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Every academic year has its lights and its shadows, to use the language favored by disciples of discernment. Each year is composed of very particular moments, not to be repeated, that can unsettle or inspire our expectations for the future. It is safe to say, however, that very few years in the history of Fordham University challenged our assumptions about the future as dramatically as the just-concluded academic year of 2001-2002.

On the morning of September 11, we were just settling into the routine of regular classes, after our orientation of new students and new faculty, when the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon shattered our understanding of the world and the time in which we live. Along with the rest of New York City and the nation, the Fordham University community learned to live with the tragic consequences of that blasphemous attack on the innocent. We mourned our dead, tried to comfort their survivors, while seeking to understand, as a university community must, the dark sources of an international terrorist movement intent on destroying the established order, yet offering no coherent alternative for the future, and all this in the name of the Almighty.

As we approach the first anniversary of September 11, 2001, the answers to the questions posed by that terrible day remain elusive. Warnings of future attacks are issued at regular intervals by national leaders, along with exhortations to stand up to the terrorist threat by increased consumer spending. Our judges and jurists must wrestle with the possibility that the rights of individual citizens may need to be circumscribed for the sake of national security.

In the months that followed September 11, the citizens of the United States had to deal with further shocks to the national psyche by revelations of corporate greed that undermined our confidence in the fundamental assumptions of our system of free enterprise. American Catholics had to deal with the additional challenge to the credibility of their bishops, as we learned of the damage done to victims of sexual abuse by clerics who were allowed to abuse the trust of the faithful for far too long. In this summer of 2002, the need to restore trust in our institutions, our leaders and, ultimately, in one another poses a continuing challenge for all of us.

Against this background, the annual June rituals of Commencement and Jubilee seemed, to me at least, to offer signs of hope and a revival of confidence in the future.

Despite the stormy weather that forced our Commencement Exercises indoors (only the second time in 18 years that I admitted it was raining), the enthusiastic response of the graduates to the Commencement speeches, broadcast by campus television to seven different rain locations, testified to the resilience of youth and the confidence with which this new generation of Fordham men and women would meet their futures. When the skies cleared later in the afternoon, the campus remained crowded with graduates, their families and friends, lingering for those final photographs on the terrace of Keating Hall.

Two weeks later, the Jubilee classes assembled under sunnier skies for their weekend of remembrance and renewal. The memorial liturgy on Saturday evening had special resonance this year, as we remembered the Fordham men and women no longer with us, looked back with gratitude and forgiveness, and found in memories made whole the seeds of hope for the future. Later that evening, the Jubilarians expressed their confidence in a very practical way, setting a new record of $16.6 million in class gifts, their investment in the Fordham of the future.

The end of the year brought the inevitable transitions in the life of the University. After two decades of remarkable leadership, John D. Feerick retired as Dean of Fordham’s School of Law. He will continue to be a very active member of the University Community, holding the Leonard Manning Chair in the Law School. A member of Fordham’s own Law School faculty, William M. Treanor, will succeed John in this important office and build on the transforming accomplishments of John’s long tenure.

On July 1, the consolidation of our two institutions completed, we welcomed the Marymount College community, alumnae, faculty and students, into the Fordham University community. With them we look forward to a new future in confidence and hope, Fordham’s final response to a year of historic challenge. —Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J.
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FOR ALUMNI, PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF FORDHAM UNIVERSITY
A 40-Year Tenure Comes to an End

LAST JANUARY, the Rev. George J. McMahon, S.J., retired as alumni chaplain, a post he had held since 1995. Retiring is not a word that naturally comes to mind when thinking of Father McMahon, who is most often and fondly referred to as “Father Fordham.” A dynamic presence on campus since he was appointed dean of Fordham College in 1962, he also served as vice president for administration from 1975 until 1987, when he was named vice president for Lincoln Center.

Father McMahon saw many changes during his 40-year tenure. When the Lincoln Center campus that he loves so well built its first residence hall on West 60th Street, it was fittingly named in his honor. He always smiles broadly when inviting friends and colleagues to visit McMahon Hall, adding, “Not bad for a boy from the Bronx.” In 1991, as the University marked its sesquicentennial, he celebrated his 50th year as a Jesuit.

Correspondence and good wishes can be sent to Father McMahon at Murray Weigel Hall, 515 East Fordham Road, Bronx, New York, 10458-5148. To make an appointment to visit Father McMahon, call 718-933-9073.

—Kristin Lynch Gullo (FCO ’92, GAS ’96, GSE ’99), director of alumni relations

Jubilee

More than 1,300 alumni and guests gathered at Rose Hill from May 31 through June 2 to celebrate and reminisce with old classmates, professors and Jesuits. At the gala dinner on Saturday evening, alumni presented the Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., University president, with a record-breaking total of $16.6 million. After the check presentations, gala dinner guests closed the evening with a celebration under a tent on Edwards Parade.

Gerald Levin Addresses Class of 2002

DESPITE THE RAIN that sent graduates and their guests to buildings throughout the Rose Hill campus on Saturday, May 18, the University’s 157th Commencement was a day of celebration, memory and hope. Retired AOL Time Warner CEO Gerald M. Levin told more than 10,000 graduates and their families that technology is important, but it takes love and compassion to create a better world.

“Sometimes cruel, often callous, always imperfect world of ours needs you very badly,” said Levin, who received an honorary doctorate of humane letters. “It needs the knowledge, the expertise that you have been getting here at Fordham. It needs your faith, your hope and hard work. Even more, it needs your love, your compassion and commitment to shine forth for all of us.”

Also receiving honorary degrees were


In Tarrytown, N.Y., on May 19, Xerox Corporation CEO Anne M. Mulcahy delivered Marymount College’s 78th Commencement
Celebrating 160 Years of Excellence

ON MARCH 25, the night after Denzel Washington (FCLC ’77) won the Oscar for best actor, Fordham celebrated its 160th anniversary by bestowing a high honor of its own on three other distinguished members of the University community during a gala held at Lincoln Center’s New York State Theater.

More than 500 alumni, administrators, friends of the University and some very special guests paid tribute to the three recipients of the inaugural Fordham Founder’s Award: Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J., Laurence J. McGinley Professor of Religion and Society; New York Giants President and Pro Football Hall of Famer Wellington T. Mara (FCO ’37); and humanitarian businessman William D. Walsh, Esq. (FCO ’51). The award, which will be presented annually, recognizes individuals whose lives reflect the highest aspirations of the University’s defining traditions, as an institution dedicated to wisdom and learning in the service of others.

“Fordham men and women have found in the city rich cultural resources, but also daunting moral and social challenges, soaring celebrations of the human spirit here at Lincoln Center, but also a summons to service in the neighborhoods of the Bronx,” said the Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., University president. “These different faces of the city engage the classical Renaissance humanism of Jesuit education, but also the new Jesuit humanism that adds to this classic ideal the urgency of education for justice.”

Upon receiving the award, Walsh referred to Fordham as the place that “instilled a set of values which has served as a sort of compass that I consult when faced with tough decisions.” Mara marveled at being on the podium with such esteemed men. “I know Fordham has done more for me than I have done for Fordham,” he said.

For Cardinal Dulles, the first American theologian to be elevated to the College of Cardinals, the University is a home that enables him to focus on intellectual and spiritual growth in peace and comfort.

“If Fordham owes me any kind of debt, that is outbalanced by my debt to it,” he said. “Whatever honors I have received in the church are, I think, directly the result of the opportunities afforded me by Fordham.”

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg was on hand for the festivities, noting Fordham’s ongoing commitment to the city it calls home.

“Fordham has certainly done a lot for this city and continues to do so. It is a wonderful school, an asset to New York, the country and the world,” said Bloomberg.

CBS News veteran Charles Osgood (FCO ’54) served as emcee of the event, which featured a special video presentation that paid tribute to the University’s past, present and future.

—Lisa Finnegan


Left: Gerald Levin urged graduates to face an imperfect world with love and compassion.

Right: In May, the Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., University president, joined Sharon Smith, Ph.D., dean of the Schools of Business (second from left), Eliza Liu, associate dean of the University’s Beijing International MBA (BiMBA) program; and BiMBA associate dean John Z. Yang, Ph.D. (far right) at a reception honoring the program’s first graduates.

Left: Mulcahy, a Marymount alumna who is one of five women heading Fortune 500 companies, hailed a new era for her alma mater, which officially consolidated with Fordham University on July 1 to form a new model of a Catholic women’s college.

“I commend the Marymount community for taking this bold step,” she said. “I have no doubt that Marymount and Fordham will both emerge stronger—that the total of this new partnership will be even greater than the sum of its parts.”
“I will have served 19 years in this office, and I believe the time will be right for a transition...”

The Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., to Retire
Longest Serving President in University History

The Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., president of Fordham University since July 1, 1984, announced on May 28 his intention to retire at the close of the next academic year, on June 30, 2003.

“At that time,” Father O’Hare said in a letter to the Fordham University community, “I will have served 19 years in this office, and I believe the time will be right for a transition so that the University can have the benefit of the fresh energy and insight of a new President as it moves into the next stage of its development.”

Father O’Hare’s 19-year tenure, the longest in University history, is marked by a significant reform of undergraduate education at Fordham and the extensive development of facilities on both the Rose Hill and Lincoln Center campuses. The dramatic increase in Fordham’s applicant pool from 4,500 in 1995 to more than 11,000 in 2002 is traced, in part, to this strengthening of the undergraduate experience at Fordham.

On July 1, the consolidation of Fordham University and Marymount College in Tarrytown, N.Y., provided the University with a third campus in Westchester.

Paul B. Guenther, chair of the University’s Board of Trustees, said, “During Father O’Hare’s historic term as Fordham’s 31st president, we have seen the physical transformation of both the Lincoln Center and Rose Hill campuses, the successful completion of the most ambitious fund-raising campaign in the University’s history, the growth of the endowment from $36.5 million to $271.6 million and a three hundred percent increase in annual giving by alumni and friends. As a result, Fordham stands on a much higher threshold for the next stage of its development.”

Since 1984, the University has been engaged in an expansive building program that has seen the addition of approximately 1.1 million square feet of new academic and residential space and the renovation of more than 1 million square feet of existing facilities. The new facilities include additional residence halls at the Rose Hill campus and the completion of the first residence hall at the Lincoln Center campus in 1993. In 1997 the William D. Walsh Family Library, considered one of the most technologically advanced academic libraries in the country, was inaugurated on the Rose Hill campus.

Father O’Hare has been an active voice in Catholic higher education. He is the only person to have served as chairman of both the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities (ACCU) and the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (AJCU). In April 1989, he was part of the 18-member ACCU delegation to the Vatican Congress on Catholic Higher Education that was convened to develop materials for a pontifical document on Catholic higher education. When the April conference concluded, Father O’Hare was elected to a 15-person international committee of bishops and university presidents who returned to Rome that September to review the revised document, which would be submitted to Pope John Paul II and eventually published under the title Ex Corde Ecclesiae (From the Heart of the Church) in 1990.

