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LETTER from the PRESIDENT

This issue of the Framingham State College Magazine highlights and celebrates the college's global reach and impact. It may seem pretentious for a medium-sized arts and sciences college located in a Boston suburb to claim international import. But as the stories that follow demonstrate, the work of Framingham State College spans the globe. This work includes international experiences of our current students, research and scholarly collaborations of our faculty and staff, and the work of numerous Framingham State alumni in government, business and cultural arenas on all continents.

One of the longstanding, productive and influential collaborations of the college is with the Natick Soldier Systems Center (NSSC), a world-class U.S. Department of Defense research and development center located just minutes from campus. A visit to the Natick Soldier Systems Center is a glimpse into the future. The groundbreaking work undertaken at NSSC in human factors research, human nutrition and textiles research involves more than 65 Framingham State alumni as study directors, research administrators and scientific staff. Many of those alumni remember with great respect, fondness and admiration the guidance and opportunities that Framingham State faculty provided and that led directly to their fascinating careers. Many NSSC alumni describe their passages from college interns to employees to career scientists as the culmination of professional journeys that began in a classroom at Framingham State.

Other stories in this issue reveal a 21st-century college that is evolving and improving while steadfastly maintaining a personal, supportive and challenging environment. New faculty, new academic programs and new alumni advance the global impact of Framingham State College for years to come. Let us know about your international adventures!

Best wishes,

Timothy J. Hanagan, PhD
President
In the high elevations of Afghanistan the weather is bad—driving snow and bitter-cold wind—but U.S. soldiers there pray for worse because they know it will drive the enemy out of their hiding places in the mountains. And because the troops are wearing high-tech cold-weather suits, they know they can outlast opposition forces and beat them on their own terrain.

It might sound like a scene from a sci-fi action movie, but it’s not. The cold-weather suit and the many other leading-edge advances like it are all in a day’s work for a group of dedicated Framingham State College alumni who work at the U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center in Natick (NSSC), a Department of Defense installation responsible for researching, developing, fielding and managing food, clothing, shelters and airdrop systems for the military. Whether it’s the gear they use, the clothes they wear or the food they eat, the safety and morale of the soldiers is everyone’s priority at NSSC.
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An active-duty Marine since high school, Tagye first heard of NSSC when staff members came to his unit to field test new modular lightweight load-carrying equipment (MOLLE)—a long-winded way of saying backpack.

He found the process so interesting that he applied for a job at Natick. But without college training, he was at a disadvantage.

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Like Tagye, some of the more than 65 Framingham State alumni who work at NSSC are military personnel, but many are civilians. They develop body armor, flotation devices, gas masks, boots, parachutes, skis, MREs (Meals Ready to Eat) and much more. (Some projects they can talk about; others they can’t. Shhh!) But since NSSC’s founding half a century ago, Framingham State graduates have been instrumental in numerous critical new developments—from fabrics treated with insect repellent (so soldiers don’t get malaria) to puncture-proof gloves (so when they come across razor blades and hypodermic needles out in the field, they don’t get injured or infected) to innovative food-airdrop systems (because in the mountains of Afghanistan you can’t just drive up with a truck and deliver hot meals).

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If she ever needs to be reminded of why her work is important, all Rosado has to do is think of the young soldier who visited Natick recently to address employees.

“His voice was quivering,” she recalls, "and half the audience teared up as he spoke."

Barely holding his emotions in check, the soldier told how a bullet struck him in the chest, and because he was wearing a vest designed in Natick, he was able to get up and continue to fight. He ended up working at NSSC.

COMFORT FOOD

Many alumni who work at NSSC started there as students. Rosado, for example, was simply looking for a summer job between her sophomore and junior year at Framingham State when she heard about the center from a relative who worked there. She showed up for her first day in the food radiation lab, and it turned into a career at NSSC. That was 25 years ago.

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In 1975, Rosado was a member of the first food science class to graduate from Framingham State. Although she now works on other projects, Rosado spent most of her career feeding the troops. So what’s the best thing on the menu? Turns out soldiers like comfort food.

