Ramblers Move to Missouri Valley Conference • Sheryl Swoopes is Women’s Basketball Head Coach
Built on the site of the old Alumni Gym, the Arnold J. Damen, S.J., Student Center has more than 100,000 square feet of usable space—enough to hold more than 21 NCAA basketball courts. The center, part of the University’s reimagine campaign for student life, has more than a dozen lounge spaces and conference rooms, ranging from small to, well, massive. The largest meeting room—the Sister Jean Hall—can hold up to 400 people for lectures. The Damen Student Center will be a place for students to socialize, get involved in student organizations, study, and truly feel like a part of the Loyola community. The building is LEED Silver-certified to conserve energy and be as environmentally friendly as possible.

Arnold Damen, S.J. (1815–1890), for whom the Damen Society is named, helped establish Holy Family Church, Chicago’s first Jesuit parish. He was the founder and first president of St. Ignatius College, the predecessor of Loyola University Chicago. The college opened in 1870 and narrowly escaped the Great Fire of 1871, which started just blocks away.
**DAMEN STUDENT CENTER HIGHLIGHTS**

1. **Food court**
2. **Campus Ministry offices and worship spaces for different faiths**
3. **Area with gaming consoles and a library of games**
4. **35-foot climbing wall, accessible from the Halas Sports Center**
5. **Ireland's, a sports lounge**
6. **80-foot by 40-foot skylight**

**NOT PICTURED**
- **125-seat movie theatre**
- **High-efficiency fixtures help the center reduce its water use by up to 30 percent**
Growth and renewal

Spring is a time of growth and renewal. In that spirit, I am pleased to share several updates that point to Loyola’s continued progress.

At our Health Sciences Campus, we are close to breaking ground on a new research building that will bring our scientists together to advance medical knowledge and improve health care. The doctors, nurses, and researchers who will benefit from this facility will go on to serve those in our community (page 26) and around the world (page 14).

At the Lake Shore Campus, the doors have opened on the Arnold J. Damen, S.J., Student Center. Our students have long needed a true student union—a place to meet and make friends and get involved with the Loyola community. Our Institute of Environmental Sustainability, which will open later this summer, will be a milestone in Loyola’s longstanding commitment to preparing our students to be stewards of the environment and ecological problem-solvers (page 9).

As part of our sustainability efforts, research and conservation continue at our rural Retreat and Ecology Campus. We are learning more about the ecosystems we’re working to restore and encouraging students to engage with the natural world (page 18).

I am also pleased to announce that, starting July 1, Loyola will be a part of the Missouri Valley Conference, an NCAA Division I college athletic conference. We are excited to offer our student-athletes the opportunity to compete in the second-oldest conference in the country, and I know that they will bring not only the athletic ability but the sportsmanship and commitment to academics that are the true marks of a Rambler.

I wish you and your family a happy spring. Thank you for reading.
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Big things are under way for Loyola athletics. On April 19, Loyola accepted an invitation to join the Missouri Valley Conference, the second-oldest college athletic conference in the nation.

Loyola is also pleased to announce the hiring of WNBA star Sheryl Swoopes as the head coach of the women’s basketball team.

As they say, good things come in threes: the 1963 men’s basketball team will be inducted into the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame on November 24 in Kansas City, Missouri. The 1963 Rambler squad is the first team ever to be enshrined in the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame.

RAMBLERS: AN EXCERPT
According to a new book on Loyola’s 1963 NCAA championship season, coach George Ireland was a persuasive recruiter. Guard Ron Miller describes how Ireland snatched him away from the University of Dayton:

“My mother had a cake. He [Ireland] ate the cake and he said, ‘This cake brings tears to my eyes. This is the best cake I’ve ever eaten.’ And he said to her ‘I can tell you that every kid who comes to Loyola and spends four years with me graduates, period. There’s not one kid who’s ever gone four years who didn’t have a degree.’ And what does a mother want to hear? It’s like we’re gonna take care of your son. And that was pretty much it. I said mom, I really like the University of Dayton. And she said, no, I like that George Ireland man.”

RAMBLERS: LOYOLA CHICAGO 1963—THE TEAM THAT CHANGED THE COLOR OF COLLEGE BASKETBALL, BY MICHAEL LENEHAN (AGATE MIDWAY)
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Damen Awards
Named for Loyola University Chicago’s primary founder, Arnold Damen, S.J., this award is granted to an alumnus(a) from each of Loyola’s schools and colleges. It recognizes leadership in industry, leadership in community and service to others.

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Coffey Award • Elaine M. Schuster (MUND ’68)
Named for M. Justitia Coffey, BVM, the first president of Mundelein College, this award honors a Mundelein College alumna for her leadership in the community, accomplishments in industry, and service to others.

Felice Award • John J. Kurowski (JFRC ’73-’74, BA ’75)
Named after the founding director of the John Felice Rome Center, this award is given to a JFRC alumnus(a) who has shown exemplary leadership in business and community and support to the Rome Center.
New director of supply chain management

John A. Caltagirone has been appointed director of the new Supply and Value Chain Center at Loyola University Chicago’s Quinlan School of Business, where he also serves as an executive lecturer for the Executive MBA, MBA, and Master of Science in Supply Chain Management programs. Caltagirone brings with him more than 35 years of experience in supply chain management, logistics, and technology, most recently as vice president and national practice leader of global supply chain strategy for The Revere Group, an NTT Data company. Caltagirone holds a Bachelor of Business Administration with a concentration in finance from Quinlan.

11th chapter of Dean’s Speaker Series

On April 8, the Quinlan community gathered for the Dean’s Speaker Series, which focused on building bridges between the public, private, and nonprofit sectors to address social issues. Dean Kathleen A. Getz moderated a panel featuring Illinois State Senator Patricia Van Pelt; Robert Parkinson Jr. (BBA ’73, MBA ’75), CEO of Baxter International; and Neli Vazquez-Rowland (BBA ’85), president of A Safe Haven.

ACCESS TO EXCELLENCE

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LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO

Showcasing achievement

On April 19–21, Loyola celebrated its third annual Weekend of Excellence, which showcases the academic, civic, and creative work of students, and celebrates varieties of student leadership. Events included a senior exhibition, undergraduate research and engagement symposium, Spring Honors Recital, performances of the play Urinetown, and more.

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Green is gold

The Institute of Environmental Sustainability, opening in August, is the culmination of 10 years of increasing emphasis on sustainability at Loyola. The 200,000 square-foot institute comprises four main parts: BVM Hall, an atrium, a greenhouse (dubbed the Ecodome), and San Francisco Hall. Students and faculty will live, study, research, and implement sustainable practices under one roof.

Nancy Tuchman, PhD, of the biology department, is the founding director of the institute, which will eventually become a full-fledged school. Tuchman has been instrumental in sustainability at Loyola, spearheading the biodiesel program, water conservation and food systems programs, and many others, including those at the Retreat and Ecology Campus. She was one of five recipients of Chicago magazine’s 2013 Green Awards, and, as director, will continue to push for innovative and practical programming that prepares students for careers as responsible stewards of our environment.

Stay tuned to future issues of Loyola Magazine for more on the Institute of Environmental Sustainability • luc.edu/sustainability

Paulette Saldana

Biology Major
Robert E. Joyce Memorial Scholarship

Blazing a Trail • Paulette Saldana is a first-generation Mexican American and the first member of her family to go to college. In order for Paulette and her siblings to attend college in the United States, her parents moved the family here from Mexico. She wears a wooden bracelet with the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe as a symbol of her faith and to remind her of her Mexican heritage.

Paulette immediately connected with the people at Loyola—genuine people who inspired her—as well as the school’s Jesuit values. Paulette sees the scholarships she has received as a vote of confidence from people who believe she’s worth the investment, and they keep her motivated as she works toward becoming a doctor so she can give back to her community.

To help students like Paulette: luc.edu/scholarshipcampaign
FRONTLINES

CUNEO MANSION & GARDENS
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MAY 12–SEPT. 8
Martha Weathered Exhibition:
11:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2:30 p.m. $10 adults, $9 seniors/students, free for faculty/staff.

JUNE 23
Gardening in Containers Workshop: 1:30-3:30 p.m. Free.

JULY 10
Rod Stewart Tribute Concert:
6–8:30 p.m., $20 per car

JULY 24
Piano Man Concert: 6–8:30 p.m., $20 per car

JULY 28 AND AUG. 25
PRAIRIE LANDSCAPE WALK: 2–3 p.m., $10 non-members, $5 members

RETREAT AND ECOLOGY CAMPUS
WOODSTOCK VALLEY, ILLINOIS

MAY 31, JUNE 29, AUG. 2, SEPT. 6
Farm to Table Dinners: 6:30 p.m., $55

JUNE 22
Beekeeping Basics: 1–4 p.m.

JULY 13
Happy Harvest and Food Preservation Workshop: 1–5 p.m., $30

The new Palm Court
A new venue on the Lake Shore Campus, this atrium space boasts lake views and an abundance of natural light. Coupled with a wrap-around outdoor terrace, this venue is one of Loyola’s most sought-after venues for weddings and special events, seating up to 130 guests.
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MARCELLA NIEHOFF SCHOOL OF NURSING

Meeting the challenges of modern health care

In its 2010 report on The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health, the Institute of Medicine encouraged a focus on nursing higher education. Citing an aging population and an increase in chronic health conditions, the report recommended that nurses with associate degrees continue their education and complete BSN degrees in order to meet the challenges of 21st-century health care. The report also challenged nursing schools to respond to this need by offering innovative and accessible paths to a more highly educated nursing workforce.

