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INVESTING IN
STUDENT SUCCESS

THE UNIVERSITY LAUNCHES ITS FIRST COMPREHENSIVE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

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Dear Alumni and Friends of FSU,

You hear a lot in the news today about the skyrocketing cost of attending college and the burden it can create for students and their families. In the face of declining state support during the past decade, I’m sorry to say that Framingham State University has not been immune to rising tuition and fees. We’ve worked hard to slow this trend by targeting efficiencies, reducing our energy costs and seeking additional resources through grants and sponsored programs. Even with these considerable efforts, however, more support is needed.

This past fall, the University officially announced a $12 million comprehensive fundraising campaign we’re calling “Investing in Student Success.” The purpose of this campaign—which is the largest in the history of the University—is to ensure that the promise of a college education remains attainable to every qualified student.

In this issue of Framingham State Magazine, you will read about the types of opportunities your support of the campaign can create for our students. Whether it’s helping fund a scholarship that enables Fashion Design major Corey Ortiz to achieve her dream of earning a degree, every dollar donated makes a meaningful difference in the lives of our students.

If you reflect fondly on your time at FSU and believe that it has played a role in your development and career success, I ask you to consider “Investing in Student Success” by donating to the Framingham State comprehensive campaign. No matter the size of your gift, your support makes a difference.

Best wishes,

F. Javier Cevallos, PhD

President
INVESTING IN STUDENT SUCCESS

IT’S BIG. IT’S BOLD. AND FOR THE FIRST TIME, IT’S HAPPENING AT FRAMINGHAM STATE. “IT” IS A COMPREHENSIVE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN—SO CALLED BECAUSE IT INCLUDES MORE THAN ONE PRIORITY—APPLY TITLED “INVESTING IN STUDENT SUCCESS.” WITH AN AMBITIOUS $12 MILLION GOAL, THE CAMPAIGN AIMS TO STRENGTHEN EVERY ASPECT OF THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE.

“FSU exists because of students,” explains President F. Javier Cevallos. “We want to ensure all of our brilliant, wonderful students have the opportunity to complete their college education so they can contribute to society. As a public institution, that is our responsibility to the region and the state.”

“State support has declined over the past decade,” notes Eric P. Gustafson, executive director of Development and Alumni Relations. “The challenge of affordability is ever-increasing. This campaign will give us the opportunity to transform the University while connecting with alumni and the community, and sustaining our mission.”
"Investing in students means helping people reach their goals. There are so many students at Framingham State who can benefit. Everyone here is trying to do well; some of us just need a little bit of extra help." 

I came to Framingham State because it was so strong in fashion design," says Ortiz, who lives in Worcester. "Financial aid helped me come back every year. I wouldn’t be here without it." He’s particularly grateful for the Joan Murtaugh Study Abroad Endowed Scholarship that allowed him to study abroad in Florence, Italy—one of the fashion world’s hubs. "That was an experience of a lifetime," he says. 

Ortiz says the best part about Framingham State is the classroom experience. "The classes are small, so you know everyone. And the faculty are really great—I feel like I have a connection with all of the professors in my major." 

Ortiz also has big plans for the future: He’s applying to “Project Runway,” the smash-hit reality television series for up-and-coming designers on the Lifetime network. “If I make it, it’s a full-time, three-month commitment,” he explains hopefully. And after that—who knows?

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A semester-plus into his Framingham State University experience, Leonard reports it’s so much more than he expected. “I love it here. Framingham State has a really friendly and accepting atmosphere. I’m really happy.”

When he initially enrolled, Leonard thought Framingham State would be a good fit because his career goal is to become a teacher. “I knew the education program was great, but I thought I’d enjoy myself more if I was involved on campus.” He’s done just that. Now an Elementary Education major, Leonard is president of the freshman class and a member of the Student Union Activities Board and the Education Club.

“When I was elected class president, I was invited to attend the University’s 175th gala at the State House;” he says, “When I got there, I remember just looking around and thinking, ‘This is such an amazing opportunity.’”

“Opportunity” is also how he sees FSU. “Framingham State provides students with everything they need to be successful—great majors, great professors and so many different ways to get involved.”

 Ashley De Souza ‘15

First-Generation Success

“Poor kids don’t go to college.” The statement, made by a family friend, stung Ashley De Souza when she was in high school. “My parents emigrated to Framingham from Brazil; I’m a first-generation American and the first in my family to go to college,” she says.

