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The people of Massachusetts have, in some degree, appreciated the truth that the unexampled prosperity of the State... is attributable to the education... which all its people have received... Education then, beyond all other devices of human origin, is a great equalizer of the conditions of men—the balance wheel of the social machinery.

— Horace Mann, 1848

The passage above reads as if it could have been written by a modern-day political leader or university president. Its sentiments are egalitarian and democratic. In fact, it was written by Framingham State University founder Horace Mann in 1848 as part of his 12th annual report as Massachusetts Secretary of Education. The ideas and themes about which Mann wrote—and which were so essential to the founding of Framingham State 175 years ago—are no less important today. Education continues to be the “great equalizer” in our society, and an educated citizenry enhances the democratic process and economic health of the Commonwealth.

Mann’s vision for the public normal schools he established in 1839 aligns with the University’s Core Values today—Academic Excellence, Ethical Citizenship and Global Stewardship, Personal and Professional Growth, Public Purpose and Commitment, and Inclusive and Collaborative Community. These Core Values were established by the University community in 2011 to shape and guide our planning, evaluating and budgeting.

Though the Core Values were formalized only recently, inside this special anniversary issue of Framingham State Magazine, you will see examples of how the University has been living up to them throughout its history. From our distinction of being one of the first public colleges open to women and minorities during the 19th century to our professionalization of teaching through the awarding of bachelor and master of education degrees in the 20th century to our inclusion in the Princeton Review’s list of Green Colleges in the 21st century, Framingham State has sought to be the “balance wheel of the social machinery” for the past 175 years.

The Framingham State of today is, of course, very different from the Normal School at Lexington, and there is every reason to believe that the Framingham State of 2189 will also be very different from our current proud college on the hill. Whatever programs students may study, and however FSU’s professors may teach those courses 175 years from now, I am confident that Framingham State will continue to be a “great equalizer,” preparing our students to be active citizens in our democracy and contributors to the Commonwealth’s economic vitality.

Best wishes,

Robert A. Martin, PhD
Interim President
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Framingham State University (FSU) opened its doors in 1839 as the Lexington Normal School, from the French *école normale*, or model school. The first public institution for the education of teachers in the United States, it was established under the direction of the great education reformist, Horace Mann, the first secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Education.

Over the years, the University has grown and changed in all ways imaginable. Yet, for all its innovation, certain fundamental qualities have remained steadfast. These are embodied in the University’s core values: 📚 Academic Excellence, ✨ Ethical Citizenship and Global Stewardship, 📈 Personal and Professional Growth, 🗯 Public Purpose and Commitment, and 🌱 Inclusive and Collaborative Community. Formally adopted by the campus community in 2011, these core values are firmly rooted in FSU’s history. A look back shows that each one can be traced over the course of 175 years.
We strive to inspire a culture informed by the joy and work of learning in which curiosity, discovery, innovation and excellence are the driving forces in everything we do.

**FIRST LADY**

The first woman supervisor of the Boston Public Schools

Educator, author and activist, Lucretia Crocker, Class of 1850, was a woman ahead of her time, pioneering the “discovery method” of teaching mathematics and the natural sciences. In 1876, she became the first woman supervisor of the Boston Public Schools, overseeing sweeping improvements in the teaching of science and helping to develop a new course in mineralogy. In 1880, Crocker was elected to the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a remarkable achievement for a woman at that time, and for someone who was not a scientist.

Her legacy lives on today: On campus, Crocker Hall is named in her honor; the Commonwealth of Massachusetts also supports science education teaching fellows through the Lucretia Crocker Foundation.

**ADVANCING DEGREES**

Framingham State introduces bachelor’s and master’s degrees in education

Robust, broad-based public education is essential to a well-functioning democracy. That revolutionary and distinctly American belief led to the Normal School’s founding in 1839. As American society matured and evolved, however, so did the expectations of teachers. Framingham Normal School responded in turn, gaining approval first in 1922 to grant Bachelor of Science in Education degrees, and later in 1961 (as Framingham State College) to award Master of Education degrees.

**NEW CENTURY, NEW NAME**

*Framingham State College becomes Framingham State University*

What’s in a name? When it comes to Framingham State, quite a lot. In fall 2010, Framingham State College acquired a new name—Framingham State University, a change reflecting its expanded offerings of majors, minors and degrees, as well as its evolution as a regional resource for affordable and accessible higher education. Beginning with three students in 1839, the University today has approximately 6,400 students enrolled in a variety of degree programs designed to not only meet their educational and career goals, but also benefit the economic and cultural life of the thriving MetroWest region and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

1839
*Normal School opens in Lexington with Cyrus Peirce as principal.*

1844
*Normal School moves to West Newton.*

1853
*Normal School moves to present site on Bare Hill in Framingham. The motto “Live to Truth” is inscribed in black and gold lettering in the new building.*
We seek to foster a culture of ethics, integrity and respect, and endeavor to advance global understanding, empathy and stewardship for people and the environment.

**SOUTH OF THE BORDER**

Alumnae help establish the first normal schools in Argentina

Even as a young institution, Framingham Normal School achieved fame. In 1883, Jennie Howard, Class of 1866, and Edith Howe, Class of 1867, organized a group of 23 women educators who traveled to Argentina to set up that country’s first normal schools. This was done at the request of Domingo Faustino Sarmiento, Argentina’s seventh constitutional president who was also an educator. The teachers were divided into small groups and deployed to different parts of the country; Howard and Howe assisted in the organization of the Girls Normal School of Corrientes. Their story is chronicled in *La maestra de la laguna* (The Teacher of the Lake) by Gloria Cásanás Vodanovic.

**LEADING TRADITION**

Leading practical instruction in the household arts

In 1914, Congress passed the Smith Lever Act, providing for more widespread instruction in agriculture and home economics. Helen Norris, a senior student in the Household Arts Department, was chosen to perform experiments in canning foods, the results of which were sent to Washington, D.C. After graduation, Norris went on to head the Girls Canning, Cooking and Sewing Clubs for the state. At Framingham State Normal School, she also helped to establish a summer canning school with courses such as “How to Harvest Vegetables for Table Use During the Summer” and “Canning Vegetables and Storing Them for Winter Use.”

**GOING GREEN**

*Princeton Review* Recognizes FSU as a Green College

On multiple occasions, FSU has been recognized as a Green College by the *Princeton Review*, including in 2013 and 2014. The University is one of just 22 schools in Massachusetts and 322 across the country recognized as Green Colleges by the publication, which compiles the list in partnership with the United States Green Building Council. Campus-wide eco-efforts have included increasing recycling, converting the power plant to natural gas, installing solar panels on the McCarthy Campus Center and the Athletic Building, and using energy-efficient lighting. Many of the University’s efforts to go green are hidden, such as the geothermal heating system and rainwater collection system underneath North Hall, which allows the facility to be 25 percent more efficient than state standards require for newly constructed buildings.

**1869**

First expansion of campus with construction of a boarding hall.

**1886**

Crocker Hall is built and named in honor of Lucretia Crocker.

**1889**

May Hall is completed and opened in time for the Semi-Centennial Celebration.
We aspire to create a nurturing culture where all thrive and are supported in their own paths toward lifelong growth and leadership in personal and professional ways.

CONTINUING THE CHALLENGE

A history teacher makes history

Among the University’s most notable graduates is Christa Corrigan McAuliffe, Class of 1970. A gifted teacher of history, McAuliffe was chosen as NASA’s first Teacher in Space in 1985. She died tragically in January 1986 when the Space Shuttle Challenger exploded just seconds into its flight.

Her pioneering spirit lives on at FSU today through the Christa McAuliffe Center, which offers dynamic science and math programs for students and teachers. Some are created to fulfill educational needs specific to Massachusetts; others are part of networks that impact hundreds of thousands of students and teachers across the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom. Her personal papers and memorabilia are also preserved in the Christa Corrigan McAuliffe Collection housed at the University’s Henry Whittemore Library.

1898
Boston Normal School of Cookery is transferred to the Framingham Normal School, and the Household Arts Department is established.

1914
The old dormitory, Normal Hall, burns down and construction begins on a new dormitory to be named for Cyrus Peirce.

1932
The Normal School name is changed to State Teachers College at Framingham. First issue of The Gatepost is published.

RACE & INCLUSION

Native Daughter

Annie Dawson becomes chief educator to the Arikara people

Recognized as a trailblazer in education, Framingham Normal School attracted likeminded aspiring teachers. One of those was Annie Dawson, a Native American and member of the Arikara people. An orphan on the Fort Berthold Reservation in the then Dakota Territory, she was determined to return home to work among her people. Following her graduation from Framingham Normal School, Dawson did just that: She served as field matron of the reservation for many years. Dawson lived to be 100 years of age.

