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Dr. Jeffery Bowen (from left), assistant professor of biological sciences; Stephen Godin, '01; and Dr. Edward Brush, assistant professor of chemical sciences, work on cancer research in BSC lab.
What a perfect time for an open-book quiz!

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Q. Why should you care about the future of BSC?

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Q. How can BSC do it without you?

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

We have had an extremely eventful fall at the college that has substantially advanced the efforts of our faculty, students, staff, alumni and friends to move Bridgewater forward. The three most important initiatives now taking place on campus are:

1. Update on new construction — the changing face of our campus
On Friday, October 20th, the official, historic groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of four new campus buildings took place:
- A new $17.3 million, 84,000 square foot athletic field house, with a host of academic and recreational facilities;
- A new 300-bed residence hall, which will help us lower significantly the number of students on the waiting list for on-campus housing;
- A new 700-seat dining facility to serve our students, faculty and staff on the East Campus;
- Two new Operations Buildings for our facilities staff and campus police.

Never before in the college's 160-year history have we commenced the building of four major structures at the same time, so this really is a significant development. The full story is in this issue, including excerpts of remarks by those who participated in the groundbreaking ceremony. I encourage you to read more about these important new projects and their impact on Bridgewater.

2. Bridgewater Undergraduate Research Program
Thanks to a very generous $50,000 donation from the Bridgewater State College Foundation, this spring we will award the first grants to undergraduate students and faculty mentors participating in the Bridgewater Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (BUROP).

This money will make it possible for undergraduate students to conduct summer research projects, attend undergraduate research conferences, and organize an annual undergraduate research symposium. Faculty mentors will receive a stipend for guiding the research of undergraduates.

The idea for the project was first proposed last spring by faculty members Dr. Ann Brunjes, English; Dr. Edward Brush, chemical sciences; Dr. Kevin Curry, biological sciences; Dr. Andrew Harris, history; and Dr. Peter Saccoca, earth sciences and geography. These faculty members have also agreed to serve as the advisory committee for this first round of funding, and I am appreciative of their efforts and initiative.

More details about the program are included in this edition of the magazine in the article entitled, “Research Opportunities Flourish for BSC Faculty and Students.”

3. Update on endowment campaign
I am very pleased to report that our first-ever public endowment campaign to raise $10 million by June 2002 is proceeding very well. As of this date, pledges of alumni and friends of the college have enabled the endowment to exceed $8 million. I have full confidence that we will meet our objective on schedule.

A quick review of how we came to this point:
In 1997, the trustees of the college identified endowment funds as the greatest need of Bridgewater State College. That summer, the college's Foundation set a goal of raising $5 million for the endowment by 2002.

When we began the public phase of the campaign in March 1999, Trustee Chair Frederick Clark, '83, and Foundation Chair Louis Ricciardi, '81, who co-chair the campaign, announced that the initial $5 million had already been raised, so the decision had been made to increase the goal to raise $10 million by June 2002.

Under the leadership of Mr. Clark and Mr. Ricciardi, the campaign has taken off in earnest. Thanks to the efforts of Dr. Richard Cost, vice president for institutional advancement, and his staff, we have made significant progress toward reaching the $10 million goal.

Your generosity continues to be the force that moves the campaign forward, and when it is completed a year from June, I am convinced the college will be able to provide crucial financial support for the academic, scholarly and creative projects of our students and faculty and allow us to purchase equipment and other teaching and learning resources.

These highlights are typical of many different programs that are going forward at Bridgewater thanks to the involvement and support of alumni, parents and other friends of the college. In this, my 12th year as president of Bridgewater, I continue to be grateful for your interest in the college and your active, ongoing participation in our efforts to expand its positive influence.

Sincerely,

Adrian Tinsley
President
Research Opportunities Flourish for BSC Faculty and Students

A ll across the Bridgewater State College campus, faculty and students are doing work they don’t have to do. Above and beyond classroom requirements, on weekends, in labs and libraries and homes, these intellectually inspired individuals are pursuing projects of their own.

Research—it starts with an idea, a focus, an odd thought. What if... I wonder... But how about... and the scholar is off on a personal quest for knowledge. After all the extra work and extra hours, the theory may be proven false. Or long-standing beliefs may be changed. No matter. To faculty and students with inquiring minds, research is a way to challenge oneself, to exercise the mind, to move beyond textbooks and blackboards and tests.

And on top of that, research can be lots of fun.

Follow the literary journey of Dr. Thomas Curley, BSC professor of English. Dr. Curley is a nationally recognized scholar of Samuel Johnson, the great 18th century English writer and moralist. In 1775, Johnson entered the furor surrounding an epic Gaelic poem discovered and translated by Scotsman James Macpherson. The poem had captured imaginations across Europe and America, and was hailed as a masterpiece in the vein of the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey*. But there was something fishy going on in Scotland, Johnson surmised. He publicly challenged the veracity of the poem, believing it to be a phony.

More than 200 years later — so did Dr. Curley.

Scholars in 1952 had declared Johnson’s suspicions to be correct, announcing that the poem must have been concocted by Macpherson based on old Gaelic ballads. Yet, Dr. Curley wanted to dig deeper. He traveled to England and Scotland, where he plowed through old letters and manuscripts in several major research libraries. Finally he found what he was looking for — “the smoking gun.” In a letter, Macpherson had admitted to a doctor friend that the poem was false. But, because the poem had been receiving such critical and popular raves, Macpherson was itching to reveal himself as the true author.

“Through letters and other research, I also tracked down the growing disenchantment with Macpherson. I had fabulously good luck getting hold of letters and manuscripts which held the secret of the major literary forgery in modern times,” Dr. Curley said.

What made Dr. Curley’s discovery possible, notwithstanding his own determination to get to the bottom of this centuries-old masquerade, was a “small grant.” Small grants are one of several BSC grant programs available to both faculty and students undertaking research projects. Although Dr. Curley is on a year-long sabbatical made possible through a National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship, the $2,000 BSC grant was money he “desperately needed” to finance the long trip to England and Scotland.

Research grants are entering a new era of importance at BSC. Heading the list is the Faculty and Librarian Research Grants funded by the BSC Foundation. President Adrian Tinsley first announced the grants in December 1999. Recipients are selected through the faculty/librarian peer committee process of the CART (Center for the Advancement of Research and Teaching) Advisory Board. Dr. Laurence Richards, acting vice president of academic affairs, makes formal notification to the recipients of their awards. In the first year, more than $100,000 was awarded to BSC faculty and librarians. In November of 2000, the CART peer review committee awarded nearly $60,000 to grant recipients.

Individual grants can range up to $8,000, enough for “people to put their dream research project into action,” said Dr. Nancy Lynch Street, CART co-coordinator (with Dr. Charles Robinson).
It’s a project both professors were working on separately until a chance conversation alerted them to the parallels in their research. The two used the faculty/librarian grant money to hire an undergraduate student, Steven Godin, to assist them over the summer. Through their work, the team successfully synthesized the proposed compound, which further research has proven to be toxic to normal cells. They will now continue their work, evaluating whether the compound shows enhanced toxicity toward cancer cells.

“"The research we did last summer proved our concept works, that our idea is valid," Dr. Brush said. "We have sent a sample to the National Cancer Institute where it will be screened against 60 cancer cell lines. If it continues to look good, we will contact researchers in industry or in medical schools to help us further develop this."

Grants often allow faculty necessary time off from teaching to complete their extensive research programs. Rather than lose their interest in teaching, faculty researchers return to the classroom brimming with new information, new knowledge and a new enthusiasm for their subjects. "Here research and teaching go hand in hand. It adds to the vitality of the faculty and the people doing the research," he said.

Perhaps because of the growing interest in research by the BSC science faculty, Dr. Brush has noticed an "explosion" of student interest in undertaking research or assisting with research projects. "BSC students want to be challenged," he said. "I can bring this research into the classroom. The students love it. They see the practical side of what they are learning. "It’s one thing to hear the facts, another to apply them to real world situations. This is real world science."

"I am just awed by the applications that come in. The programs are well written. They have significance in the field and will enhance the reputation of the college," she said. "We are trying to build a community that is competitive not only for internal grants, but for external grants as well," Dr. Street said. "Self-expression and professional development are important to our faculty and librarians. That’s why this grant funded by the BSC Foundation was like a gift from heaven."

Faculty/librarian projects struck at a kaleidoscope of topics, from the impact of public relations professionals on a 1999 kidnapping trial to a scholarly introduction to a 1607 play and the effect of optical properties on fluorescent minerals. Dr. Edward Brush, assistant professor of chemical sciences, and Dr. Jeffery Bowen, assistant professor of biological sciences, are using their grant for cancer research.

Dr. Brush insists there are "a lot of ifs" in the kind of research the two professors are undertaking. They are striving to create novel compounds that will inhibit a particular type of detoxification enzyme. The enzymes target and try to stop anti-cancer compounds that naturally occur in the body. By inhibiting the enzymes, they predict, the natural anti-cancer compounds will be allowed to do their work.
Real people in the real world was the focus of the faculty/librarian grant project of Dr. Patricia Fanning, assistant professor of sociology, and Dr. Walter Carroll, professor of sociology and chairperson of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. The two dove into a data set of advertisements called "Missing Friends" that ran in the Boston Pilot newspaper from 1847-48. Dr. Ruth-Ann Harris, a Boston College historian, and several colleagues, compiled and published the advertisements in the multi-volume Search for Missing Friends, available from the New England Historic Genealogical Society. Dr. Harris created a data set of the advertisements from 1847-1848. The two BSC professors analyzed the data for gender, age, occupation and other factors.

Irish immigrants who came to America to escape the potato famine used the advertisements to seek friends and relatives who had emigrated before them, or relatives they had lost contact with during the long trip. "We wanted to see if the advertisements accurately reflected what other studies had shown of the immigrant experience; whether the immigrants were mostly women, mostly men, their levels of sibling loyalty and so on," Dr. Fanning said.

Although still formulating their conclusions, the researchers discovered that the information basically confirms other interpretations of the Irish immigrant experience. "From this we hope to learn about other immigrant groups," Dr. Fanning noted. "The Irish were the first large voluntary ethnic group to move to America. We will use their experience as a model."

Once again, the professors will share their findings with students. Dr. Fanning used the advertisements and her research in last fall’s sociology class on the Irish

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**National Institutes of Health Awards BSC Its First NIH Grant**

The CityLab program at Bridgewater State College has received a three-year grant for more than $800,000 from the National Institutes of Health’s Science Education Partnership Award Division. This is the first time the college has received a grant from the prestigious NIH.

The grant proposal written by Dr. John Jahoda, professor of biological sciences; four of his colleagues (Dr. Frank Gorga, Dr. Jeffrey Bowen, Dr. Audra Kennedy and Dr. Michael Carson); and Dr. Frances Jeffries, director of the Office of Grants and Sponsored Projects, is designed to enhance and expand the CityLab program. CityLab at BSC, located in the Moakley Center, is a satellite of CityLab at the Boston University Medical Center. The program provides middle and high school students and their teachers the opportunity to study biotechnology in labs far more sophisticated than the ones available in most K-12 schools.

The SEPA program focuses on partnerships, and this proposal is based upon the productive partnership that has developed over the past five years between the college, the Brockton and Bridgewater-Raynham school districts and Boston University CityLab. BU CityLab's support and encouragement were a major factor in this effort.

