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Brendan J. Dugan ’68, St. Francis College’s 18th President.
Letter from the President

You can go home again.

Over the past few months, I have been blessed with the opportunity to reacquaint myself with the day-to-day life of St. Francis College from the vantage point of the president’s office. While the faces and names have changed since my days as a student four decades ago, the Franciscan character of this institution endures.

The strength of the Franciscan tradition here in Brooklyn Heights is evident in the pages of this issue of the Terrier.

Our hardworking students, such as Sonja Gutman ’09 who appears on page 4, excel academically. Sonja was accepted into a highly competitive summer internship program sponsored by the Fund for American Studies. She spent a busy summer in Washington, DC with students from several of our nation’s top colleges and universities witnessing first hand how public policy is crafted.

Michael Gibbons ’62, who is profiled on page 19, embodies how a Franciscan education inspires our alumni to lead a life of achievement and service. A child of immigrants with modest means, Gibbons worked as a longshoreman to put himself through college. After he graduated, he went to a successful career at Estee Lauder. Despite the demands of his job, he still made time to improve the lives of recent immigrants to the U.S. His selection to lead the 2009 St. Patrick’s Day Parade up Fifth Avenue as grand marshal is a fitting tribute that fills me with pride.

Our faculty members are devoted to helping our students achieve their dreams and also to improve the quality of life in our city, as demonstrated by Dr. Emily Horowitz, whose work is discussed on page 12. Horowitz, professor of Sociology and Criminology, has been researching how overcrowding in our public schools impacts the quality of the education our children receive. Horowitz took the time to mentor several high school students by engaging them in the research process, providing them with invaluable experience as they prepare for college.

Given the overall vibrancy of St. Francis College today, it should come as no surprise that we are attracting record numbers of applicants. As a result, this year’s freshman class, the Class of 2012, is the largest freshmen class in the college’s 150-year history.

It should also come as no surprise that the College was included in the U.S. News & World Report’s top Baccalaureate Colleges in the North for 2009. Forbes.com placed the College on its new America’s Best College’s list, placing it among the top five in New York City.

President Dugan with his predecessors, Br. Donald Sullivan, O.S.F., Ph.D. (L) and Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ’62 (R).

The abundant sense of exuberance and optimism that pervades our campus owes much to the leadership of my predecessor Frank J. Macchiarola ’62. The College is fortunate that Dr. Macchiarola, ever devoted to the mission and ideals of this institution, has agreed to serve in a new role as chancellor. In this capacity, he will contribute his advice and counsel to the College’s fundraising efforts to underwrite the new programs, facilities and scholarships that will enable us to continue to achieve the highest standards of excellence for our students.

It is truly an honor to be back on Remsen Street as president of St. Francis College. As we continue to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the College’s establishment, we have so many reasons to be proud. However, given the talent of our students, the devotion of our faculty and administration and the unwavering support of our alumni and friends, I am confident that our best days still lie ahead of us.

Wishing you a joyous holiday season and a prosperous New Year, I am

Sincerely,

Brendan J. Dugan ’68
President
SFC Welcomes Largest Class in 150-Year History

On September 2, faculty, administration, and the Student Government Association kicked off the 2008-09 academic year by welcoming 568 freshmen—the largest incoming class in the history of St. Francis College—to Terrier Tuesday. The annual event features fun and games as well as a formal introduction to life on Remsen Street the day before classes officially begin.

The size of the freshman class reflects another shattered record—the most applications ever received with 1,707.

“It’s exciting to see that the programs and services that St. Francis offers are resonating with students and their families from the early stages of the recruitment process,” said John McAuliffe, director of admissions. “Whether it is academic support for students who need it or Honors Program courses for high achieving students or scholarship support and technology in the classroom, potential students are realizing that St. Francis offers what they need to prepare for their futures.”

Freshmen are required to attend Terrier Tuesday so they can tie up loose administrative ends such as getting their ID cards and registering for SFC Alerts, the College’s emergency notification system. They also learn about the wide variety of student clubs, activities, athletics that are available at St. Francis.

“It’s important that students get involved on campus in more than just their coursework,” said Cheryl Howell, dean of students. “Students who explore their interests are more likely to remain in school and graduate.”

Extracurricular involvement is high at St. Francis, a factor that may contribute to the College’s graduation rate, which at 60 percent is higher than 10 of its New York City competitors whose average graduation rate is 42 percent, as well as a nonexistent “achievement gap” between minority and non-minority students, who graduate at virtually the same rate.

Record Number of Education Students Inducted into Honor Society

During a festive ceremony on October 8 in the College’s Maroney Forum for Arts, Culture and Education, 24 St. Francis students were inducted into Kappa Delta Pi, the International Honor Society in Education. This year’s class of inductees was largest ever at the College.

Students who wish to be considered for this prestigious honor must have an overall grade point average of at least 3.2 and at least a 3.5 average in education classes. All members must also embrace the society’s ideals of fidelity to humanity, science, service and toil.

Over 100 members of the St. Francis College community attended the ceremony, which included the students’ parents and family members, alumni, faculty and administrators. The keynote address was delivered by Lisa Paolucci ’05 an English teacher at New Utrecht High School.

SFC Observes Franciscan Week

As part of a series of events recognizing Franciscan Week, October 6-10, St. Francis College welcomed Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D., president, St. Bonaventure University, who delivered the 5th annual Franciscan Lecture, “The Franciscan DNA of St. Francis College.” Other events during the week included a Mass celebrating the Feast of St. Francis; announcement of “Everything Franciscan,” the library’s new blog; and a viewing of the film The Flowers of St. Francis by Roberto Rossellini.
Brother Michel Bettigole, O.S.F., who most recently was principal for Cardinal Gibbons High School in Raleigh, NC, began his career in education locally as a teacher and administrator at Bishop Ford High School and St. Francis Prep. In addition, he is the founding program director for The Prayer Channel, the television station for the Diocese of Brooklyn and is editor of three books devoted to Catholic literature and art, including Catholic History: A Sourcebook of Great Classic and Modern Literature, Art, Film and Music for Use with the Catechism of the Catholic Church, to be published in January 2009.

Victor J. Masi, D.O., ’89, practices osteopathic medicine in Brooklyn and is on staff at Long Island College Hospital and Maimonides Medical Center, where he has served on the Primary Care Subcommittee of the Graduate Medical Education Committee. From 2004-2006, Dr. Masi served on the Science Advisory Board for St. Francis College and since 2004 has been a member of the Golf Committee, which plans the College’s annual golf outing at the Meadow Brook Country Club in Jericho, NY.

St. Francis College Board of Trustees Welcomes New Members

At its most recent meeting, the College’s Board of Trustees appointed two new members, Br. Michel Bettigole, O.S.F. and Dr. Victor J. Masi, D.O. ’89.

“Brother Michel and Dr. Masi bring to the board much more than expertise related to their respective professions,” said John F. Tully ’67, chairman of the Board of Trustees. “Each has a complete understanding of the needs of our student body as well as the influence and role of the Franciscan spirit in the administration of our responsibilities, which will benefit all our students.”

St. Francis College’s newest trustees.

SFC Scores High Marks in National Rankings

Two national publications have recognized the College as a standout among its peers.

In its annual survey of the nation’s colleges, U.S. News & World Report has named St. Francis one of the top Baccalaureate Colleges in the North for 2009 and the fifth most diverse Baccalaureate College in the North. These rankings come on the heels of Forbes.com including St. Francis on its new America’s Best College’s list, placing the College in the top five in New York City.

