“From the start, we saw the reinvention of the D’Amour Hall for Business, Communications & Technology as an opportunity to set the future direction of the future of the College. Yes, D’Amour is a beautiful building, but it is really the innovative curriculum, 21st century learning strategies, and forward-looking student projects and activities inside these walls that truly reflect our core mission: practical, entrepreneurial, and relevant education. In the design of the building, we worked with MassMutual technology specialists to create our labs and stretch the boundaries of interactive classrooms, and we enlisted the support of the D’Amour family and The Irene E. & George A. Davis Foundation to make our vision a reality. I’m proud to have been part of this project…so critical to our students and faculty…so vital to the economic life of our region.”

Dr. William Sipple, provost and vice president for academic affairs, will retire June 2010 after more than a decade of service to the College.
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With courage, persistence and entrepreneurial thinking, these change leaders dare to take on the goal of reshaping an organization in order to ensure its success and vitality. At Bay Path College, that person has been Dr. William Sipple, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. A loyal colleague and member of the Executive Staff, Bill will be retiring effective June 30, 2010. Like so many in the Bay Path community, I am truly grateful for all that he has accomplished during his tenure.

One of Bill’s outstanding qualities is that he understands the synergy between academic programs, enrollment, and sound business practices. I can still remember the day over ten years ago that Bill started at the College. I immediately charged him with the challenge of delivering a new blueprint for our academic programs, including the addition of graduate degrees, which would take us into the next century. Under his leadership and with his colleague Dr. Vana Nespor, they introduced our One-Day-A-Week Saturday Program. In 2000, he oversaw the development of our first graduate degree, the MS in Communications and Information Management, as well as the nine that followed. He expanded our undergraduate offerings to over 25 majors and minors, and we are consistently ranked in the top-tier category for Comprehensive Baccalaureate Colleges in US News & World Report. Simultaneously, he was asked to preside over the enrollment area of the College. During this time, our population has grown significantly and we can now boast over 2,000 students, two additional campuses, and online programs. His legacy has not only been profound, it has been transformational.
Beyond his many achievements as an administrator, there is a side of Bill that many of us will miss—a down-to-earth nature laced with incredible wit and humor. I often describe him as Bay Path’s version of a Renaissance man. An English major and Edmund Spenser scholar, he can easily shift from the literature of the 1500s to performing onstage as Bill Haley and the Comets for a College event. His sense of commitment extends to the larger community as well. Among his many volunteer efforts, he points with great pride to his position on public television’s Board of Tribunes for WGBY Channel 57 where he has just completed his term as Chair of the Board. Although educated in the power of words and language, he knows the modern influence of film and the visual. In fact, tucked on a shelf in his office are Tellys and New York Film Festival awards for his film productions. It is obvious Bill’s curiosity and zest for life knows no bounds, and he has shared his enthusiasm with all around him.

As I say my good-bye, my farewell also extends to Bill’s wife of more than 40 years and fellow educator, Dr. Jo-Ann Sipple. She has the distinct honor of being named our first Distinguished Professor of Communications. As a talented administrator and faculty member, Jo-Ann helped us launch our Burlington campus graduate programs. I always felt blessed that I could count on both of them for their advice and experience, helping guide Bay Path to greater heights.

I believe that Bill and Jo-Ann know that you can never truly say good-bye to Bay Path… through their legacy they will always be connected. They are—in every sense of the words—Bay Path family.

Carpe Diem!

Carol A. Leary
NEW PATHS TO BAY PATH

This spring, the College introduced a new way to remain current on Bay Path happenings with student and faculty blogs and new Twitter and Facebook pages.

Carli Flanagan ’12, an elementary education major, will keep you up-to-date (and occasionally up-to-the-minute) with her own unique perspective of life as a Bay Path student.

“This wasn’t only a new endeavor for Bay Path, but a new endeavor for me,” said Carli, whose blog can be found today at www.baypath.edu. “Check it out. I’d love to get your comments.”

In addition to Carli’s blog, alumni and friends can learn all about what’s happening in the academic world with blogs by faculty members, including Dr. Mark Drozdowski, who teaches in the Nonprofit Management and Philanthropy and Higher Education Administration Graduate Programs. In his blog, Dr. Drozdowski relates information on the activities of the graduate faculty, and comments on up-and-coming trends in the nonprofit and higher education fields, which can also be found in his Advancing Knowledge podcasts. Both his blog and podcasts are available at www.baypath.edu – click on the Graduate page.

Alumni and friends can also follow campus happenings on Twitter at twitter.com/Bay_Path, which is updated weekly with “tweets” on student and faculty achievements and upcoming Bay Path events. You can also become a Bay Path Fan on Facebook simply by searching for “Bay Path College.” Look for the College’s official logo, and select the new Fan page. Simply click the “Become a Fan” button, and you can follow Bay Path news and comment on your memories of Bay Path.
It was an opportunity of a lifetime for Bay Path College Professor of Biology and Chair of Science and Mathematics Gina M. Semprebon, PhD, when she was approached to take part in the investigation of the 4.4 million-year-old hominid *Ardipithecus ramidus*, better known to the world as “Ardi”—the oldest most complete fossil in the human line.

“Ardi’s fossils sit within a key early part of human evolution, and shed new and surprising light on evolution and the habitats that early hominids occupied,” said Dr. Semprebon, whose research was featured in the October 2, 2009 special issue of *Science*. “To be involved in this remarkable study, collaborating with scientists around the world, is definitely a highlight of my scientific career.” *Science* has hailed the Ardi study as the Breakthrough of the Year for 2009, eclipsing all other scientific fields.

Featured on the Discovery Channel alongside more than 40 scientists who participated in the 17-year study, Semprebon is well known in the scientific community for her research in paleoecology—the study of ancient ecosystems and their organisms, which reveals natural characteristics of ancient history such as environments, climates, temperatures, and vegetation, among other aspects. She recently served as a principal investigator in paleoecology research for the National Science Foundation’s Revealing Hominid Origins Initiative (RHOI) Program, which provided funding for Ardi research.

By examining the teeth of large mammal fossils found near Ardi’s remains, Semprebon and her colleagues were able to study Ardi’s likely food preferences and survival requirements. Her research also enabled her to reconstruct Ardi’s ancient habitat and ecology. Instead of the long-held belief that hominids evolved in African grasslands, the study data demonstrated the landscape was dominated by woodlands and that the human line did not have bipedality or walking upright on two legs imposed upon them by a shrinking forest as had been previously assumed.

