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Today, for many colleges and universities in America, the number one priority is helping students afford higher education.

Whether at an Ivy League powerhouse, state university, or small college in the Midwest, the shifting economic landscape has made all educational institutions re-examine financial aid policies and the needs of prospective students and families. Bay Path is no exception.

This past February, I announced Bay Path’s new Education Stimulus Plan (discussed on page 7 and on our Web site) to a group of parents, families, and students. At the core of this Plan is the commitment by the College to deliver a high quality, affordable, private college education to each and every one of our students. But on a much greater level, it is our promise to students—from all walks of life—to have access to a practical, relevant and empowering education. I believe strongly that education is the springboard for upward economic and social mobility for the next generation. Indeed, I say this with authority because I am the beneficiary of this conviction.

My story is one that many Americans share. The daughter of immigrant grandparents and an immigrant father, my parents knew that a college education would be the key to a successful future. What made this particularly meaningful to me is that neither of them had even graduated from high school. Yet they understood the value of a college education, and were willing to sacrifice so that I could achieve the American dream.

Then, and now, I recognize the monetary and personal investment my parents were making for my future. I also know that without a scholarship I would not have been able to attend the college of my choice—Boston University. My experiences have made me all the more sensitive to the tremendous financial considerations that today’s parents and students face when considering a college. So I have made it my personal goal to help families manage the costs of a private college education. Bay Path’s new Education Stimulus Plan plays a significant part in that effort, but there is one more crucial element: you.
We’ve launched a new scholarship initiative—Keep Us on the Path—that paves the way for our students to remain at Bay Path. The immediacy of our students’ financial aid needs has made it all the more compelling to meet our goal by June 30, 2009, and we’ve enthusiastically taken up the challenge.

Throughout Bay Path’s history, we’ve counted on the generosity and support of alumni and friends. But we need to count on you now more than ever before. I’m sure there are a number of you who received a scholarship as an undergraduate and appreciate the impact it had on your education. As we maneuver through these difficult times, we need to provide financial assistance to students from their first-year to their senior year, and, now, for those pursuing a Bay Path graduate degree. Often times, a scholarship or a grant for tuition or even books makes all the difference for a student to remain at Bay Path. It’s that simple.

So when you ask yourself “How can I make a difference?” or “How can I change things?” There is a way. Visit the Web site or check our Online Community and learn about Keep Us on the Path. And pass it on...just like my parents did so many years ago.

Yours,

Carol A. Leary

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A ‘FRIENDLY’ WELCOME FOR S. PRESTLEY AND HELEN BLAKE

Today, more than ever, there has been an increasing focus on the role of ethics in decision-making and behavior. As part of Bay Path College’s ongoing effort to address current ethical issues, undergraduate business students and Master of Business Administration in Entrepreneurial Thinking and Innovative Practices students recently received a lesson in ethics from S. Prestley Blake, co-founder of Friendly Ice Cream Corporation and Bay Path Trustee Emeritus, and his wife Helen. The Blakes discussed the recent Harvard Business School Case Study, Shareholder Activists at Friendly Ice Cream, and their role in investigating the company’s business operations and ethics. “It is not uncommon for man to come undone by greed, but if you live a good life and practice excellent business ethics, you and your company will succeed,” said S. Prestley Blake.

The Blakes took unprecedented action to “save” Friendly Ice Cream and leveraged their role as shareholders to demand accountability. “It is important for executives and board members to be aware of their responsibilities to the shareholders; just as it is imperative for shareholders to examine the action of the board and executives,” said Helen Blake. Through their efforts, they established new corporate leadership and restored Friendly’s to a company of high ethical standards, strong financial standing, and an example of good governance for other companies.

Students and guests embraced the Blakes’ story, and like their Harvard counterparts, gave the Blakes a standing ovation for showing them how to be ethical activists. Bay Path also recognized S. Prestley Blake, who celebrates his 50th anniversary this year on the College’s Board of Trustees. The Blakes received a gift from Bay Path students for their dedication to the college.

Meghan Golden ‘12 (center), Angelica Velazquez ‘10 (right) and her niece Jessica Santana (left) were delighted to have an opportunity to meet S. Prestley Blake, co-founder of Friendly Ice Cream Corp., and his wife, Helen, during the February 25 event.
LEAVING BEHIND THE KITCHEN SINK

Have you ever dreamed of writing a novel, but didn’t know where to start? Do you enjoy writing, but have fallen out of the habit? This summer, Bay Path College invites women ages 18 and older to leave everyday life behind and reconnect with the writer within themselves during Kitchen Sink: A Women Writers’ Weekend from Friday, July 31, to Sunday, August 2. Organized by the College’s Writer-in-Residence and national best-selling author Suzanne Strempek Shea, Kitchen Sink will allow women writers to study and build skills in one of five forms of writing—children’s fiction, humor, memoir, or screenwriting—while learning from popular authors in the fields (see Calendar of Events, page 17, for more information).

Shea is also teaching memoir and creative writing courses at Bay Path for both traditional undergraduate and One-Day-A-Week Saturday College students. In particular, her memoir writing course serves as an outlet for many of the One-Day-a-Week Saturday College students to share their stories with peers—women who can relate to their struggles and aspirations.

“The Bay Path College community provides an extremely supportive environment for women of all ages, who have a wonderful energy and strong interest in being active readers and writers. I'm thrilled to play a role in the education of Bay Path students by bringing wonderful opportunities for women to succeed in writing and sharing their stories,” said Shea, who authored Around Again, a previous selection of the Bay Path College First-Year Read Program.

A graduate of the Maine College of Art, Shea has written five novels and three memoirs, including her latest release Sundays in America: A Yearlong Road Trip in Search of Christian Faith. She received the 2000 New England Book Award, and her freelance work has appeared in Yankee, The Boston Globe, The Philadelphia Inquirer, and ESPN the Magazine, among other publications.

ANGEL GLIDES ONLINE AND ON CAMPUS

Today’s technology age is in full-swing at Bay Path with the implementation of ANGEL. The College’s new e-learning management system, ANGEL is the foundation of the Online experience at Bay Path. Much like its counterparts, such as WebCT and Blackboard, ANGEL is in many ways its own version of a bricks and mortar college. Students, faculty, and staff receive course materials right at their fingertips, but with much easier navigation. (The ANGEL homepage is shown at left.)