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The new online RN to BSN program gives credit to practicing nurses for work they’ve already done—many students have over 10 years’ experience in the field, and by creating a portfolio demonstrating evidence of their professional development, they can shorten their educational track.

This program offers a path to a more highly educated nursing workforce that acknowledges the realities of working in the profession, which will ultimately benefit patients in the evolving health care landscape.

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Los Lobos de Loyola (pequeño)

The Los Lobos de Loyola sculpture by Mexican artist C. Francisco Cardenas Martinez was installed on Loyola University Chicago’s campus in March of 2012. A lovely gift for an alum, this limited-edition cast pewter sculpture is being sold in the Loyola University Museum of Art gift shop. To order, call 312.915.7630.

Not all of the canines at Wolf + Kettle Day were statues. A four-legged friend laps up attention during Generosity Week.

GENEROSITY WEEK

Giving and gratitude

It takes a community to educate a student. Tuition only covers 74 percent of a Loyola student’s education—donors help to contribute the rest. Generosity Week, held April 6–12, recognized those donors who help make a Loyola education possible. Throughout the week, students wrote thank you notes to donors, parents, and supporters.

April 10 marked the third annual Wolf + Kettle Day, a celebration of the Ignatian tradition of generosity as represented by the wolf and kettle on Loyola’s shield. Although Generosity Week only lasts a short time, the effects of Loyola’s donors are felt all year round.

Watch a new short video about the legend of the wolf and kettle at LUC.edu/wolf+kettle.

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Pride: the enemy of ethics?

There is no one single explanation or reason for unethical behavior. But, in my mind, there is a leading candidate for this rather dubious distinction. It’s what modern psychologists refer to as delusional narcissism, and what the medieval Pope Gregory the Great called “the queen of the seven deadly sins” — pride.

Philosopher Baruch Spinoza called pride a “species of madness,” because it leads us to think that we can accomplish all things. The fundamental psychology of pride is that it produces a distorted view of self and the world. Pride is about self-absorption, excessive self-esteem, inordinate self-love, and egregious self-evaluation. The Oxford English Dictionary defines pride as “an unreasonable conceit of superiority … and overweening opinion of one’s qualities, talents, and abilities.”

In effect, what pride does is to strip the ability of a person to be objective, to make sound judgments, to be critical. Pride is an excuse for excess, a roadblock to moderation, and a stairway to arrogance. Pride, says poet and Trappist monk Thomas Merton, robs us of our humility and our basic concern for objectivity, because we are constantly focused on self. For Thomas Aquinas, pride is more than narcissism; it is the “distorted desire to be exalted.” This desire, suggests Aquinas, leads to an exaggeration of our ability and rights and contempt for the ability and rights of others. For Aquinas, pride is the beginning of every sin because pride leads to complete “selfishness” and to the total abandonment of the concept of “selflessness.”

Pride diminishes the possibility of ethical conduct in regard to others, because pride reduces one’s view of the world to very narrow priorities: me, myself, and I.

Al Gini is a professor of business ethics in the Quinlan School of Business.
The big questions

Fr. John Cunningham, PhD, has spent much of his academic career chasing heavy quarks and cosmic rays in elementary particle research. Currently his research interests center on astrophysics, where he and a team of other scientists are tracking down supernovae. In this Fast Class, he takes on some of cosmology’s biggest questions and breaks them down for those of us who are not astrophysicists.

**How old is the universe?**
The universe exploded into being with the Big Bang, which happened some 14 billion years ago.

**What was there before the Big Bang?**
We are not sure. The Big Bang seems to be not only the start of energy and matter, but of time.

**How big is the universe?**
We are not exactly sure, but we do know that it’s expanding. And it was recently proven that it’s expanding at a faster rate than previously understood.

**How do we know that the universe is expanding?**
In 1929, Edwin Hubble (after whom the Hubble Space Telescope is named) studied distant galaxies and discovered that their velocities were greater the further away they were from Earth. With that discovery, many came to realize that the universe was a radically dynamic place, rather than a “static” one. But he wasn’t done there. By studying the light emitted by those distant galaxies, Hubble discovered that the stars were moving farther away from Earth in every direction, thus proving that the universe was expanding outward. Hubble proposed that the rate of expansion of the universe was constant. But astrophysicists now conclude that the universe’s rate of expansion is actually increasing or accelerating.

**How do we know that the expansion is accelerating?**
This is actually quite recent—the 2011 Nobel Prize in Physics was awarded to three scientists for this very discovery. It starts with supernovae, which are the explosions that occur as a massive star dies. There is a certain type of supernova that emits roughly the same amount of brightness every time. If you know that you are observing this type of supernova, and you measure how bright it appears to you on earth, then you can determine how far away the supernova is.

The trio that won the Nobel Prize compared the observed brightness of nearby supernovae with more distant ones and found—to everyone’s surprise, including their own—that the distant supernovae were dimmer than expected. They were so dim, and growing more so, that the most logical conclusion is that they were farther away, and not only that, but that they were moving farther away at an accelerating speed.
What are Dark Energy and Dark Matter?
Both are called “Dark” because they cannot be seen and are certainly not easily detected. Dark Energy would be what is propelling objects in the universe outward against the attraction of gravity. Dark Matter would explain why parts of galaxies rotate at speeds far greater than expected. But we cannot concretely say at this point anything about the intrinsic characteristics of either of these.

What does it all mean?
As best as we can tell, it means that everything in the universe is moving away from everything else, and accelerating as it does so. Eventually, the universe may just sort of fizzle out.

Should I find this upsetting?
I don’t think so. For one thing, this “fizzling out” is probably a trillion years in the future. Our star, the Sun, will have expanded and destroyed the Earth in 5 billion years anyway. But far more importantly, it’s exciting to watch the scientific method uncover unexpected truths. Our universe is more wondrous and complicated than we can imagine. And I, for one, am glad to have more to learn.

How is this acceleration possible?
There’s still a lot we don’t know about our universe. With the amount of gravity we can measure, it seemed like the expansion of the universe might slow, might stop, or might even eventually cause the universe to collapse back in on itself. We can now observe that none of these are true, but, we don’t exactly know why that is.
The most common working theory is that our universe is composed of a substantial amount of mysterious constituents that we did not even consider decades ago. In fact, only 4 percent of the universe appears to be made up of “normal” matter, the “stuff” of trees, planets and us, which we can observe. The rest—96 percent—may be made up of what we call Dark Energy and Dark Matter.
When disaster strikes, he’s on call


By JENNY KUSTRA-QUINN
ROBERT FULLER, MD ’92, will practice medicine wherever and however it needs to be practiced. That might mean performing surgery on the hood of a car after an earthquake or treating broken bones in a mud-soaked third-world hospital that has been hit by a tsunami. But he’s okay with that. In fact, he kind of prefers it that way.
Fuller, an International Medical Corps volunteer who has worked in Haiti, Indonesia, and the West Indies, as well as at Ground Zero in New York just after the 9/11 attacks. “I find those environments to be stimulating, challenging, and rewarding.”

Making sense out of the chaos that ensues after a disaster is “a bit of an art form,” Fuller says. “Medicine is not about having a patient sit on a clean white towel while you perfectly place a suture. It’s about preventing death.” So his goal is “to make medicine happen,” even if everything around him is falling apart.

In many ways, Fuller leads two lives. He is head of emergency medicine at the University of Connecticut Health Center and an associate professor of traumatology and emergency medicine. But he’s also a volunteer with International Medical Corps, a humanitarian organization that deploys doctors to disaster-ravaged areas to provide health care relief.

He’s on call to assist with the next major disaster — no matter what part of the world it might hit. He has a “go bag” packed, with high-calorie bars, a water filter, a mosquito net, and other necessities to help him get by for a handful of days.

When Fuller set out to become a doctor, he didn’t know which path he would follow. But while in his fourth year at Loyola’s Stritch School of Medicine, he took advantage of an opportunity to do a rotation at St. Jude Hospital in St. Lucia, a Caribbean island. That gave him a taste of the hard work and unpredictability of emergency medicine. He realized it was the direction he wanted to take his career.

Fuller recalls that the hours were long at St. Jude, but he was energized by the work. When it came time to leave, he promised the staff he’d return. They told him, “Everyone says that, and no one ever does.”

But true to his word, Fuller went back to St. Lucia at the end of his residency training, along with his wife and 15-month-old daughter. He spent nearly a year working on a volunteer basis as director of the emergency department.

Some people thought he was crazy to take an unpaid position for his first real job as a doctor. But he says the needs were great, and he really got into the work. He helped improve services and expanded emergency care to 24 hours.

When Fuller left St. Lucia and joined the University of Connecticut, he continued to bring his students to St. Jude to learn about tropical medicine. Today he is director of the hospital’s Tropical/Third-World Emergency Medicine elective.

Fuller says his work in St. Lucia taught him important skills, such as how to be flexible and do the best job possible without all the necessary supplies. These skills would aid him in the disaster situations he would encounter years later, starting with the 9/11 attacks on New York City.

Fuller, a former paramedic, was directing his hospital’s paramedics at the time and had been stepping up their emergency-response training. When 9/11 happened, the New York Fire Department requested assistance, so Fuller asked hospital administrators to send his team. They told him to take anything he needed — medications, equipment, even a fire truck.

“The roads were vacant. A sign said New York City was closed. We drove right up to the rubble pile and started helping with search and rescue,” Fuller recalls.

The team participated in one of the last live rescues, then started digging in the rubble. “After 24 hours, we were dirty and tired, and we drove back home. It was a very moving experience for all of us,” Fuller says, adding that he “learned a lot, like how to work in an unstable environment and keep yourself and your team safe and healthy.”