Ardi’s environment was comprised of fresh water springs and patches of dense forests and included fig and hackberry trees. Ardi shared her habitat with land snails, owls, parrots, mice, porcupines, and elephants, among other animals.

This research ultimately will enable Semprebon and other scientists to investigate long-term environmental trends, such as global warming and cooling. They can also trace morphological changes in mammals, focusing specifically on their dietary shifts and the ability to move independently from one location to another. Scientists can now discern in much greater detail the basic steps in our evolution from ancient forms.

Starting the fall of 2010 there will be one more graduate program at Bay Path—the Master of Science in Developmental Psychology. Blending academic theory and current best practices in the field with community-based research programs, the degree is both student and client centered—providing ample opportunity to enhance or expand professional credentials. A bachelor’s degree in psychology or a related field is required for initial entrance into the program. Under the leadership of Dr. Cheryl Leary, the MS in Developmental Psychology will be offered in Longmeadow and the Central Mass Campus in a one-year or two-year format. Go to www.baypath.edu for all the details on this exciting new development! For more information, you can contact Graduate Admissions at grad@baypath.edu or call 800.782.PATH x1332.
PATHWAYS TO FINANCIAL SUCCESS

From credit and taxes to investments and retirement, Bay Path College is making it easier for area women to understand the money matters associated with life during its new series Financial Pathways. Funded by The Irene E. and George A. Davis Foundation, Financial Pathways is designed to encourage, enlighten and empower women to take responsibility for their financial success. In doing so, they will be inspired to make an impact on their families, workplace and communities.

“During these difficult economic times, the importance of financial literacy has become even more pressing,” said Financial Pathways Program Director Mary Pajak ’84. “Through this series, Bay Path will build women’s understanding of basic financial concepts, helping develop the confidence and the knowledge to take control of their own finances.”

The series kicked-off in March with Kim Gates, regional sales manager of Springfield, MA-based Strategic Information Resources. Gates discussed the basics of credit and provided an outline of the series, which will continue throughout the Fall 2010 semester and end November 3 with a panel on financing your education, vehicle and house.

To ensure new participants get started on the right foot, everyone will receive a copy of *Kiplinger’s Money Smart Women* by Janet Bodnar, editor of *Kiplinger’s Personal Finance* magazine, at the start of each session. Bodnar will be the featured speaker during the April 14 workshop on discovering your money personality and budgeting. In May, Bay Path will welcome Lorraine A. Hart, CFP, and Cheryl A. Patterson, CFP, of Hart & Patterson Financial Services for a presentation on retirement, estate planning, and philanthropy. The series will take a hiatus during summer break, and will continue in the fall, covering issues related to life transitions, investments, taxes, and financing.

Financial Pathways is designed to **encourage and empower women** to take responsibility for their own financial success.

To learn more about Financial Pathways, visit www.baypath.edu or contact Mary Pajak at 800.782.7284 x1115 or mpajak@baypath.edu.

SAYING THANK YOU!

Recipients of the Grinspoon Foundation Scholarship in support of One-Day-A-Week *Saturday* Early Childhood Education majors met with Mr. Harold Grinspoon to thank him for his ongoing generosity. (From left) Harold Grinspoon, Sara Laflamme Sarno ‘11, Shannon Thayer ‘13 and Nicole Sicard ‘13.
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When Laurie Rosner ’99 G’07 sits behind the controls of her single-engine Piper Warrior nicknamed Shamu hangared at Skylark Airport in East Windsor, CT, she experiences a sense of freedom that is beyond words.

It’s more than being able to hop into the cockpit with her husband and fly to Block Island or upstate New York. It’s an exhilarating feeling that frees her and gives her new perspective from sorting out the daily details to being visionary in the competitive world of banking. Flying is an apt metaphor for her story of determination and daring that has seen her break through to new horizons, while inspiring others to do the same.
“My whole life has been about creativity!” exudes Laurie. “Merging business and creativity started when I was a young girl. At nine years old, I remember producing and selling pictures, and my grandmother had a craft business, too. So, whether I recognized it or not, I was learning about ideas, developing a product, and then selling.” A factor that played an unexpected role in her life and career was a physical challenge—Laurie is completely deaf in one ear. “I don’t usually talk about it, but when I was a child it was discovered that due to a standard operation, my hearing was impaired. In some ways it has been a blessing. Being a PK (preacher’s kid) taught me to find the positives. I really have to pay attention and listen to when people talk—that makes me a better marketer because exceptional marketers are always taking it in…listening…observing.”

Laurie believed so strongly in the value of Bay Path’s MBA that she became an adjunct professor in the program.

As the Senior Vice President for Marketing and Administrative Services at Rockville Bank in Connecticut and a member of the Senior Management Team, Laurie has a “can do” attitude with a strong entrepreneurial flair. For almost two decades, she has contributed to the team effort of making Rockville Bank one of the most successful financial institutions in the state. Founded in 1858 with $175.00 in total assets, today it now has 21½ branches, including Connecticut’s first ‘green’ and the bank’s first high school (known as the half branch) branches. As of year-end 2009 had assets over $1.5 billion. Although Rockville is known as a stable bank with admirable growth, it’s their innovative and often fun approach to community involvement that has put them on the map. Without a doubt, their bold and unique company persona is due in part to Laurie.

And there’s another quality that Laurie believes is integral to being on top of her game: the need to push personal growth, including community involvement (she’s the past President of the North Central CT Chamber of Commerce) and education. Graduating from high school, she started working in banking as a receptionist and realized very quickly she needed a college degree. Beginning at a community college, she eventually enrolled at Bay Path in the business program. “When I was at Bay Path, I soaked everything up in the classroom and then used it on the job. I also learned courage. When a marketing position opened up in the bank, I marched into President Bill McGurk’s office, shut the door and I said to him, ‘I can do this. Please give me the opportunity. I won’t let you down. If I don’t meet your expectations, you can let me go.’ He gave me the chance.” The day Laurie graduated from Bay Path with her bachelor’s degree, she was made Vice President for Marketing at Rockville Bank.

