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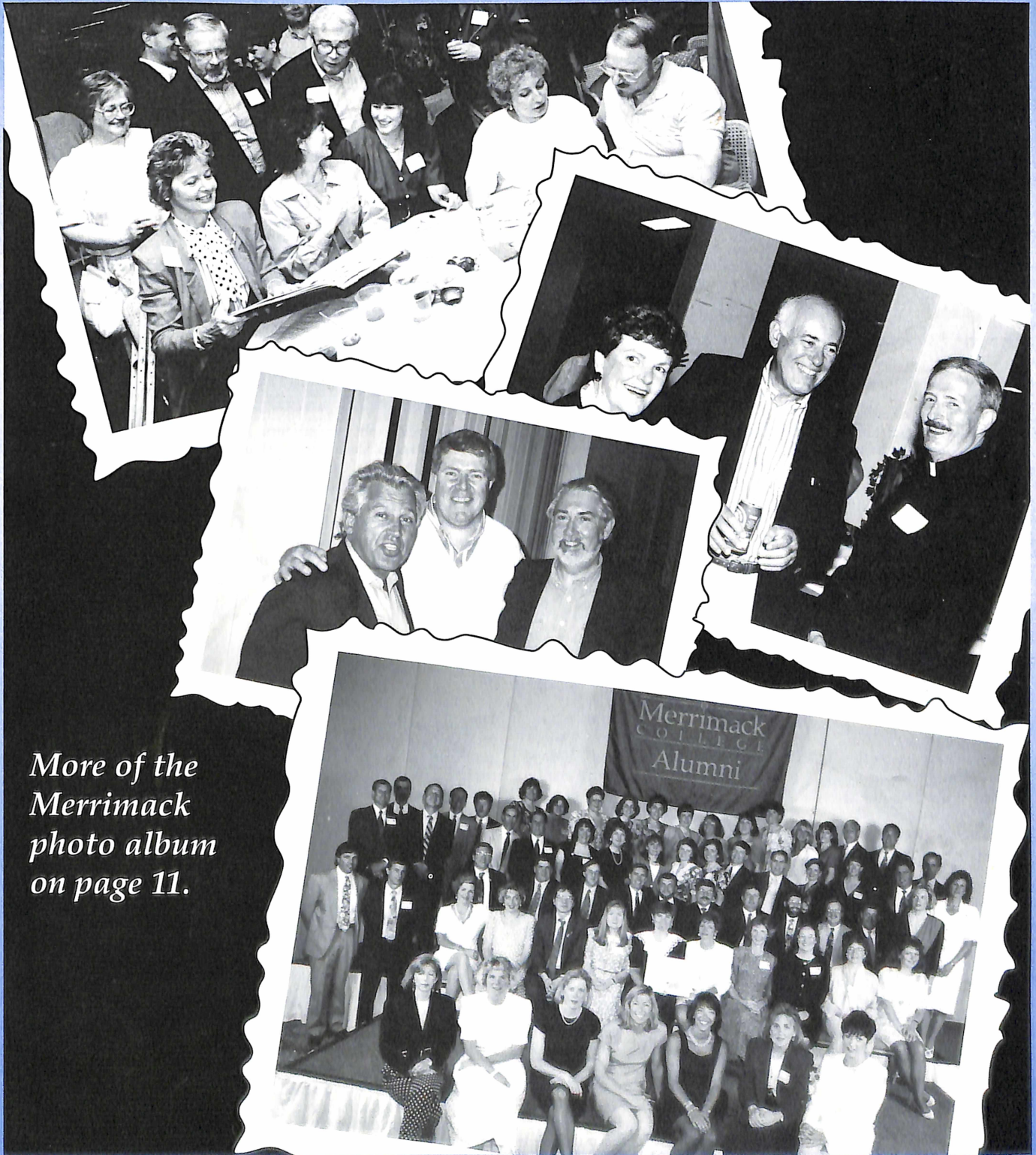
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Remembered...

Rev. Joseph A. Flaherty, O.S.A.

Father Joseph A. Flaherty, an Augustinian for 50 years and a long-time member of the faculty, died August 8 at St. Thomas Monastery in Villanova, Pa.

After receiving degrees from St. Joseph College in Philadelphia, Pa., and the Catholic University of America, he joined the Merrimack faculty in 1947. In 1949 Father Flaherty received a doctorate in English at Harvard. His Merrimack tenure was interrupted when he became a Vice President, then, in 1965, President, of Villanova. He returned to Merrimack in 1967, retired to Our Mother of Good Counsel Monastery on campus, and moved in July to Villanova.

The following was written by Lawrence Eagle-Tribune reporter Mary Beth Donovan Grassi '80 and is reprinted here with permission.

Goodnight, Sweet Charity

The last time I saw Rev. Joseph Flaherty he was in a wheelchair. His friends, who brought me to the infirmary at Merrimack College for the visit, warned me not to expect the former teacher we had called "No Charity Flaherty." Age and illness had bent him, confused him, they said.

But when I sat down across from Father Flaherty, he took a

puff out of his ever-present cigarette. His brown eyes flashed behind his trademark tortoise-shell glasses. "So Miss Donovan, do you remember what grade you earned in my Shakespeare class? I do," he said.

He remembered all right, although I hadn't been in his classroom for ten years.

He was able to recount my struggle with Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, the man I dated through college, even how I tried to sit in the back of the room during his classes.

During that meeting, I tried to sit up straighter, use perfect grammar, do my best to keep up with a discussion of Shakespeare. It was an invigorating conversation. When it was over I went home and re-read Hamlet.

That was Father Flaherty. He was a teacher who demanded respect. And he wanted his students to passionately love the English language as he did.

Father Flaherty, 77, died August 8 at Villanova University. He taught at Merrimack for decades. He helped build the school.

And along the way, the small man who wore his black Augustinian suit with the same pride a general wears a uniform, who respectfully called his

students Miss or Mister, never by their first names, became a legend.

According to the stories on campus, Father Flaherty helped launch a Merrimack graduate into television news by buying her contact lenses to replace her thick glasses.

His tests, always essays, never easy multiple-choice, could make even the best students queasy.



After one exam, one student was so frustrated, she kicked Father Flaherty in the shins. Others dragged her away and, like a good Catholic, she headed to confession. When the little window in the confessional slid open, the young woman said, "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned." And from the other

side came the famous Flaherty voice, with just a hint of laughter. "Yes, I know," he said.

Father Flaherty went to England as often as he could to see Shakespeare on the stage and would regale us with stories of great actors and pubs.

The last time we spoke, Father Flaherty said he could never understand why people could get so excited about computers, when the English language was so beautiful.

He told me that he knew all about the No Charity nickname. "I think Sweet Charity is more appropriate, don't you?" he winked.

I never answered. He was a tough teacher who demanded much from his students. Those brave enough to meet his challenge got back every penny they paid for the course. Those who paid attention could not help but feel some of the passion, the great awe, he had for fine writing.

When I heard he died, I went back to "Hamlet" and found a passage I remember Father Flaherty reading aloud to us in class.

"Now cracks a noble heart. Good night, sweet prince, And flights of angels fly thee to thy rest."

You were right, Father. What beautiful words.

...Father Flaherty and Tina

The editor of Merrimack magazine, Tina Sutton McLeod, produced all but the very last parts of this issue, but did not live to complete her task.

As those of you who live near campus know, Tina was tragically killed August 9.

This tragedy came the day after we learned the sad news of the death of Father Joseph Flaherty, a respected, revered, and beloved man who was a member of the faculty for many years.

The college, therefore, dedicates this issue of Merrimack magazine to Tina Sutton McLeod and Rev. Joseph A. Flaherty, O.S.A.

...and Tina Sutton McLeod

The following appeared in the Lawrence Eagle-Tribune.

Her dark hair was pulled back in a tight, disciplined bun, which no strand would even think to escape, and her chic tailored power suit couldn't hide a knockout figure.

"Tina Sutton," she pronounced as, just the way the books advise, she shook my hand—firmly.

"Miss Prim," I thought, as I asked to see her resume and the contents of her oversized portfolio.

But Tina was no Miss Prim, as we discovered after working with her for almost two years.

She hated shoes, and was reminded more than once to put them on in the office. After all, this is a dignified college public relations office. We have an image to uphold.

But Tina created her own

image. Vital, exuberant, lively, nutty, iconoclastic. She didn't seem to be afraid of anything or anyone.

If you were having a bad day, she'd listen, empathize, and joke



you out of yourself. If she was having a bad day she'd bop her brow with the heel of her hand and fix her mouth in her "I can do this!" expression.

That was the trouble with Tina. She could do anything—produce the alumni magazine, assist reporters covering a story, recover copy computers had eaten, put together office chairs that had been delivered in 500 pieces, inscribe college documents in calligraphy, charm the britches off stiff-necked old fogies, and tie a perfect scarf knot for you.

Besides all that, she had a "Don't hate me because I'm beautiful" face.

All of which makes it so hard for us who worked with her to understand and accept.

Horrors like Tina's death are not supposed to happen to a nice, quiet, friendly place like Merrimack College.

Horrors like Tina's death are not supposed to happen to a 26-year-old full of the love and promise of life. Horrors like Tina's death don't make any sense to us in this Catholic college where

religion is as much a part of the place as the buildings.

Religion will, no doubt, console many of Tina's friends and family.

Those of us who worked with her are both consoled and pained with images: Tina preparing to compete in a triathlon, nursing her little-kid skinned knees the day after, announcing it was a "Frank Day" as she popped a Sinatra tape into her cassette player, and sending out for pizza because she didn't have time for lunch.

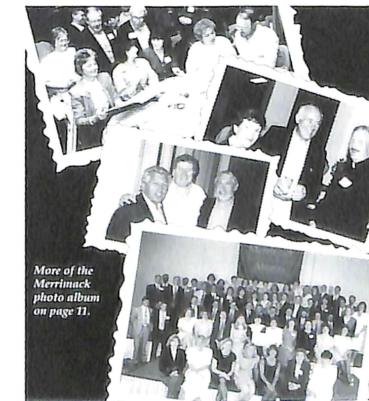
Tina gave us all something we'll never forget.

But right now we remember a face, a voice, an impish giggle.

There is a change in the air here now, and we are, again, the dignified office.

Too dignified.

Casey Coburn
Director of Public Relations



On the cover: Reunion

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From the Alumni Council president



Robert J. Cuomo '68

It's a pleasure to be Merrimack College's Alumni Council President. My admiration and gratitude go to John Obert '66 for a very effective presidency. I intend to continue many of John's initiatives and to build upon them over the next two years.

Allow me to give you a brief biography. I graduated from Merrimack in 1968 with a B.A. in Economics, earned a master's and doctorate in Economics at Boston College and am chief economist at Boston Edison. Prior positions include senior economist at the Mitre Corporation in Bedford, and economics and business instructor at Middlesex Community College. My wife, Donna (Fournier), and I have been married for 24 years, have a son, Mark, a Merrimack senior, and a daughter, Rachel, a sophomore at Notre Dame Academy in Tyngsboro. Donna is a candidate for State Representative from the 14th Essex District.

I would also like to announce the other members of the 1993-94 Executive Board: Vice President Robert Lanigan '78; Secretary Claire Holland '87; At Large—Raymond Joyce '82, Molly Bresnahan '89, and William Edgerly '69; and Past President John Obert.

During the past two years the Alumni Council has been involved in

some very significant projects, such as the two-year-old Alumni Ambassador Program, through which alumni contact applicants who have been accepted to Merrimack and offer to answer questions the applicants have or direct them to other people at Merrimack. The program is intended to increase an applicant's desire to attend Merrimack and to improve the college's acceptance/application ratio. Because of the program's success, the college wants additional ambassadors. I hope you will participate. It does not require a great time commitment and you will be making a valuable contribution.

Another excellent alumni program, the Alumni Mentor Program, is an extension of the Alumni Resource Night that has been held at the college for the past several years. Alumni Mentors, working with faculty and administrators, agree to be resources for leadership programs being provided to Merrimack students. Our objective is to foster academic and career development of students to prepare them for the world of work. The program can make a substantial contribution to the college's role as a first-class agent of higher education. We ask for your participation. Please call me at (508) 685-9360 to serve.

The Ambassador and the Mentor programs are only two initiatives being advanced by the Alumni Council; you will hear about others in future letters. We intend to focus on only a few issues at a time so that our efforts will not be diffused and our chances for success will be maximized.

If you would like the Council to address specific issues, or to consider programs or projects, please let me know. I look forward to serving as your president for the next two years.

Sincerely,
Robert J. Cuomo '68

Not Forgotten

I am in recent receipt of the Spring 1993 issue of MERRIMACK. The picture on the cover was most striking and portrayed a most valuable, exclusive, impressive, brilliant and dedicated group. How I wish I were among them; or at least mentioned as missing from the photo.

The reason I feel somewhat left out is that I also am an alumnus of Merrimack College, Class of 1951, the first graduating class. I returned to teach in the Biology Department in September 1955. I taught full time through the year 1988, at which time I taught half time for four years, through 1992; and took full retirement as Professor Emeritus, Biology, in the Spring of 1992.

Truly, this photo on the cover of the Spring 1993 issue of MERRIMACK shows an exclusive group—truly, this is a dedicated group—truly, I do not wish to be left out of this group!—even worse—forgotten!

James P. McLaughlin
Professor Emeritus, Biology
Tewksbury, Massachusetts

Editor's Reply: A number of Merrimack alumni teach at their alma mater but, because of space and time, the spring magazine featured only those who were on campus teaching full time when the magazine was produced. Our apologies to any who feel they were forgotten; you have our assurance you are not. We hope to do a similar piece for our Continuing Education, part-time, and former faculty.

Reasons Are Important

...By the way, MERRIMACK looks great—the layout and contents are both first rate. Good job! In my opinion, one way to improve the content would be to include information regarding cause of death in the "In Memoriam" section, especially for those alumni who die at a young age. I found out in the Spring issue that a man I took classes with recently died at age 31—somehow I feel it would be a comfort to know why he died so young.

Thomas Sullivan '85
New Haven, Connecticut

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The Present and Future of Merrimack College

by Dr. Zvi Szafran
Dean of the college's Science and Engineering faculty

Photos by David Oxtan

At the dedication of the Gregor Johann Mendel, O.S.A., Center for Science, Engineering and Technology, Dr. Zvi Szafran delivered a message of progress and predicted a bright future for the college.

In its cover story on the "Campus of the Future" on April 13, 1992, Time magazine quoted then Assistant Secretary of Education Diane Ravitch as saying: "The small liberal arts school with a meager endowment and a largely local reputation is an 'endangered species.'"

Is this bleak picture to be Merrimack College's future?

Not necessarily.

Time concluded that by the year 2000, American colleges and universities must be lean and mean, service oriented and science minded, multicultural and increasingly diverse—if they intend to survive their fiscal agony.

The National Science Foundation (NSF), in its recent report, "America's Academic Future," gives a road map of five major steps necessary to assure success.

U.S. higher education must:

1. Encourage and reward teaching excellence, instructional scholarship and public service, as well as research.
2. Increase substantial resources for instructional innovation and curriculum renewal, especially for undergraduate education.
3. Assume primary responsibility for public understanding of science and technology, principally through high-quality pre-college teacher preparation and lower-division undergraduate instruction.
4. Assure adequate career participation in engineering, mathematics, and the sciences by all segments of society, particularly careers as pre-college or college faculty.
5. Encourage the development of discovery-oriented learning environments and technology-based instruction at all educational levels.

So, what's it going to be for Merrimack College—endangered species or educational success?

