

FOUNDER'S DAY

2013

CELEBRATING OUR FACULTY & STAFF

Wednesday, April 10



SACRED HEART
UNIVERSITY

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS • 1963-2013

AN ACT INCORPORATING SACRED HEART
UNIVERSITY, INCORPORATED.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in
General Assembly convened:*

SECTION 1. Walter W. Curtis, James P. Devine, John F. McGough, James R. Kerr and Donald McGannon and their successors, and such other persons as may be associated with them in accordance with the by-laws of the corporation, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of Sacred Heart University, Incorporated, to be located in the town of Fairfield, county of Fairfield and state of Connecticut.

SEC. 2. The purpose of said corporation shall be to establish, organize, maintain and conduct an institution for intermediate, secondary, undergraduate and graduate education in the state of Connecticut, and to perform such other works of education, charity and religion, as may be determined by its by-laws and pursuant to the general statutes relating to the organization of corporations without capital stock.

SEC. 3. Said corporation shall have the right to receive by purchase, gift, grant, subscription, devise, bequest or otherwise, and to hold, improve, mortgage, lease, sell or otherwise convey and use any estate real or personal, appropriate, necessary or useful that the purposes of the corporation may require, and all other property which shall have been in good faith mortgaged or conveyed to it by way of security or in satisfaction of debts; it shall have the right to issue promissory notes or other evidences of indebtedness to the same extent as corporations which have capital stock and have been organized under the general laws of the state; it may contract, sue and be sued, complain and defend in any court.

SEC. 4. Said corporation shall have the right to make and use a common seal and alter the same, to make adopt and amend by-laws which shall provide for the government and direction of the corporation, to fix the number of corporation members, to regulate the election of trustees and to confer all such academic degrees as are usually given in colleges and universities.

SEC. 5. Should there be an excess of income over expenditures in any one year, or should there be any assets remaining after the payment of all existing debts, then such excess income or assets thereafter remaining shall be applied as follows: In the reduction of the tuitional fees, or in the establishment of scholarships, or in the advancing of educational or charitable facilities; and, in the event of the dissolution of the corporation, any remaining assets or surplus shall be conveyed, transferred and delivered to The Bridgeport Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation, an ecclesiastical corporation organized under the laws of the state of Connecticut, for the uses and purposes of said diocese, or its successors and assigns thereafter, and, if said Roman Catholic diocese is not then in existence, then said assets shall be conveyed, transferred and delivered to the state of Connecticut.



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Dear Colleagues,

I want to welcome you to our annual Founder's Day celebration. This year is especially significant because it marks the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of our charter and the formal founding of this University. The celebration of our fiftieth birthday will officially begin next fall, with a full year of activities. You will hear much more about the special events being developed by our dedicated planning committee in the near future. For now, today's celebration serves as a preview to a year of commemoration.

That said, we have 62 other reasons to celebrate – each of the faculty and staff members who will be honored here today. Their years of service range from 15 years all the way up to 40, representing an amazing commitment to Sacred Heart. These folks have been here to witness firsthand the growth and changes that we will celebrate in the coming year. They have influenced our programs and changed our curriculum. Some observed close up our metamorphosis from a commuter school to a first-class residential college. They have led us into the 21st century, while ensuring we maintained our roots as a lay-led institution rooted in the Catholic intellectual tradition.

I want to thank all of our honorees for their loyalty, dedication and commitment to Sacred Heart University and, most especially, to our students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'John J. Petillo'.

President John J. Petillo

FOUNDER'S DAY 2013

Program

Alma Mater

Student Rendition

Master of Ceremonies

Robert M. Hardy

Vice President for Human Resources

Congratulatory Remarks

John J. Petillo

President

50th Anniversary Slideshow

Honoring of Service Award Recipients

Musical Interludes:

"Seasons of Love"

4 Heart Harmony

"When You Believe"

Stephanie Taglianetti '13

"Seize the Day"

4 Heart Harmony

Reflection

Fr. Anthony Ciorra

Assistant Vice President for Mission & Catholic Identity

A reception will follow in University Commons.

Music: John Michniewicz, D.M.A., Director of Choral Programs,
Bass Player – Mike Nuno, Percussionist – Gabe Nappi

Honorees

40 YEARS

Michelle Loris, Ph.D., Psy.D.