In his inaugural address of 1984, Father O’Hare called for a greater engagement of the University in the life of New York City. He himself has played an active role in the life of the city, serving on the boards of several institutions and on a number of city commissions. In 1988, Mayor Edward I. Koch appointed him founding chairman of a new agency that since has been hailed as a national model for campaign finance reform, the New York City Campaign Finance Board. He was reappointed to this position by Mayor Rudolph Giuliani in 1994 and again in 1998. He is currently serving the final year of his third five-year appointment, which will end in March 2003.

In 1992, Father O’Hare received the annual Civil Leadership Award from the Citizens Union of New York and was similarly honored by the Conference on Government and Election Reform (COGEL) in 1994 for distinguished achievement in the regulation of government ethics.

Prior to coming to Fordham in 1984, Father O’Hare had been editor in chief of America magazine, the national weekly journal of opinion published by the Jesuits of North America. He first joined its editorial staff in 1972, when he returned to the United States, after teaching for a number of years at the Ateneo de Manila, a Jesuit university in the Philippines.

The Rev. J. Donald Monan, S.J., former president of Boston College and currently chancellor of that institution, responding to news of Father O’Hare’s announcement, observed, “For the past two decades, Father Joe O’Hare has been one of the most respected among his 27 Jesuit President colleagues. His early years as a Jesuit in Asia gave him a unique perspective on American culture, but his native New York gave him a directness, a maturity and a no-nonsense wisdom in leading that has reshaped the face of Fordham.”
SO FAR THIS YEAR, 10 Fordham students have been awarded prestigious fellowships to study a variety of issues, including the business world in post-NAFTA Mexico, HIV prevention, fundamental theology and urban education.

In the last few years, Fordham has placed greater emphasis on preparing its exceptional students for prestigious fellowships. More than 75 graduate and undergraduate students have received prestigious awards in the last seven years.

“Academic excellence is a hallmark of Fordham. Our faculty challenge students to reach their full potential,” said John Hollwitz, Ph.D., vice president for academic affairs. “The honors bestowed upon these students speak to their great abilities, to their hard work and to the University’s commitment to them.”

**Karl S. Rutter** (GBA ‘02) is the first Graduate School of Business Administration student ever awarded a Fulbright fellowship. He received the Binational Business Fulbright/Garcia Robles Award, a joint prize from the United States and Mexican governments. It includes a 10-month internship at a Mexican company and tuition for studies at La Salle University in Mexico City.

The Fulbright will subsidize Rutter’s travel, health insurance and living expenses.

**Scyatta A. Wallace** (GAS ‘02) was awarded a postdoctoral research fellowship for the HIV Prevention in Communities of Color Program, sponsored by the Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

During the two-year fellowship, Wallace will be working on the Parents Matter! project, whose mission is to develop and test a program designed to promote effective parent-child communication about sexuality and healthy behaviors among African-American adolescents. In addition, Wallace will work on data analysis and manuscript writing for other CDC data sets matched with her interests.

**Jessica M. Wormley** (GAS ‘02), a doctoral candidate in theology, received the Erskine A. Peters Dissertation Year Fellowship from the University of Notre Dame. The award enables two outstanding African-American doctoral candidates to devote their full energies to the completion of their dissertation and provides an opportunity for African-American scholars to experience life at a major Catholic research university.

Wormley, who specializes in fundamental theology, will spend the year completing her dissertation. She also will have an opportunity to teach as a visiting faculty member.

This award supplies a $25,000 stipend, office space, a faculty mentor, and an affiliation with the Institute for the Study of Religion and Culture in Africa and the African Diaspora, as well as a $2,000 travel budget to attend professional conferences.

**Patricia M. Spinelli** (FCRH ‘02) has been awarded the James Madison Junior Fellowship, which provides an award of up to $24,000 for two years of graduate work in American history, government or political science.

Spinelli, an American studies major, will pursue a master’s degree in education at the Lynch School of Education at Boston College. Spinelli is one of 30 students, selected from among 200, who have been accepted into the school’s Donovan Urban Scholars Program, which focuses on training teachers for the challenges of working in inner city schools. The program provides a scholarship that subsidizes half of her graduate education.

After graduate school, the Rosedale, N.Y., native plans to teach American history in Boston or New York before pursuing a doctoral degree.

Six other graduating seniors, two students from Rose Hill and four from Lincoln Center, were awarded Fulbright fellowships this year.

--- Michele Snipe

**Two Rams Selected in MLB Draft**

Junior shortstop Jason Conlisk (left) and junior center fielder Bobby Kingsbury were selected in Major League Baseball’s First-Year Player Draft on June 4. Conlisk, who was drafted by the Montreal Expos in the 17th round, finished his three-year career with a .302 batting average. Kingsbury was selected by the Pittsburgh Pirates as the first pick of the eighth round. After hitting .380 and leading the team in most offensive categories this season, he became the first player in Atlantic 10 history to win Player of the Year honors two seasons in a row. Both Conlisk and Kingsbury will play for their respective teams in the New York Penn League.

**Dancers Soar During Second Student Performance**

On March 13, the Alvin Alley/Fordham B.F.A. in Dance program performed its second student showcase to a sold-out house in Pope Auditorium that included many members of the Fordham community. The first group of students to complete the B.F.A. in Dance program graduated in May.
AS WAR RAGES ON in the Middle East and the Catholic Church copes with a devastating sex-abuse scandal, questions of forgiveness—who should forgive, who should be forgiven and under what circumstances—have never been more relevant.

Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J., Fordham’s Laurence J. McGinley Professor of Religion and Society, explored these complicated questions during his annual Spring McGinley Lecture on April 10 before a crowd of more than 300 in Fordham Prep’s Leonard Theater. Titled “When to Forgive,” the lecture employed history, scripture and even literature as a means of understanding forgiveness in all its complexity.

“Forgiveness does not mean pretending that evil does not exist or forgetting it, but remembering it, facing its full malice, regretting it, and atoning for it,” said Dulles. The conditions for forgiveness call for individuals to “be resolved to take effective measures to prevent [future misdeeds]. A habitual sex offender, for example, ought not to receive absolution without intending to avoid situations in which the recurrence of such sins is likely.” Dulles then said the notion that justice is in some way supplanted by forgiveness in Christianity is “a gross misunderstanding.”

“Neither in the Old Testament nor in the New...is it taught that forgiveness takes the place of justice, or that God always forgives sins, or that we ought to forgive everyone all the time,” said Dulles. “The church understands the forgiveness of sins to be a sacred rite, a sacrament, an encounter with the living Christ, who uses the church as an instrument of reconciliation.”

When Dulles reached the topical issue of forgiveness in the sociopolitical realm, he used the example of the post-World War II Japanese Peace Treaty, which his father, John Foster Dulles, successfully negotiated on behalf of the United States. Cardinal Dulles mentioned his father’s awareness of the religious aspects of this “treaty of reconciliation,” as well as its platonic dimension. The elder Dulles, who served as President Dwight D. Eisenhower’s Secretary of State, understood that “wars will never cease so long as victors execute vengeance on the vanquished.” In order for forgiveness to be truly successful, Cardinal Dulles noted, the spirit of the act must be reciprocal.

“If each party feels that it has been offended by the other, reciprocal apologies are required to eradicate the seeds of conflict,” he said. “Only then can the parties enter into a community of love.”

—Ryan Thompson

FOR EIGHT YEARS Fordham University and its Bronx neighbor, the New York Botanical Garden (NYBG), have been locked in a dispute over the University’s plan to build a new transmission tower for WFUV (90.7 FM) on the Rose Hill campus. On June 27, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) conducted an open forum at the NYBG and at Rose Hill to hear public comment regarding the partially constructed tower. While garden supporters urged the University to find an alternative site for the tower, which they see as an eyesore that mars the beauty of the NYBG, those who spoke in favor of WFUV, the University’s award-winning National Public Radio member station, sported T-shirts that read, “No tower, no tunes,” and praised the station for its unique programming. The station currently broadcasts at only 28,000 watts (instead of its full 50,000-watt licensed limit) from the 260-foot-tall tower. Over the past 19 years, the University has evaluated more than 25 alternative sites, not one of which has proven viable. A series of court rulings, culminating with the verdict of the New York State Court of Appeals, has upheld the University’s right to complete the tower on the current site. (For more information, go to www wfuv org/tower.)

The FCC is considering whether or not it will allow the University to complete construction of the proposed 380-foot tower. A decision is expected sometime in the fall.
Debaters Argue Their Way to a Top-Tier Ranking

FOUR YEARS AGO, the Fordham Debate Society had a lackluster team of five that suffered from a lack of participation. Since then, the scrappy team has grown into a 40-member debating powerhouse, beating Ivy League schools at competitions across the country.

“We have worked hard and flourished into good debaters,” said David Buckwald, who served as a coach and the society’s president before graduating in May. “We have recruited good high school debaters and we take people who have no debating experience and build them into good debaters who have the ability to analyze an issue quickly, take a position and argue effectively off the cuff.”

The debate team, which competes in the American Parliamentary Debate Association (APDA), is ranked seventh among all American college debate teams. The Fordham team is ranked first among American Catholic university debate teams and is tied for first in the world with Ateneo de Manila in the Philippines (where, incidentally, the Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., University president, was once the team’s coach), according to the World Debating Web page.

“Few activities in university life combine intellectual excellence, research skills, eloquence, and sheer poise as effectively as intercollegiate debate,” said John C. Hollwitz, Ph.D., vice president for academic affairs. “The Rose Hill debate team has performed at the highest levels of international competition against the world’s foremost universities.”

Buckwald said that Fordham’s burgeoning reputation will do a lot for the team.

“Perception brings success sometimes,” he said. “When Harvard hears that they are [meeting] a Fordham team, they know we are a good team and they know that we can beat them. They might not have felt that way four years ago.” —Michele Snipe

Class on Terrorism Is a Form of Healing

LAST SEPTEMBER, while planning the sociology department’s spring course offerings, Professor Orlando Rodriguez, Ph.D., lost his son in the World Trade Center attacks. Despite this tremendous loss, Rodriguez continued in his role as department chair by taking a courageous step that put his struggle and a nation’s challenge in a place devoted to true understanding: the classroom.

Rodriguez developed a new undergraduate course titled Terrorism and Society. Although terrorism is included in other sociology courses related to violent crime, this was the first class in the department devoted exclusively to the topic.

