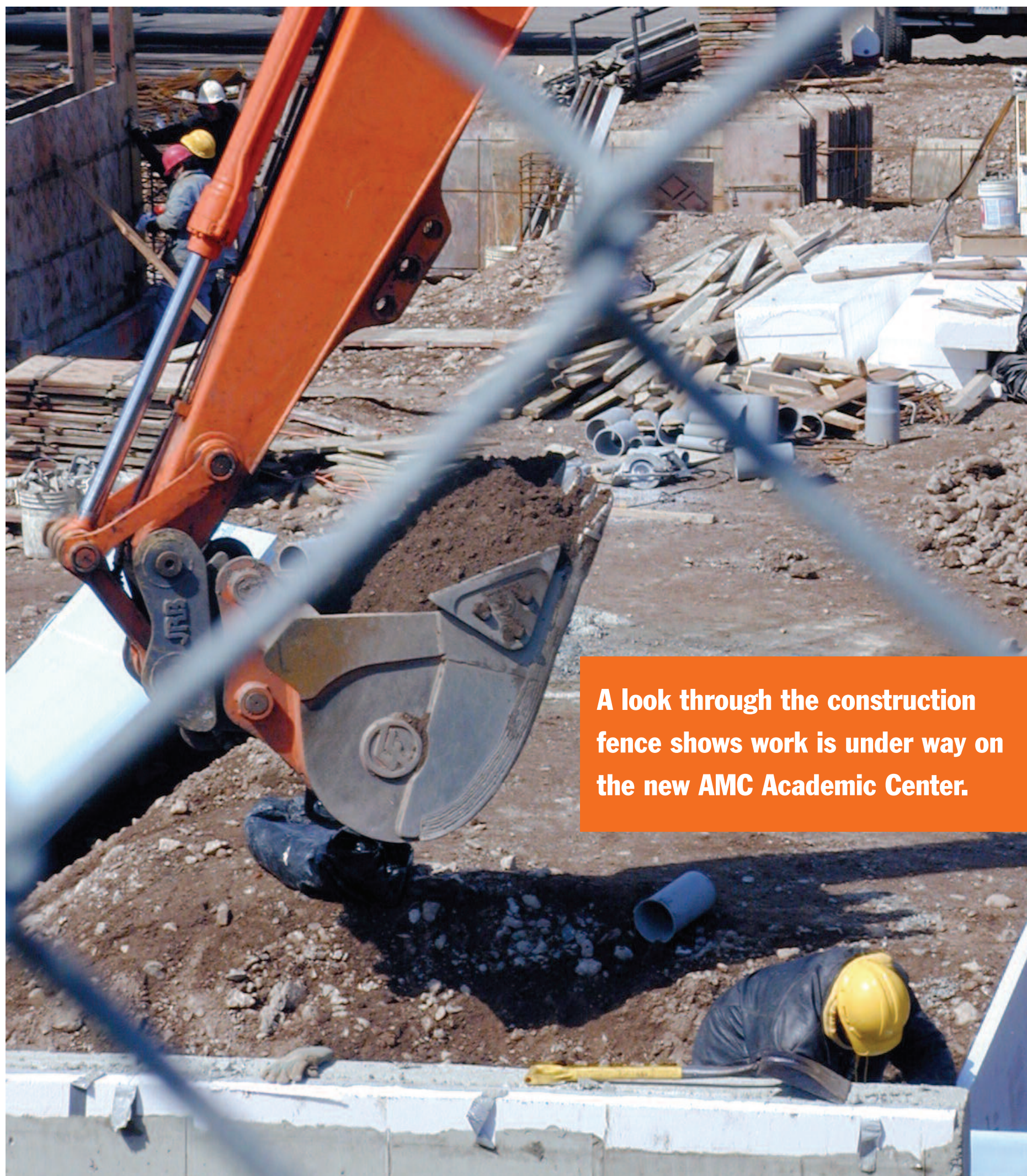


# From the Hill



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**A look through the construction fence shows work is under way on the new AMC Academic Center.**

Carolyn Behar '86

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# COME to reUNION!

## reUNION 2004—schedule Saturday, June 12

Construction for the new academic building has begun—please pardon our appearance! For an overview and update on this exciting project, please visit the Margaret L. MacDonough Gallery at any time during the festivities.

time	event	Location
11:00	Registration begins; Coffee and Bookstore open Athletic facilities open	Campus Center CC AC
11:30–2:00	BBQ Picnic—children/families welcome Featuring food, live musical entertainment, frisbee... <i>Special tent area: for 50th and post 50th reunion classes or for those who just prefer to be out of the sun</i>	Rosary Lawn (rain/CCDH)
2:00–4:00	Afternoon Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Campus Tour, dorms open</li><li>• New building presentation</li><li>• Bookstore open</li><li>• Cyber Café (hospitality table and internet, movies)</li><li>• Open swim for children from 2–3 p.m. with lifeguards on duty (a parent must be present with his/her child/children during the swim)</li><li>• 2:30 – 3:30 Tea &amp; Conversation at Nilan</li></ul> <b>Vision &amp; Literacy: How reading changed people's view of women, God and nature.</b> Facilitator: Dr. Joe Veth, Assistant Professor of Ethics.	(tour departs from Rosary Hall) MacDonough Gallery/CC CC HOB/CC AC  Nilan Hall
4:00	Alumni Mass	BCR/CC
5:15	Presentation of the Alumni of the Year Award Alumni Association Board of Governors Report Golden Society Induction Ceremony and Champagne Toast	BCR/CC
6:00–6:45	Cocktail Reception 6:15 President's Address	CC/DH
6:45–9:30	Buffet Dinner for all classes and their guests Dinner accompanied by jazz guitar	CC/DH

family, friends and guests are welcome at all reUNION 2004 activities.

**Location key:** AC = Athletic Center, BCR = Behan Community Room, located in the Campus Center, CC = Campus Center, DH = DeDominicis Dining Hall, located on the second level of the Campus Center, HOB = House of Bollstadt (Campus Pub), located in the Campus Center

## Vision & Literacy:

How reading changed people's view of women, God and nature.

Facilitator: Dr. Joe Veth, Assistant Professor of Ethics

Please join us for Tea & Conversation at Nilan Hall...

Given the interest in the evolution/development of perceptions of women in religious traditions that has been stirred up by *The DaVinci Code*, Tea & Conversation will feature a discussion of that evolution and some events shaping it.

