The College’s seal has been added to the Aquinas Hall walkway to commemorate the 85th Anniversary of our founding.
After graduating from Albertus with a major in social sciences through the Accelerated Degree Program, Karreem Mebane didn’t have far to go for the next step in his educational journey. In fact, it was just a few blocks down Prospect Street to the Yale University Divinity School. While a student there, he focused on business and social ethics, receiving a Master of Arts in Religious Studies in 2006. He earned the Chancellor’s List Honor, the International Scholar Laureate Award, and was named a Yale Club Scholar. Yale hired Mebane later in 2006 to supervise graduate and professional school intramural athletic programs. He previously had been a baseball umpire for seven seasons, working minor league games throughout the professional baseball system, and on staff in the Office of the Commissioner of Baseball. He has served for five years on the Board of Governors of the College, including time as vice president. In 2010 he co-chaired the inaugural Alumni Golf Outing, a very successful part of last year’s reunion weekend. He is also a member of the Albertus Alumni Association, including time as vice president. He has also been a lecturer and adjunct professor at the College, teaching undergraduate courses in the department of philosophy and religious studies. For the past three years, he has carried out his strong belief in the importance of acting as a moral and socially responsible citizen by giving of his time and talents as an advisory board member for Rock & Wrap It Up, a national food recovery think tank, which partners with 60 sports franchises in the NFL, NBA, MLB, NHL and AFL to recover food that is prepared but not sold from home game concessions throughout the United States and Canada, then donated to feed the indigent. Closer to home, he is a director of St. Luke’s Episcopal Development Corporation and an advisory committee member for Southern Connecticut State University’s sport management concentration, for which he is helping the institution develop a sports ethics curriculum.
Reunion 2011—Schedule of Events

Friday, June 10
7:00–  An evening in the House of Bollstadt
11:00 p.m. Pub open, refreshments, music, and Karaoke!
Members of the Albertus Student Government Association will be on hand during Karaoke to assist (and applaud) you!

Saturday, June 11
10:30 a.m. Registration
–5:00 p.m.
10:30– Albertus Bookstore open for shopping
5:30 p.m.
11:00– Special Presentation in the Bookstore
11:30 a.m. "Mark Twain a hundred years later: the wit and wisdom of America’s greatest humorist, featuring an appearance by Mr. Twain himself."
11:00 a.m. Buffet Luncheon for all alumni and guests
–1:30 p.m. GO Falcons! Meet some Albertus student-athletes at the luncheon.
1:00– Photo Booth
4:00 p.m. Grab your friends and get your photos taken together!
1:30 p.m. Campus Tour (walking tour)
1:30– Dorms Open (McAuliffe, Nolan, Sansbury, Dominican and Mohun)
4:00 p.m.
2:30 p.m. Alumni College session: "Who Are You? Building Your Personal Brand"
5:00 p.m.
4:00 p.m. Reunion Mass
5:00 p.m. Golden Society Induction Ceremony followed by a Champagne Toast Honoring the Class of 1961
6:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m. Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association; presentation of the Premier Achievement Award
6:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m. – Cocktail Reception and Buffet Dinner for all classes
10:30 p.m. featuring live jazz

Tell us your Albertus Story!
During Reunion, attendees will have an opportunity to be a part of the 85th Anniversary – $5 Stories project.

Reunion 2011—Area Hotels

Hotel room blocks are available at a special rate for Albertus graduates traveling to campus for Reunion 2011. 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.

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 11, 2011
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 11, 2011
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 10–12 is a very busy weekend in New Haven. Some hotels listed below may not have rooms available.

