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Campus Mourns Brother Anthony, Board Chairman

La Salle's community was saddened by the death of Brother Anthony Pisano, 42, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, who died of pneumonia at California, where he served as a professor of history at St. Mary's College.

Brother Anthony, who graduated Maxima cum Laude from La Salle in 1971, received his master's and doctorate degrees from Notre Dame University. A trustee at La Salle since 1984, he became the first alumnus Chairman in 1988. He also served as a trustee at St. Mary's College, Winona, Minnesota, and as teacher and administrator at Christian Brothers College, Memphis, Tennessee.

Admired by colleagues and students for his competence and vitality, Brother Anthony, in apparently good health, had visited Philadelphia during the summer. His untimely death saddened many who will remember him for the gifts he shared. Brother Patrick Ellis, President of La Salle, referred to Brother Anthony as one who was "energetically generous" in service to others.

A Mass of Resurrection was held September 11 in La Salle's Chapel. Representatives from La Salle and from other institutions he had served were also present to celebrate the life of this man who offered his considerable talents to others through education.

Burial services were held the following day at the cemetery of the Christian Brothers at Ammendale, Maryland.



PARENTS COMMITTEE attending fall meeting: First Row (l. to r.) Marianne Woolslayer, Mary Beth L. Kirkner, Mimi Martin, Mary Kay Mullin, Celeste Schaefer, Barbara Nuzzulo; Standing (l. to r.) Brother Frank Danielski, Director of Annual Fund, William Woolslayer, David Martin, Lee Mullen, Robert Schaefer, Brother Andrew Bartley, Director of Public Affairs.

Parents Set \$55,000 Annual Fund Goal for 1992

La Salle's Parents' Committee, meeting on Sunday, October 13, established \$55,000 as the goal for the 1992 Parents' portion of the Annual Fund Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schaefer, Co-chairpersons, reported that although parents last year had contributed significantly to the success of the fundraiser, for the first time in recent memory, they failed to achieve their announced goal.

Seeking \$60,000, the parents produced \$48,662. In 1990, contributions

were given by 1007 parents; in 1991 only 761 gave. Reasons for the decline include the general economy and a late solicitation of parents, according to Brother Andrew Bartley, FSC, Director of Public Affairs.

"We hope that an earlier appeal to parents and a more extensive involvement of parents in contacting others should improve this year's results," said Mr. Schaefer.



PRESIDENT'S DINNER concluded Saturday's events in style.

**PAGES FROM THE PAST...
By Brother Thomas Warner**

Today, LaSalle's Graduate School counts more than 1200 degree candidates. In exploring the past, one is surprised to learn that in the 1909 commencement exercises, the College conferred honorary master's degrees upon 35 alumni. Background is provided in the following passage from Thomas Donaghy's *Conceived in Crisis*, a history of La Salle College.

"In 1884, at the suggestion of Brother Isidore, President of the College, a continuing education lecture series was inaugurated for the alumni. The lectures, given monthly on Friday nights during the winter months, were well-attended and proved highly successful. Other facilities were made available to the alumni. In 1901, lights were installed in the gymnasium 'so that members of the alumni given to athletics could meet there several nights a week.'

In general, during the early decades of the 20th Century, the alumni remained well-organized and very close to the College.

That the College appreciated their interest was evidenced at the Annual Commencement in 1909, when 35 alumni were given honorary Master of Arts degrees. Many of these men continued to sustain the interests of the College at the cost of great personal fiscal sacrifice."

LA SALLE COLLEGE

FORTY-SECOND

ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

PARK THEATRE

MONDAY, JUNE FOURTEENTH

NINETEEN HUNDRED NINE

THREE O'CLOCK

REV. PHILIP R. McDEVITT, '77

SUPERINTENDENT OF PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

PRESIDING

...GRADUATES...