If you enjoyed *The DaVinci Code*, may we suggest:  
*The Alphabet Versus the Goddess* by Leonard Shlain (Penguin 1998)  
*Beyond Belief* by Elaine Pagels (Random House 2003)

## reunion 2004 Area Hotels

Several area hotels have blocked rooms at a special rate for Albertus graduates traveling to campus for Reunion Weekend 2004. Listed below are the participating hotels. Reservations for "block" rooms must be made via telephone direct to the hotel. **Please be sure to mention that you are attending the Albertus Reunion when making a reservation.**

### Howard Johnson's

2260 Whitney Avenue, Hamden  
203-288-3831  
\$69 per night, plus tax  
special rate deadline: May 15, 2004

### Holiday Inn Express

30 Frontage Road, East Haven  
203-469-5321  
\$89 per night, plus tax  
special rate deadline: May 15, 2004

### Fairfield Inn by Marriott

400 Sargent Drive, New Haven  
203-562-1111  
\$89 per night, plus tax  
special rate deadline: May 15, 2004

### Omni Hotel

155 Temple Street, New Haven  
203-772-6664  
\$119 per night, plus tax  
special rate deadline: May 1, 2004

Other area hotels available for individual reservations—*please call the hotel directly for rates and room availability.*

### Marriott Residence Inn

Long Wharf Drive, New Haven  
203-777-5337

### Best Western

just off I95 in West Haven  
203-933-0344

### Holiday Inn North Haven

Route 5, Exit 12 of I91  
203-239-4225

## Golden Society

### 2004 Inductees—Class of 1954

Barbara Morris Benedict, Sr. Dominica Billotta, Eleanor Savich Boruch, Dolores Brexel Boyle, Phyllis Naser Bunnell, Marion Fusshoeller Cassidy, Betty King Clifford, Nancy Bucklin Copps, Mary Drumm Fennessey, Barbara Halbing Fiskio, Alexandra Plaissy Gautraud, Sr. Cathleen Going, Nancy Condell Green, Rita Juurik Hogan, Joan Hush, Marilyn Quinn Jacobson, Maria Martins Krivitsky, Eileen McKnight Lacay, Mary Daly Mahon, Martha McMahan McCaffrey, Miriam Miller, Joan Hanlon Moylan, Ann Moylan O'Brien, Rosemary Bosco Panico, Marion Booth Rogers, Margaret Hogan Ryan, Josephine Selitte, Letitia McGowan Shelton, Elizabeth Onofrio Smith, Jean Flanagan Sposato, Martha Connelly Sullivan, Patricia Sullivan, Phyllis Edwards Thatcher, Mary Jane Lynch Topitzer, Francis Wall Vacca, Sally Ann Maust Walsh.

# reunion 2004 registration form rsvp by june 1, 2004

Name first maiden last Class Year

E-Mail address

Phone Number

Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ payable to Albertus Magnus College

Please charge my (Visa, MasterCard, Discover) credit card \$\_\_\_\_\_

Card Number Exp. Date

Signature

Please indicate the name(s) of your guest(s):

**Please indicate if your guests are adults or children twelve and under. Please print clearly.**

## event scheduling and pricing

Check the event(s) you plan to attend and indicate the total number attending. We welcome our 50th Reunion Class (and 1 guest) as guests of the College for all Reunion events.

### BBQ Picnic Lunch

Adult \$20 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children 12 and under \$10 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children 5 and under N/C \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golden Society Members \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

### # Attending

*Note: special tent area for our 50th and post 50th reunion classes, and for those who do not want to be in the sun. Please let us know if you would like to reserve a seat(s) under the tent for lunch.*

### Afternoon Activities N/C

Tea & Conversation at Nilan Hall \_\_\_\_\_  
 Open swim for children \_\_\_\_\_  
 Alumni Mass \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golden Society Induction \_\_\_\_\_

*(Swim: A parent must be present with her/his child.)*

### Cocktail Reception

Adult \$10 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golden Society Members \$5 \_\_\_\_\_

### To assist you better...

Please let us know of any special dietary needs for you or your guest(s):

### Dinner Buffet

Adult \$25 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golden Society Members \$12.50 \_\_\_\_\_

### All Reunion Events

Adult \$50 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golden Society Members \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

*Do you or anyone traveling with you have any special needs we should be aware of? Please call the Alumni Office at 203-773-8502 or e-mail to alumni@albertus.edu. Our staff is happy to assist you.*

**Please RSVP by June 1, 2004 to Office of Alumni Relations, Albertus Magnus College, 700 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT 06511**

This registration form with credit card number may be faxed to 203-785-8652

For questions, please e-mail to [alumni@albertus.edu](mailto:alumni@albertus.edu) or call the Office of Alumni Relations at 203-773-8502

# CAMPUS NEWS

## McDermott and Lobo Share Numbers and a Visit

Kelly McDermott, who played center for the Albertus basketball team until her recent illness, had a special visitor at Yale-New Haven Hospital in January—her idol, basketball star Rebecca Lobo. McDermott wore number 50 at Albertus—Lobo's number when she played for UConn. The two had been pen pals during McDermott's illness and were introduced by Sandy Centorino, the executive director of The CUREchief Foundation, which distributes colorful polar fleece triangles to cancer patients to be worn on the head or around the neck.

McDermott, who continues to battle cancer, and Lobo visited pediatric and adult oncology patients and the staff on the several units where McDermott has been cared for during her almost one year of treatment. Shown (l-r) are: Lobo, McDermott, Rayna Psotter, one of McDermott's former nurses, and Bonnie Indeck, hospital social worker, who helped coordinate the visit.



Yale-New Haven Hospital

## Spring Openings at Margaret L. MacDonough Gallery

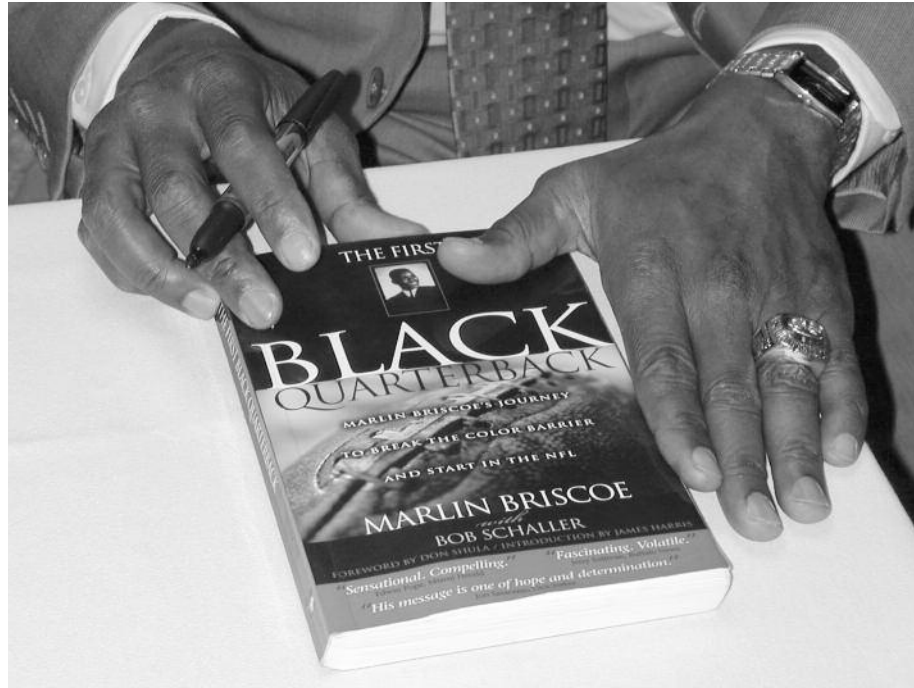
Beverly Chieffo, chair of the department of visual and performing arts, and her granddaughter, Hannah Chieffo, held a joint exhibition of their work at the Margaret L. MacDonough Gallery in the Campus Center. The show, "Two of a Kind" opened February 13 and ran through March 10. The following senior degree shows were scheduled this spring: Erica Sayers, "Figures and Forms," March 26–April 1; Maria Corina Alvarez de Lugo, "Corina," April 2–April 8; Christina Cagliotti-Diglio, "Esoterica," April 9–April 15; Lauren Traczyk, "Laurenism," April 16–April 22; Jean DeBaise, "Luminiere," April 23–April 29; Heather Renz, "Elements," April 30–May 6; and Maria Viviel, "Landscapes of Life," May 7–May 17. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Rosanne Zudekoff '60