BED AND BREAKFAST
Touch of Ireland Guest House*
670 Whitney Avenue, New Haven
203-787-7997
www.touchofirelandguesthouse.com

Farnam Guest House*
616 Prospect Street, New Haven
888-562-7121
www.farnamguesthhouse.com

HOTELS
New Haven Hotel
229 George Street, New Haven
203-773-1641 or 800/NEW/HOTEL
www.newhavenhotel.com

Holiday Inn North Haven
Route 5, Exit 12 off I91
203-239-4225
www.holidayinn.com/northhavenct.com

Courtyard by Marriott at Yale
30 Whitney Avenue, New Haven
203-777-6221
www.courtyardm arriott.com

Quality Inn
30 Frontage Road, East Haven
203-469-5321
www.qualityinn.com

La Quinta
400 Sargent Drive, New Haven
203-662-1111
www.lq.com

Omni Hotel
155 Temple Street, New Haven
203-772-6664
www.omnihotelnewhaven.com

Courtyard by Marriott
136 Marsh Hill Road, Orange
203-799-2200 or 1-800-894-8733
www.courtyard.com

The Study at Yale
1157 Chapel Street, New Haven
203-503-3900
www.thestudyhotels.com

* Close to the Albertus campus.
College Announces Honorary Degree Recipients

The Board of Trustees of the College has voted unanimously to confer the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters upon the following distinguished individuals at Commencement Exercises, Sunday, May 15:

Sister Charles Marie Brantl, O.P., ’51 was an economics major at Albertus, and then earned her master’s degree and doctorate in economics from Fordham University. In 1976, she accepted an invitation to return to her alma mater to build and staff a new department of business and economics. She later served as vice president for academic affairs for 11 years and is now director of assessment and institutional research. This passionate advocate for lifelong learning was an early supporter of information technology as a tool for the improvement of student learning, helping to bring the College fully into the Information Age.

Sister Mary Faith Dargan, O.P., ’53 earned the master’s degree in Latin from Boston College, and later joined the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs; she received her doctorate in classics from The Ohio State University. In 1970 she returned to her alma mater as chairman of the classics department. Four years later she became academic dean—a position she held for a decade. She is now professor of classics in the foreign language department. A highly-respected classics scholar, Sister Mary Faith has been an active and committed member of her religious congregation and a stalwart supporter of her alma mater.

Natalia Icaza Holland, ’40 is a member of the 13th class to graduate from the College, where she was a history and political science major. Described in her class book as a “dynamic statesman and globe-trotter,” she applied to law school at a time when few women did, and received an L.L.B. degree in 1943 from New York University Law School. A dedicated volunteer, she was honored last year by the Daughters of the American Revolution for 70 years of continuous service. She has been extraordinarily loyal to her alma mater, unwavering in her philanthropy and love for the College.

Marcus R. McCraven, native of Des Moines, Iowa, has been deeply involved in the life of New Haven for more than four decades. A graduate of Howard University, he spent many years in California as a nuclear scientist at the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory. In 1970 he began a long and distinguished career with the United Illuminating Company, retiring as vice president of UI’s environmental engineering program. He is a champion of the underserved in the Greater New Haven community, believing with great passion in the importance of education for students of color.

Community Celebrates National Student-Athlete Day

On April 6, National Student-Athlete Day, Albertus honored its student-athletes for their academic and athletic achievements. The NCAA has been the official sponsor of National Student-Athlete Day since 1994.

The celebration of student-athletes also featured the unveiling of a new logo for Albertus athletics, featuring a stylized falcon’s head above the name Albertus Magnus.

At Albertus, student-athletes make up about a third of the Traditional Day College. Speaking in the Cosgrove, Marcus, Messer Athletic Center to a crowd of students, faculty and staff, Michael Spinner, director of athletics, noted that student-athletes here “receive a world-class education in life and in academics. They use their athletic experience to assist them on their life journey after graduation.” He pointed out that Division III student-athletes graduate on time at a higher rate than student athletes at the Division I and Division II levels.

Albertus Receives Davis Educational Foundation Grant

The Davis Educational Foundation has voted to grant the College $72,000 over three years for the project “Using ePortfolios to Promote Student Success.”