“With my son dying in this attack and me, being who I am, I wanted to offer students a timely set of tools and concepts that they could use to get a better understanding of a phenomenon that is very new to them,” said Rodriguez. “To do so, we examine the history of terrorism as well as the many ideologies, strategies and tactics that are associated with its impact.”

A diverse group of 60 students who major in sociology, communications, economics, history, political science, psychology and business contemplated a wide range of topics, including the history of terrorism; the limits of political, military and civil authority; torture; crisis command; and intelligence-gathering techniques.

The class also features a co-instructor, Kerry Sweet, an adjunct professor who is a captain in the New York City Police Department and serves on the Metropolitan Committee on Counterterrorism. Sweet initially believed the course would be therapeutic, having lost friends and comrades on Sept. 11, but he found that his personal experience makes it difficult to be analytical and detached.

“In his approach to the class, Rodriguez kept in mind the story of the late Harvard biologist Stephen Jay Gould. Nearly 20 years ago, Gould was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer that research indicated to have a high rate of mortality. After getting past the initial shock, Gould decided to use his talents as a scientist to fight the disease. Although he lost that fight in May, his example of using knowledge to surmount even the bleakest of prospects has been an inspiration to Rodriguez.

Rodriguez has spoken publicly against the government’s military actions in Afghanistan, referring to them as “irrational and deadly to innocent civilians.” He strives to keep his personal opinions outside the classroom, and encourages his students to do the same.

“I see this course as one that helps students acquire a skeptical approach to handling what’s in front of them,” said Rodriguez. “If you want to survive terrorism not just as an individual but as a people, you have to bring a certain degree of skepticism to the table.”

Although the subject matter will occasionally stir up an emotional image for him, Rodriguez said he was very grateful to the students for their overall sensitivity with personal situations.

“For me, the course has fulfilled a double purpose of putting into practice what I believe while also acting as a personal form of grieving,” said Rodriguez. “Pain comes with healing and this happens to be one of those situations where you never become totally healed. But the course is a form of healing.”

—Ryan Thompson

Professor Orlando Rodriguez, Ph.D.
Books

Fordham: A History and Memoir
By Rev. Raymond A. Schroth, S.J., Jesuit Community Professor of Humanities at St. Peter’s College and former associate professor of communications at Fordham. 424 pages. Chicago: Loyola Press, 2002. $16.95

The reader of this newest history of Fordham cannot help but be struck by the broad sweep of personalities who have slipped in and out of the University’s story over the years. Many are immediately familiar: “Dagger John” Hughes, Robert I. Gannon, S.J.; G. Gordon Liddy; Marshall McLuhan, Timothy Healy, S.J.; Mary Higgins Clark, and Denzel Washington, to name a few. There’s even a manic cameo appearance by Jimmy Durante.

But there are other names in this story that may not be so familiar: Michael Nash, one of Fordham’s first students and a Union army chaplain in the Civil War; John Manning, a 1941 graduate who witnessed the horrors of World War II in Europe and Africa; Lou Mitchell, a black and blind student in the 1950s who earned numerous honors during his subsequent teaching career; Barbara Stolz, a 1969 graduate of Thomas More College who, with other alumnae, fought the school’s merger with Fordham College; Eileen Markey, who was arrested during a Pax Christi peace march while Fordham’s class of 1997 planned its senior ball aboard the USS Intrepid; and many others.

In his preface, Raymond Schroth writes that he wanted to tell the story “as much as possible, through the experiences of students, the young men and women who were shaped by the institution and who carried its spirit into a larger world.” This he does. Schroth uses primary sources and a range of available documentation, including student publications from the short-lived Goose Quill (1854-55) to The Ram (first published in February 1918), and others. He brings his reporter’s skills to the work, giving voice to these generations of men and, eventually, women who breathe life into the Fordham story, himself included. Not only is Schroth a signal figure for many Fordham journalists of the 1970s, but he is also an award-winning media critic for the National Catholic Reporter and the author of six books.

This memoir offers clear-eyed reports of such moments in Fordham’s development as the admission of African-American and women students, and the creation of the campus at Lincoln Center. Any reader interested in Fordham, or in the general development of Catholic higher education, will welcome these. The account of the Jesuit seminary at Shrub Oak illustrates well how Jesuits themselves fought against constraints that seemed anachronistic in the 1960s; the seminary was moved to Rose Hill at the end of the decade, a necessary casualty of the times.

Schroth has an eye for the telling detail. There is an interesting discussion of the Gellhorn report, which Fordham commissioned in the 1960s to determine what a church-related university needed to do to gain legal acceptance as an independent institution. When it became clear that President Leo McLaughlin, S.J., who backed moves to independence, was losing the support of Fordham Jesuits, the superior general in Rome requested his resignation through a third party. McLaughlin responded: “Tell him I’ll do it, and I’ll never tell anyone why.” That dignified obedience took on added poignancy years after McLaughlin was moved to Rose Hill at the end of the decade, a necessary casualty of the times.

Schroth acknowledges this transient nature in his preface when he writes, “So the last word on Fordham University remains to be written.” But surely any writer who takes up the subject in the future will use this valuable collection as a reference.

—Carolyn Farrar, FCO ’82, a writer and editor living in Ireland, wrote for The Ram from 1978 until 1982.


Those who view the involvement of religion in politics with suspicion may alter their thinking after reading Dry Bones Rattling. In his first book, Mark Warren, Ph.D., presents as a model one branch of a national network that blends politics and religion, illustrating how faith-based organizations can give life back to physically and spiritually barren communities.

Offering a thoughtful and clearly written exploration of the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) network in Texas and the Southwest, Warren argues that community involvement is the key to improving schools, expanding public services, building affordable housing and increasing neighborhood safety. The IAF is a political...
organization, not a religious one, but, as Warren writes in the introduction, “religious institutions serve as the backbone for many independent community development initiatives that have emerged across the country in the last twenty-five years.” The IAF draws on the strength of that backbone, working with religious institutions to increase the participation and leadership of Americans who are typically excluded from politics.

Just as important, according to Warren, is the IAF’s ability to bridge racial gaps in Texas and the Southwest by drawing upon common values to forge broad-based alliances and build a sense of trust and cooperation. “In a society so fractured along racial lines,” Warren writes, “people from different racial groups often have difficulty seeing a common interest. A set of common beliefs, a shared identity as people of God, helps people to identify themselves as members of the same community.”

Dry Bones Rattling is an important and inspiring case study. It will give social theorists, civic activists and general readers a new perspective on religious groups and their place in American politics, a restored feeling of hope for the poor sections of America and a desire to become more active in their own neighborhoods.

—Lisa Becker, FCO ’01


“Dear Elizabeth, You must be wondering why I left you my diaries in my will. After all, we have not seen each other in over twenty years.”

The letter that accompanied a carton of diaries was from Vincent, whose only communication with Elizabeth Stone in the last twenty years consisted of unrevealing Christmas cards and postcards. Now, the boy she once knew when she was a young high school teacher in Brooklyn was baring all and entrusting her with the monumental task of not only immortalizing him in text, but also of rekindling a student-teacher relationship some twenty years later.

“I had to find out what had become of the skinny kid I had known. We were like some surreal O. Henry couple,” Stone writes. “Vincent could share his life only by losing it, and I could get to know the man, but it might cost me the boy.”

Stone tells Vincent’s story of being a gay man coming to terms with life, death and AIDS in San Francisco not by piecing together his diary entries, but rather by giving an emotional and honest account of the journey of rediscovery that brought her and Vincent back together. In doing so, Stone makes the reader aware of how the student-teacher dynamic is not only marked by hard work, periodic frustration and triumphant breakthroughs, but how it does not always offer clearly defined roles and remains capable of transcending the classroom and even death.

Stone emerges as a central part of Vincent’s story and gives this memoir an eloquent voice marked by a teacher’s concern and a journalist’s curiosity. Vincent and Elizabeth’s journeys show us that our memories of one another in life and death are constantly evolving and more profoundly relevant to us than we could possibly imagine.

—Ryan Thompson, FCLC ’00, studied journalism with Elizabeth Stone.

Other Books of Interest


Read reviews of Double Going, Daddy’s Little Girl, and White Boy online at www.fordham.edu/magazine.
On a clear spring night in 1993, Mary Ann Principato sat in the viewing stands in Cape Canaveral, Fla., and crossed her fingers. She was trying to contain her nervous excitement as the countdown to the launch of the shuttle Discovery—a flight that would carry an experiment she designed—began. Two days prior, a computer glitch had scrubbed the launch, and although the fragile cells in her experiment survived that delay, she wasn’t sure they would survive another.

Principato, a research biologist with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration’s (FDA) Center for Food Safety and Nutrition, had driven 14 hours straight from Washington, D.C., to Cape Canaveral in order to set up her experiment by the launch date. Using a specially designed miniature lab aboard the Discovery shuttle, she would test how certain immune system cells called T cells behave in the weightlessness of space. The next few moments would decide whether or not her efforts had even a chance of being successful.

T minus 12. T minus 11. When the countdown finally reached T minus 10, “there was a loud cheer from the stands,” Principato recalled. “It was a glorious sight to see the shuttle go up. I felt the sound waves in my body. It was a moment I’ll never forget.”

It was also a moment she’d been working for since childhood. From her first trip to the planetarium at the American Museum of Natural History with her parents, the Manhattan-born Principato has been hooked on science. In high school, she excelled in biology, and she couldn’t learn enough about the U.S. space program. “As a kid, I followed the space program every step of the way to the moon and back,” she said.

But Principato, who graduated from Fordham College at Lincoln Center in 1975 with a B.A. in the natural sciences, had no idea that her interest in biology and in space exploration would come together with her space shuttle experiment.

Scientists have long known that immune system cells don’t function well in space, and Principato’s shuttle experiment explored why this might be so. On Earth, T cells use receptor molecules on their surface to sense harmful bacteria or other microscopic threats, and when they do, the cells respond by multiplying into an army to fight the biologic menace.

“I wanted to find out if the T-cell receptors functioned [properly] in space. In other words, if you stimulated that receptor with a bacterial toxin, would the message travel to the nucleus of the cell and tell it to divide,” said Principato.

With the successful launch of Discovery, Principato got her answer: Her cultured T cells aboard the shuttle did proliferate when their receptors were stimulated by a toxin. The experiment determined that the problem with T cells in space is not connected with the receptor, but some other part of the cell, Principato explained.

Exploring and Boosting the Immune System
Principato’s shuttle experiment was part of her larger, ongoing efforts at the FDA to learn how the immune system responds to the bacteria that cause food poisoning. In particular, she studies the toxic bacterium Staphylococcus aureus, better known as simply “staph.” Her research helps doctors and other researchers better diagnose and treat staph poisoning, which is common and often caused when a food handler contaminates food that is served or stored at room or refrigerator temperatures.

