THE IMPORTANCE OF A LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION

- a pilgrimage to italy
- the loss of a true ursuline icon
- a new athletic conference
President’s message

Dear Alumnae and Friends,

We completed another academic year filled with exciting college activities and success stories. This May we experienced the largest number of students completing their Ursuline College education – 462. The photos of Baccalaureate and Commencement are always wonderful to share with each of you so that you see the excitement and pride of our graduates.

There is much being written today about the value of a college education as well as the cost. Is it worth it? From my perspective, an important dimension of a college education is the formation of knowledge, skills, attitudes and values derived from a liberal arts focus that can serve you for a lifetime, not just the knowledge of a specific content area related to a job.

What employers indicate they are ultimately looking for are the outcomes of a liberal arts education: creative thinking, problem solving, communicating, analyzing and synthesizing, working as a team, taking responsibility and making decisions based on values. These are the outcomes of an Ursuline education that our students take with them as they leave the College. We are very proud of each of our students and our graduates.

The success of Ursuline College is built on the success of our students and graduates. We try to capture a few of these stories in each magazine to share with you. Among them are the community outreach that is done by various members of the college community including the pilgrimage to St. Angela country in Italy, new scholarship endeavors and the opportunity to reconnect at reunion. What wonderful ways to keep alive the history and tradition of Ursuline.

Lastly, we remember Sister Anna Margaret Gilbride, O.S.U. who served the college for 40 years and whose presence is missed daily. The impact that one person can have on individuals and on an institution is a constant reminder for each of us of the legacy we will leave after we are gone.

As always, each of you is remembered in the prayers of the Ursuline College Community. We ask that you continue to remember the College as we move into an exciting future filled with possibilities.

May God bless you, watch over you and protect you as you continue your journey of life. Each of you is truly a blessing to this college community.

Gratefully yours,

Sister Diana Stano, O.S.U., Ph.D. ’68

Sister Diana with recent UCAP Nursing Graduate, Sophia Woodson ’12
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*ON THE COVER*

*Storm Buds, 2012 by Elizabeth Kappa Ryan ’04*
It is with a heavy heart that I write this letter. When writing for each issue of 
Voices, I would look forward to Sr. Anna Margaret’s gentle yet straightforward critiques. As I wrote, I could picture her sitting at her desk by the window thinking to herself, “I need to remind Angie to use that instead of which!”

Sister Anna Margaret served as the proofreader for the College’s alumnae magazine for as long as I can remember. With each issue, as articles were completed, they were put in a “For SAM” folder. Before we could get another story written, she would come back to the marketing office with pencil mark corrections and tender revising suggestions. She took the time with us to go over each of her changes.

With her passing in January, the marketing department as well as the entire College, feels a tremendous loss. She touched the lives of so many with her sweet demeanor and her innocent giggle still resonates in the hallways around campus. Her name became synonymous with Ursuline. In fact, her labor of love and most significant accomplishment was writing the College’s history. Her knowledge of Ursuline was unmatched and she was the “go to” College fact-checker and most interesting storyteller. She was a collector of tales of brave women who did not always follow society’s rules, but who were ultimately following their own paths for the justice of other women and their cause of helping others.

It is odd to write this letter knowing that Sr. Anna Margaret would not be reading it or helping to smooth out some of the rough patches in my writing. However, it is with great joy that we can continue her legacy by telling Ursuline’s story. After all, what the magazine stands for is exactly what Sr. Anna Margaret stood for — showing how a small group of women (beginning with St. Angela) can impact the world. Sr. Anna Margaret certainly had an influence on all of us.

This issue of 
Voices is dedicated to Sr. Anna Margaret. We will miss you dearly, SAM, but we will continue to tell the Ursuline story just as you taught us!

Angela DelPrete
Every year, the Ursuline community commemorates the founding of the College with a week of events gathering the community in celebration and appreciation. This year’s theme, *Past. Present. Future.*, gave students an opportunity to learn about the College’s rich history and look forward to the future of the College. The week began with the annual Founder’s Week Awards Ceremony, where a wide-array of College committees and individuals were honored.

As the week continued, students were able to participate in a variety of activities. Looking to the past, students were able to take their pictures in black and white photo cut-outs of Ursuline alumnae. An informational afternoon was dedicated to teaching students about the importance of recycling for the future. The week concluded with a Caribbean night themed party for all students. The festivities were sponsored by the Office of Students Affairs and the events were coordinated by student members of the Founder’s Week Executive Committee.

Friends and supporters of the College were honored at the 140th anniversary of the founding of Ursuline College. Jack Newman, Board of Trustees Chair, provided the welcome at the annual Founder’s Day Brunch while College President Sr. Diana Stano, O.S.U., Ph.D. expressed gratitude to those who have contributed generously to the College. This year’s Teaching Excellence Award recipients were Sr. Cynthia Glavac, O.S.U., Ph.D. ’78, English department professor; Elisha Dumser, Ph.D., assistant professor of art history and Ursuline Studies and Alana Andrews, M.A., Ursuline Studies instructor. “Student learning is at the core of the College’s mission. That mission is accomplished first and foremost by outstanding teaching. These three faculty members were recognized for their ongoing accomplishments in the classroom because they always strive for excellence,” said Vice President for Academic Affairs JoAnne Podis, Ph.D.

Each Founder’s Day, the Marie LoPresti Faculty Award for Community Service is given to a member of Ursuline’s full-time faculty who, during his or her career, has performed distinguished volunteer service. This year, the LoPresti Award was given to Conrad Gromada, Ph.D., professor of religious studies, for his continued support of spiritual life in the community, especially the Cleveland Catholic Diocese.

“Conrad has obviously taken to heart the Ursuline teachings of contemplation, compassion, and justice, applying his theological expertise and other talents to his extensive community outreach activities,” said Podis

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**Celebrating Dr. King**

On January 23rd, Ursuline celebrated the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by hosting speaker Bishop C. Wayne Brantley. His talk, “Purpose Meets Destiny…Your Mountaintop Experience” encouraged individuals to not allow obstacles and hardships to prevent them from reaching their goals. Brantley is the pastor of Zion Pentecostal Church of Christ and the Diocesan Bishop of the Thirty-first Episcopal District of the European Council of Nations.
On a beautiful spring day in May, Ursuline granted 462 bachelor and master’s degrees. The 2012 graduating class was the largest in the College’s 141 year history.

The commencement address, entitled “The Ten Commandments Every Graduate Should Know,” was delivered by Nancy McCann, the president and trustee of the John P. Murphy and Kulas foundations. She encouraged graduates to be creative in their endeavors, to work hard to find their path and to give back to their communities.

Commencement day began with graduates attending the Baccalaureate Mass in the Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity and the conferring of the academic hoods. Of the over 400 graduates, the oldest student was 66 years of age, another student took 21 years to complete his degree and 35 of the graduates were from 16 foreign countries, including 11 students from China who received their MBA degree.
We Mourn Our Gentle Woman

“I can’t remember a day that Sister Anna Margaret was not upbeat, positive, funny and encouraging — not just to me, but to everyone. She was a model to me of what holiness ought to be — real, full of life, with some mischief. She spread God’s love by her spirit, her words, her talents and her generosity.”

A former Ursuline employee sent these words of condolence to the College when he learned of Sister Anna Margaret’s death. Many alumnae and friends of Ursuline posted personal tributes to Sister on the College’s website. Several words and phrases appeared over and over in these messages: her smile, her sense of humor, her warmth and welcoming spirit, her kindness, gentleness and caring attitude.

Kind, caring, warm and gentle are words that certainly characterized Sister Anna Margaret Gilbride, O.S.U. ’56SJ and her ministry at Ursuline College for forty years. She came to the College as the dean of students, became vice-president for student affairs, assistant to the president and author of the College’s history. To each of these positions she brought her kind and caring disposition, her warm and inviting smile and her welcoming spirit. Her office was next to the Mullen Building lobby and she was often the first person visitors met.

In the last few months several people commented how she welcomed them in that lobby and put them at ease with her sense of humor. One prospective employee wrote that she was sitting in the lobby waiting to be called in for an interview. She noted that she was quite nervous until Sister Anna Margaret came out of her office and greeted her. Years later she remembered how Sister commented that she liked her shirt and how relaxed and at ease she felt after Sister’s brief conversation.

She also eased the pain of those in the College community that had lost loved ones. Sister attended wakes and funerals of alums, their families and friends of Ursuline College. As she wore her veil, she was instantly recognized, but it was her quiet and gentle presence and her promise of prayers that brought relief and solace to so many of them at their time of loss and grief.

One example of how dear she was involved her concern for her fellow Ursuline Sisters. People would give her little stuffed toys and each time one of the sisters came home from the hospital, Sister Anna Margaret would bring one of these toys to the sister’s room. It was her way of showing how much she cared for them.

A project that she took on in her last years at Ursuline was the College’s history. No one else was more suited to take on the task because Sister Anna Margaret personified the College’s mission, vision and values so much so, that her name became synonymous with the word Ursuline. Completing this labor of love was her major focus. She worked on it for sixteen years carefully researching every phase of the life of Ursuline College over its 140 years and its five different locations. She wrote the history as she lived her life, seeking out only what was positive, good and beautiful in the people and the events, which shaped Ursuline. The book, which she completed only two months before her death, is being prepared for publication and will be available in a few months.

In her later years, along with writing the College’s history and being present at countless wakes and funerals, she made sure that she was present at a myriad of activities and events in the life of the College. Whether it was a President’s Tea for students who had high academic achievements, a bake sale for a student organization or the retirement reception for a faculty or staff member, Sister was present with her smiling support and encouragement.

Many people attended her wake and funeral. They included present and former faculty and staff members, members of the Board of Trustees, alumnae, a waitress from a restaurant that Sister frequented, Ursuline Sisters and former Ursuline Sisters whom she guided during their formation years and people who Sister taught in grade school so many years ago. Every one of them had their own memories of how Sister Anna Margaret had touched their lives. They were there because Sister had made a difference in their lives and they often described that difference in terms of her kindness and gentleness. The comment of one woman describes the feelings of many individuals that knew Sister, “I was a better person for having known her.”

In honor of Sr. Anna Margaret, the College has set up the Sister Anna Margaret Random Acts of Kindness Scholarship Fund. Faculty and staff members of the College can call attention to students they see going out of their way to assist College visitors or members of the Ursuline community. This program best honors Sister who was particularly known for her kindness and gentle spirit. If you would like to make a contribution to this fund, to continue Sr. Anna Margaret’s legacy, please visit www.ursuline.edu/news/sister_anna_margaret.