This knowledge came in handy a few years later, after the deadly Indian Ocean tsunami of 2004, which killed more than 200,000 people. Fuller called the International Medical Corps to see if help was needed. He was sent to Banda Aceh, Indonesia.

“I happened to be at the front edge of arriving volunteers. I went to the hospital and found out that all of the emergency staff had been killed.”

So he was asked to run emergency operations. He quickly cleaned the emergency room and started taking care of patients. He stayed for a month.

When a massive earthquake hit Haiti in 2010, Fuller was one of the first volunteers to arrive. It was taking a long time for people to get checked in at the airport. So he snuck through a fence and made his way to the hospital, where he performed one of the first surgeries. He led the Corps team for two weeks.

The next disaster hit nine months later, when Hurricane Tomas battered St. Lucia. Fuller headed to the familiar region to help care for refugees and set up a clinic.

“I like the chaos, disorder, lack of rules, and pitfalls that surround you in disaster medicine,” says Fuller.
IT CAN BE DIFFICULT, FULLER SAYS, TO LEAVE everyday life on a moment’s notice and head to a strange country for an unknown amount of time. But he says it helps that his family and colleagues are supportive. The doctors he works with help cover his shifts and teaching. “It’s a testament to them that I am able to do these things. They all pitch in behind me, and I try to make it up when I get back.”

And he doesn’t mind leaving the disaster zone once his work is done. “I make the biggest impact on the front end,” he says. “Once rules of operation and strategy for care are established, I’m ready to go. By then I’ve lost 10 or 15 pounds, I haven’t had a lot of sleep, and I’m ready to get back to hot water.”

But Fuller says he’s always aware that his short-term inconveniences don’t compare to the suffering of the local people. “It doesn’t take much to put things in perspective,” he says.

In addition to his trips to disaster zones, Fuller took a sabbatical in Ecuador from 2008 to 2009, working at an inner-city hospital. He also has worked in Nicaragua and is hoping to return there soon with his disaster medicine students.

Fuller, a Stritch School of Medicine Alumnus of the Year in 2012, says his Loyola experience helped guide him toward his true calling of emergency medicine, thanks to the opportunity in St. Lucia. He says Loyola also gave him a solid grounding in ethics and taught him the real meaning of patient-centered care. “Loyola was delivering that message before it was the catchphrase it has become today.”

Fuller says he’s prepared to head out if and when the next disaster hits—as long as he’s the right guy for the job and his wife gives her okay. His bag is packed and ready to go.
MOST COMMON BIRD SPECIES AT THE RETREAT AND ECOLOGY CAMPUS

Summer 2012, percentage of total observed bird population

Also sighted: Black-crowned Night-heron • Osprey • Screech Owl • Olive-sided Flycatcher • Black-throated Blue Warbler • Henslow’s Sparrow • Rusty Blackbird

17% Red-winged Blackbird  7% Brown-headed Cowbird  5% Gray Catbird  3% American Robin  3% Black-capped Chickadee  7% American Goldfinch
Hope is the thing with feathers

Stephen Mitten, S.J., and student Edgar Perez study the birds at Loyola’s rural campus to provide a baseline for restoration.

By ANASTASIA BUSIEK

Despite several degrees and years of experience that indicate otherwise, Stephen Mitten, S.J., doesn’t think of himself strictly as a scientist. “I see myself more as a naturalist,” he says. “I’m an ambassador for the environment.”

As spiritual director and resident ecology faculty at Loyola’s Retreat and Ecology Campus, Fr. Mitten teaches several biology and conservation courses. But his real love is avian ecology. Last summer, he and student Edgar Perez took a census of the birds and their breeding grounds on the rural campus in Woodstock, Illinois. Perez was an intern at the campus last summer, and will

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be again this summer, but he and Fr. Mitten have known each other since Fr. Mitten’s previous tenure at St. John’s Junior College in Belize, where Perez was a student. Now both are here, and both are highly invested in the research and restoration taking place at the Retreat and Ecology Campus.

Although the plant life at the campus had been surveyed and documented, the fauna had been much less so. The parts of an ecosystem are all connected, however, and birds can serve as good indicators of the health of the biological community. The data collected by Perez and Fr. Mitten will provide a baseline for the ongoing restoration of the campus’s woodlands and wetlands.

“When we do restoration you may lose some species and may gain others,” says Fr. Mitten. “How do we maintain biodiversity while meeting the goals we have for restoration?”

According to the final report, 69 bird species were documented, 40 species were found breeding or holding territories on the campus, and an additional 29 species were detected as flyovers or occasional visitors. The most common species were Red-winged Blackbirds, Gray Catbirds, American Robins, Northern Cardinals, Black-capped Chickadees, American Goldfinches, and Brown-headed Cowbirds.

Both Fr. Mitten and Perez have been interested in ornithology and ecology since childhood.

“When I was a kid, I used to ask my dad a lot of questions—what is this, what is that,” says Perez. “If he didn’t know, I went to find out. I was always curious about the environment. I purchased a bird book myself. I started to look over it and read it and learn the different parts that make a species.” Perez eventually became involved with the Audubon Society, and participated in bird counts on the society’s behalf in Belize. At St. John’s, he was further encouraged by Fr. Mitten’s own interest in birds.

Fr. Mitten is a local—he’s from Zion, Illinois, and earned his undergraduate degree in biology from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb. “I wanted to major in biology ever since I stole my Dad’s Kodak instamatic camera in fourth grade and set out to take pictures of all the birds in the back yard,” he says. “They were all just black specks, because I couldn’t really get close enough to get a good photo.”

The restoration process at the Retreat and Ecology Campus will take a long time. “The watershed basin has been really altered by past anthropomorphic ditch-digging,” Fr. Mitten says. The area was originally drained to create land for cattle grazing. Long-term goals are to remove invasive species like buckthorn and honeysuckle, restore the oak-hickory woodland, and reestablish the fen, a kind of wetland created by the retreat of glaciers.

Fr. Mitten will continue to work toward the restoration and contribute to the new Institute of Environmental Sustainability (see page 9). He is developing a course in avian ecology, and he teaches a study abroad course in Belize in January. He hopes to instill in his students the idea that local actions can have global consequences. “What I do in Chicago has an impact on whether these tropical ecosystems will be around in the future,” Fr. Mitten says. And although he misses the biodiversity of the tropics, he values the particular ecosystems here as well. “Northern Illinois has things the tropics don’t. If we don’t have a glacier fen, we’re deprived,” he says. And, like St. Francis (which is Fr. Mitten’s middle name), he sees the divine in even the Gray Catbird. “They’re all God’s creatures—I can’t say one is better than the other,” he says. “They all reveal the imagination of our Creator.”

Perez will spend another year at Loyola, and then he plans to return to Belize and St. John’s to develop the environmental science program there. He is also particularly interested in the effects of toxic chemicals, such as pesticides, on biological systems. “Belize doesn’t have any ecotoxicologists,” he says. “I hope to become the first one.” He believes his scientific knowledge carries with it a responsibility to act. “Now that I have the knowledge I was after as a child, I realize there’s more to it than that,” he says. “I see environmental degradation, pollution, global warming. Hopefully I can do something with this knowledge that will help.”
Mapping the past

History major Edward Englestad uses his military experience to chart a historic journey

By TANNER WALTERS

There are certain skill sets it is considered typical to list on an internship application. Research experience. Writing ability. Loyola student Edward Englestad listed a somewhat less typical one: "extensive military cartography experience."

Englestad, a history major, transferred to Loyola last spring. He spent nine years on active duty in the Marines, including a six-month deployment to Iraq in 2007 as a Military Intelligence Chief for a Marine Wing Support Squadron Unit.

"You have to understand the topography," says Englestad, who studied the Iraqi terrain to keep troops informed and prepared. "We had to be experts at maps, because they are the backbone of what we do."

This experience, combined with a passion for history, led Englestad to his internship with Stephen Schloesser, S.J., of the history department. Schloesser, a scholar of Jesuit history, is deeply involved in research for an upcoming conference commemorating the 200th anniversary of the Jesuit Restoration, and he was interested in a side project that would complement the conference. Schloesser’s goal was to map the letter correspondences of Father Pierre-Jean De Smet, a Belgian missionary and the first Jesuit to establish missions in the Midwest in the 1840s.

The project expanded, however, when Schloesser realized just what Englestad could do. Now, Englestad is working on creating a modern map of Father De Smet’s entire journey across the Midwest, which covers over 4,000 miles.

"By using digital technology and mapping platforms, I’m trying to create the same kind of product that I would create for a commanding officer, but here in academia," explains Englestad.

This modern map, based on Father De Smet’s meticulous hand-drawn (and impressively accurate) original maps, is complicated by several factors. For example, the names of many locations in the area have changed (often several times)—and, in many cases, the land itself has evolved since De Smet’s original journeys. But this is nothing Englestad cannot overcome.

"I look for major things, like curves in rivers—that stuff isn’t going to change over a hundred years," he says. "By looking for major evidence like that, I can look at today’s maps and figure out where these places exist today."

De Smet supervised the establishment of the first five Catholic missions in the Midwest. Englestad hopes that his map will be a testament to De Smet’s accomplishments.

"We want to show that this guy was able to traverse mountains and rivers on horseback and on foot with thousands of pounds of supplies," he says.

He plans to travel the region in May and hopes to photograph the area to create a Google Streetview display of the areas De Smet traveled. His map will be prominently featured at the conference, to be hosted by Loyola in 2014.

