Love Cappella In the run-up to St. Valentine’s Day, two student a cappella groups, Girls from the Hill and Surround Sound, united for a concert in the Roche Dining Commons. Tori Ferland ’16 is the lead singer seen here, with Lauren King ’19 and Sung-kook “Cookie” Guevara ’19 singing backup.
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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Being Resilient

FACING OUR FEARS is never easy, and to do so successfully requires real resiliency, the ability to persevere against the odds. In this issue, we feature several stories that capture the essence of being resilient when confronted by life’s challenges.

As a young student at the American University of Beirut, Mona Rowan, who now teaches Arabic at Stonehill, got caught in the crossfire of the Lebanese Civil War [p. 19]. Stray bullets shattered her jaw and hand. Over 10 years, Rowan, who came to Boston for medical care, underwent 32 surgeries to restructure her jaw. She persisted with a taxing medical regime, while she simultaneously earned degrees in public relations, French, Spanish and education. Students in the new Arabic minor program often comment on how her story has inspired them to work hard and forge ahead.

Similarly resilient is Margaret (Hiscock) Marie ’78, a resident of The Boston Home, which provides care for adults with progressive neurological diseases. Faced with many challenges, Marie has persevered by developing an app that enhances accessibility for her fellow TBH residents [p. 30].

In “Fear Not!” we feature a reflection on fear—inspired by an essay by Professor of Religious Studies Richard Gribble, C.S.C.—that examines whether fear helps us or hurts us as we try to live with courage, character and grace [p. 22].

In a tribute to the late Rev. Robert J. Kruse, C.S.C. ’55 [p. 10] and a profile of Rev. Arthur Colgan, C.S.C. ’68 [p. 29], we have stories of how faith can serve as a guide in times of uncertainty. Both priests embraced uncertain projects. Stonehill was still in its infancy when Fr. Kruse returned here in 1961, but over many decades and in many roles, he proved resilient in inching the College forward. The first alumnus to be ordained a bishop in the Catholic Church, Bishop Colgan has devoted his life to helping the displaced and underserved in Lima, Peru. The scale of that challenge would have intimidated many, but thanks to his perseverance and dedication, he has made a difference in the lives of many marginalized Peruvians who otherwise would be neglected.

The story of Stonehill itself is very much one of resiliency and the capacity for rebounding from setbacks. Collectively, we have always pulled together, pushed forward and worked to make our academic mission stronger. This story is preserved in the College Archives, guided by Nicole (Tourangeau) Casper ’95 and Jonathan Green ’10, two alumni who work diligently to share the College’s legacy with our campus community and with the public [p. 14].

I hope these reflections give you a good sense of how Stonehill continues to forge ahead.

Sincerely in Holy Cross,

(R.C.) John Denning, C.S.C.
President
LETTERS

Early Foundation
Kudos to Tracey Palmer for capturing the inspirational story of Richard McCormack ’53 [“Living Proof,” Summer/Fall 2015, p. 22]. What a run this “young” man has had! In this ever-changing society, Mr. McCormack seemed to always reinvent himself through his careers and personal life—and he credits Stonehill for his early foundation. I have not had such high profile careers as he has had, but as a fellow graduate I, too, am grateful for my years at Stonehill. Some of my closest friends—“the Stonehill girls”—continue to be a mainstay in my life and reuniting with my favorite professor, Craig Higgins, in the last few years has been a blessing as well.
—Kathleen Carrigg-Butler ’84 | West Roxbury, Mass.

Ongoing Connection
Just a note of thanks for including my latest exploits in the 1984 Class Notes in the Summer/Fall ’15 edition. It has been more than 30 years since I graduated from Stonehill, and I carry fond memories with me still. I clearly recall the first time I visited the campus, while attending a confirmation retreat in 1978, and knowing instantly that it was where I wished to attend college.

Thanks for all you do toward maintaining an ongoing connection between Stonehill and its alumni. I appreciate being considered a member of the extended Stonehill community. It is part of who I am.
—John “Jack” Sheedy ’84
South Dennis, Mass.

Honored
Thank you for including my Clock on the Quad painting in the Summer/Fall ’15 magazine [Heard on the Hill, p. 4]. I felt quite honored!
—MaryAnne Long ’65
Hauula, Hawaii
[Editors note: The Clock on the Quad postcard was quite popular among our readers. Thanks, again, MaryAnne.]
### Heard on the Hill

**HONEY HARVEST:** With more than 50,000 Italian honeybees in its hive, The Farm at Stonehill produced around 70 pounds of honey last season. A three-ounce jar sold for $10, with the proceeds reinvested in The Farm. The bees keep busy, pollinating plants and benefiting from the nectar and pollen produced by The Farm's flowers and fruits. To buy Stonehill honey, email bmeigs@stonehill.edu.

**Purple Ice:** “You know you go to Stonehill when even the ice melt is purple,” anonymous Yik Yak post from January 2016. It's purely coincidental, but the commercial ice melt that the College uses to deice its sidewalks and pathways is called Purple Flame.

**Pope Francis:** “I love the work he’s doing, how he’s so down-to-earth. We’re taught as Catholics you’re supposed to be there for the poor, but he really walks the walk…His whole outlook and personality are contagious,” Lauren Rossi ’18, one of nine students who attended the Papal Mass in Philadelphia last year.

**Precollege Program:** In July, Stonehill will offer a new and selective three-week, precollege program on campus for rising high school juniors and seniors. Students accepted into Summer@Stonehill will experience challenging three-credit, college-level courses taught by Stonehill professors in communication, fine arts, journalism, political science and psychology. Applications are now available. For more information, visit stonehill.edu/precollege/.

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**Knit One, Purl Two:** With the growing popularity of domestic tasks, from knitting to bread making, students in Assistant Professor of Philosophy Megan Mitchell's Feminism and New Domesticity class critically studied the meaning of this trend and also tried their hand at knitting. At a charity knit-in this fall, students made hats for premature infants.

**Effective Resumes:** In 2014-2015, 88 percent of students who submitted resumes for the #hirestonehill program were invited for an interview, according to the Career Services Office.
Four Reasons To Accept this Handshake

A NEW, EASY-TO-USE career management system gives alumni, as well as students, employers and mentors, enhanced job search options. Career Services Director Christina Burney shares four Handshake highlights:

Handshake takes the place of the now-defunct Career Connection. You can access Handshake on any computer or mobile device. There's even an app for it on iTunes.

Alumni are invited to use their accounts as a job seeker, a career mentor or an employer by registering their information at stonehill.joinhandshake.com.

Handshake offers online appointment booking and event registration.

In the four months since Handshake launched at Stonehill, 927 employers from across the country have been added, and over 670 student applications for internships and jobs have been sent to employers.

ANY QUESTIONS?
Email careerservices@stonehill.edu or call 508-565-1325.

Quick Chat
Eric Newnum

Current Position: Assistant Director of Education Loans in the Student Financial Assistance Department.

Years at Stonehill: 12

Favorite Stonehill moment: In 2011, I spent an incredible week with an amazing group of students on a Habitat for Humanity build in South Carolina. Their hard work and dedication to making a difference has really informed some of my values. I also had the pleasure of sharing the long car ride with Domenique Ciavattone '13, Melissa LaNeve '13 and Peter Ryan Zayac '13 in what came to be known as “van awesome.”

Piece of advice that I often give: Borrow wisely. Education loans are a part of paying for college that many students and parents utilize, but we always advise families to borrow only what is absolutely necessary and encourage students to know what they owe.

Most challenging part of my job: Some of my favorite aspects of this job are also some of the most challenging. It is my job to help students navigate the complexities of student loans and hopefully come to a place of understanding.

Question that students most often ask me: I have a lot of conversations about education loans. Most often, families want to know what are the different loans available to them.

Best spot on campus: I often walk through the Cushing-Martin Building during lunch to see the exhibits in the Carol Calo Gallery and the student art that is displayed in the studio spaces.

Words of wisdom: I was speaking with a man on the street one day, when I asked him, “What are you doing today?” He replied, “I’m goin’ to let the day come to me.” It has stuck with me for many years now. I took it to mean that he was living in the present moment. I have tried to follow his example.
AROUND CAMPUS

What's Bugging You?

THIS PAST DECEMBER, winter moths seemed to be everywhere, so much so that WGBH Boston Public Radio called upon Assistant Professor of Evolutionary Biology Nicholas Block—Stonehill's resident "bug expert"—to explain their explosive presence. With spring now upon us, SAM turns to Block to find out more about the many insects that fly, crawl and creep around campus.

American Copper (Lycaena phlaeas)
This small, showy butterfly can be seen on campus—especially around the edges of the rugby fields—from the end of spring through the beginning of fall.

Golden-Eyed Lacewing (Chrysopa oculata)
These nocturnal insects are found around campus lights at night. Their larvae are sometimes called aphid wolves, because they eat aphids and other soft-bodied insects.

Coppery Emerald (Somatochloria georgiana)
Possibly the rarest find on campus so far, this female was the only one ever to be recorded in Bristol County (and one of only a few in the state). Poorly known, this species is sometimes referred to as the unicorn of the dragonfly world.

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (Halyomorpha halys)
This invasive species (an agricultural pest) is our most common stink bug. The bugs can hide out indoors when it's cold, so don't be surprised to see one in the middle of winter.

Deer Fly (Chrysops vittatus)
Watch out for this deer fly's bite! Females use their knife-like mouthparts to slice open your skin, so they can drink your blood. Avoid the shaded, wet woods on the north side of campus in the summer if you don't want to encounter this species.

Loosestrife Borer (Papaipema lysimachiae)
This beautiful, uncommon species lays eggs only on whorled yellow-loosestrife plants. Look for it on campus during September.

Northern Dog-Day Cicada (Neotibicen canicularis)
This common cicada provides the loud, seemingly constant background buzz heard on warm summer days.

Twelve-Spotted Skimmer (Libellula pulchella)
This is a male of one of the most common and recognizable dragonflies at ponds in the United States. They're often seen around Ames Pond during the summer.
European Skipper (Thymelicus lineola)
Accidentally introduced to North America in the early 20th century, this butterfly is now one of the area's most common species during late spring and early summer. It is seen at many nectar sources on campus.

Filter Fly (Clogmia albipunctata)
Also called drain flies, these furry-looking insects can be annoyingly common indoors because their larvae live in sludge-based habitats, such as shower drains and bathroom sinks.

Eight-lined Leafhopper (Gyponana octolineata)
These pine-feeding, colorful leafhoppers are attracted to lights at night. Most species in this genus are difficult to identify, but the extensive pink markings on this species are unique.

