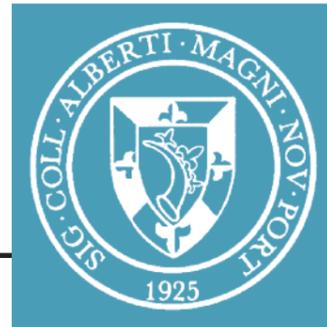


# From the Hill



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**Albertus Celebrates  
Black History and  
Women's History Months.  
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# Reunion

## Reunion 2009 Registration Form—RSVP by June 1, 2009

Name	first	maiden	last	Class Year
E-Mail Address				
Phone Number				
<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed is my check for \$_____ payable to Albertus Magnus College				
<input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my (Visa, MasterCard, Discover) credit card \$_____				
Card Number				Exp. Date
Signature				Three-digit PIN Number
Please indicate the name(s) of your guest(s):				

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

### Event Registration and Pricing

Please indicate the total number of people attending each event below. (See schedule of events on the next page for additional details.)

**We welcome our 50th Reunion Class (and one guest) as guests of the College for all Reunion events.**

Lunch	# Attending
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult \$20	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Children 12 and under \$10	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Children 5 and under N/C	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden Society Members \$10	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Millennium "20" \$10	_____
<b>Afternoon Activities N/C</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Alumni College/faculty panel on <i>Antigone</i>	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Campus Tour	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Poetry reading by Dr. Paul Robichaud	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Alumni Mass	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden Society Induction	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Alumni Association Annual Meeting and presentation of the Alumni of the Year Award	_____
<b>Cocktails &amp; Dinner Buffet</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult \$30	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden Society Members \$15	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Millennium "20" \$15	_____
<b>All Reunion Events</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult \$45	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden Society Members \$22.50	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Millennium "20" \$22.50	_____

### Pricing Guidelines:

**50th Reunion Class:** Members of the **class of 1959 and one guest** are invited to attend all Reunion activities as **guests of the College**.

**Golden Society:** Graduates who have reached or passed their 50th Reunion (classes from 1928–1958)

**Millennium "20" Discount:** Graduates whose class year begins with "20"

### To assist you better...

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

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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](mailto:alumni@albertus.edu). Our staff is happy to assist you.

**Please RSVP by June 1, 2009 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. Form available on-line at [www.albertus.edu](http://www.albertus.edu)

## Alumni College presents: Conscience and the Law: *Antigone* by Sophocles

The Greek tragedy *Antigone* was written nearly 2,500 years ago; yet it offers fascinating insights into our contemporary world as it wrestles with the clash between private conscience and public law. A panel of Albertus Magnus College professors will discuss the play, and what it reveals about the role of citizens in society.

Moderated by Eric Schoeck, assistant professor of English and humanities, the panel features Sister Mary Faith Dargan O.P., professor of classics, Dr. Sean O'Connell, professor of philosophy, Dr. Paul Robichaud, assistant professor of English, and Dr. Matthew Waggoner, assistant professor of philosophy and religion.

# 2009

## Reunion 2009—Schedule of Events

### Saturday, June 6

9:30	Registration begins in the Hubert Campus Center (HCC) Coffee And... Bookstore Opens
10:30– 11:30 a.m.	Alumni College Session Conscience and the Law: <i>Antigone</i> by Sophocles (see details on previous page) <i>Behan Community Room, HCC</i>
Noon– 2:00 p.m.	Alumni Luncheon <i>Dining Hall, HCC</i>
2:00– 4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Activity Options Campus Tour (walking tour) Dorms Open (McAuliffe, Sansbury, Nilan, Mohun and Dominican) Athletic Center/Pool open for use <i>Special Event at the newly renovated AMC Bookstore:</i> Poetry Reading by Dr. Paul Robichaud, assistant professor of English. Dr. Robichaud's poems have appeared in <i>The Hudson Review</i> (New Writers Issue, 2005), <i>Palimpsest: Yale Literary and Arts Magazine</i> (2003), as well as AMC's own <i>Breakwater</i> .
4:00 p.m.	Reunion Mass <i>Atrium, TAC</i>
5:00 p.m.	Golden Society Induction & Toast <i>Atrium &amp; Courtyard, TAC</i>
6:00 p.m.	Annual Meeting • President's Address • Presentation of the Alumni of the Year Award <i>Dining Hall, HCC</i>

The Annual Meeting will be followed by  
Cocktails and Buffet Dinner, featuring live jazz, for all classes

#### Location key:

HCC: Hubert Campus Center, TAC: Tagliatela Academic Center

Family and friends  
are welcome at all activities  
for Reunion 2009.

## Reunion 2009—Area Hotels

Several area hotels have blocked rooms at a special rate for Albertus graduates traveling to campus for Reunion 2009. 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. We encourage travelers to make their reservations early.**

#### Quality Inn

30 Frontage Road, East Haven  
203-469-5321  
\$89.95 per night, plus tax  
Special rate deadline: May 5, 2009  
[www.qinewhaven.com](http://www.qinewhaven.com)

#### Hamden Clarion Hotel & Suites\*

2260 Whitney Avenue, Hamden  
203-288-3831  
\$139 per night plus tax  
(Junior Suites available, call for price)  
Special rate deadline: May 5, 2009  
[www.clarionhotel.com](http://www.clarionhotel.com)

#### Premier Hotel and Suites

3 Long Wharf Drive, New Haven  
866-458-0232  
\$139 per night, plus tax, all rooms are suites, rate includes breakfast  
Special rate deadline: May 5, 2009  
[www.newhavensuites.com](http://www.newhavensuites.com)

Other area hotels that may be available for individual reservations—  
*please call the hotel directly for rates and room availability. Note: **June 5–7 is a very busy weekend in New Haven.** Some hotels listed below may not have rooms available.*

#### Bed and Breakfast

##### Farnam Guest House\*

616 Prospect Street, New Haven  
888-562-7121

Rates range from \$89–\$179 per night  
[www.farnamguesthouse.com](http://www.farnamguesthouse.com)