In addition, the lobby in Mullen near Sr. Anna Margaret’s office and also a place where she spent much of her time making visitors of the College feel welcome, will be named the Sr. Anna Margaret Gilbride Lobby.

Patrick Riley, Ph.D. MA ’85
Director of Development
A Commitment to Social Justice

Ursuline College hosted over 200 individuals at an event honoring Avery Friedman, CNN legal analyst and Ursuline’s visiting professor in Constitutional Law. Along with Friedman, College President, Sr. Diana Stano, O.S.U., Ph.D. ’68, and the evening’s master of ceremony, legendary broadcaster and author Larry Morrow, welcomed attendees. The event raised $50,000 and will benefit the Avery Friedman Human Rights Scholarship. This unique scholarship will help to underwrite the tuition of students who will devote themselves, either in academics or by deed, to human rights.

Sr. Diana remarked that, “The Avery Friedman Human Rights Scholarship will allow students to be able to develop their values, voice and vision and then go out and make a difference in the world.”

Avery teaches courses in women and the law, civil rights, employment law, constitutional law and law and the media. The centerpiece of his instruction has mirrored that of the Ursuline Sisters’ motto “to transform society through contemplation, justice and compassion.” His students find in Avery both an intellectual and moral model of the good that can be done through the law.

A Familiar Cleveland Voice

Larry Morrow, one of Cleveland’s most popular radio personalities, recently visited Ursuline to share his favorite stories about the remarkable people he has met and the extraordinary events he has covered over his long and varied career. As a Cleveland DJ and host for more than four decades, Morrow became popular for his upbeat personality and gentle good humor. He earned the nickname “Mr. Cleveland” for his active role in promoting Cleveland’s turnaround in the 1980s and 1990s.

He came to Cleveland from Detroit in 1966 to join the innovative rock-and-roll station WIXY. He later hosted morning shows on 3WE, WERE, WQAL and Sirius Satellite Radio. He has been master of ceremonies for important civic events and has been chosen to introduce five U.S. presidents. He was inducted into the Radio and Television Hall of Fame and is the only Ohio broadcaster nominated to the National Radio Hall of Fame.

“It was a pleasure to listen to his iconic voice and hear firsthand his interesting and lively stories,” said Kevin Gladstone, vice president of institutional advancement. “We are proud to call Larry a longtime friend of Ursuline College.”

Greetings from Undergraduate Admissions!

We want to thank Ursuline College Alumnae Admissions Network (UCAAN) volunteers who have assisted us by covering selected college fairs and contacting prospective students and their families via email, snail mail and phone. We hope to add many more UCAAN volunteers to the mix for the Fall 2013 recruitment cycle! If you are interested in becoming a UCAAN volunteer or would like to learn more visit www.ursuline.edu/undergrad/admissions_network.html. As “Voices” went to print, the enrollment funnel for fall 2012 continues to look very healthy. And as the fall ’12 travel season approaches, we look forward to continuing our momentum.

Matt McCaffrey, Undergraduate Admissions Director
UC’s Volunteer Day 2011

This past fall, Ursuline took part in the first-ever college-wide Volunteer Day. Eighty-one volunteers took to the community to lend a helping hand at MedWish, Cleveland FoodBank, Habitat for Humanity, St. Angela Center and Hospice of the Western Reserve.

The objective of this event was to bring together and engage alumnae, students, trustees, faculty and staff on a specific day to serve the community through active participation. Ingrained in the College’s mission and tradition, the event provides the College community with an opportunity to give back and serve those in need.

“The Alumnae Board took the initiative to make this day happen and with overwhelming support and energy, we surpassed our volunteer goal. It was an extremely rewarding day and we are already planning for Volunteer Day 2012,” said Ursuline College Alumnae Director Tiffany Mushrush Mentzer ’03.

After the event, volunteers gathered back on campus to share their experiences. Board of Trustees member Teri Hermann Corletzi ’90 shared her experience at MedWish: “It was a very exciting experience because we had a group of individuals from Ursuline who came together and engaged one another, not on who we were, but to help the world get the highly needed medical supplies.”

Save the date for the next Volunteer Day on October 6. The College community will be reaching out to MedWish, Cleveland FoodBank, Habitat for Humanity and St. Angela Center.

If you are interested in participating, please contact the Alumnae Office at tmushrush@ursuline.edu or 440 646 8370.

Honoring Community Leaders

Ursuline College honored two Pepper Pike community leaders. Former Pepper Pike Mayor Bruce Akers was recognized for his 36 years of service to the city and his friendship with, and support of, Ursuline. During the event, Key Bank announced a donation of $10,000 for the Bruce Akers Endowed Scholarship, which will support students interested in political science.

In another celebration, the College also honored Pepper Pike Councilman Allan Krulak in recognition of his 20 years of service to the city. Krulak also served as vice president-director of community affairs for 38 years with Forest City Enterprises. During his service with the city, Krulak became a friend and supporter of the College. Forest City announced the donation of $20,000 for the Allan Krulak Endowed Scholarship, which will support students who are involved in community service.

Sr. Diana Stano, O.S.U., Ph.D. ’68, president of Ursuline College, stated that, “Akers and Krulak share the values, voice and vision of Ursuline. They are truly among our treasured friends and supporters. We are so grateful to Key Bank and Forest City Enterprises for their continued support and generous commitment. These donations will help provide students with the highest quality education while focusing on the learning needs of women.”
Last fall, 28 members of the Ursuline community traveled to Italy to learn more about, and follow in the footsteps of, St. Angela Merici, founder of the Ursuline Order. The St. Angela Pilgrimage was designed to deepen the understanding of Angela Merici’s legacy to the Ursulines. The trip provided the group with a unique opportunity to experience the origin of the Ursuline story and to reflect together on its meaning for today.

The journey through Northern Italy covered everything from St. Angela’s birthplace in Desenzano, to Brescia, where she spent most of her adult life and was also laid to rest. Stops were made in Isola del Garda and to Salò, where she lived with her uncle after her parents died. Three individuals from the Ursuline Community share their thoughts on experiencing this special trip first-hand.

Members of the Ursuline Community traveled to Italy.
June Gracyk  
Vice President for Facilities Operations

Traveling through Europe is always a humbling experience for me. I think about the millions of people who have walked the same stone steps of the cathedrals that we visited and how they may have shaped western civilization as we know it today. St. Angela’s founding of the Company of St. Ursula reinforces that for me. The sense of community, spirituality and social responsibility that was important to St. Angela all those years ago is still a part of us today.
To be present where Angela lived, prayed and worked gave me a greater appreciation for the ascetic lifestyle she chose. I was impressed that as a young teen she was firmly committed to living in daily prayerful service to God. In an era when women had no rights and she had no formal education, except for what was imparted at home by her parents, she formed The Company of St. Ursula. I left Italy with a better understanding of St. Angela Merici’s commitment to give her whole being to live a life of fasting and prayer led by the stirrings of the Holy Spirit. She remains today an inspiring role model to Ursulines throughout the world.
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Deanne Hurley  
Vice President  
for Student Affairs

One of the pieces of the Ursuline charism that I love is the focus on education. The Order of St. Ursula was originally founded because she was convinced that there was a need for better instruction of young girls in the rudiments of the Christian religion. The Ursulines have continued to carry out her vision of commitment to lifelong learning, never losing St. Angela’s focus on spirituality and service to the larger community. One very special aspect of the trip for me was being able to share the experience with Ursuline Sisters from Cleveland, Kentucky and New York. It was like experiencing Christmas through the eyes of a child, the trip was so special and heartfelt, and traveling with them allowed me to experience the history of St. Angela on a deeper level.
Ursuline College and Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) have recently formed a Dual Admission Partnership. High school and college transfer students are eligible and can apply to both Tri-C and Ursuline to take advantage of this opportunity. Ursuline joins over ten schools in Northeast Ohio participating in the dual enrollment partnership.

“Over the years, Ursuline has welcomed hundreds of Tri-C graduates who have gone on to earn their four-year degrees. Many of these students have then continued to pursue master’s degrees here as well. We look forward to implementing the new dual admission partnership, which will make it easier for Tri-C graduates to continue their college education here,” said Ursuline’s Vice President for Academic Affairs, JoAnne Podis, Ph.D.

Students who are dually admitted are provided a smooth transition from Tri-C to Ursuline. Students will complete an associate degree at Tri-C and then complete a bachelor’s degree at Ursuline. While at Tri-C, full-time students can take a course at Ursuline during the fall and spring terms at Tri-C tuition rates, with a maximum of four courses over two years. Students are welcome to use all facilities and attend campus events at both institutions. For more information about this partnership, visit ursuline.edu/partnerships.

Silver Anniversary Celebration

Last fall, Ursuline College’s Art Therapy and Counseling program celebrated 25 years of success with an evening of dinner, dances and raffles as well as a keynote presentation by Judy Rubin, Ph.D., a licensed psychologist and a board certified art therapist.

In the past 25 years, more than 325 Ursuline students have graduated with an Art Therapy and Counseling master’s degree. The first program of its kind in Ohio, and one of the first in the country, the College first offered an undergraduate specialization in art therapy in 1978. However, as standards for becoming an art therapist evolved and required a master’s degree for the credential, it became apparent to program founder Sr. Kathleen Burke, O.S.U., Ph.D. ’62SJ that a graduate program was needed. She and her colleagues Richard Rule-Hoffman, Gail Rule-Hoffman and Amy Jacobs, Ph.D., began developing the program in 1983. Two years later, the program was approved and the first class of eight students graduated in 1989.

Ursuline’s program prepares students to be eligible for both credentialing as art therapists and licensure as professional clinical counselors. This dual credential provides graduates with many options. Eight-hundred and fifty internship hours are a requirement for Ursuline art therapy students and is a vital component of the program. Art therapy students have the opportunity to gain internship experience in a multitude of areas including children and adolescents, adults with mental and emotional disorders, schools, hospitals and rehabilitation centers, domestic violence shelters and juvenile justice centers.

Currently, over 200 settings in the Greater Cleveland-Akron area employ art therapists, most of whom are Ursuline graduates. In addition, alumnae are working around the country and in other parts of the world including Australia, New Zealand, Norway and Taiwan.