As Dean of Science and Engineering, I



Dr. Zvi Szafran

am pleased to tell you that Merrimack College is well-placed to be at the forefront of scientific education in the year 2000.

I'd like to take each point in turn, and report where we stand.

1. Encourage and reward teaching excellence, instructional scholarship and public service as well as research.

The president of MIT, Charles M. Vest, said in a 1990 colloquium, "Let me begin with one simple statement: Professors should profess. It is hard to think of anything more illogical than to become a university professor if one does not want to teach."

Yet, at many of our sister colleges and universities, many courses and almost all undergraduate laboratories are taught by teaching assistants, poorly prepared for their awesome responsibility.

Undergraduate education takes a back seat to three things: Research, Research and Research. And salaries and promotions depend on "publish or perish."

In contrast, Merrimack College's

primary emphasis has always been on teaching excellence. All courses at the college—be they lectures, seminars, laboratories, or studio—are taught by faculty members. We have no teaching assistants. We adhere to the true spirit of tenure and promotion: Excellence in teaching first, excellence in research second, and excellence in service third. In this regard, we are decades ahead of the NSF recommendations.

2. Increase substantial resources for instructional innovation and curriculum renewal, especially for undergraduate education.

Despite public perceptions to the contrary, colleges in general, and college faculty in particular, are among the most conservative groups in society. Subjects are taught in a particular way because they have always been taught that way. "If it was good enough for me when I was a student, it's good enough for today's students" is a common attitude.

There are several problems with this viewpoint—not the smallest of which is that the world has changed, and so have the perceptions of the people in it.

I'll give an example from my own field of chemistry.

In the past, when someone asked for directions to the chemistry laboratory, the old joke was: "Just follow your nose."

Chemists certainly knew that chemicals were potentially dangerous. We were certainly aware that if we could smell the chemicals, it meant the chemicals were entering our bodies, and potentially harming our health and the health of our students. Yet, despite our own better sense, we continued to run laboratory experiments in the same old ways, in potentially unsafe laboratory environments, producing too much product, and flushing our wastes down the sink.

The effects on the environment were never considered. Why did we do this? (And, in some places, why do they continue to do this?)

Because we've "always done it that way," and it was good enough then.

NETWORKING NIGHT

On Wednesday, October 27, the Alumni Council will sponsor an Alumni/Student Career Networking Night beginning at 7 p.m. in Murray Lounge.

Share your expertise with students and other alumni in the job market—your advice and encouragement will make their job search easier and more productive. If you need a job, this is a good opportunity for you to network.

If you are unable to attend, but willing to have students and alumni call you, call Susan Wojtas '79, Director of Alumni Relations at (508) 837-5440.

I am pleased to tell you this has changed, and Merrimack College's Chemistry Department has led the change.

With colleagues at Bowdoin College, Dr. Ronald Pike developed a new approach to laboratory instruction, called Microscale Chemistry, where the quantities of chemicals used are reduced by a factor of 100 to 1000, and the amounts of chemical wastes are similarly reduced. Our students and faculty, and those of a thousand other colleges and universities that have followed our lead, are now learning in a more healthful and safer environment, and one producing essentially no wastes.

Dr. Pike won the American Chemical Society's Health and Safety Award for this effort, which has been expanded to incorporate all introductory chemistry laboratories at Merrimack.

The Environmental Protective Agency (EPA) voted Merrimack College's Chemistry Department as the Regional Finalist in its Administrator's Awards for 1992 for our "significant contributions to environmental improvement through pollution prevention."

Dr. Pike retired this year from Merrimack, but he is not actually leaving. He is the director of the National Microscale Chemistry Center at Merrimack, which is funded by the NSF, the EPA and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

When I was a first-semester freshman, I considered majoring in biochemistry. In addition to a general chemistry class, I enrolled in freshman biology, the first semester of which consisted of zoology.

We spent the semester memorizing the names of the genera, phyla and species, and the parts of the paramecium. Labs consisted of dissecting flatworms, and identifying the parts. Since I couldn't tell one end of a flatworm from the other, I elected a career in chemistry, and the field of biology is the richer for it.

I am pleased to tell you that Merrimack freshmen taking biology are not confronted with the same thing I was (though they are at many other colleges, because "it has always been done that way").

The Biology Department's introductory courses consist of cell biology and genetics, where the students concentrate on the molecular basis of life. They study protein structure, enzyme activity, cellular metabolism and bioenergetics—in short, the things that biologists actually do in 1993, not what biologists classified in 1750.

This emphasis on molecular biology is integrated throughout the entire curriculum, culminating in the areas of animal and plant cell-culture techniques and recombinant DNA techniques. Instead of identifying the parts of the flatworm, our students work in the laboratory at hybridization of nucleic acids and stimulation of cell growth. One of the leaders of this work is Dr. George

Wermers, a biology professor at, and an alumnus of, Merrimack College.

As an undergraduate, before settling on chemistry, I also tried out chemical engineering.

In general, scientists are ignorant about engineering, and tend to look down their noses at it. Chemists, when I was an undergraduate, referred to engineers as "glorified plumbers."

The great scientist Sir Ernest Rutherford, discoverer of the nuclear atom, said in 1933 that he didn't believe the energy of the nucleus would ever be released. Nine years later, engineers had built the first nuclear pile.

Not bad for a bunch of plumbers.

Three years after that, we had the first nuclear bombs.

To me, there are at least two morals to the story—that engineering needs to be well-integrated into scientific education, and that ethics needs to be well-integrated into engineering education.

In the past, and in some places now, engineering education tended to focus on how to "do it," in a most concrete way. Since the material with which engineers often "did it" was concrete, perhaps this was appropriate. Engineering education consisted of equations and rules, such as "All pipe is to be made of a long hole surrounded by metal which is centered on the hole," which students memorized and applied.

The consequences of what engineers did were left for someone else to worry about.

I am pleased to tell you that this is not how things are at Merrimack College.

Our engineers are well-integrated into the science program (although the reverse is not as true as it should be or will be in the future). Furthermore, our civil engineers are well-grounded in engineering ethics and professionalism, their curriculum culminating in a capstone course on that very subject.

What's more, engineering students are very much involved in changing the face of the campus, with last year's freshmen doing the initial design for the previously mentioned National Microscale Chemistry Center, and this year's students designing an expansion of Merrimack's Volpe Athletic Center.

In its previously mentioned report, the NSF presented its idea of what schools of the future would be like: "Students are active and creative participants in their own education as well as in the education of their fellow students. Curricula emphasize numerous, high-quality laboratory and field experiences, and reflect an integrated approach to engineering, mathematics and the sciences."

With Merrimack's implementation of the new first-year seminars, which emphasize discussion about Civilization, we are refocusing our general curriculum so that

students participate more in their educations. The science and engineering departments have participated in the planning and implementation of the seminars from Day One.

Thus, I am pleased to say, Merrimack College is, as you can see, a leader in undergraduate curriculum renewal.

3. Assume primary responsibility for public understanding of science and technology.

C.P. Snow, in his famous essay "The Two Cultures," spoke of a society moving toward a state where scientists and engineers occupy one culture, everyone else occupying the other, and the two divided by an unbridgeable chasm.

I am sorry to tell you that Snow's prediction seems even more accurate today than it did in 1959, and the chasm is mighty wide.

Fortunately, here at Merrimack, we have Dr. Frank Griggs, an expert on the Whippletruss bridge and one of the earliest proponents of this Science, Engineering and Technology Center, who tells me that engineers can bridge any gap, no matter how wide.

I am pleased to tell you that the science and engineering departments have gone a long way in dealing with this problem, and intend to go much further.

Students at Merrimack College are required to take a minimum of three mathematics and/or science courses. We offer traditional courses for non-science majors and some highly innovative other courses as well. I'll focus on one of them.

Through the foresight and generosity of the Ladies of Merrimack, the Science, Engineering and Technology Center is topped with an astronomy observatory, the best such facility in New England north of Boston.

The Physics Department has modified its astronomy courses to incorporate a series of laboratories to make use of the observatory, starting this fall.

A joint project is already under way with the Society of Variable Star Astronomers in an international program of mapping the sky using the powerful telescope, the Charge-Coupled-Device camera (CCD) and the computer system at Merrimack College. Thus, our students will be able to participate in an international scientific program, and will be in a position to discover, locate and chart new stars.

Since we offer no degree program in astronomy, most students who participate in this endeavor will be non-scientists. Dr. Thomas Morrill is the leader in this effort on campus.

The observatory is also available to outside groups, including high school classes, Boy Scout troops, and other community groups.

4. Assure adequate career participation in engineering, mathematics, and the sciences by all segments of society.

The number of students electing science or engineering careers has been declining in the United States over the last 20 years. Various explanations have been offered, including a decline in mathematical skills, science phobia, and salaries not commensurate with the time involved and the difficulty of the work.

In addition, nationally, women and minorities are severely under-represented in science and engineering.

It is easy to explain this by citing the low numbers of women and minorities who enter college declaring majors in science or engineering, but that explanation ignores the underlying question of why so few choose these fields.

There have been various studies done, with conclusions including such things as lack of role models, societal discouragement, and lack of outreach by scientists.

But why should we care about this problem?

If there are fewer scientists and engineers, won't we have our pick of jobs and be able to command even higher salaries?

We don't see it that way.

We believe that scientists and engineers have a mission.

Once again, let me quote C.P. Snow. The original title of "The Two Cultures" was "The Rich and the Poor," and Snow states that "The main issue [of the scientific revolution] is that the people in the industrialized countries are getting richer, and those in the non-industrialized countries are at best standing still: so that the gap between the industrialized countries and the rest is widening every day. On the world scale this is the gap between the rich and the poor."

It is the condition of the poor, and how science and technology are the bases for the improvement of their situation, that concerns both Snow and us. "Health, food, education; nothing but the industrial revolution could have spread them down to the very poor."

It is the brashness and boastfulness of the scientists that offers hope, often in sharp contrast to the more constrained views of

non-scientists that "tempts one to sit back, complacent in one's unique tragedy, and let the others go without a meal," says Snow. Scientists and engineers are "inclined to be impatient to see if something can be done: and inclined to think that it can be done, until it's proved otherwise. That is their real optimism, and it's an optimism that the rest of us badly need."

We, in Merrimack's science and engineering departments, share Snow's view that it is science and technology—tempered



Area children enjoy a night with the stars.

by ethics—that hold the most promise for the world, and the people within it.

At Merrimack College, our mission statement says that we reflect the teaching traditions of the founding Order of St. Augustine: to provide, in a values-sensitive environment, the opportunity for our students to develop an intellectual, cultural and moral awareness, and a mature sense of social responsibility.

For science majors and non-scientists alike, we agree with Snow that "With good fortune...we can educate a large proportion of our better minds so that they are not ignorant of imaginative experience, both in the arts and in

science, nor ignorant either of the endowments of applied science, of the remediable suffering of most of their fellow humans, and of the responsibilities which, once they are seen, cannot be denied."

That is why it is our mission to bring this message to the widest possible audience, both through our teaching at the college and through our many outreach programs to the community, to interest elementary and high school students in pursuing scientific careers.

I am pleased to tell you that is why more than half the Merrimack students in the sciences are now women, and why our students come from diverse backgrounds ranging from Salem, Massachusetts to Sierra Leone.

William S. Beck, in the book "Modern Science and the Nature of Life," states that "We must recognize for what it is man's predilection for dividing things into tidy categories... science cannot be regarded as a thing apart, to be studied, admired or ignored. It is a vital part of our culture, our culture is part of it, and its continued separateness from what is fondly called 'the humanities' is a preposterous practical joke on all thinking men."

And I would only add: on women too.

Finally, this brings us to the NSF's fifth point: Encourage the development of discovery-oriented learning environments and technology-based instruction at all educational levels.

For this, I don't have to go very far.

For it is you, the benefactors of Merrimack College, its alumni and

friends, who have made the construction of this magnificent new Science, Engineering and Technology Center possible.

It is you who have allowed us to have this discovery-oriented learning environment, and to offer our exciting vision of technology-based instruction at all educational levels. Our success is your success, and I applaud and thank you for all your efforts on our and our students' behalf.

What is the future of Merrimack College?

I am pleased to tell you that, in the words of the pop song, "The future's so bright, I gotta wear shades!" ■

1993 graduates hear words of praise, encouragement, and exhortation



From left to right, Dr. Alexander Astin of UCLA, main speaker at Commencement; and, honorary degree recipients, Atty. Patricia McGovern of Lawrence, former chairman of the State Senate Ways and Means Committee; Father Deegan; Mary McGarry Morris of Andover, prize winning novelist; and Helen Valerio, president of Valerio Enterprises, Inc.

"Take an active role in the development and preservation of your world, and do so in cooperation, not competition, with each other," this year's graduates were urged by Commencement speaker Alexander W. Astin, director of UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute. "Human progress and the development of society depends on the willingness and ability of individuals and groups to work together toward shared objectives." A concept, said Astin, which small, liberal arts college graduates are better prepared to grasp than are graduates of mega-universities.

"A high-quality, residential college is characterized by a cooperative spirit in which students live and learn together...which helps students develop their fullest potential," said Astin.

He also cited research that suggests graduates of small colleges work better with co-workers to achieve common goals, which he believes is the key to improving society. "In the past, American corporate business revolved around employees working individually in competition with each other. ...What is needed today for maximum

effectiveness and efficiency is a cooperative spirit."

Rev. John E. Deegan, O.S.A., the college president, in his traditional Charge to the Graduates, reiterated the importance of a cooperative spirit and urged students to be "active members of society."

Following is the text of Father Deegan's 1993 Charge to the Graduates.

Graduates of the Class of 1993 of Merrimack College:

It is my pleasure to offer you, on behalf of the trustees, faculty, administration, and staff, our most sincere congratulations and best wishes. Further, I do now formally initiate you into the ranks of our alumni/ alumnae, an august group of men and women who, by their achievements, example, and loyalty, bring credit to themselves, their community, and their Alma Mater. I charge you to be supportive of your Alma Mater and to use your God-given talents to guarantee that she will grow in excellence and be strengthened.

In his preface to "The Idea of a University," John Henry Newman noted that "when the Church founds a university she is not cherishing talent, genius, or knowledge for their own sakes," but, rather, that the students at that university, using their training and religious influence, "might fill their respective posts in life better, and be made more intelligent people—active members of society."

It is our hope that your Merrimack education has prepared you to undertake your posts in life as a more intelligent person, one dedicated to being an active member of society.

Each day, important decisions that affect human life are made by individuals, institutions, and governments. Increasingly, voices echoing the concepts of philosophers and the concerns of ordinary people say that the distinctive mark of human genius is to order every aspect of contemporary life in light of a moral vision. A moral vision seeks to direct the resources of politics, economics, science, and technology to the welfare of the human person and the human community. Several weeks ago in Washington, the

Holocaust Memorial was dedicated by President Clinton and Elie Wiesel. The president remarked that his generation was born after World War II and he knew, only through books and his teachers, of the horrors of millions of Jews and others put to death because of who they were or what they believed.

Wiesel said that he personally lived that horror as a prisoner in a concentration camp and knew the terror, hunger, and hatred firsthand. A new leader, an aging survivor, standing together at a dedicatory moment in our history, both knowing well that if they are to truly lead their people they must have a moral vision of a society dedicated to using all the human and physical resources of our world to create a global community based on justice for all—a community in which a holocaust can never, never happen again.