Almost a decade later Laurie returned to Bay Path and enrolled in the first class for the MBA in Entrepreneurial Thinking and Innovative Practices. Even though she was already successful and secure, it wasn’t enough. “My philosophy is that you always need to be pushed. You just can’t sit at a desk and say,
‘I made it.’ When I learned about this degree I was immediately attracted to the concepts of innovation and ideas. Let’s face it, that’s what marketing is about. I can truly say this program turned me into an entrepreneur. It’s not enough to come up with an idea…if you don’t have the ability and knowledge to execute, it’s just a great thought or words on paper.” She believed so strongly in the value of Bay Path’s MBA, Laurie became an adjunct professor in the program.

While urging her students to be creative, make it happen, and connect to their core focus, i.e., the customers, Laurie practices what she preaches at Rockville Bank. And what the entire team does redefines the notion of community banking, causing people to sit up and notice. From establishing their own ‘Walk of Fame’ at the Rockville Bank Park at The Promenade Shops at Evergreen Walk in South Windsor, CT, to the ‘Gas Men’ initiative with 96.5TIC FM, which found bank employees (including their president!) going to random gas stations to give real money to people to help them out in the 2009 gas crisis, to the Extreme Makeover: Home Edition Suffield (CT) Project, Rockville creates excitement and in doing so redefines marketing in the banking industry. They push the limits.

Which brings us back to flying…Laurie’s way of pushing the limits. With Gary, her best friend and husband of 26 years, flight has become a complement to their lives. When first married and learning her husband had a dream to learn to fly, Laurie scraped together the money to give him lessons for a birthday present. What began as an interest emerged as a hobby for both Laurie and her husband. Now as a seasoned pilot, she has the liberty to explore the heavens which gives her the joy and strength to move mountains on earth—from sharing her knowledge with students to creating marketing campaigns that make Rockville Bank a force to be reckoned with.
In My Own Words

Cristina Ruiz ‘10 | Forensic Psychology

Thinking back to my first days at Bay Path College, I remember how welcomed I felt by the upperclassmen, staff, and faculty. As a first-generation college student, I had no idea what to expect or what I would do during my time here. Getting involved on campus seemed like a good idea, so that was the path I took. I couldn’t imagine that my participation would lead me to places like Vienna, Austria or Prague, Czech Republic to sing with choirs from around the world...just as I would not have believed anyone if they told me I would be a resident assistant, the president of Chorale and Page Singers, the Psi Chi secretary, a tennis player for the Wildcats, and a student admissions representative. Bay Path’s strong support system has given me the confidence to seize these opportunities and more.

The College has truly shaped me into the leader I am today. The Bay Path community encourages me on a daily basis to pursue the goals I truly desire, like providing conflict mediation and resolution and traveling abroad. Whether it is a fellow student, professor, coach or the President of the College, I know there are many people at Bay Path who will listen, support, and guide me. This experience is unique to Bay Path and as a soon-to-be college graduate on my way to the United States Army Officer Program, I am truly grateful for all my community has done for me.
You walk into the office of Dr. John Jarvis and you immediately feel like you are in the space of a college professor. Surrounded by books, art, and photographs, there is a sense of comfort in this place. But these are more than forms of human expression and thought. His office is organized in the sequence of his life—chapters representing a continuous cross-cultural exploration that he enthusiastically shares with students in and out of the classroom.

Growing up in Salmon, Idaho, birthplace of the Shoshone guide Sacagawea of the Lewis & Clark Expedition, Dr. John Jarvis draws on his Native American experience and unending curiosity to pursue his own cultural quests.

Growing up in the small town of Salmon, Idaho, he readily admits his perspective has been shaped by two forces: a love of reading that was instilled in him by his mother, and the impact of living in a bicultural Native American and white world. “My mother, a beautiful person who never had the opportunity to receive an education, taught me the value of curiosity and of learning,” states John. “She dropped out of the tenth grade to start a family in the backwoods of Idaho. And yet some of the most vivid memories from my youth are of the endless stacks of books my mother was always reading, from Sigmund Freud, the latest discoveries in archaeology, to the works of Albert Einstein.” Equally important was living next to the Nez Perce Indian reservation. While most Americans read or relied on second-hand accounts about Native Americans, he played and went to school with the Nez Perce, and along the way he developed an appreciation of a people who tenaciously guard their heritage. Their cultural pride was a lesson that would stay with him in future years both personally and professionally.
Enrolling in Brigham Young University, Jarvis studied English and French, and performed Mormon missionary work in France and Switzerland. “For two years, I had to adapt to another country. In fact, for three months I made myself speak only French. It forced me to shed my American skin and soak up new ideas, customs, and beliefs. It was an exhilarating experience for a young boy raised in the open space of the West.” Jarvis returned to the United States driven to explore what others around the world were enthralled with: American culture. Admitted to Washington State University, he earned his doctorate in American Studies with his thesis, “Impact of American Culture on France.” Since then, he has never stopped probing the boundaries of what we think, how we act, and where we fit within our communities and the global landscape.

At Bay Path, Jarvis teaches a range of courses in the humanities. From Native American Studies to Introduction to World Religions, he uses his 30 years-plus of teaching knowledge to engage students to question and find their own answers. “The greatest challenge I face is to take a complex idea about the human experience and translate it in a way students can understand. I also have to take into account the force of mainstream culture that overwhelms all of us and determines how we see the world. For many students, that is the only thing they know. I have to present them with alternatives to make them see and feel differently...that’s why I teach Native American Studies. They are fascinated with a culture that has been able to exist and survive parallel to the mainstream. Surprisingly, it starts the act of re-examination, and they’re able to let go of the personal biases and information they’ve learned, thus beginning to look honestly at another culture. In the process, they’re also developing a new framework...a new filter so to speak...that they can apply to other encounters, such as in the workplace, career, and even family situations.”

Getting students out of the classroom is key for Jarvis. Always looking for new teaching tools, he discovered the power of film. “Our first big project was Hiding in Plain Sight: The Survival of the Nipmuck Chaubunagungamaug People in America. Working with 26 Bay Path students, we captured the oral history of a local Massachusetts tribe. By the end of the project, they truly ‘lived’ the experience.” Film is also important because in many ways it represents society’s migration from the verbal and written to the image. “There’s a nice tension in this teaching method—we’re using a cultural shift to study culture...and the students can really relate to the visual because it’s their universe. It’s all around them.”

Since then, his students have done other videos, and the most recent project in the pipeline is a documentary about Bay Path’s relationship with the Sajuka Community School in Barra, The Gambia, Africa (read the article about Making Students Global Advocates on next page). It’s anticipated to be completed in the spring of 2010.