Striped Cucumber Beetle (Acalymma vittatum)
This colorful beetle feeds on a variety of cucurbit species (e.g., pumpkins and cucumbers). They can be significant agricultural pests, damaging a wide variety of crop species.

Ailanthus Webworm Moth (Attéva aurea)
As colorful as many butterflies, this distinctive moth is on campus throughout the summer and early fall. It is often found nectaring on flowers during the day and around lights at night.

Eastern Pine Elfin (Callophrys niphon)
This beautifully patterned butterfly feeds on pine trees as a caterpillar. A spring species, the adults are seen on campus in early April, usually by the trail to the Caves.

Antlion (Myrmeleon immaculatus)
This is the adult of the fascinating antlions, whose predatorial larvae bury themselves and create a funnel-shaped sandpit above them that causes ants to fall to their doom.

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Halloween Pennant (Celithemis eponina)
Named for its orange-and-brown wings, this is a common dragonfly around ponds throughout the summer and is usually easy to find at Ames Pond.
Honor Role

BIOCHEMISTRY MAJOR Matthew Crawford ’16 is not one to sit on the sidelines when there’s work to be done, a quality he says has been honed by his time at Stonehill, particularly in the Moreau Honors Program. “I took two honors courses my first semester as a freshman, which set the stage for my time here. I made a lot of friends and sharpened my leadership skills.”

Crawford cites the program’s emphasis on peer-group teaching exercises, in-depth classroom discussions and event planning as critical to his growth. “The honors program gave me confidence and pointed me in the right direction to assume leadership positions early on in my college career.”

Among those positions is that of orientation coordinator for first-year Moreau Honors students, a role Crawford sought after joining the program’s advisory council. “I wanted to invite the incoming freshmen to have the same incredible experiences I’ve had as an honors student. I also wanted to establish an honors community outside the classroom, because the program is about more than just classes.”

Crawford has also been active in Stonehill’s Peer Mentor program, one of his favorite roles on campus. “Mentoring has not only built my confidence and enhanced my leadership skills, but it has also enabled me to help classmates adjust to college, increased my involvement on campus and heightened my desire to pursue other leadership positions. I’m passionate about social justice and inclusion and wanted to get the most out of my four years here—be involved, meet people and have an impact on the undergraduates coming after me,” Crawford concludes. Mission accomplished.
**Winter Happenings**

**PLEDGING** Like many students, as well as faculty and staff, Meggie Wambui '18 signed the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Day Pledge in January. By signing the pledge, community members dedicated themselves to making the College and the larger community a more inclusive and equitable place for all people.

**6x10x6** The Hemingway Theatre was packed during the afternoon of Feb. 21 for the 8th Annual 6x10x6 Student Playwriting Festival. The festival is the culmination of a fall semester playwriting course—taught by Theatre Arts Instructor David Eliot—where students each write their own short play. Six of the strongest 10-minute plays are selected to be performed by student actors and directed by students and alumni. This year's honored playwrights were (left to right) Pauli Terranova '19, Joanna Jorgensen '19, Dylan Turner '17, Caitlyn McMahon '17, as well as Allura Damon '19 and Corey Grant '19 (both not pictured).
"Liberal education is a journey away from the narrowness of ignorance and prejudice and unexamined habit. It is a journey into the wideness of curiosity and wonder in the face of things human and divine."

— Fr. Kruse, referencing poet Seamus Heaney, as he aptly defined a liberal arts education in remarks at the dedication of the Kruse Center for Academic and Professional Excellence on Jan. 23, 2002.
Teams Making an Impact

WHAT BEGAN in 2011 as a local nonprofit effort aimed at providing mentorship for children facing life-threatening and chronic illnesses has become a nationally known program with hundreds of colleges and universities involved—and Stonehill’s athletics program has been there from almost the start. Team IMPACT has connected more than 800 children with college athletic teams across the nation.

Since its first Team IMPACT pairing in 2012, Stonehill has been matched with nine children, ranking it in the top three nationally for number of matches. With the College’s increasing involvement in the program, an on-campus ambassador position was created last year. Senior Meaghan Martin, a member of the volleyball team, was eager to take on the new role, working to build connections with all of the children matched with Stonehill athletic teams.

“We have the opportunity to be role models to these young children. Not only are we changing their lives... but they are also changing our lives...”

Meaghan Martin ’16, Team Impact Ambassador

“Being involved with Team IMPACT has opened not only my eyes but also the eyes of all of the student-athletes involved,” says Martin. “We have seen how much these kids look up to us and really cherish the time that we spend with them.”

While the program benefits the children, the impact it has on student-athletes is often almost greater.

“I think the biggest thing is that it’s a reminder that we as college athletes are very fortunate,” says Stephen Conway ’17 of the men’s soccer team, which in 2014, was matched with Christopher Fuller, a 14-year-old with cystic fibrosis.

“For us as a team, Chris brings a different spirit and energy that we may not usually get every day,” he adds.

The relationships that are built between student-athletes and their matches are not just temporary either. An extraordinary example of that would be the bond between Christopher Tasiopoulos ’15 and the men’s hockey team’s first Team IMPACT match, Jake Quinn. Despite graduating from the program, which is an option for the children and their families, Quinn has maintained his friendship with Tasiopoulos. In fact, the two, along with Quinn’s parents, attended a Bruins game together this past fall.

In December, 12-year-old Leigha Hedtler became the ninth and latest member of Team IMPACT to sign on as a member of the Skyhawk athletics family, when she joined the cheerleading team. Diagnosed with stage 4 melanoma last January, Hedtler is being treated with an immunotherapy at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

“We have the opportunity to be role models to these young children,” says Martin, who is planning a special Team IMPACT day on campus in the spring.

“Not only are we changing their lives by having them be a part of our teams, but they are also changing our lives every time we see them.”

12-YEAR-OLD Leigha Hedtler [above, center] joined the cheerleading team in December, making her the ninth Team IMPACT match at Stonehill.
MOVIE GOER Knows Movies. The longtime film enthusiast and director of cinema studies has researched movie ratings extensively and has been published in numerous scholarly journals. Leone recently became head of the new six-course minor, Digital Media Production (DMP). The professor of communication shares why GoodFellas is his favorite movie, how technology allows students to tell meaningful stories and why doing what you love in life is the ultimate payoff.

**MY FAVORITE MOVIE OF ALL TIME:** The impossible question! My favorite director is Martin Scorsese, and my favorite film is GoodFellas. To date, I think it represents our greatest filmmaker doing his finest work. I know many find the violence hard to watch, but every aspect of the making of the film—the complex use of voice-over narration, music and sound; the fragmented narrative and use of freeze frames to facilitate storytelling; the legendary Copa steadi-cam shot—make it the best work of his nearly 50-year career.

**I STARTED MY RESEARCH ON MOVIE RATINGS BECAUSE:** I'm intrigued by how we regulate children's access to media, movies in particular, in our culture. The Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA) states that ratings are designed for parents with children under the age of 18 to inform them about the various types of “adult” content in movies. How we treat this kind of “adult” content fascinates me. It's probably not news to anyone that the MPAA does not treat all adult content equally; violence is treated much more leniently than sex when it comes to assigning a rating. I view it as a reflection of our cultural and legal preoccupations with sex.

**SOMETHING VIEWERS DON'T REALIZE ABOUT MOVIE RATINGS:** The rating system is not a legal one; no one can be arrested for selling a ticket to an R-rated film to a 12-year-old. More specifically, something viewers might not know is that the people who decide on ratings need no special qualifications beyond being parents and being able to place themselves in the role of “average American” parents, whatever that means.

**WHY A DIGITAL MEDIA PRODUCTION MINOR?** We live in an increasingly “mediated” world, walking around with phones that also serve as mini-production studios with video and editing capabilities. It's the rare incoming Stonehill student who hasn't shot video before. This new minor is twofold: First, we provide students with access to faculty, a studio, equipment and technology that allows them to develop new skills and enhance others they already possess. Second, and more importantly, the DMP minor provides students with a means of expression informed by a liberal arts education. It's my hope that DMP minors will have thoughtful, perhaps even meaningful, stories to tell, and, at the same time, will possess enough mastery of the technological tools at their disposal to do so in interesting, challenging ways.

**I OFTEN TELL MY STUDENTS:** It may be a cliché, but it's a good one: Find a career that makes you happy, which is more important than making you wealthy. If what makes you happy also makes you wealthy, great. But doing something that gives you a sense of fulfillment, a sense that you're contributing to the world and helping others, provides you with a payoff that isn't counted in dollars. Money comes and goes, but time only goes—spend as much of it doing what you like with those you love.

**BEST MOVIE QUOTE:** Another impossible question! How about three? “I'm going to make him an offer he can't refuse,” from The Godfather. “I am big. It's the pictures that got small,” from Sunset Boulevard, and “I'm as mad as hell, and I'm not going to take this anymore,” from Network.
Gender Issues

AS DIRECTOR of Stonehill’s Gender and Sexuality Studies Program, Wendy Chapman Peek must deal with sensitivities and issues that are often times deeply personal, but one thing that she never has to worry about is class discussions. “That’s the really wonderful advantage to teaching gender studies,” says Peek. “Every week there’s breaking news on the topic. From Caitlyn Jenner to spousal abuse in the NFL to women’s admission to all combat positions in the U.S. military, there’s always a gender-related issue that’s got the students talking.”

This isn’t always the case in Peek’s other areas of scholarship—she holds a Ph.D. in medieval studies from Cornell University and specializes in literature of the European Middle Ages and films of the American West. “There’s breaking news in medieval literature now and then,” she concedes with a smile in her voice, “but it doesn’t happen as often.” “It’s a fascinating time to be a teacher,” Peek continues. “You’re always learning, and oftentimes the lesson is not what you expect.” These days, students are able to learn more about gender and sexuality on their own via the Internet and social media, so they enter the classroom more informed than in years past, Peek explains.

“Many of my students are already following feminist, queer and transgender activists online, or perhaps dealing with questions concerning their own sexual identity,” she says. “My job is to help them contextualize and frame the issues through an understanding of the history of the debates we encounter today and an awareness of other relevant controversies.”

Balancing Free Trade

AT FIRST GLANCE, any connection between tires and chicken parts seems implausible. Yet in recent years, the two have been closely linked, says Associate Professor of Economics Piyush Chandra. In 2009, he explains, the United Steel Workers petitioned the U.S. International Trade Commission to impose a tariff on Chinese tires, which they said were disrupting the U.S. market. U.S. officials complied with the request and the Chinese government retaliated by imposing a duty on U.S. chicken parts.