## Briscoe and Davis Share Podium for Black History Month Program

Albertus hosted a presentation by Marlin Briscoe, former NFL player and author of "The First Black Quarterback: Marlin Briscoe's Journey to Break the Color Barrier and Start in the NFL," and Dr. Norman Davis, associate professor of management at the College, as part of its observance of Black History month. The discussion—"The First Black Quarterback and When Do We Stop Counting?"—attracted a large audience of students, administration, faculty and members of the Greater New Haven community. Briscoe described his career on the football field and his later efforts working with kids to teach them the step-by-step persistence in life that has been so important to him. Davis has taught, consulted and spoken at many colleges, educational organizations and businesses, particularly on the importance of managing and valuing diversity in the workplace. Below: Briscoe, wearing his Super Bowl ring, signed books at a reception following the program.



Carolyn Behan '86

## Accelerated Degree Program Adds Summer Intercession

This summer, for the first time, the Accelerated Degree Program will offer a five-week intercession in addition to its regular five modules. The intersession runs from Monday, July 19 through Saturday, August 21, with classes meeting twice a week in the evening from 5:30–9:30 p.m.; the Saturday class will meet from 8 a.m.–3 p.m. Among the six courses offered will be Moral Leadership, Frontiers of Science and Literature of the Immigrant.

## Albertus Co-Sponsors Discussion of "The Passion of the Christ"

On March 10, the New Haven Catholic Youth Ministry and the Albertus Campus Ministry co-sponsored a discussion following a showing of Mel Gibson's film "The Passion of the Christ" at a local cinema complex. Ricardo Gonzalez, adjunct professor of religious studies at the College, led the discussion, attended by 35 persons.

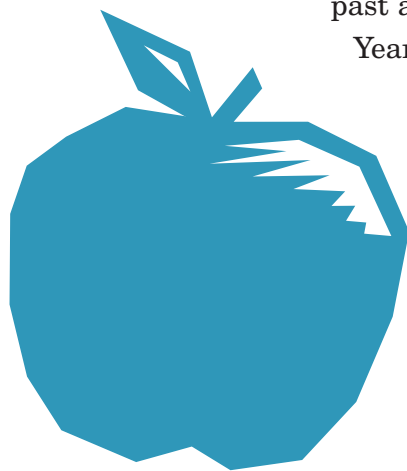
# Alumni of the Year—2004 Celebrating Education

*The custom of presenting an apple to a teacher is a simple gesture that has long demonstrated appreciation for the learning opportunity provided by a teacher's efforts. As students apply what they have learned, they, in turn, become the fruit of the teacher's labor. Today, the apple given to educators symbolizes and acknowledges the impact and importance of teachers in the lives of students.*

**A**s Albertus prepares to go *back to the future* by introducing programs that will lead to careers in teaching, the Alumni Association Board of Governors has decided to recognize all alumni who have chosen the rewarding field of Education for the 2004 Alumni of the Year in the category of Outstanding Professional Achievement.

"Clearly, current plans promise to uphold the outstanding reputation established by the long line of Albertus graduates who have served, and continue to serve, in public and private schools throughout Connecticut, the country, and the world, where they hold a variety of positions from classroom teachers to superintendents of schools," says Dr. Joan Venditto '63, director of education programs.

It is for that reason, that we proudly select all our educators,



past and present, as recipients of the 2004 Alumni of the Year Award for Outstanding Professional Achievement.

***There will be a special presentation at Reunion, and a list of honorees will be displayed in the active case teaching room when the new Academic Center for Science, Art and Technology is completed.***

In order to compile the list of recipients, we ask graduates who are or have been in the field of education to please fill out the form below and send it to the Office of Alumni Relations. If you know of a deceased classmate who had a career in Education, please send us her or his name—we would like to celebrate her or his accomplishments as well. Additional forms may be downloaded from [www.albertus.edu](http://www.albertus.edu) in the alumni & friends/reunion section. Please return forms by May 28, 2004.

## 2004 Alumni of the Year Award for Outstanding Professional Achievement

Name	first	maiden	last
Major at Albertus			
Advanced degree(s)	degree	year	institution
<input type="checkbox"/> Currently teaching (where)			<input type="checkbox"/> Retired (when)
Level(s) taught	<input type="checkbox"/> early childhood	<input type="checkbox"/> elementary	<input type="checkbox"/> secondary <input type="checkbox"/> college <input type="checkbox"/> other
Years of service			
Professional specialties:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Teaching		
<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance	<input type="checkbox"/> Testing		
<input type="checkbox"/> School Social Work	<input type="checkbox"/> Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Education			

Please return form by May 28, 2004 to Office of Alumni Relations, Albertus Magnus College, 700 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT 06511

# Receptions

Alumni across the country started 2004 with Albertus. President McNamara and several members of the Advancement staff traveled coast to coast to meet with alumni and update our out-of-state graduates on the progress of alma mater. Receptions took place in California (San Diego and San Francisco), Boston and New York City. In March, New Haven area alumni were in fine Irish spirit at the annual Celebration of St. Patrick. A grand time was had by all.

## Boston



Boston guests listened intently to an overview of the Strategic Plan and the construction project for the new academic center by Robert J. Buccino, vice president for advancement and planning.



1968 classmates Eileen Doocy Schaubert, Patricia Cahalan Osborne and Suzanne Janson Higgins.

## Laguna Beach



While in California, President McNamara visited with The Honorable Mary Goode Rogan '36 in Laguna Beach.

## San Francisco



Graduates enjoy chatting with President McNamara.



## New York City



Sr. Charles Marie Brantl, O.P., '51, with Kate Crowley McNeill '80 and Margie St. John '52 at the NYC reception this past February.



Also attending in NYC were Jean Palmer Gallinelli '67, Frank Gallinelli and Lynne S. Farrell '60, Trustee of the College.

# San Diego



The San Diego brunch crowd represented class years from 1949–1989.



Dr. Tomoko Takahashi '70, Trustee of the College, with President McNamara.