Annie Dawson
CLASS OF 1889

From immigrant son to college president

Higher education innovator Dr. Paul LeBlanc, Class of 1980, is president of Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU). Under LeBlanc’s direction, SNHU has more than tripled in size to become the largest provider of online higher education in New England and one of the five largest in the country. In 2012, SNHU was #12 on Fast Company magazine’s “The World’s 50 Most Innovative Companies” list—the only university included. No one is perhaps more emblematic of the promise of an FSU education—or of the American Dream: LeBlanc immigrated to the United States as a child and was the first person in his extended family to attend college.

Dr. Paul LeBlanc
CLASS OF 1980

1986
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We strive to construct a community that is committed to public purpose, informed action and service.

1880s

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Framingham’s model classroom sets the standard

From its earliest days in Lexington, the Framingham Normal School’s program included a model classroom where future teachers could put their education into action. Nearly 50 years later, in 1888, the State Board of Education decided to make the practice uniform, decreeing all normal schools must provide a setting where would-be teachers could train. Once again, Framingham Normal School was far ahead of the game, with a full nine-grade practice school housed right on campus in May Hall.

1934
First May Day celebration.

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Division of Continuing Education is established.

1960
School officially receives title of State College at Framingham after Bachelor of Arts programs are added to the curriculum.

1961
D. Justin McCarthy is appointed president. Authorization is granted to award the Master of Education degree.

SERVING THE REGION— AND THE WORLD

Institutes take the University’s mission public

FSU has always taken its mission of public service seriously. This is embodied in thought-leading institutes that serve the region and the nation, including the MetroWest Economic Research Center (MERC) and the John C. Stalker Institute of Food and Nutrition (JSI). MERC collects and analyzes economic data in regions such as the MetroWest and the South Shore. This information has proven critical for regional and town planning as well as for the retention and recruitment of businesses. The JSI is the creative entity and force providing leadership to Massachusetts’ school and child nutrition professionals. Its forward-thinking continuing education programs promote the growth and development of the whole child.

HERO AMONG US

99-year-old alumna is still going strong

Kathleen Ryan Roberts, Class of 1937, has accomplished enough for two lifetimes. She spent 47 years as an educator, teaching in South Dartmouth and then in Raynham, where she now lives. In 1963, she published Secrets of Old Dartmouth, a book about that town’s history. President of the Massachusetts Teachers Association in the 1970s, she created the first Minority Affairs Committee and helped ensure that at least one National Education Association board seat was reserved for a minority member. Since retiring in 1984, Roberts has been active with several groups, including Raynham’s Council on Aging, Historical Society and Library Board.

In September 2013, the Boston Red Sox helped her celebrate her 99th birthday; and in December, the Boston Celtics recognized her as a “Hero Among Us.”

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CELEBRATING 175 YEARS

IN FEBRUARY, FSU KICKED OFF A SLATE OF EVENTS TO MARK ITS 175TH ANNIVERSARY AND ENGAGE STUDENTS, FACULTY AND ALUMNI, AS WELL AS THE BROADER COMMUNITY. EVENTS INCLUDE:

READ ALL ABOUT IT
History faculty Jon Huibregtse and Sarah Adelman, with help from Research Assistant Jasmine Bonaca '15, are republishing the official FSU history, Pioneers in Education. This second edition updates the 1989 book by the same name.

THEN AND NOW
The Whittemore Library will host two exhibits chronicling the University’s history: Then and Now, a photographic display of campus architecture through the years; and FSU Pioneers, highlighting the many graduates who have broken new ground in a variety of fields.

LISTENING AND LEARNING
Two visiting scholars will enlighten the campus community with their research. Canadian scholar Afua Cooper will speak on Mary Miles, the first African American woman to graduate from the Framingham Normal School who went on to become a major figure in Canadian education. Gloria Casañas Vodanovic will present a lecture on her book, La maestra de la laguna (The Teacher of the Lake), which tells the story of the pioneering women educators who founded the first normal schools in Argentina.

JUST FOR FUN
Reunion Weekend in June will feature faculty lectures highlighting FSU history. An Opening of the ‘Doors’ Reenactment will take place at the original Lexington School House on July 3rd, 175 years to the day that the Normal School opened. The highlight of our anniversary celebrations will be a gala scholarship fundraiser in October at the Massachusetts State House.

For a complete list of Anniversary celebrations, visit www.framingham.edu/175th-anniversary

OPENING DOORS
Breaking down barriers for women and minorities

Noted Canadian educator Mary Miles was Framingham State’s first African American student, graduating in 1843. She was followed by Chloe Lee, who enrolled at the Normal School in 1847 and lived with Horace and Mary Mann when no one would board her. Olivia Davidson was a member of the Class of 1881. Following graduation, she went to the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama—established as the “first normal school for colored teachers.” She served as Lady Principal and assistant to the founder, Booker T. Washington, whom she later married. Davidson taught mathematics and botany, using her extensive experience and training at the Normal School to help plan the curriculum and devise efficient methods for reaching students. Her Massachusetts connections proved particularly valuable in raising funds for the fledgling school.

ARTS & IDEAS
Engaging speakers who challenge our assumptions

Established in 1985, the Arts & Humanities Series brought a wide range of speakers and artistic performances to FSU’s campus. Known today as the Arts & Ideas Program, it boasts more than 50 annual lectures, performances, exhibits and other events that are free and open to the public. These offerings cover a wide range of issues: The highlight of the 2013-14 Arts & Ideas Program was the Movement and Migration Series, featuring talks on topics such as “Immigrant Dreams and American Realities” and “Prison Rights in an Age of Mass Incarceration.”
A Rising Star in Student Affairs

Scott Shea is a senior English major with a concentration in Film Studies and a minor in Diversity Studies. He is a peer mentor, an orientation leader and a member of the FSU Honors Program. Scott was recently awarded the Catch a Rising Star Scholarship given to student leaders who have made significant contributions to their campus, have demonstrated academic achievement and are interested in student affairs.

How have you been involved on campus since arriving at Framingham State?

FSU has many opportunities for students that other schools do not. So I’ve been lucky to get some really good experience here, take on different leadership roles and discover something I’m passionate about. I’ve been an orientation leader for three years and was the senior leader for the team this past year. I’ve also been a peer mentor for the First-Year Foundations Program for three years, an intern in the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership Development (SILD) for two years and an intern in the Campus Events office for one year. Currently, I also serve as the vice president of the Student Union Activities Board and as the social events coordinator for the Student Government Association. This past year, I also served on the Regional Conference Programming Committee for the National Association for Campus Activities’ Northeast Conference. This role was especially meaningful to me because it allowed me to represent FSU at the regional level.

Did you know entering college that you had a passion for student affairs?

When I arrived at Framingham State, I had no idea I would be involved at all. I was really focused on my schoolwork, and just wanted to succeed academically. But with the encouragement of a few friends, my eyes were opened to all the different activities and opportunities offered to students here at FSU outside of the classroom. I’ve been so lucky to have a lot of support from my peers. After taking on roles, I was continually supported by my supervisors, as well. It’s been great having so many people guide me along the way.

How did you end up attending the Student Affairs Leaders of Tomorrow (SALT) Conference?

I applied for SALT after I found out that Dean Stoops nominated me for the conference’s Catch a Rising Star Scholarship, which covers the cost of attending the conference. Rachel Lucking (SILD) and Lauren O’Donoghue (First-Year Programs) also wrote letters of support, as they oversaw my work with student clubs on campus and as an orientation leader. This conference is such a unique opportunity for those who wish to enter the field of student affairs because it brings together undergraduate students, graduate students and current professionals for a series of workshops and presentations. At the conference, I was able to network with lots of professionals and speak with representatives from graduate schools. It was a great experience.

What are your plans after graduation?

Right now, I am applying to graduate schools in the Northeast. After completing my Master’s degree, I would love to enter the field of student affairs professionally—working in student activities, orientation or multicultural affairs. Originally, I wanted to teach in a high school, but all the experiences I’ve had at FSU have changed my perspective. You don’t realize coming into college that higher education is a potential career path. I’m really grateful for all the opportunities that have been available to me here at FSU, and to all of those who have encouraged me to get involved in so many different ways.
Mentoring Teachers for Over 40 Years

Framingham State’s longtime elementary literacy specialist Dr. Diane Lowe still occupies the same office in Crocker Hall that she did when she arrived at the University in the fall of 1973. From her perch on the third floor overlooking Crocker Grove, she’s watched five different presidents (soon to be six) emerge from Dwight Hall on their way to various meetings over the years.