Striking about the Forbes recognition is the fact that the leading 569 schools were selected from the top of the U.S. News results, a group that included only 15 percent of all colleges, then analyzed based on methodology that included factors such as debt, ratemyprofessor.com and the number of alumni who are members of Who’s Who. Results indicate that St. Francis placed ahead of Fordham University, New York University, Manhattan College, Polytechnic University, St. John’s University and the CUNY schools.

“This is just another example of the great work being done at St. Francis by everyone from our students to our faculty and administrators,” said President Brendan J. Dugan ’68. “This recognition is a source of pride and validates the direction the College is moving and the course we have set for the future.”
Ms. Gutman Goes to Washington
A Summer Internship Expands the Horizons of a World-Savvy Student

For Sonja Gutman ’09, who arrived in Brooklyn from Russia by way of Israel at age 14, a summer internship in Washington DC might be considered just another stop during a busy young life. It turns out that she learned things about herself that will carry her through a lifetime, no matter where it leads.

Last fall, at the suggestion of Dr. Marianne Sennick, associate professor of Education, Sonja applied for a slot in the prestigious Fund for American Studies summer internship program based at Georgetown University. Founded in 1967 to help instill in young people an appreciation for the American form of government and the free enterprise system, the Fund for American Studies sponsors 12 institutes that teach college students about the principles and values upon which the United States was founded. For Sonja, who is pursuing a double major in Political Science and Economics, the Fund’s Engalitcheff Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems (IPECS) program, which provides students with a first-hand look at the workings of the U.S. economy and political system, was a perfect fit.

After Sonja was accepted to the program, the Fund matched her with an internship best suited to her talents and interests. Assigned to the World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Sonja went to work, participating in an eight-week, six-credit course and a three-credit internship that kept her busy five days a week for up to 12 hours a day.

“On the first day of the program, everyone in my office attended a panel discussion about climate changes moderated by New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman,” Sonja recalled. The discussion about the benefits and feasibility of electric automobiles influenced Sonja to the degree that she is using as a resource for her senior thesis Mr. Friedman’s recently published book Hot, Flat and Crowded. An opportunity later in the summer to listen to a presentation by former vice president Al Gore was equally inspiring for Sonja.

Sonja spent all of June and July focusing on two assignments for the WWF. For the first, she studied the effects of climate change in the North and South Poles and how warmer water temperatures have contributed to a dramatic reduction in the amount of zoo plankton in the world’s oceans. Using a variety of scientific resources, Sonja created a Power Point presentation that outlined her findings for WWF officials. Her second project involved writing a proposal to the U.S. State Department asking for financial resources to build “green” housing projects in China.

For Sonja, building relationships with the people she met from across the country was as valuable as the opportunity to experience a “professional environment.” With roommates from Kansas, Arkansas, Arizona, Florida and as far away as Estonia, she discovered how well people from different backgrounds can get along.

“Being part of such a true melting pot expanded my horizons,” she said. “I believe I have a good idea of what to expect when I visit other parts of the country.” Sonja realized from this experience just how nurturing the academic environment is at St. Francis College when she compared it with encounters with her more competitive counterparts from Ivy League and other large universities.

“This was a necessary surprise for me,” said Sonja, whose future plans include law school. “The competition is not necessarily a bad thing, just different from my experience and it makes me aware of what my challenges will be. I learned that I can handle it and knowing that has only boosted by confidence for whatever comes next.”

State Senator Serphin R. Maltese Awarded St. Clare Medal

New York State Senator Serphin R. Maltese received the St. Clare Service Medal on October 20.

Senator Maltese, who represents the 15th Senatorial District in Queens, has authored 226 bills that have been signed into law and has maintained a perfect 100 percent attendance record throughout his more than 18 years of Senate service. He has also secured funding that has supported the College’s free educational enrichment and opportunity programs for New York City high school and college students, which include the Summer Science Academy, the New York Odyssey and Project Access.

The St. Clare Service Medal was established by the College’s Board of Trustees to recognize individuals who have served the community or distinguished themselves by charitable or heroic acts.

The medal was most recently awarded to John ’51 and Mary McCarthy. Other past recipients include the late Don Aldo Brunacci, a Franciscan priest who played a key role in protecting Jewish people in Assisi during the Holocaust and the late Anthony J. Genovesi, a former Assemblyman and the late Joan Snow, director of religious education for the Diocese of Brooklyn.
Hundreds of students, alumni, faculty, staff, elected officials and religious leaders participated in a weeklong series of events to celebrate the inauguration of Brendan J. Dugan ’68 as St. Francis College’s 18th president.

The following photo essay recaptures what was a landmark week in the 150-year history of St. Francis College.
Ethical Dimensions of the Professions

*Medicine, Law and Higher Education*

**September 29** – The week began with an academic symposium that reflected on the ethical dimensions of three of our most fundamental and important professions. St. Francis faculty and alumni joined to create three separate panels to discuss the fields of medicine, law and higher education.

A: (L-R) Allen Burdowski, Ph.D., associate dean and professor of biology and information technology, Judy Ashton, R.N. ’06, associate professor of nursing, Alexander Aroyo, M.D. ’98, a pediatrician and Charles Garbarino, M.D. ’74, a pediatrician and senior physician with the New Jersey National Guard, discuss ethics as they relate to medicine.

B: (L-R) Roy Reardon, J.D. ’51, a partner with the firm, Simpson Thacher, comments on ethics and the law as Moira Salholz, J.D., as assistant professor of business law and Thomas Killeen, J.D. ’69, a partner with the firm, Farrell Fritz, listen.

C: (L-R) Br. Edward Wesley, O.S.F. ’68, associate professor and chairman of the English Department, Robert Hannafin, Ph.D. ’76 of the University of Connecticut and Sean Fanelli, Ph.D. ’66, president of Nassau Community College, discussed the ethics of higher education.
Ice Cream Social

September 29 – Following a morning devoted to pondering ethics, President Dugan made the most of an opportunity to meet students during an ice cream social that was held in the College’s newly renovated cafeteria.

D: President Dugan dishes up chocolate ice cream for the students.

E: St. Francis faculty and administration, including June McGrisken ’76, vice president for finance and administration (L), helped the new president scoop ice cream.

F: President Dugan and his wife, Barbara, greet students.
Inaugural Mass

October 1 – The Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio, Bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn, celebrated an inaugural mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. James in downtown Brooklyn.

G: Dugan noted that the mass was “a magnificent celebration of our heritage as a Catholic and Franciscan institution.”

H: The Inaugural Mass

I: The president’s family gathered at the post mass reception at St. James Pavilion (L-R) Patrick J. Dugan ‘01, Christina Dugan, Stephanie Dugan, Brendan C. Dugan, Joseph Dugan, Brendan J. Dugan ‘68, Ryan Dugan, Barbara Dugan and Michael Dugan.

J: Among the faculty, administrators and students who attended the post mass reception at the St. James Pavilion were (L-R) Geoffrey Horlick, Ph.D., professor of accounting, Steven Catalano, director of institutional planning and research and Peter Gonzales ’09, senior representative to the Student Government Association.
Academic Convocation

October 2 – Brendan J. Dugan ’68 was officially installed as St. Francis College’s 18th president during the academic convocation in Founders Hall.