As their stirring words reverberated off the walls of that imposing memorial, the specter of "ethnic cleansing" in Bosnia raised its ugly head. Hatred. "Ethnic Cleansing." The death of thousands of innocents. The death of our environment. These and many other issues, unfortunately, remain to challenge your generation. You, who are educated leaders, must use your education to order every aspect of your life in the light of a moral vision. Having been educated at Merrimack College, it is our hope that you have made St. Augustine's "passionate search for the truth through the integration of faith and reason" a model for your life.

Intellectual work must always be part of a life spent in compassionate service to others. St. Augustine urges us to relate faith in God and reflective study to the pressing needs of our day.

I challenge you today to use your education to transform our world into that compassionate society of which Augustine speaks. You must become the leaders of your generation, leaders who have the courage to form, and help others form, a moral vision of a society in which plurality and diversity are cherished—a society that thrives on intellectual honesty and personal respect—a compassionate society that is empathetic, supportive, and affirming—a society based on the principles of justice that can lead to a world at peace.

Writing of the day that Germany, by invading Poland, began World War II, W.H. Auden, in his poem, "September 1939," says: "I sit in one of the dives/ on Fifty-second Street/Uncertain and afraid/ As the clever hopes expire/ of a low dishonest decade."

Auden's poem captures the sense of forboding then, and now, as we witness genocide in Bosnia. Auden wrote: "The unmentionable odour of death/offends our September nights." We might paraphrase and say, "The unmentionable odour of death/offends our May nights."

What do you young men and women, leaders of tomorrow, make of the world's seeming inhumanity—religious wars and hatreds, brother killing brother, children dying of hunger because of others' selfishness and greed? Auden's poem continues:

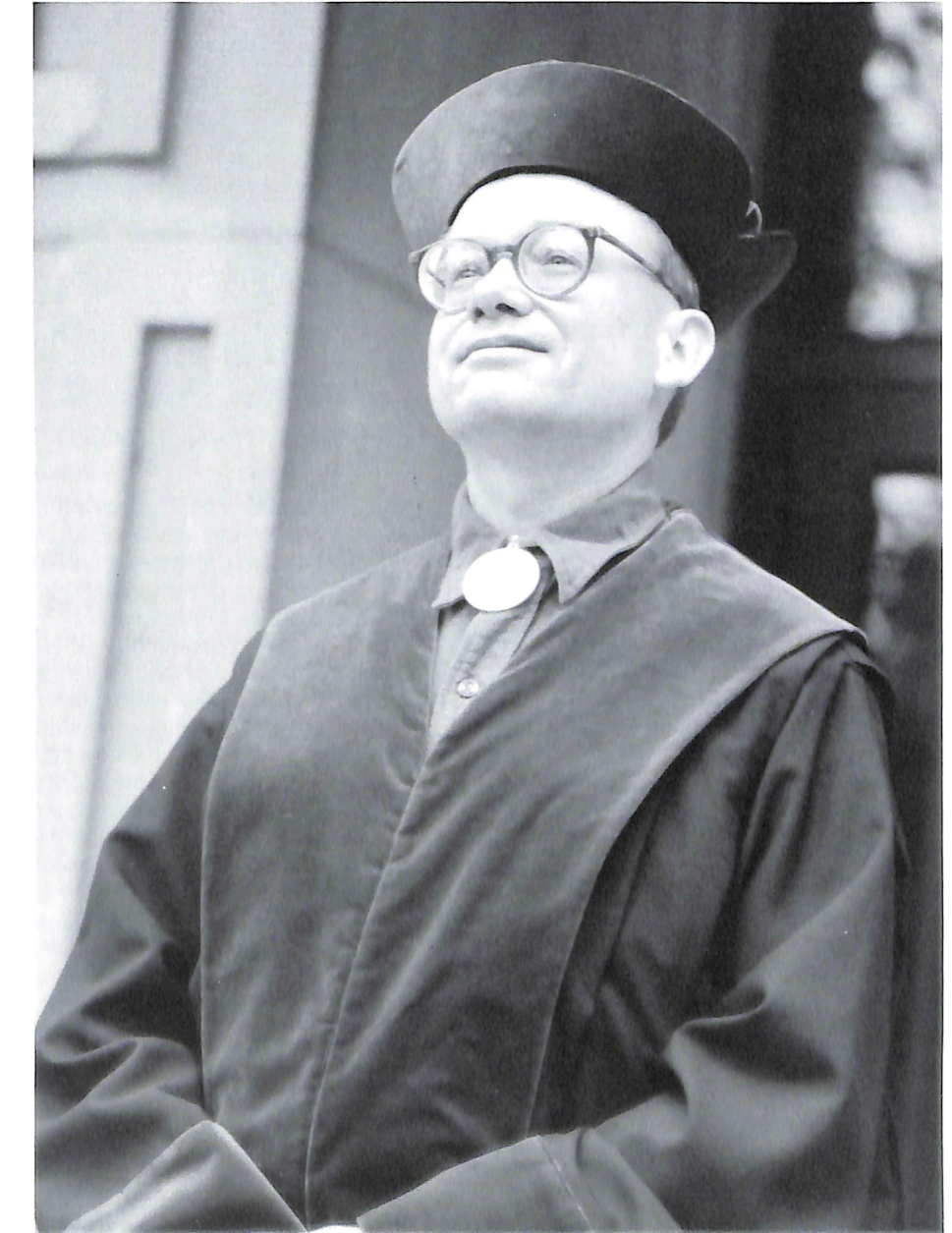
"I and the public know/What all schoolchildren learn/ Those to whom evil is done/Do evil in return."

The moral vision of which I speak is, I believe, the only way to break the cycle of revenge. As Auden concludes: "We must love one another or die."

That is the charge, the challenge, I give you today: use your education to create a moral vision that seeks to direct the resources of politics, economics, science, and

technology to the welfare of the human person and of our human community. You have been given intelligence, education and a loving family. Your scholarship demands that you accept and act upon your responsibility as a citizen of this country and, indeed, of the world. You, and all of us, must protect the human enterprise. If we are to break the cycle of violence; if we are to change our world for the better which, I believe, we must; if we are to root out our hatred, prejudice, and intolerance; if our citizenship is to count for anything—then I would simply charge you with the gentle command of Jesus—The Christ: Love one another as I have loved you!

Congratulations and God bless you all! ■



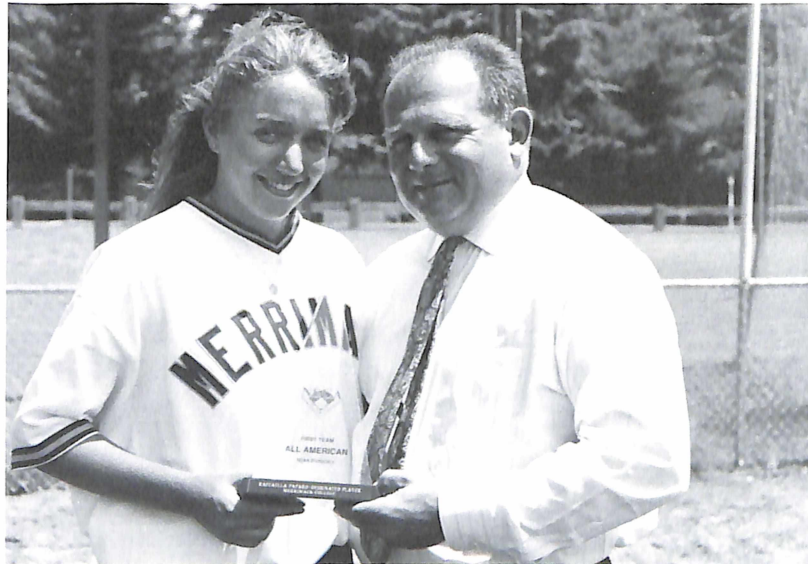
Philosophy Professor George Heffernan wears the distinctive regalia of his alma mater: the University of Cologne in Germany.

By Jim Seavey
Sports Information Director

Softball team completes record-breaking season with third straight Northeast-10 title

The Chicago Bulls weren't the only team celebrating a "three-peat" this spring. While Michael Jordan and company were on their way to a third straight NBA championship, Merrimack's softball team also had reason to celebrate, as the Lady Warriors completed a record-breaking campaign, ending with their third straight Northeast-10 Conference championship and a berth in the NCAA Division II tournament for the second time in three years.

Head Coach Michele Myslinski, a former all-conference standout for Merrimack in the late '80s, took over the reins of the program this spring from her former coach, Bob DeGregorio, and promptly led her troops to an overall record of 41-6 featuring a 28-game winning streak, the longest in school and Northeast-10 history. The Lady Warriors became the first squad to complete the conference regular season unbeaten and finished the spring as Division II's third-ranked team in the nation. Myslinski, named the Northeast-10's Coach of the Year for her efforts, had a talented group of veterans and newcomers to work with in her rookie season. Leading the way was junior co-captain Kim Page, who dominated on the mound for Merrimack and rivaled any pitcher in the country in 1993. Page posted an overall record of 21-3, including a personal 19-game winning streak (second best in Division II history), an 0.67 earned run average (third best in the nation) and 145 strikeouts in 166 innings. Page, who tossed a no-hitter against Bridgeport and hurled 11 shutouts, was easily named the Northeast-10 Conference and the ECAC Division II New England Player of the Year. Kim was also one of three Lady Warriors to be named to the National Softball Coaches Association All-America squad and was a New England All-Star for the second year in a row.



Freshman Raffaella Paparo accepts her first-team All America trophy from Bob DeGregorio

Hitting was certainly Merrimack's forte in 1993, as the Lady Warrior batted a blistering .379 as a team (fourth best in the nation) and led Division II in slugging percentage and doubles. Four players topped the .400 mark, including the spectacular freshman duo, of twins Daniela and Raffaella Paparo. Daniela led the team with a school-record .455 average which included a team-leading 17 doubles and 28 runs batted in, while Raffaella batted .442 with 13 doubles and 43 runs batted in, the second best on the team. Raffaella also posted a 7-1 record on the mound for the Lady Warriors with a 1.24 earned run average and 28 strikeouts, and her versatile efforts helped earn her the honor of Northeast-10 Freshman of the Year, marking the third straight season that a Merrimack player has copped the award. Raffaella also became the first player in school history to be named a first-team NSCA All-America. Sophomore Judy O'Connell enjoyed one of the finest seasons in school history, batting .397 with a team-leading nine home runs and 48 runs batted in. O'Connell was named to the NSCA second-team All-America squad and was a unanimous Northeast-10, ECAC and New England all-star. Junior Meeghan

Coffey (.411 batting average) and freshman Laura Carlson (.383 batting average) were also named to the Northeast-10 all-star team, as Merrimack placed six players on the first-team all-conference squad.

While the hitting was hot all season, the pitching kept pace. The Lady Warriors posted a staff earned run average of 0.86 (fourth best in the nation) and struck out 196 batters in 293 innings pitched. Merrimack notched three no-hitters as a staff and tossed 39 complete games. The Lady Warriors outscored their opponents by a 317-84 margin this spring and had double the number of hits by the

opposition (480-206).

The tone for the dream season was set in Orlando, Fla. during Merrimack's annual spring trip, when the Lady Warriors posted a 7-3 record featuring a three-hit shutout by Page over the top-ranked team in Division II (and eventual national runner-up) Augustana of South Dakota. Merrimack also upended 20th-ranked Ashland in another shutout win in the Sunshine State.

Upon returning north, the Lady Warriors endured snow, cold, and rain but ran off 28 straight wins, 13 of which were shutouts. Merrimack hosted the Northeast-10 playoffs for the second straight year and took on rival AIC in the second round when disaster struck. The Lady Warriors dropped an 8-7 decision and would have to come out of the losers' bracket to win their third straight championship.

And that is what they did. Page weathered 90-degree heat and pitched her team to the crown, starting with a 12-2 win over Springfield that vaulted the Lady Warriors into the championship game. Page took the mound again and shut down AIC for a 6-2 win that forced a seventh and deciding game. The two rivals went back and forth for nine-plus innings, with neither

scoring until Merrimack loaded the bases in the bottom of the tenth and scored the game-winning run on a grounder to short by junior tri-captain Andria Adams. Page, who pitched 22 innings in one day, was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

The Lady Warriors then travelled to Bloomsburg, Pa. for their second appearance in the NCAA East Regional in three years—and, of course, Merrimack faced AIC again in the tournament's first round. Not to worry, though, as Raffaella Paparo's three hits keyed a 14-hit Mack Attack en route to an 8-0 win for Page. That set up a classic second round match-up with second-ranked and host Bloomsburg, the same team

Merrimack met in the 1991 East Regional final. The two teams were tied 1-1 through six innings before the Huskies used two runs in the seventh to take a 3-1 lead, but Merrimack rallied with back-to-back doubles by the Paparos to cut the margin to 3-2. Bloomsburg, however, used a line-drive double play to claim the win and advance to the winners bracket.

That meant Merrimack and AIC would hook up for the seventh time in the season, and the Lady Warriors made quick work of the Yellow Jackets for a 9-2 win, Page's 21st of the season. But Bloomsburg proved to be too much in the championship contest, as fatigue caught up with the Lady Warriors in

an 8-0 win by the hosts. Five Merrimack players were named to the all-regional team, including Page, who pitched all 28 tournament innings for the Lady Warriors.

While the 1993 softball season left Myslinski and Merrimack followers with a lot to smile about and be proud of, what lies ahead during the 1994 season could be even more fun. All but one Lady Warrior (senior second baseman Michelle Page) are set to return, and with another strong recruiting class by Myslinski, all of the ingredients are there for four-in-a-row in the Northeast-10 and another appearance in the NC tournament.

Fourteen student-athletes earn conference and national academic accolades

One of the most impressive accomplishments of Merrimack athletes is that they do as well in the classroom as on the field.

That was re-emphasized this year when 14 Merrimack student-athletes were honored by their respective conferences for outstanding academic accomplishments.

Nine Warriors were named to the 1993 Hockey East Association Academic Honor Roll, the highest number from any league member. Heading the list is junior Quentin Fendelet, an accounting major from Saskatoon, Sask., who posted a 3.81 grade point average (GPA) this year, the highest in Hockey East. Fendelet has had the highest GPA in the league in each of the past two seasons, and Merrimack has the distinction of having the player with the highest GPA in the league for three straight years.

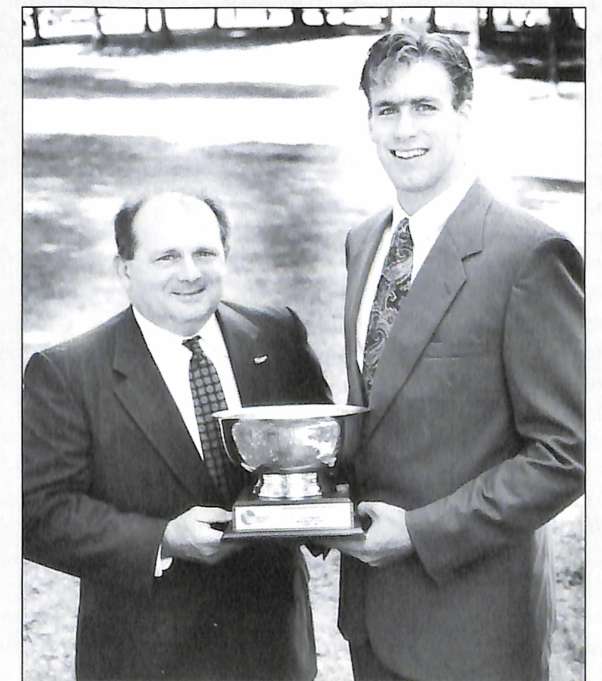
Joining Fendelet and the Honor Roll are seniors Don MacLeod (3.34/Finance), Wayde McMillan (3.12/Accounting), Guy Ragault (3.39/Electrical Engineering) and Alex Weinrich (3.26/Marketing); junior Matt Poska (3.42/History), sophomores Matt Adams (3.21/Accounting), and Mark Cornforth (3.41/Accounting) and freshman Mark Goble (3.48/Accounting). Ragault earned one of three Distinguished Scholar Athlete awards from the league, as he was named to the Hockey East Academic Honor Roll during each of his four years. He is the

first Warrior to achieve that honor and just the fourth player in league history.

