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**To our readers**

*In this unprecedented and unpredictable era of the coronavirus pandemic, we've done our best to ensure the accuracy of information in this issue up until the time it went to press. It is possible that some content may not reflect the latest developments at Providence College. We are sorry, and we ask that you refer to [providence.edu](https://providence.edu) for the latest College updates.*

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# YOURS.

John '67 and Sara Mitchell's Friar pride shines through in their planned gift, which will fund an endowed scholarship and light the way for future generations to build their own PC experiences and legacies. The Mitchells' thoughtful estate planning opens the door to infinite opportunities for *future Friars*.



The Mitchells, pictured with Jess Gilman '23

*The future is in your hands.*

Contact us to discuss  
how your plans today  
can shape PC's tomorrow.



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## Fairey Tale

ANJEL NEWMANN, a PC master's in urban teaching student, was the subject for the 100th mural by internationally known artist Shepard Fairey. Newmann wrote the quote, "Creativity is the mechanism of self-liberation."

Fairey created the mural at 91 Clemence St., as part of a campaign for AS220, a Providence arts nonprofit. Newmann was a natural choice to be the face of AS220, since she joined its youth program when she was 13 and now serves as director of programs for the organization as a whole.

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# BUZZ

BLACK AND WHITE



Project HOPE's Tom Cotter '10, left, with celebrity chef José Andrés, founder of World Central Kitchen, in the Bahamas

## ⊕ Inspiring story, inspiring response

**TOM COTTER '10** is director of emergency response and preparedness for Project HOPE, an international health care organization based in Washington, D.C., that provides health training and disaster relief around the world. After PC reported this spring on Cotter's work managing the COVID-19 response, several of his PC classmates contacted him about corporate giving partnerships with their companies. In addition, students at his high school, Boston College High in Dorchester, Mass., conducted a fundraiser for Project HOPE. As of mid-July, Project HOPE had reached 101 countries through COVID-19 response activities, trained more than 30,400 health care workers and frontline personnel, and distributed more than 8.5 million pieces of PPE.

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Keri Roedel Mandell '04 ran seven marathons in seven days in honor of her father, who died of multiple myeloma.

## 7 continents in 7 days

**KERI ROEDEL MANDELL '04** raised more than \$55,000 for the American Cancer Society by completing one of the world's most grueling endurance events, The World Marathon Challenge — seven marathons in seven days on seven continents. Mandell ran marathons in Antarctica, South Africa, Australia, United Arab Emirates, Spain, Brazil, and Miami, with an average time of 5:44:43, to honor her father, Arthur Roedel, who died of multiple myeloma. She worked for more than a decade as a school administrator and special education teacher before opening Empower Yoga in Princeton, N.J.

## Please answer in the form of a question



Viewers of the first *Jeopardy* “Greatest of All Time” competition in January might have recognized a PC alum as the question for the clue posted at right. Contestant Brad Rutter correctly answered “Who is **PETER FARRELLY?**” for \$600. The screenwriter and director, who graduated in 1979 and won his first two Academy Awards in 2019, had just met with PC students the day before, during the annual PC in Hollywood trip.

THIS HALF OF A SIBLING DUO RUNS THE GAMBIT FROM "THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY" TO "GREEN BOOK", FOR WHICH HE WON 2 OSCARS



Peter Farrelly '79 captures the attention of students, including Samantha Marchese '20, during PC in Hollywood.

## Wheel watching a Friar

← **TIM SEARS '21** (Springfield, Mass.) was a contestant on *Wheel of Fortune*'s College Week in March — the second Friar (Michael Foss '19) to be featured during College Week in as many years. Sears, a finance and philosophy double major, made it to the final puzzle — “PARK GUIDE” — but could not solve it. Still, he won \$21,250. #





President Rev. Kenneth R. Sicard, O.P. '78 & '82G is leading the College's concerted efforts to reopen the campus for in-person instruction this fall.

## A time like no other

BY VICKI-ANN DOWNING

**In mid-May**, in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, Providence College assembled a Continuity Task Force of more than 150 administrators, staff, faculty, and students to prepare for the opening of the Fall 2020 semester with in-person, on-campus instruction beginning Aug. 31. Faculty and students have been given the option to attend classes in person or remotely.

To make the reopening possible, the College invested in technology and resources to support remote/hybrid teaching and advising.

Residence halls were adapted, and the move-in process was extended to several days. The cafeterias in Raymond Hall and Alumni Hall were modified to allow increased space between tables and to offer more takeout options. Health services were increased, and virus testing protocols were established. Wearing a mask was mandated.

These changes follow a Spring 2020 semester that was stopped in its tracks during spring break on Wednesday, March 11, with the announcement of the suspension of in-person classes. Remote instruction began on Wednesday, March 18.

In less than a week, faculty members modified their courses for remote instruction. Some academic departments used the Zoom video conferencing platform to plan for the weeks ahead. Others relied on in-person training provided by the Instructional Technology Development Program, the Department of Information Technology, and the Center for Teaching Excellence.

During Holy Week and at Easter in April, services were livestreamed for the first time from the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas. Every Sunday since, Masses have been shared from the oratory in Harkins Hall.

To support emergency student need caused by the pandemic, a virtual Friars Give day on April 22 raised \$1.4 million in just 24 hours.

After the semester concluded, degrees were conferred on members of the Class of 2020 in a virtual ceremony on Sunday, May 17. The College planned an in-person commencement for Oct. 31 but later moved that to a date to be determined in 2021.

To learn more about plans for the fall semester, visit [reopen.providence.edu](https://reopen.providence.edu). 📱



## Even reunion became virtual

To connect with alumni during the pandemic, the College created Friar T.I.E.S., a Totally Interactive Engagement Series. For nine weeks, alumni tuned in from home to make masks, listen to podcasts, play pub trivia, work out in a Zumba class, join a dance party, and experience a master tequila lesson. Lidia Bastianich, chef and grandmother of Miles Bastianich '22, cooked a favorite family Easter recipe.

Even reunion, for class years ending in '00 and '05, became virtual, highlighted by a BYO BBQ in which alumni from the 1950s to 2020 shared a meal through Zoom. Dr. Richard J. Grace '62 & '17Hon., professor emeritus of history, discussed PC's history, and Bob Driscoll, vice president and athletics director, provided an update on athletics programs.

Special Friar T.I.E.S. programming continues this summer.

► **CHECK OUT MORE:** [ALUMNI.PROVIDENCE.EDU/FRIAR-TIES](http://ALUMNI.PROVIDENCE.EDU/FRIAR-TIES)

## Carrying the Torch Forward

To honor the many alumni, faculty, and students who stepped forward to serve during the pandemic, the College assembled Carrying the Torch Forward, an online collection of stories recognizing #FrontlineFriars and acts of #COVIDkindness. The stories reflect the culture of service at the core of the College community and how Friars carry the values of meaning and purpose into the world.

► **READ MORE:** [COVID-19.PROVIDENCE.EDU/CARRYING-THE-TORCH-FORWARD](http://COVID-19.PROVIDENCE.EDU/CARRYING-THE-TORCH-FORWARD)

## A touching Alma Mater

To produce a virtual rendition of the Providence College Alma Mater, Matt Cunningham '12 invited 35 musical Friars, with class years ranging from 2000 to 2022, to record themselves at home singing and playing instruments, including keyboard, piano, acoustic and electric guitar, saxophone, flute, bass clarinet, trumpet, xylophone, and trombone. The music alums were joined by Michael Desmarais, maintenance technician in Physical Plant. The result was a touching demonstration of Friar spirit. ❖

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Unable to travel to Washington, D.C., for his ordination to the priesthood, Rev. Jordan Zajac, O.P. '04 made history in May as the first Dominican ordained on PC's campus. Here he pledges respect and obedience before Most Rev. Robert C. Evans, auxiliary bishop of Providence, in St. Dominic Chapel.



## Celebrations

**Left:** The New York Times featured the wedding of Horton Sears '13 and Laurie Moise '12. Unable to hold the wedding they planned in Newport, R.I., in April, the couple married in Moise's driveway in Malden, Mass., with flowers from Trader Joe's.

**Below:** Emma Beers '16 and Ryan Frazier '15 beat the pandemic shutdown by marrying in St. Dominic Chapel in March with a profession of vows witnessed by Rev. James Cuddy, O.P. '98, vice president for mission and ministry. The couple, Air Force second lieutenants, then returned to military medical school. Father Cuddy, a Navy chaplain, reported to active duty as chaplain on the USS Mercy, a hospital ship docked in Los Angeles.





*Dr. Hugh F. Lena III led PC to extraordinary growth as its chief academic officer.*

## Dr. Hugh Lena, College's first provost, steps down after 16 years

BY CHRIS MACHADO

**Dr. Hugh F. Lena III**, Providence College's only provost in its more than 100-year history, stepped away from his duties at the end of the 2019-20 academic year. His 16 years of service as the College's chief academic officer — vice president for academic affairs and then provost and senior vice president — was the second-longest tenure in PC's history behind only Rev. Paul van K. Thomson (17 years).

Under his leadership, Lena balanced transformational changes to the educational experience with an unwavering fidelity to the College's heritage as a Catholic and Dominican liberal arts institution. He served the College as an administrator and faculty member for 46 years.

"Hugh's service to Providence College has been exemplary in every way, and the list of his achievements and accomplishments is lengthy. We owe him a tremendous amount of gratitude for all that he has done to advance the mission and the academic reputation of the College," said Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80, who served as PC president for 15 years, until July 1, 2020.

Since he was appointed to lead academic administration, Lena oversaw substantial turnover of the faculty (more than 60% were hired during his time), championed the process that linked faculty tenure with promotion, and introduced a faculty post-tenure review system.

Additionally, he shepherded the introduction of a revamped core curriculum and a modified

Development of Western Civilization Program that now includes a fourth-semester colloquium. Lena also supported the introduction of new academic programs on the undergraduate and graduate levels and in the School of Continuing Education.

Lena came to the College in 1974 when he was hired as an assistant professor of sociology. Since 1993, he has held the rank of professor. Even as provost, he continued to teach semi-regularly, including a recent course in the Liberal Arts Honors Program. In addition to teaching a variety of sociology courses, he taught in the MBA Program and in the Department of Public and Community Service Studies.

Dr. Sean F. Reid, dean of the School of Business at Ithaca College, was named to replace Lena. (See story, opposite page.)



## Manchester-Molak '75 elevated to College's No. 2 post

**Ann Manchester-Molak '75** was appointed executive vice president, the second-highest administrative position at PC, by the new president, Rev. Kenneth R. Sicard, O.P. '78 & '82G. She is the first woman and the first lay person to hold the post in College history.

Since January 2019, Manchester-Molak had been vice president for external affairs, marketing, and board relations. She also oversaw daily operations of the president's office and served as liaison to the Board of Trustees, the Dominican Province of St. Joseph, the Diocese of Providence, and government officials — responsibilities she assumed in 2010 when she became executive assistant to the president and vice president.

A member of the College's first undergraduate class to include women, Manchester-Molak holds a master's degree in communications and journalism from Purdue University. She has worked at PC since 1980, as director of public information, director of the former Publications Center, executive director of college events, and assistant vice president for college relations and planning. She is married to Andrew Molak, D.M.D. '75.

## Reid begins duties as new College provost

**Dr. Sean F. Reid**, dean of the School of Business at Ithaca College since 2015, is PC's new provost and senior vice president for academic affairs. He succeeds Dr. Hugh F. Lena III, who stepped down after 16 years as the College's chief academic officer.

Reid, who assumed his new duties on July 1, is a scholar in the field of finance with a record of achievement in the military, private sector, and academics. He is a 1988 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and a decorated veteran who retired as a Naval Reserve captain in 2017. His active-duty deployments included operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He earned seven awards for superior performance.

Reid earned an MBA from Incarnate Word College in 1994 and worked as an investment adviser and securities analyst while studying for a Ph.D. in finance at the University of Rhode Island, awarded in 2002. He held faculty appointments at the University of New Haven, Salisbury University, and Quinnipiac University before becoming associate dean of Quinnipiac's School of Business in 2012. ❏





## New dean for study abroad

**Dr. Christian Wilwohl** is the College's new dean of global education. He previously was study abroad director for eight years at the Center for International Programs at SUNY New Paltz, where he developed short-term, faculty-led programs in Cuba, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Jamaica, South Africa, and Thailand. Wilwohl has a doctorate in international education from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities; a master's degree in African studies from the University of London; and a bachelor's degree in international studies and French from McDaniel College.

He replaces Dr. Joseph Stanley, who spent two years in the position before moving to Denmark, where his wife accepted a position at VIA University College in Aarhus.

## Communication minor added

**Beginning in the Fall 2021 semester**, students will have the option to minor in communication.

According to the Office of Admission, communication is the most commonly requested major or minor not offered at PC. Study of the subject can lead to careers in graphic design, commercial art, marketing, advertising, theatre, television, film, radio, arts administration, fundraising, community organizing, project management, public relations, media, and journalism.

The minor will include six three-credit courses plus a one-credit capstone seminar designed to give students an overview based in the liberal arts tradition of critical, cross-disciplinary thinking.

## Welcome, Class of 2024

**The Class of 2024 has 1,027 students** — 584 women and 443 men. About 18% are students of color and 11% are first-generation college students. Their average high school GPA was 3.45 on a 4.0 scale. The students come from 29 states, Puerto Rico and the Mariana Islands, and 11 countries.

## Three women tops in Class of 2020

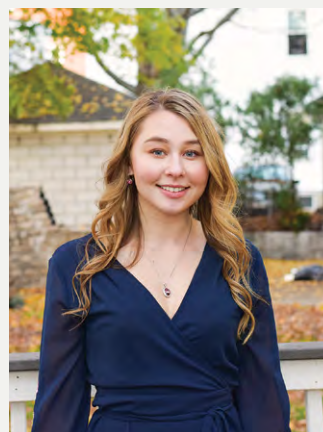
**Three women were the top scholars** in the Class of 2020, graduating with GPAs of 3.99, the equivalent of an A in every course and one A-minus.



**THERESA DURKEE '20** (Salem, Conn.), a health policy and management major, is working as a benefits analyst with Boston Benefit Partners, an employee benefits consulting firm.



**MEGAN MONTE '20** (Somerset, Mass.), an English/secondary education major, plans to teach high school English.



**SHANNON MOORE '20** (Mansfield, Mass.), a history major, will study law at the University of Notre Dame in the fall.

PHOTOS: THERESA DURKEE '20: JUSTIN JAMES MUIR; MEGAN MONTE '20 AND SHANNON MOORE '20: COURTESY OF MEGAN MONTE '20 AND SHANNON MOORE '20.

## Design Thinking space encourages students to think creatively about problem solving



Stephen W. Lacy, visiting assistant professor of art, teaches in the new Design Thinking Lab and Collaboration Space. From left are Brianna Dauray '20, Jamie Croston '21, Catherine Hughes '20, Nicole Percoco '20, and Thomas Beacham '20.

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**Students are challenged** to find creative solutions to problem solving through visual analysis, research, and hands-on creation in the new Design Thinking Lab and Collaboration Space that opened in fall 2019 in the Service Building.

The space is home to the Design Thinking and Innovative Problem Solving course, a requirement for all students pursuing the new business

and innovation minor, which is available to non-business majors. The course also is an elective within the Department of Art and Art History.

The new space features both a collaboration room, where students brainstorm ideas and create prototypes, and a technology room, where they learn such software programs as Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign on Mac computers. ❏



## Former astronaut named commencement speaker



Mae C. Jemison, M.D.

**Mae C. Jemison, M.D.**, a physician, engineer, educator, and former NASA astronaut who became the first woman of color to go into space, was chosen the featured speaker of the College's 102nd

Commencement Exercises. Originally scheduled to take place in May for graduates of the Class of 2020, commencement will be held sometime in 2021.

As mission specialist aboard the Space Shuttle *Endeavour*, Jemison orbited the earth for nearly eight days, from Sept. 12-20, 1992. She later founded a technology consulting company, The Jemison Group, and The Dorothy Jemison Foundation for Excellence, named after her mother, to develop educational programs that help people contribute beneficially to society.

The other honorary degree recipients are:

- **Val Ackerman**, commissioner of the BIG EAST Conference;
- **J. Peter Benzie '70**, PC trustee *emeritus* and a financial services senior executive;
- **Sister Jane Gerety, R.S.M.**, past president of Salve Regina University;
- **Dr. Hugh F. Lena, III**, the College's first provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, and professor of sociology;
- **Erich E. Miller**, president of My Brother's Keeper, a Christian charity in Massachusetts that delivers furniture and food to the needy; and
- The late **Dr. Francis P. MacKay**, chemistry professor and co-founder of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program at PC.

## Rankings spotlight study abroad, business program

**The College's standing** in two significant areas — study abroad participation and business program quality — was reaffirmed in two recent rankings.

• PC was ranked 6th in the nation for semester-long study abroad participation in the "Open Doors" report conducted by the Institute for International Education. The report showed that 343 PC students spent a semester abroad during the 2017-18 academic year. That represented approximately 35% of the junior class.

• The College rose 11 spots for the second consecutive year, to #41, in the *Poets & Quants* 2020 national rankings of undergraduate business programs. The online publication ranked the undergraduate business programs at the top 97 business schools.



## Civ in London starts next spring

**Beginning in January 2021**, second-semester sophomores will be able to study the Development of Western Civilization in classrooms in London. The pilot program, Civ in London, will allow 30 to 40 students and two faculty members to spend a full semester at the London Center of the Institute for the International Education of Students, IES Abroad, in Bloomsbury. Students will live in residence halls or apartments. They also will participate in a seven-day trip to Athens.

Dr. Margaret M. Manchester '83G, associate professor of history and assistant professor of women's and gender studies, and Dr. Stephanie Pocock Boeninger, associate professor of English, will teach the students in an interdisciplinary DWC colloquium, *Battlefronts and Home Fronts: The Making of War and Peace in Western Civilization*. Students, who will have a 16-credit course load, will be able to enroll in elective courses at City, University of London, Queen Mary University in London, and the IES London Academic Center.

Kevin Cranney '19 during opening day of school ceremonies in Baling, Kedah, Malaysia, in January. The Fulbright scholar returned home in March because of the coronavirus pandemic.



## PC recognized as a top producer by Fulbright

The College was named a top-producing institution by the Fulbright U.S. Students Program for the 2019-20 academic year. Three students were awarded Fulbright English Teaching Assistantships in spring 2019 — the most students in any single year at the College. Since 2010, 16 graduating seniors and six young alumni from PC have received Fulbrights to teach or undertake research in 12 nations.

## Strategic plan priorities identified



The **PC200 Leadership Team** and the President's Senior Cabinet have identified five Level-1 priorities of the College's 10-year strategic plan. They are:

- Recruiting Undergraduate Students
- Signature Student Experience (including high-impact educational experiences and career education)
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Center for Innovation and Interdisciplinary Studies
- The Disputed Question and the Pedagogy of Disputation

While *PC200* incorporates approximately 40 initiatives, work in fiscal year 2019-20 was centered on: increasing recruiting efforts in new geographic regions, conducting a brand/messaging study, implementing a new customer relationship management (CRM) system to drive philanthropic efforts, and articulating a strategic plan for diversity, equity, and inclusion that is aligned with *PC200*.

