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homecoming

*alumni weekend 2005*





## Nearly 1000 Alumni and Friends Return to Alma Mater

If you missed Alumni Weekend 2005, then you missed one of the most highly attended alumni reunions in Canisius history. The two-day homecoming on June 3 and 4, marked reunion years for the classes of 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995 and 2000. The college's ROTC alumni hosted a reunion that same weekend, as well. Combined, the annual party brought nearly 850 alumni spouses and friends back to *alma mater*, many of whom had not been on campus since graduation!

For these alumni, the weekend provided them with an opportunity to tour the campus and get an up-close look at all the exciting new developments, including the new Eastwood Residence Hall, which is set to open this fall, and the state-of-the-art classrooms housed in Old Main and Lyons Hall. Additionally, alumni who attended Alumni Weekend heard from Canisius President Rev. Vincent M. Cooke, S.J., about the college's vision for the future. The college's new athletic director, Bill Maher '89, also spoke about his goals for the future of Canisius athletics.

Alumni Weekend 2005 capped off a busy spring for the college. Just two weeks prior, during commencement weekend May 20-22, nearly 60 members from the Class of 1955 commemorated their 50-year graduation from Canisius. The reunion celebration, marketed by the theme they coined as students "Stay Alive with 55," included campus tours, an evening social, a dinner dance, and a commemorative Mass and brunch. The enthusiastic group also received a special recognition during the undergraduate commencement ceremony May 21.

While each class year marked its reunion with individual events, all alumni who attended shared similar memories about the friends, faculty and experiences that made their time at *alma mater* so exceptional.

The following pages include just a few of those stories recollected by alumni who attended Alumni Weekend 2005. For a complete list of 2005 reunion attendees or to view additional pictures from the reunions, visit [www.canisius.edu/alumniweekend](http://www.canisius.edu/alumniweekend).

### CLOCKWISE:

1. DUANE K. JONMAIRE '75 (LEFT) SHARES PHOTOS WITH PATTI KUBANET (WIFE OF DANIEL K. KUBANET '75), GARY ZUNNER AND DEBORAH (SPERO) ZUNNER '75.
2. JOHN P. LAMBERT '70, GENE S. RICHARDS '70 AND LARRY T. MCGOWAN '70 CATCH UP AT THE ALUMNI WEEKEND TENT PARTY.
3. STUDENT AMBASSADOR JAMES RYAN '07 LEADS ALUMNI AND THEIR FAMILIES ON A CAMPUS TOUR. PICTURED (L-R) ARE: SUELLEN (VEY) EGGERT '70, ROGER SCHNEGGENBURGER '60, DOROTHY BEMBENISTA, HENRY BEMBENISTA, DOMINIC SEDITA '65 AND MARK ROSSEL '80
4. STAN E. PACYNSKI '55, MBA '74 AND ROBERT A. MARAIO '55 RECONNECT AT THE CLASS OF 1955 REUNION, AFTER 10 YEARS.
5. ANTHONY J. SMACZNIAK '55 (RIGHT), CO-CHAIR OF THE ROTC GRAND REUNION COMMITTEE, AND LT. COL. JAMES D. BAGWELL (LEFT), CHAIR OF MILITARY SCIENCE AT CANISIUS FROM 2000 - MAY 2005, REFLECT ON THEIR TWO-YEAR PLANNING EFFORT FOR THE ROTC GRAND REUNION, DURING THE ALUMNI TENT PARTY ON FRIDAY, JUNE 3.
6. TODD SALANSKY '00, MBA '04 AT HIS FIVE-YEAR CLASS REUNION EVENT.



*"I remember Canisius* most for the friends I made, the Quad parties and Dr. Bob Davis' accounting classes. We had a really great time at the reunion. The family picnic was terrific. My children enjoyed seeing where their mom went to college. I was surprised to see all of the changes to campus, especially the new dorm [Eastwood Hall] – it changes the look of the Quad. It's really impressive. I encourage all alumni to attend their reunion."