"We’re the only state college among those organizations receiving awards," Dr. Jeffries said.

BSC CityLab programs for the past five years have been supported by various small grants including Eisenhower grants from the Board of Higher Education and the participating school systems, which have helped lay the foundation for this more ambitious undertaking.

The grant proposal, entitled "BSC CityLab Satellite: Biotech for Students and Teachers Phase I and Phase II, lists the following goals and objectives: to enhance preparation opportunities for pre-service and in-service teachers in biotechnology, molecular and cell biology; to enhance access to the CityLab Satellite Laboratory at BSC by K-12 school districts in Southeastern Massachusetts and pre-service teacher preparation students and their faculty; to develop a “Lending Laboratory” of CityLab equipment that will allow CityLab experiences to take place in the classroom, especially in Grades K-4; to develop new CityLab experiences designed for Grades K-4; and to evaluate the understanding of science as a process, through evaluation and assessment of the experiences and outcomes for students who have had CityLab experience, as well as a selected sample of their peers who have not had the experience.

One of the specific tasks of the project will be to develop after-school and summer programs for students. The summer program is slated to begin this summer, and will be the first project funded by the grant.
American Experience. The data helped bring the Irish immigrants to life for her students.

The impetus for the faculty/librarian research grants came from President Adrian Tinsley, who requested $100,000 from the BSC Foundation. Dr. Richard Cost, vice president for institutional advancement, said the BSC Foundation supports the fund-raising efforts of our development staff and listens to President Tinsley to identify where the greatest needs are. Last year research grants were specified as the "greatest need."

Dr. Cost observed that for the more than 5,000 donors — alumni, friends, and corporations — who contribute to Bridgewater State College each year, "This is the best example we can cite of your gifts at work. We are grateful for the role the Foundation plays in our efforts, but at the fundamental level, it is our friends and supporters who contribute the gifts that make the new academic research programs possible."

While the decision to fund the faculty/librarian research grants must be made anew each year by the BSC Foundation, CART also administers several annual grant programs — travel grants, small grants and summer grants. The awards are generally less than the faculty/librarian grant, yet they are often enough to allow a faculty member to undertake a particular project.

About 10 summer grants of up to $3,000 are given out each year. This is the mechanism that allowed Professor Mercedes Nuñez, associate professor of art, to visit her homeland of Cuba, an "emotional mission" she had been aching to accomplish for years.

"It was my father's wish for many years — he wanted me to go back," said Professor Nuñez, who left Cuba 34 years ago at age 10. "It was always my intention to go back. This was not a vacation. I was going back to my homeland with all the cultural and historical and emotional application that has for an individual."

Professor Nuñez brought her camera to Cuba. Wherever she went, whether it was to her aunt's house outside Havana, or to the small church in Regia where she was baptized, she composed and considered and snapped photographs. She compiled 60 roles of color and black and white film, not only as personal memories but as a visual memoir of Cuba she hopes to share with others through gallery showings and a printed journal.

The trip fortified her belief that "photos can reflect emotion." She will use her shots to show students how emotions tie into images, a key point in fine art photography. "How to reach student artists, to allow them to tap into themselves and believe in themselves," she said. "We experience life through a variety of prisms, our experiences dictating how we view the world and feel about the world. That's what makes art new and dynamic and changing."

Seeing research, studying research, assisting with research — this is how Dr. Uma Shama's students connect their classroom studies with real life issues. A CART small grant allowed Dr. Shama, professor of mathematics and computer science, to consider a current social dilemma. She developed mathematical methodology to determine whether or not transportation or child care issues would keep former welfare recipients from taking jobs.
"This shows students how to apply mathematics to real world and current issues," she said. "It shows students how they can use data they collect. Political science, economics, geography, mathematics and technology - they all came together in this project."

After selecting Cape Cod for the data base, Dr. Shama and two student assistants, Heather Cabral and Timothy Mccombe, analyzed information on numbers of welfare recipients and their proximity to public transportation. Of the 1,098 welfare recipients within the service area of the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority, 49 percent lived within 1/4 mile of a bus route; 62 percent lived within 1/2 mile; 75 percent lived within 3/4 mile and 82 percent within one mile. She applied the same methodology to determine distance from child care providers and potential employers.

The research showed that, with sufficient planning and an adequate support system, transportation should not be a hurdle for welfare recipients to get either to a job or to child care.

During the project, Dr. Shama worked with local, state and federal agencies - which, in turn, can benefit from the data and analyses formulated through her research. Through use of spatial analysis and the GIS (geographic information system), she created a data base template that agencies can use to keep track of potential employers and child care providers. Located at geolab.bridgew.edu, the template has caught the attention of welfare officials from Maine to Tennessee.

Research awards aren't limited to CART grants. Last spring, the BSC Class of 1950, in honor of their 50th reunion, donated a $150,000 endowment to the college with the interest to be awarded in a research prize. This spring, one faculty member will be selected for a $5,000 award based on the quality of his or her completed research project.

Dr. Cost said all faculty undertaking research are eligible for the Class of 1950 award. Only one winner will be chosen, but since the original donation is endowed, the award is given each spring "as long as this college stands," he said.

Like the BSC Foundation, the Class of 1950 wanted its donation to serve the college's greatest need.

One BSC research project has been recognized for its excellence from coast to coast. Dr. Susan Holton of the Department of Communication Studies and Theatre Arts led a team of faculty members in the development of an Internet site which students in Human Communication Skills (CC 130) can use as a study aid and extra assistance helpmate.

The research project was chosen for the College Spotlight Series of the National Communications Award, a recognition given to 10 programs from around the country that demonstrate outstanding work by college professors. The BSC team traveled to Seattle to accept the accolade, where they presented a workshop on their project, "Linking Learning, Linking Lives."

"It was quite an honor," Dr. Holton said. "Ours was the only public educational institution in New England chosen for this award."

The team - Dr. Holton, Estelle Wenson, adjunct faculty; David Wilson, assistant to the president for communications and adjunct faculty; and Dr. William Singleton, associate director in technology development - were originally brought together under a Davis Educational Foundation grant.

In 1999, the Davis Educational Foundation presented $150,000 to BSC. The money was to be distributed over three years to faculty interested in developing Internet-based courses. Two rounds of the grant have been awarded, with the third round to be announced this spring.

While "Linking Learning, Linking Lives" was certainly Internet-based, the team felt strongly that not all course work for CC 130 should be done on the computer. Instead, the web page they created (webhost.bridgew.edu/cc130) is a supplement to the course, providing research methods, access to course information, web-based assistance, information on lectures and assignments, and detailed course content.

"Can you do the course without it?" she said. "Yes, but you can do better if you go to the site."

The Davis Foundation grant freed the team from summer teaching assignments. They spent months together, bouncing ideas off each other and figuring out the technological details. The team continues to refine and add to CC 130's Internet counterpart.

Through the Davis Foundation grants, faculty members have created full courses for the Internet in subjects such as Environmental Geography and Selected Topics in Mathematics. Eighty percent of the course work is delivered via the Internet, with 20 percent taught through the traditional classroom setting. Thanks to the grant, 11 new Internet courses will come "on-line" in spring 2001.
Another research grant is the Fiore Research Prize, created in honor of the late BSC history professor Jordan D. Fiore, '40, and funded through the BSC Foundation. The honor and its $3,000 grant are awarded to a research project concerned with “world justice.” The first Fiore Scholar, Dr. Sandra Faiman-Silva, professor of anthropology, studied how Provincetown, a small town with a large gay population, is able to transcend gender issues to come together as a successful community.

Dr. Faiman-Silva presented her findings at a February 2000 forum. In attendance was Dr. Margaret Landman, economics professor, who was surprised and pleased to hear her name announced as the second Fiore Scholar.

For her project, “The Impact of Electronic Commerce on World Income Distribution,” Dr. Landman studied how countries around the globe are responding to the Internet. “There are cultural differences, but the Internet is borderless. With computers, anyone in the world could start selling things. This could equalize income,” she said. “But without the proper infrastructure, some countries are falling behind.”

Dr. Landman looked at the failure of dot coms, of developing nations and their difficulty in securing venture capital, of the U.S.’s gobbling up of most Internet addresses, of the impact of language, of the hurdles facing populations who can’t read.

Can Europe keep up to the U.S. when their Internet users are still charged by the minute for local phone calls? Will the people who become computer literate help their countries, or leave for greener pastures? In everything I read, it’s clear the countries realize how important this is,” she said. “I teach all my classes online, and I definitely will talk about these issues with my students. There is a revolution going on in electronic commerce.”

**Student Research**

Faculty aren’t the only beneficiaries of financial awards. The Shea Scholars, the McNair Scholars and the Bridgewater-at-Oxford program encourage students to expand their educational boundaries.

The Shea Scholars program was created by the Alumni Association to honor Dr. Ellen Shea, a BSC Class of '35 graduate, who served as the college’s first dean of women, and who later served as dean of students. Since 1987, the program awards approximately $1,500 to deserving students who pledge to undergo a research project within their field of study and complete a 40-page thesis under the guidance of a faculty mentor.

Candace Maguire, director of alumni relations, said students often use the program as a first step toward graduate work. “I have been so impressed with the research done by these students. It’s incredible,” she said. “In September, after they are finished, they give a formal presentation to the campus. Last year many deans were in attendance and they were thoroughly impressed with the quality of work.”

Three students completed the program this year, and their projects were impressive. Andrew Gentile, senior, directed in-depth interviews with five members of the 104th Congress to compile a report on factors that influence how members of Congress vote on environmental policy. His conclusion? Efforts by Political Action Committees and the ideology of each individual member have the greatest impact on votes.

Senior Katherine Kaczor undertook five months of research at the Brockton Animal Shelter to gauge the importance of the shelter to the Brockton community. She documented the shelter’s many functions, including efforts to educate the public about animal welfare, the common good work of taking in stray animals that otherwise would become a public nuisance, and the difficult decisions to euthanize animals that shelter workers must face.

Stephen J. Godin’s Shea Scholar project tied into the research/library grant project of Dr. Brush and Dr. Bowen. Mr. Godin assisted the two faculty members with cancer research, winning applause and a grant-in-aid from the Northeast Section of the American Chemical Society for his outstanding efforts. Mr. Godin, a senior, will present his findings at the spring ACS national conference in San Diego. Only three other schools won ACS awards – Stonehill, Boston College and Harvard.
“That’s pretty good company,” Dr. Brush said. “This was a huge recognition for Steve and the research program at Bridgewater.”

Other students are doing good work through the McNair Scholars program. Named for Ronald E. McNair, a crewmember on the tragic Challenger mission, the program was created by Congress to encourage talented students to enroll in graduate studies with the ultimate goal of working in higher education.

The program was designed to assist first-generation college students from low-income families or students from ethnic groups underrepresented at the graduate level, such as African-Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans and Native Alaskans.

Helena Santos, assistant director of the Academic Achievement Center and campus coordinator of McNair, said the program runs in collaboration with Brandeis University. Selected students spend eight weeks at Brandeis undertaking research with a faculty mentor. They attend conferences, study research methods, visit graduate schools, learn about the application process and apply for fellowships and grants to support their ongoing educational quest.

“They’re confidence is boosted. Certainly their research skills are boosted,” she said. “Once admitted to the program, they are McNair Scholars forever. They continue research here at Bridgewater and keep in touch with Brandeis as they pursue graduate school.”