Targeted to promoting student success and retention, the project will foster student engagement and thinking; support an innovative honors program focused on student learning outcomes rather than simple course completion; and enable the College to gain a new source of data for program and institutional assessment.

Albertus has a history of successfully working with underrepresented student populations and first-generation college students. The Education Trust ranks the College second highest for its four-year and six-year retention rates when compared to 15 benchmarked institutions, and the Washington Monthly ranks the College 10th out of 250 liberal arts colleges for promoting social mobility.

The Davis Educational Foundation was established by Stanton and Elisabeth Davis after Mr. Davis’s retirement as chairman of Shaw’s Supermarkets, Inc.
Several faculty members, graduates and students of the College's art therapy program have been accepted to present at the AATA (American Art Therapy Association) National Conference in July. Evie Lindemann, clinical coordinator, will present a workshop, “Creating Retablo Panels”; Abbe Miller, director, will lead a panel with four MAAT students on “El duende Process Painting for Internship”; Amanda Salzano, assistant research consultant and ‘09 MAAT graduate, will present “Team Quilt to Reduce Burnout,” based on her thesis; Roxanne Crane ‘10 MAAT, will present “Art Materials and Stress,” based on her thesis. Michael Galaburri, MAAT student, and Donna Kaiser, research consultant, will present at the Research Roundtable.

Melissa Delucia, practicum and internship coordinator, graduated from the Experiential Education Academy, which is sponsored by the National Society for Experiential Education. She also was elected to a third term as vice president of the Cooperative Education and Internship Association for the 2010–2011 academic year.

Art Therapy: Journal of the American Art Therapy Association has accepted an article by Lisa Furman, assistant professor in the MAAT program, titled “Last Breath: Art Therapy with a Lung Cancer Patient Facing Inminent Death.” The Arts in Psychotherapy has accepted a paper by Crystal I. Schrade ’09 MAAT, “Physiological Effects of Mandala Making in Adults with Intellectual Disability.”

An article by Paul Robichaud, chair of the department of English and humanities, on Hugh MacDiarmid’s long poem, “To Circumjack Cencrastus,” has been published in the peer-reviewed Literary Encyclopedia, an online resource for scholars and students. His poem “Domestic,” appeared in the U.K. magazine, Brittle Star, Issue 25.

Magazine Honors Andrew Foster as a 2011 “40 Under 40” Leader
Connecticut Magazine has named Andrew Foster, director of financial aid, one of its 2011 “40 Under 40” distinguished honorees. The cover story of the March issue describes the group as part of a “new generation of leaders,” women and men who are “full of energy, ideas and the determination to help steer Connecticut’s course into the future.”

Foster joined the Albertus community five years ago. A native of Jamaica, he has a B.S. in psychology from Sacred Heart University and is currently working on a master’s degree in leadership at Albertus. He also volunteers as a presenter for the Connecticut Association of Professional Financial Aid Administrators, conducting free financial aid workshops around the state for students and their families.

Poem by Charles Rafferty
Appears in The New Yorker
Charles Rafferty, director of the Master of Fine Arts in Writing program and adjunct professor of English at Albertus, has had his poem “The Man Explores His Souvenirs” published in the January 17 issue of The New Yorker. “This is one of the few poems I’ve written that is consciously based on an actual event,” he says. “On a camping trip in Arkansas I found the skeleton of a wild pig in the woods, and took one of the molaris home with me. At the time, I knew I’d write a poem about it, but I didn’t sit down to actually compose the poem until a few years ago.” Rafferty received a 2009 NEA Fellowship in Creative Writing, as well as a grant from the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism. He is the author of four full-length collections of poetry, and his poems also have appeared in many journals, anthologies and textbooks.