**JUDITH (KWIETNIEWSKI) SPIRA '85**  
BUFFALO, NY

CHRISTINA SPIRA AND HER MOTHER, JUDITH (KWIETNIEWSKI) SPIRA '85, ADMIRE CHRISTINA'S FACIAL ART PAINTED BY PIC-A-DILLY THE CLOWN AT THE FAMILY PICNIC ON THE DEMSKE ATHLETIC COMPLEX.



JUDITH (KWIETNIEWSKI) SPIRA  
1985



ANTHONY J. COLUCCI JR.  
1955



G. J. SEMLER  
1972



JAMES J. MAUL  
1960



DARCY (ROWE) NORFOLK  
1995

## alumni memories



*"My wife asked me,* 'Why do you want to go to this affair? It is not even your reunion year.' I replied, 'Honey, I need to go. This is a special event. It may never happen again! I need to go to show honor and respect for those who have gone before us, those who are here tonight and those who will come after us. They are my brothers. Together, we walked the halls of Canisius, answered the call of our country. Each and everyone is a cut above. Each and everyone can be counted upon without question. They are all special. You can't understand unless you have walked in their shoes.' To those here tonight and to those who were before us and will be here after us I salute you and consider it an honor and thank you for counting me amongst your numbers."

**G. J. SEMLER '72**  
BREWSTER, NY

G. J. SEMLER '72 (RIGHT) CATCHES UP WITH WILLIAM E. WILKEN '72, MS '77 AT THE ROTC GRAND REUNION DINNER IN THE MONTANTE CULTURAL CENTER.





*“Our class was all male; it was the last ‘Trolley Car’ class. Almost everybody was a day hop. We wore short hair and clean jackets. At 1:30 p.m. each day, the majority of us raced off to part-time jobs.”*

**ANTHONY J. COLUCCI JR. '55**  
BUFFALO, NY

NEARLY 60 MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1955 ATTENDED THEIR REUNION STAG ON FRIDAY, MAY 18. PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT: DOMINIC J. VERSO '55, ANTHONY J. COLUCCI JR. '55 AND RICHARD (“MURPH”) PROCKNAL '55.



*“As a freshman, at the Harvest Ball, which was the dance that we held the day after Thanksgiving, my classmates asked our theology professor, Rev. Charles Lehmkuhl, if he would join us for a drink (we had a bottle of Canadian Club). Father Lehmkuhl, S.J., responded affirmatively but when we asked him what mixer he preferred, he replied with a new theological truism: ‘Gentlemen, if you are going to pay for Canadian Club, it is a mortal sin to not drink it straight.’ To this day I will not mix Canadian Club with anything!”*

**JAMES J. MAUL '60, PhD**  
GRAND ISLAND, NY

MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1960 DISPLAY THEIR CLASS YEAR WITH PRIDE AT THE ALUMNI TENT PARTY. PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT ARE: MICHAEL P. DAVIS '60, HARRY BRAND '60, RONALD F. ZIELIN '60, JAMES J. MAUL '60, JACK KIRST '60, HENRY J. KAYE '60.



*“We met our freshman year in Frisch and have kept in touch since. From the time we met in the dorm across the Quad to 10 years later at Alumni Weekend we have been successful at keeping our college spirit alive. Our conversations have changed from where we are going to eat and go out, to children and our careers. The times have changed but our friendships have stayed the same.”*

**DARCY (ROWE) NORFOLK '95**  
LAKE PLACID, NY

MORE THAN 45 MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1995 ATTENDED THEIR 10 YEAR REUNION. PICTURED AT THE ALUMNI TENT PARTY ARE (L-R): ERIN (ERKER) DESIDERIO '95, JENNIFER (TOTH) ASTALOS '96, KELLY (CAPOZZI) MICHAELS '95, MS '97, CARRIE (BALONE) FITZGERALD '95, MS '97, DARCY (ROWE) NORFOLK '95.



