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Living Our Tradition



Siena College Launches \$50 Million
Comprehensive Campaign

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Message from the Editor

The start of the College's 76th year has brought a sense of new beginnings and fresh optimism.

As you will see in this issue, the feature section is comprised of stories highlighting the recently launched *Living Our Tradition: The Campaign for Siena College*. With a goal of \$50 million, the campaign's 14 initiatives include new academic programs, expanded facilities, campus renovations and enhanced opportunities for our students.

When this issue went to print in December the College had already raised 70 percent (\$35 million) of the campaign goal.

The future is indeed bright for Siena. Because of alumni and friends like you, the school that began over three quarters of a century ago with seven friars and 90 students has grown into the College that makes us all proud.

Yours for a better Siena,



Jim Eaton



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Giving Thanks

Above: A still image from Siena's music video "You Give Because You Care." The video celebrates Siena's past and thanks the generous supporters of *Living Our Tradition: The Campaign for Siena College*. The song is a parody of Bon Jovi's classic hit, "Livin' On A Prayer." It was produced by the Marketing and Communications Office.



All QR codes in this issue will take you to a video pertaining to the story. The code to the left goes to "You Give Because You Care." You can also see the videos at www.sienacampaign.com.

from the president



Sad to say, but I'm at that point in life when the Christmas midnight mass is past my bedtime. What I used to find moving has become an occasion for nodding. So now I hit the hay early, roll out of bed on December 25 and head to the chapel to celebrate the Eucharist with other friars "of a certain age." There in one of the assigned scripture readings for Christmas morning, I am greeted with the opening words of St. John's gospel: "In the beginning was the Word."

That "Word" is God's word and God's wisdom. It is the Word through which God creates the universe and reveals His love to us who were made in the divine image. The climax of the reading comes 14 verses later when St. John tells us, "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us." God's Word of grace and truth didn't remain an ethereal idea or a theoretical concept. It became flesh. It became human and tangible in Jesus of Nazareth. That is the core conviction of the Christian faith we celebrate on Christmas—at whatever hour of the day or night!

At Siena, we often talk about educating the entire person. We try to connect the head and the heart, the mind and the body, the intellect and the affect, the theory and the practice. We speak of a Siena education as "the education of a lifetime," and by that we mean a whole life, not half a life, a life in which our students don't simply explore the truth; they do the truth. They don't simply ponder theories of justice and peace in the classroom; they become instruments of justice and peace in society. They don't merely read about love as an abstract noun; they exercise love as an active verb in meaningful work, life-giving relationships and selfless service.

Siena's comprehensive campaign, "Living Our Tradition," which you will read about in this issue, has one overarching goal: to ensure that a holistic education of mind, body and spirit—"the education of a lifetime"—will continue to endure and to flourish for future generations of Siena students. After all, as the mass on Christmas morning reminds us, it isn't enough for us to know the words or even to know the Word. The Word must become flesh in our flesh so that it might become real for our world.

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Transforming Siena's Future

Living Our Tradition: The Campaign for Siena College was launched this fall with a fundraising goal of \$50 million. The Campaign has 14 initiatives that are broken down into three areas: MIND, BODY and SPIRIT.



Center for Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity (CURCA)

\$3.5 million

Abel To Do It

By Jim Eaton

When Jess Abel '13 began working with Cheryl Buff, Ph.D., director of the Center for Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity (CURCA), she had no idea that this experience

would give direction to her career path.

"I picked up my older brother's research on cell phone use in the classroom and eventually joined the honors program because I found that I loved doing research," Abel said.

Along the way Abel presented her findings along with graduate level students and professors from other institutions at conferences in Las Vegas, Nev. and Chicago, Ill.

"She got stronger with each conference and by the third one I had colleagues remarking to me how surprised they were to learn she was an undergraduate," Buff said.

Her honors thesis titled, "From Facebook to Fearful," focused on how social media could make people feel left out. She shared these results last spring at the national Marketing and Management Association Conference.

"I was terrified to present at first, but it turned out to be a great experience for me and I gained valuable feedback," Abel said.

Mike Pepe, Ph.D., professor of marketing, assisted her in



Campaign Initiatives: Mind



Center for Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity (CURCA)

\$3.5 million



McCormick Center for the Study of the American Revolution

\$2.5 million



Pre-Law Program

\$2 million



Siena Advanced Instrumentation & Technology (SAInT) Center

\$3 million



David '73 and Christine Spicer '75 Stack Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

\$2 million



The J. Spencer H '04 and Patricia H. Standish H '04 Honors Program

\$1.5 million

furthering her digital communications interests when he connected her to an internship at Price Chopper Supermarkets assisting the social media manager.

“Jess has always been a hard worker who does more than what is expected and this has opened doors for her,” Buff said.

Today, Abel is the lead digital marketer at Beech-Nut, a baby food company in Amsterdam, N.Y., that is currently owned by a Swiss consumer-goods firm.

Despite being new to the company, Abel was recently selected by Beech-Nut to go to Spain and present to corporate executives due to her strong communication skills.

“When I was on the plane it felt just like my Siena days, only Dr. Buff wasn’t with me this time,” Abel said. That didn’t stop her from texting her mentor to let Buff know how well she did.

CURCA Activity



Alissa Earle '13

B.S. in Physics and Mathematics

Earle entered college as a physics and math education major with plans to be a high school teacher, but changed course when she discovered the research process. “If there’s an opportunity to create more of this type of experience for students, I think it could have a huge impact,” Earle said. Today she is attending Massachusetts Institute of Technology to pursue a doctorate in planetary science.



Francis Butler '15

History Major and Revolutionary Era Studies Minor

Butler thought he wanted to be a high school history teacher until he came under the tutelage of Jennifer Dorsey, Ph.D., director of the McCormick Center for the Study of the American Revolution. CURCA funded a trip to Washington, D.C., where Butler learned how to plan for a National

Endowment for the Humanities workshop that took place on campus last summer. In addition, CURCA sponsored him as a summer scholar working with Bruce Eelman, Ph.D., professor of history, to research mob violence after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln.

“I now plan to pursue a career as a professional grant writer for nonprofit historical organizations or as an academic historian,” Butler said. “Without CURCA’s funding, I would not have been able to learn more about these career opportunities.”



Summer Research

Undergraduates shared their research sponsored by CURCA at the Summer Research Symposium. More than 60 students explored areas of interest and developed skills that will serve them well in their future careers. Topics on display included: a cost/benefit analysis of domestic violence programs in Connecticut; ecological interactions between marine invertebrates and an invasive type of algae; gun control in the United States; and cyberbullying within video gaming environments. Students can work with CURCA as early as their freshman year.

Career Path Begins with Pre-Law

For more than a decade, Siena's Pre-Law Program has given students the opportunity to learn legal principles as undergraduates. Students from various majors join this one-of-a-kind program, led by Len Cutler, Ph.D., to prepare for law school and successful careers.

The Pre-Law Certificate includes experiential programs:

- George '54 and Sally Maloney Summer Legal Fellows
- Distinguished Jurist-in-Residence
- Pre-Law Pathways Scholars
- The Honorable James P. King Moot Court/Mock Trial Program
- Pre-Law Mentoring Network

Even before a formal pre-law program was established, Siena was producing lawyers and judges who would serve as models and mentors for the College's aspiring attorneys.



Caroline Bertholf '15
Economics Major
Business and Spanish Double Minor
Pre-Law Certificate

Bertholf's interest in the law has only grown stronger after spending eight weeks as a Maloney Summer Legal Fellow at American University Washington College of Law. She worked in the Law and Government program, assisting a professor with curriculum development in a white-collar crime class, and attended programs in the Health Law and Policy Institute.

"To be living through the eyes of a law student without all those extra pressures that law school brings was an extremely valuable opportunity for me," she said.

After her Summer Legal Fellows assignment, Bertholf interned with the Surrogate's Court Office in Sullivan County, sorting through property and estate filings and maintaining the records room.



Sonya VanBortel '03
Corporate Counsel with
Farm Family LLP

Since 2007, VanBortel has worked at a general practice firm, handling real estate, guardianship and estate planning cases.

VanBortel was a founding member of Siena's Moot Court/ Mock Trial Team that advanced to the national tournament and won the AMTA Spirit Award in its inaugural year. That experience, combined with her classes with professor Len Cutler, Ph.D., and a summer legal fellowship at American University Washington College of Law, gave Van Bortel practical knowledge and real-world connections.

"The Pre-Law Program provides a solid foundation for students to succeed in law school," she said.



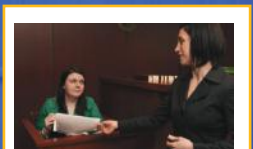
Mae D'Agostino '77
United States District Judge for the
Northern District of New York

D'Agostino became the first woman to sit on a federal bench in Albany when she was nominated by President Barack Obama and confirmed by the United States Senate in 2011.

"That was a huge moment in my life, one that I didn't expect or anticipate but a very joyous occasion," she said. As a federal court judge, D'Agostino presides over cases involving constitutional issues and federal crimes.

Prior to her appointment, she served as a trial lawyer for 30 years. She was a partner at D'Agostino, Krackeler, Maguire & Cardona P.C., where she tried civil cases and represented doctors, hospitals and other health professionals in malpractice suits.

D'Agostino credits Siena professors, especially Len Cutler, Ph.D., and Fr. Peter Fiore, O.F.M., for teaching her to think independently and preparing her for a successful law career.



Pre-Law Program

\$2 million

New Instrumentation Center To Focus on Student Engagement and Career Prep

By Mark Adam

Siena College is developing a new scientific center that will increase high-impact practices for students, cultivate new relationships with local businesses and lay the foundation for a new minor or certificate.

The Siena Advanced Instrumentation Center (SAInT Center) will be located on the second floor of the Morrell Science Center and contain state-of-the-art lab equipment for students and professors to conduct research. It is expected to cost about \$400,000, not including the cost of new instruments.

The benefits of the SAInT Center begin with student engagement. Undergraduates will be able to work with instruments that are used primarily in industry labs and graduate schools.

“This is a unique opportunity for Siena to take a leadership and visionary role in how STEM (Science, Technology, Education and Math) education can be delivered and integrated into a liberal arts context,” said Allan Weatherwax, Ph.D., dean of the school of science.

“If you can already be familiar with that type of equipment, then you’re way ahead of the game,” said Allycia Barbera ’11, who graduated from Siena with a degree in chemistry and now works as a medicinal chemist at AMRI in Rensselaer.

The College has already purchased six instruments. The lab will have a total of 15 new instruments when the SAInT Center opens.

“Each instrument will be incorporated into relevant coursework, exposing School of Science students to the latest technology in instrumentation and transforming the current curriculum,” said Kris Kolonko, Ph.D., visiting assistant professor of chemistry and biochemistry who is working closely on this project.

Once the lab is operational, there are hopes to create an instrumentation minor, online courses supplemented by lab



Above: The renovation project is scheduled to be completed over the summer of 2014 and includes temperature and humidity controls, a green, non-destructive fire suppression system and energy efficient LED-lighting.

work in the SAInT Center and a plan to attract local businesses to rent space or time in the lab.

Many people, including Paul DiCaprio '81, president of Specialty Silicone Products and a Siena College Board of Associate Trustee, believe the SAInT Center could help build relationships with those businesses across different industries, including chemistry, pharmaceuticals, oil, and food and beverage. That means more internships, research opportunities and networking for Siena students.

“There’s a market need for people with these skills,” DiCaprio said.



Siena Advanced Instrumentation & Technology (SAInT) Center

\$3 million

Student's Product Gains National Attention

By Mary Barrett '14 and Allison Turcio '06

We've often heard dogs called "man's best friend," but after an accident inside, most dog owners would agree that with friends like that, who needs enemies? Luckily, marketing major Chad Bingo '15 has come up with a "sound" solution to this messy problem. He designed a pet training tool called the "Gotta Go Button" with support from the David '73 and Christine Spicer '75 Stack Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship at Siena.

Bingo's invention is attracting national attention, appearing on *Good Morning America* and local television stations across the country. That publicity

led to an increase in requests for his new device.

Here's how the "Gotta Go Button" works: When a pet pushes it, the button shouts the phrase, "I gotta go." The audible alert tells pet owners that their four-legged friends have some urgent business to conduct.

Despite its usefulness, Bingo's big button idea didn't have the funds needed for mass production. While taking an entrepreneurship class, Bingo was encouraged by his professor, Ken Williams, who urged him not to give up on his pet project and his pet product.