She said all but two of the students selected as McNair Scholars over the program’s four years have gone on to graduate school. Of the other two, one joined the service and the other chose a career in business.

This past summer, three McNair Scholars presented their research projects at a symposium at Brandeis: Louis Crowley (Mn(III)-Based Oxidative Cyclizations of a,a-Dichloroketones), Nicole Moseley (In Black and White: The Role of the United Church of Christ in the Civil Rights Movement) and Danielle Surprenant (Making Waves: The Birth of Union Radio and the Chicago Federation of Labor).

Mitchell Gilmore and Jose DosAnjos, now in their senior years at Bridgewater, attended the program the previous summer. Katrina Bergeron has already been selected as a McNair Scholar and will attend the program in summer 2001.

Students who attend the Bridgewater-at-Oxford (England) program not only get an education in the British method of college instruction but sometimes rub elbows with the famous. Dr. Charles Nickerson, BSc English professor and director of the Honors Program, remembers back several years to when students met both Nelson Mandela and Prince Charles on the Oxford campus on the very same day.

“Our students meet students from across the U.S. and Canada. It’s a pleasant experience,” he said. “We are housed at the gorgeous Wadham College, and have access to the Bodleian Library, one of the world’s great research libraries. We build in side trips to London, Wales and other sites. The program has been very successful.”

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**Undergraduate Research Is Promoted Through Grant**

In the case of undergraduate research grants, it seems that when it rains it pours.

It wasn’t long after the Bridgewater State College Foundation Trustees approved the allocation of $50,000 for the Bridgewater Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (BUROP) that the college received word it had been awarded a $50,000 NCUR/Lancy grant for the promotion of undergraduate scholarly activity.

Those involved in obtaining the grant say one of the major reasons the application was successful was that the college had already demonstrated its commitment to undergraduate research by establishing BUROP.

“The objective of the grant is to help provide seed money to institutions to initiate interdisciplinary summer undergraduate research programs having a cohesive theme,” said Dr. Kevin Curry, associate professor of biological sciences and one of the NCUR/Lancy grant project directors. “They look for campuses that are starting or building a perennial summer undergraduate research programs.”

NCUR was looking for grant applications involving a theme of undergraduate students and faculty mentors that would result in a multidisciplinary project. Project directors Dr. Curry and Dr. Tammy DeRamos-King, assistant professor of chemical sciences, had already been working together on undergraduate research projects when the grant opportunity came along. They recruited faculty members from other disciplines to assist with the proposed grant project: Dr. Edward Brush, assistant professor of chemical sciences, who was heavily involved in securing the grant from the beginning; Dr. Sandra Clark, associate professor and chairperson of earth sciences and geography; Dr. Victor DeSantis, associate professor of political science; and Dr. Kimberly Smith, visiting lecturer in biological sciences.

Dr. DeRamos-King said the project that has been funded will focus on the environmental impact of the rapid growth in Southeastern Massachusetts. Four areas of focus, each overseen by at least one faculty member, will be environmental contamination, the impact on vertebrate diversity, pollution prevention and solid waste disposal capacity. Ten undergraduate students will be selected to assist with the research, which will take place this summer. They will make presentations on their findings to the Town of Bridgewater and also at the NCUR’s annual conference at the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater in the spring of 2002.
The Shea Scholars who gave their presentations in September are Andrew Gentile, Katherine Kaczor and Stephen Godin.

The summer program has been running since 1988. The Bridgewater State College Foundation provides $8,000 in scholarships to help students absorb the $3,000-plus cost of tuition, airfare and expenses. Once at Oxford, the BSC students receive instruction in art, English literature, English history, and political science and law from Oxford faculty members. About 30 students attend the three-week summer session each year.

The experience is often an eye-opener for American students, Dr. Nickerson said. The classes are much smaller than in American colleges, never more than 12 students. The students participate vigorously in much intellectual give-and-take with the instructor, who sometimes plays a devil's advocate role.

The impact of research and personal study undertaken through BSC grant programs extends far beyond the Bridgewater borders. In many cases, the months of interviewing, experimenting or exploring will be distilled into a written form and shared with readers and scholars across the country.

Other professors display their work in gallery shows, or describe their efforts for scientific journals. The college, also, is eager to hear the results of its busy professors. During the annual CART May Celebration, anyone doing research of any kind on campus is welcome to publicly present their findings.

Included in the May Celebration are seminars and panels on teaching, technology and professional development. After attending a panel headed by Dr. Brush and Dr. Andrew Harris, assistant professor of history and assistant coordinator of the Honors Program, on the undeveloped potential of undergraduate research, President Tinsley became inspired to create yet another research grant program.

At her urging, the two professors, along with fellow faculty members Ann Brunjes, Kevin Curry and Peter Saccocia, drew up a proposal for a competitive undergraduate research program that would include a financial award. President Tinsley again approached Trustees of the BSC Foundation, which generously agreed to make $50,000 available.

The finishing touches are now being put on BUROP, the Bridgewater Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program, with the first round of awards to be announced by spring break. It will include two award programs – grants of $2,700 for students undertaking original independent research projects, as well as smaller travel grants for students who would like to travel to conferences to present their findings. All BUROP research projects will be completed under the assistance of a faculty mentor, who will receive up to $1,000 for his or her assistance.

While many institutions offer research grant money to faculty, hardly any have similar programs for undergraduates. BUROP will break the mold. “This sets Bridgewater apart from other schools. I have friends in small private liberal arts colleges, and this is unusual even in that crowd,” Dr. Harris said. “Most schools have nothing like this. It is quite unusual for a public institution to spend money like this, and I think it's fantastic.”

For many years, undergraduates at Bridgewater have been able to undertake individual research projects, under faculty supervision, through the Honors Program run by Dr. Nickerson. Dr. Harris said all students wishing to graduate with honors are required to research and write a senior honors thesis, and that many have tackled heady subjects with outstanding results.

Yet there was no financial award attached. “Many students at Bridgewater work in the summer and save their money for tuition,” Dr. Harris said. “Very few of us are sufficiently wealthy to take 10 weeks to do research without any financial expectations. This money will make it possible for more students to do research.”

He said undergraduates can, and will, derive great benefit from tackling research projects. “Research is learning that cannot be taught in the classroom. Students must create their projects out of thin air, organize and plan, develop assignments for themselves, then finish under their own power. They become their own teacher; they become independent thinkers,” he said. “Through research you come to know your own mind and own abilities and own discipline.”

Research is a shining addition to any student’s résumé, and will help propel the student through the highly competitive graduate school admissions process. Completed undergraduate research projects will provide the undeniable proof that Bridgewater students have what it takes to succeed on the graduate level.

In dorm rooms and chemistry labs, from professors with scrapbooks full of accolades to students facing their first project with apprehension, research is alive and well on the BSC campus.

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Raymond O'Berg, '78, Has Worked his Way Up the Ranks to Become Taunton's Police Chief

Chief Raymond L. O'Berg has seen it all in his 22 years of law enforcement: the bad accidents, the tragic fires, and the insidious effects of drug addiction. And knowing how hard and emotionally draining that job can be has given him a deep respect for another one he almost had.

"I've subbed," said Chief O'Berg of substitute teaching, adding with a laugh. "It's easier being a cop."

He almost wasn't. The 1978 BSC grad went to college for teaching and graduated with his degree in the field. But it was smack in the midst of Prop 2 1/2, when teaching ranks were being decimated by budget cuts as school systems struggled to keep their operating costs down.

It was during his senior year at BSC that Chief O'Berg saw a buddy of his, a part-time policeman in Norton, working a radar detail. Chief O'Berg pulled over and talked to him.

"It sounded pretty good, so we both decided to take the Civil Service test," Chief O'Berg said. "I figured you never know where opportunity knocks."

He worked as a patrolman in his native Norton for four years, and then decided to apply for a job on the police force in Taunton. He got it and has been there ever since, becoming sergeant in 1987, lieutenant in 1990 and chief July 18, 2000. He's worked all aspects of the job in Taunton, with the exception of serving on the vice squad.

He counts his years at BSC as some of his most valuable, formative times. He minored in geography at BSC and said what he learned then still comes in handy these days.

"I had Professor Robert Dillman in geography, and so much of the material he taught, like geography-based economy, are things I'm still able to use when looking at the big picture," Chief O'Berg said. His training could have allowed him to become a town manager or town planner, had he not chosen law enforcement.

Chief Raymond O'Berg

South Vietnamese army, and talking to him about how he fled his country at the end of the war. What an insight that guy provided me, it was something."

On the other side of the cultural coin, Chief O'Berg added with a laugh, "I remember playing football at BSC with guys from Southie (Boston). The whole experience, meeting people from all over, different backgrounds, that's what college is all about."

He commuted to BSC the first two years and "scraped up enough money" to live there the last two, enabling him to become an even closer part of the college community.

"It was a great experience, and I still run into people from BSC, a lot of smart, well-educated people," he said, adding that he makes the effort to attend homecoming every year to run into a few more old friends.

In his days at BSC, computers were just starting to make academic inroads, and he said BSC was at the forefront of the initiative.

"I took three computer courses there, and later when I was getting my master's and had gone to the Computer Museum in Boston, there were the type of computers we'd used at BSC," Chief O'Berg said. "I think BSC was on the cutting edge of computer education at the time. After taking those courses, computers didn't scare me, and they still don't."

Chief O'Berg's primary reason for choosing BSC was financial, he said: he came from a working-class family without the means to send him to a more expensive institution.

"My parents couldn't afford to send me anywhere else, and it was close," Chief O'Berg said. "But I'll match my education from BSC with any other college. I'm glad to have gone there."

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Dr. Owen Kiernan Keeps Education in the Forefront

Never say never, the saying goes. Dr. Owen Kiernan, ’35, has always taken it one better: Never say no.

Dr. Kiernan, arguably one of the cornerstones of education in Massachusetts and the nation, from his days as elementary school principal to his tenure as head of the state department of education to his heading up studies on how to improve the educational system that included stints as education adviser to seven presidents, learned from his father the value of always staying busy.

Dr. Kiernan is a remarkably fit man who plays golf twice a week, year-round. Dr. Kiernan lives in Centerville; his wife, Esther, of nearly 60 years and herself a former educator and 1936 BSC graduate, passed away in 1997. A scholarship has been in existence at BSC in the couple’s name since 1969.

Throughout Dr. Kiernan’s home are more than a dozen honorary doctorates and hundreds of awards, citations and certificates of appreciation for his educational accomplishments, including the National Recognition Medal from the Freedom’s Foundation, given in recognition of a lifetime of achievement in the pursuit of excellence in the American education system. And it was at BSC that Dr. Kiernan cultivated his love of education – and found his true love in a young woman. “I met Esther at Bridgewater; she was a student assistant to Dean Sarah Elizabeth Pope (for whom Pope Hall was named)” Dr. Kiernan said.

Dr. Kiernan attended Stetson High School (now Randolph High School). Students had to do projects in which they assumed the duties of teachers. It hit a nerve with the young man. “I knew then that’s what I wanted to do,” he said.

He earned a master’s degree at Boston University and doctorate at Harvard University. Early on, in his work as school principal, he got the public involved in education, instituting parent nights.

