

# ALUMNI CORNER

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Class Notes



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### ► 1950s

**Sister Laurette Bellamy, S.P., M.M. 1955**, celebrated her 70-year jubilee as a member of the Sisters of Providence. A native of Chicago, she entered the congregation on Feb. 2, 1948, and professed final vows on Aug. 15, 1955. She ministers as a volunteer at Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish in Greenwood, Ind.

### ► 1960s

**Raymond Murphy, B.A. 1965**, of St. Petersburg, Fla., has published his second book, *Irish Official Mail 1922–1983* (Eire Philatelic Association, 2018), a study of Irish envelopes and the overprints to the British envelopes, as well as the cancellations and other markings.

### ► 1970s

**Rev. John J. Shea, O.S.A., M.A. 1970**, published a new book, *Adulthood, Morality, and the Fully Human: A Mosaic of Peace* (Lexington Books, May 7, 2018) describing an adult, moral, and fully human self in terms of integrity and mutuality.

**Eugene Welch, J.D. 1970**, received recognition in the form of a proclamation from the town of Greece, N.Y., for his 14 years of service as a trustee at Greece Public Library. Welch oversaw improvements to the library's buildings and its services, including digital technology, e-readers, and the Creation Station.

**Patricia Fogarty, B.A. 1971, J.D. 1974**, has been elected to a three-year term on the board of trustees for Catholic Charities of Buffalo. An Allegany County assistant public defender and a longtime county resident, she has a long history of civic activity and service on the boards of Allegany County United Way and Southern Tier Traveling Teachers.

**Carol Maillard, B.A. 1973**, one of the founding members of the African American female a cappella group Sweet Honey in the Rock, joined the ensemble as artists-in-residence at the University of Chicago in November. The ensemble won a Grammy Award for Best Traditional Folk Album in 1989 for their version of Lead Belly's "Grey Goose" from the compilation album *Folkways: A Vision Shared*. Their vocals also appeared in a number of animated counting cartoons on *Sesame Street*.

### ► 1980s

**Steve Finney, B.A. 1980**, has been appointed as chief financial officer of Incipio Group, Irvine, Calif. He has more than 30 years of experience and an extensive background in the areas of financial planning, retail operations, management, and global strategy.

**Courtney Clark Pastrick, J.D. 1980**, has been appointed to the board of trustees of the Academy Art Museum in Easton, Md. She has led her family's philanthropic giving as president of the A. James & Alice B. Clark Foundation and now as chairman of the board. She is

## UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

### May 8: Senators Club

The Senators Club, an alumni networking and philanthropic group, will hold its annual luncheon on May 8. The Club, founded in 1923 with 38 original members from what was then the School of Engineering and Architecture, has expanded over the years to welcome alumni from all schools within the University. The group is now 300 members strong and sponsors the Senators Club Alumni Scholarship, which provides financial assistance to full-time, undergraduate students seeking a degree in the schools of architecture and planning, arts and sciences, or engineering.

The May 8 luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m., followed by a tour of the recently renovated Maloney Hall (see story, page 24), the new home of the Busch School of Business. All alumni are welcome. For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at [cua-alumni@cua.edu](mailto:cua-alumni@cua.edu) or 202-319-5608.

### May 10–11: Class of 1959 Reunion

Members of the Class of 1959 will return to campus on May 10–11 to celebrate their 60th reunion. Jerry Carbone, B.C.E. 1960, and a member of the reunion planning committee, said the reunion will also help support a scholarship, established in the late 1980s, that the class funds.

"I believe that the most outstanding trait that we took away from Catholic University was charity," he said. "The scholarship fund stands as a testament to that trait."

Planned activities include a social on Friday night, campus and city tours, a memorial Mass for deceased class members on Saturday, and a semi-formal dinner featuring music from the 1960s. For more information about the Class of 1959 reunion, visit [engage.catholic.edu](http://engage.catholic.edu).

### November 2019: Cardinal Days of Service

Wondering about Cardinal Days of Service? Usually held in April, these alumni service events will now be held in November. Look for more information in upcoming issues and continue to visit [engage.catholic.edu](http://engage.catholic.edu) to see all alumni events.



## President's Receptions

University President John Garvey has continued visiting Cardinal alumni across the country this academic year. Since October, he has visited Fairfield, Conn.; Atlanta, Ga; Dallas, Texas; and Naples, Fla; with additional trips to come. During the receptions, President Garvey offered updates to alumni on new academic programs, increased numbers of scholarships offered, and various campus projects and plans for the future. Some of these receptions have been held in conjunction with panel discussions on the current sexual abuse crisis (see page 10).

Hosts of these events include Board of Trustees (BOT) Member James Moye and his wife, Jeanne; BOT Member Frank Hanna and his wife, Sally; Michelle Staubach Grimes, B.A. 1990, J.D. 1994, and her husband, John Grimes; and BOT Chair Joe Carlini, B.M.E. 1984.



active in the Washington, D.C.-area community where she has served in leadership roles with several local nonprofit organizations. Pastrick currently serves on the board of trustees for Vanderbilt University and DC-CAP, a college access program for public and charter school students. She also serves on the board of Clark Enterprises, the private investment firm founded by her father in 1972.

**Margaret Peterson, M.S.N. 1980**, is the new board chair for Hospital Association of Southern California. She serves as president of Dignity Health's California Hospital Medical Center, a 318-bed acute care hospital located in downtown Los Angeles and one of the busiest private trauma centers in the county.