#### Hotels

##### New Haven Hotel

229 George Street, New Haven  
203-773-1641 or 800-NH-HOTEL  
[www.newhavenhotel.com](http://www.newhavenhotel.com)

##### Best Western

490 Saw Mill Road, West Haven  
203-933-0344

##### Holiday Inn North Haven

Route 5, Exit 12 off I91  
203-239-4225  
[www.holidayinn.com/northhavenct.com](http://www.holidayinn.com/northhavenct.com)

##### Omni Hotel

155 Temple Street, New Haven  
203-772-6664  
[www.omninelnewhaven.com](http://www.omninelnewhaven.com)

##### Courtyard by Marriott at Yale

30 Whalley Avenue, New Haven  
203-777-6221  
[www.courtyardmarriottat Yale.com](http://www.courtyardmarriottat Yale.com)

##### Courtyard by Marriott

136 Marsh Hill Road, Orange  
203-799-2200 or 1-800-894-8733  
[www.courtyard.com](http://www.courtyard.com)

##### The Study at Yale Hotel

1157 Chapel Street, New Haven  
203-503-3900  
[www.studyhotels.com](http://www.studyhotels.com)

\* Close to the AMC campus.

## Alumni of the Year Award

The 2009 Alumni Award will be presented to Sister Christine Cosgrove, O.P., '74 at Reunion festivities Saturday, June 6. This award recognizes her many years as a religious dedicated to service in the Church through her work as a teacher and administrator, and as a passionate advocate for involvement in the global community.

For more than 20 years Sister Christine taught and was an administrator at Dominican Academy in New York City; she currently is director of advancement and assistant principal at St. Vincent Ferrer High School, also in New York City. Both Dominican Academy and St. Vincent Ferrer are private Catholic high schools for young women. Over the years, Sister Christine has inspired her students to not only succeed academically, but to be open to a wider world beyond the classroom. She has led tours abroad, completing trips with more than 2,000 students and families to many European countries, as well as to Japan, South America, Australia and New Zealand.

In 2007, she created a "Twinning" program for St. Vincent Ferrer High School with Ste. Jeanne D'Arc High School, a day/boarding school for girls in Abomey, Benin, West Africa. Through her fund-raising efforts, Abomey soon will have a water tower on school

grounds and eventually a chicken coop. She also is working with a UNESCO group to get biomass equipment to provide a source of energy for the Abomey school.

An English literature major at Albertus, she went on to receive master's degrees from Saint Joseph Seminary and Fordham University, and a Ph.D. from Fordham.

The nomination of Sister Christine describes her as a "truly extraordinary person who has followed God's call in her life faithfully and has made a huge impact on those with whom she has worked over the years. Her students respect and love her, the parents value her vast experience and knowledge, and her peers and sisters in her community see her as a dedicated religious woman, an outstanding professional and one who has had a profound impact on many lives.... She has carried the mission of Albertus Magnus College into her life and experience."

*Sister Christine Cosgrove  
has inspired students to  
be open to a wider world  
beyond the classroom.*

# CAMPUS NEWS



Judith Sirota Rosenthal

The College in December dedicated the Mary A. and Louis F. Tagliatela Academic Center, honoring these business leaders and philanthropists. Three generations of the family attended the dedication ceremony: left to right—Louis F. Tagliatela Sr. and his wife, Mary A. Tagliatela, daughter-in-law Debbie Tagliatela, granddaughter Lauren Tagliatela, son Louis Tagliatela Jr., son Stephen Tagliatela and daughter-in-law Viola Tagliatela. The Academic Center, with its soaring St. Albert Atrium, opened in 2005. Support from the family also made possible the Tagliatela School of Business and Leadership.

## Rosette DuBois Dies After Lengthy Illness

*Rosette DuBois, executive director of the New Dimensions program, died February 1 after a year of battling breast cancer. She had joined the New Dimensions staff in 1997 as an adjunct faculty member, and also served as director of the Fairfield County regional campus. A graduate of Westfield State College with an undergraduate degree in business administration, she received a master's degree in organizational management from Central Connecticut State University.*

## Rios Named Dean for New Dimensions

Dr. Irene Rios has joined Albertus Magnus College as dean for the School of New Dimensions, a vital component of the College's educational portfolio. She has 25 years of higher education experience, including non-traditional education.

Most recently she was executive director of academic services at Springfield College in Springfield, Massachusetts. Previously she served as registrar at St. Joseph College in West Hartford and director of academic advising at Rochester Institute of Technology.

Dr. Rios received a doctorate in education from the University of Hartford, and is the 2008 winner of the National Academic Advising Student Research Award for the work done in her dissertation. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Rochester Institute of Technology, and has taught graduate and undergraduate courses.

## "Who's Who" Lists Albertus Students

The 2009 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" lists 15 Albertus undergraduate and graduate students. They are: Day Program—Tyler Cantrell, Jaime Guidi, Dena Mentel and Carolyn O'Brien; Accelerated Degree Program—Kim Chernecky, Elizabeth Hardy-Cox and Elsie Mendez; Master of Arts in Art Therapy—Sarah Kuchta and Amanda Salzano; and New Dimensions Program—Samantha Howard, Vinickery Howard, Anita Johnson, Michele Mehan, Darlene Smith and Nancy Steeves. Campus nominating committees and directory editors select outstanding students for the directory, based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.



Judith Sirota Rosenthal

From April 2–16, "Courtesan," a large work by sculptor Jonathan Waters was on display in the courtyard of the Tagliatela Academic Center.

## AMC Senior Named a Connecticut Student Poet

Katie Rowe, a senior sociology major from North Haven, Connecticut, is one of five students from Connecticut colleges and universities selected as a Student Poet for the 2008–2009 academic year by the Connecticut Poetry Circuit. This year's other honorees are from the University of Hartford, Yale University, Wesleyan University and Tunxis Community College.

The student poets traveled the state during the spring, reading their poems at eight campuses. They have been invited to participate in the Sunken Garden Poetry Festival at the Hill-Stead Museum in Farmington June 24.