“ANGEL plays a critical role in supporting the entire educational experience for all Bay Path students,” said Amber Vaill ’99, director of distributed learning and assistant professor of education and instructional technology at Bay Path. “Our students, especially those enrolled in online courses, can easily communicate with their peers and faculty.” Once students enroll at Bay Path, they become registered users of ANGEL. From syllabi and course calendars to assignments and direct e-mails to and from classmates and faculty, ANGEL opens the door for undergraduate and graduate students to actively participate in online and on campus courses. Online students have easier access to course materials and references as well as the ability to contribute to weekly topics of discussion. Students attending courses on campus are also encouraged to check-in with ANGEL for course assignments, supplementary learning materials, and class discussions, among other items.

In addition to coursework, ANGEL provides students with a portfolio service, which prepares them for professional job interviews and future careers. ANGEL enables students to store resumes and create a portfolio of their Bay Path assignments from case studies to special projects.

But ANGEL is not all work and no play—students can obtain specific forms, dates and event information and keep track of their member organizations, such as athletic teams and student groups. It's obvious that ANGEL is more than a delivery system for learning—it’s the techno-education of today.
STRAIGHT TALK
ABOUT
FINANCIAL AID

FINANCIAL AID IS THE CORNERSTONE OF OUR MISSION AND VISION TO ENROLL A DIVERSE SOCIOECONOMIC STUDENT BODY.

This is part of our history and the College has a proud legacy of extending the benefits of higher education to women from all backgrounds.

In fact, Bay Path rates highly in our efforts to provide access and support to underserved students. Our accomplishments in this area have been acknowledged by two national organizations with the $100,000 Wal-Mart Success Award and the $500,000 National Science Foundation Grant. The numbers also provide another perspective: 62 percent of our students are first-generation (first in their family to attend college); 68 percent are from low to middle-income families; and 25 percent are from underserved minorities. We know how critical aid dollars are for our students.

Bay Path has long had a generous financial aid policy—and it's important that we maintain this direction in the months ahead. Among private colleges in New England, Bay Path is one of the most affordable and can be phenomenally competitive against both public and private colleges and universities. But like so many other private institutions, Bay Path has to work painstakingly to get the word out to prospective families and students that we can match public institutions dollar-for-dollar in many cases, and provide an overall learning experience that is superlative in the educational world: consistent financial aid packages from the first-year to the senior year and beyond (grants for Bay Path graduate degrees), guaranteed class schedules that contribute to graduating in four years, classes with a low student-to-faculty ratio (the most underestimated aspect of a college education), and a campus environment that is student-focused—indipendent of the prevailing winds of a state legislature or budgets. This is the benefit of a small, private college. This is Bay Path. We can deliver on our promises...and more.

On a case-by-case basis, Student Financial Services staff work with Admissions to make sure our prospective students and families—regardless of background—receive a financial aid package that meets their demonstrated needs. This personal touch is invaluable in making an intimidating process more understandable. Last year, 100 percent of new, full-time students received a guaranteed scholarship or grant from Bay Path. In 2007-08, Bay Path's average financial aid package for new students was $22,000. Much of this money—referred to as institutional aid—comes from endowed scholarship funds. Thus, the Annual Fund and other fundraising opportunities are critical in providing the level of financial aid our students require.

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When we read or hear about higher education in the media, there's one thing that comes immediately to
Students Get Their Share...

with BAY PATH COLLEGE’S EDUCATION STIMULUS PLAN

Here’s how it works:

Part One: Helping Students Enroll at Bay Path
Expanded and New Scholarships and Grants,
merit scholarships up to $13,000 a year and other special scholarships, such as the National Science Foundation, are just part of our new financial assistance

Part Two: Ensuring Our Students Will Graduate
Bay Path Opportunity Grant Program—
if a student’s financial situation changes, the College is there to help

Part Three: Enhancing Their Professional Potential
Qualified students are eligible for a $10,000 grant toward Bay Path College Graduate Programs

AND THERE IS MORE! For details on the
Bay Path College Education Stimulus Plan
visit www.baypath.edu—Share the News!

Underlying this whole conversation of financial aid and need is why does a college education cost so much? The answer: educating students is a people-focused endeavor. We are not producing cars, developing a software program, or providing a specific service. We are in the business of transforming lives. The work of education doesn’t begin and end in a classroom. Yes, our faculty are one of the most important resources we have. But it takes people at all levels and a continual effort that takes months and years to mold a student. From a college president to a tutor in the Bashevkin Academic Center to a grounds person who keeps the parking lots cleared in winter, everyone is dedicated to making sure that talented, deserving, and, in many cases, financially challenged young women will graduate.

In February, President Carol Leary introduced the Bay Path College Education Stimulus Plan to parents and future Bay Path students. Received with enthusiasm, it is a bold initiative that removes the monetary barriers that prevent students from enrolling at Bay Path while offering them resources and options to help them succeed as undergraduates AND graduates (see above). The College will continue to respond and react—developing programs such as Keep Us on the Path—and expanding the Education Stimulus Plan so that we can honor our promise of providing a Bay Path education to women from all walks of life. After all, it has been our mission for over 100 years.
In today’s world, landing the right job at the right time is more important than ever, and that’s where career coaches Louise (McGuire) Kursmark ’76 and Jan (LaFountain) Melnik ’76 step in to help others snag the perfect job.

Teaming Up for Career Success

Through Louise’s and Jan’s respective businesses—Best Impression Career Services Inc. and Absolute Advantage, they have over 50 years of combined experience assisting more than 15,000 clients—either in person or via phone and Internet services—move forward in their careers. From award-winning resume writing, successful interviewing and job-search services to online resumes, Web portfolios and salary negotiations, they provide valuable advice enabling others to climb the next step up the career ladder.

Internationally recognized experts in career management, Louise and Jan received the foundation of their success at Bay Path College, where they gained the skills and confidence they needed to ultimately become experts in career services. From holding class offices to being front-and-center on the Mills Theatre stage, Louise and Jan learned how to shine at Bay Path, while pursuing their executive secretarial degrees. “Bay Path taught us what to expect from the professional workplace,” said Louise. “We learned how to create business documents and how to be part of a successful office team. And Bay Path gave us the opportunity to try out our leadership skills and stretch our abilities in a number of different areas. It was a great launching pad to our professional lives.”

Jan continued, “Our education and our work experiences paid off. We were familiar with a variety of business documents, and knew the necessities and added touches that would make letters, resumes, and other articles stand out from others’ and receive attention. We have a lot of great memories of Bay Path, and the education and the leadership experiences we gained were first-rate.”