**Naomi Earp, J.D. 1982**, has been selected by U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue to serve as deputy assistant secretary for civil rights at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**A.J. Pietrantone, B.A. 1982**, joined Jacob's Pillow as deputy director. Jacob's Pillow, located in the Berkshires of Western Massachusetts, is a National Historic Landmark and National Medal of the Arts recipient, home to America's longest-running dance festival, and has recently expanded to become a year-round center for dance research and development.

**Maria Isabel "Mary" Hoelle, J.D. 1983**, is co-founder and partner in a newly formed firm, Lombana Hoelle Trial Law in Coral Gables, Fla. Her practice focuses on commercial

litigation, cross-border issues, and defense of high-exposure tort claims.

**Elie Saad, M.S.E. 1983, Ph.D. 1988**, was named president and CEO of Kopp Glass, Inc. Before joining Kopp, his most recent position was head of corporate development at LANXESS Corporation, where he served in leadership roles since the company's formation in 2005. He is an active member of the Pittsburgh community, serving as a board member for the Pittsburgh Botanic Garden.

**Sister Maureen Kelleher, R.S.H.M., J.D. 1984**, received the Mother Butler Leadership Award at the Marymount College Alumni Association Founder's Day celebration on Fordham University's Rose Hill campus. Sister Kelleher, an immigration attorney, has been on the front lines of immigration issues and asylum requests for more than 30 years. She works with clients at Legal Aid Services of Collier County in Immokalee, Fla., where she supports impoverished migrant farmworkers.

**Terri Ryan, B.A. 1984**, was appointed vice president of brand operations for Cambria Hotel at Choice Hotels International in Rockville, Md. In this role, she will lead compliance, design, and operations teams focused on developing sustainable programs that drive guest loyalty.

**Wayne R. Walker, J.D. 1984**, was appointed to the board of directors of Wrap Technologies, Inc., an innovator of modern policing solutions. He will chair both the

compensation committee and the nominations and governance committee of the board. He founded Walker Nell Partners, Inc., a financial advisory firm, in 2013, and continues to serve as its managing partner.

**Evelyn Rodriguez Devine, B.A. 1985**, in March 2018 after 30 years of practice, announced the opening of her own law firm, Devine Timoney Law Group in Plymouth Meeting, Pa., with offices in Philadelphia. The firm is dedicated to the employment of women and other minority groups and is a minority-certified law firm. She is also on the executive board of ACLAMO, a nonprofit organization committed to the support of Latino families in Montgomery County, Pa.

**Joseph Logue, B.E.E. 1987**, of Oakton, Va., was appointed to the board of directors at Novetta, a leader in advanced analytics technology. He brings more than two decades of experience supporting defense and intelligence customers, as well as providing cyber, information technology, engineering, and transformation services to the international commercial business market.

**Denise Seastone Kraft, J.D. 1988**, of Media, Pa., has been appointed to the Franklin Mint Federal Credit Union board of directors. She is presently a partner at DLA Piper LLP in Wilmington, Del., having joined the firm in 2011. She serves on the boards of Jobs for Delaware Graduates and Bar Examiners of the Delaware Supreme Court.

**Kerry Ahearn, M.S.W. 1989**, has been named CEO of Aldea



## Four Questions with Mitch Landrieu

Mitch Landrieu, B.A. 1982, former mayor of New Orleans, gained national attention in 2017 when he fought for the removal of four city monuments that celebrated the Confederacy. Following the success of his speech explaining the removal — which was widely shared in the national press — Landrieu published *In the Shadow of Statues: A White Southerner Confronts History*, a book *Time Magazine* praised as one of the best memoirs of 2018.

Landrieu shared his thoughts on faith, race, and politics in November as part of the "History Matters" lecture series at an event cosponsored by the Department of History and the Office of Alumni Relations. Prior to that event, Landrieu sat down with *CatholicU* magazine to answer questions about his faith, the current political climate, and his time at Catholic University.

### Looking back on your time at Catholic University, do you have any specific memories that stand out?

So many memories! I loved my time here. Catholic U just filled a really wonderful niche for me, because I wanted to study theater, and I was interested in political science. I started out in Flather Hall, where I lived for two years, then I lived in Spalding for a year, and I was an R.A. in Gibbons my senior year, primarily because they had single rooms. While I was here, I did theater, I played tennis, I was involved with student government, and I just had a spectacular time. I was here when Pope John Paul II visited in 1979 and I remember it very fondly.

### How do you think your faith has shaped your political beliefs?

It's had everything to do with my politics, in a lot of ways. I'm from a big family so I grew up with the idea that everybody puts in, everybody takes out, and everybody looks out for somebody else. My mom and dad talked about service all the time and helping other people. Although there are many, many ways to serve, one of the ways is through government, and that's how I've decided to do it.

### What do you think can be done to heal the political divisions within our country?

This country has had lots of divisions for many years. I have seen that when people are angry or they're hungry and they're made to be afraid of other people, that human beings will do terrible things. From a leadership perspective, though, you can drive the wedge through that division and make it wider or you can try to find common ground. I chose the entire time I was in politics to try to find common ground, which meant seeking out people who were different from me and working through issues with them to see whether or not we could actually solve a problem. It's a simple notion, but a hard thing to do.

### What advice would you give to today's students who are trying to make positive change in the world?

Stay engaged and stay aware. You have to fight for what you think is important because nobody is going to give you what you want for free. More easily said, freedom is not free and you have to battle for it every day. — K.B.