That offhand comment lit a fire in De Souza’s belly. She determined that she would push through, no matter what it took, and earn a college degree. Financial aid and scholarships made it possible for De Souza, an English major, to accomplish her goal. “Students like me wouldn’t be able to go to college without scholarships,” she says.

Scholarships also meant De Souza could get involved on campus, which she has. She serves on the editorial board of Onyx, the University’s literary magazine, and is an English as a Second Language (ESL) tutor at the Center for Academic Success and Advising (CASA). “I also interned as a blog writer at the Career Center,” she says. “That was a lot of fun.”

“TO GIVE SOMEONE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO TO COLLEGE—IT’S EVERYTHING. IT’S A CYCLE: YOU ARE INVESTING IN THEIR EDUCATION, AND THEY, IN TURN, WILL GIVE BACK TO SOCIETY. WHY WOULDN’T YOU DO THAT?”

“Going to Framingham State was the best decision I ever made,” she continues. “I’ve been challenged—a lot—and really grown as a person. Professors here are more than just teachers; they are also mentors.” Thanks to their encouragement, De Souza is now applying for master’s programs in creative writing; she hopes to forge a career in editing and publishing.

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“The University strives to be as sufficient as possible through strategic cost-cutting and by diversifying revenue streams. But these efforts can only go so far. To continue our mission of access to talented, capable students, we must increase private support.”

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Investing in Student Success is off to a strong start. "The campaign’s public launch was last October, and we’ve already surpassed the halfway mark, raising $6.7 million," says President Cevallos. "We are so grateful to alumni, faculty, staff and the community for this early success."

"So many alumni tell me, ‘I wouldn’t be where I am today without Framingham State,” adds Gustafson. “If everyone who feels this way makes a gift, this campaign will achieve its goal and secure our mission.”

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Jen and Josiah Curtis ’09
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY
This summer, Jen and Josiah Curtis, both Class of 2009, made a generous gift to support the Alumni Association Emergency Grant Fund, a new effort to provide grants to students experiencing financial crises that threaten to interrupt their education. “It could be that their car breaks down and they can’t get to classes, or they’re homeless and need help making a security deposit on an apartment,” explains Josiah, an associate at the law firm Fragomen Worldwide who serves on the Alumni Association Board.

“Joe and I both loved Framingham State and we have a lot to be thankful for,” adds Jen, a clinical research coordinator at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. “We want to help current students any way we can.”

“This was a great way for us to give to the campaign in a way that has an immediate impact,” Josiah concludes.

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Brandon Martinez ’16 is a junior Sociology major at Framingham State. He was elected by his peers to serve as the student trustee on the University’s Board of Trustees. Brandon is also a trip leader for Alternative Spring Break and an intern in the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership Development (SILD).

Brandon Martinez ’16

Q: WHAT MOTIVATED YOU TO ATTEND FRAMINGHAM STATE?
A: I’m from Framingham and grew up in the area. I didn’t really want to commute to school, but I came here because it was affordable. The first year was difficult because I didn’t feel very connected to the school commuting every day. Things changed when I got involved with Alternative Spring Break and went on the trip to Biloxi, MS, to assist with the continued recovery from hurricanes and the BP oil spill.

Q: WHAT HAS THE EXPERIENCE BEEN LIKE?
A: It’s been a pretty unique experience. It’s hard at first to know what you’re doing because you don’t have anyone to talk to about it who can relate, except for previous student trustees. I was pretty nervous during the first meeting, but I think by the second meeting I got better at updating the board about what’s going on. I’ve gotten a lot more comfortable talking to the president and the other members, and I’ve started to discuss some of the things I’m hoping to get accomplished. We’ve had discussions about having more staffing for some offices on campus, including SILD and CASA (Center for Academic Support and Advising). With our growing student population, there has been a lot more demand on those two offices, so I’m hoping we can get them some more support.

Q: WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO RUN FOR STUDENT TRUSTEE?
A: There were a couple of reasons. The first is that it’s a really good opportunity to represent the students. I feel like I’m able to do that well because I like to listen to everyone’s opinions and everyone’s views. I try not to let my personal judgment override the judgment of others. I also thought it would be a great learning opportunity to serve on my school’s Board of Trustees. I think it’s a pretty unique position that not a lot of other universities have. I’ve gotten to meet a lot of people across the campus because of it.