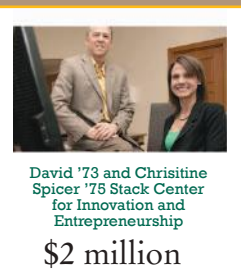
Bingo began exploring ways to manufacture the "Gotta Go Button" after consulting Williams and other faculty in the Stack Center. "I wouldn't be where I am today without them pushing me," said Bingo.

Bingo said that the Stack Center's mentors were always there when he needed to tap into their business expertise. "In launching a business you need answers to questions that you can't Google. You need to ask people with the experience," said Bingo. When Bingo received word that his product would be featured on *Good Morning America*, one of his first phone calls was to Williams. "I asked him, 'Okay, what are the next steps here?' and he helped me through that," Bingo said.

The Stack Center looks for students who are persistent and not afraid of change or failure. "Chad is the poster child for what we would want in a young entrepreneur," said Stack Center Executive Director and Siena College Executive-In-Residence Michael Hickey '83.

"Chad already had the idea. We just helped him to build confidence, to understand what steps were next and what milestones he'd have to overcome," said Hickey, noting that the Stack Center is focused on making student ideas come to life.

After working with the Stack Center, Bingo could move forward with his product. Through his hard work and the support he received at Siena, Bingo has been able to sell almost 500 "Gotta Go Buttons" in the first few months, helping pets prevent accidents and maintain their exalted position as "man's best friend."



David '73 and Christine Spicer '75 Stack Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

\$2 million



J. Spencer H '04 and Patricia H. H '04 Standish Honors Program



The J. Spencer H '04 and Patricia H. H '04 Standish Honors Program

\$1.5 million

Launched in 2002, the Standish Honors program has grown from an initial cadre of 32 students to more than 300. The program emphasizes not only academics in the form of small, highly interactive seminars and major research projects/theses, but also stresses community service. The benefits for students include:

- Developing critical and creative thinking
- Growing in the ability to gather, synthesize and analyze evidence in making reasoned and informed judgments
- Appreciating cultural diversity
- Honing written and oral communication skills

Academic Community Engagement (ACE)

Bridging high-impact educational practices with high-impact campus-community partnerships, ACE continues to make strides in its mission to build a world that is more just, peaceable and humane. ACE has become a nationally-recognized office, whose recent accomplishments include:

- Working with 33 community partners in 2013
- Increasing the number of Siena students engaged in community service from 49% (2009) to 64% (2013)
- Being named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll
- Totalling 132,550 volunteer hours in 2013
- Being awarded the Capital District YMCA Black and Latino Community Partner Award
- Receiving the Boys and Girls Clubs of Albany Community Impact Award



McCormick Center for the Study of the American Revolution



As an academic program and outreach initiative, the McCormick Center raises awareness of upstate New York's significant contribution to the founding of the American Republic by moving the story of 18th century America out of the classroom and into the living laboratory of our region. It builds collaborations among academic and public historians, museum professionals, performing artists and the wider upstate New York communities to support and expand humanities programming. The McCormick Center has:

- Received two National Endowment for the Humanities grants totaling \$675,000. One was used last summer to host two, week-long NEH workshops on campus, giving 80 specially-selected teachers from across the country the chance to gain a deeper understanding of Shaker history and the influence of the Shaker movement on American culture.
- Offered internship opportunities with Saratoga National Historical Park, the New York State Museum and other Capital Region sites.



McCormick Center for the Study of the American Revolution

\$2.5 million



Academic Community Engagement

\$2.5 million



Proposed ARC Renovations



By Jason Rich '98



Rev. Maurus Fitzgerald, O.F.M., the first athletic director at Siena, once publicized his vision for the athletic department, saying he hoped “one day Siena would gain the same national fame in basketball that has been achieved in football by Notre Dame.”

An audacious goal for sure, but an early sign that the College realized the impact a strong athletics department could have on its future. Recently, the spirit of Fitzgerald’s vision has come to life again.

When Ronald Moore’s three-pointer swished through the net in Dayton, Ohio, sending the Saints to an improbable 74-72 overtime win over Ohio State University, Siena was the darling of the 2009 NCAA Tournament for a second straight season. Alumni across the globe wore their green and gold with pride.

The success of our men’s basketball team during its magical three-year run from 2008-10 transformed the College in a number of ways. Siena was able to broadcast its message on a national stage, alumni were inspired and

engaged and students made memories they will have for the rest of their lives.

This experience is something Siena wants to offer on a consistent basis, but achieving that objective requires enhanced athletic facilities. The proposed renovation of the Alumni Recreation Center will provide coaches with the ability to attract top-tier student athletes and develop them into champions.

“This is the missing piece to the puzzle,” said Jimmy Patsos, the new men’s head basketball coach. “Everyone has big goals for what our program can become. We’ve got a lot of good



Campaign Initiatives: Body



Athletics: ARC Renovation and Saints Alive

\$9 million



Richard and Joan Rosetti Hall

\$2.5 million



Sarazen Student Union Renovation

\$1.5 million



Rosetti Hall

Richard and Joan Rosetti Hall, Siena's first LEED certified building, opened in August 2013. It houses the sociology, social work and education departments. Its design positions faculty offices surrounding informal learning spaces, creating the perfect environment for one of the hallmarks of a Siena education: faculty/student interaction.

things in place here, but there's also work that needs to be done. The proposed renovations will have a tremendous impact on the type of student athletes we're able to recruit."

The ARC project includes a new 8,360 square foot basketball practice court, men's and women's basketball team rooms, locker rooms, a video room, new academic support center, strength and conditioning and sports medicine spaces, new varsity locker rooms and coaches' offices for other varsity sports, and an enhanced fitness center for the general student population.

The cornerstone of the plan is a complete overhaul of the main playing court in the ARC, to include premium seats with chair backs, retractable seating and a new video scoreboard. It will serve as the home court for Siena women's basketball and volleyball.

"We're so excited about the future of our program, and this is a big reason why," said Ali Jaques, second-year women's basketball head coach. "Everyone knows Siena is a special place because of the fan support we get and what our basketball programs mean to the community. The renovated ARC will elevate us to a new level and provide us with an unrivaled home court advantage."

It will also bring Siena one step closer to fulfilling Fr. Fitzgerald's dream.



Richard and Joan Rosetti Hall

\$2.5 million

Other features include:

- Video production studio and editing suite
- Mac computer labs
- Five classrooms
- 27 offices
- Three seminar rooms
- Center for Urban Education
- Geothermal heating and cooling system
- Solar panels on the roof
- Energy-efficient lighting

Sarazen Student Union (SSU) Renovation

A new student lounge will be added to the facility as part of *LivingOur Tradition: The Campaign for Siena College*.

The proposal would move the college bookstore to another location within the SSU, and that space would become a new "student living room" where students can relax and enjoy their college experience.



Sarazen Student Union Renovation

\$1.5 million



New features will include:

- Coffee shop
- Built-in stage for performances
- Electronic charging stations
- Casual living room feel



Megan Lesperance '14: Global Medical Volunteer

By Ken Jubie '04



Global Medical
Volunteers Program

\$1.5 million

It's easy to sing the praises of a student like Megan Lesperance '14. Along with being a chamber singer, the senior biology major from Schenectady, N.Y. conducts research with Assistant Professor of Biology Adam Mason, Ph.D., serves as Student Senate treasurer, tutors, and works in the Office of Alumni Relations.

Still, one of this aspiring doctor's favorite collegiate experiences occurred far away from the friendly confines of the Siena campus. Lesperance spent three weeks teaching English and providing basic medical care to students at St. Gabriel's Junior/Senior High School in the rural Haitian town of Fontaine.



Campaign Initiatives: Spirit



Academic Community
Engagement

\$2.5 million



Annual Fund

\$10 million



Global Medical
Volunteers Program

\$1.5 million



Scholarship and
Endowed Funds

\$10 million



“There’s no infrastructure in this town. Basically the only glimmer of hope is this school,” Lesperance said. St. Gabriel’s was started by Pierre-Louis Joizil, one of three Haitian men who finished their degrees at Siena

after their university was destroyed by an earthquake in 2010. Lesperance said that 140 students attend the school that goes up to the 10th grade.

“It was such an honor for me to teach them because they’re so hungry for education that it makes it easy to just want to be with them for nine, ten hours at a time teaching them English,” Lesperance said.

Lesperance also learned that treating the most basic medical problems, such as hunger, headaches and leg burns, was a big deal to her students.

“They started calling me ‘Doctor Megan’ instead of ‘Teacher Megan’,” Lesperance said. “I really only gave them some Neosporin and a Band-Aid and they were calling me ‘Doctor Megan’ because it’s more than what they’ve ever had.”

Since her trip, Lesperance has decided to pursue family medicine or general practice. Along with finding a career focus, the future physician learned one important lesson.

“Your patients come first,” Lesperance said, adding that when she was in Haiti, her students came first.

While the trip was life-changing, Lesperance had to get special permission to go. Participation in medical service trips abroad had been reserved for students in the Siena College/Albany Medical College (AMC) joint acceptance program – until now.

As part of its \$50 million comprehensive campaign, Siena is launching the Global Medical Volunteers Program, which will give traditional pre-med students like Lesperance the chance to spend time developing their medical skills in areas of the world that need their help the most.

“It’s great that this kind of program will extend that opportunity to other non-AMC pre-med students who just are really looking to get involved in a service opportunity abroad,” Lesperance said.

Lesperance plans to continue helping students in Haiti. When she returns in January to serve and share Siena’s Franciscan spirit. In the process, she’ll ensure that the education of a lifetime becomes a lifeline for people who know that it’s the key to landing good jobs and supporting their families.

The following is a list of scholarships and programs created in support of Siena’s Comprehensive Campaign.

Academic Community Engagement NEXT Program Endowment
 Craig Allen ’91 Scholarship
 The Thomas L. ’89 and Christine E. Amell Scholarship
 The Boyle Family Scholarship
 The Brian William Bull ’96 and Amanda Cullen Bull ’97 Scholarship
 The Robert and Lorraine Capano Scholarship
 Center for Undergraduate Research & Creative Activities Endowment
 The Jeffrey ’79 and Susan Connelly Scholarship
 The John J. Costello ’85 Memorial Scholarship
 The Dake Family/Stewart’s Shops ACE Summer Gear Up Program
 The Dake Family/Stewart’s Shops ACE Service Fellows Program
 The Dake Family/Stewart’s Shops Financial Aid Fund
 The DiCresce Family Scholarship
 The Kellie Duggan Memorial Scholarship
 The Edmund and Marguerite Duffy Memorial Scholarship
 The Genovese Elgidely Endowed Scholarship
 The Oliver-Esposito Family Scholarship
 The Finn Family Scholarship
 The Fr. Peter Fiore ’49 O.F.M. Excellence in English Endowment
 The Richard E. Sr. ’55 and Jean G. Fitzgerald Scholarship
 The Foote Family Scholarship
 The John Gioia Scholarship
 The Gorman Family Scholarship
 The Robert L. ’68 and Charlotte C. Guido Scholarship
 The Dr. Margaret P. Hannay Honors Student Endowment
 The William “Bill” Harlow Jr. ’91 Memorial Scholarship
 The John R. Held ’80 and Mary Ryan Held ’83 Scholarship
 The High School Mentoring Program Scholarship
 The M. Brian ’73 and Marta Pat Hughes Scholarship
 The Anne and Pellegrino (Pete) Jannotti Scholarship
 The Guy ’89 and Diane Shea Maddalone ’89 Scholarship
 The Ka Makani Scholarship
 The George ’54 and Sally Maloney Summer Legal Fellows Program Endowment
 McCormick Center for the Study of the American Revolution Endowment
 The MoveThatBlock.com Scholarship
 The Eleanor C. and Richard W. Mullen Memorial Scholarship
 The Puig-Murphy Family Scholarship
 The Vito and Elaine Kelsey Ramundo ’84 Scholarship
 The Raymond Vincent and Frances Geoghan Reamer Scholarship
 The Patrick R. Riley ’69 and Carol J. Cusick Riley Scholarship
 The Francis L. ’58 and Esther Roddy Family/Netrition, Inc. Scholarship
 The Sean ’94 and Michelle Rose Scholarship
 The Scot ’88 and Carol Salvador Family Scholarship
 The School of Science Student Engagement Endowment
 The Edwin T. Sells ’68 Memorial Scholarship
 The Serbalik Family Scholarship
 The Siena College Alumni Scholarship
 The Siena College Veteran and Cadet Fund
 The Silk Family Scholarship
 The David ’73 and Christine Spicer ’75 Stack Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship Endowment
 The J. Spencer and Patricia Standish Honors Program
 The Christine Standish and Christopher Wilk Disability Services Program Endowment
 The Katherine and Timothy Tattam ’80 Scholarship
 The Alex ’96 and Gina Tronco Scholarship
 The Trombly Family Scholarship
 The Dr. Edwin and Mrs. Cherie Williams III Scholarship



Scholarship and Endowed Funds

\$10 million

A Mentor For Life

By Ken Jubie '04

Peter Dillon '12 is living the young-alumni dream. He has a full-time job at software company Autotask, Siena basketball season tickets and a mentor he can rely on for advice and support.