Louise and Jan have never allowed a little friendly competition to come between them. Best friends since the ninth grade at North Branford High School in Connecticut, they have pursued parallel paths, supporting—and inspiring—each other to take risks along the way. Known for putting others on a path to professional success, Jan and Louise have written and co-authored more than 25 business start-up, resume, and career-oriented books, including their co-written Executive’s Pocket Guide to ROI Resumes and Job Search. They are regularly featured in print, online, and broadcast media, such as The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Money Watch, Money Matters, Crown Financial Ministries, NBC, and FOX News, and often tour together offering their blend of career advice and services.
Louise and Jan recently returned to their alma mater to encourage those who share the Bay Path connection to embark on the next steps of their respective professional paths. “With the current economy, there’s a high interest in the actions one must take to ensure career success now and in the future,” said Jan. “We were able to provide Bay Path alumni, and current students, with advice to tip the scales in their favor, making them invaluable employees and marketable candidates.”

As Louise began sharing her business success stories with Jan, who was a manager with Digital Equipment Corporation, Jan began to mull over her future. She, too, had an entrepreneurial spirit and in 1983, she established Absolute Advantage as a part-time venture. Her Digital colleague and future husband Ron Melnik was attending graduate school and had offered to post fliers on campus. Soon afterwards, Absolute Advantage was up-and-running as a term paper-typing service and with word-of-mouth, it expanded to include marketing consultations and resume writing. By the time Ron and Jan were married and their twin sons, Dan and Wes, were born in 1987, Jan was prepared to take Absolute Advantage full-time and ready to accept a “how-to” book contract with Globe Pequot. In addition to writing Pequot books, Jan authored One-Hour College Application Essay: Write Your College Admission Essay Today, which stemmed from her experiences helping her twins and youngest son Steve, born in 1990, apply to college. “It was great to not only have Ron’s encouragement, but Louise’s support as well,” said Jan, who helped land Louise’s first book deal. “Her business really served as a model for me, and put me on another successful path.”

As Louise’s children grew older, she found more time available to pursue activities where others would benefit from her skills.
She co-founded the Resume Writing Academy, the first comprehensive training program for aspiring resume writers, and served as a board member of the Career Management Alliance (CMA), a professional association for career management fields, for nine years. She was part of the strategy and planning behind the development of the Master Resume Writer (MRW) and Credentialed Career Master (CCM) credentials, and she became the first person worldwide to earn the MRW. After seeing Louise put the finishing touches on her MRW portfolio, Jan signed up for the task and became the second person to receive the MRW. They continued the credentialing process and received the CCM title, among others.

As for their future in career management, Jan and Louise have positive outlooks. Jan is currently pursuing her master’s degree at Wesleyan University, while writing her first fiction novel. Upon completion of her graduate degree, Jan envisions another career change—one that will allow her to instruct college students in career management.

Louise and her husband returned to the Boston area in 2006, a “homecoming” that has put the two best friends in the same part of the country once again. With Louise’s children nearing completion of medical school and college, Louise is mulling her future education, but continues to operate her business and develop new training programs for other career practitioners. “Early in my career, I realized that you never know where your talents will take you,” said Louise. “It is a wonderful experience to help people realize their gifts and how they can use them to make a better life for themselves and their families.”

In the last decade, forensics science has increasingly played a leading role in the area of criminal investigations, legal cases, and trials. Beyond the nightly television fare of CSI programs, the real field of forensics is becoming more codified and analytical with a strong emphasis on the “science.” It has to be. Often times, it is the scientific breakdown of evidence that is crucial in determining the guilt or innocence of a person.

Four years ago, Bay Path introduced our bachelor of science in forensic science. Since then, it has been one of our most popular undergraduate majors attracting students from across the country, and our graduates have gone on to work in crime labs in Massachusetts, Oregon, and elsewhere. As the need for highly qualified specialists in this field grows, forensic professionals will find a master’s degree not only adds to their credentials, but will be required for leadership advancement in the field.

Building on our strong undergraduate program, the College is now offering a Master of Science (MS) in Forensics. Enrollments are being accepted for the first class to begin fall 2009. Under the interim directorship of Dr. Gina Semprebon, chair of the science and mathematics department, the program is designed for full-time or part-time candidates, and courses will take place in the evenings and online. Requiring a strong science background, students will pursue studies in areas such as DNA analysis, toxicology, drug analysis, statistical methods, and crime scene investigation.

If you’d like to investigate the MS in Forensics program, go to www.baypath.edu or call toll-free at 800.782.7284 ext. 1332, or e-mail graduate@baypath.edu.
CAPITALS of the WORLD

Rome, Italy
March 13 - 20, 2010

Save the date.
Alumni and friends are invited to join President Carol A. Leary and Bay Path students on a panoramic tour of magnificent Rome. Visit the city’s architectural treasures, including ancient Rome, side trips to other cities, and leisure time to shop and explore. Discover and enjoy this historic city with members of the Bay Path community.

Space is limited. For more information on this wonderful adventure, contact the President’s Office at 413.565.1201.
Right. Left. Center. Assistant Professor Robert Surbrug sees things from all perspectives as a historian of activist movements of the 1960s. For more than a decade, Dr. Surbrug has made history come alive for Bay Path students, triggering an appreciation of America’s past, present, and future roles in the world.

Faculty focus

Dr. Robert E. Surbrug | Assistant Professor of History

Active History.

The famed Spanish philosopher George Santayana said, “Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.” Dr. Surbrug not only helps his students remember, he engages them in lively investigations of the different layers of history—from the personal accounts of everyday life to the larger-than-life people of the times. For him, history is more than the study of dates and momentous events. It is the fabric of time reflecting the continuous human condition—each thread representing a connection that tells the story of our world, country, and community.

“I have always enjoyed history and the political process. During my undergraduate education at Rutgers University, I decided to pursue a career as a college professor, which would enable me to share my passions and give me an opportunity to serve the greater good,” states Dr. Surbrug, who earned his doctorate at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

While studying the Cold War era, Dr. Surbrug found his research focus: the activist movements of the 1960s and their influence on the following decades. “The Cold War era is a period of multiple social movements, some having a revolutionary impact on U.S. history, which is why I’ve always been attracted to this area of study,” said Dr. Surbrug. “From the Civil Rights Movement and the Vietnam War to the Women’s Liberation Movement, this period was a time of great political protests and citizen activism, which shaped our country.”

In his upcoming book, Beyond Vietnam: The Politics of Protest in Massachusetts, 1974-1990, Professor Surbrug further explores this remarkable and memorable period by tracing three pivotal protest movements that can be linked back to Vietnam-era activism: the mobilization against nuclear energy; the nuclear weapons freeze; and the opposition to U.S. intervention in Central America.

By focusing on the interplay of these movements within the political environment of Massachusetts, Beyond Vietnam ultimately shows, and foretells, the increasing division between right and left within the American political spectrum.