Q: WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT TEACHING AT FRAMINGHAM STATE?
A: Interacting with the students is one of the things I enjoy most at Framingham State. They are hilarious. I tell them I don’t need to watch television because I have them. They are regular people, and they allow you to be a regular person in the classroom. Another thing I really enjoy about being here is that I’m allowed and encouraged to pursue different interests I have. At many other places, I would be expected to just do literary research and get published in that area, as opposed to FSU, where they really value different kinds of research.

Q: WHAT OPPORTUNITIES HAVE YOU HAD TO ENGAGE WITH STUDENTS OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM?
A: I’ve had a great experience chaperoning various student trips. For many years now, I’ve chaperoned the SUIA (Student Union Activities Board) New York City bus trip, which is always a lot of fun. I’ve also been a chaperone for Alternative Spring Break, and recently I also led a study abroad trip to London. It’s great because most of our students have never been out of the country. Many can’t afford to do a full semester-long study abroad experience because of the time and cost, so these shorter trips are important. It can be a transformative experience for them.

Q: DO YOU SEE COLLEGE READINESS AS A MAJOR ISSUE MOVING FORWARD?
A: College readiness is a national problem, and I don’t think parents are given enough education about completion rates and how many remedial courses students require when they get to college. Most are very surprised to learn that 30 percent of college freshmen nationwide do not persist. I’ve been involved with an effort to redesign curriculum at the K-12 level to try to combat this problem. I’m also currently doing research that compares college readiness in the United States to college readiness in South Korea, which is one of the countries we are often compared to. I spent five weeks there in the summer of 2013 in a Korean Language Program, and I’ll be returning to the country for seven to eight months during my sabbatical in 2017 to continue that research.

Q: DISCUSS YOUR WORK WITH PARENTS AROUND THE TOPIC OF COLLEGE READINESS.
A: I’ve spent a lot of time on the parent piece of college readiness and what parents can do to help their children prepare for and succeed in college. I think about my own experience preparing for college, and the opportunities for grants and scholarships that were missed because my mother and I didn’t know about them. I’m always thinking about how much my mother wanted to help me, but she didn’t have the information she needed. I take part in orientation each year, providing information and answering questions from parents. I also hold an annual college-readiness program for parents to help inform them about what they can expect—not just during the application process, but how they can support their students once they are in college.
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Colin G. Owyang, Deputy Attorney General, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

FSU CELEBRATES WINTER COMMENCEMENT

Graduates, parents, faculty and friends dug out from a major blizzard in late January, just in time to celebrate two beautiful Winter Commencement Ceremonies at Framingham State University. A total of 523 degrees were conferred during separate ceremonies for undergraduate and graduate students in the Dwight Hall Performing Arts Center.

Dr. Robert Martin, former FSU interim president and vice president for academic affairs, served as the graduate commencement speaker in the morning ceremony. Martin urged the graduates to learn from failure rather than fear it.

“Progress in any field of endeavor is never linear—a smooth, straight path—but follows a crooked and bumpy road of false starts and misdirections, where the end of the journey is not always known until you get there…if you get there,” Martin said. “And, most of the time, fortunately, nature is forgiving of mistakes, so our survival is not jeopardized. Failure is as much a part of learning as is success.”

Undergraduate commencement speaker Colin G. Owyang, Deputy Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and a member of the FSU Board of Trustees, encouraged the graduates to stand for something and make their mark on the world.

“College graduation is a major milestone accomplishment in life, and you should revel in the sweetness of this hard-earned achievement,” he said. “This is your moment—so enjoy it.”

248 Master’s Degrees Conferred

275 Bachelor’s Degrees Conferred

14 Summa Cum Laude

16 Magna Cum Laude

45 Cum Laude

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Time Capsule and Proclamation

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION AND TIME CAPSULE SEALING
CONCLUDE 175TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS
BY JAMES DREHER, JR. '15

Framingham State’s 175th Anniversary Celebrations concluded last December with the sealing of a time capsule for the Class of 2064 and a Proclamation from President Barack Obama delivered by U.S. Representative Katherine Clark.

“We are celebrating 175 years of changing the world...a democracy without education cannot survive.”