After serving as superintendent of the Wayland-Sudbury-Sherborn district, he was Massachusetts Commissioner of Education from 1957-1968, and his string of educational accomplishments continued. Dr. Kiernan is quick to point out that the accomplishments in his career were not his alone, and he almost always worked in concert with other educators – and always pro bono, he said, never taking money for speaking engagements, instead telling those who would pay him to put the money toward scholarships. Dr. Kiernan and others also helped beef up the Merit Scholarship Foundation, and also got businesses involved with education, one of the earliest examples of public-private partnership. As state Commissioner of Education, he also helped start an internship program for education administration.

“All along, we were just trying to create a broader base of participation in education,” he said.

After leaving state employment in 1968, Dr. Kiernan went to Washington to head up the National Association of Secondary School Principals, a job he held until 1979.

And the love of education extends to the three Kiernan children: Joan, a 1963 graduate of BSC, is assistant superintendent in a Long Island, New York school system; Nancy is assistant dean and director of the school of nursing at Regis University; and John, a partner in a law firm with offices in Boston, New York and Washington, teaches part-time at the New England School of Law.

For his part, Dr. Kiernan is still helping out. He continues to get letters from people requesting advice and guidance based on his many years in education and long string of accomplishments. And he accommodates all of them.

“I just can’t say no,” he said with a smile. “Still.”

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Renowned Harvard Coach Celebrates Opening of BSC's Academic Year

Kathy Delaney-Smith, record-breaking basketball coach of the Harvard Crimson, says she brags not about being a Harvard University coach but about being a Bridgewater State College graduate.

"And Harvard has a long way to go to catch up with Bridgewater State," Ms. Delaney-Smith told the crowd of students, staff and faculty gathered for fall convocation.

Ms. Delaney-Smith, Class of 1971, was the featured speaker at convocation, which marks the official beginning of the academic year.

Frederick W. Clark Jr., chairman of the BSC Board of Trustees, told the students to consider the importance of dedication in their future careers as exemplified by Susan Todd, professor of psychology, and Dr. Stanley Hamilton, professor of foreign languages. Both were honored at convocation with medals for having given 25 years of service to the college.

In her remarks to the Class of 2001, Ms. Delaney-Smith urged the future graduates to always keep in mind that their actions will have a serious impact on those around them.

"As prepared as I was coming out of Bridgewater to teach and to coach, I still didn't understand the full impact of the influence I would have on my students," she said.

"I made far too many mistakes because it took me too long to realize that."

She may have made her mistakes, but there's no doubt Ms. Delaney-Smith has done an awful lot right during her career as well. After graduating from Bridgewater, she became coach of swimming and basketball at Westwood High School, where she worked tirelessly to achieve equity in funding for girls' sports. She became head coach of the women's basketball program at Harvard University in 1982. Under her direction, the women's basketball program at Harvard has become one of the best in the Northeast. The 1999-2000 season saw Ms. Delaney-Smith mark her 250th win with the Harvard Crimson.

Many of her former students and players contacted her when she was diagnosed with breast cancer and went public with the news late in 1999. The letters of thanks and appreciation she received were very important to her, and she urged everyone in the audience to take the time to thank a teacher who'd made a difference in their lives.

She also encouraged students to pursue work that would make them happy, and to always set goals for the future. "Please, please have a dream - dreams do come true," she said.

Fulbright Scholar Enriched by BSC Experience

Teaching American students about Canadian politics is nothing new for Dr. Louis Balthazar, professor emeritus at Laval University, a French-speaking university in Quebec City.

"I've spent most of my career trying to explain the United States to Canadian students and to explain Canada to American students," Dr. Balthazar said.

Last fall, he did that explaining to Bridgewater State College students in a class entitled "The Politics of Quebec, Canada and the United States." Dr. Balthazar was at Bridgewater as a Fulbright Scholar. Dr. Balthazar was a resident fellow at Harvard University when he met Dr. Anthony Cicerone, coordinator of the Canadian Studies Program at BSC, 10 years ago. Dr. Cicerone invited him to lecture at BSC several times, and more recently encouraged him to come to Bridgewater through the Fulbright Program.

"For me, it [teaching at BSC] is an interesting experience," Dr. Balthazar said. Dr. Balthazar hopes Bridgewater students in his class learned as much as they could about Canada.

"I would like them to realize how important Canada is for the United States, even though the reverse is much more true," Dr. Balthazar said. "Canada is the main trade partner of the United States."

During his stay, Dr. Balthazar lectured on "The Legacy of Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau." He said Trudeau's career was marked by his being forerunner of the "Quiet Revolution" in Quebec in the 1960s, by his impact on the nation's laws, his influence on Canadian foreign policy, and by his support for national unity. He called Trudeau one of the most controversial, but "undoubtedly, one of the greatest" Canadian leaders in history.

Dr. Balthazar said Bridgewater gave him a very warm reception. "I'm very grateful to Bridgewater for the way they welcomed me," he said. "They made me feel very comfortable."
Bridgewater State College Breaks Ground for New Facilities

State, local and Bridgewater State College officials gathered on a sunny Friday morning in October on the east side of the 235-acre campus to share an unprecedented moment in the college's history - the ceremonial groundbreaking to launch four new building projects valued at more than $50 million.

The new buildings include an 84,000 square-foot field house, an 83,000 square-foot residence hall, a 34,000 square-foot dining facility and a 27,900 square-foot operations center.

President Adrian Tinsley thanked the many individuals in attendance including members of the State Legislature, representatives from the Board of Higher Education, the Division of Capital Asset Management, the Massachusetts State College Building Authority and the college's Board of Trustees for the role each of them played in bringing these projects to fruition.

"Many groundbreakings have been celebrated during the college's 160-year history. Of the 33 buildings that have been constructed, 27 are still standing and in use today," said President Tinsley. "But never before has the college embarked on a plan to construct four major buildings at the same time."

The buildings will be located on the east side of campus in an area referred to during the 1960s as the "desert." The once vast and vacant expanse of land now houses nine buildings and will soon be joined by four more.

Taking part in the groundbreaking ceremony are, from left to right, Dale Hamel, assistant vice chancellor of the Board of Higher Education; Tamara Davis, chair of the Massachusetts State College Building Authority Board; Amanda Dubois, '01, president of the BSC Student Government Association; Dr. Adrian Tinsley, president; Frederick Clark, Jr., '83, chairman of the BSC Board of Trustees; Dr. Dana Mohler-Faria, vice president for administration and finance; David Perini, commissioner for the Division of Capital Asset Management; and Linda Snyder, executive director of the Massachusetts State College Building Authority.

"As the Southeastern Massachusetts region has grown from mostly farm land and cranberry bogs to an area attracting thousands of new residents and businesses, the campus has grown to serve the needs of the college community and regional community as well," said President Tinsley.

The 300-bed residence hall will help to ease the college's annual student housing crunch. The building will be air-conditioned and half the rooms will be designed for single occupancy, which will enable the college to increase conference business during the summer months.

The dining hall will have a capacity of 700, and will feature spaces that can be used for social activity after regular dining hours. Construction of both the dining hall and the residence hall is expected to begin early this spring.

Tamara Davis, Chairman of the Massachusetts State College Building Authority Board and member of the Board of Higher Education, discussed the BHE's commitment to the quality of life on state college campuses.

"This year the Board of Higher Education has created a task force to address campus life issues covering everything from security to landscaping. We recognize that buildings are more than brick and mortar, but are as much a part of the college experience as rigorous courses and excellent faculty," said Ms. Davis.

The new field house and athletic complex is designed to house both athletic and academic programs. Construction on this project is slated to begin in late...
ResNet Simplifies Services for Resident Students

Bridgewater State College's (BSC) resident students returned this fall to a new service called ResNet. This communications package bundles voice, video and data into a one-time fee each semester.

The program's features include high-speed connection to the Internet, access to the campus network, unlimited local calling, voice mail, call waiting, reduced long distance charges, cable TV including premium sports, music and movie channels, and Residence Life Cinema, a channel which features unedited, full-length movies selected by the ResHall Association.

The ResNet concept was created in response to student requests for reliable, hassle-free, affordable service. Thus far, 1,194 out of the college's 1,919 resident students have signed up to receive the service.

"The college wanted to address the many concerns and frustrations our students were having with private vendors ranging from billing disputes to repairs and service," said Bill Davis, chief information officer. "We needed to find a way to economically deliver user-friendly, high quality services to them."

The idea for the multi-media residence network garnered support from student organizations and the campus housing committee, and was approved by the board of trustees last spring.

"ResNet represented a number of logistical and technical challenges for the telecommunications staff," said Patrick Cronin, director of telecommunications. "We are proud of the results of their achievements. They worked tirelessly throughout the summer and Labor Day weekend to ensure a successful opening for the students. The results of their efforts are reflected in the many positive responses we have received from the students."

Theresa Ricciarelli is staff assistant in telecommunications and Arthur Slutnick is assistant director of telecommunications.
Fran Jeffries Continues Commitment to Literacy and Striving for Equality

Apartheid in South Africa ended in the early '90s, but the system of discrimination has left behind a legacy of inequities between blacks and whites that continues into the new millennium. Frances Jeffries, director of grants and sponsored projects, is working to help balance some of those inequities through her work with a Rotary International 3-H literacy program.

Two years ago, Dr. Jeffries went to KwaZulu Natal in South Africa to evaluate an adult literacy program for Rotary International 3-H (Health, Hunger and Habitat). Rotary funded the program based on her evaluation, and last summer, she went back for a month to help implement parts of the program.

"The project not only about reading and writing," Dr. Jeffries said. "It's about developing the capacities of the communities."

Dr. Jeffries became a Rotarian right after women were first allowed into the organization in 1987. She was looking for her niche with the organization and found it with literacy programs, first at home, and then abroad. "I'd always been interested in literacy projects but also in international affairs," she said.

It wasn't long before she was asked to go to Ethiopia to help train tutors and to work with organizational development there. The goal in Ethiopia, as in all foreign literacy projects, was to help increase the number of functionally literate people in the community. Dr. Jeffries said it is especially critical for people living in newly formed democracies to have some level of literacy.

"People can fight for years and overthrow a dictator, but without literacy, they will lose their democracy again in three or four years," Dr. Jeffries said. "The people who can read and write would be the only ones running the government."

Dr. Jeffries' visit to Ethiopia had a profound impact on her. When she returned, she made a video about the experience called "Through New Eyes" to express how the trip changed the way she saw the world. One particular incident happened one evening while she was preparing dinner for herself and a colleague. She was just about to throw away the peelings from the vegetables when she remembered a woman in the village who came to her door every day asking for whatever food they could spare.

Dr. Jeffries thought the woman could use the peelings to make a vegetable broth, and had her colleague bring the peelings to her.

The colleague later told Dr. Jeffries that the woman had knelt and kissed her feet when she gave her the peelings. "I'll tell you, every time I peel something, I think of her," Dr. Jeffries said.

Dr. Jeffries' recent trip to monitor the literacy program in South Africa was a productive one. There are now 47 sites in KwaZulu Natal that help teach adults to read and write, and Dr. Jeffries visited many of them. She was accompanied by her five-year-old grandson Alexander Lamie, who helped by handing out pencils to the teachers and BSC stickers to the learners at every class.

"People were so generous to us," Dr. Jeffries said. "He ate a lot more candy and cake than he ever would have here. Every possible need was met for us." In addition to teaching reading and writing, the tutoring centers also offer information about HIV/AIDS, which is ravaging the entire continent of Africa.