Five other Merrimack athletes were named to the 1993 Northeast-10 Conference Academic All-Conference squad, with four of them—senior David Miles of Andover, juniors Kim Page and Meeghan Coffey and sophomore Judy O'Connell—earning spots on the all-conference first team squad. Senior Robby Sciaudone was selected for honorable mention.

Miles, a management major and former New England Division II all-star in baseball, achieved a 3.94 GPA during his four years at Merrimack, the highest GPA in the Northeast-10 for the second straight year. He achieved a perfect 4.0 GPA during each of his last four semesters and was a national Academic All-America in baseball in 1992. Coffey, who excels in both soccer and softball, holds a 3.41 GPA in psychology, while Sciaudone, a two-time Northeast-10 and New England all-star in soccer, achieved a 3.23 GPA in accounting.

In addition, Page and O'Connell were named to the GTE/College Sports Information Directors of America National Softball Academic All-America team. Page, who holds a 3.59 GPA in English, was named to the national team for the second straight year and is Merrimack's first female to



Athletics Director Robert DeGregorio Jr. presented Guy Ragault '93 with the Distinguished Scholar-Athlete Award of Hockey East. Ragault is the first Merrimack player to receive the award and one of nine Warriors named to the '93 Hockey East Honor Roll.

become a two-time Academic All-America. O'Connell, who has achieved a 3.58 GPA in psychology, is the second sophomore in Merrimack history to be named as national Academic All-America, following in Page's footsteps. Both players were also named All-Americans on the field for their efforts in softball last spring.

Page turning heads on the field and in the classroom

Merrimack's softball standout has defined "Student-Athlete"

Webster's defines *student* as "one who attends a school, college or university," and *athlete* as "one who takes part in competitive sport."

Put the words together and you get student-athlete, which, at Merrimack, is defined as "Kim Page."

At a time when scandals have rocked the worlds of both professional and collegiate athletics, it is refreshing to note that there are those who excel both on the field and in the most important arena for students—the classroom. Page has established a standard of achievement and excellence that anyone will be hard-pressed to match for years to come. The senior English major from Dracut, Mass. is doing it all at Merrimack College and, more important, doing it well.

For the past three springs, Page in the middle of the softball diamond has been a terrifying sight for Merrimack opponents. Imagine facing Roger Clemens on a balmy April afternoon when he has his best fastball working. Now imagine that fastball coming at you—except it's from a closer range than a Clemens heater would be. Now you can understand why Page has posted a 55-14 won-loss record in three years and has led the Northeast-10 Conference in strikeouts each of the last two seasons.

Page, who, like Clemens, wears the number 21, has won every conceivable softball honor during her career as the Lady Warriors' pitching ace. This past season, she put up some incredible numbers: a 21-3 won-loss record that featured a personal 19-game winning streak (second longest in NCAA Division II history), an 0.67 earned run average that ranked third in the nation, 145 strikeouts in 166 innings pitched and 11 shutouts that included a scoreless inning string of 54 2/3 innings. Those totals earned her both Northeast-10 Conference and ECAC Division II New England Player of the Year accolades and a place on the National Softball Coaches Association second-team All-America squad.

But Page's academic honors are even more incredible. Kim, who holds a 3.59 cumulative grade point average, has been named to the GTE/College Sports Information Directors of America National Academic All-America softball team each of



Kim Page

the last two years and has also earned a spot on the Northeast-10 Conference first-team Academic All-Conference squad. A Dean's List student in each of her first six semesters, Page was also named by the National Softball Coaches Association to its Academic Honor Roll and was a District Academic All-America in volleyball in 1991.

But one of Page's academic awards stands above the rest. Kim is one of ten recipients of a \$3,000 journalism scholarship from The NCAA Foundation/Freedom Forum. She was the lone non-Division I recipient, joining students from, among others, Kansas, Arizona State, Georgia, Southern Methodist and Washington, schools with renowned and respected journalism schools.

And consider this—Merrimack doesn't have a journalism major!

It's hard to imagine one individual gaining so much respect, honor and attention in such a short period of time, but with her tireless effort not only in athletics but also in her studies, it's easy to see why Page has succeeded at Merrimack. Her story is one of hard work, which she learned at an early age.

A typical day for Page last spring began with classes from 8 to noon and, after lunch,

perhaps some free time. From there, its practice, including treatment in the training room or a game and, after dinner, four hours' studying." After that, it's definitely time for bed," says Page.

With all of the demands on her, one question that comes to mind is where does the stamina come from? Pitching in softball is different from baseball—the underhand motion does not put a great strain on the arm. Thus, a softball pitcher can pitch longer and more quickly than a baseball hurler. Page, ironically, didn't start out as a pitcher—she was always a catcher.

"I was at a pitching/catching camp one summer, and a few people said I should try pitching," Page says. "I thought it was a game, and that it would be fun. Jim DeFazio (former coach at Massachusetts-Lowell) taught me the motion and pitches, and he and my father (Miles) enhanced my knowledge of the basics."

Page has six different pitches she can use in her arsenal—a fastball (a fastball that rises suddenly and is very tempting to the batter), a drop curve, a rise curve, a drop (softball's version of a screwball) and a change-up. She has learned to use her power and control with a touch of "finesse," and that helped Merrimack post a school record of four victories last spring and a berth in the NCAA tournament.

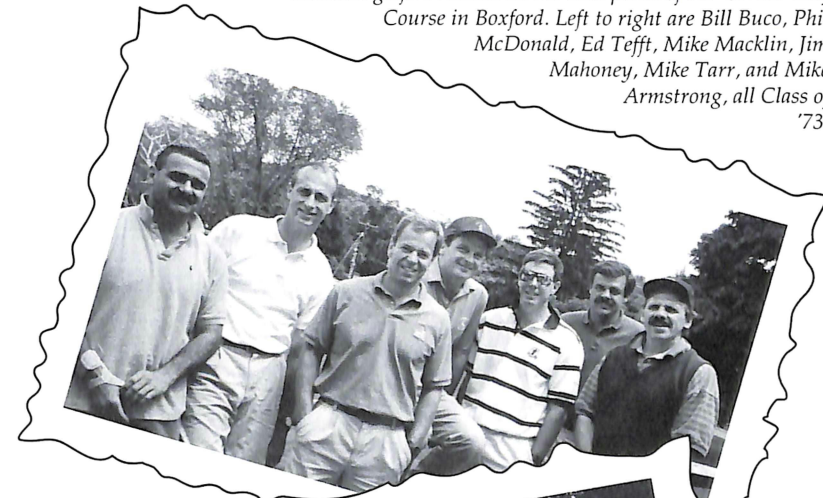
What will Kim's senior campaign bring? "In 1991 (her freshman season and Merrimack's first appearance in the NCAA tournament), I think as a team we were very naive, we didn't know what to expect," Page says. "I think we were happy just to reach the regional final. This past year, we knew what we were up against (in taking on second-ranked Bloomsburg), and now, it's a mental attitude we have to have. We definitely belong in the group of top teams in the nation. We need to act like we belong in that group if we want to get back to the NCAA tournament."

Turning back to the dictionary one last time, Webster's defines the word *page* as "one employed to run errands or carry messages."

At Merrimack, this Page is definitely carrying a message—that athletic excellence and academic achievement are on the same playing field. ■

The best place to have spent a June weekend: Reunion '93

Reunion golfers relaxed on the back porch of Far Corner Golf Course in Boxford. Left to right are Bill Buco, Phil McDonald, Ed Tefft, Mike Macklin, Jim Mahoney, Mike Tarr, and Mike Armstrong, all Class of '73.



The honor class of 1953



Of the more than 450 alumni at Reunion '93, many returned for the first time since graduation. They rediscovered a campus that has changed in many ways (it has trees), but still holds the warmth and friendship that is Merrimack.

Members of the classes of '53, '58, '63, '68, '73, '78, '83, and '88 kicked off the weekend with the annual reunion golf tournament. Frank '56 and Emilie (Orlando) '53 Collopy, who organized past golf tournaments, were given a gift of appreciation for their years of service. Later, at the Welcome Back Party in Gildea, alumni renewed old friendships and the Merrimack spirit that had endured unaltered.

Emil Routhier '68, who was married to his wife, Susan, in the Gildea Hall Chapel, remembered a Merrimack where he always felt part of the college, not just a number. "I always felt at home and students knew if they needed support they would get it," said Routhier.

The sun shone on Saturday's dedication of the Gregor Johann Mendel, O.S.A., Center for Science, Engineering and Technology. Following the dedication ceremony alumni and friends gathered under the Merrimack big top and enjoyed an alfresco luncheon.

The Class of '53, the 40th anniversary class, gathered at a private reception at the President's House before the dinner dance for all the honor classes, which was held at the Ramada Rolling Green.

At Mass on Sunday, Father Deegan presented members of the class of '53 with medals commemorating their anniversary. Reunioners gathered for the last time at brunch—and bade goodbye to special friends and the campus that was once home.



The Alumni Golf Tournament remained a popular Reunion '93 event. At this year's tourney were, front row, left to right, Ed Farley, Larry Marocco, Jack Kenney, and Dick Barney. Back row are Jack Boland, Frank Finnerty, Emilie Collopy, and Terry Monahan. All are members of the Class of '53 except 'sixty-sixer Terry.

Six alumni will receive St. Augustine Awards

The St. Augustine Awards ceremony will be held Saturday, October 23 at the Andover Marriott.

This year's St. Augustine Award recipients will be Richard Blain '74 of North Andover, and Emilie (Orlando) '53 and Francis '56 Collopy of Methuen, for service to Merrimack; Yvonne Cote of Amesbury for service to the area's Catholic community; Jane (Currier) Walsh '75, president and CEO of Northmark Bank, and David A. Wilhelm '66 of St. Louis, Mo., for alumni achievement, and Mary (Piazza) Wesson '57, for service to the Merrimack Valley.

Blain, director of Resource Development at Caritas Christi, a Boston Archdiocese healthcare system, has been a member of Merrimack's Alumni Council since 1976. He established and directed a task force to re-evaluate the Alumni Council's role for the college, which has resulted in a restructuring



Rick Blain '74

Council. He established a retreat program entitled "Faith, Church and Change" for alumni, their friends and families, and has worked with and advised two Merrimack fraternities. Blain and his wife, Kathy, with three other couples, directed a program for alumni who were intending to be married at the college church.

The Collopy's, who met as Merrimack students, were married in 1956. In 1971 they received the Outstanding Alumni Award for their work in Appalachia and since then have continued their enormous commitment and devotion to their alma mater. They were part of "Merrimaction," a cross-campus group that helps those in need, and have participated in the program for alumni planning to marry at Merrimack. Mrs. Collopy helped establish student and alumni retreats, and participated in a program for students wishing to convert to Roman Catholicism. The Collopy's coordinated the Alumni Reunion Golf Tournament from 1976 to 1992, and have been members of the President's Cup Golf Tournament Committee. Mr. Collopy is past vice president of the Alumni Council. In addition



Frank '56 and Emilie (Orlando) '53 Collopy

to her volunteer activities, Mrs. Collopy was coordinator of the Center for Ministries until last year.

Cote is a member of Sacred Heart Parish in Amesbury. After rearing her family of 12 children—alone, after her husband died in 1975—she earned a theology degree at Emmanuel College, completed the Master Teacher program of the Archdiocese, and joined a team to organize an inter-parish Confirmation program for Amesbury. She was a member of the Parish Activities and the Finance committees at her church, and has been a member of its choir. She has taught Religious Education at Sacred Heart since 1966, been Director of Religious Education, and is a leader among the local parish Religious Education Directors.



Yvonne Cote

Walsh co-founded Northmark Bank in 1987. She began her banking career when, as a student, she was a part-time teller at the Arlington Trust Company. In 1975, when she graduated, she became Bank Auditor at the Arlington Trust.



Jane (Currier) Walsh '75

She was promoted to Investment Division Head and Investment Portfolio Manager,

and before she was 29, she had given birth to two daughters, obtained an MBA, and increased the two portfolios she managed to \$1 billion in customer deposits and \$250 million in investment portfolio assets. When she left Arlington Trust to open Northmark, she had become Executive Vice President overseeing the Data Processing and Operations Division. In June she became the first female chairman of the Massachusetts Bankers Association.

Wilhelm is president of The Forsythe Group, Inc., one of St. Louis' largest real estate development, management, and leasing firms. Wilhelm, who serves on the Board of Trustees of a mid-western college and of the St. Louis Zoo, has also been involved with and supported Boys Town.



David A. Wilhelm '66

Wesson created and directs Andover's program for first-time juvenile offenders, working with police and the courts to find alternative sentencing such as community service. The program, which has served more than 500 youths, has a 96.5 percent success rate. Last year, when the program was not funded, Wesson volunteered her services. Wesson, the mother of six daughters, has a master's degree in education from Salem State and is a fulltime parent/student facilitator for the Lawrence School Department.

Reservations for the awards dinner, which will be held on October 23 at the Andover Marriott, may be obtained from Maureen Lanigan, Director of College Fundraising Events, at (508) 837-5448.



Mary (Piazza) Wesson '57

Merrimack Campaign 1992-1993

One of the most successful fundraising years in the college's history was concluded on June 30. The college, through the Office of Institutional Advancement, raised more than \$2.5 million to help Merrimack continue on its road to prominence among Catholic colleges. Among the highlights of the 1992-93 campaign are:

- More than 3,000 alumni donated to the campaign, establishing a donor record.
- More than \$6.6 million was given outright or pledged to the Gregor Johann Mendel, O.S.A., Center for Science, Engineering and Technology and endowment was increased from \$4.5 million to \$11.3 million during the successful Phase I of the Merrimack 2000 Campaign. "It is significant," says Richard J. Santagati '65, national chairman of Merrimack 2000 and chairman of the Board of Trustees, "that from 1981 to 1993, through Office of Institutional Advancement fundraising efforts, contributions totaled \$18,483,414 and almost \$3 million in outstanding pledges for the Mendel Center, for a total of \$21,483,414."
- Merrimack's two-year-old Class Agent Program was instrumental in Merrimack achieving a record of more than 3,000 alumni donors. One hundred fifty alumni volunteered in the program.
- The Reunion Gift Program, now in its second year, also enjoyed tremendous success. Reunion Classes ('53, '58, '63, '68, '73, '78, '83 and '88) donated more than \$108,000 to the Merrimack Campaign, increasing their giving to the college by well over 25 percent. In addition, participation by reunion classes rose by 16 percent. Kevin Foley '64, chairman of the Annual Fund, says that he is extremely gratified at the numbers of alumni who have demonstrated their support of their alma mater.

The college thanks all those who contributed to Merrimack College in 1992-93. Your support has made a crucial difference to the college's ability to fulfill its mission.



Celebrating "First Light" (the opening) of the Mendel Center's observatory were, left to right, Physics Professor Thomas Morrill; Father Deegan; Janet Mattei, Director of the American Association of Variable Star Observers and the guest speaker; and Jill McCann, President of the Ladies of Merrimack, whose gift made the observatory a reality.

