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**A Message From Marygrove President David J. Fike**

It is my distinct pleasure to share with you that the College is crossing an exciting and important threshold in relation to its distance learning program.

For more than fifteen years, Marygrove College has been offering its Master in the Art of Teaching (MAT) program via state-of-the-art distance learning vehicles. When the College began this high-quality advanced teacher preparation program, “state-of-the-art distance learning tools” involved mailing course materials and videos to students. Today, the state-of-the-art tools are virtually all Internet based. Over the years, thanks to the commitment and professional work of our capable faculty and staff, Marygrove has kept pace with these and many other changes in the distance education field and maintained a significant presence regionally and nationally with more than 1,300 current students and over 24,000 alumni in the MAT program.

Over the past year and a half, significant organizational changes within the MAT program have been planned and have begun to be implemented. The objective of these changes is to continually enhance the way we serve our students and to improve the program’s capacity to grow in an increasingly competitive environment.

There have been many groups from across the College, who have been working diligently over many months on these changes, including employees in the MAT Academic Department, the Education Department, the MAT Business Services Department, the Library’s Educational Technology area, and the Communications and Marketing Department, among others. I am grateful for the important work they are accomplishing for the College.

It is in the context of these many complex changes, that we are crossing an important and exciting threshold: after a decade-and-a-half of exclusive reliance on for-profit partners to market and recruit students to this program, Marygrove College is launching its own sophisticated marketing and recruiting effort.

The initial phase of this launch includes a beautiful new “micro-site” for the MAT program featuring blogs, free white papers, classroom guides, videos and numerous other resources for teachers to use and/or apply in the classroom. I encourage you to see it for yourself at <http://mat.marygrove.edu> and to tell others to visit the site as well. Also, you can follow Marygrove MAT on Twitter and Facebook. I hope you will try these new social networking tools and tell your family and friends as well. Remember: we are all ambassadors for Marygrove and your referrals are among the most influential and

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## News from Alumni Association President Rita Edgeworth Fields '96, '02

As I enter my final year as President of the Alumni Association, I can't help but contemplate the many ways I am grateful to Marygrove. The knowledge and skills fostered by the remarkable faculty members and the confidence to use them effectively are among the countless reasons I cherish Marygrove and the many women and men that make up the College community.

Marygrove offers an array of programs, events and services that make it easy for us, as members of the Alumni Association, to continue our connection with our alma mater. The alumni program committee plans events designed for our varied interests. Several upcoming events are described in this issue. Job seekers are encouraged to take advantage of Marygrove's Career Services Department and the library offers continued access to its resources, as well as no-cost computer training classes. The alumni-sponsored travel program provides well-priced, guided tours to fascinating destinations. And in addition to alumni chapters in

Akron, Ohio and Arizona which meet regularly, alums across the country are invited to special events in their areas which are often hosted by President Fike and other Marygrove faculty and staff members.

The generosity of Marygrove alumni is a great source of pride and gratitude for me as well. Over the past few years the percentage of alums who donate to the Annual Fund and the Annual Scholarship Fund has increased significantly. My education, along with the vast majority of Marygrove students, would not have been possible without the generous support of our fellow alums. And it is heartwarming to see that the recipients are now paying it forward.

Finally, I'd like to express my gratitude to the Alumni Association Board members for giving me the opportunity to serve as your president for the past two years. It has been a joy to work with such hard working, dedicated women and men who represent you so well and we look forward to continuing our efforts on your behalf in the coming year.

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successful ways we have to recruit new students.

In addition to launching such marketing tools as the "micro-site," social media and other collateral materials, our MAT Business Service Representatives (BSRs), have received additional training and we are in the process of hiring a team of recruitment counselors, who will be responsible for qualifying potential students for admission selection and enrollment. The recruitment counselors will be located within the Communications and Marketing department on the second floor of Madame Cadillac.

For the moment, Marygrove's marketing and recruiting initiative complements the effort of our current partner. However, we have informed our partner that the College intends to take full responsibility for marketing and recruiting as our contracts with them expire over the next 6 to 18 months. I have great confidence that this initiative will enhance the results of our MAT program and that the experience and capacity we gain from this effort will support the growth of all Marygrove programs in the future.