“Beef stew and spaghetti have been on the menu for years and years—forever,” says Rosado, “and always will be.”

No one cooks like your mother, she adds, but at NSSC, they try.

“We try to formulate things to taste as much like home as possible,” says Linnea Hallberg ’80, ’85, who has two food science and nutrition degrees and has been with NSSC for 30 years.

“It is a very affirmative to have soldiers in the field who have been in combat come back and tell us what they love about the food.”

Comfort food makes the soldiers feel good, but what keeps them happy, says Tina Howard ’09, is brownies.

Howard, a Natick native and registered dietician, joined NSSC less than a year ago. For her and her coworkers, food isn’t only about the taste buds.

“Soldiers need to eat to maintain energy and accomplish their mission,” says Howard. “It’s about keeping them happy and getting them what they need.”

And here’s one more thing—all military food has to last for three years at 80°F. Not an easy task.

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During her 20-year tenure as a clothing designer and project engineer, Swift has tested uniforms in a simulated atomic bomb blast at White Sands, N.M.; undergone war games field training (wearing full uniform, rucksack and face paint while hiding in the bushes waiting to be attacked); and spent two and a half months in New Orleans supervising a volunteer clean-up crew after Hurricane Katrina.

Swift will retire from NSSC soon, but she isn’t slowing down.

Before she says goodbye, she plans to finish her MBA at Framingham State. While she looks forward to new adventures, she’ll miss the job that gave her the opportunity to touch so many lives.

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Seeing the World Anew

Dana Lemelin ’11 is studying abroad in Spain this semester. While immersing herself in the culture and the language, she is also learning to be an active global citizen.

By MARGARET STORCH

Why did you decide to study abroad and how do you expect to benefit?

Two years ago I went to England to visit friends, and that’s when the travel bug really bit me. You realize there’s so much else out there. I’ve taken three semesters of Spanish in college and I’m very interested in Spanish culture, even beyond the art and history. I feel that just going there I’m going to absorb much more besides just the language.

A huge reason why I want to go is to become fluent in Spanish. People say you don’t get to that point until you’ve lived in a country where you’re forced to speak the language every single day.

Where will you be studying and living?

I’ll be attending the Pablo de Olavide University in Seville, taking a mix of Spanish and business courses. I’m taking business management in Spanish, but I decided to take macroeconomics in English. I really want to immerse myself in the culture, and so I’ll be living with a Spanish family instead of in a student residence. This way, I’ll speak Spanish more and learn more about Spanish life, such as their different food and customs.

Would you recommend traveling abroad to other students?

Yes, and I think now more than ever it’s crucial because we’re living a global society. I wish more people had an interest in visiting other countries and experiencing them to the fullest. If we know more about what’s going on beyond ourselves, it will broaden our understanding of everything. Even though I’m just one person, I really want to represent America well in Spain and leave them with a good impression of Americans.

Have you changed in your time at Framingham State so far?

College has opened my eyes to new perspectives and my own view of the world. I learned a lot as campus president of Alpha Lambda Delta, the first-year national honor society. Recently I completed an internship at the State House with Representative Pam Richardson and became aware of the broader political spectrum. I’ve always wanted to go to law school, but now I’m also considering getting my master’s in public administration. I’m getting a lot of workplace experience in my on-campus job in the Advancement Office, and when I graduate, I’ll know what it means to be a good alumni. I feel like I’m always learning something every day, and I’m excited to have this opportunity to study abroad.

Dr. Abdul Momen is a professor of economics and business administration at Framingham State. He teaches both undergraduate and graduate courses, including Management, Quantitative Methods, Quantitative Methods II, Organizational Behavior, International Business Management, and Business as an Environment.

Why did you accept the opportunity to serve as the Bangladesh ambassador to the United Nations?