“I chose Massachusetts because of its activist history. By
Faculty focus

focusing on one state it allowed me to dissect the interactions between the established political organizations and the protest movements. In fact, when I teach the class, “America in the 1960s and 1970s,” I try to show my students that there was a continuum of activism that went beyond the heyday of the 60s, and, in fact, that energy was directed to other areas.”

Dr. Surbrug also makes it a point to get students involved so they can have a better understanding of their world. From co-teaching the College’s Model UN course with Dr. John Jarvis, professor of English and communications, to heading the Bay Path Honors Program, he looks to find stimulating educational opportunities that broaden students’ perspectives on the here and now while drawing on the lessons of the past.

In particular, the Honors Program bears his imprint. Designed for academically talented and motivated students, Dr. Surbrug worked alongside fellow faculty members to remodel the program. In the first two years, Honors students take team-taught, interdisciplinary seminars on specific topics, such as Darwin Across the Disciplines, that help students explore topics of universal importance.

He’s also there for students in ways that show his commitment to involvement, as reflected by his area of research. It was in one of Dr. Surbrug’s courses on African American history that led Jewel Cadet ’09, liberal studies, to launch the College’s first student organization focused on minority issues on campus. Dr. Surbrug worked one-on-one with Jewel to create the Black Student Association, which welcomes the entire Bay Path student body and addresses issues and subjects related to all minorities at the College. Once established, Jewel and the other members requested Dr. Surbrug to serve as their faculty advisor. Without hesitation, Dr. Surbrug agreed.

“When students recognize a need for a new organization, especially one that will bring awareness to issues concerning our community, they need to be able to count on us for support,” said Dr. Surbrug. “Since my courses influenced Jewel and her peers to develop the Black Student Association, I was honored to serve as their faculty advisor.”

Since the field of activism was at the root of his academic focus, and he’s committed to student success, it was only fitting that he participated in the College’s recent One America, Two Realities community service road trip. Held during Bay Path’s winter break, he served as faculty advisor and tour guide, along with Caron Hobin, vice president for planning and student development, for a group of nine Bay Path students during the 10-day journey through mid-Atlantic states. Underwritten in part by the Wal-Mart College Success Awards program and in-part by Bay Path College trustee Patricia Pierce, the trip incorporated history, community service, and real-life lessons of the socio-economic divide in America. Dr. Surbrug was right there trekking alongside the students as they prepared meals for 15 homeless shelters in the Washington D.C. area, installed fences and fed cows at Clagett Farm in Maryland, and packed 5,000 pounds of food in boxes at the Maryland Food Bank.

“For many of our students, there was an excitement in the air. They were retracing the steps of those who built our country, while making a difference in the lives of those who need it most,” reflected Dr. Surbrug.

Making a difference is what Professor Robert Surbrug is all about. And students and alumni alike would agree that’s what HIS historical legacy is with the Bay Path community.
In My Own Words

Nyillan Fye ’09 | health & human services

I knew Bay Path was a great college. When I applied as a transfer student, one of my concerns was how I would finance my education. Then, during a telephone conversation with my admissions counselor, I received wonderful news—not only had I been accepted, but I had also been awarded the Venessa O’Brien ’38 Scholarship. Ms. O’Brien’s generosity changed my life.

It was with great excitement and expectation that I was able to meet Ms. O’Brien—the woman who made so many things possible for me—at a Bay Path Scholarship Luncheon. We immediately found a common talking ground—Africa. I shared with her my African culture and childhood in The Gambia, and she spoke of her travels to Africa. Over time, we developed a friendship that I know will last long after I graduate from Bay Path.

Her kind donation has allowed me to attend this extraordinary institution, where I have met people like Dr. John Jarvis, professor of English and communications. Last spring, Dr. Jarvis and I organized the Bay Path College/Sajuka School Library Initiative Book Drive, which garnered nearly 3,000 books for students of Sajuka Community School in Barra, The Gambia, Africa. This successful book drive led Dr. Jarvis and me to establish the Sajuka Community Development Project, a nonprofit organization focused on providing quality education in Barra. The Project will support multiple initiatives, including the Bay Path Scholars Program. The Program intends to fund 10 Barra girls’ education until they graduate from Sajuka. The young women will then be given an opportunity to pursue higher education at Bay Path College. With bachelor’s degrees, in hand, they will return to The Gambia, and continue to strengthen their homeland.

The Bay Path connection to my homeland was reinforced when I had the great privilege to attend a dinner with Ms. O’Brien, Bay Path Trustee Emeritus and Friendly Ice Cream Corp. co-founder S. Prestley Blake and his wife Helen. Aware of my work in The Gambia, Mr. Blake shared his own stories of travel to my homeland, and we bonded over our common experiences.

One day I hope to take Ms. O’Brien to The Gambia for a visit. Ms. O’Brien is a friend that believes in my success and because of her, I am able to further my education and make a difference in the lives of others.
road trip During their Spring Break Habitat for Humanity National Build trip to Modesto, CA, Bay Path students and members of the Habitat for Humanity Chapter met up with Jen Kubala ’00, who was featured in the Autumn 2008 issue of the Bay Pathway. The young women visited two of Jen’s Ritzy Ragz & Thingz boutiques, and Jen treated them to a home-cooked meal during their stay in California. Front seat, left to right: Tiffany Beauchamp ’09 of Colchester, CT, Laurel Fortier ’11 of Effingham, NH, and Jen; back seat, left to right: Ashley Weils ’09 of Fort Ann, NY, Jessica Toner ’11 of South Windsor, CT, Alison Stein ’11 of West Springfield, MA, and Liz Dupree ’09 of Hudson, MA.
Business administration major Davi Chuong ’11 (left) of Easthampton, MA, is just one of the many students who have been making those important phone calls during Bay Path’s Annual Spring Phonathon to raise money for Bay Path’s Annual Fund, which provides scholarship support for students.
As alumni, we recall those who guided us through our days at Bay Path College—faculty, staff, students and graduates—and encouraged us to seize opportunities along our individual paths. Today, it is just as important to remember the College’s students and to keep them on a path to success.

Financial aid is a determining factor in whether or not today’s students can continue their Bay Path education. Now more than ever, Bay Path students need our help to chart their individual paths. Their appeal, *Keep Us on the Path*, is a new scholarship initiative ensuring that Bay Path students, especially the underserved, will be able to continue their higher education—the base of their future success as professionals. By giving to *Keep Us on the Path*, we can lessen the financial burden our students face in this current economy and benefit those with significant financial need.