## Riccobono grants program targets students' well-being

Sixteen PC faculty members were chosen as recipients of the 2020-21 Riccobono Academic Resilience Faculty Fellowship supported by Untuckit founder Chris Riccobono '01 and his wife, Amy Parrillo '03. Eight faculty members were awarded the first mini-grants last academic year.

The new program aims to encourage student flourishing by improving academic resilience — the ability to perform well academically despite challenges posed by anxiety and depression. Faculty chosen as fellows incorporate mental well-being elements and strategies into their courses. Riccobono shared his struggles with anxiety and depression during a campus program in fall 2019. 🏠

Amy Parrillo '03 and Chris Riccobono '01



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## College celebrates second Reflecting Forward

The second Reflecting Forward, a weekend of educational and social programming to celebrate the diversity of the College community, was held on campus on Jan. 24-26. It included a dinner; a presentation on diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts at PC; alumni receptions for members of the Board of Multicultural Student Affairs and SHEPARD; and interfaith spiritual reflections.

College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 and weekend event chairs, trustees Duane Bouligny '94, Andre Owens '85, and Monica Womack '91, welcomed participants during the second day of programming before a presentation, "Our Commitment: A Diverse, Equitable, and Inclusive Community." Panel discussions followed on "The Color of Excellence," "Teaching for Inclusivity," and "Building a Safe and Welcoming Environment."

### Mandela speaks at MLK Convocation

As the weekend was getting underway, the College celebrated the third annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Convocation with featured speaker Ndaba Mandela, grandson of South African civil rights leader Nelson Mandela and founder of the Africa Rising Foundation. The third annual MLK Vision Awards were presented during the convocation to Dr. Terza Lima-Neves '00, John "Jack" Murphy '20, and the Organization of Latin American Students. The convocation concluded a weeklong series of events celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. King. 🏳️‍🌈

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Alumni who reflected on their undergraduate experiences and how PC shaped them during the Reflecting Forward dinner are, from left: Eva Irby Davis '75, Earl Smith '92, Michelle Trieu '14, and Mabelle Abreu-Sanchez '14.



Outgoing College President Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80 holds the framed quote and illustration of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. he was presented at the Reflecting Forward dinner by the weekend's chairs. From left are trustees Monica Womack '91, Duane Bouligny '94, and Andre Owens '85.



MLK Vision Award recipient Dr. Terza Lima-Neves '00 acknowledges the audience as her son, Emilio Lima-Neves, joins her at the convocation.





## **Tianyi Yuan '20** | SCHOLAR OF CHRISTIANITY

BY VICKI-ANN DOWNING

**Though he is an international student from China**, a Communist and atheist nation, Tianyi Yuan '20 spent four years at Providence College immersed in the study of God.

Yuan's interest in Christianity was sparked by his desire to understand the concept of the Good, the One, the "unmoved mover" of ancient philosophy. That intellectual quest led him to major in theology and in philosophy, to minor in classics, and to study classical and Biblical Greek, Latin, Sanskrit, a

language of ancient India, and Syriac, a dialect of Aramaic spoken by Christians in ancient Syria and Persia. His Bible, a gift from his father, contains text in both Mandarin and English.

In the summer of 2019, Yuan was awarded \$4,700 from PC's Undergraduate Research Grants Program for research in China. He traveled throughout the country to see the monuments and relics of Nestorian Christianity, also known as "the Church of the East," a sect that spread

to China from Syria and Persia in the eighth century. Among the monuments was the Xi'an Stele, a 9-foot-tall limestone block dating to 781 that documents 150 years of early Christianity in China.

"This is a very specialized area of scholarship, primarily because few Western scholars have the historical and linguistic training to master the primary and secondary literature," said Yuan's faculty mentor, Dr. Arthur P. Urbano, professor of theology. "Tianyi was interested in how this branch of Christianity preserved its Syriac Christian identity while interacting with other Persian and Asian religious and philosophical traditions."

A member of *Schola Cantorum*, he sang at Mass each Sunday in St. Dominic Chapel, attended daily Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas Priory, and participated this past academic year in PC's Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults program. He remains proud of his Chinese heritage and culture and is dedicated to the Confucian model of living a life of morality and virtue.

During Mass, "I sit and contemplate what I have learned in my studies, from PC, and from my friends," Yuan said.

Yuan was one of only 230 students in the United States selected to present research at the National Collegiate Research Conference at Harvard University in January. In September, he will enter Harvard Divinity School to study for a master's degree in theological studies. His goal is to attain a Ph.D. and teach in China or in the United States. ❖

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## Hand cream start-up emerges from MBA course

BY VICKI-ANN DOWNING

**A priest and a rocket scientist walked into an MBA class** — but the result was no joke.

The priest was Rev. Nicanor Austriaco, O.P. '20G, professor of biology and of theology. The rocket scientist was Dr. Robert J. Camp '18G, once an aerospace engineer in the defense industry. As a class project for an MBA course in which they were students, Father Nic and Camp developed a hand cream — and with the encouragement of their instructor, Dr. Helen M. Caldwell, assistant professor of marketing, refined it and brought it to market.

For Good is an all-natural, vegan, cruelty-free hand cream made from the root of the costus plant. The costus plant has anti-aging properties. It is the first product manufactured by Semper Veritas, LLC, a business incorporated in Rhode Island in October 2019 with Father Nic, Camp, and Caldwell as partners. The cream is available for purchase online ([prov.ly/hand-cream](http://prov.ly/hand-cream)) through the Providence College Bookstore, with 10% of the profits benefiting Father Nic's biology laboratory, where students study genes involved in skin cancer.

Caldwell said it's the first time her students have developed an actual product as part of their class work. Camp completed his MBA in 2018 and now teaches in the program. Father Nic received his MBA in May. He already holds doctorates in biology and theology.

Rev. Nicanor Austriaco, O.P. '20G with his business partners, Dr. Robert J. Camp '18G and Dr. Helen M. Caldwell, assistant professor of marketing



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## History professor named NEH fellow

**Dr. Sharon Ann Murphy**, professor of history, was awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship to support her book, *Banking and Slavery in the Antebellum South*. Her project was one of 99 approved among 1,220 applications submitted across four fellowship programs. Her fellowship of \$35,000 will help her finish the book, which focuses on bankers' conscious choices to directly interact with the slave system. It is the third time she has received NEH support for her research.

## Olszewski awarded DeBakey fellowship

**Dr. Todd Olszewski**, associate professor of health policy and management, was chosen one of six recipients of the 2020 Michael E. DeBakey Fellowship in the History of Medicine. Presented by the U.S. National Library of Medicine, the fellowship will support Olszewski's research project, "Mission and Mandate: Biomedical Politics and Science Administration at the National Institutes of Health." Fellows conduct archival research at the library's History of Medicine Division, located on the NIH campus in Bethesda, Md. Olszewski is associate director of PC's Center for Teaching Excellence.

## Perreault paper earns journal honor

A paper on whistleblowing co-written by **Dr. Stephen J. Perreault**, associate professor of accountancy, received the *Behavioral Research in Accounting* Best Paper Award. This award recognizes the best paper published in the journal over a three-year period. Perreault and Dr. James Wainberg of Florida Atlantic University were honored for their article, "Whistleblowing in Audit Firms: Do Explicit Protections from Retaliation Activate Implicit Threats of Reprisal?" It was published in *BRIA* in 2016. 📖

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# Scholar Power

DR. THEA RIOFRANCOS

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

**HIGHEST DEGREE:** Ph.D. in political science,  
University of Pennsylvania

**EXPERTISE:** climate change, renewable energy,  
resource and environmental politics, Latin America,  
Chile, Ecuador, social movements, radical democ-  
racy, participatory institutions

**NEWSWORTHY:** In May, Riofrancos was named a  
2020 Andrew Carnegie Fellow — one of 27 scholars  
or writers to receive stipends of up to \$200,000 over  
two years to support research on the world's most  
intractable problems. In addition, she was selected  
as a 2020-21 fellow of the Radcliffe Institute for  
Advanced Study at Harvard University. With these  
two fellowships, Riofrancos will travel to Chile and  
China for her project, *Brine to Batteries: The Extrac-  
tive Frontiers of the Global Energy Transition*.

Last year, Riofrancos co-authored *A Planet to Win: Why We Need a Green New Deal* with Kate Aronoff, Alyssa Battistoni, and Daniel Aldana Cohen. This summer, Duke University Press will publish her book, *Resource Radicals: From Petro-Nationalism to Post-Extractivism in Ecuador*.

**QUOTABLE:** “The classroom is one example of what Alexis de Tocqueville called ‘schools of democracy.’ Nothing pleases me more than to witness students taking on the challenge of understanding politics, from the local to the global — and seeing themselves as agents of political change.”

**HOBBIES:** Political activism, cooking, cycling,  
exploring Rhode Island's beaches

**YEARS AT PC:** 5



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BORN TO BE

# PRESIDENT

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BY VICKI-ANN DOWNING PHOTO BY JUSTIN JAMES MUIR



REV. BRIAN J. SHANLEY, O.P. '80  
PC's Longest-Serving President



## BORN TO BE PRESIDENT

**R**EV. ROBERT A. MORRIS, O.P. '46 & '82 HON., longtime administrator and professor, was famous for saying that God brings people to Providence College when it's their time.

One might say that Rev. Brian James Shanley, O.P. '80 — the most transformative and longest-serving president in College history, who changed the physical face of campus, hired most of the faculty, diversified the student body, strengthened the Catholic and Dominican mission, enhanced the athletics program, and raised the College's national profile — was born to be PC's president.

"Brian being president of Providence College was something that I think was meant to be," said his sister, Kathryn M. Shanley. "Thinking of my parents and the role the Dominican fathers played in their lives, his 15-year term is the culmination of something that started a long time ago."

Father Shanley is PC's first legacy president. His father, Joseph V. Shanley '49, grew up in New Haven, Conn., the son of Irish immigrants. After serving as an aviator in the Army Air Force during World War II, he returned home to attend college under the GI Bill. His family's parish, St. Mary's in New Haven, was staffed by Dominican priests from the Province of St. Joseph. They encouraged Mr. Shanley to choose Providence College, a quick train ride from home.

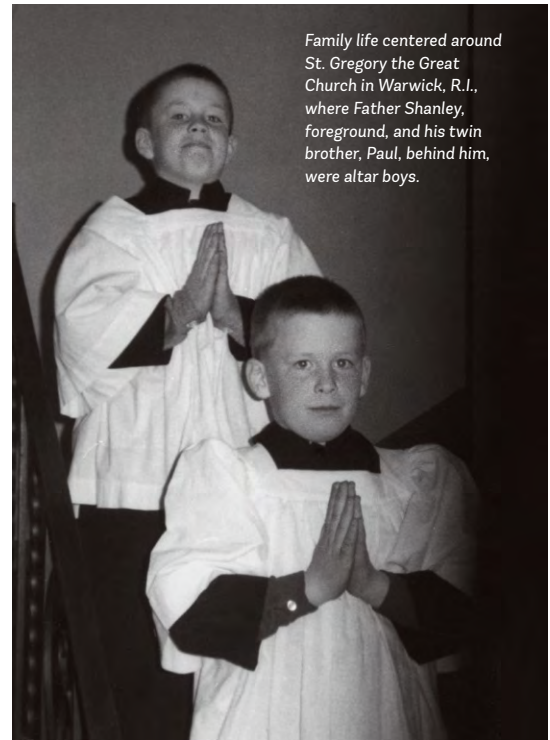
Father Shanley's mother, Elaine McNerny Shanley, was influenced by Dominicans as well. She received her

undergraduate degree from Albertus Magnus College in East Hartford, which was founded and staffed by the Dominican Sisters of Saint Mary of the Springs.

The couple married in 1949 and settled in Warwick, R.I., three years later. Their first three children — Kathryn, Andrew, and Michael — arrived within 2 ½ years. When they were 8, 7, and 6, Mrs. Shanley gave birth to fraternal twin boys, Brian and Paul. They weighed a combined 15 pounds. Father Shanley was younger by six minutes.

"I always think of the two of them together," Kathryn said. "Their relationship was such a special relationship. It must be so unique to be a twin and to have that kind of bond. They were each other's best friend. Two pieces of a puzzle coming together — that was Brian and Paul. They cared so much for each other. They were in it together."

Paul became a police lieutenant in Warwick and deputy chief of police at Brown University. At Father Shanley's inauguration as president, Paul remembered his brother as his guardian and protector — outgoing, confident, athletic, and an excellent student.



Family life centered around St. Gregory the Great Church in Warwick, R.I., where Father Shanley, foreground, and his twin brother, Paul, behind him, were altar boys.

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Elaine McNery Shanley holds her sons, born July 7, 1958. Father Shanley is on the right, Paul on the left.

The Shanley household thrummed with activity. Mrs. Shanley’s mother lived with the family. Life centered around their parish, St. Gregory the Great. Mr. Shanley taught his children to play golf. They all loved to read. They cheered for Friar basketball on the radio and at the Providence Civic Center when it opened in 1972.

“I remember a lot of activity all the time,” Kathryn said. “My parents’ legacy to us was that they loved us. They were very much role models for us throughout their lives — their values, moral code, ethics, humanity, and caring for other people.”

Mr. Shanley, who was a writer and editor for *The Cowd*, worked as a reporter for *The Providence Journal* and earned a master’s degree in journalism from Columbia University. In 1959, he received a New England journalism award for his story about a Black family that was paid \$500 not to move into a white neighborhood in North Attleborough, Mass. Later, Mr. Shanley worked for Bo Bernstein & Co., an advertising agency in Providence, then partnered with David A. Duffy ’61 & ’11 Hon. to found Duffy & Shanley, a public relations and advertising agency based in the city.

Once Brian and Paul were in school, Mrs. Shanley earned a master of library science degree from the University of Rhode Island. She worked as head cataloger in Phillips Memorial Library from 1968 until her retirement in 1993. She held the rank of associate ➔



The five little Shanleys, clockwise from top left, Kathryn, Michael, Andrew, Paul, and Brian, on the rocking horse.

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professor — and the distinction of being the first woman awarded tenure by the College, in 1975.

Her employment at PC opened an opportunity for Father Shanley when he graduated from Toll Gate High School, where he had been a “small but tough running back” on the football team, according to *The Providence Journal*, and also played baseball. Father Shanley wanted to study law at Harvard. His parents told him if he would agree to attend PC tuition-free courtesy of his mother’s employment, they would pay for law school.

Dr. Richard J. Grace ’62 & ’17Hon., now professor *emeritus* of history, was the director of the Liberal Arts Honors Program when Father Shanley applied to PC. He reviewed Father Shanley’s application and invited him to



Father Shanley as a PC undergraduate. He was a history major with plans to study law.

join the honors group. Among the 20 honors students in the Class of 1980, it soon became apparent that Father Shanley was a natural leader, Grace said.

Jane Lunin Perel ’15Hon., now professor *emerita* of English, remembers being impressed by the young Father Shanley when she encountered him as a first-year student in an honors class, Dimensions of Art.

“He understood metaphor deeply, internally, no explanation required,” Perel said. “It was just in him.”

At PC, Father Shanley became more interested in his faith and Catholicism. He began attending Mass every day. Rev. Thomas M. Coskren, O.P. ’55, professor of theology and associate director of the honors program, asked if he had ever considered becoming a Dominican priest. Father Shanley began to think about it.

“I came to PC wanting to go to law school,” Father Shanley said. “Then I thought that being a professor has got to be the coolest job in the world, so I wanted to be a history professor. If you’re a Dominican, you get to be a professor and also a preacher. And the Dominicans at Providence College preached like nobody I had ever heard before.”

Then came his junior year abroad at the University of Fribourg in Switzerland. It was his first experience living outside his home state. He had a room in an apartment with an elderly couple who spoke no English. He fell in love with a fellow Fribourg student, a young Swiss woman who taught him to speak fluent French and visited him after his return to Providence. (They remain friends. She is a grandmother now and still visits him.)

“What ensued was truly a magical year of grace,” Father Shanley wrote in a reflection on his Fribourg experience. “I traveled all over Europe by hitchhiking and trains to see the things that we had studied in DWC. ... I learned how small and American my view of the world was. I discovered that my faith was transportable and transnational. In short, I grew up.”





Father Shanley with Rev. Kenneth R. Sicard, O.P. '78 & '82G in the recreation room at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D.C., on Thanksgiving day, 1987.

But when he returned to PC for his senior year, Father Shanley wrestled with a decision. Should he apply for a Fulbright to return to Europe? Should he apply to graduate school to become a professor? Or should he become a priest?

“Senior year I was really confused about what to do with my life,” Father Shanley said. “I agonized for months. By mid-year, through a series of signs and prayers, and thinking things through, I really knew God was calling me to be a Dominican.”

It surprised some of his professors, but not his family, who sensed destiny unfolding.

“When he chose to become a Dominican and pursue an academic career, my parents fully believed that someday he would become president of Providence College,” Kathryn Shanley said. “We all had that sense from the beginning, though they didn’t live to see it.”

Father Shanley graduated *summa cum laude* with a degree in history, second in the class, with a 3.989 GPA. (Mary Ann Rousseau '80, who went on to Cornell Law School, was first at 3.993.). He entered St. Stephen Priory in Dover, Mass., for his novitiate year with classmates Rev. Christopher



Father Shanley's parents, Elaine McNerny Shanley and Joseph V. Shanley '49, celebrate his ordination to the priesthood on May 22, 1987.

Grace remembers Father Shanley visiting Pietrasanta in Tuscany, where PC students were studying in a summer arts program with Rev. Richard A. McAlister, O.P. '58, professor *emeritus* of art. One afternoon the students and teachers went out on a lake in rowboats. As an exultant Father Shanley rowed across the water, his full, reddish-blond beard glistened in the sun. It seemed this young man's future was filled with boundless possibilities.

Cardone, O.P. '80 & '00Hon. and Rev. Peter John Cameron, O.P. '80. When his first year was complete, he went on to the Dominican House of Studies, the province's seminary in Washington, D.C. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 22, 1987.

His first three-year assignment as a Dominican brought him back to the College. He became the residence hall director at Stephen Hall, living with students in what is

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Father Shanley's first assignment after ordination was as residence director at Stephen Hall, now the Feinstein Academic Center, and teaching Development of Western Civilization.



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In 1991, Father Shanley was sent to the University of Toronto to complete a Ph.D. in philosophy. Three years later he became an assistant professor at The Catholic University of America. He was promoted to associate professor with tenure in 2001. He relished academic life, which included a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Notre Dame and a semester as a visiting professor at Emory University. His academic specialties were St. Thomas Aquinas, the philosophy of religion, medieval philosophy, and ethics.

“Catholic University challenged me intellectually because it was a research university,” Father Shanley said. “I had to do a lot of research and be published. It was a great experience for me.”