Lacrosse Coaches for Men’s and Women’s Teams Join Staff
The College’s first coaches for its new lacrosse program are Darryl Delia, men’s team, and Steve Jewett, women’s team. Director of Athletics Michael Galarurri, in making the announcements, noted that both coaches are true professionals who understand the importance of balancing academics and athletics. They are, he said, “the perfect fit for Albertus and will be building outstanding and successful programs.”

Delia spent the last three seasons as an assistant coach at Sacred Heart University, where he served as both offensive coordinator and recruiting coordinator. He also was at Fairfield University for four seasons and for five seasons at Yale University as the top assistant coach and interim head coach during the 2003 season. While at Yale he was one of only a few coaches nationally to serve as a selector for the 2000 U.S. World Team.

Jewett has been involved with coaching lacrosse in Connecticut for 20 years, including serving as head coach at Mitchell College and, for 17 years, the head coach at Hamden Hall Country Day School. A full-time educator, he is a lower school science teacher at Hamden Hall.

During the summer of 2011, the College will renovate its game field, installing a turf playing surface to accommodate the addition of men’s and women’s lacrosse. In the spring of next year, lacrosse will be a club sport, moving to varsity status in 2013.

Quick Notes:
Experiential Learning Day
The Albertus Community in March celebrated its first Experiential Learning Day, a time to salute Practicum and Internship Students of the Year and to honor Community Partners of the Year for outstanding supervision and mentorship of Albertus students.

The mission of the College is to provide an education that “promotes the search for truth in all its dimensions and is practical in its application.” Here, academic internships, practica and relevant work experiences are encouraged as preparation for meaningful careers. Practical work experience is integrated with academic learning, increasing self-awareness and helping students to further define their career goals. About 125 students a year participate in practica and/or internships, reports Melissa DeLucia, program coordinator.

Practicum and Internship Students of the Year for 2010–2011 are: Mariella Argentari (Office of the Tax Collector, City of New Haven); Heather Bodie (Bridges A Community Support System, Inc., and Clifford Beers Clinic); Amanda Cuomo (SPI Books and Albertus Magnus College Marketing Department); Shanelle DeVeaux (State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection); Lindsey Eagles (Claire’s Corner Copia); Theresa Flood (Bridges A Community Support System, Inc., Gateway Christian Fellowship and Yo Soy el Camino); Amna Hamid (ACES Mill Road School and ACES Whitney High School North); David Pietkiewicz (MTV Networks); Ashley Ramos (Village Care); Alyssa Schiff (Drive Creative Agency); Kate Slavinski (Hamden Middle School); Kristin Thoelen (TV News 8 and The Record Journals); Andre Wilson (Department of Finance, City of New Haven); and Cynthia Youd (Albertus Magnus College Marketing Department).

This year’s Community Partners of the Year are Forensic Health Services, Inc. (Milford Alternative to Incarceration) and the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce.

The College suspended classes during the day until 3 p.m. so that all students could take part in the day’s events, which included a Share and Pair breakfast for Practicum and Internship students, their advisors and site supervisors; concurrent presentation sessions by undergraduate and graduate students; lunch and student musical performances; awards ceremony; research poster sessions, and a clubs and arts showcase. From 4 to 6 p.m. the School of Evening and Graduate Programs held a reception for undergraduate Accelerated Degree Program and New Dimensions students and graduate students.
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. To be considered an Albertus Magnus 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 2010–2011 Annual Report. Please contact Carolyn Behan Kraus ’86, associate vice president for development and alumni relations, at alumni@albertus.edu, or call 203-773-8502.
Maryann Cronin Horgan Receives Governor’s Service Award
Maryann Cronin Horgan ’68 has received the Governor’s Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service in North Carolina for her work in local schools through the Master Gardener program, and specifically for establishing a 4-H Club for Junior Master Gardeners ages 8–10. Students in the program learn about healthy foods and lifestyle choices, leadership skills, scientific inquiry and gardening.

Horgan has also written the curriculum for the TILLS (Teaching Inmates Life Skills) program at the county prison where inmates take horticulture classes and grow their own fruits and vegetables.