The Bangladesh prime minister, Sheikh Hasina, is an agent of change, and she has taken beautiful steps towards doing good for the human kind. We have spoken repeatedly about her programs and goals, including reducing Bangladeshi poverty by half and increasing the literacy rate to 100 percent by 2011, creating a digitized country and making the guarantee of at least one job in each family. People can change their fate if you impart education, technology and sense of pride. I like her vision and want to work towards and promote these ideas.

The environment issue is important with the rise of temperatures, affecting people across the globe. Bangladesh is a low-lying country; one-third of the country could eventually be underwater, which would result in 30 to 50 million homeless people. Women’s empowerment also needs attention. In the United States, things are working better, but in many developing countries, things are much worse.

The Bangladesh prime minister is a lady, but in spite of this, there are pockets of expatriate women in the region who need help. Bangladesh is doing much better than before, but the message also needs to be translated to other countries.

How are students learning about global issues and other cultures?

I think the college is trying hard to develop consciousness about diversity and global issues. In my course, we discuss a lot of global issues, and I try to keep students aware of global perspectives. There needs to be sensitivity to cultural issues, understanding that little things can be very important cultural values. Students studying abroad and faculty leading short-term programs abroad for students will help make students better educated about global issues and cultural differences.

How do you think your experience as an ambassador will add value to Framingham State?

I have many programs in mind, including bringing fellow faculty members and students to the UN and working with faculty to bring ambassadors to speak at Framingham State. Eventually I hope to assist in the development of a global studies center.
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New Environmental Science Program Launched

By Mary Casey ’07

This fall, Framingham State College launched a new undergraduate program in environmental science. This program has attracted a great deal of popularity since environmental issues have garnered so much global attention in recent years. Carl Hakansson, assistant professor of geography at Framingham State, notes that the currently changing economy will likely create more environmentally focused jobs. “We feel this program provides a broad background in both the scientific areas as well as the more policy-based matter, allowing some diversity for future employment.”

some jobs that graduates may acquire include town planners, environmental engineers, resource managers, policy decision-makers (political and otherwise) and entrepreneurs in energy production. One reason that students will be able to consider such a range of environmental jobs is because this program draws upon expertise from a variety of departments. While the biology and geography departments have spearheaded this program, coursework will be required in chemistry, physics, mathematics, sociology, government, economics, English and history. Courses that students will be required to take include Biological Concepts, Ecology, Environmental Law and Policy, Resource Management, General Chemistry, Physical Geology and Microeconomics. The coursework for the environmental sciences program permeates the departments of Framingham State, just as environmental issues are permeating all aspects of our world.

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Two new opportunities are being introduced to students this academic year. The Center for Academic Programs Abroad (CAPA) Sydney program allows students the opportunity to intern and take classes in Sydney, Australia. Students may live in student housing or in a home-stay with an Aussie family. Beginning in spring 2010, Framingham State will begin a student exchange program with the University of East Anglia in Norwich, England. UEA is consistently rated as one of the top 25 universities in the United Kingdom with a wide range of majors.

During the last 20 months, Framingham State students have studied in Australia, Costa Rica, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Greece, India, Italy, Netherlands, Russia and Spain. Students may be eligible to receive scholarships based on their study abroad location. This year the college awarded its first Benjamin Gilman Scholarship award, given to Shera Pagan ’10, who is studying in India this fall.
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LEADING THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CLASS
Virginia Ferguson ’59, Roberta Burns ’59, and Mary Ann Mall ’59 proceeded into the alumni general assembly.

RECONNECTING WITH CLASSMATES
Jocelyn Baylow ’59 greeted class members proudly wearing her boa!

ALUMNI AWARDS
Alumni Achievement recipients accepted their awards during the Alumni Achievement Awards Ceremony.

A LIFETIME OF STAYING CONNECTED
Jannette Nippard ’33 and Esther Whitaker ’29 were among the oldest celebrating alumni in attendance.

REMEMBERING WHAT HAPPENED WHEN
Lisa Slavin ’99, 10 perused archives on display in the Undergraduate Admission Welcome Center.