"Winning the Connecticut Poetry Circuit is beyond an honor," Rowe says. "Writing can be an individual art, but it is also rewarding to share one's writing with others...others who love to write." She finds the Poetry Circuit a "little writer's community where we understand one another's relationships with writing. I've had the opportunity to get to know four other writers and their poetry. Each night when I hear them read their poems, I find something new and beautiful in them."

This co-editor of "Breakwater," the campus literary magazine, began writing stories in the second grade. "While I did write poetry when I was younger, I was much more interested in writing stories; I loved creating characters and placing them in situations," she remembers. "I don't feel I really developed my own poetic voice until college when I took writing



Jeff Theriault

courses with Dr. Cole, and I've been mostly writing poetry since. My poetry now reflects what I loved about writing stories when I was younger: I write about the characters and situations I know."

Not sure what she will be doing after graduation, Katie Rowe hopes to go to graduate school at some point. "Regardless of whatever jobs I take or whatever life I build for myself, I hope I continue finding the inspiration to write."

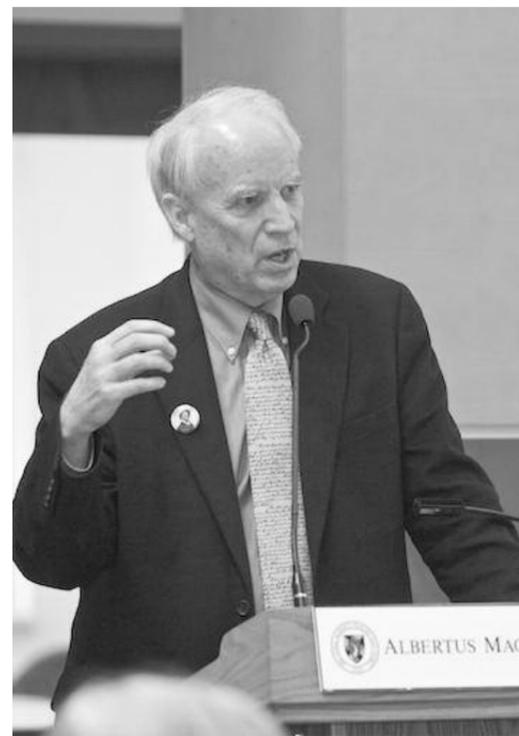
## Lincoln Bicentennial Celebration: An Update

The Lincoln penny drive, coordinated by the Campus Ministry Team as part of the College's year-long celebration of the bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's birth, has been a success; jars of pennies are still coming in. Monies collected will benefit Pennies for Peace. A project of the non-profit Central Asia Institute, Pennies for Peace supports schooling for children in the border region between Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Michael Burlingame, Sadowski professor emeritus of history at Connecticut College and co-chair of the Connecticut Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, spoke April 3 on the impact that Lincoln's presidency had on how the Constitution is read and interpreted. He is the author of 12 biographies on Lincoln; his latest multi-volume work, "Abraham Lincoln: A Life," appeared in December 2008 to outstanding reviews. Historian Doris Kearns Goodwin has said that this "profound and masterful portrait will be read and studied for years to come." Publisher's Weekly described the book as one of "PW's Best Books of the Year." The final event in the Albertus celebration of the Lincoln Bicentennial is September 16 at 12:10 p.m. in the Tagliatela Academic Center; Michael Geary, J.D., coordinator of the Albertus criminal justice program, will speak on "Lincoln and the Civil War: The Constitution in Peril." To reserve a seat for this event, which is free and open to the public, call 203-773-8502 or e-mail [alumni@albertus.edu](mailto:alumni@albertus.edu).

On February 13, Dr. Robert Bourgeois, assistant professor of humanities, spoke on "Abraham Lincoln: Tragedy, Fate, and Myth" to a large crowd of students, faculty, staff and members of the New Haven community. The talk was part of the Tagliatela School of Business and Leadership Faculty Forum programming.

Also in February, students in the Drawing I class exhibited works inspired by Lincoln's speeches and writings. Bryan Barrera, Marissa Dooner, Erica Hatrick, Sydney McAvoy, Daniel Rivera, Kevin Tierney and Bonnie Tormay had their posters on display at Rosary Hall.



Judith Sreeta Rosenthal

## Why They Teach

An occasional series in which members of the College's distinguished faculty reflect on why they teach

**ROBERT HUBBARD, M.B.A.,  
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS  
DIRECTOR, COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS PROGRAM**

*Before my college teaching career, I worked for almost 20 years in corporate management and information systems. During that time my favorite position was the four years that I spent as a senior technical instructor at a Fortune 200 company. It was then that personal computers were beginning to be seriously used in the business world and my position involved training both employees and customers on a wide array of systems and application software. I found that I enjoyed teaching immensely. So much so, in fact, that I started my own computer software training business and taught part-time at several colleges. That, in turn, led in 1994 to the position of Director of the MIS Program (now the Computer Information Systems Program) at Albertus Magnus.*

*I loved Albertus Magnus from the start. It was exactly what I had*

*imagined the ideal traditional college to be: a small but elegant campus, a faculty that cared about the students as individuals, and students who were eager to learn of all areas of knowledge. Computer majors not only took important courses in their discipline, but they acquired the diverse liberal arts background that is so important for a well-rounded individual.*

*In addition to teaching a subject that is so important to today's worker, I find it rewarding to counsel students on getting their first job or, in the case of older learners, on using their knowledge and abilities to the fullest. I am especially pleased each time I hear of graduates becoming web designers or project managers, starting their own companies, or even becoming teachers themselves.*



For more Campus News, see page 8

# Signs of



March 12 brought the annual “wearing o’the green” in celebration of St. Patrick. Alumni, family, friends, faculty, staff and students from our evening programs celebrated together in true Irish style. The event was held at The House of Bollstadt (campus pub) where Billy Donaldson’s Keltic Kick added to the spirited atmosphere with live music and the opportunity to sing along to traditional favorites. A grand time was had by all.