Although the program is still relatively young, Dr. Jeffries said it is apparent that learning to read and write is having a positive affect on the people of South Africa. As an example, she noted that one of the tutoring centers has a garden.

"You see they are developing the ability to take hold of their own communities, and not to be as vulnerable as they once were," Dr. Jeffries said. "It's a very slow process, but the learners, teachers and Rotarians know this makes a difference."
Cindy Meyer Joins Administration and Finance Team

A six-month work assignment in Boston led to an enjoyment of living in New England and a return to a career in higher education for Cindy Meyer. Ms. Meyer, a certified public accountant, has been appointed associate vice president for finance and business operations at BSC. She began her new assignment on November 14.

“The Boston area is beautiful in terms of the variety of landscapes from the mountains to the ocean and the people are very friendly. A person has to live here for a period of time to be able to appreciate all that the area has to offer,” said Ms. Meyer. “When the position at Bridgewater became available, I was familiar with the area and had a desire to return to higher education so it seemed like the perfect fit.”

Ms. Meyer, working closely with Vice President Dana Mohler-Faria, will oversee the finance and business operations of the college. This includes all accounting, budgeting and financial reporting areas including purchases, leases and auxiliary service contracts.

“I am really excited to be working at Bridgewater at this time. This college, with the new facilities being built and the access to the commuter rail, is well positioned to meet the needs of this growing region,” said Ms. Meyer.

She has started, with help of college administrators and staff, identifying issues that need to be reviewed. The areas of concern include our present and future software systems, the restructuring of functions within her area and updating travel form requests.

Ms. Meyer has an extensive financial background including four years at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, Georgia, where she was the director of financial services.

Bridgewater to Keep NCATE Status

It appears “very likely” that Bridgewater State College will continue to enjoy accreditation from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

Last fall, an 11-member team of educators and administrators sent by NCATE spent four days at BSC conducting an intensive evaluation of the college. They spent a good deal of time in “the document room,” a room in the Burnell School filled with binders and files of information about educator certification programs at BSC. They also interviewed a variety of people at the college – deans, cabinet members, administrators, students, alumni and K-12 teachers and administrators.

An exit interview following the evaluation as well as a written report received later in the fall were very positive, indicating that the college will probably keep its NCATE accreditation.

“The NCATE team will send its report to the NCATE Unit Board and it appears that ongoing accreditation, which the college has enjoyed since 1954, is very likely,” President Adrian Tinsley said in an e-mail to college employees shortly after the exit interview.

The college has held NCATE accreditation for 46 years. Of the 60 institutions in Massachusetts that prepare teachers, BSC is one of only seven to have this prestigious accreditation. The reaccreditation process is repeated every five years.
Appointments

Tom Groh's Career Has Come Full Circle

Thomas Groh, by his own admission, has a career that has gone full circle. The new director of college information systems began his career at BSC as an intern in 1982, leaving for a short time to work at the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts. He returned to BSC in 1985 as a system analyst. In September of 1999, he was named an assistant director, and last summer began his new position.

"I am responsible for the business or administrative systems of the college. I look to find technological solutions that will benefit the students, faculty and staff," he said. "This is an exciting time to be involved in the technology division at BSC."

His division is working on two major projects that will change how many people conduct business on the campus. One is implementation of the campus one card program called Connect@BSC. This card will encompass a number of different systems. The other is an introduction of a campus-wide scheduling software. This software will bring together academic space scheduling with Moakley Center and Campus Center conference scheduling.

Scott McNeilly Keeps BSC Campus Connected

Scott McNeilly, the college's new director of technical services, and the 10 members of his staff maintain approximately 1,200 personal computers in classrooms, labs and offices across the BSC campus.

Mr. McNeilly has had two tours of duty at BSC, one from 1972 to 1978 and the other from 1988 to the present. The 10 years in between were spent at the Massachusetts State College Computer Network in Boston. During his combined 18 years at BSC, he has seen many changes in the technological area of the college.

"Our department has gone through a number of name changes beginning with data processing and concluding with information technology," he said. "When I returned to campus in 1988, there were maybe eight to 10 personal computers on campus."

When they are not responding to the calls for problems with hard drives, monitor or printers, the staff of this division is working on two projects that will enhance computer operations on campus.

The first is the preparation to upgrade the campus computers to Windows 2000. The second project is a review of the network security system on campus.

Chandra Taylor Oversees Campus Center Business

Her new role as operations coordinator in the Rondileau Campus Center provides Chandra Taylor with something she didn't have before - an opportunity to work with students on a daily basis. She also oversees the operation of the information booth, game room, building crew and managers and student facility assistants in the campus center.

It was the opportunity to interact with students on a professional level that led Ms. Taylor to BSC. A graduate of Manhattanville College with a bachelor's degree in sociology, she headed here to pursue her master's degree in higher education counseling. She worked as a graduate assistant with the athletics department and coached the field hockey team.

"We would like to provide the student workers with more staff development opportunities to foster their professional growth and to provide them with skills that they can use when they begin to seek employment after graduation," said Ms. Taylor. "We are always looking for ways to enhance our customer service."

Carl Walker Continues Tradition of Education

He is an educator from a family of educators, joining a community of educators. Carl Walker is the new director of the Mathematics, Science and Technology Education Center at BSC, where he works with members of the math and science departments to bring new educational initiatives to the campus.

"My overall responsibility will be to help the math and science departments find funding for initiatives that they would like undertake at BSC," said Mr. Walker. He will also be responsible for the Teacher Technology Center (TTC) and the CityLab program.
John Harper, director of athletics at BSC, has been named to the Management Council of the NCAA Division III. He will serve a four-year term on the council, which is a relatively new form of governance within the NCAA. Previously, one council governed the entire membership of the NCAA, from Division III schools like BSC to Division I schools like the University of Notre Dame. In 1995, the NCAA became federated, and each division now has its own management council which works side-by-side with a presidents' council to govern the division. Mr. Harper had also served for six years on the eligibility committee, which met twice a year. The management council meets four times a year, and addresses a wide range of issues facing the entire Division III membership.

Mike Storey, associate director of athletics, has been named to the NCAA Football Rules Committee. He will address issues of relevance to the entire NCAA while he serves on the Football Rules Committee for two years. The Football Rules Committee governs all three divisions of the NCAA. The 12-member committee oversees and reviews any possible changes in the sport, and is responsible for rules governing the safety of its participants and the media coverage of the games.

Honors and Recognition

Dr. Adrian Tinsley, president of BSC, was among 200 of "Boston's Millennium Leaders" whose portraits were on display last summer in the Boston Public Library at Copley Square. The exhibit included portraits of prominent individuals from a wide spectrum of the arts, businesses, medicine, government, education and community and religious organizations. According to Robert D. Bachrach, president of Bachrach Studios of Boston, who organized the exhibit, selected the participants, and arranged for the portraits to be taken, "We made a sincere effort to put together a collection that would represent Boston's leaders from all walks of life."

Robert Bachrach stands in front for exhibit of photographs at Boston Public Library.

Professor Emeritus Ann Coakley has been inducted into the United States Lacrosse Hall of Fame in Baltimore. She was one of only 10 individuals in the nation to be honored with induction this year. The United States Women's Lacrosse Association merged with the men's association in 1992 so both associations could honor outstanding men and women who have contributed to the game of lacrosse. Professor Coakley has also been inducted into the Boston University Hall of Fame in honor of her contributions to the game of lacrosse as a player, coach and official.

Mike Storey holds a bachelor's degree in biochemistry and master's degree in education from UMass-Amherst. He previously taught in Boston public middle schools, and is in the educational leadership doctoral program at UMass-Boston. His father is a doctor who teaches science at Boston University, his mother is a librarian, one sister is a cluster leader in the Boston Public Schools, and the other is a pre-school teacher. And true to the family tradition, his new bride is also a teacher.

Cathy Holbrook, assistant dean of campus life and conferences, is the recipient of this year's Distinguished Service Award from the Association of College Unions-International. The award was presented to her during the regional conference of the association held at the New England Aquarium. The award is the highest honor presented each year to recognize superior leadership and service to the association and its professional and student members.

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Crimson Ambassadors at Student Alumni Association Conference in Phoenix, Arizona.

Can You Name The Faculty?
If you can name the faculty, please use the tear card in the front of the magazine and send your answers by April 2, 2001 to: Candace Maguire, director of alumni relations, PO Box 13, Bridgewater, MA 02324. You may also e-mail your answers to cmaguire@bridgew.edu.

All correct entries will be placed in a drawing for a BSC fleece pullover. The winner will be notified by April 6th. Please include your name, address and telephone number when sending your entry.

Alumni Attend Area Meetings
Phoenix, Arizona—August 10, 2000
Bridgewater State College traveled to Phoenix, Arizona on August 10th to meet with area alumni. Vice President Dr. Richard Cost spoke to everyone about the exciting projects taking place at their alma mater. People had a wonderful time meeting fellow alumni from the area, and all are looking forward to having another meeting next year!

Rhode Island Event—December 9, 2000
Forty alumni and friends met on December 9th at the Newport Naval Officer Club in Newport, Rhode Island for a Holiday Sunday Brunch. Following the brunch, some guests chose to tour the famous Breakers mansion that was elegantly decorated for the holiday season.

An official Rhode Island alumni club is being established. Ann Burgess Morris, '54, has volunteered to help build a strong alumni group in the Rhode Island and southern Massachusetts area. Although we are still in the planning stages, a list of goals and a calendar of events is nearly completed. Please call the Office of Alumni Relations if you would like to help make this a successful alumni club. The more volunteers we have, the stronger the club!

Vice President Richard Cost (right) with alumni in Phoenix, Arizona.

Crimson Ambassadors at Student Alumni Association Conference in Phoenix, Arizona.
Career Services Plans Spring
Events Calendar
For information on any of the following events, please contact Career Services at (508) 531-1328.

Gearing Up for the
Education Job Market
March 15, 2001, 3:30-6 PM
Oliver Ames High School, Easton
This event connects teacher candidates from BSC and other area schools with superintendents and hiring personnel from Southeastern Massachusetts school districts. From 3:30-4:30 PM a panel of hiring personnel will speak to teacher candidates about hiring practices, trends in the field of education and what they are looking for in candidates. The panel will be moderated by a faculty member from the School of Education and Allied Studies and will be followed by a networking fair. More than 40 hiring personnel from 28 school districts in Southeastern Massachusetts attended this event last year and participation is expected to increase this year! Teacher candidates should call or stop by Career Services to register for this event.

8th Annual Job Fair
Wednesday, March 28, 2001, 12-3 PM
Campus Center Ballroom
Mark your calendar for our annual job fair! More than 40 organizations will be on campus to interview current BSC seniors, alumni and members of the Bridgewater community for full-time, professional-level opportunities with their organizations. If your employer is interested in participating in this year’s job fair, please contact Shannon Finning at (508) 531-1328.

Mock Interview Night
April 5, 2001, 6:30-8:30 PM
Campus Center Ballroom
This new event will provide current BSC students with the opportunity to gain valuable interview experience from top-notch employers and to receive priceless advice from the people who do the hiring at area organizations. If you or your employer are interested in conducting mock interviews as part of this event to help current BSC students with their interviewing skills, please contact Tracey Connell at (508) 531-1328.