Helen Yutenkas and Dorthy Yutenkas Mutkoski '67 proudly displayed sweatshirts printed with their famous *From the Hill* photo from last year's event.



Hats off to guests Ralph "O'Jackson" and Eddie O'Brien as they celebrate their birthdays with a twirl on the dance floor.



Billy Donaldson's Celtic Kick got everyone up and dancing to lively Irish tunes.

Enjoying the festivities (l-r) are Sr. Charles Marie Brantl, O.P., '51, Ellin Mulholland '51, Trustee of the College, Mary Regis (sister of Ellin Mulholland and mother of Ellin Regis-Cowie '91) and President McNamara.



Alumni celebrated in style at San Francisco's Fairmont Hotel.

Sisters Elinor Skelly and Evelyn Skelly '44F never miss the annual event.



Eileen Denny '92, member of the Alumni Association Board, introduced newborn son Michael Donald Brandi, proudly announcing, "here he is, Albertus Class of 2025!"

California Photos by Robert J. Buccino

# CLASS NOTES

1929 *75th Reunion June 12, 2004*



Mary Hammond O'Brien Houk, Bedford, MA, keeps busy at Carleton Willard Village with classes, lectures, musicales, visiting pals, and, above all, her love of reading.

1932

Barbara Horrigan Lee, Bloomfield, CT, spent the winter in Las Vegas.

1934 *70th Reunion June 12, 2004*

Jean Venditti Leary, Hamden, CT, was the second alumnae executive secretary at Albertus and has attended reunion every year since she graduated, whether it was her special year or not. She is active on the music committee of her retirement home and plays the piano every Thursday at lunch and for special parties.

1938

Mary Albee Sullivan, West Haven, CT, reports three living children, six grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

1939 *65th Reunion June 12, 2004*

Mary Sutherland Fortune, Brevard, NC, reports that she is living in a retirement home in the beautiful western part of the state.

## Prospect Hill Society

Many loyal alumni and friends have indicated that they have included Albertus Magnus College in their estate planning. To recognize, honor and say thank you to these benefactors, the College has established the Prospect Hill Society.

If you have mentioned Albertus in your will or other estate plans, please let us know. We will list you as a Member of the Prospect Hill Society in the College's 2003-2004 Annual Report. Please contact Carolyn Behan, director of alumni relations and special events, at [cbehan@albertus.edu](mailto:cbehan@albertus.edu) or 203-773-8502.



In between formal milestone reunions like the one coming up in June, these 1939 classmates get together frequently: (l-r) Marie Rohack Davidson, Rita Savarese Moule, Effa Chestney Fisher and Barbara Fitch Prokop.

Grace Hughes, Bridgeport, CT, is a retired teacher.

1940

Pauline Foisy Porter, Albany, NY, plays a lot of tournament bridge in the winter and "pretty poor golf" in the summer.

1944F *60th Reunion June 12, 2004*

1944S *60th Reunion June 12, 2004*

Ruth Brady, New Port Richey, FL, volunteers at Lighthouse for the Blind, is a lector at her church and treasurer of her golf and bowling leagues.

Beverly Volk Fagan, Madison, CT, has three sons, three daughters, 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She is a lector at her church and for 24 years has volunteered for Birthright.

1947

Gloria Della Selva Schoolfield, North Haven, CT, has been elected president of the Yale-New Haven Hospital Auxiliary. Prior to retiring from Yale, she was a research associate in the genetics lab, where she is now a part-time purchasing agent.

1949 *55th Reunion June 12, 2004*

Joyce Pendergast Hale, Glastonbury, CT, has 10 grandchildren, ages 24 to 12. Her husband, Bob, continues as a judge in Hartford Superior Court. She loves to travel, is a docent-in-training for the Wadsworth Atheneum, and active with the Audubon Society, Antiquarian Landmarks Society and garden club.

Lucia Bonaiuto Hotton, So. Weymouth, MA, spends much of her time searching for vintage textiles and early clothing to exhibit at several shows a year. She also is in a shop in Sandwich, on Cape Cod. She enjoys volunteering at her local library.

1950

Joan Foley Hauser, Milford, CT, is still teaching at Calf Pen Meadow School.

Mary Claire Davis Rudiger, Claremont, CA, sends word that her three "young adults" live within 10 miles of her and they often get together.

1953

Jane Flynn Francis, Colorado Springs, CO, reports that Richard's Huntington's Disease is progressing. "We are blessed to have our three children and eight grandchildren nearby."

1954 *50th Reunion June 12, 2004*

Eleanor Savich Boruch, Prospect, CT, retired in 1993 and works part-time at the Prospect Public Library. She is a member of the Dominican Third Order and a Dominican Associate of St. Mary of the Springs.

Alexandra Plaissay Gautraud, Charlotte, NC, and her husband, Albert, have three sons, one daughter and six grandchildren. She taught history in both public and private high schools; when she retired she began a career as a freelance history and travel writer. She is currently treasurer of the Friends of the Richmond Public Library.

Ann Moylan O'Brien, Crestwood, NY, has six children and nine grandchildren. She is active in prison ministry and Eucharistic ministry at a nursing home.

Patricia Sullivan, Tiverton, RI, is involved with the local Conservation Commission and the Alliance to Preserve Tiverton's Quality.

1955

Eleanor Roberts Ilgen, Chapel Hill, NC, is retired.

Catherine McNamee Zupkus, Waterbury, CT, retired in July as a Connecticut state surrogate for foster children. After 43 years in the same house, she has moved to a new home; she enjoys traveling with her husband and time with four grandchildren.

## Trudy McKeon Daly '61

### PROFILE

When she was at Albertus, Trudy McKeon Daly majored in history, but also had a passion for writing. Journalism classes with Sister Norma and four years of work on Silver Horn, the student newspaper, led her to the world of corporate public relations.

After a 41-year career at The Hartford, one of the country's largest investment and insurance companies, Daly retired in July as assistant vice president—Personal Lines, with responsibilities for internal and external communication and client relations, then went back as a part-timer in the public relations/communications area. She remembers starting work there in the fall after graduation. "I was hired to work on the company's communications with its network of independent agents. Later I helped develop an employee newspaper and magazine, did a range of public relations work, handling many types of special events and communications programs for employees and the public."

For many years, she managed one of The Hartford's principal public relations efforts—a fire safety education program for children called Junior Fire Marshal. More recently, she was part of a team managing the company's relationship with AARP. "That presented an unusually interesting opportunity to work on a very different level, outside of what's normally considered to be 'public relations,' and I learned so much. I was very fortunate to be in the right place at the right time to draw that assignment." Her current work at The Hartford includes AARP account-related projects.

Daly's taken on a new responsibility: board chair for The Cove Center for Grieving Children, a not-for-profit organization providing services for children grieving the loss of a parent or sibling. The Center's board wants to establish a Cove site within 30 minutes of every grieving child in Connecticut; currently there are nine sites. Daly's been involved as a board member since 1998; good friends of hers started The Cove several years before on a small scale. She also served as secretary of the board for several years.