# Spring



On February 26, in celebration of both Black History Month (February) and Women's History Month (March) the College hosted "A Living History of Jazz" by the all-women jazz ensemble the Kit McClure Band. Kit and her band performed a wide variety of instrumental and vocal numbers from the Big Band era to current day. Blended with their music was a history of women musicians, black and white, in the jazz industry. (Visit [www.redhotrecords](http://www.redhotrecords) to learn more about the band and their efforts to nurture young women jazz musicians with The Sweethearts Project.)

Quick Notes:

- In December, Business Policy Seminar classes taught by Dr. Clara Munson delivered gifts—toys, bath supplies, outer wear, bedding and other items suggested by cards on a “giving tree”—to 26 children at Life Haven, a temporary shelter for homeless pregnant women and women with young children in New Haven. In addition, the classes made a donation of \$750.00, proceeds from a fund raiser, to the shelter.
- Lynn Fusco, a member of the College’s Board of Trustees and president of the Fusco Corporation—one of the leading construction and property management companies in New England—has been elected chair of the Board of Trustees of Connecticut Public Broadcasting, Inc., parent company of Connecticut Public Television and Connecticut Public Radio.
- On April 22, students in the freshman English honors program visited Whitney Center, a senior community in Hamden, to share original and favorite poems with the residents. The event was part of the College’s participation in the Favorite Poem Project—created by former U.S. Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky to encourage the reading of poetry—a major component of this year’s International Festival of Arts and Ideas in New Haven. Pinsky will be in town June 13 to kick off the Festival. During April and May the Library at Rosary Hall and the College’s bookstore will celebrate poetry with readings and postings of the favorite poems of members of the Albertus community.
- Paul Robichaud, assistant professor of English and director of the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies program, has had two poems accepted for publication by *Agenda*, a prominent poetry journal in the United Kingdom. “The Spear,” a translation from the medieval Welsh poet Dafydd ap Gwylim will appear in the upcoming Welsh issue; “The Possum” will be published in the 50th anniversary issue later this year. Founded in 1959 by Ezra Pound and William Cookson, the journal recently published work by Seamus Heaney, Billy Collins and Paul Muldoon.
- Dr. Douglas W. Dingman, microbiologist and molecular biologist at The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station in New Haven, recently spoke to science students, exploring the health and mysterious disappearance of millions of honeybees, a major environmental issue. Dr. Isaac Hon, associate professor in the department of biology and chemistry at Albertus, hosted the session.
- Student members of the Campus Ministry Team planned and staged a post-Valentine’s “senior prom” for participants in the Clelian Adult Day Center in Hamden. Everyone enjoyed singing, dancing and inter-generational conversation.
- Art history students in the Museum and Curatorial Studies course hosted the February 26 opening reception for “Real Places, Ideal Spaces,” an exhibition of works by Rachel Hellerich and Rashmi Talpade. The students also curated the show, which ran through March 20. In April, senior art student Kristle Scanlon curated “Low to High,” an exhibition of sculpture by Jonathan Waters, which opened with a reception in the courtyard of the Mary A. and Louis F. Tagliatela Academic Center.



Sophomore Pedro Suncar Jr., right, received the 2009 LawyerYou Spring Break Giveaway prize of a \$500 American Express Gift Card. He was among 110 students from Albertus, Gateway Community College, Quinnipiac University, Southern Connecticut State University and Yale University who entered the drawing. Suncar, who is a Gates Millennium Scholar, attended an orientation session for Albertus Resident Assistants in the fall at which John Cirello Esq., left, spoke about underage drinking, drunk driving and other legal issues that college-age students might encounter. LawyerYou, a division of Cirello & Vessicchio, LLC, provides legal services to college students at area schools.



Junior Cameron Giordano meets with some fans between games of a March 28 double-header home game against St. Joseph’s College of Maine. During spring break the baseball team traveled by bus throughout the southeast playing against nationally-ranked teams, including Eastern Connecticut State University, Southern Maine University, Methodist University and King College. At a stop at Chapel Hill, the student-athletes watched a game between the University of North Carolina and Appalachian State.

College Adds Master’s Degree in Education

In the fall, Albertus will offer a Master of Science degree in education (M.S. Ed.) The College’s seventh master’s program, this degree is for teachers who have initial certification and must complete state requirements for professional certification. Classes will be held at the main campus in New Haven and at Founders Plaza in East Hartford. The program’s flexible evening format permits those currently employed as teachers to pursue graduate education without compromising their professional obligations.

# CLASS NOTES

## 1934 *75th Reunion June 6, 2009*

**Jean Venditti Leary**, Hamden, CT, is a resident of the Whitney Center Health Center, about a mile from the AMC campus. She plays the piano at Whitney Center functions.

## 1935 *75th Reunion June 12, 2010*

## 1939 *70th Reunion June 6, 2009*

**Virginia Macri Gerick**, Austin, TX, sends word that she will "miss the Reunion, but my thoughts will be with you all." Her husband, James, is retired from the Air Force; they have a son, granddaughter and two great-grandchildren. She enjoys reading, knitting and collecting cookbooks; she belongs to two genealogical associations.

**Catherine Conger Hayes**, Potomac, MD, welcomed her first great-granddaughter in December, and celebrated her own 90th birthday in February. She will be spending the summer on Whidbey Island, Washington, with her son Joe and his wife, and sends her best wishes to the Albertus community and congratulations to her classmates of 1939.

**Rita Savarese Moule**, Orange, CT, celebrated her 90th birthday last May at a party with family and friends. She has three sons, six granddaughters and six great-grandchildren. She is the mother-in-law of Susan Keane Moule '68. Active in the Lioness Club and the Holy Infant Ladies Guild, she knits hats for premature babies at local hospitals.

**Barbara Fitch Prokop**, Cheshire, CT, is involved with St. Rita Church senior activities and a bridge club.

## 1940 *70th Reunion June 12, 2010*

## 1944F *65th Reunion June 6, 2009*

**Constance Allen Nucci**, Newington, CT, has two daughters, a son, three granddaughters and three grandsons. Her first great-grandchild is due in May.

