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'89 Reunions Set For May 19-20



Scenes from Reunion '88: Cocktails on the Union Plaza and dinner in the tent.

Last May we had the biggest reunion in our history when close to 800 alumni, guests, and faculty sat down together for dinner in a tent, raised for the occasion, on the parking lot adjacent to Hayman Hall.

Some came early and participated in tours of the new Connelly Library, the Art Gallery, and the Belfield estate, or took part in panel discussions, or attended the 5:00 p.m. Mass prior to the 6:00 reception and 7:15 dinner.

Some stayed late and socialized at the several locations in the Student Union

building where bars were set up and differing styles of music were provided as background for a night of nostalgia.

This year plans are underway for another gala Reunion Weekend — May 19-20. Morning and afternoon activities will be improved and expanded, and, since the weekend will be after commencement (May 14), dormitory accommodations will be available.

The Reunion dinner on May 20 once again will be offered for an all-inclusive price: \$35.00 per person. For the one charge you receive the cocktail hour in

the Union Plaza, dinner in the tent (with class seating) and post-dinner activities — drinks, live music, dancing, and socializing.

In the coming weeks, members of the Classes of 1939, '44, '49, '54, '59, '64, '69, '74, '79, and '84 may expect to receive additional details in the mail from their class committees. Included in these mailings will be biographic survey forms from the Alumni Office. These will be used to update office records and to enable us to produce reunion books for dissemination at the reunion.

Concert and Lecture Series

Brother Emery Mollenhauer, F.S.C., the Provost of the University, has announced the Spring semester schedule for the Concert and Lecture series. Alumni are cordially invited to attend these programs, all of which, unless otherwise noted, will begin at 12:30 p.m.

The Philadelphia Baroque Ensemble returns to the unique setting of the Art Museum's Renaissance Room on January 31 for a program of Baroque music featuring James Renel Burden, flute and recorder; Tracy Parente, violin; Ruth Dalphin, bassoon; and William Newman, guitar.

John Sauermaun will give a one man performance entitled "Byron and Freedom" on February 9 in the Dan Rodden Theatre.

On February 11 at 1:00 p.m. The Greater Philadelphia Philosophy Consortium will present "The Natural and Human Sciences: A Dialogue" in the Dunleavy Room of the Union building. Presenters for the dialogue will be Thomas S. Kuhn, Professor of Philosophy at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Charles Taylor, Professor of Philosophy and Political Science at McGill University. Chairperson for the meeting will be William Sullivan, Professor of Philosophy at La Salle.

"Hola Kumba Ya" will feature folktales and traditional stories performed by storyteller/actress Alice McGill on February 16 in the Music Room of the Union building. This program is a Black

History Month event and is co-sponsored by the Black Students League.

"Gorbachev and the Future of the Study of Russian-American Relations" will be the topic of La Salle Professor of History Joseph P. O'Grady on February 21 in the Dunleavy Room.

On March 2 in the Dunleavy Room, James D. Bloom, Assistant Professor of English at Muhlenberg College, will discuss "American Fiction and the Culture of Shopping."

Dr. Gary Cross, Associate Professor of History at Pennsylvania State University, on April 4 will speak on "Uses of the French Revolution: The 'Lessons' of Social Upheaval in French and Foreign Political Language Since 1790" in the Dunleavy Room.

Finally, on April 13 the Mark Randall Trio will present "Jazz Styles from Rags to Be-Bop" in the Dunleavy Room.

Focus On: The Dr. Eugene Gallagher Club

The Dr. Eugene Gallagher Club is the direct descendant of the "Basketball Club," the "Basketball Committee" of the Explorer Club, and the "Explorer Basketball Association." By whatever name, it is the grass roots support group of alumni and fans interested in following La Salle basketball and supporting the teams, men and women, by their physical presence and continuing interest.

It really started with a group of alumni who organized a testimonial dinner in 1969 for an Explorer team, possibly the best in the nation, who because of N.C.A.A. probation were denied the opportunity to participate in the post-season tournament.

In 1985 the Club, in its fourth manifestation, decided to take the name of a loyal alumnus from the Class of 1948 who had been team physician for some ten years when, in 1974, he suffered a fatal heart attack in the closing minutes of the Sugar Bowl championship game in which La Salle defeated Alabama 77-73. "Doc" Gallagher loved the game and the players who wore the blue and gold. His interest in the team and his concern for its individual members are legend.

Around the time of the name change, the Blue Chip Club, organized according to N.C.A.A. regulations under the Athletic Department, had become an important fund raising organization for the basketball program. Although the Basketball Club (I, II, and III) had raised money on a limited basis for the purchase of equipment, etc., and although many members of the Gallagher Club are also "Blue Chip'ers," the basic decision for the Gallagher Club was to remain a social club of alumni and friends supporting La Salle basketball teams at home and, in many cases, away games.