The Gambia/Sajuka Community School project is particularly meaningful to Jarvis. As the Internet tightens the bonds of our global community, Bay Path students need to be able to appreciate what happens beyond the confines of the American borders. Whether it’s for a job or career, or to have a greater understanding of our country’s role in fostering change, The Gambia/Sajuka Community School project “…opens the eyes of students to third-world development, gives them an opportunity to travel abroad, and shows how in the simplest of ways—such as our book drive last year—we can have an impact that is far greater than they could ever have imagined.”

Although Jarvis is a professor, he still sees himself as a student of life, always curious and forever seeking, always looking to make an impact for positive change. The bottom line: “I’m very lucky, and I freely share this saying with my students—‘Love what you are doing, and people will always love what you do.’” These are words that resonate in any culture.

Dr. John Jarvis is a professor of English and Communications in the Liberal Studies Department at Bay Path College, and he also teaches in the One-Day-A-Week Saturday Program. To learn more about him, visit www.baypath.edu and click on the Faculty and Staff Directory.
Making Students Global Advocates

Community, it’s with whom we identify and from whom we can learn. Community is important to each and every one of us, and at Bay Path College, it is part of the academic experience. Our students have broadened outreach efforts to communities through Bay Path programs that expose them to other cultures, such as One America, a partnership with Sajuka Community School in The Gambia, Africa, and international performances. Experiences like these shape our students into being global advocates for learning.

Singing in front of nearly 1,000 people in European venues that are more than 1,000 years old sounds like a dream, but for several Bay Path students and alumni, it has become a reality. Last November, the Bay Path College Festival Choir performed for audiences in Prague, Czech Republic at such historic sites as Lichtenstein Palace, Hlahol Concert Hall and St. George's Basilica. “To have the opportunity to travel abroad and perform live in front of hundreds of people is a thrilling experience for our choir members,” said Bay Path Performing Arts Director Li Ciaglo. “Their talent and professionalism introduced them to new people and places, like the Monastery of the Infant Jesus of Prague. There, they met with the Abbot monk, who discussed the church’s global missions and thanked the students for taking the time to perform for them.”

Impressed with their stage presence and repertoire, concert organizers invited the Festival Choir to perform during the advent season in Munich, Germany. “To have the opportunity to travel with the Festival Choir to Europe as a student and now as an alumna has been remarkable,” said April Trimble ’09, of East Granby, CT. “Every time we performed, we opened the door to new opportunities for impromptu concerts and upcoming performances in Germany. These are once-in-a-lifetime experiences.”

The Gambia: The Sajuka Community School

Thanks to the generosity of Venessa O’Brien ’38, Bay Path was able to present another life-changing experience to Madison, CT resident Jessica Toner ’11, an early childhood education major, and Agawam, MA resident Kelly MacIntyre ’11, a communications major. This past January, Jessica and Kelly were selected to perform work at the Sajuka Community School in Barra, The Gambia, Africa, which Bay Path partnered with in 2008 through the assistance of Gambian-native Nyllan Fye ’09, G’11, a graduate student in our online Nonprofit Management and Philanthropy Program. The 2009 recipient of the Carol A. Leary Service Award, Jessica is a familiar face to children at Alice B. Beal Elementary School where she volunteers on a regular basis. Her dedication to education led her to perform a needs-based assessment of Sajuka for her Honors thesis, while Sajuka’s efforts inspired Kelly to film a documentary, which will raise funds to benefit the School.

Venessa O’Brien ’38 (pictured at left with Dr. John Jarvis) has been an avid supporter of Bay Path’s partnership with the Sajuka Community School and provided funding for Jessica Toner ’11 and Kelly MacIntyre ’11 to travel to The Gambia. Sajuka Community Development Project Co-Director Nyllan Fye ’09, G’11, also received the Venessa O’Brien ’38 Scholarship during her undergraduate education at Bay Path.
Making Students Global Advocates

Joined by Nyillan and John Jarvis, PhD, professor of communications and English (see Faculty Focus, page 12), Jessica and Kelly met one-on-one with teachers and the schoolchildren. During the two-week journey, they gained a better understanding of education in the third-world country, and the greater need to provide an adequate educational system for Sajuka schoolchildren by supplying necessary items, such as textbooks and computers.

“My heart has always reached out to children who love school, yet do not have the means to receive the education they deserve. It has long been my hope to teach in Africa once I graduate from Bay Path,” said Jessica. “When the opportunity presented itself to help the Sajuka School, I couldn’t turn it down. The experience has truly opened my eyes to the needs of Sajuka schoolchildren as well as the community of Barra, reinforcing my desire to educate children from underserved populations. I hope to return to Sajuka and teach the children, whom I bonded with in just a matter of weeks.” The Bay Path community will have an opportunity to peek into the lives of the schoolchildren when Kelly, Jessica and Dr. Jarvis premier the documentary in September 2010.

The New South: One America

Overseas isn’t the only place students have recently traveled. Through the College’s One America program, Bay Path students have been given the opportunity to visit different regions of the U.S. to study our nation’s history and perform community service. Funded through the generosity of the Pat Pierce Student Achievement Fund and the Walmart College Success Awards program, the One America initiative continued this spring semester as part of The New South course, offered by Robert Surbrug, PhD, assistant professor of history at Bay Path and author of Beyond Vietnam.

One America, which was organized by Caron Hobin, MBA, vice president for planning and student development, allowed the students to travel along the Civil Rights Trail in Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana, meeting face-to-face with acclaimed journalist and 2009 MacArthur Fellow Jerry Mitchell of The Clarion-Ledger and civil rights activist John M. Perkins. During their eight-day journey, Dr. Surbrug, Vice President Hobin and Stephanie Bradshaw, assistant to the vice president for planning and student development, joined the students as they toured the Rosa Parks Museum, Edmund Pettus Bridge, Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, and Southern Poverty Law Center, among other historical locations. In addition to their history lessons, the students performed community service for the Ronald McDonald House and Mississippi Housing Partnership. Upon returning the students continued their course in Dr. Surbrug’s classroom, discussing Southern culture and how attitudes have changed since the Civil Rights Movement.

“One America has broadened my sense of community. I now have such a passion to help where there is a greater need, either in my hometown, Springfield, MA or the South,” said first-year, first-generation student and biotechnology major Nikki Megazzini ’13 of Montgomery, MA. “The One America experience really did open my eyes to how other people in the United States live, and to have been able to have this opportunity to see another part of the country has been life-changing. I am truly grateful for this experience and to Bay Path Trustee Pat Pierce and the Walmart program for caring about my education just as much as I do.”