“The Art Therapy and Counseling program is a very different program from what it was 25 years ago,” said Sr. Kathleen. “We continue to grow and thrive as we strive to meet the ever changing requirements of the credentialing bodies and the job market. However, we strive to offer a holistic education that transforms students for service, leadership and professional excellence.”
Psychology News

The Psychology Department hosted the Fourteenth Annual Mullen Psychology Convocation and Nineteenth Psi Chi Induction Ceremony on April 25. The purpose of the Mullen Psychology Convocation is to recognize psychology major’s accomplishments of the past year, and honor the graduating seniors. This year, there were several awards for graduating seniors who presented their research at regional research conferences: Sara Bianca DelMonti ’12 presented her research at The Ohio Undergraduate Psychology Research Conference at Kenyon College. Another important award is the Mullen Psychology Research Scholarship to support students’ attendance at research conferences. This year’s winners were Colette Bauer ’13, Arielle Cenin ’14, Nicole McKay ’13, Cara Schossow ’13 and Elizabeth Swearman ’13 who attended the Ohio Undergraduate Psychology Research Conference at Otterbein University. The James P. and Maureen C. Kovach Scholarship is an academic award given to outstanding juniors and seniors in recognition of their academic achievement. This year’s winners were Bauer, McKay and Hillary Crookston. Psi Chi, The International Honor Society in Psychology welcomed four new members who were presented with certificates: Bauer, Cenin, McKay and Sr. Cosette Ghanem.

The Mullen Psychology Convocation and Mullen Psychology Research Scholarships are made possible through the generosity of those who have contributed to the Joseph J. Mullen Endowment. Monsignor Mullen was a faculty member in the psychology department for 42 years. The James P. and Maureen C. Kovach Scholarship was established in 2010 by Mr. & Mrs. Kovach to recognize exceptional academic achievement in psychology majors for support in their junior and senior years.

Nurse Educator Recognized

Kathy Rogers, MSN ’11, R.N., recently received the Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI) Nursing Education’s first-ever Nurse’s Touch Award. Nominated by a peer nurse educator at Ursuline, Rogers was specifically selected for her leadership and interpersonal skills as well as her efforts to educate students on stress reduction activities.

“Kathy is very deserving of this award because she is truly engaged as a member of the nursing faculty and is completely student focused,” said Christine A. Wynd, Ph.D., R.N., CNAA, ’74SJ dean of the Breen School of Nursing. “She readily and willingly contributes to student education and is devoted to the current evidence and research that keeps our students moving forward.”

A nurse educator at Ursuline since 2006, Rogers currently serves as the coordinator of the College’s Nursing Resource Center which allows her to closely work with the students. “I advise my students to understand the patient in order to be successful. That doesn’t call on book knowledge in most cases, instead it’s taking the clues and pieces of information and using soft skills to help meet the needs of the patient,” said Rogers. “I am honored to be selected for this recognition and appreciate ATI raising awareness of nurse educators and the need for increased focus on soft skills.”
the importance of a liberal arts education
The American Association of Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) asserts that a liberal arts education used to be an option for only the fortunate. But in the 21st century, it is an absolute necessity. Once viewed as a course of study for the well-heeled rather than the student-focused on employment, today the broad educational foundation acquired from a liberal arts education is invaluable in preparing for the global workplace.

Today’s college graduates will buy and sell in a global marketplace, they will work for international companies, manage employees from many different cultures, ages and backgrounds. And they will collaborate in teams comprised of people from all over the globe, solving problems that span the world community. A liberal arts education hones the very skills necessary to thrive in this diverse, quick-paced world that demands agile and adaptable leaders.

At Ursuline College, the Ursuline Studies Program (USP) provides the framework to build these broad skills and is the foundation on which all the concentrations lay. As JoAnne Podis, Ph.D., vice-president for academic affairs said, “The days of training narrowly for one job that you will hold for a lifetime are over. Employers demand flexibility and creativity in their employees and expect them to be able to learn new skills and embrace change; liberal learning promotes that creativity and openness to new ideas and new ways of doing business.”

Every undergraduate who attends the College benefits from the Program. Initiated in 1992, USP is the first of its kind in the country to specifically focus on the ways in which women learn. The program features small classes that are interactive and student centered, resulting in active rather than passive learning. Students progress through three thoughtfully designed stages in classes that deliberately build upon each other. Beth DiNatale Johnson, Ph.D., former USP director, emphasized that the Program is not a “smorgasbord but rather a program unto itself.” The three stages, comprised of 14 sequential courses, constitutes over 38% of the 128 hours required for graduation. So each student has time to develop and strengthen the skills outlined in the seven academic goals of the Program.

The seven academic goals are critically synthesizing information, communicating effectively, productive social interaction, value-based decision making, aesthetic appreciation, problem-solving abilities and responsible citizenship.

The goals are achieved through a variety of learning experiences, both in and outside of the classroom. Students often work in collaboration with each other. According to Johnson, the use of collaborative learning is one example of the program’s deliberate design. “In the first stage courses, students are placed in groups to work on projects. Often they become frustrated because not all the members are pulling their weight in the group. By the time students are in the final stages, they know how to handle group dynamics and are better able to perform as a team.” Johnson pointed out that today’s workforce is increasingly project based; therefore, the ability to be a team player is crucial to success.

Another powerful part of the USP is reflective learning that is shared through communication, particularly the written word. “When one has to write about a subject, one is forced to understand it at a deeper level since one has to bring any tacit understanding of the subject to a conscious level in order to explain it to someone else,” explained Fred Wright, Ph.D., assistant English professor.

In all stages of the Program the emphasis is placed initially on identity, then cultural diversity, and finally on values and social responsibility.
The first stage starts with the individual. Coursework is designed to provide opportunities for students to gain a deeper understanding of themselves and greater confidence to express their voice while exploring the themes of education, identity and meaning. The USP courses are meta-cognitive in approach. Students are consistently challenged to understand the how and why of what they are doing.

“What is the source of your information?” is a consistent question as students learn how to think and write critically. Being a critical consumer of information is essential to being an effective problem solver and an empowered citizen. It also encourages students to become life-long learners.

In the second stage of the curriculum, the students’ view expands to the world outside themselves. Students engage in an interdisciplinary study of world cultures and the arts. Wright said, “Students tell me that they view the world in a new perspective after taking a course such as my Asian Literature class. Before, they perhaps only thought about the world from their individual viewpoints, but afterwards they have developed the skill of looking at the world from multiple perspectives.” He remembered a nursing student in his class that changed her bias against Muslims after reading and discussing Middle Eastern literature. It allowed her to understand the world through another set of eyes – and to see not just how others were different but also what she held in common with people other than herself. Wright believes that her wider view of the world would positively impact both her life and her future career. “She will likely be able to better understand and assist patients whom she otherwise might have avoided or underserved,” said Wright.

Sr. Cynthia Glavac O.S.U, Ph.D. ’78, English department professor, sees the same maturation of perspective in her students. “As they become familiar with the work of authors from around the world, they realize that there are concerns, opinions, and emotions that bind us together as human beings,” said Sr. Cynthia. “In this sense, literature and writing become means of broadening students’ world views but also of reminding them of the humanness we all share.”

Although the goals of many college’s liberal education programs are similar, Ursuline places a special emphasis on value-based decision making and responsible citizenship. “Taken together, these outcomes may form the foundation for ethical, transformational leadership,” noted Podis. The third stage, taken during senior year, challenges students to more fully understand their own values and the values of others. They learn what it means to act from their own values as they make decisions and envision their future beyond college. How do I fit into the world? What is my role in the world moving forward? What is my responsibility to others? All are questions explored as students near their completion of their studies at Ursuline.

Quickly adapting to change, learning new information with ease, solving problems and communicating effectively are the skills most desired by employers. These are also the skills that foster a productive and fulfilling life. What an Ursuline student learns in the Program will help her or him flourish in the constantly shifting terrain of today’s workplace. Unlike past generations, people now are likely to have many different jobs in perhaps many different industries during their lifetimes. Not only are the specific technical skills a person learns while in college often out-of-date soon after graduation, but the major studied may not be relatable to a future job. Employers want people who have “learned to learn.” Ursuline Studies nurtures life-long learners who can think for themselves.

The College strives to “inspire greatness” in its graduates. So while the College is a champion for every student’s professional success, the hope is that graduates will take all they’ve learned beyond the workplace. A liberal education from Ursuline gives students the tools to confront the unknown and know what to do and to take their values, voice and vision to make the world a better place.

“[USP students] know how to handle group dynamics and are better able to perform as a team.”

Beth DiNatale Johnson
Sister Cynthia often finds that students are surprised when they learn what they can “do” with an English major. Many people assume that a graduate with an English degree has few options for employment. In reality, just like a liberal arts education, the degree develops the talents most desired by employers across a broad range of industries including public relations, advertising, sales, broadcast journalism and law. “I had no idea that an English major would prepare me for so many different careers!” is a common response heard by Sr. Cynthia.

Excellent skills in communication, especially writing and critical thinking are at the core of many professions – and exactly what students learn in Ursuline’s English classes.

The English program has two tracks – a Literature track and a Media and Language track. Both focus on developing the student’s capacity for critical and imaginative thinking, reading, discussing, listening and writing. The tracks also introduce students to works of literature that will enrich their lives by exposing them to world views, cultures, and ideas different from their own; provide learning experiences that enable students to gain insight into lasting human values and prepare them for numerous, varied careers and further professional education.

For example, in the Speech Communication course, students learn more than just how to project their voice and make eye contact while speaking. They learn how to utilize the art of rhetoric to instruct and persuade. Colette Epple, Ph.D., assistant English professor, who teaches the course, said, “Students learn the importance of assessing what an audience needs and figuring out how to convey the information in a clear, concise, articulate manner – all while maintaining grace and poise.” This is an ability desired by anyone who has ever had to make a business presentation, “sell” a customer or lead a team.

Students majoring in English at Ursuline write extensively during their course of study. From the very beginning, all efforts are focused on nurturing superior analytical and communication skills. In the introductory course, Life, Language, Literature students explore a wide diversity of English composition studies, creative writing, cultural studies, English education, linguistics, literature, media studies and rhetoric. “The course really gets students to think deeply about language, which eventually results in the better use of it,” asserted Wright.

Many of the English department’s professors, including Wright and Podis, also teach anchor courses in the Ursuline Studies Program. Their contributions are vital in writing intensive courses.

Sr. Cynthia fervently believes, “Having a liberal arts degree, specifically one in English, fosters both the analytical and creative thinking that could produce the next Steve Jobs or Mark Zuckerberg of our contemporary society.”

“Where would we be today without such visionary thinkers?” Sr. Cynthia asked. “Majoring in English not only opens the doors of the imagination to unbelievable possibilities but provides the skills necessary to make these possibilities realities.”