Framingham State University was founded on the belief that every citizen should have access to an excellent education, regardless of race or economic status,” President Cevallos said. “We've come a very long way over the past 175 years, evolving into a comprehensive university, but providing access to educational opportunities remains as much a part of our mission today as it was back in 1839.”

Campaign Goes Public at 175th Anniversary State House Gala

A special 175th Anniversary Gala at the Massachusetts State House on Saturday, October 25, 2014, proved to be the ideal location for Framingham State University to renew its historic commitment to accessibility by officially announcing the $12 million comprehensive campaign.

"Over the last decade, private philanthropic support has become a crucial ingredient for keeping the promise of a college education attainable to every qualified student," FSU President F. Javier Cevallos said during the event. “That is why we are undertaking a major comprehensive campaign, which we’ve entitled “Investing in Student Success” as the large majority of dollars will go directly toward helping students gain access to a college education through financial aid and scholarships.”

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More than 130 people attended the gala, which was the signature event in FSU’s yearlong 175th anniversary celebrations. It was held at the Massachusetts State House in recognition of the passage of legislation in 1838 that led to the establishment of schools for the training of public school teachers. Framingham State, the first of those schools, opened its doors on July 3, 1839.

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FULL TEXT OF THE PROCLAMATION FROM PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA

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“Inclusive Excellence” at FSU

CHIEF DIVERSITY OFFICER SEAN HUDDLESTON AIMS FOR “INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE” AT FSU

Framingham State University is excited to announce the hiring of former Grand Valley State administrator Sean Huddleston as its chief diversity and inclusion officer (CDIO). Huddleston has over 20 years of hands-on experience in leading the strategic planning, implementation and assessment of successful initiatives that promote equity and social justice. Prior to coming to Framingham State, he served as the assistant vice president for strategic implementation at Grand Valley State, where he worked to develop strategies and initiatives for achieving “inclusive excellence,” a term coined by the Association of American Colleges & Universities (AAC&U).

“Basically, it means ensuring that the benefits of diversity, inclusion and equity are embedded in every aspect of the University,” Huddleston says. “I worked really closely with the deans and colleges at Grand Valley State to customize plans to accomplish this goal.”

Huddleston, who started at FSU in January, says he was attracted by the size of the University, which is considerably smaller than Grand Valley State.

“It’s an opportunity for me to do good work in a more concentrated format,” he says. “There is a sense of family here and a community of people who seem very interested in achieving inclusive excellence. President Cevallos really stood out as someone who has accomplished a lot in this area and values diversity and inclusion.”

Huddleston says he’s excited to meet members of the community and begin building on the work that has already been done to make FSU a more diverse and inclusive community. He says it starts with gathering data and establishing metrics so the University can measure its progress and set goals accordingly.

“I want to build a standard around inclusive excellence that lays out where we want to go,” he says. “I’m really looking forward to getting started.”

FSU’S ACADEMIC DEANS EXCITED FOR NEW CHALLENGE

Last fall, Framingham State transitioned to a structure of academic colleges, each headed up by a dean. The three colleges that debuted in fall 2014 are: Arts and Humanities; Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics; and Social and Behavioral Sciences. The University also plans to launch a College of Education this fall and a College of Business at some point down the road.

“It got to the point where we had outgrown our old academic structure,” says Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Linda Vaden-Goad. “This change puts us in line with the structure you see at most top universities.

An internal search for the inaugural deans of each college quickly revealed strong consensus around three longtime professors who had already been serving in leadership roles on campus.

Dr. Susan Dargan, former chair of the Sociology Department, will lead the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, and says she is excited about her new role.

“I think it’s a great opportunity to emphasize the academic mission of the University and work harder toward our goals of student success,” Dargan says. “It’s an exciting challenge.”

Dr. Margaret Carroll is a former chair of the Biology Department and sees her new role as an opportunity to shine the spotlight on the science programs at FSU.

“I feel like there are a lot of things we could be doing for the sciences to improve retention and raise the profile of our programs both on and off campus,” says Carroll. “We’ll be able to strategize among the departments about how we can get more students interested in the sciences.”

Marc Cote spent seven years as chair of the Art and Music Department and served with Dargan and Carroll on the Strategic Planning Committee before accepting the new deanship.