“This is a fabulous place to work,” says Dr. Lowe, who after 41 years still has no plans to retire. “It’s a really great community.”

Dr. Lowe has had a monumental impact during her time at FSU, which has included redesigning and coordinating the graduate program in Literacy and Language, launching and advising the FSU chapter of the International Reading Association (IRA) honor society, introducing portfolio assessment to the Education Department and serving on the committee that brought some of the earliest computer technology to the University. Along the way, she’s taught and mentored thousands of future teachers and administrators.

“It would be difficult to find an elementary school in Massachusetts that isn’t home to one of my former students,” says Dr. Lowe, who was FSU’s Distinguished Faculty Member of the Year in 2006.

In 1991, Dr. Lowe rebuilt a dormant graduate program in Literacy and Language that has since gone on to become a big success.

“It’s grown into a really strong graduate program that’s gone through three reviews and has always received commendations,” Dr. Lowe says. “I have wonderful faculty who come here to teach in the program.”

There have been many other successes for Dr. Lowe along the way. But she takes the most pride in the time she’s put in to mentor her current and former students. Those former students include winners of the Massachusetts’ Teacher of the Year Award and the Milken Educator Award, which provides $25,000 to the recipient. A recent winner of the award invited Dr. Lowe to join him at the state house for the ceremony.

“Mentoring students and helping them grow professionally is what we all like to do,” Dr. Lowe says. “We are fortunate to have excellent students who really want to become good teachers and work very hard to learn everything they can during their time here.”

While FSU has evolved from a small college to a comprehensive University over the past 40 years, one thing that has not changed during Dr. Lowe’s tenure is the excellent reputation of the Education Department.

“Teachers throughout the state are proud to say they graduated from Framingham State,” Dr. Lowe says. “I have principals and superintendents who call me because they need a teacher and want me to recommend a Framingham State graduate. I’m fortunate to be a member of the Education Department. We all have different strengths, different interests, and different ways of teaching, and we all work very hard to stay current with the latest research.”

During this spring’s commencement ceremony, you will find Dr. Lowe in a familiar spot—holding the FSU mace as she leads her colleagues in the procession. Fortunately for the University, it’s an honor she’s not quite ready to give up after all these years.
Honoring the Achievement
Winter Commencement 2014

570 Graduates Join the FSU Alumni Association

Students Celebrate Their Accomplishments

Students, faculty, family and friends gathered at Framingham State on February 8 to celebrate the 2014 Winter Commencement Ceremony. Undergraduate Commencement Speaker Dr. George Jarnis urged the graduates to embrace life’s opportunities, describing their new diplomas as passports “that will allow you to travel as far as your curiosity will take you.”

“Life is not a spectator sport,” Jarnis added. “Life is something that must be experienced.”

Dr. Jarnis is professor emeritus at FSU and previously served as chair of the University’s Political Science Department for 27 years. Dr. Daniel Levy, director of the Framingham Heart Study, served as the graduate commencement speaker, and urged the students to become lifelong learners.

“You must always strive for self-improvement,” Dr. Levy said. “Within a few years, you will need to master new skills.”

Interim President Robert A. Martin assured the graduates that, while they may feel bitter-sweet about leaving college, the best is yet to come. “I hope we’ve given you the tools to uncover your passions and achieve happiness and success,” Dr. Martin said. “You should leave here today excited about what lies ahead.”
570 Graduates Join the fsu Alumni Association

74 Latin honors students

269 master’s degrees conferred

301 bachelor’s degrees conferred

A ROUSING SPEECH
Commencement Speaker Dr. George Jarnis addresses the undergraduates

SHARING A LAUGH
Graduates had good reason to celebrate following the ceremony

A SPECIAL RECEPTION
The graduates grab a bite and catch up with faculty at a reception following the ceremony

74 Latin honors students
FSU Launches Entrepreneur Innovation Center

No one can accuse Biology major Rachael Cooper '13 of failing to make the most of her time at Framingham State. Cooper is a founding member of FSU’s Aspiring Health Professionals Club and graduated in January with minors in Neuroscience and Spanish. But her most significant achievement occurred last summer, when she traveled to Guatemala to conduct a professional research project that was approved and funded by the University.

“I learned not only scientific methods, but also what goes on behind the scenes of professional research,” Cooper says of her experience developing the research grant proposal. “It has been an invaluable experience.”

Cooper’s summer-long research focused on the prevalence of intestinal parasites and the effectiveness of an oral treatment. She worked with a nonprofit organization called Partners in Development, with whom she interned during the previous summer after learning that they were setting up a lab in Guatemala. Her results were presented at the University’s annual Biology Conference in December. Cooper plans to attend medical school after graduation and hopes to go into family medicine. She is also applying for a Fulbright award to perform more research. Cooper says that she has enjoyed her time at FSU.

“The idea is that students taking the courses will be able to connect with real entrepreneurs in the center.”

Framingham State University recently launched an exciting new Entrepreneur Innovation Center under the direction of Dr. Robert Krim, professor in the Department of Economics and Business Administration. The center provides students the opportunity to intern with local residents seeking to launch successful and innovative startup companies. Dr. Krim was the founder and director of a Boston-based research partnership that focused on the drivers of innovation in the Greater Boston region. He is currently seeking entrepreneurs from the area who have innovative startup ideas and would be interested in working out of the new center, which is located in the Maynard Building. The group of entrepreneurs may include current FSU students and alumni, but is also open to any residents of central MetroWest who have innovative startup ideas. Entrepreneurs will pay a small monthly fee for using the center on a regular basis.

“Students who don’t go to a larger school should never feel like they are at a disadvantage,” she says. “I’ve gotten so much out of this place and am nothing but grateful.”
Dr. F. Javier Cevallos Set to Become 16th President of FSU in July

Framingham State University is excited to announce that Dr. F. Javier Cevallos will become the 16th president of FSU starting in July. The Board of Trustees (BOT) voted unanimously to recommend Dr. Cevallos during a meeting in January, following a six-month presidential search process.

“The Board of Trustees was greatly impressed with the breadth of experience and depth of knowledge Dr. Cevallos demonstrated, as well as his enthusiasm and vision for the future of Framingham State,” said BOT Chairman Joe Burchill. “We have full confidence in his ability to lead the University moving forward.”

Dr. Cevallos is currently president of Kutztown University in Pennsylvania, but he has close ties to the region, having previously worked at UMass Amherst for many years.

“In many ways, this is like coming home for me,” Dr. Cevallos says. “I have spent so many years of my life in Massachusetts and still have many connections to the area.”

Dr. Cevallos says that Framingham State’s history and reputation attracted him to the position.

“Framingham State is the first public normal school in the nation, so that history and tradition are attractive to anyone in public higher education.”

Upon his return to UMass Amherst, Dr. Cevallos became chair of the Department of Spanish and Portuguese. Soon after, he was appointed vice chancellor for student affairs, a post he held until he became president of Kutztown University.

Since his arrival at Kutztown, enrollment has grown from 8,500 to 10,000 students, while the diversity of the student body has grown from 6 percent to 17 percent. He has also overseen significant changes in campus facilities.

Dr. Cevallos was one of three finalists chosen from an initial field of 84 applicants reviewed by a 13-member Presidential Search Committee made up of faculty, staff, students and administrators. He will take over for Interim President Robert A. Martin, who has held the post since former President Timothy J. Flanagan accepted the presidency at Illinois State University in August 2013.

Dr. Cevallos has been president of Kutztown University since 2002. He began his career in education in 1981 as an assistant professor of Spanish at the University of Maine in Orono. In 1984, he moved to the University of Massachusetts at Amherst (UMass Amherst), where he was promoted to associate professor in 1988 and to full professor in 1992. In 1994, he was asked to serve as faculty advisor to the provost. In 1996, he was selected as a fellow by the American Council on Education (ACE) and spent his fellowship at Wesleyan University, in Middletown, Connecticut.

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Helping others in another community, bonding with fellow students and creating lasting friendships are all goals that people hope to accomplish during their time at college. According to the organizers of the Alternative Spring Break (ASB) service learning program, these things can be accomplished during one incredible week.

During the Alternative Spring Break trip in March, students visited Central Oklahoma to work with Habitat for Humanity in restoring the homes damaged after tornadoes tore through the cities of Moore and Oklahoma City in May 2013.