Professor of English & Associate Dean
College of Arts & Sciences

Christina J. Taylor, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Psychology
College of Arts & Sciences

35 YEARS

David A. Bike, B.A.

Head Coach Men's Basketball
Athletics

Michael Bozzone, M.A.

Assistant Dean of Arts & Sciences
Adjunct Associate Professor of English
College of Arts & Sciences

Sheryl Madison

Office Manager & Assistant to Director
Athletics

30 YEARS

Raymond J. Altieri, C.A.S.

Adjunct Instructor of Mathematics
College of Arts & Sciences

Dhia A. Habboush, Ph.D.

Professor of Chemistry
College of Arts & Sciences

Lucjan T. Orlowski, Ph.D.

Professor of Economics
John F. Welch College of Business

Danny A. Pannese, M.S.T.

Associate Professor of Accounting
John F. Welch College of Business

25 YEARS

Joseph G. Carter, M.A.

Adjunct Instructor of Music
College of Arts & Sciences

Thomas D. Corrigan, Ph.D.

Adjunct Instructor of Finance
John F. Welch College of Business

Allie H. DuBose

Administrative Assistant
Student Affairs

Jeanne Galog

Administrative Secretary
Jandrisevits Learning Center

Nicholas A. Giaquinto, M.S.

Head Coach Baseball
Athletics

Pearl Jacobs, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Criminal Justice
College of Arts & Sciences

Lois A. Libby, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Education
Isabelle Farrington College of Education

Stephen J. Lilley, Ph.D.

Professor of Sociology
College of Arts & Sciences

Lori-Jo McEwan, M.B.A.

Senior Programmer Analyst
Information Technology

Gerald F. Reid, Ph.D.

Professor of Sociology and Associate Dean
Director of Center for Irish Cultural Studies
College of Arts & Sciences

20 YEARS

C. Donald Cook, M.S.

Executive Director
Athletics

Michael Denysenko, B.A.

Manager of Technical Resources
Adjunct Instructor of Art
Art & Design

Linda Farber, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Chemistry
College of Arts & Sciences

Jack Fernandez

Director
Public Safety

James Giordano, C.A.S.

Student Teacher Supervisor
Isabelle Farrington College of Education

James Laughlin

Lead Postal Senior Technician
Mail & Duplicating Center

Robert A. Lisak, M.F.A.

Adjunct Instructor of Communications
College of Arts & Sciences

Theresa A. Natale

Administrative Secretary
Jandrisevits Learning Center

15 YEARS

Gary P. Austin, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Physical Therapy
Director, Orthopaedic PT Residency
Program Director, Certificate Program in
Advanced Orthopaedic PT
College of Health Professions

Michael J. Boyles

HVAC Technician
Campus Operations

Cynthia L. Brantley

Custodian-Night
Campus Operations

Stefan M. Buda, B.S.

Adjunct Instructor of Art & Design
College of Arts & Sciences

Claudia A. Burkart

Executive Secretary
Academic Vice President's Office

Sharon L. Cavaliere

Academic Department Assistant
Biology Department

Matilde Renata Cioffi, M.B.A.

Director of Library Information and Budgets
Library

Frank P. Cook

Lead Mailroom Clerk
Mail & Duplicating Center

David L. Coppola, Ph.D.

Vice President for Strategic Planning &
Administration
Finance & Administration

Susan M. DeNisco, D.N.P.

Associate Professor of Nursing
Director, Graduate Nursing
College of Health Professions

Susan Jean Esposito

Systems & Work Study Coordinator
Student Financial Assistance

James W. Fiddes, M.S.Ed., M.A.

Adjunct Instructor of Biology
College of Arts & Sciences

Diana Cordeiro Fitzsimons, M.A.T.

Systems Manager Leadership Program
Isabelle Farrington College of Education

Michael F. Giarratano, C.A.S.

Clinical Assistant Professor of Education
Co-Director, Intern Program
Co-Director of 5-Year Program
Isabelle Farrington College of Education

George K. Goss, M.A., M.S.

Instructor of Mathematics
College of Arts & Sciences

David J. Joyner

Custodian-Night
Campus Operations

Beth Keane, M.A.T.

