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Respecting Individual Differences
Diversity Education Prepares Students for Evolving Society

By Heather (Torla) Notaro and David Rattigan

Griffith’s main charge is to provide students with a basic understanding of what constitutes a diverse environment and what it takes to adapt and participate in those surroundings.

“Society is ever changing,” said Griffith, “minorities are becoming majorities; Spanish is rapidly becoming a primary language, and we are becoming a more complex citizenry. Our students will be required to change.”

According to the United States Census Bureau, in 2000, approximately 30% of the population was classified as non-white; in less than 100 years, the Census Bureau predicts that only 40% of the population will be made up of non-Hispanic white individuals.

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As change occurs, it is our duty, as advocates of higher education, to provide a diverse community which mirrors the world in which our students will live and work. By doing so, we can enhance their learning experiences. Our students, having experienced the richness of different ideas and cultures, will bring different approaches and perspectives to the global marketplace and to their individual communities.

Through diverse programming and course offerings, the Merrimack community is working toward acquiring a greater understanding of what “diversity” means and how ignorance is a battle that can eventually be overcome. It is an incredibly worthwhile and imperative journey, and one in which we find our students, indeed our entire community, engaged in wholeheartedly.

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Since 2001, when Merrimack College President Richard J. Santagati established the Presidential Task Force on Diversity and Cultural Awareness, the college has embraced the need to understand and expand diversity into all aspects of academic and campus life. Merrimack adopted a statement on diversity and has dedicated portions of the strategic plan to diversity goals. The most recent Strategic Plan 2004-2010 is rich with diversity initiatives of the strategic plan to diversity and has dedicated portions of the strategic plan to diversity goals. The most recent Strategic Plan 2004-2010 is rich with diversity initiatives.

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The following is just a very small sampling of efforts happening at Merrimack:

> A successful stage production, “The Laramie Project,” was directed by Assistant Professor of Fine Arts Kathleen Sills last year. It highlighted the death of Matthew Shepard, a gay college student who was the victim of a violent hate crime.

> Recognition of Justice and Peace Week, as well as Hunger and Homelessness Week, sponsored by Campus Ministry, aim to educate on the plights of race as well as socio-economic status.

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for the campus community. It is staffed by students who serve as ambassadors to foster discussion and understanding of all issues. Classes and events are often held in the center; resources such as books, journals, magazines and videos encompassing all aspects of diversity are available.

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A recent program of the Diversity Education Center is the Diversity Dialogue Circle, organized by a team of trained administrators and chairied by the coordinator of Cultural Awareness and Diversity. The goal of the program is to create several small dialogue circles throughout the campus that will encourage self-reflective conversation and inquiry that breaks through surface tension created by difference; clarity and address issues of potential conflict; and challenge participants to rethink many of their attitudes, assumptions, political and social understandings through sharing of feelings and experiences.

Project leader Graeme Griffith, Merrimack’s coordinator of cultural awareness and diversity, has been training these volunteer student facilitators. “The goal is to map out change and prevention through continuous discussion,” said Griffith. “The students involved in this program are contributing their own time and their main interest is improving communication on campus.”

Sophomore Meghan Sweeney, one of the trainers for the Diversity Dialogue Circle project and former member of the Bias Commission, chose to be involved in the program to be at the start of a movement toward change. “This is our community and I don’t want anyone to feel uncomfortable,” said Sweeney.

“Hopefully, through talking, people will feel motivated to share their stories and in turn it will encourage others to think before they act and speak.”

Discussion about diversity issues is key to successfully creating the desired campus environment, but it is accompanied by many other changes as well. Focused recruitment and retention strategies by Enrollment Management, the development of a Diversity Recruitment Resource Guide for employee recruitment, and increased student exchange programs have all contributed to making a difference at Merrimack College.

Merrimack College and its community continue their journey to an environment of universal acceptance. As stated in the Merrimack Statement on Diversity, "...Knowledge is best sought and acquired through experiences of cooperative, respectful and lively exchange among many cultures and social groups.”

