## FRONT COVER:

A proclamation from the State of New York honors D Youville College for achieving one hundred years of fine education and community service.

Inset Photo: The first teachers, Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart

OPPOSITE, Blurry background photo:

The camera catches the fluttering hems of Bishop Edward Kmiec s cope and Rev. Thomas Ribits s stole as they enrobe for Baccalaureate.

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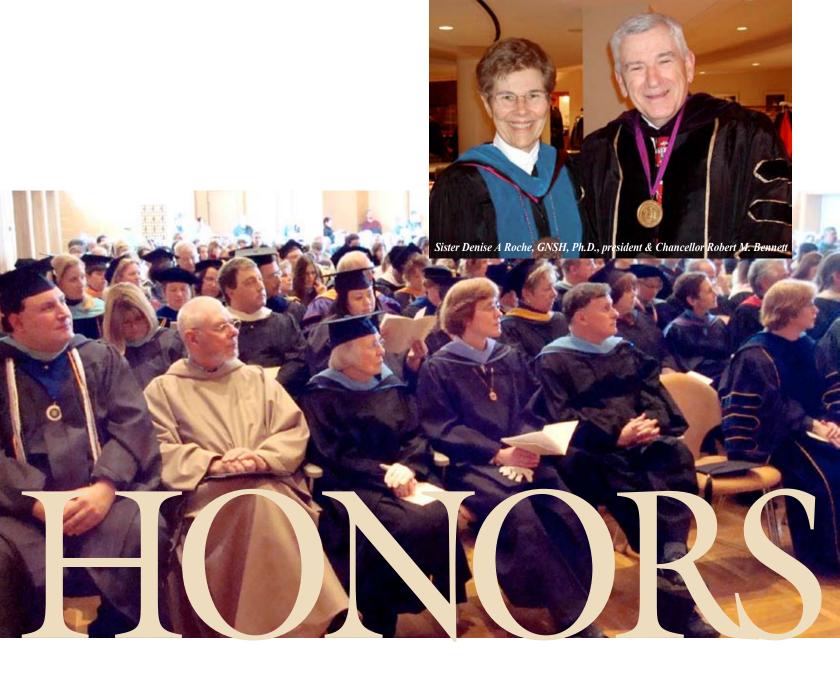
**Back Cover:** 

Alumni/College Calendar
Late Summer - Early Winter Events











St. Marguerite d'Youville Medal: John Kofmehl



St. Catherine of Alexandria Medal: Samantha Miller



Lee Conroy Higgins Award: Andrew Belden

he Mary Seton Room of Kleinhans Music Hall was alive with anticipation awaiting the announcement of awards as students, parents, faculty and administration gathered for D'Youville's 49th Honors Convocation.

Chancellor of the State Board of Regent Robert M. Bennett was the keynote speaker. For many years Mr. Bennett has been a strong advocate for education throughout New York state. He is a distinguished lecturer in policy and politics in education at Niagara University. He serves as senior policy advisor to the vice-president and dean of the graduate school of education at SUNY Buffalo.

In his remarks, he extolled D'Youville for her long presence on the West Side of Buffalo and lauded the students for their achievements in programs that are extremely difficult. He also reminded them of the legacy of St. Marguerite d'Youville, melded with the philosophy and tradition of the Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart, to assist those in need.

A thoughtful reflection was offered by Amy Kurtz, one of four graduates of the first class receiving chiropractic doctoral degrees. She described the difficulties of the chiropractic coursework but is grateful that she persevered and completed it. She is now looking forward to being a practitioner in her profession.

The Convocation concluded with a prayerful invocation by Joseph F. Fennell, associate professor of business.

# SAINT MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE MEDAL: JOHN KOFMEHL

John Kofmehl received the Saint Marguerite d'Youville Medal from Sister Denise Roche. This is the most prestigious honor given to a fourth year student. He was cited for his leadership and his dedication to his classmates and to the College.

# LEE CONROY HIGGINS AWARD: ANDREW BELDEN

The Lee Conroy Higgins Award was presented to Andrew Belden by Alumni Association president Thomas DeLuca. This award is bestowed on a fourth year student who shows outstanding concern for fellow students and is actively involved in campus activities. He was

described as ever present, ever involved, and just plain everywhere.

# ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA MEDAL: SAMANTHA MILLER

Mary Jane Key '89, director of student accounts, presented the St. Catherine of Alexandria Medal to Samantha Miller. Awarded annually to a junior, the criteria include high academic standing, outstanding service to D'Youville, classmates and community.

# D'YOUVILLE 2008 ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD: LINDA J. YARR '65

When the Alumni Service Award was first presented over 30 years ago, recognition focused on local community involvement. Now, D'Youville College and we, as individuals, have extended our participation beyond our neighborhoods and are part of a global community.

A French major at D'Youville, Linda Yarr's leadership qualities were evident and she was elected vice president of the student government association in her senior year. Her interests expanded beyond the College campus as she earned a master's degree in government and Southeast Asia studies at Cornell University and an advanced degree in international relations in Paris, France.

As a member of the first U.S. civilian delegation to Vietnam in 1986, Linda helped initiate the re-establishment of the educational system in



that country in order to renew the U.S./Vietnam educational exchange.

For many nations, the end of the Cold War precipitated changes in their prospects for economic development, political agendas and ideologies, and international relations. As a result, there was a need for the rapid development of informed participants in these new international forums.

The George Washington University program for international studies in Asia is devoted to international affairs education, training and research. Cooperating with universities and nongovernmental institutions, it enlists leaders from China, Vietnam, Laos, Malaysia and Mongolia in efforts to secure peace and economic growth in the 21st century. As its executive director, Linda designed and implemented professional development curricula. In collaboration with China Foreign Affairs University in Beijing, which educates China's future diplomats and foreign affairs analysts, she prepared workshops for junior professors who wished to improve their teaching of international negotiations, crisis management and public diplomacy. For the last thirteen years, she raised funds from major private organizations, including the Ford and Henry R. Luce Foundations, to sustain this program.

Ms. Yarr also organized a seminar on global climate change with the Vietnamese Academy of Natural Sciences. She co-directed a U.S. foreign policy colloquium for Chinese graduate students in the United States in partnership with the National Committee on U.S./China Relations. She was a co-founder of the Women's Initiative on International Affairs in Asia, a network that mentors women entering careers in international affairs. In February, she presented at an international symposium on poverty in Istanbul.

This year's recipient of the Alumni Service Award has been a powerful activist in the improvement of understanding among peoples of many cultures for over twenty years. Linda Yarr's service has put into action D'Youville's Mission that emphasizes the importance of contributing to the world community.





he Gordon Highlanders piped the procession of faculty, administration and students from the Koessler Administration Building to Holy Angels Church for D'Youville's Centennial Baccalaureate on the evening of May 16, 2008.

An overflow crowd stretched the capacity of the church to accommodate the parents and friends who celebrated with the graduates as they moved

# BACCAIL



forward to the waiting faculty from whom they received their hoods, the symbol of their degrees. The guests exhibited a combination of awe, pride and joy as the graduates donned their hoods.

The themes of the service were love and hope evidenced in readings from the Wisdom of Blessed Mother Theresa of Calcutta proclaimed by Sheila M. Hicks, the *Words of the Prophet Isaiah* read by Nicholas G. Munding,







and the remarks of The Most Reverend Edward U. Kmiec, who was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters.

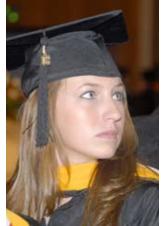
In his remarks, the Bishop told of his participation in the events of Pope Benedict XVIth's recent visit to the United States. He found the Holy Father to have a warmth and a welcoming presence and a desperate desire for peace in the world. Bishop Kmiec repeated the Pontiff's words,



"The Lord will guide you and give you plenty of help." Quoting Pope John Paul, he reminded us that we are the leaven – the light of the world.

Rev. Terrence O'Connell, OMI, pastor of Holy Angels, prayed the final prayer and the assemblage departed the church following a spirited rendition of *Joyful*, *Joyful*, *We Adore You*.









enerable Kleinhans Music Hall was the site of D'Youville's 100th commencement exercises. A near-record number of students processed into the hall to the strains of Charpentier's *Te Deum*. The 750 graduates were greeted by a banner attendance.

Senator Charles Schumer greeted the graduates and gave his warm assurance that, graduating with their fine education, they can look forward to a successful life.

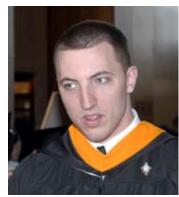
Honorary degree recipient Honorable Kevin M. Dillon, Justice of the Supreme Court, Eighth Judicial District, and chairman of D'Youville's board of trustees said, "I have received much from my years on D'Youville's board – from faculty, staff and administration and especially Sister Denise A. Roche. She is an extraordinary woman." He passed on some advice he received from two of his professors who encouraged him to go to law school and to read, read, read.





Judge Dillon urged the graduates to live lives of leadership and service, not just to organized charities, but to the many others they may meet, who need help. He told them, "Make it a way of life. This is a challenge you can accept and that you can achieve."

The salutatory address was delivered by Keren Shavit-Buckley BS/MS. This young woman came to the United States from Jerusalem intending to become a dancer. She said she had varied jobs before coming to



D'Youville. She advised her classmates, "Embrace change, use your knowledge and be willing to adapt to life's situations."

The ceremony concluded with members of the Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus's moving rendition of D'Youville's *Alma Mater*.





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### **AERIAL VIEW OF CAMPUS WITH NEW BUILDING LOCATION HIGHLIGHTED**

The Connecticut Street Armory
Dr. Pauline Alt Building
Bauer Family Academic Center
Koessler Administration Building
Madonna Hall
Holy Angels Church
Montante Family Library

Above: Edwin A. Mirand, Ph.D., D.Sc.

Right: William E. Boden, MD, FACC and Sister Denise A. Roche, GNSH, Ph.D.



D'Youville College began construction of a new six-story, 93,000 square-foot academic building in May. It is located on the corner of Connecticut Street and Fargo Avenue, currently the site of one of the College's several parking lots.

The twenty-million dollar structure will house classrooms, laboratories, student services, faculty and College operation offices, as well as conference rooms and facilities for a planned pharmacy program.

Designed by Cannon Design of Grand Island, N.Y., it will feature modern mosaic precast, brick and glass panels, cultured stone and brick on the exterior with appropriate street landscaping on the Connecticut Street side. The selection of construction materials is designed to unify the entire campus visually.

"The building will be designed to allow the addition of features such as a connector and other amenities in the future," according to Donald G. Keller, vice president of operations at the College.

Parking that will be displaced by the new facility will move to College lots on Connecticut Street and West Avenue, adjacent to D'Youville.

The building will accommodate the increase in students the College has seen during the past decade. In addition to a growing student body of U.S. students, more than 800 Canadians out of approximately 3,000 enrolled students currently attend the private College.

"The College has no plans for any major new buildings for the foreseeable future," Keller said.

D'Youville has invested more than \$70 million in its West Side campus over the past 12 years.

# **Two Area Health Care Professionals Honored**

D'Youville College honored two area health care professionals at its 13th Achievement in Health Care Awards Dinner in February.

William E. Boden, MD, FACC, is the medical director of cardiovascular services at Kaleida Health and chief of cardiology at Buffalo General and Millard Fillmore hospitals. Also a professor of medicine at the University at Buffalo School of Medicine and Biomedical Science, he is a leading researcher in coronary care.

Dr. Boden was the lead author of a study that found that medication works as well as angioplasty for stable heart disease. The findings are expected to change the way stable heart disease is treated in the future by providing more proven options for doctors and their patients with coronary disease. Instead of immediately undergoing angioplasty with stenting or coronary bypass surgery for patients who have one, two or three narrowed arteries, there is now a third option: intense medical therapy.

A graduate of Le Moyne College, Syracuse, N.Y., he earned his medical degree at SUNY Upstate Medical Center and served on the medical faculty of various medical schools including Brown University, Wayne State University, Tufts, Boston University, SUNY Health Science Center and the University of Connecticut prior to joining the University at Buffalo.

He was selected for inclusion in Best Doctors in America and named one of the leading cardiology physicians in Connecticut by Connecticut Magazine and Hartford Magazine.



Edwin A. Mirand, Ph.D., D.Sc., is a biomedical researcher in the study of blood and cancercausing viruses at Roswell Park Cancer Institute. He has been associated with the cancer institute for more than five decades. devoting himself to cancer research, education and cancer-centered programs.

Dr. Mirand's early work identified the stimulants of red cell production in the blood and led to what today is routine treatment for anemia. He was dean of the Roswell Park graduate division of the University at Buffalo, where more than 5,500 pre-doctoral students, physicians and dentists were trained under his leadership.