Brandon Martinez, one of this year’s trip leaders, says that after seeing footage of the destruction caused by the tornadoes, the three leaders all knew that “we had to take ASB to Oklahoma and help with the rebuilding efforts.”

Alternative Spring Break has been growing in popularity at Framingham State since it launched during the 2008–09 academic year. Trip leader Amy Jones says that “each participant is required to pay $500 in dues in order to secure a spot on the trip.” The group also holds many fundraising events such as singing shows, which allow students to donate a meal on a specific day, and bake sales. According to Jones, the total cost of the trip is more than $28,000.

Angel Seto is the club coordinator at Framingham State’s Office of Student Involvement and Leadership Development and one of the advisors to ASB. She notes that during the first year of ASB students volunteered in nearby Holyoke, Massachusetts, but have since traveled to places such as Washington, D.C.; Joplin, Missouri; and Biloxi, Mississippi.
Dr. Susan Massad Conducts Workshops and Seminars at Al-Quds University

Framingham State University Professor of Food and Nutrition Dr. Susan Massad spent a month last fall teaching courses and assisting in curriculum development at Al-Quds University in Palestine.

“Our industrial food system and agricultural policy have left our food supply far less than healthy.”

Dr. Massad also used the trip, which was funded through a prestigious Fulbright Specialist Grant, to research the agricultural and food policy system in the Middle East and compare and contrast it to the system in the United States.

“Our industrial food system and agricultural policy have left our food supply far less than healthy,” Massad says. “Here, it’s inexpensive to eat junk and expensive to eat healthy. I’m going to research how this compares to countries in the Middle East.”

She visited the Center for Agricultural Services in Palestine and the Union of Agricultural Work Center as part of this research. Anan Fareed, president of the Research and Education Collaborative (RECA) with Al-Quds University in Jerusalem, was instrumental in helping Dr. Massad set up a cooperative work agreement with the School of Public Health.

Massad performed research for a possible future minor in Middle East Studies at FSU and worked on developing a collaboration agreement with Al-Quds University that may facilitate students there to enroll in FSU’s online master’s degree program in Food and Nutrition.

At a time of unprecedented inequality in the United States, FSU Professor of Sociology Ira Silver powerfully shows how giving enables people experiencing hard times to embark on a path toward success. He tells dramatic stories of personal transformation about charity offering second chances to individuals who want to move their lives forward, yet have dim prospects for doing so without outside assistance.

Giving Hope is for anyone who wants to help people in need but doesn’t have the time to learn about the charities that are worth supporting. This practical guide is for those who make relatively modest contributions and who want to know that their giving is having an impact. It identifies 75 nonprofits from coast to coast that efficiently use their donations to create access to housing, employment and educational opportunities.

Even small donations can significantly improve lives. Each of us has the power to help people in need to achieve successes that would be unimaginable were it not for the unsung work of so many nonprofits across the United States.

We often sigh when we hear news of America’s growing rich-poor gap, seeing personal vignettes of misfortune as tiny drops within a huge ocean of need. Giving Hope is an antidote to this pessimism. It offers tips about where to donate so that people can give gifts that keep on giving.
Dr. Vandana Singh Recognized for Evidence-Based Learning Proposal

Framingham State Physics Professor Vandana Singh is one of 13 professors from around the country to be recognized as a STIRS (Scientific Thinking and Integrative Reasoning Skills) Scholar for her case study proposal to explore the impact of drilling for oil and natural gas in the Arctic.

The STIRS Initiative is a program of the Association of American Colleges and Universities designed to improve the capacity of undergraduate students to use evidence to solve problems and make decisions. In February, Dr. Singh will join the other 12 STIRS Scholars at a conference in Portland, OR, where they will receive expert guidance on strategies for evidenced-based learning.

Dr. Singh says that oil and natural gas drilling is a good topic to explore, because it will enable students to consider economic, environmental and cultural impacts in the context of climate change. Her background is in theoretical particle physics, but she has been interested in climate change for many years.

“I teach about climate change in all my physics classes, but we only cover the science aspects of it,” she says. “I’d like to develop some new courses that could examine climate change in a broader way. The basic science is well established. But what makes it difficult to act on that knowledge are the economics, the politics and all these other factors.”

“Making informed decisions in the real world requires a multidisciplinary perspective and an acknowledgment of multiple worldviews.”

Dr. Singh says her ultimate goal is to have Framingham State start a Center for Climate Change Education, where programs could be developed for grade-school teachers and guest lecturers could come in to speak about the topic.

“This case study could be one small step toward that effort,” she says.

Conflicted Giant
American Foreign Policy 1945–2012

Professor Emeritus Joseph F. Harrington was recently invited to Washington, D.C., by the U.S. State Department to discuss his new two-volume work, Conflicted Giant: American Foreign Policy 1945–2012.

It presents the story of America’s ongoing struggle to follow John Winthrop’s 1630 moral mandate of America being like a “city upon a hill.” While still embracing that image, the United States finds itself in constant conflict with countries that do not share America’s values, forcing Washington to ignore its moral agenda.

Harrington joined the History Department of Framingham State in 1966, worked full time until 2003, and has continued teaching on a part-time basis ever since. His 48 years at Framingham State include a 10-year stint as chair of the History Department.

Conflicted Giant is available on Amazon.com and in Kindle format.
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It’s been my privilege to serve as Interim President at Framingham State University (FSU) this academic year, and it’s given me new appreciation for the people who work so hard to make FSU a special place to live and learn. That this is such an exciting time for the University is a credit to our committed and hardworking faculty and staff as well as to our talented student body.

More people are starting to take notice of all that Framingham State has to offer. Steadily rising applications and enrollment reflect increased public awareness of the value of an FSU degree and the quality of our academic programs. During the past few years, we’ve added new programs to respond to the needs of the Commonwealth. This includes a new Environmental Science Major, an interdisciplinary Criminology Program and Master’s degrees in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Education and Nursing, while new programs are in development in Global Studies, American Sign Language/English Interpretation and Professional Science Masters.

Our physical plant is well maintained, as we’ve capitalized on opportunities to improve our facilities. Each of our residence halls has been renovated in recent years, the dining commons
in the McCarthy Center was expanded last summer, and work is underway on a renovation and expansion of Hemenway Hall that is going to transform our growing science programs.

The University continues to be a conscientious steward of public funds. Through a combination of cost-cutting reviews, beneficial energy service contracts and effective advocacy in the legislature on behalf of public higher education, we are pleased that FSU was able to freeze tuition and fees for the current academic year at the 2012–13 level, providing much-needed relief for students and their families. Our tuition and fees rank among the lowest in the State University System, and we hope to keep costs flat again next year as we encourage the legislature to continue moving toward a 50-50 funding split.

None of this progress would be possible without the outstanding efforts of the University’s faculty, staff and administration, as well as the support of our alumni, business partners and friends. This collective effort enables us to look with confidence to our future and the next 175 years of this wonderful institution.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

ROBERT A. MARTIN | INTERIM PRESIDENT
Academic Development

Framingham State’s Academic Development goals in fiscal year 2013 centered on strengthening new student preparation, responding to labor market trends in academic program development, expanding STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) program enrollment and continuing to develop and retain outstanding faculty and staff.

New programs introduced include an interdisciplinary major in Global Studies, an MBA in Executive Health Care Management, a Theatre concentration and an American Sign Language (ASL) English Interpreting major. The Department of Computer Science also launched a full-time cooperative education program that sends students into the field to work and develop professional contacts.

A big focus has been on student services. The appointment of a new Dean of Graduate Studies has delivered better integration of “day” faculty with graduate programs, improved services for graduate students and provided more effective marketing of graduate program opportunities and recruitment of graduate students. In addition, a new Student Services Center in the McCarthy Center brings together all financial aid, student accounts and student records services in a single location.

The University posted historic increases in both internship and study-abroad participation. The Office of Grants and Sponsored Programs experienced a 20 percent increase in funding awarded over the previous year.

Enrollment

The University continues to experience record application numbers as more and more people recognize the value of an FSU education. Annual undergraduate application numbers grew from 4,108 in 2009 to 6,897 in 2013.

Framingham State enrolled 4,584 undergraduates and 1,845 graduates for fall 2013, for a total enrollment of 6,429. The University welcomed a strong incoming class in the fall, with a total of 1,222 new students (809 first-year students and 413 transfers). The average SAT score of enrolled first-year students is 1021, and the average high school GPA is 3.21. The student-to-faculty ratio is 16 to 1.