K: The procession into Founders Hall included Br. Leonard Conway, O.S.F. ’71, who presented the College’s Corporation Mace.

L: Br. William Boslet, O.S.F. ’70, superior general, Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn, presented President Dugan with the San Damiano cross.

M: Frank J. Macchiarola Ph.D. ’62, former president of St. Francis College, presented President Dugan with the College’s charter.
Inauguration Luncheon

October 2 – Alumni, students, faculty administration trustees and friends of St. Francis College gathered at Stage 6 at Steiner Studios in the Brooklyn Navy Yard to celebrate President Dugan’s inauguration.

N: Jamaal Womack ’09, president of the Student Government Association, delivered a greeting from the student body.

O: Josephine Savastano ’87, market president of Sovereign Bank, offered greetings from the St. Francis alumni.

P: Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz presented an official proclamation honoring President Dugan’s inauguration.

Q: Edward E. Travaglianti ’70 and Peter J. Callahan ’63 were among the guests at Steiner Studios.

R: John F. Tully ’67, chairman of the College’s Board of Trustees, welcomed the guests to Steiner Studios.

S: Following the ceremonies in Founders Hall, attendees gathered at Stage 6 to enjoy a celebratory luncheon.
A Conversation with
President Brendan J. Dugan ’68

After a 40-year career in banking, Brendan J. Dugan ’68 returns to St. Francis College as its 18th president. As a member of the board of trustees for 16 years, including two as chairman from 2006-2008, Mr. Dugan brings to the president’s office an insider’s knowledge as well as a business perspective that will help St. Francis continue to compete in today’s higher education environment. He shares his thoughts about leading the College for success today and in the future.

Q: How is St. Francis College today similar to—and different from—your undergraduate days?

A: When I look at our students, it’s as though I’m looking at myself in a mirror 40 years ago. Like so many of them, I came from a working class home, a child of immigrants. My siblings and I were the first generation of our family to go to college. Like much of our current student body, I worked my way through school but, most important, when given the opportunity I was ready to make a difference in the world. I know that today’s students, even if they aren’t sure of what comes next, will succeed just as students from past generations.

The differences, mainly, are a reflection of the times we live in. Technology, in particular, is an integral part of the experience of teaching and learning. Of course, that is delivered through the Franciscan tradition which always has defined the institution and always will.

Q: Describe the College’s greatest strengths and how will they be important to shaping its short- and long-term goals?

A: A number of positive factors have converged to shape the College’s current position of strength. We are fiscally stable. Enrollment is at an all-time high. Our graduation rates are impressive on several levels. First, because there is no difference in the graduation rate of minority students and that of nonminority students, a statistic virtually unheard of in higher education and one that reflects the diversity of our student body and our commitment to the success of all students. Second, because nearly 25 percent of all our students go to graduate school.

Capital improvements have been a factor in attracting a number of talented new faculty members whose strengths complement those of existing faculty; together they are developing new and strengthening longstanding academic programs. These successes will allow us to explore the next steps for the College, which include possible enhancement or expansion of our athletics programs and the addition of dormitories to our campus.

Q: What do you perceive to be the College’s immediate challenges and how will you address them?

A: Over the coming years, a decline in the college-age population will present a challenge to all colleges and universities. Innovative academic programs and top-notch faculty will continue to be crucial for successful recruitment and enrollment. To do this effectively, we must be prepared to cast a wider net in terms of recruitment so students from further than commuting distance will be able to choose St. Francis. This fall, we entered into an agreement with Educational Housing, Inc., which operates a dormitory at the historic Hotel St. George on Henry Street in Brooklyn Heights. Currently, 70 students live “on campus,” with potential for as many as 200 students in-residence by 2012. It’s a first step but an important one.

Q: Where does St. Francis College fit into New York City’s overall higher education market? How might that change in the future?

A: It’s clear that St. Francis College is much more than a viable alternative; it’s an excellent first choice. With our combined B.S./M.S. degree in Accounting; redesigned Management and Information Technology Department; sophisticated Communications laboratory; and innovative Psychology, Science, Nursing and Allied Health programs—in addition to our solid Liberal Arts and Education programs—there is no doubt that St. Francis College graduates are prepared for the labor market of New York City and beyond. As the nation’s economy struggles, the cost of tuition will become even more critical for many families. Our combination of quality academics, scholarship opportunities, and an affordable tuition make St. Francis more attractive than many more expensive private institutions.

Q: In what ways are alumni important to current and future St. Francis College students?

A: Alumni are the lifeblood of any educational institution, and it’s no different at St. Francis. We are extremely fortunate to have an alumni base that not only understands the Franciscan principle of “giving back,” but has allowed it to become an intrinsic part of who they are. And they do it in a lot of creative ways—financially, of course, but through mentoring, participating on advisory committees and providing internships for students. The contributions they make provide a wonderful example to current students, demonstrating that indeed through giving do we receive, thereby cultivating a future generation of dedicated alumni.
Focus on Faculty

High School Students Gain Valuable Research Experience with SFC Professor

With guidance from Dr. Emily Horowitz, professor of Sociology and Criminology, four students from New York City’s Prep for Prep program and two students from Bronx public high schools learned to analyze research gathered from principals about public school utilization and overcrowding for use in an upcoming published article.

Prep for Prep, a non-profit organization that offers minority students a chance to attend independent prep schools, provided the perfect fit for Dr. Horowitz’s research. The students, who previously attended middle schools in New York City where overcrowding was a fact of their daily lives, could relate to the findings they were uncovering. They were recommended for this project through a program run by City Council member Robert Jackson, who heads the Council’s Education Committee. The committee also provided funding for developing the principals’ survey and subsequent research through a City Council grant.

Students discovered conclusive correlations among race, economics and student-teacher ratio and learned that schools with a higher percentage of minority students or with a large number of free lunch recipients typically performed lower on citywide tests. They also recognized the strained physical characteristics of the schools that many principals reported, including the fact that very often spaces intended to be used as science labs, computer rooms, auditoriums and art and music studios are sacrificed to create more classroom space.

“Using their own web savvy, the students were able to find information to analyze above and beyond the immediate task,” said Dr. Horowitz. “We learned not only of the true conditions principals, teachers and students struggle to work in, but that many of the city’s Department of Education statistics are outdated or, in many cases, significantly underreported.”

Dr. Horowitz believes the up-to-date findings of this project can be a valuable resource for influencing changes in the budget process for public schools. The findings, released this fall, were reported on by a number of major media outlets, including The New York Times, Daily News, local network television affiliates and WNYC Radio. Dr. Horowitz recently testified at City Hall hearings regarding the Board of Education’s capital plan, where she presented results from the research. It is her hope that hopes the students are able to return to campus next summer to continue their research.

“But because most of the students involved in the project have experienced two very different worlds academically, this research gives them a great perspective about their education,” she commented. “Opportunities to conduct research with real life applications can only engage them further.”

SFC Colleagues Offer Brooklyn Perspective on Philosophical Realism

St. Francis College recently hosted a book signing to celebrate a collaboration between Dr. Arthur DiClementi (Mathematics) and retired Philosophy Professor Dr. Nino Languilli. Their book, Brooklyn Existentialism: Voices from the Stoop, Explaining how Philosophical Realism Can Bring About the Restoration of Character, Intelligence and Taste, offers an antidote to what they view as a cultural shift toward selfishness and the end of common sense.