"The satisfaction of working for The Cove is incredible!" she says. "The theory behind the organization is simple: kids grieve differently from adults, and they need specific types of support to help them deal with their grief so that they can move forward and lead healthy lives. Often childhood grief is unrecognized or misinterpreted by parents, teachers and others with whom a child interacts—and therefore not dealt with—or dealt with in a way that is not helpful and, potentially, very harmful."

Twice a month at each site the organization runs Cove Nights for grieving youngsters and their families under the direction of trained professionals and volunteer facilitators. Kids are divided into age groups, and take part in a variety of activities, all designed to help them deal with their grief in a safe environment. Parents and guardians join the kids for some activities, and then meet separately, getting support from each other and facilitators in learning how to support their children and help them through their grief. The Cove also runs an outreach program to educate adults—parents, teachers, social workers, coaches and others—on how to recognize and help grieving children.

"Many members of The Cove board have personal experience with childhood grief, which enhances both their commitment and the quality and caring of our board," Daly points out. "In my case, both of my brothers died young, John at 49 and Jimmy at 57, leaving grieving teenagers. Their memory drives my work for The Cove."

## New Plans





## We Need Your Help

It's our goal to have an issue of *From the Hill* with every class represented in *Class Notes*. If you have some news that you've been meaning to tell us but haven't gotten around to it, please send it today to [alumni@albertus.edu](mailto:alumni@albertus.edu) or mail it to the Alumni Office, Albertus Magnus College, 700 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT 06511. Help us reach our goal. Encourage your classmates and friends from other classes to do the same.

### 1959 *45th Reunion June 12, 2004*

**Susan Hogan Endler**, Jupiter, FL, will miss her reunion this year: she'll be on a trip to Machu Picchu and the Galapagos.

**Dora Kyryk Henel** has just moved to Lafayette, California, from New Jersey to be near her children and grandchildren. She is "getting used to having no winter."

**Arlene Fanucci Johnson**, Fairfield, CT, teaches advanced placement biology and honors biology at Staples High School in Westport.

**Maureen Lucey**, Jupiter, FL, is an active golfer and involved with sustainer activities in the Junior League of the Palm Beaches. She also is a lector at her church.

**Mary Killeen Lyons**, Santa Rosa, CA, a psychotherapist, is western regional coordinator for the Association of Contemplative Sisters and a former lay Catholic chaplain at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital.

**Joan Schilling Morse**, Visalia, CA, is involved with the AAUW, Symphony League and retired teachers' group. She has five grandchildren.

**Dorothy McLoughlin Roberts**, Jupiter, FL, is a self-employed, semi-retired certified financial planner. She is a board member of the Jupiter Pre-School and Jupiter/Tequesta Chamber of Commerce.

**Gail Lindsay Schuler**, Hamden, CT, is retired from teaching. She has four grandchildren, sings in her church choir, belongs to a prayer group and swims at the AMC Athletic Center.

**Veronica Jackson Searles**, Westerville, OH, is still teaching Latin in the local school system, and her husband has come out of retirement to become an elementary school principal again. "Certainly hope to see many classmates at the June reunion!"

**Joan Regan Sheridan**, Sun Lakes, AZ, has been living in Arizona since 2000. Her two daughters and six grandchildren live in California and Oregon. She is working part time as a Heart Guide at the American Heart Association in Tempe.

**Elaine Perry Shown**, West Haven, CT, retired in October. Her first grandchild, Lydia Elaine Brown, was born in November.

### 1960

**Virginia Avallone Proto, Janice Clark Butcher, Jacquelyn Pacelle, Betty Battista Krayske and Carol Parcesepe Truluck** celebrated their 65th birthdays with a weekend in Philadelphia.

**Carole Drumm Rubley**, Wayne, PA, plans to run for re-election this year to her seventh term in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. She recently chaired the environmental and natural resources committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures. She and Ron are proud grandparents of seven.

### 1961

**Trudy McKeon Daly**, So. Glastonbury, CT, reports that her niece, Caitlin McKeon-Nicholls, has been accepted for AMC's Class of 2008. "I'm absolutely thrilled! Touring the campus with her was a great eye-opener. Seeing the beautifully restored Nilan Hall, that great new building going up, and the general enthusiasm of the kids, and faculty, was a terrific experience." (See *Profile*, page 8).

**Madeleine DiSanto Ferraz**, Little Compton, RI, is retired and spends winters in Sarasota, Florida. She belongs to several art associations, and has been

# Are you...

- a small business owner?
- an entrepreneur?
- an individual looking to start a small business?
- a business veteran with knowledge to share?

# Then the AMC leads group is for you.

Sponsored by the Alumni Association Board of Governors, the leads group will bring together members of the AMC community to share ideas and best practices, to network and to hear from speakers on topics related to small business. Join us at one of the following informational gatherings:

**Wednesday, May 19, 2004**

**6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

**AMC East Hartford Learning Center  
111 Founders Plaza, 7th Floor  
East Hartford, CT**

**Thursday, May 20, 2004**

**6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

**AMC Dining Hall, Campus Center  
700 Prospect St.  
New Haven, CT**

Light refreshments will be served.

If you would like to attend, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 203-773-8502 or e-mail to [alumni@albertus.edu](mailto:alumni@albertus.edu). Unable to attend but interested in joining the leads group? Let us know. Alumni and current students of Albertus are welcome!

president of the group in Westport, Massachusetts, for two years.

### 1962

**Catherine Koletsky**, Cambridge, MA, took her first Elderhostel trip last year to Williamsburg and had a great time in her favorite place.

### 1963

**Teresa Teodosio Cavaliero**, Milford, CT, in January produced the "You and the Night and the Music" gala to raise money for rehabilitation of the family kitchen at the Beth-El Center's Residence for the Homeless.

**Barbara Czajka Peck** has retired after 36 years in education. She and her husband have relocated to Vero Beach, Florida.

### 1964 *40th Reunion June 12, 2004*

**Adrienne Thompson Braverman**, Chapel Hill, NC, is always looking to connect with AMC grads living in the Triangle area of the state. She hopes to see many of her classmates at the 40th Reunion.

**Patricia Checko**, Berlin, CT, chairs the bioterrorism and public health emergency preparedness committee for the National Association of County and City Health Officials.

**Kathleen Rivers Garner**, Longmeadow, MA, is a paralegal with a Springfield law firm. She has three grandchildren, ages 4, 5 and 10.

**Carolyn Burrows Verna**, Trumbull, CT, retired January 1, 2004, after 22 years in the Trumbull Public Schools. She is enjoying being a grandmother.

### 1966

**Carole Gula Hicks**, Woodbury, CT, is the proud grandmother of Abigail Hicks, born July 21, 2003.

### 1968

**Sue Ann Licciardi Parmentier**, North Providence, RI, married Wilfred E. Parmentier in November 2002. She is teaching math in the School of Continuing Education at Providence College.