Assistant to Director of Education - Griswold
Isabelle Farrington College of Education

Thomas M. Kennedy, B.A.

Adjunct Instructor of Mathematics
College of Arts & Sciences

Cameron A. LiDestri, M.S.

Director Individual Giving
WSHU

Peter Loth, Ph.D.

Professor of Mathematics
College of Arts & Sciences

Elaine B. Lupo, B.S.

Executive Secretary
Admissions Operations

Mark A. Nofri, M.A.T.

Interim Head Coach Football
Athletics

Nancy J. Olofson

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Georgia Shabazz

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E. Daniel Shim, Ph.D.

Professor
John F. Welch College of Business

Brian E. Stiltner, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Theology & Religious
Studies
College of Arts & Sciences

Victor G. Vaughan, D.P.T.

Clinical Physical Therapist
Physical Therapy

Karen C. Waters, Ed.D.

Clinical Assistant Professor of Education
Isabelle Farrington College of Education

Sheila Thomas Watts, Ph.D.

Clinical Physical Therapist
Physical Therapy

Joseph C. Wesney, Ph.D.

Adjunct Instructor of Physics
College of Arts & Sciences

Mark L. Winzler, C.A.G.S.

Adjunct Instructor of Education - Griswold
Isabelle Farrington College of Education

Regina R. Wohlke, M.A.

Adjunct Instructor of Education
Isabelle Farrington College of Education

About the Honorees



Gary P. Austin

Gary P. Austin is an associate professor, director of the orthopaedic physical therapy residency program and director of the certificate program in advanced orthopaedic physical therapy. His teaching work in the program revolves around the areas of musculoskeletal examination and intervention, manual therapy and evidence-based orthopaedic physical therapy practice. He has more than 25 years of experience as a physical therapist and is a fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists and The Gray Institute. He is board certified in orthopaedic physical therapy and practices at the University's Physical

Therapy Specialists Center. He received his doctorate from the University of Connecticut.



Michael J. Boyles

Michael Boyles serves as HVAC technician for the Campus Operations Department. He is responsible for all heating and air conditioning systems in the campus buildings. He is licensed in heating and cooling by the Department of Consumer Protection and completed his training at Brunswick College. He received a certificate of appreciation from Residential Life for the 2004-05 and 2006-07 academic years.

Cynthia L. Brantley

Cynthia Brantley serves as night custodian for the Campus Operations Department. She works to provide a safe and clean environment for all students, faculty, staff and visitors.



Claudia A. Burkart

Claudia A. Burkart serves as executive secretary in Academic Affairs, Office of the Provost. In addition to her regular responsibilities, she has been directly assisting the provost and the vice president for Academic Affairs since last summer. She works behind the scenes for Founders Day, determining the years of service and submitting the names for full-time and adjunct faculty members to be honored. She received the University's Outstanding Service Award in 2007. Burkart and her husband are founding members of the Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy, and they volunteer at the Thomas Merton Center in Bridgeport. They are

proud parents of two daughters, one who is doing post-doctorate work at Joslin Laboratories and another who will be getting married in May after completing her doctorate in Veterinary Medicine.



Sharon L. Cavaliere

Sharon Cavaliere is an academic department assistant for the Department of Biology, where she assists the chair, the director of the ESAM graduate program and the biology faculty throughout the academic year.



Matilde Renata Cioffi

Sacred Heart University alumnus Matilde Renata Cioffi is the director of Library Information and Budget. Among other responsibilities, she coordinates the gathering, collating and compilation of all library statistical information from library staff and other electronic resource management software and organizes all special events for the library, including recruiting guest speakers. She also advises the University librarian on arranging public programs and producing the library's publications and website.



David L. Coppola

Vice president for Strategic Planning and Administration David Coppola leads the University's strategic program development and review, the implementation of the Master Space Plan and the administration of the buildings and grounds, campus operations and construction and renovation projects. He has also served as executive director of the Center for Christian-Jewish Understanding (CCJU) since 1998. In that role he oversees the planning and implementation of CCJU conferences and programs, manages operations and budget and helps plan and produce all of the center's publications. He received his doctorate from Fordham

University, where he wrote his dissertation on moral leadership in schools. He recently announced that he will be leaving Sacred Heart to become president of Keystone College in Pennsylvania, and we wish him nothing but success.