The University is aiming to add additional tenure-track faculty over the next four years to keep up with recent enrollment growth and to ensure small class sizes across all majors. The five undergraduate majors with the highest enrollment numbers are: Business, Psychology, Food and Nutrition, Communication Arts, and Fashion Design and Retailing.

Enrollment in STEM majors has risen to about 25 percent of all students who have declared a major. The STEM subjects are viewed as areas of great job potential in Massachusetts. Construction on an addition to Hemenway Hall that will provide students with access to 16 new state-of-the-art lab spaces is currently underway.
Alumni engagement and support are critical to the success of any University. The Office of Alumni Relations engages alumni by hosting events on campus and throughout the country. Events this past year included a Food and Nutrition Gala to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the John C. Stalker Institute of Food and Nutrition, trips to Cape Cod and Florida, and alumni gatherings at Red Sox and Bruins games. Other new events included a Boston Alumni Holiday Reception at the Emerald Lounge in December.

Total fundraising for fiscal year 2013 came in at nearly $2 million, bringing the Framingham State University Foundation, Inc., endowment to $8.2 million. These funds allowed the University to provide $400,000 in scholarship and work-study support to qualified and deserving students, an increase of $25,000 over the previous year. The office is gearing up for All-Alumni Commencement and Reunion Weekend 2014 in May, which will serve as a celebration of the University’s 175th Anniversary.

Athletics

The 2012–13 athletic seasons at Framingham State were among the most successful in the University’s history. Fall 2012 saw the football team continue to rewrite the record books on its way to a 10-2 record and first New England Football Conference Championship. The volleyball team finished the season as Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (MASCAC) champions, and both men’s and women’s soccer qualified for their conference tournaments. Winter and spring 2013 brought even more success as the baseball team finished with a strong 9-5 conference record and women’s basketball finished 14-12.

There are no signs of a slowdown this academic year, as the football team finished as champions once again, going undefeated in conference play and earning a second consecutive invite to the NCAA tournament. Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Tom Kelley ’76 was invited to coach the North squad in the Division III Senior Classic, and senior running back Melikke Van Alstyne finished his outstanding career with 6,145 rushing yards, placing him first on the all-time Division III New England rushing leaders list. The women’s soccer team finished 13-3-1 in the fall, earning the MASCAC regular season championship.

FSU athletes also excel in the classroom. A total of 101 student athletes were named to the MASCAC All-Academic team, up from 78 the previous year.
Community Engagement

Framingham State continues to expand the number of community events, lectures and performances it holds on campus. The 2013–14 Arts & Ideas Program included the Movement & Migration Series, featuring lectures from distinguished guests such as Junot Díaz, author of *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*, and Michele Wucker, president of the World Policy Institute. The theme of the President’s Distinguished Lecture Series is “Live to the Truth,” in recognition of the University’s motto and the 175th Anniversary. Speakers included Michael Mack, Damien Echols and Harry Markopolos.

Framingham State partnered again with Special Olympics Massachusetts to host the MetroWest School Day games. More than 70 FSU students volunteer at the event, which draws hundreds of special-needs athletes to campus. The University also facilitates community service opportunities for faculty, staff and students through its partnership with the United Way of Tri-County. These opportunities include “Days of Caring” and “Saturdays of Service” at non-profits throughout the region.

Last year, students in the Alternative Spring Break program visited Biloxi, Mississippi, where they assisted in ecosystem restoration in an area devastated by the 2010 British Petroleum oil spill. This spring, a group of students traveled to Central Oklahoma to work with Habitat for Humanity to restore homes damaged after tornadoes tore through the cities of Moore and Oklahoma City in May 2013.

Budget

Framingham State maintains a strong financial position, which allowed the University to freeze tuition and fees for the 2013–14 academic year, providing much-needed financial relief for students and families. Holding the line on tuition and fees will continue to be a top priority for the University moving forward.

Net State Support for fiscal year 2013 increased by $170,386. Total revenues for fiscal year 2013 increased $8.7 million, or 10.8 percent. The University has total assets of $137.4 million (an increase of $12.7 million or 10.2 percent over the prior fiscal year). The Framingham State University Foundation, Inc., had net assets of $8.2 million, an increase of $540,607 or 7 percent over the prior fiscal year.

Tuition and fees for students attending Framingham State University remain among the lowest of the comprehensive state universities, and comprehensive costs for tuition, fees, room and board remain significantly below the segment average.

Construction projects completed last year include a large addition to the dining commons in the McCarthy Center and renovations to the residence halls. Construction on a major renovation and addition to Hemenway Hall will be ongoing through 2016.
Revenues

Fundraising

Expenditures

Expenditures, by Function

Expenditures, by Category
1946
Shirley Blacher
Virginia Deconto
Cam Celluci Hilbert
Helen Hollingworth
Mabel McCarthy
Kathleen Byrne Newcomb
Earlene Oman
Mary Roberts

1947
Frances Bellantoni Condaxis
Catherine Dunn
Phyllis Elmer Gleason
Anna Maglio Grande
Edwina Howatt

1948
Estelle Abrams
Madeline Monahan Andrews
Florence Gilboy Borrelli
Audrey Huff Carpenter
Doris Nilson Cataldo
Marybeth McCann Christensen
Martha O’Brien Clark
Barbara Smith Condict
Marion Noonan Devlin
Ann O’Brien Finigan
Doris Granger
Jean Faulkner Lane
Virginia McCauley Scott
Vivian Lacroix Tighe
Jean Mahoney Vazza

1949
Margaret Sweeney Branagan
Millicent Jarvis Callahan
Rosemary Donahue Campbell
Jean Palmer Dyer
Irene Marotte Ferguson
Shirley Young Muir
Miriam Nichols
Charlotte Crosier Orrall
Agnes Sayers
Mary Sughrue
Louser Toller
Elizabeth Walsh
Marie Welch

1950
Virginia Colwell Anthony
Mary McGillicuddy Coyle
Anne Couming Grisanti
Elaine Hathaway
Ann O’Brien Healy
Adele Monahan
Mary Ellen Whearty Mullins
Marjorie Fisk Scudder
Carolyn Stoffelen
Maria Timmerman

1951
Anne Bergman Anderson
Leona Smith Briggs
Nancy Carroll
Mary Ann Collins
Adelaide Sweeney Durkin
Nancy Boyle Ferone
Janet Montgomery
Dorothy Nathan
Frances Nelson
Katherine O’Connell

1946
Alayne Retherford
Nancy Ryan
Margaret Tracy Tuttle
Ann Flaherty Whelan
Muriel Butler Yager

1952
Marjorie Brown
Grace Norton Carney
Jane Cummings
Eleanor Desautels
Catherine Dewsnip
Kathryn Lavin Ferri
Paola King Gaynor
Beverly Richardson Lowe
Jeanne Nash
Betty Stephens Pafenbach
Ruth Rabalais
Josiephine Kennedy Repko
Janet Copeland Winternitz

1953
Pauline Ashness Gallagher
Ann Roach Hathaway
Alice Keefe
Barbara Kelley
Phyllis Quinn McDonald
Anne Quinlan
Mary Young Sioras
Arlene Travis

1954
Sandra Dallaire Bue
Virginia Cancroft
Marjorie O’Neill Conway
Anne Downey
Ellen O’Hare Frank
Mary Gallagher
Marjorie Moran McKay
Ann Quirk
Adriane Silver
Anne McGratty Slater
Ida Toto
Daurice Trachtenberg

1955
Myrtle Cronan Cournoyer
Emily Sprague Eisenhaure
Ann Frazier
Nancy McAvoy Oates
Maureen Doran Phipps
Joan Roach Hathaway
Theresa O’Hara
Emilie Devitt Our
Elinore Dreher Pasquill
Anne Paulsen
Leona Poirier
Gertrude Reen
Elizabeth Slezczkowski

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Mary Ruth Mellody Alves
Joecelyn Kinney Baylou
Anne Clancy Botsch
Marilyn Daly Breslin
Carol Brandi Cavanaugh
Elinor Healy Dare
Maureen O’Brien Fessenden
Ruth Zebal Finan
Helen Burns Finn
Patricia O’Neil Garrity
Priscilla Erat Goldner
Maureen McDonough Healey
Judith Schneider Kahn
Shirley H. Kangas
Elizabeth Hilliard Mack
Joan McDade
Cecelia McManus
Maureen Orr
Ida Papalia
Priscilla Freeman Roestrom
Patricia Atkinson Sullivan
Jane Wolfe Thomas
Diane Bernier Whitehouse
Rita Lynch Wood