Proof of the value of an Ursuline English degree is best expressed by the individual success stories of our graduates. Here are the stories of just a few who went on to succeed in a variety of professions.
Aimee Jannsohn ’04

On any given day as a Marketing Communications Associate for Pilgrim Press, Aimee Jannsohn ’04 may be writing copy for the back covers of books, editing seasonal trade catalogs, creating flyers, composing advertising and marketing materials or preparing a press release for a new book. She works with the marketing director to plan campaigns for new and backlist books. The confidence and skills she gained from her experience at Ursuline makes juggling a multitude of tasks during her busy day achievable.

“The high quality and diversity of the English courses I took — everything from literature to writing to grammar and usage — continues to play a major role in my everyday responsibilities,” said Jannsohn. As she progresses in her career, Jannsohn feels the valuable skills she learned at Ursuline support her ability to tackle new challenges. “In this sense, Ursuline continues to prepare me for my career.”
“The key to being successful in business is the ability to communicate well,” asserted Nedra Wrayno ’06. One of Wrayno’s responsibilities in her position as a manager at a Cleveland-based insurance company is to coordinate and monitor the continuing education program for internal agents. As she pointed out, today most corporate communications are done through email and it is important to be able to express thoughts quickly and concisely. “The ability to put my thoughts down clearly is essential to helping the people I work with understand their roles and guidelines for executing their daily responsibilities,” said Wrayno. “It has also afforded me the confidence to be able to write communications directed toward various levels of the company and feel that I am able to write effectively for each specific audience.”

She believes that the English degree she received at Ursuline made her a better writer. It also honed her skills as a researcher. Wrayno regularly interacts with the State of Ohio, along with her colleagues to keep abreast of changes in industry processes. An important part of her job is to not only assess the information but also to efficiently convey updates via her company’s internal website. Wrayno said that her degree continues to provide her “with fundamental skills required in the real world and also opens up new opportunities as businesses continue to expand their on-line products and internal web-based structure.”

As a Senior Brand Planner at an advertising agency, Eva Susnjar Hendricks ’94 is writing every day, from emails to formal proposals and presentations. Her main responsibility is to translate all forms of knowledge (research data, journal articles, blog entries or just word-of-mouth) into valuable nuggets of information for the other departments at the agency.

Hendricks has found that the English degree she received has helped her career — sometimes in surprising ways. She certainly learned how to be a powerful and persuasive writer. But she feels her enhanced appreciation of literature and culture benefits her position at the agency, too. “Very often, it is a cultural insight that becomes the catalyst for developing really creative and interesting advertising,” explained Hendricks.
Sarah Lovequist ’98

Sarah Lovequist ’98 is a litigation attorney practicing in the areas of insurance subrogation, business and commercial law, and international business and commercial law. She received her undergraduate degree in English before attending law school.

She appreciated the safe environment Ursuline provided. It allowed her to explore a variety of interests while also encouraging her to take risks and develop new interests. “The English program in particular helped me develop my writing and communication skills, which I use daily in my profession,” said Lovequist. “I also learned how to think critically and analyze situations, depicted in novels, poems, essays, etc., to find deeper meanings and underlying themes.” Both the confidence she gained and the critical thinking skills she learned while at Ursuline prepared her for the demands of law school and a litigation career. “I am constantly prepared to think quickly and critically and know how to look below the surface for underlying issues and meaning — skills required by the legal world.”

Elizabeth Corrao ’04

As a clinical research and fellowship coordinator, Elizabeth Corrao ’04 is responsible for conducting clinical research trials, managing a surgical database and training the international research fellows at the Cleveland Clinic.

“When I began my position at the clinic in 2008 as a research assistant,” said Corrao, “I was told that the department was in need of someone with editing and writing skills to help our international research fellows whose English skills needed a little work. I began to edit manuscripts for them on the side and since then, I have started a freelance medical editing business.”

She points out that in the medical research field, organizational and communication skills are no less valued than skill in the sciences, “especially in cases where great sensitivity is needed when talking to patients or relaying information carefully and concisely.” Corrao loves being able to work with a diverse group of people and help them in their research efforts. The educational tools she developed to assist her colleagues conduct research in the United States continues to benefit them beyond their time at the Cleveland Clinic.

“By far the most rewarding aspect of working in medical research is that I continuously see the positive impact that the work we do has on the lives of so many people and in the case of some of our fellows, to see them take these skills home with them when they have graduated from our program,” said Corrao.
Innovations ’12

Ursuline’s annual fashion show, Innovations ’12, featured clothing designed by fashion students and included more than 50 original creations for women. Before and after the show, boutique vendors offered guests a variety of handmade items. Ursuline alumnae Elizabeth DiFiore ’07 served as the show’s guest commentator. Opening the show this year was the freshmen textile class who designed white paper dresses with flounces, circle skirts and a-line silhouettes.

“Out of the Shadows” by Natalie Koch ’12, “Pretty Bad” by Ashley Bohanon ’13, “A Sincere Moment of Elegance” by Mandie Oros ’12 and “Art Noveau American Girl” by Jacqueline Hutchinson ’12 were the senior collections featured in this year’s show.

Old Navy Fashion Show

This past winter, the manager at the Mayfield Heights Old Navy store approached the Ursuline Fashion Department to coordinate a fashion show for the store’s grand reopening. Fashion Design and Merchandising student and President of Fashion Focus Natalie Koch ’12 was asked to assist in planning and producing the fashion show. Koch enlisted the help of the Fashion Focus student club and the group successfully put on a show for the holiday’s new must-have arrivals.

The students chose the theme and music selection, wrote the script and arranged a model call. Fashion Instructor May Beard ’92 was the evening’s commentator and Fashion Focus members Koch, Nyrisha Pearcy ’12, Susan Fox ’13, Ramanda Leaver ’12, Kianna Coggins ’13 and Stacy Piotrkowski ’09 were the producers of the show. Student Nateisha Piotrkowski ’12 acted as makeup artist and students Jody Scimone ’12, Cleo Bowers ’15, Olivia Koch ’15, Jacob Moore ’14 and Simon Elaban ’15 modeled.

“I was very honored when asked to plan and put together this fashion show. Having background experience with fashion show production through my design and merchandising classes at Ursuline, I was very excited to work with the Fashion Focus club to plan the event,” said Koch.
The Student Nurses of Ursuline College (SNUC) hosted their seventh annual Go Red for Women fundraiser on February 4th. The event focuses on three areas to support the fight against heart disease in women: heightening awareness of the issue, creating a passionate call to action and generating funds to support education and research.

The night was filled with dinner, dances and raffles, and guests were decked out in the color red. This year’s speaker was Dr. Barbara Williams, MD. Formerly a nurse, she is now a practicing cardiologist, affiliated with University Hospitals of Cleveland and specializing in women’s cardiovascular health. The event raised over $6,000 and SNUC presented a check to Megan French, the Regional Director of Go Red for Women.

“According to the American Heart Association, heart disease is the number one killer for women,” said SNUC President Brittany Roe ’12, adding, “For this reason I believe events like Go Red are important because they help to raise money for research so that this disease does not continue to affect our fellow colleagues, professors, mothers, sisters and daughters.”

Next year’s Go Red for Women event will take place on Saturday, February 2nd, 2013.

FINDING BEAUTY IN AN UNLIKELY PLACE
Studio Art graduate Sarah Wojciechowski ’12, was invited to exhibit several of her prints at Lakeland Community College’s Skull and Skeleton in Art: Folk Art to Pop Culture. In reflecting upon her work, Wojciechowski explained that being an individual surrounded by and affected greatly by death, she has found the beauty in death in order to keep her sanity. Wojciechowski used the intaglio printmaking method, which showcased her theme of death and beauty with the use of skeletal images.
The Wall of Fame, which was initiated in 2008, began as a way to highlight Ursuline students and the amazing things they are doing in a very visible way. Each year, a committee chooses eight students, who are selected based on their involvement in community service, leadership within a student organization and academic excellence. The Wall of Fame strives to recognize current students in hopes that they will serve as role models and mentors for the student body.

A biography and photograph of each highlighted student hangs in the hallway of the Mullen Academic Center. Deanne Hurley, vice president of student affairs, stated that, “The walls of the Admissions Office were chosen so that prospective students, parents and visitors to campus could see and read about our students.”

The 2011 honorees were: Amber Banks ’11 (Fashion Design), Rebecca Bittala ’11 (Social Work), Jaimie Grindle ’12 (Business/Sports Management), Elizabeth Hughes ’11 (Nursing), Goldie Jenkins ’11 (Marketing), Annie Parker ’11 (Psychology), Ashley Romina ’12 (Early Childhood Education) and TaRhonda Ward ’11 (Social Work).

The 2011 issue of the student publication, Inscape has received “First Place with Special Merit” from the American Scholastic Press Association.
13th Annual Faculty Lecture Series

Roman Architecture, Trauma in Human Existence and Two Contrasting Christian Approaches to Evil were topics at Ursuline’s 2012 Faculty Lecture Series.

Elisha Dumser, Ph.D., Ursuline assistant professor of art history and Ursuline Studies, gave the lecture Building Power: The Architecture of the Emperor Maxentius in Rome (306-312 CE). She discussed Maxentius’s prominent building commissions, which included Rome’s largest temple and the world’s most expansive cross-vaulted interior space. This presentation took the audience through his turbulent reign and discussed his skill in the manipulation of large-scale public benefactions.

Trauma in Human Existence: Psychotherapy, Healing and the Cartesian Mind was the topic of the lecture by Ursuline Professor of Psychology Thomas Frazier, Ph.D. This lecture explored how trauma is more common than we believe and discussed the psychological and physiological mechanisms that “shut down” as a result and decrease the quality of life. The broad outlines of therapeutic recovery were also discussed.

The last lecture was given by George Matejka, Ph.D., Ursuline professor of philosophy and ministry, and entitled Painting St. Michael and St. George: Two Christian Responses to Evil. Dr. Matejka examined how the Book of Revelation depicts both St. Michael and St. George and their differences in how they are illustrated as defenders and protectors. During this presentation, Dr. Matejka used several paintings of both Michael and George to demonstrate these contrasting positions when facing evil.

“The 13th annual Faculty Lecture Series showcased the research and expertise of the College’s experienced faculty,” said JoAnne Podis Ph.D., vice president for academic affairs. She added that the variety and scope of this year’s lectures were reflective of the richness and diversity of an Ursuline liberal arts education.

UC Librarian Murders Again...

Ursuline’s Head of Bibliographic Services, Amanda Flower, has published her second book Murder in a Basket, the sequel to Maid of Murder.

In Flower’s second installment, Murder in a Basket, the college librarian and struggling artist India Hayes is convinced to manage a face-painting booth at the Stripling, Ohio Founders’ Day Festival. When she discovers the body of basket weaver Tess Ross on the festival grounds, India finds herself once again right in the middle of the investigation.

