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Dear Alumni,

The final weeks of spring have included a number of events paying tribute to our President, Sister Patrice Werner O.P., who is retiring after a 15-year presidency and a 36-year career at Caldwell College.

Alumni from the past 36 years will remember her as their French professor or the prefect living on their floor in Mother Joseph Residence Hall. They may remember appointments with her as Academic Dean or as Director of Continuing Education. They may have sat next to her at one of the many basketball games or other sporting events.

Alumni Board President Tim Nellegar noted at the Presidential Gala this year, “Over 8,000 alumni have graduated since the beginning of the College and 4,000 of them have received their diplomas from Sister Patrice.” This fact doesn’t begin to indicate the number of alumni parties and events she attended, the alumni awards she bestowed, the alumni homes she visited throughout New Jersey and during her national and international travels.

Less obvious but equally important were the numerous phone conversations between Sister Patrice and alumni through the years, as well as personal letters of congratulations, encouragement and condolence. While she was often invited to alumni family celebrations, she also appeared at the wake or funeral of a family member and her presence was always appreciated.

But the first and most lasting impression that most alumni share of Sister Patrice is simply that she is a Dominican sister. No matter where she was or what she was doing, she was a positive reflection of the community that she serves. Realizing that she is possibly the last member of the Order of Preachers to lead the College, this may be what we will miss the most.

Kathleen Buse ‘72
Director of Alumni Affairs
At her Inauguration, Sister Patrice Werner, O.P. sounded the watchword for her upcoming administration. “Empowerment is the only environment in which we mutually give and receive. And I believe it is the only environment which fulfills our mission. Only empowered people and institutions can become movers and shakers.”

Over the next fifteen years, Sister Patrice provided the clear strategic plans that gave purpose to enormous growth at the college, both academically and physically. From one graduate program, the academic offerings grew to include 16 graduate programs, with a first doctoral program currently in the wings. Agreements were signed with community colleges and major universities (Columbia University, Rutgers University, Seton Hall University) enabling students to have the flexibility of a seamless move into undergraduate and graduate programs. Campus technology mushroomed into every facet of academic and administrative life and prompted a new Institutional Technology Department.

The student population itself became more diverse than ever before, incorporating growing international, minority and disabled members, who strove to create student clubs that celebrated their cultures. The first Cultural Diversity Day began a tradition of welcoming and sharing song, dance and food that remains extremely popular among the campus community. Athletic programs, both male and female, grew steadily as student athletes requested additional sports and the college currently features 11 sports. The move to NCAA status was the crowning achievement for a program featuring teams that travel to regional and national playoffs every year.

The growing student population broke registration records year after year, prompting decisions for more classrooms, more residence rooms and full use of campus fields and meeting places. From her first year as President, Sister Patrice oversaw building on campus, starting with the Academic Building and followed by the Newman Center and Dominican Hall. In addition, the campus was modernized with a new loop roadway and parking, a plaza connecting

"My heart is here, my love is here, and my life is here."

Sister Patrice Werner, O.P.
both Student and Newman Centers and a new entrance and roadway off Bloomfield Avenue.

To accomplish all of this change and growth, Sister Patrice became a familiar figure both in Trenton and Washington D.C. as she visited elected officials that could attract funding and publicity for College programs. Her leadership in the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in New Jersey and many other organizations brought increased recognition and support for Caldwell, and in 2005 the college was ranked by U.S. News and World Report among the top 25 Best Comprehensive Colleges in the North.

Sister Patrice brought the same vision, clarity and directness to her interaction with administrators and faculty from other Dominican colleges. In her address to the Dominican Colleges Colloquium held at Dominican University of California in June 2001, Sister challenged her audience to articulate and promote a clear philosophy of Dominican education. The importance of the Catholic Dominican heritage of the College to Sister Patrice was evident in each Strategic Plan she unveiled. As the influence of the sisters diminishes, her concern to preserve the Dominican

Most importantly, Sister Patrice has held herself accountable for the accomplishment of the goals presented in her strategic plans. She has exemplified a spirit of self-responsibility, perseverance and determination that has inspired the faculty and staff who worked and celebrated with her and, like a true coach, while raising the bar for others she was most demanding of herself.