As branch chief of the FDA’s immunotoxicology lab, Principato explores not only how the immune system responds to bacterial toxins in space, but more down-to-earth issues such as why the system begins to fail in old age. To answer these questions, she works primarily with laboratory mice. “In animals, as with humans, you see a decrease in immune function with age. This decrease parallels what you see in people who go into space and also in people who are HIV positive,” she explained.

Although Principato is a long way from understanding this phenomenon, her work may have revealed a way to boost failing immune systems. In examining the effects of staph toxin on aged mice, she found that the toxin didn’t damage or weaken the immune system as much as she
expected. Instead, it seemed as if the toxin was spurring the immune system to fight back harder. Principato and her colleagues examined the molecular structure of the staph toxin to see why this might be so.

“We chopped up this large molecule and examined it piece by piece,” she said. She found that a short section of the molecule, called a peptide, strongly enhanced the immune system’s function. “Inside this very bad molecule we found something that might potentially be good,” she said. Principato plans further experiments in mice to see whether this peptide, harmless by itself, can be used to boost faltering immune systems.

Learning and Mentoring
While still an undergraduate at Fordham, Principato got her first taste of laboratory work. Although she has held several teaching positions during the course of her career and briefly considered medical school, she has no doubt that laboratory life is the life for her.

“I enjoy the challenge of making the cells jump through their respective hoops,” she said. She also likes the satisfaction of getting a good experimental result or the answer to a particular question, but what she enjoys most of all is when her research has a practical application to the real world, she said.

Principato also likes detective work. “You get a hunch and you follow it,” she said. “You have to let your mind become free and unfettered, open to all the possibilities so that you can follow where the data leads.”

She credits her Fordham mentor DeSales Lawless, C.F.X., a Xaverian brother who taught undergraduate science courses at the College at Lincoln Center, with starting her on her chosen career path. “He supported my interest in research,” she said, “and he told me that if I was really interested in science then I should go out and do it.”

“Brother DeSales was a student’s best support. There was always a big group of kids hanging out down in his office. He was the pied piper of students,” Principato remembered fondly. Lawless encouraged his students to read more than textbooks; he urged them to read broad publications such as Science and Science News in order to gain appreciation for various disciplines and the scientific effort as a whole.

With Lawless’ encouragement, Principato began knocking on laboratory doors at New York University, volunteering her services as a laboratory assistant. An NYU lab chief, impressed with her initiative, gave her a job. He also gave her a handbook, The Biochemical Basis of Neuropharmacology, and told her to memorize it. “Once I got the hang of lab work, learning how things were synthesized and what happened during biochemical reactions, it was fun,” she recalled.

Principato went on to earn an M.S. in biochemistry from NYU in 1977 and a Ph.D. in pathobiology from Columbia University in 1984. From 1984 until 1989, she worked as a postdoctoral fellow at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), first at the National Cancer Institute and later at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID).

At NIAID, she did some of her best early work, she said. Working in the Laboratory of Immunopathology under the guidance of lab chief Herbert “Sandy” Morse, she helped discover that two very different immune system cells, B cells and macrophages, originate from the same ancestral cell in the bone marrow. B cells secrete defensive molecules called antibodies that lock onto foreign microbes and flag them for destruction. Macrophages patrol the body and eliminate foreign microbes by gobbling them up.

The discovery that these seemingly very different cells share a common heredity had implications for the treatment of cancer originating in these cells. Principato said. If a patient showed evidence of both cancerous B cells and macrophages, according to Principato’s research, it suggested that the disease probably started in an ancestral cell and that the treatment should concentrate on the bone marrow.

After completing her NIH postdoctoral fellowship in 1989, Principato accepted an offer to head her own lab at the FDA, where she has worked ever since.

She still stays in touch with her original Fordham mentor, Brother DeSales Lawless. “After all these years, we still call each other and talk on the phone,” she said. “We talk shop, and we’ve collaborated on research.”

Now that she is an established scientist, Principato has become a mentor to others, a role she takes seriously. She volunteers with the Ronald E. McNair Program at the University of Maryland. Named for the Challenger astronaut, this program seeks to increase the participation of underrepresented student groups in graduate school by offering these students research experience, counseling, tutoring and other assistance. Principato is also a mentor with the Joint Institute for Food Safety and Nutrition, a research and education program run by the FDA and the University of Maryland.

“I feel strongly about mentoring young people,” Principato said. “When I see the efforts of the young today, it reminds me of my own trials and tribulations in trying to decide on a career path. I had people who took me under their wing and into their labs, and if I can do that for another student, I can give something back to society.”

Giving back to society, Principato says, is both a powerful motivator and a great source of satisfaction. “At this point in our country’s history, people are realizing how important community and society are,” she said.

—Anne Jacobson is a freelance science and medical writer.
For tradition to remain vital, it must be renewed and not simply remembered.

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According to physics Professor Jay Mancini, Ph.D, the two-year-old course refuses to set rigid boundaries between these formerly segregated fields of study by trying to draw connections among science, philosophy and religion.

“Many people cast the conflict between science and religion as one of ‘right’ and ‘wrong,’ that by nature, they must collide,” said Mancini. “This course takes another approach by asking students to keep an open perspective, to draw their own conclusions, and often, to develop even more questions.”

The course, which will be offered again this fall, was designed to fill the required senior values seminar. According to Mancini, students don’t have to be quantum physicists to get the most out of God and the New Physics.

“What you have to bring to class is a willingness to question and not accept anything—science, religion or theology—at face value, without thinking about it,” he said.

The course covers a mind-boggling array of topics. Starting with Descartes’ famous statement, “I think, therefore I am,” Mancini and his students explore what it means to think, which leads to topics of artificial intelligence and self awareness. Later, the course explores the Catholic notion of the soul, the origin and evolution of life itself and the Anthropic Principle, which suggests that the universe was finely tuned to support life, as opposed to the theory that the universe was a cosmic accident.

God and the New Physics acknowledges both a “hunger for spirituality and a dissatisfaction with religion,” said Mancini. “Students take away more knowledge on different faiths, and also learn that no one institution or individual, religious or scientific, has a monopoly on the truth.”

Among those who have benefited from the course’s unique blend of science and religion is Jennifer Miller, who graduated from Fordham College at Rose Hill in May and will soon begin graduate studies in biological ethics at Regina Apostolorum, a pontifical institute in Rome.

“I took away a feeling that I could be both a person of religious values and a scientist, that the two didn’t have to conflict,” said Miller, who took the course last fall. “To this day, I look for the interconnections between science, theology and even art.”

Dan Barone, FCO ’02, who will be attending New York Medical College in August, said God and the New Physics was the most intriguing class he took as an undergraduate.

“I left class every time thinking and rethinking the topics. I’m a practicing Catholic and also committed to science,” said Barone. “This course encouraged me to consider how God related to science, which is something I had never done before.”

Although Mancini has taught physics for nearly two decades, he believes the complex topic of what set the universe into being 15 billion years ago has never been mastered. He also feels that Fordham, with its Jesuit tradition, is an ideal place for this kind of forum on science and religion.

“By virtue of their commitment to education, the Jesuits demonstrate their belief that knowledge comes from God, and that we shouldn’t be threatened by dissenting points of view,” said Mancini. “Examining and questioning what we believe is healthy, and this course challenges students to do just that.”
God and the New Physics

By Rose Kent
Anti-Catholicism: The Last

By Paul Baumann

Does anti-Catholicism exist, especially in the media? If so, how can you distinguish between legitimate criticism of things Catholic and real bigotry? How important is it to understand the differences between anti-Catholic prejudice, anti-Catholic stereotyping, and actual discrimination? If we can define and identify anti-Catholicism, can we say what damage it does and how it can be ameliorated?

These were just some of the thorny and often elusive issues taken up in the McNally Amphitheater May 24 during a daylong conference titled “Anti-Catholicism: The Last Acceptable Prejudice?” The event featured more than a dozen distinguished scholars and journalists, including popular novelist and sociologist Andrew Greeley, William A. Donohue, the outspoken president of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights, and New York Times columnist and former chief religion correspondent Peter Steinfels.

The presence of such well-known public figures, combined with the pervasive media coverage of the ongoing scandal surrounding the sexual abuse of children by the Catholic clergy, brought an overflow crowd to the University’s Lincoln Center campus. Those who could not squeeze into McNally were accommodated in nearby classrooms, where they watched the proceedings on closed-circuit TV.

The organizers of the event, Fordham’s new Center for American Catholic Studies, under the direction of Theology Professor Rev. Mark Massa, S.J., and Commonweal magazine, put the program together last fall, with support from John (PHA ’66) and Contance Curran. Commonweal’s participation in the conference was part of a research project, titled “American Catholics in the Public Square,” the magazine is conducting with a grant from the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Fordham’s Center for American Catholic Studies is an interdisciplinary effort to engage Catholic issues and ideas in a more topical and formal way within the University. Massa hopes the program will promote a deeper exploration of the ways the Catholic tradition and American experience challenge each other. Each year, with the Curran’s support, the center will host a conference with a national theme.

Given the daily crush of headlines about the sexual abuse scandal, there was concern that arguments about the particulars of that crisis might sidetrack the participants and audience.

As it turned out, such fears were unfounded, with the conversation ranging far and wide, from the anti-Catholic convictions of Tom Paine and John Locke to the prominence and influence of Catholics such as Cokie Roberts and Chris Matthews in the media. To help orient the audience, Commonweal Editor Margaret O’Brien Steinfels outlined some
of the concerns that had inspired the conference. Are there “entrenched stereotypes” that prevent Catholics from getting a fair hearing in public debate? To what extent is public debate about issues such as abortion and euthanasia distorted by bias against the church? The sexual abuse crisis was, of course, touched on by nearly all the speakers and was the unignorable backdrop to much of what was said. As Fordham President Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., said in his welcoming remarks, the crisis is a “kind of Rorschach test. Everybody can find in it whatever they particularly choose to find in it.”

The morning session began with University of Notre Dame historian John McGreevy sketching out the history of anti-Catholicism, which he said was “integral to the formation of the United States.” Noting that John Adams had complained to Thomas Jefferson in 1821 about the influence of the Jesuits, McGreevy traced a shift from explicitly religious, and largely Protestant suspicion of Catholicism in the 19th century to today’s more subtle, but sometimes equally vehement “cultural anti-Catholicism,” which coalesces around issues of sex and gender as well as conflicting secular and Catholic notions of human freedom and autonomy. McGreevy argued that “a central assumption of this cultural anti-Catholicism is that autonomy is the preeminent moral good, and that, quote ‘abstract rules’ cannot adequately guide the individual faced with complex moral decisions.” The women’s movement and the gay rights movement, according to McGreevy, have “weakened, perhaps fatally, Catholic credibility on all matters related to sex.”