Global Village Brings the World to Merrimack
By David Rantigan

Demonstrations of Korean Taekwondo, Taiwanese folk dancing, and a multi-cultural fashion show were just a few of the highlights of the college’s first-ever Global Village, sponsored by the College Wide Council (CWC), which represents all members of the community. The event, meant to bring a greater mindfulness of other cultures to the college community, featured ethnic food, games, jewelry, clothing, photographs of landscapes and architecture, and more, all representing various countries.

Abdullatif Bugessi, a Libyan native and a professor of electrical engineering, organized the mid-day event, which featured performances and displays representing a broad spectrum of cultures: Japanese, Italian, Greek, Muslim, among others.

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"With the world becoming a global marketplace, these exchanges give Merrimack students a considerable advantage."
Dr. Kelley Named Provost

By Marie DeMarco

Merrimack College President Richard J. Santagati recently announced the appointment of Dr. Joseph T. Kelley as provost of the college. He had served as interim provost since July 2004.

"Dr. Kelley’s leadership, integrity and academic vision will serve the college well as we look forward. I trust that he will continue to guide the college through some exciting and innovative academic changes over the next few years as we build upon our strengths for continued advancement," said President Richard J. Santagati.

For the past 31 years, Dr. Kelley has served Merrimack College in various leadership roles, including director of Campus Ministry; lecturer in Religious Studies; vice president for Student Life; director of the Center for Augustinian Study and Legacy; and vice president for mission effectiveness. Six years ago, Kelley helped to found the Center for Augustinian Study and Legacy to ensure that Merrimack College continues to draw on the intellectual and spiritual legacy of St. Augustine and of the Augustinian Order. Mission effectiveness involves responsibility for planning and assessment, as well as for Merrimack’s Catholic heritage and service-related offices and programs.

In addition to his duties as provost, Dr. Kelley continues to serve as vice president for mission effectiveness. In this capacity, he will continue to supervise Campus Ministry, the Stevens Service Learning Center, the St. Augustine Center for Teaching and Learning, and the Urban Resource Institute. He will also continue to lead strategic planning and assessment. He is an assistant professor in the Department of Religious and Theological Studies.

Dr. Kelley earned a B.A. in philosophy from Villanova University; an M.A. in liturgical studies and a S.T.B. in theology from The Catholic University of America; a D.Min. in clinical pastoral psychology from Andover-Newton Theological School; and a Ph.D. in psychology of religion from Boston University. He also completed the Institute for Educational Management at Harvard University.

In addition to scholarly articles in the areas of pastoral psychology, the psychology of religion, and Augustinian Studies, his first book entitled Faith in Exile: Seeking Hope in Times of Doubt, was published in 2003 by Paulist Press. He is working on his second book, scheduled to be published in November or December of this year. It is a textbook on Christian Eschatology entitled 101 Questions and Answers on the Four Last Things, also published by Paulist Press. Dr. Kelley was a contributing editor for the recently published Second Edition of the New Catholic Encyclopedia.

Future Goals for New Provost

Dr. Kelley identifies three main goals for his work as provost. "They come out of the academic strategic plan," he commented, and include:

- The college-wide revision of the curriculum to a model of four-four credit courses
- Increased opportunities for faculty development
- Multi-year budgeting

Additionally, Dr. Kelley will foster a closer relationship and cooperative planning between Academic Affairs and Student Life to benefit students and their academic success. "This cooperation has already begun with a successful Convocation Day, which was the result of fruitful work among Student Life, the deans and faculty," he stated. A faculty advisory committee for the office of Student Activities will also help develop clubs and organizations that support an academic department, e.g., Math Club, Benzene Ring, and Italian Language Club.

"We have a great team of deans and directors in the academic area," said Dr. Kelley. "I have a lot of confidence in them. It is my job to keep them communicating with each other, to help them remain focused on their goals and mission, and support, encourage, and celebrate their accomplishments."