“The three of us had already started to build a good rapport with one another,” says Cote. “I do love teaching, and I had to think long and hard about it. But in the end, I felt like I could do good work for the disciplines.”

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Alumni Reunion Weekend June 5–7

Join us for Alumni Reunion Weekend in June at Framingham State University! An entire weekend of programs and activities has been lined up. This is the perfect opportunity to catch up with old friends and reconnect with your alma mater.

Highlights of the weekend include:

- **50th Reunion Society Reception**
  - Friday at 5 p.m.
- **Family Friendly Concert on the Green**
  - Friday at 7 p.m.
- **Camping Tours, Activities & Programs**
  - Saturday, 9 to 11 a.m.
- **Alumni General Assembly & Presentation of the Alumni Achievement Awards**
  - Saturday at 11:30 a.m.
- **Family-Style Reunion Dinner**
  - Saturday at 6 p.m.
- **Special Farewell Brunch**
  - Sunday at 10 a.m.

Call for Nominations

We are now accepting nominations for the 2016 Alumni Achievement Awards. Any person or group may nominate an alumnus for this recognition by contacting the Office of Development and Alumni Relations.

Register Today at [www.framingham.edu/alumni/events](http://www.framingham.edu/alumni/events)
This coming fall, there will be a number of Framingham State football players seeking to wrap up their careers with the team without ever having lost to a single conference opponent. Among them is starting safety Matt Mangano ’15, who came to FSU in 2012 following a year in the U.S. Army Reserve. “It’s been cool to play with some of the guys who have been here since the program first started to turn around,” says Mangano. “In 2012, when we made the NCAA tournament, we got so much recognition from alumni and the entire community. Now we expect to make the playoffs every year.”

Framingham State has dominated the Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (MASCAC) in recent years, having won every single conference game since falling to Worcester State late in 2011. Despite another perfect conference record in 2014, the Rams were passed over for a third consecutive trip to the NCAA Tournament, which left many observers scratching their heads, as the team appeared to be among the strongest during the tenure of Head Coach Tom Kelley ’76.

“We really felt we deserved to get in,” Mangano says. “We felt we were a lot better than the two teams from Massachusetts that made it.”

Mangano will just about wrap up his degree in Criminology this spring, but is returning to FSU for the fall semester for one last season with the football team. He’s loved his time at Framingham State and credits Kelley with recruiting him to the University. “Coach Kelley is not only a great coach, but an idol to me,” Mangano says. “He helps with everything. He’s like a father figure to all the players. Everyone respects him greatly.”

Mangano is considering signing up for active duty in the military after graduation or getting into local or federal law enforcement. He says the Criminology Program at FSU is excellent. “There are a ton of great professors, and all the classes are very interesting,” he says. “You look forward to going to class.”

FSU Partners with Team Impact

FSU Athletics recently began partnering with Team Impact, a program that matches courageous kids battling illness or disease with college athletic teams. The children gain strength, camaraderie and support being around the team, and the student athletes are taught lessons about courage, resiliency and life perspective. This past fall, the football team was paired with six-year-old Declan Cassidy, an amazing boy battling an inoperable brain tumor.

“The kids love a lot of their social contact because they’re missing school for health reasons,” FSU Football Coach and Athletic Director Tom Kelley ’76 says. “Our players really embraced having Declan around. He became a member of the team.”

During the team’s game against Bridgewater State on November 8, 2014, Declan joined Captains Matt Silva, Kevin Donahue and Matt Mangano for the opening coin toss. “He is now part of our team and we will be forever,” Mangano said during an interview with The Gatepost following the 33–10 victory.

FSU Partners with Team Impact

Learn more about Team Impact at WWW.GOTEAMIMPACT.ORG

Women’s Soccer

WINS ECAC CHAMPIONSHIP

Framingham State University’s women’s soccer team won the 2014 Eastern Conference Athletic Conference (ECAC) New England Division III Championship in penalty kicks over the University of New England in November. The two teams played to a 0–0 draw before FSU took the shootout 4–3. Earlier in the tournament, the 4th seeded Rams upset top seed Wheaton Lyons 2–0 in the semifinals. The team finished 14–7–1 on the season. Rams junior goalkeeper Sara Sullivan was named the tournament’s most outstanding player after stopping two attempts and netting her own attempt in penalty kicks of the championship game. Senior Brini Varetimos also enjoyed an outstanding tournament, netting three goals in the first two games.
MICHAEL DESILETS WAS FIRST MALE ENGLISH MAJOR AT FSU

Micheal Desilets ’69 admits to having felt a little uncomfortable when he started taking classes at Framingham State in the fall of 1964. That year, following 135 years of enrolling only women, FSU welcomed its first class of 13 men. It was quite a change for Desilets, who grew up in a household where he was the oldest of seven boys.