As I reminisce about my Bay Path education, I recall the financial and emotional support I received from the College community. I urge you to look up your Bay Path friends, classmates, and Sisters on Facebook, LinkedIn, and especially Bay Path’s Alumni Online Community, alumni.baypath.edu. As you reconnect, I ask you to keep our students—our future—in mind by giving a gift to *Keep Us on the Path*. Call Kathy Cotnoir, director of alumni and community leadership, at 800.782.7284 x1209, or visit the Alumni Online Community at alumni.baypath.edu to make your online gift today!

Best wishes,
Anne Fitzgerald ’65
President, Alumni Association Council

PS: The Alumni Relations Office is always happy to help you reconnect with those from your Bay Path days, so do not hesitate to contact the Office at alumni@baypath.edu. Perhaps you too can arrange a get-together or better yet, meet up with classmates at Bay Path’s upcoming Alumni Day on Saturday, June 6.
Calendar of Events

Visit www.baypath.edu for more information on upcoming events at Bay Path College.

SUNDAY, MAY 17
1:00 P.M.

112TH COMMENCEMENT
BAY PATH COLLEGE

The power of a Bay Path education can transform lives and place students on a path to success. Welcome our newest alumni during the College’s 112th Commencement exercises. Educator and Freedom Writers Foundation Founder Erin Gruwell will impart words of wisdom as she addresses this year’s graduates. Gruwell will join Dora Robinson, president and chief executive officer of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center in Springfield, MA, and Nancy Jane Fitzpatrick, owner of Roaring, Inc. and vice chairman of The Fitzpatrick Companies, Inc., as recipients of honorary degrees at the ceremony. For more information, visit www.baypath.edu.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5
11:30 A.M.

BAY PATH COLLEGE
Third Annual GOLF TOURNAMENT
WESTOVER GOLF COURSE – GRANBY, MA

Go Green! Hit the links for a good cause—the Bay Path College Third Annual Golf Tournament will benefit the Bay Path Wildcats, and proceeds from the event will be used to purchase new uniforms and sports equipment and offset travel expenses for Bay Path athletic teams. Registration cost is $100 per person and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch, and dinner. Dinner-only tickets are available for $35. To register or for more information, contact Director of Special Programs Briana Sitler at 413.565.1066, 800.782.7284 x1066, or bsitler@baypath.edu.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

BAY PATH COLLEGE
ALUMNI DAY
Celebrating the class years of 4 and 9
BAY PATH COLLEGE

Come back to the Longmeadow campus this year for a fun-filled day! Join friends for dinner, bring photos to share with classmates, reminisce about your Bay Path days, and take a moment to reconnect with professors and staff. Are you an avid golfer or new to the links? Take in the Bay Path College Third Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, June 5 at Westover Golf Course in nearby Granby, MA. Contact Kathy Cotnoir at 413.565.1209, 800.782.7284 x1209, or kcotnoir@baypath.edu or visit www.baypath.edu for more information.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10
7:30 A.M.

“Working Across Generations: Defining the Future of Nonprofit Leadership”

HOT TOPICS IN PHILANTHROPY BREAKFAST
MILLS THEATRE, CARR HALL | BAY PATH COLLEGE

Bay Path College and the MS in Nonprofit Management and Philanthropy program will host the semi-annual Hot Topics in Philanthropy Breakfast—Working Across Generations: Defining the Future of Nonprofit Leadership on the Longmeadow Campus. Frances Kunreuther, director of the Building Movement Project and co-author of Working Across Generations: Defining the Future of Nonprofit Leadership, will deliver the keynote address. A generation-mix panel discussion of executive directors and book signing will follow her remarks. The event is free and open to the public. To register, visit www.baypath.edu or call 800.782.7284 extension 1056.

FRIDAY, JULY 31
TO SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

KITCHEN SINK: A WOMEN WRITERS’ WEEKEND
BAY PATH COLLEGE

This summer, Bay Path College will host the much-anticipated Kitchen Sink: A Women Writers’ Weekend, an event for women writers that will feature keynote speaker Luanne Rice, The New York Times best-selling author whose latest works include The Letters and Light of the Moon. Participants will have an opportunity to study one of five genres of writing—children’s, fiction, humor, memoir, or screenwriting—and learn from popular authors including Lesléa Newman, Elinor Lipman, Sarah Walker, Madeleine Blais, and Diane Lake.

Arranged by national best-selling author and Bay Path’s Writer-in-Residence Suzanne Strempek Shea, the first annual Kitchen Sink weekend will allow women to learn a range of helpful tips from hooking the reader in the first pages to getting their work published. The Weekend will consist of writing sessions with renowned authors; a showing of the film Then She Found Me, based on the novel by featured author Elinor Lipman; and readings by workshop authors and participants. All writing levels are welcome; no previous writing experience is necessary. The three-day workshop, which includes food and lodging, is $1,000 per person. For more information or to register, visit www.baypath.edu or contact Briana Sitler, Director of Special Programs at 413.565.1066, 1.800.782.7284, x1066, or bsitler@baypath.edu.
The Roar

Pitching In To Win

The Bay Path College Wildcats softball team has swung into action as they aim for the New England Collegiate Conference (NECC) Championship. Closing last year with the most wins (19) in a Bay Path softball season, the Wildcats have set their sights on winning 25 games of the more than 30 games they are expecting to play. The Wildcats held the third spot in the NECC preseason poll conducted by the NECC's head softball coaches.

“This is a goal our softball team can achieve this year,” said Bay Path Director of Athletics and Softball Head Coach Steve Smith. “Many of our players from previous years are returning to the field, and we are welcoming several new teammates who are just as skilled on the field and at the plate.”

The team, comprising more than 20 players, started the season in March during a time when their fellow classmates were enjoying a vacation from their coursework—Spring Break. Each Softball Wildcat raised $550 to fund their preseason trip to Myrtle Beach, SC. The Wildcats competed in seven games against other National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III teams during their weeklong break.

“The Myrtle Beach games were an excellent experience for the entire team,” said second-base player Samantha Gunseth ’10, forensic psychology. “It was the first time this season we were able to come together as a team and fine-tune our game before the start of NECC conference play.” Samantha, who has played for Bay Path since her freshman year, brings more than 10 years of softball experience to the team. “The Wildcats have always been more than just teammates,” said Samantha. “We have mutual respect for each other when we play, which compels each of us to work a little harder, but makes it easier to work as a team.”

The trip to Myrtle Beach wasn’t all fun and games. The Wildcats also built teamwork skills by working with Home Alliance, a South Carolina-based nonprofit responsible for developing and providing affordable housing for homeless families and individuals. The students volunteered at a Home Alliance apartment complex, and helped the residents with their current landscaping projects. The experience allowed them to develop a greater bond and at the end of the day, strengthened the team.