He directed training and mentoring programs for some 6,000 high school students, their teachers and college students. His program became the basis for a national program for the National Science Foundation. Additionally, the National Cancer Institute asked him to develop a program in public cancer education, which later became the NCI National Cancer Information Services.

He has published more than 500 scientific articles on cancer research and education and has served on numerous medical and educational editorial boards. Currently, Dr. Mirand is vice president emeritus for educational affairs and dean and senior advisor to the president and chief executive officer of Roswell Park.

A graduate of the University at Buffalo, he earned his doctorate from Syracuse University.



# D'Youville Receives U.S. President's Honor Roll for Service Award

The Corporation for National and Community Service named D'Youville College to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for exemplary service efforts and service to disadvantaged youth.

Launched in 2006, the Community Service Honor Roll is the highest federal recognition a school can achieve for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement. Honorees for the award were chosen based on a series of selection factors including scope and innovativeness of service projects, percentage of student participation in service activities, incentives for service, and the extent to which the school offers academic service-learning courses.

"The work of our students who volunteered in the campus Lending a Hand team includes the following: helping families in New Orleans rebuild their homes, working in the West Side Community Center helping children from low-income homes and working with three community organizations reflect D'Youville's Mission to serve others, as well as demonstrate the deep commitment of our students," said Sister Denise A. Roche, College president. "I am very pleased our students and faculty were recognized for the extensive work they put in to help others."

The Honor Roll is jointly sponsored by the Corporation, through its Learn and Serve

America program, and the Department of Education, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, USA Freedom Corps, and the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

# Lending a Hand 2008

Now in its fifth year, the Lending a Hand effort took 31 students and 6 faculty/staff members to New Orleans for a third time to continue with the cleanup from Hurricane Katrina. This year the team worked in the Lower Ninth Ward, which was the hardest hit. Most homes were demolished by the water from the levee break. However, the lots are there and the government has been imposing fines on the residents for not maintaining the lots. Team responsibility for the week was to clear the lots for those who could not do so themselves so that the residents would no longer be fined.

Two and one-half years of swamp grass, weeds and bushes were no match for the DYC weedwhackers, rakers and baggers. The weather cooperated with the team's efforts and after five days more than 40 properties were made ready for the next step: pouring foundations.

Campus Minister Rev. Janice N. Mahle reported, "Many folks from the neighborhood were thrilled to see our efforts. They thought they had been forgotten. We were overwhelmed by their expressions of gratitude."

It was an amazing experience as a group of D'Youvillians bonded into a family while providing service to those in need—all in the spirit of St. Marguerite d'Youville.

# FACULTY IN THE NEWS: Publications, Presentations and Research

# **BONNIE FOX GARRITY, Ph.D.**

Bonnie Fox Garrity, Ph.D., assistant professor of business, presented two papers at the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE) annual conference in California in April. The first paper was "Race, Ethnicity, and Business Department Accreditation," which included an analysis of all business students across the United States.

The second paper, "Finance of For-Profit Institutions," continues Dr. Fox Garrity's research in the field of the differing expenditure and revenue patterns of for-profit, not-for-profit and public institutions.

# KELLY A. HARPER, Ph.D. & JAMIE DEWATERS, Ph.D.

Kelly A. Harper, Ph.D. and Jamie DeWaters Ph.D., presented their research entitled "A Quest for Accessibility in Higher Education Institutions in Session: Access and Participation in Web-Based Learning Environments," at the American Education Research Association (AERA) held in New York City, March 2008.

In addition, Dr. Harper participated in a second presentation entitled, "Practitioners' Voices in Trying Times" at the AERA meeting.

# MARY I. HURLEY, Ph.D. & MARION OLIVIERI, Ph.D.

Mary I. Hurley, Ph.D. and Marion Olivieri, Ph.D. attended the Federal Societies in Experimental Biology (FSEB) meetings in San Diego in April. Their presentation was "FITC Localization in Rat Mesometrial Tissue." Students who worked on the project with them also attended. This is the 5th year of participating in this conference with original research.

# M. RUTH KELLY, Ph.D.

M. Ruth Kelly, Ph.D., has been appointed the chair of the department of liberal arts. Ruth received a master's in theology from Christ the King Seminary in May 2008.

# SUSAN KOWALEWSKI, MBA, Ph.D.

Susan Kowalewski, MBA, Ph.D., chair of the business department and assistant professor, presented at the International Assembly of Collegiate Business Education (IACBE) annual conference held in California, in April. The presentation, titled "Integrating Simulations in the Classroom to Improve Learning in Business Education," focused on how simulations can be utilized for college courses to motivate students and promote better or deeper learning through bridging life experience with the classroom.

# JOHN TAYLOR, DACBR

John Taylor, DACBR, professor in the doctor of chiropractic program, recently co-authored four clinical practice guideline articles in the *Journal of Manipulative and Physiologic Therapeutics*. The evidence-based guidelines are intended to assist clinicians in decision making on diagnostic imaging for musculoskeletal complaints in adults. The guidelines can be accessed online at: http://journals.elsevierhealth.com/periodicals/ymmt.

This project, led by chief investigator Dr. Andre Bussieres from the University of Quebec at Trois Rivieres, involved the collaboration of investigators from three chiropractic programs in the United States and Canada.

# TIMOTHY R. BRONSON, Psy.D.

At the invitation of the Niagara County Funeral Directors Association in April, Timothy R. Bronson, Psy.D., LMHC, NCC, conducted a seminar on exploring how stress, crisis and "vicarious trauma" impacts the personal lives of bereavement specialists. The session fulfilled continuing education credits required by New York state.

# Sister Alice McCollester, GNSH is Honored

As part of the centennial employee recognition dinner, a bronze plaque was mounted in the registrar's office in honor of Sister Alice McCollester, GNSH. Her 54 years of service to D'Youville College and her 47 years as registrar were acknowledged. The registrar's office will now be known as the Sister Alice McCollester Registrar's Office.



# DYC SIFE Team Ranks in Top12 in National Competition

The D'Youville College Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) team competed for the final round at the SIFE national competition in Chicago on May 15, 2008. They finished 2nd runner up in their division placing them between 9th and 12th in the nation out of 777 active colleges. The University of Arizona was named the national champion and will travel to Singapore in October to represent the U.S. and compete against 72 other SIFE teams from around the globe.

D'Youville's SIFE team also was the highest ranked New York school in the United States.

Additionally, SIFE grants "special topic" awards for those colleges that best exemplify each of the six SIFE criteria. DYC SIFE finished in the top 20 for business ethics and financial literacy and was the #1 college in the United States for the sustainability of their team and their

projects. This is the first time DYC SIFE has been awarded for ranking #1 in any of the SIFE categories.

This is the fourth consecutive year DYC SIFE has finished in the top 20 teams in the nation. D'Youville College's SIFE is spearheaded by Sam Walton Fellow, Peter Eimer and Michael Smith, who act as faculty advisors for this amazing team. Congratulations to the entire team for its hard work this year, completing 18 projects that impacted both the local community and the world. The team of presenters this year included President Greg Ayers, VP Magdalena Komoriko, VP Jennifer Carpenter, Secretary Trang Nguyen, Dale Martin and Hamza Abdullah. The media specialists were Hannah Ly (national) and Yusif Gibrill (regional).

The hard work of this team has established D'Youville College as one of the best colleges in the United States for helping to empower others.



Unable to attend D'Youville commencement exercises because of the scheduling of their state licensing examinations, DYC's first-ever four doctors of chiropractic and their families enjoyed a private graduation ceremony on June 10, 2008. Sister Denise Roche, GNSH, Ph.D., (in white jacket) offered the Blessing of the Hands of (l to r) Dr. Amy Kurtz, Dr. Matthew Christopher, Dr. Keith Mondschein and Dr. Shaina McQuilkie. The four graduates were also recognized earlier at the program's 2008 White Coat Ceremony.

# 2008 AAUP (D'Youville Chapter) Scholar of the Year Award

This year's winner of the Association of American University Professors (D'Youville Chapter) Scholar of the Year Award has been granted to Dr. Judith Schiffert '63, Ph.D., professor of health services administration.

Dr. Schiffert has been deeply involved in problem-solving research on the boundaries of various converging fields. Her research considers topics in which solutions are desperately needed, such as quality of life and cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation, reducing smoking disparities among marginalized populations and improving asthma care for children. It also considers best-practices in education, both at the elementary level and at the level of her own classroom. Dr. Shiffert has secured over \$3 million in research grant money and has served as principal investigator of the majority of these endeavors. She has over ten published articles, many of them in top scholarly journals, such as the Journal of Cardiac Rehabilitation. She also serves as a peer review editor.

Because of her expertise and reputation, Schiffert has been called upon to sit on steering committees and executive boards throughout Western New York. Recently the Kaleida Health Foundation honored her with the Distinguished Community Health Leader Award.

Not content simply to transmit knowledge, Judith is skillfully engaged in engendering knowledge and making connections in ways that inspire students and colleagues alike.

# Two Faculty Earn Doctoral Status

Patricia Nowakowski, assistant professor in the physical therapy department, defended her dissertation titled: A Meta-analysis of the Diagnostic Accuracy of the Monofilament in Detecting Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy. She graduated from the University at Buffalo in counselor education, health and rehabilitation.

Additionally, Pauline Schmidt, assistant professor in the education department, recently defended her dissertation titled: *Typecasting the Ideal Woman: The Dramatic Shaping of Students at an Urban, All-Girls School.* She received her Ph.D. in English education from SUNY at Buffalo.

# DYC Receives \$1 Million Grant to Help Students at Grover Cleveland

D'Youville College has received a four-year \$1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education for a new Upward Bound Program. It will be used to encourage and support disadvantaged students to complete high school and to pursue a college degree.

The grant will allow increased enrollment of at-risk students in the 9th and 10th grades at Grover Cleveland High School on Buffalo's West Side in a special program designed to help them succeed. The students will be in the new International Preparatory School at the high school, which is located close to D'Youville.

Upward Bound will provide academic tutoring, study and test-taking skills, mentoring and enrichment activities after school and during an intense six-week summer program.

"An integral part of D'Youville's mission is sharing educational opportunities with underrepresented groups," said Molly Flynn, director of government grants at the College. "We view college access and outreach measures as a means to educational and financial success."

D'Youville students as well as faculty will be tutors and mentors to the high school students and the International Preparatory teachers. The recruitment of qualified D'Youvillians was initiated in early spring, according to Trey Randle, program director.

Upward Bound was the first of the Federal TRIO programs to be funded through the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 to encourage disadvantaged students to complete high school and pursue a college degree. There are presently 774 Upward Bound programs throughout the U.S. TRIO includes six outreach programs targeted to serve and assist low-income, first-generation college students and students with disabilities.

"We are committed to developing solutions to better prepare high school students for entry and success in college and are very pleased the U.S. Department of Education has chosen to support this endeavor," Flynn said.

# Lady Spartans Reach the Big Dance in Record-Setting Season

The D'Youville College women's basketball team completed the finest season in school history with a record winning streak, conference championship and a trip to the NCAA Division III Tournament, reports Brian Miller, associate director of athletics.

The Lady Spartans came into the year as one of the favorites to claim the North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) title and its accompanying automatic bid to the national tournament, but they still had to prove it on the court. The ladies certainly made believers out of their growing number of followers by posting a schoolrecord 22 wins, culminated by cutting down the College Center gym nets after a thrilling 72-60 victory over Keystone College in the NEAC championship game. It was a total team effort, which was the theme for this squad all season. Coach Mark Herr's troops had no single "goto" player: only a combination of hard-working and determined women who believed in each other and refused to fail.

Coming into the year with returning all-league performers like point guard Rachel Placito (Greece, N.Y.) and 6-4 center Christine Halter (Holley, N.Y.), Herr knew DYC had the potential to win a lot of games. Add to the mix the continued development of lighteningquick Angel Clark (Lackawanna, N.Y.), allaround play of Rachel Pagano-Fuller (Greece, N.Y.) and additional post presence of freshman Holly Beats (Marilla, N.Y.), and the lineup seemed stacked. Solid play off the bench from Jonisha Scott (Buffalo, N.Y.) and Jennifer Carpenter (Portageville, N.Y.) was expected, while newcomers Ellen Remillard (Peru, N.Y.), Susanne Wieliczki (Northfield, Vt.) and Angela Rossi (Syracuse, N.Y.) rounded out the pre-season roster.

A victory over cross-town rival Buffalo State in the Betty Abgott Invitational opened some eyes around the area to DYC team's potential. But three straight losses around Thanksgiving brought the Lady Spartans back to earth. However, a trip to St. John Fisher in early



December proved to be the springboard that sent the team soaring to new heights. DYC dismantled the Cardinals, a traditional power, on their home floor and there was no looking back.