McGreevy cautioned Catholics not to confuse criticism with prejudice, especially in light of the episcopal failures exposed by the current scandal. Asked what difference cultural anti-Catholicism makes, the historian lamented that such bias makes it difficult for what is valuable in the Catholic vision of society and human dignity to influence the larger society.

Andrew Greeley, not unexpectedly, was more combative. “Anti-Catholicism in this country is as American as Thanksgiving, apple pie a la mode, and chocolate malts with two butter cookies,” he said. Asked by the conference organizers to assess what the sociological data tell us about contemporary anti-Catholicism, Greeley confessed that he was “staggered by the extent and persistence of anti-Catholic clichés among Americans. I would have anticipated not that they’d gone away, but I did not expect them to be as pervasive as they are.”

Greeley came to these conclusions after conducting his own analysis, a “pre-test in depth,” using a survey of 550 non-Catholic Americans. Almost no other studies of anti-Catholicism have been made, he noted.
“The bad news is that the majority of our fellow Americans have preconceptions about us that differ very little from those of the 19th century,” he said. Significant majorities continue to think Catholics worship Mary and the saints and simply do what bishops and popes tell them to do. “They should be so lucky,” Greeley quipped. More than half believe Catholics can’t think for themselves. “The notion that we can’t think for ourselves has hounded me and many others in our years in the academy and is truly damnable bigotry,” the sociologist said. Author and journalist Gail Buckley later lent anecdotal evidence to Greeley’s argument in recalling her own recent exposure to religious anti-Catholicism. Talking to Protestant fundamentalist students at the Citadel, a military college in South Carolina, Buckley was shocked to learn that some of the students were “not afraid of saying they are anti-Catholic.”

Several other speakers also seconded Greeley’s disturbing conclusions, especially William Donohue and Kenneth Woodward, Newsweek’s longtime religion editor. “I am concerned when dissent kicks over into disdain, disparagement into insult,” Donohue said, explaining what the Catholic League objects to in the media. Donohue, of course, is best known for his noisy campaigns against allegedly unfair or inaccurate depictions of Catholicism in TV shows like Nothing Sacred or controversial movies such as Priest.

In some ways, veteran journalist Woodward was the most critical of the media. Yes, anti-Catholicism does exist he said. He offered a succinct definition: “It’s repugnance for things Catholic, both real and imagined. It’s the sort of thing you recognize when you see it.”

Much to the amusement of the audience, Woodward identified “academics and their illegitimate offspring in the chattering classes” as particularly susceptible to such prejudice. He singled out TV news programs and several publications, especially the New York Times’ coverage of the sexual abuse scandal, as betraying such a bias. “The Times evangelizes a wholly secular worldview, which bleaches out whatever—even in New York City—does not fit with that perspective,” he said.

The Times, especially its opinion pages, came in for repeated drubbing by panelists and audience members alike. But not all the day’s speakers were convinced that anti-Catholicism was either easy to define or as pervasive as some think. Taking issue with Woodward and Greeley were former journalists Paul Moses and Mark Silk, and Boston College scholar Alan Wolfe. Moses, a former Newsday editor, attributed much of what is perceived as prejudice to plain ignorance and to the conflict-driven nature of the news. Evangelical Protestants and Muslims have much more to complain about than do Catholics.

“Any discussion of the news media should begin with the understanding that we Catholics join a long line of aggrieved parties,” he said. “Editors, reporters, and columnists often define the Catholic Church in terms of how its views differ from theirs. But then again, journalists tend to define everything that way.”

Mark Silk, director of the Center for the Study of Religion and Public Life at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn., urged Catholics to take a broader, less defensive view. “From a Jewish perspective, the problem of anti-Catholicism may not seem too severe,” he said. “After all,” he joked, “there are a billion Catholics in the world today, as opposed to 15 million Jews? I dare say we would accept a fair extra measure of anti-Semitism for numbers like that.”

Like Moses, Silk observed that “the church tends to look better in the eyes of the secular media when it takes positions that the media tend to find worthy: debt relief, ministering to the downtrodden, working for peace.” Like other groups, when the church comes in conflict with the cultural or political consensus, it will pay a
Moreover, as a large and powerful institution, the church is thought to be capable of absorbing a lot of criticism. And as a large and powerful institution that tries to influence public debate and policy, the church should be scrutinized carefully.

Alan Wolfe, director of the Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life at Boston College, also expressed skepticism about the severity of contemporary anti-Catholicism. He argued that the way Americans understand and practice religion today no longer provides fertile soil for religious bigotry. First, large numbers of Americans switch churches and even faiths. That fact makes it likely that Americans will remain very tolerant of other beliefs, if only because those beliefs may one day be their own. Second, despite our reputation as a religious nation, Americans are theologically ignorant. Religion is an emotional and social experience for most people, not an intellectual one. Consequently, the doctrinal disputes that once fueled Protestant-Catholic antagonisms are no longer at issue. Third, Americans are remarkably nonjudgmental, especially in matters as personal as religion. Finally, intermarriage and upward mobility have transformed Catholicism from a ghettoized community into a prosperous neighbor. “It’s a new world,” Wolfe concluded. “It’s a world, I think, in which Catholics have rightly taken their place as one of America’s great religions.”

One panelist who brought a distinct perspective on the question was Daniel Callahan, a prominent philosopher and bioethicist. Callahan, once a Commonweal editor, described himself as a fallen away Catholic who nevertheless remains fond of the church and feels strongly that religious views should be heard as society tries to come to terms with the conundrums of genetic engineering. However, the academic and scientific community is often “aggressively hostile to religion,” he warned. “You couldn’t—you really could not get away with being a pro-life person at the Harvard Medical School in any sense unless you absolutely kept it to yourself and treated it as private religion,” Callahan said. In the elite world of science, Fundamentalist Protestantism and Catholicism are viewed as the enemies of enlightenment and progress. Callahan characterized this as “a new sort of anti-Catholicism.”

At the end of the day it seemed safe to say that those in attendance went away with a sound grasp of the history of anti-Catholicism in the United States as well as several good working definitions of what contemporary anti-Catholicism looks and sounds like. But they also left having heard certain necessary cautions. Something that looks like prejudice may be little more than ignorance or sloppiness, or may even be an accurate appraisal of Catholicism’s unavoidable conflicts with the larger culture. “Anti-Catholicism isn’t always hatred and prejudice,” Kenneth Woodward remarked. “The challenge for any tradition that claims to be Christian is to be disliked for all the right reasons. On this view, some anti-Catholic prejudices are not only acceptable but welcome.”

Georgetown University historian Elizabeth McKeown, who shared a panel with McGreevy and Greeley, touched on a similar idea. McKeown said that Catholicism’s distinctive way of perceiving and hallowing reality has always “haunted” Protestant and secular America. Many of the news stories about the heroes of the Sept. 11 World Trade Center attack, she noted, had been profoundly Catholic in character and tone, celebrating the recovery of relics, the drama of death and the communion of saints. “It’s not a bad thing to haunt a culture,” she said.

Alluding to the subsequent sexual abuse crisis, she suggested that “What’s going on at the moment is that we’re not very much in control of that haunting.”

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Arguably, a way was found to do just that in the McNally Amphitheater one Friday in May.

—Paul Baumann is executive editor of Commonweal magazine.
Sailing has returned to Fordham as a club sport. After a 27-year absence, Fordham sailors re-emerged on the intercollegiate sailing scene in April 2000, at a regatta hosted by Cornell University on Lake Cayuga.

Theresa Levy, the club’s co-captain and the only member of the 2000 team still at Fordham, remembers the rough beginnings at the Cornell regatta. Fordham sailors were not well practiced in the boats they raced; they did not know each other as a team; and they had no schooling in the quirky wind conditions of Lake Cayuga. Fordham finished last in a field of seven schools.

But Levy, who will be a senior in the fall, brightens as she tells the story of a club that has come full circle. Fordham sailed their final regatta of last season at Cornell. They sailed strong and trailed one of the leading teams. “We were a threat to them,” said Levy. “It was great to see how far we had come in a short time.”

Fordham’s return to the waterfront has been fueled by a unique mix of energies—alumni leadership, support, and sailing expertise; and students’ desire to shine as intercollegiate racers. It has been a group effort. But there is a protagonist in every story, and those who are involved with this team point to one man—a spirited alumnus named Joe Sullivan.

Sullivan (FCO ’58), captain of the Fordham sailing team from 1955 to 1957, now volunteers as the club’s head coach. He fits his duties on the water into a busy life as a New York-based executive search and recruitment consultant, husband,
The Ram Mariners set sail on Eastchester Bay near City Island, a ten minute drive from the Rose Hill campus.
father of four and grandfather of three. According to Sullivan, the whole process started with a dinner invitation that never arrived.

Sullivan learned of a Fordham dinner for past varsity athletes. Those who did not receive an invite were welcomed to call, so Sullivan phoned.

“Sailing? Sorry, but we don’t have a sailing team,” was the polite response Sullivan said he got when he phoned. But he explained that yes, there was a varsity sailing team—at least when he was an undergrad in the 1950s. The person on the other end promised to look into it, and when he did, Sullivan got a call right back: Yes, there was a sailing team from 1951 to the early 1970s. A roster of 75 alumni had raced for Fordham.

Sullivan, who had no idea how many Fordham sailors were out in the world, planned a reunion for those in the New York area. About 15 attended. Many didn’t know each other, “but within three seconds, you’d have thought we knew each other for fifty years,” said Sullivan. During that reunion of new sailing friends, a plan to bring sailing back to Fordham was hatched. A committee was established; and in September 1999, Sullivan and his committee transported an unwieldy 13-foot, 129-pound Sunfish sailboat with a sail the size of a barn door to the second floor of the McGinley Center for an indoor Club Fair.

The response was overwhelming: 102 students signed up.

A small core of students and alumni—who call themselves the Fordham Afterguard—have built a club that has grown from a mere idea to an organization with six new 14-foot 420 sailboats (the 420 being a two-person dinghy used in college racing); a 16-foot safety boat; a sailing center on City Island graciously provided by the Morris Yacht & Beach Club; a club Web page (www.fordham.edu/athletics/clubim/sailing), including a page for the Afterguard; a five-year plan; expert sailors who have volunteered as coaches, including Sullivan; Bud McEntee (FCO ’72); Joseph Carver, S.J., a doctoral student at the University; and Peter Beardsley, a 2001 graduate of Amherst and a member of the College Sailing Hall of Fame. During the fall and spring semesters, the club practices two days a week on Eastchester Bay and travels to two-day regattas on weekends. Fordham is now host of two intercollegiate regattas, one in the fall and one in the spring.
On October 14, Columbus Day, the Ram Mariners will host the inaugural Sailing Team vs. Afterguard Regatta at their base on City Island. The students versus the Afterguard—largely the sailors who once competed for Fordham now in their 50s, 60s and 70s—will be an interesting contest. Sailing is a sport you can do for life: As you age, you simply move to less physical boats. But the dinghies raced on the intercollegiate circuit are very physical boats.