Massachusetts Education Recruiting
Consortium (MERC)
April 18-19, 2001
This annual education job fair is open to BSC alumni and graduating seniors who are certified in education. School districts from all over the United States will interview candidates for a variety of teaching and education positions. In order to attend, you must participate in a MERC orientation session. Sessions will be held in the Science Lecture Hall on March 21 and March 29 at 6 PM. You must call our office at (508) 531-1328 to register for one of these orientation sessions.

Career Services College News
Afro-Am Alumni Council
Mentor Program
The Career Services Office, in conjunction with the Afro-Am Alumni Council, is sponsoring its first Annual Afro-Am Alumni Council Mentor Program. This program was developed to connect current Bridgewater State College students of color with Bridgewater State College alumni of color within a variety of career fields. Our intention is to better prepare first and second year students for the career planning process and to provide them with contacts within their potential career fields.

This program will extend over the entire Spring 2001 semester. It will consist of a kick-off dinner in January followed by individual mentor/mentee meetings on and off-campus in February, March and April as well as workshops and panels. In May, we will bring the program to a close with a concluding dinner. If you are interested in participating in the first Annual Afro-Am Alumni Council Mentor Program, please contact Tracey Connell at (508) 531-1328.

Spotlight Panel Series
Each semester, the Offices of Career Services and Alumni Relations cosponsor several alumni panel discussions. These events have been created in an effort to bring together our current BSC students and our valued alumni. The panel discussions offer current students a forum for obtaining career information and an opportunity to share ideas and make contacts within the field. Last fall, we held a panel focused on Careers in Operations.

The Operations Panel was held on Monday, October 16 from 6-8 PM in the Davis Alumni Center. Dr. Frank Sterrett moderated and assisted the 40 students in questioning the panel. The panelists were as follows: James Broderick, '71, Operations Manager at Environmental Drilling, Inc.; lan McGonnigal, '90, Account Supervisor at Harpell; Phillip Souza, '80, Manufacturing Plant Director in Commercial Optics Manufacturing at Polaroid Corporation; Chandra Taylor, '01, Operations Coordinator at Bridgewater State College and Sean Egan, Catering Manager for Sodexho/Marriott.

The panel was a great success and we would like to extend our warmest thanks and appreciation to the alumni participants and our faculty moderator for this event.

If you are interested in participating in mentoring, career panels or our networking events call Career Services at (508) 531-1328.
There were a record number of alumni, parents and friends at Homecoming 2000! This year, the college combined Family Day and Homecoming, and we had something planned for everyone.

One very important event returned to the Homecoming calendar—the Carol Mulloy Cuttle 5K road race. Nearly $5,000 was raised for the Carol Mulloy Cuttle Scholarship Fund through road race fees and sponsorships. Our thanks go to the following sponsors:

- Dominos Pizza
- Sodexho Food Services
- The Abacus Group
- The Carol Mulloy Cuttle Foundation

A Record Breaker: Homecoming 2000

This scholarship fund benefits a student clinician or group leader at the Children’s Physical Developmental Clinic at Bridgewater State College. Plans for next year’s road race have already begun. We need people to volunteer to help on this Road Race Committee. If you are interested, please call the Office of Alumni Relations at 888-BSC-9555.

Pictured from Homecoming 2000: Top, runners preparing for the Carol Mulloy Cuttle 5K Road Race; above, Poppee the Clown with future BSC students; below, the Chemistry Club float—winners of the parade float contest; at left participants in the parade; far left, the BSC Cheerleaders.
Travel Program Announced
Many alumni have asked for an alumni travel program. It is our pleasure to announce that the Office of Alumni Relations is putting a program together. The first trip will be a nine-day trip to Ireland in October 2001! We are also working on a seven-day trip to Paris in November. Final pricing and promotional flyers will be available by March 2001. If you would like to receive more information on these two spectacular trips, please call 888-BSC-9555 extension 2695.

Upcoming Events
Listed below are upcoming alumni events. Please call the Office of Alumni Relations for further information on any of these events.

Florida Receptions – March 14th and 18th
The Office of Alumni Relations will be returning to Florida! Last year we had two very successful events, and the alumni want us to return this year. On March 14th, there will be a reception at Mortons of Chicago in West Palm Beach, and on March 18th, we will be returning to the Chart House on Long Boat Key. If you have not received your invitation to either of these events, please call the Alumni Office for more details. Let us know if you have a Florida address for the winter. We do not want to have anyone miss either of these great events, so please, call us and we will get an invitation right out to you.

April 26
Washington, DC, Alumni Reception
Occidental Restaurant
6 – 9 PM

May 5
Major Awards Ceremony
Rondileau Campus Center Ballroom
6 PM
Reservations Required

May 12
Afro-Am Alumni Association and Afro-Am Society Dinner Dance
Rondileau Campus Center Ballroom
6 PM
Reservations Required

June 1–2
Alumni Weekend
Brochure detailing events will be mailed to all alumni in April 2001.

Burton Family Donates Military Flag to BSC
A family with a long attachment to Bridgewater State College made a very special donation to the college.

Myrtle Burton, a clerk in the Department of Movement Arts, Health Promotion and Leisure Studies, donated to the college a flag presented to her at the military funeral for her husband, Henry (Lou) Burton, who died Nov. 10, 1998. Two years later, on November 11, Veterans’ Day, Mrs. Burton and her two children donated the flag to Bridgewater State College.

The children, William Forbush Jr. and Sandi (Forbush) Bogannam, both earned degrees from Bridgewater State College. Mr. Forbush, assistant principal of the Sippican Elementary School in Marion, earned his master of arts in teaching with a concentration in music at BSC, as well as a certificate of advanced graduate study in education with a concentration in administration.

Mrs. Burton’s daughter graduated from BSC with a bachelor of arts degree in communication in 1980. A resident of Connecticut, she works in marketing research and volunteers at the computer lab in her son’s middle school and also at the local animal shelter. Both Mr. Forbush and Mrs. Bogannam are married to BSC graduates whom they met while attending school here. Mrs. Burton has worked in the MAHPLS department for 28 years.

Dr. Richard Cost, vice president for institutional advancement, accepted the flag during an afternoon gathering at the Davis Alumni Center on Veterans’ Day. He expressed the college’s great appreciation for the gift of the flag “which has so much meaning for the Burton family.” He noted that the flag, along with a recognition plaque, will be displayed in the new field house when it is completed.
Annual Giving Off to a Fast Start

Thanks to our very generous alumni, parents, faculty, staff and friends of the college, the 2000-2001 Annual Fund has realized more than $125,000 in unrestricted gifts as of December 31. Many of these gifts were secured through the fall phonathon. Thank you to all who made a pledge and to the students who made the telephone calls. We are also grateful to those of you who responded to one of our direct mail appeals. Because of you, the college will be able to continue to provide scholarships, faculty and student research grants, state of the art equipment and other benefits that keep BSC successful and in the forefront of higher education.

Bridgewater's 1840 Society for Planned Gifts and Bequests Helps Build Bridgewater's Future

The 1840 Society was established in 1997 to recognize individuals who have notified the college that they have included the institution in their will, or have made a planned gift that names Bridgewater State College as the charitable remainderman.

There are 34 alumni and friends who have graciously provided this legacy to the college. This type of gift is attractive to individuals who want to make a major gift to their alma mater but need to retain the income from the asset during their lifetime.

Some alumni have named BSC as a beneficiary of an IRA or pension plan. The college has received notification that an alumna in the Class of 1930, who recently passed away, named Bridgewater State College as the beneficiary of her Brookline Public School System life insurance policy.

This gift is a wonderful way to help the college, build the endowment and memorialize the donor. Remember, you may designate a particular department, scholarship fund or class gift that is important to you.

Please contact Jane Rae Bradford, '72, G'76, assistant vice president for development at (508) 531-2946 for sample bequest language or a gift annuity illustration.

Giving Clubs Are Restructured at BSC

Giving Clubs are vehicles for recognizing donors who take leadership roles in making contributions to Bridgewater State College. Not only does it give the college the opportunity to say thank you in a very visible way, but it also permits the donor to lead by example and serve as an inspiration to others.

This year we have restructured our Giving Clubs at BSC and added two new levels. One recognizes donors who give at a level of $10,000 and above as part of the President's Circle; the other salutes Young Leaders, alumni who have graduated in the past 10 years and are donating $50 or more.

The college is very grateful to those who have stepped forward to give at a leadership level and invites others to join them. We are proud to say that endowed scholarships at the college are growing in size and number. If you have questions, please call Barbara LaFrance, director of annual giving, at (508) 531-1288.

The Leadership Giving Clubs are as follows:

- President's Circle: $10,000 and above
- Horace Mann Society: $5,000-$9,999
- Nicholas Tillinghast Society: $2,500-$4,999
- S. Elizabeth Pope Society: $1,000-$2,499
- Crimson Society: $500-$999
- Century Club: $100-$499
- Young Leaders Club*: $50-$99

* (for graduates from 1991-2000)

Fiscal Year 2000 Donor Honor Roll Correction

We regret that the name of Mary E. O'Neill Carey, '50, was inadvertently omitted from the Century Club listing and the Class of 1950 listing in the Donor Honor Roll that appeared in the Fall 2000 issue of Bridgewater.

Save the Date!

The Eighth Annual Chairmen's Dinner will be held on Friday, May 18, 2001. This year's gala event, hosted by Louis Ricciardi, Chairman, BSC Foundation, and Fred Clark, Jr., Chairman, BSC Board of Trustees, will highlight the Canadian Studies Program. Guest speaker will be Chief Justice of Canada, Beverly McLachlin. Tickets are $100 per person or $1000 for a table of ten.

Please contact the Davis Alumni Center at 508-531-1290 for more information.
1927
Edna McGirr writes she is grateful for her three years at Bridgewater where she made many true friendships.

1930
Ethel Mayers Burnham resides in South Carolina. She has two sons who are engineers, a daughter who teaches Spanish and 18 great-grandchildren. She wants to know if anyone can beat that!

1933
Stella H. Krupka
7 Fitch Terrace
Randolph, MA 02368
Phyllis Stewart Anderson writes that she is alive and well and still corresponds with another classmate, Marjorie (Harrington) Chapman who lives in Florida.

1935
George Higgins
20 Deerfield Road
Osterville, MA 02656

1936
Barbara Albret
PO Box 1075
East Dennis, MA 02641
Phyllis Esau
45 Bryant Avenue
Milton, MA 02186
Marjory Hollenbeck Richardson and her husband celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

1937
Ruth Metcalf
104 Pleasant Street
Bridgewater, MA 02324
Wilma Billie Quinn Fitzgerald is retired and enjoying friends and activities in Lexington. Wilma would like to see more class news submitted from members of her class.

1940
Janice Brennan Sprogell
41 Linwood Drive
West Hartford, CT 06107
Ida George Meikle resides in Walnut Creek, California and recently returned to New England to attend a reunion for former students and faculty who attended or taught at the old Wrentham Center School. She was extremely pleased to see some of her former second graders. While visiting New England, she and her husband, David, also enjoyed a family reunion and reacquainted themselves with the scenery that Ida misses.

1941
Plan on returning to campus on June 2 to celebrate your 60th reunion!

1942
Loretta Kennedy Dexter
15 Buckwood Drive
South Yarmouth, MA 02664

1943
Virginia Mayo has led quite an exciting life! She has traveled to all the continents, including Antarctica twice, parasailed in Bali, climbed the Great Wall of China, rode elephants, camels and even a tortoise in the Galapagos Islands.