This story illustrates why international trade, particularly with respect to China, is relevant to average Americans, Chandra asserts. “Although the union was trying to protect Americans, the tariff ultimately proved harmful to our interests on several fronts: Consumers were forced to buy more expensive tires from other countries, like Mexico and Taiwan; U.S. tire manufacturers didn’t benefit; and American exporters of chicken parts suffered losses as well.”

China is one of the world’s leading exporters, so anything that happens there affects the rest of the world, explains Chandra, whose teaching and research is informed by such experiences as teaching this past summer at Xiamen University, one of China’s premier institutions.

Most economists agree that free trade is good and barriers should be avoided whenever possible. Yet maintaining a balance can be tough, a fact Chandra drives home to students by asking them to analyze ongoing World Trade Organization court disputes. “Students must choose a dispute, determine its origin, and then render a judgement,” he says. “It encourages them to think beyond the classroom and really consider the trade implications—for all parties.”
Digging In

Two Alumni Archivists Serve as the Keepers of All Things Stonehill

By Kimberly Lawrence | Photos by Nicki Pardo

WHEN NICOLE (TOURANGEAU) CASPER '95 found a shopping bag with an old piece of tile in it, she first thought it was garbage and nearly threw it out. "I had to think for a moment about where there is or was tile on campus," recalls the College's archivist. "I then realized it was a piece of the old pool that was covered over in what is now the Alumni Hall conference room." That tile has become part of the Stonehill College Archives and Historical Collections, located on the top floor of the Martin Institute.
Being the College's director of Archives and Historical Collections, Casper is the keeper of all things Stonehill, both new and old. "Every day, I have to think 20 years into the future if something right now might be important." This means the Archives has ponchos that are currently handed out during rainy Admission tours, the College's old mace, which was thrown away only to be resurrected and displayed prominently, a class ring donated by one of Stonehill's first graduates as well as every Summit newspaper, ACRES yearbooks, diplomas, theater tickets, speeches, letters, posters, diaries, memorabilia—and the list goes on and on.

Luckily Casper isn't alone in this task. Together with Assistant Archivist Jonathan Green '10, the two spend their days capturing, preserving and sharing Stonehill life. As Green says, "When others forget, it's our job to remember."

The Un-Google

Although it might sound like it, the Archives is not a museum. While many historical items are displayed around campus, the Archives itself consists of more than 480 shelves stacked with 2,400-plus boxes of paper, photographs and artifacts—all organized, labeled and indexed. "When people request information, we dig," says Casper, who has been in her role for 15 years.

She and Green, both history majors at Stonehill who started working in the Archives as students, field several hundred reference requests per year—from professors who are looking for historical documents to use as teaching tools to staff members trying to uncover past administrative decisions to alumni and the general public who are researching genealogy, writing historical books or gathering photos.

"A phone call or an email can send us on a hunt for something that can take anywhere from 30 seconds to 10 hours to two days to find," says Casper. "We aren't Google, so when requests come in, we use finding aids to figure out where we can get the needed information," she continues. "Often we have to just sit and think for a minute to make connections that lead us in the right direction." But sometimes information has simply not made its way to the Archives. "I take it personally if I can't find something," Green admits. "It's a bit of a letdown."

Casper and Green are naturally the two considered to be in the know on campus. "A lot of times when I go for a walk at lunch, someone will stop me and say, 'Now that I see you, when did O'Hara go co-ed?'" says Casper. (For her, that's easy: 1993.)

In addition to the College Archives, Casper and Green also oversee the department's 12 special collections, including the Tofias Collection (known to many as the "Ames Shovels"—all 783 of them), the Ames Family Papers, the Stanley Bauman Photograph Collection, the Joseph Martin Papers and the Michael Novak '56 Collection. Recently, the Archives acquired the James "Lou" Gorman '53 Collection, which includes many of Gorman's artifacts, documents and photographs from his time at Stonehill, in the U.S. Navy and with the Boston Red Sox.

Storytelling

Part of the duo's job is to present the College's history to alumni at various events and to new employees during their orientation as well as to record oral histories with members of the Pillar Society—Stonehill's 50-year club—at Reunion.

The Archives may have the official College records, but hearing the stories beyond the paper is what Casper really enjoys: "When I talk with alums, it often gives context to the records we have on file." Most of those stories, she admits, stay in her head. And while Casper and Green claim they don't know everything about the College, they certainly can engage an audience with a plethora of historical tidbits.
“A story that interests many employees and alumni is the runway on campus,” Casper says. When she gives walking tours, she’ll often tell of the airport—located by what later became the Sem—that actually had planes depart and land until it closed in 1955.

And to make sure her audience stays engaged during her presentations, Casper will also share a light anecdote such as the one about the College’s money issues in its early days. Then-president Rev. Francis Boland, C.S.C., would lock up the ice cream in the Donahue Hall kitchen. The priests would go downstairs at night, eat the ice cream and watch for Fr. Boland. “If he wasn’t so tight with the money, Stonehill wouldn’t have survived those first years,” she says.

The oral histories provide back stories that are rich with details and tell the mood of campus at a given time. Casper recounts listening to alumni when they brought up John F. Kennedy’s visit to campus in 1958. “Many didn’t even know he was speaking, but the College canceled classes to get people to show up. He was a senator at the time, not running for president,” Casper notes. “Today, we are always looking for ways to encourage students to attend lectures and presentations. It is interesting to see how things have changed but how some of the college experience has remained the same.”

Of course, Casper and Green are frequently asked to correct the legends that are passed on from class to class. Both confirm, for the record, that nobody died in the pool—the question that they are most often asked.

**Sniffing Around**

“Archivists have to be nosy to get the good stuff,” Casper admits. “We go to events and grab one of everything.” Green agrees that they are often “sniffing around.”

A challenge for them is technology. “Before, employees would clean out their offices and send boxes to the Archives. Now decisions on campus are made via email. We don’t get people’s email,” says Casper. They also don’t have a way to adequately capture social media, which often gives a sense of what is happening on campus. When a student posted a particularly stunning photo of a rainbow over campus on Instagram in 2013, for instance, Green reached out to her to see if he could get a copy for the Archives.

“We have to preserve things that happen, whether good or bad,” says Casper. Their goal is to create an electronic repository to help record the College’s website, social media and other electronic records.

Of all the interesting items they do have, Casper’s favorite is a journal called *The Chronicles*, a beautifully hand-scripted, daily log from 1934-1964 that tells the story of Stonehill—from when the Congregation of Holy Cross first moved to Easton until a restructuring of governance allowed laypeople to have a presence on the College’s Board of Trustees and in other high level roles.

Green’s favorite item is a clay pipe that was discovered during an archaeological dig and is now part of the Daily Homestead Collection, found within the College Archives. “The artifact is unique because most clay pipes, particularly the bowls, were...
broken after use,” says Green, who has a deep appreciation of Stonehill’s colonial history.

As for a wish list of items that they’d like to add to the Archives? For Casper it would be the first Ace the Skyhawk mascot costume, which is nowhere to be found. “I’d like to have him in the Archives,” she says. Green would like to reclaim the arrowheads that went missing after an amateur archaeological dig took place years ago.

Sprinkled around campus are several archival items and rotating exhibits such as framed athletic uniforms, photos, maps and papers. “This is important,” Casper says. “To save it and see it. It is great to have these things, but it is important for people on campus to see them.”

Future Archivists
Casper entered this field under the direction of longtime college archivist Louise Kenneally. She was an Archives volunteer for Kenneally and then, after graduation, obtained a master’s in library science from Simmons and held jobs in archives for the State of Rhode Island and Habitat for Humanity.

“In 2000, Louise sent me a Christmas card. She wrote that she was retiring and asked if I wanted to know more about the archivist position,” Casper recalls. The rest, no pun intended, is history. Just as Casper started under Kenneally, Green, who has been in his position for six years and is completing a master’s in history at UMass Boston, started under Casper as a work-study and intern. They both are fully committed to continuing this mentoring tradition.

“We want to help students who are interested in careers in history. Working here impacts them,” says Green of the department’s five work-studies and eight interns. Casper notes, “We’ve had students who have worked here come back and tell us how they got a job with a historical society, archives or a museum. Being able to have a student learn this field is one of the ways that we contribute to the educational mission of Stonehill.”

Taking it Personally
For Casper and Green, it is a privilege to maintain the College’s Archives, and they believe this stems from the fact that they were students here. “I was a commuter as a student, but I had such a great experience at Stonehill and interning and work-studying in the Archives,” explains Green.

Casper says that she has now spent almost half her life at Stonehill. “Because I was a student here, I have more of a connection than just being an archivist for a fun collection.”

A feeling of nostalgia also surfaces from time to time. “My application and essay to Stonehill came in recently to be filed,” says Green. “It was like finding a letter to my future self.”

When Casper was once preparing photos to display for Reunion, she pulled out pictures from 1995—her own class year—and found an image of her father in a graduation photo. “It was a great crowd shot, and there was my dad waiting for me to process down the stairs!” She’s also found documents with her name on them. “That wouldn’t happen at another job. Here, I’m actually part of the archival record.” That’s the thing, Casper says: “When you start digging, you never know what you are going to find.”
The Unstoppable Mona Rowan
By Maura King Scully

How a survivor of the Lebanese Civil War came to teach Arabic at Stonehill and the lessons—in addition to language—that she imparts. PHOTOS BY BOB PERACHIO
STILL DON’T BELIEVE this happened to me, but I am confident it was divine intervention."

It’s been 40 years, and Mona Rowan, who is now an Arabic instructor at Stonehill, is still baffled by the twists her life has taken. “I grew up in Lebanon, in a beautiful Christian town on the Mediterranean where you wake up to the sound of the church bells ringing, our neighbor’s rooster and the aroma of jasmine filling the air. We all knew each other since birth, and most of the neighborhood attended Sacré Coeur, a French Catholic school. In one night, it was all taken away.”

In 1976, Rowan was an 18-year-old, first-year student at American University of Beirut when she found herself in the crossfire of the Lebanese Civil War. Hit in the face and hand by stray bullets, her jaw and left hand were shattered—grave injuries that left her with little hope. One of her professors was from Boston, however. “He told me Boston has the best doctors in the world, so that’s where I should go,” she recalls. Coincidentally, Rowan had an aunt who lived in the area, so she and her father came to Boston in 1977 to seek medical care at Massachusetts General Hospital. The plan was that she would spend a year in the U.S. and then return to Lebanon.

Things Did Not Go as Planned.

“When we met with the doctors, they told me they had never rebuilt a jaw from angle to angle,” she says. “They said, ‘We’re going to try this, and you’re going to be the guinea pig.’” As Rowan recounts, they did try, and failed. And then failed again. Ultimately, over a decade, Rowan underwent 32 surgeries to completely restructure her jaw. Through it all, she managed to earn a degree in public relations from Rhode Island College in 1984. “In between surgeries, I would go to class with a drainage tube hanging from my nose and an opened trachea to breathe, but I had to go with the original plan of educating myself no matter what. People would stare at me.” Yet, Rowan persisted. “I’m a survivor,” she says.