“I was the only male English major at Framingham State when I started,” says Desilets, a Framingham native who now is the new owner of the Millville school system in August. Desilets, who grew up in a household where he taught Film History for a few years at Framingham High School, before returning to Columbia to earn his doctorate in Communications.

Desilets’ younger brothers followed in his footsteps by attending Framingham State in the early 1970s and was interested in joining the faculty, but at that time the school didn’t offer the classes he was interested in teaching, including Film Studies and Creative Writing. So he took a teaching position at Rowan University in New Jersey, where he taught Film History for 20 years.

Four of Desilets’ younger brothers followed in his footsteps by attending Framingham State, and three—Lawrence ’71 (English), Gerard ’72 (History) and Thomas ’74 (English)—also earned bachelor’s degrees. Thomas Desilets passed away in 2012, who inspired the brothers to start a scholarship in his memory. The scholarship covers the salary for an FSU student to work at the Framingham History Center for a semester.

IT’S BEEN GREAT TO RECONNECT WITH THE UNIVERSITY. MY TIME THERE WAS AN IMPORTANT PART OF MY LIFE.

1960s

1970s
VINNY FERRARA ’70 has stepped down as a coach for Framingham Youth Baseball after 20 years.


CATHARINE T. ELLIOTT ’76 is now the director of the Asia Waters Mansion in Milbury, MA.

RICH NUGENT ’77, an amateur astronomer, hosted a program on satellites on January 10 at the Scituate Community House.

JUDY ZAIKEN ’78 joined UMASS as corporate vice president and research director for UMASS Secure Retirement Institute Research.

1980s
JAN WINSOR ’82, a Maine fiber artist, was the featured guest artist at The Fiber Center, during the Fryeburg Fair in Fryeburg, Maine.

LISA JOHNSON ’82 was appointed vice chancellor for enrollment management at UMASS Boston.

CATHERINE CONNELLY ’84 graduated from MIT with an Executive MBA in June 2014.

MICHAEL CHARNELEY ’85, a Lieutenant Colonel in the New York Army National Guard, took command of the 646th Aviation Support Battalion in October 2014.

ROBERT MALONE ’85 is the new owner of the Priscilla Beach Theatre in Plymouth, MA.

OF SPECIAL NOTE DOUG SCOTT ’88

DOUG SCOTT RECOGNIZED AS MASS STEM TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Framingham State alum DOUG SCOTT was honored as the Massachusetts STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Teacher of the Year in 2014 for his many accomplishments while teaching at Natick High School since 2003.

“Massachusetts has become a STEM leader, and I have had the opportunity to teach some terrific students and learn from amazing people in the STEM community,” Scott said upon receiving the award.

In Natick, Scott created a new STEM curriculum, developed an IT and robotics program, was the technology curriculum leader for three years, assisted a colleague in developing a “Greengineering” course and designed four STEM spaces within the school.

Last spring, Scott and his students participated in the White House Science Fair where they met President Barack Obama. The team built a robot that can help firefighters and rescue teams search for objects or bodies that have fallen through the ice into freezing waters. It was tested by Massachusetts firefighters and recognized by former Governor Deval Patrick and President Obama. The students have filed for a U.S. patent.

“AS TEACHERS, I THINK WE ALL TRY TO HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON OUR STUDENTS, AND THAT IS CERTAINLY WHAT I HAVE TRIED TO DO WITH STUDENTS OF ALL LEVELS AND ABILITY.”
[Organized by Decade]

**10s**

**Marc DiBonavita '10** married Amanda Sharpe on August 1, 2014 in Lee, NH.

**James Salesno '10** and Courtney Ellis are engaged to be married in March 2015 in Pelham, NH.

**Doug Ryan '10** was named new Hudson, MA Boys Basketball coach.

**Golnoosh (Goli) Ghasemi '10** was promoted to assistant vice president and manager of TD Bank in Ashland.

**Kristal Kenny '10** and Stephen Brown are engaged to be married in October 2015.

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**B. Joseph Morissette Jr.** "I received the Chippewa St. Patrick’s Day Parade Committee’s Jack Woods Award in March.

