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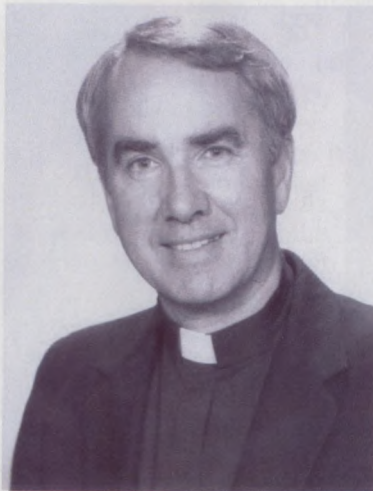
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UC Sponsors Third Notre Dame Hesburgh Alumni Lecture

On Wednesday, March 15, Reverend Oliver F. Williams, spoke at the annual Hesburgh Alumni Lecture. This was the third time University College has co-sponsored this prestigious event with the University of Notre Dame Alumni Club of Fairfield.

The Hesburgh Lecture Series began in 1986 when the University of Notre Dame Alumni Association sponsored a series of educational programs in its nationwide alumni clubs. Today the speakers are among the most distinguished of Notre Dame faculty. The series is titled the Hesburgh Alumni Lecture after Father Theodore Hesburgh, a well respected University of Notre Dame faculty member, and former Notre Dame president, in appreciation for his dedication to lifetime learning.



This year's lecture, "Can You Do Well While Doing Good?" was presented by Father Williams, a Notre Dame faculty member for over 30 years. He is an associate professor of Management in the Mendoza Col-

lege of Business and the director of the Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business. He is the author of numerous books on business ethics, including *Is the Corporation Dead? Social Responsibility in a Global Economy and Business Religion and Spirituality: A New Synthesis*. The lecture description states that, "Many believe that business ethics is an oxymoron, some business leaders conduct their operations as if the bottom line is the only concern. Discussing many examples such as Johnson and Johnson, Hewlett Packard, and Merck, it is possible to outline a way for a business manager to exhibit superior performance in business and yet be a model of virtue and ethical values."

University College is proud to have co-sponsored this event with the University of Notre Dame Alumni Club of Fairfield. ■

Making Graduation a Family Affair

Graduation is a milestone dreamt about by every college student across the world. It is the culmination of years of hard work and what seems like a lifetime of experience. Graduation is a time of celebration with family and friends for a job well done. It is the commencement of a new life as a college graduate.

On Sunday, May 14, three Sacred Heart University students will make graduation, quite literally, a family event. Michele Peloso, a UC

student and administrative assistant to the Dean of the College of Education and Health Professions, and two of her children, Joseph and Nicole, will be graduating together.

"It's very exciting," said Nicole who will be receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Science.

"How often do three members of the same family get to do something like this?" added Joseph who is receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree in History. Nicole will attend graduate school...

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*"Joseph and Nicole
have been an
inspiration to me as a
parent."
~Michele Peloso*

UC Upcoming Events

March 13– May 3, 2006
AHEAD Term 4

April 12– April 18, 2006
Easter Break– no classes

May 13– May 14, 2006
Commencement Weekend

May 15, 2006
Summer Intensive Begins

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UC In Depth: Work Study Students

Today's student is commonly found doing many more things than simply attending classes and studying deep into the night. SHU students are presented with uncountable opportunities to become involved in the SHU community outside of the classroom. Whether it is playing for a sports team, volunteering in Bridgeport

the classroom. In addition, many students are involved in the work



study program. The work study program is a federally funded form of financial assistance in which students obtain part-time jobs on campus. UC has seven

motivated students who work part time in the offices on SHU's main campus.

Caitlin Robles, a junior from Milford, Connecticut, is majoring in Business Management. She has been working

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schools, or coordinating activities for students at night, SHU students are highly involved in activities outside of



New CFE Advisory Council Formed

On January 30, the new advisory council for the Sacred Heart University Center for Financial Education (CFE) gathered for its first meeting. The CFE, located at SHU's Stamford campus, will now benefit from the expertise and talent of 10 individuals from area firms and the University.

The new council will provide assistance to the Dean of University College on issues surrounding the educational programs offered at the CFE; advice on long-term strategic plans for the Stamford Center; and guidance in identifying sector educational needs and marketing.