1957
Gloria Aspesi
Arletta Curtin
Carol Cushing
Anne Lawlor Dinapoli
Marjorie Mahoney
Ann Tewhan McAlear
Mary Callahan McLaughlin
Elizabeth Harris Mullins
Jacqueline Quinn
Mary Reid Richmond
Carolyn Kay Wloedyka

1958
Marylyn Nelson Anderson
Jean Richardson Cade
Joan Barrett Callahan
Joanne O’Neill Collins
Joan Doull Craig
Virginia Compisi Casack
Elizabeth Johnson DeCourcey
Susan Henriquez Erdman
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Joan Lafford McCann
Rosemary Morrow
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1960
Rhoda Crooks Berube
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Patricia Bassing Burke
Judith Brownell Collatz
Janet Miller Doe
Kathleen Eldredge
Dorie Goodlatte Walmsley
Mary Moynihan Griffin
Elinee Hean
Julie Heron Cooney
Phyllis Horsefield
Susanne Black Locklin
Barbara Shaw Mulleit
Shirley Secord Powell
Mary Prince
Karyl Silva
Judith Winer

1961
Erika Fickeisen Barnet
Joyce Morrissey Donohue
Catherine Reardon Drew
Diane Centracchio Ferragamo
Norma MacLeod Hagstrom
Olive MacDonald Johnston
Carol Larkin
Nancy Mazzei
Kathleen Mello
Joan Murtough
Nancy Rappa
Marguerite Ryder
Martha Garrahnan Scott
Janet DeRonde Wierzbiicki

1962
Beatrice Morris Biello
Lucille Brathwaite
Marie Kramer Dooling
Pauline Fahlby
Margaret McIntyre King
Barbara Sandberg Levy
Grace Looney
Pauline Lower
Misy Margolis
Susanne McIvor
Jean Goranson Muncy
Judith Moore O’Donnell
Elizabeth O’Grady
Jane Quilty
Crystal Ribich
Carole Conley Simonds
Margaret Frame Smith
Joan Deery Tammelleo

1963
Susan Farley Acton
Deborah Lyttle Barter
Janice Dutra Clark
Nancy Bryniarski Hooper
Jean Johnson
Janice Kiley
Alice Lyons McCarthy
Diane McGuire
Elizabeth Berggren Moore
Joanne Salato Moore
Marylin Lally Nalbandian
Rosemary Rydant Polcari
Diana Pulso Psilopoulos
Nancy Spinale

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Estate of Lillian Buckley ’62
Estate of Hazel Budy
Estate of Alice G. Dabrowski ’43
Estate of Carol A. Gates
Estate of Anita Goldner
Estate of Edith (Davenport) Griswold ’61
Estate of Louise Guild ’34
Estate of M. Lucile Hanna
Estate of Ursula Patterson ’40
Estate of Mary F. Thompson ’55
Estate of Barbara E. Tucker ’58
Linnea Anderson Trust
Louisa A. Nicholass Trust

Undergraduate Alumni
By Class Year

1939
Mary Morrill Gillens
Leah Robinson

1941
Agnes Garoian Davigan
Elizabeth Totilas Davis
Anne MacIntyre
Maude Payne
Virginia Tangent
Charlotte Tarbox
Audrey Welling

1942
Ruth Rothberg Erno
Mary Taylor Hardy
Eileen O’Connell

1943
Mary Decourcey Doherty
Marie Plunkett Galetta
Louise Russo Hauser
Marjorie Kummer
Dr. Mary L. O’Connor

1944
Jacqueline Bush
Catherine Haggerty
Marion Lowe Harkness
Kathleen Walsh McGuire
Frances McMahon

1945
Claire Fitzpatrick Bagale
Marie Chaisson Czarnetski
Phyllis Hamilton Frechette
Arleen Martin Gray
Alice Dowling Griffin
Margaret Harper
Madeleine Moran Mayseck
Rose Mary Hoye McCarthy
Dorothy Murphy

1939
Dorothy Nathan
Janet Montgomery
Adelaide Sweeney Durkin
Nancy Boyle Ferone
Janet Montgomery
Dorothy Nathan
Frances Nelson
Katherine O’Connell
HONOR ROLL

1964
Janice Cetrone Belise
Pamela Cornell Buchek
Elizabeth Clark
Alice Gris
Lorraine Schwartz Jenkins
Doris Knechtel
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2014 Alumni Achievement Awards

Framingham State University is pleased to recognize the 2014 Alumni Achievement Award winners, who will be honored during All-Alumni Reunion & Commencement Weekend, May 16–18, 2014.

Dr. Susanne Conley ’90
DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD
Susanne is Vice President of Enrollment and Student Development at Framingham State. She took over as vice president shortly after earning her doctorate in Higher Education Administration from UMass Boston in 2007 and has overseen significant undergraduate enrollment growth during her tenure. Susanne volunteers her time to several non-profit boards, including the United Way of Tri-County and Leadership MetroWest.

Margaret Guardiani ’77
LEADERSHIP & SERVICE AWARD
Few alumni remain as active and committed to their alma mater as Margaret. She has served in a volunteer capacity on FSU’s Foundation Board, Alumni Association and Athletic Hall of Fame Committee. In addition, she has also volunteered her time and expertise to the Citizens’ Scholarship Foundation of Marlborough, the Boys & Girls Club, the United Way and Dana-Farber.

Elizabeth Totaro Clarke ’64
ALUMNI EDUCATOR AWARD
Elizabeth is an innovative and dedicated teacher and administrator from Central Massachusetts. She developed and taught a special needs program at St. Bridget’s School in Framingham. She also developed the curriculum for St. Bridget’s first all-day kindergarten course in 1987. From 1988 to 1994, she was principal at St. Mary of the Hills School in Milton. She then became principal at Greenlodge School in Dedham from 1994 until 2008.

Martha Turner ’64
ALUMNI EDUCATOR AWARD
Martha taught special education at Quincy High School for many years. After receiving certification in mediation from UMass, she became a crisis intervention trainer, while continuing to teach full time. After retiring from teaching, Martha was hired to run the mediation program at Quincy High School, and she volunteered in the court system. Her mediation program received recognition from the Attorney General’s Office.

Brian Boruta ’07
YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD
After graduating from Framingham State in 2007, Brian founded Theater906, a community theater organization that later helped organize a nationally juried one-week theater festival at FSU. He currently is the Director of Performing Arts at The Umbrella Center for the Arts and is a staff writer for My Entertainment World. Brian holds a Master of Fine Arts from Goddard College, and has performed professionally in New York City, Seattle, Providence and Boston.

Kendra Sampson ’13
YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD
Kendra Sampson is a Youth and Group Engagement Coordinator at Habitat for Humanity. Kendra discovered her passion for service work during an Alternative Spring Break trip her sophomore year at FSU. After graduation, she worked as FSU’s Service and Civic Engagement Coordinator and co-taught a course on Community Activism with Dr. Ira Silver.
Another great turnout for the annual alumni hockey game.

The Office of Alumni Relations hosted one of its biggest and best homecoming weekends ever in 2013! Highlights included a Comedy Night with Dave Coulier, who is best known as “Uncle Joey” from ABC’s Full House. Several athletic teams were in action, including the FSU football team, which pounced rival Fitchburg State 42-21. Other highlights included an alumni reception featuring a musical performance from Robert Brown ’07 and a performance from Comedy Mind Reader Eric Dittelman.

If you weren’t able to make it in 2013, we strongly recommend you get in on the fun next homecoming, on September 27, 2014!

Additional information will be available soon at www.framingham.edu/alumni.
All-star athlete and all-American student Kayla Austin ’14 has seen her fair share of accolades for her work on the field as the midfielder for the FSU women’s soccer team, but it’s her performance in the classroom that’s earning her national attention.

Austin was recently named to the Capital One Academic All-America Second Team. A Criminology major, with minors in Sociology and Diversity Studies, Austin has posted a near-perfect GPA during her time at FSU. She also happens to be the reigning Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (MASCAC) Player of the Year.

“It’s really flattering to get MASCAC Player of the Year, but the Capital One honor was more special, because it shows I’m a good student as well as a good athlete,” Austin says. “Having that balance is important to me.”

Austin, who transferred to FSU after her freshman year, was named to the All-MASCAC Team each of her three seasons as a Ram. She was among the nation’s leaders in assists this fall, recording 14 to go along with 14 goals, while leading the Rams to a 13-3-1 record. The team finished as the MASCAC regular season champions for the first time since 2003.

“This spring, Austin is interning with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, getting hands-on experience in investigative work. Her goal is to become a special agent or criminal investigator.