D'Youville won 17 of 18 games at one point during the season, establishing school marks for consecutive wins and road victories. There were blowouts and tight wins alike, with contributions coming from nearly everyone on the roster. Just after Christmas, Stephanie Schmieg (Waverly, N.Y.) returned to the lineup after sitting out the first semester and Melissa Kanalley (Tonawanda, N.Y.) transferred in from the aforementioned St. John Fisher. These were two key pieces to the puzzle, especially following the heartbreaking, season-ending loss of Pagano-Fuller to a knee injury.

"These girls worked so hard throughout the season to have a shot at the post-season," said Herr. "I am so proud of every one of them."

The Lady Spartans entered the NEAC Playoffs as the top seed and host of the tournament. Halter and Beats inside, Clark and Kanalley outside with Placito orchestrating everything from the point proved to be too much for the rest of the league to handle. Schmieg saved her best for last, coming up with key buckets and rebounds down the stretch to help put DYC over the top in their semifinal victory over long time nemesis Baptist Bible College, 69-58. Beats would take home NEAC Tournament MVP honors by dominating the boards with a school-record 27 rebounds and 17 points in the finals.

Although their season ended with a loss at national-power Baldwin-Wallace in the NCAA first round, the accolades and accomplishments of this team have set the standards for the future of D'Youville College women's basketball. Both Placito and Halter surpassed the 1,000-

point career scoring mark while garnering NEAC First Team All-League honors along the way. Placito ends her stellar career as the school's all-time leader in assists (308), while she sits fourth on the all-tie scoring list (1,149 points). Clark was a second-team all-league selection and Herr earned Coach-of-the-Year honors. Schmieg and Carpenter, the only other seniors on the squad, played key roles in the team's success and will need to be replaced.



Not to be overlooked was the work of the coaching staff which includes two DYC alums and former Lady Spartans.

"The work of coach Carrie Stevens '03 with our post players and game planning was outstanding," said Herr. Stevens is the all-time leading scorer and rebounder at DYC. "She really had us as prepared for our opponents as well as any team in the league."

Doing a lot of the "behind-the-scenes" coaching was alum, **Aurea Espada '04.** "Aurea is the lifeline of our team, recruiting athletes from all over the state," Herr added. "Her constant dedication to the program as a former player and now as a coach has helped lift us to many of our accomplishments. We could not have done this without Carrie and Aurea."

It was a season to remember for the Lady Spartans. The challenge now is to repeat that performance and take it even one step farther. For now their attention can return to registration, final exams and summer school. But a little piece of their minds can always think back to the friendships, togetherness and memories of a championship season.

# **INTERIM REPORT**

These are truly exciting times for D'Youville College!

- We are celebrating our Centennial throughout 2008.
- We are awaiting word from New York state on receiving university status.
- We have begun construction on a state-of-the-art classroom and laboratory building.
- We have submitted an application to New York State Education Department to develop a new academic program in pharmacy.

It is against this backdrop that we recently have announced D'Youville's Centennial Campaign. The success of this \$8 million initiative will help provide the resources necessary to construct a new academic building in which the doctoral program in pharmacy will be housed.

Presently, there is a great demand for pharmacists nationally (the current shortage of pharmacists nationwide is estimated to be in excess of 150,000). The pharmacy program will build on D'Youville's academic strengths and will continue the mission of providing compassionate health care professionals to assist those in need.

But we cannot do it without your help!

The College's plant fund and long-term financing will cover 75 percent of construction and program costs. D'Youville is reaching out to alumni, friends, corporations and foundations to provide the remaining 25 percent of the costs. To reach our goal, we need your support. If you have not already done so, please join us in the effort to ensure that D'Youville's future continues to be as vital as its past. Make a gift today to the D'Youville College Centennial Campaign.

To encourage alumni to participate in this important endeavor, an alumni challenge program has been established in which alumni decades of the 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and 00s will challenge each other in having the highest participation rate and in raising the most in gifts and pledges.

After only a few short months, and with the alumni challenge program just under way, the top three decades in each category are as follows:

PARTICIPATION		GIFTS & PLEDGES	
1940s	12.9%	1940s	\$76,025
1950s	9.1%	1960s	\$17,636
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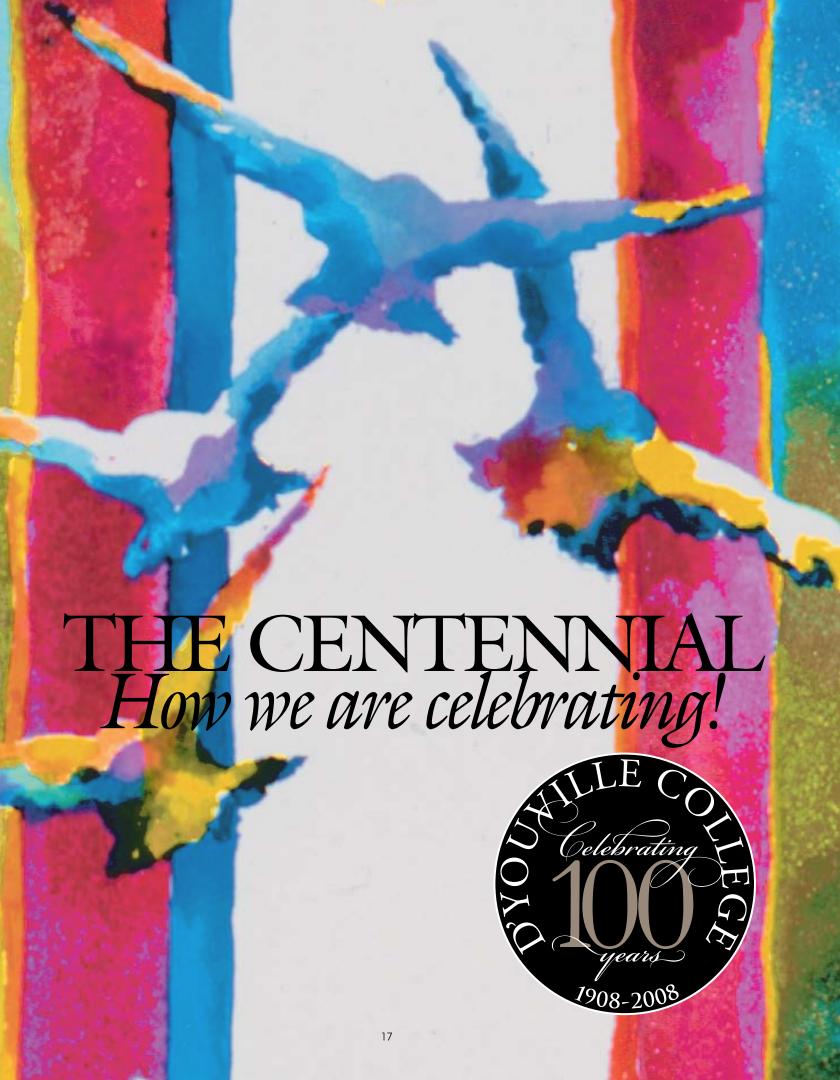
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# THE GREY NUNS OF THE SACRED HEART JANUARY 31, 2008

he premiere fireside chat featured the Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart, Sister Mary Brendan Connors '54, Sister Mary Charlotte Barton '52, former president and Sister Denise A. Roche '67, D'Youville's current president.

Sister Brendan recalled fond memories of her own student days at D'Youville. She spoke of the myriad activities that occupied the students in those years. The dean's meetings held in the then Auditorium (now The Kavinoky Theatre), with Sister Catherine of Siena presiding, were memorable. Also noteworthy were the remarkable student productions performed there, e.g., *Disraeli, Richelieu, Pride and Prejudice*, under the direction of Miss Helen Lyvers, well remembered for her speech classes.

During those years, enrollment was about 400-500 students with a 20 Grey Nuns/15 lay faculty ratio. Sister Brendan remarked that it was only in later years did she realize that faculty members were well-educated, scholarly men and women committed to providing a solid educational foundation for all students.

The 60s were building years: Madonna Hall and the "old" library were completed; Mary Agnes, in '63; the Health Science Building, in '66; followed by the College Center and Marguerite Hall. Then there were 40 Grey Nuns at D'Youville and 600 students in nursing alone.

Sister Mary Charlotte spoke of the unrest during her years as president. Like students across the country, D'Youville students wanted change and they challenged authority. Simultaneously, the Grey Nun numbers diminished.



Sister Karen Voltz '68 with speakers Sister Mary Brendan '54, director of the Learning Center, Sister Mary Charlotte Barton '52, past president and Sister Denise A. Roche '67, current president



There was a burst of laughter as Sister related an incident from those turbulent years. The students staged a sit-in in Sacred Heart Chapel. They were not moving! However, when the Sisters' evening prayer hour approached, they were asked to leave and, meekly, they all vacated the Chapel.

A wonderful asset that Sister Charlotte mentioned was her supportive board of trustees. In those restless years, a new direction in governance was initiated: lay men and women were invited to join that board. Sister lauded those members and said that they were an outstanding group of dedicated and knowledgeable individuals who cared about D'Youville and helped steer the College through troubled times.

Since 1979, Sister Denise has occupied the president's office. She has guided the expansion of the physical plant, program offerings and increasing enrollment.

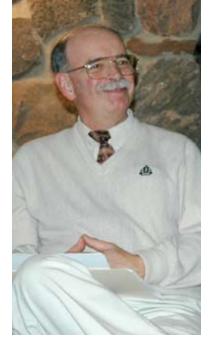
A main focus of Sister Denise's tenure is promoting the Mission of D'Youville, which mirrors that of St. Marguerite d'Youville. At every opportunity, in her own gentle way, Sister speaks of the poor among us and wholeheartedly endorses the College community's participation in volunteer activities to help the needy. She has said that she expects every student to leave D'Youville with the goal to make the communities where they live and work better places.

Together, the three Sisters conveyed with great warmth their memory of how D'Youville has touched and profoundly changed the lives of each and every student who has passed through these halls.



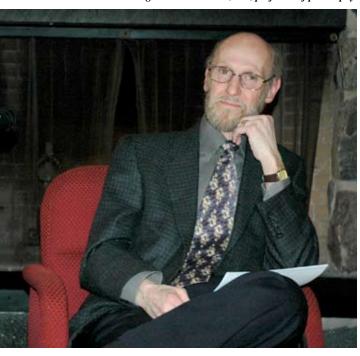






THE LIBERAL ARTS FACULTY FEBRUARY 21, 2008

Above: Paul R. Johnson, Ph.D., professor of religious studies Below left: G. John M. Abbarno, Ph.D., professor of philosophy Below right: Robert Nielsen, MA, professor of philosophy

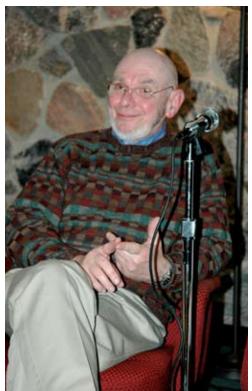


pening the fascinating presentation in the liberal arts, Professor Robert Nielsen startled his audience to complete attention with his beginning statement. "Liberal arts are not useful studies as are, for instance, accounting and anatomy and education." He continued, "Liberal arts are those things that are studied for their own sake, because they are beautiful, because they remind us of who we are and where we come from and where we are going. This is not to deny that they may have a certain useful aspect (knowing Spanish if one is going to Spain is certainly helpful), but we don't study Shakespeare so we can audition for a game show – at least I hope not."

Dr. John Abbarno said, "The liberal arts have been the center of D'Youville College through its first one hundred years. It is edifying to be a faculty member of philosophy, a program that was among the first offered at the College opening in 1908. Philosophy, along with English, fine arts, religious studies and foreign language, was relied upon to sustain the underlying liberal arts essence of a baccalaureate education. Philosophy's aim originates in the classics, serving to liberate the mind from ordinary custom by emphasizing the role of critical reasoning about accepted truths concerning nature, science, society and oneself, thereby guiding the student to discover his own beliefs."

"The liberal arts core curriculum is not so much about a specified content of knowledge as it is about 'perspectives on life'—how to think about and see things in different ways," observed Dr. Paul Johnson. He continued, saying that philosophy asks us to challenge the taken-for-grantedness of how we look at life, to apply reason to explore values and look for patterns of meaning while we do whatever we do in our lives and careers.

Dr. Abbarno concluded, "It is interesting to note that the careers of our philosophy graduates are quite varied." The law, human resources, business, counseling, criminal justice, nursing and the priesthood are among the diverse professions that philosophy graduates have chosen. He added, "All in all, philosophy at D'Youville College these many years reflects the metaphysical principle of 'permanence amidst change.""



our members of the nursing department provided a lively discussion of the nursing program: what it is today and a look at nursing of the future.