1944
Virginia Boarn Alden writes that her son had a heart transplant after five months in a Boston hospital.

1945
Constance Kennefick returned from a tour of Greece and Turkey. She stated it was a wonderful pilgrimage in the steps of Saint Paul. While on the trip, she met two other Bridgewater graduates, Ruth Farley, '58, and Homer Depin, G '83.

1946
Phyllis Clayman Friedman
30 Washington Street #713
Brighton, MA 02135
Altana Mann Bullard traveled to Peru with her church group. They visited a village where a church was built by senior high school students from her community... Mabel Mason Anderson, upon completion of her 10th year as the representative to the General Assembly of the Rhode Island House of Representatives, was surprised when Mayor James E. Doyle of Pawtucket, Rhode Island announced the children's mezzanine of the Pawtucket Public Library was to be renamed the State Representative Mabel M. Anderson's Children Library.

1949
Jacqueline Killen Weyand
34-10 94th Street, Apt. 1C
Jackson Heights
Long Island, NY 11372

1950
Burnham Miller
21 Sunset Drive
Whitinsville, MA 01588
It has been suggested by several of our 1950 classmates the one could
honor a deceased classmate by sending a memorial gift to the Bridgewater State College Foundation and designate the gift for the Class of 1950 Distinguished Faculty Research Award. This would be a wonderful way to honor a deceased 1950 classmate and help our Faculty Research Award grow over the years. Please send your memorial gift to Barbara LaFrance, director of the Annual Fund, PO Box 42, Bridgewater, MA 02324.

1951
50th Reunion – June 1-2 2001
Jean Collins Fletcher
91 Riverboat Village Road
South Hadley, MA 01075

The Class of 1951 Reunion Committee has been busy working on the 50th reunion in June! If you have not returned your reunion questionnaire yet, please do so in the near future.

Helen O'Connor Keegan
53 Sadys Lane
East Falmouth, MA 02536

Amelia Leconte, Shirley Deknes, Marie Reilly Grzywacz, Mildred Crowley Vaillancourt and Michael Merten met at the Davis Alumni Center to discuss plans for the 50th reunion in 2002. If you have any ideas or suggestions for the reunion, please contact Amelia at 12 Forster Road, Rochester, MA 02770. She will discuss any ideas with the reunion committee at their next meeting.

1953
Ralph J. Fletcher
91 Riverboat Village Road
South Hadley, MA 01075

Frank Curran has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Lawton Teachers Federal Credit Union in Lawton, Oklahoma. Frank and his wife, Joanne Kilmain Curran, have been working diligently along with Sallie Twichell Bieksi, Donald Morey, Antoinetta Minerva Meier, Judy Lancaster Waters, George Weygand and Joyce Bissell Carpenter on the Class of 1953 50th reunion committee.

1954
Hazel Luke Varella
121 Center Street
North Easton, MA 02356

Joe Pauley, Ann (Burgess) Morris, Hazel (Luke) Varella, Joan (Grieves) Dugener, Alicia (Andruk) Boucher, Jeannette (Dipaoli) Damon, Myra (Powers) Lopes and Bill Hughes met at the Davis Alumni Center on November 30th to begin discussing plans for the 50th reunion in 2004. If you have any ideas of suggestions for the reunion, please contact Joe at 8740 Sleepy Hollow Lane, Potomac, MD 20854, or Hazel at the address above.

1955
Francena Warren Smith
32 Mellen Street
Needham, MA 02494

Paul Sprague
PO Box 521
Hinsdale, NH 03451

A. Karen Orcutt and her husband, William Orcutt, '57, are enjoying life in DeBay, Florida.

1956
Cariene Dodd Brown
35 Tam O'Shanter Way
South Yarmouth, MA 02664

Eugene A. Kennedy
5 Kaybeyun Road, Converse Point
Marion, MA 02738

Eleanor Lydon Olson
661 Falmouth Road
Mashpee, MA 02649

1957
Beverly Tunstall Shavinsky
81 Francis Street
Fairhaven, MA 02719

1958
John B. Lonegran
21 Westminster Road
East Weymouth, MA 02189

Dr. Albert Mayers, Jr. is teaching full-time at Sacred Heart School in Lawrence.

1959
Ann Guidoboni Tosi has retired after 33 years of teaching for the Plymouth school system.

1960
Ginny Jewett Hogg
840 Willow Court
Marco Island, Fl 33937

1961
Plan on returning to campus on June 2 to celebrate your 40th reunion. Please call the Office of Alumni Relations at 888-BSC-9555 if you are interested in getting some classmates back to celebrate.

Louise McGibbon Moline is enjoying retirement. She travels and spends her summers living on a sailboat ... John J. Morgan, at age 82, claims to be the oldest living member of the class. One of his granddaughters, Margaret Adams, '75, is also a BSC graduate.

1962
Jo-Anne Rothmyer Granger

teaches first and second grades in Lexington. She has two daughters. One is an athletic trainer who is
Some members of the Class of 1969 gathered for a reunion at the home of Sally Hobbs Ross in Nashua, New Hampshire. They have been friends since 1965 and had a great time catching up on all the news! From left to right: Mary Ellen Morrisette Harris, Jill Lessard Grennan, Johanna Colling Tassinari, Toni Oliveira Johnson, Bonnie Holland Watson, Sally Hobbs Ross and Barbara Beal Anti.

1963
Judith Williams Millar
212 Franklin Street
Whitman, MA 02382

1964
James Nidositko
54 Lakeview Avenue
Falmouth, MA 02540

Gail McClain Jenks is the new technology director for Northborough and Southborough schools. She will be in charge of developing budgets and professional development programs for teachers as well as integrating technology into the curriculum ...

Robert Lane is a physical education teacher at Parker Middle School in Taunton and was appointed head cross-country coach and head girls’ winter track coach at Taunton High School. He was included in Who’s Who Among American Teachers.

1965
Lewis Klaiman is principal at Tourtellotte Memorial High School in Thompson, Connecticut.

1966
Geraldine Murphy Wright
229 Windercrest Drive
Camillus, NY 13031

Kenneth Brennan is married to Jill Lessard Brennan '69. Ken is training manager for all engineers at Stratus Computers and Jill is a real estate broker at Carlson GMAC Real Estate in Marlboro. They have two sons, Casey and Tim.

1968
Donna Daley Brown
Box 366
779 Center Street
Bryantville, MA 02327

Cynthia Smith Shearstone is teaching fifth grade in Taunton. Her daughter, Jenna, was married last summer, and her son, Jeff, is a biochemical engineer at Biogen in Boston.

1969
Carol Ethier Pappas
44 Tall Timbers
Berwick, ME 03901

Sheila McGiveron Dacey retired from the Bellingham School system after 30 years of teaching ...

Patricia Mawn, G’72, is teaching fourth grade at the Oxford School in Fairhaven. She was listed in Who’s Who Among American Teachers for the year 2000 ...

Harold Lundberg, G ’69, has retired and is busier than he was before retiring! He is a wheelchair school bus monitor for severely handicapped children ... Carlene P. Moore is a senior corporate paralegal at Nixon Peabody in Boston ...

Carol Najarin is celebrating 31 years as an administrative secretary in the Department of Theatre at Northeastern University ...

Gary Watson resides in Natick and his son, Clifford, is a senior at Wellesley High School.

1970
Joseph Hackett
Ledgeview Drive
Norwood, MA 02062

Kevin Foley skippered the 139-foot schooner, America, in the Grand Parade of Sails in Boston last July. Kevin taught school for 10 years before deciding to devote himself to surf and sail! He worked on the America for two years after it was built in 1995, went to Maine for a while, but returned to captain the America.

1971
Now is the time to start planning your 30th reunion for 2001! Please call the Office of Alumni Relations at 888-BSC-9555 if you are interested in getting friends back to campus on June 2, 2001.
1972

Philip Conroy, Jr. and
Janice Crowley Conroy
85 Bridle Road
Bridgewater, MA 02324

The Reverend Barbara Bujnowski Herber has joined the First United Methodist Church in North Andover as its new pastor. Reverend Herber was ordained as a deacon in the Methodist Church in 1976 and as an elder in 1979. She is pursuing a doctorate of ministry and pastoral counseling from Brown University. Elizabeth Lavin is principal at Prescott Elementary School in Groton.

1974

Veronica Galanek Wainwright
4358 Bonfield Court
Oxford, MD 21654

Charlotte Richards Gilmore is the administrator for the Foods and Nutrition Services Program for seven schools in the Fairhaven school district in Fairhaven. Brenda Barek Martin and her husband, Bob, celebrated 25 years of marriage this year. Brenda, Bob, and two of their four children work for Shaw’s supermarkets.

1975

Suzanne Geppner Cooper is the assistant principal at Brattleboro Union High School in Brattleboro, Vermont. James McLaughlin is the campus center director at Worcester Polytechnical Institute. He will direct the scheduling, events management and supervision of staff for the WPI Campus Center.

1976

Jacqueline Sylvia Wheaton
PO Box 235
Swans Island, ME 04865

Plan on returning to campus for your 25th reunion on June 2. Please call the Office of Alumni Relations at 888-BSC-9555 if you would like to plan a very special reunion.

William Abraham is working for Electronic Data Systems facilitating leadership and management seminars throughout the United States. Prior to this position, William served as director of professional development for two years at EDS. Jean LaCivita O’Brien and her husband Michael, are the proud parents of twins, Abigail and Daniel Michael. Jean is employed at Fidelity Investments in the advertisement agency. Caryn Higgens Sanson is teaching seventh and eighth grade social studies at Berkeley Community School in Berkley. She has three children, Katie, Jeff and Amanda. Amanda is attending Bridgewater State College and is captain of the women’s softball team.

1977

Robert Mansur
2425 SE 5th Street
Lees Summit, MO 64063

1978

Elizabeth Gallagher Duval
148 Colonial Drive
Quincy, MA 02169

1979

Margaret Linehan Szostek
26 Woodhaven Street
Carver, MA 02330

1980

M.S. McDonald
101 Highgreen Ridge
Peachtree City, GA 30269

Richard Maggiano is president and CEO of Page Designs, Inc., a graphic design and technical writing firm he founded in 1988. He has been named president of Vermont Businesses for Social Responsibility. Richard was a VBSR board member for three years and his term as president runs until November 2002.

1981

Cynthia Booth Ricciardi
PO Box 228
Taunton, MA 02780

Plan on returning to campus on June 2 to celebrate your 20th reunion. Please call the Office of Alumni Relations at 888-BSC-9555 if you would like to help plan this very special reunion.

Kathleen McSweeney was appointed deputy principal at Agawam High School. She was the director of athletics, and health and physical development education at Agawam High prior to her new appointment.

1982

John F. Sullivan
26 Bradford Avenue
Sharon, MA 02067

Helen Roy lives in Denver, Colorado, with her husband, Tony, and two daughters: Lucy, age three, and Riley, age seven. She is working as consultant and evaluator with diagnostic materials. Helen received her Master of Education in 1986 from BSC and her doctorate from Boston University in September 2000.

1983

David Robichaud
35 White Road
Wayland, MA 01778

Michael P. Alexander took third place in the 35-39 master’s judo division at the Senior Nationals in Judo held in Houston, Texas last April. Nancy Rogers LaRiviere and her husband, Donald, reside in Haverhill with their two children, Holly and Bob. Nancy is a speech therapist in the Haverhill school system.
1984
Christine Openshaw Tempesta
40 Columbus Avenue
Braintree, MA 02184

June Roy Martin is married with two boys: Johnny, age six, and Roy, age three. She is director of public relations for Quality Printing in Pittsfield. She is working on her MBA through U-Mass, Amherst.