Successful fundraising events build Scholarship Endowment; help fund facilities in Science, Engineering and Technology

The more than \$310,000 raised last year by Men and Ladies of Merrimack events will support scholarship endowment and the Gregor Johann Mendel, O.S.A., Center for Science, Engineering and Technology.

At the Ladies of Merrimack annual meeting, outgoing president Jill McCann presented Father Deegan with a check for \$52,500 making a total of \$109,500 toward the Ladies' \$200,000 pledge to the Science, Engineering and Technology Center observatory.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Joyce Kulhawik of WBZ-TV.

Honored at the meeting were past presidents and those who opened their homes for the May House Tour, which brought in \$5,000. More than 500 people toured two homes in Andover and two in North Andover. Ladies' events this year included a workout and lecture with Richard

Simmons on September 18.

At the Men of Merrimack annual meeting outgoing president Sherman Morrison presented Father Deegan with a check for \$257,655. Two payments toward the Men's pledge for the Science, Engineering and Technology Center greenhouse will be taken from the amount; the balance will go toward scholarship endowment.

Coming fundraisers include the annual Men of Merrimack Raffle January 30 at the Lanam Club, a presentation of "A Christmas Carol" at the Northshore Music Theater in Beverly, and the annual Men of Merrimack Basketball and Hockey nights.

Other Men and Ladies of Merrimack events are listed in the Calendar on page 22.

For more information call Maureen Lanigan, director of campus fundraising events at (508) 837-5448.

1993-1994 Annual Fund Campaign to be launched this fall

Hoping to build upon the success and the support provided by Merrimack's alumni, parents, and friends, during last year's Annual Fund campaign, the college is launching the 1993-1994 campaign this fall with Kevin Roche '62, as chairman. While the campaign has many means of raising money, most alumni and parents are telephoned by students and class agents.

The campaign will take some new directions this year. With the first phase of

Merrimack 2000 successfully completed, the college's priorities are now to build scholarship funds for students, establish new academic and co-curricular programs and activities, and financially strengthen the institution said Roche. The Annual Fund will incorporate support for these priorities within the campaign.

"Critical to the financial stability of the college is the growth of the endowment," said Roche. "The college endowment has grown from \$250,000 in 1981 to \$11.5

million as of June 30, 1993, the income from which is used for scholarships and programs. About 75percent of the 1993 incoming freshmen received some level of financial aid. We all need to contribute so the college will prosper and endowment will increase, thus allowing the college to be more competitive in the marketplace. The financial stability of Merrimack College enriches the diploma that we cherish from our alma mater," said Kevin.



Members of The November Club of Andover recently present Father Deegan with \$100,000 to establish a scholarship in the club's name. With Father Deegan at the presentation were, from the left, Mrs. Charles Currier, a 50-year member of the club; Mrs. Lucius Jones, a director; Mrs. David Wilcox, Vice President, and Mrs. Nichols.

Local women's club, one of the oldest in the area, has established a Merrimack scholarship

The November Club of Andover recently established a scholarship endowment at Merrimack College.

At a luncheon hosted by Rev. John E. Deegan, O.S.A., college President, and Rev. Fritz J. Cerullo, O.S.A., Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Mrs. David Wilcox, November Club Vice President, presented Father Deegan with a \$100,000 check to establish the scholarship endowment fund.

The scholarships will be awarded to Andover High School graduates living in Andover who have maintained a grade point average of at least 2.5 and have been accepted at Merrimack College.

The November Club was chartered and incorporated in 1889 in Andover by eleven women. The club has the distinction of having built, in 1892, the first women's

clubhouse, which was erected at Six Locke St. The building is now occupied by the Unitarian Universalist Church of Andover. The club has always been a vital part of its community, financially supporting local churches, Hospice, the Samaritans, the Lawrence General and the Holy Family hospitals, The Andover Historical Society, and many civic organizations. Officers of the club are:

Mrs. Anthony Sakowich, President; Mrs. David Wilcox, Vice President; Mrs. Norman Brawnley, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Charles MacKenzie, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Shirley Sheehan, Treasurer; Directors Mrs. James Salerno, Mrs. Edward Saliba (recently deceased), Mrs. Lucius Jones, Mrs. John Bangert, Mrs. George West, and Mrs. Ralph Hill; and Mrs. Winston A. Blake, Auditor.



Trustees recently elected to the Board met on campus for a Trustee Orientation Day. Among those attending were, left to right, Jack McKinnon '62, Kevin Roche '62, Dr. Karl Gladstone, Mrs. Anthony Sakowich, and Father Deegan.

Merrimack's Center for Corporate Education: A "Professional Training Resource"

Merrimack established the Center for Corporate Education in August 1992 to develop non-credit courses for individuals wishing to increase their business skills, experience, and knowledge.

Today, more than ever, training and professional development is necessary for career advancement. Merrimack is committed to seeing the Center for Corporate Education develop into a major educational resource, offering programs to complement the success of the college's undergraduate and continuing education programs.

For fall 1993, the center has developed extensive course offerings that respond to the needs of business and industry. The center also offers such courses as Direct Marketing, Materials Management (APICS), Purchasing Management (NAPM), Telephone Marketing, and Financial Planning. Additionally, many courses designed to improve professional skills and develop specific expertise are offered throughout the year.

The center also offers customized corporate training, organized by Corporate Consultant Allan Benowitz, which are tailored to organizations' specifications and designed to build specific skills. The training programs are conducted both at Merrimack and at business sites, according to the needs of businesses.

In addition, the center provides, at the Merrimack campus, preparation for the SAT, GRE, GMAT, and LSAT tests; and SAT preparation courses in partnerships with area high schools. The College Preparation Program, an intensive two-week program for high school students, was offered for the first time this summer. It focused on SAT and Achievement Test preparation, study skills and the college-application process. For more information or to obtain a course catalog, call (508) 837-5182.

Job Hotline

Merrimack's Career Services Office has begun a Career Hotline to aid alumni and students searching for jobs. Dial (508) 837-5058, for a listing of area jobs. The 24-hour hotline lists openings in accounting and finance, computer science, engineering, math, education, human services, economics, international business, political science, management, marketing and sales, and science research.

Recently elected trustees bring a wealth of experience to the board

Kevin Foley '64, owner of two hotels in Gatlinburg, Tenn.; Dr. Karl Gladstone, president of KG building and real estate; John F. Kennedy '68, president of KRI Management; Rev. William A. McGuire, O.S.A., Dean of Enrollment Management at Villanova; and Kevin Roche '62, Vice President/Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Dow Jones, are the most recently elected members to Merrimack's Board of Trustees.

Foley began his career in hotel management with the Sheraton Hotels in 1968 and, in 1976, was named general manager of the Sheraton Gatlinburg Hotel. In 1984 he purchased the Gazebo Inn and in 1990 became part owner, president, and managing director of the Glenstone Lodge. Gladstone, a



Kevin Foley '64



Dr. Karl Gladstone

self-educated entrepreneur, started his business 37 years ago when he sold, at a \$5,000 profit, the half-finished house he was building for himself and his bride. He built another and his business was born. Gladstone is past

president of the Men of Merrimack. He and his wife, Joyce, hold honorary doctoral degrees from Merrimack.

John F. Kennedy is president and CEO of KRI Management Inc., whose clients are primarily in the institutional, healthcare, and biotech/medical research fields. Kennedy formed Kennedy & Rossi Inc. in 1981. Before that he was a vice president at Walsh Brothers Construction Company.

Father McGuire began his professional career at Monsignor Bonner High School as business manager and plant supervisor, became treasurer of the Augustinian Province of St. Thomas in 1971, returning to Bonner in 1972. He served successively as sophomore studies counselor, senior studies academic counselor, and Athletic Director. In 1979 he returned to Villanova as Assistant Dean of Admissions, eventually becoming Assistant Dean of Liberal Arts and then Assistant Director of Athletics until 1990 when he assumed his current post.



John F. Kennedy '68



Rev. William A. McGuire, O.S.A.

Kevin Roche, a native of Newburyport, joined Dow Jones in the New York office in 1962 as an accountant, was assistant regional business office representative in Silver Spring, Md., and insurance manager in New York.

He served successively as national payroll manager, staff assistant to the comptroller, general accounting manager, assistant comptroller and associate comptroller. He was named comptroller in October 1977, and appointed VP/Finance and a member of the management committee in 1986. He became chief financial officer of Dow Jones in 1989.

Roche is a director of Ottaway Newspapers, the Far Eastern Economic Review, and Automated Call Processing Corporation, a member of the International Newspaper Financial Executives and the Financial Executives Institute where he serves on the New York City Chapter CFO Advisory Council.

He was vice president of the Princeton, N.J. chapter of the National Association of Accountants, a past director of the Princeton Family Service Agency, and past grand knight of the Highstown, N.J. Knights of Columbus. He and his wife, Arleen, have two children and live in Cranbury, N.J.



Kevin Roche '62

President's Golf Cup Tournament

More than \$45,000 for student scholarships was raised at this year's President's Cup Golf Tournament, bringing the total amount raised in the tournament's history to \$800,000. Of that total, \$551,172 has been used to establish a permanent endowment scholarship fund.

In its 12 years, thanks to the generosity and support of players, sponsors, and benefactors, the tournament has helped fund the education of 90 Merrimack students. This year some players traveled from as far as Missouri and California to show their support.

Co-chairmen Gerald Camuso '70 and Julien J. Lacourse, credited tournament committee members with the event's success.

"We hold a quality tournament for a great cause at a reasonable price—everything is always first-rate," said Camuso.

This year's winning team was Daniel J. Ford '82 of Winthrop, Timothy Smith of Winchester, Jim Carangelo of Winthrop, Charles Smith of Kennebunk, Me., with a low net of 49. Sean Kelly '91 of Amherst, N.H. won the pot for the longest drive at the first hole and Dave Ravanasi of Wakefield was closest to the pin on the 13th hole.



Taking part in the 1993 President's Cup Golf Tournament were, left to right, Brad Coffman; John Stumpf; Jerry Camuso, chairman of the tournament; and Mark Kazanjian.

Class Notes

By Kristin M. Smith '93

Weddings

William P. DiPrima '73 and Sandra J. Corrente, at Merrimack College on November 1, 1992.

Barbara Connolly '80 and Dennis Jacobson, at the First Congregational Church in Norwood, Mass., March 27, 1993.

Richard Nally '80 and **Julie Lanagan '85**, at Merrimack College on September 19, 1992.

James M. Tarshi '81 and Susan Phair, at St. Mary Church in Lawrence, Mass., March 29, 1993.

Barbara Sidney '82 and Gary Karp, at Merrimack College, November 7, 1992.

James R. Fournier '82 and Lisa Marie Graitge, at Nellis Air Force Base Chapel, Las Vegas, June 6, 1992.

David Paulson '83 and Karen McKelvey, at Merrimack College on October 10, 1992.

John F. Keenan '85 and Suanna Flynn, at Merrimack College on October 25, 1992.

Thomas Sullivan '85 and Patricia Laughlin, at Withrow Nature Preserve, Cincinnati, Ohio, May 8, 1993.

Anne Marie Burns '86 and Barden K. Conn, at Merrimack College on January 2, 1993.

Timothy McNamara '86 and Ann McNamee, at Merrimack College on September 26, 1992.

Michele Sevigny '86 and Robert Beckshaw, at St. Joseph Church, Haverhill, Mass., April 25, 1993.

David B. L'Heureux '87 and **Barbara Limoncelli '87**, at St. Barbara Church, Woburn, Mass., November 14, 1992.

Marcia Miquelon '87 and James Stankiewicz, at St. Barbara Church, Woburn, Mass., December 5, 1992.



Mr. and Mrs. James Grimaldi

Kimberly Cody '88 and Stephen Gentile, at St. Barbara Church, Woburn, Mass., October 24, 1992.

Timothy Conry '88 and Denise DiStefano, at Merrimack College on October 3, 1992.

John P. Connolly '88 and **Leslie Gordon '88**, at St. Francis of Assisi, Medford, Mass., May 22, 1993.

Joanna Giancotti '88 and Joseph DiBiase, at Merrimack College on September 13, 1992.

Christopher R. Hayward '88 and **Karen Kelly '86**, at Trinity Episcopal Church, Topsfield, Mass., August 22, 1992.

Nina L. Leone '88 and Paul C. Sullivan, at Saint Joseph College, West Hartford, Conn., May 23, 1993.

Laura J. Boisvert '89 and Mark O. Wareham, at the Sheraton Tara Hotel, Nashua, N.H., September 12, 1992.

Michael J. Fischer '89 and **Janice A. Carter '89**, at Merrimack College on July 17, 1993.

Lawrence S. Jackson '89 and Janet Thompson, at St. Mary Church, Dedham, Mass., May 1, 1993.

Elizabeth Mary Riley '89 and Glenn Peter Wyllie, at St. Cecilia Church, Ashland, Mass., June 20, 1992.

Joanna Calitri '90 and Walter P. Giampietro, at St. Mary of the Annunciation Church, Danvers, Mass., August 2, 1992.

Lois Jean Dagley '90 and Stephen Michael Carter, at Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, Danvers, Mass., October 17, 1992.

Christine DaSilva '90 and Rodney Schneider, at Merrimack College on October 17, 1992.

Kevin M. Freeman '90 and **Susan M. Lacerte '90**, at Sacred Heart Church, Lawrence, Mass., October 4, 1992.

James Grimaldi '90 and **Mary Margaret Scully '88**, at St. Mary Church, Lee, Mass., April 17, 1993.

Thomas Kennelly '90 and **Kristen Keiser '90**, at St. Dominic's Church, Oyster Bay, N.Y., August 22, 1992.

Timothy J. Kinsella '90 and Evelynne Joan Mize, at St. Marie Church, Lowell, Mass., April 24, 1992.

Edward P. Mahoney '90 and Deanna Petroni, at St. Joseph Church, Medford, Mass., May 23, 1993.

Paul Malenchini Jr. '90 and Maureen Ryan, at St. Ann Church, Somerville, Mass., February 27, 1993.

Corrine Crisa '91 and David M. Hasbany, at St. Monica Church, Methuen, Mass., April 25, 1993.

Kimberly L. Gerrish '92 and David Cinquegranda, at Merrimack College on October 3, 1992.

Holly Valentino '92 and Brian Barry, at Merrimack College on September 12, 1992.



Sue and Kevin Freeman

Births

Brenda A. Lessard '74 and husband Peter: a daughter, Kathleen Marie, December 30, 1992.

Thomas P. Simpson '75 and wife Joanne: a son, John Patrick, March 25, 1993.

John J. McSweeney '77 and wife Barbara: a daughter, Shaina E., February 18, 1993.

Sally (Lehane) Murphy '78 and husband Kevin: a daughter, Julia Donovan, January 29, 1993.

James Sullivan '78 and wife Bonnie: a son, Cormac Timothy, June 9, 1993.

Richard Moller '79 and wife **Debbie (Boeckel) '81**: a daughter, Melissa Kathleen, May 3, 1993.

Lisa (Connors) Roche '80 and husband Bill: a daughter, Kristen Elizabeth, June 28, 1993.

James E. Blackwell '81 and wife Carla: a son, Colin James, March 28, 1993.

Heidi (Lawrence) Carney '81 and husband William: a daughter, Kerry Ann, February 17, 1993.

Michael "Chico" Hochlowski '81 and wife **Doreen (Rafala) '82**: a son, Jason Michael, October 26, 1992.

Mark E. Penney '81 and wife **Teresa (Kneizys) '81**: a daughter, Laura Anne, June 9, 1993.

James H. Guarino '82 and wife Lisa: a son, Michael James, November 10, 1992.