In addition to strength of character, she was able to draw upon her ability in languages, thanks to her Lebanese education. “From kindergarten on, my classes were in both French and Arabic,” she explains. “In high school, I began taking English and was fluent in all three languages by 12th grade.” Recognizing her aptitude for languages, Rowan went on to earn a second bachelor’s in French and Spanish and then a master’s in foreign languages and education—degrees that put her on her current path.

A Tale of Two Campuses

Rowan is in the unusual position of serving as a shared full-time Arabic instructor at two institutions: Stonehill and nearby Wheaton College in Norton. Through the partnership, formally launched this academic year, Elementary Arabic is offered at both schools; Intermediate Arabic is taught at Wheaton, with Advanced Arabic at Stonehill.

“Both Stonehill and Wheaton students can take the upper level Arabic courses. This ensures we have a healthy enrollment in these courses, which is wonderful,” notes Dean of Faculty Maria Curtin. “It took a year to iron out the details—it took extra planning and time to develop this agreement—but it’s well worth it. Mona is the perfect person to do this. She’s unstoppable.”

Professor Juan Carlos Martin, chair of foreign languages, is enthusiastic about the College’s expanded language offerings, which now include an Arabic minor. “The interest in Arabic has been growing,” he says. For the first time this past fall semester, Elementary Arabic filled up with 25 students. “That says to me we’re on the right track,” he notes. In fact, according to the American Language Association, Arabic is the fastest-growing language on American college campuses.

“Mona has done a tremendous job of encouraging students, going out of her way to accommodate them,” Martin continues. “Before the partnership, she did a lot
of advanced work with students as directed studies. Her flexibility and willingness to address the students' needs is part of the program's success."

"I've spoken with students who came to Stonehill because we had Arabic," Martin says. "Now, the Arabic minor opens up opportunities for students who are interested in other careers, like criminology and political science." It has even expanded the countries where students study abroad, he notes. In addition to popular destinations in Europe and Australia, Stonehill students have branched out to Morocco, Qatar, Oman and Jordan.

One of those is Kayla Solis ’17, a psychology major who is spending the spring semester in Jordan, studying Arabic and intercultural communications. "The Middle East is a very misunderstood region," Solis explains. "I want to educate myself, so I can educate others. Initially, I wanted to take Arabic because I figured it would make me more marketable," she says, noting that her goal is to work for the FBI in counterterrorism. "But Professor Rowan made me fall in love with the language. When I told people I was taking Arabic, the common reaction was 'Good luck,' because it's so difficult. But the first day of class, Professor Rowan said, 'I'm going to have you reading Arabic by the end of the week'—and she did. She's so welcoming and approachable. And what she has overcome in her life is inspirational."

Timothy DeLouchrey ’19, an English and political science major, agrees. "Professor Rowan is so enthusiastic. It's clear that she loves to teach. She'll do anything to get the point across—like showing us weird music videos to help us learn the Arabic alphabet." DeLouchery was excited to discover that Stonehill offered Arabic. "I wanted to try something new—I had taken Spanish in high school—and I'm so glad I did. I love it. It was bizarre at first because we don't even use the same alphabet. It's so gratifying to look back and see how far I've come." While students are quick to praise Rowan, she is quick to express her gratitude. "Many thanks to all those who worked hard to make the Arabic minor a reality, especially Dean Maria Curtin."

ROWAN teaches a beginners Arabic course at Stonehill. By the end of the first month, she says, most of her students know the alphabet [left] and are beginning to read Arabic text. Students pictured with Rowan are Daniel Haddad ’19 and Christine Haddad ’18.

Life Lessons
Rowan is equally effusive in her praise of Stonehill students, who are about the same age as her own two children, Andrew and Mia, a fact that helps her to relate to them, she says.

"The students taking Arabic are the crème de la crème. It's a very difficult language. They're willing to dive in, get out of their comfort zones and read right to left with a different alphabet." In the four years since she's been teaching at Stonehill, "I've heard from former students whose experience in Arabic made a difference in them getting jobs or into graduate schools. After all, if you can handle Arabic, you can handle anything. You have to work very hard. I tell students it doesn't just happen—you have to put the work in."

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—Arabic Instructor Mona Rowan

In a way, teaching at Stonehill allows Rowan, who enjoys singing, dancing, traveling and cooking, to make up for lost time. "I didn't have the typical college experience, because I was in and out of the hospital. Being able to be a part of this community brings me a lot of joy. I'm a product of Catholic schools, so being a professor in this environment is terrific."

It's through the lens of her Catholic upbringing that Rowan views her life. "I am convinced that my faith played a big role in being saved from dying. It's a divine intervention that God has had a plan for me. It was not time for me to go before teaching a few classes and making a difference in my life as well as my students' lives," she says.

Rowan also enjoys sharing her firsthand knowledge of the Middle East, which is more nuanced than the one-sided portrayal in the media. "I tell students I come from the country where the alphabet was invented, that's home to the world's three major religions. There's so much history, culture and natural beauty."

And if her example is instructive to the young men and women in her classes, she's glad for that, too. "I'm proud of what I've accomplished. I believe that everything happens for a reason. I never thought I would come to America and teach Arabic. But you don't know what your future is. From everything I've been through, I've learned that life is not easy. You must be strong and never give up. My experience has made a better person out of me, where I can understand and appreciate life's ups and downs no matter how tough they are."
Fear not!

FEAR, FAITH AND FORGING AHEAD BY TRACEY PALMER
FEAR IS A BASIC INVOLUNTARY HUMAN PROCESS, like breathing or sleeping. Yet there are many aspects of fear that can’t be explained. In December, Professor of Religious Studies Richard Gribble, C.S.C., wrote an essay, “Fear: The Catalyst to Success,” for the Congregation of Holy Cross’ Reflection Series, where he claimed that, while fear can paralyze us if we let it, it can more importantly “be the life buoy that does not allow us to drown in the pool of despair, but rather to courageously swim to safety.”

What exactly, then, is fear? Is it a good emotion or a bad one? Is it helpful or a hindrance? Are perceived fears as harmful as real ones? What do we really know about fear? SAM asked three Stonehill professors to weigh in on this “scary” topic.

“Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood.” —Marie Curie

Fear is an adaptive behavior that helps us identify danger. If we didn’t feel it, we couldn’t protect ourselves from legitimate threats. “Our fight or flight system is one of our oldest responses,” says Erin O’Hea, associate professor of psychology. “All animals have it. If we didn’t have fear, we’d die.” From an evolutionary perspective, there are many fears that are natural to humans. The most common specific phobias are things that can actually kill us, for example, thunderstorms, snakes, dogs, blood and needles, enclosed spaces and heights.

Monsters and the dark, however, are common fears that are shaped by our upbringing, environment and culture. Our parents, teachers and friends pass on their own phobias. Our culture teaches us what to be afraid of through fairy tales, movies and urban legends. (Think showers and the movie Psycho or swimming in the ocean and the movie Jaws.) Anxiety disorders—when the feeling of fear or worry is no longer temporary and worsens over time—have biological, psychological and social causes.

“You’re better off in the casket than doing the eulogy.” —Jerry Seinfeld

Public speaking is often listed as a thing most people fear—many rank it higher than death. But there’s no physical danger associated with talking in front of a group of people. So is this really fear? Isn’t it just anxiety? What’s the difference? O’Hea explains it this way. When you experience fear, stress hormones flood your body; your blood pressure rises, sending oxygen to fuel your muscles in case they’re needed; sweat comes to the surface to cool you; nonessential functions (like reproduction and digestion) shut down and hormones focus your attention on the threat—everything else is blocked out. The cause of this fear response is imminent threat of danger, like a gun pointed at your head or a car coming straight at you. All of the same physical responses can occur when you’re experiencing anxiety, but with anxiety, the cause isn’t a real threat, it’s driven by your thoughts. With anxiety, the threat is not present but anticipated. In either case, our response can feel the same.

“Do one thing every day that scares you.”
—Eleanor Roosevelt

Why do some people like being scared and others dislike it? We all know someone who loves the adrenaline rush of roller coasters or the thrill of a horror movie. It’s fair to say none of us wants to face a truly life-threatening situation, but for some people, the natural high they get from the flight or flight response can feel exhilarating.

When we engage in these types of activities, a neurochemical process happens that feels good to some, explains O’Hea, so they repeat that activity to get the “rush” again. The feeling is similar to drug and alcohol use. “One of the reasons people repeat using those substances is the neurochemical changes that feel intoxicating,” she explains.

Learned confidence is another factor, say O’Hea. “When we face something scary and get through it, we gain a sense of confidence and pride,” she says. Extreme sports enthusiasts are an example of this; they continue their risky behavior because each time they complete a free climb, sky dive or BASE jump, they survive.

“Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.” —Psalms, 23:4

The confidence that results from overcoming fear plays out in our everyday lives, too. Very often the accomplishments of which we are most proud are those we initially considered impossible to achieve. Fr. Gribble says that our ability to overcome this fear of failure, utilizing it as a catalyst, can be the fuel to success. “We must remove the chains that bind us, take the chance and be confident that, with the Lord’s help, all is possible,” he says.

As someone who studies Catholicism and history, Fr. Gribble believes it’s how we respond to fear and anxiety that matters. “Fear can help us go forward and accomplish something we didn’t think possible,” he says. “It can be the catalyst that forces us to prepare more diligently and fully for future events.” However, he adds, far too often we let fear
bind us, like a straitjacket. He points out that “when raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus proclaims, ‘Untie him and let him go’ (John 11:44c). Jesus realized that the bandages that bound Lazarus were far more than ceremonial for death; they were illustrative of how many of us bind ourselves, shutting God out and not allowing the Lord to work through us. Jesus is telling us that our fear can and must be used as a vehicle to continue the journey.”

“Let me assert my firm belief that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself—nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror, which paralyzes needed efforts to convert retreat into advance.” —Franklin D. Roosevelt

Acts of terrorism, mass shootings, police brutality—these seem to be reported more often and cause many of us anxiety. As a society, are we more fearful today than in the past? Junghyun Gill, assistant professor of sociology and criminology, looks at the facts behind fear in our culture.