Significant Curriculum Changes on the Horizon

By Marie DeMarco

For the first time in approximately 25 years, Merrimack College is planning a major curriculum revision that will move from a traditional five-course model to a more rigorous four course model, currently called the 4 x 4 Student Course Load. The curriculum changes will give Merrimack even greater distinction and put it in a group of 35 top-ranked liberal arts colleges in the country who have adopted this 4 x 4 academic curriculum.

Last January, the Academic Strategic Planning Committee asked the Faculty Senate to endorse changes to the curriculum to include a move from the traditional five courses per semester at three credits each to an innovative model of four courses per semester at four credits each. The Senate showed overwhelming support of the plan and began to implement the new model in September 2008.

Studies have shown that today’s students are better able to handle four courses than five. Learning outcomes are improved when they can spend more time studying and exploring four subjects in greater depth.

"Another change will be counting credits for graduation rather than courses," said Provost Dr. Joseph T. Kelley. He explained that the new 4 x 4 curriculum will mean that 128 credits will be the norm for earning a Merrimack degree.

The curriculum revision means that every major and minor, every institutional and distribution requirement, and every academic program will be up for study and revision. "Many committees within the departments and divisions of the college will do this work over the next three years," said Dr. Kelley. The initial recommendation is that the institutional requirements of Religious and Theological Studies, Philosophy, English 105 and the First Year Seminar retain their importance and proportion in the curriculum. A special faculty committee, chaired by the Dean of the College Rev. Gary McCluskey, will study how to adapt and adjust both these institutional requirements and the distribution requirements in the new curriculum.

By spring 2006 each departmental committee will submit drafts of their revised programs, major and minor, to their deans. The revised programs are due to a College-wide Curriculum Transition Team by June 30.

Cuomo Named Dean of Girard School of Business

Robert Cuomo, Ph.D. has been named Dean of the Girard School of Business and International Commerce. He was announced recently by Merrimack College President Richard J. Santagati.

"Other than a capital campaign, this is the most significant change in the college in the last 25 years," claimed Dr. Kelley. "We can develop a very distinctive curriculum, one that also incorporates service learning, experiential learning and Augustinian themes in appropriate ways. This is a very important part of the college’s strategic plan that will boost Merrimack’s academic standing and offer future students many exciting opportunities."

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Dr. Cuomo has assumed responsibility for the overall administration of the Girard School of Business. He brings extensive experience in both the professional business arena and the academic world to his new position. His substantial background with corporations, consulting, and teaching provides the management skills necessary to enhance the business division’s efforts for continuous improvement.

"I look forward to working with Girard School faculty and Merrimack College administrators and staff in advancing Merrimack’s mission of becoming a premier liberal arts college which prepares its students to make a substantial value-centered contribution to both the business world and society," said Dr. Cuomo. "My immediate goal as dean is to achieve the internationally coveted AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) accreditation. This accreditation recognizes superior management education programs."
Ever-Relevant St. Augustine Subject of New Biography, Book Group

For those on the thinking of the new pope, Benedict XVI, from Georgetown University provost James O'Donnell. For those on the Merrimack campus, the 40th Anniversary of Nostra Aetate. "Augustine and Inter-Religious Dialogue: Augustine and Inter-Religious Dialogue: Augustine and Inter-Religious Dialogue: Augustine and Inter-Religious Dialogue:

The biography doesn't challenge the central point of Augustine's theology, but has changed the way its readers will understand him as a person. As Bachand said, "It's very Augustinian to discuss and not just sit by oneself and think." Weessel said, "One of the teachings of St. Augustine is that someone can learn from the teacher talking, but from getting people to think and to enter into a dialogue." MC

Thagaste Symposium Encourages Mutual Respect of Other Religions

The featured speaker of the 2005 Thagaste Symposium was Rev. Michael E. Scanlon, O.S.A., Connelly Chair in Christian Theology at Villanova University. Other speakers and panels included Prof. Paula Fredriksen of Boston University; Salma Kazmi of the Islamic Society of Boston; Rev. Walter Guein of Sacred Heart University, an expert on inter-faith dialogue; and Prof. Diane Desota, O.S.A. of Austria (Italy). MC