# Volunteer Spotlight

Alumni Association Board of Directors

Pictured (right):  
Alumni Association  
Officers, (below):  
new board members



David L. Noto '76 (president)



Deborah (Caudell) Leous '79,  
MBA '82 (first vice president)



David J. Nasca '79 (second vice  
president)



Jennifer S. Farrell '98



John L. Langer '76



James P. Schofield MS '73



Vanessa E. Torres '04

## The Alumni

Association Board of Directors embarked on its 2005-2006 year, as of July 1. This year's board will be lead by **David L. Noto '76**, president; **Deborah (Caudell) Leous '79, MBA '82**, first vice president; and **David J. Nasca '79**, second vice president. The board also welcomes four new members to its rank: **Jennifer S. Farrell '98**, a partner in the law firm of Farrell and Farrell and past president of the Buffalo Niagara Alumni Chapter; **John L. Langer '76**, managing partner at Buffalo Financial Associates; **James P. Schofield MS '73**, a school counselor in the Syracuse City School District and past president of the Central New York Alumni Chapter; and **Vanessa E. Torres '04**, a bilin-

gual intake case manager at Child and Adolescent Treatment Services in Buffalo, NY and a graduate of the college's McGowan Learning Community Program.

Under Noto's leadership, the Alumni Board will explore new ways to strengthen its chapter networks and explore ways to encourage more national representation on the Alumni Board.

"Our Alumni Association needs to be represented by leaders who live across the country, as well as in Western New York," says Noto. "The stronger we make our chapters, the more national we will be."

Already, the Alumni Board is taking steps towards achieving that goal. During the Alumni Volunteer Leadership Seminar, which the college hosted July

28-29, 15 chapter presidents returned to campus from as far away as San Diego to meet with the Alumni Board of Directors and college staff. Attendees heard about the college's vision for the future from Vice President of College Relations John J. Hurley '78.

Finally, Noto says, the Alumni Board will continue to improve relationships between the college and its alumni by enhancing the programs and services already available to alumni.

For more information on the Alumni Board of Directors or to nominate an alumnus for the board, visit [www.canisius.edu/alumni](http://www.canisius.edu/alumni). The nomination deadline is April 1, 2006.

## 2005-2006 ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michael A. Benson '84

Lisa (Campieri) Pugliese '89

Vincent D. Clark '97

Annette M. Dispenza-Kajtoch '88,  
MBA '90

Margaret M. Eberl '95, MD

Nora E. Eberl '92

Jennifer S. Farrell '98

Trey H. Gardner '91

Joseph J. Karaszewski '85

Mark A. Kasperczyk '80

Deborah (Wodarczak) Keenan '81

John L. Langer '76

Deborah (Caudell) Leous '79, MBA '82

Lee M. Mallory '92

Thomas T. Murphy '90, MBA '91

David M. Naples '70, MBA '74

David J. Nasca '79

Stephen M. Nosek '76

David L. Noto '76

Jennifer (Cassell) Paterson '95, MS '01

John A. Polvino '84

Virginia M. Scahill '78, MBA '84

James P. Schofield MS '73

Scott L. Sroka '94

Vanessa E. Torres '04

Julianne (Bitterman) Urban '94

Theresa (Wolniewicz) Walsh '95



## Milford C. Maloney '47, MD, Works to Remedy Aging Population

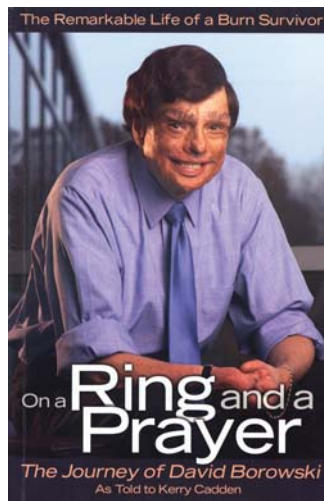
By the year 2020, approximately 25 percent of the nation's population will be at least 60 years of age. As a result, the need for senior services, both medical and non-medical, is expected to climb significantly. When it does, a sizeable disparity will arise between the need for services by this aging population and what is actually available.

Milford C. Maloney '47, MD, is working to avert this foreseeable gap as director of development for the Williamsburg, VA Center for Excellence in Aging and Geriatric Health (CEAGH). is a collaborative partnership of organizations dedicated to improving the quality of life of people 60 years of age and older.

"We are integrating the research capacities of the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine, the Eastern Virginia Medical School and the College of William and Mary Kinesiology with local health care providers, to build an infrastructure that addresses the needs of seniors and ensures them with opportunities to live with independence and dignity in their communities," explains Maloney, who also sits on the CEAGH Board of Directors. "Furthermore, CEAGH serves as a model for communities across the nation, as they search for ways to meet the needs of their aging population."