“Writing the second India Hayes Mystery, Murder in a Basket, was even more fun than writing the first. This time, I knew the characters so well it was like visiting with old friends. Readers will enjoy this second installment because all the eccentric people in India’s life are back for book two. The novel is full of laughs as India’s friends and family help and hinder her during her investigation into the basket weaver’s death,” said Flower.

When Flower is not at the library or writing her next mystery, she is an avid traveler, aspiring to visit as much of the globe as she can. She is a member of American Christian Fiction Writers, Mystery Writers of America and Sisters in Crime. Her 2010 debut, Maid of Murder, received an Agatha Award nomination for Best First Novel. Flower’s next mystery novel, A Plain Death, will be released later this summer. It’s the first novel in a three book series set in Ohio’s Amish country.
Faculty Honored

Two of Ursuline College’s educators, Elisha Dumser, Ph.D. and Sr. Cynthia Glavac, O.S.U., Ph.D. ’78, were highlighted in Ohio Magazine’s December 2011 “Excellence in Education” feature. The special section honors outstanding college and university teachers who represent a wide-range of academic interests.

Dumser, an assistant professor of art history and Ursuline Studies, prides herself on de-emphasizing lecture and encouraging group discussion in order to facilitate and guide her students’ learning. One individual noted that “being her student is like experiencing a travelogue through history.” She is currently writing her own book, *Architecture of Maxentius in Rome.*

As a Professor of English and Ursuline Studies, Sr. Cynthia has been teaching at Ursuline College for 20 years. During her career she has done extensive curriculum development and uses feedback to improve each course she teaches. Student accolades include “Sr. Cindy loves what she teaches,” and “She is very enthusiastic about the material.”
Christian Thought and Practice

Ursuline’s own Natalie Kertes Weaver, Ph.D., chair of Ursuline College’s religious studies department, has recently published her third book, Christian Thought and Practice: A Primer. The book is a basic introduction to Christian theology for use as a textbook in beginning level courses in Christian theology. It is also intended to serve as a supplemental reference text for higher level theology courses or comparative religion courses where background knowledge of Christian thought and practice is required.

In an editorial review, Ursuline College Professor of Religious Studies Conrad Gromada stated, “Imagine an introductory college text on religious studies in Christianity that is amazingly readable both for Christians of all denominations and for those who simply want to know more about Christianity but do not want to be ‘talked down to.’ From the outset, the author of this brilliant little book (just 200 pages) demonstrates herself to be an experienced teacher of students from a range of religious and not-so-religious backgrounds. Natalie Weaver has listened carefully to her students and has struggled along with them to understand what Christianity is all about.”

Inspiration for this book came from the needs of her students. “I felt the available texts introducing Christian theology were too heavy for students to read and enjoy. I wanted to develop a resource that would have all the necessary information students require without burdensome excesses. I write largely in response to my own needs as a teacher, so this book is really a product of my experience teaching Christian theology at Ursuline College,” said Weaver.

Weaver currently teaches a wide range of courses in theology and religion at Ursuline College. She holds degrees in classical languages, philosophy and ethics and has completed her Ph.D. with a dissertation on feminist theology from Loyola University. Weaver’s other published books are Baby’s First Latin and Marriage and Family: A Christian Theological Foundation.

Striving for Success

Every year, Sharon Wilson, LISW-S, professor and co-director of the social work program, facilitates a free one-day licensure review preparation class with Ursuline’s social work seniors. This class is not only open to current students, but Wilson invites alumnae back who have not taken the test or who have not been successful in past attempts. Always going the extra mile and ensuring success for her current and past students, Wilson, at no cost to the students or alumnae, provides a follow-up with additional study sessions to assist in preparing for the exam.

“The license review course is important because it prepares the students and alums to master test questions in light of the knowledge they have gained in their course of study at Ursuline. Holding the study sessions assists the students and alums in making connections between the curriculum and test material and the reality of social work practice in Cleveland,” said Wilson.

The one-day licensure preparation class provides information regarding licensing and testing processes and procedures, test taking strategies, study strategies, content to study for the exam and an opportunity to review practice questions. The additional two sessions review and reinforce content and analyze practice questions.
This year’s Newcomer of the Year award went to Paige Rowan ’15 (soccer). She was named ICAA Co-Freshman of the Year, NCAA Division II All-Ohio Second Team, All-ICAA Second Team, All-OIC Second Team and she led her team in goals scored.

Ashley Reinhart ’14 (bowling, tennis and volleyball) was honored with the Arrows Champion Award. Beyond the impact she had participating in three sports, teammates noted she was always willing to help new players acclimate to the College and become comfortable in each program.

The Arrows Most Valuable Athlete Award was given to Rachael Smith ’13 (soccer). This season she was honored as Arrows Player of the Month, All-OIC First Team, NCAA Division II All-Ohio First Team and All-ICAA Second Team. She broke single-season school records with 14 wins, 11 shutouts, only three losses, a streak of seven-straight shutouts, a 13-game unbeaten streak and didn’t allow a single goal in 715 straight minutes, nearly eight full games played.

The Ursuline Arrows Athletic Department recently hosted its annual Hall of Fame Induction and Year-End Awards Ceremony. Lindsey Harper ’06, Lisa Piechowski ’06 BA, ’10 BSN and Jen Risch ’05 became members of the Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2012.
Lindsey Harper ’06 (softball)

Lindsey Harper was a part of Ursuline’s inaugural softball season and she played a vital role in helping the program become a success. As a freshman, Harper led the American Mideast Conference (NAIA) with 1.82 hits per game (36 total games). She also ranked sixth in the conference in batting average, hitting an amazing .443 for the season. Harper was named a Conference Honorable Mention by voters in her first year. Over the next three years she continued to improve, earning a spot on the All-AMC Second Team in her sophomore year as a shortstop, and a spot on the All-AMC First Team in her junior season as a catcher.

In her four-year career, Harper hit .368, collecting 156 hits in only 424 at-bats. In the first two years, the Arrows won a combined six Conference games in 34 total games. In the final two years of Harper’s time at Ursuline, the team won ten conference games in six less contests. This included an overall record of 25–18 in 2005, which is a program best. Harper graduated in 2006 with a degree in Education.

Lisa Piechowski ’06 BA, ’10 BSN (cross country/softball/basketball)

Lisa Piechowski played four seasons of basketball (2002–2006) and also lent her athletic talent to the softball and cross-country programs for a season in 2005. At the time of her induction, Piechowski, ranked second all-time in steals, third all-time in scoring, rebounds and in shooting, both from the field and from long range. She was a two-time American Mideast Conference Honorable Mention and was selected to the second team as a sophomore.

As a member of the softball team in 2005, Piechowski stepped in and took command, hitting .339 (41 hits in 121 at-bats). She scored 23 runs, recorded seven doubles, two home runs and a triple, while driving in 21 runs. For her efforts, she was an All-AMC First Team selection and a NAIA scholar-athlete. Piechowski graduated in 2006 with a degree in English and returned to Ursuline to earn a BSN in Nursing in 2010.

Jen Risch ’05 (soccer)

A business administration graduate, Jen Risch played for Ursuline during the soccer team’s first four seasons (2001–2005). Risch established a majority of the College’s soccer career and season records - most of which still stand. She scored 40 career goals and still holds the record with 20 career assists. Her 40 goals and 100 career points rank third all-time. She led the team in goals each of her four seasons with the Arrows, and in 2003 she ranked seventh in the conference in goals per game and was tied for seventh in points per game.

Risch was a two-time American Mideast Conference Honorable Mention as a freshman and sophomore, and a two-time All-AMC Second Team selection as a junior and senior. She had a career best 13 goals as a junior, which ranks in a tie for third in goals for a single-season, and she posted 29 points, which ranks fifth for a season. As a senior, she set the school single-season record with 10 assists.

G-MAC Approved for Division II

Ursuline College is now a part of a newly formed athletic conference, Great Midwest Athletic Conference (G-MAC), featuring six colleges and universities from Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee. The NCAA Division II Membership Committee has approved the G-MAC as a member conference effective September 1, 2012.

Along with Ursuline, Charter members of the G-MAC include Cedarville University (Cedarville OH), Central State University (Wilberforce OH), Kentucky Wesleyan College (Owensboro KY), Trevecca Nazarene University (Nashville TN) and Urbana University (Urbana OH). Recently, University of Virginia at Wise (Wise VA) and Georgetown College (Georgetown KY) have been accepted to the G-MAC as provisional members after announcing their intention to apply for NCAA Division II membership.

As a member conference, the G-MAC will enter an educational assessment program for the 2012–13 academic year with the goal of beginning competition as an active conference effective September 1, 2013. “For Ursuline, this has been an important step in the process of our transition into becoming an active member of the NCAA,” said President Sr. Diana Stano, O.S.U., Ph.D.’68. “The potential of this conference to expand and compete with some of the best Division II conferences in the nation – both athletically and academically, provides an exciting opportunity for the future.”

The G-MAC will work to meet the active member and sport sponsorship requirements established by the membership. At the point at which the requirements are met, the G-MAC will gain full privileges of NCAA Division II Conference membership, including conference grant distribution, voting rights and representation on the NCAA Management Council and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.
The reality of the old adage “time flies” was never more evident than when I realized that my two years as President of the Ursuline and St. John College Alumnae Association was soon drawing to a close. Serving as Board Member and President has enhanced my life and strengthened my commitment to the Ursuline College community immeasurably. Being President also enabled me in some small way to repay the College for the outstanding educational experience I received as a student. Initially, I approached the transition with some degree of trepidation. However, with the support and encouragement from my friends and colleagues on campus, I looked forward to the prospect of strengthening alumnae ties and encouraging lifelong support of our Alma Mater.

People make the difference at Ursuline, and nowhere is that more evident than the people who serve on the Alumnae Board. This dedicated group of women and men give of their time and talent unselfishly in support of Ursuline and its mission of Values. Voice. Vision. The group strives to present an ever-expanding variety of events and programs that will encourage alumnae and guests to return to campus.

Last spring, the Alumnae Association hosted New York Times bestselling author Regina Brett of God Never Blinks: 50 Lessons for Life’s Little Detours. Her presentation drew over 200 people to our campus. In October, the Alumnae Association hosted the first all-campus Volunteer Day, and it was a great success. Volunteer locations included Habitat for Humanity, Hospice of the Western Reserve, Cleveland FoodBank, St. Angela Center and MedWish. We closed the year with one of my favorite events, the St. Nicholas Mass and brunch, which is an extremely popular family celebration. With your support, we can continue to make Ursuline the special place that it is today. I cordially invite you to stop by and see all the new and innovative accomplishments that are taking place on the Ursuline College campus.