Dr. Carole A. Gutt, associate professor, came to D'Youville's nursing program in 1985. In the course of her tenure, she has served as assistant chair/director of graduate nursing and department chair. There has been tremendous program growth in those years and many innovations have been instituted. The all-day Friday graduate program in Community Health Nursing was one example. In 1977, the Family Nurse Practitioner degree was introduced; nurse practitioner was a new role for nurses with expanded responsibilities. 1999 saw the inception of the Choice of Clinical Focus M.S.

Dr. Gutt remembered that there was quite a downward trend in nursing enrollment here and around the country in the recent past. "However, in the last four years," she noted, "there has been a dramatic upsurge."

In her opinion, "D'Youville has been a pioneer in the nursing arena as evidenced by the current proposal to develop and seek approval for a doctorate in nursing practice."

Dr. Verna Kieffer described herself as the "baby" of the group in terms of her length of service at D'Youville. She arrived here in 1992 after teaching at Millard Fillmore School of Nursing and at the University at Buffalo.

Dr. Kieffer is currently the department chair and also teaches budding nurses. She was struck by the clarity and intensity of one student's perspective which so closely mirrors her own views of the nursing profession.

Jason Stevens, a student in Nursing 100, recently wrote, "Nursing is an opportunity to serve my community and contribute to its well-being. As a veteran, I have seen the cruelty and inhumanity of which man is capable. I am inspired to pursue a profession dedicated to reducing and alleviating human suffering." He went on to say that integrity is a keystone of his life.



THE NURSING FACULTY
MARCH 13, 2008

Below: Verna Kieffer, DNS, chair of the department of nursing and Patricia Bahn, MS, associate professor of nursing





Below: Paul T. Hageman, RN, Ph.D., FAAIM, chair of the integrative holistic health department and Carole A. Gutt, Ed.D., associate professor of nursing



One cannot live one's life without a strong sense of right and wrong. With the demands of a nursing career, one accepts the responsibility to care for those who are incapable of caring for themselves. Nurses are responsible for making difficult decisions regarding patients' care. Jason said that integrity is the moral compass that guides them in their decisions.

In the course of the presentation there was much talk of why caps were dropped and consequently the capping ceremony. Hilarity reigned as the nurses described the baseball caps worn by the male nurses. Mr. Robert P. (Butch) Murphy, vice president for student affairs, for years, jokingly referred to the "renegade nurses' capping."

Patricia Bahn offered a different side to the story of nursing with her long history of caring. She had earned an RN at E.J. Meyer Memorial Hospital before her tenure at D'Youville began. She mentioned the privilege of assisting at some of the earliest open heart surgeries.

One early memory at D'Youville is that of shepherding a group of D'Youville nurses to Roswell Park Cancer Institute for clinicals and how frightened they were. What would they say to patients who were dying? Dr. Bahn reassured them that the words were not important but letting the patients know that they cared was more important. "There could be no wrong words," she said.

She related a recent experience she herself had. A loved one died in the ER. Some members of the staff projected true caring and love. She felt their love and support but heard none of their words. She reiterated, "It is the true caring that families need when they lose a loved one."

Dr. Paul Hageman, chair, department of integrative holistic health studies, offered an introspective presentation. He has crystal clear memories of what students brought to his career.

In his remarks, he said that his most treasured recollections include acknowledging the wisdom that he received from his students. In many instances they were seasoned professionals returning for graduate degrees after years of patient care experience. He remarked that they learned from each other. As he looked back, he concluded, "I may have learned more from these students than they learned from me."



elebration was the mood of all who attended the April 4th Employee Recognition Dinner. The guests were serenaded into the Blue Lounge to the lively music of the Mark Mazur Group. A lightheartedness prevailed as members of the faculty, staff and administration gathered for the preprandials.

Many honorees, with years of service, were surrounded by family and friends as they waited for the special recognition that would follow dinner. Bright smiles lighted everyone's face when they noticed the bottles of wine bearing the label of D'Youville's own vintage.

A beautifully crafted video brought to mind the many colleagues who have moved on. When the faces of those who are now deceased came to the screen, the mood shifted to one of nostalgia as they remembered Sister Irene Marie, Dr. Sean Murray, Dr. Donald Po-Chedley, Catie Forichette and so many others.





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# a day of caring





A CAMPUS MINISTRY PROJECT

s part of the centennial's year-long 100 to the Second Power Project, the president's council declared April 23, 2008, as a day of service within the College neighborhood. A small army of volunteers joined forces with the West Side Community Collaborative and used their energies and skills to make a viable, visible difference in the greater D'Youville community.

- Weather report: Blue skies, sunny and warm
- Volunteers: 260 students, faculty and staff assembled, donned DYC caps, rolled up their sleeves and fanned out into the neighborhood.
- Project: Plying their rakes, push brooms and shovels, teams cleaned up the sidewalks and curbs of York Street. Yards were raked out and wheelbarrow after wheelbarrow of debris was hauled away.
- Project: Ladders up! Scrapers set to, with paint chips flying at the Habitat for Humanity house at 314 Vermont Street. Windows were caulked, ready for the next Buffalo winter. A phalanx of painters pitched in, transforming the Habitat house in a day's time.
- Project: "Freshen-up" painting of the interiors of Hispanic United's headquarters and the West Side Community Center put a new glow on those well-used facilities.
- End of day: A cool drink and snacks were shared. A day of work well done!



















SEPTEMBER 13, 2008, 11 A.M.-4 P.M. ALUMNI/COMMUNITY PICNIC **Prospect Avenue at the Park** 

SEPTEMBER 20, 2008 **GRAND CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION** Mass, St. Joseph's Cathedral, 4:30 p.m., Reception and Dinner, Hyatt Regency Hotel, to follow

SEPTEMBER 2008-NOVEMBER 2008, THURSDAYS, 4 P.M. FIRESIDE CHATS: SERIES TWO

**College Center, Blue Lounge** 

- September 18, 2008, History & Library Faculty
- October 23, 2008, Education Faculty
- November 13, 2008, Math and Natural Science Faculty

FALL 2008: DYC AROUND THE WORLD Celebrate throughout the fall with D'Youvillians at home & abroad during the season.

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JANUARY-APRIL 2009, THURSDAYS, 4 P.M. FIRESIDE CHATS: SERIES THREE

**College Center, Blue Lounge** 

- January 29, 2009, Student Affairs Personnel
- February 26, 2009, Business & Health Services Administration **Faculty**
- April 2, 2009, Allied Health Faculty

MARCH 30—APRIL 3, 2009 **COLLEGE CAMPUS FOOD DRIVE** 

APRIL 3, 2009—11: 30 A.M. MASS TO COMMEMORATE THE 101ST CHARTER DAY **Sacred Heart Chapel** 

APRIL 4, 2009 **GALA CLOSING EVENT** 

This picnic will have great food, fun and games. It will make a memorable family day for alumni, staff and their families and the children from the West Side neighborhood surrounding the College.
A celebratory liturgy will take place at St. Joseph's Cathedral, with Bishop Edward Kmiec officiating. An extraordinary reception and dinner are planned following the Mass. This Homecoming weekend will offer a calvalcade of additional events! Turn to pages 46-47 for full details.
Series Two of the Fireside Chats will feature current and retired faculty from the departments of history, education, math and natural science and the library.
Plan to gather together for a special D'Youville Day with clusters of D'Youvillians living in your area, anywhere around the world. Formal or informal, the gatherings should revive old memories and establish old/new friendships.
The exact date of this anticipated event will be determined soon. Check the Web site, www.dyc.edu, for exact details.
The spirit of service will enliven D'Youville's centennial celebration in 2008 through the Community Service Project, "100 to the Second Power." Students, faculty, administrators and College staff will dedicate 10,000 hours of service to local agencies and to the D'Youville College neighborhood.
The first of Series Three Fireside Chats will feature student affairs personnel. The second and third parts of the series will feature business and the allied world of health care from the point of view of health services administration, and the disciplines of occupational therapy, physician assistant and dietetics.
A week-long food drive to benefit local food pantries is planned by Campus Ministry. Check the Web site and the next issues of <i>D'Mensions</i> for details.
A special Mass will be celebrate to commemorate D'Youville's charter day
Finish the centennial celebration with Cole Porter at a matinee or evening performance of <i>Hot 'n Cole</i> in The Kavinoky Theatre, capped off with a grand buffet in the Koessler Administration Building and Madonna Hall between performances.  A fitting finale!

# a trio of notable alums



Donna M. Brown '84

"A bright, shining star has been added to the administration."

-Assemblywoman Crystal Peoples, D-Buffalo.

onna M. Brown worked for the Kensington-Bailey Neighborhood Services group earlier this decade, and there she saw the dire poverty that envelops much of the city. "You live, breathe and see it daily. So you get to experience it up close and personal in the neighborhoods, dealing with residents who just don't have enough money to make ends meet," Brown said. "So you have to be able to link them to agencies or resources that can help them sustain themselves."

Brown is now Buffalo's new deputy mayor, and she is tackling some of the intractable problems she previously confronted on the East Side. She comes to city government with extensive experience in the private sector, holding management positions at General Motors, HSBC and LP Ciminelli construction company. She is expected to oversee the efforts of Mayor Byron W. Brown's administration to reduce poverty, create jobs, redevelop the city and improve Buffalo public schools.

"I think she's a very bright, very competent and very caring person with

an enormous challenge in front of her," said Henry L. Taylor, director of the University at Buffalo's Center for Urban Studies. Donna Brown is spending her first weeks and months on the job reviewing the city's existing anti-poverty initiatives and developing some fresh approaches.

"Her task is going to be to bring some order to development agencies in City Hall that have not delivered for the neighborhoods," said Aaron Bartley, director of PUSH Buffalo, a West Side community organization.

Donna Brown doesn't have a background in politics or government administration, but she did lead community relations efforts on Ciminelli's massive Joint Schools Construction Project in Buffalo. Friends and former colleagues say she has the intelligence and personality to succeed in this high-profile post.

The new deputy mayor, a mother of two children enrolled in Buffalo schools, says she is ready for this latest career challenge in her adopted home city. "At the end of the day, if we can help somebody achieve their goal and achieve their dream, then to me that's what I constitute as being successful," she said in an interview. Brown [who is not related to Byron Brown ] is 47 and divorced, lives in the city raising 16-year-old Desmond and 12-year-old Nia.

"She's a very active parent in our school system," said Buffalo School Superintendent James A. Williams.

In her free time, Brown enjoys reading, watching a good movie and dining at Papaya, One Sunset and other favorite restaurants. She also reads the Bible every day.

Brown first moved here from Harlem when she was 17. One month later, she started classes at D'Youville College, where she majored in business management, and she decided to stay in Buffalo after graduating.

She worked initially at General Motors and HSBC, where she did budget planning and analytical research, before joining Kensington-Bailey Neighborhood Services. ... At Ciminelli, which Brown joined in 2002, she oversaw public and community relations and job-training efforts on the 10-year, \$1 billion program to rehabilitate the Buffalo Public Schools.

Brown was at Ciminelli when someone recommended her as a potential deputy mayor. ... The mayor was impressed with her during the interview process, and she was introduced as deputy mayor January 10.

"I wanted to move forward with an anti-poverty strategy. I thought with some of [her experience] at LP Ciminelli that she could be the right person to pull that together," he said.

Crafting an anti-poverty plan is expected to be Brown's biggest task, a problem highlighted by the U.S. Census Bureau report last summer that showed Buffalo is the second-poorest city in the nation. ... Donna Brown is starting her work by collecting ideas in meetings with a wide range of constituents, including members of nonprofit groups. She also is examining the best practices in place in other cities that could be replicated here. But when asked for specifics of her plan, Brown demurred. "I think I need a little more time for that one." But she shares the mayor's belief that good things are already happening in the city.

"It's like this, I often say, this quiet thunder that's building and this boom that's coming for our city," she said.

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Recognizing that age is not an indicator of ability, Pamela Krawczyk finds ways to dispel the myths of aging. She is an individual who is enthusiastic in her description of the vitality of older adults and in the promotion of their ability to live independently.

Pam has not forgotten her own roots and humble beginnings. She grew up and still lives in the Kaisertown neighborhood of Buffalo, where a sense of community has always been and still is important. The daughter of Richard and Theresa (Plewniak) Krawczyk, Pam is proud of the fact that her grandparents and great grandparents came to this country with only the clothes on their backs to give their future descendants a better life. "I consider myself to be truly blessed to have such wonderful and loving parents," Pamela states. "They provided all of their children with skills, talents and education to become successful individuals. By success, I am not referring to positions or status in the community; I am speaking about respect for self and others, discipline and faith."