A retired internist/cardiologist and educator, Maloney's professional career extended nearly 40 years and encompassed the duties of patient care, teaching, research and administration. For his numerous contributions to the medical field and his community, the American College of Physicians recently named Maloney a Master to its highly distinguished group of physicians, and accorded him the title of president *emeritus*.

A Distinguished Alumnus and member of the Canisius College Athletic Hall of Fame, Maloney established the Dr. Milford C. and Dione Maloney Endowment Scholarship Fund for pre-medical students at Canisius in 2000.



## Canisius Alumnus Provides Flicker of Hope for Burn Victims

David M. Borowski '79 was only six weeks old when his life changed forever. As he slept in a bassinet, the family dog chewed through an electrical cord attached to a vaporizer, which set his room ablaze.

The fire left Borowski with second- and third-degree burns on more than 80 percent of his body, and resulted in more than

50 operations throughout his life.

"Pain and I are old friends," said Borowski, during an interview with the *Denver Rocky Mountain News*. "We have walked a few miles together."

Despite cosmetic and functional impairments, Borowski leads a healthy life. He is happily married to his wife of 10 years, Kerry. The couple lives in Vienna, VA, where Borowski works as director in the Investments and Capital Markets Divisions for Freddie Mac.

But because of his past, Borowski is committed to protecting the future of other burn survivors. In 2003, he established the Flicker of Hope Foundation, a non-profit organization created with two primary objectives: to help other burn survivors through support groups, resources and educational opportunities, and to establish a scholarship fund to help burn survivors attend college or trade school.

A recipient of a full scholarship from the New York State Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, Borowski says it was that opportunity and his Canisius education that turned his life around.

"I had a dismal lack of direction," recalled Borowski. "I barely graduated from high school. I had stints in the local jail and was headed down a slippery slope."

Most recently, Borowski published a book about his life's challenges. *On a Ring and a Prayer* tells the story of how he turned frustration into ambition; agitation into determination; and fierce independence into a resolve to help others.

*On a Ring and a Prayer* sells for \$12.99 and is available through the Flicker of Hope Foundation Web site at [www.flickerofhope.org](http://www.flickerofhope.org) or [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). All proceeds support the foundation's goals and scholarship fund.

## SEPTEMBER 2005

**September 9 - 10**  
Greatest Generation Reunion

**September 17 - 18**  
Canisius Weekend in Tampa to Cheer on the Bills vs. the Buccaneers

**September 23**  
Buffalo-Niagara Chapter Young Alumni Happy Hour

**September 28**  
Capitol District Chapter Outing to Buffalo Night on Capitol Hill

## OCTOBER 2005

**October 1**  
Alumnae Luncheon with Guest Speaker JoAnn Faletta, Conductor of the BPO

**October 8**  
Rochester Chapter Highway Clean-up

**October 11**  
Business Awards Dinner

**October 22**  
Open House for Prospective Students  
Rochester Chapter Outing to Cheer on Golden Griffin Hockey vs. RIT

**October 26**  
Career Connections Event at Canisius

## NOVEMBER 2005

**November 5**  
Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner

**November 6**  
Rochester Chapter Communion Breakfast

**November 11**  
Alumni Event in Davie, FL

**November 12**  
Open House for Prospective Students

**November 18 - 20**  
Canisius Alumni Weekend in San Diego to Cheer on the Bills vs. Chargers

**November 24**  
Thanksgiving Mass and Continental Breakfast

For more information or to register for these events, visit [www.canisius.edu/alumni](http://www.canisius.edu/alumni).

# class notes

## 1940s

**'46 Edward M. Cordasco, MD**, has been reappointed as both executive director of the International Toxic Research Group in Milwaukee, WI and emeritus staff of The Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Shaker Heights, OH.

## 1950s

**'55 BS Hugh M. Neeson**, executive committee trustee and development director of the Niagara Aerospace Museum, and former vice president and general manager of the Niagara Frontier operations of Textron Defense Systems, was inducted into the Niagara Frontier Aviation and Space Hall of Fame.