## 1944S *65th Reunion June 6, 2009*

**Dorothy Butler Hyland**, Holly Hill, FL, has six children and four grandchildren. She is active with the Council on Aging, and for 35 years she has been on the board of Heart of Volusia, an organization providing education, research and community service for the prevention of heart problems. She reports 13 academic degrees among the family.

## 1945 *65th Reunion June 12, 2010*

## 1949 *60th Reunion June 6, 2009*

## 1950 *60th Reunion June 12, 2010*

## 1954 *55th Reunion June 6, 2009*

**Sr. M. Ursula Bongiovanni**, Hamden, CT, works at the Clelian Adult Day Center, which serves frail, elderly and disabled adults.

## 1955 *55th Reunion June 12, 2010*

## 1958

**Susanne Schuppel Washburn**, Dorset, VT, a freelance journalist, had an article published recently in The American Catholic newspaper. "Hiroshima through the Eyes of Survivors" was prompted by her visit to a Benedictine monastery for an exhibit of drawings made by survivors of the bombing of Hiroshima.

## *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 2008-2009 Annual Report. Please contact Carolyn Behan Kraus '86, director of alumni relations and special events, at alumni@albertus.edu or Bernadette Holodak, director of development, at development@albertus.edu, or call 203-773-8502.*

## 1959 *50th Reunion June 6, 2009*

**Sr. Maureen Controy, O.P.**, Newburgh, NY, works in the Foster Grandparent Program at Bishop Dunn Memorial Elementary School. She volunteers in the Archives of the Dominican Sisters of Hope, and enjoys music, reading and word puzzles.

**Susan Hogan Endler-Kirby**, Jupiter, FL, has two sons and five grandchildren. She is a volunteer at her church thrift shop and a thrift shop to benefit abused women and their children, as well as a lifelong learning student at Florida Atlantic University.

**Dora Kyryk Henel**, Lafayette, CA, has four children and seven grandchildren. Retired, she is a member of her parish council; she enjoys hiking, skiing, birding and traveling.

**Arlene Fanucci Johnson**, Fairfield, CT, is an adjunct instructor in biology at Housatonic Community College. She enjoys music, travel and art, and is involved with Westport Women's Club projects. She and Robert have a son, Matthew, and a daughter, Rachel, who is married.

**Maureen Lucey**, Jupiter, FL, is a retired educator, with careers as a classroom teacher and college administrator; she also served as executive director of the Council on Aging for Holyoke and Agawam, Massachusetts, and director of religious education, sacramental preparation and youth ministry in Palm Beach Gardens. She has two children and two grandchildren.

**Mary Lyons**, Santa Rosa, CA, has recently been selected as the national president of the Association of Contemplative Sisters. A psychotherapist, she has four daughters and seven grandchildren. She is a lector, on the parish council and other church committees.

**Joan Schilling Morse**, Visalia, CA, a retired educator, and Stuart have a son, two daughters and five grandchildren. She is a church volunteer, bringing Communion to convalescent home residents and the homebound; she also is involved with AAUW and the Symphony League.

## *East Shore Chapter Visits Court House*

*The East Shore Chapter of the Albertus Magnus College Alumni Association attended a session of the U.S. District Court in New Haven March 26, Judge Ellen Bree Burns '44S presiding. Prior to the session, Judge Burns gave a short tour and general description of the court; following the session the group adjourned to The Graduate Club for lunch.*

**Anne Ruotolo Pisanelli**, North Haven, CT, and her husband, Anthony, have two daughters and two granddaughters.

**Dorothy McLoughlin Roberts**, Jupiter, FL, a retired financial planner and investment advisor, has two sons, two daughters and four grandchildren. She is a board member of the Jupiter Pre-School, and a member of the pro-life and bereavement committees of her church. Her husband, Hal, died in 1982.

**Gail Lindsay Schuler**, Hamden, CT, and Jack have three sons and four grandchildren. She is retired, a watercolorist, a member of her church choir and an active pro-life advocate. She has had three joint replacements and anticipates another.

**Joan Regan Sheridan**, Portland, OR, and Joe have a son, two daughters and six grandchildren. She currently is involved with Meals on Wheels and Habitat for Humanity, and keeps busy with fitness classes/training, weekly Volkswalks, book clubs, art classes, family ancestry and visiting local wineries.

## 1960 *50th Reunion June 12, 2010*

## 1961

**Angela DeFilipi Errico**, Plandome, NY, was among 26 artists participating in "First Exposure," the debut exhibition of Artbridge, an organization showcasing works of large format art for public display. The artwork, affixed to 470 linear feet of scaffolding on West 23rd Street between 9th and 10th Avenues in New York City, will be up for several months. She recently returned from Egypt.

## 1964 *45th Reunion June 6, 2009*

**Claire Wilcox Bronson**, West Redding, CT, and Phil celebrated their 40th anniversary with a cruise to Hawaii. They are awaiting the birth of their second grandchild.

**Ellen Donahue**, Chestnut Hill, MA, is retired from teaching, but was called back to fill in from December 1, 2008 to March 6, 2009 for a teacher on maternity leave. "I'm looking forward to being retired again and to the Reunion!" She is a lector at her parish, a member of the parish council and secretary of the parish retirees' club.

**Beverly Dugas**, Trumbull, CT, traveled to Egypt in 2007 with her sister. They spent two weeks there seeing history brought back to life. Highlights of the trip were a three-day cruise on the Nile and seeing the Great Pyramid of Giza.

**Suzanne Lynch Fattah**, Minneapolis, MN, retired after teaching 30+ years in the local public school, is a volunteer at the Minnesota Zoo and a collector of antique postcards. She and Salah have a son, Yousif, and a daughter, Mona; each is married.

**Kathleen Rivers Garner**, Longmeadow MA, is "retired and loving it!" She and Joseph have four children and four grandchildren. Her parish council, Food for the Soul Ministry, Prayer Shawl Ministry and a book discussion group keep her busy.