*The Walmart College Success Awards program is administered by the Council of Independent Colleges (CIC) and is made possible by a generous grant from the Walmart Foundation.
Sudden life changes compel us to broaden our connections and explore new opportunities. Like many of you, I have experienced the ups and downs that come along with difficult economic times, but I’ve seized those moments to ease myself into other activities, other communities. There are opportunities all around us to reach out and join others who share our interests and our passions. In the past few years, I have expanded my professional network of human resources officers and utilized my skills in a new industry, exposing me to an even larger community of peers.

As alumni, we are all a part of a unique community—the Bay Path community. As president of the College’s Alumni Association Council, I connect with old and new friends on a daily basis, expanding and developing lasting friendships with people who are dedicated to Bay Path and current students. If you haven’t done so already, I encourage you to reunite with Bay Path through the Alumni Online Community, Facebook on the Bay Path College Fan Page and Official Group, or follow the latest happenings on Twitter, twitter.com/Bay_Path.

Although we have graduated, Bay Path continues to play a significant role in our lives. The College has prepared us for our respective careers and continues to offer opportunities, be it career advice through the Sullivan Career Development Center or the annual Women’s Leadership Conference. In fact, I invite you to explore your greater communities by attending Community Matters, the College’s 15th annual Women’s Leadership Conference on Friday, April 30. With inspirational speakers like CNN anchor Soledad O’Brien and New York Times columnist Nicholas Kristof, you will be inspired to make a difference in your town, our country or the world.

As always…Carpe Diem!
Anne Fitzgerald ’65

Anne Fitzgerald ’65 recently connected with Lissa Robinovitz ’85 and current MBA student through their affiliation with the Human Resource Association of Central CT. Anne invited Lissa to be a guest presenter at Bay Path’s Elevate You! presentation on Life and Career Negotiation Skills.
alumni Links

► alumni/student dinner
Judy Wilkinson Reeves ’65, (center) a member of the Bay Path College Board of Trustees, welcomed four Bay Path students to her home for dinner recently as part of our Alumni/Student Dinner Program. From left, Jayna Larson ’13, Chelsea Stewart ’13, Leeann Reid ’13 and Alanna Jambard ’13 spent the evening exchanging stories about past College customs, new student activities and the Bay Path traditions that continue to be celebrated today. If you are interested in hosting an Alumni/Student dinner, contact Kathy Cotnoir at 413.565.1209 or kcotnoir@baypath.edu.

► timely advice
Louise McGuire Kursmark ’76 (second from left) presented a program on “How to Recession-Proof Your Career” at the Burlington, MA campus for alumni and current students. Alumni joining her for the presentation included (from left) Sharla McAuliffe-Sethi ’04, Susan Bennett ’82 and Christine Hassinger Lane ’84.

► lunch break
Nashoba Valley Winery located in picturesque Bolton, MA, was the perfect place for (from left) Kathy Cotnoir, director of alumni & community leadership, Marilyn Luby Messina ’59, Alice Nawrocki Fitzgerald ’59, Joan Aninger Hinterseer ’58, Linda Usher Beeson ’59 and Amy Carignan, leadership giving associate, to get together to enjoy lunch and share Bay Path College news. A wonderful time was had by all.

► pizza party!
Alumni from the One-Day-A-Week Saturday Program joined Kathy Cotnoir, (far right) director of alumni & community leadership, Dr. Gina Joseph-Collins, (far left) Dean of the One-Day Program and members of the One-Day Alumni Committee of the Alumni Association Council at Red Rose Pizzeria in Springfield, MA for a fun evening of catching up, reconnecting and learning how they, as alumni, can give back to Bay Path College.
The Bay Path College community was deeply saddened by the death on November 22, 2009 of alumna M. Constance Breck ’30, a dear friend and benefactor of the College. After graduating from Bay Path Institute she went to work full time at the Breck Shampoo Company, retiring in 1964. In the 1940’s Ms. Breck was featured as a “Breck girl” in company advertisements, and her original pastel portrait still hangs in the foyer of the Breck Fitness Center. Throughout her life, she was involved with many professional and charitable organizations, including Quota Club, the Cosmetic Career Women, and as a board member of the Carew Hill Girls Club. Ms. Breck’s generosity to Bay Path spans many decades. In 1993, Breck Suite in Wright Hall was named in her honor. In October 2000, the newly renovated Breck Fitness Center was dedicated in celebration of her leadership gift to the Seize the Day, Seize the Dream Campaign. The Breck Fitness Center was again renovated in 2007 with another generous gift from Ms. Breck. Additionally, countless students have benefited with financial support from the M. Constance Breck Scholarship Fund. A longtime supporter of the Annual Fund, her contributions have helped to ensure the success of Bay Path. Ms. Breck was also a member of the Legacy Society. She was awarded an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters from Bay Path in 1994. In a note to President Carol Leary, her nephew John writes “My aunt treasured her connection to Bay Path College, both as a student and as a generous alumna.” Ms. Breck’s commitment to Bay Path is reflected throughout the campus. She will be missed and sincere sympathy is extended to Ms. Breck’s family.

our florida family
Did you know that Florida has one of the largest number of Bay Path alumni residing within its borders? Our advancement team and President Leary recently visited the Sunshine State to check in on our Bay Path family.

(From left) Joe April, executive director of development, Janice Greenfield ’61, Linda Mathewson ’62, President Carol Leary, Kate Low ’70, Craig Low, and Joan Coleman ’58; seated are Annette Schweizer ’53 and Muriel Boyle ’58.

(From left) Robyn Davis, chair of the board, Ann Hammer ’62, new member of the Board of Trustees, and President Carol Leary.
Building Health Into Busy Schedules

Bay Path College is helping students build a strong foundation to a healthy lifestyle by offering healthier dining servings and promoting physical fitness.