Read more about the Jesuit Restoration and conference in upcoming issues of Loyola magazine.
Visit Englestad’s blog at jean-pierredesmet.blogspot.com.
WHERE HE STARTED
Grew up in New Orleans but came to Loyola on a scholarship for students who graduated from Jesuit high schools

SMALL STEPS
Got his start as an entrepreneur as the DJ and co-founder of the small record label “Government Music”

A FOODIE’S FAVORITE
A self-proclaimed foodie, Massa’s current favorite restaurant is Three Aces on Taylor Street in Bucktown
On the front burner

Justin Massa’s (BA ’01) Food Genius tracks the latest trends in food and dining.

By TANNER WALTERS

It’s an age-old question, but it never fails to stump hungry patrons: “What’s for dinner?”

When Justin Massa (BA ’01) created Food Genius in 2011, he sought to help customers answer that same question.

It’s simple for anyone with an Internet connection to find lists of local restaurants by their type: Italian, Chinese, bar food. But Massa approached the problem in a unique way: by focusing on the meal, not the restaurant.

“We were trying to come up with a Netflix for food. The idea was that we would look at restaurants, look at menus, understand the attributes of their items, and then help customers find a dish, instead of a restaurant,” he says. “You can’t eat a restaurant; you have to eat a dish.”

Food Genius got its start as a mobile app for Android and iPhone cell phones. Users (who could download it for free) entered their favorite dishes, and received a list of other local options that were similar. However, Massa and co-founders Eric Cooper, Eli Rosenberg, and Benjamin Stanley quickly realized that they wanted to take Food Genius in a different direction.

“We realized that the business of what we were doing was in the data itself, and built a product around the data.”

The new Food Genius Reports, released in January of this year, offers food industry professionals restaurant menu data and analysis. The software, designed to provide a visual and intuitive display of data (most of which is provided to Food Genius by Chicago company GrubHub), has been described as offering an “incredible analysis of current ingredient-specific data.”

“We pay attention to the entire world of food all the time. That gives us the ability to very quickly provide perspective and context when somebody comes up with a new idea, but more importantly it gives us the ability to sort the signal from the noise,” Massa claims. “We don’t see it as our job to tell you what the trend is, we see it as our job to give you the set of tools to understand which trends matter to your business.”

Massa, who graduated with an undergraduate degree in political science and later earned his MA in teaching at National-Louis University, never imagined himself as a CEO.

“When I look back on it, I’ve always started things. I do something and get frustrated that it doesn’t work, and I start something else—that’s my personality. While I was at Loyola, I started a radio show on WLUW and a campus group.”

Massa is quick to credit Loyola for preparing him to be a business leader.

“Loyola instilled in me an intellectual curiosity,” he says, a curiosity he claims is necessary for all entrepreneurs. He also cites his time on the debate team as invaluable. “I learned how to do quality research, extract the most important information, and effectively communicate that information.”

Concerning the future of Food Genius, Massa has an open mind.

“The next six months for us are really all about proving Food Genius as a product and building a customer base for it. Once we do that, there are a couple of different paths we may take as to what we do next.”
LESSONS EARNED

STUDENTS FIND THEIR DIRECTION THROUGH SERVICE-LEARNING, INTERNSHIPS, AND RESEARCH

There are some things you just can’t learn in a classroom. Loyola students find their calling not just by listening, but by doing, through service-learning, academic internships, student employment, and research. These experiences, facilitated through the Center for Experiential Learning, can help them to find their direction or choose a new one, all while contributing to the community in which they live. Here are some of their stories.

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OLIVIA CHAN ’13
MAJOR: Biology
MINORS: Math, Chemistry, Anthropology

CONSERVATION RESEARCH AT SHEDD AQUARIUM

IMPACT • Before my undergraduate research class, I never really thought about community-based research, or even compared it to the type of research I do, which is usually quantitative.

PLANS • Chan plans to continue her research before entering medical school. She also plans to continue working at the Shedd.

KATIE MacKENDRICK ’13
MAJORS: English, History
MINOR: Catholic Studies

STUDENT INTERN, LIFT-CHICAGO

IMPACT • “I have seen situations on all ends of the spectrum, from abused single mothers to incarcerated individuals to PhD holders who needed jobs. … I have this wonderful organization to thank for allowing me to see and experience what makes me truly happy, on both good and bad days. LIFT-Chicago has inspired me to become the best individual that I can be in the future and in the present.”

PLANS • “The experiences I’ve had with our clients have taught me that I absolutely need to work with people: something that my sister has been telling me all of my life. I need to see that joy, to guide people through their life journeys in some way, to share jokes and smiles and tears.”

MATT RAZEK ’13
MAJOR: Psychology • MINOR: Biology

SERVED AS A RESIDENT ASSISTANT

IMPACT • “Sophomore year, I discovered that my passions did not lie in the field of medicine like I originally thought. My interest became ignited by working with my residents and helping them through personal, academic, and social situations. I knew my passion from the position and being involved on campus informed my decision that I wanted to spend the rest of my life on a college campus.”

ADDALINE STOLL ’13
MAJORS: Psychology, Sociology

CHILDREN’S HOME AND AID: DANIEL F. AND ADA L. RICE CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER

IMPACT • “My academic internship involved working with children who have been severely abused. These children have taught me more about myself than I could have ever hoped to teach them. I now appreciate what I have been blessed with, and never take anyone in my life for granted. I learned that I am very passionate about helping children and their families succeed.”

PLANS • Stoll still works at the Rice Center and, after graduation, hopes to become an employee at either the Rice Child and Family Center or at another location within children’s home and aid before returning to school to earn a master’s degree in social work.

MO SULLIVAN ’13
MINOR: Spanish Language

TENANT LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE, MERCY HOUSING LAKEFRONT’S HAROLD WASHINGTON BUILDING

IMPACT • “The course opened my eyes to a field for which I am extremely passionate and made me confident that I want to pursue a career that focuses on making positive social change within my community.”

PLANS • Before pursuing a graduate degree, Sullivan hopes to complete a yearlong post-graduate service opportunity in the hopes of working with communities and organizations that promote social justice.

WYNN COUGHLIN ’14
MAJOR: Social Work (BSW)
MINOR: Women’s Studies & Gender Studies

SOCIAL WORK INTERN, MISERICORDIA HEART OF MERCY’S SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

IMPACT • “I’ve been fortunate to have exposure both to the administrative and the clinical aspects of running a successful social service agency. By observing and interacting with professional social workers and direct support staff, the values of responsibility, integrity, and social justice will definitely stay with me into my next placement.”

PLANS • Coughlin plans to continue on to her master’s in social work.

MICHELLE LOZANO ’15
MAJORS: Psychology, Premed
MINOR: Urban Studies

TALLER DE JOSE COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

IMPACT • “It has always seemed so far-fetched to me that volunteering locally would make a difference, but after my community-based research project and research with Taller de Jose, I see that anyone can make a positive difference on a small scale that assists in the larger scale of what the organization aims to achieve.”

PLANS • “I believe I’ve identified what kind of service I want to be a part of, what kind I don’t, and so on. … I’ve furthered my understanding of what it means to be a college student in the realm of service.”

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Kisti Catalano (MD ’97) provides health care in an underserved Chicago area.

Chicago residents who live in underserved neighborhoods often find that good health care is hard to come by. But Dr. Kisti Catalano (MD ’97) is working to change that in Roseland, a Far South Side community that is hard hit by poverty and violence.

She practices internal medicine and pediatrics at a clinic run by Chicago Family Health Centers, which operates six facilities in underserved areas of the city. “Most of the patients we see have no insurance, and many of them have been victims of crimes,” Catalano says.

Residents of Chicago’s poorest areas don’t have many options when it comes to health care. Some physicians hesitate to work in neighborhoods where the majority of patients are uninsured, because Medicaid reimbursements are much lower, according to Catalano. In addition, she says, people who don’t have insurance tend to avoid visiting a doctor because of the cost.

Catalano, who previously worked for the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago, says she always wanted to work with medically underserved populations. “We go into medicine to help others. And there’s an additional sense of accomplishment...
knowing that if someone wasn’t seen here, they probably wouldn’t receive care at all.”

Catalano’s clinic is a Federally Qualified Health Center. It receives some government money so it can help all patients, regardless of their health insurance status or ability to pay. “We do a lot of outreach and make sure community members know we’re here for them and that if they can’t afford it, they can still get excellent quality care for little money,” Catalano says.

She adds that making care available to poor patients is the right thing to do, but it’s also to society’s advantage. “If I don’t take care of things like diabetes and asthma now, patients will end up in hospitals, and the cost to society becomes even greater.”

Catalano says her job can be challenging and frustrating. She sees patients who can’t afford a $4 medication. But there are also many rewards. She recently saw a woman who had lost her job and health insurance and was worried about an abnormal mammogram. The woman thought she wouldn’t be able to follow up on the test results, but Catalano reassured her that she can receive quality care.

She says it’s true that doctors practicing in clinics like hers make less money than many doctors who have private practices in higher-income areas. “But we make an acceptable salary, and there are non-financial rewards of taking care of these patients,” she says.

Last year, the Stritch School of Medicine honored Catalano as an Alumna of the Year for Early Career Achievement, “for living up to the Stritch precept that every patient has the right to quality, evidence-based health care.”

She says her experience at Loyola—both during medical school and her residency at Loyola University Medical Center—helped give her the desire to serve those with fewer resources. She took an immersion trip to St. Lucia, where she cared for people living in poverty. “That trip helped prepare me to take care of the underserved. It was a wonderful experience for a medical student,” she says.

Her Loyola education also stressed taking the patients’ perspective into account, which she says has helped her in her work today.