Friends for 50 years since DiClementi sat in Languilli’s classroom as a student at St. Augustine High School in Brooklyn, they wrote the book to outline, as explained by Dr. DiClementi, “how the impact of the philosophies of some of the most famous thinkers in history, including Darwin, Freud and Marx, has ordered our lives in everything from education to science to religion, law and art.” Through the book, which according to Dr. Languilli follows the tradition of Socrates, “we are taking knowledge back to the streets where it came from.”
Professors Unveil Latest Academic Works

At an event on October 17 sponsored by the Institute for International and Cross-Cultural Psychology and the Women’s Studies Center, six St. Francis College professors and two colleagues from Trinity University and CUNY presented summaries of their latest published works at a book and DVD party at the Callahan Center. The event celebrated the release of three books edited and co-edited by members of the St. Francis faculty as well as a new DVD on International Psychology.

Among the works are *Teaching Race in Social Science and Humanities Higher Education*, edited by Sociology and Criminal Justice Professor Dr. Emily Horowitz and featuring articles by Horowitz as well as Professors Dr. Athena Devlin (English), Dr. Renée Goodstein (Psychology), Dr. Nickie D. Phillips (Sociology & Criminal Justice) and Dr. Uwe P. Gielen (Psychology). Alan Astron from Trinity University and Ting Lei from CUNY also contributed to the book and spoke about their research. Professor Gielen introduced his two latest books *Psychology in the Arab Countries* and *Principles of Multicultural Counseling and Therapy* and screened an introduction to the instruction video: *International Psychology: What It Is and What Students Want to Know*.

In addition, Psychology Professor Dr. Michele Hirsch discussed her chapter Healing the Body and Mind: An Overview of Biopsychosocial Foundations and Applications.

Professor Honored in Exhibit Dedicated to the Accomplishments of Dominican Women

Professor of foreign languages, Dr. Sintia Molina, was honored in August and September in a photo exhibit titled *Mujer*, dedicated to the lives and achievements of Dominican women. Dr. Molina was one of 27 women selected by photographer Nicole Sánchez to be featured in a poster-size photograph with information on the work she has done in New York’s Dominican community. Dr. Molina has written and published articles on Dominican education, women writers and literature. She has also published the book, *Dominican Migration: Transnational Perspective* (University Press of Florida) and has been involved in educational and cultural projects on Dominican issues in the U.S. as well as the Dominican Republic.
Dr. Sophie Berman (Philosophy) presented “The Infinite and the Indefinite: Nicholas of Cusa and Descartes” at the annual meeting of the Renaissance Society of America in Chicago.

Dr. Filomena Califano (Chemistry and Physics) planned the 2008 Northeast Regional Meeting of the National Organization of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers (NOBCChE) at St. Francis College, for November 2008. Dr. Califano received two external research grants from Rohm and Haas and Brookhaven National Laboratory.

Dr. James Corrigan (Biology) is directing five master’s degree theses in Biology at Long Island University, including the work of St. Francis alumni Aklima Ali ’06 and Lorraine Dogan ’06.

Dr. Timothy Dugan (Communications) wrote a book review for John Parker’s The Aesthetics of Antichrist: From Christian Drama to Christopher Marlowe, Cornell University Press, which appeared in The Medieval Review of Literature (Sept. 2008). He also participated on the Religion and Theater pre-conference focus group panel Religion and Pedagogy as part of the Theater in Higher Education Conference in Denver, Colo.

Dr. Starr Eaddy (Biology) participated in Cover Your Cough 2008, the largest biodrill in New York City. Initially recruited as a volunteer, Dr. Eaddy was eventually asked to serve as an evaluator for a mental health component of the drill. She has also been selected to serve as a reviewer for health education professional preparation programs through the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Dr. Barbara Edington (Information Technology) was asked to present her paper “Project Management Skills for the 21st Century” at the International Conference on Project Management in Anchorage, Alaska.

Dr. Yassin El-Ayouti, Esq. (International Cultural Studies) served as part of the defense team to free Associated Press photo journalist and Pulitzer Prize winner Bilal Hussein Zaydan, an Iraqi from Fallujah, after two years of incarceration in a U. S. Military detention center. Professor El-Ayouti and his defense team partner Paul G. Gardepe, Esq., are planning a book about this high profile due process case to be titled Unusual Access: The U.S. War on Iraqi Journalists.

Dr. Suzanne Forsberg (Fine Arts) moderated a session on “Musicians and Patrons” at the Joint Conference, Society for Eighteenth-Century Music & Haydn Society of North America, Scripps College, Claremont, Calif. She also served on the Program Committee and as chair of the Student Prize Committee. Dr. Forsberg is currently serving as board member, Society for Eighteenth-Century Music. She carried out archival research on eighteenth-century symphonist Johan Helmich Roman (1694-1758) at Statensbibliothek in Stockholm, Sweden and presented “The Music of Aaron Copland” at John C. Hart Memorial Library, Yorktown’s Community Library, under the auspices of New York Council for the Humanities, Speakers in the Humanities program.

Dr. Virginia Franklin (English) taught the courses Welcome to Computing, Essential Word Processing and Introduction to Digital Photography: Point and Shoot Cameras to senior citizens at Hamilton SeniorNet in Hamilton, New Zealand. While in that country, she attended the Fulbright New Zealand 60th Anniversary reception for current Fulbright Scholars.

Dr. Gerald Galgan (Philosophy) delivered the keynote address “On the Notion of Being as its Own History” at the Long Island Philosophical Society meeting at St. John’s University.

Professor Wendy Galgan (English) will be one of two speakers at NYU’s Colloquium in American Literature and Culture (CALC). The title of her paper is “ ‘I can be outdoors and on my feet’: Metaphors of Motion in Contemporary American Women’s Poetry.” She also presented her paper “Violence, Identity and the Irish Gangster in Road to Perdition” at the 39th annual NEMLA Conference in Buffalo, NY and contributed a chapter titled “Dale Evans: Girlie-Girl with a Six-Gun” to the book Westerns: Paperback Novels and Movies from Hollywood (Paul Varner, editor), published in the United Kingdom by Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

Professor David Gewirtz (Communications) attended the National Association of Broadcasters conventions and Broadcast Educators Association Convention, Las Vegas. He edited the chapter To Be or Not To Be; Jack Benny in Hollywood 1940–45 by Philip Harwood in Michael Leannah’s Weil!: Reflections on the Life and Career of Jack Benny, Manor Media 2007. He was a presenter and moderator of a session titled “Building Your HD Studio on a Shoe String,” BEA Regional Convention, Borough of Manhattan Community College. Professor Gewirtz also worked on a commercial for Radio Disney to air on MTV, Christmas 2008 with St. Francis alumni Christine Malfitano, Carl Coulanges, Gaspare Carollo.

Dr. Michele Hirsch (Psychology), director of the Women’s Studies Center, graduated in July from the 2008 Class of the HERS Bryn Mawr Summer Institute. The institute, a 32-year partnership between Bryn Mawr College and Higher Education Resource Services (HERS), is the premier residential professional development program dedicated to the advancement of women leaders in higher education administration.

Dr. Emily Horowitz (Sociology and Criminal Justice) published an article in the journal Counterpunch titled “Untrue Confessions: How People Tell Cops They’re Guilty Even When They Aren’t.” In July, Dr. Horowitz received a second grant from the Education Committee of the NYC Council to conduct further research on overcrowding in the NYC public schools. The results of the first phase of her survey received wide coverage in the local media and she testified in October at City Council hearings on a forthcoming capital plan. Additionally, she received a grant in September from the Interactivity Foundation to study the ways that faculty members can utilize democratic teaching techniques in the college classroom.