But he was never far removed from Providence.

In 1999, at age 41, Father Shanley was appointed to the PC Board of Trustees. Another new member that year was Michael A. Ruane '71 & '13Hon. Arthur F. Ryan '63 & '90Hon. was re-elected to the board. Ruane and Ryan both became major donors to the College during Father Shanley's presidency, making possible the Ruane Center for the Humanities, the Ruane Friar Development Center, and the Arthur F. and Patricia Ryan Center for Business Studies.

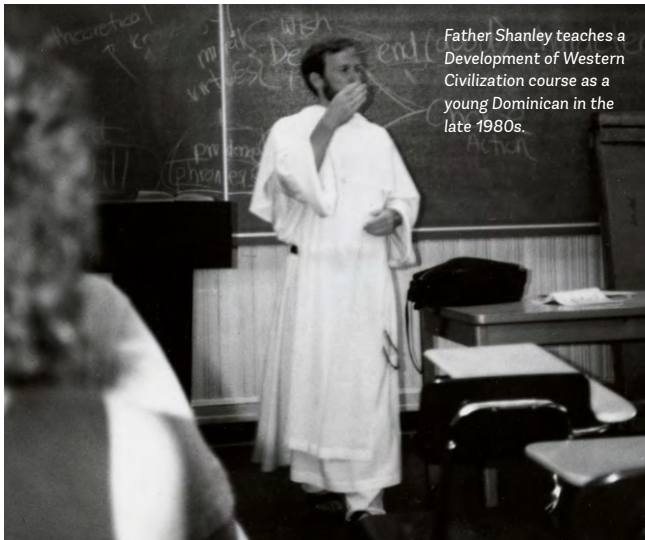
Father Shanley didn't expect to be named president in 2005. The other finalist, Rev. Kurt J. Pritzl, O.P., dean of Catholic University's School of Philosophy, was Father Shanley's boss and friend. When Father



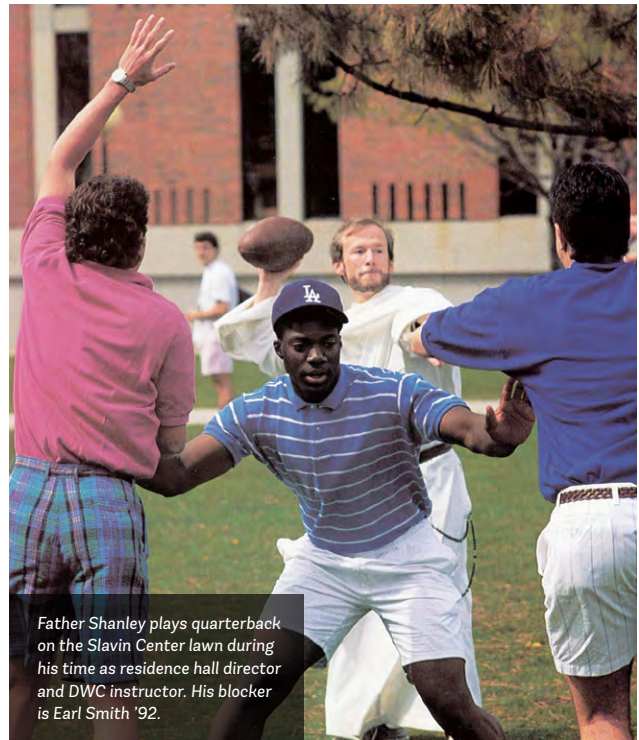
Father Shanley always enjoyed running the annual Friar 5K, a fundraiser for the National Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. He talks after the race in 2013 with Bethany DeNardo Napolillo, wife of Steve Napolillo '98, right, and their son, Drew.

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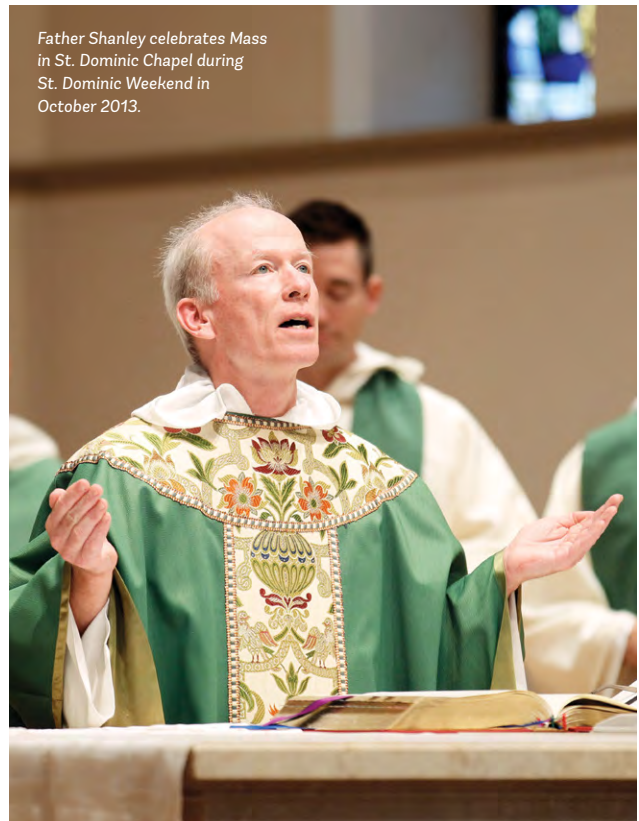
— FATHER SHANLEY



Father Shanley teaches a Development of Western Civilization course as a young Dominican in the late 1980s.



Father Shanley plays quarterback on the Slavin Center lawn during his time as residence hall director and DWC instructor. His blocker is Earl Smith '92.



Father Shanley celebrates Mass in St. Dominic Chapel during St. Dominic Weekend in October 2013.

Shanley and Father Pritzl came to Providence to attend trustee meetings, they always visited Rev. Kenneth R. Sicard, O.P. '78 & '82G, who lived in Cunningham Hall and was director of residence life.

“I thought they would pick Father Pritzl, and maybe when he was done, it would be my turn, when I was in my mid-50s and after I had accomplished everything I wanted academically. I was thinking about a book I wanted to write,” Father Shanley said. “It turned out they picked me. I was 46 years old. I didn’t expect it.” ➡

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It had been three decades since the College had been led by a president so young. (Very Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P. '51 was 46 in 1975.) Father Shanley's immediate predecessor, Rev. Philip A. Smith, O.P. '63, was stepping down at age 71 after an 11-year term.

Much was made of the new president's relative youth and boundless energy. He practiced the martial arts, played golf, and enjoyed opera, reading, and the Red Sox. He faced immediate challenges: growing the College's endowment, revising its core curriculum, increasing diversity in the student population, and strengthening the Catholic and Dominican mission.

Father Shanley's first act was to appoint Father Sicard as his executive vice president and treasurer. On July 1, Father Sicard succeeded him as president.

"He is incredibly organized and efficient in ways I am not. We're like the odd couple," Father Shanley said. "Providence College would not have had any of the successes it has had if I did not have a great #2. I don't know anybody who works harder than him. I have complete trust in him. It was one of the best decisions I ever made."

Father Shanley knew a lot about the College as a trustee, but he had never run anything before. He attended the six-day Seminar for New Presidents offered by the Harvard University Graduate School of Education.

"I learned a lot of things that were valuable to me almost immediately and things that over time I came to understand were important," he said.



Father Shanley laughs with members of the Christie family at the 2017 St. Dominic Weekend "Our Moment" campaign celebration and dinner. With him are trustee emeritus William Christie '61 & '11Hon., his wife, Maryann Christie, and their granddaughter, Bridget Hillsman '17 & '19G. The campaign raised \$187 million, far exceeding the goal of \$140 million.

“When I got this job, I really didn’t know a lot about what I was doing, but I had a real confidence I could learn anything I needed to know,” he said. “I wasn’t afraid to ask for advice. Part of being a good president is leadership. I talked with successful people about what I needed to be successful as a CEO.”

Father Shanley’s leadership style is based on personal relationships, according to Greg Waldron, senior vice president for institutional advancement. Dr. Vance G. Morgan, professor of philosophy and former director of the Development of Western Civilization Program, said Father Shanley is “very good at empowering other people to do what they’re best at. He is not a micromanager.”

“I let people do their jobs,” Father Shanley said. “People thrive when you trust them. I manage by managing

individuals. I don’t think about team building.”

The chairs of the Board of Trustees during his presidency — Ruane, John F. Killian ’77, and Christopher K. Reilly ’84 — became key advisers. So did the presidents of colleges in the BIG EAST Conference and those he met through the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Rhode Island.

Because while many people can offer opinions, there are decisions only a college president can make, Father Shanley said.

“You have to understand how to make the big decisions,” Father Shanley said. “Then you have to develop a thick skin and have confidence in your decision.”

Asking donors to give to the College is a key part of a president’s job. During Father Shanley’s presidency, ➔

One of Father Shanley’s happiest moments as president was the dedication of the Ruane Center for the Humanities in October 2013. He and Dr. Hugh F. Lena, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, listen to the keynote speaker, historian David McCullough ’18Hon.



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Father Shanley congratulates co-captain Ross Mauermann '15 during a celebration at Schneider Arena after the men's hockey team won the NCAA Championship in April 2015.



Outside Alumni Hall and Slavin Center, Father Shanley discusses plans for the Ruane Friar Development Center with Michael A. Ruane '71 & '13Hon., former trustee chair, and men's basketball coach Ed Cooley. The project includes a completed basketball practice facility and a future Center for Career Education and Professional Development.

the College endowment doubled, thanks in part to the *Our Moment* campaign that raised \$187 million between 2010-2017. Among other advantages, the larger endowment allows the College to meet nearly 90 percent of a student's financial need with grants and scholarships.

"Fundraising is just relationship building," Father Shanley said. "I like people. I'm asking philanthropic people to donate to Providence College. The key is to match their passions with the College's needs."

In building relationships and raising money, it helped that Father Shanley enjoyed golf. A perk of being president is being invited to play on some of the country's most beautiful courses.

Trustee Colleen M. Duffy '83 tells a story about golfing with Father Shanley when his drive went deep into the woods. He faced a nearly impossible shot through trees and also needed to clear a bunker and get past a false front to the green. Undaunted, he took a utility club from

his bag and punched the ball out of the trees and past the bunker, where it landed softly on the green.

"That's when I knew there was a greater power backing his golf game," Duffy laughed.

Father Shanley is an engaging public speaker, whether presenting a homily at Mass or reassuring parents leaving their children for the first time that PC will love them the way God loves them. His speeches, which usually reference a book he has just read, seem to be made up on the spot.

"People think I don't prepare," he said. "I do prepare. I just don't read from a script. I'm a bullet-point thinker. I write notes to myself and decide what points I want to make, A, B, C, and D. I can remember A, B, C, and D. I sometimes have the points in front of me, but I don't look."

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— JANE LUNIN PEREL '15HON., PROFESSOR EMERITA OF ENGLISH

Always a teacher, Father Shanley taught a seminar on ethics in the Liberal Arts Honors Program for 14 of the 15 years of his presidency.



“I’ve never written out a homily,” he added. “A homily is a conversation. I’m talking to parents, I’m talking to students.”

Father Shanley taught a course in the honors program almost every year of his presidency. He worked out alongside students, faculty, and staff in the Concannon Fitness Center. He was a familiar sight striding briskly through campus, his frame bent slightly forward into the wind.

He has given his all to Providence College.

“It is part of his being to want this college to succeed,” Perel said.

The year 2019 was not kind to Father Shanley. He was hobbled by hip surgery. He lost his brother Paul to an aggressive and rare form of bone cancer. And though he would have welcomed another five-year term as

president, it was not to be.

“I hope he finally gets time to himself,” said Phionna-Cayola Claude '18 & '21G, who got to know Father Shanley during her senior year as president of Student Congress. “I always felt he was doing everything for everybody and not thinking about himself. I always wanted to give him a big hug. I hope he gets a chance to breathe. He gave it his all. It’s hard not to wish the best for him. He has a good heart.”

Being president of Providence College was a dream job, Father Shanley said. He is uncertain what the future will hold, but does not rule out a return one day, if it is God’s providence.

“I know God will open a door for me, but I don’t know what it will be yet,” Father Shanley said. “What I feel most of all now is gratitude.” ❧

**11,469** APPLICATIONS  
for **CLASS OF 2023\***  
▷ **30.3%** INCREASE SINCE  
CLASS OF 2010

**\$13.3M**  
FACULTY  
RESEARCH  
GRANTS  
▷ SINCE 2011



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YEARS *as*  
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**232** STUDENTS COMPLETED  
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**\$230.3M** FUNDRAISING  
▷ 2005-2019  
COMPARED TO **\$101.9M** FROM 1987-2004

**\$468M** CAPITAL  
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**360**  
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STUDENTS  
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**15**  
GOLF  
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**+475**  
HOMILIES  
PREACHED *on* CAMPUS

**435** STUDY  
ABROAD  
**STUDENTS\***  
▷ ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-20

\* SCHOOL RECORD



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FATHER **SHANLEY'S** PRESIDENCY



Father Shanley at his inauguration  
as the College's 12th president on  
Sept. 30, 2005



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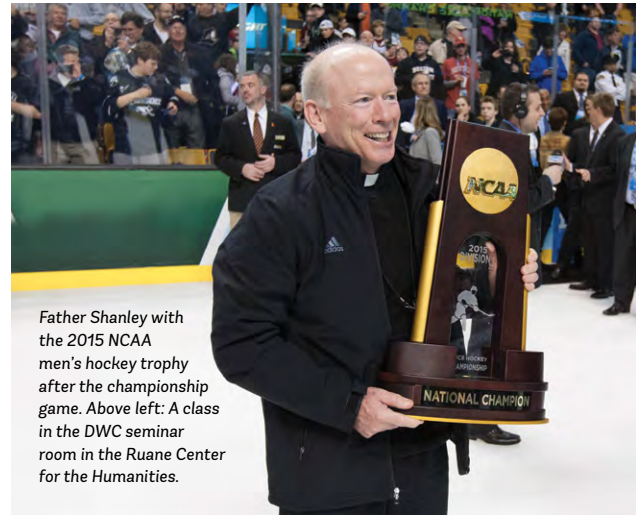
## New Heights of Excellence

### ACADEMICS

- Ranked among the top regional universities by *U.S. News & World Report*; #1 in 2020
- 64% of full-time faculty hired since 2005
- Business school accredited by AACSB International
- Test-optional admission policy adopted
- Named a “Top Producer” school in the Fulbright U.S. Student Program for 2019-2020
- Construction boom:
  - Ruane Center for the Humanities
  - Arthur F. and Patricia Ryan Center for Business Studies
  - Science Complex addition and renovation
  - Harkins Hall renovation (classrooms and offices)



Coach Ray Treacy '82 and Father Shanley recognize the 2013 NCAA Women's Cross Country Championship team at a men's basketball game in February 2014.



Father Shanley with the 2015 NCAA men's hockey trophy after the championship game. Above left: A class in the DWC seminar room in the Ruane Center for the Humanities.

### ATHLETICS

- New BIG EAST Conference established; TV deal with FOX Sports for men's basketball
- NCAA championships in men's hockey, women's cross country
- 94% student-athlete graduation rate
- Construction boom:
  - Chapey Field at Anderson Stadium
  - Ruane Friar Development Center
  - Schneider Arena addition & renovation
  - Ray Treacy Track and Field Complex
  - Concannon Fitness Center
  - Glady Field (softball)
  - Mullaney Gym (Alumni Hall) renovation

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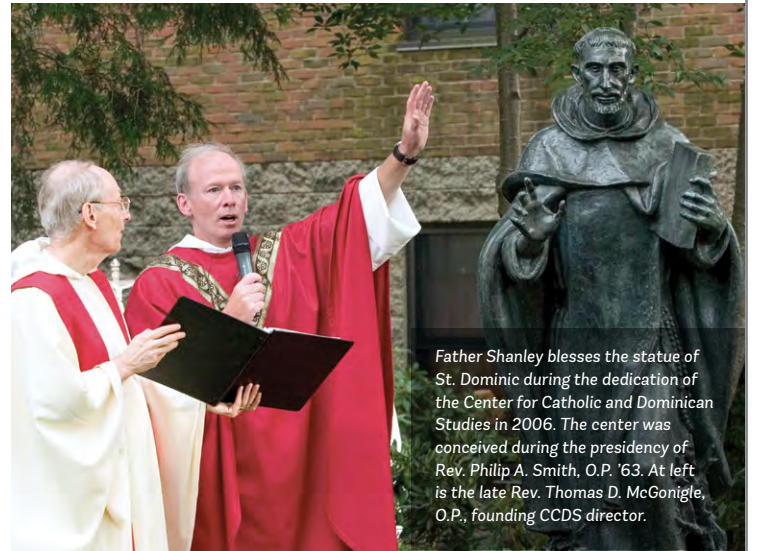
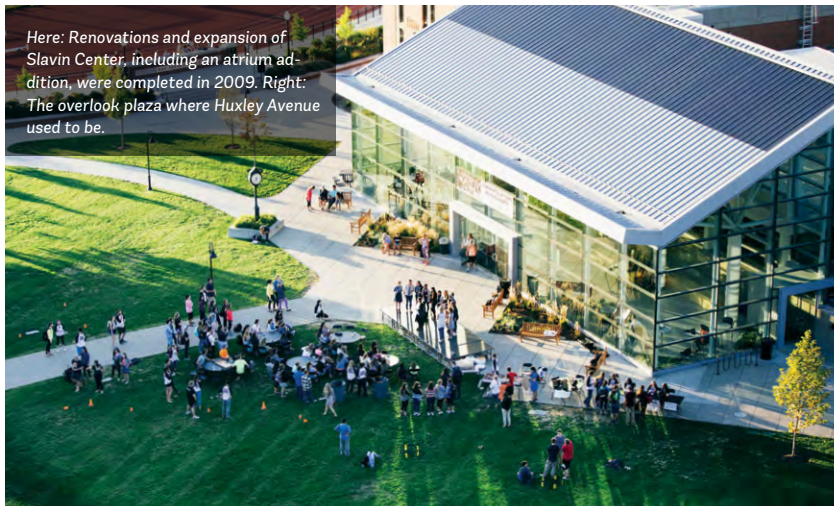
## DIVERSITY

- Office of Institutional Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion established
- First chief diversity officer appointed
- Class of 2023: 20.2% students of color
- Ordinary (tenure track) faculty: 17% faculty of color



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## CAMPUS TRANSFORMATION



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## MISSION AND MINISTRY

- Division of Mission and Ministry established
- First vice president appointed
- Center for Catholic and Dominican Studies dedicated
- Fr. Philip A. Smith, O.P. Student Fellowships for Study and Service Abroad established
- Dominican chaplains in each residence hall
- Peer Ministry Program created; approximately 400 student participants



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### PROVIDENCE-IN-EUROPE Formal Application For Admission



Brian First Middle Last  
 James Middle Last  
 Shanley Last  
 Number [redacted]  
 7/58 Day-Year  
 Place of Birth Warwick, R.I.  
 City-State/Country  
 Vincent Middle Last (Living/Deceased)  
 M. Middle Last (Living/Deceased)

Above, the study abroad application of Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80. Left, the Nov. 29, 1978, issue of *The Cowl* that included his reporting from the papal inauguration.

