merit for Outstanding Leadership and Achievements in the Teaching of Philosophy. The AAPT is one of the largest organizations in the world working to improve the teaching of philosophy at all levels of education. Dr. Hermberg received his award at the AAPT's International Workshop-Conference on Teaching Philosophy in July at the campus of North Carolina A&T State University in Greensboro, NC. Also this year, Dr. Hermberg received the Dominican College Academic Dean's Award for Faculty Service at the College Conference in May.

Dominican College Athletic Hall of Fame

Five new inductees were welcomed into the Dominican College Athletic Hall of Fame during a ceremony on Friday, September 29, 2107, in the Granito Center.

The new inductees include:

Jaclyn Spitaleri, '07, Basketball
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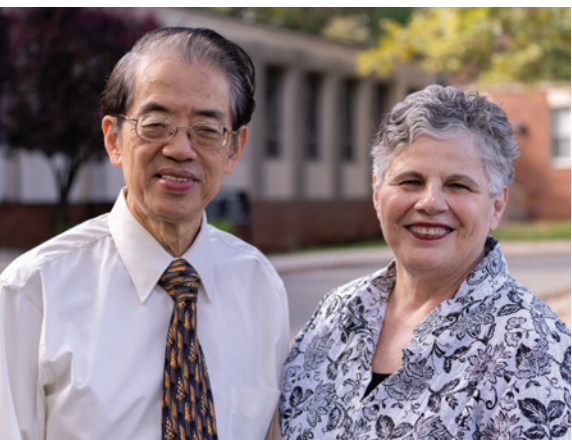
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Professor of Mathematics, after six years
of service



Rich Manu, Assistant Director, Residence
Life, after eight years of service. Until
his departure Rich served as a primary
Administrative Hearing Officer in student
conduct cases and as the department
liaison to Campus Public Safety.



TOP DOWN: Bonnie Rabb with Sr. Mary Eileen O'Brien;
Marcy Doonan with Sr. Barbara McEneany, O.P.; and
Dr. Donald Hsu with Linda Fitzpatrick.

IN MEMORIAM:



Sr. Carmel McEneany, Adult Transfer
Counselor, passed away after a two year
battle against duodenal cancer. Sr. Car-
mel was told that without treatment, her
prognosis would be one year, but she lived
another 18 months. Offered the option to
undergo major surgery, Sr. Carmel chose
prayer instead. “I had a good, happy year
and more to come, rather than suffering
from surgery,” she said last year at her
82nd birthday party. “Everyone and his
mother and brother are praying for me. I
believe in miracles. I believe in prayer.” Sr.
Carmel worked for 25 years at Dominican
College as an Adult Transfer Counselor.
Students remember her attention to de-
tail and the confidence she inspired when
they first transferred to Dominican College.
“Sister cares deeply about the College, our
transfer students and her colleagues in
Admissions,” wrote one student. Sr. Car-
mel joined the Dominican Convent in
Blauvelt in 1953 at the age of 18 and lived
there for 12 years. Sr. Carmel taught for 38
years at Dominican schools in the Bronx,
Rockland, Orange, and Dutchess Counties,
and in Daytona Beach, FL. She taught all
ages, from first grade through college stu-
dents. She held a B.S. in Education from
Dominican College and a M.S. in Educa-
tion from Fordham University. Sr. Carmel
was named a Dominican College Alumni
of Distinction.



Eileen Andes, longtime librarian at
Dominican College, had been employed by
the College for 52 years. She came to Do-
minican College in January, 1963, and, un-
til her retirement in 2015, she had been the
face and voice of the College’s library. She
worked with the founder of the College’s
library, Sr. Wilhelmina Houston, and had
provided a smooth transition for the hand-
ful of Directors who would follow her. She
was the constant in a sea of change. Mrs.
Andes was noted for her knowledge of the
library system, as well as for her eager as-
sistance to students and community mem-
bers. For over fifty years, she went far be-
yond showing library users where to find
a book or how to use research materials.
On campus, she was known as a problem
solver, undaunted by changes to technol-
ogy and the novel challenges and com-
plexities that come with it. “In a time when
the average person changes jobs between
10 and 15 times over the course of a ca-
reer, an employee like Eileen Andes—loyal,
trustworthy, rich in experience, creative in
solving problems and anticipating needs—is
a rare gem,” the college administration
stated. In 2007 Mrs. Andes was recognized
during the opening of the Sullivan Library
with a room named in her honor, and
during the celebration of the College’s 50
year anniversary, she received a College
Medal of Distinction.