Catalano says she plans to stay put in Rose-land. “I believe in this medicine. This is where I belong,” she says. “I’ve been doing it for more than 10 years, and I see myself doing it 10 years from now.”

Loyola has once again been named to the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction for 2013. The distinction highlights the role colleges and universities play in solving community problems and placing more students on a lifelong path of civic engagement by recognizing institutions that achieve meaningful, measurable outcomes in the communities they serve. The Center for Experiential Learning, several stories of which are featured on page 24, is highlighted in contributing to this distinction. Last year, service-learning courses enrolled 2,780 Loyola students (over 25 percent of the undergraduate population) who completed over 106,914 hours of service in and around Chicago.
Mental health research takes students from the Lake Shore Campus to Honduras

It was the culmination of a year of work when seniors Natalia Hajnas, Jacob Marshall, Elizabeth Esparza, and associate professor of clinical psychology Amy Bohnert, PhD, went to Honduras in March of this year. They had spent the year coming up with a research proposal to examine depression, anxiety, chronic pain, and spirituality among rural Hondurans and forging connections that would help get them into Honduras.

“Virtually nothing is known about these issues including by those who are providing medical care for these patients,” says Bohnert. Hajnas and Marshall have worked in Bohnert’s lab since their freshman year. The idea for the project was Hajnas’s. She had been on several Global Medical Brigades trips in the past (two in Panama and one in Honduras) and was looking for a way to do more for the people the organization serves.

“The one thing that stood out to me was pain and why people experience it,” Hajnas says. “It’s not always physical. What if physical pain was exacerbated by mental illness or stress?” Marshall had also gone on a Global Brigades trip, and, like Hajnas, he believes that health should be looked at from a physical and a mental angle.

Elizabeth Esparza; Amy Bohnert, PhD; Jacob Marshall; and Natalia Hajnas traveled to Honduras to conduct research about mental health.

Natalia Hajnas (right) conducts a survey about mental health and spirituality in Honduras.

Research from the ground up
Getting the project off the ground was daunting.

“I did not know what to expect,” Hajnas says. “At first it seemed too big to handle—my idea for what I wanted to do. I didn’t know how I’d be able to.” Hajnas had never conducted research in another country before. “It was a slow start,” she says.

The Loyolans met with Global Medical Brigades’ co-founder and CPO, Dr. Shital Vora, who was excited about their interest in mental health. They then worked closely with Global Medical Brigades personnel in Honduras to prepare and coordinate data collection efforts. The project also received a research support grant from Loyola’s Office of Research Services. Under the supervision of a fourth-year clinical psychology graduate student, Amanda Ward, and Bohnert, the undergraduates created a survey to address their questions using recently developed NIH-sponsored instruments.

In March, Bohnert, Esparza, Hajnas, and Marshall went to the rural mountainous region of El Canton. They surveyed 131 adults, ages 18-90, who were seeking medical services provided by Global Medical Brigades. The interviewers asked about pain and its relationship to mental health, as well as about spirituality and religiosity. They asked about symptoms of anxiety and depression, daily work load, stresses related to parenting, and social support.

Marshall says the experience was a new and valuable one. “In the past I’ve worked off previously collected data; this was the first time I collected my own,” he says. “This was a top-to-bottom research project, and I’m grateful to have been involved from the beginning.”

Preliminary findings suggest that those who reported higher levels of social isolation had more symptoms of depression and anxiety, and that those reporting higher social satisfaction had fewer symptoms. The survey found no direct relationship between spirituality and depressive symptoms, but it did indicate that spirituality may serve to buffer the relationship between various stressors and anxiety and depressive symptoms.

Bohnert plans to present these findings at a conference and publish several papers with these students. ‘I have never been more proud to be a member of Loyola’s faculty than I was watching these students,’ Bohnert says. “It was inspiring to be able to see this project that they were so invested in for years come to fruition.”

**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION CENTER FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL EFFECTIVENESS**

‘Like dropping a pebble in water’

Loyola partners with Indonesian educators to update teaching methods

David Ensminger, PhD, was one of the educators involved in a program established by Loyola to train Indonesian teachers in Catholic schools about contemporary teaching methods.

“We wanted to put the students in the role of information gatherers and disseminators instead of just passive receivers,” says Ensminger, an assistant professor in Loyola’s School of Education.

The program began when Loyola President Michael J. Garanzini, S.J., sought to bring 10 Indonesian Catholic educators to Loyola to provide them with instructional leadership training. Loyola partnered with the Indonesian Jesuit High Schools Association and Sanata Dharma University in Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

The educators studied as a cohort group at Loyola beginning in the summer of 2009, with eight receiving a specially designed master’s degree in instructional leadership, and two earning a doctorate. The goal was to teach the cohort group instructional leadership skills which they could take back to Indonesia to teach other instructors.

“It’s kind of like the idea of dropping a pebble in the water and watching the circle grow,” says Michael Boyle, PhD, assistant director of the Center for Catholic School Effectiveness.

“I printed a motto, ‘born to sacrifice and serve for greater ends!’ on two mugs: one left at home, the other brought to Chicago,” says Markus Budiraharjo (EdD ’13), one of the educators in the cohort. “It was meant to remind me about this great mission.”

Budiraharjo earned his doctorate in curriculum and instruction from Loyola and wrote his dissertation on the cohort program. He credits the program with teaching him to be open to new ideas—a mindset he says informs his teaching methods now that he is back at home.

“My return to my home institution will be characterized by willingness to learn from others. It is my conviction that my role is to help others grow and flourish,” he says.

Budiraharjo says the Loyola program established a teacher leadership program for private schools in Indonesia where none existed. To that end, Budiraharjo has started an instructional leadership program at Sanata Dharma University. Now he and the other cohort graduates are being asked to do training by a variety of other private schools in Indonesia.
Advertising is powerful. It affects much more than just what we buy—it can also affect how we think of others and of ourselves. Pamela Morris, PhD, researches the portrayals of women in advertising and how those portrayals are internalized by viewers. Morris, assistant professor of advertising and integrated marketing communications in the School of Communication, believes that both advertising agencies and the public have a responsibility to question the ways women are represented.

Generally, Morris says, women are portrayed in supportive or submissive roles. “They’re also shown smaller than men, indicating less power or importance,” she says. It will not come as news to anyone who has read a magazine or driven past a billboard that depictions of women in advertising are also frequently highly sexualized.

“Women are seen laying around on floors and couches, looking sexually available,” Morris says. She also identifies what she calls “body clowning”: “Women’s bodies are often shown in bizarre posture—wide open mouths, limbs at unnatural angles. And we barely look twice at it,” Morris says. “Men are not portrayed this way. Does this mean that we see women as silly or strange?”

Morris, who worked in advertising for 20 years and has great respect for the industry, understands that advertisers have to strike a balance between what the client wants, what is profitable, and what she believes is responsible marketing. She suggests that advertisers start with transparency, and that consumers question the images they’re seeing. Although Morris credits companies like Dove, whose “Campaign for Real Beauty” challenges unattainable beauty standards, she says it’s important to remember that even those depictions are manipulated. “Images in advertising aren’t real,” she says. “Photographers shoot from different angles; they use filters and software to manipulate what people look like. Not everyone knows that.”

Morris says that advertisers should not only be more transparent about the ways they use images of women, but should also start to amend their practices. “Good advertising does not need to create silly images of women,” she says. “Future practitioners need to ask themselves, ‘What is the ad world doing to people?’ There should be some kind of standard for what they create, so that we can get the message out that you don’t have to judge people, especially women, by how thin their bodies are and how long their legs are.”

She argues that this will not only be better for society, but for the brands advertised. “Sensational advertising does not establish a long-term brand image,” Morris says. “You can capture attention in other ways that are better for the brand.”
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

HIV/AIDS: Encouraging prevention

As of March 2012, the Centers for Disease Control and prevention (CDC) estimates that there are currently 1.2 million people living with HIV/AIDS in the United States. Although people infected span all ages, ethnic groups, and lifestyles, some groups tend to see higher rates of infection than others. One such group is African-American men who have sex with other men. After noticing these trends, the School of Social Work developed a study to look at the efficacy of preventative treatment in reducing this group’s percentage of infection.

The study is called Black Men Evolving, or B-Me. Darrell Wheeler, PhD, dean of the School of Social Work, is the principal investigator of the study. “Something is wrong. We shouldn’t be seeing these rates of infection [within this group] given the population,” he says. B-Me is looking to see if behavioral intervention focusing on critical thinking and cultural affirmation can help lower this group’s rate of high-risk sexual behavior. The primary goal of the study is to promote safe sex norms, positive attitudes toward condom use, and self-protection from HIV/AIDS through behavioral intervention.

“If you think about this epidemic, [our study] is a fitting action for Loyola because of the University’s commitment to social justice and integrating intellectual resources to unlock problems here in Chicago,” he says.

STRITCH SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Emotions run high on Match Day

Match Day is the most anticipated day of the year for medical school students, as they learn where they will spend the next several years of their medical training. In March, 141 fourth-year students at the Stritch School of Medicine received sealed envelopes containing their residency destinations. But for two soon-to-be graduates, this Match Day was especially sweet.

Ali Hausfeld was in her first year of medical school at Stritch when her father and sister were killed in a plane crash as they flew to pick her up for Easter weekend. Less than three years later, Hausfeld and her boyfriend were involved in a serious car crash that left her with five broken ribs, a broken hip, and a dislocated ankle. Despite those setbacks, Hausfeld persevered—and at Match Day she was surrounded by her mother and more than 30 family members and friends when she opened her envelope. The result? Her first choice, Ohio State.