### 1969 *35th Reunion June 12, 2004*

**Karen Bartle Festa**, Branford, CT, and her husband, Brian, have purchased Birdhouse Inn B&B in East Poulney, Vermont. Brian is retiring after 33 years of teaching high school math, and she will follow in another year after a 30-year career in elementary special ed.

**Arlene Kosack**, Branford, CT, taught Spanish at the local high school for 30 years; she now volunteers at Connecticut Hospice.

**Patricia Listro Lucan**, Hamden, CT, has been re-elected president of the 1,550-member New Haven Federation of Teachers.

**Marianne Clifford Reynolds**, Skillman, NJ, is coordinator of education programs and social science chairperson at Mercer County Community College. Her son, Ian, is a first year student at Dartmouth.

### 1970

**Janet Coggeshall Chadie**, North Falmouth, MA, a financial advisor with CCBT Financial Companies, has earned her NASD Series 7 securities license.

**Mary Hine Michals**, Cape Elizabeth, ME, reports that her son, Evan, is a freshman at Dartmouth College.

**Elaine Brunelli Morgillo**, North Andover, MA, has her own financial planning and investment management firm, with offices in North Andover and York, Maine. The York County Coast Star newspaper recently ran an article on her business.

**Barbara Hickey Reger** reports that she and Dave have relocated from Great Falls to Williamsburg, Virginia, where they are enjoying remodeling a colonial home. She left a real estate firm after 12 years, and

*Christine Dobczansky Melnyk '70 is president of the Ukrainian National Women's League, Branch 108, in New Haven. She and her board were instrumental in bringing to the city in December an exhibit commemorating the 70th anniversary of the man-made Great Famine of Ukraine. The Stalin regime brought on the famine in 1932-1933 to punish farmers supporting the independence of Ukraine from the Soviet Union; between 7 and 10 million persons died. The famine came to light in secret archives found in 1991 after Ukraine separated from the Soviet Union.*

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# CLASS NOTES

he retired after 32 years with Arlington County government.

## 1971

**Sr. Jude Ruggeri**, ASCJ, Palm Beach, FL, has been director of the Office for Youth and Young Adults in the Diocese of Palm Beach for 12 years. She is chair of the board of directors for the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry, Inc.

## 1973

**Jean Incampo**, Hamden, CT, teaches at Gateway Community College and Sawyer-Butler Business School. She sings and plays flute in a church folk group, and volunteers for Special Olympics and Relay for Life.

## 1974

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**Jacqueline Zorena Albis**, East Haven, CT sends lots of news: she teaches advanced placement and Junior English at East Haven High School; her husband, Michael, is Probate Judge in East Haven; James is a sophomore at New York University; Mark is a senior at East Haven High and will enter Yale in September; and Katy is a sophomore at Sacred Heart Academy.

**Alexis Rascati Carol**, Madison, CT, is an elder in the United Methodist Church, program director for the Connecticut Council on Problem Gambling and an AMC adjunct professor. She has three children: Alissa, Stephen and Kristin.

**Monique Gil-Rogers**, Washington Depot, CT, is a 6th grade English teacher who enjoys running marathons, kayaking, skiing, and mountaineering. She and Hugh have two sons: Graham, 15, and Kelsey, 14.

### *For the Person Who Has Everything...*

*Honor the milestone birthday of a classmate, the wedding of an Albertus friend, the anniversary of a relative, or any other special occasion, with a gift to your alma mater. We will let the honoree know of your thoughtfulness, and list the name of the honoree along with your name in the College's Honor Roll of Donors. Send your gift to the Office of Advancement, 700 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT 06511. Be sure to tell us the event you are honoring and the address of the honoree.*

## *In Memoriam: Alumni Relatives and Members of the Albertus Community*

**Esther Cestar**, mother of Virginia Cestar Roessler '61 and Catherine Cestar Crawford '66; mother-in-law of John Crawford, AMC Trustee February 19, 2004

**Zella Carlson**, mother-in-law of Dr. Christopher Anagnostakis, associate professor of mathematics at AMC January 18, 2004

**Emmanuele J. Cirinna**, grandfather of Diana Edwards Bogue '90 May 22, 2003

**The Honorable Edward Rodgers Doyle**, husband of Anne (Nancy) Ryan Doyle '49, member of the Alumni Association Board of Governors December 20, 2003

**Ruth Heenie**, mother-in-law of Linda Heenie of the Registrar's Office March 10, 2004

**Fr. Justin Hennessey, O.P.**, AMC faculty member in the late 60s and 70s December 2003

**Raymond P. Hickey, Jr.**, husband of Eileen Reynolds Hickey '42, and brother-in-law of Frances Reynolds Slayton '47 and the late Patricia Reynolds Lynch '44F, and uncle of Margaret Slayton Taylor '76 December 8, 2003

## Lora-Ann Chiginsky '89

### PROFILE

Back in her Albertus days, Lora-Ann Chiginsky, an economics major with a concentration in finance and minor in political science, set a career goal of working within the financial industry for a global firm. Step by step she moved ahead, always open to new opportunities. Today, she is an associate director of global business development for Wellington Management Company, LLP, in London.

"After graduation I began working for Dean Witter Reynolds in Boston as an assistant to the senior vice president," she recalls. "My responsibilities included client relations, profit/loss statements and commodity trading." Four years later, she switched to a job at Wellington's Boston office as a marketing assistant on the U.S. business development team. A year after that, she applied for a business analyst's position with the firm's international business development team covering Europe, Africa, United Kingdom and Canada.

Wellington is one of the oldest and largest investment management firms in the U.S. With client assets under management totaling US\$394 billion, the firm serves as investment advisor for clients in more than 40 countries.

Over time Chiginsky focused exclusively on Europe, and in 1999 she transferred to the London office as an associate director at Wellington International Ltd.

"In comparison to other cities, living in London is quite easy," she says, "and the overriding reason is the lack of a language barrier. This just makes everything less daunting—renting a flat, reading bus and tube maps, socializing."

Setting up life in London held few surprises; she had been traveling between the U.S. and London for two years before taking up residency. "I knew what I was committing to when I made the move," she remembers. "I really did not have any difficulties adapting, and I attribute a great deal of this to being open minded and being willing to learn and change." She points out that for anyone wanting to avoid cultural assimilation, there are enclaves of Americans in every major city. This, however, is not for Chiginsky. "Why bother leaving the U.S. to begin with if you don't want to be part of the new country?"

Does she plan to return to the States any time soon? "To say 'never' is perhaps misleading, as never is a very long time. Do I miss the U.S.? I truly appreciate what I left and am fortunate to be able to return if I so choose; however, I have yet to tire of Europe—its pace of life, cultural diversity and ways of doing business." She recently was granted indefinite leave to remain in the UK—the equivalent of a U.S. green card.

Chiginsky's job is to expand Wellington's asset management business targeted to European institutions and high net worth individuals. She also is responsible for the company's relationship with European consultants. Last year she received the MBA from Cass School of Business at London City University.