Ellen Stanley, Assistant Professor of
Nursing and Coordinator of Dominican
College’s Weekend Accelerated Bachelor
of Science in Nursing (WABSN) program,
passed way in April. Ellen first joined the
College in 2001. Since that time, she has
helped countless students—many of them
career changers—fulfill their dream of be-
coming a registered nurse.

As the founding coordinator of the Col-
lege’s WASBN program, Ellen Stanley
touched the life of hundreds of students.
Over 18 years, she grew the program from
a handful of students to the robust offering
it is today. Her peers called her dedication
to the program, students, division, and col-
lege “outstanding.”



Ellen Stanley and students in 2016.

Noteworthy, Scholarly, & Other Professional Activities



Lucinda Acquaye-Doyle, Ph.D. (Social Work), who was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the NYS Social Work Education Association, co-presented “Closing Opportunity Gaps for Migrants: Challenges and Innovations in Social Work Education” at this year’s Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, held in Dallas, TX. She was also an invited panelist for a presentation titled “Coalition Building” at the annual Women Everywhere Believe (WE Believe) Conference at Columbia University last January. Additionally, she serves as an Immigration Navigator for the New York Immigration Coalition and as a Co-Principle Investigator for the “Social Work Program Lifelong Learning Institute” under a Cathy Kenny Mini-Grant.



Regina Alvarez, Ph.D. (Biology) has had her co-authored paper, “First Report of Sagina Apetala Caryophyllaceae for New York,” documenting the initial discovery of this species in NYS, published in a recent edition of Phytoneuron, a peer-reviewed, online journal for plant biology.



Anthony Bencivenga, M.A. (Teacher Education), Bernadette Connors (Biology), Kevin Hermberg, (Philosophy), and Lorraine Vitale (Nursing) were cited by four of the College’s student-athletes as having taught their most “inspiring” courses in a testimonial posted to both the DC and the CACC (Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference) websites.



Yvette Blitzer, M.S. (Teacher Education) was accepted into the 2017-18 Leadership Rockland class.



Andrew Burns, Ed.D. (Communication Studies) successfully defended his dissertation, “Leadership Technological Practices of Academic Officers in Selected Institutions of Higher Education in the United States,” and was awarded the Ed.D. from Union University.



Bernadette Connors, Ph.D. (Biology) served as a co-PI, along with fellow Biology faculty Regina Alvarez, on a grant proposal to Orange and Rockland Utilities for a summer research experience program for high school students. She delivered a presentation titled “Collective Impact Practices in STEM Research and Teaching at a PUI” at Clemson University and another, “Phage Hunting in Rockland County: Discovery of Novel Microbacteriophages from Soil and Water,” at the Nyack High School Annual Science Research Program Symposium. Connors served as a judge for the Undergraduate Awards program and as a reviewer of several abstracts and articles. This past June, she worked with the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rockland County to organize and host on campus last June’s “Small Steps, Big Benefits,” an event to educate the public on sustainable ways to impact the environment.



James Crawley, M.S. (Athletic Training) was recently named to the Editorial Board of the Journal of Physiology and Rehabilitation.



Giovanna Czander, Ph.D. (Religious Studies) and Bernadette Connors (Biology) made a presentation entitled “The Evolution of Teaching Biology: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Teaching Evolutionary Biology,” detailing their recent experience co-teaching an interdisciplinary course on evolution at the Biennial Dominican Higher Education Colloquium, held in June at Providence College in RI.