Although Pamela's grandparents had passed on prior to her birth, the streets of Kaisertown held numerous surrogate grandparents, enhancing her life's education. Respect for one's elders was something that was learned at an early age. This served her well when she was appointed to the geriatric unit of the South Buffalo Mercy Hospital as a candy striper. This experience fostered further respect for the abilities of older adults, and thus the pathway was set before her.

In 1977, Pamela received a scholarship to D'Youville College, where her field of study was biology/pre-med. During the next four years, Pam continued to take several sociology courses and was prompted by a professor's handwritten notes on her term papers to study gerontology.

Her pathway was detoured for six years, as Pam worked in cardiopulmonary research for the New York State Research Foundation. Recalling the comments of her professor and wishing to pursue an advanced degree, Pamela made the decision to make a career change and returned to D'Youville to earn a master's degree in gerontology. She considers this to be one of the best decisions of her life and a most Two D'Youville alums have been awarded the prestigious Catherine McAuley Distinguished Alumni Award granted by Mount Mercy Academy for the year 2007.

prescient career choice, given the current demographic trends in Erie County. The National Honor and Professional Society in Gerontology, Sigma Phi Omega, has recognized her talents and work.

Inasmuch as her thesis research was originally conducted in long-term care, institutional-type environments, Pamela volunteered as a Red Cross

long-term care ombudsman where she advocated for the rights of older patients residing in nursing homes. Pamela also became a strong voice for the changing misconceptions about aging. She spent the next eleven years directing the Golden Age Center of The Salvation Army promoting prevention programs and encouraging independent living.

Through her efforts in coordinating the Senior Olympics for Erie & Niagara counties, she was able to prove that age should not be an indicator of ability. During the time of Pamela's leadership, participation tripled and, in 1999, she was proud to accept the Network in Aging's outstanding program service award for The Salvation Army Senior Olympics.



Pamela M. Krawczyk '81 & '89

Observing the ever-changing role of families and realizing the growing number of older adults assuming parental responsibility for grandchildren, Pamela began the Grandparent Enrichment Program at The Salvation Army Golden Age Center. This program was selected nationally out of 120 applicants to receive a seed grant from the Brookdale Foundation.

In January 2000, Pamela was appointed commissioner of the Erie County department of senior services. As the director of this area agency on aging, she was responsible for the development of a comprehensive and coordinated plan of services for the frail, low-income elderly of Erie County.

Her volunteer efforts have been directed by her belief that she is a servant leader. On March 1, 2000, D'Youville College awarded Ms. Krawczyk its Alumni Service Award for her achievements in working with older adults and continued dedication to serving this community.

Recently, Pam was selected for the Community Health Foundation's leadership fellows program and serves on the advisory board for the Center for Transportation Excellence as vice chair.

Pamela's life philosophy can be summed up in her favorite quote from George Washington Carver: "Resolve to be tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant with the weak and wrong....because sometime in your life you will have been all of these."

ary Beth Farruggio is currently vice president of patient care services at Mercy Hospital of Buffalo, a position she has held since 1999. Mary Beth received her BS in nursing from D'Youville College in 1973, her MS from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1986, and has been board certified in nursing (advanced) since 1992. Her outstanding career spans more than 30 years and includes positions as staff nurse, nursing supervisor, director of nursing and vice president/chief nursing officer, all of which she served at Our Lady of Victory Hospital.

While in high school, Mary Beth developed an interest in science and was, initially, drawn to a career in medicine. Professions for women were

For Pamela, education has been a journey, not a destination.

still somewhat limited in the 1960s, so Mary Beth chose nursing as her path, coupling her desire to help people with her penchant for a medical career, which is why she chose D'Youville for her professional studies. She attributes her interest in D'Youville to her grandmother, who had served as a "house mother" in the 1950s at one of the College's homes for resident students on Richmond Avenue; inasmuch as dormitories were not yet part of the campus facilities.

After ten years as a staff nurse at OLV, Mary Beth sought to further her education. She had two choices: either advance in the clinical direction or the administrative route. Since she often found herself serving as a charge nurse, it seemed the natural path for her to choose that avenue. While earning her MS from SUNY at Buffalo, Mary Beth advanced as nursing supervisor at OLV, a position she held for three years. After the

retirement of the nursing director, she became director of nursing from 1986 to 1996. Then in 1996, Mary Beth was appointed vice president/chief nursing officer at Our Lady of Victory Hospital.

Following the reconfiguration of OLV and Mercy Hospitals in 1999, Mary Beth became vice president of patient care services at Mercy Hospital, the position she holds today. It proved a daunting task to bring together the staffs and services of the two hospitals to form a new, cohesive entity. Every patient care unit had to be redesigned for patient needs, including cardiac care, surgical, medical, etc. While the challenges were many and often fraught with frustration, the results have proved to be rewarding for both staff and patients.

Mary Beth is a recipient of the 1999 New York Organization of Nurse Executives (NYONE) nurse leadership award in recognition of her creative and contemporary leadership in nursing practice and a 2003 Woman of Influence Award in recognition of her outstanding achievements as one of Western New York's top women executives.

Mary Beth has been selected for the Community Health Foundation's leadership fellows experience, is a member of the Upstate New York Transplant Services (UNYTS) board of directors and chair of the UNYTS quality improvement committee.

Mary Beth has been married to Patrick Farruggio for 34 years. They have two daughters.

Mary Beth is an extremely well-respected member of the WNY health care community.



Mary Beth Hess Farruggio '73

<sup>-</sup>These two articles reprinted in part from the Mount Mercy Academy alumni awards program



## **GROWING UP IN THE KAV**

Joseph Demerly, managing director

I was first introduced to The Kavinoky Theatre attending a school matinee performance as a freshman in high school. I remember watching *Death of a Salesman* and marveling at how something I read in class became startlingly real right before my eyes. (It was my assumption that going to theatre in Buffalo meant seeing *Cats* at Shea's. I was thrilled that I could experience something more intimate, more literary: I never imagined that bringing "the page to the stage" would be so captivating!) My fascination quickly became an obsession: I joined the drama club, started reading plays I was not assigned to read and saved my allowance to purchase theatre tickets. I was hooked.

My passion for literature and theatre remained through high school and college (resulting in multiple flip flopping of my academic major from English to theater over the course of six years — much to the chagrin of my parents). The proverbial "door" finally opened for me when, in my senior year, my acting professor suggested I audition for a Tom Stoppard play at The Kavinoky. I was terrified to audition for the people whom I had watched perform for so many years. But I did and now, eleven years later, I could not be happier that I am still here, both as sometime actor and as managing director.

# Three Men/One Stage: THE KAVINOKY

# THE GEM BEGINS TO GLISTEN

As alumni, staff or faculty of D'Youville College, you are most likely already familiar with the "hidden gem" that is The Kavinoky Theatre. Perhaps you remember holding commencement in the auditorium or, possibly, you are a longstanding subscriber to the College's professional theatre company. The glorious venue is, nonetheless, something we have all come to cherish and respect through nostalgia, its architecture, history, and hopefully, as a place where unforgettable theatre lives and breathes.

Over the course of 28 years, The Kavinoky Theatre has sustained its reputation for excellence in live theatrical performance. It has entertained and enlightened nearly 500,000 audience members and provided thousands of opportunities to local artists and craftsmen. As a leader in professional theatre, it has produced over 140 shows, earned a reputation for consistently high quality productions, maintained a solid subscriber base and continues to bring audiences a wide assortment of plays, including world and regional premieres, uproarious comedies, poignant dramas and toe tapping musicals.

Sleuth, 1996 97 season



The Auditorium remodeled into The Kavinoky, 1980



D'Youville Auditorium, 1970

The Kavinoky Theatre at D'Youville College officially opened in 1980 but the idea for it was born a decade earlier during a production of *The Importance of Being Earnest* on the original, unrestored theatre stage built in 1907.

Under the artistic direction of David Lamb, the idea was two-fold: to form a local company of paid professional actors to produce a subscription season of plays and to work as an ensemble along the lines of traditional repertory companies. David also envisioned raising money through the auspices of D'Youville College to restore the small Edwardian gem of a theatre to serve as a home for the company.

The 1970s were spent producing in the Porterview Room of the College Center under the company name of Stage Centre. It was at that time the only locally producing professional theatre company that hired local actors, directors and designers. By 1979 there was a healthy balance of \$11,000 in the bank and the D'Youville capital campaign to restore the theatre under the leadership of Edward Kavinoky was completed.

Restoration and refurbishing work was finished in time for the 1980-81 season and the theatre was renamed The Kavinoky. The first production was *Sleuth* featuring Brian LaTulip and David Lamb. It was successful enough to sell out and double our production fund (at \$3 per ticket).

For nearly three decades, The Kavinoky has had a seminal influence on the growth of live theatre in Buffalo. Most of the leading area actors had their start at The Kavinoky, as did many of the artistic directors. When the theatre began it was alone; there are now nearly 30 producing organizations in town! The theatre is justifiably proud of this record and it strive to maintain its status in this cultural jewel of a city.

### **PAGE TO STAGE**

"How do you learn all those lines?" "Do the actors find their own costumes?" "What do you do with the set when the play closes?" Many of us enjoy a play or musical but do not know precisely how one is put together (or we do not know how much work is actually involved). It never ceases to amaze me how written words are transformed into emotion and entertainment on a stage. The script, however, is just one (albeit the most important) factor in preparation and execution of mounting a production. As patrons of live theatre, the audience is watching people pretend to be other people reciting words written by a completely different person on a set, in costumes, using props, under lighting (et cetera) designed by even more people. Live theatre is without a doubt a living and breathing thing but how does a play become fully realized before an audience?

# "The play's the thing." - Hamlet, Act 2, Scene Two

**THE SCRIPT** - David Lamb reads, on average, one or two plays a day; I read, on average, one play a day; add about one hundred title suggestions from friends, colleagues, actors and playwrights, and the total will exceed 1,000 scripts read each year. How then does an artistic director choose the best plays to produce in any given season? Very carefully! Although each AD will list different criteria, most will consider a playwright's body of work, type of play (drama, comedy, mystery, classic, modern), cast size, scenic requirements, name recognition (or lack there of), past

productions, audience demographics, relevance of subject matter, and most important, whether he/she enjoyed the story. Once the perfect play is discovered, the rest will fall into place.

"Acting is all about honesty. If you can fake that, you've got it made."

- George Burns

**THE PLAYERS** – Casting a play may be one of the most difficult tasks a director is handed. He must first become intimate with the script, the characters and his own vision.

"The scenery in the play was beautiful but the actors got in front of it."

– Alexander Woolcott

**THE DESIGN** – The mounting of a production is a complex process. The stage setting—the framework for all dialogue and movement—provides a dimensional environment for the actors' interplay. Add to it a surround of sound to draw the audience into this setting. Next, color this world with costumes, from Roman to regal. Give it movement with choreography, from dances to duels. Add the fine-brush detail of make-up to define the characters. Then, subtly draw the audience into this fantasy world through the play of lighting. Finally, it has become a complete environment, at once subtle, powerful and, above all, believable.

This totally artificial construct must cajole the audience into experiencing it as palpable reality. How is this done? Purely through the magic of creative vision.

# THE MUSINGS OF A CREATIVE MIND

David Lamb, artistic director

For far too long, it seems to me, legitimate theatre has been shooting itself in the foot. It has not focused on what it does best, which is to tell stories that in production move an audience toward a vision of existence other than the one being lived: a more vital, more humane world of the collective imagination. Instead, for far too long our actions have joined the mainstream thinking of theatre as a business, an escape, an entertainment, attempting merely to be "good." But good for what? For whom? In what way, good? What part of me is it good for? And what are we escaping from? We should be more than "show business" —who thought of





How the Other Half Loves, 1997-98 season

Grovente

Camelot, 1995-96 season

theatre as a business in the first place?—looking for critical "raves" and avoiding critical "pans." To look at theatre as a business is a sure way to eliminate it—even as a business.

Our art form depends upon dialogue and a willingness to use our collective imagination. In a world of cell phone chat, reality TV, real action movies, and of PC isolation, the theatre is uniquely (perhaps threateningly and certainly dangerously) capable of achieving this experience. It is our prime strength.

This season will show a rededication to the dialogue between actors and their audiences: a passionate dedication to what theatre does best. The theatre experience enables us to listen to one another, the only way we can hear one another. In a very real way the audience creates the production. When an audience is not "there" the actors are not "there" either – and I do not mean merely box office. A play receives its resonance, it's echo, from the audience. If the audience will not play, there is no game.