As Sister Patrice takes her place among the six Caldwell Presidents before her, her legacy is clearly evident throughout the campus. She has received numerous awards and recognition from Caldwell College and other organizations and has earned the respect of alumni and friends of the College. In her first Annual Report, Sister Patrice quoted a favorite French writer, Antoine de St. Exupery, “As for the Future, Your task is not to foresee it, but to enable it.” She has not only been a mover and shaker herself, she has encouraged others to be as well and, as a result, her dreams and visions have become reality. As she plans for her life “yet to become” she can be satisfied with the thirty-six years of accomplishments which she gave to Caldwell as teacher, administrator and President.
1994

- Sister Patrice assumes the position of President of Caldwell College July 1 – Inauguration held October 16

1995

- Middle States reaffirms accreditation – Caldwell commended for quality of self-study
- First foreign exchange agreement signed with Duksung Women's University in Seoul, Korea
- Launch of the Caldwell College Music Concert Series
- First online course offered

1996

- *Caldwell College 2005: Agenda for Excellence* strategic plan unveiled
- Fiber optic backbone installed on campus
- First of two endowed scholarships received from Hearst Foundation
- Teagle Foundation grant given to fund Alumni Development
- First intercollegiate year for Women’s Tennis and Men’s Baseball

1997

- Dedication of Academic Building – March 19, Founder’s Day
- Caldwell recognized as “fastest growing college in New Jersey”
- Website (www.caldwell.edu) makes its debut February 14
- First Fanjeaux Seminar Program brings Dominican College groups to France
- Initiated Writing Across the Curriculum Program
- Women’s Soccer Program begins
- Celebrated first Cultural Diversity Day
Change and Expansion

1998

- Men’s Basketball team goes to NAIA National Tournament
- Exchange agreement initiated with Catholic University of Korea
- Campus-wide installation of new phone and voicemail service
- First President’s Society Dinner

1999

- 60th Anniversary of founding of Caldwell College
- Sister Patrice appointed to second five-year term
- Completed Campus Facilities Master Plan
- Won Women’s Basketball CACC Conference Title
- Commissioned History Wall commemorating significant events in Caldwell’s history

2000

- Caldwell College enrolls over 2,000 students for first time
- $1 million endowment gift to fund the Ruane-Toohey Chair for Economics
- Interior roadway loop and parking project completed

2001

- Received $1 million from federal appropriation to establish the Center for Excellence in Teaching
- Creation of Off-Campus Leadership Development Program for school principals
- $1 million gift from George W. and Amy Newman given in memory of their son, George R. Newman
2002
- Completion of the New Millennium Capital Campaign, raising over $7.5 million
- Dedication of the George R. Newman Center for Student Activities and Recreation
- Attained full member status in NCAA Division II
- Creation of new video editing facility for Communication Arts Department

2003
- A second federal appropriation of nearly $1 million allows for completion of science lab renovations and a wireless computer network
- New strategic plan unveiled, *Caldwell College 2010 – Excellence in Action*
- Attained National Membership in the Council of Graduate Schools

2004
- Sister Patrice receives unanimous Board approval for reappointment to a third consecutive term as President
- New College logo designed to integrate Dominican Mission and Charism
- Women’s Softball Team advances to Division II World Series
- Cross-country introduced as a varsity sport
- Sister Patrice receives the Caldwell College Cup

2005
- Veritas Awards Dinner celebrates 20th year – awards Sister Patrice the 60th Veritas Award
- College ranked by U.S. News and World Report among top 25 Best Comprehensive Colleges in the North
Change and Expansion

- Middle States reaffirms accreditation
- Capital Campaign: *Excellence in Action* initiated
- 30th Anniversary Celebration of the BFA program – includes an exhibition of sculptures by renowned artist Dorothy Gillespie

2006

- Opened new access road and entrance on Bloomfield Avenue
- Students actively engaged in social outreach programs – Midnight Runs/Building homes in Kentucky/National Call to Peace Project
- Over $4 million raised in quiet phase of *Excellence in Action* campaign
  - $2 million – Largest single grant in the history of the College
    - Casino Reinvestment Development Authority (CRDA)
  - $500,000 gift from the Sisters of St. Dominic of Caldwell, NJ
  - Significant leadership gifts from the Caldwell College Board of Trustees