Children & Family Services, a Napa-based nonprofit that provides mental health services to communities in Napa and Solano counties, Calif. Ahearn, whose social services career spans 20 years, most recently served as director of children and family services at San Mateo County Human Services.

**Chris Concannon, B.A. 1989, J.D. 1994**, in January was appointed president and chief operating officer of MarketAxess Holdings, Inc., the operator of a leading electronic trading platform for fixed-income securities and the provider of market data and post-trade services for the global fixed-income markets.

**Patrick Joseph Devine, J.D. 1989**, was appointed by Governor Larry Hogan (R-Md.) to the Charles County Circuit Court.

**Kelly Weldon, B.A. 1989**, of Wilton, Conn., was hired as the assistant to the chairperson for Foundations in Faith for the Diocese of Bridgeport. Foundations in Faith is a nonprofit created to assist the diocese's ongoing mission to support, transform, and enhance its varied pastoral ministries.

## ► 1990s

**Christopher Hyslop, B.A. 1991**, wrote a new book, *Lakeways* (Blurb, November 2018), a collection of stories about growing up on Swan Lake in central Minnesota. The book covers all the vital topics: chiggers, swimming lessons, lawn care, docks, and many more.

**Sharon A. Davison, M.A. 1992, Ph.D. 1998**, has written *You Go Girl: Start. Build. Sell* (BookBaby, January 2019), on how to turn the vision of a successful business into reality — with just the right attitude, approach, and skills.

**Sean Gaillard, B.A. 1992**, Lexington Middle School principal, was named the 2019 Piedmont Triad Regional Principal of the Year during a surprise ceremony in front of the entire school, board of education members, and staff from the central office. As regional principal of the year, Gaillard will compete with seven other regional award recipients from North Carolina for the 2019 State Wells Fargo Principal of the Year award.

**John Meindl, B.A. 1993**, is founder and president of SPORTSBRANDED MEDIA, INC., a sports marketing company that helps clients define, articulate, and reach corporate goals.

**Thomas F. Needles, M.A. 1993**, principal at Compass Consulting Group, LLC, was appointed by Ohio Gov. John Kasich to The University of Akron Board of Trustees. His term began Sept. 28, 2018, and will end July 1, 2027.

**Carol Downs, M.S.W. 1995**, of Alexandria, Va., has been named AARP Virginia's volunteer state president after a decade of service with AARP and other organizations that support people age 50+.

**Master Gunnery Sgt. Peter Wilson, M.M. 1995, D.M.A. 2007**, played violin as a member

of "The President's Own" United States Marine Chamber Orchestra for President George H. W. Bush's funeral at the Washington National Cathedral in December.

**Michael St. Pierre, B.A. 1996**, executive director of Catholic Campus Ministry Association (CCMA), wrote a new book, *The 5 Habits of Prayerful People: A No-Excuses Guide to Strengthening Your Relationship with God* (Ave Maria Press, April 2019).

**Michael V. Dougherty, M.A. 1997**, the Sister Ruth Caspar Chair in Philosophy at Ohio Dominican University in Columbus, Ohio, wrote *Correcting the Scholarly Record for Research Integrity: In the Aftermath of Plagiarism*, as volume 6 in the series *Research Ethics Forum* (Springer, 2018).

**Cheryl Gustafson, B.A. 1997**, has been appointed as assistant principal at Somers High School in Connecticut. She has taught French for 15 years and was chosen as a semifinalist for Connecticut Teacher of the Year.

**Gregory J. Ossi, J.D. 1997**, has joined the national law firm Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP in its employee benefits and executive compensation group, based in the Washington, D.C., office.

**Most Rev. David William Valencia Antonio, S.T.D. 1999**, auxiliary bishop of Segovia, Spain, was appointed by Pope Francis as the new bishop of Ilagan, Philippines. He will continue as apostolic administrator of San Jose in Mindoro, a task he was entrusted with in March 2018.

**Christopher K. Coffman, M.A. 1999, Ph.D. 2005**, a senior lecturer in humanities at Boston University, wrote the monograph *Rewriting Early America: The Prenatal Past in Postmodern Literature* (Lehigh University Press, November 2018).

**Patrice Kennard, M.S.W. 1999**, has joined Wilson Legal Solutions as a senior risk consultant, in Asheville, N.C.

## ► 2000s

**Misty Johnson-Oratokhai, J.D. 2000**, was promoted to chief administrative officer, Events DC, the official convention and sports authority of the District of Columbia, after managing the Events DC human resources department as chief people officer for the past five years.

**Peter D. Antonoplos, J.D. 2001**, was selected for America's Top 100 Attorneys® Lifetime Achievement award. He is the founder of Antonoplos & Associates, Attorneys at Law, in Washington, D.C., and Chevy Chase, Md.

**Shawna Longo, B.M. 2001**, middle school music technology teacher in the Hopatcong school district (N.J.), has been selected as the 2019 recipient of the Mike Kovins TI:ME Teacher of the Year Award. She teaches general music (music technology) in grades 6–8 and serves as a STEAM facilitator and arts integration coach in the school district.

**Ryan Carney, B.A. 2002**, serves as the chief of staff in Washington,

D.C., for Bryan Steil, the new representative of Wisconsin's 1st Congressional District.

**Brian Della Rocca, J.D. 2003**, has joined Clark Hill PLC, as senior counsel, in the tax and estate planning group in its Washington, D.C., office. He joins the firm from private practice, where he represented clients in trusts and estate matters.