## 1960s

**'62 BS Patrick M. Lofft** retired after 42 years with the United States Postal Service in California.

**'65 BA Robert B. Conklin**, president of Hodgson Russ LLP, was honored by the Buffalo Law Review in recognition of his service to the University at Buffalo Law School and the Western New York community.

**'66 BA, HON '05 Robert M. Greene**, an attorney with the law firm of Phillips Lytle LLP, was appointed by Most Rev. Edward U. Kmiec, Bishop of Buffalo, to serve on a strategic planning commission that will define the mission and provide direction for future ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo.

## 1970s

**'70 MS Msgr. Leonard E. Binizkiewicz**, Episcopal Vicar of the Western Niagara Vicariate and pastor of St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus Parish in Niagara Falls, NY, was appointed by Most Rev. Edward U. Kmiec, Bishop of Buffalo, to serve on a strategic planning commission that will define the mission and provide direction for future ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo.

**'70 BA Rev. Gregory J. Dobson**, Episcopal Vicar of the Southern Cattaraugus Vicariate and pastor of St. Mary of the Angels Parish in Olean, NY, was appointed by Most Rev. Edward U. Kmiec, Bishop of Buffalo, to serve on a strategic planning commission that will define the mission and provide direction for future ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo.

**'70 BS, MBA '75 James J. Rzad**, president of Bishop Timon – St. Jude High School, was inducted into the John Timon Society, Bishop Timon – St. Jude's highest alumni distinction.

**'71 BS Thomas M. DeNisco** was promoted to general manager of Knouse Foods Cooperative Inc., a leading U.S. fruit processing firm headquartered in Peach Glen, PA.

**'71 BA Linda M. (Faltisco) Schineller** is the new marketing director for the Buffalo office of the law firm Hodgson Russ LLP.

**'71 BA, MS '73 Thomas F. Schobert**, administrator of the Erie County Medical Center Skilled Nursing Facility,

received the Meritorious Service Award from the Western New York Association of Homes and Services for the Aging.

**'73 BA, MA '81 Denise McKenzie**, secretary of Catholic Education for the Diocese of Buffalo, was appointed by Most Rev. Edward U. Kmiec, Bishop of Buffalo, to serve on a strategic planning commission that will define the mission and provide direction for future ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo.

**'74 BS, MBA '77 A. Dale Schaefer**, financial services professional for Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, spoke at the Buffalo Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors' February meeting for outstanding new agents.

**'76 BA Margaret (Werick) Paroski, MD**, is the new executive vice president and chief medical officer for Kaleida Health.

**'76 BA Lieutenant Colonel John G. Provost**, deputy director of the United States Special Operations Command Washington, DC office, has completed the Department of Defense Executive Leadership Development Program. He was the recipient of the Rosemary E. Howard Civilian Leadership award for the class of 2005.

**'78 BS Thomas D. Leaper**, a principal with RBZ LLP, a certified public accounting firm in Los Angeles, CA, was elected to the Board of LA Youth, a nonprofit organization that assists Los Angeles teens. He also was appointed to the Advisory Board of the Michael Hoefflin Foundation, a nonprofit that reaches out to local children with cancer and their families.

## 1980s

**'80 BA Paul F. Diehl, PhD**, is the new Henning Larsen Professor of Political Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

**'81 BA Christopher Ulanowski** is news director for the WRVO Stations, the source for NPR News in Oswego, Utica, Watertown, and Syracuse, NY. WRVO-FM Oswego/Syracuse won the Grand Prize in the New York State Associated Press Association's Broadcast Competition, a Radio-Television News Directors Association Regional Edward R. Murrow Award, 13 New York State Associated Press Association News Awards, along with nine Syracuse Press Club Awards for work produced in 2004.

**'82 MS Myrtis (Jackson) Jackson**, a retired reading specialist, has been elected to a three-year term as second vice president of Ministers' Wives and Widows of the Empire Baptist State Convention of New York.

**'83 BS Peter J. Crage** was promoted to corporate vice president – finance and chief financial officer of Cedar Fair LP, a publicly traded partnership in Sandusky, OH that owns and operates seven amusement parks and five water parks.