AnnMarie DiSiena, Ed.D. (Communication Studies), once again facilitated a six-week Public Speaking Academy (PSA) program for HS juniors and seniors.



Diane DiSpagna, Ed.D. (Teacher Education) presented “Creating Teachers: Searching for Truth in a World of Global Terror and School Violence” at the Dominican Higher Education Colloquium. She also has been invited to serve on the Steering Committee of the Rockland County School Health and Wellness Coalition, which is an initiative of “Steps to a Healthier Rockland” and a program of the Rockland County Board of Health. As a result, the Dominican Logo will appear on all of their materials, and the Coalition will be sponsoring a special physical activity recess program in the East Ramapo School District, in which our Teacher Education students may soon participate. She also announced that our Methods students would be doing their internship hours in several Rockland County Catholic Schools, where our student teachers may also soon be placed.



Ellen Dolgin, Ph.D. (English) co-delivered the plenary presentation, “Joan of Arc in a Three-Way Mirror: Literature, (Opera) Music and Theatre,” at this past July’s International Shaw Society Conference in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario. She also wrote a chapter in the recently published Shaw Series text, *Bernard Shaw, Marriages & Misalliances*. Voted this year’s “Most Spirited Faculty Member” at DC, she was profiled and interviewed in a recent “Higher Education” section of the Journal News.



Ayse Edeer, Ph.D. (Physical Therapy) was recommended by the New York Physical Therapy Association (NYPTA) for appointment to the NYPTA Research Committee, and the NYPTA Executive Committee approved the recommendation this past June, her membership active until June 2021. She also, along with her PT faculty colleagues Valerie Olson and Emil Euparadorn, co-authored a research study, “Which Admissions or Educational Factors are Good Predictors for Success in the First Attempt of the National Physical Therapy Examination in a Non-traditional Program?” which was accepted as a poster presentation at the next Combined Sections Meeting. Three other studies, authored by DPT students, were also accepted as poster presentations. Additionally, the article she co-authored with PT faculty colleague Karl Rusch, “The Influence of Height-Adjusted Standing Desks on Computer Related Musculoskeletal Complaints and Student Perspective in PT Therapist Education Program Students,” was published in a recent issue of the International Journal of Current Research.



Kasie Farlow, Ph.D. (Mathematics) delivered a presentation titled “Interdisciplinary Work at a Small Institution” at the Mathfest Conference in Denver Colorado this past August.





















James Filippelli, Ed.D. (Fine and Performing Arts) co-authored with a Dominican alum an article titled “Success of one Latino in Higher Education” in the Encyclopedia of Latino Culture and has several more articles in press.



Kevin Hermberg, Ph.D. (Philosophy) has been named this year’s recipient of the Award of Merit for Outstanding Leadership and Achievements in the Teaching of Philosophy by AAPT (American Association of Philosophy Teachers).