**Andrew Patrick Lannon, J.D. 2003**, has joined Bogin, Munns & Munns, P.A., after spending the past decade at the Palm Bay (Fla.) City Attorney's Office, serving as the city attorney for seven years.

**Margaret Parsons, M.A. 2003, Ph.D. 2011**, has joined National Federation of Independent Business in Pennsylvania as grassroots manager.

**Matt Strawn, J.D. 2003**, has been appointed by Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds (R-Iowa) to lead

the Iowa Lottery. He is the co-founder of Next Generation Public Affairs and helped bring an Arena Football League franchise, the Iowa Barnstormers, to downtown Des Moines.

**Celia Winslow, B.A. 2003**, of Washington, D.C., was promoted to vice president, legal and regulatory affairs, at The American Financial Services Association.

**Ryan P. Robichaux, B.A. 2004**, has been named a new counsel in the Birmingham, Ala., office of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP.

**Christopher J. Armstrong, J.D. 2005**, has joined Holland & Knight as a partner in its public policy and regulation practice group in Washington, D.C. Most recently, he was chief oversight counsel for the U.S. Senate Finance Committee.

**Megan Mooney, B.S.N. 2005, M.S.N. 2012, married Ryan Farrell, B.A. 2011**, on June 16, 2018.



Mooney-Farrell wedding



Rev. Frank Murray

## From Politics to Priesthood

When considering who should receive Theological College's Lifetime Service Award during the concluding celebration of TC's centennial year, Rector Rev. Gerald McBrearity, P.S.S., said his thoughts quickly turned to Rev. Frank J. Murray, '81. "Throughout his life Frank has asked the question, 'How can I be helpful?' and made himself, time and again, ready and willing to serve the needs of his diocese," Father McBrearity says.

That would be the statewide diocese of Portland, Maine, which Father Frank currently serves as pastor of the six-church parish of Saint Paul the Apostle in Bangor. It is the second time he has been assigned to ministry in his hometown, following what he concedes was a fairly nontraditional path to the priesthood and some surprising turns in his subsequent journey.

"I was a little delayed in terms of my formation," says the soft-spoken Father Frank, who earned his B.A. in secondary education from the University of Maine while serving — starting in his senior year — as a member of the Maine House of Representatives. He would eventually serve two terms in the chamber before leaving elected office following a failed run for a seat in the state senate.

Even today, Father Frank retains a keen interest in politics, which, together with his four-year experience as a teacher and coach at John Bapst Memorial High School in Bangor, he credits for finally pointing him toward his seminary studies at TC.

"The call was sort of quiet," Father Frank says, "definitely not the Saint Paul approach of getting knocked off your horse and hearing a voice from the clouds.

"I always viewed my time in the legislature as public service, and I just thought that a priest is a public servant, as well. And then it was the same with my work in a school. A priest is a teacher, too. It took me a long time, but eventually I started to realize that this [becoming a priest] could be a possibility."

After receiving his Master of Divinity degree from the University in 1981, Father Frank was ordained the same year. His first assignment was to be the chaplain at the Maine Medical Center in Portland, where he served for six years before taking on the role of campus minister at his alma mater, staying there for seven years. Parish postings — almost all including responsibilities for a parish school — followed in Bangor (nine years), Auburn (six years), and Brunswick (seven years), leading to his eventual return to Bangor.

"I get to enter into so many people's lives," says Father Frank. "The days go by so fast, but I'm able to engage with so many people on so many topics. And I feel truly blessed. Not many vocations have those same opportunities." — K.M.B.



Megan is a family nurse practitioner at Chapel Hill Family Medicine in Hazlet, N.J., and Ryan, an attorney recently admitted to the bar, is a law clerk for the Hon. Carolyn Murray, New Jersey Superior Court in Newark, N.J. The couple lives in Aberdeen, N.J.

**Timothy Coville, B.A. 2006**, of Baltimore, Md., received his professional engineer's license and is working as a geotechnical engineer.

**Mary Catherine Sellers, B.A. 2007**, married Andrew Gary Sadow on Jan. 19. Mary Catherine is a grants specialist at the National Endowment for the Arts in Washington, D.C., and Andrew is a business analyst for Capitol One Financial in McLean, Va.

**Nicki Kennedy, J.D. 2008**, was elected partner for Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton. She is a member of the chemistry and life sciences team in the Denver office.

**Hailey Ray, B.A. 2008**, has joined the Auto Care Association as director for political affairs.

**Bridget Schuster, J.D. 2008**, has joined Williams Kastner as of counsel, in their Seattle office. Her practice focuses on environmental law and related litigation.

**Marat Umerov, J.D. 2008**, was promoted to counsel for Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle LLP in Washington, D.C. Prior to joining Curtis, he was a secretary of tribunals at the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes.

**Lauren Williams, B.A. 2009**, married **Christopher Regal, B.A. 2007**, on Aug. 4, 2018. More than 20 University graduates were in attendance. The couple lives in Arlington, Va.

## ▶ 2010s

**Chris Conlin, J.D. 2010**, serves as tax counsel to U.S. Sen. Chuck Grassley. He has handled additional legislative issues including banking, small business, Social Security, pensions, and general economic issues.

**Ryan Keebaugh, D.M.A. 2010**, is an assistant professor of music at Eastern Mennonite University where he serves as the director of choral activities and coordinator of music theory. He has distinguished himself as a leading music educator and frequent guest conductor and clinician to numerous choral and instrumental ensembles throughout the United States.