2007

- September 29 dedication of Dominican Hall – College's new 200-bed Residence Hall – at Homecoming
  - Newman Center Plaza completed together with first phase of Plaza Paver Project
  - Restructured Center for Graduate Studies and Continuing Education announced
  - Women's Volleyball brings a total of 11 varsity sports to Caldwell
  - Developed brand promise statement and implemented branding campaign
2008

- New Assistive Technology Lab opens through an Alden Trust grant
- Wireless technology, donated through the Toohey family, installed in Dominican Hall, the Library and Student Center
- New strategic plan, *Caldwell College 2012: Tradition and Transition*, is unveiled
- College assumed direction of Fanjeaux Dominican Summer Program
- Conference championships won by both baseball and softball teams

2009

- First doctoral program in Applied Behavior Analysis developed
- Federal appropriation for ABA program approved
- New campus-wide signage debuts
- Academic Building named in honor of Sister Patrice Werner: *Werner Hall*
- Board of Trustees names Sister Patrice Werner, President Emerita of Caldwell College

**Caldwell College New Academic Programs (1994-2009)**

**Bachelor’s Degrees**
- BA in Accounting
- BA in Communication Arts
- BA in Criminal Justice
- BA in Individualized Major
- BA in International Business
- BA in Political Science
- BS in Financial Economics
- BS in Management
- BS in Marketing

**Master’s Degrees**
- MA in Applied Behavior Analysis
- MA in Counseling Psychology
- MA in Educational Administration/OCLD
- MA in Literacy Instruction
- MA in Pastoral Ministry
- MA in Special Education, AP, BA
- MBA
- Post-Master’s Director of School Counseling Program
- Post-Master’s Art Therapy

**Combined Programs**
- BA Theology/MA Pastoral Ministry
- BA Psychology/MA Counseling Psychology

**Joint Degree Programs**
- BA in Psychology or BA Biology/MS in Occupational Therapy with Columbia University
- BA/MSW with Rutgers University
- BA/MS in Athletic Training - Joint degree with Seton Hall University
- BS in CLS concentrations in Cytology, Toxicology or Medical Technology - Joint degree with UMDNJ-SHRP
- BS/MD or BS/DVM with St. George’s University, Grenada

2009

- Doctoral program in Applied Behavior Analysis developed
For her unending passion for education in the Dominican tradition, this scholarship fund is named in honor of Sister Patrice Werner, O.P., Ph.D., whose accomplishments have served as an example to us all.

This fund is a living tribute to Sister Patrice whose retirement in June 2009 marks 36 years as part of the Caldwell campus, 15 of which she has served as President. The fund is designed to award students who display high academic and personal achievements.

Please consider making a gift to this scholarship fund. Your help can pave the way to a Caldwell student’s graduation and future!

For more information, call Sharon Dwyer at 973-618-3207, e-mail her at sdwyer@caldwell.edu or visit our Web site at www.caldwell.edu/giving. Donations can be mailed to:
Sharon Dwyer
Caldwell College
Presidential Scholarship Fund
120 Bloomfield Avenue
Caldwell, NJ 07006

Alumni Association Executive Board

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS 2010 – 2012

Please place a check mark to cast your vote.

VICE PRESIDENT – Mary Sellitto-Curcio ’83
TREASURER – Pat Murphy McGarrity ’60
SECRETARY – Rosemary Hilbert ’96

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Nominations Committee, c/o Alumni Office • Caldwell College • 120 Bloomfield Avenue • Caldwell, NJ 07006-6195
This year the President’s Gala became a commemorative evening to celebrate the career of Sister Patrice Werner, O.P. and her 36-year career with the College, the last 15 years as President. One of the largest crowds in Gala history greeted Sister Patrice during a lively cocktail hour.

On behalf of the community of Caldwell Dominicans, Sister Arlene Antczak, O.P., Prioress, presented Sister Patrice with a commissioned painting based on her favorite image of the Potter creating clay vessels. Dr. Alex Giaquinto, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announced the Board decision to name the Administration Building in honor of Sister Patrice, and a rendering of Werner Hall was unveiled. Dr. Giaquinto also announced that the Trustees had granted the title of President Emerita to Sister Patrice to be given at Commencement ceremonies on May 17.