"One of the biggest challenges of my career has been knowing what I want, seeing where I want to be and getting there. These paths have not been the easiest or the hardest in comparison to others," she says. "I have encountered discrimination, sexism, inept, belligerent people, as well as mentors, geniuses and serendipitous opportunities. I have worked 60-hour weeks, taken red eye flights, arriving at 7 a.m. for a meeting at 9, while balancing my social and personal life.

"There are countless people to meet, opportunities to pursue, places to explore and experience. Go... life happens just once."

**Diane Reitano Heck**, Westport, CT, is managing director at GE Capital Markets Services in Stamford.

**Gail Yander**, Fairport, NY, who is with Xerox Corporation, enjoys aerobics, power walking, golf and low fat cooking.

## 1975

**Mary Schaefer Badger**, Spokane, WA, is a physician specializing in internal medicine/intensive care. Her hobbies are backpacking, snowshoeing and sea kayaking.

## 1979

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**Lisa Rabbott Anthony**, Cheshire, CT, reports that her daughter, Meghan, is 11 and that Jimmy, adopted from Korea, is now 2.

### *Alumnae Have Major New York Art Shows*

**Sheila Pepe '81** had a show of her installation art, "Bridge and Tunnel," at the Susan Inglett Gallery in Chelsea from February 13 – March 13. Boston's Bernard Toale Gallery, which specializes in cutting edge contemporary art in all media, also showed her work, "I Love New York," in March. **Margie St. John '52** showed paintings at The Ezair Gallery on the Upper East Side for the month of March. Ezair presents paintings and sculptures by contemporary working American artists focusing on abstract expressionism.

## 1984

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**Anna Beach**, Waterville, ME, is pastor of the Pleasant Street Methodist Church. She is on the advisory board of the local Salvation Army unit and involved with local ecumenical clergy and women in ministry groups. Her husband is a retired electrical engineer.

**Helen Tamas-Morvillo**, Yorktown Heights, NY, and Edward Morvillo enjoy spending time in Vermont with their two daughters: Alyssa, 4½, and Julia, 9 months.



## In Memoriam

### Nora Booth Farrell '32

New London, CT  
January 30, 2004

### Margaret Ivers Kreminski '33

Bradenton, FL  
January 2003

### Josephine Lee Robinson '34

Danbury, CT  
January 22, 2004

### Charlotte Spezzano Adinolfi '37

North Haven, CT  
January 10, 2004

### Margaret Grady Hart '39

W. Springfield, MA  
January 8, 2004

### Marietta Fagan Lee '43

Sister-in-law of Beverly Volk Fagan '44S  
Guilford, CT  
January 24, 2004

### Gloria Gallo Crisafi '44F

East Haven, CT  
February 13, 2004

### Margaret McGrath Schott '44F

Waterbury, CT  
December 2, 2003

### Anne Hyman Scherr '46

October 1, 2003  
Bethany, CT

### Joan Philbin McCarthy '54

Sister of Margaret Philbin '58  
Milford, CT  
January 19, 2004

### Anna Maria Cirillo '59

West Haven, CT  
February 22, 2004

### Karen Clark '68

Burke, VA  
December 28, 2003

### Karen Joyce Best '71

West Chester, PA

### Donna Tomasi Sosa '80

Hamden, CT  
December 2003

### Ronald Foster '01

Bronx, NY  
March 5, 2004

### 1986

**Jeanne Vignoli McCaldon**, Melrose, MA, and her husband, Dave, are parents of Emma, 3, and Zachary, 2. She is manager for technical services at InterSystems Corporation, where he is a software engineer.

### 1987

**Kathryn Lee**, Hamden, CT, teaches American and British literature courses at Xavier High School in Middletown.

### 1988

**Maureen Derbacher**, Branford, CT, continues to work for the State of Connecticut Judicial Branch where she has assisted in the development of drug courts. She is enjoying her two granddaughters, ages 20 months and three months.

### 1989

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**Christopher Russo**, Waterbury, CT, was featured in the Friendly Neighbor column of the Watertown Town Times. He teaches science, language arts and reading to sixth graders at the Hemingway Park School in Watertown.

### 1991

**Samuel Doucette**, Ashland, MA, sends lots of news: in September he married Elene Iliopoulos Doucette, a freelance graphic designer; he continues to work for the Air Force as a civil servant at Hanscom AFB; and he is attending Babson College as an evening MBA student. He reports meeting last summer with classmate First Lt. **Salvatore Saraceno**, who was working as contracting officer for a program at Hanscom and has since been transferred with his family to Aviano Air Base, Italy.

**Misako Ishizuka Hill**, Honolulu, HI, is now president of Kahala 4523 Associates, after nine years as a private banker. She married in November.

### 1992

**Diana Edwards Bogue**, Colchester, CT, reports that her second son was born in September; he has a three-year-old brother.

**Eileen Denny**, Hamden, CT, a member of the Board of Governors of the Albertus Alumni Association, reports the arrival of Michael Donald Brandi on March 8.

(See photo, page 7).

**Sara Keyes**, CE, West Haven, CT, was originally in the AMC Class of 1961, but left for the "work world early." She retired on December 31 as branch manager of the New Haven County Credit Union.

### 1994

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**Paul Bernier**, Beacon Falls, CT, a physical therapist at Yale-New Haven Hospital, completed training in North Carolina on a new program that he will be introducing to Connecticut physical therapists.

**Susan Bishop**, CE, Peabody, MA, is a high school ESL teacher. She is proactive in peace activities.

**Brooke Blackburn**, MALS, Cheshire, CT, is a part-time librarian at Miller Library in Hamden.

### 1995

**Amie Keddy**, Deerfield, MA, in January received an MFA in writing and literature from Bennington College. She currently is teaching and dorm-parenting at The Bement School.

### 1997

**Suzanne Siegel**, CE, Guilford, CT, is a candidate this year for the master of fine arts degree from Vermont College.

### 1998

**Adam Lein**, Elmsford, NY, a graphics designer, had one of his photos published in the March issue of SBS Digital Design Magazine.

*Kristopher Loretz, West Haven, CT, and his wife, Kate Mai '01, who have a two-year-old son, have opened their own dance studio, CT Dance Force, in New Haven. They run classes in all aspects of dance for ages 3 to adult, and they are offering Albertus students and alumni a 10 percent discount on tuition. He is now associate director of adult admission at Gibbs College in Norwalk.*

## ACAN Update

The Albertus Career Advising Network (ACAN) is off to a great start. The program has more than 20 alumni mentors, including two international participants—graduates living and working in West Africa and the United Kingdom. AMC day students from the spring Career Preparation course are in touch with alumni mentors for information interviewing. This process is designed to give students an opportunity to speak with someone in a career path they plan to pursue. Interviewing can take place in person, over the phone or via e-mail.

If you would like to share your career expertise and advice with students, consider joining ACAN. You may visit [www.albertus.edu](http://www.albertus.edu) to download a form or contact Suzanne Yurko Wall, director of career services, at 203-773-6989 or e-mail to [yurkwall@albertus.edu](mailto:yurkwall@albertus.edu).