While Dillon's career is off to a great start - he's already been promoted - the marketing major turned account manager credits a Siena scholarship with setting him off on the right foot.

A native of Brunswick, N.Y., Dillon received the Michael Hickey '83 Scholarship, which is awarded each year to a graduate of Tamarac High School, who demonstrates need and a strong collaborative spirit. Dillon met Hickey, a software executive who became the Siena College Executive-In-Residence, during the annual scholarship dinner. Their relationship has flourished ever since.

"We kept in touch," said Dillon. Through email and meetings, they discussed career goals and life after college. Hickey liked Dillon's proactive approach and enjoyed mentoring his scholarship recipient. "I got just as much out of it, if not more, than Peter did." Hickey said.

Funding a scholarship at Siena is Hickey's way of repaying the College for its support during his days as an undergraduate, but his contribution is as much time as it is treasure. "I wanted to focus on giving back, helping others and mentoring," Hickey said.

When graduation approached, Hickey did more than offer advice. He helped Dillon land his job as an Autotask account manager for Latin America. Dillon's time spent studying abroad



in Spain and ability to speak Spanish paid off. He's since been promoted and now manages accounts in the southeastern United States.

"It felt good because I know that if he didn't have confidence in me, he wouldn't have passed my name on," Dillon said. "I can't thank him enough."

Now that he's part of the workforce, Dillon has moved from being a student and scholarship recipient to one of the newest members of an alumni network that is committed to helping future generations of Siena students, just as Hickey helped him.

"One of the best things about Siena is that the alumni take care of their own," Dillon said.

Left: Peter Dillon '12 and his mentor Mike Hickey '83, Siena College executive-in-residence.



Scholarship and
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Bjorklund Fund Worth the Investment

By Mike Clemens '15



In 2006 Siena College created the David E. Bjorklund Investment Fund, a student-run investment portfolio that allows Siena undergraduates to gain experience buying and trading stocks.

“Students are working with real money,” said Eric Girard, Ph.D., professor of finance and manager of the Bjorklund Fund. “It is high stakes, but also instructional.”

The Bjorklund Fund began when Ron '85 and Cathy '85 Bjorklund donated \$50,000 to their alma mater. “This seemed like the perfect way for Cathy and I to give back to Siena, and at the same time, honor the memory of my brother David,” Bjorklund said.

In the following year, the Bjorklund Fund’s initial size increased to \$100,000 with gifts from other donors. At that point, the College decided to create a course where students could manage and grow the fund.

The course, called Student Management, is a full-year class taught by Girard. “Students make all recommendations as to what stocks we buy and which ones we sell,” Girard said. “They are responsible for evaluating information from a variety of sources and building a case for the stock they have chosen. After this is complete, the class has to vote on all final decisions.”

Although this seems like a lot of pressure for undergraduates, their success in such a short time has been tremendous. At the beginning of the 2013-2014 academic year the Bjorklund Fund had reached \$200,000, doubling in size in just over six years. “What these students have been able to do is incredible,” Girard said. “To experience this kind of growth, especially during one of the worst economic situations in U.S. history, is truly an accomplishment.”

Their success with the Bjorklund Fund makes Siena College student commodities worth investing in down the road.

Siena Leads Adirondack Cup

By Kristen Bossio '16

As the defending champions of a financial investment competition called the Adirondack Cup, members of Siena College’s team of portfolio managers have bull’s-eyes on their backs.

So far, the students seem unfazed.

The Siena College team is once again leading the investment competition where groups of students from 18 colleges and universities manage a hypothetical small cap stock portfolio worth \$1 million. During the 26-week competition, students spend time researching and analyzing stocks and ultimately decide how best to manage their portfolios.

As of November 8, the top teams included: 1. Siena College (18.21% return), 2. Wesleyan University (8.79%), 3. State University of New York at Plattsburgh (7.09%) 4. Bryn Mawr College (6.81%) and 5. Hofstra University (6.27%).





Symposium on Living Philosophers

By Kristen Bossio '16

Every two years, Siena College devotes a year-long seminar class to studying the works of a modern, living philosopher. As part of the Symposium on Living Philosophers, the featured philosopher visits campus once each semester to deliver a public lecture and interact with the students in the course. This year's featured thinker is Judith Butler, Ph.D. (above in black shirt), the Maxine Elliot Professor of Rhetoric and Comparative Literature at the University of California, Berkeley.

Butler has published almost 20 books on various topics, ranging from war and torture to gender, sexuality and power. She delivered this semester's lecture, titled "Kinship Trouble: The Bacchae for the Present," to a full crowd in the Sarazen Student Union.



President Honored For Commitment to Community

Fr. Kevin Mullen '75, O.F.M., Ph.D., was presented with the Teresian Community Service Award during the 23rd Annual Teresian House Foundation "Friendraising" Gala in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Speed Networking

Students had the chance to speak with 28 professionals, including attorneys, teachers, salespeople and marketing pros at the career center's speed networking night. Representatives from the Capital Region Human Resources Association demonstrated a perfect "elevator speech" – a 30-second spiel touching on the main points a person wants an employer to know. Students also learned that their social media profiles should portray them positively to prospective employers.



World Premiere: The Snow Queen

This fall the Creative Arts Department produced the premiere of "The Snow Queen," a play with music based on Hans Christian Andersen's story about a girl who travels barefoot in search of her childhood friend who was abducted by the Snow Queen.

The theatrical performance is a new project for Red Thread Arts. Supported and first presented as a rehearsed reading at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., sections of "The Snow Queen" were subsequently produced as a stage workshop during Culturemart 2013 at HERE in New York City.

The script and score were completed at Siena College this fall. The project that began over two years ago was brought to life at Foy Hall's Beaudoin Theatre this November.

"It's been a privilege to work closely with the Department of Creative Arts, Siena's students and faculty," director Jeff Mousseau said. "The work done here will, no doubt, have an indelible impact on the projects's continued evolution."

NASA Launches Siena Satellite into Space

By Mark Adam



It took 13 minutes for Siena's satellite, Firefly, to be launched into space on November 19 from NASA's flight facility in Wallops Island, Va.

Allan Weatherwax, Ph.D., dean of Siena's School of Science and the project's lead scientist, watched the launch on campus with about 40 students and staff on tablets and smart phones from the roof of Roger Bacon Hall. Then, a minute later, they looked up to see the rocket carrying their satellite fly across the night sky.

"All of a sudden, there it was," Weatherwax said at a press conference the following morning on campus. "It was just a very emotional, energetic time."

Firefly, which is about the size of a football, was one of 29 satellites sent into space on a Minotaur I rocket for the United States Air Force ORS-3 mission. Firefly will collect data on x-rays and gamma rays from lightning and provide a new understanding of its effects. The CubeSat was designed and built at Siena in collaboration with NASA's Goddard

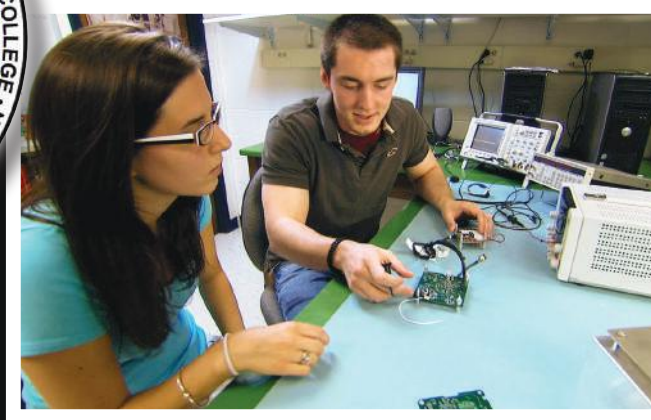
Space Flight Center and funded by a \$1 million grant from the National Science Foundation.

Nearly 30 students and half a dozen faculty and staff worked on the project together over four years. Many of those students have graduated and moved on to careers and top-flight doctorate programs, including Lindsay McTague '13. She designed circuit boards in the satellite and traveled to the launch site to get a first-hand look at her work taking flight.

Meghan Harrington '14, a physics major who watched the launch from campus, designed a radio board for the satellite that sends out signals.

"It was really cool that I designed something that's now in space," Harrington said.

Data was expected to be sent from the satellite to NASA and relayed to Siena. Julian Thomas '14, a computer science major whose interest in the project has grown as part of an internship, will evaluate the data and send it to another student who will use



Left to right: In 2008 a logo was created by Katherine Levinson '09. Jen Williams '09 and Nick Connelly '09 were part of the nearly 30 students and staff who helped build the satellite on campus. Those involved in the construction signed the flight board located inside the lightning measuring instrument. The football-sized satellite was launched into space aboard a rocket on November 19 from a NASA launch pad in Wallops Island, Va. A press conference was held on campus the following day where Allan Weatherwax, Ph.D., dean of the school of science, spoke about Siena's involvement in the project.

Siena Instrument Arrives at the International Space Station

By Jim Eaton

geographic information systems to plot a map and the effects of lightning.

Weatherwax believes the students who worked on this project will take off into successful careers and graduate schools.

“This trumps just about anything else on a student’s resume. This is what they are going to talk about. This is a true experience,” Weatherwax said.

On August 3, Lindsay McTague '13 was sitting in her apartment at Duke University where she is pursuing doctoral studies in electrical engineering on a full scholarship.

She was riveted to the images of a rocket

shooting into space from a launching pad in Japan. She had a personal stake in the success of that launch: an instrument she helped to construct was on board.

“At Siena I spent a lot of time working on the Firestation experiment and that experience shaped my future,” McTague said. She was part of a team on campus that created the instrument designed to study lightning flashes and gamma rays emanating from Earth’s atmosphere. “I remember thinking, ‘We actually did it. Little Siena of Loudonville made it onto the International Space Station,’” McTague said.

The project is a joint venture between Siena College and NASA’s Goddard Space Flight Center. Allan Weatherwax, Ph.D., dean of the school of science, secured a National Science Foundation grant to help fund the undertaking and has been working closely with Doug Rowland at NASA/GFSC and Siena Lead Engineer Joe Kujawski.

“Thanks in large part to our students we were able to complete and deliver the payload in time for the launch,” Weatherwax said.

Current physics majors Meghan Harrington '14, Alyssa Endres '14, Nguyen Truong '14 and Kevin Melsert '13 also played key roles in building the instrument and participated in payload integration in Houston, Texas last year.

The data from the experiment will allow researchers to explore the relationship between lightning and bursts of radiation called Terrestrial Gamma Ray Flashes (TGFs), a little-understood phenomenon first discovered by scientists nearly two decades ago.

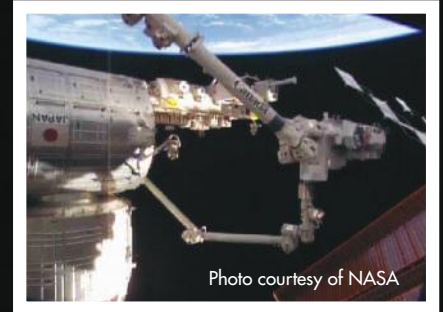


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Defend Against Cyberbullying by Knowing the Tools

By Meg Fryling '97, Ph.D.

When used properly, cell phones are entertaining, educational and, at times, life-saving. When abused they can quickly become deadly, as was evident in Rebecca Sedwick's case when the 12-year-old committed suicide, the apparent latest victim of cyberbullying.

Knee-jerk reactions are common in the wake of tragedy. Parents are tempted to take away access to cell phones or social networking sites. It's easy to see why they think this is a good idea. Unlike traditional bullying, cyberbullying victims get no relief when they leave the school grounds. Ever-present devices allow harassing bullies constant access to their victims.

However, many parents fail to understand that these same devices have become integral to a healthy adolescent social life. Removing devices completely eliminates the child's connections to the very friends who could provide much-needed emotional support.

Teens don't want to give up these devices, and threatening to take them away will only stymie communication between parents and their children. Adolescents will be less likely to

confide in their parents if they are being bullied.