# Redemption 101. Coursework that Changes Lives.



Recovery is a journey. “It takes courage and resolve to face the challenge of re-focusing your life,”

says Diane McMillan, LMSW, Associate Professor of Social Work at Marygrove College.

“People in recovery are often compelled to help others who struggle, which makes them excellent candidates for the Certified Addictions Counselor (CAC) program here at Marygrove.” McMillan has helped lead a successful collaboration between Marygrove’s Division of Continuing Education and Career Enhancement, Department of Social Work and Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries (DRMM) since September 2009.

CACs are the unsung heroes behind the demon of addiction—the kind of disease that can bring people down and often keep them from living functional lives. It is important work in these recessionary times, as many turn to drugs and alcohol to numb their pain. Currently, sixteen DRMM clients have completed coursework and are in internships at six substance abuse community agencies— that’s one out of four of the program’s student groups.

“This is an exciting partnership,” says Sherry Lefton, M.Ed., Assistant Dean of Continuing Education. “It is an intense, six-month process, and the coursework is tough.” What makes this certification different from others is the fact that the students are all in recovery themselves. The

field of substance abuse is often an area of interest that many of these students would like to pursue. “Walking the talk” is a real advantage in this line of work. The CAC program requires the completion of 270 instructional hours and 300 hours of supervised field service in the community, allowing students to integrate theory and practice. Students dive deep into the areas of cultural awareness, pharmacology, co-occurring disorders, assessment and treatment planning and professional, legal and ethical responsibility. Candidates must be clean for six months, and have at least graduated high school. It is a diverse group of students: men and women of all ages and backgrounds, with varying levels of education, including associate and bachelor’s degrees. “Addiction knows no color, creed, race or boundary,” McMillan says. “For many, the program is an open door to higher education.” They’ve come to the right place.

“Our team of social worker, psychologist, and pharmacist instructors is experienced at managing all of the many issues surrounding addiction and recovery,” McMillan says. “They have the appropriate skill set to handle this program.” The Marygrove Department of Social Work has a reputation for compassion and competence, which translates into jobs for their graduates. It’s no accident that demand for this program is high...and growing. The United States Bureau of Labor Statistics states that employment of substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors is expected to grow by 21 percent, which is much faster than the average for all occupations. As society becomes more knowledgeable about addiction, more people will seek treatment.

“It would probably be easier to go and get a certificate in just about anything else,” says McMillan. “A recovering addict has

to face him or herself to work through the pain, which is so personal, and unique to each individual.” There’s an old adage in social work: lean into the discomfort—but these students are jumping in head-first. That’s inspiring.

However, setbacks are common. “We have had incidences of students leaving the program, due to various life challenges, but many have come back,” says McMillan, “This really speaks to the drive and determination of our cohorts.”

Gone are the days when anyone could hang a shingle and call himself an “Addiction Counselor.” In the State of Michigan, stiff credentialing is required for certification, and coursework is clearly defined. In fact, McMillan herself was one of the first members of the Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals (MCBAP) in the 1990s.

MCBAP administers the exams that are, again, anything but easy. “There are 150 questions on a wide range of areas of study,” Lefton adds. “We support our students by offering tutorials every Friday, to help them prepare.” She says approximately 20 students sat for exams in June, and Marygrove covered the fees. “We can’t wait to see them achieve what they’ve worked so hard for—they are special to us.”

Going forward, the Division of Continuing Education and Career Enhancement is in the planning stages of an Addiction Studies Certificate for behavioral health care professionals. “This program also represents the perfect blend of Marygrove’s expertise and a growing need in our community,” says Lefton. McMillan agrees. “We are reaching beyond the gates of our beautiful College to do what our mission has been since its founding, and that’s very rewarding.”



# This is Mustang Territory

Every summer I attend an annual professional development convention for athletic administrators to hear about best practices and current trends in the field of intercollegiate athletics.

Many of the convention programs are suited for large NCAA Division I and II athletic programs but many of the principles are still applicable to smaller institutions like Marygrove College. The one principle that helps me stay focused on my tasks as athletic director at Marygrove is providing a positive experience for the Mustang student-athletes.