MASTER OF ARTS

CHARLES H. CONNOR, '03	REV. DANIEL I. MCGILVERNEY, '80
WILLIAM T. CONNOR, L.L.B., '00	WILLIAM J. MCGILVERNEY, '05
REV. JOSEPH M. CORRIGAN, D.D., '07	J. JOSEPH MELLICHAM, '00
REV. EDWARD J. CURRAN, '06	REV. BERNARD A. MCKENNA, S.T.L., '05
JOHN D. CURRAN, M.D., '07	FRANCIS J. MARZELI, L.L.B., '91
ARTHUR J. DELANEY, '00	EDMUND J. SHOLLOU, '96
MICHAEL J. DEMPSEY, '00	CHARLES W. NAULTY, JR., M.D., '01
J. EDGAR FARR, M.D., '04	REV. LEMUEL H. NORTON, '84
JOSEPH P. GAFFNEY, L.L.B., '00	GERARD D. O'FARRELL, JR., M.D., '90
REV. JOACHIM GARGALLO	REV. CORNELIUS J. O'NEILL, '06
JOHN J. GIBBIDE, M.D., '01	REV. JOSEPH A. OSBORN, '84
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REV. CHARLES F. KAYARACH, '04	ALPHONSE J. RICHNER, M.D., '06
THOMAS C. KELLY, M.D., '00	JOSEPH J. SHIELDS, '90
FRANK C. KLAUSER, '06	ALBERT W. STRUCKER, D.D.S., '01
CHARLES I. MCCUSKER, '80	REV. JOHN J. TOOMEY, '75
JOSEPH M. MCCARRON, D.D.S., '06	



PARENTS' COLLEGE gave participants an opportunity to experience teachers like Dr. Joanne Barnett.

Eighth Parents Weekend Reunites Families; Lectures, Concert, Liturgy, Dinner Praised

La Salle University's Parents Committee sponsored the eighth annual Parents' Weekend on October 12 and 13. According to Brother Andrew Bartley, Coordinator of the Parents' Association, the affair was "successful in achieving its primary goal: uniting parents, students, and La Salle in a relaxed and pleasant event."

Highlight of Saturday's agenda was the Parents' College, an opportunity for participants to attend two lectures of a total of ten offered by the faculty on topics related to the theme "Value-added Education."

Celeste and Robert Schaefer, Co-chairpersons of the two-day program, estimated that "more than 350 families

attended this enjoyable reunion." All three meals offered were sold-out. Other features included a student-planned liturgy, a jazz band concert, varied sporting events, and a survey of university priorities by Brother Patrick Ellis, FSC, Ph.D., President.

Evaluations of the activities were, according to Brother Andrew, "overwhelmingly favorable. Members of the Parents' Committee agree that the well-planned weekend helps create community and confirm parents in their belief that La Salle is a place able to provide an excellent education to their sons and daughters."

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE...

Vincent A. Phillips

Father of Thomas Phillips

Richard T. Williams

Brother of Mary Ann Williams Kerlin and brother-in-law of Dr. Michael Kerlin

Lillian Paranzino

Wife of Peter, La Salle's barber

Peretz Buch

Father of Dr. Joshua Buch

George Kriebel

Husband of Marguerite Kriebel

Horacio Blanco

Father of Gabriel Blanco

Margaret Wolf

Mother of Janet Wolf, '92

La Salle Constantly Strives to Build for Today and Tomorrow

To provide access to La Salle's Campus Ministry Center for handicapped persons, two electric lifts were installed last summer. The lifts, located at the rear entrance to the De La Salle Chapel, will enable wheelchair-restricted students, faculty, and guests to participate in activities previously inaccessible to them.

Father Richard Wojnicki, Assistant Director of Campus Ministry, commented that members of the ministry staff "are very pleased with the administration's response to this need." The state formally approved of the new units Thursday, September 19.



Family Ties

"Family Ties," a program which enables parents to send various gifts to their sons and daughters on birthdays or other special occasions, has been instituted by the Food Services Department this year. With gifts ranging from cakes and flowers to complete parties, this innovative approach to strengthening the bonds between La Salle students and their families should prove popular.



May the true spirit of the
Christmas Season
Add peace and joy to your
world-always

The Parents' Committee

Brother Joseph Burke, FSC, Provost of the University, has formed a panel to consider options for modernizing the Holroyd Science Building, which has served Explorer scientists for more than 30 years.

The panel will consider whether the university should renovate the seriously outdated facility or construct a new one. Brother Burke believes that although Holroyd meets La Salle's present needs, it might not meet those of the near future.

Future needs would include the expansion of research facilities for faculty and students, and the ability to house all of the science, math, and nursing in one building. La Salle administrators are already planning proposals to help finance the future suitability of the Holroyd Science Center.

Brother President Involved as Principal Speaker at Numerous Special Events

Brother Patrick Ellis, FSC, President of La Salle University, is involved in almost every campus activity, including teaching, academic or athletic assemblies, liturgy or special events (Open House, Parents' Weekend). In addition, Brother Patrick represents La Salle at countless off-campus events.