Lawmakers and school officials draft new policies that seem obsolete even before they can be approved. It's not their fault. They grew up in a vastly different world.

So what's a parent to do? Certainly parental oversight is the best defense in stemming the tide of this growing epidemic, so it is important for parents and other adults to intervene quickly if cyberbullying is discovered. Studies have found that children are much less likely to engage in cyberbullying behavior if they believe they will be punished.

The only way we can help our children navigate this new world is to try to better understand it ourselves, rather than pretend it doesn't exist and revert back to the ways of the old world before the dawn of social media.

While it is unlikely that cyberbullying will ever be eradicated, finding ways to build our adolescents' self-esteem will certainly help mitigate cyberbullying behavior. It will give victims the strength to speak up and to speak out, to survive such abuse and flourish in its wake.



Left: Computer science major Lauren Mathews '15, Meg Fryling '97, Ph.D., assistant professor of computer science, English major Shauna Pratico '15 along with Jami Cotler, visiting instructor of computer science (not pictured), researched cyberbullying in online multi-player video game environments last summer.

Siena Professor Makes Major Archaeological Find

By Jim Eaton

When Barry Dale, lecturer in modern languages and classics, enters his classroom it isn't unusual to see him dressed in a pair of old blue jeans and a shirt that is lightly soiled. Chances are, he's coming straight from the field sites where he serves as a project leader for excavations.

Dale, who is also a principal investigator of archaeology at the New York State Museum in Albany, recently led a team in Lake George, N.Y. that unearthed 10,000-year-old Native American artifacts as well as items from the French and Indian War.

"It was pretty exciting because we don't find large prehistoric sites like this very often," Dale said. He believes that this area of Lake George served as a common ground which indigenous people frequented to obtain resources.

"We found a lot of flakes in this area which are remnants from making stone tools," Dale said.

The Lake George excavation began like many others for Dale. If a project has state or federal funding, Dale's office is contacted to do a small shovel test prior to the start of any construction.

"We are brought in to determine if a site is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places," Dale said. "If there are archaeological remains, our goal is to make recommendations so that the site can be left undisturbed. If the site can't be avoided, we gather as much information as possible about the site before it is impacted by construction."

Since the state is replacing a parking lot and roadway in Lake George, Dale returned in December to continue his work.

"It is the academic piece of my job that I enjoy the most," he said. Unlike other historic items that may have intrinsic value, the insight gained from an excavation is what matters most to an archaeologist like Dale. It opens a window to how people lived in the past.

"The beautiful thing about history is it impacts all of us and this is something I try to share with my students," Dale said. "Every major in college has a historical aspect to it and we should use this knowledge gained from our past to help us move forward."

When finals began for his students, Dale entered the final stage of his dig and most likely showed up for the exam in clothes covered with a little history.



Young Guns

By Jason Rich '98

The Siena men's basketball team has a completely new look, and that's not a bad thing.

The future rests in the inimitable hands of Jimmy Patsos. The Saints' new leader laughed and cried during an animated April 3 press conference and pep rally as he formally assumed control of a job he admired throughout his transformative career at rival Loyola.

"I was jealous for nine years," Patsos said. "I always really wanted to coach here. It starts with the fans and the players. In two days, I could feel why (Siena) wins so much: you're all in."

Patsos turned former MAAC-member Loyola from a one-win laughingstock to a perennial conference championship contender during his nine years in Baltimore. His teams reflect his personality. They play with intense passion, fearless pace and refreshing unpredictability.

"I just want to run, press and score,"

Patsos said. "I like 'first-team-to-80-wins.' And there's going to be some bumps in the road when you play like that. But that's OK. My mother kept telling me to get on the merry-go-round, and I got on the rollercoaster every time."

Siena was regularly the top scoring team in the MAAC when it enjoyed the greatest run of any team in conference history under Fran McCaffery from 2008-2010, winning the league all three years and taking down Vanderbilt (2008) and Ohio State (2009) in the NCAA Tournament.

Patsos' charge is to rebuild Siena to those recent glory years, and reestablish the program as one of the nation's elite Mid Major powers. He didn't take long rebuilding the roster – there are eight new faces on this year's roster, including five of his Loyola recruits and highly-touted transfer student Patrick Cole (Coppin State) who will sit out this season per NCAA rules.



Maloney Athletic Challenge is Paying Off

By Mark Adam

Four Siena teams – men's basketball, men's lacrosse, women's lacrosse and women's soccer – hit their annual \$25,000 fundraising goals and have each received an additional \$5,000 as part of the Maloney Athletic Challenge. That money can be used by the teams for recruiting, team travel, equipment, apparel and other program costs.

The Maloney Athletic Challenge was started by George '54 and Sally Maloney as a way of creating individual \$250,000 endowments for each of Siena's 18 Division I athletic teams. For every \$25,000 raised toward a team's endowment annually, that team receives an extra \$5,000 from the Maloney's gift.

"I want to make sure it's something that has a lasting effect on the program and the future," said Steve Karbowski '93, head women's soccer coach, who has considered updates to the women's soccer field, starting an end-of-year banquet or purchasing new team equipment.

To make a donation or learn more visit SienaSaints.com.

Left to right: Rob Poole '15, Lavon Long '17, Head Coach Jimmy Patsos, Brett Bisping '16 and Marquis Wright '17.





Graduation Rates Continue to Rank with Nation's Elite

By Jason Rich '98

For the ninth straight year, Siena student athletes out-performed their Division I peers in the classroom by a wide margin. Using the most recent data released in October the NCAA's Graduation Success Rate (GSR) report, student athletes who entered Siena as freshmen in 2006 graduated from college at a 93% clip, the eighth-highest rate in the nation.

Twelve of Siena's Division I sports posted perfect 100% cohort GSRs, and 16 of the 18 out-performed the cohort national average. Siena sports that achieved perfect cohort GSRs were: men's cross country, men's golf, men's tennis, women's cross country, field hockey, women's golf, women's soccer, softball, swimming and diving, women's tennis, volleyball and water polo.

New SienaSaints.com Offers Interactive Social Experience

Siena athletics recently debuted the redesigned SienaSaints.com. The official cyberspace home of the Saints features a sharp new design and a cutting edge social media hub where fans can become part of the conversation by using the hashtag: #SienaSaints.

"The main goal with the new site was to give users the information they wanted in an easy-to-use, exciting environment. The social media experience is unique and something we're excited to offer," said Jason Rich '98, assistant athletic director for communications and marketing. "Our hope is it will increase user engagement and the time people spend on the site."

The athletic department has also upgraded its webstreaming capabilities. The vast majority of this year's home volleyball, men's soccer, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's lacrosse and baseball games will be streamed in high definition on Siena's All Access platform, accessible at SienaSaints.com.

The FanZone section of the site allows fans to sign up for text alerts, e-news, a SienaSaints.com email address or the revamped Generation S Kids Club.





Scott Foster, M.F.A., assistant professor of creative arts, was commissioned to create a portrait of St. Kateri Tekakwitha for a Schenectady, N.Y., parish named in her honor.

In order to produce the portrait of a Native American woman who lived in the 1600s, Foster relied on his research to make an informed decision about St. Kateri's appearance. His goal was to create an image that portrayed the spirit of the first Native American saint.

"It has been written by her biographers that, to those who knew her, St. Kateri made tangible the grace and beauty of God. What does that look like? This painting is my answer to the question," Foster said.

The project was a rewarding one for him as he was an original contributor to the still evolving iconography of St. Kateri.



Karin Lin-Greenberg, M.F.A., assistant professor of English, was awarded the Flannery O'Connor Award for Short Fiction for her collection of short stories titled "Faulty Predictions." Her stories will be published by The University of Georgia Press and will be available next fall. The Flannery O'Connor award, now celebrating its 30th anniversary, has become a proving ground for emerging writers like Lin-Greenberg. It gives them a national platform

to showcase their work and the opportunity to have it published.

A successful storyteller, Lin-Greenberg teaches creative writing courses in Siena's English department. She sees links between her work in the classroom and the prose she produces. Lin-Greenberg's writing affects her teaching, but her students also impact her writing. In fact, a class assignment inspired the first story in her award-winning collection.

Eric Breimer, associate professor of computer science, conducted a professional workshop titled "On the Shoulders of Giants: Mobile Websites with Twitter Bootstrap" at the Information Systems Educators Conference (ISECON) in San Antonio, Texas in November.

Alfredo Medina, associate vice president for academic affairs, was honored along with Bishop Howard Hubbard and two prominent Latinos in the Capital Region by the Albany Latin Festival Association on August 23. Medina, Bishop Hubbard, Al De Salvo of M&T Bank and Vilma Santa Maria, owner of Albany's Mr. Pio Pio Restaurant, were the recipients of the Excelsior Award which recognized their dedication and commitment to enhancing the quality of life in the Latino community. The award ceremony was part of a celebration of culture and community held at the Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

Jeanne Obermayer, student affairs compliance officer, was awarded the University Risk Management and Insurance Association Innovative Risk Management Solutions Award.

She was honored for the online risk management in event planning training program she developed that provides student leaders and club advisors risk management training directly tied to the College's mission.

The training program is driven by student learning objectives and provides direct measures of assessment of those learning outcomes in a cost efficient and replicable manner for institutions of higher education.

Obermayer was recognized for this achievement at the URMIA Awards luncheon during the 44th annual conference in October at the Arizona Grand Resort in Phoenix, Ariz.



Diana Strock-Lynskey, MSW, professor of social work, participated in the Council on Social Work Education White House Briefing, "Addressing the Social Determinants of Health in a New Era: The Role of Social Work Education," in September.

She was part of a select group of educators invited to attend. The briefing featured administration officials from the White House, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and other federal agencies.

Over the years Strock-Lynskey has served on several national level committees for the Council on Social Work Education and has presented workshops and papers at their annual conferences.



The Catholic Charities Housing Office honored **Deborah Kelly, J.D.**, associate professor of management, at its Hope for the Homeless event this fall. She was recognized for her work with Catholic Charities Housing and for directing the community outreach projects of Siena's Students in Free Enterprise.

She has also been on the Board of Trustees of Catholic Charities of the Albany Diocese since 2004 and has served as its vice president for four years.



Allan Weatherwax, Ph.D., dean of the school of science and professor of physics, was awarded a \$185,362 National Science Foundation grant to study interrelated ITM phenomena observed at high latitudes using coordinated and collaborative

instrumentation from Antarctica. The ionosphere-thermosphere-magnetosphere (ITM) region constitutes Earth's upper atmosphere and is an important region for study in determining how electromagnetic and radiative energy emitted by the sun interact with Earth. The research will be conducted in collaboration with the New Jersey Institute of Technology, Johns Hopkins University and the University of New Hampshire. It will also involve Siena undergraduates who will assist with instrument deployment, data collection and analysis.

NASA awarded Weatherwax a \$61,323 grant for the design, construction, testing and post-flight evaluation of particle and field instrumentation for space weather research. The VISIONS (VISualizing Ion Outflow via Neutral atom imaging during a Substorm) is a sounding rocket mission that launched in early February 2013 to advance understanding of some of the basic transport mechanisms during auroral events. MILENA (MIniaturized Low-energy Energetic Neutral Atom imager) is a particle instrument on the VISIONS sounding rocket that was developed in a collaboration between NASA and Siena College. Under the current grant, Siena College will recommend improvements to the instrument design based on the performance of the instrument and the scientific goals of future missions. The grant will also support updates to the engineering design of an additional system to take into account lessons learned during the recent rocket flight.



COURTROOM COLONEL

By Mark Adam



Col. Denise (Fitzgerald) Lind '82 has served for nearly three decades in the Army, but 2013 has certainly been the most high-profile year of her career as she was the presiding judge in the well-known WikiLeaks case.





Col. Lind investigated the bench in the Girvin and Ferlazzo Moot Courtroom in Siena Hall while she was visiting campus on Veterans Day. It's a familiar site for the judge who has spent her career in military courtrooms. She has been a military judge in the Army JAG Corps at two different times, serving in Germany (2004-06) and in the Washington, D.C., area (2009-13). Just recently, she became an associate judge in the U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals.

Lind gave the keynote address at Siena's third annual Veterans Recognition Dinner, which honors Siena veterans and ROTC cadets. Earlier that day, Lind toured campus and visited with students in the Pre-Law Program and ROTC's Mohawk Battalion, of which Siena is the host institution.

"It's humbling to be back here," Lind said at the time. "This is the Siena that I remember."