It has been an honor for me to serve as President of the Alumnae Association. I look forward to working with our new President, Judy Clark Greig ’69SJ. Judy is a St. John College graduate and has served on the Alumnae Board for many years. She is an exceptional woman who has been selfless with her time and talent, and she embodies the Ursuline spirit. I offer my congratulations and best wishes as she begins her new term as President!

Jean Kubea Siebert ’99, Immediate Past President, Alumnae Board
A Journey to Malawi


Unique to the exhibit was a replica of a Malawian open marketplace featuring wood, tin, fabrics, paintings and other common Malawian goods. Dollars raised from the sale of these items and additional donations were split between H.E.L.P. Malawi and Ursuline. The proceeds going to the College were set aside for the Education Fund. Proceeds for H.E.L.P. Malawi supported current projects for the children of Malawi. H.E.L.P. Malawi founder Jillian Wolstein and Ursuline’s Director of Alumnae Relations Tiffany Mushrush Mentzer curated the exhibit.

“After two trips to Malawi and over two years of working with the H.E.L.P. organization, *A Journey of Education and Empowerment for the Children of Malawi* was brought to life by a hard working committee, Ursuline students and generous donors. It is amazing to see it all in one place and give guests the opportunity to feel like they have traveled through Malawi in the Wasmer Gallery,” said Mushrush Mentzer.

Bringing this exhibit to Ursuline helped educate Northeast Ohio about the H.E.L.P. Malawi organization and how their collaborative work with the College will not only impact the lives of the children H.E.L.P. Malawi serves but also students at Ursuline.

Ursuline recognizes the importance of H.E.L.P. Malawi and values how closely the organization aligns with the College’s mission and core values that include focus on students, commitment to spirituality, respect for the individual and collaboration. The partnership between Ursuline and H.E.L.P. Malawi continues to grow through collaboration on future projects and opportunities for support.
Reunion 2012

Paying tribute gathered to their alma mater, alumnae gathered at Landerhaven Executive Caterer’s to celebrate their reunion. The weekend began with the Ursuline and St. John classes of 1962, celebrating their 50th anniversary with a special luncheon hosted by Sr. Diana Stano. This year’s Crystal Award was given to Teri Herrmann Corletzi ’90 for her service to the Ursuline community. She has been an active member of the Alumnae Board since 2000 and has served as Board President. In 2008, Teri also became a member on the College’s Board of Trustees.

The date for Reunion 2013 is June 22 for classes ending in ‘3’ and ‘8’. Those interested in serving on the Reunion Committee or hosting a private class party, contact the Alumnae Office at 440 646 8375.

On Location

Columbus – November 10, 2011
Every other year we host a chapter event in Columbus where a small but mighty group gathers to catch-up. We hosted 10 alumnae who all enjoyed dinner and a College update from Ursuline President, Sr. Diana Stano, O.S.U., Ph.D.

NYC – December 8, 2011
Our largest group to date joined us in New York City for our biannual chapter event. We had 15 alumnae gather to catch up and be able to hear updates from both Sr. Diana Stano and Fashion Department Chair, Constance Korosec, Ph.D.

Barbara Marchand Crawford ’59 hosted one of our most active alumnae chapters, the Capital Group, who enjoyed a tour of The National Museum of Women in the Arts and afternoon tea at the Henley Park Hotel.

Naples, FL – March 4, 2012
Over 150 alumnae and friends of the College gathered at the annual Naples event. Mass and brunch were held at the Royal Poinciana Country Club.

Baltimore, MD – April 28, 2012
Carol Cerney O’Connell Minkin ’55 hosted her annual Baltimore Symphony Decorators’ Show House for alumnae and friends of the College. This year’s show house was The Eck House, which is a treasure of natural and historical significance.
A Portrait of Italy

Experience the best of Italy’s countryside and its famed cities—Rome, Florence and Venice—on this small group tour. Our 17-day journey showcases ancient sites, vivid ruins, priceless art, outstanding cuisine and unique lodgings, including a restored Tuscan villa. Starting in Italy’s Campania region, we’ll stay in the stunning seaside resort of Amalfi and visit Pompeii and Sorrento. Our next stop is Montecassino, whose abbey is a center for medieval art. During three days in Rome we’ll see the city’s most famous sights and enjoy ample free time. Then it’s on to Umbria and Tuscany with their traditional villages and medieval hill towns—Orvieto, Assisi, Siena and San Gimignano. In Florence, we’ll immerse ourselves in Renaissance art and, in Chianti, we’ll enjoy a wine tasting at a local winery. Our journey concludes in magical Venice, with tours of St. Mark’s Square and time on our own to explore the city. Spend some additional time “On Your Own” in Venice as an optional three-day/two-night post-tour extension.

If you are interested in traveling with us or have any questions, please contact the Alumnae Office at 440 646 8370 or tmushrush@ursuline.edu.
This past February over 40 people came to Ursuline to celebrate the Distinguished Educator Alumnae Award. Established in 2006, this award is presented biannually to an alumna who has demonstrated leadership, practice and research in education. This year the award was given to two alumnae, Kappy Pope Melari ’65 and Natalie Wester, MA ’05 for their outstanding achievements in the field of education.

Prayer Request –
You may submit specific prayer requests online to be placed in a Book of Prayer Requests outside the Ursuline College Chapel. The requests will also be remembered at Mass and by those who use the chapel for prayer. To make an online prayer request, visit the homepage, click on alumnae and click on prayer request.

On March 6, 2012 an amazing group of women produced Reflections, a fashion review of the Ursuline College Historic Costume Study Collection, in Naples, FL. Along with the honorary chair, Mary M. Wasmer, the event chairs, Mary Jane Breen and Mary Lou Jackson McCarthy ’54 worked with a dynamic committee to host over 170 guests at the Quail Creek Country Club. Over 80 designer outfits were seen on the runway with models donating their time from Cleveland and Naples; the show was produced by Constance Korosec, Ph.D., Fashion Department Chair and commentated by Dixie Lee Davis, Board of Trustees member. The event raised awareness of the study collection, which allows individuals the opportunity to donate their beautiful wears to be seen for years to come. The event also raised scholarship dollars for current Ursuline students.
An Evening with Valerie Mayen...

Valerie Mayen, owner, designer and seamstress of Yellowcake and contestant on Project Runway’s eighth season, held a discussion about fashion, with over 120 guests in attendance. Fashion Instructor May Cygan Beard ’92 and Denise Montrose ’07 led the conversation with Mayen.

Mayen’s journey into fashion began when she was born into a Guatemalan household in Corpus Christi, Texas. Turning hand-me-downs into coveted fashions as a child, she would find herself trekking all over the continent as a young adult in order to get her undergraduate degree in illustration and graphic design. She landed in Cleveland studying at both the Cleveland Institute of Art and Virginia Marti College of Art and Design. Having ventured into fashion just a few years ago, she immediately took the Midwest by storm with her bold and modern coats, fabulously versatile accessories and brilliantly sewn couture.

After being turned down for season seven of Project Runway, Mayen remained committed to the selection process and was chosen as a contestant for season eight. “I did the show not just for the months of exposure it’ll get for Yellowcake, but for my family, friends and interns who have believed in me and supported me each step of the way. I also did it for Cleveland! I want people to see the potential and talent this city has.”

“We were elated to have such a local talent join us and share her experiences. We were especially thrilled to have our fashion and art students compete with her as one of the judges. It was a very valuable experience for them,” said Tiffany Mushrush Mentzer, Ursuline’s alumnae director and event coordinator.

Following the conversation, attendees viewed a project runway-style competition for Ursuline College fashion and art students to win a $500 scholarship. Stephanie Pratt ’13, visual communication design major and public relations and studio arts: metals minor, and Brittany Mendez ‘15, fashion design major, were the two student scholarship winners. Guest judges included Valerie Mayen, Independent Fine Artist Lissa Bockrath Shapiro and CEO and owner of Luxe Chucks Tricia Xuan Mikal.
Life often takes many wonderful twists and turns and this is a classic case of college friendships leading to even greater things. The friendship between Antoinette (Toni) Trivisonno and Marilyn Horrocks began when they met as classmates in the nursing program at St. John College. As their friendship grew so did their desire to pursue further education. In 1953, after graduation, they moved together to St. Louis, Missouri to earn a graduate degree in nursing.

Marilyn first met the man who would become her husband in the coffee shop at St. Vincent Charity Hospital. His name was Ron Schoeck and he was a first year medical student. The couple quickly fell in love and were married in June 1955. Not long after, Marilyn persistently told Ron’s classmate, Bernie DeLeo, that she had “a nice Italian girl” to introduce him to. Meanwhile, she was telling her classmate, Toni that she had a “nice Italian boy” to introduce her to. Bernie eventually called Toni and invited her to a party and they began dating shortly thereafter. It turned out that Marilyn was quite the matchmaker, the two were married in June 1958.

Life has blessed both couples with beautiful families and they even serve as godparents to each other’s children. Marilyn and Toni have remained close through the years, even though the DeLeos now live in Florida and Schoecks in Rocky River.

Both couples have been very supportive of Ursuline College to ensure that the spirit of St. John lives on. Recently, Toni decided to generously support an endowed scholarship fund for nursing students who otherwise would be unable to attend Ursuline College. This scholarship may give two other nursing students the opportunity to tell a similar story of friendship in 50 years.
Sr. Joachim Mullen ’56SJ (Pepper Pike OH) was featured on Cleveland’s News Channel 3 after being honored at the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. for her service in the Coast Guard during World War II. Sr. Joachim joined the Coast Guard after finishing college and was stationed in Washington, D.C. where she worked as a transportation specialist through the end of the war.

Mary Rose Oakar ’62 (Cleveland OH) was recently inducted into the Cleveland International Hall of Fame, which permanently recognizes individuals who have made a valuable and lasting contribution to Cleveland’s multicultural society.

Barbara Douglass Ritty ’64 (Mishawaka IN) retired after 29 years as the cataloging supervisor for the University of Notre Dame Law Library.

Sr. Sheila Marie Tobbe, O.S.U. ’68 (Lyndhurst OH) was honored last October at a special benefit for the Thea Bowman Center. Formerly the center’s Executive Director, Sr. Sheila Marie serves as the center’s coordinator of mission integration and outreach.

Sr. Patricia Kozak, CSJ, ’69SJ (Lakewood OH) received the 2012 St. Joseph Academy Distinguished Alumnae Award this past March.