Recent appearances included addressing the board of trustees of Immaculata College on the Papal document on higher education; speaking at La Salle High School's honors convocation, at the New Jersey Independent College Foundation, and at the 35th Anniversary of Pope John XXIII High School in Sparta, New Jersey.

Other commitments included guesting on Frank Ford's program (WWDB), serving as panelist on the topic "Visions of Philadelphia," and accepting chairmanship of the Rare Books Committee of the Free Library of Philadelphia.

Major renovation of the former classroom building of St. Basil's School, located on La Salle's recently acquired south campus will be needed to house a new Communications Center. According to Vice President of Business Affairs David Fleming, the university is involved in acquiring a sponsor for the project which will cost approximately three and a half million dollars.

Plans call for a state-of-the-art television studio, expanded editing and screening rooms, and larger classroom and office space. Also benefiting from the expansion will be the School of Continuing Education, whose new facilities will include a conference center for evening division workshops.

Brother Gerard Molyneaux, Communications Department Chairman, is hopeful that the two-year delay in renovations will soon be ended. "Everyone here wants to see this project underway," he said; "but we realize that funding is essential before initiating necessary improvements."

Campus Ministry Offers Outreach to Appalachia

Project Appalachia, a community outreach program sponsored by the La Salle Campus Ministry Center, is already raising funds to support this spring's activities. In 1990, 30 students travelled to Elkins, West Virginia to help complete several home improvement projects; last year, 41 students worked at Frakes, Kentucky.

Initial fund-raising has taken the form of a soon-to-be released Project Appalachia Cookbook, which features recipes from faculty and students and residents of the Appalachian regions. Peter Lafferty and Craig Strimel are coordinators of the project.

The Center is also combining with the Athletic Department in a Canned Food Drive scheduled for November 19 at the women's and men's basketball games at the Civic Center.

NEH Grants Funding for Summer Seminar on Campus

The National Endowment for the Humanities granted funding to La Salle University to host a summer '92 seminar program proposed by Dr. Barbara Millard, Professor of English.

Entitled "Shakespeare and the creative act: King Lear," the seminar will enable secondary school teachers to participate in an experience designed to advance the humanities and enrich the background of the participants.

Fifteen seminar participants will be selected from a pool of applicants throughout the country. The selectees, or fellows, will live on La Salle's campus during July and conclude by spending a week at the Shakespeare festival at Stradford, Ontario.

Food Services Adds Staff and Innovative Programs

La Salle's Food Services now benefit from the expert advice of Amy Scott, a nutritionist who joined the staff last year. Mr. Stephen Greb, Director of Food Services, welcomed the addition of a staff specialist to develop menus and recipes that would enable his department to provide foods at once healthful and palatable.

After a year of observation and experience, Scott introduced a program called "Explore Nutrition," an attempt to educate students and others about proper eating habits, chiefly by offering menu items that are low fat and heart-healthy. Believing that the college years are important in forming life-long habits, Scott recommends that young people adopt worthwhile eating and exercising patterns called for by their changing metabolism.

Student suggestions and their evaluations of the new program will be given consideration as the Explorers explore nutrition guided by Amy Scott, a specialist who understands and responds to the needs of college students.



Inducted into La Salle's Alumni Hall of Athletes on Oct. 11 were (from left): Bob "Ace" McCann, '50 (basketball); Maureen Kramer, '81 (basketball); Bill Wilkinson (soccer coach); Mike Kogut, '84 (soccer), and Steve Black, '85 (basketball). Black's brother, Michael, is pictured accepting his award.

Alumni Committee Selects Five New Members For Honor of Hall of Athletes Induction

The Alumni Hall of Athletes added five new members in ceremonies held October 11 at La Salle. The event marked the first time since 1961 that so many were honored simultaneously. The inductees were Steve Black, '85; Mike Kogut, '84; Maureen Kramer, '81; Bob "Ace" McCann, '50 and Coach Bill Wilkinson.

Steve Black scored more than 2000 points for the Explorers' basketball team, and was selected three times for first team All Big Five honors. Mike Kogut was chosen regional All-American soccer goalkeeper in 1983 and was named to the Soccer 7 first team in three

consecutive years. Maureen Kramer played women's basketball from 1977 through 1981 and is the all-time high scorer with 1502 points. In her senior year she was captain, high scorer and top rebounder.