Focusing on the student-athletes makes my job easier because, after all, aren't the students what we should be focused on anyway? Some of the things that I feel are keys to the student-athlete experience include, but are not limited to, hiring coaches that are people of integrity, providing quality facilities and equipment, motivating the student-athletes toward academic and athletic success, and building a strong connection between the student-athletes and the College.

That connection to the College is what is most valuable to developing the student-athlete experience. Wearing the green and gold and representing the College in an activity that the student-athlete is so passionate about creates a natural connection and allows them to develop pride and ownership in their institution. As many of our alumni know, this pride and ownership, or connection, lasts far beyond graduation.

Marygrove alumni can help strengthen that connection for our Mustang student-athletes by attending the games and supporting our teams. Marygrove opened a new soccer field on campus last fall. Our defending national champion women's soccer team won the first game on the field, defeating Rochester College 2-0, in front of 250 fans. The Marygrove community had a lot of fun that day, not only because of the win, but because it provided an opportunity for the Marygrove family to come together and share their connection to our school.

This fall will be the second year of the soccer field and we are looking forward to hosting more games (hopefully all wins!). During Homecoming Week 2011 on September 17, our men's soccer team hosts Concordia University. Before the game the Alumni Association will host a tailgate party in the east parking

lot. I'm looking forward to seeing many Marygrove alumni there as they re-connect with their alma mater and continue to help build a great experience for our student-athletes.

Homecoming is not the only opportunity for alumni to connect with and support our Mustang student-athletes. Keeping up with our 13 varsity teams and 140 student-athletes can be a bit daunting. However, the latest on Mustang athletics can always be found at [www.marygrovemustangs.com](http://www.marygrovemustangs.com).

Alumni are vital to strengthening the connection between all students and Marygrove. Whether it's a game, theater production, dance or symposium, alumni involvement helps us enhance our students' experiences. See you on campus this fall!



David Sichterman, M.Ed.  
Director of Athletics, Wellness and Recreation

## Technology Training Workshops Offered to Alumni

The Educational Technology Services Department at Marygrove offers free technology training workshops (registration required) to alumni on a variety of topics. Among the new training being offered is for **Microsoft Office 2010**, which includes **Word**, **PowerPoint** and **Excel**. (For those familiar with Office 2007, the change will not be as dramatic as it was with the new interface introduced with that version.)

The Office 2010 applications have many new features, such as: backstage view and new artistic effects, different ways to organize documents - Navigation pane (Word) and Sections (PowerPoint) and more graphic representations (Excel).

Training sessions are offered in the Student Technology Instruction Center (STIC) located in L011 of the Library's lower level. For a list of the workshops,

go to <http://www.marygrove.edu/ets> and then follow the link to STIC Workshops.

For more information or to register for a workshop, contact Gwen or John at (313) 927-1582.

## Marygrove's Elected Student Government— The Start of Something New!

Our newly-elected Marygrove Student Executive Board attended the American Student Government Association (ASGA) training conference in Orlando on July 9. The board is the first elected student body government at Marygrove College in two years—an enormous source of pride for all of us—and especially for Garth E. Howard, Director of Student Life. “The number of undergraduate students who voted for this executive board met and exceeded our expectations... that’s outstanding!” he said. “The students have been heard—they wanted representation, and they worked hard to achieve it.”

The members of the 2011-12 Marygrove Student Executive Board with their majors noted are **Brittany Mack**, President, Political Science and Business; **Anthony Butler**, Vice President, Chemistry; **Malcolm Brinker**, Treasurer, Biology; and **Sholanda Presbery**, Secretary, Forensic Science and Chemistry.

ASGA membership was one of the first orders of business for Juliana Mosley, Ph.D., Marygrove’s new Vice President for Student Affairs & Enrollment Management. “The ASGA is a key resource for student government training, it’s an active network of more than 5,000 student governments around the country,” she said. “The ASGA will provide the research and support we need to grow our Student Government at Marygrove.” That’s exciting.

This group, however, already has plenty to work with, as they are all leaders in their own right. “Each has a GPA well over 3.0,” Howard says. “...and our President, Brittany Mack, is co-founder of a dynamic new academic organization on campus: Pi Gamma Mu, the International Honor Society in Social Science.” These are extraordinary students who are being groomed to be extraordinary urban leaders.