1985

Jill Fields Lazzeri
46 Elm Street
Franklin, MA 02038

David A. Buckley
11 Susan's Way
Franklin, MA 02038

Kelly Sullivan Kramer
32 Highland Avenue
Keene, NH 03431

Heidi Hinds Marotta is an Oracle Database consultant working for Kopin Corporation in Taunton. She and her husband, John, reside in North Falmouth with their two children, Jake and Jannel. Donald Schlotz is flying B-727 airplanes with Federal Express and is also a Squadron Commander, with the rank of major, for the 939 Rescue Wing.

1986

Paula Vogel Quill
20 Goldsmith Drive
Newburyport, MA 01950

Jane Brett is a multi-unit group account manager at Cirelli Foods in Brockton. As a sales representative for the company, Jane received praise by becoming a member of the $2.5 million club by bringing in revenues in excess of that amount. Carolyn Murphy Riepe resides in Arizona with her husband and children. She received her graduate degree in higher education from the University of Arizona and is a legal assistant.

1987

John Marciano is a supervisory park ranger at Lowell National Historical Park in Lowell. He received a Hospitality Award from the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism for his outstanding work at the park. Elise Weygand Taylor is living in Rindge, New Hampshire, with her husband and four-month-old son. She is a senior child care director at the North Suburban YMCA in Woburn. Elise would enjoy hearing from some of her classmates such as Sue Terpak, Connie Nadeau, Brenda Spears, Al D'Errico, Matt Perakis and Steve Doyon.

1988

Daniel Darcy
P.O. Box 446
Bridgewater, MA 02324

Susan Sullivan
200-F Poplar Forest Road
Farmville, VA 23909

Mark Branigan received his MBA from the University of Massachusetts, Boston. Mark is an account manager at State Street Corporation and lives in Medway with his wife, Christa (Moore) Branigan, '88. They have a daughter, Delany, and a son, Jack. Christopher Clark has accepted a position as second city administrator for the city of Tonganoxie, Kansas, a western suburb of Kansas City, Kansas. Christopher served as the town of Wellesley's assistant director of general government prior to taking the new position in Kansas.

1989

Heather Long Cashman is an art specialist at the Dennett School. She also produces her own artwork which was exhibited in April at the Fuller Art Museum in Brockton. Kurt Kummer, a physical education teacher in Franklin was named head football coach at Seekonk High School. Annie Roy Ronayne received her master's degree from Cambridge College in 1998. She is married and has a 10-month-old daughter, Hannah Marie. She enjoys reading, running and the great outdoors. She misses many of her former classmates and wants to know where Kathy O'Connor, Ron Harris, MTJM, and F. Scott are. She can be e-mailed at dronayne@capital.net. Annie is the youngest of eight girls, three of whom are Bridgewater graduates.

1990

Jorge Neves
289 High Street
Holyoke, MA 01040

Jane Tarris Cafferty and her husband, Kevin, became the proud parents of Kaitlyn Marie in February 2000. Lynn Malkasian DeVore resides in Maryland with her husband, Paul, and their daughter, Rachael. She is working for an information management company on a contract for the National Cancer Institute.

1991

Your 10th reunion is just around the corner! Plan on returning to campus on June 2 to celebrate. If you would like to help plan this reunion, please call the Office of Alumni Relations at 888-BSC-9555. Joanne Bruneau is a relocation coordinator for Arpin International Group in West Warwick, Rhode Island. She earned the certified relocation professional designation after successfully completing the CRP exam. Captain Jeff Burke and his wife proudly announce the birth of their first child, Regan Patrick. Captain Burke served as an Army Infantry Officer in Germany before moving to Arizona in January where he is in Military Intelligence at Fort Huachucha.
1992
Rene Ladurantaye
6 Nemasket Street
East Taunton, MA 02718

1993
Debra Gately
439 Lexington Street
Waltham, MA 02452

1994
Matthew Maderos
181 Thompson Street
Middleboro, MA 02346
Lauren Farina Frame
30 Pond Street #3
Braintree, MA 02184

1995
Joseph Gordon is enrolled in the MPA program at Bridgewater State College and is part owner of a liquor store on Cape Cod.

1996
Tina Michael-Savage
1010 Crossroads Drive
North Dartmouth, MA 02747
Andrew Cooney was married in March 1998 and is employed by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection as an environmental engineer ...
Robert (Buzz) Harmon is enrolled in the Doctor of Chiropractic program at the Chiropractic College in Seneca Falls, New York. His wife, Jennifer Wells Harmon, '96, is a registered nurse at General Hospital ...

1997
Roger Limoges
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Peter Regan is an assistant principal for the Jordan/Jackson Elementary School in Mansfield.

1999
Lee Charpentier
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Michelle Gervais is working at State Street Research in Boston.

2000
Ann Anderson is teaching second grade at Igo Elementary School in Foxboro and Kristina Fritz, also at the Igo School, is teaching physical education ... Phillip Genatossio is an athletic trainer and physical education teacher at Foxboro High School.
**Marriages**

Katherine McGaughey, '52, to John Parolin on Sept. 25, 1999
James Gunning, '79, to Trudy Maddox on May 27, 2000
Brian T. Fraga, '91, to Dawn M. Vargas on May 20, 2000
Lori Iannitelli, '91, to Matthew Freeman on Aug. 4, 2000
Christine Otenti, '91, to Mark Collins on May 13, 2000
Michael Henrick, '92, to Beth Angeramo on July 1, 2000
Cynthia J. Stefanick, '92, to Jess Bly on June 29, 2000
Christopher F. Waldron, '92, to Erica Casper on May 28, 2000
Jeffrey A. Ardinger, '93, to Karen M. Souza on Aug. 14, 2000
Kerry Conley, '93, to Dennis Evans on Nov. 27, 1999
Emily S. Lothrop, '93, to Kevin P. Timberlake on Oct. 23, 1999
Karen Sadowski, '93, to Stephen Lempert on Oct. 10, 1999
Janice George, '94, to Scott Corkhum on May 27, 2000
Michael S. Murray, '94, to Jennifer G. Wilson, '96, on June 26, 1999
Amy Stanley, '94, to Patrick Clark
Michelle Blanchette, '95, to Mark Houle, '95, on Aug. 13, 2000
Jennifer Ellis, '95, to Lt. Justin D. Cook
Deryk A. Eynon, '95, to Kathleen L. Bowman
Ryan D. Gagne, '95, to Jennifer A. Riley, '96, on Aug. 7, 1999
Amy J. Griffin, '95, to Brian D. Huffman on April 22, 2000
Steven J. Porter, '95, to Stacie Kimbrel on June 10, 2000
Jessica K. Rigalis, '95, to William J. Powers IV on June 17, 2000
Lisa Allen, '96, to Timothy Carter on July 1, 2000
Craig J. Murdock, '96, to Mary Elizabeth Perlak on March 17, 2000
Tammy Ourique, '96, to Steve Silveira on May 27, 2000
Eric Tucker, '96, to Diana Wallace on June 19, 1999
Megan Barry, '97, to James C. Lynch Jr. on June 24, 2000
Jennifer Hassett, '97, to Scott Swaylik, '97
Richard LaCara, '97, to Lauren Cushing on May 6, 2000
Philip Liberman, '97, to Kimberly Anne Birge on Aug. 26, 2000
Terry M. Manson, '97, to David A. Longley on Feb. 26, 2000
Michelle Sigman, '97, to Paul Winston on July 9, 2000
Heather Brassil, '98, to Jeffrey Darcy on June 3, 2000
Kimberly Karas, '98, to James O'Rourke on April 16, 2000
Mark Mathews, '98, to Gina Fabiano on June 24, 2000
Kara Tupper, '98, to Edmund C. Burr II on March 11, 2000
Lisa Clisbee, '00, to Gregory Tidman on June 24, 2000

**Births**

To Michael and Jean LaCivita O'Brien, '76, twins, Abigail Rose and Daniel Michael, on Aug. 1, 2000
To Karen Reddington Thompson, '83, a son, John James, 9 lbs. 6 oz., 20 inches long, on March 23, 2000
To Stephen and Jodi Scarborough Texeira, '89, a son, Andrew J., on April 8, 2000
To Kevin and Jane Taris Cafferty, '90, a daughter, Kaitlyn Marie, on Feb. 15, 2000
To Mary and Capt. Jeffrey Burke, '91, a son, Reagan Patrick
To Heather Lambert, '92 and Catherine Scholfield, '91, a son, Logan Lambert Scholfield, 8 lbs. 12 oz., on Sept. 2, 2000
To Neil Jyringi and Amanda Murdock, '95, a daughter, Shelby Wilson Jyringi, on April 7, 2000
To Rainier and Pamie Roy Tan, '96, a son, Jasper Roy, on March 8, 2000
To Eric and Jennifer O'Connell Mueller, '98, a son, Eric Jeffrey, 7 lbs. 14 oz., 20.5 inches long, on Sept. 12, 2000
To Douglas and Tammy Boatwright Moore, '99, a son, Xavier Douglas, 9 lbs. 2 oz., on July 26, 2000
The Bridgewater State College community lost a well-respected member with the death of Regina Mary Gross, professor emerita from the Department of Movement Arts, Health Promotion and Leisure Studies who retired in 1997. Dr. Gross, who had taught at the college since 1965, died in October at the age of 63.

"She was well respected by her students," said Dr. Marcia Anderson, chair of the MAHPLS department. "She taught very challenging classes, set high academic expectations for her students, but treated them fairly and with great respect. She was top-notch when it came to being an educator."

Dr. Gross was especially well known for her classes in kinesiology, the study of muscles and body movement. These classes often proved to be the most difficult for students in physical education. Her other area of expertise was motor learning, a favorite class for many students.

"Reggie was always available in her office to work with students on a one-on-one basis," Dr. Anderson said. "She was here countless hours. Seldom did a day go by that I did not walk past Dr. Gross's office and see her explaining a complicated concept to a student who had come seeking help. She was always there for the students."

Dr. Gross was especially well known for her contributions to the foundation of the physical education major as it exists today. Her ability to consider the long-term effects of any decision affecting the department or the students was paramount in her quiet, but stoic leadership style.

Dr. Gross was a member of many professional organizations and societies, but was most proud of her induction into the BSC Athletic Hall of Fame for her coaching abilities and the New England Women's Sports Hall of Fame. She coached women's basketball at BSC from 1967-69 and again from 1972-78. She also coached women's softball from 1971-73 and was the women's athletic director from 1973-78. During her tenure as basketball coach, her teams had only one losing season and competed in numerous post-season tournaments.

Early on in her career, Dr. Gross worked to improve conditions for women in sport. Dr. Gross, along with other faculty in the department, organized regional field days and workshops at the college to train other women in physical education to become officials and coaches for women's sports.

"She really tried to make BSC a center for promoting women in athletic competition," Dr. Anderson said. Dr. Gross was a graduate of Sergeant College at Boston University with the Class of 1959. She earned her master's degree from Columbia University in 1965 and her D.P.E. from Springfield College in 1974.

"She was an excellent teacher, a positive role model for her students, and a critical asset to the department and the college," Dr. Anderson said.
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