Professor Mitch Levenberg’s (Academic Support) review of Alfred Kazin, A Biography by Richard Cook was published in the fall 2008 issue of The Common Review. The third installment of Levenberg’s memoir about his father who was stationed in the Philippines during World War II titled A Father’s Journal, was published in the September 22nd issue of New Star Philippines as were related articles “The Woman and the Water Buffalo” and “Cockfight in Manila,” in earlier issues.

Dr. Steven M. Lipson (Biology) and St. Francis College student assistants recently presented their studies at a health symposium at this year’s annual meeting of the American Chemical Society and at the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Association of University Biologists. The work is in collaboration with scientists at NYU and the Mount Sinai Medical Center. Dr. Lipson was invited to present his research at the Paul Ehrlich II Magic Bullet International Conference at Nurnberg, Germany, which drew upon international scientists working in the field of antimicrobial research. Also, the New York State Department of Laboratories recently renewed Dr. Lipson’s Certificate of Qualification as Director of Virology and Immunology in Clinical Laboratories.

Dr. Ian Maloney’s (English) article “Hemingway’s Miltonic Twists in Up in Michigan” was published in The Hemingway Review (University of Idaho) in June. Dr. Maloney and Dr. Athena Devlin instituted the Walt Whitman Writers Series, a campus lecture series dedicated to bringing contemporary authors to campus to discuss their work. The inaugural lecture was delivered by Jonathan Lethem (author of Motherless Brooklyn and Fortress of Solitude) on November 6.

Professor Rex Mixon (Philosophy and Religious Studies) presented a paper titled “Bentham’s
Three Rules of Moral Duty” at the 10th Conference of the International Society for Utilitarian Studies at University of California, Berkeley.

Dr. John McNamara (Education) submitted a revised manuscript “Flexible Non-Linear Periodization in a Beginner College Weight Training Class” for publication in the Journal of Strength and Conditioning Research. He also assisted publisher Lippincott Williams & Wilkins in the development of an advanced textbook in the field of exercise physiology. Dr. McNamara’s proceeds from the project were donated to Scholarship America.

Dr. Kathleen Nolan (Biology) attended the Fordham University Calder Summer Undergraduate Research Program, where her student, Herbey Norelus, presented his research titled “Hitting Them Hard and Where They Hide: How to Increase Efficacy of Entomopathogenic Fungi Against Ixodes Scapularis.”


Dr. Priscilla Pedersen (Religious Studies) presented “Why Try to Convert? Reflections on Proselytization, Religious Freedom and Soteriology,” as the second Graymoor Lecture on October 23. The Graymoor Lecture is a new endowed lecture of the Friars of the Atonement. The paper will be published in its journal Ecumenical Trends.

Juan Rivero (Foreign Languages) was honored at the International Book Fair in the Dominican Republic in May. Among the honors he received were a street named for him in the capital city of Santo Domingo and an entire day dedicated to his literary works, with readings of his poetry, presentations and book-signings. He also presented his most current work, Mariposa iluminada [Illuminated Butterfly]. Rivero has been recognized for his contributions to Latin American, specifically Dominican, literature, as well as his 40 years of teaching in the U.S.

Dr. Arnold Sparr’s (History) article, “The Most Memorable Labor Dispute in the History of U.S. Church-Related Institutions, The 1949 Calvary Cemetery Workers’ Strike Against the Archdiocese of New York,” was published in American Catholic Studies.

Dr. Gregory F. Tague’s (English) latest book is an edited collection: Origins of English Literary Modernism, 1870-1914. Dr. Tague’s contribution to the collection is an essay titled “Crisis in the Ethics of Self: From Frankenstein to Dracula.” Dr. Tague’s other recent publications include a medical humanities literary essay, “Witness to a Measure of Pain,” in the fall issue of The Midwest Quarterly; and, creative non-fiction, “Her Own Bones,” in Blue Print Review. Another work of creative non-fiction, the literary essay “Cold Rooms,” about life in an orphanage and aspects of international adoption, has been published in Dark Sky magazine.

Dr. Jennifer Wingate (Fine Arts) wrote “Motherhood, Memorials and Antimilitarism: Bashka Paeff’s Sacrifices of War” about the Maine Sailors and Soldiers Memorial, which will appear in Woman’s Art Journal.
Team to Watch

The Terrier men’s soccer team got off to its best start in more than a decade with an 11-3-1 record through its first 15 games. During that period, St. Francis College was ranked as high as second in the North Atlantic region by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA). Additionally, the Terriers received votes in the NSCAA/Adidas National Top 25 Poll.

Water Polo Goalie is “Water-Blogged”

Louis Hamwey ’10, goalie for the Terriers’ men’s water polo team, opens his new blog on NCAA.com with salutations in four languages. He’s not showing off; Hamwey is greeting fellow teammates from the College’s nationally ranked men’s water polo squad who hail from points on the map between the west coast of the U.S. and Eastern Europe.

The 2008-09 Terrier team, currently ranked 14th in the nation, includes players from five countries and an assistant coach from a sixth, a mix that makes St. Francis unique in the world of college athletics and has helped build a program that has captured a trophy case of awards.

In his first blog posting, Hamwey, who is from San Diego, CA, writes about the irony of playing a sport that is decreasing in popularity in the U.S., even as the men’s and women’s U.S. Olympic teams each won a silver medal in Beijing last summer.

He also describes playing for an international team.

“I have come to see views that I would have never realized before,” he said. “Ideas that this country hold to be dear and true are often viewed quite differently by my teammates.”

The goal for the Terriers this season is to return to the NCAA Final Four, something all players share, no matter their backgrounds. Hamwey writes, “We are all connected by our passion and desire for the game we love; that is what brought us to the melting pot that is New York City and St. Francis College.”

You can keep up with Hamwey’s blog at: http://www.ncaa.com/sport/default.spx?sid=911&id=327862
Director of Athletics Honored at the White House

Irma Garcia ’80, director of athletics, was honored October 1 at the White House as a 2008 Las Primeras Award Recipient by MANA, for her achievement of becoming the first Hispanic woman to direct an NCAA Division I athletic program. MANA is a national grassroots organization founded in 1974 whose mission is to empower Latinas through leadership development, community service and advocacy.

“This is a tremendous honor for me,” said Ms. Garcia, who described the motorcade ride to the ceremony and the event itself in the Eisenhower Room as “breathtaking.”

“I’ve dreamed of this job since I was a little girl,” she continued. “When I finally achieved my goal, I had no idea I’d be breaking down barriers. I’m honored to do what I can to bring more women along the path to success.”

Ms. Garcia, a first-generation American, was joined at the ceremonies by her parents, who emigrated to the U.S. from Puerto Rico in the 1950s and her predecessor as athletics director Edward Aquilone ’60 and his wife, Carmen.

This is the 19th year MANA hosted a gala recognizing Latinas who accomplished significant firsts. The black tie event, held every year during Hispanic Heritage Month, was attended by more than 300 guests, including public and private sector leaders, members of Congress and key administration officials.

Past honorees include the Honorable Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, first Latina elected to Congress; Dr. Antonia Novello, first Latina to become Surgeon General; Dr. Ellen Ochoa, first Latina astronaut; and General Angela Salinas, first Latina to become a U.S. Marine Corp general officer.