A retired teacher, she has a master’s degree in biology and a six-year certificate in environmental education. She taught for many years at Connecticut’s Greenw aick High School, where she developed an ESL biology course so that immigrant students could earn science credits and learn English at the same time.

cooking, travel and the time to have fun on Virginia’s Eastern Shore.

Josephine Polomski O’Brien, Stratford, CT, retired from a career in financial services. This means more time to travel with her husband and to enjoy their grandchildren—seven boys and one girl.

1970
Laurie Ackley Adams, Stratford, CT, retired from a 36-year (French and Latin) teaching career in 2008. She and Michael like to travel and visited Alaska last year; they are looking forward to their next trip. “I love retirement,” she says.

Carol Esposito Gillispie, West Haven, CT, visited the Rubin Museum in New York City; which she describes as “blind-friendly” since one can touch the statues from the Himalayas. With a friend from the Lions Club, she traveled to Washington, D.C., to the National Library Services for the Blind and the National Zoo. A volunteer lector at the V.A. and St. Paul Church, she was honored with the Melvin Jones Lion Award.

1971
40th Reunion June 10 and 11, 2011
Doreta Stypkowski Russew, Anheirt, MA, a certified yoga teacher, is a human resources administrator. She has three children and three grandchildren.

Georgianna Guarino Libero, Wallingford, CT, has been married for 40 years. She and her husband have two married sons and two grandchildren. She is in her 12th year of teaching at Our Lady of Victory School in West Haven.

Marciyalyn Marando Trotta, Meriden, CT, and Carmine, who have been married for 40 years, have a son and two grandchildren. She retired in 2005 as director of the Meriden Public Library and is now a consultant in humanities and teaches in the New Dimensions program at Albertus. The new edition of her book “Staff Development on a Shoestring” will be published this spring.

1972
40th Reunion June 9, 2012

1975
Mary DeVylder Lemkin, Crownsville, MD, reports that her fourth grandson arrived on February 12. She and her husband, Bruce, recently started an international consulting business for aerospace, defense, government relations and energy. They have two daughters, both teachers.

1976
35th Reunion June 10 and 11, 2011
Patricia Duffy Flint, Wayland, MA, who has an M. Ed. from Boston University, is associate dean for advancement in the College of Science, Northeastern University. She and John have a son who graduates this year from Connecticut College. She enjoys gardening, skiing, music, tennis and sailing.

1977
35th Reunion June 9, 2012

Distinguished Teachers
The Groer Chair for Distinguished Teaching has been awarded over the years to 13 teachers at Deerfield Academy in Massachusetts. Three of the honorees are women and two of them are Albertus alumni: Suzanne Hannay ’67 and Claudia Lyons ’76.

Joseph Staub ’95 and Giovanni (Gio) Duquai ’96, both of the Los Angeles area, recently volunteered to represent the College’s Office of Admission at the 2011 Orange County National College Fair in Anaheim. This fair is one of the country’s largest, attracting some 3,000 visitors each year. Providing feedback about the fair, Duquai said “We had a great day, and made sure we took our time and spoke with every prospective student and their families who came by our booth. After all, this is what Albertus is all about. People were impressed that we were volunteers.” Staub said, “We’re a good team. I’m the talker; Gio is more the listener. I get into the big concepts of learning; Gio makes it personal for students and their families.”

Staub, who is a teacher in the Los Angeles United School District, and Duquai, who is vice president for global sales at ITO Solutions, also have a project they are working on with the Albertus Alumni Office, and that’s trying to start an active alumni chapter for graduates living in California. They envision a chapter that would facilitate alumni events, provide networking opportunities and assist the Office of Admission by representing Albertus at college fairs, and they agree that it is an opportunity to “do something for the place that gave us so much.”