So often an evening in the theatre is approached by critics (often acting as a privileged consumer's guide), or certain audience members, with a "show me" attitude. This is not helpful to the play, the production or the audience's enjoyment. Theatre is essentially participatory, an opportunity, not for immediate judgment, but for audience and players to fuse and become part of one another. Ultimately, it is a particular mode of expression through which a community realizes itself.

# **RECOLLECTIONS OF A THEATRE BUFF**

Paul M. Dambmann, chair, The Kavinoky board of directors

Growing up in England during World War II meant that theatrical entertainment other than radio was extremely rare. So, when I was taken to

the local theatre to see the occasional pantomime—that wonderful but puzzling interpretation of fairy tales where the lead roles are taken by men dressed up as women and women dressed up as men—it was a special treat to be savored over and over again. Later on as a schoolboy, I would take a coach up to London to see one of Shakespeare's plays and see what had been a challenging text in the classroom, come alive and be more completely understood. So I became hooked at an early age on the magic and immediacy of live theatre.

When I arrived in Buffalo in 1974, I was delighted to discover an abundance of theatres where I could continue to fall under that spell. But there was only one which had that old familiar London ambiance and that was the delightful Edwardian theatre known as The Kavinoky tucked away, almost hidden, on the campus of D'Youville College.

So, when I was later approached to be the chair of the Kavinoky Theatre's board of directors, needless to say I jumped at the chance. Now we have an influential team more than twenty strong,

dedicated to raising public awareness and funds for The Kavinoky. We are successful because the product we represent is so good. Yes, there are other excellent theatres in Buffalo and long may they live but there is an irresistible combination of unique advantages at The Kav.

- As a producing theatre, our mission is to present each season some plays that are deservedly well known but we concentrate on bringing to town new and challenging plays acclaimed elsewhere in the world. We bring you a sense of adventure!
- The productions take place on the stage of a theatre which looks and feels like some of the great theatres of New York, Paris, or London. It's a classic 250-seater oozing with architectural charm.
- Because most of us travel by car, it is reassuring to know that The Kav is easy to find, and more important, when you get there, there is space for free parking in a secure and well-lit lot.

So come and judge for yourselves. Feel the power of real drama without it's being diluted by an interposing cinema or TV screen. We are for real and you will *be* there!

## THE UPCOMING SEASON

The Kavinoky Theatre is delighted to announce a fresh, perfect season that contains the ideal balance of contemporary dramas, comedies and new classics. We promise to maintain our high standards in producing professional theatre with the local artists, directors and designers our audiences have grown to adore. We are bringing you the newest and best Broadway plays directly to Buffalo.

We are thrilled to announce six Western New York premieres that are passionate, relevant, engaging and entertaining – only at The Kavinoky.

## **MAURITIUS**

WNY premiere by Theresa Rebeck September 12 – October 12, 2008

Stamp collecting is far more risky than you think. After their mother's death, two estranged half-sisters discover a book of rare stamps that may include the crown jewel for collectors. One sister tries to collect on the windfall,

while the other resists for sentimental reasons. In this gripping tale, a seemingly simple sale becomes dangerous when three seedy, high-stakes collectors enter the sisters' world, willing to do anything to claim the rare find as their own.



The Murder Room, 1987-88 season

## **HEROES**

New York state premiere by Tom Stoppard November 7 – December 7, 2008

*Heroes* is set in August 1959 somewhere in France in a home for retired military men. The play takes place outside on a terrace in the garden of a convent hospital where Philippe and Henri are hatching a plan to escape... with their marble canine companion. Adapted from Gerald Sibleyras's *Le Vent De Peupliers*.



"It's a classic 250-seater oozing with architectural charm."
-Paul M. Dambmann, chair of The Kavinoky board of directors

## IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE: A LIVE RADIO PLAY

WNY premiere! Adapted by Joe Landry December 10-14, 2008 – One Week Only! (Not part of subscription series)

This beloved American holiday classic comes to captivating life as a live 1940s radio broadcast. With the help of an ensemble that brings a few dozen characters to the stage, the story of idealistic George Bailey unfolds as he considers ending his life on fateful Christmas Eve. "One of the best holiday shows around. This is a fresh and inventive way of reconnecting with a classic story of love and redemption." – *Chicago Sun-Times* 

## IS HE DEAD?

WNY premiere!

A new comedy by Mark Twain. Adapted by David Ives January 9 – February 8, 2009

The Kavinoky Theatre is thrilled to produce this long-lost comedy by Mark Twain immediately following its extremely successful Broadway run! "This is a pure comedy; a fictional, farcical Paris-set yarn about a young painter, the real-life Jean-Francois Millet, who fakes his death to score fame and fortune." – *Playbill.com* 

## HOT 'N COLE: A COLE PORTER CELEBRATION

Words and Music by Cole Porter Devised by David Armstrong, Mark Waldrop and Bruce W. Coyle March 6 – April 5, 2009

The spotlight is on the timelessness of Cole Porter classics, presented here with wonderfully fresh arrangements and a contemporary twist. Over fifty of his songs are woven into an entertainment that feels as much like a book musical as a revue. By turns wry, irreverent, romantic, touching and hilarious, this is a postmodern Cole Porter evening unlike any other.

## THE FARNSWORTH INVENTION

Western New York Premiere by Aaron Sorkin May 1 – May 31, 2009

It is 1929. Two ambitious visionaries race against each other to invent a device called "television." Separated by two thousand miles, each knows that if he stops working, even for a moment, the other will gain the edge. Who will unlock the key to the greatest innovation of the 20th century: the ruthless media mogul or the self-taught Idaho farm boy? The answer comes to compelling life in *The Farnsworth Invention*, the new play from Aaron Sorkin, creator of *The West Wing*.

\*Titles and dates are subject to change.

For ticket information, 716.829.7668 or kavinokytheatre@dyc.edu.



Kavinoky Night 2008: Claudia T. Krawczyk '90, treasurer and Thomas J. DeLuca '76, president, Alumni Association, enjoy wine, savories, sweets and conversation before the performance of Clorious

## **RECENT GATHERINGS**



At the Alumni/Graduate Champagne Luncheon, (standing, l to r): Jennifer Morley '08, Donnah O'Meally '08, James Arcara '08, Madonna M. Reddington '98, '08

(seated, l to r): Ericka Morley-Soto '05, '06, Joyce Troutman Freeman '83, Sister Denise Roche, GNSH, Ph.D., Michele Gullo Arcara '77, Madonna Halloran Reddington '52

Attending commencement, the golden anniversary class of 1958

Back row (l to r): Therese Conlin Clarke, Natalie Scamurra McIntosh, Joanne Geiger Welchoff, Mary Ellen Story Haggerty, C. Jean Morton

Front (l to r): Frances Custodi Patricola, Mary Ellen Snyder Cahoon, Anna Frawley Martin, Marie Abbarno,







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## GREETINGS FROM FLORIDA





## 2004

On March 29, 2008, His Excellency, The Most Reverend Peter J. Jugis, JCD, Bishop of Charlotte, N.C., called Benjamin Adam Roberts to receive the Sacred Order of Deacon. He was ordained in Saint Patrick Cathedral by the laying on of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit. Benjamin wrote, "I wanted to share this news with you as soon as I was able. My education at D'Youville has served me well in seminary. I am ever grateful. I hope to make it to the centennial Mass in September. Again, I thank you for my education and my time as part of the D'Youville community."

## 2002

Amy L. Williams, MSPT, CSCS, has an outpatient clinic for orthopedics/sports medicine in Miami Lakes, Fla., between Miami and Ft. Lauderdale.

## 2001

PA graduate **D. Travis Reilly** lives in Fresno, Calif., and has been working in pediatric cardiac surgery for the past six years at Children's Hospital of Central California. He and his wife Natasha welcomed their first addition in October 2007.

## 1999

The business office is delighted to welcome back accounting graduate **Kari A. Michalek** to the D'Youville community as a staff accountant. Her ten years experience in various accounting positions, most recently with Greater Buffalo Savings Bank, will help her as she handles the banking portion of student loans and many other accounting reconciliations and tasks.

## 1998

**Michelle D. Swygert,** director of the College's health center for two

years, has taken a new position as a nurse practitioner with an agency that provides services for the U.S. Immigration and Health Services. This division of Homeland Security is based in Batavia, N.Y., and provides health care for immigrants who are required to return to their native countries.

## 1997

Newly appointed to the position of staff educator, Emmett O. Mixon has an important role in implementing Welcome Home, an initiative that Beechwood Continuing Care, a not-for-profit senior care community in Amherst, N.Y., has begun in order to improve long-term care. Part of a national movement, this program is transforming the facilities and the way in which care is provided from a traditional medical, institutional model to a new person-centered model that fosters independence and personal dignity in a nurturing and homelike environment. Previously, Emmett served as director of the Global Opportunity for Leadership Development Program and as student affairs coordinator at Trocaire.

### 1991

Maryanne Shanahan '65 writes to us that she was on a busman's holiday staying at an inn in Asheville, N.C. In conversation one evening, she learned that the assistant innkeeper was from Buffalo originally. Maryanne mentioned attending college there and the woman stated that her husband, Bruce Budney, was one of DYC's first PT graduates. The DYC connection is everywhere!

Citing her long-term interest in the languages and history of the Near East, **Jami Milliron** and her husband moved from Tucson, Ariz., to Istanbul just over ten years ago. She has been teaching at a private university in the Belgrade Forest overlooking the Black Sea, a lovely setting outside the hustle-bustle of downtown. In addition to teaching English, Jami has been studying Turkish, Persian and Sufism. She writes, "I am happy living here and would recommend anyone so inclined to visit this beautiful country. Turkey is ancient, magical and welcoming. Although predominantly Moslem, Turkey is rich in Christian history."

## 1984

**Dawn Panebianco,** who graduated with a BA in biology, was recently promoted to sanitary chemist at the Buffalo (N.Y.) Sewer Authority Treatment Lab.

## 1977

Catherine M. Sardo and three of her classmates were disappointed that they were not able to attend their 30th anniversary reunion last year. They were volunteers at Buffalo Night at the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C., a popular annual event attended by more than 1,000 Capitol-area Buffalo friends. Cathi and Madelyn Bondanza Schrader's husbands were part of the planning committee. Cathi works in the Preventive Medicine Service of Army Public Health Nursing at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

## 1974

A public health nurse with the Virgin Islands Department of Health, **Mary Eileen Gambert** has lived in the Caribbean since 1979. She has worked as an RN, as well, on sailboats around the world.

## 1971

**Dr. Genevieve Chandler,** who has been an associate professor of nursing at the University of Massachusetts/Amherst, is pleased to announce that her *Ultimate Guide to Getting* 





Knute and Eileen Clifford Cavanaugh '63 and Bernie and Mary Ann Norton Gehan '63 send greetings to their DYC classmates from Patagonia in Argentina/Chile, near Cape Horn.

Into Nursing School has been published by McGraw-Hill. The book contains evidenced-based reality nursing, from learning what nursing is really like to considering graduate school and everything in between.

## 1969

Since Colette M. Hall retired from her position as an allergy lab coordinator at University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville, she estimates that she spends close to 40 hours a week on civic involvement. She is in the process of founding a nonprofit Alliance of Neighborhoods to organize city/county neighborhoods and was given the City of Charlottesville 2008 annual award as Citizen Planner of the Year in recognition of her efforts. She writes, "Busy is my middle name."

## 1963

Jacqueline Anne Kurzanski Lesniewski earned a master's degree in child health nursing and a master's in education, curriculum development and instructional communications from SUNY at Buffalo. She was the patient education coordinator at the Reading, Pa., Hospital and Medical Center from 1987 to 1997 when she became a case manager for the hospital's insurance company. In 2001, she began working as a case manager/team leader in worker's compensation at Travelers Insurance Company in Reading.

She enjoys volunteering at St. Mary's Church and at the local soup kitchen. She and her husband Jack like to travel and have two daughters and six grandchildren.

## 1960 and 1958

**JoAnne Luther Varco** writes, "I think the stars were in the proper orbit." When she entered

DYC in September 1956, there was a sorority sisters program in place. Each freshman student was assigned to a junior as her Little Sister. The Big Sister was to act as a guide and counsel to the younger woman to make her feel a part of D'Youville. Freshman JoAnn's Big Sister was C. Jean Morton '58. It has been 50 years since Jean graduated. Names have changed and women from those classes have gone in different directions nationally and internationally. Through a contact with the alumni office, JoAnn and Jean reconnected. They live near each other and were thrilled to meet again and drive together to the alumni luncheon in Ft. Lauderdale in February. "Who would have ever thought...'