**'83 BS Kathryn H. (Fehan) Lawler** has acquired a Dream Dinners franchise in Albany, NY, operating under the name Dream Dinners Capital Region LLC.

**'85 BA, MS '99 Susan M. Marchione**, assistant to the president of Erie Community College, received the 2005 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

**'86 BA Vincent E. Doyle III**, an attorney at the law firm of Connors & Vilardo LLP, was elected member-at-large of the New York State Bar Association Executive Committee.

**'87 BA, BS '94 Margaret (Ridenour) Krathaus** is the new chief financial officer for the Community Action Organization of Erie County.

**'88 MS Joan E. Rocks, PhD**, was promoted to chair of the Health & Physical Education Department at Otterbein College in Westerville, OH.

**'89 BA Patricia Maehr** was promoted to state development director for Virginia and West Virginia at the American Cancer Society.

## 1990s

**'91 BA Theresa A. McDonald** is the new U.S. sales manager for Vintage Inns at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, representing the Pillar and Post, Prince of Wales, and Queen's Landing.

**'91 BS Shawn M. Swanson** was promoted to Major and deployed to Iraq's Al Anbar Province in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom for one year with the Second Marine Division.

**'93 BA Paris F. Roselli**, a member of the E-business team at HSBC Bank, was the recipient of a BETA award for infoTech/banking achievement from InfoTech Niagara.

**'94 BA Scott L. Sroka** is the new legal counsel to U. S. Senator Charles E. Schumer on the Senate Judiciary Committee in Washington, DC.

**'95 BA Lawrence P. Lawicki, DC**, an associate chiropractor with Chiropractic Transformation Center in Atlanta, GA, received his doctorate of chiropractic degree from Life University Marietta, Georgia School of Chiropractic.

**'95 BA Andrew S. McNelly**, a pharmaceutical sales representative in Glen Ridge, NJ, ran the New Jersey Shore Marathon in Long Branch, NJ with Team in Training for the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society to honor Griffin Della Penna, the son of Ellen Wierzbza Della Penna '94 and Matthew Della Penna '94.

**'97 BA John P. Mannion** is the new senior manager in the Derivatives/Cash Group at Merrill Lynch in New York City.

**'97 BA Milton A. Santiago**, a recent recipient of a master of fine arts degree in motion picture production from the University of Miami, has been selected by the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Foundation for its prestigious summer internship program in the cinematography category.

**'97 BA Marc Swygert**, a recent recipient of a master of education degree from Winthrop University in Rock Hill, SC, is the new assistant principal for the Applied Technology Center for Rock Hill School District #3.

**'99 BA Michael R. Berta**, director of customer service for Niagara Lutheran Health System, was elected division governor of the local area of Toastmasters International District 65, known as the Western Division.

**'99 BA Shane R. Hurd** is the new head football coach at Union-Endicott High School in Endicott, NY.

## 2000s

**'01 MBA Peter F. Leonard** was promoted to assistant vice president of Greater Buffalo Savings Bank.

**'01 BA Michael F. Lewis** received a doctorate degree in counseling and school psychology from the University at Buffalo.

**'01 BA Lara E. Reynolds**, a program management analyst with the United States Department of Justice in Washington, DC, graduated with a masters' degree in forensic psychology from Marymount University.

**'02 BA Steven J. Megerle** received the degree of *juris* doctor from the Ohio Northern University Pettit College of Law.

**'03 BA, MS '05 Sara E. (Pirrone) Bayerl** is the new community enrichment coordinator in the Office of Residence Life at the Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, NY.

**'03 BA Gary A. Bostwick**, a student in the Master's in Advertising Degree Program at the University of Texas at Austin, has acquired a summer internship with the brand planning team of Publicis USA, a communications holding company headquartered in New York City.

**'03 BA, MS '05 Rachelle Held** is the new assistant commissioner for compliance for the Northeast Conference (NEC), responsible for all NCAA compliance-related matters within the conference. As the primary contact for the NCAA coaches' certification and the National Letter of Intent matters, Held will serve as a liaison to the league's faculty athletic representatives, Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and Football Financial Aid Committee. She will also help organize and coordinate various NEC championships.