Dr. Trish Verrone and Sister Kathleen Tuite, O.P. announced a new scholarship named for Sister Patrice and Sister Kathleen also presented an Apostolic Blessing from Pope Benedict XVI in
recognition of Sister Patrice’s retirement. Alumni Board President, Tim Nellegar presented Sister Patrice with a Memory Book from the College, documenting her legacy of achievements over the years and the personal messages and pictures from many of her friends and associates. Copies were distributed to all the guests in the room.

Surrounded by her family, community of sisters, faculty, alumni and friends of the College, Sister Patrice thanked all those who had helped her to expand the academic and physical structure of the college and to extend its reputation to international reaches.

The evening was filled with the music of the Jazz Band, the College Choir, the Flute Ensemble, Connor Brown, an outstanding senior pianist and Cara Pernas, a voice major who sang one of Sister Patrice’s favorite songs, “Memory,” from the musical *Cats*. After dinner, a number of guests retired to a reception room for after dinner drinks and to congratulate Sister Patrice personally.
Sister Patrice Werner, O.P., President joined over 400 students accepting degrees and taking their leave of the College on Sunday, May 17th. After receiving the honorary degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, Sister Patrice gave the Commencement Address in which she stated that her most satisfying responsibility as President was handing out diplomas at each Commencement.

For the first time, the Alumni Board President joined Trustees on the dais and ended the ceremony by welcoming graduating seniors into the Alumni Association. Members of the 50th Anniversary Class led faculty and staff in the Commencement procession and attended the President’s Reception afterward.

Dr. Rosann Bar ’82 of the Sociology and Criminal Justice Department won the Caldwell College Cup for outstanding service to the College at the Baccalaureate Ceremony on Saturday evening.
Faculty, staff and alumni came together on May 4 for an informal celebration of Sister Patrice Werner’s Caldwell career. With Communications professor Bob Mann as emcee, Assistant Basketball Coach Dean Johnson, Vice President of Academic Affairs Paul Doulliard, and Professor John Yurko presented hilarious personal accounts of their experiences of Sister Patrice traveling with the team, hosting her annual faculty barbecue and playing doubles tennis matches. Sister Patrice was presented with gifts from the campus community, the Alumni Board, the Shore Chapter and the Veritas Committee.

The audience moved between raindrops to the Administration Building where Vice President Paul Doulliard officiated at the unveiling of the newly-named Werner Hall. Sister Patrice, under umbrella, witnessed her name installed and recalled moving in as the first occupant of the building. Following the ceremony the party moved to the Student Center for an indoor barbecue.
2009 Veritas Awards Dinner

On March 27th, the 24th annual Veritas Awards Dinner celebrated the achievements of Sister Mary Amelia Cetera, O.P. ’54, Irene Sinteff ’73 and Dr. Patrick Lamy ’91. In the midst of a room crowded with family, faculty and alumni, the recipients recalled the enduring influence of their Caldwell education on their accomplishments in their professions and their community involvement.
Why Get Involved? A Young Alumni Perspective

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Paul Hirsch, and I am a 2005 graduate of Caldwell College. I am also a member of the Caldwell College Young Alumni Planning Committee.

I thought I had seen everything by the time I graduated from Caldwell. After serving as a leader in clubs like the Commuter Council, the Criminal Justice Association, the SGA Board, and the Kettle, you’re probably wondering why I still give up my time to stay involved at a college that has taken up so much of my life already! Honestly, I believe that Caldwell College has magnetism like no other college, and I enjoy being able to stay connected to the College, even after graduation. Some of my greatest moments as an alum has included helping out the College in one way or another – from assisting my former professors, to helping to plan social events with my fellow young alumni.

If you are a Caldwell graduate from within the past 10 years, I invite you to share in creating even more great alumni moments by joining the Young Alumni Planning Committee. The committee has been set up to appeal to your interests and needs your help. We want to know what we can do to keep you connected to Caldwell and your fellow alumni. Getting involved is easy – just contact Megan Van Dorn in the Alumni Office at 973-618-3582 or mvandorn@caldwell.edu to join the committee. We hold our meetings online through e-mail and Facebook, so no matter how far you may be from Caldwell, you can still share your ideas and be a part of our planning.