**Frank Shannon, B.A. 2010**, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine in May 2018. He is currently in a one-year general practice residency at Abington Memorial Hospital in Abington, Pa. After completion of his residency program, he will be going into practice with his father, Frank Shannon, D.D.S., in Havertown, Pa. He is the son of **Mary Buhsmer Shannon, B.S.N. 1982**, and nephew of **Dennis Buhsmer, B.A. 1987**, **Kathleen Buhsmer Crawford, B.S.N. 1996**, and **Caroline Buhsmer Peters, B.S.N. 1996**.

**Aaron Blank, J.D. 2011**, has been elected as shareholder at Shulman

Rogers in Potomac, Md. He focuses his practice on medical malpractice, personal injury, and claims arising under the Federal Tort Claims Act.

**Patrick Six, M.S.B.A. 2012**, was the account director for the Microsoft commercial that appeared during Super Bowl LIII, highlighting Microsoft's commitment to building accessible technology that levels the playing field and creates opportunity for all. He was responsible for managing all the business aspects of the campaign. The Super Bowl ad presents the inspirational story of passionate young gamers rising to the top of their game with a little help from their friends, family, and the Xbox Adaptive Controller.

**Beth Amann, B.M. 2013**, managing director, **Jimmy Mavrikes, B.M. 2013**, co-artistic director, and Michael Windsor, co-artistic director, are founders of Monumental Theatre Company, recipient of the John Aniello Award for Outstanding Emerging Theatre Company at the Helen Hayes Awards in 2018. Monumental is the



## Return on Investment: Alumnus Treasures Involvement with the University

When the time came for Rashaun Martin, B.A. 2001, to choose a college, a monetary gift from his parish made it possible for him to visit the campus of Catholic University. The warmth of the students he met quickly persuaded him that he had found a home. There was only one problem — financing. “My aid was just short enough that I wasn’t sure if I could come to school here,” Martin says. “I paid a visit to the Office of Student Financial Assistance to see if I could work out what later was called an Impact Scholarship. I remember saying, ‘I really want to be here, and if you are able to work out a little more aid, you’ll get a great return on your investment.’ And I have been involved in the University ever since.”

Martin was active in student government throughout his years at the University, and is currently president of the Alumni Association Board of Governors — the first African American to hold that position. As a senior, he organized a caravan of buses to Salem, Va., so that students could cheer the Cardinals basketball team to victory in the semifinals. The team went on to win the NCAA Division III national championship.

“We kept getting so close to the final four, and after some heartbreaking losses as sophomores and juniors, to make it all the way during senior year was just one of the best experiences,” Martin says. “In February 2018, as president of the alumni association, I was able to help induct the entire basketball team into the Catholic University Athletics Hall of Fame.”

That induction ceremony was held in the Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center, across from the Starbucks — another way Martin has come full circle.

“As the University Student Government president, I sat on the committee to help design the Pryz,” he says. “We had a big debate over the resources that should go into the student center. I wanted to add a coffee shop. We didn’t win the battle at first. When the Pryz first opened up, the graduate students had their own study lounge — but finally it became the Starbucks. I was proud of that.”

Other highlights of Martin’s time with student government include the introduction of the official University class ring and increasing the student activities fee to support more programming across campus. He organized a letter-writing campaign in which all 100 members of the student government wrote to their home dioceses thanking bishops for supporting the University.

As a student who didn’t call the Washington, D.C., area home — “I was a Boston kid, born and raised,” he says — Martin belonged to a minority within a minority; most other African Americans on campus were local.

“As a devout Catholic, I think my faith either bridged a lot of relationships or broke down a lot of barriers. Whatever our differences, whether across social or economic or racial lines, the faith was the same for the majority of us.”

In his work with the Board of Governors, Martin hopes to increase alumni support through a mix of programming, service opportunities, and other events and networking opportunities.

“The more Catholic University represents the diversity of the universal Church, the better overall experience all of its students will have,” he says.

Along with his wife and children, Martin still calls Boston home. Since graduating, his career has been in education both as a teacher and administrator. He has worked with nonprofit boards and recently served on a committee that revised standards for the teaching of social studies and history in Massachusetts.

In November 2018, he was awarded the Bishop James Augustine Healy Award, presented annually to an African American Catholic in the Archdiocese of Boston who has demonstrated commitment to the Church. Martin’s commitment began in childhood, when his devout great-grandmother planted the seeds of faith and encouraged him to become an altar server at the age of 10.

“I’ve been at the service of the Church for a long time.” — G.V.



Williams-Regal wedding



Monaghan-Berlenbach wedding



leading emerging theatre company in the D.C. metro area catering to millennials with a primary goal to uplift and showcase millennial artists and young artists while providing high-quality, accessible productions.

**Brianna Manzelli, B.A. 2013**, has been named by U.S. Sen. Roger Wicker, R-Miss., Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, as deputy communications director of the committee.

**Genevieve McGann, B.S.B.A. 2013**, and **Mary McGann, B.S. 2013**, have been inducted into

the York (Pa.) Catholic Athletic Association Hall of Fame. Both sisters were members of three state championship girls' basketball teams in 2006, 2007, and 2008, and also four-year members of the girls' soccer team. Genevieve went on to start every game of her basketball career at Catholic University, where Mary played two years of basketball and four years of soccer.

**Katy Monaghan, B.A. 2013**, married **Tom Berlenbach, B.M.E. 2012, M.S. 2013**, on Sept. 29, 2018. Katy is a fifth-grade teacher in Annapolis, Md., and Tom is a

mechanical engineer at Northrop Grumman. The couple lives in Riva, Md.