Lind received a three-year ROTC scholarship to attend Siena where she majored in political science and was commissioned as an officer. She always liked politics and government, but her career path was still unclear as she entered college. A senior year internship in the law department at the New York State Commission of Corrections changed that. It taught her how to conduct legal research and to craft legal prose.

"Siena gave me a sense of purpose," she said.

Lind was accepted into the Judge Advocate General Corps in 1986 after she graduated from Albany Law School. She has served as

both a prosecuting and defense attorney prior to becoming a judge. Her assignments have included special assistant U.S. attorney in Fort Knox, Ky., litigation attorney in Arlington, Va., senior defense counsel in Hawaii, staff judge advocate in Virginia and circuit judge in Germany as well as in Arlington.

In Lind's most publicized trial, the WikiLeaks case, she presided over Army intelligence analyst Bradley Manning's court martial. The trial made international news and stirred debate over whether Manning, who sent classified documents to WikiLeaks, was a whistleblower or a traitor. Lind decided the case alone because Manning had waived an enlisted and officer panel. She found him guilty on 20 counts, but acquitted him of the most serious charge of aiding the enemy, and sentenced him to 35 years in prison.

Lind has handled several high-profile cases.

"What I try to do in these cases is treat them the same as every other case," Lind said.

From her beginnings at Siena, when an interest in the law was sparked, to the waning years of her military career, Lind has loved her work. She believes in the importance of the justice system and values the part she plays in it.

"Not everyone is going to walk out of the courtroom happy, but I hope when they walk out of mine that everybody feels that the rules were followed and justice was served."



Top left: Col. Denise Lind '82 speaking with pre-law students Sara Klock '14, Kendall Veasaw '14 and Mara Afzali '14 in the Girvin and Ferlazzo Moot Courtroom in Siena Hall.

Top right: Lind with Congressman Chris Gibson '86 and his wife Mary Jo at the third annual Veterans Recognition Dinner at Siena College.

Vince Puritano '59: Supporting Siena's 21st Century Leaders

By Jim Eaton



Like many students from his era, Vince Puritano '59, a Korean War veteran, used the GI Bill to help pay his college tuition. He spent his days attending class at Siena and his evenings working at the steel mill in Watervliet.

"I was on my own and learning how to make it," Puritano recalled.

During his junior year his funds were running low and he told his advisor, Joseph Buff, Ph.D., head of the business school, that he was going to work full time and return to college after a year or so.

Buff responded by creating a job for him on campus where he assisted his advisor registering students for classes. "I'll forever be grateful for his mentorship and the fact that he looked out for my best interests at that time," Puritano said. "That job allowed me to finish my degree at Siena."

His first stop after Siena began after he saw a notice on a bulletin board for a scholarship to a graduate program in business. He won the scholarship and earned his M.B.A. from New York University. At NYU he saw another announcement about a civil service exam that led him to a job at the U.S. State Department.

"I always read the bulletin board announcements because you never knew what kind of opportunities were out there," he said.

Over the next 40 years he never went looking for another job. Instead, the jobs came looking for him. He held numerous high-ranking positions at the State Department, at the White House's Office of Management and Budget, in the CIA and in the Department of Defense. In 1984 he entered the private sector where he held vice presidential titles

at Sears World Trade, the Rand Corporation and Northern Telecom. He also served as executive assistant to Secretary of State Colin Powell from 2000 - 03.

In 1984 Siena honored Puritano with the Joseph A. Buff award given to alumni with outstanding accomplishments or achievements in their careers. "It was a really nice honor and one I'm proud of since Dr. Buff played such a key role in helping me get my career started," he said.

Puritano retired four times, yet each time he came back to work by accepting an offer he couldn't refuse. Over the last 27 years he has supported Siena's 21st Century Leaders program, an honor society for business majors that was originally formed by Douglas Lonnstrom '66 when he served as dean of the school of business. Students are selected based on a combination of academic achievement and outstanding leadership potential. The club participates in four or five service events a year, often benefiting organizations like the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless, John Howe Public Library in Albany and St. Francis Inn in Philadelphia, Pa.

"Vince's generous annual financial contributions have allowed us to offer this program," Cheryl Buff '82, Ph.D., faculty advisor for the club and grand daughter-in-law of the late Joseph Buff, said. Puritano has routinely traveled from his home in Virginia to attend the annual event that salutes students who have been newly inducted into the organization.

"The message I have enjoyed sharing with students is that if you do your job to the best of your ability, promotions will come and employers will seek you out," Puritano said. More importantly though, he has enjoyed paying back a debt of gratitude to the place that did so much for him.

In April, Puritano plans to visit campus once again. He looks forward to meeting this year's high achieving students and to do whatever he can to assist them along their career path and life's journey.



Above: The Class of 2012 21st Century Leaders celebrate receiving their honors cords.

Alumni Events

Veterans Recognition Dinner

Col. Denise (Fitzgerald) Lind '82, judge in the WikiLeaks case, served as keynote speaker at the third annual Veterans Recognition Dinner. Two Siena students received Veteran and Cadet Fund awards and the Mohawk Battalion ROTC Hall of Fame inducted its first three members: Hon. Christopher P. Gibson '86, Major General Harold J. Greene and Chaplain (Major General) Donald L. Rutherford.

Festa Vino

A sold-out crowd of 800 guests attended Siena's 14th annual Festa Vino in October at the Marcelle Athletic Complex. The fundraiser, which will benefit Siena's Saints Alive! Athletic Fund and the McCormick Center for the Study of the American Revolution, brought in \$75,000.

The gym was transformed into a Tuscan countryside featuring food samplings from 21 restaurants and, through a partnership with Craig Allen '91, owner of All Star Wine & Spirits, more than 100 different wines from around the world.

Lacrosse Alumni Golf Tournament

Siena men's lacrosse alumni converged on Normanside Country Club to compete in the first Men's Lacrosse Alumni Golf Tournament in September. More than 50 alumni, parents, coaches and current players hit the links, raising money to support an endowment for men's lacrosse.

The First 100 Days

After spending four years of their lives learning and growing together, Siena's Class of 2013 reunited for its 100 Days After Graduation Party at the historic Saratoga Race Course in August. More than 200 graduates attended the annual event organized by the Office of Alumni Relations and begun 35 years ago by the Class of '79.



class notes

Editors: Mary Beth Finnerty '85, director of alumni relations, Mike Utzig '07, assistant director of alumni relations and Eileen Verno '12, coordinator of alumni relations/special events.

Please submit all of your class notes information to your class coordinator. If there is no coordinator listed for your class, please send all information to alumni@siena.edu for posting in the magazine. We look forward to hearing from you!

1951

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1959

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Our 55th reunion is happening June 6-8, 2014. Please mark your calendars as I hope to see you all back on campus to celebrate!

1960

Rev. Raymond M. Rafferty retired on July 1, 2013 as pastor of the historic Church of Corpus Christi in Manhattan. He was pastor there for 15 years. He will reside at Church of the Ascension, 221 West 107th St., New York, N.Y. 10025 and assist at that parish. Congratulations on your retirement!

1963

Kevin Raymond
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Chuck Boutin retired last year as an administrative law judge in Maryland. His wife Cindy is an R.N. with the Baltimore County school system. After retirement, Chuck worked for six months at Home Depot in Lawn and Garden to learn gardening. Chuck also plans to teach in the Harford County school system this coming year. They have a Hunter Legend 37' sailboat at Rock Hall, Md. They sail the Chesapeake Bay and spend much of the summer on the boat. They also enjoy babysitting their two local grandchildren. Chuck and **Mike Parker** spend a week fly fishing each June on the West Canada River in central N.Y. Chuck reports, that "the Lord has been good to us."

Frank Cunningham wore many hats at Siena, perhaps most memorably as editor of the *Siena News*, and went on to a distinguished career as a journalist. After graduating from Siena, Frank traveled to Europe. He met his wife Sue in Rome. They had four children, two boys and two girls, and now have seven grandkids. Frank and Sue have traveled to many places in the world, going from Albany to Burlington, Vt. to Guam, back to Vt. and on to South Bend, Ind. where they settled for several years. Frank has worked with newspapers, magazines and books, including freelance work in the Far East and Western Pacific for the old *Chicago Daily News*. Frank went to work for the Ave Maria Press at the University of Notre Dame. The Press publishes high schools texts, parish materials and a wide variety of books.

Frank became the president and publisher of Ave Maria Press in 1993. Sue also worked at Notre Dame, directing experiential education programs that have become models for numerous American universities. Frank and Sue retired in 2005 to the Lake Michigan town of South Haven where they continued to do publishing projects and community service activities, write, visit kids and grandkids, and engage in their lifelong love of travel. They have also become avid trekkers and have been on back-packing trips of 500, 235, and 200 miles as well as the Milford Track in New Zealand. Frank and Sue will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next year.

Geoff Harrington attended our 50th anniversary reunion celebration in May and had a great time visiting with classmates throughout the weekend. Geoff and his wife

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Saratoga, New York
Garnet Stable owner
Jason Servis trainer
House On Toilsome 2nd

Purse \$82,000
D'PRINCESS

September 1, 2013
Javier Castellano up
6 furlongs time 1:11:3
My Sparky 3rd



Gerald Oswitt '62, owner of Garnet Stables LLC, had his horse, D' Princess, win its first and only race at Saratoga Race Course on September 1, 2013.



Geoff Harrington '63 enjoyed a ride including acrobatic stunts in a 1943 SNJ vintage aircraft at the largest airshow in the world, EAA AirVenture 2013, in Oshkosh, Wis.

Bonnie have lived in Ridgefield, Conn. since 1967, where he has worked in the real estate business. They have three children and seven grandchildren. They recently returned from a trip to Oshkosh, Wis. where they attended the largest airshow in the world, EAA AirVenture 2013, with thousands of aircraft, and air shows day and night. Geoff reports they just about built an entire town for this annual event. He enjoyed a half hour flight with Captain Oliver in a 1943 SNJ, with acrobatic stunts included!

Howard Healy has spent forty exciting years in the field of journalism. He is currently an editor at the New York State Bar Association in Albany. In his off time, he and his wife like to visit their daughter in Manhattan. Howard also keeps in regular contact with fellow '63 alum **Jack Mayer**. They meet regularly for breakfast at a favorite diner on Western Avenue.

Dick Holmes reports that after 43 years in high school, including several years as principal of Watervliet High School, he finally retired in 2006. Since that time, Dick has been busy freelance writing, serving as condo association president, and enjoying family life. In 2008, his book *For Parents Only: Straight Talk from Inside the American High School* was published. In 2010, he authored *Just Lucky, I Guess: Lessons I Learned Through Forty-Three Years in High School*. These are must-reads for parents and grandparents. In addition, Dick has had several articles published in the Albany Times Union and in the Venice, Florida Gondolier Sun.

Along the way, Dick and his wife Katey, who went to the College of St. Rose, re-settled in Venice, Fla. where he has been president of the board of directors of the Triano Condominium Association for the past four years. Dick and Katey have five children. The ranks of their grandchildren continue to increase, most recently with the birth of Luciana Rose in March 2010. She brings the number to 11.

Mike Mitrione is semi-retired, but still functioning as the chief financial officer for a company in which he is a major owner. He recently finished a year as the Virginia state commander for the

American Legion and serves as its alternate national executive committeeman. Recent knee replacement sidetracked his training for his third degree black belt in Tai Kwon Do, a situation he hopes to remedy when fully recovered from surgery. On the family front, Mike and his wife Joan are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year. They have two children and six grandchildren.

Kevin Raymond and his wife Pat vacationed in Northern Wisconsin in July: beautiful, peaceful and scenic on the northern shores of Green Bay. They have lived in Northern Virginia for 42 years, have four children and seven grandchildren whom they visit as often as possible. Two of the grandchildren live in Fredericksburg, Va. and five are in Raleigh, N.C. Kevin retired in 1998, but went back to work in consulting and government. He also enjoys going to the Capital at lunchtime and participating in marches and rallies for favorite causes.

Ron Smith and his family just completed a family reunion on the North Carolina coast. They had about 50 family members, two brothers from Albany, N.Y., but most from western Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio. Ron and Anna-mae used the occasion to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with family a few months early.

After graduating from Siena, **Dominick Lizzi** earned a master's degree in History. He also did post-graduate work at Cornell University. Dominick taught at Germantown High School from 1964 – 1996, with a two-year sabbatical at the International School of Prague. Dominick currently serves as the historian of the Town of Valatie in the Hudson Valley. With the help of his wife, Mary Ann, Dominick's "Valatie, The Forgotten History" has been published by the Valatie Press. It is a fascinating story of the emergence and history of a mill town in the 18th and early 19th century.