Women’s Bowling Strikes Championship Sport Status

The Northeast Conference (NEC) has formed a women's bowling league that began intercollegiate competition in November.

The nascent bowling conference includes seven institutions, four of which are core NEC members. In addition to St. Francis, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Sacred Heart University and Long Island University welcome associate members Saint Peter’s College, Adelphi University and Kutztown University into the league for the inaugural 2008-09 season.

“This is very exciting for the team and the conference,” said Head Coach Dawn Gugliaro. “Our team has an excellent chance to compete immediately for an NEC championship.”

The NEC’s season will run from November to March, culminating with the conference championship meet to take place at Fairleigh Dickinson, tentatively scheduled for March 19-22. In the meantime, the league will sponsor regular season play, which will follow a modified round robin format.
U.S. Olympic Silver Medalist Makes a Splash at SFC Pool

Jesse Smith, a member of the 2008 U.S. Olympic water polo team and a silver medalist, offered advice, signed autographs and posed for photographs during a free water polo clinic at the College on October 4.

The event, offered in conjunction with the New York Athletic Club and the Swim Strong Foundation, was attended by 40 youngsters from across the five boroughs. Members of the Terrier and New York Athletic Club’s men’s and women’s water polo teams coached the participating boys and girls.

The water polo club was founded in 1979 by Men’s Water Polo Coach and Assistant Athletic Director Carl Quigley ’75 to expose area children to the sport. The Swim Strong Foundation’s mission is to help underprivileged children take part in competitive swimming programs.

Fundraiser Kicks off Men’s Hoops Season

(L-R) President Brendan J. Dugan ’68; John F. Tully ’67, chairman of the Board of Trustees; Men’s Basketball Coach Brian Nash and Bill Raftery of ESPN joined the Terrier Men’s Basketball team, alumni and friends for a fundraiser at Il Cortile restaurant in Little Italy.

Catch 2008–09 Terrier Basketball Home Games with Live Streaming Video!

As basketball season heats up, Terrier fans can catch men’s and women’s home games on www.SFCathletics.com, the official website of St. Francis College Athletics.

“Our hundreds of alumni, parents and other fans will be able to follow our teams from anywhere in the world,” said David Gansell, director of sports information.
When Michael Gibbons ’62 leads New York City’s legendary St. Patrick’s Day Parade on March 17, 2009, he might realize he has blazed a lifelong trail to the parade route on Fifth Avenue. His path to Grand Marshal begins in Harlem and winds through the Bronx and Brooklyn, through various points in Manhattan and the outlying suburbs, with a number of other stops along the way.

Born in Harlem, he moved to Kingsbridge in the Bronx during his childhood when his parents relocated their growing family to a place that at the time provided more open space. Mr. Gibbons appreciates the hardship his parents experienced and overcame as newcomers to America and New York City, his father from County Mayo in Ireland and mother from Nova Scotia, Canada.

“They arrived in the 1920s just in time for the stock market crash,” Mr. Gibbons explained. “Then they somehow managed through the Great Depression and then, of course, the war. It was one thing on top of another, but they endured.”

After graduating from high school, Mr. Gibbons went to work loading freighters on the docks at 33rd Street and 10th Avenue in Manhattan. With helping to support his family a priority, college seemed like a far-away dream. While on the job, he became friends with Peter King ’65, who is now a member of the U.S. house of representatives, representing New York’s third Congressional District. At the time, Mr. King, in addition to working, was enrolled at St. Francis college.

“When I eventually applied and was accepted to St. Francis College, I could continue to work during the day and attend classes at night,” said Mr. Gibbons. “Because I took classes through the summer as well, I didn’t really have a typical college experience, but I met wonderful students and teachers—and they opened new doors for me.”

After graduating in 1962, serving in the U.S. navy and working as a salesman for Domino Sugar, Mr. Gibbons went to work in 1967 for Estee Lauder, Inc., one of the world’s leading manufacturers and marketers of skin care, makeup, fragrance and hair care products. There he built a successful career over 40 years, serving as vice president of Clinique and general manager of Aramis before retiring in 2007 as executive vice president and general manager.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Mr. Gibbons has been committed to civic activities that not only reflect his Irish heritage, but allow him to assist those who have recently emigrated to the U.S. or apply his business talents to promote business bonds between the U.S. and Ireland. Currently, he is president of the Ireland-U.S. Council, a member of the Mayo Society and director of the Irish Institute. He is also a member of the Taoiseach’s Economic Advisory Board in the U.S., former chairman of the International Center in New York, past director of the American Ireland Fund and the Eugene O’Neill Foundation and former co-chairman of the Knights of St. Patrick.

With roots deep in the Irish community, Mr. Gibbons was a natural choice to lead 250,000 marchers in the 248th annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

John Dunleavy, chairman of the Parade, declared at October’s press conference to announce the Grand Marshall, “We are truly delighted that Mike Gibbons has been unanimously selected as the 2009 Grand Marshall. He is beloved in New York’s Irish-American community.”

The love and respect Mr. Gibbons exhibits for his Irish heritage extend to St. Francis College and the Franciscan Brothers and other faculty members who influenced him. He and his wife, Cynthia, who along with their children and grandchildren will accompany him up Fifth Avenue on St. Patrick’s Day, were donors to the Campaign for Big Dreams. In fact, the Cynthia and Mike Gibbons Student Lounge, which is located on the fourth floor of the Arts Building, honors their remarkable commitment to the College.

“St. Francis gave me a jumpstart in life as it has for so many first-generation Americans and still does today,” he said. “Only in America could something like this happen to someone like me.”

From Harlem to the Bronx to Brooklyn, with a career based in Manhattan, to retirement in Carmel, NY and Palm Beach, FL, Michael Gibbons’ journey to the St. Patrick’s Day parade has been long but satisfying.
President Brendan J. Dugan ’68 thanked St. Francis College’s top donors for their support at the annual President’s Club Dinner on September 9 at the Penn Club of New York in Manhattan. Mr. Dugan acknowledged the contributions of the 125 attendees as pivotal to the recent successes of the College.

In his remarks, he also credited his predecessor, Frank J. Macchiarola, Ph.D. ’62, for effectively overseeing and driving the planning and execution of improvements to the College’s physical plant, health of scholarship programs and ability to maintain a reasonable tuition, factors that are contributing to a smooth transition in the administration’s leadership.

“We are fiscally stable and applications and enrollment are at an all-time high,” Mr. Dugan reported. “The Annual Fund has grown 35 percent and the number of new donors is up 17 percent over last year.”

Alumni, friends, corporations and foundations become members of the President’s Club through their generous annual financial support to the College at $2,500 or greater.
Washington, DC Reception

**July 31** – More than 30 St. Francis College alumni and friends from the Washington, DC area gathered at the Monocle Restaurant, located near Capitol Hill. The purpose of the event was to present an honorary degree to Senator Pete V. Domenici of New Mexico in recognition of his many years of service to the nation. Domenici, who is retiring at year’s end, briefly addressed the group on national energy policy. His legacy, a newly created endowed scholarship bearing his name, will benefit generations of future St. Francis students.

1956 Men’s Basketball Team Reunion

**August 20** – The 1956 Terrier Basketball team, which achieved a remarkable fourth place finish in the National Invitational Tournament (NIT) reunited to reminisce about their success on the court.