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But sailboat racing is an intellectual game, and here the Afterguard may have their edge. It's like playing chess, except when the wind shifts and currents change pace and direction, the entire board shifts. There are no time-outs to formulate a new gameplan: The entire race is one long play where the field is fluid and forever changing. The best sailors have the experience to look at subtle clues—the clouds, wave patterns and other signs—and guess what the winds and tides will do; then they gamble on those choices. Like becoming a virtuoso on a musical instrument, it can take a lifetime to develop a mastery of the game.

That is why the Columbus Day regatta—which marks three short years when much has happened for this team—will be a time to celebrate. Sullivan and his volunteer coaches have helped shape a group of students with little competitive sailing experience into a team of intercollegiate racers. Last year, the team finished 20th in the Middle Atlantic Intercollegiate Sailing Association (MAISA) conference, one of seven conferences in the 175-school ICSA (Intercollegiate Sailing Association). Fordham achieved a top-20 standing one year ahead of its target date.

Because intercollegiate racing is the breeding ground for Olympic medallists and America's Cup champions, there is reason to be proud. “We are racing against kids who were born with tillers in their hands,” said McEntee. In March, Sullivan was recognized by US Sailing, the sport's national governing body, with the One-Design Leadership Award. The honor was given in part for building a sailing program at Fordham that stands as a successful model.

Back in 1999, when Sullivan and his committee collected a list of 102 students’ names at the Club Fair, they identified 29 students who had some sailing experience. From that, a group of seven students became the sailing team. Alumni worked with a small nucleus: students who would have the dedication and spirit to do the hard work of not only playing the game, but putting the pieces in place to build a team that could be viably competitive.

There have been hours of racing on the water (on one occasion, during a snow storm) as well as planning, administrative work, and fund raising by students and alumni. To purchase their boats, students raised $5,000 selling T-shirts and Candygrams; the Afterguard raised $43,000 (the team is largely funded from annual gifts from the Afterguard, with additional funds from the University and student fund raising).

Carolyn Turner, a junior at Marymount College who came to the club with little sailing experience, knows that none of this would have happened without strong alumni leadership. And the Afterguard members not only guide the current crew; they look out for talented high school sailors to recruit.

For students, building this club goes well beyond what they’ve learned on the water. They talk about the lasting friendships with their teammates and those they race against; about the new connection with alumni who host them in their homes at away regattas; about the opportunity to work with a Fordham graduate like Joe Sullivan, who co-captain Pat Cerra, a sophomore, summed up best: “More than anything, it makes me feel good about going to Fordham.”

Sullivan’s enthusiasm has been a leading edge. When he talks about his first day of intercollegiate racing—which was almost 50 years ago—he remembers the details as if it were yesterday. What he remembers most is the thrill of learning to excel at this complex game.

Assistant coach Joseph Carver knows that same feeling among the students is the fire beneath them: “They have improved so exponentially, that feeling of success has fueled this team.”

This year, a handful of incoming freshmen with strong competitive sailing experience have enrolled at Fordham and Marymount. In 2003, the team hopes to achieve a top-15 ranking in MAISA. There is hard work ahead, but the Ram Mariners’ momentum and new talent bode well. “In a few years,” said Carver, “we’ll be the boats other college racers will be following.”

—Cynthia Flanagan Goss is a freelance writer and editor who specializes in sailing. She is co-author of a book about the grueling Whitbread Round-the-World.
Alumni Notes


Michael P. Dunkle, Ph.D., and his wife, Margarete, recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. They have three children and four grandchildren.

UGE: Patrick J. Curran, Ph.D. (also GSE ’57) did not seek a third term as chair of the higher education department at Syracuse University. He recently retired from government employment after 30 years of service, and is now in private practice.

1945
FCO: Edward J. Kelley, D.D.S., a former member of the Fordham University Band and the Fordham ROTC Band (1941-43), recently retired as director of the Norwalk Savings Society in Norwalk, Conn.

1946
LAWS: Rev. Albert E. Brancaccio, Esq., who was ordained a Roman Catholic priest in June 1993 at the age of 74, recently retired. A widower, he has two children and two grandchildren.

1953
PHA: Edmund Brown recently became a substitute teacher after retiring from pharmacy. He is teaching special education classes in the Anaheim (Calif.) elementary school district.

1954
FCO: Maurice R. Berube, Ph.D., eminent scholar of education at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Va., recently published his 10th scholarly book, Beyond Modernism and
Fellows are selected by their peers in recognition of exceptional and outstanding contributions to the research, teaching and practice of psychology.

Bob Mandell (also GAS ’73 and ’79) was appointed a senior vice president at JP Morgan Investor Services.

GAS: Paul Z. Jankowski was recently named acting deputy program director for aviation security research and development at the FAA Technical Center.

1972
FCLC: Frank R. Dukes was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves last February.

Terrence C. O’Connor, Esq., who has been the Democratic commissioner from Queens County (N.Y.) since July 1998, was recently elected president of the board of elections in the City of New York.

GSE: Dr. James J. Hayden retired after 17 years as a principal in the Freehold (N.J.) Regional High School District and accepted the position of assistant professor for educational administration at Rider University, where he coordinates the principal certification program and the M.A. program in educational administration.

TMCC: Irene Dubicka, Ph.D., a senior laboratory staff member at Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, N.M., married Charles L. Christensen (ret. U.S.N.) in November.

1973
CBA: Regina Angerame recently joined JP Morgan Chase’s mortgage financing group.

FCLC: James E. Elliott III retired as a probate and parole officer in the Florida Department of Corrections last August.

ICO: Carmine Mezzacappa was promoted to the position of vice president of sales and marketing for Interactive Health Pharmacy Services, Inc.

1974
CBA: Marty Towey recently retired as a special agent of the FBI’s New York Office. Among other things, he is now coaching basketball at Archbishop Molloy High School.

FCO: Ed Randall is the host of Talking Baseball, which has begun its 13th year in national syndication (the longest-running baseball talk show on TV). It is now complemented by a radio show, Ed Randall’s Talking Baseball, which airs Sundays, 9 a.m. until noon, on 1050 ESPN Radio in New York. The new radio show coincides with the publication of his first book, More Tales From the Yankee Dugout (Sports Publishing Inc.).

GAS: Dennis C. Benamati was appointed university librarian at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Conn. Prior to going to Sacred Heart, he was assistant library director at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Dennis lives in Valatie, N.Y., with his wife, Eva Lemelin, and their three children, Suzette Lemelin (FCO ’01), Alicia and Marcus.

1975
FCLC: Anthony H. Cisco retired as a sergeant in the New York City Police Department in January, after completing 20 years of service. Sergeant Cisco’s last command was the 88th Precinct, located in the Fort Greene section of Brooklyn.

1976
CBA: Joseph R. Forte was recently named president of CyberCare, Inc., a network-based telehealth solutions company that seeks to improve the delivery of care through its Internet-based technology.

FCLC: Michael J. Brescia and his wife, Mary, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last year by renewing their vows at the United States Military Academy’s Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church. A reception followed at West Point’s Officer’s Club.

FCO: Abbe I. Herbst (also LAW ’79) was made a shareholder of Anderson Kill & Olick, P.C.

Ray Nieves is the director of member services for Affinity Health Plan. He and his wife, Donna, have two children and live in River Edge, N.J.

1977
FCO: Rosemary Cooper was named director of the Albert Wisner Public Library in Warwick, N.Y.

GAS: Mary Callaghan, S.U., Ph.D. (also GAS ’82), was recently appointed the director of the Linwood Spiritual Center in Rhinebeck, N.Y.

1978
FCO: Antonio Afonso Jr. was appointed judge of the Cumberland (R.I.) Municipal Court.

Michael Rizzo was recently promoted to general manager of news and sports coverage for ABC News Radio. Prior to this assignment, he served nearly four years as executive producer of sports for ABC Radio Networks. He and his wife, Jennie, live in Hollis Hills, N.Y.

1979
FCO: Ed Gorham was recently named director of development and major gifts for the J.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University.

1980
GAS: Ron Salyk, D.D.S., is the vice president of dentistry at Morris Heights Health Center, a community health center near Fordham’s Rose Hill campus in the Bronx.

GRE: Rev. Mark R. Wegg, who was ordained a priest in 1987 for the Archdiocese of Newark, is now an extem in the Diocese of Orlando.

1981
FCLC: Phyllis Petrinio Ferone and her husband, Frank Ferone (FCLC ’80), celebrated the birth of their daughter, Danielle Kristine, last December. Phyllis is an information technology analyst for the New Jersey Justice Department and Frank is a comptroller for Prudential Financial. Their 14-year-old son, Christopher, attends Holy Ghost Preparatory School.

GAS: Kevin P. Dincher was recently named to the Diocese of San Jose (Calif.) Pastoral Outreach Committee for Victims of Clergy Sexual Abuse. Kevin brings to the committee more than 20 years of experience in pastoral ministry. He is the director of the Marianist Center, a retreat and conference center in Cupertino, Calif., and also serves on the diocesan Pastoral Resource Committee for Ministry to Gays and Lesbians.

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CBA: Anitarose Longobardi, Ph.D. (also GAS ’85 and ’90), and her daughter, Danielle Kristine, last December. Phyllis is an information technology analyst for the New Jersey Justice Department and Frank is a comptroller for Prudential Financial. Their 14-year-old son, Christopher, attends Holy Ghost Preparatory School.

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Ten Degrees in One Immediate Family

Paul Reiss, Ph.D. (GAS ’54), left, and his wife, Rosemary (GAS ’66), joined the Rev. Jeffrey von Arx, S.J., dean of Fordham College at Rose Hill, in presenting their youngest son, John, with his bachelor’s degree at commencement in May. John, who became the tenth member of his immediate family to receive a Fordham degree, was preceded by siblings Catherine (FCO ’78), Paul (FCO ’79), Gregory (FCO ’80), Julia (FCO ’83), David (FCO ’85), Steven (FCO ’88) and Martha (FCO ’91). The Reiss connection continues with Elizabeth (the daughter of Paul Reiss and Joanne Melloni, both FCO ’79), who will be a sophomore in the fall. Paul Reiss, Ph.D., was a professor, dean and vice president at the University from 1963 until 1985.

husband welcomed the birth of their third son, John Francis, in May 2001. John joined big brothers Joey and James.


LAW: John E. Borger, Esq., was appointed executive vice president and general counsel of Resort Condominiums International, LLC.