All alumni living in California by now have received a letter from Staub and Duquai spelling out their idea and asking fellow alumni to fill out a short questionnaire about their interest in participating in an alumni chapter. Forms should be returned to the Alumni Office, 700 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT 06511, or responses sent to alumni@albertus.edu.

Health Council Honors Pamela Lorenzo ’78
Pamela Lorenzo, program manager and clinical supervisor for the Visiting Nurse Association of South Central Connecticut’s Nurturing Families Network, has received the Valley Council for Health and Human Services’ Lewis Savitsky’s Staff Excellence Award.

The award is given to an individual for extraordinary service as an employee in the non-profit community who has had a positive impact on the quality of life of residents in the lower Naugatuck Valley. It recognizes her work with the VNA and her dedication as the chair of the Valley Council’s Early Childhood Task Force.

A resident of Branford, Lorenzo has been with the VNA for 15 years. She holds an M.S.W. from Southern Connecticut State University.

1980
Mary Gambardella, Milford, CT, is a partner in the Stamford office of Wiggins and Bona LLP. She is the author of “Employment Litigation,” published by Law Journal Press.

Send Us Your News
New job, promotion or advanced degree? Relocating? New baby or grandchild? Let us know, and we’ll get the word out to your classmates and Albertus friends through Class Notes. It’s easy; just send your news to alumni@albertus.edu; fax to 203-785-8652; or mail to Alumni Office, Albertus Magnus College, 700 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT, 06511.

Jacqueline Zorena Albis ’74 was featured recently as Person of the Week in her hometown paper, the Courier in East Haven, Connecticut. She has been an English teacher at East Haven High School for 15 years, and the article describes her as “a teacher’s teacher who gives 110 percent to each of her students.” In February, her 26-year-old son, James, in his first try for state office, was elected State Representative in a special election to fill a seat in the Connecticut Legislature. He won by 92 votes.
Alumna and Daughter Honored for Food Safety Advocacy

Colette Thode Dzialdul '83 and her daughter Dana, 13, of Viera, Florida, were honored in Washington, D.C., on January 27 for their role in seeking improvements to the safety of America's food supply.

Food safety became a major interest to the Dzialdul family in 2001 after Dana, then a three-year-old, became ill the day after she had eaten several pieces of cantaloupe. Her parents and doctor thought it was a virus, but when her symptoms worsened, she was rushed to the emergency room. The eventual diagnosis: she was a victim of Salmonella poisoning, a foodborne illness that caused an infection to spread to her blood stream. For five days she was on an aggressive course of IV antibiotics.

A week after Dana was discharged from the hospital—the family was living in Connecticut at the time—the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) released a warning that an outbreak of foodborne illness associated with cantaloupe had caused numerous illnesses and deaths in 14 states. Since then Colette and Dana have become active volunteers for food safety reform, working with S.T.O.P. (Safe Tables Our Priority), a non-profit organization dedicated to preventing illness and death from foodborne pathogens. Colette, who is director of lower school guidance at Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy in Melbourne, reports that she and Dana were interviewed by ABC, NBC and Fox News, and Today, their county newspaper. The Make Our Food Safe coalition sponsored the Washington breakfast, which honored 14 S.T.O.P. advocates. Earlier in January, President Obama signed into law food safety reforms that will provide the FDA with improved authorities to oversee the safety of the nation's food supply and prevent foodborne illness. The Food Safety Modernization Act is the first major update to the law in more than 70 years.

Dana Dzialdul, daughter of alumna Colette Thode Dzialdul, is shown in Washington with U.S. Representative Rosa DeLauro of Connecticut, who serves on a subcommittee overseeing food and drug safety.