This year’s team is led by captains Samantha Gunseth, Kristal Cormier ’10, forensic science; Sarah Gates ’10, occupational therapy; and Sarah Palmer ’09, criminal justice. A pitcher and first-base player, Kristal has been hitting the softball since childhood and played in the New Hampshire high school state play-offs. She knows the importance of working as a team when you set out to accomplish the same goals. “Although Bay Path is a small college, we are very competitive. We always want to do our best, and we’ve set very manageable goals this season. If we work together as we have in previous years and continue to focus, then we’ll have a winning season,” she said.

These modest young women pack a powerful punch when it comes to playing outfield or at bat. Sarah Gates is likely the most unassuming player on the team. A player for several nationally competitive softball teams including CFFA LadyHawks and CT Eliminators and Tradition, Sarah has played for more than 16 years. She ended last season batting .495, ranking third in the North Atlantic Conference and 15th in the NCAA III, and she has set her personal batting goal at .500 this year. However, she is putting her team first. “I believe we have a lot of talent and versatility this year, and everyone is very committed to the team and our goals. It is a wonderful experience to see my teammates’ pursue their personal and team objectives by learning new skills,” she said. “As a team, it is important for all of us to encourage those we play alongside. We reinforce our bond as a team, which ultimately prepares us for a turn at the championship title.”

Wildcats pitcher Kristal Cormier ’10 and shortstop Sarah Gates ’10 play a preseason game in Myrtle Beach, SC.
Nothing But Net

SWISH is the sweet sound of success for Bay Path College Wildcats’ Jessica Hunt ’10.

The junior student-athlete from Madison, CT, hit two major milestones during the 2008-2009 basketball season—she nailed her 1,000th point for the maroon and white basketball team, and broke the Wildcats all-time scoring record with 1,175 career points. Grand feats for the co-captain and forward/center, Jessica passes the credit to her teammates. “My teammates and our coach R. J. Toner are the ones who saw my potential on the court, and encouraged me to play my best at every practice and every game,” Jessica says. “We are a team. Without their support and guidance, this achievement would never have happened.”

Jessica landed her 1,000th point from the free-throw line during the first-half of the January 24 game against Southern Vermont College (SVC) in Bennington, VT. The first of two free throws, the pause in play allowed her teammates to briefly gather and congratulate her before the official announcement. At half-time, the Wildcats honored Jessica with the game ball and flowers. “I knew I would be making the 1,000th shot during the game, but I wasn’t aware the first free-throw was ‘the shot’ until my teammates came to the center and hugged me,” remarks Jessica. “It was a wonderful surprise, and it meant a lot to me to celebrate with the entire team at half-time.”

Sarah Wright ’09, who shares the captain title with Jessica, recalls the moment Jessica hit the shot. “We were all watching the basket, and when she sank it, we were just so proud of her,” says Sarah. “Jessica is a wonderful teammate and friend who brings the best out of each and every one of us.”

The Wildcats season also ended on a high note as Hunt broke the College’s nine-year-old, all-timescoring record during the team’s last game of the season. Leading up to the home game against Becker College, she needed only 11 points to surpass Bay Path alumna Melissa Palmer’s ’00 record of 1,166 points. Hunt scored the “breaking” point during the second half, and finished the season with 1,175 points.

In addition to her high scoring, Jessica is a regular on Bay Path’s Dean’s List as she pursues her undergraduate degree in general psychology. She was drawn to the subject during her first semester and has remained captivated, learning about the behaviors and personalities of others and more about herself. Through her coursework with such faculty as Assistant Professor of Psychology Dave Wallace, who serves as her advisor as well as faculty athletic representative, Jessica has come to understand and connect with her teammates.

Jessica is the first to comment on the team’s ability to compete against much larger schools in the New England Collegiate Conference (NECC), and give their opponents a run for their money. “When we play, we play hard and a good game,” says Jessica. Coach Toner couldn’t agree more. “When our Wildcats arrive for a game, they’re contenders,” he comments. “Sarah and Jessica are extremely good leaders, who understand the commitment to a team, and they are the first to say, ‘We’re not going home unless we can battle!’”

With the 2008-2009 season and nearly 60 Bay Path basketball games behind her, Jessica is looking forward to her senior year and last year of college sports. “We have built a team that is ready to play at a higher level of competition,” says Jessica. “We are setting our sights on the 2009-2010 season.”
Since graduating from Bay Path College in 1963, Jessie Mackay, (above, with President Leary) has had exceptional careers, but it is in the world of art that she has found her passion. “Alma Mater means nurturing mother, and that is what Bay Path was for me. It helped to set me on the right course,” she said.

Even with an eye for beauty and color, Jessie didn’t begin painting seriously until she worked as a consultant for an automobile manufacturer in England. She found the environment to be grim and depressing as she witnessed the assembly-line workers hunched over their work in a daily sameness. To find relief from the drabness of the worker’s day and her own stress, she began drawing the scenes that she recalled after a day’s work.

Today, Jessie’s art can be found all over the United States and in Switzerland, England and Africa. Although she has received acclaim from a New York Times contributing art critic and several of her paintings hang in the homes of notables such as Mary Matalin and James Carville, it is the ordinary art lover whose spirits are lifted when they are fortunate enough to own a Jessie Mackay original. Her paintings hang in President Leary’s home as well as in buildings on Bay Path’s Longmeadow campus. A strong benefactor of Bay Path, Jessie is continuing to support the College by generously gifting some of her artwork as part of her campaign donation. She is not just an artist but a humanitarian. She had an art show to benefit children in Africa last spring and sold her paintings at less than gallery costs. For eight weeks last summer, Jessie brought color, fun and art lessons to children in a village primary school in Tanzania. The children had never seen art supplies nor had an art lesson. The emotion of sharing her love of art brought new meaning and joy to her life to say nothing of what she did for the children.
Engagements