**Norma Puzzo Marcellino**, North Eastham, MA, who retired from teaching in 2004 and moved to Cape Cod, is singing with the Outer Cape Chorale in Provincetown and is an active member and volunteer for Friends of the Eastham Library. Her son, David, is a producer in New York City of animation for commercials; daughter, Sara, works in the non-profit world in California and has two sons.

**Margaret Heffernan Metwally**, Stamford, CT, recently retired from Wachovia Bank, where she was a vice president in trust investments. She is currently

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# CLASS NOTES

on the board of Friends of Ferguson Library and teaching ESL. Her son is a resident doctor at Norwalk Hospital and her daughter teaches French at Brian McMahon High School in Norwalk.

**Barbara Moroson**, Stratford, CT, is retired from Yale Medical School, where she was involved in the development of chemotherapeutic agents. She is active in parish activities at her church. Her family includes her mom, Mary, and a collection of animals: Shari, the dog; Katie, the cat; Joey, the parakeet; and goldfish.

**Mary Sanzo Pellettieri**, Washington, D.C., and her husband, Jim, own a Bed and Breakfast on Capitol Hill. They have 3 children and 10 grandchildren.

## 1967

**Ruth Sullo Decko**, Cheshire, CT, is currently going to the University of Connecticut for her doctorate in educational psychology, and she is "loving it."

## 1969

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**Aleksandra Bzdyra**, New Haven, CT, now retired, enjoys traveling and theatre.

**Karen Effinger Otto**, Bowie, MD, returned from Vienna, Austria, three years ago. She mainly takes care of her 3½-year-old grandson, but also did some volunteer work for Barack Obama. One daughter works for ARTEX and one daughter is vice president for development at Men Can Stop Rape.

**Linda Roggenburg**, Sarasota, FL, is a full-time artist and watercolor instructor; she retired from two careers—one in public health research, with a focus on drug abuse, and another in architecture, designing custom homes on the Oregon Coast. She now sells her paintings at the Sarasota Downtown Market every Saturday. She would love to connect with other AMC folks in the area.

**Mary Ellen Ciarletto Rose**, Virginia Beach, VA, is a pre-school teacher. She has two daughters, 30 and 24, and two grandsons, 4 and 1.

## 1970

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**Janet Nowakowski Gold**, Eliot, ME, sends word that her latest book, "Culture and Customs of Honduras," will be published in May by Greenwood Press.

## In Memoriam

### Marion C. Flood '39

aunt of Katharine Anne Flood Sandalls '68 and great aunt of Jessica Flood DeRing '96  
November 6, 2008  
Portland, CT

### Beverly Volk Fagan '44S

recipient of the Alumni of the Year Award for Humanitarian Service in 1991  
March 10, 2009  
Madison, CT

### Phyllis Warner Sabine '45

October 22, 2008  
Graniteville, SC

### Rita C. Buckley '48

January 5, 2009  
Ansonia, CT

### Kathryn "Kate" Lynch '48

December 18, 2008  
Hamden, CT

### Jean Shanley Baisley '49

December 6, 2008  
State College, PA

### Marjorie McGill Bacon '53

April 3, 2009  
Pacifica, CA

### Anne Farley Hubbard '55

sister of Eileen Farley Caravati '58 and Christine Farley Quinn '61, and aunt of Tim Quinn '88  
February 2, 2009  
Goshen, CT

### Robin Fair Blackstone '95

January 24, 2009  
East Haven, CT

### George L. Murray III '99 MSM

October 29, 2008  
Westbrook, CT

## Alumna Elected Board President of Hartford's Wadsworth Atheneum, Nation's Oldest Public Art Museum

**Susan Lundgren Rottner '67** has been elected president of the Board of Trustees of the Wadsworth Atheneum, founded in 1842 and now the nation's oldest public art museum.

She is the former president of Bank of America in Connecticut, recently retiring after more than 35 years with Bank of America and its predecessor banks in Connecticut. As president, she was responsible for the bank's overall operations in the state, including the Private Bank, community affairs and corporate giving.

In addition to her work with the Wadsworth Atheneum, Rottner also serves on the board and executive committee of the Bushnell Center for Performing Arts, the Greater Hartford YMCA and Hartford Hospital. She also is a board member of the Aurora Foundation, which provides educational and outreach programs and funds initiatives to directly advance the leadership, well-being and growth potential of women and girls.

**Mary Hine Michals**, Cape Elizabeth, ME, is the credit manager of a wholesale foods distributor in Portland. Her son, a film major, graduated from Dartmouth in 2007 and works for Time, Inc., in New York City in its new video department.

## 1972

**Patricia "Trish" Larson Evenwel**, Branford, CT, retired in 2006 after a 35-year teaching career to return to her art. She is the co-author and illustrator for a children's book to be published this year, "Pierogies with the Pope: A Tribute to Pope John Paul II, and New Beginnings with Pope Benedict XVI, for Young Readers."

## 1974

### 35th Reunion June 6, 2009

**Joan Sczawinski Krantz**, Middlebury, CT, will retire in June after 35 years of teaching English. She plans to spend her new leisure time reading, writing and running with her two Norwich terriers.

## 1975

### 35th Reunion June 12, 2010

## 1976

**Sr. Sheila O'Neill, A.S.C.J.**, is happy to be back "home" in Hamden, Connecticut, after 22 years in St. Louis as principal of Cor Jesu Academy. She now works for her religious congregation as director of mission advancement.

## 1979

### 30th Reunion June 6, 2009

**Lisa Kovacs Anderson**, Bolton, CT, a magistrate for the State of Connecticut, practices real estate law. A lector at her church, she is on the board of directors of Network, Inc. She and John have a son, Patrick, 9.

**Elizabeth Aiello Gregg**, Mars Hill, NC, is a freelance voiceover artist and her husband is associate professor of theatre arts at Mars Hill College; they have three children. She is the cantor at St. Eugene's Catholic Church in Asheville and a company member at the Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre. Her Web site is now up: [www.lizaiello.com](http://www.lizaiello.com).