In Memoriam: Alumni Relatives and Members of the Albertus Community

Paul V. Cochrane, husband of Patricia Slavin Cochrane '58
January 4, 2011

Jeremiah P. Coffey Sr., father of Jeremiah Coffey, chair of the department of philosophy and religious studies
January 11, 2011

Todd Erickson was enrolled in the New Dimensions program and scheduled to receive his bachelor's degree this year
January 27, 2011

Mary "Maura" Horgan, mother of Irene Horgan '91
December 24, 2010

Edward Lyons Sr. was the brother of John Lyons, '85 D.H.L. and Robert Lyons Sr. '85 D.H.L.
December 23, 2010

Karen R. Mahafty, daughter of Jean Incampos '73 December 7, 2010

Evelyn E. O'Connell, mother of Sean O'Connell, academic dean of the traditional undergraduate program
December 22, 2010

Charles L. Rogers, husband of Marion Booth Rogers '54
October 29, 2010

Nancy Ann Rueli, mother of Linda Rueli Kingston '69
July 8, 2009

R. Sargent Shriner, founding director of the Peace Corps, founder of Head Start, the Job Corps and Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA); he was the husband of the late Eunice Kennedy Shriver, '85 D.H.L. and father of Timothy Shriner, director of Special Olympics International, '97 D.H.L.
January 18, 2011

Robert Strona, brother of Doreen Strona Mantilla '71, member of the College's Education Advisory Panel
February 7, 2011

Irene Szczusiel, mother of Rosemary Szczusiel Richter '81
January 13, 2012

Neil Topitzer, husband of Mary Jane Lynch Topitzer '54
November 16, 2010
In Memoriam

Mary C. Beecher ’36 had a 41-year career in education August 19, 2010 Hamden, CT
Doris Smith Carle ’40, a retired teacher November 9, 2010 Orange, CT
Milford M. Tomkins ’40 was a long-time editor at the New Haven Register August 16, 2010 New Haven, CT
Evelyn Wallace Doyle ’41 was an avid gardener and golfer August 3, 2009 Glastonbury, CT
Grace Bradley Lorenzen ’41 December 19, 1998 Watertown, CT
Rose Ryan Maguire-Alfieri ’41, a retired high school teacher, received her master’s degree from Canisius College August 24, 2009 Edgewood, NY
Ellen Kennedy Clarke ’43, did post-graduate work in metallurgy and during World War II designed a skis and raising her family of nine children, she earned a master’s degree in education and later taught high school math and science; she also mentored medical students at the Medical University of South Carolina February 17, 2011 Mt. Pleasant, SC
Gladyhs Testo Christiani ’43 January 31, 2010 Easton, CT
Lucy Scilla ’48, sister of Antonette Scilla Giangarra ’43, and a former librarian and library administrator in the Milford (CT) public schools October 14, 2010 Orange, CT
Sister George Anne Fosmire, O.P., ’49, a Dominican Sister of Peace, was in the 62nd year of her profession; she ministered at Albertus and other Dominican institutions January 18, 2011 Columbus, OH
Shirley M. Herman ’49 was employed by Eastman Kodak in Rochester as an executive secretary until her retirement November 12, 2010 Rochester, NY
Dolores Fox Frazier ’50 received a master’s degree from New Paltz University in 1953 January 9, 2011 Mt. Vernon, NY
Grace Murphy Thomas ’52 November 27, 2010 Hyannis, MA
Margaret M. “Peggy” McSweeney Barry ’53 received a master’s degree in English from Boston University and, when all of her children were in school, a second master’s degree in library science from Westfield State College January 22, 2011 East Longmeadow, MA
Frances Amici Doyle ’53 earned a master’s degree and sixth-year certificate in psychology from Southern Connecticut State University; she taught for many years and also was a school psychologist February 17, 2011 Hamden, CT
Dorothy Dowd Flanders ’53 was a school and town librarian August 20, 2010 Hartford, CT
Jane Wolffert Bohan ’56 received a master’s degree in human resources development from the University of Bridgeport in 1986 November 19, 2010 Stuart, FL
Joan Currelo Davis ’57 August 17, 2010 Teaneck, NJ
Clementina Valentinio ’57, teacher in the Hamden (CT) public schools for more than 30 years and member of the Third Order of St. Dominic November 20, 2010 New Haven, CT
Patricia Harter ’60 did graduate work at Fordham University and was a clinical social worker at A.C.E.S. (Area Cooperative Educational Services) Village School, North Haven (CT) January 28, 2011 Norwalk, CT
Patricia Canavan Time ’61 was a retired teacher and active with the local interfaith food pantry January 8, 2011 Wakefield, MA
Arlene Kossack ’69, a retired teacher of Spanish March 3, 2010 East Haven, CT
Carole Ann Williams ’69, a post-doctoral fellow and assistant research professor at St. Louis University, taught for many years at the Quillen College of Medicine at East Tennessee State University December 8, 2010 Johnson City, TN
Sally Potter Katz ’70 graduated summa cum laude with a double major in German and French February 6, 2011 River Edge, NJ
Gloria Pregano Steffenburg ’71 had a career in the theatre and later as a financial advisor October 30, 2010 New Haven, CT
Carole Santanillo Aldrich ’75 was a chief steward with the APUW and retired from the United States Postal Service; later she worked for the North Branford (CT) school system and made prayer to benefit ovarian cancer research December 15, 2010 North Branford, CT
Nancy Consiglio ’76 was a social worker for the State of Connecticut before retiring and moving to Boca Raton, FL, where she lived for 21 years, forming her own company, which provided homecare services to the elderly March 12, 2011 New Haven, CT
Gloria Hamaford ’70 worked for SNET (now AT&T) and joined Salomon, Smith Barney as a financial consultant March 24, 2011 Brantford, CT
Elizabeth McNeff ’94, a dental hygienist in the New Haven (CT) public schools September 9, 2010 New Haven, CT
Dorothy Chrostek Far ’95, a customer service representative October 9, 2010 Orange, CT
Teresa M. Gallagher ’05 was an executive assistant with P&G Duracell Research and Development and previously with MCI International for more than 20 years January 9, 2011 New Fairfield, CT
Barbara Durland Devlin ’01 spent the last 20 years at the Yale Alumni Magazine; she had a lifelong passion for art, particularly working in pastels February 13, 2011 Chester, CT