**Istla Landry '12** was named associate director of Outreach for Hadwira for Heroes, a 501c3 non-profit organization dedicated to providing resources and support to military men and women facing challenges and hardships after transitioning back to civilian life.

**Holly Bouder '13** and Ricki Galvis are engaged to be married in October 2015.

**Peter Bouche '13** was named new athletic director for Milford, MA Public Schools.

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**Mistress Carrie '94 Still Rocks on WAAF**

Mistress Carrie’s affiliation with legendary Boston radio station WAAF had already begun when she arrived at Framingham State in the early ’90s to pursue a bachelor’s degree in Communications Arts. “I had an unpaid internship for the morning show on WAAF, so I’d be up at 5:30 a.m. to be at the station from 5 to 10 a.m., and then I’d drive to Framingham to take classes all afternoon,” says Carrie. “When I got home, I worked at a bakery to make money to pay for my car, and I was also a DJ at the campus radio station. I ran myself into the ground during that time, but there were all these opportunities that I couldn’t afford to pass up.”

Her efforts paid off, as she landed a promotions gig at W AAF shortly after graduating from FSU in 1994. A few years later, Carrie was offered the opportunity to host her own show during the weekends, and she has never looked back. “I grew to love my presence on the Boston radio scene for nearly 20 years.”

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Despite the onset of an economic recession, Nicholas Lyman graduated from Framingham State in 2008 in the enviable position of having already landed a job at a Boston accounting firm, where he had interned the previous year. Lyman spent three years as an internal auditor before growing tired of the lifestyle. In 2011, his career took a dramatic turn when he landed a job as a water skier at the LEGOLAND Park that was opening in Winter Haven, Florida. “I’ve been water skiing at my parents’ vacation home since I was five years old,” says Lyman. “It’s always been a passion of mine. To be able to turn a living into an absolute dream come true for me!”

Lyman is part of a team that puts on exhibitions showcasing water skiers doing it every single day. The show involves costumes, storylines, music, pyrotechnics and just about any water-skiing trick you can imagine, including pyramids, free-style jumping and barefooting. “It’s a fantastic experience.”

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“By job consists of many duties, including show management, show quality, hiring, training, payroll, and other administrative duties,” says Lyman, who majored in Business Administration at FSU. “I still get to perform, while also managing the show day to day. It’s the only professional ski show in the world that runs year-round. That’s one of the great things about being in Florida.”

Last September, Lyman was selected to compete with Team USA at the World Ski Championship in Wisconsin, where the United States, China, Belgium, Australia and Canada competed. While not an official Olympic event, it represents the Olympic equivalent for the sport. “Each country puts together its best water skiers, and you put on the best show you can,” says Lyman. “It was a fantastic experience.”

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[Class Notes Submissions]

Mary Jane (Cotterley) Benscott '66
September 25, 2014

Arthur E. Cadotte Jr. ’70
January 18, 2015

Thomas A. Ence Jr. G71
September 13, 2014

Evelyn May (Silveira) Pursley G ’72
August 21, 2014

Leonor Munoz ’73
August 10, 2014

James (Powell) Balcom ’74
December 31, 2013

Kenneth J. Rose G74
July 23, 2014

Patricia (Cariglia) Polland ’75
July 18, 2014

Sister Madeline Tiberti (Rita Francesco) G75
January 13, 2015

William Breteux "Bill" Sant ’76
January 13, 2015

Paul Curran ’78
January 25, 2015

Janice L. Guild ’81
December 28, 2014

Eugene J. Brandlage G74
November 14, 2014

Teresa L. (Leonard) Cossey ’86
January 18, 2015

Stephen Gibbons ’87
November 11, 2014

Helen (Levine) Lipkin ’80
December 9, 2014

Anita (Henday) Speno G70
September 21, 2014

Kathleen E. Martin ’82
December 16, 2014

Patricia (Donahue) Webster ’84
August 4, 2014

Nicole O. Parks ’89
August 16, 2014
FSU Establishes Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi—the nation’s oldest and most selective all-discipline honor society—established its newest chapter at Framingham State University on Friday, December 5, 2014, during a ceremonial installation. Framingham State becomes the 329th chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, which was founded in 1902 at the University of Maine. Framingham State was approved to establish a chapter by the Society’s board of directors. Dr. Mary Todd, Executive Director of the national Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, provided over the installation. The first group of students will be inducted into the Honor Society in the spring.