**Sarah Morris, B.A. 2013**, married James Dempsey Jr. on Oct. 5, 2018. Sarah is a senior corporate communications associate at Cvent and James is a product manager at Deloitte. They live in Washington, D.C.

**Ryan Fecteau, B.A. 2014**, of Biddeford, Maine, was elected assistant majority leader of the Maine State House of Representatives. He is the first legislator from Biddeford elected to leadership in the Maine

House of Representative in its 198-year history.

**Isaac W.K. Thweatt, M.S.M. 2014**, was awarded "Professional of the Year" at this year's CASE District II Annual Conference. He is currently executive director of Individual Giving at Columbia Business School.

**Christopher Bruneau, B.A. 2015**, received a master's degree in human resource management from University College Dublin College of Business. After a two-year hiatus, he has returned to the Washington, D.C., area to resume

work as a human resource specialist at the financial management firm ProShare Advisors, LLC.

**Daniel Kane, J.D. 2015**, is director and lead of TR Business Navigator program at Tully Rinckey PLLC. He helps entrepreneurs and business owners navigate the legal challenges that come with launching and growing their business. He previously worked with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

**Martin Larson, B.A. 2015**, married **Brigid McGrath, B.S.N. 2015**, on Nov. 10, 2018, with many friends from Catholic University in attendance. The couple lives in Philadelphia.

**Damian X. Lenshek, M.Phil. 2015**, joined the Diocese of Madison (Wis.) as manager of special projects. In that capacity, he will assist with initiatives in operations, communications, planning, development, and technology. He comes to the diocese with more than 12 years of experience in organizational management, process improvement, and fundraising initiatives for Catholic nonprofit organizations.

**Audra Nakas, B.A. 2015**, married **Matthew Dugandzic, M.Phil. 2016, Ph.D. 2018**, on Jan. 6, 2018. Dozens of Catholic University students and alumni celebrated with the happy couple. At the reception, to chants of "Nakas Nation," unofficial University weatherman and father of the bride, Victor Nakas, vice provost for administration, declared that there would be "no school tomorrow."

**Taylor Elliott, B.A. 2016**, married **Tyler Zimmerman, B.B.E./M.S. 2016**, on June 23, 2018, officiated by Rev. Justin Ross, a former associate chaplain at Catholic University. Taylor is working at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and Tyler is working at United Therapeutics in Durham, N.C., where they reside.

**Matthew Hanrahan, B.A. 2016**, serves as legislative correspondent for Rep. Ben Cline (Va.—6th). Previously, he served Rep. Tom Garrett of Virginia as a legislative correspondent and legislative assistant.

**Indira Henard, M.S.W. 2016**, executive director of the DC Rape Crisis Center, was featured in *Essence Magazine* on women who are on the front lines combating sexual assault.

**Connor J. Kurtz, B.A. 2016**, has been awarded a yearlong Public Policy Fellowship with The Fund for American Studies (TFAS). He will foster strong connections with peers working in public policy while building an understanding of the principles of government through deliberation and debate.

**Justin R. Friedman, J.D. 2017**, has been named an associate with Friedman & Ranzenhofer P.C., Buffalo, N.Y., and will focus on criminal defense and civil litigation.

**Steven Funk, B.A. 2017**, is dedicating 10 months of his life to service, community, and spirituality as an Augustinian Volunteer. He will be living in San Diego, Calif., and serving as campus ministry assistant at St. Augustine High School.



## Why I Give Monika Petter

Monika Petter, M.S.W. 1996, is passionate about helping those who have served our country. In early 2015, she made a bequest in her will to leave 5% of her estate to the National Catholic School of Social Service (NCSSS) to create The Monika Petter Endowed Scholarship to support internships with a clinical concentration in a military specialization.

In honor of this year's 100th anniversary of NCSSS, Petter generously increased her bequest to include 15% of her estate, with the goal of supporting the endowed scholarship through a \$300,000 total gift.

Petter grew up in Vienna, Austria, and St. Petersburg, Fla. Fluent in English, French, German, and Spanish, she worked as a translator and interpreter, as well as in the film and fashion industries. She began her career as a psychologist and clinical social worker at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Washington, D.C., in 1979. That work inspired her to seek her M.S.W.

"I thought a social work degree would enable me to do more for veterans," she said, adding she saw service members suffering from a variety of issues.

"As a hospital social worker, I covered a lot of ground. I worked with people suffering from post-traumatic stress, and in the substance abuse department.

"After discussion with NCSSS, I set up the plan to help veterans."

Recipients of The Monika Petter Endowed Scholarship will learn advanced clinical practice in their advanced-year field internship, which can take place in hospitals, medical clinics, home health agencies, hospices, or other settings where the mission includes caring for people with acute or chronic illness.

Petter, who said she has "fond memories of studying at Catholic University," has been honored for her gift through membership in the St. Thomas Aquinas Society, which recognizes those who have made planned gifts to the University. She has called the D.C. area home for many years, and is involved with several local artistic and philanthropic organizations.

— A.K.