The Thagaste Symposium, named for St. Augustine's birthplace, now seeks Abu-Ashaban in Algeria, and is annual event whose purpose is to discuss ecumenical topics and the influence of St. Augustine. This year's symposium was its second out of St. Catherine de Lacy '81 and Shawn Debois in memory of Eunomia de Lacy. MC

College Honors Author James Carroll with Tikkan Olam Award

At the 40th Anniversary of Nostra Aetate presentation and dinner held at Merrimack College in October. The award was presented by Chairman of the Board of Merrimack College's Center for the Study of Jewish-Christian Relations Rabbi Robert Goldstein and President Richard J. Santagatti. The Tikkan Olam Award recognizes outstanding contributions in politics, religion, economics, culture and philanthropy. The term Tikkan Olam means "To Heal the World" for instance. James Carroll lectures widely on Jewish-Christian reconciliation, on Catholic reform, and on the question of war and peace. He is a regular participant in on-going Jewish-Christian-Muslim encounters at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem. The author of numerous books, Carroll's memoir, An American Requiem: God, My Father, and the War that Came Between Us, received the 1996 National Book Award in nonfiction. His book Constantine's Sword: The Church and the Jews: A History, published in 2001, was a New York Times bestseller and was honored as one of the Best Books of 2001 by the Los Angeles Times, the Christian Science Monitor, and others. It was named a Notable Book of the Year by the New York Times, and won the Melcher Book Award, the James Morton Interfaith Award, and National Jewish Book Award in History. Carroll's essays have appeared in The New Yorker, Daedalus, and other publications. His op-ed page column has run weekly in The Boston Globe since 1992.

Carroll received a B.A. and an M.A. from St. Paul's College, the Paulist Fathers' seminary in Washington, D.C. and was ordained to the Catholic priesthood in 1969. He served as Catholic Chaplain at Boston University from 1969 to 1974 when he left the priesthood and became a writer. MC

Merrimack Earns High Marks

Colleges rankings books hit the shelves of bookstores across the country earlier this fall and Merrimack has been included in the three most notable college guides.

For the fifth year in a row, U.S. News & World Report named Merrimack College a top ten regional school in its 2006 America's Best Colleges Guide. This publication features lesser-known academically excellent schools alongside nationally competitive institutions; student opinions are also taken into consideration for this recognition.

The college community is extremely pleased and honored to be included as one of the best colleges in such highly circulated, noteworthy publications," said Merrimack College President Richard J. Santagatti. "Such distinctions encourage us to recognize our efforts and to continue the good work that has made this institution what it is today, and what it will be tomorrow." MC
Rita Martin Donates Scholarship in Friend’s Memory

By Cara Parker

“She was really something else,” Rita Martin recalled of her closest friend and business partner Annette Doyle. “Anne was a hard worker and had an extraordinary personality.”

Annette Doyle was a sensible businesswoman who worked her entire life. The first woman promoted to a fourth level position at New England Telephone, Doyle was considered a pioneer who helped create opportunities for women in business. “Anne was a strong woman, but she was also very feminine,” Martin explained. “I knew I wanted to do something special for her.”

When Doyle passed away in 2003, Martin decided to create a scholarship in Doyle’s name. “I knew I wanted to do something special for her,” Martin explained. “I knew I wanted to work with a college, and I decided on Merrimack College because it was in the Merrimack Valley, it was Catholic, and it had a strong business program. These things would have been important to Anne.”

During her lifetime, Anne worked for 30 years as a management trainee at Campbell Soup Company as a management trainee. “I took the job at Campbell Soup because I used to work in a grocery store and they stacked more Campbell Soup cans than any other product,” she said.

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When Anne retires, she moved to Andover and the business closed, we were able to continue my education at Merrimack,” Martin said.

“This scholarship has helped me continue my education at Merrimack,” Beaver said. “It has also been a great reward for all the hard work that I have put into college. Because of Rita Martin’s generosity, I have been able to leave here.”