Janie Vayo Reinart ’71 (Chagrin Falls OH) welcomed the birth of triplet grandchildren, Chase, Clara and Madeline last July. In addition, Janie became a grandmother again this past October with the birth of her grandson, Oscar.

Jane Stepanik Murphy ’63 (Silver Spring MD) recently welcomed the birth of her grandson, Charles Peter Venema, Jr.

Joan Visnauskas Nunnery ’64 (Parma OH) recently retired. Her nursing career most recently included two volunteer nurse practitioner positions one at a free clinic for the uninsured and one at a clinic for the homeless.

Madeline Cain ’73 (Lakewood OH) was honored at Cleveland State University’s Distinguished Alumni Awards last fall. The award recognizes graduates who have demonstrated a commitment to humanity as well as excellence in their own achievements. Madeline is a graduate of CSU’s Master in Public Administration program.

Catherine Witt ’72 (Brecksville OH) received the 2012 St. Joseph Academy Award this past March.

Donna Olesko Gentile ’77 (Slidell LA), legal assistant for the Phelps Dunbar law firm, of 32 years, celebrated the publication of her best-selling children’s books, More! Bible Crafts on a Shoestring Budget: Craft Foam & Felt and More! and Bible Crafts on a Shoestring Budget: Chenille Wire and Straws. In addition, she enjoys writing Sunday school curricula and articles for Christian organizations such as Lifeway Christian Resources in Nashville, TN. She also loves creating Sunday school games for www.kidssundayschool.com. Donna and Nicholas, her husband of 33 years have recently embarked on a new business, A Way of Life Publishing, which allows Donna to self-publish her next book series for children ages 5-10. The book series will debut in 2013.
Julia Burke Bartel ’79 (Mentor OH) was recently named chief clinical officer at Hospice of the Western Reserve.

Kathleen Kravitz ’80, MBA ’11 (Solon OH) is the quality director for the Head and Neck Institute and the Dermatology and Plastic Surgery Institute at the Cleveland Clinic. Kathleen finished her MBA at Ursuline this past December.

Mary Goss-Hill ’84 (South Euclid OH) and Jessica S. Novak ’04, both Lakeland College employees, celebrated American Heart Month at the Wear Red event sponsored by Lake Health and co-sponsored by Lakeland Women’s Center on February 24.

and is the chief nurse at the historic 15th Medical Group on Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam in Hawaii. She was selected as the Pacific Air Force’s 2011 winner for Outstanding Excellence in Nursing Leadership. In addition, Marlene was selected for a Senior Leader Developmental Fellowship at Headquarters Air Education and Training Command (AETC) in San Antonio, TX.

Pamela Banchy ’91 (Lyndhurst OH) recently was appointed as the Chief Information Officer for Summa Western Reserve Hospital in Cuyahoga Falls.

May Cygan Beard ’92 (University Hts. OH) and her students recently participated in the coordination of Elegance Reflected, a fashion show for the Women’s Committee of The Cleveland Orchestra. May is an instructor in Ursuline’s Fashion Department.

Kelly Halloran Hancock ’94 (North Royalton OH) was named chief nursing officer at the Cleveland Clinic’s main campus last fall.

Rosemary Rood Tutt ’95 (Jacksonville FL) was featured in The St. Augustine Record last fall after earning her credential of certified public relations counselor. Rosemary is an assistant professor of communications at Flagler College in St. Augustine, FL.

Kimberley Osborne-Milstein ’98 (Novelty OH) was recently highlighted in the Cleveland Plain Dealer’s style section about her company, Textile Republic. Textile Republic offers products such as luggage tags, belts, serving trays and ice buckets that feature independent artists’ designs. Kimberley and her business were also featured in the February issue of Currents.

Kathryn Johnson ’99 (Cleveland OH) received her ministerial license last summer and now serves as the associate minister for the Covenant Baptist Church in Wickliffe.

Gretchen Miller ’99 (Lakewood OH) was the 2011 recipient of the National Institute for Trauma and Loss in Children’s Trauma Consultant Supervisor of the Year Award. She was also the recipient of Ursuline College’s Art Therapy and Counseling’s 25th Anniversary Service Award for her work with ArtTherapy without Borders and the Art Therapy Alliance. Gretchen was also recently featured in the Plain Dealer article, “Art Therapists Help Others Find a Voice,” highlighting her work as an art therapist. She is a registered board certified art therapist and certified trauma consultant at the Domestic Violence and Child Advocacy Center in Cleveland.

Deneen Nash ’99 (Bedford Hts. OH) was accepted into Biltmore’s Who’s Who and recently had one of her prints published in New Art International.

Dana Seward Dzurko ’00 (Strongsville OH) served as a juror for the Ursuline College Student Show at the Wasmer Gallery this past fall.
Talal Murad ’02 (Astoria NY) recently married Jumana Al-Arabaqwi. The couple is pictured here at Ursuline’s New York chapter event last fall.

Barbara Byers Chira ’03 (Cleveland OH) is a full-time visiting instructor and color coordinator at the Cleveland Institute of Art. She is currently pursuing a master’s degree in Advanced Inquiry at Miami University. This past fall she was involved in her first solo exhibition at Cuyahoga Community College.

Alexandra Brookes Jones ’04 (Titchfield Common Hants UK) recently traveled to the United States to visit with friends. Alexandra is pictured here with fellow alumnae, M.E. Kuzma ’04 (Highland Hts. OH) and Nicole Tomaro Zeck ’04 (Bay Village OH).

Teena Breeson Farrell ’04 (Macedonia OH) and her husband, Adam welcomed the birth of their second child, Cody Daniel Farrell last summer.

Jessica Salas Novak ’04 (Concord Township OH) was recently featured in an Akron Canton Airport commercial. Jessica and Mary Goss-Hill ’84, both Lakeland College employees, celebrated American Heart Month at the Wear Red event sponsored by Lake Health and co-sponsored by Lakeland Women’s Center on February 24.

Vivian Harris ’05 (South Euclid OH) retired this past December from Ursuline after thirteen years as the library acquisitions/media circulation assistant.

Kendra Kelley ’05 (Mayfield Hts. OH) is the head of the Giant Eagle child care programs at various stores in Northeast OH.

Veronica Glashauckas Newsome ’05 (Cleveland OH) married Eric Newsome in August 2010. She is currently a full-time student in Cleveland State University’s Masters of Civil Engineering program.

Nissa Rappoport ’05 (Greenville PA) and her husband, Cody welcomed the birth of their son, Thor Rappoport last fall.

Sr. Erin Zubal, O.S.U. ’05 (South Euclid OH) was recently featured in a Plain Dealer article entitled, “Catholic Church Needs Nuns’ Courage, Voice More Than Ever.”

Allison Pawlak Dirk ’06 (Lyndhurst OH) married Andrew Dirk last August at Our Lady of Peace in Shaker Hts. Several Ursuline alumnae were in attendance including, Kimberly Folliet-Vranic ’06, Agnes Szlapka ’06, Jessica Hylkema ’06, Cyndi Mysliwiec ’06 and Sarah O’Brien Dirk ’06. Amy Anderson Restifo ’06 and Lauren Moyer-Blanc ’06 served as bridesmaids.
Melissa Mitchell Garrett '06 (Aurora OH) was recently featured in a commercial with Ramona Robinson, former WKYC newscaster.

Kim Johnson '06 (Beachwood OH) was installed as the new president of The Cleveland Realtist Association during its annual Dr. Martin Luther King Day Installation Dinner at Landerhaven this past January. Kim is a realtor with Keller Williams in Solon.

Amy Smith Cogan '07 (University Hts. OH) married James Cogan last July.

Elizabeth DiFiore '07 (Valley View OH) is a buyer for Nordstrom Department Store. She was recently invited to speak to a fashion merchandising class at Ursuline. Pictured here are (center) Elizabeth, (far left) adjunct faculty, May Beard '92 (University Hts. OH) and students. Elizabeth was also the commentator at Ursuline’s Innovation ’12 Fashion Show this past April.

Zena Hawkins Turner '07 (Potsdam NY) married Kamal Turner in 2010 and moved to New York.

Desiree Kirkwood Collins '08 (Cleveland OH) was featured in the Cleveland Plain Dealer’s, “Tales from the Heart: Inside the Cleveland Clinic Heart Center” article. Desiree is a nurse in the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit at the Cleveland Clinic.

Michele Stopera Freyhauf '08 (Macedonia OH) recently accepted the position of social media director and writer for the Feminism and Religion Project, a blog in which contemporary scholars of women and religion can gather for community and intellectual collaboration. Michele is also an adjunct instructor in Ursuline’s Religious Studies Department.

Kimberley Hardy '08 (Copley OH) received her master’s degree in Clinical Counseling from Ashland Theological Seminary last June and passed the National Counselor Examination. She is currently a licensed professional counselor.

Anne-Marie Gurko '09 (Bedford OH) was recently featured on Fox 8’s New Day Cleveland program. The focus of the episode was the 1960s and pieces of Ursuline College’s historic costume study collection were on display. Anne-Marie, an instructor in the fashion department, was interviewed by the show’s host about the clothing.

Chao Huang '09 (South Euclid OH) is currently working on a Master of Science in Nursing Informatics with Duke University’s online program.

Sheryl Kneier Milroy '09 (Wickliffe OH) and her husband, Benjamin, welcomed the birth of their daughter, Harper Josephine Milroy, this past December.

Marysa Brogan Tigue '09 (Cleveland OH) is a third grade teacher at Menlo Park Academy in Cleveland.

Keri Wolf '09 (Pepper Pike OH) was recently promoted to battalion commander of her ROTC unit.

Karen Zeleznik, MA '09 (Macedonia OH) was recently featured in the Catholic Universe Bulletin after her certification as a lay ecclesial minister for the Diocese of Cleveland.
Robyn Manchik ’10 (Solon OH) recently graduated from Case Western Reserve University with a master’s degree in Social Services Administration. She is currently employed as a clinical therapist at New Directions, an adolescent substance use disorder treatment facility, which provides both outpatient and residential services.

Amber Scimone ’10 (West Farmington OH) is a management trainee in human resources at Walmart.

Robert Sharkey, MA ’10 (Akron OH) was recently featured in the Catholic Universe Bulletin after his certification as a lay ecclesial minister for the Diocese of Cleveland.

Joseph Lucky ’09 (Shaker Hts. OH) graduated last summer with a master’s degree in Practical Theology from Ashland Theological Seminary and is currently pursuing a Ed.D in Education, Leadership Studies at Ashland University.

Julie Petriella ’11 (Parma OH) is the head golf coach at Hathaway Brown School in Shaker Hts.

Lina Owens ’11 (Chesterland OH) is the vice president of marketing and development at Adobe Living in Cleveland.