Dianne (Murray) Young '82 and husband John: a daughter, Kerianne Sarah, December 13, 1992.

Paul E. DeMasi '83 and wife Jean: a daughter, Jenna Christine, February 26, 1993.

Claire Beaugard-Massaró '83 and husband Gregory: a daughter, Joan Marie, November 29, 1992.

James McCarthy '83 and wife **Blaire (Cunningham) '83**: a son, Kevin James, January 10, 1993.

James F. Pinho '83 and wife Kerri: a son, Kyle, February 26, 1993.

Michele (Paradis) Santos '83 and husband Tony: a son, Jeffrey Antonio, March 9, 1993.

Kathleen (Vigneaux) Surette '83 and husband Gary: a son, Bradley Philip, November 9, 1992.

Charlotte (Byrnes) Tullgren '83 and husband Eric: a daughter, Jennifer Nicole, December 28, 1992.

Christine (Lyons) Eliopoulos '84 and husband Peter: a daughter, Julia Christine, June 23, 1993.

Laura (Carrier) Horvat '84 and husband Hal: a daughter, Melanie Faith, March 15, 1993.

Susan C. (Mahoney) Koufogazos '84 and husband Nick: a daughter, Madeline Alexandria, October 2, 1992.

William O'Malley '84 and wife **Robin (Fuller) '85**: a daughter, Meghan Elizabeth, September 9, 1992.

James D. Casazza '85 and wife Lisa: a daughter, Julia Laurel, May 5, 1993.

Ann M. (D'Entremont) Noyes '86 and husband Kevin: a son, Zachary Robert, March 8, 1993.

Stephen Palladino '86 and wife **Maureen (Carlin) '87**: a son, Kevin Stephen, November 19, 1992.

Philip C. Polcari '86 and wife **Debbie**: a son, Matthew Philip, April 27, 1993.

A. Therese (Bariscillo) Allen '87 and husband Curtis: a daughter, Shelby Christine, June 14, 1993.

Theresa (Binsack) Bradford '87 and husband Bob: a daughter, Jaclyn Marie, January 4, 1993.

Eric Bean '87 and wife **Linda (Moynihan) '87**: a daughter, Courtney Lynn, May 14, 1993.

Antonietta (Ciruolo) Carlin '87 and husband John: a daughter, Elisa Maria, April 25, 1993.

Kathleen (McMurtrie) Chabuz '87 and husband Maurice: a daughter, Carolyn Adele, September 2, 1992.

In memoriam

Roger F. Breakey '51 of Wilmington, died July 15. He was 64. After graduating with Merrimack's first class, Breakey taught in Wilmington for 17 years. He later became a guidance counselor. In addition to his wife, Barbara, he leaves a son, Roger Jr.; daughters AnnMarie of West Hyannisport, Kathy Donovan of Quincy, and Suellen of Medford;

Robert G. Luddy, '59, died in July. He was born in Haverhill, where he lived all his life. Luddy was with the War Crimes Group of the Judge Advocate's Office in Europe during W.W. II. During the Korean War he was an instructor for the Army Chemical Corps. Luddy graduated from Bryant & Stratton School of Accounting. He was purchasing agent for the Essex County Gas Co., purchasing agent and senior buyer for BU Medical Center and Boston Medical Center Supply Service, and manager of Industrial Development for the Haverhill Chamber of Commerce. He is survived by his wife, Noreen, daughter JoAnne Bilodeau, and two grandchildren, all of Haverhill, and a brother, Atty. John Paul Luddy of San Diego.

Paul J. Collins '60 died June 7 in Peabody. He was 66. Collins was an electrical engineer with GE for 30 years before retiring in 1987. He leaves his wife, Marie; sons Paul of Vernon, Conn.; Brian and Kevin, of Beverly; daughters Kathleen of Oceanside, Calif. and Noreen of Peabody; sisters Ruth of Danvers and Eileen Bresnahan of Peabody; and seven grandchildren.

John P. Gibbons '60 died March 16 in Beverly. He was 58. Gibbons,

a Korean War veteran, was a senior analyst at Raytheon for 30 years before retiring in June. He leaves his wife, Eileen; daughter, Laurie Rollins of Danvers; son John of Danvers; sisters Elizabeth Libby of Salem, Mass. and Anna Connor of Danvers; and a granddaughter.

Patricia (Madden) Graham '67 died March 10. She was 47. A teacher in Mattawamkeag, Me., Graham was also the first woman selectman in her town, a trustee at her library, and a director of Maine's Hospital Administrative District. She leaves her husband, Michael; sons Peter and Steven; daughter, Eve; and brother, Edward Madden, all of Mattawamkeag.

Pieter Francis Huyser '73 died July 2 at his home in Nantucket of AIDS-related causes. He was born on the island in 1953 and was the son of Henry and the late Cecelia Huyser. He was a respiratory therapist, working in Saudi Arabia and then at St. Luke's Hospital in San Francisco. He is survived by his father, and brother, Paul.

Marjorie K. (deJong) Owen '78, a former outpatient head nurse at Lawrence General Hospital, died March 25. She was 54. Owen, who was born in England and raised in Argentina, came to the U.S. as an exchange nurse and moved to Lawrence; She earned a degree in human services at Merrimack and a master's in adult education at U. Maine. Owen also conducted research for Barton Research Company in Phoenix. The widow of William Owen, she is survived by brother, John, and his wife Elena.

Rick Dowling '87 and wife Jill Ellen: a daughter, Chelsea Elizabeth, March 7, 1993.

Michael McLaughlin '87 and wife **Elizabeth M. (Minahan) '85**: a daughter, Kathryn Elizabeth, March 1, 1993.

Timothy Martin '87 and wife **Julie (Adams) '86**: a son, Brendan Timothy, July 13, 1993.

Susan (MacDonald) Boari '88 and husband Gregg: a daughter, Sarah Jessica, March 30, 1993.

Roger P. Durkin Jr. '88 and wife Jeanne: a son, Adam Patrick, December 14, 1992.

Susan M. (Valletta) Raneri '90 and husband Joe: a daughter, Katherine Marie, February 19, 1993.

Angela (Calzetta) Tobin '90 and husband Eric: a daughter, Amanda Rose, March 24, 1993.

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Donald R. Beaton, founder and past president of Beaton Management Co. in Haverhill, received the Boy Scouts of America 1993 "Distinguished Citizen Award. Beaton, who also taught in Merrimack's Continuing Education Division for 30 years, has been a member of Merrimack's President's Council for Institutional Advancement and was co-chairman of the campaign to construct the Volpe Center and the Hamel Infirmary.



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Edmund R., a professor of history at Siena College, received the 1993 Siena Teaching Award. Padvaikas was chosen by students and alumni for outstanding achievement in classroom teaching, campus leadership, pioneering teaching methods, and creative course development.

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John Daley has been named director of special gifts at Sacred Heart University in Bridgeport, Conn. His responsibilities include fund raising for a proposed health and recreation center and programs to assist students with learning disabilities. Daley will also develop a planned giving program at the university.

The father/daughter team of **Robert Hatem '58** and **Jennifer Hatem '91**, both of Lowell, won the 1992 United States Tennis Association tournament. They won the New England regional tournament with an undefeated season and were



ranked first in New England among father-daughter doubles combinations by the U.S. Tennis Association for the 1992 season. The Lowell Sun said of the pair, "Success by the Hatems on a tennis court is certainly not news. They won a New England championship in 1986 and represented the region at the U.S. Open in Flushing Meadow, N.Y., where they lost in the round of 16. Jennifer, 24, had an impressive tennis career at Merrimack where she was Northeast-10 player of the year three times. She is now the girls' tennis coach at Woburn High School and works in the drug education program at Lowell High. As a tandem, however, this is the first time atop the USTA-New England rankings for the Hatems." Bob, a former administrator at Merrimack, is customer manager at Raytheon's Missile Systems Division in Bedford, Mass.

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Thomas F. Caffrey was named 1993 Rotarian of the Year by the Lawrence Rotary Club. Attorney Caffrey is president of the Lawrence Bar Association, director and clerk of the Greater Lawrence Chamber of Commerce, and a bank director of the Lawrence Cooperative and Andover banks.

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Jeannette St. Germain Clark of Littleton, Mass. has been listed in "Who's Who Among America's Teachers." She has taught French and Spanish in the Littleton Junior-Senior High School for 24 years.

Thomas C. Siekman has been elected to the board of directors of Associated Industries of Massachusetts. Siekman is a vice president, general counsel, and secretary of Digital Equipment Corp.

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Mary (Griffin) Carroll recently attended a women's convention in Dallas.

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Joseph C. Dolan of Wilton, Conn. has been appointed senior vice president and chief financial officer of Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. The corporation's executive

offices are in Stamford, Conn. with branches in Maryland, England, Japan, and Belgium.

Michael Stella Jr. has been named associate justice of Lawrence District Court by Gov. William F. Weld. Stella successfully prosecuted William R. Horton Jr., and two others for the stabbing death of Joseph Fournier during a 1974 hold up at a Lawrence gas station.

Corporate pioneering: McCusker style

Father McQuade was wont to say "For every hour of class, students should study two hours." In Robert F. McCusker's case, however, for every hour of class, he spent two hours in meetings. "At Merrimack we were encouraged to demonstrate leadership," said McCusker '68. "I believe that's a big reason I now feel comfortable expressing my point of view and ideas on the corporate level."

McCusker, who served during different years, as president, vice president, and treasurer of his class, is a general manager for Gillette—responsible for establishing Gillette operations in countries throughout the world.

Now, instead of walking across campus to Gildea for a meeting, McCusker hops a plane to Australia, Thailand, China, or Pakistan. Most recently his career has taken him (and his furniture) to Poland.

Transporting his belongings around the globe is just one adjustment McCusker makes upon entering a new country; there are cultural and social changes too. "One of the most interesting differences between countries is religion. Moving from a Judeo-Christian culture, to a Buddhist culture in Thailand, a Communist culture in China and then into a Muslim culture in Pakistan is fascinating," he said.

But learning to adapt to each country is only part of his job. "Essentially I introduce Gillette to the market of a country," said McCusker. This includes forming a senior management team, hiring employees, developing market plans, and expanding distribution networks and market shares.

These various tasks and his extensive travel has given

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Fred Kitterle has been appointed dean of the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Toledo. Prior to his appointment, Kitterle was chairman of the university's Psychology department. He lives in Nacogdoches, Texas with his wife and their daughter.

McCusker the every-day diversity he loves. "With so much change, how could I possibly be bored?" asked McCusker. "At one time I



Robert F. McCusker '68

began to feel stagnant, but I was able to change hats and the boredom soon ended," he said.

McCusker has changed hats not only when changing careers within Gillette but also in his present position. When moving to a country to begin a Gillette facility, McCusker many times has to be personnel director, market analyst, financial adviser, teacher, and even U.S. ambassador.

"When we went into China, Communism had just fallen and the American consulate hadn't been established. Essentially, Gillette was America's first representative to the country," said McCusker. "Our corporate and personal behavior gave the Chinese their first impression of America."

Such "corporate pioneering" as McCusker calls it, is one of the thrills he gains through his career, another is through the different cultures and people he encounters.

"Watching people develop gives me the most satisfaction. In Thailand I watched my secretary work her way to personnel director. I toasted her and her husband at their wedding and became "Uncle Bob" to her two children. I'm obviously there to help the company grow, and that is satisfying. But watching people grow is the best part."

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Sotirios G. Yokas has been named director of loan review for Multibank Financial Corp., a \$2.5 billion registered bank holding company with three Massachusetts offices.

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Lewis D. Caram has been named corporate director of advertising for Sweet Life Foods of Suffield and Northboro, Mass. He lives in Lexington with his wife Jean and their two children.

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Jean R. Belair Jr., past president of Martin, Belair & Co., an economic development consulting firm in Hartford, Conn., has been named economic development director in Augusta, Maine. Belair will also serve, part time, as executive director of the Augusta Trade Board.

Richard F. Doherty has been named Environmental Engineering Department Manager for TRC Environmental Corporation in Lowell, Mass.

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Eugene J. O'Neill, Esq., has been elected president of Indian River Country Bar Association for 1993-94. The association sponsors the development of law practice in Indian River County, Florida and delivers legal services to the local public. O'Neill is a partner and shareholder at the law firm of Gould, Cooksey, Fennell, Barkett, O'Neill & Marine, P.A. in Vero Beach, Fla. He lives in Vero Beach with his wife Marylee and their four children.

Kathryn M. Shanley has joined Delta Dental of Rhode Island as vice president of marketing services and corporate communications. Shanley will lead the company's advertising, public relations, and corporate communications.

Dennis Richards of Andover has been elected Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Reading, Mass. Prior to his appointment, Richards was Education Supervisor in Nashua, N.H.

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Marguerite Labrecque has been listed in "Who's Who Among America's Teachers." She is a teacher at St. Joseph School in Salem, Mass.

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J. Michael Caron has been named manager of the personal lines department of the E.A. Stevens Company. He lives in Andover with his wife Ellen and their daughter.

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David C. Mahoney is co-founder, chairman, and chief executive of Banyan Systems Inc., a network operating software company in Westboro, Mass.

Kinton takes to the sky

Thomas J. Kinton Jr. '74 is flying high in his new position as Aviation Director of Logan International Airport—a position that has put him in charge of the day-to-day functions at Logan and Hanscom Field in Bedford. The Woburn native graduated from Merrimack with an engineering degree and began his Massport career in 1976 in the engineering department, performing airport construction projects. In a steady 15-year rise in the ranks, Kinton became Director of Aviation Operations and was promoted to his present position last April.

His wide-ranging responsibilities include coordinating the anticipated transportation issues that will be created by the third Boston Harbor tunnel project, monitoring airport reconstruction, and overseeing airport security.

The new harbor tunnel is under the jurisdiction of the Turnpike Authority, but as traffic difficulties worsen during the

project, Massport will promote alternative travel methods to and from the airport.

"We'll try to increase the use of Logan express vehicles, the MBTA, and the water shuttle," said Kinton.

While outside construction will affect traffic flow, Kinton will also coordinate a \$1 billion airport reconstruction plan, scheduled to be done over the next 10 years. The reconstruction includes a complete renovation of Terminal A and the construction of a parking garage that will supply 4,500 additional parking spaces.

Although the reconstruction is one of the larger projects Kinton faces, airport security is one that is ongoing and always a major focus. "Airport security is always a priority. But we are fortunate to have State Police officers who can handle any situation that may arise," said Kinton.



Thomas J. Kinton Jr. '74

Massport contracts out State Police officers who undergo training in terrorist prevention. "If an incident occurs, our well-trained task force will be ready to deal with it," he said.

Kinton was named to his new post by then executive director Alden S. Raine, who said Kinton has a "strong history of hands-on experience at Logan."

"Kinton's overall management and operations experience ensures that both airports will be run by one of the best professionals in the business."

lives in North Andover with his wife Kathy (Mohan) '71 and their daughter Christine.

Suzanne (Dreyer) Genest recently received a Ph.D. in Educational Administration at Boston College. She is director of Pupil Personnel Services for the Millis Public Schools in Millis, Mass. Genest lives in Walpole, Mass. with her husband Jack Genest '75 and their two children John and Ashley.

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Cindy (Lavorgna) Jutras, manager of manufacturing consulting at ASK Computer Systems in Burlington, Mass., has been listed in "Who's Who of Global Business Leaders." Jutras is also owner and chief

instructor of Acton Karate in Acton, Mass. She lives in Windham, N.H. with her husband Glenn.