The chairman of the club is appointed each year by the President of the Alumni Association. Daniel E. McGonigle, '57, former president of the Alumni Association, is the current chairman. Other officers are Secretary Chip Greenberg and Treasurer William Leimkuhler; the executive (or steering) committee is completed by past chairman John Fallon and Dr. Teresa Hooten Kozempel.

Its regular program includes an opening Mass in memory of Dr. Eugene Gallagher, a "Meet the Team" night, and a post-season social with the coaches to hear about prospects for next season.

From its inception, the Gallagher Club included the women's team in the scope of its support. The annual reception following one of the women's games will be on Saturday, January 14 following the 1:00 p.m. game vs. Manhattan in Hayman Hall.

Plans are being made for a trip to Washington, D.C. for the American U. game on Sunday, February 5. A pre-game brunch with the local Washington Alumni Chapter is scheduled prior to the 2:00 p.m. game. The bus trip probably will leave campus on Saturday morning, February 4 and return immediately after the game. Details will be announced shortly to members. Non-members may call the Alumni Office (951-1535) after the first of January for details.

Plans are also being finalized for receptions in connection with home games vs. Fairfield and Florida State and the M.A.A.C. playoffs at the Brendan Byrne Arena in the New Jersey Meadowlands.

Because it is not a fund raising organization, membership dues are \$10.00 a year and applications are available at the Alumni Office.

Chapter Notes



Brother James Muldoon, F.S.C., Dean of the School of Arts and Science, (on right) was guest speaker at the Montgomery County dinner on November 30 at the Oak Terrace Country Club. He is seen here enjoying a pre-dinner conversation with Charles M. "Chip" Greenberg, Assistant Director of Alumni, William J. McCormick, '58, William F. Smith, '73 and Philip E. Hughes, '71. Brother James will address our New England alumni on April 1 in Boston.

The FLORIDA Chapter was formally organized in December and Joe Dunleavy, '54, was chosen President. They will meet next in Fort Lauderdale on January 20 with Alumni Director Jim McDonakl.

The PITTSBURGH Chapter will meet at the Duquesne Club for an informal reception, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., on Monday, January 23. Guests from campus will include Vice President for Development Fred J. Foley, News Bureau Director Bob Lyons, Planned Giving Director Arthur Stanley, and Assistant Director of Alumni Chip Greenberg. All will be in town for a district conference of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

The WASHINGTON D.C. Chapter will co-sponsor, with the Dr. Eugene Gallagher (Basketball) Club, a pre-game brunch before the American University game at 2:00 p.m. on their campus on February 5.

NEW ENGLAND Chapter Chairman Jim Gillespie, '55, has announced plans for a social in Boston on April 1. Guest speaker will be Brother James Muldoon,

F.S.C., Dean of Arts and Science. The Explorer Jazz Band, a popular campus musical group, is expected to entertain.

The SOUTH JERSEY Chapter will have a dinner at the New Woodbine Inn in Pennsauken on April 13. Cocktails at 7:00 p.m., dinner at 8:00 (\$24.50). Brother Gerald Fitzgerald, Director of Admissions, will be the guest speaker.

Record Number of Applicants

Despite a continuing decline of the general college-age population throughout the nation, La Salle University recorded the largest number of applicants in its history in 1988 and university officials are making plans to accommodate the unprecedented demand for space by new students.

La Salle admitted 830 freshmen last September, its largest freshman class in eight years. Requests for information about the university have more than doubled in the last five years and applications for full-time programs have increased by 45 percent over the same span.

"There are now four times as many applicants as seats available," said Brother Gerald Fitzgerald, F.S.C., La Salle's Director of Admissions, who has seen a sweeping change in the composition of the student body since 1983. Since then, the number of full-time students living on campus has risen from 27 to 45 percent.

Communicators Unite

Alumni of the Communication Arts department have organized and will be planning activities to foster relationships among themselves and to assist the department. Michael C. Coughlin, '83, was elected to be the group's first President.



A familiar sight at the Palestra, Brother Thomas McPhillips, F.S.C., faculty advisor and brass section anchor of the Explorer Jazz Band, will take his group to Washington (Feb. 5) and Boston (Apr. 1).

Alumni Calendar, Spring 1989

Gallagher Club: reception following Women's team vs. Manhattan (Hayman Hall, 1:00 p.m.)	January 14
Florida Alumni meeting in Ft. Lauderdale	January 20
Pittsburgh Chapter: reception at Duquesne Club	January 23
Washington Chapter — Gallagher Club: Joint dinner (prior to American U. game)	February 5
M.A.A.C. Tournament — Meadowlands	March 4-6
Downtown Club: Annual St. Patrick's luncheon at the Irish Pub	March 15
MBA Alumni reception	March 30
Boston area Alumni dinner	April 1
South Jersey Chapter dinner-dance at the Woodbine Inn	April 13
R.O.T.C. Military Ball (campus)	April 22
Commencement	May 14
REUNION WEEKEND	May 19-20



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