Susan M. DeNisco

Susan DeNisco is the director of Graduate Nursing Programs and the executive director of the College of Health Professions Center for Community Health and Wellness. She is responsible for the didactic and clinical instruction of graduate nursing students in the doctor of nursing and family nurse practitioner programs and oversees five graduate nursing programs. In 2010 and 2011, she earned national certification as a nurse educator and clinical nurse leader so she could fully understand the complexities of the roles her graduate students were undertaking.

Additionally, since joining the University, she has participated in five medical mission trips to El Salvador, Guatemala and Jamaica. She holds a doctorate of nursing practice from Case Western Reserve University.

Susan Jean Esposito

Susan Jean Esposito, systems operator and work-study coordinator for Student Financial Assistance, assists in the creation and maintenance of the departmental database. Her responsibilities include support for electronic communication systems and general counseling for the student financial assistance applicants. She coordinates the program for 900 work-study students and the hundreds of other student employees on campus.

**James W. Fiddes**

James W. Fiddes is an adjunct instructor of biology. He teaches one of the program's most popular courses, BIO030, in which he enjoys introducing non-majors to the relevance of science to their careers and lives. He earned his master's degrees from Central Connecticut State University.

Diana M. Fitzsimons

Diana M. Fitzsimons, who earned a master's degree in teaching from Sacred Heart University, is a system manager for the College of Education. She manages four weekend cohort groups totaling 100 candidates in the EDL program every September, as well as approximately 75 new traditional candidates each academic year. She approves graduation applications for education candidates at the MAT and 6th-Year degree levels and is responsible for Title 2 AACTE PEDS data reporting for state- and national-level agencies. She also assisted in the College of Education acquiring NCATE accreditation in 2008.

**Michael F. Giarratano**

An assistant professor of education, Michael Giarratano also serves as the co-director of the Graduate Internship program and the 5-Year Program in education. He is chair of the Farrington College of Education Academic Coordinating Council. He serves on the UAA Rules Committee and works with the Center for Urban Policy and Action. He coordinates and teaches The Professional Seminar, a culminating requirement in the master's in teaching program. Giarratano earned a 6th-Year professional degree at the University of Bridgeport.

**George K. Goss**

George K. Goss is an instructor of mathematics. He serves as an adviser for incoming freshmen and is the department coordinator for pre-calculus courses. He is a member of the UAA Council, Pi Mu Epsilon and the Wesleyan University Chapter of The Society of the Sigma Xi. He earned master's degrees in mathematics at Wesleyan and Michigan State University.



Beth Keane

Beth Keane, who holds a master's degree in teaching from Sacred Heart University, is the assistant to the director of Graduate Studies at the Griswold campus. When she began working at the Griswold location 16 years ago, the campus had about 150 graduate students; it has since grown into a learning community of over 500 individuals. Keane was a certified English teacher early in her career, then worked as a human resources and counseling professional before coming back to education at Sacred Heart. She considers her career at SHU to be a privilege, an inspiring opportunity to make a real difference in the volumes of life that flow through the University's doors.



Cameron A. LiDestri

Director of Individual Gifts Cameron LiDestri oversees the collection of individual pledges and is responsible for the direct mail, telemarketing, acquisition mail and database marketing efforts for WSHU fundraising. He develops and expands programs for cultivating additional support for WSHU, WSUF, WSHU-AM and other stations in the network. He also monitors and capitalizes on the growing trends in online contributing and soliciting, setting up and maintaining pledge-taking and credit-card processing systems. He holds a master's degree in radio, television and film from the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University.



Peter Loth

Peter Loth is a professor of mathematics and former chair of the Mathematics Department. His areas of research include model-theoretic aspects of abelian group theory and the interaction between topology and abelian groups. He has been the team adviser for the international Mathematical Contest in Modeling for 10 years. He earned his doctorate in mathematics from Wesleyan University.



Elaine B. Lupo

Elaine Lupo is the executive secretary for Undergraduate Admissions. She is responsible for scheduling all campus tours for families visiting the Undergraduate Admissions office and supervises a team of five work-study students who are trained in all areas of customer service and data entry. She earned her bachelor's degree in education from Southern Connecticut State University.