Sarah Bauer, another fourth-year Stritch student, was born with spina bifida and spent countless hours in doctors’ offices as a child. Although she had a milder form of the birth defect—which can leave some people paralyzed or in wheelchairs—she still underwent three surgeries while growing up, including one when she was just five weeks old. Shaped by those experiences, Bauer now wants to be a pediatrician to help other children. Match Day revealed that she will complete her training at the Medical college of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.

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Ali Hausfeld was in her first year of medical school at Stritch when her father and sister were killed in a plane crash as they flew to pick her up for Easter weekend. Less than three years later, Hausfeld and her boyfriend were involved in a serious car crash that left her with five broken ribs, a broken hip, and a dislocated ankle. Despite those setbacks, Hausfeld persevered—and at Match Day she was surrounded by her mother and more than 30 family members and friends when she opened her envelope. The result? Her first choice, Ohio State.

Sarah Bauer, another fourth-year Stritch student, was born with spina bifida and spent countless hours in doctors’ offices as a child. Although she had a milder form of the birth defect—which can leave some people paralyzed or in wheelchairs—she still underwent three surgeries while growing up, including one when she was just five weeks old. Shaped by those experiences, Bauer now wants to be a pediatrician to help other children. Match Day revealed that she will complete her training at the Medical college of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.
True grit (and a lot of practice)

Perseverence pays off for senior runner Gina Valgoi

Gina Valgoi is living proof of the adage, “slow and steady wins the race.” She was an accomplished long-distance runner at Regina High School, an all-girls school in suburban Detroit. But despite earning all-state honors five times, Valgoi didn’t attract many college recruiters.

One school that showed interest was Loyola, and over the course of her four years on the cross country team and the indoor and outdoor track teams, Valgoi has proven to be a worthy choice.

Now in her senior year, Valgoi, an accounting major and bioethics minor, is setting records. She was recently named second-team All-American for the 5,000m run by the United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. The honor is limited to the nation’s top 16 female runners in the 5,000m at the NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships.

Valgoi was also the first female runner from Loyola to compete in the NCAA Cross Country Championships, where she posted her second-fastest time ever, finishing 104th out of a field of 253 runners.

If she performs well enough this spring and makes the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships, Valgoi would become the first female runner from Loyola to qualify for three national championships.

Her list of accomplishments has grown each year at Loyola, prompting her coach, Randy Hasenbank, to marvel over how much she’s grown.

“If you look at Gina’s marks out of high school, they were good, but she was not a superstar. She worked hard every year and keeps getting better. She earned her stripes,” Hasenbank says.

Now at the top of her game, Valgoi can reflect on her steady, deliberate growth rate. “I’ve just always been slow. I never do anything fast. But I do make progress,” Valgoi says.

Progress, indeed. During her senior year, Valgoi has already helped lead her teammates in capturing the Horizon League Championships in both cross country and indoor track & field. Her personal honors have included Horizon League Cross Country Athlete of the Year, top finishes in a number of long-distance races, and the shattering of a number of school records for the mile, 5,000m and 3,000m races.

“My two goals when I came to Loyola were to be a contributing factor to the team and to consistently improve,” Valgoi says. “I’m continuing to work hard. I like pushing myself.”

Her continual improvement has Valgoi contemplating a running career after graduation. She would like to compete in the USA Track & Field National Championships, with an eye toward qualifying for the Olympic Trials in 2016. She knows those are lofty ideals, but she’s not afraid.

“You have to have goals,” she explains. “For some reason, I’ve always been able to rise to the next level. It all depends on how hard you work.”

Right now, Valgoi is focused on doing well in the outdoor track & field season and representing her school.

“I’m so grateful to Loyola for enabling me to be a part of the team and to attend college,” Valgoi said. “I want to do well for my team and I want to give back to Loyola.”
High marks on the court—and in the classroom

Ben Averkamp, one of the most highly decorated athletes in Loyola history, usually doesn’t bother to call home after he’s won an award. But this one was different: Averkamp was recently named Capital One Second Team Academic All-America.

“It’s the only time I called my parents to let them know I won an award,” says Averkamp, a senior biology major and sports management minor.

To be eligible for Academic All-America, a student-athlete must be a starter or important reserve and carry at least a 3.3 cumulative grade point average. Despite missing six games with a concussion, Averkamp led the Rambler Men’s Basketball team in points per game (14.8), minutes per game (32), free throw percentage (83%) and blocked shots (29). He also has a 3.8 cumulative grade point average.

“Ben is the quintessential student-athlete,” says Rambler Head Coach Porter Moser. “To be an Academic All-America is such a prestigious thing. But I don’t think people realize how difficult that is. These guys are physically exhausted after a practice or a game. But there was Ben after a road game, studying on the five-hour bus ride back to Chicago.”

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The Academic All-America award is the capstone to a four-year career that has included second team All-Horizon League honors; a two-time member of the Horizon League Men’s Basketball All-Academic Team; I-AAA Men’s Basketball Scholar-Athlete Team; National Association of Basketball Coaches Honors Court; and a four-time Horizon League Male Scholar Athlete of the Month.

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**SPORTS SHORTS**

**STRONG START FOR JUNIOR SOFTBALLER**

Third baseman Lauren Moore is off to a torrid start this spring for the Loyola softball team, which was picked to win the Horizon League title. Through games of March 6, Moore was batting .342 (13 for 38) with four home runs and 14 RBI. At Antioch High School in Antioch, Ill., Moore’s head coach was current Rambler assistant Jeff Tylka, who joined the Loyola staff for the 2012 season.

**TEAMMATES SINCE AGE 4, NOW PLAYING FOR THE RAMBLERS**

Sophomores Amanda Ciran and Annie Korth are teammates on the Rambler softball team, but have been teammates since they were four-year-olds playing tee ball when they were coached by Ciran’s mother. Both Ciran and Korth were teammates at St. Charles North High School in St. Charles, Ill., where they helped the North Stars to a runner-up finish in the state tournament in 2011.

**THEY’RE GETTING THE BAND BACK TOGETHER**

New Men’s soccer coach Neil Jones was an assistant at Northwestern University for the past three seasons before arriving in Rogers Park, but his entire staff played with or against one another in the 2004 NCAA Tournament championship match. Assistant Brian Plotkin was on the Indiana University team that won the NCAA title in 2004, while Jones and assistant Nate Boyden starred for UC Santa Barbara, which fell to the Hoosiers on penalty kicks.

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Feeling nostalgic?

Loyola’s campuses change as much month by month as they do year by year. Why not schedule a trip back to Chicago to visit your old stomping grounds?

**JUN 8**

**Founders’ Dinner**

This annual event benefits student scholarships and honors alumni and friends of the university who have exemplified being men and women for others through their commitments to Loyola University Chicago.

**Homecoming Weekend**

Call your classmates and make plans for Midnight Madness, the Homecoming parade, a street festival, alumni brunch, and more. More information soon!

**OCT 18-20**
THU, 5.16
COCKTAILS IN THE CLOUDS
6–8 p.m., John Hancock Observatory, 875 N. Michigan Avenue
The Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) welcome new graduates for a night of drinks, food, and fun.

SAT, 5.18
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AT LOOKINGGLASS THEATRE
1:30–5 p.m., 821 N. Michigan Ave.
Reception, panel discussion, and special performance of Still Alice.
Tickets: $40. $14 of every ticket supports the Institute on Aging.
• luc.edu/lookingglass

SUN, 6.23
RAMBLERS ON THE ROOF
11:40 a.m., doors open; first pitch, 1:10 p.m.; Wrigley Field Rooftop Club, 3617 N. Sheffield
Watch the Cubs take on the Houston Astros. Tickets: $85 through May 31, $99 starting June 1; includes unlimited food and beer/wine through the seventh inning and a $5 donation to scholarships.

FRI, 6.28
59TH ANNUAL F. EMMETT MORRISSEY GOLF OUTING
Deerfield Golf Club • luc.edu/law/golf

Congrats to website contest winners
With the launch of luc.edu/alumni, alumni were encouraged to log in to the enhanced online alumni directory and create their directory profile. Alumni who activated their profile prior to April 14, 2013, were entered to win Ellen Skerrett’s book, Born In Chicago: A History of Chicago’s Jesuit University, and one of four Kindle Fire HD 8.9-inch tablets or one of two $50 Visa gift cards.

AMAZON KINDLE FIRE HD
• Elizabeth Formentini (MSN ’89)
• William Koch (BS ’72)
• Stephanie Arens (BA ’00)
• Andrew Vaughn (JD ’06)

$50 VISA GIFT CARD
• Bethany Roy (MSW ’07)
• Mary Morenz (BS ’60)

It’s not too late to connect with your classmates. Log in and create your own profile using the 10-digit access code found above your name on the mailing label of this magazine.

Gary L. Schlesinger (BS ’67), Chicago family law attorney, received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Lake County Bar Association’s Biennial President’s Award Dinner.

Anthony A. Kopera (MA ’70, PhD ’73) received the honor of having a one-block section of Clark Street in Chicago renamed Anthony A. Kopera Way to honor his long-standing service as CEO and president of Community Counseling Centers of Chicago (C4). Kopera retired in March 2012 after leading C4 for 34 years, growing it from an outpatient storefront clinic to a $16-million agency with five sites reaching 10,000 adults and children every year.

Kathy Camacho Carr (BSN ’71, PhD) received the honor of having a one-block section of Clark Street in Chicago named after her. Carr has served as medical director of the organization’s Fifth Annual Legends Ball. Gabelt is in his 20th year serving as president of Hudson County Community College, the longest-serving president in the college’s history.