**'03 BA Benigno Rodriguez**, a staff member with Comunilife-Supported Housing Program and a teacher of self-advocacy strategies to foster care youth in New York City, received a master of social work degree from Fordham University.

New job?

Newly married?

New arrival to the family?

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**babygriff**



this issue's featured Baby Griff...

**Clinton Franklin David Bacon-Schneider**

Born on March 16, 2005 to Tina Bacon '97 and her husband, Daniel Schneider



weddings

\* INDICATES MARRIED AT CHRIST THE KING CHAPEL

\***Jay M. Cedrone '97** and Anne K. Flaherty on May 7, 2005

\***Audrey M. Dolan '00** and **Anthony J. Winkowski '00, MD**, on May 14, 2005

\***Lisa M. Matysiak '92** and Allen M. Poma, MD, on May 7, 2005

**Jennifer L. McPhee '91** and Scott A. Lassell on April 9, 2005

**Sara E. Pirrone '03, MS '05** and **Michael T. Bayerl '03, MS '05** on June 24, 2005

**Donna R. Schlosser MBA '03** and Anthony D. Kolody on June 5, 2004

\***Kathryn E. Seifert '03** and Mark T. Leach on May 14, 2005

\***Lisa L. Wojtkowiak '95** and **Charles P. Fischer '93** on May 14, 2005

Do you have a wedding photo to share? If so, send an E-mail to [alumni@canisius.edu](mailto:alumni@canisius.edu) with a photo attachment. We would love to hear from you! Your photo will appear on the college's alumni site at [www.canisius.edu/alumni/wedding\\_births.asp](http://www.canisius.edu/alumni/wedding_births.asp)

think your baby ought to be in pictures?

Send us a photo of your newborn with his/her name and date of birth. Each issue, we will draw from the entries. If your child's picture is chosen, he/she will be featured as the next "Baby Griff." Send all photos to: *Canisius College Magazine Baby Pictures*; 2001 Main Street, Lyons Hall 209; Buffalo, NY 14208. **ALL Baby Griff photos submitted can be viewed on the college's alumni site at [www.canisius.edu/alumni/wedding\\_births.asp](http://www.canisius.edu/alumni/wedding_births.asp).**

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**Lisabeth A. Abt Pieters MSED '95** and her husband, **Kevin S. Pieters MSED '95**, a son, **Bennett Christopher**, born July 6, 2004

**Kara L. (Fadel) Anderson '95** and her husband, Scott, a son, **Murphy Roy**, born November 8, 2004

**Scott A. Blesy '92** and his wife, Onnalee, a daughter, **Isabella Lydia**, born December 26, 2004

**Kathleen A. (Keeler) Buhmaster '94** and her husband, Kenneth C., a daughter, **Arden Mae**, born February 14, 2005

**Kristen S. Burns '95** and her husband, Jeremy Beck, a son, **Alexander William**, born December 11, 2004

**Kelly (Creola) Close '97** and her husband, Christopher M., a son, **Owen Christopher**, born May 9, 2005

**Melissa A. (Kozlowski) Dean '98** and her husband, Jonathan, a son, **Ethan Reeve**, born October 5, 2004

**John B. Garvey '96** and his wife, Kristen, a daughter, **Maeve Ann**, born May 3, 2005

**Heidi B. (Nadel) Henzler '96** and her husband, **Todd D. '95**, a daughter, **Natalie Amara**, born December 31, 2004

**Stephen J. Kuhn '98** and his wife, Amanda, a son, **Joseph Nicholas**, born September 2, 2004

**Alison L. (Balzer) Mackey '96, MS '99** and her husband, **Patrick J. '96**, a son, **Jameson Lawler**, born April 16, 2005

**Brian M. O'Keefe '99** and his wife, Kendra, a son, **Cian Peter**, born April 21, 2005

**Jennifer L. Paterson '95, MS '01** and her husband, **William E. '93**, a daughter, **Katherine Jenna**, born June 14, 2005

**Brian M. Polowchena '93** and his wife, Jennifer, a daughter, **Abigail Breann**, born June 18, 2005

**Tracy A. (Gardner) Radomski '88, MBA '91** and her husband, **Matthew D. '93**, a son, **Jonathan Henry**, born December 5, 2004