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Corrine Haddad-Mullen is national sales manager of Clean Harbors Inc., one of Connecticut's leading environmental service companies. She lives in Waterbury, Conn. with her husband, John, and their two children.

David B. Henderson, vice president of commercial real estate at Shawmut Bank in Boston, was presented a plaque and a piece of the Boston Garden's parquet floor for his help in organizing the financial package for the new Garden.



BOB and MARYLOU (DONAHUE) EDMUNDS, both class of '66 are co-chairmen of the President's Council. They were joined by more than 150 guests at the annual President's Council dinner held on campus during Reunion '93 Weekend. Council members are beneficiaries who contribute at least \$1,000 to Merrimack College.

Issue him a challenge and he'll take it head-on

Rep. Steven Angelo (D-Saugus) '74 likes a challenge. Right now he is testing the laws of gravity in the chamber of the State House.

Periodically, while talking, he tilts his chair back to a precarious angle. The odds seem clearly in favor of a back flip.

But he doesn't fall. He knows just how far he can go. After all, he has been testing his tilt in that seat for 12 years.

As House Chairman of the Natural Resources and Agricultural Committee, Angelo has had many other challenges and has met each with a sincere commitment to the state and his constituency.

"It is my job to be the leading advocate of environmental issues," he says. "By addressing recycling, waste disposal, and open space issues, we provide people with a better quality of life. What's more important than that?"

Among his legislative accomplishments is the recent reversal of a proposal by Governor Weld, which would have allocated \$45 million to fund a low-level radioactive waste disposal site.

"It is more logical to have the companies which generate the waste pay for such a facility," says Angelo. "Why should taxpayers pay for waste clean-up?"

Another recent victory, which has impacted Angelo's alma mater, is his help with a \$200,000 state grant to fund Merrimack's microscale chemistry research.

"Although I have a personal link to Merrimack, my reasons for supporting the allocation ran deeper than my feelings toward the college," says Angelo.

"Microscale technology will prepare Massachusetts, and the rest of the nation, for the next technological revolution. The waste-reduction impact of microscale cannot be denied either locally or nationally."

Angelo believes more public and private partnerships should be investigated, especially if the private research being funded would affect the quality of life for



Steven Angelo '74

people of Massachusetts.

His initial interest in politics began in high school but blossomed in 1971, his freshman year at Merrimack, when he was elected to Saugus' Town Meeting and was re-elected in 1973.

After college, Angelo taught at Saugus High School for six years; but his love of the outdoors, concern for the environment, and his interest in politics led him to run for state representative in 1978. He lost that year, but returned in 1980 to win the seat which he holds now.

"As a legislator I have learned more about myself and others," says Angelo. And the people in his district, who he has learned from, obviously have faith in his leadership. In election '92, Angelo had the highest percentage of votes in all House districts for all candidates. In Saugus, Malden and Lynn, he received 81 percent of the votes.

Angelo has earned the trust of his peers as well, holding the position of chairman of the Natural Resources and Agricultural Committee for nine years—the longest a committee chairman has served in the House's history.

Down the road, Angelo is considering a run for Congress, but he's facing opposition already: his daughter Erin has threatened to disown him if he runs. "She says I don't have enough time for her and her sister now, never mind if I become a congressman."

We suspect this might be a close contest for the Representative.

Brian Murphy has been named this year's winner of the J. Thom Lawler Award, which is named in honor of the Merrimack hockey coach and mentor. The award is given to a Merrimack alumnus who has offered continuous service to the game of hockey. Murphy, who led the Merrimack hockey team to the

1978 NCAA Division II championship, is a teacher and coach at St. John's School in Shrewsbury, Mass. He lives in Worcester with his wife Eileen.

Annemarie McGowan Witzgall has been promoted to the position of General Sales and Marketing manager for Essex County Gas Company of Amesbury, Mass.

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Rosemary B. (Jaskelevicus) Klueber has been named nurse manager of the operating room at Hale Hospital in Haverhill, Mass. She has worked at the hospital for 30 years and has been on its board of directors since 1979, serving as treasurer for the last two years.

Michael R. Lewis has been named community relations manager of the Seabrook Station nuclear power plant. Lewis has been the station's equipment maintenance supervisor. He lives in Hampton, N.H. with his wife.

James S. O'Donnell has been appointed president of Atlantic TurnKey Corporation, a company specializing in software for municipal and county governments. O'Donnell lives in Kingston, N.H. with his wife and four children.

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Carmine Catalana has been promoted to president of Cumberland Dairy in Rosenhayn, N.J. Carmine recently travelled to Sydney, Australia where he delivered a presentation entitled "Marketing of ESL Dairy Products—A View from the States" to the major Australian dairy executives. Carmine and his wife, Dana, live in Bridgeton, N.J. with their children, Rachel and Nicholas.

Cindy Ann (Lachowicz) Daigle has written her first book "Pá-Pá, the Petrified Panda," a children's book published by Carlton Press, Inc. Daigle is a chiropractic assistant and therapist at Greco

Chiropractic in Pembroke, N.H. She lives in Concord, N.H. with her husband James.

Catharine deLacy has been promoted to Vice President for Environmental Health and Safety at

Occidental Petroleum. She is the first woman officer of the corporation and is a member of the senior management team.

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Robert J. Bonsignore was elected vice chairman of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America (new lawyer division) and elected chairman of the Massachusetts Bar Association. Bonsignore is the youngest lawyer to hold an executive leadership position in each association.

Karen Caruso was recently named 1993 Concierge of the Year by Where Boston magazine. She has been concierge at the Boston Harbor Hotel for three years, is president of the Lynnfield Chapter of the Home for Little Wanderers, and is active in the Junior League of Boston. Caruso is also founder and president of "Elements of Etiquette," an organization that conducts seminars on business and social protocol.

Andrew J. Harris completed a Ph.D. in political science at the University of Maryland. He earned a master's degree in international affairs at American University. He is area leader for operations analysis, special warfare division, at Analytic Services in Arlington, Va.

Diane (Raye) Scamporino has accepted a purchasing position with Sequoia Systems Inc. of Marlborough, Mass. Last March, Diane and her husband, Fred, bought their first home in Plaistow, N.H. she asks: "It's been over 10 years—anyone interested in a pig roast?"

Robert M. Snover was recently appointed to the New Hampshire State Port Authorities Board of Directors. Snover is a principal with Appledore Engineering, Inc., a New Hampshire-based consulting firm specializing in civil, marine, structural, and transportation engineering; and environmental and community planning.

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Robert M. Astill has been named general credit manager of the International Ice Cream Corporation in Boston, Mass. Astill was previously credit manager of Kazmner International.

Robert D. Gerardi Jr. recently received a license to practice as a certified public accountant.

James R. Fournier was promoted to captain in then Air Force last May. He is chief of airfield management at Incirlik Air Base in Turkey. (Also see "Weddings.")

John W. Kozlauska was recently inducted into the Wakefield-Lynnfield Kiwanis Club. He was also appointed to the public relations committee and the speakers' bureau for the North Shore District Dental Society. Kozlauska is a part-time clinical professor in the restorative dentistry department at Tufts School of Dental Medicine and practices in Lynnfield. John is looking forward to "much better weather this summer," so he can enjoy power boating out of the Salem Willows Yacht Club.

Curtis W. Palawsky is a deputy sheriff in New York City. He lives in Port Washington, N.Y.



Alumni at the Tampa reception were, L-R, Tom Miller '73; Father Fritz Cerullo, Paul '63 and Susanne (Lizio) '60 Desmarais; Father Paul Kamide; and Joe Cuva '86.

Elisa Ritchie has received a master's degree in Communications Management at Simmons College. She also has an MBA. Ritchie is director of marketing and public

relations at The Center for Plastic Surgery and Personal Development in Stoneham, Mass. She is also a senior consultant to Morgan/Fletcher Associates, an organizational training and outplacement firm in Salem, N.H.

Shawn Warren has been admitted to the partnership of KPMG Peat Marwick, an international accounting, tax, and management consulting firm in Boston. Warren will serve clients in the government sector.

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William McAvoy of Derry, N.H. recently passed the Massachusetts Bar exam. He is an assistant attorney general in the regulated industries division.

Michael S. Meile is a development support engineer for Mills Inc., AGFA division, in Wilmington, Mass.

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Laurence J. Burke of Enfield, Mass. has accepted the position of project manager at LEGO Systems Inc.

Pamela J. Carroll of Arlington, Mass. has been appointed student assessment coordinator at Bristol Community College. Carroll will be responsible for establishing a Placement Center at the college. Carroll previously taught at Merrimack and Northern Essex Community College.

Bruce E. Chemelski has been appointed Executive Director of Eastern Maine Counseling and Testing Services, Inc. He is a partner in the private agency, which has 15 employees. Chemelski has developed three service areas for the agency, dealing with school psychology, chemical dependency, and mental health. He lives in Bangor, Maine

with his wife, Carol, and their two children.

Mark T. Douglass has been promoted to corporate director of sales for the Hilton National Sales Office in Chicago.

Laura (Carrier) Horvat was awarded a scholarship from Digital Equipment Corp. to pursue her master's degree in computer science and education. (Also see "Births.")

Michael P. Kelley has been appointed operations manager of loss management services for J.H. Albert International Insurance Advisors, Inc. of Needham Heights, Mass.

Susan (Mahoney) Koufogazos was recently promoted to real estate sales director for Kelley and Kompany, Inc. of Wilmington, Mass. She lives in Dracut, Mass. with her husband Nick and their daughter. (Also see "Births.")

Karin M. Sullivan was commissioned in the Air National Guard upon graduating from the Academy of Military Science in Knoxville, Tenn. Sullivan has been assigned as a supply officer to the 101st Air Control Squadron in Worcester, Mass.

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Aurelie McCarthy-Allegretto, attorney at law, has set up a private practice in association with the Law Offices of Joseph J. Machera, in Revere, Mass. She specializes in personal injury litigation, medical malpractice, and insurance defense cases.

James Casazza was recently promoted to software development manager at National Computer Systems in Cambridge, Mass. He lives in Mansfield, Mass. with his wife, Lisa, and their two daughters. (Also see "Births.")

Lisa Gallo Cotugno recently earned a master's degree in chemistry at Montclair, N.J. State College.

Thomas L. Reardon III has recently become a Certified Financial Planner. He is a personal financial planner at IDS Financial Services in Waltham, Mass. He lives in Stoughton, Mass. with his wife, Susan, and their son, Douglas.

Thomas Sullivan, who is pursuing a Ph.D. in psychology, is a Psychology Fellow at Yale's School of Medicine. (Also see "Weddings.")

Springtime in ITALY

The Alumni Office, Essex County Travel Service and Swissair are sponsoring "Springtime in Italy" for alumni and friends. An 8-day Rome and Florence tour (\$1,499) or an 11-day Rome, Florence, and Venice tour (\$1,799) are available. All flights are Swissair.

Departure is the evening of April 21 from Logan; arrival is 1:55 p.m. in Rome. The 8-day tour returns April 28 from Rome, arriving Boston at 3 p.m. The 11-day tour returns May 1 from Milan, arriving Boston at 3 p.m.

Tours include:
Air fare: Hotels: three nights in Rome, three nights in Florence (8-day tour), two nights in Venice and one night in Milan (11-day tour); Continental or buffet breakfast daily; Airport transfers; Inter-city transport; Sightseeing in each city; Tax and service charges (except airport tax).

The tour will be coordinated and escorted by Terry Monahan '66, owner of Essex County Travel Service.

For reservations or information, contact Essex County Travel at 172 State St., Newburyport, MA 01950, 508/465-4100 or 800/222-8283, or the Alumni Office 508/837-5440. Deposits of \$300/person are due Dec. 15.



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John R. Duffy is an American Stock Exchange floor broker for Raymond James, located in New York City. He lives in Interlaken, N.J. with his wife, Patricia, and their three children.

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Kathleen M. Bulovas received a Doctor of Osteopathy degree from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine last June.

Kevin G. Creedon has been elected assistant vice president in community banking for BayBank. He is responsible for small business banking in the Boston area. Creedon joined BayBank in 1986 and was most recently community business development officer.

Two '86 classmates who recently graduated from the New England School of Law are **Peter A. Darling** and **Kevin P. Scanlon**.

M. Paul Iannuccillo of Lawrence received a law degree from Suffolk University Law School.

Karen M. (Kelly) Hayward is a senior programmer/analyst at Dynamics Research Corporation of Andover. (Also see "Weddings.")

Denise (Fitzgibbon) Parsons has joined Realty USA/Schruender Real Estate of North Andover. Parsons is a member of the Andover Quota Club and the Ladies of Merrimack.

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Robert T. Hamilton was recently promoted to manager of the Audit and Business Advisory Services Division of Arthur Andersen and Co., Boston office. He lives in Brighton, Mass. with his wife, Mary Ellen.

David B. L'Heureux received an MBA from Bentley College. He lives in Burlington, Mass. with his wife Barbara (Limoncelli) '87. (Also see "Weddings.")

David McAvoy received an MBA from Suffolk University. He is an accounting manager at ImmunoGen, Inc. in Cambridge. He and his wife, Monique, live in North Andover with their son, Ryan.

Kevin P. McCue was recognized as top sales manager for the year at Allnet Communication Services, Inc. in Cambridge, Mass. In June he was promoted to District Manager of the company's Boston office. He lives in Windham, N.H. with his wife, Susan (Demers) '87.

Mark Joseph Spezzafero recently received an MBA from Suffolk University. He is a suggestions plan administrator for Raytheon in Waltham, Mass.

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Joseph Arnone recently received an MBA from Robert Morris College in Pittsburgh. Arnone is a member of the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials (IAABO), New Jersey Board.

Laura Ann Digirolamo of Winthrop, Mass. recently received an MBA from Suffolk University. She is a loan administrator at the Fleet Bank of Massachusetts in Boston.

Dawn M. Freudenberg was recently promoted to financial analyst in the risk management department at Travelers Express Inc. in Minneapolis.

Sheila Ann Molea received an MBA from Suffolk University last May. She is a finance department supervisor at Arthur D. Little, Inc. in Cambridge.



Los Angeles-area alumni gathered recently at Disneyland for brunch at Club 33 and a tour of the park.

John Sicard is president and originator of Audio Booksmith, which sells and rents books on tape. The business is located in Leominster, Mass.

Nina (Leone) Sullivan received a master's degree in counseling at Saint Joseph College in West Hartford, Conn.

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Christopher T. Casey recently joined his father and sister in the family law firm located in Lynn, Mass. Casey is a graduate of the New England School of Law and lives in Lynn with his wife, Sharon.

Calendar of Events

October

- 6 Reunion '94 Organizational Meeting
- 23 St. Augustine Awards
- 23 President's Council and Alumni Council Fall Meeting
- 27 Alumni/Student Career Networking Night
- 28 Murray Symposium: "2020 Vision - The Future of Engineering Technology."

November

- 14 Ladies of Merrimack Craft Boutique
- 29 Alumni Christmas Party at the Bostonian

December

- 2 Murray Symposium: "Product Engineering as a Process."
- 7 Men of Merrimack Christmas Party
- 8 Ladies of Merrimack Christmas Party
- 12 Men of Merrimack Theater Event: "A Christmas Carol" at Northshore Music Theater

January

- 12 Men of Merrimack Basketball Night - Merrimack vs. Bryant
- 30 Men of Merrimack Raffle

Roxane J.M. Howe received a master's degree in Education from Rivier College in Nashua, N.H. She lives in Lowell with her husband, Richard, and their son.

John C. Potts recently joined Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. in Peabody, Mass. as an Associate Project Engineer.