## 1958

Editor of the 1958 D'Youvillian, golden anniversary class member Therese Conlin Clarke is an adjunct professor of modern and classical languages at Buffalo State College. She loves languages and has studied several. A career teacher of French, she studied in France and Quebec and has visited the French-speaking countries Belgium, of Luxembourg, Martinique and Guadeloupe. As a member of Pomost International, she has taught English in Rzeszow, Poland, and Kiev, Ukraine, for over ten summers. Among the honors she has received are the Maryalice Seagrave Outstanding Foreign Language Teacher Award given by the Western NewYork Foreign Language Educators Council and the Remunda Cadoux Award for Excellence in Supervision given by the New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers. Therese is looking forward to visiting with her classmates at the centennial and Homecoming 2008 activities in September.

## marriages

Nora Carroll Williams '08 to Matthew William Gregoire

## births

Kathleen Margaret (Kate), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Mulderig (Margaret Kennedy '95) joins big sisters Molly Catherine, 3 and Meghan Claire, 1½.

Mia Caroline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bradley (Jenny Schaab BS/MS '02, DPT '07).

## condolences

Nancy Mills Loving '42 on the death of her sister Sister Sally Mills, SSMN '50

Mary Paula Bellanca Kerr '45 on the death of her sister Josephine Bellanca Strachan '46

Mary Moriarity Cottrell '45 on the death of her husband and Mary Cottrell Rahill '50 on the death of her brother Joseph

Dolores Egan Cooley '49 on the death of her husband Raymond

Mary Catherine Mahaney Murrett '49 on the death of her brother Patrick

Ruth Clifford Foster, a member of the class of '51, on the death of her husband Harry

Sister Patricia Watkins, GNSH '51 on the death of her sister Margaret Mary Zugger

Irene O'Connor '52 on the death of her brother John

Diana Milazzo Duca '54 on the death of her husband and Valerie Duca Bongiovi '64 on the death of her brother Robert

Sheila Ryan Scandurra '56 on the death of her sister Anne Elizabeth Ryan Maxwell '54

Martha Rolleck Rutowski '57 on the death of her mother Florence

Joan Blake Blaho '60 on the death of her mother Anne

Rosemary Dowdall Pohlman '61 on the death of her husband Norbert

Barbara Hussey Regan '62 on the death of her husband Thomas

Angela Messina Weeks '62 on the death of her father Crucian

Patricia Dugan Barker '63 on the death of her husband Walter

Sandra Morgat Knittle '63 on the death of her mother Beatrice

Margaret Moriarty McGrath '64 on the death of her mother Anna

Joan Steller Wutz '64 on the death of her daughter Beth J. Wutz, M.D.

Maureen Walsh Dougherty '64 on the death of her sister Margaret Smith

Bonne Tymorski Mogulescu '65 and Joanne Tymorski Hess '66 on the death of their mother Florence

Julie Werth Stagliano '65 on the death of her husband Vito

Kathleen Flaherty Mooney '66 on the death of her sister Sheila Flaherty Penn '62

Patricia Scaglione Foley '66 on the death of her mother Phyllis

Margaret Beuerlein Bartolotti '67 and Agnes Beuerlein Meyer '73 on the death of their sister Mary Beuerlein Thomas-Mangan '62

Patricia E. Moniat '68 on the death of her father Joseph

Emma Montes de Oca Berst '68 on the death of her husband Raymond

Mary Lou Privitera Tringali '70 on the death of her brother Anthony

Maryalice Smith Fish '71 on the death of her husband Daniel

Susan Druzbik Sellers '73 on the death of her father Joseph

Maggie Wood '05 on the death of her mother Mary

## LOOKING BACK TO THE OCS



Unable to suppress their glee, a cortege of black-clad DYC mourners parade around the gym at then Rosary Hill College in 1969, with a somber vow of "burying" the Hill's basketball team.

Does anyone remember who won?

## obituaries

Gertrude McGee '27 (January 2, 2008) was the sister of the late Margaret McGee '26, Dr. Hugh McGee and Agnes (Peter) Maher '34. She is survived by several nieces and nephews, Robert, Tom and Joe McGee; Michael, Mary Patricia, Joanne and Christopher Maher. A funeral Mass was celebrated at Nativity of Our Lord Church in Orchard Park. During her long teaching career, Gert was a well-known and highly respected lecturer.

Helen Long Benz '39 (March 11, 2008) donated her body to the University of Buffalo School of Medicine. A service of gratitude acknowledging the donor's contribution to science will be held by the School of Medicine at a future date.

Mary Galza Calandra '45 (January 8, 2008) died at Wilton, Conn., where she resided, after she and husband Nick moved from Buffalo. She taught for many years at Amherst Central Senior High School. She is survived by her daughters Christine Varian of Westport, Conn., and Barbara Moore of Silver Spring, Md., her sons-in-law Ed Varian and Spencer Moore, her grandchildren Nicholas. Analissa and Mariclare Varian, great-grandchildren Cassidy and Austin Moore and several nieces and nephews. A funeral Mass was celebrated in Assumption Church in Westport.

Mary Finnegan Lamb '45 (January 18, 2008) died at the Lawrence and Memorial Hospital after a 31-year struggle with Parkinson's Disease. She was predeceased by her husband Daniel in 2000. A graduate of Mount Mercy Academy in 1942,

she matriculated at D'Youville, graduating in 1945. She is survived by her children Jan Peters, Marsha Miller, Nancy Foote, John, Roy and Terrie Lamb with whom she made her home. She was predeceased by one son Daniel. She also left her sister, June Grav of Buffalo, a brother Edmund of Pennington, N.J., and 13 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Mary taught business at St. Bernard's High School from 1970-1987. She enjoyed visiting her children and grandchildren, gardening and traveling. She was a member of Shennecossett Yacht Club and a not-so-silent partner in Abbev's Gift Shop. Her funeral Mass was celebrated in her parish church, St. Mary Mother of the Redeemer. where she was a member of the Sacred Heart Rosary Society.

Josephine Bellanca Strachan '45 (March 16, 2008) for 56 years was the wife of the late Joseph Strachan. She is survived by her devoted daughter Mary Catherine. She also leaves her brothers Al and Tino and her sister Mary Paula Kerr. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Jo graduated from D'Youville with a BA in chemistry and earned a BSN in nursing from Pace University. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Gregory the Great Church where she was a member of St. Gregory's Ladies of Charity.

Sister Sally Mills '50 (January 12, 2008) died in St. Mary Center in Buffalo. For over 57 years she served her community, Sisters of the Congregation of St. Mary Namur, as a teacher and administrator. A graduate of St.

Mary Seminary and D'Youville, she earned a master's degree at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Recently, she volunteered at Casa El Norte in Ft. Erie, Ont., a shelter for refugees who are accepted into Canada. When she could, she enjoyed sailing on Lake Erie. Sister Sally is survived by her sister, Nancy Loving '42 of Naples, Fla., and many nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial was offered at St. Mary Center.

**Deloris J. Bencal Long '52** (November 20, 2007) A Memorial Mass was celebrated for Deloris at St. Francis Church in North Tonawanda, N.Y.

Patricia Sullivan Cossaboon '52 (February 24, 2008) is survived by her husband Bob, her children John, Karen Holm, Diane Sturmer and grandchildren Rachel and Ben Hill, Shannon, Spencer, and Connor Holm. She was predeceased by her son David. She also leaves a sister Connie McCormick and brother Robert Sullivan. Pat was a patient, loving, good natured and happy person. She was devoted to her family and attended as many of their events as possible. A dedicated teacher. Pat taught at Cardinal Mooney High School and at RIT College. Her funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Marks Church in Rochester, N.Y.

Concetta Girolamo Palumbo '53 (March 13, 2008) was the wife of Joseph Palumbo of East Amherst. She was the mother of Michael, Annette Wargo and Paul and grandmother of David Palumbo. She was the dear sister of Josephine Pugliese. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Pius X Church.

Anne Elizabeth Ryan Maxwell '54 (February 16, 2008) died in Brestow, Va. She was the wife of Joseph R. Maxwell and beloved mother of Rosemary of Arlington, Va., Sheila McGlynn also of Arlington and Larry Maxwell of Amherst, N.Y. Her mother was Anne McNamara Ryan '32. She is also survived by her sisters, Sheila Scandurra of Snyder and Mary Herrington of Arlington. Anne left grandchildren Anna Ratner, Kelsey, Daniel and Matt McGlynn, and Michelle, Ashley and Laurie Maxwell. In 1979, the family moved to Tucson, Ariz., where she spent happy years at the Nanini Public Library, a position she truly enjoyed. In 2001. Anne and Joe moved east to be closer to their families. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at a later date.

Ann Marie Brennan Coyne '56 (December 17, 2007) died in Roswell Park Cancer Institute after a brief illness. She was the wife of Herbert P. Coyne and mother of Thomas, Madelyn, Ann, Amy Drebat and Julie Kjellstrom. She is also survived by ten grandchildren. She is the sister of Marion Hyner, James Brennan and the late Madelyn (Peggy) Brennan. She began her teaching career at School 29 and was there until her children were born. In 1970, she resumed teaching and taught primarily at St. Agatha's School. In the late 80s, she left the classroom to spend the next ten years as a taxpayer service representative for the Internal Revenue Service. She was active at St. Thomas Aguinas and St. Agatha parishes. She also volunteered at Roswell, greeting visitors. A Mass of Christian Burial was offered at St. Thomas Aguinas Church.

Shelia Dougherty Schuster '56 (January 16, 2008) was the wife of the late Robert Schuster and the mother of Mary Catlin, Kristin Walczak and Patrick Schuster. She is also survived by a sister, Sister Kathleen Dougherty, SSMN and grandchildren Grace, John, Colin and Mackenzie. A funeral Mass was celebrated at SS. Peter and Paul Church in Hamburg, N.Y.

Mary R. Serio Breese-Sykela '58 (April 9, 2008) died peacefully at her home in Henrietta, N.Y. She was the wife of the late Andy Sykela. She is survived by her children James, Kenneth, Anne Dakin, David, Maria Hellenschmidt and their father James R. Breese. She also leaves grandchildren Lindsay and Caitlin Dakin, Eric Breese, Courtney and Jacob Hellenschmidt, Chevenne Leonard, Meegan Melder; her brother Joseph and sister Louise Breen and many nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Good Shepherd Church.

Margaret Elizabeth Hayes McCarthy '60 (November 2, 2007) was the wife of James F. McCarthy, sister of Thomas Hayes and Richard Bates; sister-in-law of Thomas, Jack, Jerry, Michael, Bob McCarthy and Pat Bradford. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Margaret worked as a nurse at General Motors for 30 years. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Joseph's Cathedral.

Sheila M. Maloney '62 (January 2, 2008) was the sister of Judith Major and the late James T. Maloney. She was also the aunt of James S. Maloney. Sheila was an Associate of the Sisters of St.

Joseph and a member of her parish Altar and Rosary Guild. A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated at St. Barnabas Church.

Sheila Flaherty Penn '62 (January 12, 2008) was a resident of Kenmore, N.Y. Sheila was the mother of Stephen, Catherine and Edward Penn and grandmother of Samantha Rose and Savannah Rose. Her sister, Kathleen Mooney of Rochester, survives her. Funeral services were held in January.

Joanne G. Green Labin '64 (December 21, 2007) was the wife of Thomas S. Labin and mother of Tracy Rhodes, Wendy Golembiewski, Lisa C. and Julie B. Labin. She was the grandmother of Cole C. and Josie Rhodes and Joseph P. Jr., and Greta G. Golembiewski. Joanne was a Seneca-Mohawk Native American, an avid golfer and longtime member of the East Aurora Country Club. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Cecelia's Church in Sheldon, N.Y.

Judy Ann Maselka **'65** (December 17, 2007) died at her home in Moodus, Conn. She served as a nurse for three years with the U.S. Air Force and an additional two years with the Navy during the Vietnam War. In addition to her nursing degree, she earned a master's degree in psychology. She is survived by her companion Stephen Fallis, her son James and stepson Sean of Long Island. She also leaves her sister Corinne Parnitzke of West Seneca, N.Y., and grandchildren Kaitlyn, James and William Tranmer. Judy was a member of Jehovah's Witnesses and active in the Colchester Congregation. Burial was private at the State Veterans Cemetery, Middletown, Conn.

Gwynne M. Sharpe (December 31, 2007) formerly, Sister Joseph Francis, GNSH, died in Sisters Hospital after a brief illness. She grew up in Oklahoma City, Okla., but her childhood was spent in cities around the country. She graduated with a degree in education and taught in Grey Nun schools in Atlanta and Philadelphia before returning to Buffalo. She taught in the Buffalo area for five years as a Grey Nun. She began working at HSBC as a trust administrator and continued there for fifteen years until her retirement. She enjoyed traveling, gardening, reading and the theatre. Her survivors are her sister Bethe Watson, a brother Walter and good friends, Patricia Randle and Ann Birmingham. A Mass of Christian Burial was offered at St. Amelia Church in the Town of Tonawanda, N.Y.