**Karla (Arquette) Reighter '93** and her husband, **Bill '95**, a daughter, **Lily Mae**, born May 4, 2004

**James C. Shattuck '92, PhD** and his wife, Ann Marie, a daughter, **Kathryn Ann**, born September 29, 2004

**Kenneth J. Smith '90** and his wife, Karen, a son, **Carter James**, born May 22, 2005

**Julie (Totaro) Swiderski '95** and her husband, Charles, a daughter, **Mary Rose**, born April 10, 2005



**Diamond Dream**

When Jeff D. Oboyski '01 proposed to Dominique Ryba he had a little help from the Boston Red Sox. Center-fielder Johnny Damon was holding the engagement ring in his fielders glove when Oboyski popped the question, prior to the first inning of the May 17 match-up between the Red Sox and Oakland As at McAfee Coliseum in California.

A native of Pittsfield, MA and a life-long Red Sox fan, Oboyski orchestrated the proposal through team President and CEO Larry Lucchino, whom he met by chance two years ago. When the couple was called onto the field, Ryba thought Oboyski had arranged for a photo to be taken with Damon, her favorite player. Instead, Oboyski bent down on one knee to propose marriage while Damon revealed the engagement ring in his mitt. "She had no idea I was about to propose," recalls Oboyski. "No idea."

Ryba accepted the proposal and the couple has set a September 16, 2006 wedding date.

The couple lives in Sacramento, CA where Oboyski works as deputy commissioner for the California Department of Real Estate in Los Angeles.

**Leo E. Kopec '30, MD**  
June 1, 2005

**Norman J. Pecora '30**  
May 27, 2005

**Francis J. McLoughlin '33**  
April 14, 2005

**Richard W. Behringer '36**  
March 20, 2005

**William J. Wahl '38**  
June 21, 2005

**Richard P. Fahey '40**  
May 16, 2005

**Rose (DiPasquale) Gian MA '40**  
June 15, 2005

**Donald J. Nuttle '44**  
May 15, 2005

**Oscar M. Windrath '44, PhD**  
February 24, 2005

**Charles D. McGillicuddy '45**  
April 10, 2005

**Anthony F. Scolese '46**  
April 2, 2005

**Joseph D. Figliola '48**  
April 6, 2005

**Edward N. Weber '48, MS '51**  
March 31, 2005

**Mary Ellen (Keiran) Carney '50**  
June 22, 2005

**Karl W. Geist '51**  
June 7, 2005

**Charles J. Kane '51**  
April 11, 2005

**Mildred (DiBiase) Beck MS '52**  
April 23, 2005

**Bernard G. Carden '52**  
June 4, 2005

**Alfred A. Gugino '52**  
June 13, 2005

**Stanley E. Kiec '52**  
February 19, 2005

**Thomas J. Reppenhagen '52**  
April 8, 2005

**Vincent J. Iwanski '53**  
June 16, 2005

**Leonard J. Zablonksi Sr. '56**  
May 5, 2005

**James G. Colson '58, PhD**  
June 6, 2005

**Patrick M. Lalley '58, MS '63**  
April 22, 2005

**Col. Hugh P. Daly '59**  
May 14, 2005

**Henry J. Wellenzohn '59**  
June 16, 2005

**Joseph H. Felong '60**  
April 28, 2005

**Michael E. Tuzzo Jr. '60, MS '72**  
May 8, 2005

**William G. Gross '62, MD**  
April 25, 2005

**Robert J. Lull '62, MD**  
May 19, 2005

**Elmer B. Langer MS '63**  
March 2, 2005

**Thomas M. Mangan MS '65**  
March 22, 2005

**Robert C. Brewer '67**  
April 25, 2005

**Leonard M. Scigaj '67, PhD**  
April 16, 2005

**Rev. Msgr. Francis B. Juchnowski MS '69**  
June 12, 2005

**Capt. Gerard J. Ramspacher '74**  
December 26, 2004

**Jeffrey T. Sifkovits '79**  
April 30, 2005

**Kathleen (Jordan) Kane MBA '95**  
June 12, 2005

**Julianne M. Schierer '95**  
April 30, 2005