## Lucky PC students witness papal installation

BY BRIAN J. SHANLEY '80  
FRIBOURG CORRESPONDENT

*(Father Shanley wrote this story for The Cowl while studying at the University of Fribourg, Switzerland, during the 1978-79 academic year. Published on Nov. 29, 1978, it is excerpted here.)*

"Do you know how lucky we are?" was the theme of Sarah Flanagan's famous speech last year to her fellow students at the University of Fribourg. As we sat in '64 Hall on the eve of our departure I think that few of us could have honestly answered yes to her question. Indeed, even

now, after over a month, I do not know how many of us have grasped how truly fortunate we are to be studying in Europe.

Ten of us, however, have even more to be thankful for. On Sunday, October 22, 1978, 10 students from the Providence-in-Europe program sat 17 rows away from the front steps of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and witnessed the installation of Pope John Paul II. Amongst the immense throng that crowded St. Peter's Square for this historic occasion, we sat comfortably in our chairs 25 yards away from the altar.

The news of the election of a Polish pope was a surprise to everyone. I was incredulous upon first hearing the news. "Did you hear about the new Polish pope?" someone asked me as I sat in a café. At a time when the Church's position on communism is one of the most vital issues confronting it, the cardinals

elected the first pope from a communist country. It would truly be an historic occasion and we were only a 12-hour train ride away.

We left as soon as possible to allow us time to see the city. There was a group of about 20 American students on the train that left Berne for Rome on Wednesday night, October 18. Other Providence students made the trek later in the week.

We spent the days before the installation being awed by the grandeur of Rome, especially the Vatican. The Basilica of St. Peter is the largest church in the world and also quite possibly the most glorious. Many of you will recall being shown pictures of it in Civ. Let me assure you that it is even more glorious than they would indicate. (Incidentally, those of you who consider Civ a waste of time will change your minds when you visit Rome.) The Sistine Chapel is simply overwhelm-

ing. Michelangelo's frescos, especially "The Last Judgment," are magnificent and awe-inspiring.

The events which culminated in our fantastic vantage point Sunday began on Thursday afternoon. {We met} Bishop {Louis} Gelineau, {who} happened to be touring Rome with a group of Polish-Americans from Rhode Island. He related that he was trying to get tickets for his group. He also said that if he could obtain extra

We rose early Sunday morning and rode the bus to St. Peter's Square. We were there by 7:30 a.m. for the 10 a.m. ceremony. We were to rendezvous with the bishop at 8:30 by the obelisk in the center of the square. We flocked to him like children to a long-lost father. Clinging to the precious slips of paper as if our lives depended on it, we followed the bishop toward the seating area. To say that we were highly excited would be to risk understatement.



Dancing on the bridge of Avignon, France: the future Father Shanley, left, with Michael J. Kelley '80 and Rosanne Russo '80.

tickets he would give them to us. This was splendid news. It had become obvious by now that nearly half of the square would on Sunday be reserved seating.

We labored to restrain our excitement as we waited to hear from the bishop. On Saturday evening we ventured to the Trevi Fountain, an interesting night spot. From a phone booth nearby I called the bishop's hotel room to find out if he had received the tickets. When he answered in the affirmative, we could not contain our joy.

One more surprise was to befall us now. We had assumed that the tickets would allow us to sit on the benches in the back of the seating area. We were in error. The tickets were for the front, center section. We scrambled to get as close as possible.

We found ourselves amongst people of every nationality. There we were, the official delegation from Providence College: Peter Cameron, Martha Reynolds, Thomas Downes, James Ready, Wilma Mondì, Rosanne Russo, Lauren Brosnihan, and I {with two students from the University of

New Hampshire and La Salle College}. After being seated we turned to each other and uttered the now-famous question: "Do you know how lucky we are?"

The installation was as much a spectacle as a holy ceremony. The crowd pulsed with excitement. The people were a show in themselves: the colorful and proud pilgrims from Poland, the large groups of nuns and priests of every nationality, and the ubiquitous Italian vendors. Another show was provided by the dignitaries who paraded across the steps to take their seats as witnesses; there were kings and queens, presidents and prime ministers, and sundry other representatives of various governments.

The ceremony itself was moving, dignified and inspiring, an age-old ritual performed before our eyes. The pope exuded holiness, wisdom and strength. He charmed the crowd with his linguistic abilities. Images of that day — John Paul II sitting for the first time on the papal throne, the queue of cardinals paying homage to Peter's successor, the sacred moment of consecration, the army of priests distributing Communion to the crowd, the papal benedictions, the new pope embracing a young boy who had presented him with flowers, the pope addressing the crowd from his window after the ceremony — have made indelible impressions on our memories. It was the most thrilling moment of our lives. When it was all over we were totally exhausted. And yes, we were lucky. ❧



## BORN TO BE PRESIDENT

“He’s been able to reach out to every constituency to embrace and engage people, from older alumni to younger alumni, from students to professors, and to understand the business aspects of the College. He’s not only touched each of them, but he has gotten involved with them and made them better.”

— **MICHAEL A. RUANE '71 & '13HON.**  
FORMER CHAIR, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

“The improvements to campus and to academic programs have made us a premier liberal arts school, and all of that has occurred under his leadership.”

— **COLLEEN M. DUFFY '83**  
TREASURER, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

“He personally cared about our success as students. He wanted to make sure we had a great experience that set us up for a successful life.”

— **ANA-MARIA (SIMA) BENTU '12**  
SENIOR ASSOCIATE, PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS

“He is a terrific priest, a great academic, and an inspiring leader with a great facility for the business of running a college.”

— **CHRISTOPHER K. REILLY '84**  
CHAIR, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

“Me sitting here as the College’s first African-American men’s basketball coach shows you his willingness to be different. Growing up in Providence, I never dreamed I would lead a premier Division I program as a minority.”

— **ED COOLEY**  
MEN’S BASKETBALL HEAD COACH

“He took on the unenviable task of dealing with a vocal faculty body at a college with stronger than usual shared governance. To his great credit he respected this system and worked within it to thoroughly transform PC.”

— **DR. LYNNETTE J. BOOS**  
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS  
PRESIDENT, FACULTY SENATE



Father Shanley reflects in the Fiondella Great Room of the Ruane Center for the Humanities. The stained-glass windows were designed by artist Sylvia Nicolas '01Hon. They represent great figures from Western civilization, chosen by Father Shanley, and were a gift from Michael J. Joyce '84 and Jane (Aries) Joyce '89.

PHOTO: JUSTIN JAMES MUIR



## A VISION FOR **PROGRESS**



**REV. KENNETH R. SICARD, O.P. '78 & '82G** became the 13th president of Providence College on Wednesday, July 1. As an undergraduate, he majored in accountancy and then earned an MBA at PC. He worked as an auditor at Fleet Financial Group for six years before entering the Dominican Order. Father Sicard was ordained to the priesthood in 1990. He holds a Ph.D. in business education from The Ohio State University. After serving for seven years as chaplain and as a member of the faculty at Ohio Dominican College, he was assigned to Providence College in 1997 and became director of residence life. In 2005, the new president, Rev. Brian J. Shanley, O.P. '80, tapped him to be his executive vice president/treasurer.

PHOTO: JUSTIN JAMES MUIR.



### \* THE ROAD AHEAD

Every Dominican who has been president at Providence College has tried to leave the institution better than he found it, and that will be my goal. By that measure, Father Shanley has been one of the College's most successful presidents, and — guided by our Catholic and Dominican mission, and through the support of faculty and staff — I hope to build upon and continue the progress he has led. I am excited about developing meaningful relationships with our students and making their years at PC meaningful and transformative.

### \* HIGHER ASPIRATIONS

We want PC to be more nationally recognized as a leading Catholic liberal arts college that attracts students from all geographic regions of the country. Our new strategic plan, *PC200*, addresses that aspiration and defines our overall goals. The plan was three years in the making, and I was heavily involved in its creation. Of all the initiatives it includes, I am most excited about those related to academics, the College's Catholic and Dominican identity, and its commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

### \* ACADEMIC DISTINCTION

The boldest academic initiative in *PC200* is “signature work” — which will create a framework for students to purposefully combine classroom work with internships, study abroad, research, and other co-curricular activities — all contributing to a signature student experience. We are still working with faculty on the finishing touches; we're not there yet, but there are great ideas and great energy around this idea. It's one of the most exciting things we're doing at PC.

I am passionate about the plan, which is both aspirational and practical. We have an extraordinary and committed faculty, who will continue to work with us on making PC what we envision it to be and to build on all the successes of Father Shanley's tenure. I would also like to say how grateful we all are to Dr. Hugh Lena, whose contributions as provost have been instrumental in the College's success.

### \* COLLEGE GROWTH

We don't want the College to get any bigger, nor do we want it to be any smaller, and that is where the challenge lies. The demographics are changing in the areas from which we typically draw students, particularly the Northeast. We need to continue to expand our outreach to other geographic regions to find students who would really thrive at a mission-based institution like PC.

### \* READY FOR THE JOB

Father Shanley and I have worked together closely for 15 years. He has been a great mentor and consistently has given me meaningful responsibilities. When he was on sabbatical in 2018, I was adequately prepared to assume the leadership role in his absence. Serving as the College's president will, of course, be a challenge. It is obviously different when you are not just doing the job for six months. But the way Father Shanley and I have worked together has prepared me very well to assume these new responsibilities.

### \* 'FIRST-GENERATION' PRESIDENT

As the first person in my extended family to attend college, I am forever grateful for the opportunities provided by Providence College that changed my life, and I always try to keep that perspective in mind. That is one of the reasons that I am focused on promoting diversity by serving first-generation, and other under-represented, students.

### \* FATHER SHANLEY'S IMPACT

Father Shanley deserves enormous credit for the great strides the College has made. Fifteen years ago, PC was a great school, but is even more so now. Our physical campus has been transformed. But more importantly, our academic reputation has been greatly enhanced through the efforts of our faculty, most of whom have been hired during Father Shanley's tenure. I want to continue to build on that progress and to add my own imprint to Providence College. I am excited about the opportunity and about the future that lies ahead. ❏



Faith Lamprey  
behind the wheel  
of her 1967  
Austin Mini

British sports cars are **Faith Lamprey's** hobby, but data is her business. After the sale of her computer consulting company, the accountancy professor donated \$500,000 to Providence College.

# DATA DRIVEN

BY VICKI-ANN DOWNING / PHOTO BY NAT REA

When Faith Lamprey pulls up in her vermilion red 1980 MGB convertible or her red-and-white 1967 Austin Mini, she's the coolest accountancy professor in town. She also is one of the most generous.

Lamprey's gift of \$500,000 to Providence College created a new computer laboratory and a Data Analytics Fellows Program in the School of Business and bolstered the Transitions Program for multicultural and first-generation students.

"I wanted to do something major because I love teaching here," said Lamprey, who began teaching as an adjunct instructor at PC in 2006 and has been a member of the full-time practitioner faculty in business since 2013. "I love the College, I love the faculty in the business school, and I love the students."

The gift came about after Lamprey sold her company, Aurora Technologies, in 2018. The business specialized in Electronic Data Interchange, a process by which a company's business documents are made electronic, in a proprietary format, for sharing computer-to-computer. Lamprey started the business in 1995 in her Rhode Island home while also teaching at area colleges. It grew quickly.

"There weren't enough hours in the day, so I hired some part-time help, and before I knew it I was up to 16 people, totally incorporated, and offering a full menu of benefits, including a 401(k)," Lamprey said.

Most of Lamprey's initial employees were women, many with young children, who wanted to work part time on flexible schedules. Working from home and working part time were rare opportunities 25 years ago. Some of the women remained with her for decades. She sold the company after finding a buyer who would retain her employees and satisfy her customers, too.

Lamprey's donation created a second computer laboratory in the School of Business with 40 computers, eight flat screens, and a central pod for the instructor. Last semester she used it to teach her course, Data Applications in Business, a requirement for all business majors. Her gift also will establish a future Data Analytics Fellows Program for students who will serve as mentors to business school students and faculty.

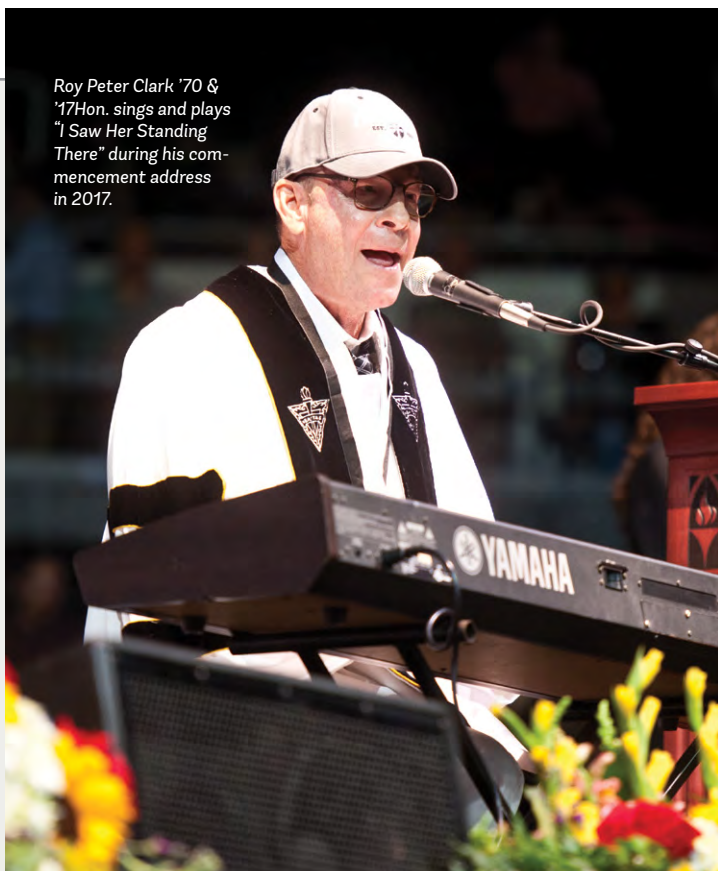
In addition, \$50,000 of Lamprey's gift was designated to support the Transitions Program, a pre-orientation summer program for multicultural and first-generation students entering PC. She was inspired after hearing a presentation by Dr. Bernice A. King, daughter of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., during the College's first MLK Convocation in 2018.

She reached out to Ralph Tavares '01, then director of multicultural student success, who introduced her to a group of MLK scholars. She later taught a financial literacy session for the program. The students signed a framed picture for her that reads, "Fight the Good Fight." It now hangs in her office.

Lamprey has a bachelor's degree in computer science and economics from Elmira College and an MBA from the University of Rhode Island. When she isn't teaching, Lamprey and her partner, Bruce Vild, publish a monthly newspaper for car enthusiasts, *British Marque Car Club News*, mailed to more than 3,000 subscribers in the United States and Canada. Lamprey bought her MGB new in 1980 from a car dealer in Seekonk, Mass., attended a car show with Vild, and has been a fan of British cars ever since. ■■

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Roy Peter Clark '70 & '17Hon. sings and plays "I Saw Her Standing There" during his commencement address in 2017.



# Dear Class of 2020:

**YOU HAVE A GREAT STORY**

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*EDITOR'S NOTE: Roy Peter Clark '70 & '17Hon. wrote the following message to the Class of 2020 in March. Their Commencement Exercises in May were postponed by the coronavirus pandemic.*

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**BY ROY PETER CLARK '70 & '17HON.**

## **T**o my PC brothers and sisters, Class of 2020:

Cheers on your four years of hard work — and lots of playtime, I hope. Cheers on your upcoming graduation. I have no doubt that our *alma mater* has prepared you perfectly to face a global pandemic and a worldwide economic recession.

Even worse than debt and unemployment, they want to close the bars and coffee shops. How could they?

Let's get to the important, emotional questions. What about Commencement Exercises? What about that glorious ritual of walking across the stage, your three relatives cheering from the balcony of the Dunkin' Donuts Center?

This was to be Father Shanley's last rodeo as president of the college. I wondered if he would have shaken every hand as usual? And then wiped his own each time with hand sanitizer? Instead of academic gowns, everyone could have worn a hazmat suit.

Let me express some solidarity with your disappointment. Your ceremony was postponed and now so is mine: the 50th reunion of the Class of 1970.

I am praying to St. Jude, patron saint of desperate cases and lost causes, that you get a chance — at some point in time — to flip your tassels and hug your classmates good-bye.

Our prayers need to extend across the globe to the millions affected by the pandemic. It feels, more than ever, that humankind is a mystical body in which all of us are connected. This disruption may feel unprecedented. But I want to share with you a little history to provide a dose of consolation.

Providence College was founded in 1917 but did not open until 1919. Why? Because of two fairly significant events: The Great War (what we have come to call World War I) and a global pandemic that has come to be known as the Spanish Flu. That virus infected a third of the world's population, killing as many as 50 million people, including almost 700,000 Americans.

But that crisis passed, and the College opened and grew until a collision with two other fairly significant events. We call them the Great Depression and World War II. Imagine the education PC students got when they went off to war, invaded Europe, and liberated concentration camps. I just learned that 37 members of a group of PC students known as “The Lost Class of 1944” were killed in action.

Compared to those cataclysmic world events, maybe my class — the Class of 1970 — had it easy. Except for this: During our four years, thousands were killed in the Vietnam War, we were subject to the military draft lottery, and we became involved in social and political upheavals the likes of which we had never seen before.

Back in our day, graduation ceremonies took place in June. On May 4, 1970, four unarmed college students were shot and killed at Kent State University by members of the Ohio National Guard. We wondered whether our government had declared war on students.

Fifty years ago, students went on strike. Fearing violence, many colleges closed their doors early and sent students home. PC did the same. The Class of 1970 made a kind of history: We were the first full PC class to never have completed our final year.

About six weeks went by, and seniors were able to return to the college and convene in the outdoor setting of the Grotto for our graduation ceremonies. I got to deliver the “class oration” on how to imagine a peaceful world at a time of war.

So here we are again, and how alike we seem, the classes of 1970 and 2020:

- We both benefited from cool class numbers. The number 1970 is cool, but can there be a better class number than 2020? My ophthalmologist thinks not.
- Our president back then left office in disgrace. Yours was impeached.
- We both attended college during periods of political polarization, social unrest, and struggles for racial justice and gender equality.
- The graduates of both classes faced existential crises: war and pandemic.

- We never got to finish what we started — and neither have you, yet.
- Oh, and we had the Beatles and you ... well, sing it with me: “All You Need Is Love.”