Mark A. Nofri

Interim Head Football Coach Mark A. Nofri first came to Sacred Heart University as a graduate-assistant football coach 19 years ago and has served as interim head coach since January 2012. In his tenure with the team, Nofri has helped the football program climb to Division IAA status, including a dominant 21-1 record during the 2000 and 2001 seasons, during which the Pioneers earned the 2001 Mid-Major National Championship for Division IAA. Nofri has also served as the team's defensive backs coach, IBLs coach, special teams coordinator, defensive coordinator and recruiting coordinator. For the past two years, the football team has won

the University's sponsored community service award and achieved an overall GPA of 3.0 for the spring and fall 2012 semesters. He earned his master's degree in teaching from Sacred Heart.



Nancy Jane Olofson

Nancy Jane Olofson is the administrative assistant to Telecommunications and the university operator. She answers all incoming calls to the University and directs phone communications to the appropriate departments. She maintains the campus phone directory and was involved with creating the cell-phone program for University employees. She supervises 15 students who work in the Telecommunications office and serves on the SHU Day Committee.



Richard L. Pate

Richard L. Pate is an assistant professor of management and is an academic adviser for Students in Free Enterprise. He serves as chair of the Rules Committee and the Academic Integrity Committee. As a member of the Assurance of Learning Committee, he recently helped the Welch College of Business retain its accreditation. He earned a juris doctorate from Quinnipiac University School of Law and is pursuing a master's degree in human resource from the Welch College of Business.



Melvin Senator

Mel Senator is a supervisor of student teachers in the College of Education. He supervises and performs classroom observations of student-teaching interns and other student teachers in the University's program. He earned a 6th-year degree from the University of Bridgeport.

Georgia Shabazz

Georgia Shabazz is a custodian for the Campus Operations Department. She works to provide a safe and clean environment for all students, faculty, staff and visitors.



E. Daniel Shim

E. Daniel Shim is a professor in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems and serves as parliamentarian for the Welch College of Business Faculty Assembly. He is also a past director of research for the College of Business and was chair of its AACSB Research Committee. In 2001, he was honored with SHU's University Teaching Excellence award. His work has also been recognized internationally: In 2009, he was presented with the Excellence in Overseas Educator Award by the Overseas Korean Education Foundation in Seoul, Korea; and in 2011, he was presented the Presidential Award for Outstanding Overseas Educator by the president of the Republic of Korea. He earned his doctorate from Rutgers University.



Brian E. Stiltner

Brian Stiltner is an associate professor of theology and religious studies and chair of the Department of Philosophy, Theology and Religious Studies. He also served as chair of the Committee on Rank and Tenure from 2010-11. He is the founder of the Center for Catholic Thought, Ethics and Culture and served as its director from 2003-06. He was also involved in creating and administering the Catholic Social Thought Scholars program from its inception in 2000 to its transition to the minor on equality, wealth and philanthropy in 2013. He is the author or co-author of two books and the editor of *Can Muslims and Christians Resolve their Religious and Social Conflicts* (2012). He earned his doctorate at Yale University.



Victor G. Vaughan

Victor G. Vaughan serves as clinical manager for the Sacred Heart Physical Therapy Specialists Center and as an instructor for the Department of Physical Therapy. He is responsible for the management and direction of the two physical therapy clinics on the University campus. He oversees clinical care for patients referred to the clinic and the provision of clinical services to Silver Hill Hospital's Chronic Pain and Recovery Center. He is active in the leadership of the Connecticut Physical Therapy Association, involved primarily in political advocacy and legislative activities for the association. He earned his D.P.T. from Sacred Heart University.



Karen C. Waters

Karen C. Waters is a clinical assistant professor and the director of Connecticut Literacy Specialist Programs. She recently finished work on a peer-reviewed article published by the Connecticut Reading Association in March (*A Clinical Practicum to Advance the Preservice Teacher's Pedagogical and Content Knowledge in Literacy*) and has been preparing the SHU First Annual Literacy Conference to be held this April. She is also designing an intervention for struggling readers in the elementary classroom where she is conducting research to determine the most effective strategies in advancing reader achievement. She earned her Ed.D. at Walden University.