Beaver expects to put her degree to work in order to be successful.”

Leo Creaney ’55 Establishes New Honors Scholarship

By Cara Parker

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Throughout his career, he held numerous management positions with Campbell, including executive positions with Campbell Management Science; associate controller; Business Planning and Analysis; and division controller. In 1989, Creaney was elected a corporate vice president and controller, responsible for budgets, the annual profit plan, and internal accounting control systems. Creaney monitored financial performance and reported financial results to the Board of Directors, shareholders, financial analysts and the public.
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JOHN JACI CARNES & JAYE (NEE) CARNES’ 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, August 6, 2005 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Beverly, Massachusetts. The newlyweds were joined by local Catholic Church, Minneapolis, MN.

WEDDINGS

ROBIN STEELE ’00 and Derek Traun. Immaculate Conception Church, Revere, Mass., September 4, 2005.

PHILIP JOSEPH LEAF ’01 and Danielle Marie Bonaventura, Waialae Beach, Honolulu, Hawaii.

ALISON BREAR ’02 and Michael Farrell, July 30, 2005 at St. Joseph’s Memorial Chapel - College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, Mass. Alumni in the wedding party were AMY DE GARAVILLA ’92 and KIMBERLE MURPHY ’92. DR. ANDREW REESE ’94 and SUE (BREAR) FARRELL ’92, MARIE (DESANTO) SCHWITZER ’92, MICHELLE BEFORE ’92, JILL (GOODHUE) ARMSTRONG ’92, ROBERT DRUIN ’92, ROSALIE (PARENTI) SALMON ’57, LINDA (BEDARD) FOX ’69, WILLIAM GRIFFIN ’77 and DIANE (JAMISON) GRIFFIN ’76.


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NEW ARRIVALS

STEVE GODKE ’05 and wife Dawn, a daughter, Claire Theresa, June 10, 2005. She joins sisters Sarah, Rachel and Mary.

REGINA KLIBUS ’88 and PETER MARINO ’88, a son, Lukas Antanas, December 24, 2004. He joins twin brothers Mikas and Andrins.

KIMBERLY OPPENHEIMER KUTCHER ’88 and BRADLEY KUTCHER ’87, a son, Nicholas Steven

LOUIS BONASERA ’89 and wife Kristin, a son, Matthew James, August 5, 2005. He joins sister Abigail.

SUSAN (SCOTT) FRICK ’88 and husband Brian, a son, Charles Roland. March 27, 2005.

STEPHEN CURRAN ’89 and wife Melissa, a daughter, Katelyn, on August 5, 2005. She joins brothers Casey and Tyler.

AIMEE (CAPE) DERRY ’89, a daughter, Lindsey Grace, June 14, 2005. She joins brother Connor.

JANET (HALEY) DUBOW ’89 and husband Scott, a son, Alexander Stevens, July 18, 2005. He joins brother Jack.

Lisa D’ORIO LAWTON ’89 and husband Steve, a daughter, Aslyln Joelle, June 7, 2005.

LORI (ROSSET) DIELBAU ’89 and CRAIG DIELBAU ’86, a son, Michael, May 5, 2005.

MELISSA (BACON) WILLIAMS ’89 and husband Douglas, a daughter, Katelyn Nicole, September 10, 2004. She joins brother Kyle.

JULIE (STRUZZIERY) GORDON ’96 and husband Jason, a daughter, Julia Marie, May 1, 2005. She joins brother Jack.

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ZIGGY MARZIALE ’97 and wife Bethann, a son, Brady Marsh, June 20, 2005.

DEBRA HAGOPIAN ’97 and MARK RECINA KULBIS ’88 and PETER MARINO ’88, a daughter, Katelyn on August 5, 2005. She joins sisters Emily and Lindsey.

MELISSA WAZIKHAN ’97, a daughter, Olivia Anne, May 3, 2005.

DAVID WHITMAN ’97 and SHERRIE (FAIRBANKS) WHITMAN ’97, a son, James John, June 10, 2005.


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