Here is the good news, and there is a lot of it:

- You WILL see your classmates again. I promise. For 50 years I have been in close touch with my three roommates. They are like family. I love them as brothers.
- While we mourn and pray for those families most affected by the pandemic, there is no capstone course you could have taken that will be more valuable to you than this experience. The lessons of fear, loss, tragedy, betrayal, intolerance — but also courage, hope, community, science, and culture: these are learned abstractly in our studies of the humanities but are now made manifest in real time in your final days of college.
- We were never sure when the Vietnam War would end, but it did end. We are not sure when the pandemic will resolve itself, but it will. There will come to be a Before and an After. We will come to savor the simple pleasures of life: that party on St. Patrick’s Day, that family reunion, a baby’s first step, that iced vanilla latte.

Finally, I believe that “God writes straight with crooked lines,” that what appears catastrophic will be redeemed in ways we cannot imagine.

You think this pandemic has ruined the celebration that you have earned and deserved. In the long run, you may change your mind. It may have given you a special legacy and one of the greatest gifts of all: A great story.

Think of the story you will tell in the days and years ahead. To your grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Back in 2020, you will say with your perfect 2020 hindsight, we made history. 🍷

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*Clark is the retired senior scholar at The Poynter Institute, a journalism school in St. Petersburg, Fla. He graduated as his class salutatorian and earned a Ph.D. in English from Stony Brook University in 1974. He did NOT attend that graduation ceremony. “It was too hot,” he said.*



**FRIARTOWN**



SCHOLAR-ATHLETE  
**CLARE MINNERATH '20**  
SHOWS GRIT IN THE  
CLASSROOM AND  
ON THE ICE

# **THE PUCK STOPS HERE**

BY VICKI-ANN DOWNING  
PHOTO BY ANGEL TUCKER

**C**lare Minnerath '20 is as sharp in the classroom as she is on the ice. The mathematics and computer science double major and member of the Liberal Arts Honors Program was a goalie for the women's ice hockey team.

Minnerath was one of two women chosen this past academic year to receive the prestigious, full-tuition Clare Boothe Luce Scholarship in recognition of academic excellence and a commitment to STEM study. Last summer, she won a competitive internship funded by the National Science Foundation to spend 10 weeks on computer science research at the University of Colorado.

Minnerath accomplished all this despite being sidelined with Hodgkin lymphoma for almost five months in 2018. After the diagnosis, she returned home to Sartell, Minn., to undergo six rounds of chemotherapy, missing the final month of her sophomore year. At her insistence, her final chemotherapy session was moved ahead so she could get back to campus in August to join her team in its first session on the ice and not miss a day of classes.

Such determination is characteristic of Minnerath, who was named Hockey East Defensive Player of the Week in October 2019 after making a career-high 33 saves to preserve a shutout against No. 3-ranked Northeastern University.

"It's inspiring to see how competitive and determined she is to be the best she can be every day on and off the ice," said head coach Matt Kelley. "Our team and staff are so grateful to have had a leader like her."



Clare Minnerath '20 makes a save during the opening game of the 2019-20 season against Quinnipiac University.

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Despite a six-day-a-week practice schedule, Minnerath found time to work on research with faculty, including computational game theory with Dr. John Seiffertt, assistant professor of computer science, and topology with Dr. Joanna Su, professor of mathematics. An honors colloquium on Personalized Medicine with Dr. Charles R. Toth, associate professor of biology, gave her a new goal: to work one day creating software to design and develop prosthetics.

Balancing honors in academics with a Division I hockey schedule isn't easy, even if she made it look that way.

"It's a battle, that's for sure," Minnerath said. "I try not to miss the social opportunities as well. I do work on the bus rides. There's a lot of time management." ❧



Alpha Diallo '20 finished his Friar career leading the team in both scoring and rebounding in 2019-20.

## Basketball team ends on a roll

### WHAT IF?

No Friar winter sports team was left asking that question more agonizingly when the coronavirus pandemic struck in mid-March than the men's basketball team. PC was approximately an hour away from taking the Madison Square Garden floor for its opening, quarterfinal BIG EAST Tournament game against Butler when the conference pulled the plug on the tourney. Not long thereafter, the NCAA Tournament was canceled.

The Friars (19-12) entered the BIG EAST Tournament as hot as any team in the country and were projected to be a No. 7 seed in the NCAAs. Ed Cooley's team had won six straight games to close the regular season with an NET ranking of 37 and a team-record 12 BIG EAST wins (12-6). It was an incredible about-face for a team that, heading into February, didn't appear to have a post-season shot.

Guided by veteran guard Alpha Diallo '20 (New York, N.Y.) and the slick, determined backcourt play of Luwane Pipkins (Chicago, Ill.), a graduate student who had played for the University of Massachusetts, PC salvaged the season — much

to the delight of its faithful fans. Diallo ended up earning Second Team All-BIG EAST honors for the second consecutive year, leading the team in scoring (14.1 points per game) and rebounding (7.8).

Another fan favorite, sixth-year forward Emmitt Holt '19 (Rochester, N.Y.), who battled back from multiple abdominal surgeries, became the first Friar to win the BIG EAST Sportsmanship Award. He finished his last season averaging 4.8 points and 3.7 rebounds per game.

## Dugan powers men's hockey



### JACK DUGAN '22

- First Team All-American
- 2019-20 NCAA Scoring Champion
- First Team Hockey East All-Star
- Hobey Baker Award Top-10 Finalist

Like its basketball counterparts, the men's hockey team had its postseason end before it began. Nate Leaman's squad had qualified for the quarterfinals of the HOCKEY EAST Tournament for the ninth consecutive year under his direction. The Friars finished with a 16-12-6 record, including 10-11-3 in conference play.

PHOTOS/THIS PAGE: ALPHA DIALLO '20: COURTESY OF ATHLETIC MEDIA RELATIONS; JACK DUGAN '22: COURTESY OF ATHLETIC MEDIA RELATIONS; OPPOSITE PAGE: ABBEY WHEELER '20: COURTESY OF BIG EAST CONFERENCE; PENNY CLARKE AWARD: COURTESY OF JENNIFER O'NEARA '93.



Featuring a youthful team with only three seniors, the Friars were led by two sophomores who finished among the top three scorers nationally. NCAA scoring champion Jack Dugan '22 (Rochester, N. Y.) racked up 52 points, including 42 assists, while Tyce Thompson '22 (Milford, Conn.) ended up third in NCAA scoring with 44 points on 19 goals and 25 assists.

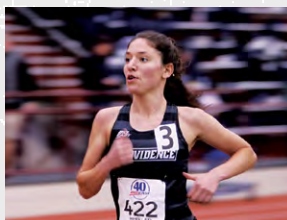
Dugan was named a First Team CCM/AHCA All-American and, along with defenseman Michael Callahan '22 (Franklin, Mass.), earned First Team Hockey East All-Star honors. Thompson, who was chosen a Hobey Baker Award candidate with Dugan, was selected a Second Team Hockey East All-Star.

## Two women's teams compete in tournaments

The **women's ice hockey team** advanced to the Women's Hockey East Tournament quarterfinals, falling in a series with the University of New Hampshire. PC compiled an 18-14-4 record, including 15-10-2 in Hockey East. Whitney Dove '20 (Port Moody, British Columbia, Canada), who played defense, was selected to the Hockey East Second Team, while another defender, Lauren DeBlois '23 (Lewiston, Maine), made the conference's All-Rookie Team.

The **women's basketball team** won its First Round BIG EAST Tournament game, defeating Georgetown, thereby winning a conference tourney game in back-to-back seasons for the first time since 1994-95. PC finished 13-19 overall and 3-15 in BIG EAST play.

On an individual basis, **Abbey Wheeler '20** (Elmira, N. Y.) qualified for the 5,000-meter run in the NCAA Women's Indoor Track Championship — which was canceled by the pandemic — and claimed the first two BIG EAST titles



Abbey Wheeler '20 won BIG EAST titles in the 3,000- and 5,000-meter indoor track races.

of her career. Wheeler won the 3,000 (9:25.32) and 5,000 (15:49.65) races in the conference meet. She was named the USTFCCA Northeast Region Women's Indoor Track Athlete of the Year for the 2020 indoor season.



Jennifer E. (MacCallum) O'Meara '93, second from right, joins members of the Clarke family and Robert G. Driscoll, Jr., vice president for athletics and athletics director, right, at the presentation of the Penny Clarke Award. Others from left are Sara Clarke Powell, Cortland Clarke '67, and Becky Clarke.

## Jennifer O'Meara '93 earns Clarke Award for hockey program support

Jennifer E. (MacCallum) O'Meara '93, a Friars' men's hockey fan since her first year at PC, received the team's annual Penny Clarke Award during a reception before a home game against Merrimack in February.

Named in memory of Mrs. Clarke, the award is given to an alumnus, supporter, or friend of the program who has made a significant impact on the lives of the team's student-athletes.

An avid fan, Mrs. Clarke worked with the team's players as a registered nurse from 1987 until she retired in 1994. She was the husband of Cortlandt Clarke '67.

O'Meara, who lives in Whitinsville, Mass., has followed the Friars at Schneider Arena, all over the Northeast, and as far away as Northern Ireland and Las Vegas, Nev., for tournaments. She and her late husband, Benjamin G. O'Meara '93, became season ticket holders in 2002. She continues to attend games and socialize with a small group of season ticket holders, "The Band of Friars."

"It is always fun to cheer on the Friars, but since Coach (Nate) Leaman started coaching in 2011, it has been a thrill to be a Friars fan," said O'Meara. Her most memorable event was being in attendance at the TD Garden in Boston to see the Friars win their first NCAA Championship in April 2015, when they defeated Boston University. ❧



Danny Griffin '20 looks upfield in the NCAA first-round win over New Jersey Institute of Technology.

## Soccer cracks NCAA Round of 16

Coach **Craig Stewart's** men's soccer team turned in another outstanding season in fall 2019, finishing 16-7 overall and 6-3 in the BIG EAST. The Friars advanced to the conference championship game, losing to Georgetown — the eventual national champion — 3-1. NCAA Tournament wins over New Jersey Institute of Technology and Penn State brought the team to the Round of 16 for the third time in six seasons. The season ended with a heartbreaking 2-1 double-overtime loss at Clemson.

## Pair picked in MLS draft

Standout soccer players **Austin Aviza '20** (Medway, Mass.) and **Danny Griffin '20** (Wethersfield, Conn.) were selected in January's Major League Soccer SuperDraft. Orlando City selected Aviza, a goalkeeper, in the second round, just five picks before Columbus Crew SC took midfielder Griffin, also in the second round. Senior redshirt midfielder **Tiago Mendonca '19** (Faro, Portugal) signed a professional contract with New England Revolution II of the United Soccer League in January.



Kathleen (Walsh) Wynters '82

## Hockey East bestows Founders Medal on Wynters '82

Hockey East honored long-time conference official **Kathleen (Walsh) Wynters '82** in March, awarding her the prestigious Hockey East Founders Medal. She is the first woman to receive this recognition.

Wynters' work with Hockey East dates to its 1983 founding and her collaboration with its first commissioner, former Friar coach **Lou Lamoriello '63 & '01 Hon.** She was away from the conference for most of the 1990s but returned in 2000. She served as associate commissioner for most of the time until June, when she stepped down as Hockey East's longest-serving staff member after nearly three decades.

"She is extremely intelligent, a tireless worker, and without question has been a decided asset to the success of Hockey East from the founding days to the prominence of where the conference stands today in the world of hockey," said Lamoriello, who is president and general manager of the NHL's New York Islanders.

In addition to numerous financial and operational responsibilities, Wynters served as the conference's primary event manager. She was tournament manager of two NCAA Frozen Fours and 29 men's and 18 women's Hockey East championships.

Wynters, who is remaining in the sport as business manager of College Hockey, Inc., is a loyal alumni volunteer. She has served on the National Alumni Association Council and earned the Service to the Alumni Association Award in 2017.

## High-grade grad rate

Providence College athletics has achieved a **95% Graduation Success Rate**, according to the most recent NCAA data, released in October. The PC rate is six points higher than the national average of 89%, which is the highest level ever. Nine Friar teams posted 100% graduation rates for this reporting period: men's and women's hockey, men's and women's swimming and diving, field hockey, women's cross country/track, softball, tennis, and volleyball.



From left, Athletics Director Robert G. Driscoll, Jr. with his wife, Cathy, and son, Sean '09 & '16, after the Ithaca College Hall of Fame ceremony

## Athletics directors, Ithaca College honor Driscoll

Providence College Vice President and Athletics Director **Robert G. Driscoll, Jr.** has earned two milestone recognitions. In April, the Division I-AAA Athletics Directors Association honored him with its 2020 Builders' Award. The award committee called Driscoll "a transformational leader" who, in his nearly 20 years at PC, has developed "a national championship-caliber athletics department while always focusing on student-athlete development."

Under Driscoll, the athletics program has recorded NCAA championships in women's cross country and men's hockey and sharply upgraded its facilities, highlighted by Chapey Field at Anderson Stadium and the Ruane Friar Development Center — both constructed in the past five years. Also, the College's student-athletes posted a 95% Graduation Success Rate in the most recent data released by the NCAA in October.

Driscoll also was enshrined in the Ithaca College Hall of Fame on Oct. 11, 2019. A 1974 Ithaca graduate, he was a two-sport athlete in his college days. He starred in ice hockey for the Bombers, serving as captain for three years and leading the team in scoring each of those seasons. He played baseball for two seasons.

## Cooley enters Stonehill hall

Friar men's basketball coach **Ed Cooley** was one of four alumni student-athletes — along with the 1999 women's soccer team — inducted into the Stonehill College Athletic Hall of Fame on Nov. 1, 2019. Cooley was a three-year captain at Stonehill, graduating in 1994. He helped lead the Skyhawks to four

Northeast-10 Tournament appearances, including a semifinal berth his senior year. He recently finished his ninth season as PC's coach.

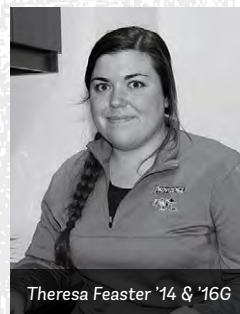
## More fame for Ernie D

**Ernie DiGregorio '73**, the legendary Friar men's basketball player who led PC to the 1973 NCAA Final Four and later became NBA Rookie of the Year, headlined the eight-member National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame Class of 2019. He was inducted on Nov. 24, 2019, in Kansas City, Mo. DiGregorio also is the author of a new book, *A Star with a Broken Heart*, a memoir focusing on his relationships with former teammate, the late **Marvin Barnes '73**, and their coach, the late **Dave Gavitt '89Hon.**

## Leaman, Feaster '14 & '16G join U.S. National Junior Team staff



Nate Leaman



Theresa Feaster '14 & '16G

USA Hockey named Friars' men's coach **Nate Leaman** and **Theresa Feaster '14 & '16G**, director of men's hockey operations at PC, as head coach and video coach, respectively, of the 2021 U.S. National Junior Team. The team will compete in the 2021 International Ice Hockey Federation World Junior Championship from Dec. 26, 2020, to Jan. 5, 2021, in Edmonton and Red Deer, Alberta. Ten nations will compete for the gold medal.

Leaman, who led PC to its first NCAA title in 2015, was an assistant coach with the U.S. junior team twice previously — in 2007, when it won the bronze medal in Sweden, and in 2009,

when the tournament was held in Ontario.

As video coach, Feaster will be the first woman to serve on the coaching staff of a U.S. National Junior Team. She served as a graduate assistant with the Friars for two years before Leaman offered her a full-time opportunity in 2016. ❧

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## KIM MIALE '01

### NFL player agent with Roc Nation Sports

BY VICKI-ANN DOWNING / PHOTOS BY KEVIN TRIMMER

Kim Miale '01 represents six NFL players as an agent with Roc Nation Sports.

**W**HEN RUNNING BACK SAQUON BARKLEY was selected by the New York Giants as

the No. 2 pick in the 2018 NFL draft, history was made. It was the highest a player had ever been drafted when represented by a female agent.

For Kim Miale '01, it was business as usual.

Since May 2013, Miale has been an agent with Roc Nation Sports in New York City, a division of the entertainment agency founded by Jay-Z. She represents six NFL clients, including Barkley and Juju Smith-Schuster of the Pittsburgh Steelers. As general counsel for the sports department, she works on endorsement agreements for the full roster of football, baseball, and basketball players.

Miale worked hard to achieve such success. After PC, she graduated from law school, then spent eight years as a litigator in Boston to repay her law school loans. She also honed the advocacy skills she now uses to represent clients.

In 2009, while still employed by the law firm, she took a leap and became licensed as an agent with the NFL Players Association. She printed her own business cards and spent all her vacation and free time making connections at the NFL Scouting Combine and at Pro Days. She consulted for years with Madison Avenue Sports and Entertainment in New York City before being hired by Roc Nation Sports.

In the fiercely competitive world of sports agents, where the top 10 percent of agents represent 90 percent of the players, Roc Nation Sports stands apart as a boutique agency representing a small group of elite athletes. It seeks to foster a family atmosphere, Miale said.

“Other agencies that compete with us from a resource standpoint represent hundreds of players,” Miale said. “We have 18 in our football department. That’s appealing to players who want personalized attention and a bespoke sort of strategy for themselves.”

Miale, who grew up in Johnston, R.I., fell in love with PC during her senior year of high school when the men’s basketball team reached the Elite Eight in the NCAA Tournament. Her father said she could live on campus as long as she was named to the dean’s list every semester. Miale, who majored in both political science and English and spent a semester abroad in London, kept her end of the bargain.

At Suffolk University Law School, her sports law course was taught by Kristen Kuliga, founder of K Sports & Entertainment. Miale applied for and received an internship with Kuliga, the first woman to negotiate a starting quarterback’s salary (Doug Flutie, San Diego Chargers, 2001). Miale would

become the second (Geno Smith, New York Jets, 2013).

Last fall, Miale returned to campus to talk with students in a discussion moderated by Patti Goff ’08G, assistant vice president for integrated learning and administration.

most notable accomplishment to date had been marrying her law school classmate (John Kevin Kelly, in Newport, R.I., in 2012).

“When you’re looking at the other agents, the male agents don’t look like they’ve played a sport either,” Miale



*Kim Miale '01, right, answers a question during a discussion with students on campus last fall. At left is the moderator, Patti Goff '08G, assistant vice president for integrated learning and administration.*

Her business is competitive, “so you need to stay on top of it all the time,” Miale said.

In addition to representing six clients, she is expected to recruit one or two more in each draft class. She looks out for veterans who have contracts coming up. She spends weekends during the season watching her players at football games and often arranges to meet her family there.

“Every day is different. That’s what makes it so fun,” Miale said. “Going to games and spending time with the players really is fun.”

When she joined Roc Nation Sports, a newspaper reporter wrote that her

said. “In any case, most players don’t want to talk to you about their strategy on the field. They want to know that you have a strategy for their contract.” ❖

**“... THE MALE AGENTS DON’T LOOK LIKE THEY’VE PLAYED A SPORT EITHER.”**

— KIM MIALE '01



## Now Playing: Master Class Series

John Bowab '55 & '89Hon. speaks to students who participated in the musical "Something Rotten" during a visit to campus in October 2019. At rear is Rev. Kenneth R. Gumbert O.P., professor of film studies in theatre.