Annette Nayda '70 (January 31, 2008) died in Orchard Park, N.Y. She was the daughter of the late John and Jennie Nayda. She is survived by her sister Patricia and brother John and her nephew and niece, John and Jennie. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Church.

Lynn West King '70 (October 19, 2007) died at her home in Washington, D.C., due to complications from Crohn's disease with which she suffered for more than 40 years. She taught at middle schools in Frederick and Montgomery counties after

receiving her master's degree. She lived in Wellesley, Mass., from 1981-2002. Most of her career was in development work for non-profits that benefit health care, youth education and animals. One of her greatest joys was to spend her summers in Martha's Vineyard. She is survived by her son Christopher. A memorial service was held in Needham, Mass.

Patricia Baratta Carney '78 (January 6, 2008) died after a courageous bout with leukemia. She is survived by her husband of 15 years, Maynard C. Carney, her mother Dollie Baratta, her sister Margaret Scheg, many nieces, nephews, cousins and numerous friends. Patty was a special education teacher with BOCES 2 for 27 years and recently a mentor at Rochester Catholic inner-city schools through a program with the University of Rochester. She worked actively for her church and many charities including Ronald McDonald House and Daystar. A Mass of Christian Burial, celebrating Patty's life, was held at Good Shepherd Church chapel, Rochester, N.Y.

## sympathies

Mary Beuerlein Thomas-Mangan '62 Barbara Ryan Hoodmaker '79 Carol Tylec Klimchuck '70

Full obituaries will be provided when more information becomes available.

# JOIN US HOMECOMING

AT THE CENTENNIAL

## SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20

D'YOUVILLE'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION DINNER
All Alums, Faculty, Administration
& Friends of the College:

Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral, 4:30 p.m.
Reception & Dinner to follow,
Hyatt Regency Hotel

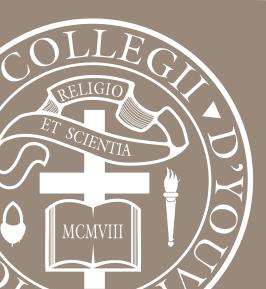
## SEPTEMBER 19

6-8 p.m., All Anniversary Classes: Toast your class at the Cocktail Reception, Blue Lounge
At 8 p.m., enjoy the play *Mauritius* at The Kavinoky
At 9 p.m., a gathering at the
Pearl Street Grill for younger alums.
Party into the night!

## SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 1

All Anniversary Classes & Spouses:
Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Blue Lounge, College Center
Special recognition for Silver & Golden Classes!

Relax and compare notes for your next reunion.





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DEDICATION OF THE STATUE OF ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE

The long-awaited statue is nearing completion.
Check the Web site,
www.dyc.edu

for date and details of dedication ceremony.



## centennial COMMEMORATIVE ITEMS

Centennial items are now available at the D'Youville College bookstore, including:

- A four coaster set in silver (\$45)
- A two coaster set in silver with stand (\$32)
- 12 ounce wine goblet (\$13)
- 14 ounce beverage glass (\$10.50)

The Centennial logo is etched on the glassware and is also found on the coasters.

The bookstore offers a wide range of college sportswear and popular desk items, all featuring the DYC logo and identification. Items can be purchased on our Web site at www.dyc.bncollege. com.

The bookstore is located in the College Center. For store hours, call 716.829.7666.

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## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

ADAMS MARK HOTEL 120 Church Street Buffalo, NY 142O2 Phone: 716.845.51OO Fax: 716.845.5377

Double Occupancy Rates: \$89 Executive Occupancy Rates: \$99

D'Youville guest commitment valid until September 5, 2008

Check in time: 3 p.m.; check out time: 12 noon

## **COMFORT SUITES DOWNTOWN**

601 Main Street Buffalo, NY 14202 Phone: 716.854.5500 Fax: 716.854.4836

Single/Double Occupancy Rates: \$92

D'Youville guest commitment valid until August 19, 2008

Check in time: 3 p.m.; check out time: 12 noon

## **HAMPTON INN AND SUITES**

220 Delaware Avenue Buffalo, NY 14202 Phone: 716.855.2223 Fax: 716.856.5221 King Jacuzzi Rate: \$129 Queen Suite: \$129

D'Youville guest commitment valid until August 19, 2008

Check in time: 3 p.m.; check out time: 12 noon

## **HYATT REGENCY BUFFALO**

Two Fountain Plaza Buffalo, NY 142O2 Phone: 716.856.1234 Fax: 716.882.6157

Single/Double Occupancy: \$115

D'Youville guest commitment valid until August 19, 2008

Check in time: 3 p.m.; check out time: 12 noon

## THE MANSION ON DELAWARE AVENUE

414 Delaware Avenue Buffalo, NY 142O2 Phone: 716.886.3300 Fax: 716.883.3923

Single/Double Occupancy Rates: \$175 to \$250 D'Youville guest commitment valid until June 16, 2008

Check in time: 4 p.m.; check out time: 11 a.m.

If you plan to attend Homecoming and/or the Gala Centennial Celebration, please reserve early. A listing of hotels does not constitute College endorsement.



## Commemorative Afghan Washable, 100% cotton, size: approximately 48" x 68"

Afghans can be purchased in person in the alumni office and in the college store for \$40 each. Afghans can also be ordered for shipping through the alumni office: \$50 (\$40 afghan + \$10 shipping). Please make checks payable to D'Youville College.

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I am enclosing a check payable to D'You	ville College for: \$
Name:	Class Year
Address:	
Phone number:	
E-mail address:	
Mail to:	

DYC Alumni Office, 631 Niagara Street, Buffalo, NY 14201-1093

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**DYC WEB SITE:** 

## centennial centennial fingertips

As D'Youville celebrates its 100th year, we are announcing the new D'Youville College Alumni Online Community.

- Looking for a classmate?
- Wanting to know what's going on within the alumni community?
- Needing to know which Centennial event is coming up next?

The D'Youville College Alumni Online Community provides you with the tools needed to help keep you connected to your friends and events at D'Youville. The community allows you to do the following:

- To update your profile
- To find classmates
- To assist your social & professional network
- To identify College events

### And even,

To make online donations through a secure site

The new Alumni Online Community site is also the Centennial site and you will be able to keep up to date and register for all official events. It is easy to register.

Access to the Centennial and Alumni Online Community can be reached through D'Youville's Web site, www.dyc.edu.

### PREVIEW

## FIRESIDE CHATS

There is much more to come this fall when members from history, the library, education, and math and natural sciences come together to reminisce and share their stories around the fire in the Blue Lounge in the College Center at 4:30 p.m. Wine and cheese provided.



The current schedule for the fall speakers includes:

## SEPTEMBER 18, 2008 HISTORY AND LIBRARY FACULTY

Joseph A. Grande, Ph.D., history professor emeritus, David H. Kelly, Ph.D., history professor and Jill M. Church, M.L.S., head of periodicals, library

## OCTOBER 23, 2008 EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FACULTY

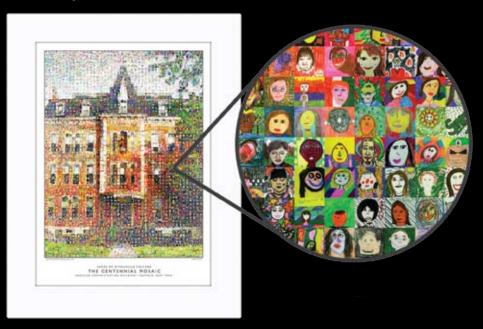
Jamie DeWaters, Ph.D., professor of education, Glen D. McClary, Ph.D., associate professor of education and Sheila G. Dunn, Ed.D., professor of education

## NOVEMBER 13, 2008 MATH & NATURAL SCIENCES FACULTY

D. Edward Hart, Ph.D., professor of biology and Jerome Kresse, Ph.D., chemistry professor emeritus

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## Order your Faces of D'Youville Centennial Mosaic!

The Faces of D'Youville project, a mosaic representation of the D'Youville College Koessler Administration Building, is complete. The mosaic is a composite of all the self portraits drawn by students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the College. Everyone who submitted a self portrait appears in the final print. A 16 x 20" matted print (\$25) and 4.25 x 5.5" folded note cards, package of ten with envelopes, shrinkwrapped (\$12.50) are available for purchase. To order:

- Online at www.facesofbuffalo.com/ dyccentennialmosaic.htm (shipping charge applies)
- In person, on campus at the D'Youville College bookstore (716.829.7666)

## DO YOU OR YOUR SPOUSE WORK FOR A MATCHING GIFT COMPANY?

Many employers sponsor matching gift programs and will match any charitable contributions made by their employees. Matches may be dollar-for-dollar or greater. To find out if your company has such a policy, please go to http://alumni.dyouville. edu/donations. This website will provide information on employer matching gift policies for more than 22,000 corporate programs.

If your company is eligible, request a matching gift form from your employer and send it, completed and signed, with your gift. Some company sites offer forms online to download and print. We will do the rest. The impact of your gift to our organization may be doubled or possibly tripled! Some companies also match gifts made by retirees and/or spouses.

Send completed forms to:
D'Youville College
Office of Institutional
Advancement
631 Niagara Street
Buffalo, NY 14201-1093

## INTELLIGENT GIVING

with the mere touch of a PCI

You may have read recently of the generosity of John Kluge to his alma mater, Columbia University. The university recently announced his \$400 million dollar gift. The gift is in the form of a bequest so the university will not benefit materially until his death. But that is not an issue because it provides the school with a tool with which to work.

This was not his first gift. He previously gave Columbia over \$100 million to establish the Kluge Scholars Program. This gift provides four-year scholarships to as many as 60 students each year. He said, "If I can infuse a mind to improve itself, that'll pass on to their children, and to their children's children." He also reflected on the financial aid he himself had received at Columbia. "If it hadn't been for Columbia," Kluge asserted "my path in life would have been completely different."

Clearly, few have the means of a John Kluge but there is always the wherewithal to do something for our alma mater. There is not one D'Youvillian whose life is not different because of his or her D'Youville education.

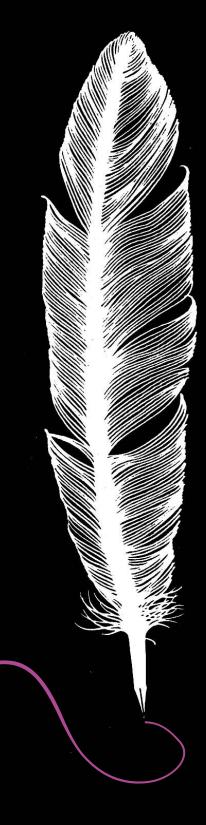
No matter the size of one's estate, if an individual wishes his or her assets to be given to specific individuals, one must have a properly made will that is signed and witnessed. Otherwise there is no certainty that those assets will be distributed according to the person's wishes.

It is very easy to make a gift to a charitable organization, specifically D'Youville, simply by indicating,

"I bequeath to Buffalo, New York,
D' Youville College, Buffalo, Then York,
The sum of \$ percent of my assets."

or \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish more information about including D'Youville in your estate plan or wish a brochure describing the process of preparing a will, please contact Patricia Van Dyke, office of major and planned gifts, 716.829.7802.





## MARK THESE EVENTS ON YOUR CALENDAR

## ALUMNI/COLLEGE CALENDAR - LATE SUMMER EARLY WINTER 2008

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18 DYC Alumni/Buffalo Bisons Night at Dunn Tire Park

## September

Alumni Board Meeting

D'Youville Community Centennial Picnic 13

18 Fireside Chat: Series II

History & Library Faculty Homecoming All Class Reception 19

20

Centennial Mass and Dinner Homecoming Luncheon for Anniversary Classes 21

## Throughout the Fall

D'Youville Around the World

## October

2 23 **Alumni Board Meeting** Fireside Chat: Series II **Education Faculty** 

### **November**

**Alumni Board Meeting** Fireside Chat: Series II **Math & Natural Science Faculty** 

### December

**Alumni Board Meeting** 4 D'Youville Family Sunday 10 **President's Holiday Party** 

**Throughout the Centennial** 

Community Service: 100 to the Second Power Marguerite d'Youville Centennial Circle of Prayer

## This color indicates a Centennial event.

On the date of each board meeting, a Mass for living and deceased alumni is offered in the Sacred Heart Chapel at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend.

To check reservation forms and to gather the most up-to-date information about alumni and Centennial activities, check the Web site, www.dyc.edu/alumni/calendar.asp. You may also call the alumni office, 716.829.78O8, or e-mail, smytonpm@dyc.edu.