(If includes names that appeared in the December 2010 online edition of From the Hill)

2000
Kileen Condron, North Haven, CT, received her law degree from Quinnipiac University after graduating from Albertus through New Dimensions. She is employed by the Judicial Branch of the State of Connecticut as the Civil Clerk of the Stamford Superior Court. “I loved Albertus and the staff and faculty. They made achieving my goals so much easier,” she says.

2001
Heather Pine Minoire, Cape Coral, FL, is a first grade teacher for the Lee County School District and the president of the Pi Beta Kappa Gamma (Kpsol) chapter of the nationally recognized education association. She has been married to David since July 2007.

2002
Nancy Bulkeley, Pescatack, CT, became chairwoman of the United Way of Southwestern Connecticut’s board of directors in January. She received her associate’s degree from Albertus.

Anthony Dorsey, Milford, CT, is the human resources manager for “The Economist” in the greater New York City area.

2004
Corina Alvarezdezago, Branford, CT, a sculptor and mixed media artist, had a busy summer and fall, exhibiting her paintings and sculptures in numerous outdoor and gallery shows.

2006
Marilyn Rosa, East Haven, CT, and her husband, Luis Rosa Jr., who run the Boxing in Faith Gym in New Haven, were featured in February issue of La Voz Hispana. She received her bachelor’s degree in management as a student in the New Dimensions program.

2007
Melonie Smith and Daniel Bland ‘07, Milford, CT, were married in May 2010.

Sydney Anne Martin, Wallingford, CT, has two adult sons and five grandchildren—two in Alaska and three in California.

John Mortimer, Ansonia, CT, received an associate’s degree at Albertus and a bachelor’s degree at Fairfield University, where he is currently pursuing a master’s in American studies. He has a daughter.

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