When students stepped foot on campus last fall, they were treated to a new experience at Blake Student Commons Dining Hall, thanks to renovations made by ARAMARK, Commodore Builders and Livermore Edwards. The new-and-improved Dining Hall features a modernized dining area and remodeled serving area that includes several food stations which encourage students to select the healthiest options. Most of the produce provided at the Dining Hall is locally grown. As students enter the Dining Hall, they first come upon the salad bar, fruit station, low-calorie and low-starch food options, and the “Away” station, which provides freshly prepared, international dishes. However, the Dining Hall still provides comfort foods that are familiar to students at stations closest to the kitchen. The “comforting” stations feature healthy cuisine, such as steamed vegetables and roasted chicken, and like the other service areas, offer vegetarian and special dietary options, including organic dishes, soy milk, whole wheat pasta, and gluten-free products. As for snack foods, Dining Services continues to foster good health by offering nutritious alternatives. Fresh fruits, sugar-free treats, and kettle-cooked chips that are prepared on-site are just a few of the healthy treats offered by ARAMARK. Dining Services only uses zero trans fat oils, margarines, spreads, and pan sprays. The chefs take great care in preparing the food as they bake, braise, broil, grill, poach, roast, sauté, steam, and stir fry—all healthy cooking techniques.

In the near future, each station will offer fun fact cards about the day’s options, including calories and the amount of exercise required to burn off those calories. The cards will provide information on different types of exercise and how long a student should exercise. Dining services offers “Just4U,” handy, detailed pamphlets which provide information on healthy caloric-intake, calorie amounts of Dining Commons cuisine, selecting the best food options that fit into college students’ busy lives as well as their personal preferences, along with recommendations for physical activity. Servers at many of the food stations offer moderate servings. Trays have also been eliminated, conserving water and enabling students to indulge in reasonable amounts of fare while preventing food waste.

The College also builds upon a healthy lifestyle by providing fitness options at Breck Fitness Center (named for Constance Breck, see page 19), which includes state-of-the-art fitness equipment. Personal trainers are on staff to work one-on-one with students to develop a fitness routine that fits into their daily regimen, placing them on the path to a healthier life.
Fore!

Many of us watched on television the most recent Winter Olympic Games in Vancouver, BC, Canada. It takes planning, promoting, and serious coordinating to pull off an event of that magnitude. Students in the Business Department’s Introduction to Sports Marketing (Bus 202) are finding out what it takes to make a winning sporting event, and in the process are learning about marketing, business plans, and selling strategies. The best thing—they’ll be putting their knowledge into action with special projects with the Springfield Falcons AHL hockey team and the Bay Path Golf Tournament. So, it’s fore! Look ahead for more information on the 4th annual golf tournament extravaganza to help make Bay Path students successful on the court, on the field, and on the ice.

Wildcats Score Big On and Off the Field!

A record number of Bay Path Wildcats were recently named to the New England Collegiate Conference (NECC) Academic All-Conference Team for the fall 2009 season. There were 18 student-athletes hailing from the cross country, field hockey, soccer, tennis and volleyball teams.

To earn this prestigious honor, student-athletes must be athletes in good standing, and maintain a grade point average of 3.4 and above on a scale of 4.0. Go Wildcats!

Tennis
- Julia Bendzin ‘10
  Poestenkill, NY
- Sarah Costa ‘12
  Fall River, MA
- Lianna Loveitt ‘13
  Gorham, ME
- Caroline Ynguanzo ‘11
  Springfield, MA
- Cristina Ruiz ‘10
  Waterbury, CT

Soccer
- Danie Marie Renfrew ‘12
  West Barnet, VT
- Audrey Rowen ‘12
  Boxford, MA
- Jacquelyn Siddle ‘11
  Palmer, MA

Field Hockey
- Kimberly Barbato ‘11
  Saylorsburg, PA
- Sarah Gates ‘10
  Crown Point, IN
- Jessica Priestly ‘11
  Middleboro, MA

Volleyball
- Vanessa Chaplin ‘12
  Attleboro, MA
- Davi Chuong ‘11
  Easthampton, MA
- Ashley Cimmino ‘10
  Westfield, MA
- Kathleen Rodriguez ‘10
  West Stewartstown, NH
- Danielle Turner ‘11
  Bellows Falls, VT

Cross Country
- Brittany Castagna ‘12
  Chester, MA
- Racquela Richard ‘11
  Providence, RI

Save the Date!
Friday, June 11, 2010

Make Sports Marketing 202 and the 4th annual Bay Path Golf Tournament a winning combo by registering at www.baypath.edu. Just click on News & Events, then Golf Tournament. You can sign up individually, or, better yet, form a team.
Nancy Hubbard Eberling ’57 (right) was on campus recently to visit her granddaughter, Chelsea, a member of the Class of 2013. Joining her was Chelsea’s mother, Sharon.
Engagements

Jessica Barone ‘00
to Timothy Handly
Tiffany Beauchamp ‘09
to Phillip Moroch
Bonnie Enright ‘99
to Jason Moselsky
Amy Livingstone ‘05
to Bill Scott
Jessica Reopelle ‘10
to Jonathan Thornton
Molly Schlagel ‘06
to Gabriel Quinones
Molly Tierney ‘08
to Nicholas Terpos
Heather Wishart ‘05
to Timothy Burke

Weddings

Emi Akioka ‘09
and Sei Hoon Gi
Christine DiCola ‘96
and Ken Collamore
Lisa Ochmanski ‘82
and Peter Guidi
Dawn Johnston ‘97
and Angus Dickson