"We have been meeting with these individuals over the last six months and have expanded our program due to their shared experiences. It only made sense to bring them together in a more formal and strategic way," commented Nancy Sidoti, University College Dean. UC is proud to announce the members of the new CFE Advisory Council:

Francisco Delgado, Ph.D., Wealth Management Solutions, Morgan Stanley

Michael Del Re, Jr., '68, CLU, ChFC, President, Financial Network Ltd.

Mary Lou DeRosa, '03 MBA, Director, University College Initiatives

Cynthia Dowling, JD, Chief Compliance Officer, GE Asset Management

Noel Forma, CFP, CRPC, Field Vice President, Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.

Herb Gladstone, CPA, retired

Jean Leonard, '95 MBA, Senior Financial Advisor, Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.

Bernie Oksenberg, Director of Recruiting, Barnum Financial, MetLife

Paul Rivera, MBA, Ph.D. Faculty, Pace University and Albertus Magnus College

Stephen Scarpatti, CPA, CLU, ChFC, Clinical Assistant Professor of Accounting, Sacred Heart University ■

Photos above: (from left) Jennifer Blake, Allyson Conca, Caitlin Robles



Ron Bealer, Dean Nancy Sidoti, Dr. Stephen Brown, Jana Novakova, and Dr. David Levinson at the Sacred Heart University/Norwalk Community College Articulation Agreement signing this past winter. These articulation agreements help benefit many of University College's part-time business students.

UC Chapel of Love

On October 29, 2005, two very special individuals were married in a civil ceremony in Milford, Connecticut. Sal and Anabelle Bonsangue, met in a Sacred Heart University Derby Campus classroom, beginning their once upon a time...

It was the Fall of 2004 and Sal and Anabelle were both enrolled in an American Literature class. By the third week of the class, Sal resolved to introduce himself to Anabelle. Right before Christmas break he asked her out on a date. However, Anabelle was traveling to Miami for a family reunion. This did not get in the way of the great things to come.

It was January 10, 2005 and Sal and Annabelle went on their first date. Winter passed and the spring came and went. It was the tenth of August, 2005, and Sal and Anabelle were engaged to be married. To think it all began in a UC classroom.

Sal is a Sociology major and Anabelle is a Business major, both are expecting to receive their degrees in 2008. Around Christmas 2005, the couple honeymooned in Miami, as well as attended Anabelle's annual family reunion.

Sal and Anabelle love spending time together. Having more summer hobbies than winter ones, the two enjoy walking their dog together as well as rollerblading.

Denise Griffin, Sal's advisor, was "so happy that we got together and got married," commented Sal. "When it was time to register, she [Griffin] directed me to a class I needed. I didn't know at the time that it was a class that Anabelle was

also in."

To Sal, Griffin played an important roll in the success of his relationship with Anabelle. In addition, she was extremely helpful with the registration process that Sal must go through with his company. "I probably would have given up if it wasn't for her," he commented.



The happy couple will be taking an Ethics class together in the AHEAD Term 4. On September 23, 2006, Sal and Anabelle Bonsangue will renew their vows in a Church ceremony in Milford. They then hope to take a second honeymoon to the Do-

minican Republic.

With help from UC, these two students are not only lifetime learners, but lifetime lovers. ■

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...for UC since her freshman year. Robles is an associate member of the SHU chapter of Best Buddies, a program in which college students "buddy" up with individuals in the community who have physical and developmental disabilities. As an associate member, she helps with event planning, setting up for events, and fundraising. In addition to her part-time job at UC, Robles works another part-time job at the Milford Mall. Robles hopes to someday run an efficient and profitable business.

Allyson Conca is also a member of the class of 2007. An avid Yankees fan from Hopewell Junction, New York, she is very involved in extracurricular activities on campus. She is the treasurer of the Student Alumni Association (SAA), she gives prospective students tours as a Student Ambassador, and is a member of the Honors Program. SAA is an organization that works with the SHU Alumni Relations Department to plan events such as Homecoming that promote the continuing involvement of alumni in SHU's current affairs. Conca is a Math Education major with a minor in Spanish...

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...for Occupational Therapy in the fall. Joseph will also attend graduate school in the fall for a master's in either education or anthropology.

Michele Peloso graduated in 1977 with an associate's degree from SHU. She will now be receiving her Bachelor of Science degree in General Studies. Originally, Michele decided to attend SHU because it was local. Joseph and Nicole both went away to college for their first year, and then decided to transfer to become students at SHU. It is clear that SHU has had a great impact on the Peloso family. "My father also attended Sacred Heart University you could say we are a SHU family," said Joseph.