## 1980

### 30th Reunion June 12, 2010

**Tina Reelick Underwood**, Bridgewater, CT, had an exhibition of her latest oil paintings of landscapes and still life themes at the local library during April. She received a bachelor's degree in studio art, and later studied in France through a program at Sarah Lawrence College. She has participated in several solo and group shows.

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## What's in a Name?

**Jeanne Craddock Miller '89**, general counsel for Florida Community College at Jacksonville, knows that there is a lot to deal with as she guides the school through a transition to its new name: Florida State College at Jacksonville. It's much more than new signage and business cards; the change, which requires approval of the State Legislature, has an impact on every aspect of the college's life.

Miller was profiled in the March 9 issue of the Jacksonville Financial News & Daily Record. A graduate of Florida State University College of Law in 1995, she has held a variety of positions since then: law firm associate, corporate in-house counsel, staff member of Jacksonville's Office of General Counsel and interim director of the Jacksonville Economic Development Commission. She has been general counsel at the college since 2006.

## 1982

**Mary Jean Wickham Wakefield**, Amston, CT, recently received her 10-year recognition award from Eastern Connecticut State University, where she is a programmer specialist. She and her husband, Dave, have a son, Patrick, 9; in December 2006 they adopted Lea Ying, 4, from China. "I would love to hear more news from the classes of 1982 and 1983!"

## 1984

### 25th Reunion June 6, 2009

**Anna C. Beach**, Caribou, ME, is retiring June 30 as pastor of Gray Memorial United Methodist Church. Her husband, Ken, has been working on finishing their retirement home in Blanchard. She enjoys movies, reading and rock hounding.

**Laurie Giuliano Montanaro**, Portland, CT, chief financial officer for Amtrust Underwriters, has a daughter, 23, and a son, 20. She is treasurer of the Katharine Hepburn Theatre in Old Saybrook and of the Cornfield Point Beach Association.

## 1985

### 25th Reunion June 12, 2010

## 1989

### 20th Reunion June 6, 2009

**Karin Nobile**, Branford, CT, is president of Nobile Communications International, LLC, a business development and social responsibility planning company. She is a board member of the Albertus Alumni Association.

**Barbara Paradis**, Bethany, CT, received an M.A. from Wesleyan University and has taught English and Women's Studies at area colleges. A recruiter for the State of Connecticut's department of developmental services, she enjoys church activities, hiking, biking, riding, kayaking and reading.

**Doug Reil**, Albany, CA, is associate publisher and managing director of North Atlantic Books. He and his wife, Robin, have a 6-month-old son, Cashel.

1990

20th Reunion June 12, 2010

1992

**Dana Sachs**, New Haven, CT recently appeared in "In Charge of the Fire," a production of the Blackfriars Repertory Theatre, founded in New York City in 1940 by Dominican friars, and now based in New Haven at St. Mary's Church. The two-man play tells the story of St. Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus. Known for adapting medieval stories to today's world, the Blackfriars troupe will be touring with the production.

1994

15th Reunion June 6, 2009

**Alfred Blackburn** MALS, Cheshire, CT, is a retired librarian.

**Tabitha Wazorko Manafort**, Plainville, CT, and Justin are the parents of Samantha, 5, and Justin Jr., 3. The owner of TWM Development, LLC, she is a member of the Albertus Board of Trustees, Plainville Board of Education, Plainville Food Pantry, Community Foundation of Greater New Britain and its distribution committee.

1995

15th Reunion June 12, 2010

**James McDonnell** is living in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where he is a licensed counselor/psychotherapist and part-time yoga instructor.

**Joset Crespo Rosado**, Yonkers, N.Y., sends word of the birth of her second daughter, Maya Eve; Sierra Michele is now 6. Married to Marcos for seven years, she is a clinical social worker for a mental health clinic in the Bronx. Classmates and friends can reach her at [theshrink42@gmail.com](mailto:theshrink42@gmail.com).

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1996

**Aisha Stagers** is assistant director of the Center for Public Policy & Social Research at Central Connecticut State University.

1998

**Natardia Lee Soy** appeared in "The Meltdown" February 28 and March 1 at the Off-Broadway Where Eagles Dare Theatre. She lives in the Bronx.

1999

10th Reunion June 6, 2009

**Kristina Groth Ruthe**, MSM, Scheessel, Germany, teaches biology at the local high school. She also is a volunteer English teacher in her community, and enjoys swimming, tennis and photography. She and her husband, Manfred, have a son, Colin, who is 3½.

2000

10th Reunion June 12, 2010

**Matthew Quinn Martin '95**, a part-time instructor of communications at Albertus, has had his short story "Command Performance" accepted for publication in *Transition: An International Review*. The journal is a publication of the W.E.B. Du Bois Institute at Harvard University; among its editorial board members are Toni Morrison, Carlos Fuentes, Cornel West, Jamaica Kincaid and bell hooks. His story is scheduled to appear in issue 103, due out in late 2009.

He wrote the screenplay for "Slingshot," a feature film which had its premiere at New York City's TriBeCa Film Festival in 2005.

2004

5th Reunion June 6, 2009

**Corina Alvarezdelugo**, Branford, CT, reports that her sculpture "About to Jump" was accepted into the 108th Annual Juried Art Exhibition of the New Haven Paint & Clay Club. It was on display at the John Slade Ely House from March 15 through April 5.

**Lorraine Wry**, Simsbury, CT, notes that the New Dimensions Program helped her fulfill dreams of a college degree. She and her husband, Dennis, have two daughters. She is with the department of continuing education of the Simsbury public school system.