The board is currently re-writing the student constitution to more closely reflect Marygrove’s student mission and goals. “It is no small task,” Howard adds, “but this group has the enthusiasm to get it done, and I promise you’ll be hearing a lot from these students in the future.”



L-R: Malcom Brinker, Brittany Mack, Garth Howard, Sholanda Presbery, Anthony Butler

## Marygrove and UDM Partner to Offer Career Fair

Marygrove College and the University of Detroit Mercy (UDM) have come together to offer a Networking Reception and Career Fair. Recruiters from both for-profit and non-profit organizations in the metro Detroit area will be on hand to talk about employment and internship opportunities, and recruitment counselors from Marygrove, UDM and other graduate schools will talk to students about higher education opportunities.

Alumni who are employers in a position to hire are invited to be exhibitors. Please see registration information below.

### **Networking Reception (Exhibitors only)**

Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011

Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Marygrove College, Madame Cadillac Building

**Attendance (non-exhibitor) at the Career Fair is free for all students and alumni of Marygrove College and UDM.**

### **Career Fair**

2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

University of Detroit Mercy  
McNichols Campus Student Center Building

### **Registration Information**

If you have a business you would like to feature, we welcome your participation.

To register as an exhibitor, go to

<http://recruitudmmg.eventbrite.com>.

For more information about this event, contact:

### **Melissa Samuels '11**

Assistant Director, Work Experience and Placement Services  
Marygrove College  
(313) 927-1844

OR

### **Elissa Clemons**

Assistant Dean, Career Education Center  
University of Detroit Mercy  
(313) 993-1449

# 2011 HOMECOMING

Homecoming 2011 celebrates the graduating classes of 1931, 1936, 1941, 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006, however, everyone, regardless of graduation year, is invited and encouraged to attend. For more information contact Diane Puhl, Director of Alumni Relations/Alumni Annual Giving at (313) 927-1443 or [dpuhl@marygrove.edu](mailto:dpuhl@marygrove.edu).



## Thursday, September 15 10th Annual Alumni and Friends Golf Scramble

11:00 a.m. • St. John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth, MI  
This event includes 18 holes with cart, lunch at the turn, buffet dinner, two drink tickets and contest prizes. All skill levels are welcome. You may register individually, with a partner or with an entire foursome. The format will be best ball/scramble. Cost is \$125 per golfer or \$50 for dinner only. Registration deadline is Friday, August 19. If you have questions or need more information, contact Diane Puhl, Director of Alumni Relations/Annual Giving at (313) 927-1443 or [dpuhl@marygrove.edu](mailto:dpuhl@marygrove.edu).



## Friday, September 16 Distinguished Alumni Awards Ceremony and Reception

7:00 - 10:30 p.m. • Marygrove College Theatre and Denk Chapman Hall  
All alumni are invited to attend the award ceremony in the theatre and then enjoy refreshments, conversation and live music at the reception that follows in Denk Chapman Hall.

### 2011 Distinguished Alumni and Distinguished Alumni of Tomorrow Award Recipients:



Ann Burger Klocke  
'56



Jan Soleau, IHM '59



Judith  
Tomlanovich Miller  
'61



Mary Callaghan  
Lynch '76



Virginia Wadsworth  
'86



Shanelle  
Jackson '07



Brittany Mack '12

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Saturday, September 17 Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. • Madame Cadillac Hall

## Mass

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. • Sacred Heart Chapel

An alumni choir, under the direction of alumnus Tom Zerafa '91, will sing at this mass and you are invited to join them.

## Class/Group Pictures

11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. • Liberal Arts Building

Pictures will be taken of classes whose graduation year ends in 1 or 6 (1956, 1961, etc.) and of groups from the 80s through present.