“It was a great season and a perfect way to close out my time here,” says Austin, who played a role in nearly half the team’s goals. “This was definitely my favorite year. We were a close-knit group and had great team chemistry.”

“My dad is a police officer, and I’ve been interested in law enforcement since I was little,” she says. “I’m really excited about the internship. It’s a great way to get my foot in the door.”
Van Alstyne Finishes Career as New England’s Best Division III Running Back

Star running back Melikke Van Alstyne wrapped up his illustrious football career at Framingham State this fall by rushing for 1,620 yards and earning All-America honors for the second time.

Van Alstyne finished with 6,145 career rushing yards on 1,131 carries, placing him first in both categories on the all-time Division III New England rushing list. His 408 career points are fourth on the all-time list. A native of Salem, Massachusetts, he played a huge role in the football program’s renaissance over the past half-decade.

The team is a combined 35-10 since 2010, finishing as MASCAC (Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference) champions four years in a row and earning the first two NCAA Tournament invitations in school history.

The Rams finished this past season with a 9-2 record, including a perfect 8-0 record in the conference. For the second straight year, the team suffered a heartbreaking loss in the NCAA Tournament, this time falling to Ithaca College 20-17. Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Tom Kelley ’76 is expected to field a strong team again next fall.

Alycia Rackliffe Wins Volleyball and Basketball Rookie of the Year Honors

Framingham State’s Women’s Volleyball team has become a perennial challenger for the Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (MASCAC) title thanks to a steady stream of young talent recruited by Head Coach Richard Casali.

For the third consecutive year, MASCAC Rookie of the Year Honors went to a member of the Rams, as freshman Alycia Rackliffe took home the award following a season in which she was selected as the Rookie of the Week six times and as the Player of the Week three times. Rackliffe, who also won the basketball Rookie of the Year award, racked up 353 kills on the year as the team finished 26-8.

The Rookie of the Year honors went to Danielle Girard the previous year and to Ashley Nee the year before that. This past season, the team was led by senior Andressa Fernandes, who finishes her career as a four-time member of the All-Conference Team and as a two-time MASCAC Player of the Year.
Kim Devane ’02 Launches Consulting Firm from her Home

In 2007, local entrepreneur and Framingham State alumna Kim Devane ’02 launched a successful consulting firm, while staying at home to raise her family. Devane is the founder and managing director of Entrust Research & Recruiting LLC, which conducts customer satisfaction surveys and recruits participants for usability studies for a wide range of clients, including Staples, Bose, Pearson, Nokia, Philips and BJ’s Wholesale Club. She started the company from her home after giving birth to her first daughter.

“I recruit and place people for paid research studies,” says Devane, who studied Communications and Psychology at FSU. “I have to qualify and interview them over the phone. I was really drawn to this, because it’s something you can do on your own time. When my daughter was first born, I’d work about four hours a day, mostly when she was napping.”

Devane, who recently gave birth to a second child, drew on her prior experience working for an IT recruiting staff firm, and as a usability coordinator for Staples, in order to start her company. Her experience at Staples was critical, as the company became one of her first clients. Today, she has more than 50 clients and about a dozen contractors who work for her, including several other stay-at-home moms.

To learn more about Devane’s company, visit entrustr.com.

ALUMNI BY YEAR

‘37 Kathleen Ryan Roberts was honored as the Most Valuable Educator by the Red Sox at Fenway Park in September, just one week after her 99th birthday. In December, Kathleen was honored by the Boston Celtics as a “Hero Among Us” for her work with the Massachusetts Teachers Association.

‘69 Michael Desilets ’69, and his wife Sue Kroll, are pictured on the red carpet before attending the 86th Academy Awards at the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood on March 2, 2014. Ms. Kroll is President of Worldwide Marketing and International Distribution for Warner Bros.

‘73 Charles E. Gobron G ’73, superintendent of Northboro-Southboro Public Schools, announced his retirement. He has been the top administrator of the regional school district for seven years and has worked in education for 47 years.

‘76 Jaune Quick-To-See Smith was a featured speaker in November at the 2013 Portland Women in Art Lecture Series at Portland Community College in Oregon.

‘78 Dennis Alves was elected to the Framingham State University Alumni Association Board of Directors. He will serve as a director for a three-year term.

Juan Rodriguez was appointed as the new coordinator of the Post Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure Program at Framingham State University. He recently retired from his position as principal of the Fuller Middle School, and remains involved with the Association for Middle Level Education (AMLE). Juan also currently serves as a Director on the Framingham State University Alumni Association Board.

‘82 Donna M. Driscoll has been promoted to branch manager of Marlborough Savings Bank’s Sudbury branch.

George “Skip” Saideh, Jr., a long-time resident of Concord and financial advisor with Centinel Financial Group, LLC, was named a 2014 Five Star Wealth ManagerSM from an independent survey conducted by Five Star Professional for the third consecutive year. His selection was announced in the February 2014 issue of Boston magazine. Five Star Professional identifies Wealth Manager award candidates through firm nominations, peer nominations and industry qualifications.

IAFSA Celebrates 140 Years of Service with Alumni House Exhibit

Saturday, May 17, 2014
Alumni House, 42 Adams Road

With the help of FSU interns and alumni volunteers, the Independent Association of Framingham State Alumni (IAFSA) is assembling a 140th Anniversary Celebration Exhibit at Alumni House, which is located at 42 Adams Road in Framingham.

All are welcome to attend the official opening on Saturday morning, May 17th, of Alumni Weekend. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place during the IAFSA Annual Meeting.

The exhibit will incorporate student life and fashions, classroom experiences, sports, reunions, alumni achievements and alumni clubs. A retrospective fashion display, mementos and scrapbooks will carry you down Memory Lane. Student life collages will recall May Day, Stunt Night and pageants like Miss Framingham State.

The exhibit will be open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and other hours by appointment from May through October 2014.

For more information, visit AlumniHouse.org
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John F. Kennedy addressing the student body in 1946, when he was campaigning for Congress.
Alumna Helen Higgins Honored with Outstanding Educator Award

Framingham State alumna Helen Higgins ’75 was honored at the Massachusetts State House in December with an inaugural Outstanding Educator Award designed to recognize top teachers who graduated from teacher preparation programs within the State University System.

“These educators are among the very finest teachers we have in the state,” said Vincent Pedone, executive director of the Council of Presidents for the State University System. “These are the teachers who years, even decades later, students can recall as making a difference in their lives.”

Higgins has taught at the elementary level in Framingham Public Schools for 37 years, primarily in second grade. For the past 15 years, she has served as a mentor to Framingham State students by supervising Early Childhood and Elementary Education field-study student teachers. She has also visited the University to speak with Education students and share her experience and advice as they prepare to start the full-time student teaching practicum.

Higgins says that she had a wonderful experience at Framingham State and is honored to be able to give back to the University now by mentoring current students.

“The professors at Framingham State are what led me to fall in love with the school,” Higgins said. “All of them were wonderful and took the extra time to mentor and support students.”

She was joined at the ceremony by FSU Interim President Robert A. Martin, Education Department Chair Kelly Kolodny, Education Field Placement and Licensure Director Sandra Shaw, as well as family and friends.

“Helen is an outstanding teacher who has made a positive impact on thousands of students who have passed through her classroom during her career, which spans more than 35 years,” President Martin said. “She has also served as a mentor and role model to FSU students, whom she has supervised in her classroom.”

Commissioner of Higher Education Richard Freeland also attended the ceremony and said that outstanding teachers are critical to the state’s economic prosperity.

“We are a state that has one thing going for us and that is the education level of our population,” Freeland said. “That is our natural resource, and we need to cultivate that resource. Congratulations on being selected from such a large number of potential nominees, and thank you for choosing this wonderful and important profession.”
Felicia Pinto joined Luther College’s Center for Sustainable Communities in Decorah, IA, as a FoodCorps member. She will serve in this volunteer role for one year with the goal of improving the local food system and strengthening the local community. She also will work with local schools to educate kids about healthy food and where it comes from, including the development and maintenance of school gardens.

Andrew Nawn joined the Worcester Sharks’ front office team. He previously worked with the Sharks as an intern in various departments.

Jeff Ritter G ’13 was elected to the Framingham State University Alumni Association Board of Directors. He will serve as a director for a three-year term.