Described by his coach as "the complete basketball player," Bob McCann was an outstanding play-making guard from 1946 through 1950 when the Explorers first gained national recognition. Bill Wilkinson, soccer coach for 17 years, guided his teams to 174 wins, including six conference titles and five Coach-of-the-Yearhonors.

EXPLORER BASKETBALL

MENS BASKETBALL

Nov. 29-30 at Central Fidelity Holiday Classic TBA
(at Richmond w/ California & Virginia Tech)
Dec. 7 SIENA* 7:30 pm
9 VILLANOVA (Spectrum) 9:00 pm
21 PRINCETON 7:00 pm
27-28 at Far West Classic; Portland, ORTBA
(Oregon State, Oregon & Minnesota)
Jan. 4 IONA* 7:30 pm
9 NOTRE DAME 7:30 pm
11 at Canisius* 7:30 pm
13 at Niagara* 7:30 pm
18 at St. Peter's* 8:00 pm
19 PENNSYLVANIA (Spectrum) 7:00 pm
23 at Temple 9:30 pm
25 CANISIUS* 7:30 pm
28 at Manhattan* 7:30 pm
Feb. 2 at Siena* (Knickerbocker Arena) 2:00 pm
7 at Iona* 7:30 pm
9 LOYOLA (MD)* 2:00 pm
11 at St. Joseph's 7:00 pm
15 at Brigham Young 9:30 pm
19 ST. PETER'S* 7:30 pm
21 FAIRFIELD* 7:30 pm
23 NIAGARA* 2:00 pm
26 at Loyola (MD)* 7:30 pm
28 MANHATTAN* 7:30 pm
Mar. 1 at Fairfield* 2:00 pm
6-9 MAAC Tournament at Albany, NY
All Home Games (in Bold Caps) at Philadelphia Civic Center.

WOMENS BASKETBALL

Nov. 30 PENNSYLVANIA 1:00 pm
Dec. 4 at Temple 7:00 pm
6-7 Lady Bornies Classic TBA
(at St. Bonaventure w/ Akron & Columbia
10 ST. JOSEPH'S 7:00 pm
21 VILLANOVA (Civic Center) 4:30 pm
27-29 LA SALLE INVITATIONAL TBA
(Boston, U., Butler, Colgate, UMBC,
Marquette, Monmouth & Morgan State)
Jan. 3 at Valparaiso 8:00 pm
5 at Notre Dame 3:00 pm
8 MANHATTAN* 7:00 pm
13 at Loyola (MD)* 5:00 pm
17 at St. Peter's* 7:00 pm
19 SIENA* 1:00 pm
22 IONA* 7:00 pm
24 at Niagara* 7:00 pm
26 at Canisius* 12:00 pm
29 at Fairfield* 7:00 pm
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29 at Manhattan* 2:00 pm
Mar. 5-8 MAAC Tournament at Albany, NY
All Home Games (in Bold Caps) at Hayman Hall

*Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Games. All Times Eastern and Subject to Change.

Ticket Information - (215) 951-1523

Annual Fall Honors Convocation Celebrates Academic Achievement

The annual fall Honors Convocation, which celebrates academic achievement, was held Sunday, October 20 in the Union Ballroom.

Students who have earned a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.4 or higher are invited participants. Recipients included outstanding students from Arts and Sciences, Business Administration,

and the School of Continuing Studies.

At this year's event, celebrating 25 years of co-education at La Salle, honorary degrees of Doctor of Humane Letters were conferred upon Patricia Johnson Clifford, Rear Admiral Maryanne Gallagher Ibach, and Sister Anne Brooks for their distinguished careers of service to the human family.

Urban Center Applauds Nine Area Leaders for Outstanding Efforts to Improve City

La Salle's Urban Studies and Community Services Center held its 18th annual Community Awards Dinner on October 18 at the Union ballroom. "The dinner provides the Center with an opportunity to recognize the outstanding efforts of those who strive to attain the highest ideals of the Urban Center," according to Millicent Carvalho, Director.

Nine community leaders were honored at the dinner. The 1991 awardees were Rev. Harry W. Davis, Sr.D.D., Juvencio Gonzalez, Jr., Nicole I. Horick, Rev. Edward Jones, Ph.D. (who also gave the keynote address), Marvin Louis, Officer Wiley Redding, Anna Mae Robinson, Althris Shirdan, Ph.D. and Joseph R. Vecchione. Nine members of the Urban Center Board introduced the recipient. Brother Patrick Ellis, President, and Brother Joseph Burke. Provost participated in the program. Music was provided by the La Salle Jazz Band.