First, it’s important to keep in mind the financial interests of news media and the entertainment industry when we discuss fear in society, Gill says. “News networks have an interest in drawing the largest possible audiences. Stories on violence, especially stories that have an unusual or sensational twist, fascinate the public. For example, nothing is more terrifying and, therefore, more interesting to the public than acts of violence committed against totally innocent people (like ‘us’). With our national and now global media, it’s much more possible for acts of violence that occur anywhere in the world to be broadcast on our local news within minutes of when they occur. And the many millions of people with smart phones means there’s a good chance there will be an accompanying video. Violence typically generates good ratings.”

There is a similar phenomenon in the entertainment industry, she adds. A great number of U.S. TV shows focus on crime, especially violent crime. Think Law and Order, Law and Order SVU, Law and Order: Criminal Intent and CSI (Crime Scene Investigation). “The serial killer has become a modern cultural icon in contemporary entertainment, from Dexter to Criminal Minds,” Gill says. “There is a huge market for these programs. Yet criminologists know that there cannot possibly be the enormous number of prolific serial killers portrayed on such shows.”

Gill points to data indicating that the number of serial murders, as well as homicides in general (and other forms of violent crime), has actually decreased over recent decades. One report shows that while the murder rate (the number of homicide victims per 100,000 U.S. residents) was 10.2 in 1980 (and was almost that high in the early 1990s), it has fallen to 4.5 in 2014. “In other words,” Gill notes, “in the U.S., the risk of being a victim of homicide is now less than half of what it was in 1980.”

Another factor adding to our current level of fear and anxiety is politics, says Gill. “Politicians often try to win support by convincing voters that they are in great danger. The solution, they say, is to put them in power. The current election cycle political debate issues include terrorism, mass shootings and police misconduct, as well as other fears about educational debt, stagnant wages and immigration.

“You can’t laugh and be afraid at the same time—if you’re laughing, I defy you to be afraid.” —Stephen Colbert

O’Hea backs up Gill’s thinking. “We are living in an age of fear,” she says. “Because of our technology, we can’t get away from people and events that scare us. We live in a heightened sense of anxiety, something our bodies are not wired to withstand. Early man had real things to be afraid of, like being chased by a bear. But he was not reminded about that bear 24/7 on a live feed. When we constantly see images and read about bad things happening in the world, we think the likelihood of these things happening to us is increased, and the more we think it could happen to us.” Many experts say that if you want to avoid feeling anxious about the world, don’t watch the nightly news. Try a comedy show instead!

“I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear.” —Nelson Mandela

Of course, terrible things do happen in our world, and there are many real dangers to be afraid of, but fear is not always what it seems. Sometimes it is an anxiety we can learn to control or an unsettling feeling we can harness as a positive motivator. This is what Fr. Gribble believes. “The healthy fear that David had for Goliath allowed him to find an innovative way to conquer the great Philistine champion (I Samuel 17:31-51). This fear helped him to conquer the odds. Let us be so inspired, to use fear productively, finding our way to achieve great things as we build the kingdom of God in our world.”
Icelandic Adventures

ICELAND has become a popular destination for U.S. travelers. Participants in October's Alumni Travel Program, Extraordinary Iceland, experienced many of the reasons why.

Thirty-six alumni and friends joined Professor of Biology Maura (Geens) Tyrrell ’64 on a five-day adventure based out of the country's capital, Reykjavik. In the city, they visited the towering Hallgrimskirkja Church, the Harpa Concert Hall and the Hofdi House, which was the site of the historic summit meeting in 1986 between U.S. President Ronald Reagan and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

With Tyrrell's guidance, travelers explored the amazing landscape and scenic natural wonders of the southwestern part of the country, including Gulfoss (the Golden Waterfall), geothermal spas, hot springs and geysers.

One unique stop was a visit to Thingvellir National Park (a UNESCO World Heritage site), the country’s most sacred place as the home of the old Viking parliament, Alpingi. Local guides shared knowledge of Iceland's history and culture throughout the trip.

A highlight of the trip was a visit to the famous Blue Lagoon, where many travelers enjoyed the geothermal sauna.

More information about the Alumni Travel Program, including an online journal of travel highlights, is at stonehill.edu/alumni/programs-events/alumni-travel-program/.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS [Top] Diane (Griffin) Lambert '70 paused for a picture while visiting one of the many waterfalls in the country. [Center] Retired Dean Richard Grant snapped a photo of one of the famous Icelandic horses. [Bottom] Travelers at Thingvellir National Park.
Alumni Day

HUNDREDS OF ALUMNI AND FRIENDS braved snowy weather to return to campus for Alumni Day 2016 on Saturday, Jan. 23. Highlights of the day included the annual Winter Carnival, a SURE anniversary reception, a Mass and Luncheon for Pillar Society members and an Open Science Lab, hosted by faculty members. Alumni also toured the renovated Sports Complex and cheered the men's and women's basketball teams on to victory.

CHILDREN learned about fish, mushrooms and brain activity during the Open Science Lab in the Shields Center.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR of Biology Magdalena James-Pederson guides a future scientist through an experiment with mushrooms.

BRANDON HALL '02 and his wife, Nellie, enjoyed the Winter Carnival with their children, Charlotte and Teddy.
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
of Biology Rachel (Garbitt) Hirst ’96 spoke with alumni and families about her current research and conducted science experiments.

KERRY (FOLEY) PAYSON ’92
and her son, Mark ’18, attended an informative session for legacy families about networking hosted by Director of Career Services Christina Burney.

ALUMNI enjoyed the beer-tasting event that featured three local brewers, including Brewmaster Jack, which is owned by Tyler Guilmette ’09.

ASSOCIATE REGISTRAR
Nancy Krushas ’92 and Susan Jezierski ’87 both spoke at the Evening Division plaque dedication.

Evening Division Honored
NEARLY 2,000 STUDENTS graduated from the Evening Division Program, and, with the dedication of a commemorative plaque on Alumni Day, the College honored their achievements as students and alumni.

In his remarks, President John Denning, C.S.C., who blessed the plaque, said, "It is our hope that this plaque will serve as a reminder to all in the Stonehill community that we are a place of learning, and we look to instill in our students the traits that our Evening Division students have exemplified in their pursuit of learning."

Many Evening Division alumni attended the unveiling and blessing of the plaque, which is on display in the lobby of Alumni Hall.

ATTENDEES at the SURE anniversary reception took a break from catching up to pose for a group photo in Donahue Hall.

ASHLYNNE HORTON ’16 spoke at the Pillar Society Luncheon about her experiences at Stonehill and thanked attendees for supporting student scholarships.

SEVERAL faculty members attended the SURE event, including Professor of Religious Studies John Lanci, who caught up with former students.
Patrick Callaghan ’72
Named Outstanding Alumnus

IN 2012, when Patrick Callaghan ’72 retired as president of Pepperidge Farm, he left a company that ranked in the top two percent of brands worldwide in brand equity. Later that year, in recognition of his innovative leadership, Pepperidge Farm honored him by naming a new $30 million, 34,000-square-foot complex in Norwalk, Conn., the Patrick J. Callaghan Innovation Center.

On Sept. 26, in appreciation for the honor that his business and leadership accomplishments have brought to Stonehill, the Alumni Association bestowed upon him the Outstanding Alumnus Award.

At the award ceremony, Alumni Council President Christine Ferretti ’92 noted that Callaghan is just the 35th graduate to receive the award, “which acknowledges our most prestigious and acclaimed alumni.”

President John Denning, C.S.C., presented the award citation to Callaghan, which read in part, “You have dedicated your professional life to innovation and excellence in business, reaching an extraordinary level of professional accomplishment as president of Pepperidge Farm. Indeed, you credit an undergraduate marketing class with sparking your intellectual interest in creating new products.”

After graduating from Stonehill, Callaghan earned an M.B.A. from Suffolk University and then worked for Nabisco before beginning a 30-year career at Pepperidge Farm. He was joined at the award ceremony by family, including his wife, Gretchen (Powers) ’72, and Alumni Council volunteers.

Events Roundup


During the retreat, he shared thoughts and stories about Catholicism and religion in movies and entertainment. Attendees enjoyed breakfast, quiet time for reflection, an opportunity for confession and a chance to share with each other.

A Boston Business Breakfast was held on Oct. 29 and featured John Drew ’65 as the keynote speaker. Drew, a member of the Board of Trustees, founded The Drew Company in 1982 and led much of the development of Boston's Seaport District, including the 2.5 million square foot Seaport Hotel and World Trade Center Boston.

Forty alumni attended the networking event and listened to Drew offer his thoughts on current developments in the city, as well as his predictions for future growth.

Stonehill President John Denning, C.S.C., also addressed the crowd and encouraged attendees to consider offering possible internship or job opportunities to Stonehill students. Fr. Denning noted the vibrancy of Stonehill’s alumni network in Boston, and he thanked Drew and the other alumni for their support of Stonehill over the years.

Visit stonehillalumni.org for information about upcoming alumni events.
First Alumnus Named Bishop

WHEN POPE FRANCIS appointed Rev. Arthur Colgan, C.S.C.'68 as auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Chosica in Lima, Peru, in October, he became the first alumnus to be named a bishop in the Catholic Church.

A former trustee and Outstanding Alumnus Award recipient, Bishop Colgan has spent most of his religious life serving Peru's displaced and underserved. For 26 years, he has been based in Canto Grande, an empty valley on the outskirts of Lima in the early 1970s, which today is an economically marginalized neighborhood of more than 800,000 people.

Grass Roots Outreach
Calm and understated, Bishop Colgan is not one for the trappings of ecclesiastical office. He has taken the extra load of senior administrative work in stride while continuing to go out into the neighborhoods to celebrate Mass and confirmations.

Bishop Colgan served the Peruvian bishops for many years as a theological advisor on issues of peace, violence and social justice. In his ministry, he remains grounded in a grassroots pastoral approach. He is also active in supporting priests and deacons in their roles and committed to giving witness to social justice for those who live, work and worship in the diocese.

The sheer size of Canto Grande, Bishop Colgan notes, continues to be a challenge. “There are just not enough hours nor hands to do what needs to be done and what could be done in the areas of health care, education and pastoral service. This is especially true of our outreach to the newer arrivals who live in the harder to reach areas of the valley,” he explains.

Therefore, working with Bishop Norbert Klemens Strotmann, a Stonehill honorary degree recipient in 2010, Bishop Colgan is focused on preparing laity and clergy to have more input into pastoral needs and priorities, helping parishioners develop a greater sense of ownership in the local church and reaching out to those who are distant from the church.

Faith and Commitment
“In our work, the Holy Cross community has put a significant emphasis on training and empowering laypeople, both as pastoral ministers in the church and as agents of change in society,” says Bishop Colgan. “We are blessed with many great laypeople in the parish, who work side by side with us. Their faith and commitment is inspiring.”
1958 Richard Flavin, the poet laureate for the Boston Red Sox, authored a book titled Red Sox Rhymes: Verses and Curses, a collection of 46 humorous and nostalgic poems celebrating the Red Sox.