STAYING ACTIVE
Patricia ’79 and Richard O’Brien enjoyed a 9-hole round of golf at Bayberry Hills Golf Course.

VISITING WITH FRIENDS
Cecilia McManus ’59 and Shirley Kangas ’59 reconnected during the Sears Harbor sunset cruise.

BRINGING COLLEGE GREETINGS TO ALUMNI
Dr. Timothy and Nancy Flanagan hosted alumni and friends at pre-theatre social prior to a Neil Simon play at the Academy Playhouse.

CATCHING-UP BEFORE THE GAME
Todd and Sue Alessandri ’91 enjoy the alumni pre-game social at Uno’s Bar & Grill.

GAME ON FOR YOUNG ALUMNI
Krystal Parrella ’05, Jose Moreno ’05, Karen Botinou ’04 and friends cheer on the Red Sox.

FAMILY FUN
AT FENWAY
Dr. Irene ’87, ’88 and Ali Foster with their daughter, Sara Reitinger ’02 and Sandra Foster-Smith ’96, ’00.

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JULY 29 & AUG. 28, 2009 RED SOX GAMES

One of our most popular events, the Red Sox pre-game socials and baseball games at Fenway were fun for all who attended. Even when caught in a downpour, the Fenway faithful stayed to cheer on their favorite team.

AUG. 16-20, 2009 CAPE COD REGIONAL EVENTS

The Alumni Association traveled to Cape Cod this past August to host a week of summertime events for alumni and friends, including a winery tour, sunset cruise, round of golf, theatre performance and a bike and ice-cream event.

Alumni Survey

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Your opinion is important. The Framingham State Alumni Association wants to hear from you. What do you think of this magazine? Have you been back to campus since you graduated? How are you spending your time?

In the next few weeks, alumni for whom we have valid e-mail addresses will receive an e-mail with a link to an alumni online survey. The results from this survey will help us learn what our alumni are doing and what they think about alumni events, benefits, services and communications. Alumni can also go directly to the survey link by visiting www.framingham.edu/alumni.

If you would prefer a hard copy of the survey mailed to your postal address, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at alumni@framingham.edu or 508-626-4012.

Surveys must be completed by Feb. 10, 2010.

We hope to receive responses from as many alumni as possible. Alumni who complete the survey may also enter a drawing to win prizes, including a pair of tickets to the 2010 Red Sox season and ram pride paks.

Thank you in advance to all alumni who participate.
Alumni Recognized for Achievements

The Alumni Achievement Awards are presented annually to recognize alumni who have utilized their education and training at Framingham State College to achieve noteworthy accomplishments and success both in their careers and in their communities. This year, six distinguished alumni were recognized during the alumni general assembly program as part of reunion weekend.

Gerald Darsh '84 is director of the Department of Defense Combat Feeding Directorate at the U.S. Army's Soldier Research, Development, and Engineering Center in Natick, Mass. Gerry has been instrumental in bringing about numerous improvements in the quality and distribution of food supplies for combat troops, including the evolution of the Meals Ready to Eat (MRE) program. Gerry is the Combat Feeding Program spokesperson to the national and international media.

Jennifer Ochp '77 is the staff naturalist at the Nonnewaug Wildlife Sanctuary, located in Mansfield, Mass. She began her job soon after graduating summa cum laude from Framingham State with her bachelor's degree in biology. Her interests include birds, dragonflies, reptiles, amphibians and large predators. Jennifer volunteers and is the vice president of a local land group, Opacum Land Trust, a nonprofit conservation group that protects more than 600 acres of land.

Christopher MacDonald-Dennis '92 is assistant dean of the undergraduate college and director of intercultural affairs at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania. In this position, Christopher coordinates programs that explore and support diversity. "(The Student Life staff) made an indelible mark on me and I knew that I wanted to have that same effect in the lives of college students." Christopher was the 2008 Pennsylvania Fellow at the Center for Progressive Leadership and has won awards for his work as a mentor and administrator.