1965

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1967

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Vincent Flynn checked in. He and his wife Donna founded MercySong, a not-for-profit recording and publishing apostolate. Along with their seven children, they have produced 18 CDs of Catholic music and devotionals, along with several books, including Vincent's best-selling book *7 Secrets of the Eucharist* published with Ignatius Press. His latest book, *7 Secrets of Confession*, was released in August 2013.

1968

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Mike Bossert was honored by *The Albany Business Review* as being a CFO of the year for his work with Tri City Rentals. The Class of 2013 is made up of financial executives across industries as varied as construction and retail.

Michael Fallon was named the new chair of the board of trustees at Franklin Pierce University in New Hampshire. Fallon's professional career began with the Chase Manhattan Bank; he subsequently held positions with Chemical Bank, Lehman Brothers Kuhn Loeb and Cushman and Wakefield. More recently, Fallon was president of United Properties Group of Montvale, N.J., and later president of the Southwood Corporation of Merrimack. He has served on a number of corporate and nonprofit boards, and is currently chairman of the board of The W.C. & A.N. Miller Development Company of Bethesda, Md., and co-chair of the Advisory Committee of Miller, Fallon, Dennehy of New York, N.Y.

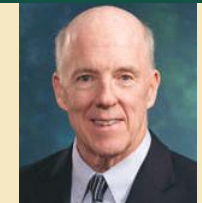
Mike Long was named head men's basketball coach at Hudson Valley Community College. Long brings to Hudson Valley more than 40 years of coaching experience, starting with his head coaching career at the College of Saint Rose from 1973-86, where he compiled a 164-156 record. Most recently, Mike was the 2013 recipient of the Capital District Basketball Hall of Fame Sam Perkins Sportsmanship award.

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Michael Fallon '68
was named chair of the board of trustees at Franklin Pierce University.

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Mike Long '68
was named Hudson Valley Community College head men's basketball coach.

A special thank you goes out to former class notes column writer Bill McGoldrick for all his efforts keeping the Class of 1968 well informed and active here in *Siena News*.

1969

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Our 45th Reunion Weekend is right around the corner. Please save the dates of June 6-8, 2014.

Where have 45 years gone? Make this weekend a priority on your 2014 calendar. Come and see all the changes to the Siena campus. Renew friendships with fellow classmates!

Please email me all of your exciting updates for the next edition of *Siena News*. I look forward to hearing everything the Class of 1969 has been doing.

1970

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Archbishop Roberto González '72 celebrated his 25th anniversary since becoming Bishop of San Juan.

1972

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It took me many years but I finally got to the 9/11 Memorial. I visited our lost classmate and my friend **Don Kauth Jr.** at the memorial. I know there were others from Siena as well. Don was one of the BEST and BRIGHTEST I ever met. It is a very solemn place and a sad reminder of that tragic day and the wonderful people like Don who were lost. He, like all those who died all too soon, should never be forgotten. It is not an easy duty but I urge you to take the time to visit the memorial and say a prayer, if ever in NYC.

Congratulations to **Archbishop Roberto Gonzalez.** He has served Catholic communities in the Bronx, Boston, Texas and Puerto Rico and was honored in October for his 25th anniversary of becoming bishop of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

1973

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I had the privilege to attend Reunion 2013. Congratulations to the Class of 1968 for their impressive class gift and their Siena College Presidential recognition. At the reunion, I met my classmates **John Lyons** and **Tom Abazia.** John is a retired teacher and lives in Latham, N.Y. Tom is a software engineer for the Oracle Corporation and lives in N.J. Both were impressed, as I was, with the many changes that have taken place on the Siena campus and the many new opportunities available to Siena students.

I still live in Arlington, Va. and work as an engineer for the U.S.

Department of Energy in Washington, D.C. I also teach engineering part time in the evenings for the Office of Advanced Engineering Education (OAEE) at the University of Maryland at College Park, Md. The OAEE offers master's degree opportunities for engineering professionals. Please share news about yourselves and your families with us. We look forward to hearing from you!

1975

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1977

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While many of us in the class of 1977 continue to work, some are retired and a few have children who are well on their own or preparing to leave the nest. **Kevin MacCary** and **Debbie Iritano MacCary**, who reside in Colorado, recently celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary and are anticipating the upcoming marriages of two of their three daughters within the next 10 months. Debbie is retired from school counseling and Kevin is the vice president and

general counsel of United Launch Alliance. He was just named the chair of Volunteers of America – Colorado. **Dave Linehan** retired from the investment business last year and now spends his time between New York City and Cape Cod, and also travels outside of the country. **Diane Walton Farny**, with her husband Charlie Farny '76, traveled to Germany in December 2012 where they visited Christmas markets in seven cities by train around the city of Frankfurt. Retired for three years from state and federal employment, Diane and Charlie look forward to planning a future trip to England or Hawaii. It was great hearing from everyone. Send in your updates!

1978

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1979

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Gary Chatnik was inducted into the U.S. Lacrosse Adirondack Chapter Hall of Fame in June 2013. He has been coaching girls' lacrosse at Guilderland since 2002 where he has won 196 games and five Section II titles, including the 2013 Class A crown. Congratulations, Gary!

1980

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Diane DeSilva and former basketball great **Rod Owens** were wed at Prime at Saratoga National in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. on February 15, 2013. **Steve Gerbes**, **Rick Mulvey**, **Mike Catino '81**, **Mike Bassett**, **Andrey Drury '90**, **Jon Conover '99**, **Nicole Case '10**, **Colleen Taylor Amato**, **Carol Keppler Hopper**, the bride's brother, **Dan DeSilva '88** and the bride's daughter, **Alexandra Natale '14**, are just a few of the many alumni in attendance. The couple met at Siena in 1978. They spent their first date as a married couple at the Saint's men's basketball game at the Times Union Center on February 16, 2013, before leaving for their honeymoon. Diane is the director of English for Shenendehowa School District in Clifton Park, N.Y. and Rod works as a senior financial manager at Bechtel in Schenectady, N.Y.

1981

Catherine Kalaydjian was appointed chief operations officer at Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd., a Bermuda-based global specialty provider of property and casualty insurance and reinsurance.

Jim Gaffney won a gold medal in the 50m dash (50-54 age group) at the Empire State Senior Games at SUNY Cortland. In between runs,

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Jim Gaffney '81 won a gold medal in the 50m dash (50-54 age group) at the Empire State Senior Games at SUNY Cortland this past June.

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Some members of The East Cove (2E Ryan) get together.
Kneeling: John Capozzola '82, Dave Kaiser '82, Steve Ganci '82, Brian O'Keefe '82 and Brad Bodmer '82
Standing: Rick O'Brien '84, Kevin McGuire '82, Steve Brown '84, Guy Cooper '83, John Bennett '85 and Sean Weil '82.

Jim is director of content meta-data at Tribune Media Services in Queensbury, NY.

1982

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1983

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Hello Class of '83! There is not much news so I will be brief. I hope you are all enjoying your holidays and recovering from our reunion. Stay in touch with your friends from Siena so that we can make the next reunion even more special. If you have any updates or noteworthy items, please forward them to me for inclusion in the next *Siena News*.

Mike Madden is owner of Phoenix-based Cookies in Bloom and Hannah's Caramel Apples, which make custom cookie arrangements and gourmet caramel apple gift baskets. He tells us, "Our specialty is creating personalized themes that will show your recipient just how much you pay attention to the many attributes that make that person one of a kind."

Michael Hickey will serve as the next chairman of the Center for Economic Growth, in Albany, N.Y. CEG has about 300 members, and the organization promotes growth

of the private sector in New York's Capital Region. Executives from many of the area's most prominent employers make up the board of directors.

Peter Hartney participated as a panelist on October 16, 2013 at the NJ Partners: Aging, Mental Health and Substance Abuse, the NJ Coalition for the Protection of Vulnerable Adults in collaboration with the NJ Foundation on the Aging sponsored a workshop titled, "Disaster Response for at Risk Adults: Lessons Learned."

Shout outs to Peggy Miller, Sue Tart, Mike Sullivan and George Noonan. We missed you in June and would love to hear from you ... keep in touch '83!!!!

1984

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Michael Zovistoski was elected in June to serve as secretary/treasurer for the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants. Incorporated in 1897, it is one of the largest state accounting organizations in the nation with more than 29,000 members encompassing all areas of public practice, government, education, business and industry. Michael is a partner with UHY, LLP in Albany, N.Y., managing director at UHY Advisors NY, Inc. and a member of Siena's School of Business Executive Advisory Board.

Sharon Smith was named executive director of the Food Bank Association of New York State in May. The not-for-profit association is made up of eight regional food banks that acquire, warehouse, and distribute donated and low-cost food to emergency feeding programs and other charitable agencies throughout the state.

1985

Cathy Casey Bjorklund
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Steve Hart was inducted into the U.S. Lacrosse Adirondack Chapter Hall of Fame in June 2013 and has played a big part in

the success of the Albany Capitals and North Colonie Capitals youth lacrosse programs. Congratulations, Steve!

1986

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Steven Tommasone checked in. He is a financial advisor at Eldridge & Bassotti Financial Group, an office of MetLife. You can email him at stommasone@metlife.com, he would love to hear from his classmates!

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Class of 1985 London Reunion

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Mike Madden '83 is owner of Phoenix-based Cookies in Bloom and Hannah's Caramel Apples, which make custom cookie arrangements and gourmet caramel apple gift baskets. "Our specialty is creating personalized themes that will show your recipient just how much you pay attention to the many attributes that make that person one of a kind."

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The Class of '85 gathered in New York City on Nov. 16, 2013 to celebrate their collective 50th birthdays. Donations from the class added to the John J. Costello '85 Memorial Scholarship, in honor of classmate Jack Costello.

1987

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Peter O'Malley has been named as chief executive officer of Canaccord Genuity Asia. Peter joins Canaccord from Kenosis Capital Partners, where he was chief executive and founder.

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Peter Iwanowicz '89 has joined Environmental Advocates of New York as executive director.

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Rob White '93 accepted the position of business development manager at EP&M International, an award-winning exhibit design and project management firm in Albany, N.Y.

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St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center has appointed **Meredith Price '95**, chief financial officer.

1989

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Peter Iwanowicz has been named executive director by Environmental Advocates. Currently, Peter is an assistant vice president of the American Lung Association where he directs the association's Healthy Air Campaign. In his new role, Peter will tackle the pressing environmental issues facing New York State.

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1992

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Tom Moran joined Kenney Shelton Liptak Nowak LLP as an associate in the firm's New York City office. His practice focuses on all aspects of civil litigation, including labor law and construction site accidents, premises liability, property damage and motor vehicle accidents. He lives in Point Lookout, N.Y. with his wife and four children. Congratulations, Tom!

1993

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Rob White recently accepted the position of business development manager at EP&M International, an award-winning exhibit design and project management firm in Albany, N.Y. Congratulations, Rob!

1994

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1995

Neil Wilcove
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Ed Henry received the 2013 NBA Special Honors Award for his outstanding work as Fox News Channels Chief White House correspondent.

Meredith Price has been appointed chief financial officer at St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center in Syracuse, N.Y.

Congratulations to both!

1996

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Christopher Conroy was hired as a full-time umpire by Major League Baseball. He worked his way up through the minor leagues and worked as a call-up umpire before officially joining the MLB umpire staff in June 2013.

Jennifer McPhail McCormick and **Steven McCormick** welcomed son Owen Alexander on September 20, 2012. He joins big sister Ashley and big brothers Jacob and Luke.

Congratulations to Chris and the McCormick family!

1997

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1998

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Greetings Class of '98! We have a few exciting updates this issue:

Susan Collemer, MD, has been promoted to quality director at Westerly Hospital in Westerly, R.I. Congrats and good luck in your new position, Susan!

Krista Kanabay Piwonka was one of two who received the Illinois CPA Society's Volunteer Service Award for 2013. She was honored with this award due to her continuous participation in the ICPAS Military Tax Preparation Project, which provides free tax services to active members of the military. Congrats, Krista!

I'm very excited to share that my friend, **Christina Joseph Quirin**, and her husband Tim, welcomed identical twin boys, Max and Ben, in May. They arrived early but are doing well.

Lastly, my husband, Tom, and I have added to our own family. We welcomed our son, Evan Peter, on October 23, 2013. He joins big sister Kate, who is 19 months and half-sister Julia who is 15.