Sheila Thomas Watts

Sheila Watts earned her master's degree and doctorate from Sacred Heart University and now serves as a clinical physical therapist and a member of the clinician faculty in the Department of Geriatric Health and Wellness. She is a past recipient of the University's Alumni Leadership Award and the Outstanding Clinical Excellence in Geriatric Physical Therapy award. She also works as director of the Geriatric Residency Program at the Jewish Home for the Elderly. In addition to her SHU degrees, she holds a master's degree in business administration in health care from the University of New Haven.



Joseph C. Wesney

Joseph C. Wesney, adjunct professor of physics and astronomy, developed and introduced the Common Core Curriculum offering in physics, PYCC103 "The Journey in the Physical Universe." He serves on the Common Core Chairs Committee and participated in the Davis Foundation Fellowship during its second cycle. He also serves as a Common Core volunteer for the Lilly Foundation Exchange Program. As part of the University's chemistry/physics outreach programs, he developed and presented a variety of in-service workshops for physics and astronomy teachers hosted on campus from 1984-2004. He earned his doctorate at Cornell University.



Mark L. Winzler

Mark L. Winzler is an adjunct instructor in the College of Education, based at the Griswold campus. He is involved in preparing prospective students in the administration certification program for the Connecticut Administrators Test. Winzler earned a 6th-year certificate and an M.Ed. in educational leadership at the University of Hartford.



Regina Robbins Wohlke

Regina Robbins Wohlke is an adjunct professor of education. She has taught reading and language arts at Lisbon Student Teaching Seminar for Elementary at the Lisbon and Griswold campuses. She earned a master's degree at Southern Connecticut State University and a certificate of advanced graduate study at St. Joseph College.

About the Honorees



C. Donald Cook

Director of Athletics C. Donald Cook supervises the University's 31-sport Division I athletics programs. He is responsible for establishing a program philosophy and direction that includes a balanced competitive niche for each sport within its appropriate league, thus ensuring a positive student-athlete experience. He hires and mentors coaches who have the skills and experience to deliver a product that reflects positively on the University's mission, vision and brand, with particular attention to academics, competitiveness and community service. Specific duties include encouraging athletes to stay on track academically through graduation,

assisting the admissions staff in attracting quality students to the University and supporting lifestyle programming focused on personal development and preparation. He earned a bachelor's and two master's degrees from Fairfield University.



Mike Denysenko

Mike Denysenko, who earned his bachelor's degree in graphic design from Sacred Heart University, is manager of Technical Resources and adjunct instructor for the Department of Graphic Design and Visual Arts. He teaches foundation-level graphic design courses and is responsible for the development, acquisition, implementation and support of technology within the Art and Design curriculum. He is a certified Macintosh systems and hardware technician and supports student and faculty within his department and throughout the University.



Linda Farber

Linda Farber is an assistant professor of chemistry. She serves as faculty adviser to the American Chemical Society Club, which has received numerous national awards; as part of her activity with the club, she is involved with helping to coordinate, facilitate and participate in chemistry outreach programs for the local community. She served as chair of the American Chemical Society (ACS) Northeast Regional Meeting in 2005 and has held several positions in the Western Connecticut section of the ACS in the past 20 years, including chair and education chair. She is actively involved in undergraduate research that has led to several

students presenting posters at National American Chemical Society meetings. In 2000, she was presented with the Connecticut Higher Education Service Award. She earned her doctorate from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

**Jack Fernandez**

Jack Fernandez is the University's director of Public Safety. He also co-chairs the University Safety Committee and serves on the Commencement Committee. He is a member of the International Law Enforcement Administrators and the Northeast Colleges and Universities Security Association.

**Robert A. Lisak**

An adjunct instructor in the Media Studies and Digital Culture Department, Robert A. Lisak earned his master's of fine arts degree from Yale School of Art. He teaches beginning and intermediate photography as well as a history of photography course. Additionally, he taught a graduate-level course for the MACOMM degree program in the fall 2011 semester. Bringing 25 years of success as a working artist and commercial photographer, he supervises advanced students doing independent study, and he continues to develop the transition from traditional to digital photography.