Call for Alumni Nominations

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Alumni Association
The Alumni Association Board of Directors serves to support alumni engagement and involvement at Framingham State College. Alumni board members selected to join the board serve for a three-year term and commit to attending five meetings per year, as well as alumni and events, including homecoming and reunion. Alumni who may be interested in joining the board may submit a letter of interest and resume for consideration.

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**Of Special Note...**

**CHRIS SARDELLA '03 WINS A TEACHING OSCAR**

Christopher Louis Sardella ’03 was a recipient of the 2008 National Educator Award from the Milken Family Foundation. He was selected for this prestigious national award, known as the “Oscar of teaching,” in recognition of his innovative classroom teaching and his leadership qualities. Chris, a fifth-grade teacher at the Marian C. Zeh Elementary School in Northborough, Mass., received his $25,000 award at a gala presentation ceremony in Los Angeles in April. He has since been receiving an award from Michael Milken, cofounder of the Milken Family Foundation.

Chris completed the post-baccalaureate teacher licensure program at Framingham State before going on to earn his MEd. He is currently an English teacher at Northborough-Southborough Regional High School in Northborough, Mass., and has an unbridled passion for teaching. Chris is committed to teaching his students to think critically, to analyze and synthesize information, and to communicate effectively. He believes that effective teaching is about creating an environment where students feel safe and secure to take risks and explore new ideas. Chris is a mentor to his students and is known for his ability to challenge them to reach their full potential. He is dedicated to fostering a love of learning and helping students achieve their goals.

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**UPPERCLASS ALUMNI**

**Eileen (McDermitt) O’Connor**

Our teaching has been a big influence in my life, and I’ve enjoyed the opportunity to work with such talented and dedicated faculty. I’ve had the chance to work with some of the best educators in the country, and I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with them. I’ve also been able to mentor and guide some very talented students, and that’s been very rewarding. I’m looking forward to continuing to work with my students and to be a part of their educational journeys.

**Evan (McBride) Bustin**

I have always been eager to explore new opportunities. I am a woman who in her early 90s did go down into the ocean depths in a submarine while on a cruise in the Caribbean; younger people were afraid to join her in the adventure, but she revealed in observing deep-sea fish through the submarine port holes. This is Miriam Jagodnik Feldman ’34, the founder of “The Gatepost,” the Framingham State student newspaper. In 1935, as a project in her English class with Louise Kingman ’10, she initiated and edited a campus newsletter, “The Hilltop News,” which quickly found eager reader. Her drive and inspiration led to the launch of “The Gatepost” the following year.

Feldman was on campus in April to see how the newspaper she founded 77 years ago has grown and flourished. She was the guest of honor at a reception to celebrate the current “Gatepost” journalists’ accomplishments in winning prestigious awards for student journalists from the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ). They received two first-place regional SPO 2008 Mark of Excellence awards for Region 1 (the New England and mid-Atlantic states). These awards were for breaking news coverage in an article by 2007–08 Editor-in-Chief Brad Patrinich ’08 and Associate Editor Alex Smith ’08, and for editorial writing by 2008–09 Editor-in-Chief Bethany McDonald ’09.

More good news was to come. As regional winners, “Gatepost” editorial staff were entered in the SPI’s national contest, and in May they were declared one of two national finalists in the breaking news category. "The Gatepost" journalists were recognized August 28 at the 2009 SPI Convention and National Journalism Conference in Indianapolis.

Back in 1935 Miriam Feldman set in motion an ever-expanding opportunity for students to strive for excellence. In his remarks at the reception for the regional awards, Professor of English Desmond McCarthy ’81, faculty advisor to “The Gatepost” and a former editor-in-chief, noted that Framingham State was the only state college in the region to receive an award, while competing with “some of the most prestigious journalism programs on the east coast. Harvard University,” he continued, “one of the two Ivy League universities recognized by the SPI, won two awards; [and] so did Framingham State College. . . . So you’re in good company, but so are they.” He praised the students for their professionalism and collegiality in naming “The Gatepost” editorial board, not simply individual writers, as the authors of the winning pieces. McCarthy also lauded Feldman, the adventurousial director of journalism at Framingham State, for her “ingenious, civic mindedness and can-do spirit.”
Displaying Fashion for the World

By MARJORIE STORCH

It would be a dream job for many new graduates: working in New York City at a meet of international fashion for young people. Olga Jackson ‘09, the outstanding fashion design and retailing student for 2009, is a visual lead at American Eagle Outfitters (AE) on 34th Street, the flagship store of a young adults “who live life to the fullest.”