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Morris-Dempsey wedding



McGrath-Larson wedding



Nakas-Dugandzic wedding



Elliott-Zimmerman wedding



**Joseph P. Myers**, B.E.E. 1938, Jan. 21, 2019.

**F. Patrick Zailckas**, J.D. 1943, Nov. 28, 2018.

**John L. Garvey**, J.D. 1948, LL.M. 1954, Oct. 4, 2018.

**Sister Gretchen Berg**, M.A. 1949, Ph.D. 1962, Nov. 27, 2018.

**Sister Camille Kliebhan, O.S.F.**, B.A. 1949, M.A. 1951, Ph.D. 1955, Nov. 17, 2018.

**Ret. Capt. Mary T. Kovacevich**, B.S.N. 1949, Jan. 22, 2019.

**Robert Meister**, B.E.E. 1949, Ph.D. 1958, Jan. 11, 2019.

**William Evans Mullan Jr.**, B.A. 1949, Jan. 4, 2019.

**William J. Nealon**, J.D. 1950, Aug. 30, 2018.

**Leonard Andrew Roy**, B.E.E. 1950, Jan. 11, 2019.

**Eugene Louis Aronne**, B.C.E. 1951, Nov. 4, 2018.

**David G. Pritchard**, B.A. 1951, May 26, 2018.

**Most Rev. Frank J. Rodimer**, S.T.L. 1951, J.C.B. 1952, J.C.D. 1954, retired bishop of Paterson, N.J., Dec. 6, 2018.

**John E. Stephens**, B.M. 1951, M.M. 1963, D.M.A. 1973, Nov. 18, 2018.

**Robert Hill**, M.M.E. 1952, July 15, 2018.

**Sister Virginia O'Reilly, O.P.**, M.S. 1952, Sept. 24, 2018.

**J. Margaret A. Hayes**, M.S. 1953, Aug. 22, 2018.

**Herbert E. Boeckel**, B.A. 1954, Oct. 16, 2018.

**Marianne N. Femiano**, M.S.N. 1954, Oct. 8, 2018.

**Donald Paul Kommers**, B.A. 1954, Dec. 21, 2018.

**Hugh J. Lee**, B.A. 1954, Oct. 19, 2018.

**Arnold Sperling**, B.A. 1954, Nov. 1, 2018.

**Josephine F. Houser**, M.S. 1955, Nov. 20, 2018.

**Martina A. Jussel**, M.S.W. 1955, Nov. 2, 2018.

**Twink C. Lynch**, B.A. 1955, M.A. 1961, Nov. 18, 2018.

**Raymond M. McGuire**, B.M. 1955, M.M. 1962, M.A. 1963, Nov. 22, 2018.

**Richard C. Miller**, M.S. 1955, Ph.D. 1958, Dec. 31, 2018.

**Brother Edward G. Bozzo**, B.A. 1956, Ph.D. 1969, Aug. 20, 2018.

**Sister Elizabeth Condon**, M.A. 1956, Nov. 18, 2018.

**Rev. Charles R. Dautremont**, B.A. 1956, M.A. 1957, Aug. 28, 2018.

**Michael H. Heffron**, B.Arch. 1956, M.C.R.P. 1981, Dec. 17, 2018.

**Philip Bosco**, B.A. 1957, D.F.A. 1997, Dec. 3, 2018.

**Sister Mary Patricia Murtagh, D.C.**, B.S.N. 1957, Nov. 23, 2018.

**Sister Brigid Driscoll, R.S.H.M.**, M.A. 1958, Oct. 29, 2018.

**Sister Mary Clement Hemler**, B.S.N. 1958, M.S.N. 1969, Dec. 22, 2018.

**William McCarthy Jr.**, B.S.Chem.E. 1958, Nov. 19, 2018.

**Sister Sheila Murphy, O.S.U.**, M.F.A. 1958, Dec. 5, 2018.

**Lorraine M. Chanatry-Howell**, M.A. 1959, Nov. 19, 2018.

**Most Rev. Eugene J. Gerber**, S.T.B. 1959, bishop emeritus of the Diocese of Wichita, Kansas, Sept. 29, 2018.

**James Holden Schwartz**, B.E.E. 1959, Jan. 20, 2019.

**Joyce M. Mesec**, B.A. 1960, Nov. 15, 2018.

**Rev. James F. Crilly, C.S.V.**, M.S. 1961, Nov. 2, 2018.

**Rev. Charles Currie**, Ph.D. 1961, Jan. 4, 2019.

**Patricia A. Kennedy**, M.A. 1961, Sept. 21, 2018.

**Most Rev. John M. Smith**, J.C.B. 1962, J.C.L. 1963, retired bishop of Trenton, N.J., Jan. 22, 2019.

**Barbara M. Bannon**, M.A. 1963, Oct. 11, 2018.

**Sister Marian Bohlen, O.S.U.**, Ph.D. 1963, Dec. 9, 2018.

**Sister M. Adele Bullock**, M.A. 1963, Oct. 20, 2018.

**Sister Ellen M. Doherty**, M.A. 1963, Aug. 31, 2018.

**Rev. Emmett Meyer**, M.A. 1963, Dec. 3, 2018.

**Rev. Mike Burke, S.C.J.**, S.T.B. 1964 S.T.L. 1965, M.A. 1968, Feb. 9, 2017.

**Donald A. Franck**, B.S.Chem.E. 1964, J.D. 1967, Dec. 13, 2018.

**Michael A. Pretl**, B.A. 1964, Dec. 25, 2018.

**James C. McDade**, Ph.D. 1965, Dec. 8, 2018.

**Rev. Richard J. Engels**, M.A. 1966, Oct. 28, 2018.

**Theodore James “Ted” Lapina**, M.M. 1966, D.M.A. 1974, Jan. 20, 2019.

**James A. Cooper**, B.M. 1968, Aug. 20, 2018.

**Rev. Jorge Garcia**, B.A. 1968, Dec. 19, 2018.

**Sister Mary Aileen Huettl**, M.S. 1968, Dec. 24, 2018.

**Rev. Edward Markley**, M.A. 1968, Jan. 14, 2019.

**Lyn M. Scheuring**, B.A. 1968, Sept. 20, 2018.

**Sister Patricia Marie Williams, F.H.M.**, M.A. 1968, Nov. 11, 2018.

**Colleen M. Conway-Welch**, M.S.N. 1969, Oct. 12, 2018.

**James J. Cooney Jr.**, B.A. 1969, Dec. 23, 2018.

**Caroline J. Megevich**, M.T.S. 1969, Oct. 24, 2018.