**B**roadway and Hollywood director and producer John Bowab '55 & '89Hon. recently made a planned gift to endow the Patricia Morison Master Class Series to benefit students and faculty in the Department of Theatre, Dance, and Film. The gift, included in his will, will provide funding in perpetuity that will allow the department to host various guest artists and experts from the performing arts industry.

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## Friar Explorations Alumni Travel Program Iceland's Magical Northern Lights Feb. 12-18, 2021

Join fellow alumni, family, and friends on a refreshing and inspiring journey to a land and culture filled with natural wonders — most notably, the aurora borealis, or the dazzling northern lights. Other destinations include Reykjavík, Iceland's capital city; national parks; Vatnajökull Glacier; and Blue Lagoon.



For more: Visit [alumni.providence.edu/travel-with-pc/](http://alumni.providence.edu/travel-with-pc/) or contact Sarah Firetto '03 at 401.865.1909 or [sfiretto@providence.edu](mailto:sfiretto@providence.edu).



Eric D. "Pete" Peterson '86 and Theresa J. (Cairns) Peterson '89, center, were presented the Mal Brown Award during a reception hosted by the Greater Providence Chapter of the National Alumni Association, the Mal Brown Club. They are joined by Rev. Peter M. Batts, O.P., assistant professor of theology and the club's chaplain, and Angela L. Carr '01, club president.

## Petersons presented Mal Brown Award

**E**ric D. "Pete" Peterson '86 and Theresa J. (Cairns) Peterson '89 of North Andover, Mass., were honored in January as the 2020 recipients of the Mal Brown Award by the Greater Providence Chapter of the National Alumni Association, the Mal Brown Club.

The highest honor bestowed by the club, the Mal Brown Award recognizes alumni whose lives exemplify the love and loyalty for PC that athletics trainer Mal Brown '33 exhibited.

The Petersons are perhaps best known for their non-profit organization My HomeCourt, which they co-founded and serve as board members. Working with PC Galleries and the City of Providence, the organization restores neglected public basketball courts in Providence. It employs local artists to turn the courts into colorful, living works of art in an effort to strengthen communities and inspire basketball players of all ages and skill levels.

Pete Peterson, a former Friar soccer player, has served as a class phonathon volunteer and on his class reunion committee and is a member of Friends of Friar Basketball. Theresa Peterson also has volunteered for class phonathons and her class reunion committee. ❏

PHOTOS: MAL BROWN AWARD: ASHLEY MCCABE. NORTHERN LIGHTS/ICELAND: COURTESY OF COLLETTE TOURS. JOHN BOWAB: MICHAEL TOLLESTRUP.

# CLASS NOTES

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## 1950s & '60s

'54

**Eugene P. Coyle '54** of Oakland, Calif., wrote an essay, "Fixing the Green New Deals," which was published in *Green Social Media* in November 2019. Quoting Pope Francis, he addresses global warming and income inequality, recommending cutting working hours so that all can work. Coyle, who holds a Ph.D. in economics, is president and owner of Coyle & Associates, an economic consulting practice that has continued since 1974 when his background in energy coincided with the oil crisis. His clients range from low-income and environmental organizations to state and national governments, including Korea, Mexico, and Brazil, and the U.S. Department of Justice.

'61

**Edward A. Iannuccilli, M.D. '61** of Bristol, R.I., was awarded the Rhode Island Hospital President's Pursuit of Excellence Lifetime Achievement Award. He is a retired gastroenterologist, former chairman of the board at Rhode Island Hospital, and professor *emeritus* at the Warren Alpert School of Medicine at Brown University. Iannuccilli is the author of three books and many blog posts about Italian heritage, immigration, and growing up in the 1940s and 1950s in Providence's Mount Pleasant section. He writes a weekly column for GoLocalProv and serves on the College's Providence President's Council.

'65 (55th Reunion Year)

**Leonard F. Clarkin, Esq. '65** of Norfolk, Mass., retired after 50 years of practice with one law firm, in Boston, and, for the last 20 years, in Wellesley, Mass. He retired as senior partner in charge of litigation and corporate affairs at Clarkin & Phillips, P.C. Attorneys at Law. He was admitted to the Rhode Island Bar in 1970 and was certified as a C.P.A. in 1973.

'66

**Brandon A. Fullam, Jr. '66** of Midlothian, Va., wrote his second book on early colonial Amer-

ican history, *Manteo and the Algonquins of the Roanoke Voyages* (McFarland, 2020). It contains biographical narratives and sketches of the nearly-forgotten native Algonquins, who interacted with the English during Sir Walter Raleigh's attempt to colonize America. Fullam taught secondary English and Latin in the South Huntington School District of Long Island from 1966-2000.

## 1970s

'70 (50th Reunion Year)

**Nicholas DiGiovanni, Jr., Esq. '70** of Ipswich, Mass., was named to the 2019 list of Massachusetts Super Lawyers, a ratings service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas. He is a partner at Morgan, Brown & Joy of Boston, where he specializes in labor and employment law.

**Kevin M. O'Connell, Esq. '70** of Severna Park, Md., wrote *Bittersweet Tapestry*, which was published in November 2019 and represents the third installment of his projected four-novel *Derrynane Saga* series, set in 18th century Europe. He holds both Irish and American citizenship and descends from an officer of the Irish Brigade of the French Army. O'Connell practiced international business transactional law for four decades, specializing in direct-investment matters throughout Asia, Europe, and the Middle East.

'71

**Vasilios "Bill" Kalogredis, Esq. '71** of West Chester, Pa., presented "Considerations When Selling a Medical or Dental Practice" at the Bryn Mawr Trust Wealth Management Series and "Private Equity Transactions in the Medical/Dental Practice World" on the National Society of Certified Healthcare Business Consultants webinar. He is a partner and chair of the health law department at Lamb McErlane PC. Kalogredis has practiced health law for over 40 years, representing physicians, dentists, group practices, and other health care professionals and entities locally and nationally.

'73

**Martin J. Doblmeier '73 & '09** Hon. of Alexandria, Va., produced a new film, *Revolution of the Heart: The Dorothy Day Story*, which began airing on PBS stations in March 2020 during Women's History Month. The documentary on the Catholic activist and co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement includes rare archival photographs and film footage, and interviews with actor/activist Martin Sheen and theologian Cornel West. *Revolution of the Heart* will continue airing on PBS for two years and is available on Amazon. Doblmeier, the president and founder of Journey Films, Inc., has produced and directed more than 30 films focused on religion, faith, and spirituality since 1984.

'76

**Nancy J. Thomas '76 of Cranston, R.I.**, founded RINewsToday.com, a daily, Rhode Island-based digital news service, in 2019. She serves as publisher and editor, with 14 writers providing local news content. She is also president of Tapestry Communications, providing consultation in public relations and marketing for the past 15 years.

**Peggy Martin Weber '76, '04P, '06P, & '10P** of East Longmeadow, Mass., who was a reporter and editor for *The Cowslip*, achieved a life-long dream by writing *Enough As You Are: Overcoming Self-Doubt and Appreciating the Gift of You* (Loyola Press, 2019). Her first book, it includes practical lessons drawn from her experiences, including stories from her time at PC. Weber uses examples from the lives of the saints and the guided *Ignatian Examen* to help readers recognize their self-worth. It received the gold medal in Self-Help/Recovery in the 2020 Illumination Book Awards. Working mainly in Catholic media with the Diocese of Springfield, Mass., she is an award-winning journalist who has been writing for more than 40 years.

'78

**Joseph C. Foglio, '78** of Swarthmore, Pa., was promoted to senior principal of GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc., a leader in geotechnical, environmental, ecological, water, and construction management services. He joined GZA in



1980 and served as the firm's technical practice leader for construction management services and as the primary contact for oil- and gas-related products. A certified hazardous materials manager, his specialties include management of environmental remediation projects with contaminated groundwater and soil.

**Scott T. McNulty '78** of Meriden, Conn., was elected to a third term as recording secretary for the Connecticut State Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America. He is president of the Meriden division of the AOH. McNulty is in his 34th year as an economic and community development agent with the Connecticut Department of Housing. He and his wife, Donna, have been married 34 years and have two sons, Dylan and Connor.

'79

**William "Bill" M. Archer '79** of Morristown, N.J., was appointed executive vice president and president of Spectrum Enterprise, a division of Charter Communications, Inc. He supervises product, marketing, sales, operations, and strategy for Spectrum Enterprise, which provides technology solutions for Charter's largest business customers. Archer's 35 years-plus of experience in telecommunications includes serving as managing director of business at Eir Group, the principal provider of telecommunications services in Ireland.

**Jeanne Sybylla Smith '79** of Cambridge, Mass., was selected as a juror for *the heart goes nine*, an exhibition that explores personal vision, at the Rhode Island Center for Photographic Arts, in Providence. An independent curator, she has exhibited more than 100 international photographers, in solo and group shows, across the U.S. and in Mexico and South America. As adjunct professor, guest lecturer, and thesis adviser, Smith has worked with School of Visual Arts NYC, Tufts University School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Wellesley College, Harvard University, and Emmanuel College. She developed and teaches Concept Aware®, a concept development course for visual creatives nationally and from her Somerville, Mass., studio.

## 1980s

'80 (40th Reunion Year)

**Bradford C. Brown, Esq. '80** of Washington, D.C., was one of nine team members from the MITRE Corporation who shared the Peter M. Jackson Award for a paper they wrote on their research on artificial intelligence and the law. The prestigious award is presented by the International Association for Artificial Intelligence and Law for the "best innovative application paper." Titled "Semi-Supervised Methods for Explainable Legal Prediction," it was published in the *Proceedings of the 19th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Law*. Brown is portfolio director and senior adviser at MITRE, where he leads its Administrative Adjudication, Technology, and Law Futures portfolio.

**Charles H. DeBevoise, Esq. '80** of Dover, Mass., was named to the 2019 list of Massachusetts Super Lawyers, a ratings service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas. He is a shareholder at the law firm of Davis Malm in Boston, where he specializes in banking, business, and real estate law.

**Jane L. Gonsalves '80** of New Bedford, Mass., was elected board president of the YWCA of Southeastern Massachusetts. She previously served as vice president and assistant treasurer. Gonsalves also received the Yvonne M. Drayton award during the YWCA's 10th Annual Women of Distinction awards ceremony for her commitment to the YWCA and the community. She is a claims examiner for Sedgwick and a former New Bedford city councilor.

**Elizabeth A. Ricketson '80** of South Pomfret, Vt., a painter and freelance writer, exhibits her work throughout New England, including many Massachusetts galleries, and is a member of the Cambridge Art Association. An award-winning abstract and landscape painter, her most treasured work is "Women Who Inspire." It hangs in the Boston Athletic Association conference room in Boston and showcases "the great women who have paved the way for women's running in the United States," says Ricketson, who is a runner.

'81

**Brian K. Dillon '81** of Easthampton, Mass., is a certified public accountant who owns and operates Dillon Bodley & Associates, P.C.,

which provides a broad range of accounting and tax services, including tax preparation and planning for individuals, small businesses, corporations, and non-profit organizations. Founded in 2011 as Dillon Consulting and Tax Services, the firm changed its name when it joined forces with Catherine Bodley in 2014. It has offices in West Springfield and Amherst.

'82

**U.S. Army Col. (Ret.) John P. Collins '82** of Shrewsbury, Mass., gave the keynote address at Providence College's Army ROTC Patriot Battalion Veterans Day Ceremony in November 2019. He served as director and CEO of the Veterans Affairs Central Western Massachusetts Health Care System from 2014-2019. Previously, Collins served 30 years on active duty with the U.S. Army Medical Department as a health care administrator in command and staff assignments, including a one-year deployment to Afghanistan as a commander for U.S. forces.

'83

**U.S. Army Col. (Ret.) Lisa M. (Thibault) Schenck '83 & '18 Hon.** of McLean, Va., was invested and sworn in as a U.S. Court of Military Commission Review appellate judge. She was nominated by the president, confirmed by the U.S. Senate, and appointed by the president. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas spoke at the investiture ceremony and presented the new judges with their appointment certificates. Schenck also published a third edition of her casebook, *Modern Military Justice: Cases and Materials* (West Academic, 2019). She is the associate dean for academic affairs, director of the National Security & U.S. Foreign Relations Law LL.M. Program, director of the National Security & Cybersecurity Law LL.M. Program, and professorial lecturer in law at George Washington University Law School.

'84

**William "Bill" P. Burke '84** of Harwich, Mass., presented an illustrated program on Samuel de Champlain's maps and narratives of the New England coast for Tales of Cape Cod, a non-profit dedicated to preserving and teaching Cape Cod's history. Burke, a National Seashore historian, is the seashore's "keeper of time" and has been a park ranger and park historian for the National Park Service for more than 30 years.



**Michael F. Connolly, Esq. '84** of Milton, Mass., was named "Lawyer of the Year" for litigation-securities for the Boston region in the 2020 edition of Best Lawyers, a designation which recognizes one lawyer for each specialty and location who has received the highest overall peer feedback. He is a partner and co-chair of the litigation department at Rubin and Rudman LLP and has extensive civil and criminal trial experience. Connolly is a member of the PC Boston President's Council. His son James is scheduled to enroll at PC in the fall.

**David W. Glidden '84** of Glastonbury, Conn., was the recipient of the Holyoke (Mass.) St. Patrick's Parade Committee's 2020 JFK National Award. The award honors the legacy of President John F. Kennedy in recognizing an individual of Irish descent who is distinguished in their field. Glidden has served as president and CEO of Liberty Bank since 2019. He has 30 years of experience in banking and is an industry leader and philanthropist. He was elected the American Cancer Society's southern and western New England chairman in January 2020.

**Sandra J. Pattie '84SCE** of Rehoboth, Mass., was named one of GoLocalProv's "20 to Watch in R.I. in 2020," the organization's list of people helping to "transform the future of Rhode Island." Since 2012, she has served as president and CEO of BankNewport, helping the bank expand to 18 branches and more than \$1.7 billion in assets. *Forbes* magazine named BankNewport "Best-in-State" in 2018.

## '85 (35th Reunion Year)

**Gene D. Carlino, Jr. '85** of Lincoln, R.I., wrote "Setting Every Community up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019," a comprehensive review of the SECURE Act, published in the November/December 2019 edition of the *Rhode Island Bar Journal*. At the time he wrote the article, legislation was pending in the Senate, but the act subsequently was approved and became law on Jan. 1. The article reviewed the benefits and disadvantages of the act and its effect on common estate planning practices. It also highlighted the need to protect special needs and disabled persons, which the act ultimately did. Carlino is a partner at Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O'Gara LLC. He specializes in estate and tax planning and administration, probate administration and trust litigation, and Medicaid planning and elder law. He is married to **Maria A. Carlino '85**.

## '86

**Martin J. Gilligan '86** of Chatham, N.J., accepted a new position as chief commercial officer at Phathom Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a late clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company which develops and commercializes new treatments for gastrointestinal diseases. He has more than 25 years of experience in global and U.S. sales and marketing in the biopharmaceutical industry, most recently as corporate vice president at Celgene Corporation. Gilligan is on the board of trustees at Family Promise of Morris County, a non-profit organization which partners with congregations and parishioners of different faiths to provide shelter and meals to homeless families. He is a PC class agent and the father of **Sean J. Gilligan '22** and **Brynn E. Gilligan '18**.

## '88

**Katherine Behan, M.D. '88** of Philadelphia, Pa., was named chief population health officer at Jefferson Health, a large, regional health care system with 14 acute care hospitals and extensive ambulatory, urgent care, and rehabilitation services in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

**Eileen A. Corr '88** of New York, N.Y., began studying at The Johns Hopkins University for her second graduate degree, a master of liberal arts. She runs her own strategy, marketing, and insights consulting firm, Corr Consulting of New York, LLC, which she has led for the past five years.

**Anne M. (Albanese) Pisaturo, C.P.A. '88** of Cranston, R.I., was promoted to partner at Sansiveri, Kimball & Co., LLP of Providence. Her areas of expertise include business strategy and tax consulting and compliance. Pisaturo began working at Sansiveri in the spring of 1987 for a college internship.

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## 1990s

### '90 (30th Reunion Year)

**Elena Yates Harootunian '90SCE** of Cranston, R.I., was appointed vice president and director of human resources at BankNewport. She is responsible for all HR functions for the bank and its mutual holding company, OceanPoint Financial Partners, MHC, and affiliates. Prior to this, she was director of benefits at Talbots in Hingham, Mass.

**Ann C. (Sample) Lineberger '90** of Wilton, Conn., received three awards at the Connecticut Press Club's 2019 Annual Communications Awards: Fiction for Adults for her third novel, *Sunday Best* (KDP, 2018), Social Media Presence for her author Instagram account, and Social Media Presence for her Facebook page.

**John "Jake" McCarthy '90** of Mendham, N.J., was honored as "Man of the Year" by the Irish Business Association, which promotes business and personal relationships among Irish-born and Irish-Americans across New Jersey. He is a partner and member of the litigation department at Schenck, Price, Smith & King, LLP of Florham Park, N.J. He previously served an assistant prosecutor with the Hudson County Prosecutor's Office. McCarthy is a former president and chair of the board of trustees of the Pastime Club in Mendham, served on the Mendham Borough Board of Adjustment, and coached the Mendham Magic youth track and field team. He served as president of the Providence College Alumni Club of New Jersey from 2017-2019.

**Shawn E. Palmer '90** of Colchester, Conn., was named chief revenue officer at *The Day* in New London, Conn. He is responsible for revenue growth from the company's 18 daily/weekly newspapers and websites, which cover the shoreline from New Haven to Westerly, R.I., as well as digital services, circulation, and D2 Marketing Solutions, their full-service advertising agency. Prior to this, he was chief revenue officer at RJ Media Group in Meriden, Conn., and at Sun Media Group in Westerly. Palmer is president of the Connecticut Daily Newspapers Association.

**Christine M. Stanton '90** of Milton, Mass., was appointed director of the Milton Council on Aging, whose mission is to enhance the quality of life of residents age 60 and over with health and wellness, social, educational, and outreach programs. She previously was a licensing agent for the Town of Milton and assistant director of Fuller Village, an independent senior living community. Stanton has a professional certification in elder care management from Lasell University. She is a member of her 2020 class reunion committee.

## '91

**Jeannemarie Conley '91** of Boston, Mass., is managing director and a broker for Compass Real Estate. Her public and private sales total nearly \$500 million, making her one of the

foremost real estate brokers in the Boston area. Prior to this, she was a C.P.A. with Ernst & Young. Conley is a member of the College's Boston President's Council.

**Timothy P. Doherty '91** of Needham, Mass., was recognized as the 2019 Broker of the Year by *BenefitsPRO* magazine for developing strategies to help employers control health insurance costs. He is president of Pinnacle HR Solutions, LLC, which manages employee benefits and HR administration. Previously, Doherty was managing director of health and welfare benefits at Pinnacle Financial Group for eight years. He is a member of PC's Boston President's Council.