Keep the updates coming; we love hearing from you.

1999

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Hello Class of 1999. I'm sitting in my office as I write this, staring out at a dark sky, however, on a bright note: the Red Sox are World Series Champions! Who's with me! Go Sawx!

Elaine DiDonato Sheridan reported with a smile that she and her husband Brian, and their daughter — and now “big sister” — Alivia welcomed Ciana Kathleen on August 21, 2013. Congratulations to your growing family!

Anyone following Jon and Toni Conover on Facebook knows they celebrated their beautiful son Anthony's 3rd birthday, and their youngest son Gianfranco's baptism at the end of October. **Chris Tichio** is Gianfranco's godfather.

Can't wait for your updates!

2000

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Bronwyn Tobin and **Craig Wucherpfennig '99** welcomed Kieran Joseph Wucherpfennig on October 16, 2013. He joins big brothers Declan and Owen.

Congratulations!

2001

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Greetings Class of 2001,

I am happy to share with you the following news: **Trevor Short** and his wife Casie welcomed a daughter, Violet Elizabeth, on August 30, 2013.

Pat Salonia and **Angela Cifra Salonia** welcomed son, Benjamin Ross, on August 22, 2013.

Karen Musa Izzo and her husband Thaddeus welcomed son, Matthew Justus, on April 8, 2013.

Mary Catherine Kraus and her husband Kevin'03 welcomed their

second daughter, Molly Noreen Kraus, on June 14, 2013.

Dr. Daniel Fisher and Dr. Kristina Young-Fisher welcomed their son, Garrison Alexander Fisher, on August 27, 2013.

Best wishes to all the families on their additions!

Katie Collins wed David Szalda on October 27, 2012 with many Siena friends in attendance.

Also, another congrats is in order for our classmate **Brennan Heffernan**, who was recently recognized by the Christie Administration as a district level and county Teacher of the Year in Bergen County, N.J. The county teachers of the year were chosen by a countywide panel of administrators, teachers, parents and county education association representatives convened by the executive county superintendents of schools.

Please continue to send updates my way. Cheers!

MINI REUNION



Siena Football 2001 alumni and their children

2002

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Ryan Hungershafer won Northwestern Mutual's national FORUM award. The award is based on helping clients achieve financial security.

Brian Gathen and his wife Farrier welcomed their son, George William, on August 13, 2012. The family recently celebrated George's first birthday. Congratulations!

Kristen Farina married Jeremy Lawless on August 3, 2013 at the Inn at Erlowest in Lake George, N.Y. Siena alums in attendance were **Amy Sussdorff**, **Sue Quirini**, **Colleen Brady**, **Jen Daley**, **Kevin Megyesi**, **Eric Guenther '06**, **Steve Bell '01** and **Sarah Bressette**.

2003

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The future of Siena is strong as the Class of 2003 brought many future Saints into the world this year. Here are just a few.

Aurora Isabella Zale was born to **Chris "CJ" Zale** and his wife Marina Zale on August 17, 2013. She joins big brother Aiden.

Meri Marshall Faulkner and her husband Lloyd welcomed their third child, Madelyn Jane, born on June 11, 2013. She joins big sister Samantha and big brother Colby. Congratulations to the Faulkner family.

Andrew Nikola and his wife Heather welcomed their daughter Sophia Renee on April 10, 2012. Congratulations!

Amanda Reynolds Cech and her husband Dan rounded out their family of four with the birth of Hayden Charlotte on April 25, 2013, who joins big sister Alexandra.

Jennifer Hornbeck and **Mark Grant** welcomed son Cormick Bean on April 11. He joins sisters Marlie and Avery.

In wedding news, **Erin Cassidy** married Patrick Collins on May 10, 2013 in a private lakeside ceremony in Lake Placid, N.Y.

Stephanie Richemond received the 2013 Educator of Excellence award from the New York State English Council on October 18. Educators were nominated by colleagues based on who inspired excellence in students as well as teachers.

Keeps your news coming! I would love to hear about the major milestones and share them with the class!

2004

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Hello Class of '04! I am excited to be a news and notes coordinator so I can keep up with what everyone is up to. **Steven Goetz** and I welcomed our second child, Giuliana, in December. We are currently living in Latham, N.Y. and enjoy running into Siena alum when we are out and about.

Maya Nanda welcomed a son with her husband Peter Lapsiwala. His name is Tej Lapsiwala and he was born June 13, 2013. Congratulations, Maya!

Hailey Sweeney Towne and **Jeb Towne** welcomed their son, Leo Patrick, on May 14, 2013. Hailey and Jeb reside in Seattle, Wash., where Jeb is the CFO of Global Seas, which owns and manages fishing and research vessels. Hailey is a landscape architect for D.A. Hogan and Associates and specializes in the design of athletic facilities.

Megan O'Connor Armstrong and **Mark Armstrong** welcomed their second child, Madison, born on March 12, 2013. Megan was recently promoted to chief operations officer for Saratoga's Community Federal Credit Union this year.

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Ryan Hungershafer '02 won Northwestern Mutual's FORUM national award for helping clients achieve financial security.

Matt Ungerer has some very exciting professional updates! He is currently one of the owners at T.A.C.S. -The Auto Collision Specialists in Glenmont, N.Y., along with his mother, Andrea, and two brothers, Kevin and Brian. T.A.C.S. has been a family owned and operated Auto Body & Collision Repair business since 1979 and has worked on over 20,000 vehicles. In June 2013 they were awarded 2nd place in the *Capital Region Living Magazine* "Best of Customer Service" for the region. Matt attributes the company's sense of community and the importance of taking care of others to his education at Siena.

Debra Smith, a certified public accountant, has been promoted to

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Anthony Accetta '05 was recently named a member of the Chairman's Council at First Investors by being one of the top 25 representatives in the company.

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Matt Restivo '07 completed his fourth New York City Marathon with a time of 3 hours and 31 minutes on November 3, 2013.

manager of Marvin and Company, P.C. in Queensbury, N.Y.

Christopher Mills wed Meghan Hafele on September 15, 2012 on Long Island, N.Y. In attendance were Siena alumni James Finn '03, **Paul Aiuto**, John Maloney '82, Mike Ranieri '03, Eric Pedersen '03 and Annie Burak Dotzler '03.

Please continue to send updates about what you're up to. And remember, our 10 year reunion is being planned for June 2014!

2005

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Greetings Class of 2005! It was so great to hear from many of you this issue, so keep the good news coming. **Laura Williams** graduated in April 2012 with a master's in clinical dietetics and nutrition from the University of Pittsburgh. She then passed the registration exam and became a registered dietitian! Needing a change of pace, she decided to move to Austin, Texas and was soon hired as a territory manager for Douglas Labs, a company that manufactures dietary supplements for healthcare practitioners. Congratulations, Laura!

Brendan Maloney and Mary Pavelchak '06 were married at Sacred Heart Church on May 17, 2013. Many Siena alumni were present to help Brendan and Mary start this exciting new chapter of their lives together.

Ryan Mark wed Erin Goodrich at Brown's Brewery Revolution Hall in Troy, N.Y. on October 26, 2013 surrounded by

many Siena friends and loved ones. The happy couple honeymooned in Aruba.

John Lee wed Danielle Vega '06 on August 10, 2012 at Tappan Hill Mansion in Tarrytown, N.Y.

Mike Hartigan wed Tara Belisle on November 10, 2012 at the Trump Soho in New York City.

In baby news, four of our fellow classmates recently welcomed little bundles of joy! **Margaret Ostendorf Trimarchi** and her husband, Mike, welcomed their son, Joseph David, on February 20, 2013.

Bridget Munn Kimball and her husband **Randy '03** welcomed their son, Braeden Mark Kimball, on March 17, 2013. The couple moved to Saratoga Springs in July.

Philip and Michelle Gariepy Cafaro welcomed their daughter, Taylor Elizabeth on May 19, 2013, in Niskayuna, N.Y.

Finally, **Courtney McHale Humphrey** and her husband, Dave, welcomed their daughter, Margaret Kathryn Humphrey, on June 15, 2013. Congratulations to all!

2006

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Hey, Class of 2006! I hope that this edition of Siena News finds you well. We are excited to welcome two Little Saints to our Siena family.

Nadia McGovern '04 and **William L. McGovern** celebrated their second wedding anniversary on May 20, 2013. They also welcomed their first child, Benjamin Lawrence, into their family on May 4, 2013.

Nicole Connelly Pickering and Andrew Pickering welcomed their first child, Kinsley Ann, into their family on August 23, 2013. Congratulations to the McGovern and Pickering families!

Neil Falkenhan and **Amy Christensen** were wed on June 7, 2013 at The Liberty House in Jersey City, N.J. In the wedding were **Kimberly Daleo**, **Danielle Vega Lee**, **Nicole Huguenot Hausmann**, **Katherine McNamara** and **Cathlyn Fagan Poppe**. Neil works in commercial insurance and Amy is a teacher. They live in East Hampton, N.Y.

2007

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Welcome back to our news section Class of 2007!

Samantha Tompkins has passed her NYS RN boards and is currently practicing at St. Peters Hospital in Albany, N.Y. in their medical cardiology and stroke unit.

Ryan Watroba was promoted to director of relocation and business development at Prime Companies.

Danielle (Schism) Conway, husband Tim, and big brother Lucas welcomed Madison Grace into their family August 17, 2013.

Brian Turner and **Jen Materazzo** tied the knot at St. Mary of the Angels Chapel at Siena on August 17, 2013. Congratulations to two wonderful people.

Michael Budz is having a great 2013! He married the love of his life, Courtney, and started a new job at Bose in June. He was married on September 13, 2013 at St. Anthony's Church in Cohasset, MA. They celebrated with friends and family at the Red Lion Inn in Cohasset. One of Mike's groomsmen was Siena alumni **Kyle Kolbe**. Mike and Courtney enjoyed a relaxing honeymoon in Antigua before returning to their home just outside of Boston in Norfolk, MA. Mike is currently working as a Demand Planning Analyst at Bose Corporation, while Courtney is a Special Education teacher at Walpole High School.

Julie Clancy planned The Emma Willard Mini Maker Faire which was the first Maker Faire for the Capital Region. The Faire featured local established and emerging

makers. The event was a family-friendly celebration featuring rockets and robots, DIY science and technology, farming and sustainability, alternative energy, bicycles, unique hand-made crafts, music, local food, educational workshops and installations. Way to be a trail-blazer, Julie!

Matt Restivo is a fast man! He completed his fourth NYC Marathon with a time of 3 hours and 31 minutes on November 3, 2013.

Please send along your updates to Jackie or myself for the next edition of the magazine. New jobs, weddings, babies, reunions, etc. are all welcomed! Hope to see you all at a few Siena games this season!

2008

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Hi Everyone! From the sound of it, everyone had a VERY busy summer. Our five-year reunion was a great success and we'd like to thank everyone for coming and being a part of the celebration. Less than five years now until our 10-year reunion, so MARK YOUR CALENDARS! We're thrilled to hear of all the great news from everyone. Please keep it coming!

To start, we heard from **Laura Sherin**, "I got engaged! My fiancé's name is Patrick Tucker. We both live in New York City, and are planning a wedding next August." We're thrilled for Laura and wish her all the best in wedding planning and her future!

Keeping with the engagement theme, **Kristen Hans** got engaged to James Curran '10 during this year's Rugby Alumni weekend festivities. They are both living and working in Albany as lawyers. We will all be waiting for what is sure to be a big multi-generational Siena wedding photo. Congrats, you two!

Marie Fuda Eastman sent us some news that was an oldie, but a goodie. In 2011 she got married to Christopher Eastman. In attendance were a great group of fellow Saints. Brett Mancini '07, **Kathleen McManus Mancini**, **Amanda Kurban**, **Alyssa Bombard**, **Eric Patton**, **Lauren Garbade '10**, **Lou Petraccione**, **Kaitlyn DiPalermo '11** and **Rosa Fuda '10**.

Dr. Jessica Winkler and **Dr. Alexander Riccio** were married at

the Siena College St. Mary of the Angels Chapel on November 17, 2012. They are both 2012 graduates of Albany Medical College and are currently second year surgical residents at Albany Medical Center.

In more wedding news, Siena basketball fans and my dear study abroad amiga, Natalie Cassala, got married to Michael Kosar on Sunday, October 13. They were married at St. John the Evangelist church in Schenectady, N.Y. and the reception was held at the Key Hall Room at Proctor's Theatre. Both are living and working as teachers in the Capital Region. Congratulations!