2005

5th Reunion June 12, 2010

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

**Robert W. Baisley**,

husband of the late Jean Shanley Baisley '49  
March 7, 2009

**Jeanne H. Bartlett**,

mother of Scott Bartlett, AMC Web Master  
March 23, 2009

**John Boyle**, husband of Joan McKeon Boyle '53

April 4, 2009

**Joyce Brantl**, mother of Curtis Brantl '89,

mother-in-law of Judy Toussaint '88,  
and sister-in-law of Sr. Charles Marie Brantl, O.P., '51  
November 11, 2008

**John Burr**, student in the New Dimensions Program

March 10, 2009

**Claire Cleary**, mother of Eileen Bujalski,

administrative assistant in the AMC Library  
October 17, 2008

**Rosette DuBois**,

executive director of the New Dimensions Program  
February 1, 2009 (see story page 4)

**John E. Hickey**, husband of Eileen Donnelly Hickey '53  
January 29, 2009

**John Holodak**, father-in-law of Bernadette Holodak,

AMC director of development  
January 28, 2009

**Elizabeth Kubler**,

recipient of an AMC honorary degree, May 1999  
January 9, 2009

**Gordon A. Shunk**, husband of Franceen Lyons '71

November 5, 2008

**Walter Sidas**, husband of Patricia Degnan Sidas '65

December 11, 2008

**Patricia Winslow**,

mother of Brittany Winslow, AMC freshman  
January 22, 2009

**Michael Wirsch**,

brother-in-law of Dr. Robert Imholt, AMC professor  
of history, and Kathleen Sheehan Imholt '72  
December 2008

**Peter Yeaman**, brother of Dr. Patricia Yeaman,

AMC professor of sociology  
February 11, 2009

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## Ferraiolo's Book Nominated For 2009 Edgar Award

Jack D. Ferraiolo '94 has been nominated by the Mystery Writers of America for a 2009 Edgar Award in the Best Young Adult category for his first novel, "The Big Splash." The Edgars are named for Edgar Allan Poe and are regarded as the "Oscars" of the mystery genre.

In the October 12 edition of the New York Times Book Review, reviewer Rich Cohen called "The Big Splash" an "entertaining and thrilling" debut novel, marked "by twists and turns." The writing, he said, "is cynical and tough, riddled with the sort of hard-boiled jargon you expect from a B movie."

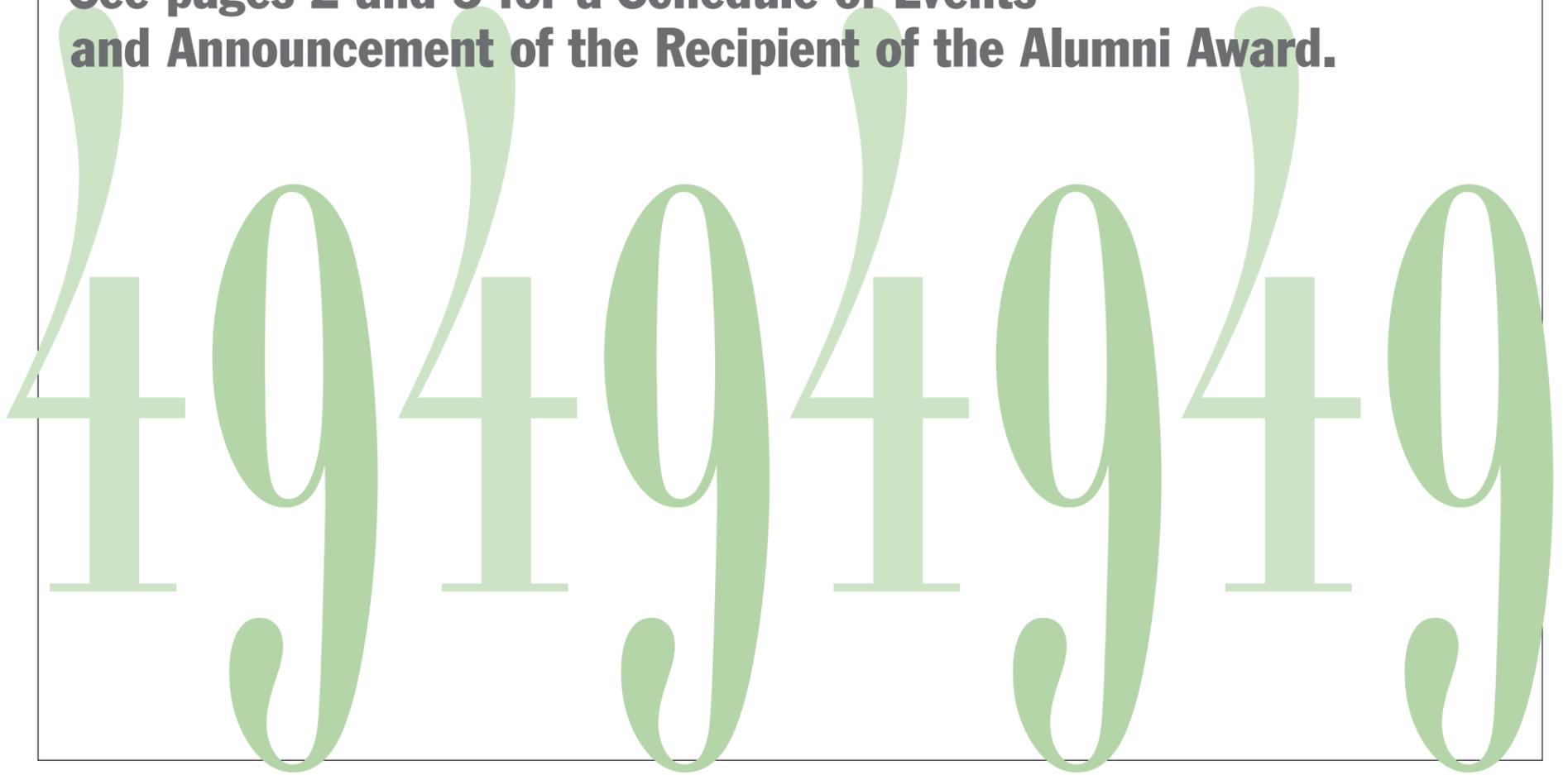
Publisher's Weekly said, "With crisp prose and surprisingly poignant moments, Ferraiolo's debut entertains on many levels."

Ferraiolo is the developer, writer and director of WordGirl animated shorts for PBS, and head writer for the half-hour series based on those shorts.

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