## Lunch

12:30 - 2:00 p.m. • Alumnae Hall

## Campus Tours

2:15 - 3:30 p.m. • Madame Cadillac

## Men's Varsity Soccer Game and Tailgate

2:00 - 5:00 p.m. • Soccer Field

## Sunday, September 18 Golden Jubilee Celebration Mass honoring the Class of 1961

11:00 a.m. - Noon • Sacred Heart Chapel

## Brunch and Induction of the Class of 1961 into the Fifty Year Club *and recognition of those who graduated prior to 1961*

Noon - 2:00 p.m. • Main Dining Room



## Alumni Book Discussion

### *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*

by Rebecca Skloot

Thursday, October 27, 2011

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Royal Oak - Home of Kay Hughes '66

Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor Southern tobacco farmer who worked the same land as her slave ancestors, yet her cells- taken without her knowledge- became one of the most important tools in medicine.

The first "immortal" human cells grown in culture, they are still in use today, though she has been dead for more than 60 years. HeLa cells were vital for developing the polio vaccine; uncovered secrets of cancer, viruses and the atom bomb's effects; helped lead to important advances like in vitro fertilization, cloning and gene mapping; and have been bought and sold by the billions. Yet Henrietta Lacks remains virtually unknown, buried in an unmarked grave. Rebecca Skloot takes us on an extraordinary journey, over a period of 10 years, to learn about Henrietta Lacks and her "immortal cells."

As the author so brilliantly shows, the story of the Lacks family—past and present—is inextricably connected to the dark history of experimentation on African Americans, the birth of bioethics, and the legal battles over whether we control the stuff we are made of. (Summary by LitLovers.)

Kay Hughes '66 will host the discussion at her home in Royal Oak.

To register, contact **Sheila Keefe '56** at (586) 268-0481 or sheilakeef@aol.com; or **Frances Simmons '85** at (248) 546-2876 or francessimmons@prodigy.net by **October 21, 2011**.

Directions to Kay's home will be provided. We look forward to a great turn-out to discuss this highly acclaimed novel.

## Lunch and Learn Workshops for Behavioral Health Care Providers



The Marygrove College Division of Continuing Education and the Social Work Department are working on their exciting fall Professional Education Series for Behavioral Health Care Providers called the **Friday Lunch and Learn Workshops**. The scheduled Fridays are September 30, October 14 and 28, and November 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Madame Cadillac building. The \$69 workshop fee includes materials, lunch and parking. Each workshop is worth 5 hours toward the Michigan Certification Board of Addiction Professionals (MCBAP) and the Michigan Social Work Continuing Education Collaborative (MSWCEC) continuing education requirements.

This is a great opportunity to network with other behavioral health care providers and Social Work faculty while earning CEUs and enhancing your career. Some of the topics being considered include Alternative Treatment Options for Sexual Assault Survivors, Recovery Coach Education and Preparation, Compassion Fatigue, and Trauma Informed Care. Contact Regina Gordon in the Continuing Education Office at (313) 927-1219 for more information.

## Christmas Brunch at the Whitney

4421 Woodward Ave., Detroit

Sunday, December 4, 2011

2:00 p.m.

Join Marygrove alumni for a holiday brunch buffet at the historical Whitney Mansion. The mansion will be beautifully and festively decorated for Christmas. Our delicious buffet will include a variety of entrees, salads, assorted pastries and breads, non-alcoholic beverages and unlimited mimosas. The cost is \$45 per person, which includes tax and gratuity.

This event was extremely popular last year and we expect another enthusiastic response. **To make reservations, send a check (payable to Marygrove College) no later than Wednesday, November 23, 2011 to: Marygrove College, attn: Diane Puhl,**

**8725 W. McNichols, Detroit, MI 48221. For questions about this event, contact Dr. Vanessa Ghant '92 at (248) 352-6331 or dr.ghant@gmail.com.**



## Class of 1953

### Mark Your Calendars: Fall Luncheon



Members of the Class of 1953 continue to meet twice annually on the second Wednesday of May and October.

Everyone from the class is welcome and encouraged to attend and enjoy lots of laughs and great food!

#### FALL LUNCHEON

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

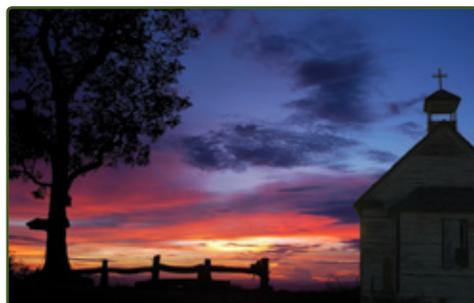
Peabody's Restaurant

11:30 a.m.