Amy Gervais ‘05
to Erik Wattu

Elizabeth Gray ‘00
to Jason Moran

Barbara Hallock ‘03
to Joe Bednarz

Heidi Sarah Keith ‘99
to Bradley Dalton

Jessica Montemagni ‘00
to Eric Kelly

Erin Morrano ‘98
to Caleb Cowles

Stephanie Scytkowski ‘05
to Brian Fleury

Weddings

Melissa Faulkner ‘07
and Justin Green

Theresa Hannoush McCarthy ‘06
and Daniel McCarthy

Arrivals

Stefanie Gilbert Sanchez ‘04
a daughter, Gabriella Louise
born May 30, 2008

Chery Conley Doran ‘02
a daughter, Marie,
born September 8, 2008

In Memoriam

Marlene Chenausky Atwood ‘53
July 14, 2008

Ruth J. Elliott ’44
August 20, 2008

Mary E. Premo Fleming ‘51
January 10, 2009

Kathleen O’Neil Hood ’62
October 29, 2008

Gilbert Johnson ’33
November 11, 2008

Lola Tonelli Kennedy ’39
August 26, 2008

Rhea Lindstedt ’69
August 15, 2008

Hilda Rudeen Luthgren ’49
December 24, 2008

Veronica Dillon McCabe ’50
June 12, 2007

Eileen Smrecek Miccley ’41
February 3, 2009

Matthew Mosca ’41
May 27, 2008

Flora Needham ’38
November 27, 2008

Eleanor Culloo Riordan ’40
January 20, 2009

Jane Breese Rydberg ’27
January 3, 2009

Gay Samplatsky ’81
October 25, 2008

Joyce Read Severance ’65
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Eleanor McCaughey Shea ’51
September 8, 2008

Dorothy Chisholm Stevens ’34
November 12, 2008

F. Ernestine Jones Stewart ’37
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February 9, 2009

Stella Eaton Haney ’30
February 26, 2009

Eileen McGushan Regan ’34
March 7, 2009

Notes

Class agents are listed following each class notes. If no class agent is listed for your class, please send your news to Kathleen Cotnoir, director of alumni & community leadership at: kcotnoir@baypath.edu, or visit the Alumni Online Community at alumni.baypath.edu to submit your news online.

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Margaret Ewen
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Marguerite Planchon Bourgeois
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**Cynthia Snow Gardner** is looking forward to visiting with Peg Bourgeois in Florida after spending time in Delaware. They continue to have great times after all these years. Cynthia is also expecting the arrival of her sixth great-grandchild in April.

**'53 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Lorraine Soule Kerley has become a great-grandmother to Rya Lorraine, born on July 1, 2008. What a blessing! Her granddaughter Lindsey Pirek will be graduating from the U.S Naval Academy in May. Shirley Gelormino Smith works as a real estate agent in Fort Lauderdale, FL, and is very active in local politics.

**'55**

Dorothy Masajada Hartland 70 Cayenne St., West Springfield, MA 01089

**'56**

Jacquelyn Downs Wadsworth is enjoying retirement, grandkids, traveling, and her new replacement hip. She feels very blessed and enjoys connecting with other alumni.

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**'57 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Beverly Godek Cloutier, at age 70, is still working 30 hours a week as a night manager at Vermont Technical College, Williston Campus.

**'58 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Mary Mather Monnier recently had lunch with college roommates Carol Anderberg Bogard and Barbara Mrzyglok Cickowski. Virginis Liucci Carlson is currently trying to find funding to promote epilepsy awareness. She has a close family tie to the Epilepsy Foundation as her daughter Debbie is the Secretary of the Florida Epilepsy Foundation and her granddaughter Christa is a 22-year-old epileptic.

**'60**

Barbara Welch Dittman has been happily enjoying retirement for the past 10 years with her granddaughters, ages 15, 13 and 10. Audrey Athoe Wyman has been retired for seven years and keeps busy kayaking, hiking and cross country skiing. She also loves to visit her children and great-grandchildren in New York and Virginia.

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Kathleen Quinn Richer retired in 2008 from Tufts Health Plan and moved to Jacksonville, FL, and is enjoying her retirement.

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**'63**

Anne Marie Clermont is semi-retired and enjoying travel to Mexico and the United States. Her remaining time is devoted to charity work and her 13 grandchildren. Kristine Shepard Gradowski accepted a new full-time position teaching legal English at Charles University School of Law in the Czech Republic. Johnet Coffey Kompanik is a first-time grandmother to grandson Mason, born June 13, 2008, and wants to add that he is “of course very handsome.” Sue Blevins Turkinngton retired after 40 years working as a commercial property underwriter in Connecticut.

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**'64 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Sheryl Romsey Dowd and her husband Tom love North Carolina even though it is a bit warmer than Massachusetts. They have seven grand-children who love visiting them, even though their children live in three different states.

**'65 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Martha Pilkington Houle happily retired and loves being Nanny to her three granddaughters—Charlotte, 4; Lilah, 2; and Isabella, 1.

**'66 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Carol-Jean Filip Plunkett welcomed her sixth grandchild in February 2009. Carol-Jean says, “Life is wonderful in Rhode Island.”

**'67 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Lisa Feil Ferriere is a first-time grandmother to Colette Mai Ferriere. She also enjoyed her time this past September taking a tour of Paris and Provence in France. Norma-Claire Lang Gruetter is enjoying retirement, especially her wonderful trip to Ireland last May.

**'68 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Deborah Huck Kermensky is still enjoying her retirement in Tennessee with her miniature horses, some 17 years old. She loves the Tennessee weather, with three inches of snow being the most in five years and melted by morning. She can’t believe it has been 40 years since leaving BPG.

**'69 CLAESGAGENT NEEDED**

Stephanie Seiter Blansett wants to know if anyone knows how to contact Laurie Stoecker Spigener, Class of 1969.

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CLASS AGENT NEEDED
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CLASS AGENT NEEDED
Lynne Murphy is happy to say they adopted their daughter Eleanor Huacen Murphy Bacon from China in June 2005. Since 2006, she has been keeping busy by renovating their old Victorian house. Karen Boyer Trask and her husband Ted celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary, but didn’t plan anything for the occasion because their son was getting married two weeks after their special day. However, she was surprised by her Bay Path sisters Deborah Binnall Raymond, Janet Perry Eberlin, and Holly Durant Audette. They always make it a point to get together a few times a year, and during a visit to York Manor in Maine, her “sisters” turned the weekend into a celebration. Karen and Ted will always remember their 25th wedding anniversary.

Karen Boyer Trask ’82 and her husband Ted at their 25th wedding anniversary party. What a wonderful accomplishment!

‘83

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‘85

Linda Casey Tyer is a city councilor in Pittsfield, MA, and she has been tapped to become the new City Clerk.

‘86

Carin Grzelak Geoffrey’s daughter Julie is 17 and a junior at Holyoke (MA) Catholic High School. Carin’s big surprise is they are expecting a baby boy in February, and they are looking forward to this special time.

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Jessica Legaski Kennedy’s two-year-old daughter Alexa loves to sing, dance, and most of all talk. Jessica married her husband John in October 2005, and the three reside in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire.