Arrivals

Sara Lynch Grassetti ‘06
a son, Tyler Vincent
born, January 21, 2009

Sandra Taylor White ‘01
a boy, Brendan Taylor
born, July 23, 2009

Nicole Martel-Moylan ‘98
a boy, Tevan Dennis
born, August 11, 2009

Jacki Fournier Tamayo ‘94
a son, Gavin Joseph
born, August 26, 2009

Tina Heinrich-Stewart ‘95
a girl, Abigail Rose
born, September 9, 2009

Moddi Pun Chan ‘05
a boy, Ho Yuen Chan
born, September 26, 2009

Stefanie Gilbert Sanchez ‘04
a girl, Samantha Lorraine
born, October 11, 2009

Karen Lazzara ‘06
a girl, Constance Mary Morning
born, January 28, 2010

Amy Stanton Pomeroy ‘01
a boy, Bryan Seth
born, January 31, 2010

In Memoriam

Elizabeth Madeiras Alley ‘30
November 17, 2009

Edward Blaschinski ‘38
October 29, 2009

M. Constance Breck ‘30
November 22, 2009

Dorothy Vogel Chickerella ‘48
October 29, 2009

Barbara Dewey Clark ‘25
August 20, 2009

Eleanor Alberici Curti ‘60
September 7, 2009

Esther Rena Francesconi ‘38
December 29, 2009

Carolyn Tiffany Gall ‘42
November 6, 2009

Flora Wheeler Hunt ‘31
January 10, 2010

Corinne E. ice ‘83
September 6, 2009

Sharline Siegel Jack ‘65
December 25, 2009

Natalie Szydlo Laczek ‘39
October 30, 2009

Janine Lemery LaFreniere ‘43
January 12, 2010

Roy G. Mansur Sr. ‘41
January 25, 2010

Rose Girotti McKenna ‘37
January 30, 2010

Rosalie Markel Montante ‘63
December 28, 2009

Tina Marie Niewinski ‘93
September 1, 2009

Mary Brown Pepin ‘43
January 6, 2010

Jean Thompson Pepin ‘40
November 21, 2009

Irene Aniol Powtak ‘45
September 18, 2009

Cornelius Robb ‘41
October 16, 2009

George Robertson ‘42
May 1, 2009

Marion Kennedy Sheehan ‘35
January 23, 2010

Dorothy Famiano Vona ‘28
January 19, 2010

A Rebecca Seraphin ‘04
and Matthew Moran
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.

’24  CLASS AGENT NEEDED
Bernice Martin is quite amazing at the age of 104 and is looking forward to visiting the campus soon.

Salena Bilsky Blake and her husband, Ernie were featured in a Longmeadow News article entitled “Still Sweethearts after 66 Years” telling their story of how they met in 1933 through today.

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Ruth Howard Dodge 15 Arthur Ln., Yarmouth Port, MA 02675 508.362.8909 red@cape.com

Mary Jane Lakeman Maynard has seven children, 14 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren, who call her Gi-Gi for great grandma. This past October, she enjoyed a get-together with fellow classmates at Waters Edge.

Minnie Koide Okano has retired as a Medical Secretary with the U.S. Tripler Medical Center and received an award as an Outstanding Civilian Employee of the U.S. Government during her tenure. Barbara Smith Granger went to California in June to see her granddaughter graduate from the University of California Santa Cruz. Barbara was diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease, but is doing well with medication. She also plans to drive to Florida to see her daughter, whose husband is stationed in the Navy there. Barbara Knox Andersen was hospitalized early last year and is doing fine now. She is proud of her 18-year-old granddaughter, Morgan who graduated high school and taught handicapped children how to ride ponies at Pony Camp this past summer. She wants to hear from anyone in the class of ’51.

Carol Clark Blake is retired after teaching in Brockport, NY. She has three children, two who are college professors and three grandchildren.

Gertrude Yazmer Brown is keeping busy playing duplicate bridge and Mah Jongg and enjoying her grandchildren. Along with her husband, Lou, Gertrude has also traveled a bit.

Dottie Holton McGovern 1150 Enfield St., Enfield, CT 06082 860.745.4304 thomas_l_mcgovern@snet.net

Mary Mather Monnier is getting back into her art and has been blessed with two great-granddaughters, ages six months and two-and-a-half years old.

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Elisabeth Marino Peterson visited Longmeadow with her husband Bob in November, and walked through the campus complimenting how it is still as beautiful as when she was a student.

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Anne Monahan Berner retired after 25 years as a secretary in a special education school for profoundly handicapped students. She loved every minute of it.
'65
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Anne Fitzgerald organized a Pedals for Progress bicycle and sewing machine drive this past October, collecting 137 bicycles and 19 sewing machines. This program helps 32 developing world countries open nonprofit bicycle stores and assist in a growing economy. Following last year’s donation to Ecuador, this year’s collection will go to Moldova.

'66
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Carol-Jean Filip Plunket is enjoying her six grandchildren that keep her and her husband happy and very busy. She would love to hear from other classmates at gplunkett@cox.net.

'67
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Norma-Claire Lang Gruetter enjoyed a trip to Vienna, Prague and Budapest with her husband and friends this past September. Judith Ferrera Simmons and her husband, George, sold their business and home in Connecticut and have purchased a motor home. After wintering in Florida, they are leaving to explore our great country in their home on wheels. They are looking forward to new adventures.

Susan Modzelewski Theroux recently bought out her partner and is now the sole owner of Northeast Communications Answering Service. The company services clients all over the country and operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Carol Santinello Carpenter is a nursing instructor and enjoys her three grandchildren ages four, two and five months. She would like to hear from former classmates!

'68
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

After getting her degree at Bay Path, Linda Michaud McGee went to the University of Maryland and received her master’s degree in social work. She works part-time as a clinical social worker for Catholic Charities.

'69
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Thea E. Katsounakis is staying busy updating the house, traveling with her husband and playing tennis. Her daughter Melissa is a high school Spanish teacher in Pennsylvania, and her daughter Allison is a corporate event planner in Maryland.

'70
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Ellen Soden Camacho went to 3 Smith Circle, Lakeville, MA 02347 508.946.5492 Ellen_Camacho@comcast.net

'71
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Deborah Ciccone King has a message to all Alums - “get on Facebook” and get caught up for the last 38 years. Barbara Czerwinski vacationed with Paula Rowe Buonono and Irene Kupiec Contois at Marco Island, FL this past November.

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'72
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

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'73
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Susan Fracara Clayton was re-elected to a third term on the Canaan, CT Board of Selectmen. She celebrated her 23rd anniversary as a breast cancer survivor in 2009. Her daughter Allison Clayton ’06 is working and living in Manhattan. Carpe Diem to all!

'75
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

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'77
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Deborah Walker Perrelli is staying busy updating the house, traveling with her husband and playing tennis. Her daughter Melissa is a high school Spanish teacher in Pennsylvania, and her daughter Allison is a corporate event planner in Maryland.

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'80
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

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Lori Venberg Roop ’79 (center) was on campus to have dinner with President Carol Leary and her husband Noel prior to the Kaleidoscope event “State of Deception: The Power of Nazi Propaganda.” Lori was instrumental in arranging the co-sponsorship of the event between Bay Path College and The U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Lisa Ochmanski Guidi ’82 (left) entered the Maine Event Bodybuilding and Figure Competition, and placed second in both the Novice and 35+ Figure categories and third in the Overall competition. Personal accomplishments aside, she is most proud of her daughter Amanda Card, who graduated Cum Laude from Stonehill College in May. Amanda is the newest member of Bay Path’s admissions counselors, and she will undoubtedly, be a positive contribution to her alma mater.