1983

FCO: Carol Robles-Roman was sworn in on Jan. 1, 2002, by Mayor Michael Bloomberg to the position of deputy mayor of legal affairs for the City of New York.

FCO: Cathy Carroll would like to announce that a trust fund has been set up for the children of Barbara Durkin, who died suddenly in May. Checks can be made payable to “The Custodial Account for the Tanner Children” and mailed to Kraft Foods Federal Credit Union, 777 Westchester Avenue, White Plains, N.Y. 10604.

Cecilia Petit-Hall and her husband, Matthew Hall, gave birth to their son, Caleb Daniel, last August. Cecilia completed her Ph.D. in theater studies from New York University last fall.

1984

FCO: Carol (Greto) Davies and her husband, Howard, recently celebrated the birth of their daughter, Sarah Isabella. They also have a 3-year-old son, Adam.

GSE: George P. Castellitto, Ph.D., presented a lecture titled “The Future of American Literature Studies” in São Paulo, Brazil, last November.

1985

CBA: Jeffrey M. Coyle, Esq., and his wife, Robin, recently celebrated the birth of their son Andrew, who was welcomed by his older brother, Conor.

GSE: Anne Prisco, Ph.D., was recently named the associate provost and assistant vice president for enrollment management at Lehman College.

1986

CBA: Thomas W. Gowan has been promoted to partner at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP.

FCLC: Vince Donvito and more than 50 of his martial arts students raised $5,800 for the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund in memory of Vince’s good friend, Joseph Ryan Allen (FCO ’84), who was killed in the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001.
FCO: Cornelia (Summa) Callaghan and her husband, Brendan Callaghan, celebrated the birth of their baby, a son named George Ignatius, last November.

Barbara (Antonini) Stote and her husband, Lenny, welcomed the birth of their second daughter, Jillian Gabrielle, last December. Jillian joined her 4-year-old sister, Rachel Anne. Lenny and Barbara are both employed by CNBC, where they met. They reside in Bergen County, N.J.

1989
CBA: Ken Lehner was recently accepted into the weekend executive MBA program at Duke University.

Anne (Rudden) Quilter is the associate director of royalty accounting at EMI Music in Manhattan. She and her husband, Aidan, have a 3-year-old son, Daniel Aidan, and a daughter, Katherine Margaret, who will be two in October.

FCO: Bernice Carmody Pagan (also GSS ’94) and John Pagan Jr. celebrated the birth of their second child, Isabella Rose, last September. She joins big sister Victoria Hope (2). The family resides in Larchmont, N.Y.

1990
CBA: John J. Byrne II and his wife, Debra, welcomed the birth of their son, Jack Patrick, in June 2001. The Byrne family currently lives in Fanwood, N.J.

Rosa (Porras) Dietzel welcomed the birth of her daughter, Emily Eileen, last August. She joined her brother, Thomas (3). Anthony Mugno and Marissa Ryan Mugno (FCO ’91) welcomed their first child, Elena Rose, in February.

FCO: Robert F. Kalll joined the full-time faculty of Bay Path College in Massachusetts as an assistant professor of information technology and liberal studies.

GSE: Maureen Jessup and her husband, Doug, moved to Charleston, S.C., where Maureen is principal of the Academic Magnet High School, a progressive high school that serves the gifted and talented students in the Charleston area.

LAW: Bryan Rozencaig, Esq., and his wife, Karen, joyfully celebrated the birth of twins—their third daughter and first son.

1991
CBA: Randy and Julianne (Judge) Nukk celebrated the birth of their baby girl, Erin Margaret, last Nov. 11. She shares her birthday with her 2-year-old brother, Judge Patrick (J.P.). In October, the Nukks relocated to Texas, where Randy works as national sales director for Gallaghers Healthcare Insurance Services.

FCO: Elaine McEllhennon and her husband, Stephen (also LAW ’95), celebrated the birth of their son, Gavin William, last December.

Kathleen Prendergast-Pia (also GSS ’96) gave birth to her son, Gabriel, in March. She and her husband, Renato, live in Stamford, Conn.

Michael E. Sawicky welcomed the birth of his son, Daniel Alexander, in May 2001. He joined his big sister, Catherine. Last September, Michael started his own law practice specializing in criminal and civil litigation.

Matthew Skelton graduated from Thomas Jefferson Medical College in June 2001. He and his wife, Terri McGivney Skelton, moved to Rochester, Minn., where Matthew is doing his residency at the Mayo Clinic and Terri is executive director of the Choral Arts Ensemble of Rochester.

Celeste (Patrenicola) Zayas and her husband, Joseph, welcomed the birth of their second child, Joseph Anthony, in December. Joseph joined his older sister, Alana Lynn (2).

GAS: Bruce Edward Logan completed his 13th marathon in 4:28:18 racewalking in New York City last November.

1992
CBA: Diana Butler (also GBA ’97) and her husband, Kevin (also GBA ’98), welcomed the birth of their second child, Gillian Elizabeth, in October. She joined her sister, Katie. Dana (Nizzico) Prussak (also GBA ’97) and her husband, James (GBA ’02), celebrated the birth of their first child, Samantha Noelle, in March.

FCO: Cathy Brennan and her partner, Kim Samele, celebrated the birth of their first child, Lian Charles Brennan Samele, last April. Margaret Amelio Brown and Matt Brown (FCO ’91) were married at the University Church last July. The Rev. Joseph A. O’Hare, S.J., officiated. Margaret and Matt are both teachers and reside in New York City.

Linda (Kierenia) Eck and her husband, Robert, celebrated the birth of their first child, Kaitlyn Mary, in December.

Lisa Glazewski-Ryan and her husband, Patrick, welcomed the birth of their daughter, Kaley Elizabeth, in March. She joined her brother, Christopher (2).

Mike Hayes married Marion Perachio at St. Paul the Apostle in March.
Church in Manhattan, where he serves as parish council president. Mike is also the associate director of the Paulist Fathers’ National Young Adult Ministry outreach and runs the spirituality Web site, bustedhalo.com. Marion is a special education teacher at P.S. 76 in the Long Island City section of Queens. They live in Middle Village, Queens.

Jay Kirsch and Trish Considine Kirsch welcomed the birth of their twin girls, Saylor Adair and Kathryn Callahan “Casey,” last April. They oversees the management of village finances and assets and proposes votes on local legislation. He is also responsible for overseeing village communications and its relations with all local public utilities. The support and generosity of the Fordham community played a big role in his victory.

LAW: Joe Sciaba was quoted in the cover story, “Advisors Prescribe Regular Portfolio Rebalancing,” in the Dec. 17 issue of National Underwriter.

FCO: Brian P. Connolly was second runner up in the third annual International Internet Backgammon Championship.

Anne Marie ( McGrath ) (also LAW ’ 97) and Philip J. ( P. J ) Denning (CBA ’ 94 and GBA ’ 00) welcomed the birth of their second child, Molly McGrath Denning, last December. Big brother Aidan, 2, is showing her the ropes. P. J. was elected trustee of the Village of Tuckahoe (N.Y.) in March. As trustee, he oversees the management of village finances and assets and proposes votes on local legislation. He is also responsible for overseeing village communications and its relations with all local public utilities. The support and generosity of the Fordham community played a big role in his victory.

Melissa ( St. Rose ) Desravines and her husband welcomed the birth of their son, Jalen Stuart, in September. They live in Baldwin Harbor, Long Island. Melissa is a buyer at Lord and Taylor and her husband is a director at the Board of Education. They are both part owners of a medical supply company.

Brendan Dwyer married Erin Bowler last December at Our Lady of the Assumption in the Bronx. Brendan is an account executive at Yellow Book USA. Alex Martinez is the assistant director for government relations at the American Museum of Natural History.

LAW: Tara Jane Arnold, a business development manager at Adobe Systems Inc., and her husband, Mark Arnold, celebrated the birth of their first child, Spencer William in January.

1995

FCLO: Raymond M. Mulligan is married with three children. He is a former elevator mechanic turned successful senior major account representative for Carr Business Systems.

LAW: Laura Alfredo recently joined the legal department of St. Vincent’s Catholic Medical Center as assistant counsel.

1999

FCO: Danielle Aprea is the office manager for The Children’s Hope Foundation, a non-profit organization that helps children and teens with HIV/AIDS.

GSS: Donovan D. Guy, a social worker in Yonkers, recently established a not-for-profit arts organization, Journey Arts and Music Society.

He and his wife, Carmen Hendrick Guy, have two children, Julian (7) and Amanda (3).

1997

FCO: Rose Castellanos (also GSE ’ 00) is one of ten winners of the “English Language Teaching Contest” sponsored by Academy Shuppan Publishing Co. in Tokyo, Japan. The English as a Second Language contest she submitted will be published, and she will receive a $10,000 prize and a nomination for the grand prize of $100,000.

Sr. Maria Halle entered the Dominican Sisters of Mary. Mother of the Eucharist, in Ann Arbor, Mich., as a postulant last August. She hopes to make religious profession with this teaching community in the summer of 2004.

Deidre ( Beneri ) Tantillo is a guidance counselor and high school supervisor at the Child School/Legacy High School, a private but publicly funded special education school in Manhattan. She was married last July.

LAW: Dr. Theodore Gottlieb recently became an associate with the Somerville law firm of Norris, McLaughlin and Marcus, P.A. Alumni notes received after May 30 will appear in the Fall 2002 issue of Fordham magazine.
In Memoriam

The Fordham University Community extends its deepest sympathy to the loved ones of recently deceased alumni. A special Memorial Mass will be held on Thursday, Oct. 24, at 12:30 p.m. in the University Church on the Rose Hill campus, to remember deceased alumni as well as those whose names are submitted by members of the Fordham community. If you are interested in attending the Memorial Mass and Reception, please contact Peggy Schenck, Office of Alumni Relations, (212) 636-6520.