Laura Menges and her husband Mike welcomed their son, Luke Hylander, born on June 26, 2012. Congratulations to the Menges family!

In education news, Johnny Z has graduated from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine! **Dr. John Zampella** finished his Howard Hughes Medical Research Fellowship this past May and he is now doing his intern year on the Osler medical service at Johns Hopkins Hospital, followed by residency in dermatology at Johns Hopkins! We're excited that there's another Dr. Saint out there!

As the basketball season approaches, here's to hoping we see some familiar faces at the games and some winning numbers on the score board. Hope everyone is doing well and as always, Let's go Saints!

Maria Segala wed April London '09 in Williamstown, MA on June 30, 2012. They live in Boston, MA where Maria works in the Office of International Programs at Boston College and April works at MIT.

2009

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Michael Paulsen earned his juris doctor, magna cum laude, from Albany Law School and is now practicing law with Hinman Straub Advisors LLC as a member of the firm's health law and government relations department. Hinman Straub Advisors is the government affairs partner of Hinman Straub PC, an Albany law firm founded in 1932.

Catherine Cagino received her doctor of dental surgery degree, cum laude, from SUNY Buffalo School of Dental Medicine in May

2013. She is currently a resident at SUNY Buffalo in the advanced education in prosthodontics program where she is working towards a masters in oral sciences.

Vancardi Foster graduated from Quinnipiac University with a masters in arts of teaching program. He is the seventh and eighth grade Social Studies teacher at the Roosevelt School in Bridgeport, Conn.

Anthony Dinova is the director of the new national event The Sip. The organization provides a place and opportunity for like-minded, sophisticated patrons to gather and enjoy the rich food, wine, and other amenities local communities have to offer.

There is love in the air for the following couples. **Tom Scudder** and Lisa Murphy became engaged on June 8, 2013. **Kevin Sheldon** and **Lauren Rapsard** became engaged on June 30, 2013. **Celeste Sisson** and Jami Burnetter became engaged on July 24, 2013. **Mike Kilroy** and **Robin Marie Sansonetti** became engaged on August 16, 2013.

Congratulations to all the happy couples!

Christopher Bopp wed **Jacquelyne Ginnan** on July 20, 2013 at Siena College's St. Mary of the Angels Chapel with Friar Dennis Tamburello '75 performing the ceremony.

I hope you all are enjoying the winter weather!

2010

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Jessica Mushel is the new head coach for the softball program at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, N.Y. Congratulations!

Andrew Bullard of Queensbury, N.Y. joined Marvin and Company in 2011 and has been promoted to beginning in-charge in the audit department.

Kelly Peckholdt was hired as a part-time social studies teacher in the East Rockaway School District on Long Island for the 2013-2014 school year.

Michelle Sullivan completed her master's degree in second language learning from SUNY New Paltz and received a full-time job teaching French at Suffern High School in Suffern, N.Y.

Katie Leo and **Tim Jeffreys** wed in Rockport, Mass., in May and celebrated with family and friends

in Schenectady, N.Y. in July.

Brittney Wineinger completed an internship with Marvin and Company in 2009 and joined the audit department staff in 2012. She has been promoted to level 2 in the audit department.

Kristin Scheitinger and **Tom Polizzi** recently got engaged.

Kevin Flood started working as an associate website merchandiser at Saks Fifth Avenue in Manhattan in June.

2011

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Davia Litz started her third year of teaching in the fall as a math specialist at Blue Creek Elementary School in Latham, N.Y. She is finishing her master's degree in adolescence special education at the College of Saint Rose and will receive her masters in December.

Amanda Ricciardi graduated from Fordham University School of Social Services with a master's degree in social work in May 2012. She received her New York State Social Workers License (LMSW) and is currently working in drug and alcohol prevention at the Harrison Youth Council in Westchester County, N.Y. as a youth and family counselor.

Allison Collins is in her third year of teaching second grade in Manhattan. Her classroom is named Siena College Class of 2028, after her alma mater! She also graduated from Touro College with her masters in childhood and special education.

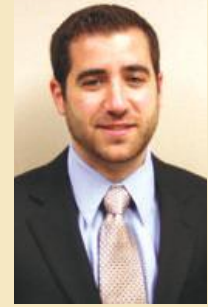
Thomas Gelok completed a summer professional experience in the office of University Housing at Georgia Southern University. He recently began a new position at the University of Buffalo as an assistant residence hall director.

Concetta D'Alessio also accepted a new position at the University at Buffalo as an assistant apartment complex director. Both will be graduating with their masters in higher education administration in May 2014.

Emily Godfrey married Matt Boucher, brother of **Kate Boucher** in August.

Grace Murphy got married on October 6, 2012 to a fellow Delta

NEWSMAKER



Thomas Piraino '12 joined the audit department at Marvin and Company, P.C., one of the Capital Region's leading accounting, auditing, taxation and management consulting firms.

Sig she met at Spring Fling when she was a sophomore at Siena. He went to Indiana University.

Frank Freund is attending Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM) - Carolina Campus. He will graduate in 2017.

Brian Litz graduated from Union Graduate College June 2013 with his MBA in Health-care Management. He is now senior practice coordinator for the Divisions of Endocrinology, Rheumatology and Clinical Nutrition at Albany Medical Center.

Karen Casey graduated from Touro College with a master's degree in special education. She also got a new job at Comsewogue School District on Long Island as an ESL teacher in middle school.

2012

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Thomas Piraino joined the audit department at Marvin and Company, P.C., one of the Capital Region's leading accounting, auditing, taxation and management consulting firms.

Cristina Centeno is assistant coach for the women's basketball program at LeMoyne College in Syracuse, N.Y.

Felicia Brooks recently accepted a position as recruiting coordinator for Spottily in New York City. Congrats!

Terrance Logan accepted a position at Boston University as a graduate assistant and currently is enrolled at Suffolk University

where he is pursuing a master's degree in higher education.

Shineigh Wren is attending the Russell Sage College of Nursing program in Albany, N.Y.

Kayla O'Hare accepted a position as admissions representative at ITT Technical Institute

Colin Caldwell completed his master's degree at Siena and now works as a federal tax associate at KPMG.

Emily Pritchard accepted a position as budget specialist in NYS Division of the Budget in Albany, N.Y.

Sarah Weston accepted a position as audit associate at KPMG in Albany, N.Y.

Gregory Marcoux accepted a position as admissions counselor at American International College.

Marissa Hertzog relocated to the East Coast and now works as a business analyst at Nestle Nutrition.

Christina Derevanik accepted a position as assistant media planner for Target Cast.

Hayley Samela is working as editorial intern at Health and Fitness in London. Look for her articles!

Kristen Lange is a medical affairs associate editorial assistant at Hudson Medical Communications.

Bridget DeBardelaben was accepted at SUNY Albany and is currently pursuing her master's degree as well teaching at Greene Tech in Albany, N.Y.

Alberto Sepulveda accepted a position as an audit associate at KPMG this summer in Albany, N.Y.

Michael Onufrey accepted a position at KPMG and started early this year in New York City.

Marisa DeJulio completed her MBA from Saint Rose and accepted a position as merchandising coordinator at Imperial Distributors in Albany, N.Y.

Janet Monem works as a risk assurance associate at PWC in Albany, N.Y.

Emily Merritt is a graduate research assistant at Auburn University in Alabama, where she is getting her master's degree in wildlife science. Her thesis is on evaluating the efficacy of current Atlantic horseshoe crab population estimation methods.

Katherine Johnson accepted a position with PWC as an accountant and recently passed the fourth and final part of CPA exam. Congrats!

Greg Solazzo accepted a position

as an auditor with KPMG in Albany, N.Y.

A huge congrats to **Emily Isenberg**, **Maggie O'Donnell**, and **Rose Himmelmann** for graduating from Fordham with masters degrees in social work!

Steve Pietruniak accepted a full time position as an audit staff accountant at Danbible & McKee, LLP in Syracuse, New York.

Renee Solheim accepted a position as a digital project manager at TMP Worldwide.

Matthew Pappis is currently attending Sage Graduate School and was recently nominated to Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society. Congrats, Matt!

Joe Frumusa recently completed his master's degree in broadcast journalism from the Newhouse School at Syracuse University and has started working as a producer at News 12 in New York City.

Wishing everyone a wonderful winter and continued success through the season.

2013

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On a beautiful August day the Siena Class of 2013 reunited at the Saratoga Racetrack for a day of fun, laughter, and reminiscing of our time not so long ago spent on the campus we all know and love. Even though it has been a little over 100 days since we graduated, we are all experiencing the same sadness that we are not returning to Siena for classes. This event gave us an opportunity to help each other cope by sharing how Siena has paved the way for the next chapter of our lives. We may not have won big at the track money wise, but we won in a different way. We reignited the Class of 2013 spirit and were reminded how we can spread the love, knowledge, and kindness we experienced at Siena in all of our future endeavors.

Lisette Del Rosso Rayher joined the finance team at Fingerpaint, a marketing solution firm headquartered in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Lily Greci joined the LeMoyne College women's basketball staff as a graduate assistant.

Congrats!

In Memory

Siena College mourns the loss of the following members of our community:

Edward Noga '43

Rev. Abbott J. Hope '48

Dr. Anthony J. Sbara '48

Albert V. Papanian '49

Alfred E. Renzi Sr. '49

Frank De Frank '50

Richard J. Doran '50

Joseph V. Lاراia '50

Charles H. Miller Jr. '50

Carmen Isgro '51

Robert M. Skelly '51

George W. Hume '52

James Gordon Jalet '52

Glenn Thurber '57

Rev. Anthony Gulley '58

Paul R. Riley Jr. '58

Katherine Clark '59

Edward "Ned" J. Slattery '61

Dr. Theodore F. Comfort '62

Warren A. Wickware '62

Robert C. Cichy '64

Frederick P. Dodge '64

Brig. Gen. Henry J.
McFerran '66

David Bolduc '68

John B. Cummings '69

R. David McCarthy '70

David J. Misarko '71

Robert J. Anglum '74

Charles M. Dickson '74

Mary T. (Nash) McGinty '76

Arthur J. Baker '77

Cholette A. Jenks '82

Dawn Perry '95

William H. Milham '97

Gen. John W. Pauly H '98

weddings

In an effort to publish alumni wedding photos in a more timely manner and to allow alumni to share these photos via social media all future wedding photos will be published in our ezine and can be found at www.sienanewsmag.com under the Alumni Connection heading. The wedding announcements will continue to appear in the class notes sections. Cheers!

Update us!

Want to stay connected and well-informed about the goings-on at Siena? Make sure to update the Alumni Relations Office with your contact information! If you haven't already, send your current address, phone number and email to alumni@siena.edu today!

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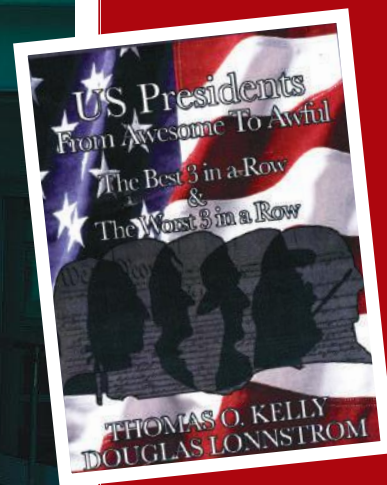


The Lonnstrom Legacy at Siena College began 70 years ago when a father brought his young son to the Washington Avenue Armory for Siena basketball games. 30 years later, his grown son joined the faculty of the College.

Over the span of four decades, Douglas Lonnstrom '66, Ph.D., has served as professor, Dean of the School of Business, founder of the Siena College Research Institute and author of several books, all bringing recognition to Siena College.

Thanks to The Lonnstrom Family Scholarship they have created, Doug and his wife, Cris, have ensured the Lonnstrom Legacy will continue in perpetuity. In addition to currently funding The Lonnstrom Family Scholarship, Doug and Cris have made several planned gifts, ensuring their scholarship to be one of the College's largest upon their deaths.

"Cris and I can think of no better way to show the love and appreciation we have for this special place than to create a legacy to provide a Siena College education," Doug said.



You can purchase the book with a \$29.95 check made payable to Siena College and sent to the Alumni Relations Office, 515 Loudon Road, Loudonville, NY 12211. Please specify that the check is for the book. The authors will donate \$9 for each purchase to Siena, making the book not only a good gift for a loved one, but a good gift for the College.

If you would like to learn more about creating your own legacy at Siena College, please contact Director of Gift Planning, Jack Sise '75, Esq., at 518-783-2315 or at jsise@siena.edu.

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