Barbara Lovett Van Buskirk ’30 — June 21, 2012
Bessie Feinstein Flashman ’31 — February 10, 2013
Thelma Edith Pond ’33 — January 16, 2014
Dorothy Goodwin Steinberg ’34 — January 31, 2003
Helen R. Dahill ’36 — August 17, 2013
Mary McCauley Callanan ’38 — March 15, 2012
Ruth I. Spauling Morey ’40 — October 12, 2013
Genevieve F. Douglas Muldoon ’40 — March 12, 2011
Helen E. Paul Tiedt ’41 — August 6, 2007
Irene F. Zurawinski ’41 — February 13, 2013
Jane Musgrave ’43 — September 3, 2013
Edna Banis Caan ’44 — October 5, 2012
Jean McCarty Foley ’44 — December 19, 2013
Mildred King McHugh ’44 — December 19, 2013
Jacqueline Conlin Durbin ’49 — October 13, 2013
Barbara Patrick Lalonde ’49 — September 29, 2006
Leah Clayman Goldman ’49 — September 13, 2013
Rosemary Alden Brita ’50 — January 24, 2014
Mary McDonough Mahoney ’50 — March 27, 2013
Beverly Savage ’51 — December 16, 2013
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Phyllis Copeland Wisenburn ’61 — August 14, 2013
Nancy Luczek ’62 — September 29, 2013
Jeremy “Mimi” Jackson Huffman ’63 — September 3, 2013
Joanne Tommasino Allen ’64 — January 26, 2014
Linda G. Swerling Kalp ’65 — January 24, 2009
June Wilke Edwards ’65 — September 24, 2013
Malcolm W. Nason G ’66 — August 31, 2012
Pearl Vania Olivia ’66 — October 10, 2013
Katherine Irwin Best G ’66 — January 11, 2014
Muriel Coyne McCloy ’73 — September 14, 2013
Diane Dawidczyk Blessing ’73 — January 22, 2014
Anne McQueeney Fay ’76 — November 24, 2013
Cynthia G. McIntosh ’80 — September 2, 2012
Gladys Ruth Guethlem ’81 — August 6, 2013
John J. Ginnetti III ’84 — November 18, 2013
Cynthia Jackson McCrum G ’89 — October 28, 2013
Maureen Holmes ’91 — December 18, 2013
Lawrence Fine G ’93 — January 28, 2014
Patricia A. Midura ’94 — January 17, 2014
Philip A. Casavant ’10 — November 26, 2013

Teresa Pagliuca ’91 joins AMC Four Thousand Footer Club

In October, Framingham State alumna Teresa Pagliuca ’91 reached the summit of Owl’s Head Mountain in Franconia, New Hampshire, completing a six-year effort to climb all 48 of the state’s 4,000-foot mountains. During that time, she became an Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) leader.

“AMC leaders are responsible for leading hikes ranging from local ones, such as the Blue Hills, to traverses crossing multiple mountain peaks, such as Pierce, Eisenhower and Washington,” she says.

Pagliuca says the incredible views and camaraderie with fellow hikers are what sparked her passion for hiking.

“What I love most about it is being outside, above the tree line and away from the hustle and bustle,” she says.

Pagliuca worked at Framingham State for more than 20 years in a variety of media-related roles, including manager of the Marion Scherner Leonhard Lab, where she taught multimedia courses.

By hiking all 48 mountains, Pagliuca became eligible to join the AMC’s Four Thousand Footer Club, which was established in 1957 to introduce hikers to some of the lesser-known sections of the White Mountains of New Hampshire.

Are you getting married or starting a new job? Do you have a new bundle of joy or did you publish your work? Share your news and photos with the University and fellow alumni. Each class note should include your full name and year of graduation from Framingham State.

Submit Your Notes

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Framingham State University was recently honored by the state with a Leading by Example (LBE) Award for its efforts to be a more environmentally responsible campus.

Massachusetts Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Secretary Richard Sullivan recognized Framingham State for significantly reducing energy use and greenhouse gas emissions and for increasing recycling, renewable energy sources and other clean energy and environmental quality initiatives.

“Governor Deval Patrick has set some of the most ambitious energy efficiency and renewable energy targets in the nation, and this year’s winners are leading the way to achieving those targets,” said Secretary Sullivan. “This year’s winners are implementing real cost-saving, emissions-reducing measures, and the Commonwealth is seeing the results.”

FSU received recognition for its comprehensive energy project that converted heating fuel from oil to natural gas, a project that is expected to reduce emissions by 30 percent and save the University $15 million over the 20-year life of the system. The University also installed two solar PV arrays on the campus center and athletic building, completed a LEED Gold-certified residence hall on campus and implemented a composting program.
A generous gift from Framingham State University Trustee Robert Richards ’83 and his wife Lisa has facilitated the creation of a new faculty mentoring program on campus for student athletes. “My connection to Framingham State athletics runs deep,” says Richards, who will step down from the Board of Trustees in July, following a decade of volunteer service to FSU. “I played on the football team for a short time and was a staff member of the program throughout my time at FSU. I have always felt that athletics is an integral component of the college experience. It brings people to campus that might otherwise not be here and creates a sense of pride and involvement within the University.”

The Richards Athletic Mentoring Program, or simply the RAM program, launched this fall, and pairs a faculty member with each athletic team. “The idea is to have designated faculty members who will develop relationships with the athletic teams and, more importantly, the student-athletes,” says Richards. “That way, if there is an academic issue that comes up, the student-athletes have a friendly face they can talk to.”

The program provides faculty members with a small stipend for the time they put in with student athletes and attending practices and games, and also some money for team-building activities such as pizza nights. The program has been a big success up to this point, according to Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Tom Kelley ’76. “It allows the athletes and faculty members to connect outside the classroom, which I think is important,” Kelley says. “The faculty member gets a chance to see our student athletes at practice and during games. I think it’s great.”

Richards says he has always had a strong affinity for FSU dating back to his days as a student. “I have a lot of fond memories and good friends from my time there,” says Richards, who was the first student trustee in the University’s history. “It’s a different place now than it was back then, but the evolution of the school has been very positive. The growth of its reputation as a welcoming campus with strong academic programs has created a real buzz among students, prospective students and families.”

Reflecting on his 10 years of service to the Board of Trustees, which is the maximum term a person can serve, Richards says he is most proud of the capital projects and new academic programs that have been introduced during that time through the hard work of the faculty and administrative staff. They have used creative methods to move the University forward despite difficult financial times in the Commonwealth.

“When people visit the campus to consider attending, they know of the academic reputation of the University, but I think they are really surprised by the campus and facilities that serve the students,” he says. “I think the renovation to Hemenway Hall and addition of the new science center is going to be the crown jewel of that work.”

Richards adds that “everyone on campus has contributed to the success of the University and should be very proud of the Framingham State that we know today.”

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UPCOMING EVENTS

All-Alumni Reunion & Commencement Weekend
MAY 16, 17 & 18, 2014
The Framingham State University Alumni Association is hosting several fun-filled events for you and your classmates on campus, including a special series of lectures connected to the University’s 175th Anniversary! It’s the perfect opportunity to catch up with old friends, make new ones and learn about some of the exciting changes taking place at your alma mater.

2014 Rams Booster Club Golf Tournament
MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2014 | 10 a.m.
Join us for 18 holes of championship golf in a scramble format at Highfields Golf & Country Club in Grafton, MA, in support of Framingham State University Athletics. A raffle, silent auction and awards dinner will round out the day.

Opening of the Doors Ceremony: 175th Anniversary
THURSDAY, JULY 3, 2014 | LEXINGTON, MA
Framingham State University will hold a special reenactment of the Opening of the Doors Ceremony at the original Lexington Normal School (now the Simon W. Robinson Masonic Lodge) in Lexington, MA. The event will take place 175 years to the day that America’s first public Normal School opened its doors.

Parents: If this issue of Framingham State Magazine is addressed to your son or daughter who now lives at a separate permanent address, please let us know. Call 508-626-4012 or email alumni@framingham.edu.

Alumni Events on Cape Cod
SUMMER 2014*
Join fellow FSU alumni and members of the Office of Alumni Relations for a number of activities on beautiful Cape Cod. Check the Alumni Events page online for additional details.

Tanglewood
SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2014
Join fellow alumni, family and friends at this acclaimed summer venue, featuring The Boston Pops Orchestra with Jason Alexander. Best known for his role as George Costanza in Seinfeld, Alexander is a Broadway veteran and Tony award winner.

Homecoming & Family Weekend
SEPTEMBER 26–27, 2014
Discover what Ram Pride is all about at the 2014 Framingham State University Homecoming and Family Weekend. Come cheer on the Rams and stop by the alumni tent for a free pre-game brunch and alumni gift.

*Check www.framingham.edu/alumni for exact dates and more information.

Purchasing tickets for certain events online at www.framingham.edu/alumni

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