**Michael Raymond, Jr.**, New Haven, CT, left his previous position with Prudential Financial in Newark, New Jersey, in October and now works as a financial advisor with Raymond Financial Group in New Haven.

### 1999

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### 2001

**Sharon Mendelsohn**, ND, Newtown, CT, has joined the Savings Bank of Danbury as a mortgage originator.

### 2002

**Andrea Brucella**, Clinton, CT, is enrolled in a master's program in elementary education at Southern Connecticut State University. She had an exhibit of her digital photos at the Yale Medical Group Art Place in late fall.

**Lori Hrehowsik**, Rahway, NJ, is nearing completion of an MA in special education at New Jersey City University. She plans to return to Connecticut to live and teach.

**Carolyn Robins**, MSM, Newington, CT, has joined the faculty of East Catholic High in Manchester, where she teaches Spanish.

**Erika Taylor**, MSM, Mystic, CT, joined the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center as director of communications.

## Our Apologies...

The name of **Shirley Mazotas Davis '61** was inadvertently omitted from the Honor Roll of Donors in the College's Annual Report 2002-2003. She was a donor at the Albertus Colleague level.

## An Invitation to East Shore (CT) Graduates

Forty years ago a handful of east shore Albertus Magnus graduates decided to start an East Shore Alumni Chapter. Their purpose was threefold: to raise money for scholarships, to spread the word about a fine college, and to enjoy each other's company.

Although the East Shore Chapter officially closed last year because of lack of interest at the time, it is our belief that for the same reasons the Chapter was founded, it could flourish again. The scholarship aid and support would be designated for students from Connecticut, or even specifically for those from east shore towns. Members will be from East Haven to Old Lyme\*. Other alumni in the area would be welcome, too. At this time only two meetings and one fundraiser are proposed per year.

If you are interested in helping to revive the Chapter, send in the form below or call 203-469-3299 or e-mail [margclan@aol.com](mailto:margclan@aol.com). Please respond by May 15, 2004. You will be contacted by one of the members of this rebirth committee: Fran McCormick King '43 of Guilford, Beverly Volk Fagan '44S of Madison, or Margaret Mary Burns Clancy '57 of New Haven.

Please return by May 15, 2004 to:

Margaret Mary Clancy, 675 Townsend Avenue, #175, New Haven, CT 06512

## Yes, I want to help revive the East Shore Chapter!

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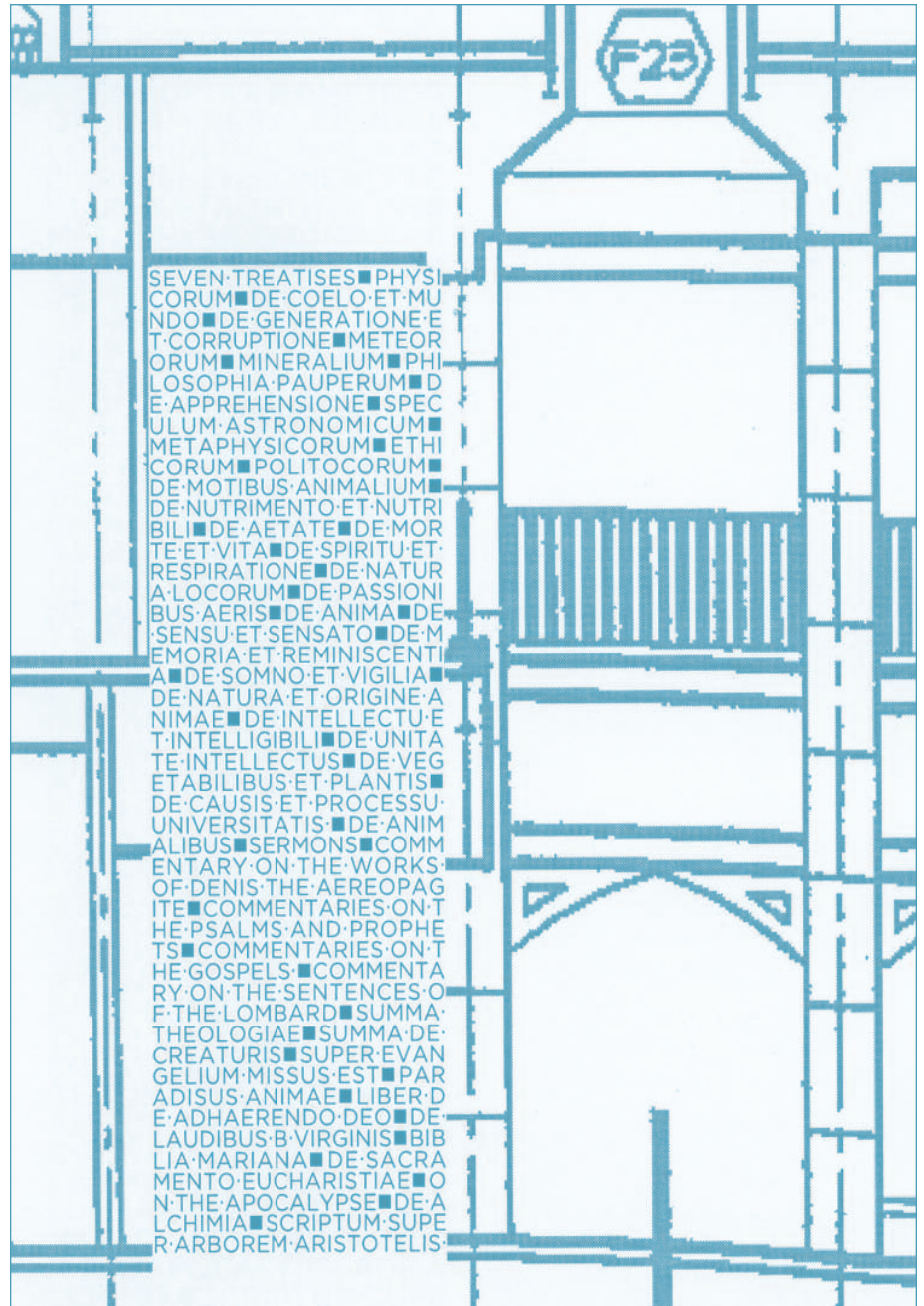
Other suggestions \_\_\_\_\_

\*East shore towns include: East Haven, Branford (North Branford/Northford), Guilford (North Guilford), Madison (North Madison), Clinton, Westbrook, Old Saybrook, Old Lyme.

A water wall in the atrium of the Academic Center for Science, Art and Technology, now under construction, will feature titles of all the books written by St. Albert the Great, patron saint of the College.

Be sure to visit the Margaret L. MacDonough Gallery on June 12, Reunion 2004, to see designs, models and video presentations of the new building.

For more about Reunion, see page 2.



## From the Hill



Keeping in touch with alumni of Albertus Magnus College who remember their days on Prospect Hill.

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