The St. Clare Society

**Advancing the Mission and Securing the Future of St. Francis College**

The St. Clare Society honors those who have made the decision to support the mission and vision of St. Francis College by including it in their estate planning. The honorary society is named for St. Clare of Assisi, a confidant of St. Francis who sought to emulate his virtues and way of life.

Membership in the St. Clare Society is open to those who inform the College of a confirmed bequest provision in their will or living trust, make a life-income gift or create a charitable lead trust, or name the College as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy.

Including St. Francis College in estate planning means a contribution that has a long-lasting and exponential effect on the College and its true beneficiaries—the students. Help guarantee a high-quality education to future generations of talented women and men.

For more information regarding the St. Clare Society, please contact the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs at 718.489.5361 or development@stfranciscollege.edu.

“Let One Loving Heart Set Another On Fire.”
The Annual Brother Urban Gonnoud, O.S.F., Memorial Golf Classic

September 23 – The Annual Brother Urban Gonnoud, O.S.F., Memorial Golf Classic was held at Dyker Beach Golf Course. Following a day on the links, golfers enjoyed a buffet dinner at Sirico’s Caterers.


1968 Inaugural Men’s Soccer Team Reunion

September 28 – Members of St. Francis’ 1968 inaugural soccer team were honored during halftime of the Terriers’ game vs. Bryant University at the Aviator Sports and Recreation Complex on September 28. Carlo Tramontozzi, head coach of that year’s squad, announced a new endowed scholarship in his name to be awarded to future Terrier soccer players from New York City. The day began with a Red and Blue alumni game in which more than 30 former players participated.
Eileen Dugan Memorial Run/Walk

October 5 – Alumni joined current students in the annual Eileen Dugan Memorial Run/Walk, benefiting the Circle of Hope Cancer Foundation. The late Ms. Dugan, sister of President Brendan J. Dugan ’68, represented Brooklyn’s 52nd Assembly District in Albany.

Remembering Professor Enildo Garcia

October 16 – The life of Professor Enildo Garcia, who passed away in March, was celebrated at Tio Pepe in Greenwich Village, the restaurant where he traditionally held the last class every semester.

Left: Arlene’01 and Eddie Murria ’00 Right: Benisha A. Singleton ’01 and James M. Hoban ’01
For 150 years, St. Francis College has provided a bridge to a brighter tomorrow for generations of students from all walks of life who share a determination to make the most of their talents and abilities.

While St. Francis’ tuition remains among the lowest of all private colleges and universities in the metropolitan area, in today’s economic climate many students are struggling financially, which threatens their ability to stay in school. Therefore, the Fund for St. Francis College has set a $1 million goal this year to support student scholarships.

Your gift to the Fund for St. Francis College – regardless of the size – will go a long way toward making the dream of a college education a reality for today’s students.

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1940s


1950s


1960s

William F.K. Marmion, ’61 reports that his youngest son Liam has completed a 15-month tour in Baghdad with the Third Infantry Division. Liam, educated through high school in Ireland, is class of ’05, U.S. Military Academy, West Point, and is a Captain, Infantry (Ranger). William’s oldest son, Christopher, class of ’84, U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, is a Delta 767 pilot flying international routes and still active as a Commander in the Navy Reserve as a helicopter pilot. William retired to Ireland in 1992 but for the past three years has lived on the Costa Blanca in Spain.

James F. O’Dea ’64 was honored at the Holy Name Foundation’s Fourth Annual Dinner Dance held at the New York Hilton Hotel in Manhattan.

Robert de Zorzi ’64 has been designated professor emeritus of history by Suffolk County Community College. This recognition is given to selected faculty and administrators who served the College for 15 or more years and who demonstrated distinguished achievement throughout their careers. Robert retired in July 2006 and resides in Rocky Point, NY with his wife Barbara.

John F. Tully ’67, chairman of the Board of Trustees of St. Francis College, was selected as one of the Irish Legal 100, a recognition given by *Irish America Magazine* in recognition of lawyers from around the country who share a passion for the law and pride in their Irish heritage. He is an attorney in the New York Office of Fulbright & Jaworski LLP, where he defends clients in commercial, environmental and property damage lawsuits.

Franey M. Donovan, Jr. ’68 was selected by Rev. Michael Palmer, pastor of Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Wilton, CT, to receive the 2008 St. Augustine Medal of Service. The honor was instituted in 2005 to recognize members of the Diocese of Bridgeport who have contributed their time and talent to local parishes, organizations and institutions.

Vincent Dougherty ’68 was honored as Irishman of the Year by the St. Patrick Society of Brooklyn at their Annual Dinner & Dance gala in November 2007.

Thomas A. Dunne ’68 is vice president for government relations and urban affairs at Fordham University.

1970s

Michael G. Shannon ’71 has joined the New York office of Thompson Hine, LLP as a partner in the firm’s Business Litigation practice group. He focuses his practice on the defense of broker-dealers, brokers and clearing firms and the representation of members of the financial services industry in litigation, arbitration, mediation and regulatory matters.

Robert L. Smith ’72 was honored at the annual St. Joseph, St. Thomas Parish Alumni Sports Dinner. Robert received a special award for 15 years of service to the sports program at St. Joseph, St. Thomas.

Robert D. Terry ’72 joined fellow St. Francis College alumni and friends at the annual After-School All-Stars “Reaching for the Stars” gala in Los Angeles. The After-School All-Stars organization was founded by California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and collaborates with the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Unified School District and the Montebello Unified School District to bring innovative, cutting-edge enrichment programs to middle-school youth.

1980s

Barry S. Rohrsen ’83 was a member Operation Hardwood V, a U.S. Organizations (USO) and Armed Forces Entertainment (AFE) sponsored tour of the Persian Gulf region. Barry and his fellow participants began the tour in Washington, DC by meeting wounded service members

Anthony Lombardo ’74 recently celebrated the wedding of his daughter Vanessa.

Anthony Lombardo ’74 (seated), with his wife Vivian and children Vanessa, Tony and Jenna.

Denis J. Salamone ’75 is chief operating officer for Hudson City Savings Bank and was recently featured in the *New York Times.* He is a member of the St. Francis College Board of Trustees.

Lisa A. Scalia ’77 has been appointed second vice president and ERISA consultant for New York Life Retirement Plan Services. She is designated by the American Society of Pension Professionals & Actuaries (ASPPA) as a Certified Pension Consultant (CPC), Qualified Pension Administrator (QPA) and Qualified 401(k) Administrator (QKA). She is also a contributing editor to the *ASPPA Journal* and assists the ASPPA Education and Exam Committee with peer review of the ASPPA exams.

John Colgan, Jr. ’79 works for the New York City Police Department as chief of counterterrorism. He and his wife Susan have one son.

James J. Dunleavy ’79 is media finance director for ORIX Finance. In his role as director, Dunleavy is responsible for the origination and structuring of senior secured and subordinated debt opportunities for private equity backed and other closely held middle market media companies.

Joseph A. Giordano ’79 is executive vice president of relationship management for Fidelity Investments in its Institutional Wealth Services division. He oversees consultation efforts that connect the wealth services division’s 3,800-plus clients—most of whom are RIAs—to various investment tools, research and an integrated brokerage and trust platform.

1990s

L-R: St. Francis College Vice President for Academic Affairs & Academic Dean, Timothy Houlihan, Ph.D., former California Governor Gray Davis and Robert D. Terry ’72.