Deborah Scott ’11 (Painesville OH) was featured in the Cleveland Plain Dealer’s employment section last summer. Her work as a background investigator with BackTrack Inc., a company specializing in background screening for employers was highlighted.

Estelle Spear ’11 (Chardon OH) was presented with the Cleveland Clinic’s Rookie of the Year Award for her excellent care for patients and for her skills, dedication and compassion in her work.

Pamela Erhardt ’10 (Nacogdoches TX) was accepted to Stephen Austin State University Master of Fine Arts program. She began the program this past spring.

Melissa Gerhardt ’10 (Broadview Hts. OH) is a technical design associate at National Safety Apparel, Inc. in Cleveland.

Stephanie Datko Walker ’10 (Streetsboro OH) married Todd Walker ’09 last August at the Music Mound, located in the Berea Metroparks. The couple welcomed the birth of their first child, Madelyn Ann Walker this past December. Pictured here are Stephanie and Todd at their wedding and a photo of their daughter.
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husband of

30  Evelyn Hahn Hammett
34  Gertrude Arnold Vance
35  Angela Gaertner Jilek
37  Alberta Frank Hvala
38  Margaret Boylan Kelley
41  Lois Donahue Joyce
43  Sr. Mary Claire Walton, O.S.U.
44  Patricia Fitzgerald Waldeck
45  Monica Lynch Koch
46  Jeanie Moriarty McGuire
48  Marjorie Wise Tindal
50  Alice Rouh Dempsey
50  Mary Frances Wahl Rooke
51  Elaine O’Donnell DeMore
52  Dorothy Walton Hawkins
52  Mary Ellen McMorrow Weber
53  Patricia Carrabine Halloran
56SJ  Sr. Anna Margaret Gilbride, O.S.U.
59SJ  Delores Sebetic Breymaier
60SJ  Regina Prunchant Biggam
60SJ  Sr. Mary Zagorac, O.S.U.
61SJ  Virginia Fornes Stropko
61  Mary Hagberg Zunt
62  Marilyn Russ Bachman
65  Kathleen Toner Orban
66SJ  Ruth Schindler Anthony
67SJ  Anne Sugerek Lasky
69SJ  Agnes Troha Nedoh
70SJ  Ann Solomon Gradisher
70  Katherine Grau McCallum
71SJ  Vlasta Masle Scancar
71SJ  Anne Nagy Willis
72SJ  Christine Theus Kluemper
77  Patricia McCann Galon
78  Lillian Williams Mason
78  Ruth Ann Vason Wade
81  Mary Hohenfeld Drain
82  Shirley Brondfield Light
89  Leigh Brooks English
89  June Ann Dannery
89  Carolyn Mohawk
89  Donna Kinkelaar Sanelli
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02  Rita Luebke
03  Lorraine Syed
04  Judith Sobieski
44  Rita Cantillon Moriarty
47  Phyllis Cukr Burant
49  Maryanna Cipar Vondriska
51  Joan Kerchersky Koenig
57SJ  Emily Hirsch Mihelic
58  Faye Petersen Hollis
59  Mary Jeanne McIntyre Stanton
60SJ  Barbara Singer Miller
60  Helene Kappenhangen Treiber
61  Patricia Kotnik Rea
65  Janice Berkopec Krebs
70  Patricia O’Toole Ayers
77  Deborah Palko
77  Dolores D’Angelo Storer
81  Elizabeth Condon Conway
81  Lucy Dunlop Sturghill
84  Alice Bender Ferfola
92  Evelyn Shindle Fishman
93  Janice Sylvester Drvenkar
95  Victoria Cole Freeman
99  Jean Siebert
99  Erma Stevens Somerville

mother of

59  Christine Hrnjak Rakowsky
61  Geraldine Kaffan
63SJ  Joanne Sibel Lasky
(mother-in-law)
64  Juanita Korchak Wingenfeld
66SJ  Sr. Julianne McCall, O.S.U.
66SJ  Anita Arenas Schindler
67SJ  Lucille Larko Armour
(mother-in-law)
68SJ  Patricia Simon Sudy-Solomon
69  Mary Louise Zala Van Den Langenberg
69SJ  Mary Ann Ughrin Toth
(mother-in-law)
70SJ  Kathryn Skufca Gentile
70SJ  Marilyn Kruszynski Macharoni
(mother-in-law)
70SJ  Mary Monroe Oleksik
71  Kathleen Connors Bobulsky
71  Janis Blazy Ryan
72  Anne Sowinski Heminger
72SJ  Frances Hvizdos Mazaro
72  Anne McCalla Storey
73  Mary Joan Quinn Hitch
73SJ  Veronica Vitale Korosi
(mother-in-law)
74  Mary Lou Grum Ezzo
74  Kathleen O’Brien Kelley
74SJ  Kathy Simon Petersen
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(mother-in-law)
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75  Ann O’Brien Jones
75SJ  Anita Skufca Thomas
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(mother-in-law)
79  Harriet Lefkowitz Fader
80  Carmel Coladangelo Fantelli
80  Linda Marcellino Vopat
81  Margaret Lowry Kelly
(mother-in-law)
81  Sr. Erin O’Brien, O.S.U.
82  Sue Caraboolad Sugalio
83  Diane Howard Taylor
84  Jill Zimmer Koelsel
85  Christine Dejak Boone
85  Sonja Bozik Marusic
(mother-in-law)
85  Cathleen Cola Rihs

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67SJ Jeanette Bodnar Muellner
67SJ Martha Black Pelegrin
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68SJ Alice Rogus Birkel
69SJ Holly Kukla Gigante
70SJ Patricia Pucci Murphy
70SJ Sr. Carol Ann Pelegrin, O.S.U.
71 Helen Basch Barko
(father-in-law)
71SJ Monica Zabranski Veto
(father-in-law)
72 Patricia Miklo Hirko
(father-in-law)
73SJ Mary Ann Bastian Galmarini
73SJ Janet Gedeon Stano
73 Claudia Vondriska
74 Janet DiTirro Reid
74SJ Sr. Margaret Mary Taylor, SIW
74SJ Rita Sessin Tremlin
75 Patricia Breszinsky Doherty
75 Colleen Kenihan Falkowski
75SJ Marian Bodnar Kender
75 Mary Lee Pilla
75 Deborah Perez-Stable
(father-in-law)
76 Patricia Hirko Hoyt
76 Patrice McCullough Schmitz
77 Linda Urban Gabriel
77 Sharon Buynak Horten
77 Avilda Serrano Nocero
(father-in-law)
77 Margaret Nocero
78 Sr. Kathryn Mary O’Brien
80 Teri Wood Guerin
80 Rose Marie Forrest McGlynn
80 Ovelia Roulette-McIntyre
80 Eileen O’Brien Pappalardo
81 Helen Marie Pilla
81 Patricia Rogus
83 Natalie Malak Drake
84 Patricia Bardon Hodge
(father-in-law)
84 Jennifer Petrone Miroglotta
(father-in-law)
85 Sally Staub Harrington
(father-in-law)
85 Ann Zibert Janout

86 Monique Yared Biggins
(mother-in-law)
86 Eleanor Hudak Linek
(mother-in-law)
86 Janison Russell
87 Judith Riga
88 Margaret Griffiths Breeds
88 Marie McDonnell
88 Brigid O’Brien Newman
88 Mary Carbaugh Smrekar
(mother-in-law)
89 Elizabeth Leffler
91 Michele Tarsitano Amato
91 Gerilynn Lacey Bryan
(mother-in-law)
91 Karen Lanes Laudato
91 Christine Dulzer Pahoresky
(mother-in-law)
92 Patricia Gallapoli Russo
(mother-in-law)
92 Charlene Walcott Williams
93 Heather Clotz Karlon
93 Helene Sorna Lannon
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93 Monica Martinez Rezzano
94 Gwen Rucinski Smith
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95 Dawn Turpin Carlin
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96 Catherine Work Thurber
(mother-in-law)
97 Gayle Beuchat Cilimbarg
97 Rebecca Soderquist Zebraek
(mother-in-law)
98 Julie Sobolewski
98 Solya Ulina Leake
99 Kurt Kuster
(mother-in-law)
99 Cristal Turner
99 Celeste Shook
99 Kristen Warren
99 Lauren Jersey
99 Dorene Bode Kray
99 Kathleen Jouilies
(mother-in-law)
99 Lucie Bojdyis Petranek
10 Susan Bartholomew
11 Colletta Lang Somrach

85 Marcy Samuels
(father-in-law)
85 Laurel Hersh Warszawski
86 Mary Nocero Gradert
86 Caroline Shieffalo Scerbin
86 Jeannarie Singler Stumpfhauser
87 Colleen McCarthy Donahay
88 Pamela Rainey
88 Anna Marie Lapp Taylor
(father-in-law)
89 Diane Crossen Jereb
(father-in-law)
90 Kathy Chapin
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90 Mary Ferfolia Lansky
90 Therese Rossman
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(father-in-law)
94 Katharina Gyorky Kosmalski
(father-in-law)
96 Mariah Mason Bruening
96 Kristina King Lester
(father-in-law)
96 Donna Baldwin MacDonald
96 Kathleen Jirousek Velotta
97 Karen Monczewski Flynn
98 Christopher Dulzer
99 Susanna Cicconi Kawolics
00 Shuna Ash
04 Renee DeGennaro-Baur
04 Nicole Tomaro Zeck
05 Linda Connelly
06 Jo Anne Nocero Scaminace
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Can you solve the mystery?

Do you recognize any of the women or men in this photo? Do you know when it was taken? Do you know what event was taking place when it was shot? This mystery photo from Ursuline’s archives appears to have been taken in the 1980s. We would love your help in finding out any more information. If you can help identify anyone in it, please send the Marketing Department an email at mysteryphoto@ursuline.edu. We look forward to hearing from you!

Mystery Photo Solved
(Fall 2011)

Thank you to all of the alumnae and friends who wrote in, including Jeannette Novak Mazzola ’81, Kathleen Gunn Guscott ’68, Diane C. Savage ’68, Cheryl Wetmore Gumaélus ’68, Pat Nowlin Foster ’68, Cynthia Vaccariello Collins ’68, Karen Guist Zigman ’68, Vivian Habrat ’68 and Mary Margaret Novy Traverse ’68.

The women pictured in last issue’s mystery photo are (L-R) Cheryl Wetmore Gumaélus ’68, Sheila Story ’68, Patricia Barrett ’68 and Karen Powers ’68. The photo is thought to have been taken in early 1968 and those pictured are working on the College’s yearbook, the Vista.
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