As an alum, I can truthfully say I am happy I am a graduate of Caldwell College. I look forward to hearing from some of you and meeting you at our young alumni events, including our next event on August 8th at Bar-A in Belmar. I hope you will reach out to me, as well as other young alumni, to reconnect and keep the Caldwell connection alive.

I feel that Caldwell College is my home away from home, and I hope those of you who recently graduated from here share that feeling.

Paul Hirsch ’05
PaulJHirsch@comcast.net
During this academic year, the college community has experienced the same economic tidal wave that swept the country. Mindful of the fact that many alumni may be caught in the undertow of job loss and uncertainty, the Offices of Alumni Affairs and Career Development collaborated with the Business Department to offer a seminar on April 1 on new strategies for the job market. College staff brought in speakers that could address new methods of job hunting in this competitive market. Steve Joerg, an executive recruiter for Lloyd Staffing, described ways for alumni to adapt their resumes to use online, how to approach the job market for “hidden” jobs and how to network in order to get their ideal jobs. Mike Menaker of Strategy Group International explained the use of LinkedIn’s networking system and its marketing opportunities.

Alumni were also given the opportunity to have their resumes reviewed individually by Career Development staff. They were able to discuss their goals and skills and how best to describe them, using the new technologies available.

Without a doubt, networking is a key component of any job search and alumni are invited to use the college job listings posted at http://www.collegecentral.com/caldwell by the Career Development Office. Any alumni who are seeking employees are also welcome to list their jobs on the same site.

Calling All Caldwell Entrepreneurs!

The Alumni Board considered requests from a number of affinity programs (insurance, credit cards, etc.) this year and decided not to adopt them. A suggestion from one alumna entrepreneur caught the Board’s interest, however. Helen Westervelt ’80, who owns The Rosemary Inn, a bed and breakfast in Columbia, NJ, said she would give a discount to any alumni of the college if they identified themselves, and she challenged other alumni who own and operate their own businesses to do the same.

The Alumni Board, therefore, is seeking information from alumni about their businesses with the intent of developing a directory to publicize their company or service. We hope to encourage alumni to patronize members of the Caldwell community first and discover the range and types of services alumni can provide.

Please forward information on your business (name, location, phone or e-mail, and a brief description of the types of services provided. If you are willing to offer an alumni discount, indicate that as well. You can send your information to echoes@caldwell.edu or mail to Kathleen Buse, Alumni Affairs.
The Shore Chapter and Alumni Association sponsored their first Day At The Races on Saturday, May 9th at Monmouth Park Racetrack. Over 60 alumni attended a sunny Opening Day and enjoyed a barbecue and trackside tables to view the races throughout the afternoon.

The beer and betting flowed easily among the group and several members of the Caldwell crowd were savvy winners. The ninth race was named for Caldwell College and group bets were laid to cover all horses. Following the race, alumni posed for pictures with the winning jockey.

A surer bet, the 50/50 raffle, was won by Laurita Warner ’70, who arranged a family reunion at the track. Our hats go off to Noel Ruane ’70 and Laurita for initiating and planning the event. We’ll be back!

Carol Dedrick ’65 presented Laurita Warner ’70 with her winnings from the 50/50 raffle.
Christopher McKay ’09 recently completed his Caldwell Scholars project, MyAppleGuide (www.myappleguide.com), which provides online resources, reviews, and educational material to users of Apple products.

Christopher, a biology major from Jamaica, purchased an Apple laptop during his freshman year and was eager to learn how to work with it. He started MyAppleGuide in April 2008 as a blog to share what he had learned with his fellow Apple users. At the time, the blog was simply a hobby for Christopher.

The hobby turned into a major project as Christopher embarked upon the final stage of the Caldwell Scholars program during his senior year. With the help of Caldwell business professors Tom Keen and Virginia Rich, as well as biology professor Catherine Koo, MyAppleGuide was redesigned during the fall of 2008. It has now expanded from a blog to a website with over 8,000 pages, including Apple news, tutorials, message boards, and reviews of test products provided by third-party manufacturers. By March 2009, MyAppleGuide had logged over 80,000 visitors to what Christopher describes as an "ecosystem" of Apple users and developers.