Edward G. Dunn, Jr. ’74 was recently honored as Irish Businessman of the Year by the St. Patrick Society of Brooklyn at their Annual Dinner & Dance gala in November 2007.

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receiving care at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center and National Naval Medical Center, before visiting their comrades serving abroad. Operation Hardwood was created to boost morale and bring a touch of home to those in uniform. In total, Operation Hardwood has deployed more than 35 NCAA basketball coaches and sports personalities to Kuwait and Japan. Barry is head basketball coach for Manhattan College.

Thomas McLaren ’84 and his wife Rene celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in June. Thomas works for Credit Suisse in Atlanta. His daughter Jaclyn is a math teacher in Georgia, his son Matthew is enrolled at the University of South Carolina and his daughter Joanie is in high school. His younger brother Robert, a police officer with the New York City Police Department, died of a heart attack in February at age 41.

Spencer Colgan ’89 currently works as a lieutenant in the New York City Police Department’s Building Maintenance Section in Queens. He and his wife Kim are raising three children in Staten Island.

1990s

Edward Colgan ’91 is partner for a Xerox agency based in Nassau County. He and his wife Tracy have two daughters and reside in Merrick Woods, NY. Both have been very active in fundraising for research of autism, breast cancer and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Karen E. Nethersole ’95 has re-launched Full Circle NY, a boutique firm that develops minority young professionals for leadership positions in corporations, organizations and entrepreneurship. She is a member of the New York and Connecticut Bar Associations and various federal courts. She is also a member of the National Association of African Americans in Human Resources (NAAAH).

Michael S. Flanagan ’98, Cindy D. Reyes ’06 and Raquel Rios ’06 recently graduated from Saint Vincent’s Catholic Medical Center School of Nursing.

2000s

Samantha L. Griffin ’02 is engaged to John Scuotto, whom she will wed in September 2009. Samantha is a court officer with the Unified Court System at the Manhattan Criminal Supreme Court.

Elin Golembiewski ’06 published her master’s degree thesis titled “Mario Cuomo’s Private Affairs and Public Responsibility.”

Carl E. Coulanges ’08 is attending graduate school at the New York Institute of Technology. He is also working with a documentary company called Show of Force, which produces documentaries for networks such as PBS and HBO.

Heather S. Loughrey ’08 is an operations associate for GSM Systems in Holland. She resides in Amstelveen, near central Amsterdam.

Weddings & Anniversaries

Jason W. Swartout ’02 recently wed Melanie Picarello at House on the Rock in Tottenville, NY. Jason is a private banker with First Republic Bank in Manhattan. The couple resides in South Beach, NY.

Katarina Zubovic ’03 recently wed Josip Donadic on an island in the Adriatic Sea in Croatia. She is currently working on her master’s degree in Education.

Rosanna Deserto ’05 recently wed Anthony Logozzo at Regina Pacis Church in Brooklyn. The couple lives in Brooklyn.

Births

Daniel B. Maloney ’90 and his wife, Ann, announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Grace, who was born in September.

Lorraine M. Lynch ’91 and her husband, Arthur, announce the arrival of a son, John Michael, who was born in September.

Ryan Contino ’00 and his wife Maria announce the birth of their first son, Benjamin Ryan, who was born in September. Benjamin is the grandson of Michael A. Contino ’72 and nephew and godson to Patrick A. Contino ’05 and Sara Guariglia ’02

Desi Romanov ’01 and her husband are proud to announce the birth of their son Max, who was born in June. The couple also has a two year old daughter, Victoria.

St. Francis College is now on Facebook!

The St. Francis Alumni Page on Facebook provides an easy way to post messages and communicate with former classmates and friends from the St. Francis community.

The St. Francis College Alumni Page can be accessed by logging on to the Facebook website at www.facebook.com after completing the free registration.
We Remember

The following alumni and friends of St. Francis College recently passed away. We pray for the repose of their souls. Requiescant in Pacem.

St. Francis College Alumni

Lena M. Bayley ‘78
John M. Burke, Ph.D. ‘40
Peter Campisi ’98
Josephine Carmona ’84
Thomas E. Colucci ’70
Thomas F. Cullen ‘49
Tina Witt-DeLiso ’84
Joseph P. Dorsa ’57
Anthony V. DiTore ’64
George G. Farrell ’50
Kenneth L. Grieser ’71
James M. Gallagher ’56
Thomas W. Heath ’49
Benjamin J. Intorre, Sr. ’50
Michael J. Kelly ’54
Bro. Robert LaFave, O.S.F. ’68
Cresante Laurent ’84
Patrick J. McCahill ’74
Monica E. McKenzie ’75
Andrew M. Miglianelli ’87
Austin S. Murphy ’38
John Phelan ’82
Robert G. Ryan ’63
Eduardo Sanchez ’78
Emmanuel Scavone ’49
Dominic F. Scolamiero ’47
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Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for your souls.

— Matthew 11: 28-29
We Remember

Professor Burke taught generations of St. Francis students during a career that lasted six decades.

Dr. John M. Burke ’40

Dr. John Michael Burke ’40, a loyal alumnus and admired faculty member passed away on July 12. Burke served the College as professor of chemistry for more than sixty years, which included terms as chairman of the Chemistry Department and chief of the Science Division. He helped orchestrate the College’s move from Butler Street to Remsen Street during the early 1960s and played an integral role with the group that designed the current campus.

Burke, a Brooklyn native, graduated from St. Francis Prep in 1936. He earned his master’s degree from New York University and his Ph.D. from St. John’s University.

An avid fisherman and traveler, Burke was a charter member of the Long Island Beach Buggy Association.

Burke leaves his wife of 62 years, Mary, two daughters, Mary Jo Chiara and Dr. Marguerite Burke ’75, an assistant professor of education at the College. He also leaves three sons, John ’74, Thomas ’77 and James ’81, as well as five grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Dr. Burke was a beloved member of the St. Francis community. His cheerful and engaging presence will be missed by the students, faculty, staff and alumni of his alma mater.

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Upcoming St. Francis College Alumni Events in 2009

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10 1 P.M. – 5 P.M.
Attendees are welcome to attend women’s and men’s basketball games vs. Mount St. Mary’s University at 2 and 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24 1 P.M. – 5 P.M.
Athletic Alumni Reception
Attendees are welcome to attend the women’s and men’s basketball games vs. St. Francis University at 2 and 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31 11 A.M.
Alumni Memorial Mass
Luncheon follows at noon

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28 2 P.M. – 5 P.M.
Caribbean Club Alumni Reunion
Attendees are welcome to attend the women’s and men’s basketball games vs. Long Island University at 2 and 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7 7 P.M.
Treaty Stone Alumni Folk Fest

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St. Francis College’s Career Center announces the addition of the SFC Job Bank, an online resource that provides alumni access to employment opportunities and professional development services.

Through the College’s website, alumni can access the College’s online career library, search for full- and part-time positions, and learn about upcoming events, such as career fairs and workshops, sponsored by the Career Center. Alumni may also upload resumes, cover letters and other documents for review by the Career Center’s professional staff.

“Especially in today’s challenging economy it’s important to have a comprehensive source of ideas and assistance regarding the job market,” said Naomi Kinley, director of the Career Center. “The Job Bank is one important tool that alumni can access any time.”

To register, visit www.stfranciscollege.edu. Click on Alumni Access to SFC Job Bank; create your new account by clicking on the registration box.

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