She says her fashion promotion class with Dr. Matthew McGraw provided her with information about visual merchandising that she was able to bring into the classroom to the workplace.” And, she adds, “My internship, supervised by Dr. Irene Forster [‘79, ‘81], at the Reebok World Headquarters [in Canton, Mass.] gave me the basic principles and the experience that I needed to move to the next step in my career.”

Jackson’s Framingham State experiences will serve her well as she pursues her self-stated goals of “becoming involved in research, brand extension and mentoring.” She finds working and interacting with her professors and students as how she “acquired leadership and communication skills.” As an assistant in the president’s office for several years she developed professionalism and good judgment. She also says that serving as student representative on a faculty search committee “gave me the opportunity to share my ideas, take responsibility for them, and to see the final result.”

Jackson works at the heart of a dynamic company. Her eye-catching merchandise displays help drive AE’s growth and she participates in the company’s visible expansion. “I get to be involved in new stores and execute the floor plans in preparation for a successful store opening.” She will play her part in the launch of the new flagship Times Square store in January 2010. Jackson has grasped the young fashion dream and is running with it.

Class Notes

Maryanne Frangakis is the former director of the Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery (MOAR), a group that educates the public about the value of recovery from addiction. Pauline Gauthier retired in July 2008 after teaching math for 36 years at Milbury High School. Ruth Turner recently retired from her elementary school position in Walham, Mass.

Joe Naquin and his wife, Linda, ’75, welcomed a new grandson in January 2008.


Margaret Craig was a member of the building committee that oversaw the construction of a new senior center in Holliston. She now serves as the director of the center.

Jenn M. Simko is a Head Start teacher with Lee County Schools in Fort Myers, Fla.

Nancy Denardo has retired after 33 and one-half years of teaching in Springfield, Mass.

Diane Donohue has been living in Australia since graduation. She began teaching infants (K–5), but also taught primary students (6–10) and qualified as an ESL teacher. Diane is presently working in a school of 699 students as a deputy principal. Ninety-eight percent of the students have language backgrounds other than English. A large number are refugees from Afghanistan and Africa, and there are also students from China, Turkey and Lebanon.

Ann (DeGrace) King, the director of marketing at RSA Security Division of EMC, is celebrating 15 years in high tech. She lives in New Seabury on Cape Cod.

Peter H. Bray completed his fullie at Boston State University in Maryland in December 2007.

Donna Marrell is still enjoying teaching visual art at the Potter Road School in Framingham, Mass., where she taught for eight years. Her oldest son is a student at Framingham College of Art and Design, and her younger son is at Framingham High School.

Sue Ellen Szymanski received her MLS from Simmons College in 1986. She is the supervisor of youth services at Millbrook Town Library and the volunteer coordinator. Sue Ellen shares the MLS/YSST youth services section. Her two grandsons and her granddaughter are also keeping her busy.

Ann (Anderson) Showstead and her husband, Craig, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. Ann is a third-grade teacher in the Boston Public Schools.

Dorothy Trapp is a proud grandmother of eight beautiful children.

James White has been promoted to the position of director of public health in the town of Natick, Mass.

Michelle P. Gallant has accepted a position as a clinical dietician at Harvard University’s Health Services, where she works with her chairman, Barbara Bovshoby.

Patricia (Brown) McGregor participated in the annual challenge to write a 50,000-word novel in just 30 days during National Novel Writing Month, November 2008.