**Theresa A. Natale**

Theresa A. Natale is an administrative assistant and performs scribe services for the Jandrisevits Learning Center in the Ryan Matura Library. She is responsible for various administrative duties and for hiring scribes for learning-disabled students.

About the Honorees



Joseph Carter

Joseph Carter is an adjunct instructor and director of Academic Music Programs. He manages the music faculty, coordinates all the Academic Music courses and private music lessons, oversees the Academic Music minor and the music concentration of the Performing Arts Degree program. He also runs the Annual Music Faculty Concert Series. He received his master's degree from New York University.



Nick Giaquinto

Nick Giaquinto is the head coach of the Sacred Heart University men's baseball team. He led the Pioneers to three NCAA Division II Regional Tournaments and to the 1992 Division II National Championship tournament. As a Division I team, over the past eight seasons the Pioneers have played in the Northeast Conference Tournament six times, winning three championships and earning three NCAA regional appearances. Last fall, the team had an overall GPA of 3.26. Giaquinto holds a master's degree in education from George Mason University.



Pearl Jacobs

Pearl Jacobs serves as associate professor of criminal justice. She began her career at the University as director of the Criminal Justice program, served as the first chair of the department, developed the master's in criminal justice and directed the criminal justice internship program for 25 years. She earned her doctorate from Fordham University and is the author of several published articles in the field.



Lois A. Libby

Lois A. Libby is an associate professor in the College of Education. She is involved in many programs, including Graduate Internship in Education, Five-Year Program in Education, Faculty Affairs Committee, School of Education, the Innovations Committee and Center for Urban Policy and Action (CUPA) for SHU. She has been awarded the Transitions to Teaching and Teaching American History grants. She has also developed programs for the Fairchild Wheeler Interdistrict Magnet School Campus and serves on the board of advisers for Discovery Magnet School. She earned her doctorate at the University of Connecticut.

**Stephen J. Lilley**

Stephen Lilley is a professor of sociology and chair of the Sociology Department. He is a member of the Curriculum Review Committee and serves as director of Great Challenges Minor—Civic Engagement, Civil Society and the Common Good. He earned a doctorate from the University of Massachusetts.

**Lori-Jo McEwan**

A senior programmer analyst in Administrative Information Technology, Lori-Jo McEwan is responsible for supporting several administrative IT applications, including Colleague Student System, Web Advisor, Student Financial Assistance, Room Scheduling and University Calendar, including operational support, assisting with or performing upgrades and customization when needed. She earned a bachelor's degree and M.B.A. at Sacred Heart University.

**Gerald F. Reid**

Jerry Reid serves as professor of anthropology and sociology and associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He was one of several professors who developed SHU's El Salvador program in 1991-92. In 1993, he received the University's Teaching Excellence Award and in 1995 the Scholarly Achievement Award. As associate dean, he was involved in developing the First-Year Experience program, especially the First-Year Seminar. He also serves as director of the Center for Irish Cultural Studies, for which he has overseen the recent development of the University's Irish Studies program (including a minor in Irish Studies), Irish cultural and curricular programming on the Fairfield campus and the SHU in Dingle study-abroad program in Ireland. He earned his doctorate in anthropology at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

About the Honorees



Raymond J. Altieri



Raymond J. Altieri is an adjunct instructor in mathematics for the University. He earned his bachelor's degree, master's degree and 6th-year certificate from Sacred Heart and Fairfield Universities and served as an adjunct instructor in the SHU Computer Science Department for 15 years.

Dhia A. Habboush



Dhia A. Habboush is a professor of chemistry who earned his doctorate from the United Kingdom's University of Southampton. In his time at Sacred Heart University, he has served as chair of the Department of Chemistry, coordinator of the chemistry program, director of the master's in chemistry program and president of the Faculty Senate. He also founded the chemistry master's program in 1993 and served as chair of the Western Connecticut Section of the American Chemical Society in 1990-91.