"The biggest challenge was getting out of the 'blogger' mentality and into the business-owner mentality," Christopher said. "Dr. Keen was very strict about that in the Scholars program." Christopher has already been very successful in making that transition. He has established partnerships with over 150 companies through MyAppleGuide, and a commission-based relationship with Apple has allowed the site to begin generating advertising revenue.

Christopher passed the Scholars Program with distinction because of his work on MyAppleGuide. His success with the project has led him to consider owning his own business, and his post-graduation plans now include starting his own advertising and multimedia company.

— Megan Hurley Van Dorn ’04

The Caldwell Scholars Program offers students with a G.P.A. of 3.3 or higher the opportunity to take interdisciplinary honors courses in their last two years, culminating in a final project. Currently numbering 60 students, the Scholars program fosters leadership, self-confidence and a respect for humanity.
Echoes

Scholarship Opportunities for Alumni Family Members

Will one of your family members be attending Caldwell College soon? If so, he or she may be eligible to apply for a Caldwell College Alumni Scholarship.

The Alumni Scholarship program was established in 1949 by the Caldwell College Alumni Association to support family members of alumni who carry on the Caldwell tradition. Alumni Scholarships are awarded for a period of one academic year and vary in amount, starting at $1,000 per year. To date, more than 125 Alumni Scholarships have been awarded to traditional and continuing education undergraduate students who are the children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, siblings, nieces, nephews, or parents of Caldwell College alumni.

The Office of Alumni Affairs accepts applications for Alumni Scholarships during the spring semester. The deadline for applications falls in mid-April each year, and scholarship recipients are notified in early May. Incoming freshmen who have already sent in their deposits and Free Applications for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the next fall semester are welcome to apply, and returning Caldwell students who have completed the FAFSA for the fall may apply as well. All applicants must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA and must be available to assist the Alumni Association at events like the Tricky Tray Gift Auction, which directly funds the Alumni Scholarship program.

For more information about Alumni Scholarships, or to receive a brochure with application instructions, contact Megan Van Dorn in Alumni Affairs at 973-618-3582 or mvandorn@caldwell.edu.

Recent Writings

The Lumen Center held a book signing on February 11 for Marion Goldstein ’78 to celebrate the publication of her new family memoir, Hard to Place, One Family’s Journey Through Adoption. Originating from the loss of her last child at birth, the action of the book revolves around the adoption of two young boys from Canada considered “hard to place” and the commitment from the five original family members to support them.

Written from the point of view of the mother, this story illustrates how love can transcend painful secrets of the past and presents the ordinary experience of doubt and faith in everyday life situations.

Marion Goldstein is a psychotherapist and poetry therapist and has served as an adjunct professor at Caldwell College where she teaches a course on Poetry Therapy.

Robin Davenport, Director of Counseling at Caldwell College has had her article “From College Counselor to ‘Risk Manager’: The Evolving Nature of College Counseling on Today’s Campuses” accepted for publication by the Journal of American College Health.
To register online for Homecoming 2009 visit http://www.caldwell.edu/alumni.
For more information about Homecoming, contact Kathleen Buse at 973-618-3411.
Peggy Lefebvre Mitchell, member of the 50th Anniversary class of 1959, never stops challenging herself. Mother of eight, grandmother to 23, she received her M.A. in counseling from Seton Hall University at the age of 45, and a Ph.D. from Fordham University at 54.

This past October, Peggy earned her First Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do – at the age of 71. Inspired by a granddaughter, she started out slowly, taking class once a week, then progressed to two and three nights a week. In spite of some physical limitations, including severe arthritis and a heart condition, Peggy was able to demonstrate strength and skill in the form of choreographed moves that comprise the test program. During the self defense exercise, Peggy had to defend herself from and disarm a knife-wielding attacker. She also had to perform three triple board breaks and a four-board break called an axe kick.

After three years of study, Peggy proudly wears her uniform tied with a black belt and has no plans to stop practicing. Go Peggy!
The Dominican Connection

“As St. Dominic gathered men and women in 1206, in Prouihle, France, founding the first Dominican monastery, the nuns, lay men and women, and friars found the monastery a place of refreshment because of the foundation on prayers, study, shared community and ministry of holy preaching.” – The Four Pillars of Dominican Spirituality.

The Caldwell Dominicans continue the above tradition through their involvement with youth, senior citizens, parishes, retreat experiences, environmental centers, the study of the morality of investments, and higher education in the 21st Century.