'93

**Andrea M. (Bolduc) Reilly '93** of Portland, Maine, was named senior manager of the tax practice at Baker Newman Noyes, a firm ranked among the nation's top 100 in accounting and advisory services. She specializes in transfer pricing and international tax planning and consulting for multinational clients.

'94

**Tim Page '94** and **Meghan (Soehner) Page '97** of Highlands Ranch, Colo., celebrated 20 years of marriage in September 2019. Tim is executive vice president at Builders First Source, and Meghan is a pre-school teacher at a Catholic school. They have three children: Jack, Matthew, and Kylie.

**Meridith A. Spencer '94** of Wakefield, Mass., earned her Ph.D. in criminology from the University of Massachusetts Lowell. She is director of the Bachelor of Science Criminal Justice Program at Fisher College in Boston.

**Matthew C. Straut '94** of Hanover, Mass., was appointed chief distribution officer by EQIS Capital Management, a wealth management firm. He is responsible for all sales and marketing initiatives. Prior to this, Straut was founder and president of MAAC Solutions, LLC, an industry consulting firm, and earned the designation of certified investment management analyst. He is married to **Christine M. (Tuffy) Straut '94**.

'95 (25th Reunion Year)

**Moshe M. Golden, C.P.A. '95** of Providence, R.I., was appointed senior tax manager at KLR, a premier accounting and business advisory firm. He has more than 23 years of experience in public accounting and private industry, specializing in closely held companies, high-net-worth families, and large multi-state corporations.

**Michael A. Gomez, Ed.D. '95** of Jersey City, N.J., was appointed president at St. Peter's Prep in Jersey City. An alumnus and former teacher at St. Peter's, he is the first lay person to lead the Jesuit school, which educates more than 900 boys from 137 communities. Gomez also has served as principal at St. Joseph's Prep in Philadelphia. He founded Cristo Rey Philadelphia High School.

'96

**Christopher M. Kennedy, Ph.D. '96** of Florence, S.C., former adjunct professor of history at PC, was promoted to vice president of student life at Francis Marion University. He directs student health, residence life, programming, student government, and discipline. He continues to teach occasional courses in the history department covering the British Isles and modern Europe. Prior to this, Kennedy was associate provost for academic affairs. He is married to **Brigid Kenney '05** SCE, former circulation assistant at PC's Phillips Memorial Library.

**Pat McNiff '96** of East Greenwich, R.I., was named one of GoLocalProv's "20 to Watch in R.I. in 2020," the organization's list of people helping to "transform the future of Rhode Island." He is co-founder of Pat's Pastured, LLC, a farming operation based in East Greenwich that offers free-range, locally raised meat and eggs through on-site sales, deliveries, farmers markets, and restaurants.

**Geoffrey P. Medeiros '96** of Longmeadow, Mass., was named vice president of sales and marketing for the Roofing and Products division of OMG Inc., a leading supplier to the commercial construction market based in Agawam, Mass. He is responsible for sales and marketing strategies for three business units as well as marketing communications and customer service. Prior to this, Medeiros was general manager at Welch's. He is married to **Sarah A. (Perotti) Medeiros '96**.

'97

**Stephanie P. Fortunato '97** of Providence, R.I., was appointed to the advisory council of the New England Foundation for the Arts. She is director of Providence's Department of Art, Culture, & Tourism, a position she has held since 2016. She collaborates with local communities to create arts-based policies and partnerships that strengthen neighborhoods by beautifying their public spaces.

**Col. Michael Friess '97** of Kailua, Hawaii, was promoted from lieutenant colonel to colonel in the U.S. Army's Judge Advocate General Corps. He is the staff judge advocate for the 8th Theater Sustainment Command at Fort Shafter, Hawaii, and senior legal adviser to a two-star general. His career has included work in military justice, both prosecution and defense, and in national security law. A PC Army ROTC Patriot Battalion graduate, Friess also has served in South Korea and Germany.

**David I. Green '97 & '98** of Lexington, Mass., is founder and senior vice president of the David Green Group of Douglas Elliman Real Estate and a member of its sports and entertainment division. He was included in the 2019 America's Best Real Estate Professionals list, placing him among the top 1.5% of elite agents. He earned the Platinum Ellie Award for being the top agent in Boston for gross commission income and number of transactions companywide. Green appeared on the front cover of *Boston Agent Magazine* in its "Who's Who in Boston Real Estate" issue.

'98

**Matthew Potter '98** of Quincy, Mass., was named associate director of marketing at Ironwood Pharmaceuticals, a gastrointestinal-focused health care company. He is responsible for the promotion of Linzess, the leading global treatment for IBS-C, a functional GI disorder. Potter is a PC class ambassador.

'99

**Gloria C. Anglón '99** of Watertown, Mass., was the recipient of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's 2020 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Award for embodying the spirit of Dr. King's work. An MLK Scholarship recipient at PC, she is assistant dean for graduate education and director of diversity initiatives at MIT.

**Jodie L. Boduch '99 & '00G** of Raleigh, N.C., had a two-book publishing deal with MacMillan/Tor Teen for two young adult mystery novels. The first, *Spectacle*, published in 2019, is a story about a young Parisian reporter in the late 1800s who uses her supernatural visions to catch killers. *Sensational*, released this year, is a follow-up and is centered around a killer who haunts the Paris World's Fair of 1889. Boduch, who writes under her maiden name, Jodie Lynn Zdrok, is a product owner on the commercial digital team at Truist Financial Corp., a U.S. bank holding company. She also is a freelance writer and editor.

**Dr. Thomas W. Kenworthy '99G** of East Greenwich, R.I., was unanimously appointed superintendent of schools in Portsmouth, R.I., by the School Committee. He served as assistant superintendent for the previous 5½ years and, before that, as principal of North Kingstown High School for four years. Kenworthy is an adjunct faculty member in PC's School of Continuing Education Teacher Certification Program.

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## 2000s

### '00 (20th Reunion Year)

**Matt Farley '00 of Danvers, Mass.**, a musician and singer known for his prolific customized songwriting, released his 20,000th song in 2019. He has been profiled by *The Wall Street Journal*, NPR, and WIRED, and has performed on *The Tonight Show*. Farley has a monthly show in Danvers — similar to his performances in the former Stuart's in the basement of Bedford Hall, he notes.

**Kevin J. Kelley '00** of Oakland, Calif., is the founder and executive director of the Oakland Lacrosse Club. Through lacrosse, the program offers leadership development, academic counseling, and nutrition education to youths from Oakland public schools. It has been recognized by the Bill Belichick Foundation and the Women's Sports Foundation.

**Jennifer E. Kendrigan '00** of Newport, R.I., was named educational programs manager of the *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry*, Rhode Island's official tall ship. It is the largest civilian sailing school vessel in the U.S., measuring 200 feet in length. Kendrigan will work with K-12 schools, as well as colleges and universities, to provide seamanship, teamwork, and leader-

ship skills training and STEAM learning experiences for students. She is a member of her class reunion committee for 2020.

**Leila (Bhatti) Migliorelli '00** of Melrose, Mass., was elected to the City Council for a two-year term. Prior to her election in November 2019, she served as a member of Melrose's Human Rights Commission. Migliorelli is director of stewardship and donor relations at Tufts University.

### '01

**Maribeth K. (Reynolds) Calabro '01G** of Providence, R.I., was named one of GoLocalProv's "20 to Watch in R.I. in 2020," the organization's list of people helping to "transform the future of Rhode Island." A resource and English teacher in the Providence school system, she is president of the Providence Teachers Union.

**James Royal '01** of Cranston, R.I., was named chairperson of the social studies department at Cranston High School West. He has taught in Cranston for 16 years, the last 10 at Cranston West. He is married to **Michelle A. Royal '00G**.

**Beth Waterfall-McSweeney '01** of Norwell, Mass., was a recipient of the 2019 BostInno 50 on Fire award, which honors businesses and their leaders whose innovations support Boston's economy. She is founder and executive director of the non-profit organization ELEVATE Northeast, which works to build an inclusive and compliant cannabis industry in Massachusetts.

### '02

**Jacob A. "Jake" Conca '02G** of Medway, Mass., was appointed headmaster of Xaverian Brothers High School, a Catholic all-boys school for grades 7 through 12 in Westwood, Mass. He previously served as dean of students for four years and principal for three. Prior to this, Conca was principal at Saint John's High School in Shrewsbury for nine years. He earned a Ph.D. from Boston College.

**Matthew J. Curran '02 & '04G** of Norfolk, Mass., joined NWN Corporation as chief financial officer. NWN is a leader in technology-enabled services for commercial, enterprise, and public sector organizations. Previously, he was CFO and partner at P&B Intermodal Services, where he remains a board member.

### '03

**Paige Clausius-Parks '03** of Cumberland, R.I., was named one of GoLocalProv's "20 to Watch in R.I. in 2020," the organization's list of people helping to "transform the future of Rhode Island." She is a senior policy analyst at Rhode Island KIDS COUNT, a policy and advocacy group focused on the state's children. She is responsible for analysis, advocacy, research, and management of projects in the areas of education and economic well-being.

### '05 (15th Reunion Year)

**Stephan B. Delbos '05** of Plymouth, Mass., and Prague, Czech Republic, was appointed the Town of Plymouth's first poet laureate. The two-year position was established in honor of the 400th anniversary of the town's founding in 1620. As poet laureate, Delbos organizes readings, workshops, and programs and participates in town events. He also presented a poetry reading in February as part of the PC Department of English's Poetry & Fiction Series. His poetry, essays, and translations have been published internationally. He is the author of several books, most recently *Light Reading* (BlazeVOX, 2019).

**Christopher J. Fahey '05**, who lives and works in Queens, N.Y., presented his first solo show, an exhibition of wall-hanging, abstract sculptures of an amorphous nature entitled, *Nurtured Forms*, at The Java Project in Brooklyn, N.Y. Since 2011, he has exhibited his work in various group shows and pop-ups around New York City. Fahey participated in an exchange program with Musashino Arts University in Tokyo, Japan, while earning his BFA in painting from Pratt Institute. PC's English department acquired one of his paintings from 2009, *The Piano Tuner*, which is displayed in the main office. Fahey's work can be viewed at: [www.christopherfahey.com](http://www.christopherfahey.com).

**Malisa (Iannino) Frakes, R.N. '05** and her husband, Michael, of Mansfield, Mass., became parents to their second child, Gabriele Ray, on July 23, 2019. He joins his big brother, Charlie. Malisa is a clinical nurse in the Newborn Intensive Care Unit at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center. Michael is chief quality officer and director of clinical care for Boston MedFlight.

**Leslie G. (Kinnicutt) Howard '05 & '06G** of Westford, Mass., was named president of the Westford Historical Society. She has been a board

member since 2014 and previously served as vice president.

**Stephen H. Johannessen '05** of Buzzards Bay, Mass., was promoted to chief financial officer at Cape Cod 5 bank, retaining his existing titles of senior vice president and treasurer. He has been with Cape Cod 5 since 2013, improving the company's data analytics capabilities through his leadership of the accounting and finance teams.

**Lauren R. (DeMauro) Tardanico '05** of Staten Island, N.Y., was promoted to counsel at Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC, a full-service regional law firm with offices in New York City, West Orange, N.J., and Trenton, N.J. She specializes in real estate development, including representation of public and private clients in land use, redevelopments, affordable housing, and eminent domain matters.

## '06

**Felicia (DePaola) Hunt '06** of Colchester, Conn., joined the law firm of Hasset & George, P.C., in Glastonbury, Conn. She is a divorce and family lawyer with extensive trial experience, having been named a "New Leader in the Law" by *Connecticut Law Tribune* in 2016 and a "Super Lawyers Rising Star" in 2017, 2018, and 2019. She is married to **Stephen A. Hunt '06**, and they have five children.

**Becky Curran Kekula '06** of Milwaukee, Wisc., married Ryan Kekula on Aug. 31, 2019, at St. John the Baptist Church in Quincy, Mass. The wedding was followed by a reception at Granite Links Golf Club, also in Quincy. She is the disability equality index director at Disability:IN, a non-profit for business disability inclusion. Her husband works in accounts receivable for Brookdale Senior Living.

**Jillian L. (Stout) Maxey '06** and **Colin J. Maxey '06** of Quincy, Mass., welcomed their third child, a daughter, Ailish Rose, on Aug. 30, 2019. Jillian is a theology teacher at Boston College High School. Colin is an account executive at Pure Storage.

## '07

**Charles P. Gaeta '07** of Lynn, Mass., is wine director at Orfano, Tiffani Faison's new Italian-American restaurant in Boston's Fenway section, where he has curated a diverse list of wines ranging from \$35 to \$480. He also oversees wine programs at Faison's Big Heart Hospitality group's other three Boylston Street boites. Gaeta earned his sommelier certification from Boston University School of Hospitality after leaving a New York investment firm to pursue his interest in the hospitality business.

**Rachel A. (Mills) Mongiello, Esq., '07** of Hoboken, N.J., was promoted to member at Cole Schotz, an Am Law 200 firm which provides legal services to business and individuals throughout the U.S. She is a member of the litigation department at the firm's New Jersey office. Mongiello specializes in commercial litigation and white-collar criminal defense.

**Mallory Tenore Tarpley '07** of Pflugerville, Texas, was promoted from lecturer to part-time faculty member in the School of Journalism at the University of Texas at Austin. She also serves as associate director of the Knight Center for Journalism in the Americas at UT Austin on a full-time basis. Tenore and her husband, Troy, have a daughter, Madelyn, 4, and a son, Tucker, 2.

## '08

**Paul E. Coyne, DNP, R.N. '08** of New York, N.Y., and his wife, Danialle, welcomed their first child, a son, Thomas Edward, in 2019. Coyne is assistant vice president, clinical practice and chief nursing informatics officer, at Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City.

## '09

**Jake Bissailon '09 & '10G** of Providence, R.I., was named legal counsel to Rhode Island Senate Majority Leader **Michael J. McCaffrey '85**. Prior to this, he served as special assistant to the Senate majority leader. He has enjoyed cheering for his brother, **McGrath Bissailon '20**, a member of the Friars' cross country and track teams.

**Katherine C. Helming Walsh '09** and **Ryan P. Walsh '09** of Jamaica Plain, Mass., welcomed their first child, Patrick Daniel Walsh, born in June 2019. He was baptized by Rev. Nicanor Austriaco, O.P., PC professor of biology and of theology, on Nov. 9, 2019, in St. Thomas Aquinas Priory Chapel on campus. Katherine is a researcher at the Broad Institute of Harvard and MIT. Ryan is an analyst with the City of Boston.



Laurie Hart '03 visits with knitters in Mafraq, Jordan.

## Love stitched in her heart

**Laurie Hart '03** of Chapel Hill, N.C., is the founder and director of Love for Syria, a non-profit organization that provides income to Syrian refugee women and their families living in Jordan.

Love for Syria began in 2013 when Hart, who was teaching English to members of the United Arab Emirates military, visited the women, who had formed a knitting group in a refugee camp. She was inspired by the group and offered to provide marketing and product distribution services to help the women support themselves and their families.

The knitting group started with 13 women and now exceeds 60 members. The women, who have been displaced by the Syrian civil war, knit hats, scarves, and children's toys. Hart, who has been teaching English in Afghanistan, visits them once or twice a year.

Hart, who majored in history, said the impetus behind her desire to start Love for Syria was "the acknowledgement that those of us coming from places of privilege have only done so by the grace of God. We are only blessed to be a blessing to those in need."

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## Friars of the Last Decade

### '11 **FOLD**

**Rev. Nicholas T. Fleming '11** of West Warwick, R.I., was appointed pastor of SS. John and James Church and St. Mary Church in West Warwick. He was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Providence on June 27, 2015, and previously served as assistant pastor of SS. John and Paul Church in Coventry.

**Ariana L. (Tantillo) Manglaviti '11** and **Thomas A. Manglaviti '11** of Deer Park, N.Y., were married on April 28, 2019, at Land's End in Sayville, N.Y., on Long Island. Both originally from Long Island, they met during Alumni & Family Weekend in February 2013, even though they attended PC as undergraduates for four years. Ariana is a science writer at the U.S. Department of Energy's Brookhaven National Laboratory. Thomas is vice president of acquisitions and finance at Dunross Capital.

### '12 **FOLD**

**Samantha M. Bergbauer '12 & '15G** of Providence, R.I., was named college program and alumni coordinator at Leadership Rhode Island, an organization which provides community leadership programming to professionals and college students who want to use their strengths to improve Rhode Island.

**Lily J. D'Olimpio, Esq. '12** of Brooklyn, N.Y., joined Pashman Stein Walder Hayden as an associate in the firm's family law practice. PSWH is headquartered in Hackensack, N.J., and provides corporate and personal legal services. D'Olimpio previously worked at a boutique law practice in Bergen County, N.J., also in the family law department. She earned her J.D. from Vermont School of Law.

**Amberly Glitz Weber '12** of Aberdeen, N.C., is a captain in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. She is a medical evacuation helicopter pilot and an operations officer in a 15-ship air ambulance company assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 82nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division. A seven-year veteran, she earned the Army Commendation Medal with Valor for her part in a successful urgent patient evacuation in Afghanistan in 2015.

### '13 **FOLD**

**Nicole L. Andrescavage, Esq. '13** of Smithfield, R.I., was named an associate at Desautel Law in Newport, R.I. She specializes in environ-

mental and maritime law. Andrescavage earned her J.D. from the Roger Williams University School of Law.

**Emily A. Groth '13** of Madison, Wis., founded Groth Fit, a company which offers personal training and online coaching. The company has clients nationwide, ages 18-70, who have 24/7 access to their personalized workouts through online coaching. Prior to this, Groth was general manager at a fitness studio and personal trainer at a gym.

**Cassandra L. Santoro, Esq. '13** of Stoughton, Mass., was named an associate at Morgan, Brown & Joy, a management-side employment law firm based in Boston. She counsels and defends private employers and non-profit corporations in labor and employment matters, including discrimination, harassment, and retaliation claims at the state and federal levels.

**Theresa Teofilak-Wilson '13G** of Coventry, R.I., has expanded her holistic mental health counseling practice, Happy and Free Healing, LLC, which she founded two years ago. The business first transitioned to a group practice with eight therapists and, more recently, opened a yoga studio. It also offers continuing education classes for other mental health professionals. Teofilak-Wilson, who earned a master's degree in guidance and counselor education, is working toward her 1,000-hour yoga therapist certification.

**John G. Wolf '13G** of Cranston, R.I., is the executive director of the San Miguel School in Providence. It is a private, independent Lasallian school for boys in grades 5-8 from low-income backgrounds. Wolf focuses on program excellence, development, and working with the school's board and building leadership team.

### '14 **FOLD**

**Saadia Ahmad '14** of Cambridge, Mass., was named the first coordinator of conflict resolution at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass. In this role, she serves as a mediator for students experiencing conflict, a facilitator of dialogue, and an entrepreneur in efforts to create new conflict resolution trainings and initiatives. She also began an MBA at Babson's F.W. Olin Graduate School of Business. Previously, she was a research and program assistant at the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies at University of

Massachusetts, Boston, where she graduated with a master's in conflict resolution in 2017.