Mary Claire Sheridan of Burlington, Mass. recently received a law degree, cum laude, from Suffolk University.

Michelle (Serino) Small recently joined Home Towne Realty of Saugus, Mass.

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Carolyn Burke of Stoneham, Mass. recently passed the Certified Public Accountants' exam and is now working with her father, Charles L. Burke, C.P.A., in Stoneham.

Joseph J. Cardello received a master's degree in Economics from New York University. He has recently joined the two-year rotational training program at the investment management firm of Moore Capital in New York City. Joe would "like to thank professors Anthony Laramie, Fran Quinn and Phil Hurdle for their support while I was at Merrimack."

Kevin P. O'Brien of Woburn was recently promoted to senior associate in the business assurance/audit practice of Coopers and Lybrand, an international accounting and consulting firm in Boston.

Leah Ritchie has received a master's degree in communications from Suffolk University. Ritchie was also honored by the Evening Division Student Association at Suffolk for holding a 4.0 GPA. She is a telecommunications specialist in the U.S. General Services Administration in Boston.

Gordon Roberts is the creator and editor of the pop and alternative music newsletter "Strange Behavior," which is circulated in the Boston area.

Kristen M. Salines recently graduated summa cum laude from Boston College with a master's degree in social work. She is a clinical coordinator at the Supported Living Center, a head injury rehabilitation center, in Chelsea, Mass.

Stephen Wyka has been promoted to senior accountant in the tax department of Moody, Cavanaugh and Company of North Andover. Wyka began his career at the accounting firm as a Merrimack co-op student.

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Victoria L. Cavanagh received a master's degree in education, summa cum laude, from the University of Bridgeport.

Michael Ehrmanntraut has received EMT certification in Rhode Island where he is a member of the Jamestown Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad. Ehrmanntraut is assistant director of the Rhode Island Kidney Foundation.

Anthony Palmiere recently received a master's degree in electrical engineering at Boston University. He is a technical staff member at AT&T Bell Laboratories in North Andover.

Pamela A. Quinlan has been promoted to admissions coordinator at the Bedford, Mass. campus of Middlesex Community College. Quinlan is responsible for outreach programs, international student enrollment, and office management. She is pursuing a master's degree in higher education and administration at Boston College.

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Peter Jason Riley recently passed the CPA examination in the first sitting, and has been given a certificate of achievement from the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants.

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Donna M. Brooks of Tewksbury, Mass. has been named account specialist at The RHM Marketing Group, a marketing and sales development firm, in Andover.

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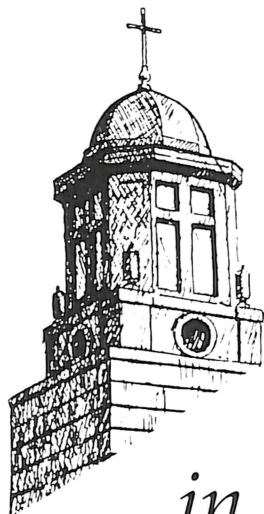
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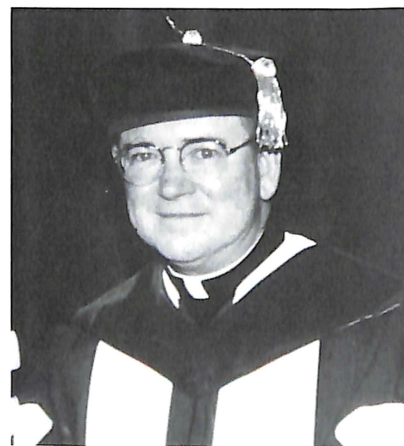
Merrimack Trustee is awarded prestigious Chair in Christian Theology at Villanova

Rev. Michael J. Scanlon, O.S.A., a Merrimack trustee, was recently awarded the Josephine C. Connelly Chair in Christian Theology—the first endowed chair at our sister institution, Villanova.

Scanlon has built a distinguished career as a systematic theology professor over the last 28 years at two Catholic institutions.

The New York native, whose home parish was the Augustinian St. Nicholas of Tolentine in the Bronx, majored in philosophy at Villanova before earning S.T.L. and S.T.D. degrees at Catholic University of America. In 1986 he was awarded Villanova's Arts and Science Alumni Medallion, and returned to his alma mater last year to assume the Connelly Chair.

The Chair was established by the Connelly Foundation which was founded in 1955 by John F. and Josephine C. Connelly to assist educational, medical, cultural, and religious organizations that endeavor to improve the quality of life in America. Josephine Connelly has presided over the foundation since her husband's death in 1990. "When our family and foundation trustees discussed its first endowed chair, we easily agreed upon one that was central to its presence as a Catholic and Augustinian university," said Emily Riley, executive vice president of the foundation. "But the integral component in the process was for Villanova to designate a truly distinguished scholar whose work and life reflect academic excellence and a spirit of vision and caring. We were delighted and honored with their selection of Father Scanlon."



Rev. Michael J. Scanlon, O.S.A.

"Being selected is a great honor," said Scanlon. "I'm grateful to Father Dobbin (Rev. Edmund J. Dobbin, O.S.A., president of Villanova) and the Connelly family for creating another reason for continued responsible work in theology."

Scanlon, past president of the Catholic Theological Society of America, has taught systematic theology at Augustinian College (1965-68) and the Washington Theological Union (1968-92). In 1968 he co-founded and became second president of the Washington Theological Consortium, and was prior of his Washington community from 1977-89.

Scanlon has published numerous articles in the American Ecclesiastical Review and has contributed to The New Catholic Encyclopedia, New Dictionary of Theology, Catholic Theological Society of America Proceedings, and The Thomist.

Scanlon believes that "faith seeking understanding" is a

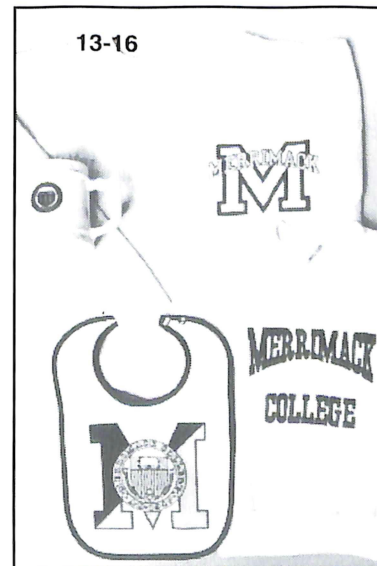
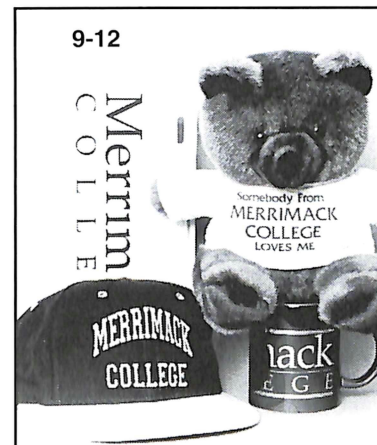
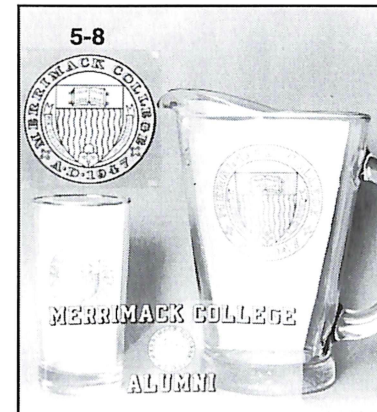
continuing Christian quest. In his own spiritual search, he has, for more than three decades, immersed himself in his specialty, systematic theology, which he defines as "the critical and systematic reflection on major themes in the Catholic tradition, including Christology, sacramentology, Christian anthropology and ecclesiology." He cites Aquinas, Augustine, and Carl Rahner (the renowned twentieth-century Catholic theologian), as champions of this theological study.

The search for theological understanding is, of course, central to the mission of Villanova and Merrimack. Catholic institutions of higher learning provide a forum for presenting the Christian view of God and the world, and they create the opportunity for dialog that can lead to interdisciplinary cooperation among all the arts and sciences.

The importance of theology for Scanlon is pragmatic even as it transcends pragmatism.

"Until Vatican II, theology was only for seminarians," he says. "Now, theology is very important for any reflective Christian who wants to appropriate his or her faith, to make it one's own. And it's essential for the approach to theology to be as interdisciplinary as possible—to involve philosophy, literature, sociology, history, psychology and the sciences—because theology is discourse about God and all things in relationship to God, who is the beginning and the end of all things."

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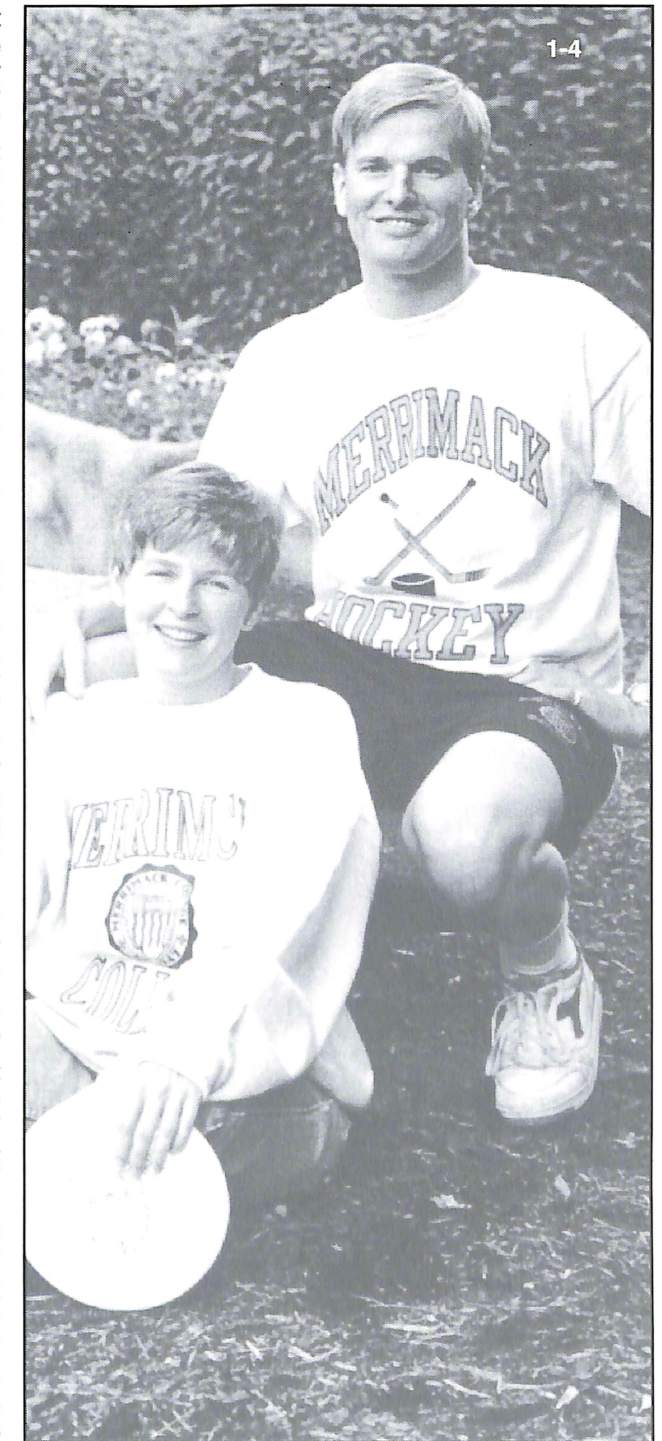
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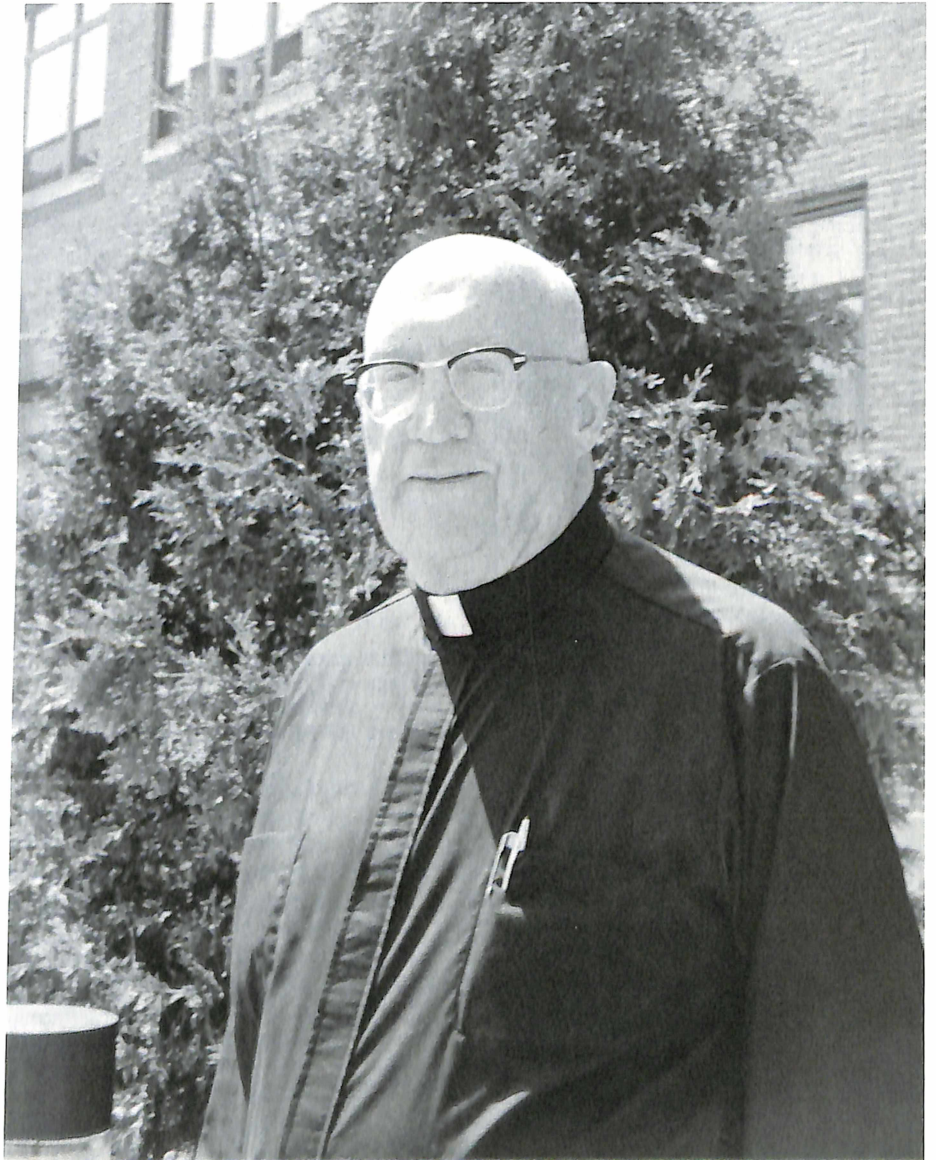
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Rev. Joseph A. Gildea, O.S.A., one of the Augustinians who first came to what would be Merrimack College, recently visited the college he helped create. Father Gildea was a gifted teacher of the French language and literature, first chief academic officer, Dean of the Faculty, and Dean of Studies. After twelve years at Merrimack he returned to Villanova to become its academic Vice President. Now retired he makes his home at Villanova. But he is far from forgotten at Merrimack. Here he stands in front of the most-used building on campus--Gildea Hall--a remembrance of the college's founding Augustinians and a remembrance of a dedicated teacher.