34965 Woodward Ave., Birmingham, MI

Please RSVP to

Joann Holden at (248) 626-4758 or Pat Johnson at (248) 879-9329.



## Dinner and Theater

### *Anatomy of Gray*

by Jim Leonard

Directed by Dr. Arthur J. Beer with  
Musical direction by Greg Grobis

Saturday, November 12, 2011

Marygrove College Theatre

Dinner at 6:00 p.m. • Theatre at 8:00 p.m

*Anatomy of Gray* explores themes of spiritual survival versus physical survival in the town of Gray, Indiana. The truth behind the homespun philosophy of "everything good for you has a price" is dissected and probed as the townsfolk of Gray seek deliverance from an unknown malady. Galen Gray, who is literally blown into town in answer to a young girl's prayers, finds a town plagued by a mysterious illness. Will Galen Gray be the miraculous healer the town is hoping for? This play with music will have a cast of 15-18 actors.

The dinner will be in Madame Cadillac followed by the play in the Marygrove Theatre. The cost is \$35 per person for a wonderful dinner with wine and a theatre ticket.

To make reservations, **send a check (payable to Marygrove College) no later than Friday, October 28, 2011, to Marygrove College, attention: Diane Puhl, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit, MI 48221.**

If you have questions, contact Sheila Keefe '56 at (586) 268-0481 or [sheilakeefe@aol.com](mailto:sheilakeefe@aol.com) or Frances Simmons '85 at (248) 546-2876 or [francesimmmons@prodigy.net](mailto:francesimmmons@prodigy.net).

## In Memoriam

(Reported from March-July 2011)

Celeste Rabaut, IHM '39  
Anne Baecker '41  
Katherine Ann Farabaugh Cross '42  
Margaret Garvin O'Meara '45  
Rosemary Conflitti '48  
Josephine Seitz Daly '48  
Ann Keough Donnellon '52  
Ann Kennedy Start '52  
June Dwyer Ray '55  
Mary Glosser, IHM '55  
Agnes Louise Murray, IHM '55  
Mary Doherty Noel '56  
Mary Jane Brennan, IHM '57  
Margaret Callaghan Guest '59  
Dorothy Wozniak Reynolds '59  
Patricia Flaherty Petronski '65  
Mary Fran Gilleran, IHM '67  
Carole Varga '65  
Theresa Coulter IHM, '70  
Moirra Harrington Vilardo '73

#### DECEASED RELATIVES OF ALUMNI

##### Husband of:

Shirley Laughlin Keck '43  
Mary Kay Moeller Crane '64  
Suzanne Chartier Cornelius '70

##### Mother of:

Monica Powers Sparber '70  
Margaret Daly '85

##### Daughter of:

Mary Ann Kehoe Harrington '48

##### Sister of:

Helen Gilleran Roach '52  
Marjorie Wozniak Burkley '56  
Carol Dwyer Ward '59  
Ellen Wozniak Shacklett '61  
Helen Seitz Robinette '63  
Kathy Callaghan Callahan '66  
Betty Varga '66  
Clare Callaghan Jorgenson '73  
Mary Callaghan Lynch '76

##### Brother of:

Anne Crane, IHM '55  
Rose Crane '66



Detroit Opera House  
**The Marriage of Figaro**  
 Performed in Italian with English supertitles  
**Friday, November 18, 2011**

One of the most celebrated and delightfully amusing operas ever written, Mozart's *The Marriage of Figaro* involves a wildly entertaining parade of mistaken identities, cross-dressing and infidelity, but of course, all are fated to end up happy.

A sequel, of sorts, to Rossini's *Barber of Seville*, the opera recounts a single "mad" day in the palace of Count Almaviva. The Count's wife Rosina, unhappy in her married life, is pursued by the Count's page. At the same time, the Count is pursuing his servant Susanna, who is engaged to Figaro, the Count's valet. The marital madness comes to a head that evening when all find themselves on the palace grounds in a hilarious series of events that result in the Count's humiliation and forgiveness by the Countess.