DETERMINATION is evident as Jeff Neubauer drives past opponent.

Explorer Varsity Athletes Excel in Fall Sports; Both Basketball Teams Begin Their Campaigns

With men's and women's basketball ready to take center stage, (see schedules) fall sports, now concluding, produced numerous outstanding team and individual performances by Explorers. Men's soccer (11-4-1) women's cross country (Collegiate Track Conference Champions), men's cross country (third place in the Collegiate Track Conference Championships) have all posted outstanding records as the MAAC Championships near.

In addition, women's volleyball (18-18) and field hockey (9-8-1) have been competitive and improving throughout their seasons. Only women's soccer (5-11-2) in a rebuilding year, was below the .500 level. At press time, men's and women's swimming teams were continuing strong seasons, with the women dominating dual meets and the men losing first place at the Villanova Relays by only four points. That loss was avenged as the Explorers sank the Wildcats in a subsequent meet.

Dr. Michael Kerlin, Chair of the Philosophy Department, and Dr. Peter Filicetti, Assistant Director of the Counseling Center were honored for their quarter century of service to La Salle. The Sears-Roebuck Foundation award for Teaching and Leadership was awarded to Dr. Leonard Brownstein, Director of Graduate Bilingual Studies.

"Justice Week" Enables Students to Increase Their Awareness of Social Ills

"Justice Week '91," an opportunity for participants to become informed about societal concerns, was held the week of November 11-15. Rev. Maury Schepers, O.P., STD, chaired the Justice Week Steering Committee which chose as its theme "Justice and the City."

Teachers, especially those involved with the Freshman Year Experience, incorporated relevant aspects of the theme in class discussions. Two major events were lectures by two experts in coping with urban problems.

Mr. Sam Katz, a prominent Philadelphian active in business and political affairs, including a recent campaign to become mayor, spoke on the issue of the equitable financing of city government and services.

Thomas Gumbleton, auxiliary bishop of Detroit, and noted peace activist, discussed the church's role in promoting urban justice. Significant support was given to the events of Justice Week because, as Father Schepers said, "the events were solidly in the La Sallian tradition of liberal education."

New Program Instituted

This fall, La Salle University's Bilingual Bicultural Studies Department added an Asian Component to its M.A. Program. Dr. Leonard Brownstein, Ph.D., Director, said that "The principal objective of this new component is to develop linguistic and cultural skills for teachers and other urban professionals who work with the Southeast Asian community in Philadelphia and its environs."



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Philosophers Sponsor Fall Lecture Series by Experts

La Salle's Philosophy Department has been sponsoring a series of lectures during the fall semester. Featuring authorities, the series provides the results of current scholarship in several areas of philosophical thought.

In September, Miroslov Popovych of the Ukrainian Institute of Philosophy discussed "Chaos and Order: Beyond Relativism." In November, three presentations dealt with the modern implications of Plato's *Republic*, the legal interpretation of natural law, and the laws regarding sex discrimination. The series concluded with Cornelia Tsakiridou's views concerning "Realism and Photography."



*Albrecht Dürer (1471-1528), German
St. Jerome in His Study 1514*

Museum Holds Exhibit of A. Dürer Woodcuts, Books

From October 1 through November 26, the La Salle University Art Museum presented a special exhibition titled "The Enduring Legacy of Albrecht Dürer." Featuring a selection of woodcuts, engravings, and rare books by the greatest graphic artist of the Renaissance, the exhibition was well-attended, especially during Parents' Weekend and Open House.

La Salle Hosts Program of National Fraternity - GIS

In October, La Salle's Alpha Delta Chapter hosted the 1991 National Management Conference of the Gamma Iota Sigma Collegiate Insurance Fraternity. Kathleen McNichol of the Finance Department directed the on-campus arrangements for this event which attracted students from twenty-two different colleges throughout the United States.

From the time the fraternity selected La Salle as the host institution, McNichol and her students participated in fund-raising and planning for the program dealing with risk management and insurance. John D. Meder, President of Gamma Iota Sigma, complimented La Salle for furthering the fraternity's commitment to "excellence in the area of education and professionalism."

This year the fraternity is celebrating its 25th anniversary.

The first chapter was chartered at Ohio State University in 1976.