"The commitment to excellence at Framingham State University is evidenced by the University’s superior academic environment, motivated student population, strong honors program, and exceptional faculty and staff," said Society President Tim Hulsey. "We are excited to welcome Framingham State as the newest chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, and are confident the chapter’s commitment to recognizing and honoring academic excellence will benefit both the University and the Society."

Officers elected by the chartering group of the Framingham State chapter to serve the newly installed chapter include President Dr. Jim Huisenga; President-elect Dr. Kelly Matthews, Secretary Dr. Mary-Ann Stadler-Chester, Treasurer Dr. Xavier Guadalupe-Diaz, President-Emeritus Jerrier Cervarilo and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Linda Vadon-Gould were also among the charter members.

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Joan Murtaugh Draws on Her Own Passions with Support of FSU

Growing up in a military family, Joan Murtaugh got to experience different areas of the world more than most children. Her father's time in the U.S. Air Force took her around the United States and to England for three years when he was stationed with the British Air Ministry.

“I have very fond memories of my time abroad,” says Murtaugh. “I learned how to become a good student during my time there.”

Murtaugh wound up in the Town of Framingham just around the time she was set to graduate high school. Having known for years that she wanted to become a teacher, she enrolled at Framingham State.

“It was a very nice campus,” says Murtaugh. “I really enjoyed my experience there and worked hard to learn the art of teaching.”

She would go on to teach elementary students for 35 years in the Town of Framingham, where she still lives today. Along the way, she earned a Master of Education Degree in Reading from Boston University and became a reading specialist at Burbage Elementary School.

Today, Murtaugh is in a position to give back to current students at FSU, and has targeted her support toward an area she is passionate about. The Joan Murtaugh Study Abroad Endowed Scholarship provides financial support annually for students who are participating in a University-approved Study Abroad experience.

“Think it’s very important to be exposed to other cultures and see how other people live,” says Murtaugh, who has traveled far and wide over the years, including to Europe, South America, the Mediterranean and the South Pacific. “It makes you a better person and allows you to connect with people who have visited similar areas.”

One of the first recipients of the scholarship was Corey Ortiz, a Fashion Design major who spent a semester abroad in Florence, Italy, which he describes as the “experience of a lifetime.”

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“I was so thrilled to meet Corey, and I give him a lot of credit for taking advantage of this time over there,” says Murtaugh. “I’m sure he learned so much more than habitat and fabrics. He learned how to cope on his own and a new language.”

Murtaugh is also a big believer in lifelong learning, and has provided financial support to the University’s Lifelong Learning Series, which provides free public lectures and programs to the general community.

“I’ve always enjoyed the series, and I can see other people enjoy it as well,” says Murtaugh. “I feel very grateful to the Town of Framingham and Framingham State, so I feel I owe this support.”

Joan Murtaugh in Framingham, Massachusetts, 2015.
For exact dates and more information, visit www.framingham.edu/alumni

UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Commencement

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2015

Alumni are invited to celebrate the Class of 2015 as they graduate on the Framingham Town Green. Those who are interested may sign up to walk in the ceremony with fellow alumni! Contact the Office of Alumni Relations for more information.

Alumni Reunion Weekend

JUNE 5–7, 2015

The Framingham State University Alumni Association is hosting several fun-filled events for you and your classmates on campus. 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.

SAVE THE DATE

2015 Rams Booster Club Golf Tournament

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2015 | 1 P.M. SHOTGUN START

Join us for 18 holes of championship golf at Framingham Country Club in support of Framingham State Athletics. This new venue features a private golf course that has maintained a historical classic design with the guidance of Donald Ross, William Mitchell and Geoff Cornish.

Tanglewood

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2015

Don’t miss our annual event at this acclaimed summer venue, featuring the Boston Symphony Orchestra! This is the inaugural season for BSO Music Director Andris Nelsons and the 75th Anniversary of the Tanglewood Music Center!

For more information or to register for alumni events, contact the Office of Alumni Relations.

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