There is a quote from the Second Vatican Council that reads “The Church is also at once lay, religious and clerical. The Church is the whole people of God, not just the hierarchy. . . through baptism and confirmation, all are commissioned to that ministry by the Lord Himself.” (n. 33.)

It seems to me that Caldwell College is in the midst of a wonderful transition, from its founding in 1939, to the expansion of enrollment to include men 20 years ago, to the introduction of master's degree programs, to the possibility of offering a doctorate in the field of autism treatment. In addition to these accomplishments, the College has gradually opened new ways for lay people to take on leadership roles, in the tradition of the 4 pillars of Dominican spirituality and in light of the Second Vatican Council. All of this is further magnified by the appointment of the first lay president of Caldwell College: Nancy Blattner, Ph.D., presently the Vice President of Fontbonne University of St. Louis, MO.

As Sr. Patrice Werner, President of our College, said on the appointment of her successor, “The College’s tradition of outstanding academics, excellence in teaching and commitment to social justice while keeping alive the Catholic Dominican tradition – that is the heart and soul of the Caldwell community.” As a newcomer to the Caldwell community in these two years, I have seen more and more lay people step up to existing and new positions in the community to carry on the work of St. Dominic.

Could St. Dominic, living in the 13th century, ever have imagined a worldwide community of men and women dedicated to the service of others by the preaching of the Word to the world?

Campus Ministry has experienced a wonderful development of opportunities for students to participate in outreach ministries like working at St. Augustine’s Church in Newark in their soup kitchen, tutoring at Our Lady Help of Christians school in East Orange, or bringing food and clothing once a month in the Midnight Run in New York City. There are experiences that take place over extended weekends or vacation weeks, like attending the Romero Center in Camden for Columbus Day weekend, a week of service at Nazareth Farm in Salem, WV at Christmas time and at Easter time, and a trip to Flat Gap, KY to work with other college groups in service. There is also an active RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program on campus, in which students prepare to celebrate and receive their sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Students involved with Campus Ministry meet once a week for lunch to socialize and share experiences. There is a daily 12 noon Mass and special Holy Day liturgies for the campus. On Sunday evenings, a weekly 8:30 p.m. Mass is celebrated in the Mother Joseph chapel.

The challenge is not to stop and navel-gaze, but to continue to grow with the energy and enthusiasm of our students – undergraduate and graduate – under the influence of the Holy Spirit, whose gifts are manifested in the body of our alumni, administration, faculty and staff.
Please remember these deceased alumni and family members in your prayers.

Kelly Connolly Arata '91

Anne Velardi Cardinale  
Grandmother of Danielle Ciresi Murphy '91

Barbara Wiggins Catizone '65

Michael J. Check  
Husband of Pat Savitske Check '73

Rocco De Franco  
Father of Mary Ann De Franco Evans '69

George Dempsey  
Father of Sister Carol J. Dempsey, O.P. '78

Maryrose Grimm '48

Daniel Henley  
Son of Jane Blessing Henley '60

Paul W. Hirsch  
Father of Paul Hirsch '05

Mary Elizabeth Rung Iozia '48

Lorraine Knies '71

Mary Macaluso  
Grandmother of Samantha Commarato ’02

Alfred Matuszak  
Husband of Betty Glenn Matuszak ’43, Father of Betty Ann Matuszak Howson ’69 and Helen Matuszak Fogarty ’72

Marybeth O'Brien McGee ’64

Agnes Murphy  
Grandmother of Mike Sciame ’03

Margaret Nahay  
Sister of Sister Elizabeth Marie Mason, O.P. ’58

John Peyko  
Father of Madeline Peyko ’81

Sister Irene Marie Richards, O.P. ’48

Barbara Scalley ’96

Zachary Sieben  
Grandson of Regina Monks Sieben ’60

Raymond Sienicki  
Brother of Jeanne Sienicki Statile ’72

Theodore E. Sienicki  
Father of Jeanne Sienicki Statile ’72
‘66 Jacquelyn Glock recently retired as chief executive officer of a nonprofit agency in Central New Jersey. Jackie is now the new Director of Advancement for St. Rose High School in Belmar, NJ.