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Dawn Breen-Young is PTO President in Easthampton, MA, which entertains about 675 kids. She also was nominated for the Cambridge Who’s Who Registry, a detailed compilation of biographies of executives, professionals and entrepreneurs. Allison Heist accepted a position with Wyndham Vacation Resorts in Pompano Beach, FL, as a guest services supervisor. The job is great and she meets guests from all over the world. She recommends her employer to all new graduates because there are a LOT of great opportunities.

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Daryll Craven Sverrisson and her husband Gunnar own Ballroom Fever in Enfield, CT. Both are competitive dancers.

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Cheze Inoue finished her master’s degree in criminology in England, and is currently studying customs and tariffs in Japan where she can become a licensed custom specialist.

Lia Bogran has been working for the past four years as a counselor at a shelter for underprivileged children. She is currently finishing her master’s degree in psychology with a minor in social psych, and she is expected to graduate next June. She remembers President Leary, Mr. Leary, and the good, old Bay Path times.

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Natasha Ali visited the Bay Path campus this past summer and is enjoying her time in California. She is applying to a Ph.D program at NYU. Amanda Jablonski has earned her master’s degree at Springfield College and is a vocational specialist with the Center for Human Development.

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Deerheart Raymond ’05
The daughter of a Nipmuc tribe clan mother, Diane “Deerheart” Raymond ’05 was encouraged by the Bay Path College community to reveal her stories of Native life, while attending courses at the Central Mass. Campus. This fall, “Strawberry Moon,” a writing assignment from a previous course, will appear in a popular textbook for first-year college students, The Norton Field Guide to Writing, with readings.

Deerheart’s essay “Strawberry Moon” recounts her revelation to the power of forgiveness during a trying time in her life as a young mother whose marriage was falling apart as well as her return to her Native path. Today, Deerheart’s goal is to enter a graduate program that will enable her to pursue a career centered on her history and tribe’s stories. “By sharing my stories, I can have a positive impact on the lives of others, much like Bay Path had on me.”
Ashley (Uhey) Carter ’06

Today, Ashley Carter ’06 is pursuing crime on the West Coast as a forensic scientist with the Oregon State Police. After graduating from Bay Path with a major in biology and minor in criminal justice, Ashley enrolled in the forensic science graduate program at Arcadia University in Philadelphia. There, she expanded her skills in the lab, and immediately landed the prime position in Oregon following graduation.

“When I received the job offer from the Oregon State Police, I couldn’t pass up the opportunity to contribute to the criminal justice system. From crime scene investigations to obtaining DNA from evidence, I’m doing my part to ensure that justice is served,” said Ashley.

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bronchial epithelial cells in response to cigarette smoke. **Katelyn Parker** is working as a youth counselor in an after-school program with kids ages 10–12 at the Boys and Girls Club at Souhegan Valley, NH. She also appeared in the play *Lucky Stiff* at her alma mater this past fall. **Marissa Sanchez** was accepted into the master’s program at Springfield College, and she is the residential shift manager at the Northeast Center for Youth and Families. **Johanna Syphers** is an area marketing specialist for Spherion and supports the Microsoft Marketing Manager for NY Metro and the Northeast. **Nina Sabettini** is employed at the New England Aquarium in Boston, and she thanks Bay Path for the excellent staff and environment as well as the education and experience to allow her to be the right candidate for the job.

**Alisha Benjamin ’06**

Since childhood Alisha Benjamin ’06 has envisioned herself working in law and this fall, she came one step closer as she enrolled as a first-year law student at Northeastern University School of Law. “Although the coursework is demanding, I believe my undergraduate education and work history have given me a wealth of experience under my belt that I can apply to my current studies,” said Alisha.

After graduating from Bay Path, Alisha broadened her real-world experience. She accepted a full-time position with the Suffolk County District Attorney’s Office, the site of her Bay Path internship. She worked face-to-face with victims, witnesses, and defendants as a legal advocate and administrator. In this role, she performed procedures and protocols to ensure the completion of necessary legal forms for trials. “My Bay Path education not only prepared me for a profession in the legal system, it gave me the confidence to pursue my dreams of becoming a lawyer.”

**Donna (Janecek) Drouin ’68, G ’09**

As a member of UnitedHealth Group’s Operational Excellence organization and a Six Sigma Black Belt, Donna J. Drouin ’68 AS, G’09 CIM, leads problem-solving projects and trains and coaches project teams in support of the company’s vision of “helping people live healthier lives.” To do that, Donna applies a systems approach to improving business processes utilizing fact-based, problem-solving methodologies.

To broaden her change-agent role, she sought out a curriculum that valued communication and technology. Donna returned to Bay Path and enrolled in the Communications & Information Management (CIM) Program. “The CIM courses enabled me to understand and interface more directly with a larger part of the technological evolution and link the relationship of theory, tools, and techniques to the practice,” said Donna. “I use my education every day to influence my constituents and improve company results.”
Marcia Conrad, Bay Path College’s Dean of Students from 1964 to 2004, and Andrea Hill Cataldo, daughter of Barbara Brodeur Hill ’57, have seen firsthand the difference a Bay Path education can make in the lives of young women. Today, they’re making sure other women have an opportunity to succeed at Bay Path through their respective endowed scholarship funds.

“My mother always spoke highly of her Bay Path education and her lifelong friendships with Libby Feldman Hamilton ’57 and Barbara Kelly Malone ’57,” said Ms. Cataldo. “They were savvy, smart and interesting women, and Bay Path was a great experience for my mom.” In 2000, Ms. Cataldo established the Barbara Brodeur Hill ’57 Endowed Scholarship in memory of her mother. The award is given annually to young women who exhibit academic promise and dedication to Bay Path through community service and campus involvement—qualities similar to those of Ms. Hill during her time at Bay Path.

During Dean Conrad’s daily interactions with students, she saw many young women of good character struggling just to pay for textbooks. To ease the pressure on her students’ pocketbooks, Dean Conrad celebrated her 25th anniversary at Bay Path with the creation of the Marcia H. Conrad Scholarship.

For more than 20 years, her scholarship has assisted students with textbook purchases as well as tuition and fees. Since her retirement in 2004, Dean Conrad has seen her scholarship expand as family and friends contribute annually to the endowment. “For many, textbooks can mean the difference between succeeding and failing,” said Dean Conrad. “By giving just a little, we can have a tremendous impact on the education of Bay Path students.”

Today, through generous donations from alumni and friends, like Ms. Cataldo and Dean Conrad, Bay Path can provide financial assistance through scholarships and grants to our students with the most financial need. From now until June 30, 2009, alumni and friends are encouraged to contribute to Keep Us on the Path, Bay Path’s new scholarship initiative for students with significant financial need.

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