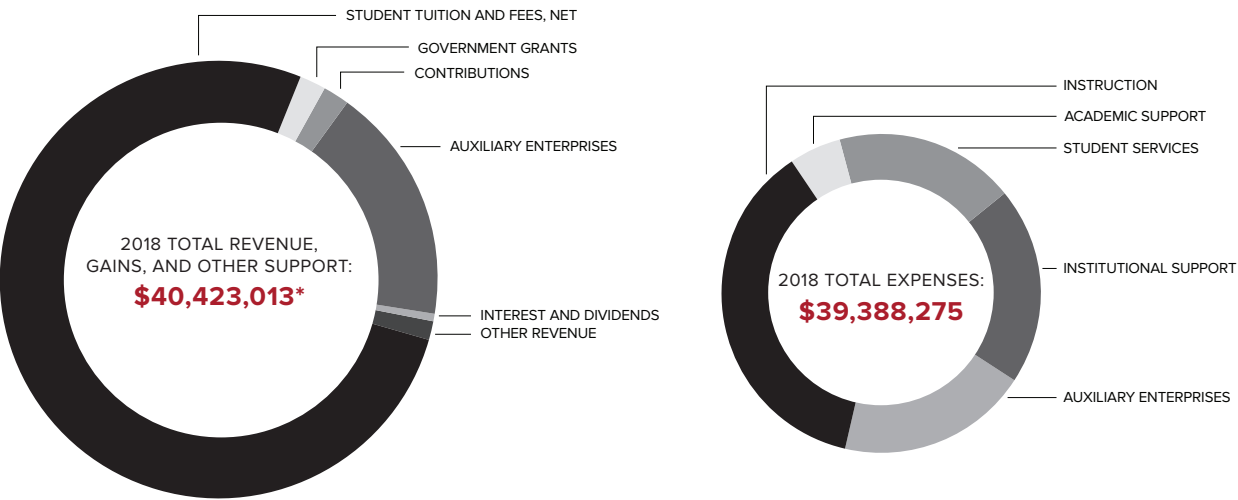


Kate Hickey, Ed.D. (English) has published an article titled “Reading Struggles of Students” in an online newsletter and an article in Research in Teaching Developmental Education. She also delivered a presentation on “Embracing Diversity in the English Curriculum” at the Dominican Higher Education Colloquium.

 <p>Kathleen Hinge, Ph.D. (Physics and Mathematics) has been invited back again to John Cabot University in Rome, where she will teach Mechanics of Materials this summer.</p>	 <p>AnneMarie McDermott, M.S.N. (Nursing) was a nominee for this year’s Rockland County Nurse Recognition “Excellence in Practice Award.”</p>	 <p>Bonni Raab, DCSW (Social Work), now in her fifth term on the St. Dominic’s Family Services Board of Directors and its first lay member, was recently elected Secretary of the Board.</p>	  <p>Mary Walsh Roche, M.S. and Nadia Rust, O.T.D. (Occupational Therapy) presented “True Partners: The Dominican Charism and Occupational Therapy Education and Practice” at the Dominican Higher Education Colloquium.</p>	 <p>Gina Shelton, M.S., L.I.S. (Head Librarian) was recently elected a member of the Board of the Trustees of the Southeastern New York Library Resources Council (SENYLRC), a position she will hold for five years. In addition, she, along with Assistant Librarian Ellie Horowitz, presented two workshops to high school teachers at a conference co-sponsored by the Southern New York Library Resources Council and to Dutchess and Ulster BOCES last August. Gina delivered a presentation about copyright issues for online educators, and Ellie gave a talk on evaluating sources and recognizing “fake news.”</p>	 <p>Carol Strax, Ed.D. (Teacher Education) presented the invited keynote address at the Annual Award Dinner of the Parents’ United Learning the Special Education System (PULSES), in Monroe, NY, and her paper, “Navigating the Road to College: Students with Disabilities,” was accepted for publication by the International Association of Special Education (Perth, Australia).</p>
 <p>Mike Kelly, Ph.D. (Teacher Education) presented on “Jumpstarting CEC Chapters: How to Get Involved” at this year’s NYS CEC Student Leadership Convention. This past August, he was appointed to serve on the New York State Teacher Certification Examination (NYSTCE) Review Committee, which met in Albany for the redeveloped Educating All Students (EAS) Test.</p>	 <p>Mark Meachem, Ed.D. (Communication Studies) delivered a presentation titled “How Social Media has Swallowed the Truth” at this June’s Dominican Higher Education Colloquium at Providence College.</p>	 <p>Tanya Radford, Ph.D. (English) delivered a presentation titled “Reinventing the Library in Children’s Fiction” at the 2017 Children’s Literature Association Conference in Tampa, FL.</p>			
 <p>Christopher Libertini (History) organized and presided at the first-ever Phi Alpha Theta Regional History Conference hosted on campus.</p>	 <p>Michael Pizzi, Ph.D. (Occupational Therapy) has had his article titled “Fieldwork at the Convent,” about OT students’ work with the Sisters of St. Dominic, published in a recent edition of <i>OT Practice</i>. He also served as a guest co-editor for a special issue of the American Journal of Occupational Therapy (AJOT) on health, well-being, and the quality of life.</p>	 <p>James Reitter, Ph.D. (English) and English faculty colleague Robert Stauffer presented their co-authored poster titled “View of the Weird: Modernism’s Darker Side,” at April’s NeMLA Conference in Pittsburgh.</p>	 <p>Stephen Rodriguez, D.P.T. (Physical Therapy) completed his Fellowship training and earned recognitions as a Fellow of the American Academy of Manual Physical Therapy.</p>	 <p>Robert Stauffer, Ph.D. (English) presented his paper, “Brendan the Navigator and the Dawn Treader: C.S. Lewis’s Spiritual Voyage to the Edge of the World,” and his panel on “Medievalisms and Marguerite Porete: The Mirror of Simple Souls in the Age of Resistance” at the International Congress on Medieval Studies in Kalamazoo, MI, in May.</p>	 <p>Lynne Weissman, D.N.P. (Nursing) wrote two chapters in a Pediatric Health Assessment text in publication this year.</p>
			 <p>Emma Sarro, Ph.D. (Biology) has an article, “When Infants Don’t Get Eked: Maternal Presence Modulates Molecular Events Supporting Infant memory Consolidation,” under publication review in Science. Additionally, she served as one of three panel members on a career panel for graduate students at NYU Medical School.</p>		