Julie (Siler) Olander is giving painting and drawing classes at the Shell Museum and the Boston Aquarium, where she teaches students how to draw shells as well as live these shells live and survive in our oceans.

Dorothy Lazzaro celebrated her 85th birthday and is still able to get around. She continues to meet with her artist friends and keep on painting.

Mary Louise Charette, also known as Lou, was recently promoted to the position of principal at Cashman Elementary School in Amesbury, Mass.

Mary romanso is working at the VA Medical Center in White River Junction, Vt., as chief of nutrition and food service. She lives in New Hampshire and enjoys spending time with her three granddaughters.

Elaine Bower is the mom of fraternal twin sons, Ryan and Grant.

Gail Howell has been teaching in the Norwood Public Schools for years. After two years of teaching Title I, reading in the third grade and five years in the fifth grade, she is now teaching back in the third grade. She not only returned to the town in which she grew up, she also just purchased her childhood home from her parents. “I guess some of us have to take the long road to end up right back where we started,” says Gail.

Kathleen Reilly is returning to state government work as the director of contracts and procurement at the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation. She and her husband, Shawn, have two daughters, Jill and Matty.

Mary (Bowdon) Alexander is the development director of Boys Town New England. She lives in Boston, R.I., with her husband, Tom, and their four daughters, who range in age from 7 to 16.

Kathleen Lemmon is coauthor of Understanding Creativity: The Interplay of Biological, Psychological, and Social Factors, published by Jossey-Bass in 1998. She taught at Boston College for years until 2001, when it became necessary for her to cut back full time for her husband, who has disabilities. Kathleen sings with Christine Show Chorus, a competitive cappella chorus based in Providence, R.I.

Kelley Jenkins recently bought the popular bridal shop Confetti and Lace in Littleton, Mass. She had worked there for 10 years and decided to purchase it when the owner retired.

Susan (Wescott) Alessandri was just promoted to the position of principal at Charles Cashman Elementary School in Amesbury, Mass.

Alumni Writers Wanted

The college is interested in having alumni writers contribute stories for college publications. If you have experience writing and would like to be considered for writing assignments on college-related topics and news, please submit a letter of interest and three writing samples to Maria Quinn, Director of Alumni Relations, Framingham State College, 50 College St., Suite 100, Framingham, MA 01702-7901 or e-mail publications@framingham.edu.

Of Special Note...

ROGER GENTILHOMME ’72 A PHENOMENON AT 100

This is a milestone year for Roger Gentilhomme ’72, who turned 100 in the spring and was featured in the national media for his athletic triumphs in regional and national senior competition over three decades. Roger is recognized as the world’s oldest tennis champion.

Roger spent his career as a tennis instructor at the Natick Solarium System. “With a top educational facility, Framingham State College, close by, I decided to go for my degree in English,” he says, “attending nights and some summer classes.” Gentilhomme completed his training and began playing tennis a few years later in 1975.

The same stamina and perseverance in his career and studies carried over into his athletic career. At all the national senior games in San Francisco in August he was feted as a VIP, and in September he went on to take part in the first-ever European Senior Games, held in the Netherlands. A media phenomenon, he was celebrated at the games as the oldest athlete among the 1500 from 33 nations around the world.
In Memoriam

Dorothy (Nickerson) O’Connor 31 — Jan. 4, 2007
Mary (Deeer) Woodland 73 — Aug. 5, 2008
Margaretha (Rippe) Wimr 35 — Feb. 21, 2004
Doris (Trefel) Eldridge 35 — April 16, 1999
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Nancy (Laurentenburg) Liney 60 — Sept. 23, 2008
William P. Smit 73 — Nov. 3, 2008
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Norwen (Flynn) Bauck 80 — Dec. 15, 2008
Mary Elizabeth Collie 85 — June 13, 2008

Hindu Sivam Swartz earned a master’s degree in coun- seling psychology and is a medical social worker with Overlook Valley Nursing Association, specializing in grief and loss. Her family consists of her partner, Augusto Guerrera, and their two children, Benjamin and Mia. They own and manage properties in central Massachusetts.