The cost for this event is \$55, which includes a main floor ticket (valued at \$86) as well as a private gathering in the Lomason Lounge (3rd Level-elevator accessible) at 5:45 p.m. There will be a delicious assortment of hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. The opera itself begins at 7:30 p.m. \$10 parking is available in the Opera House Garage as well as on nearby parking lots.

To make reservations, send a check (payable to Marygrove College) **no later than Friday, November 4, 2011** to Marygrove College, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit, MI, 48221 (attention Diane Puhl). For questions about this event, contact **Sheila Keefe,'56** at (586) 268-0481 or [sheilakeef@aol.com](mailto:sheilakeef@aol.com); or **Frances Simmons,'85** at (248) 546-2876 or [francesimmmons@prodigy.net](mailto:francesimmmons@prodigy.net).

**Southwest Detroit Bus  
 Tour and Lunch**

**Saturday, October 8, 2011  
 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Southwest Detroit is much more than what most people know as Mexicantown. It encompasses the eclectic Corktown neighborhood and stretches all the way to Dearborn. It's a community that is growing and constantly improving through collaborations between private, public and non-profit sectors as well as the community itself.

Join Marygrove alumni, family and friends on a two hour guided bus tour where we will learn the history, culture and community that make Southwest Detroit one



of America's most unique neighborhoods. We will visit several venues including the former **Tiger Stadium, Michigan Central Station, Clark Park, Dasic Fernandez Murals, Imagination Station, Spaulding Court** and other creative neighborhood initiatives. The tour is conducted by **Inside Detroit**, a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote Detroit as a preferred destination to live, work and play by educating the public about Detroit's history, culture, community and livability.

**On Sat., Oct. 8. we will meet at 10:45 a.m. at Armando's Mexican Restaurant at 4242 W. Vernor Hwy., Detroit. The tour begins promptly at 11:00 a.m. and ends at 1:00 p.m.** Following the tour we will enjoy lunch at **Armando's**. The cost is \$35 and includes the bus tour, lunch, taxes and gratuities. To register, send a check (payable to Marygrove College) **by Sept. 30, 2011** to: Marygrove College, Attn: **Diane Puhl**, 8425 W. McNichols Rd. Detroit, MI 48221. For more information please contact **Yesenia Lara '07** at [yesi2118@gmail.com](mailto:yesi2118@gmail.com) or Diane Puhl at (313) 927-1443.

**Wine Dinner**

**Sunday, November 6, 2011  
 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

**Le George Mediterranean Bistro**



Enjoy a fabulous five-course Mediterranean dinner prepared by George Farah along with 12 great wines paired with the various courses. Family, friends and alumni are welcome. Nominal price of \$45.00 per person includes the meal and wines, a customized wine gift, tax and gratuity—a \$75 dollar value! Please specify your choice of red or white for your wine gift when making your reservation.

**Le George Mediterranean Bistro** is located at 124 E. Main Street in Northville, MI. Space is limited and we anticipate an enthusiastic response. To register, send payment to Marygrove College, Attn: Diane Puhl, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit, MI 48221 by October 17, 2011. If you need more information, please contact **Mark Bartnik '79** at (248) 689-9782.

## The Marygrove College Chorale Needs YOU!

The Marygrove College Chorale is a group of singers who generally meet once per week during the fall and winter academic terms to rehearse and perform beautiful music. People can participate in the Chorale for academic credit, or simply for the love of singing. Singers can be students, alumni, staff, faculty or general community residents. Some members read music well; others are learning to read. Some members have a great deal of singing experience; others are newer to the craft. Some members are majoring in music; while others study voice or an instrument or simply pursue music as an avocation. The Chorale is directed by Associate Professor **Ellen Duncan, '82**, and accompanied by pianist **Jacqueline Csurgai-Schmitt**.

### *What kind of music does the Chorale sing?*

The Chorale sings a repertoire of compositions that range from large classical works (think Bach, Bernstein, or Fauré), to folk songs from around the world, to gospel and spirituals, and even from the jazz and popular music genres.