1960 William Devin received the College's Genesis Award, which is given in recognition of talent and creativity in service to Stonehill. Devin stepped down from the College's Board of Trustees in the fall, after more than three decades of service.


1965 John Drew, the recipient of the Boston Business Journal's Visionary Award, was the featured speaker at a business breakfast hosted by the Alumni Office in the fall. Drew, a member of the College's Board of Trustees, is the founder and president of The Drew Company, a Boston-based real estate management and development firm.

1968 Diane (Cudd) Capodilupo is the owner of Re/Max Achievers in West Roxbury. It is the top ranked office in Boston for single family home sales.

1971 Rev. James Preskenis, C.S.C., was appointed parochial vicar of St. Rita Parish in Dade City, Fla.

1972 Patrick Callaghan, the retired president of Pepperidge Farm, was inducted into the American Society of Baking's Hall of Fame. Mary (Servatius) O'Connell retired after 30 years at the Bridgewater Public Library. She currently works part time at Bridgewater State University's Maxwell Library. Timothy Sullivan authored Air Pollutant Deposition and Its Effects on Natural Resources in New York State. Sullivan is the cofounder and president of E&S Environmental Chemistry, Inc.

1973 Alyce (Roland) Chambers is the vice president of West Side Benevolent Circle, which provides assistance for families in Mansfield through volunteer work.

1974 Rita (Pink) Kucsan is the director of organizational quality and compliance for Horizon House Inc., which assists adults with psychiatric or developmental disabilities, drug and alcohol addictions and/or homelessness, in Easthampton, N.J.

Innovating Ideas

When Margaret (Hiscock) Marie '78 graduated from Stonehill, "the most amazing technology was the electric typewriter," she recalls. But years later, the former psychiatric social worker became part of a team that developed an iPad application, InstaAid, which won the Best Practices Caregivers Award at the 2015 AT&T and N.Y.U. Connect Ability Challenge in New York City in July.

Marie is a resident of The Boston Home (TBH), a facility providing specialized care for adults with multiple sclerosis and other progressive neurological diseases. TBH also serves as a laboratory for a Massachusetts Institute of Technology adaptive technology class, where students develop technology to solve residents' accessibility challenges. "At the end of the semester, the students usually take their projects back to MIT," Marie observes. "I wanted to design something with the students that would stay at TBH and be useful to the residents."

She didn't have to look far. "Our call-light system is antiquated," she explains. "It's attached to the bed, and few of us are in our beds—or even in our rooms—during the day." Marie's idea? An app allowing residents to use their iPads to call the nurses' station. That's exactly what InstaAid does. And because many assisted living communities can benefit from similar solutions, InstaAid has great potential beyond TBH, Marie notes. It's now available online at the Apple App Store.

In October, TBH honored Marie with its 2015 Compassionate Care Award. "I was touched because this was the first time a resident received the award," says Marie. And, she concludes, InstaAid may not be her last innovation: "I always have ideas bubbling."
1975 Mary Baptiste had her book, *Altitude Adjustment: A Quest for Love, Home, and Meaning in the Tetons*, named the Foreword Reviews' INDIEFAB Book of the Year in the autobiographical and memoir category. ♦ Leo Meehan, a member of Stonehill's Board of Trustees, was inducted into the College's Athletic Hall of Fame in the fall as a member of the football team.

1976 Robert Bonfiglio was recognized as one of the ACPA Educational Leadership Foundation's 2016 diamond honorees for his outstanding and sustained contributions to higher education and to the student affairs profession. Bonfiglio has served as vice president for student and campus life at the State University of New York at Geneseo since 1999.

1977 Robert Mattaliano is the founder of Dragonfly BioPharm, which provides boutique consultancy services to the biopharmaceutical industry, with an emphasis on portfolio development, clinical candidate selection, process development and transfer, and product registration. He gave a presentation titled Trying to Fool Biology to biology students at Stonehill in the fall.

1979 Douglas McIntyre spent four nights moderating and facilitating performances by Monty Python legend John Cleese as part of the Distinguished Speaker Series of Southern California in the fall. McIntyre is a radio host on KABC in Los Angeles and WABC in New York.

1980 James Carrick is the CEO of LPA Software Solutions, a business analytics solution provider, in Rochester, N.Y. ♦ Thomas MacDonald Jr. had his latest crime novel, *The Revenge of Liam McGrew*, which continues his Dermot Sparhawk series, published in December.

1981 Linda Harrison is the director of private care and wellness at Community Nurse Home Care in Fairhaven. ♦ Timothy Lawlor is the 2016 recipient of the Carol and Stephen Hebert Award, which recognizes distinguished service to the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) District I and is presented to a member who has exhibited an extraordinary devotion of time and energy to District I affairs. ♦ John McDonough, CEO of T2 Biosystems in Lexington, received the Prix Galien USA 2015 Award for best medical technology product on behalf of the company. T2's Candida Panel is the first sepsis pathogen diagnostic that provides species-specific results in three to five hours without the need for blood culture, which can take up to six days to provide a result. The Prix Galien Award recognizes the technical, scientific and clinical research skills necessary to develop innovative medicines and devices. ♦ Deborah McNabb, a registered nurse, has founded Your Health Your Happy, a health coaching and nutrition consultation service. ♦ Patrick Murphy is CEO of Planet Headset, an online communication accessory outlet.

1983 Bonnie (Flynn) Lombardi, a realtor with Bushari Group Real Estate, placed fourth among all real estate agents in Boston for the month of September.

1984 Carlene Casciano-McCann is the executive director of the St. Mary's Home for Children, which opened the Hope House for victims of trauma, in North Providence, R.I.
Honors in Accounting

The National Academy of Public Accounting Professionals (NAPAP) named not one, but two Stonehill graduates to the 2015 Top 10 Public Accounting Professionals for Rhode Island list. Jacqueline H. Tracy ’88 (left), a partner at Mandel & Tracy, LLC, and Michelle Spriggs ’93 (right), a managing director and shareholder at CBIZ Togas, who both work in Providence, are among "the small number of professionals who are good enough to make the list," according to NAPAP. The honor acknowledges their knowledge, skill, experience, expertise and success in the accounting field.

Tracy and Spriggs began working in public accounting after graduating from Stonehill. Tracy specializes in individual taxation, while Spriggs focuses on serving higher education and not-for-profit clients.

To land a spot on the top 10 list, accountants must be nominated by industry peers or clients. A NAPAP research committee then evaluates each nominee's credentials, including education, certification, publications and leadership.

Reflecting on their nominations, Tracy says that her clients appreciate her professionalism as she helps them with their income taxes, and Spriggs credits her dedication and hard work in helping her clients be successful. Both are involved in professional organizations and with their local communities.

Another element of their success is that the two alumni enjoy their profession. For Tracy, the opportunities and people are what she likes best. Spriggs finds the variety of clients rewarding as well as the challenges of the changes in regulations and helping clients navigate them.

While people might most closely associate accounting with numbers, it is very much about people, Tracy says, "I have learned not just about taxes, but also about presenting seminars, building processes, working with other people and being a good professional." Spriggs notes, "The relationships I have built with my clients and others in the industry are both rewarding and educational; each day brings something new and exciting to discover."

1986 Galen Robbins is the managing director, head of global commercial banking and business banking treasury sales at Bank of America in New York, N.Y.


1989 Anthony Cashman is managing partner of a new public affairs agency, Octagon Strategy Group, launched by his company, Cashman + Katz Integrated Communications, where he serves as president and CEO.

1991 Rev. Billie Mae (Dickinson) Gordon, a retired Episcopal priest, is a ballroom dancer and competes in shows throughout the country.

1992 Timothy Higgins is the director of business development for EMCOR-Forest Electric in Edison, N.J. Thomas Graham Jr. was inducted into the Abington High School Athletic Hall of Fame. Graham served as the school's head football and baseball coach, leading the baseball team to over 300 victories. In 2006, the school named its baseball field in his honor. Scott Spencer was named the 2015 Union County Public Schools principal of the year in North Carolina. The principal at Shiloh Elementary School in Monroe, N.C., he has been an educator for 22 years.

1993 Robert Simpson, along with his wife, Linda, were presented with the Path to Peace Foundation's Servitor Pacis Award in recognition of their health care outreach in Ecuador and other places around the world through their charity, Project Perfect World.

1994 Brooke Parker Higgins had her first book, Where Will Your Next Road Take You?, published in August. The book combines photos of and reflections on the different roads she has taken in life and what they mean.

1995 Michelle (Doonan) Marinucci is the new girls' basketball coach for the Scituate fourth grade travel team. Marinucci has worked the last 16 years at Merrill Lynch, where she is a registered senior client associate.

Scott McFarland was promoted to the rank of colonel in the U.S. Army and was also appointed a secretary of defense corporate fellow at Shell Oil Company in Houston, Texas.

1996 Heather Abbott was the keynote speaker at the 2016 Women's Summit at Bryant University in Smithfield, R.I. Abbott, a Boston Marathon bombing survivor, is a certified
peer counselor for the American Amputee Coalition and founder of the Heather Abbott Foundation, which helps to provide customized prostheses to amputees. Thomas Ryan was named the vice principal of mission and integration and head of Catholic Memorial Middle School in West Roxbury.

1997 Kevin Minoli, the principal deputy general counsel of the EPA in Washington, D.C., gave a presentation to Stonehill students in the fall titled Climate Justice and Current Issues at the EPA. Richard Musiol Jr. was appointed to the board at Community Servings, a nonprofit food and nutrition program providing services throughout Massachusetts to individuals and families living with critical and chronic illnesses. Musiol is the senior vice president and regional director of public affairs for Citizens Bank. Ryan Powers was appointed the assistant superintendent for the Bridgewater-Raynham school district. He previously served as the principal at the Mary E. Baker Elementary School in Brockton.

1998 Melissa (Gnatek) Beauchemin was named a senior scientist at Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, which provides engineering and scientific solutions for water, environmental, energy and innovative projects to government agencies and private utilities, industry and business, federal programs and transportation clients. Marie Forrest was inducted into the Massasoit Community College Athletic Hall of Fame after serving as the assistant to the athletic director for over 30 years. During her tenure at Massasoit, Forrest assisted in running one of the most successful junior college athletic departments in New England. Forrest retired in 2012.

1999 Jacqueline (Collins) Prester was the recipient of a Leavey Award from the Freedoms Foundation in Philadelphia, Pa. The award recognizes excellence in free enterprise education. Prester's winning project, titled Mansfield Entrepreneurs Give Back, was presented at the National Council for Social Studies Conference in New Orleans, La.