**Genevieve Ilg Gellert '14** of Philadelphia, Pa., was promoted to behavioral health consultant and LGBTQ health champion at Project HOME, a non-profit organization which addresses the health and wellness needs of people who are currently or formerly homeless. She collaborated with colleagues to expand wellness services to include those who identify as LGBTQ. Gellert married her college sweetheart, **Andrew Gellert '13**, in 2014. He earned his Ph.D. in economics from Drexel University and is a post-doctoral researcher in the Department of Medical Ethics and Health Policy at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

**Evan A. Paulson '14** and **Meredith A. Pramer '15** of Boston, Mass., were married at Belle Mer in Newport, R.I., on June 30, 2019. Among those celebrating were 25 Friars from the classes of '15, '14, '07, and '77. Meredith, who was a member of the swimming and diving team at PC, met Evan through her teammates. Evan is a systems clinical analyst II at New England Baptist Hospital. Meredith is a management consulting manager at Accenture.

### '15 **FOLD**

(5th Reunion Year)

**Kevin C. Entwistle '15** and **Elisabetta DeWitt '15** of Hudson Yards, N.Y., were married on Aug. 24, 2019, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Ridgewood, N.J. More than 40 alumni were present. Kevin is a wealth advisor at UBS Private Wealth Management and serves on his 2020 class reunion committee. Elisabetta is a sales growth manager at Compass while pursuing side interests in yoga and nutrition.

**Dan Gagnon '15** of Danvers, Mass., wrote an article for *The New England Journal of History's* Spring/Fall 2019 issue, "Skeletons in the Closet: How the Actions of the Salem Witch Trials Victims' Families in 1692 Affected Later Memorialization." His research examined how two victims of the witch hunt were remembered in later centuries. Gagnon is a high school history teacher in Massachusetts.

**Eric Lebel '15** and Virginia Rose La Puma of Stanford, Calif., were married on Oct. 12, 2019, at Stanford Memorial Church. Eric is a graduate student in earth system science at Stanford University and serves as an alumni ambas-

sador for PC. His wife is a development manager for a non-profit organization, Hispanics in Philosophy.

**Sarah A. O'Brien '15** of Woburn, Mass., wrote her first book of poetry, *Shapeshifter* (Boston Accent Lit, 2019). Her poetry, primarily free verse, deals with themes of love, identity, and sexuality. She also has a poetry chapbook forthcoming with Arkay Artists Literary Press. O'Brien earned her MFA in writing from the University of Nebraska in December 2018.

## '16 **FOLD**

**Jeffrey D. Bausch, Jr., J.D. '16** of Cheshire, Conn., joined Updike, Kelly & Spellacy, P.C. as an associate in the firm's New Haven office, practicing in the areas of environmental compliance, land use permitting, and real estate development. He earned his J.D. from Quinnipiac University School of Law.

**Cody J. Fino '16** of Cranston, R.I., was named director of industry partnerships for health-care at the Community College of Rhode Island's Division of Workforce Partnerships. He manages employer, industry, and community partner relations in the bioscience, healthcare, and information technology industries. Prior to this, Fino was the coordinator of CCRI's satellite campus at the Westerly Education Center.

**Francisco Oller Garcia '16** of Tampa, Fla., was named digital operations and marketing specialist with BeniComp Health Solutions, a health care technology company. He was recognized as a "Rising Star in Advising" by Employee Benefit Adviser and was featured in the February 2020 issue of their magazine and at their March 2020 Workplace Benefits Renaissance Conference. Garcia is also a member of the Emerging Leaders of Tampa Bay, a program sponsored by the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce and the University of Tampa Board of Counselors to provide emerging leaders ages 21 to 35 with opportunities for professional development, networking, and community outreach with an eye to affecting public policy.

**Kelsey O'Toole Hayes '16** and **Alex Napoli '17** of Chicago, Ill., were married at St. Dominic Chapel on campus on Oct. 12, 2019. The cel-



## Full profession as a Dominican sister

**SISTER CECILIA MARIE EVANS, O.P. '11**, formerly Allison M. Evans, left, professes her perpetual vows with the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia into the hands of Mother Anna Grace Neenan, O.P., prioress general, during the Mass of Final Profession at the Cathedral of the Incarnation in Nashville, Tenn., on July 25, 2019. Sister Cecilia Marie is currently assigned to Bishop Machebeuf High School in Denver, Colo., where she teaches chemistry, honors chemistry, and anatomy and physiology. While at PC, she majored in music and was a member of the Liberal Arts Honors Program.

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eb rant was Rev. Justin Brophy, O.P., and the co-celebrants were Rev. James Cuddy, O.P. '98, Rev. Phillip Neri, O.P., and Rev. Nicholas Desimone. Kelsey is a theology teacher at Cristo Rey Jesuit High School in Chicago. She earned her master's degree in theology through the University of Notre Dame's ECHO program. Alex is an investment analyst for Northmarq Capital, a commercial real estate firm in Chicago.

## '17 **FOLD**

**Denis J. Collins '17G** of Cumberland, R.I., was appointed by the town council to the District 5 seat of the Cumberland School Committee. He will serve a one-year term before defending his seat in the 2020 election. Collins, an educator for 13 years, teaches U.S. history at Taunton High School and CCD at St. John Vianney Catholic Church.

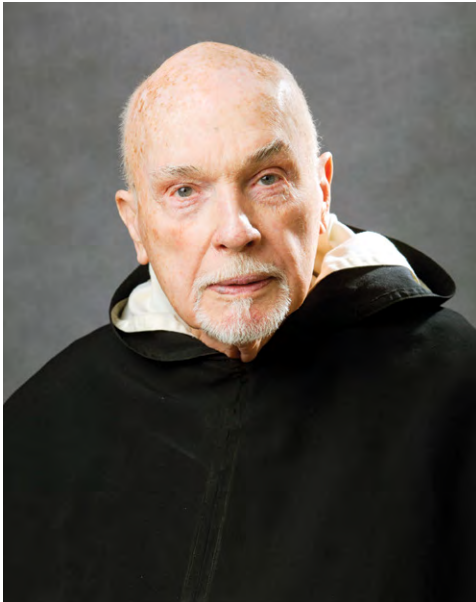
**Meaghan M. Dodson '17** of Floral Park, N.Y., joined the English department faculty at Chaminade High School in Mineola, N.Y., a Marian high school for young men. She serves as moderator of *Tarmac*, the school's student-run newspaper. Dodson earned her master's degree in English literature from Fordham University.

**William B. Dumais, III '17** of Washington, D.C., was promoted to manager of government relations at the Council for Responsible Nutrition, a trade association representing dietary supplement and functional food manufactur-

ers and ingredient suppliers. His responsibilities include planning congressional educational briefings and the association's annual advocacy day in June. Prior to this, he was government relations associate.

**Stefan J. Puente '17** of Keller, Texas, a writer, film director and producer, and photographer, had his short narrative, *Unlocked*, accepted in the 2019 New York Short Film Festival. Puente and three other PC alums appeared in the film — **Brian Kozak '17**, **Dan Carroll '18**, and **Joey Macari '17** — while **Sam Vacarro '16** was the production manager. Puente's other credits include *Uncut Gems* and *Dagger*.

**Nick Sailor '17** of Providence, R.I., was named director of training and education for diversity, equity, and inclusion at Providence College. The newly created position is the result of a collaboration between the Office of Institutional Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and the Department of Athletics. Sailor oversees ongoing training, workshops, and departmental counsel to ensure an inclusive, equitable, and hospitable environment for students, student-athletes, staff, trainers, and coaches. He also received a 2019-2020 Founders' Grant from the Minority Opportunities Athletic Association for professional development opportunities. Sailor previously served as a middle school special education math teacher in Baltimore with Teach for America and as a Next Generations Scholar Teacher at YMCA of Central Maryland. ❧



## Rev. Richard A. McAlister, O.P. '58

Rev. Richard A. McAlister, O.P. '58, professor *emeritus* of art and a Dominican priest for 58 years, died on Dec. 12, 2019, at Mount St. Rita Health Centre in Cumberland, R.I. Including his undergraduate years, he was a member of the College community for more than 50 years. Father McAlister joined the faculty in 1967 and retired in 1997,

though he continued to serve for nearly 20 years as the curator of the College's art collection and the Thomas McGlynn Sculpture Collection, named for artist Rev. Thomas M. McGlynn, O.P. '77Hon. His Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas on campus on Dec. 18.

**Ann Galligan Kelley, C.P.A. '78**, professor *emeritus* of accountancy and longtime director of the Business Studies Program, died on Oct. 31, 2019, from breast cancer. Mrs. Kelley retired in 2018 after teaching for 32 years. In 2014, she convinced Rhode Island lawmakers to adopt legislation requiring that women be notified about the density of their breast tissue so they could consider other testing, including ultrasounds, in addition to mammograms. Her survivors include a son, Andrew Kelley '10.

**Jennifer Rivera '06SCE & '13G**, assistant director for disability support services in the Office of Academic Services, died on Dec. 6, 2019, from metastatic breast cancer. Ms. Rivera, who began working at PC in 1998, was renowned for her dedication to assisting students with disabilities. The Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation featured her in its 2019 calendar in a photo with members of the PC women's softball team.

**Fay A. Rozovsky, J.D. '73 & '08Hon.**, former president of the College's National Alumni Association Council and one of the first women to graduate from PC, died on March

4, 2020. A well-known lawyer and advocate for medical patient rights, she also was a member of the PC Health Management Advisory Council. Her survivors include her two sons, Joshua I. Rozovsky '06SCE and Rabbi Aaron A. Rozovsky '08, and her sister, Dr. Ann Frank Goldstein '75.

**Sgt. Major (retired) Gary P. Fortunato '00SCE**, a revered mentor to cadets in the College's Army ROTC Patriot Battalion since 1997, died on April 3, 2020. The Department of Military Science instructor and operations officer served the Army for 53 years, including in Vietnam and in operations Desert Storm and Desert Shield. Sgt. Major Fortunato taught Foundations of Leadership courses to second-year cadets every fall and spring.

**M. Joseph "Joe" Canavan '65**, trustee *emeritus* who demonstrated service and philanthropy to PC for decades, died on April 6, 2020. A medical diagnostics executive, he served as a trustee from 2005-2015. With his wife, MaryBeth Harkins Canavan, he provided the leadership gift for the Canavan Sports Medicine Center in Alumni Hall in 2007 and, in 2017, made a long-term commitment for sports medicine-related resources for

student-athletes. His survivors include a daughter, Traci Canavan '89.

**Ralph A. Paparella '40**, believed to be the oldest living former PC men's basketball player, died on Nov. 24, 2019. He was 101. The World War II veteran played three years for the Friars. He taught physical education in East Providence, R.I., public schools for 34 years.

**John G. O'Hurley, Sr., M.D. '48**, retired ear, nose, and throat surgeon, died on Feb. 1, 2020. A U.S. Navy and Korean War veteran, he practiced medicine for more than 40 years. His survivors include his sons, actor, TV show host, and former PC trustee John G. O'Hurley, Jr. '76 & '06Hon. and Neal T. O'Hurley '79, and Neal's wife, Christine (Lynch) O'Hurley '79, and a granddaughter, Patricia J. O'Hurley '15.

**Joseph "Joe" C. Prisco '49 & '63Hon.**, legendary PC golf coach and business professor, died on May 7, 2020, at the age of 101. Mr. Prisco coached the varsity and club teams for 60 years, leading the varsity to 403 victories in a 42-year span. A business professor who

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specialized in economics, he taught full time from 1953-1989 and part time for another 20 years.

**David N. Webster, Esq. '55**, a PC trustee *emeritus* who led a distinguished career as a civil and criminal practice lawyer in Washington, D.C., died on Jan. 28, 2020. He served from 1997-2004 as a member of the Board of Trustees and was later named trustee *emeritus*. Mr. Webster established a scholarship fund in his name for PC students demonstrating financial need and academic merit. He was a former member of the Providence President's Council and received the National Alumni Association's Faithful Friar Award. Among his survivors is a son, Steven T. Webster '86.

**Donato "Don" J. Mezzanotte '60 & '79G**, PC's all-time leader in baseball coaching victories with 228, died on Jan. 9, 2020. He coached the Friars from 1978-1989 and was inducted into the PC Athletic Hall of Fame in 1980. His survivors include children Dr. Thomas J. Mezzanotte '90 and Susan M. Woods '93 & '99G, and son-in-law Christopher Woods '92.

**Hon. Joseph F. Rodgers, Jr. '62 & '01Hon.**, retired presiding justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court, died on Dec. 6, 2019. Judge Rodgers, who taught law at PC, served as a jurist in the Superior and District courts for 35 years. His survivors include a son, Joseph F. Rodgers III '00SCE.

**John "Jack" J. Mahoney, Esq. '65**, a College trustee from 2002-2010, died on Dec. 12, 2019. A real estate attorney in Washington, D.C., he was an advocate for PC and the chief sponsor of the annual PC in DC program — an initiative that introduces students to alumni in leadership positions.

**Barry M. Sullivan '76**, a member of the PC Athletic Hall of Fame, died on Dec. 22, 2019. He was an All-American baseball player who

won the New England batting championship in 1975 with a .422 average. He built a career in real estate.

**Scot "Scotty" B. Kleinendorst '82**, a two-time All-ECAC hockey defenseman, died on Dec. 17, 2019. He played eight seasons in the NHL and was the brother of Kurt Kleinendorst '83, who also played for the Friars.

**Lois E. Auld '85SCE & '88G**, retired assistant dean of graduate studies, died on April 28, 2020. She served PC for 22 years, until 1994. Her survivors include sons Andrew D. Auld '73 and Rev. Robert S. Auld '76.

**Maureen (Forde) Quinlan '90G**, retired associate dean of student conduct, died on Jan. 9, 2020. Mrs. Quinlan, who served PC for 28 years, first served as executive assistant to College President Rev. John F. Cunningham, O.P. '50 from 1985-1994. Her survivors include her husband, Dr. Paul D. Quinlan, PC professor *emeritus* of history, and her daughter, Annemarie Ring '95 & '05G.

**Marisa E. McGrody '02**, a New York City-based photographer who persevered through neurofibromatosis to perform her craft with one hand, died on Jan. 7, 2020. As a student, she served as president of Aquinas Hall and was a member of her Junior Ring Weekend Committee. She attended each of her reunions and cherished spending time with a group of classmates and friends from PC.

**Mary Higgins Clark '96Hon.**, renowned novelist and a former PC trustee, died on Jan. 31, 2020. Ms. Higgins Clark served on the Board of Trustees from 2002-2006. Known for her devout Catholic faith, generosity, and humanitarian spirit, she supported the construction of a dance studio that is named in her honor in the College's Smith Center for the Arts. Her survivors include granddaughter Elizabeth Higgins Clark '06.

**Sister Ann P. Stankiewicz, O.P.**, retired associate professor of philosophy, died on July 1, 2020. A member of the Dominican Sisters of Hope, she came to PC in 1981 and taught here until 2008. Sister Ann served as department chair from 2000-2004 and as director of the Humanities Program from 1986-1990. She was a Dominican sister for 62 years. Among her survivors is a niece, Kathleen A. Stankiewicz '03 & '05G.

**Raymond A. Jarvis**, a former supervisor in the Department of Public Safety, died on April 24, 2020. He was an assistant baseball coach for the Friars from 1989-1993. He joined the public safety staff in 1991 and left as a shift supervisor in 2018. Mr. Jarvis pitched for the Boston Red Sox in 1969 and 1970. ❧

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## THE LAST WORD

# A Hidden Strength

BY REV. JOSEPH J. GUIDO, O.P.

The early photos were of him working out in Peterson or striding confidently across the plaza in front of St. Dominic Chapel. Still youthful looking and beaming with a sense of wonder that it was true — that he, Brian Shanley, was president of Providence College — he was the epitome of the local boy made good and of the ascendancy of a new generation of Dominicans.

Everyone agreed that his Inaugural Address was brilliant. The product of a formidable intellect and a deep immersion in the thought of Aristotle and Aquinas, it challenged prevailing opinion and asserted that the liberal arts, and the Catholic and Dominican tradition, had something critically important to contribute to our time and should be at the heart of the education we provide our students. The impression it left was unmistakable.

Change was afoot — change that inspired hope for the future of Providence College, change that was bold and vigorous and that promised to unite the College in a common and noble purpose.

Time would take its toll as it inevitably does. He made the hard decisions — on finances, personnel, race, and gender — and plunged deep into curricular reform and the revision of the mission statement. Controversy ensued, as he knew it would, and not everyone agreed with him. Some cast themselves in permanent and vocal opposition. It stung. How could it not? Beneath the hardened exterior he was a man like any other, more sensitive than appearances betrayed and more tenderhearted than many would suspect.

But he remained undaunted. His will was strong, sometimes to the point of stubbornness. Exhausted,

he could seem abrasive. He made mistakes. Yet he lent himself, gave himself completely to the task and to the College, his stamina astonishing and his success undeniable. A campus literally transformed, the endowment greatly enlarged, the faculty renewed, and an ever more talented and diverse student body. An extraordinary accomplishment by any measure, and one for which we owe him a depth of gratitude.

None of this, however, will prove to be his most important legacy. That will be owed to his faith and to his prayer.

The last two years have visibly aged him, and for good reason. In the early morning, bracing himself during *Lauds* in the priory chapel, he gave a hint of the bad hip that hitched his gait and caused him pain. He is thinner now, having undergone emergency surgery. And his face is drawn, the likely effect of a bruising

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battle about a possible fourth term as president.

Then there are his eyes, shadowed by sadness. No trial has tested him more than the death of his brother, Paul. Twinned in the womb, they were inseparable, lifelong best friends, competitive in sports and loyal in every other way. Through diagnosis, surgery, chemotherapy, and remission, and in the last days at home, he was by his side. Meals shared, jokes told, confidences entrusted, all drawn into the fathomless mystery of the Eucharist they celebrated together in church, at home, by bedside.

A winnowing fire, this, a dark night of the soul, a sifting of the wheat and chaff; unbidden purifica-

tion accepted, not easily, but with faith. For faithful he has been, day after day, to the work, to the life avowed, and to prayer.

In a homily he gave not long ago he alluded to these trials and quoting the writer Anne Lamott, to that most basic of prayers, “Help.” It is a prayer that he has learned to say, over and over again, and perhaps at times the only prayer he could say. A prayer that says everything necessary to say about the human condition, our need, and everything necessary to believe about God, his beneficence.

Few of us share his brilliance or strength of will, his drive and energy, and few of our lives will be measured by accomplishments as great and

significant as his. But we all share a common plight, and never more so than at present. Stalked by a virus, and prone to anxiety as we face an uncertain future, we are reminded of our fragility and how tenuous our grasp is on health and even life itself. “Help,” indeed.

Yet it was in his moment of greatest weakness that Brian Shanley taught us — silently, and all but hidden from view — how to find the surest source of strength, the one we need now in our time of need, and for that we owe him our deepest gratitude, and our prayers. ❧

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