2018 FINANCIALS:

Dominican College Statement of Activities 2014-2018, Revenue, Gains, and Other Support*



REVENUE, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT

	2018*	2017	2016	2015	2014
Student Tuition and Fees	\$ 47,770,867	\$ 47,403,034	\$ 46,686,150	\$ 43,077,845	\$ 40,986,414
Less: Institutional Aid	\$ (16,733,288)	\$ (16,899,143)	\$ (15,726,356)	\$ (12,970,946)	\$ (11,512,464)
Student Tuition and Fees, Net	\$ 31,037,579	\$ 30,503,891	\$ 30,959,794	\$ 30,106,899	\$ 29,473,950
Government Grants	\$ 813,645	\$ 1,977,606	\$ 545,747	\$ 575,114	\$ 434,672
Contributions	\$ 823,216	\$ 1,139,251	\$ 774,222	\$ 1,249,509	\$ 1,116,752
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$ 7,045,397	\$ 7,452,306	\$ 7,641,199	\$ 6,766,800	\$ 6,390,670
Interest and Dividends	\$ 219,770	\$ 213,261	\$ 138,215	\$ 122,762	\$ 185,272
Other Revenue	\$ 483,406	\$ 956,279	\$ 228,385	\$ 238,950	\$ 213,313
Total Revenue, Gains, and Other Support	\$ 40,423,013	\$ 42,242,594	\$ 40,287,562	\$ 39,060,034	\$ 37,814,629

Instruction	\$ 14,606,237	\$ 14,370,619	\$ 14,284,882	\$ 14,478,802	\$ 13,787,499
Academic Support	\$ 2,108,941	\$ 2,142,983	\$ 2,149,207	\$ 2,177,599	\$ 2,112,575
Student Services	\$ 7,185,750	\$ 6,941,048	\$ 6,704,359	\$ 6,385,483	\$ 6,266,243
Institutional Support	\$ 7,936,555	\$ 8,382,211	\$ 8,032,167	\$ 7,752,768	\$ 7,558,966
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$ 7,550,792	\$ 7,711,175	\$ 7,701,933	\$ 7,469,182	\$ 7,674,349
Total Expenses	\$ 39,388,275	\$ 39,548,036	\$ 38,872,548	\$ 38,263,834	\$ 37,399,632
Increase in Unrestricted Net Assets From Operating Activities	\$ 1,034,738	\$ 2,694,558	\$ 1,415,014	\$ 796,200	\$ 414,997
Endowment Growth	\$ 5,549,700	\$ 4,532,800	\$ 5,011,000	\$ 4,933,500	\$ 4,543,100

*The financial information provided above is unaudited.

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