**Nelson J. Sholette**, M.S.W. 1969, Jan. 31, 2019.

**Sister Manetto Ruocchio, O.S.F.**, M.A. 1970, Dec. 18, 2018.

**Samuel C. Whitt**, J.D. 1971, Sept. 4, 2018.

**Sister Mary Sharon Burns**, Ph.D. 1972, Nov. 2, 2018.

**Marguerite Moccia**, B.A. 1973, Sept. 23, 2018.

**Imogene Rigdon**, M.S.N. 1973, Jan. 3, 2019.

**Sister Margaret Appell, O.S.F.**, (formerly Sister St. Margaret), M.A. 1974, Jan. 4, 2019.

**Sister Rosemary A. Garrity**, M.S.W. 1974, Sept. 9, 2018.

**Sister Mildred H. Guillot**, B.S.N. 1975, M.S.N. 1977, Nov. 22, 2018.

**Paul N. Wojcik**, J.D. 1975, Oct. 25, 2018.

**Gregory W. Devlin**, M.M. 1976, M.A. 1978, Jan. 10, 2019.

**Rev. Joseph DiMauro, S.A.**, S.T.B. 1978, Nov. 29, 2018.

**Kathryn E. Hershey**, M.S.L.S. 1978, Jan. 9, 2019.

**Monsignor Stephen T. Churchwell**, J.C.B. 1980, J.C.L. 1981, J.C.D. 1982, May 31, 2018.

**Sister Gertrude Tanner**, M.R.S. 1982, May 19, 2018.

**Janet A. Bailey**, M.S.L.S. 1984, Sept. 6, 2018.

**Betty K. Scheer**, M.S.W. 1988, Nov. 27, 2018.

**Monsignor Tomas M. Marin**, J.C.L. 1993, Dec. 28, 2018.

**Carey Gunn Venditti**, J.D. 1993, Jan. 10, 2019.

**Benjamin F. Rodriguez**, M.A. 1999, Ph.D. 2002, Nov. 1, 2018.

**Matthew K. Switski**, B.A. 2000, July 29, 2018.

**Lolita P. Rillorta**, B.A. 2002, Dec. 24, 2018.

**Caitlin Kennedy Masterson**, B.A. 2006, Nov. 18, 2018.

**Robert J. Ryan**, B.A. 2007, Ph.L. 2018, Aug. 19, 2018.

**William E. Gonzalez**, M.S.W. 2011, Sept. 9, 2018.

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**Meghan M. Ford**, M.A. 2010, process analyst, provost office from 2010 to 2018, Dec. 13, 2018.

**Richard A. Wunderlich**, former associate professor, taught in the Department of Psychology from 1958 to 1994, Jan. 12, 2019.

**Richard P. Youniss**, B.A. 1950, Ph.D. 1958, taught in the Department of Psychology from 1959 to 1991, Feb. 7, 2019.



## Raymond McGuire: Tenor and Teacher

Raymond “Mickey” McGuire, B.M. 1955, M.M. 1962, M.A. 1963, passed away November 22, 2018. An associate professor of music and voice instructor at Catholic University for 45 years, McGuire shared his knowledge with countless vocal performance students.

One of his daughters, Captain Moira McGuire (U.S.P.H.S.), B.S.N. 1993, said her dad had a beautiful tenor voice, was a frequent whistler, never without a cup of coffee, and read constantly. Mickey taught French, German, and Italian diction, as well as vocal anatomy.

“He believed the key to singing lay in the individual, and in that individual’s ability to be themselves. The goal was not to try and be like Pavarotti. It’s such an empowering message. He felt the individual was communicated through that vocal performance,” Moira said. “The ear picks up changes and fluctuations. That’s what makes people want to listen to a person performing live rather than a recording,”

Henriette Lund, one of Mickey’s former students, later became a colleague when she, too, taught voice at Catholic University.

“It’s all because of him that I taught,” she said.

Lund said Mickey’s personality was shaped by his Irish background, his time in the military, and his faith.

“He really was a genius,” she continued, adding Mickey’s ear for music and knowledge of what can be done with a human voice set him apart. “He knew and read and understood more about voice than anyone I ever met. His diagnostic ability was out of this world.”

She said he could listen to someone sing and immediately know how they could improve.

“His thing was to say, ‘Don’t sing the song. Sing you,’” Lund said. “Teaching was a passion to him. He related everything in life to voice.”

After his death, Moira and her siblings discovered clippings documenting performances for President Eisenhower and the Irish ambassador, on television shows, and at the National Christmas Tree Lighting for President Kennedy.

“Dad never said anything about this, ever. Mom didn’t know,” Moira said. “He was a very humble person.”

A memorial service for Raymond McGuire is being planned for late September in the Crypt Church at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. — A.K.