Lucjan T. Orlowski



Lucjan T. Orlowski is a professor of economics and international finance and chair of the Department of Economics and Finance. He teaches courses in global financial markets and institutions, econometrics, forecasting and international economics. He serves as chair of the University Research Awards Committee and is a member of the University Core Curriculum Committee. His research concentrates on international finance markets, monetary policy regimes and their impact on macroeconomic and financial stability. He has authored three books, seven chapters in edited volumes and over 80 articles in scholarly journals. His external affiliations include serving as associate fellow at Yale University's Saybrook College, research professor at the Halle (Germany) Institute for Economic Research and senior fellow at the Center for Economic and Social Research in Warsaw. During his most recent sabbatical, he was a visiting fellow at the European Commission DG ECFIN and a visiting professor at the University of Rome III and the Shanghai University of Finance and Economics. He earned his doctorate at Katowice University of Economics.

**Danny A. Pannese**

Danny Pannese is an associate professor in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems, where he teaches senior-level tax and auditing classes and coordinates graduate and undergraduate tax and auditing courses. He created the Sacred Heart University Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program to assist the greater Bridgeport community with fulfilling their tax obligations with the aid of SHU students. He has served on numerous University committees and is the adviser for the Accounting Club. He was also selected to assist in the preparation of the AICPA's Uniform CPA exam, regulation section. He holds a master's degree in taxation from the University of New Haven.

About the Honorees



David Bike

Sacred Heart University alumnus David Bike is a veteran of 35 years on the bench for the Pioneers men's basketball team, the only college team he's ever coached. He has guided the program to a Division II National Championship and a transition to Division I, earning more than 500 career victories along the way. At the beginning of the current season, he coached his landmark 1,000th game. He holds a record of 529-499 and ranks in the Top 20 in wins among active NCAA men's basketball coaches. The National Association of Basketball Coaches selected him as National Coach of the Year in 1985-86, and he has been voted NECC Coach of the

Year three times. In 1990, he was presented the Doggie Julian Award for outstanding service by the New England Basketball Coaches Association.



Michael Bozzone

Michael Bozzone is the assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and an adjunct associate professor of English. He is responsible for the academic lives of each incoming freshman class, coordinating the academic aspects of orientation and scheduling. He serves as a student adviser and supervises the University's award-winning Freshman Academic Advising Program. As an instructor, he teaches one or two sections of English and/or Freshman Seminar each semester and is a member of the faculty committee that selects and approves courses for

the Freshman Seminar Program. All told, he considers his most important duty to be giving advice and support to each year's freshman class and to the student body overall. He earned his master's degree at Fordham University.

Sheryl Madison

Sheryl Madison is office manager and assistant to the director of Athletics. She holds responsibilities throughout the Athletics Department, including support for the coaches of all 31 sports, and she often assists in managing ticket sales for basketball, football and hockey games. She is a familiar face at Pioneer athletic events, loyally supporting all teams at home and away games. She received the Pioneer Sports Award in 1995, the Student-Athlete Council Appreciation Award in 1997 and the Campus Life Leadership Outstanding Staff Award in 2008. She earned degrees from Queens College and Katharine Gibbs School. She has two children and three granddaughters who live in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

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Michelle Loris

Michelle Loris serves as professor and associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. She is the director of The Human Journey Common Core and brought national recognition to the program through the Lilly Fellows Network Exchange Grant and Conference, the Davis Foundation Educational Grant for Faculty Development, the AAC&U Grant and an article in *Liberal Education*. She organized The Human Journey Colloquia Series and coordinates College of Arts and Sciences graduate programs, online courses, transfer registration and academic actions. She teaches literature and psychology courses and advises over 70 students. She is the author of two books (about authors Joan Didion and Gloria Naylor) and several articles in the areas of literature, psychology and writing/composition. She earned a Ph.D. in American literature from Fordham University and a Psy.D. in clinical psychology from Antioch University Graduate School. She is the mother of two sons, Sal, 18, and Nick, 13.



Christina J. Taylor

An associate professor of psychology and women's studies, Christina Taylor received her bachelor's degree in psychology from Sacred Heart University and her doctorate from the Graduate Center of The City University of New York. She combines her interests in social and clinical psychology in the courses that she teaches and in her clinical practice, where she specializes in the treatment of anxiety disorders. She founded the women's studies interdisciplinary minor at Sacred Heart and served as the director of the program from 1990 to 1996. She also founded the SHU chapter of Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in psychology.



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