'82
CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Kathleen Frigon Caruso was featured in the Hartford Courant column “Moments.” The article featured the love story between Kathy and her husband Derrick, the trials and tribulations of their 25 year marriage, and the true meaning of their wedding vows.

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Maria Segura Pelchar, an eight-year veteran of the Holyoke, MA, fire department, was recognized for her fire safety workshops in schools and presentations to hospitals and community groups at the 20th Annual Firefighter of the Year Awards last December.  
Madonna Raupp  
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Lissa Robinovitz presented a session on Life and Career Negotiation Skills as part of the fall Elevate You! series.  
Lorraine Singleton Sequera’s son Adam is in sixth grade and is part of the Advanced Academic Program at Luther Jackson School in Fairfax County, VA.  
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Lisa Pantalone Rollins was named the number one Madison, CT Shoreline realtor for 2009 sales, volume and money.  
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Jennifer Kubala says her Ritzy Ragz store is outgrowing their current space in Modesto, CA, due to high demand for designer consignment.  
Tressa Oliver Giordano is the owner/operator of The Seeds Network LLC, a company that offers Early Childhood Education Seminars. Kelly Chapman Galanis and her husband Tom are both members of the Westfield Theatre Group in Westfield, MA and performed in the one-act play “Untaken” at the Westfield Woman’s Club in January.

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Donna Robtoy LeBlanc has accepted a position as a patent paralegal/legal assistant at Bay Pathway.

Christine DiCola ’96 and Ken Collamore took their wedding vows on February 1, 2010 at Smather’s Beach, Key West, FL.

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assistant at the law Firm of Sheehan, Phinney, Bass and Green PA.

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Dawn Leaks is the new assistant director of the Red Cross, Pioneer Valley Chapter. Jarrod Liebel (G’03) is a financial advisor with ViewPoint Investment Group in Plano, TX. Jennifer Pudder has accepted a position as an assistant coordinator of student contact at Bridgewater State College.

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Samantha Smith is pursuing a master’s degree in social work at the Springfield College School of Social Work.

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Zhen Chen was appointed to cash management officer for PeoplesBank in January. Allison Clayton works as an infection control liaison for the Department of Epidemiology at New York Presbyterian Hospital. Her job duties include keeping workers compliant with hygiene rules and educating the staff regarding proper practices. She was also featured in her hometown newspaper, The Lakeside Journal, regarding the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer this past Columbus Day Weekend. Megan Snyder recently received her master’s degree in child development from Tufts University.

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Jessica Burkott is now an intensive care coordinator for clinical and support options in Hadley, MA. Tiffany Phillips has accepted the position of assistant manager at Breugger’s Bagels.

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Kimberly Ayers is a reading teacher at Homer Street School in Springfield, MA. Courtney Connor is with the FBI in Springfield, MA. She works with nine special agents and coordinates thirteen task force officers from the Western Mass, Gang Task Force. She has been accepted to the Eastern Kentucky University online master’s degree program in Safety, Security and Emergency Management.

Miranda Cerrato Criscitelli teaches fifth grade at Center School in Longmeadow, MA. Kristine Kelley is a first-grade teacher at the Selser School in Chicopee, MA with a special thanks to Estelle Leavitt. Jennifer Miarecki is currently working at the Key Program as an outreach and tracking caseworker. She works with children ages 10-18 who have behavioral and psychological issues.

Danielle Ardizzone has accepted a position with Head Start in South Dakota as a Family Service Worker. She was hired the same day she interviewed. Dusty Charbonneau accepted a position as a special needs inclusion teacher at Lambert-Lavoie School in Chicopee, MA. Melanie Cullinan works at Springfield Technical Community College as a grant/staff accountant. Arlene Desforges is now a longterm substitute teacher in the behavioral program at the middle school in Ludow, MA. Claudette Dinnall is a sales consultant for J. Morrissey and Company located in Springfield, MA. Constance Sullivan received two job offers to teach in the city of Springfield. She accepted a fourth-grade position at the White Street School. Patricia Ensley Eadie has accepted a position at Tuskegee University in Tuskegee, AL, as assistant to the QEP Director/Technical Assistant, where she will be assisting the Assistant Provost of Undergraduate Academics. Robert Malone (G’09) was selected for the Boeing Executive loan-out program that started this past fall with the United Way of Snohomish County (Washington). His daughter also joined the Canadian military and started her basic training recently. David Malloy (G’09) has accepted the position of marketing assistant in the business development office for National Ambulance in Springfield, MA. Tracie Taillefer is working as a toddler teacher at the Early Childhood Centers of Greater Springfield. Wanda Whyte accepted a position as a sales representative at Health New England Insurance Company. Eva Rodriguez was recently accepted to the Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine and will be pursuing a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree. Ross University is located in the Caribbean on the island of St. Kitts. Emi Akioka Gi is working in the marketing department for Wyndham Vacation Resorts in Honolulu and is in charge of Japanese tourists. Ashley Whitehead accepted the position of site coordinator for the Huntington YMCA at the Martin Luther King School.

What have you been up to?

We’d love to hear from you!
Send your news and photos (no cell phone photos, please – the better the quality of the photo, the more likely we’ll use it) to your class agent listed in the ClassNotes section or visit the Alumni Online Community at alumni.baypath.edu to submit your news online.

Let’s make sure we have news from every class in every issue!
“It’s always the right time.”
And now, more than ever, it’s the right time to support education on behalf of our students through the College’s Charting New Paths campaign. As campaign co-chairs, Dan and Jane Roulier ’89 have embraced this sentiment and without hesitation use it as their personal philosophy for giving. Knowing their actions inspire acts of generosity in others, the Rouliers have established a bequest to Bay Path College in support of the campaign. Members of the Millennium Society since 2001, they established the Dan and Jane Roulier Endowed Scholarship for the One-Day-A-Week Saturday Program. The latter is particularly meaningful for Jane. She earned her bachelor’s degree at Bay Path as an adult student and knows the challenges many of these women face, and the power and hope that earning a college degree gives to these women. As an alumni, Jane sits on the Board of Trustees of Bay Path College, and Dan and Jane have been recognized for their unflagging generosity with the 2009 Outstanding Philanthropists of the Year Award by the Association of Fund Raising Professionals (Western Massachusetts chapter). Truly, they know the time to open our hearts and minds to give is now…so that we all share a better future.
Reconnect with former classmates as we celebrate all graduates of Bay Path with special recognition for class years of 5 and 0.