Irene McCabe LeFebvre was elected to a 3-year term on the Boonton, NJ Board of Education in April 2009. This is her sixth term on the board. Irene is currently the Director of Education for the Passaic County Educational Services Commission.

‘68 June De Angelis has retired after serving as a librarian for 36 years in school and public libraries. June plans to stay in Texas, where she has resided for 27 years, so she can be close to her Catholic community and her circle of friends.

‘94 Scott Carr announces that Beneath the Surface, an anthology of horror stories which includes his work, Thorguson, has been nominated for the 2009 Bram Stoker Award for Superior Achievement in an Anthology. The award is given by the Horror Writers Association, and the winner will be announced in June 2009.

‘01 Deana Addis Hromoko and her husband John announce the arrival of their twins in January 2009. Jack Wiliam weighed 7 lbs, 6 oz, and Julia Vera weighed 6 lbs, 7oz.

Attention Class of 1960

The Class of 1960 is looking to compile an e-mail list of all class members to facilitate plans for our fiftieth anniversary in 2010. We are planning to march at graduation on the weekend of May 15-16, 2010 and also do a get-together, possibly at a spa. We are asking class members to e-mail any one of the following:

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‘04 Nicholas Fernandez and Danielle DeAngelis ’05 were married in August 2008. They met at Caldwell College in 2002. Fellow Caldwell alumnus Doug Mayer ’03 was a member of their wedding party.

‘05 Nicole Biancamano and Ryan McGee announce their engagement. The proposal took place at the Highlawn Pavilion in December 2008. A September 2010 wedding is being planned.

‘07 Donna Davis married Mike Cherkezian in November 2008 at the Hanover Manor in East Hanover, NJ. Their 4 adult children stood up for them. Donna teaches Language Arts and Literacy to eighth-graders in Flemington, NJ. Her husband manages the Creative Services department of AT&T Bedminster. The Cherkezians reside in Annandale.

‘01 Joseph Rotonda and Jennifer Shields were married in July 2008 at Holy Family Church in Nutley, NJ. Their reception was held at the Newark Club. Fellow Caldwell alumna Bevin Walsh Kelly was a bridesmaid in the wedding. Joseph is a language arts teacher at Belleville Middle School in Belleville, NJ, and Jennifer is a fourth-grade teacher at Ana L. Klein School in Guttenberg, NJ. Following a honeymoon in Hawaiï, the couple now resides in Belleville.

Jennifer and Joseph Robert Rotonda

Donna Davis and Mike Cherkezian

Jack Wiliam and Julia Vera Hromoko

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Have you recently said, “I do”? Welcomed a new baby? Changed jobs? Been promoted? Received an award? Moved to a new home? Surprise your classmates and help us keep up to date on your accomplishments.

Mail to: Director of Alumni Affairs
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Or e-mail to: echoes@caldwell.edu

Or use the Alumni Information Update Form at: http://www.caldwell.edu/alumni

Note: Printed photos included with submissions may not be returned. Digital photos should be shot at a 300 dpi setting. Class Notes may be edited for space and style.

Name _______________________________ Birth Name _______________________________
Address _______________________________________________________________________
City __________________ State __________ Zip ___________
Home Phone __________________________________________________________________
E-mail address __________________________________________ Class Year ____________

Your Note ___________________________________________________________________
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Carolyn Hayes ’73 brought members of her third-grade class from P.S. 198x in the South Bronx on a field trip to her alma mater on March 28. After a tour of the residence hall and classrooms, they sat in on a class and had a story hour in the library.
Mark Your Calendar!

**SATURDAY**
**August 8, 2009**

Young Alumni Summer Social
*Bar Anticipation, Lake Como, New Jersey*
For more information, contact Megan Van Dorn at 973-618-3582.

**SUNDAY**
**September 13, 2009**

Shore Social
*Klein’s Waterside Café, Belmar, New Jersey*
For more information, contact Megan Van Dorn at 973-618-3582.

**SATURDAY**
**September 26, 2009**

Homecoming
*Caldwell College Campus*
For more information, contact Kathleen Buse at 973-618-3411.

**MONDAY**
**October 5, 2009**
Rain Date: October 15

Caldwell College Golf & Tennis Tournament
*Essex Fells Country Club, Essex Fells, New Jersey*
For more information, contact Beth Gorab at 973-618-3204.

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