### *What does the Chorale do?*

The Chorale provides ensemble training to hone the musical skills of its members, and is an outlet for artistic expression and a way to experience beauty beyond that of simply listening to music. The Chorale performs concerts on campus every semester. We also provide singers for on-campus events such as the Opening and Baccalaureate Masses, and Founders' Day. We have performed for special events such as President Fike's



Inaugural Mass, the Wassail Feast, and the showing of the film *Peace X Peace: Women on the Front Line*. Over the years, the Chorale has also performed on a few tours in the US, Canada, and Europe.

### *What can I do to help?*

Depending on your interest, you could:

- Join the Chorale as a singer
- Help identify prospective singers (students or not)
- Applaud enthusiastically at our on-campus concerts, and bring others
- Help publicize the Chorale and its performances
- Provide performance opportunities at alumni-sponsored events
- Provide contacts for other possible performance or tour opportunities
- Network with our students to provide real-world perspectives about careers
- Participate in a Chorale advisory board to generate ideas about any or all of the above

### *How do I get more information or communicate my ideas?*

Please contact **Ellen Duncan** at (313) 927-1254 or [eduncan@marygrove.edu](mailto:eduncan@marygrove.edu) or by mail: Ellen Duncan, Marygrove College, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit MI 48221.

## Lend a Hand Sandwich-to-Go Program

Saturday, October 1  
10:00 a.m. – Noon

The Alumni Association has volunteered once again to assist with the Cass Community Social Services' Sandwich-to-Go Program on **Saturday, October 1, 2011 from 10 a.m.- Noon** at the Scott Center, 11850 Woodrow Wilson Dr., Detroit. This program, which provides meals for detainees, funds a significant number of Cass Community Social Services' projects.

We will prepare hundreds of sandwiches that will be distributed among Detroit Police Department precincts. This is a great way to carry out the mandates to feed the poor and visit (figuratively) those in prison. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, contact **Frances Simmons '85** at (248) 546-2876 or [francesimmons@prodigy.net](mailto:francesimmons@prodigy.net).

Those who have participated in the past have expressed their appreciation for having the opportunity to bond with their fellow alums and friends while offering assistance to an organization that provides vital services to thousands of disadvantaged people in Detroit. These services include, but are not limited to, homeless services, medical services and mental health services.

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### Keep in Touch

The alumni office welcomes news and photos of alumni accomplishments and milestones in the lives of our alumni. In addition to news submitted directly by alumni, we also publish news and information gathered from local newspapers and periodicals. To submit an Alumni Class Note or notification of the death of a classmate or family member, send your information to Marygrove College, Attn: **Diane Puhl**, Director of Alumni Relations/Alumni Annual Giving, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit, MI 48221, email [dpuhl@marygrove.edu](mailto:dpuhl@marygrove.edu) or submit the information via Marygrove's website: [www.marygrove.edu/stay-in-touch](http://www.marygrove.edu/stay-in-touch).

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### Marygrove Student Named for Top Honors in Global Leadership



Marygrove rising senior **Paula Langley** was selected as **one of 50 top student leaders from around the world to attend the Hesselbein Student Leadership Summit at the University of Pittsburgh in July**. A double major in dance and political science, Langley truly embodies the College's vision of preparing students to be urban leaders and global citizens.

The Summit offered students the rare opportunity to learn how to be effective, ethical, and innovative leaders from global leadership experts. Advanced leadership training was part of the intensive four-day package. The annual Summit is the brainchild of Frances Hesselbein, President and CEO of the Leader to Leader Institute (formerly the Peter F. Drucker Foundation for Nonprofit Management).

Langley was nominated for this honor by **Juliana Mosley, Ph.D.**, Marygrove's Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. "Over the course of my career in education, I have met few students who possess the outstanding character and leadership that I see in Paula," Dr. Mosley said.

As you would expect, Paula Langley has a formidable list of accomplishments. In addition to a 3.975 GPA, she has earned numerous awards, including the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Award in 2009, and the St. Catherine's Medal, given this year through Kappa Gamma Pi, a national Catholic honor society. She also co-founded the Marygrove chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, an international honor society in social sciences.

Langley credits her mother for encouraging her to try new things and never give up. "My mom showed me that you need to push yourself, and always finish what you start—that's the only way you can see what you are really capable of," Langley said. She hopes to attend law school and find a way to incorporate dance into her future plans.