John E. Norton (BA ’72, MA ’75) was named a Distinguished Board Member of the Board of Advisors of Catholic Charities at the Catholic Charities Luncheon for his dedicated service to the work of Catholic Charities in the Chicago western suburbs.

Vicki Black (MD ’74) will retire at the end of the month after 20 years of service at Community Health of Central Washington. Since 2003, Black has served as medical director of the organization and previously worked as associate director and program director for its medical clinic arm, Central Washington Family Medicine.

Michael J. Dooley (BS ’75) has been recognized for his 25+ years of service to the Washington State Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Matthew F. Heil, PhD (BA ’76) is chief scientific officer for Curemark, LLC, a private biotechnology company just outside New York City. Curemark is developing a treatment for autism and other childhood developmental disorders.

Susan Dean-Baar (BSN ’77, PhD ’91) has been named Dean of the College of Nursing for the University of Missouri at St. Louis.

Ida Androwich (BSN ’78), PhD, RN, BC, FAAN, is the 2013 Damen Award recipient for the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing, of which she is a faculty member. Named for Loyola University Chicago’s primary founder, Arnold Damen, S.J., the Damen Award is granted to an alumnus(a) from each of Loyola’s schools and colleges. It recognizes the qualities of leadership in industry, leadership in community and service to others. The award will be...
presented at the annual Founder’s Dinner in June.

**Gabrielle M. Buckley (MUND ’78)** was profiled in *Leading Lawyers* magazine in its “Top Women Lawyers in Illinois” edition in the article, “Embracing the American Heritage of Immigration.”

**James M. Gilchrist (MD ’79)** has joined the faculty at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine as professor and chair of the Department of Neurology. Gilchrist previously was professor and interim chair of neurology at Alpert Medical School of Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island.

[SUSAN (SOSNOWSKI) PINES (BA ‘80)](http://www.careeractionresources.com) is a publisher at Career Action Resources, LLC, and developer of the Layoff-to-Employment Action Planner (LEAP) and Your Employment Search (YES).

**Mary K. Hickey (BA ’82)** recently had two total hip replacements and is recovering well.

**Mary A. Tolan (BBA ’82)** was featured in *LEADERS* magazine speaking to the importance of a diverse workplace. Tolan has served as founder, chief executive officer, and director of Accretive Health since November 2003. She also serves on the Board of Trustees of The University of Chicago, Loyola, and the Lyric Opera of Chicago.

**Dorothy Corrigan (MRE ’83, MPS ’84)** has been named to the Ethics Service of the St. Louis VA Medical Center in the role of ethics consultant. She also serves as a nurse practitioner in the Inpatient Psychiatry Service. Her national board certifications are in adult/geriatrics and in co-occurring disorders.

**Earl E. Rubinoﬀ (BBA ’83)**, president and CEO of The Rubinoﬀ Group, LLC, a ﬁnancial services ﬁrm, earned for the 18th time the prestigious Centurion Club qualiﬁcation for The Guardian Life Insurance Company. To earn Centurion Club status, Rubinoﬀ had to produce more than 100 new insurance programs for his clients.

**Cheryl Anema (MSN ’87),** assistant professor of nursing at Purdue University at Calumet, received the DAISY Faculty Award for commitment and inspirational inﬂuence on her students. She was cited for her ability to inﬂuence learning, promote interdisciplinary collaboration, and effectively mentor students academically and professionally. Anema has taught at Purdue Calumet since 2007. She also holds degrees from DePaul and Rush universities.

**John L. Ambrogi (BS ’87, JD ’90)** moved his intellectual property law practice and is now a partner with the team of professionals at Partridge IP Law in Chicago. In his spare time, he works with non-proﬁts such as WorldChicago, Ray Graham Association—Empowering People with Disabilities, and Blind Services Association.

**Amy N. Burkholer (BA ’87)** is director of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission’s Las Vegas ofﬁce. Burkholer and her family live in Phoenix.

**Renee C. Manworren, PhD (BSN ’88)**, is one of six experts in pain management who was named a fellow of the Mayday Pain & Society Fellowship. She is a nurse scientist.

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**CAREER SERVICES**

Loyola is expanding our network to help you expand yours. Meet fellow alumni for cocktails and contacts in New York and Boston, or join in Chicago at our quarterly networking events. Go online to watch our webinars “ePortfolios: The Enhanced Resume,” “Leveraging Social Media,” and “The Impact of Healthcare Reform on Future Hiring.” [LUC.edu/alumni/career](http://LUC.edu/alumni/career).

**WEBINAR**

**Build your business using social media**

**MAY 15** - Join Melonie Boone (BBA ’00, MJ ’10) to learn how to properly execute a social media strategy to help grow your business.

**LUNCH, NETWORK, AND LEARN**

**Job search workshop for recent grads**

**JUNE 6** - Whether you just graduated in May or are in a “just for now” job, you can get on the right track in your job search. Engage in a helpful discussion about networking and interviewing, and develop materials and an approach to your job search that will help you land a great new job.

**Quarterly Alumni Networking Night**

**JUNE 19** - Networking is an essential and learn-able skill in today’s job market. Connect with Chicagoland Loyolans and their guests from all backgrounds and industries to share knowledge and expertise.

**WHEN YOU NEED IT**

**Receive our career e-newsletters**

Stay current with career-related events and resources through alumni career e-newsletters, our official LUC Alumni LinkedIn networking group, professional development opportunities, and more.

[bridgemycareer.com](http://bridgemycareer.com) Loyola is pleased to offer our alumni access to bridgemycareer.com, which you can enter through our career website. This service takes information about your experiences, skills, and preferences and aligns this with similar job-specific criteria set by employers.
Upcoming events

Spring is in the air and summer is just around the corner. Get some sun and meet fellow Ramblers at our annual Rambler Club ball games!

**MAY 12 WASHINGTON, D.C.**
NATIONALS VS. CUBS

**JULY 28 SAN FRANCISCO**
GIANTS VS. CUBS

**AUGUST 11 ST. LOUIS**
CARDINALS VS. CUBS

**AUGUST 16 MINNEAPOLIS**
TWINS VS. WHITE SOX

**AUGUST 26 LOS ANGELES**
DODGERS VS. CUBS

**SEPTEMBER 1 BOSTON**
RED SOX VS. WHITE SOX

Rambling Around

Wonder what sorts of places we’ve been to? Check our Facebook photo album and look for the big maroon paw print. Got an idea for a club event? Download a Rambler Club paw print from LUC.edu/alumni/clubs, cut it out, and take it to where you want our Rambler Clubs to visit. Take a picture of your paw print then upload it to our Facebook wall to let us know where we should Rambler to next! You can also email it to luc-alum@LUC.edu with “Rambler Club Pride” in the subject line.

BOSTON

Showing off their love for the Ramblers and Red Sox, David Gianino (DDS ’90), his wife, daughters, and a family friend joined fellow alumni for the annual Red Sox vs. White Sox game in Boston.

ST. LOUIS

Joe Waters (MBA ’81) was joined by his wife and daughter at the Cardinals vs. Cubs game in St. Louis. If you are looking for this hard-to-get ticket, your St. Louis Rambler Club has them!

Have you connected with Loyola alumni in the ever-expanding social media landscape? Become part of our digital community.

LUC.edu/alumni/socialmedia

### SAVE THE DATES

**JUN 08**
FOUNDERS' DINNER

**OCT 18-20**
HOMECOMING
in the Division of Pain and Palliative Medicine at Connecticut Children’s Medical Center and assistant professor of pediatrics at University of Connecticut School of Medicine.

**1990s**

Joseph C. Holland (BA ’91) is attending the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, following a combat deployment to Iraq, where he commanded the 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry. Holland was promoted to colonel in the U.S. Army in March 2013.

Edward May Jr. (BBA ’93) is vice president of Global Supply Chain for Danaher Corporation’s Gilbarco Veeder-Root Division.

Torrey A. Rinaldo (MBA ’03) received his Master of Science in Accounting from Northeastern Illinois University in 2006. He received his PhD from Madison University in 2010. Corrected from past issue.

Todd E. Heintz (BA ’97, JFRC ’95) and Katrine Kambanis Heintz (BS ’98, JFRC ’95) live in San Francisco with their twins, Michael and Audrey. Todd works for JP Morgan Chase as a senior vice president, and Katrine is a stay-at-home mom.

Anthony Snyder (BSED ’98) and Bridgid Trnkna Snyder (BSN ’99) were married on July 9, 2005. Tony and Bridgid met freshman year in Mertz Hall. She lived on the 6th floor, and Tony lived on the 5th. They have been together for 17 years.

James P. Moorhead (JD ’99) recently formed the Moorhead Law Group, LLC, a Chicago-based law firm with a national practice in commercial real estate, conservation, and sports law.

Kathleen (Cochrane) Vescelus’s (BA ’99) son, Matthias, was honored by the St. Baldrick’s Foundation as one of its five 2013 Ambassadors. Matthias was diagnosed with a rare form of childhood cancer in his eyes, causing him to have his eyes amputated. He hasn’t let blindness hold him back as he is enjoying swimming, climbing, and learning to play the piano. Matthias will serve as a face and voice for the foundation during the calendar year.

**2000s**

Hugo Dubovoy Jr. (BA ’01) has been named a partner at Baker & McKenzie LLP in the Corporate and Securities Practice. He advises clients in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and general corporate and securities matters. Dubovoy is concluding his term as an associate director of the Chicago Committee on Minorities in Large Law Firms.

Clement V. Martin (MED ’01) is president of Christ The King Jesuit College Preparatory School in Chicago.