Daru Swa Sweetlove’s beautiful baby girl, Laurenca Elle Sweetlove, was born in December 2018.

Kim (Haefner) McKittrick received Ellen Hyde Loan in her final year at Framingham State. She is extremely grateful for that loan and is now contributing to the fund so that another student may benefit.

Christina Maria Sullivan was featured in the April 2019 issue of two well-known design magazines.

Traditional foods featured her as one of the top 20 young designers they have their eye on. Please bountifully highlight the “man cave” she created for her spouse.

92 Christopher MacDowall-Dennis is the assistant dean of the undergraduate college and director of intercollegial affairs at BYU Marriott College in Pennsylvania. He has won awards for his work as a mentor and administrator, and has participated in many conferences and training sessions on diversity and social justice. Chris received an Alumni Achievement Award at Reunion 2009 in June.

93 Director Rafael Membreros’s recent movie, “POUNDCAKE,” received its world premiere in November at the 2008 American Film Institute Festival in Los Angeles. It was screened at the ArcLight Theater. Rafael directed the movie’s underlying fever pitch with just the right amount of assurance technology in Marlborough, Mass.

99 Gregory Niedrot has retired and moved to Florida. He works with the elderly, assisting them with computer set-up and e-mail. Gregory is also a grandson to Margaret Mans, born May 7, 2007.

Robert J. Badenhorst is the manager of legal and business affairs at TMC Services, Inc., an environmen- tal remediation company. He has recently been approved to the executive board and is now responsible for the strategic direction of company affairs. Robert has also been elected to the Milford Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Angela Schmidt has been promoted to the position of principal of North Mankato Elementary School in Greatneck, Conn.

96 Gregory James Lewis welcomed his baby daughter into the world in June 2018.

Susan Rushton is now the director of special educa- tion at Framingham Regional Charter School. "Sutton’s" Steve Georgopoulos ’30, ’42 and his wife, Theresa (Detry), are proud to announce the birth of a healthy and good-looking baby boy, Troy Constantine Georgopoulos, born in October 2008 in Worcester, Mass.

97 Kathryn (Doherty) Ingano and her partner, Augusto Guerrero, and their two children, Enzo, a published poet, is also a community service marketing and life skills training. Anzae is currently the staff therapist at South Bay Mental Health Center in Afton, Mass.

Charlotte Hannan has taken a position at the Worcester Juvenile Rehabilitation Center, which provides a community-based alternative to Department of Youth Services commitment for court-involved youth in Worcester County. Charlotte creates curriculum for group treatment of substance abuse,anger management life skills training.

Aimee Arzand, a teacher at Shrewsbury Elementary School in Shrewsbury, Mass., was the subject of a “Teacher Feature” in the April Daily News in January 2009. Aimie’s teaching philosophy is rooted in the question, What would you do if you knew you would not fail?

92 Dorrel Letter is a teacher at Sherborn High Regional High School in Dudley, Mass. He was married recently.

94 Gonzalo J. Puigbo is vice president and regional sales manager for Eastern Bank. He previously served as the producing sales manager at Citizen Bank, where he received the President’s Club Award for 2004 and 2005 as the top commu- nity residential loan officer nationwide. Gonzalo is working for his MBA at Framingham State and plans to complete it in 2009. He was honored at Reunion 2009 in June with an Alumni Achievement Award.

95 Marta Greenbaum is happy in retirement. She was a reading teacher at the Folsk School in Westborough, Mass.
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Suzanne A. (Morrison) Alves
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10.5% seniors
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All alumni, all weekend. This will be a weekend of events and activities to welcome new graduates to the Alumni Association and reconnect with your classmates.

2010 Rams Booster Club Golf Tournament
June 1, 2010
Join us for a great day of golf at Marlborough Country Club. Come meet and reminisce with current and former coaches and players, alumni, parents and friends who all support Framingham State athletics.

For more information or to register for alumni events, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 508-626-4012 or alumni@framingham.edu.