As a family, the Peloso's work together to help each other reach their

own goals. "They help me and I help them," commented Michele. "Joseph and Nicole have been an inspiration to me as a parent. They are both motivated individuals that want to succeed in life."

A tight-knit family from the start, attending SHU has brought the Peloso's together even more. "It allows us greater ability to be active in each other's lives," said Joseph.

The Peloso's are leading examples of dedication and hard work. "Mom [is] the hardest working person I know," commented Joseph. It is clear that Michele, Joseph, and Nicole will continue on with the success they have already achieved individually and as a family. What better way to commence than together, as a family? ■

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...and hopes to one day become a high school math teacher. In addition to working at UC, which she has been doing since the beginning of her sophomore year, Conca is a math tutor on campus and works at the Disney Store while on break.

Jennifer Blake is a first semester senior majoring in English Education. A UC work study since her freshman year, Blake is in charge of the UC newsletter. Blake is highly involved in the Band programs here at SHU. She is President of the Band Council, which is the student governing organization for the entire SHU Pioneer Bands Program. Blake is also a member of the Marching and Pep Bands on campus. In addition to the Pioneer Bands and her job at UC, Blake is a Classroom Learning Assistant (CLA) for the Communications Theory Course this semester. When at home in Rocky Point, New York, Blake is employed as a waitress and receptionist at Majestic Gardens Catering Hall. She is currently volunteering in the Bridgeport schools to gain experience to help pursue her goal of becoming a high school English teacher.

UC's veteran work studies, Robles and Blake have both earned placement on the Dean's List in this past Fall.

"Caitlin [Robles], Allyson [Conca], and Jennifer [Blake] are invaluable to our division," said their supervisor, Mary Lou DeRosa. "Their professionalism and the pride that they take in their work is evident in all of their projects. We rely on them and trust their judgment."

By having a genuine concern and appreciation for the lives and activities of the work studies, DeRosa has helped these three young women develop a work ethic that will benefit them in their future endeavors. "[DeRosa] has a lot of pride in her work study students, but we could not have reached the level of work that we have if it weren't for her training, patience, and time," said Robles. "She has made us better workers." ■

Alpha Sigma Lambda Inducts
40 New Members

On November 6, 2005, Alpha Sigma Lambda inducted 40 new members to its society. Alpha Lambda Sigma is a National Continuing Education Honor Society designed to recognize the special achievements of part-time undergraduate students who accomplish academic excellence while facing the competing responsibilities of family and work. Membership requires the completion of at least 30 semester hours at Sacred Heart (15 of which must be Liberal Arts courses) and the maintenance of a 3.2 overall academic average. University College congratulates Alpha Sigma Lambda's newest members:

Holly Boucher
Lauro Cabrera
Rick Castelot
Elizabeth Cross
Patricia DaSilva
Linda A. Dearborn
Gabriela F. De La Cuadra
Guy M. Dufresne
Jennifer Ann Foss
Maria Gavela
Karen L. Giroux
Maribel Gonzalez
Aaron Alexander Grean
Deborah Coyle Jackson
Nancy J. Kelley
Agnieszka Kiszkiel
Carol Codeanne Kupec
Gene Landres
Lisa Laudadio
Lori Anne Lowry



Katherine E. Lucci
Richard E. Mancini
Philip A. Marinaccio
Maureen D. McLaughlin
Phyllis Mennillo-Dorigo
Korine A. Muska
Tina J. Null
Kristin Okesson
Debora Perlini-Waite
Jayne M. Pinto
Jennifer L. Psarros
Nancy L. Salvatore
Samphos Samath
Monica Santiago
Albert J. Satkowski, Jr.
Lilia A. Silva
Stacy M. Sinkovich
Patricia H. Strasburger
Renee Velardi
Isabel Villagomez ■

Alpha Sigma Lambda logo compliments of www.alphasigmalambda.org

Attention Graduating Seniors!!

Undergraduate Commencement ceremonies are scheduled for Sunday
May 14, 2006!

Please make sure that you have filled out your graduation data card and
all other necessary paperwork is complete!

**Congratulations to
the University
College students
who made the
Dean's List in the
Fall 2005
Semester!**

**Your hard work and
achievements are
commended!**

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