LaRissa Nutsch Westenkirchner (BA ’02, MA ’09) and Anthony Westenkirchner (BA ’01) welcomed their second child, Oscar Henry, in June 2012. His big sister, Aisling, was thrilled to meet her little brother. Larissa and Anthony were honored to have Jerry Overbeck, S.J., preside at Oscar’s baptism in October 2012 at the Kansas City Cathedral.

Memories of Mullady

On March 23, Memories of Mullady, an original performance of songs, monologues and scenes by Loyola alumni, honored over 40 years of performances on the beloved Kathleen Mullady Memorial Theatre stage. Performing alumni included Manny Capozzi, Krista Damico, Sabrina Duarte, Brian Faracy, Carla Gordon, Gigi Kenny, Paula Kenny, George Manisco, Liz Pazik, Barbara Pool, Jean Scott, Ed Siegel, Lauren Whalen, and Dennis Zacek. Sponsored by the Department of Fine and Performing Arts and the Office of Alumni Relations, the performance’s proceeds benefited the Mustard Seed Fund, a scholarship fund supporting current Loyola theatre students.

Lauren Mucha (BS ’02) and her husband, Larry Vonckx, welcomed their first child, Jillian Emily, on November 15, 2012.

Brook (BA ’01) and Michael Videtic (BBA ’02) are celebrating their 10-year wedding anniversary this year. The couple met while moving into Simpson Hall 15 years ago and has many fond memories of Loyola and Rogers Park.

Vanessa M. Scott-Thompson (MED ’02, EdD ’10) is in her second year as principal of Plato Learning Academy in Chicago.

Johanna Nyden (BS ’02) and Daniel Leonard were married on October 13, 2012, in Evanston at the Charles Gates Dawes House. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at Uncommon Ground on Devon, steps from Loyola’s Lake Shore Campus. Johanna and Daniel met in high school and dated throughout Johanna’s time at Loyola.

Shannon L. Jenkins (PhD ’03) is an associate professor and chair of the political science department at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth. She spent the spring semester of 2011 at the East China University of Political Science and Law in Shanghai as a Fulbright Lecturer.

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Anne Johnson (MD ’03), who practices emergency medicine in Milwaukee, released her first novel, Room Four. The novel, published under the pseudonym AJ Knau, is set in the ER. Johnson says, “Despite the rigors of medical school, Loyola fosters an appreciation of the humanities that for me, encouraged me to keep writing. I am happy to say I have a well-balanced life as a physician and I thank my professors at Loyola for that!”

Rachel D’Souza-Siebert (BA ’04) has been selected as a 2012-2013 American Heart Association “Go Red for Women” national spokesperson after suffering and surviving a rare heart attack shortly following the birth of her son in 2011. She, along with nine other women living with heart disease, will represent the movement in its 10th-anniversary year.

Charles A. Holland (MJ ’04) is president and CEO of St. Bernard Hospital in Englewood, beginning January 2013. Holland also serves as executive director of the hospital's nonprofit Housing Development Corp. Last year he completed a Chicago Archdiocese training program for lay leaders of Catholic hospitals.

Jennifer Stonemeier (MJ ’04) is education policy director with TASH, a national disability advocacy organization, based in Washington D.C. Stonemeier will be working on a national project to build school-wide inclusive practices that benefit all children, particularly those with significant disabilities.

Blair Covino (BA ’05) and Chris Covino welcomed a baby girl, Grace Elizabeth, on November 17, 2012.

Valerie Szymanski Moothart (BA ’05) and Michael Moothart (BA ’05) married December 31, 2009. The couple met as sophomores in the “West” apartments, started dating as juniors and have been together since. Their wedding party included a number of Loyola alumni, including Melanie Batocabe (BA ’05), Rebecca Schmid (BA ’05), Paul Szymanski (BA ’07), and Matthew Donovan (BA ’06).

Joshua Hayes (BA ’06) joined the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) as coordinator, contracts and grants.

Melissa A. Howitt (JD ’06) moved from Chicago to Massachusetts and accepted an associate position at Doherty, Ciechanowski, Dugan, and Cannon, P.C., where she will be concentrating in probate and domestic relations.

Edward L. Kester (MSHR ’06) serves on the Board of Trustees for AIDS Care Service in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Benjamin Ritter (BBA ’07) and his co-worker, Peter Viña Jr., hosted a “Movember” fundraiser to raise awareness and funds for prostate cancer and testicular cancer initiatives through LIVESTRONG Foundation. Movember is a moustache-growing charity event, aimed at prompting private and public conversation about men’s health.

Jonathan Dandurand (BBA ’08) and his wife, Ivy, welcomed daughter Lucille Jane on September 25, 2012. Dandurand graduated from Rockhurst University’s Helzberg School of Management with an MBA in December 2012.

Natalie A. Momoh (JD ’08) has joined the law firm of Schiller Ducanto & Fleck LLC, the largest family law firm of its kind in the country, as a new associate. Prior to joining the firm, Momoh practiced as a litigator at Kirkland & Ellis LLP defending Fortune 500 companies in high-stakes, complex commercial disputes.

Andrew M. Mullen (MBA ’08) married Emily Fish on September 18, 2009. Mullen works as an underwriter in the Government, Not-for-Profit, and Healthcare banking group at JPMorgan and is treasurer of the Chicago Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Brandon Musgrave (MD ’08) has written a memoir that has been published by Sunbury Press. Hour 30 recounts his experiences as a student at Stritch School of Medicine and is available in print and e-book. Dr. Musgrave hopes that his book will

Honoring 60 years at Loyola

Marcel Fredericks, PhD, spent 10 years at Loyola as a student and 50 as a full-time faculty member. A party held on April 11 celebrated his retirement and career. He received his BS, MA, and PhD from Loyola, joining the sociology faculty in 1963. With research and teaching interests in medical sociology and the sociology of health care, he has written or contributed to 15 books and monographs and over 120 articles, reports, and chapters edited. In 2011, Dr. Fredericks was awarded a Doctor Honoris Causa by Czestochowa University of Technology, in Czestochowa, Poland. At Loyola, he has received a number of honors, including designation as Master Teacher in the College of Arts and Sciences (1996), the St. Francis Xavier Award for Teaching, Research, and Service (1999), and Faculty Member of the Year (2000).
We note the passing of Dr. Patrick Casey (1922-2012), long-time professor of English and former dean of the John Felice Rome Center. Alumni who wish to record a memory of Dr. Casey or contribute to a scholarship in his honor can go to blogs.luc.edu/patrickcasey.

Rev. Robert M. Kearns (MA ‘66)
J. Timothy Keefer (BSED ‘56)
J. Joseph L. Kellerman (MUND ‘76)
John J. Kennedy (JD ‘38)
Helen Klein (BS ‘54)
Stephanie T. Kopiec (BA ‘69)
Barbara E. Krane (BA ‘70, MBA ‘76)
Patricia M. Kucaba (MUND ‘52)
Paul F. Kudlach (BA ‘74)
Lawrence A. Kurdek (BS ‘73)
Victor J. Lacoursiere (BS ‘54)
Mary Lee Leahy (BS ‘62)
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BA ’00 • Actress

Jennifer Morrison (BA ’00) has always been passionate about the arts. As a child model, she appeared in ads for Kohl’s and JCPenney. In 1992, she was on the cover of Sports Illustrated for Kids alongside Michael Jordan. Morrison made her film debut at 15 in Intersection, playing the daughter of Richard Gere and Sharon Stone. She also appeared in Mr. & Mrs. Smith, and Star Trek, among others. Arguably, she is best known as Dr. Allison Cameron on FOX’s acclaimed medical drama House and Emma Swan on ABC’s award-winning fantasy drama Once Upon A Time.

Finding a home on House • At that point in my career, I wanted to work. It wasn’t so much about “Do I want to do this or not?“—I just wanted to work. I had some offers for other pilots and was considering a couple other things, but the script was so great. It was different than anything else that I ever read.

Playing Captain Kirk’s mother • I honestly didn’t know that much about (Star Trek). I thought it would be to my detriment in my audition, but it turned out, actually, to be in my benefit because J.J. [Abrams] wanted to be very true to the mythology of Star Trek and needed to have a fresh energy to bring to it. I think not knowing much about it probably added to it because I didn’t have it in my head that things had to be a certain way.

New challenges • I wasn’t necessarily looking to do television when that came my way, because I just finished House. The script [for Once Upon a Time] was really extraordinary. . . . It had such an outrageous concept, but it made sense—it was so clear, so inventive, and so creative.

The endurance of fairy tales • Fairy tales, from a psychological perspective, are really about finding yourself and discovering who you truly are—your morality, your ethics, and your values—that’s all built into the storytelling of [Once Upon a Time]. Whether it’s close to the surface or buried, people respond to that. We’re drawn subconsciously to that kind of storytelling where people are rediscovering themselves with some form of hope underneath it.

Loyolan for life • What I found wonderful and surprising is that I really ended up appreciating that it was a liberal arts education. . . . I actually found (taking) psychology and religion classes served me in the long run as an actress. I really appreciated the well-roundedness of the education I got at Loyola. In addition, I made lifelong friends and had incredible experiences on the stage there. I just felt very lucky I chose the right place to go to school.
Above: Miss Loyola and her court on a parade float. The handwritten sign on the back of the float reads, “Eddy is sick.” Whoever Eddy is, we hope he felt better.

Right: Cheering for the Ramblers at a bonfire.

Above: Students play a game of pushball. The goal was to push a ball 8 feet in diameter to the opponent’s goal line to score. The winners received the “little red barrel” as a trophy to display in the student lounge. The losers had to jump into Lake Michigan.
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