David J. Mountain Jr., FCO
David J. Hasey, FCO
Rev. William T. Hogan, S.J., FCO, GAS ‘48
Herbert J. Kaplow, Esq., LAW
Arthur A. Mulligan, Esq., FCO

1921
Francis M. McDonald, Esq., LAW
1925
Samuel Hollander, Esq., LAW
1926
Jeanne Wixted, UGE
1927
Benjamin Ginsberg, PHA
1928
Rev. Donal F. Forrester, C.S.P., FCO
1931
Julius Kupferberg, PHA
1932
George A. Dalton, FCO
1933
David A. Connors, M.D., FCO
1934
Lewis A. Gilbert, UGE
1935
George J. Arkesis, FCO
Fred P. Doyle, Esq., FCO,
LAW ’39
Joseph R. Duffy, CBA
Jeff J. Hessen, Esq., LAW
Leo C. Krazinski, Esq., LAW
James D. McDermott, FCO
Vincent J. Sharkey, FCO, GAS ’37
1936
David B. Corcoran, M.D., FCO
John J. Curtin Jr., FCO
William J. Doherty, Esq., FCO
Joseph F. Drury, FCO
John D. Hill, Esq., LAW
Herman J. Hussey, FCO
Richard A. Izzo, Esq., FCO,
LAW ’39
Gerard J. McGowan, Esq., LAW
George McMahon, FCO
Saul M. Meadov, Esq., LAW
Eric Y. Munson, Esq., LAW
Arthur C. Parlett, FCO
James W. Porter, FCO
1937
Emil D. Crisciello, FCO,
GAS ’39
Reuben Davidson, PHA
Martin J. Gatley, M.D., FCO
John F. Hughes, FCO
Edmond J. Tolan, FCO
1938
Ralph A. Brabbee, Esq., LAW
Louis F. Camaruelle, Esq., LAW
Leo Demarco, FCO
George Muchnic, Esq., LAW
William J. Rennert, Esq., FCO
Aaron A. Roemer, Esq., LAW
1939
William H. Burke, FCO
Martin J. Dever, Esq., FCO,
LAW ’43
Jerome Ebert, Esq., LAW
1940
Richard A. Fennelly, FCO
Arthur F. Greene, FCO
1941
Frederick M. Joslyn, FCO
Thomas F. McEvoy, CBA
Vincent A. Savoia, FCO
Kendrick C. Smith, Esq., LAW
Louis V. Turchioe, CBA
1942
George Cook, Esq., LAW
Walter A. Keane, Esq., LAW
Frank J. Klimly, FCO
Walter J. McAdams Jr., FCO
Jane Rojek, GSS
1943
Glen H. Abplanalp, Esq., LAW
Joseph A. Castellanos, Esq., FCO
John L. Gerardo, Esq., FCO
Michael B. Grosso, Esq., LAW
Robert J. Kent, FCO
Robert J. Klotzbach, FCO
Allan P. Lucht, Esq., LAW
1944
John F. Busichio, FCO
John C. Hurley, FCO
1945
Theodore M. Ruzow, Esq., LAW
1946
Mario M. Gambaccini, FCO
Mario J. Lombardi, Esq., LAW
1947
Francis E. Harkins, CBA
Nicholas G. Thacher, Esq., LAW
1948
Joseph A. Biasi, CBA
Joseph B. Buckley, Esq., FCO
Robert A. Dwyer, Esq.,
LAW, PAR
William G. Jenkins, FCO
Jane C. Joined, UGE
Eugene J. McCabe, FCO
Francis J. Muldenig, Esq., FCO,
LAW ’52
Eugene O’Brien, Esq., FCO,
LAW ’51
John J. Smee, FCO
Asa J. Smith, M.D., FCO
Thomas S. Solomon, GAS
1949
Guy C. Dempsey, Esq., LAW
Robert Dizard, FCO
Jo Carol Evarts, UGE
Myles Gannon, UGE
Thomas H. Gassett, Esq., FCO,
LAW ’54
Irving Kamen, PHA
Rev. Joel R. Lieb, O.S.B., GAS
Joseph F. Sullivan, Esq., LAW
Joseph A. Udell, PHA
1950
Henry M. Barry, FCO
Francis N. Callahan, CBA
John J. Daly Jr., FCO
Rev. Anesius Davey, GAS
Joseph B. Donnary, CBA
James J. Gallager, FCO
Richard J. Hayes, FCO
Sr. Catherine Elizabeth Keating,
S.U., Ph.D., PHA, GAS ’62
Joseph P. Meaney Sr., CBA
Michael D. O’Keeffe, FCO
Mary D. Sadrianna, GAS
Paul F. Volpe, FCO
Jorge J. Wiewall Jr., FCO
1951
Rita K. Casey, UGE
Francis G. Donovan, UGE
Doris J. Hansen, GAS
Richard F. Ingegneri, Esq., LAW
James A. Kearney, CBA
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Sr. Olive K. McKenna, D.H.M., UGE
Thomas A. Reddy Jr., FCO
Col. Joseph A. Rosalia, USAF, CBA
Joseph E. Wallace, GAS
Otto J. Weichsel, CBA
William J. Wright, FBA
1952
Charles E. Callan, GAS
Edward Convey, CBA
John P. Cronin, Esq., LAW
John E. Delaney, M.D., FCO
Sam D. Drago, M.D., FCO
Joseph E. Wallace, GAS
Col. Joseph A. Rosalia, USAF, CBA
Thomas A. Reddy Jr., FCO
Sr. Olive K. McKenna, D.H.M., UGE, GSE '64
1953
Rev. John F. Breen, FCO
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William J. Wright, CBA
Otto J. Weichsel, CBA
Joseph E. Wallace, GAS
Col. Joseph A. Rosalia, USAF, CBA
Thomas A. Reddy Jr., FCO
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1955
Rolland J. Deschambault, CBA
Joseph A. Mulholland, GSS
Alice T. Powers, UGE, GSE '68
Andrew A. Romeo, CBA
Louis J. Sarno, FCO
Eugene M. Scidmore, FCO
John A. Shanahan, FCO
Thomas D. Shea, Esq., FCO, LAW '61
Rev. Joseph F. Small, S.J., GAS
1956
Peter A. Froehlich, FCO
Rev. Robert E. Maguire, S.J., JES,
GAS '58
Kevin D. Marlow, FCO
Raymond J. Monahan, FCO
1957
Helen Bonin, D.H.S., GAS
Florence M. Bridge, GSE
Rose V. Conroy, GSS
Lawrence E. McAllaster, UGE
Patrick J. O'Leary, CBA
Thomas Rabbitt, CBA
Vincent J. Regan, GSS
1958
Cornelius W. Cullen, Esq., LAW
Robert C. Gargulio, CBA
Hon. Theodore J. Labrecque Jr., LAW
Shane M. McCarty, FCO
1959
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Without a doubt, Orlando “El Duque” Hernandez, Tony Pérez and Minnie Minoso should thank Fordham University. Why? Because in the 1860s and 1870s, four students of Fordham University played an instrumental role in the founding of Cuban baseball, establishing a permanent link between Cuba and the United States that has weathered the vicissitudes of time and politics.

Esteban Bellán was the first Cuban and the first Latin American to play professional baseball in the United States. Bellán, who eventually became one of Cuba’s first great baseball player-managers, learned how to play the game while he was a student at Fordham University from 1863 to 1868. At Fordham, Bellán played for the newly created Fordham Rose Hill Baseball Club. Founded in the late 1850s, the Fordham Rose Hills played in the first college baseball game with nine men on a side against St. Francis Xavier College on Nov. 3, 1859.

Bellán was born in 1850 in Havana, Cuba. As was common among wealthy Cuban-Catholic families, Bellán and his brother were sent to the United States to reap the benefits of a Jesuit education at Fordham. Indeed, Bellán probably felt right at home in the small village of Fordham, New York. A large percentage of the college’s student body in the mid-19th century hailed from all over Latin America and the Caribbean, a forgotten chapter in the University’s history.

After his studies at Fordham, Bellán (who went by Steve) played for the Unions of Morrisania in 1868 (an upstate New York team). A year later, he joined the Troy Haymakers, for whom he played third base from 1869 until 1872. Bellán was nicknamed the “Cuban Sylph” by the Troy newspapers. In 1871, the Troy Haymakers joined the National Association, a precursor of the National League (which was not created until 1876) and the first professional baseball league in the United States. The Haymakers later became the New York Giants, now the San Francisco Giants.

After his time with the Haymakers, Bellán played a year with the New York Mutuals, after which he returned to Cuba. On December 27, 1874, Bellán played in the first organized baseball game in Cuba. The historic game took place on a field in Matanzas called Palmar del Junco. Bellán was the catcher for the Havana team. He dominated the game, hitting three home runs and scoring seven runs. Havana beat Matanzas 51-9.

From 1878 until 1886, Bellán was a player-manager for the recently founded Habana baseball team. He led Habana to multiple Cuban baseball championships: 1878-79, 1879-80, and 1882-83. While historians know that Bellán died on Aug. 8, 1932, little else is known about the first Latin American to play major league baseball.

Bellán was not the only Cuban to link Fordham to professional baseball in its founding days. The Zaldo brothers, Charles, Henry and Frederick from Havana, Cuba, were all enrolled as students at the University from 1875 until 1878. During these three years, they too learned and perfected the game of baseball. Upon returning to Cuba in 1878, the Zaldo brothers founded the Almendares Baseball Club, one of the three Cuban baseball teams at the time. In 1878, Habana, Almendares and Matanzas organized themselves professionally to form the Liga General de Base Ball de la Isla de Cuba. Charles and Henry (who was also known as Teodoro) played for Almendares. Charles played shortstop while Henry was a pitcher. Baseball historians credit Charles with laying down the first bunt in Cuba and Henry with throwing the first curveball. After their careers as baseball players ended, Charles and Henry became influential bankers. Charles Zaldo went on to become the first secretary of state of the Cuban republic, under its first president, Tomas Estrada Palma.

Bellán and the Zaldos also offer food for thought for those interested in Fordham’s past, as well as its present and future. This history is about more than baseball; it is also about Fordham’s long, though largely forgotten, connections to Latin America and the Caribbean. As the University and the city around it change, both histories are well worth remembering and commemorating.
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Family, Fordham and athletics. This is the powerful triad that has formed the foundation upon which Nicholas G. Baldino (FCO '48) has built and lived his life. So it was natural that over the years Nick dreamed of a way he could establish an endowment to benefit Fordham Athletics that would also honor his family.

Nick saw an opportunity to achieve all his goals: He and his wife, Jeanne, together with their six children and sixteen grandchildren, established a Charitable Gift Annuity in memory of Nick’s parents, Nicholas T. and Alvera R. Baldino. The annuity assists Fordham’s teams in recruiting scholar-athletes for football, basketball and baseball, a key objective. The timing of the gift enabled Nick to make it in honor of his and Jeanne’s 55th wedding anniversary.

“There’s no way to replace the great relationships Fordham has created and what it has meant to me,” says Nick. “Fordham created a basis for my entire life. I’m fortunate to have the opportunity to repay, if only in part, the many advantages Fordham provided.”

A longtime member of the Gridiron Club, Fordham’s football boosters, Nick is active in attending and promoting a bevy of Fordham events. His long and successful career in financial services management takes a backseat to his decades-long commitment to Fordham and his family.

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# Fordham University Rams 2002 Football Schedule

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* Patriot League game

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In remembrance of all affected by the events of 9/11/01, alumni and friends are invited to attend a Memorial Mass in the University Church, Sept. 7, 11 a.m.
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