2000 Julie (Stockwell) Letourneau was inducted into the Stonehill Athletic Hall of Fame as a member of the women's basketball team.

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2001 Jonathan Butler was promoted to partner at DiCicco Gulman & Company, a CPA and business advisory firm in Woburn.

2002 Craig Berriault received a Mass Insight Education Partners Excellence Award, which recognizes the work of Massachusetts AP teachers each year. Berriault, who has been ways to entertain her;” recalls Hartweg, who majored in education. “I thought then, that someday I would open a children’s museum.”

After graduating from Stonehill, Hartweg went on to teach elementary school, but the idea of opening a children’s museum kept knocking around in her head. “When my first son was born, we struggled to find programs and resources to allow us to play and connect with other mothers,” recalls Hartweg, who now has three sons, ages 13, 10 and 7. So she decided the time was right to turn her college concept into a reality.

In 2009, she launched the Hanson Children’s Museum as a traveling collection based out of a rented warehouse space. “We created traveling exhibits for local libraries and schools. It was a very nontraditional approach, because usually you open a museum space and then send exhibits out,” says Hartweg, who relied on a cadre of volunteers to help build and transport the exhibits.

The museum’s focus is American history. “In our Native American exhibit, children can touch things like beans and squash and corn. It spurs conversations,” she says. “Our most popular exhibit is the cranberry bog pit, which stimulates interest in history and geography.”

In 2013, the museum opened its first public space, in the Hanover Mall—and changed its name to the South Shore Children’s Museum. Demand has been so high that the museum successively moved to larger locations in the mall in 2014 and 2015.

While the museum is flourishing, memberships and admission do not cover its total costs. Thus, Hartweg is now focused on applying for federal and state funds as well as private grants. “My strengths are in programming, because I draw from my education background,” she says, but she's quickly getting up to speed on how the nonprofit world works. “There's tremendous demand for our museum, so here I am learning business and marketing. We have big dreams, and I know we can make them happen.”
teaching at Wareham High School for a decade, taught his first AP course in environmental studies just last year. His students' test scores put him among the top 10 teachers in his subject area across the state.

Amanda (Collier) Scipione was promoted to vice president, relationship manager in Fidelity's Chicago, Ill., offices, which are focused on registered investment advisory firms. Amy (Bartlett) Webster was inducted into the Stonehill Athletic Hall of Fame as a member of the field hockey and women's lacrosse teams.

2003 Brendan Flemming was inducted into the La Salle Institute Athletic Hall of Fame in Troy, N.Y. Flemming was a member of the golf, hockey and lacrosse teams while at La Salle. Mark Henry was named audit director at KAF, an accounting firm in Braintree. He previously served as a senior audit manager at KAF. Dawn (Manyak) Hirt is a reading specialist for the Newport School District in Newport, Pa. Jessica Labrenz is a contributing editor for SmarterTravel.com in San Diego, Calif.

2004 Thomas Brennan is a professional horse trainer at Winter Hill Farm in Hillsboro, Va. Joshua Trickey is a chief flight instructor for Southern Maine Aviation in Sanford, Maine.

2005 Sherry (D'Angelo) Crosby is a teacher at Coleytown Elementary School in Wesport, Conn.

2006 Micah Christian, the lead singer of the group Sons of Serendip, released a Christmas album titled Beyond the Lights in October.

2007 Lauren (Cincotta) Buckley is a guidance counselor at the Cider Mill School in Wilton, Conn.

2008 Lindsay Briggs was named an English instructor at Sacred Heart School in Kingston. Emily LeDonne earned her doctoral degree in psychology from Pennsylvania State University in University Park, Pa. Specializing in child and adolescent clinical psychology, she is a postdoctoral fellow at The May Institute in Randolph. Christina (Pedranti) Miljevic was promoted to complex account director for catering at Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel, the Aloft Boston Seaport Hotel and the Element Boston Seaport Hotel.

2009 Jason Homer was named the assistant director at the Marlborough Public Library. Kimberly Pepin-Goldrick is a case manager for Coastline Elderly Services at Winter Hill Farm in Hillsboro, Va. After graduating, Devin and I went on our first tour as a duo and booked all of our own shows," says Earley. "It was really a glorified road trip, but we realized this is something we could do for our whole lives."

After developing their sound and adding a cellist, the band has since performed at festivals such as Boston Calling and the Newport Folk Festival and shared the stage with the likes of Dispatch. Earley notes that the group has grown organically, which suits them. Mauch adds, "We try to approach the band as a start-up or small business." This means that they're doing a lot of the behind-the-scenes work themselves, including photography, social media and travel planning.

Coming off a national tour to promote their debut record, A Wolf in the Doorway, the folk-infused rock group is working on writing its next album. Earley and Mauch say listeners can expect more of the same sound, with three-part harmonies and energetic songs. "We're looking forward to continuing to carve our own niche," Earley says.

Even with their success, the band still has time for its Stonehill fans. "Lina Macedo, assistant director of student activities, is one of our biggest champions. Period. She has supported our group as students and continues to do so now," Earley notes. As such, The Thieves will be back on campus in April as part of the Brother Mike's Concert series, which, Mauch says, "always feels like coming home."
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Nicole Alonzo is the academic empowerment manager for the Gates Millennium Scholars Program of the Hispanic Scholarship Fund. Joseph Attanasio developed a digital creative expressions magazine titled Junta Magazine. He works as a production assistant for the American Psychological Association in Washington, D.C. Emily Banas was named a curatorial assistant in the decorative arts and design department at the Rhode Island School of Design Museum in Providence, R.I. Julie Donovan is an events and marketing coordinator for the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center in Boston. Alex (Linder) Flett earned a bachelor's degree in nursing from Curry College in Milton and works as a registered nurse on the medical/surgical floor of St. Joseph's Hospital in Nashua, N.H. Caitlin Ryan earned a master's degree in health administration from Suffolk University. She is the operations coordinator at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Alyssa (Harel) Shelters is a teacher at Middleborough High School.

2012

Michael Lemme started a local version of a monthly variety show he hosted in New York called An Evening with Mike Lemme and Friends at Gallery 263 in Cambridge. Lemme has interned at Late Night with Jimmy Fallon and Conan and written for the comedy club Second City.

2013

Lauren Bombardier was awarded an AbbVie CF Scholarship, which honors young adults with cystic fibrosis as they pursue goals in higher education. Rachael (McRae) Duhamel is a staff accountant for W.B. Mason in Brockton. Taylor May was appointed a police officer for the Sparta Township Police Department in New Jersey. Jessica Milanowski was published in The American University Washington College of Law Business Law Review Journal.

2014

James Breen wrote his first book, Keep It Rollin', about his approach to life challenges. Breen, a wheelchair user living with cerebral palsy, is a motivational speaker. Alexandra and Bretton Keohane were named teachers at Quashnet Elementary School in Mashpee. Samantha Posco is a human resources assistant at VICE Media, a global youth media company based in Los Angeles, Calif.

2015

Brittany Bradford was named a history/social studies instructor at Sacred Heart School in Kingston. Victoria Faieta received the Massachusetts State Lottery Hero Among Us Award at a Boston Celtics game in December. Born deaf and told not to play team sports, Faieta was an All-American while at Stonehill and now plays professionally for the Leicester Riders in the Women's British Basketball League. She also represented the U.S. at the World Deaf Basketball Championships in Taiwan over the summer.

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AT THE ANNUAL Student Leadership Dinner in January, sponsored by W.B. Mason, 158 student leaders gathered in the Martin Institute to network with many of the Stonehill alumni who work for W.B. Mason, including recruiting specialist Jose Paz '15 (pictured). They also heard a lively presentation on the realities and requirements of leadership by the company's President/CEO and College Trustee Leo Meehan '75.

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Class Notes

Weddings

1. Stonehill College

2. Bride and groom with guests

3. Wedding party group photo

4. Stonehill College sign

5. Bride with bridal party holding "Chieftains" sign

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WEDDINGS PICTURED

1. Jacqueline Ladino '10 and Benjamin Irzyk '10, 9/19/15
2. Alyssa Harel '11 and Eric Shelters '10, 7/11/15
3. Jacqueline Paterra '01 and James Strybuc, 1/24/15
4. Julie Rigo '05 and Timothy Vogel '04, 5/24/15
5. Amanda Botelho '04 and Mitchell Robbins '04, 10/2/15
6. Kimberly Pepin '09 and Nathan Goldrich, 10/10/15
7. Kathryn Swenson and Michael Atkinson '12, 6/20/15
8. Katherine McCoy '10 and Benjamin Albert '10, 7/31/15

WEDDINGS

Melissa Peterson '94 to Sebastian Billsborough, 7/20/14
Stephanie Carroll '01 to Ron Altavesta, 2/28/15
Christina Seremetis '03 to James Campbell '04, 6/20/15
Ryan Horn '06 to Claire Robinson, 5/24/15
Siobhan Nally '06 to Michael Brassil, 9/13/14
Katelyn Wood '06 to Sean Brien, 4/4/15
Lauren Eynatian '07 to Scott Reese, 6/6/15
Erin Padden '07 to Peter Stewart '07, 7/25/15
Ryan Delehunt '08 to Callie Tegan, 6/20/15
Ellen Fogarty '08 to Thomas Wall '09, 8/29/15
Jennifer Gardynski '09 to Rex Radloff, 10/31/15
Molly Fogarty '11 to Angelo Bruno '11, 9/19/15
Kasey O'Dea '11 to Kevin Calabro, 8/15/15
Alexander Hardy '11 to Cherie Ahern, 10/24/15
Luke Kalinoski '12 to Kate Speck '12, 8/1/15
Rachael McRae '13 to Mark Duhamel '13, 11/21/15
BABIES

Mark '94 and Angela Barros, Pembroke, son, Matthew, 2/3/15
Kelly (Wojcik) '00 and Joseph Fritschy Jr., Dracut, daughter, Allison, 5/21/14
William '00 and April Harb, Charlestown, daughter, Sophie Emmaline, 4/10/15
Jennifer (Cardile) '02 and Adam Lukowski, Braintree, son, Lane Henry, 4/22/15
Erin (Madden) '02 and Matthew Morano, Winthrop, son, Ryan Matthew, 11/16/15
Dawn (Manya) '03 and Eric Hirt, Duncannon, Pa., son, Colby James, 3/17/15
Sarah Stasak '03 and Paul Frymer, Princeton, N.J., son, David Elliot, 7/4/15
Patrick Eichmann '04 and Meaghan Carey Eichmann '05, San Francisco, Calif., daughter, Claire Emerson, 6/20/15
Melissa (Gray) '05 and Brian Leary, Norton, son, Brandon Gray, 12/18/14
Laura (Ingalls) '05 and Jonathan Muollo, Dracut, son, Tyler James, 10/7/14
Rachel (Radner) '06 and Jacob Hausman, Needham, daughter, Eve Dinah, 5/10/15
Scott '06 and Magdalena Lofgren, Hinesville, Ga., daughter, Emma Ann, 10/8/15
Ashley (Walton) '07 and Chris Carigliano, Stamford, Conn., son, Lucas Paul, 7/18/15
Mallory (Astrella) '07 and David Jones, Walpole, daughter, Shayne Ava, 6/15/15
Jessica (Dillaire) '08 and Zachary Lang, Auburn, son, Isaac C., 7/25/15
Amy (Simmons) '08 and Greg Meagher, Tewksbury, daughter, Keira Barbara, 6/29/15
Jillian (Houle) '09 and Ryan '10 Hess, Springfield, daughter, Lydia Ashelyn, 7/31/15
Andrea (Wirth) '11 and Stanley Minatogawa, Mesa, Ariz., son, Stanley Cal, 8/17/15

BABIES PICTURED

1. Liam Matthew and Hannah Rose, 1/29/15, Meghan (Brimmer) '06 and Matthew '06 Fuller
2. Caroline and Emily, 10/4/15, Samantha (April) '11 and Daniel '12 Ellis
3. Vivian Elizabeth, 10/16/15, Elizabeth (Smith) '03 and Justin Scheets '03
4. Avery Claire, 1/31/15, Allyson (Murphy) '07 and Adam Kusser
5. Teagan Rose, 8/16/15, Kimberly (Foley) '06 and Daniel '06 Wheeler
6. Emilia Grace, 3/26/15, Wendy (Pray) '07 and Brian D'Angelo

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Upcoming Events

MAY
5 Alumni Faculty Lecture: Abraham’s Dice Luncheon
12 Boston Business Breakfast
22 Commencement

JUNE
3-5 Reunion 2016
18 Stonehill Alumni Night at the Boston Pops
21 New York City Spring Reception
25 Stonehill Alumni Day at Newport Polo

AUGUST
TBA Back to School Backpack Project
27 Welcome Day—Class of 2020

SAM Online! Don’t forget that you can visit stonehill.edu/alumni-magazine to read all of your favorite articles as well as extended interviews, view additional photos and browse through the magazine archive. Also, send us your input, feedback and story ideas via the comments section. We love to hear from our readers!

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Notepad

The Monthly Mass of Alumni Intentions is celebrated by Alumni Chaplain Anthony Szakaly, C.S.C., on the third Thursday of each month at 8 a.m. in Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel in Donhaue Hall. All are welcome to attend.

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OBITUARIES

Robert Kelleher '53 of East Falmouth died Oct. 15. He is survived by his nine children, 15 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

David Galvin '59 of Hingham died on Nov. 20. He is survived by his wife, Claire, three children, four grandchildren and four siblings, including Jane '65 and John '66.

Thomas Connolly '61 of Plymouth died Dec. 24. He is survived by two sons, four grandchildren and a brother.

Geraldine Cahill '62 of Corona del Mar, Calif., died Jan. 30. She is survived by her husband, Gail, three children, nine grandchildren, a sister, and cousins William McAndrew '70 and Janet Callahan-Morton '86.

Stephen Childs '63 of Bridgewater died Jan. 4. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn, six children, including Robert '92, three sisters, including Phyllis (Childs) Cloutier '72 and Virginia (Childs) Boren '64, and 10 grandchildren.

Helen Hill '63 of Dennisport died Jan. 30. She is survived by a brother.

Gina (Centrella) Adams '64 of Plymouth died Oct. 21. She is survived by her husband, John, four children, two siblings and nine grandchildren.

Edward White '64 of Harvard died Oct. 24. He is survived by his wife, Virginia, and a brother, Robert '66.

Gerard Trepanier Jr. '65 of Halifax died Jan. 1. He is survived by a sister.

Carl Hohmann '66 of Brockton died Jan. 26. He is survived by his wife, Linda, two children, three grandchildren and three siblings.

Dennis Deegan '67 of Sunapee, N.H., died Nov. 12. He is survived by his wife, Marion, a brother, four children and six grandchildren.

Normand Fisette '67 of Colorado Springs, Colo., died Aug. 31. He is survived by his wife, Katherine, two daughters, two granddaughters and three siblings.

Rev. Bartholomew Salter, C.S.C. '67 of Ventura, Calif., died Sept. 28. He is survived by three siblings.

Richard Coburn Jr. '68 of West Dennis died Sept. 15. He is survived by his wife, Mary (Fratusz) '59, three children, a sister, six grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Paula (Reed) Rogers '68 of Milford, Conn., died Oct. 29. She is survived by her husband, Joseph '68, a son, and two grandchildren, as well as her cousin Clare Gates '90.

Robert Tilley '68 of York, Maine, died June 21. He is survived by his wife, Donna, two children, two siblings, and five grandchildren, as well as a cousin, Myles '81.

John Kelly '69 of Clearwater, Fla., died Sept. 25. He is survived by his former wife, Jean (Levesque) '68, three children and a brother.

Denise (Perry) Murphy '70 of West Palm Beach, Fla., died August 8. She is survived by her husband, Joseph, three children, eight grandchildren and four siblings.

J. Michael Janelli '71 of Brockton died Nov. 11. He is survived by his wife, Barbara (Sullivan) '72, two sons, two grandchildren and two sisters.

Marcia (Negro) Dresser '72 of Reading died Sept. 26. She is survived by her husband, Stephen, and a brother.

Paul Sgarzi '73 of Plymouth died Oct. 28. He is survived by an aunt and many cousins.

Rev. William Fillbrown '75 of Plymouth died Nov. 4. He is survived by his wife, Deborah, four sons and seven grandchildren.

Gary Anderson '76 of Plymouth died Feb. 3. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen (Richmond) '79, his mother, three sisters and a brother.

William McCarthy '80 of New Bedford died Nov. 21. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, two children and two grandchildren.

Robert Duffy '83 of Marshfield died Feb. 7. He is survived by his wife, Patricia '88, two children, a grandson and niece, Anna (Devereaux) McAllister '86.

Mary Bonner '90 of North Easton died Feb. 12. She is survived by six children, a brother, 14 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and a son-in-law, Brian Hoffman '77.

Danielle (Coleman) DeVincenzo '02 of Waltham died Oct. 20. She is survived by her husband, Raymond, and their children, a brother and a grandmother, as well as a cousin Matthew Waddick '86.

Maynard Hinden '02 of Brockton died Jan. 14. He is survived by two daughters, four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren.

Judith (Dutson) Turley '02 of Foxboro died Jan. 18. She is survived by two daughters, two grandchildren and three siblings.

Stacey Tanner '06 of Warwich, R.I., died Jan. 31. She is survived by her parents, a sister and a grandfather.

A successful Boston trial lawyer and lobbyist, David Finnegan '64, who died in October, also had professional success as a radio and television talk show host and as president of the Boston School Committee.

No matter how busy he was, Finnegan found time to support the College, and his leadership helped Stonehill to grow in academic reputation and financial strength.

A longtime trustee, he became the first alumnus to chair the Board, and was an honorary chair for the Securing the Vision campaign.

A fine public speaker and capable cruiser, he was often called on to speak at College events, and, inevitably, he did so with grace and humor. Like many students from his era, he was a day-hopper, commuting from Dorchester to attend class. He always spoke proudly of the opportunities his Stonehill education gave him. The esteem in which his peers held him is evident in the following honors: the Outstanding Alumnus Award in 1982, the President's Award for Excellence in 1987 and an honorary doctorate in 2007.

He is survived by his wife, Ellen, four children, four grandchildren and six siblings.

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The Last Boxer

By Richard Gallery '55

IN 1948, the first class, of a little more than 130 men, was established. I joined in 1951. There was a Rifle and Pistol Club in Easton, where many men from Stonehill exercised. In fact, in the early yearbooks, under their pictures, they are identified as members of the club. This facility also had a boxing ring and that, in my mind, is how boxing began at Stonehill.

A ring, borrowed from the club, was set up in the indoor tennis facility (which served as the gym) on campus—now Alumni Hall—for boxing tournaments. After the fights, the members returned the ring to the Rifle and Pistol Club.

The fights were Stonehill against any other college that dared to challenge us. We won many more than we lost. The winner of each intramural weight class would be the College's representative in the intercollegiate tournament.

The gym was always full for these events, because boxing had become a huge attraction. Rocky Marciano of Brockton, the world’s only undefeated heavyweight boxing champion, refereed the first years of our tournaments.

We had an advantage over other schools because we had some older, experienced fighters, but many were kids like me who learned from our fellow upper classmates. I myself will always be thankful to Brother Joseph Faul, C.S.C. for teaching me how to box and defend myself. In sparring with him, he was so fast that I could never connect. He would always say, “Keep your hands open and save your energy for defense.”

President Francis Boland, C.S.C., was a silent supporter of the event. I know because, on more than one occasion, I met with him in his office in the “Big House” (Donahue Hall) to discuss whether we boxers were prepared. He also confessed that he was concerned, because the College didn’t have insurance, if someone got hurt in the ring.

Professor James Cleary was the boxing coordinator. Joseph Cheney was the athletic director and bell ringer. Timothy Cremin ’53 was in charge of the boxing committee for his four years.

At one time in 1954, Tommy Collins, a professional lightweight boxer, trained on campus, but after a month Fr. Boland stopped it. He thought that too many shady characters were walking around campus. He was right.

In 1955 the last fight was fought. I know because I fought that last heavyweight fight. The next year, Fr. Boland stepped down, and the new president, Fr. James Sheehan, C.S.C., stopped the boxing tournaments for good.

We former student boxers are in our 80s now, some deceased but hopefully not forgotten. Through our efforts, we helped spread the name of this new college. We won more fights than we lost against established schools, causing people to say, “Where is Stonehill College?”

According to Fulfilling a Dream, Stonehill College 1948-1998 by Richard Gribble, C.S.C., boxing officially came to Stonehill in 1950. An annual boxing exhibition followed for several years after, until it ended in 1956 due to “inadequate facilities.”

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Brainiacs Assistant Professor of Biology Nicole Cyr explains the human brain to alumni families at the Science Open Lab, a new event at this year's Alumni Day. Pictured here are Ella Hirst (in pink), daughter of Assistant Professor of Biology Rachel (Garbitt) Hirst '98, and her friend, Lily Rogers. Turn to page 26 to see more.