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SALVE REGINA COLLEGE

Study Abroad Programs Blossom

by Grace Murray



This view of the Colosseum in Rome, as well as the photographs of European cities on the following pages, was taken by Art major Sue Kaminski who studied abroad last year.

Following the success of the African Studies Program, Salve Regina College has added a European Studies Program based in Ireland to the curriculum. Students at the College also have the opportunity to study in Italy, France, England, Austria, Spain and Switzerland.

Eleven students went to Kenya last spring. In addition to doing classroom work in African history, geography, literature and politics, they climbed Mt. Longanout and traveled to a game reserve. Art major Thomas Judd commented that his favorite part of the trip was talking with artists at Paa Ya Paa, a retreat center. Other field trips included Pokot Mission at Langat, Turkana, Rift Valley and Masai Mara.

First introduced in 1986, the program has allowed 44 students to travel to Africa. Students participating in the African Studies Program, which takes place during the spring semester, earn a total of 16 credits for a full semester's work. The program is designed to fulfill the academic requirements of Salve Regina College. The students who went to Africa last spring were required to take a course in Swahili before and during the semester, which enabled them to gain conversational skills.

The new European Studies Program is designed to help students understand the culture and economy of contemporary Western Europe. Professors from Irish colleges, working with Fr. John Meade, of Salve Regina College, and Dr. Andrew Burke, of St. Patrick's College, Dublin, teach the courses. Students earn 16 credits while concentrating their studies on the European economic community.

The European Studies Program requires weekend field trips through Ireland. The 11 students who went to Ireland in September embarked on a two-week tour throughout Europe. They visited London, Brussels, Strasbourg, Luxembourg, Cologne and Paris, cities of great importance to the development of the European economic community.

One of the courses students take while in Ireland explores the achievements of Modern Anglo-Irish writers such as Joyce, Yeats, O'Casey, Synge, and Kavanagh. As part of this course, students travel to Yeats country and visit homes of other well-known writers.

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Dinner Held to Honor Student Leaders

On Feb. 14, student government leaders from the Student Academic Senate, Student Housing Senate and Student Life Senate were recognized at a dinner held in their honor at Ochre Court by Dean of Students John Rok. The keynote address was made by the Honorable Ronald K. Machtley, Member of Congress, U.S. House of Representatives. "The dinner was planned to recognize student government leaders for their contribution of leadership and service to the Salve Regina College community and the surrounding local communities of Newport and Middletown," said John Rok.

Alumna Volunteers for Earthquake Effort

by Amy Duenkel

Mary Beth Hanley (1985) joined a health care team that traveled to Soviet Armenia to provide assistance to earthquake victims last spring.

AmeriCares, a Connecticut-based international relief group, was the first to send aid to Armenia following the Dec. 7, 1988 earthquake. The group's goals were to bring Armenian patients to the United States for treatment and to establish an artificial limbs and braces clinic in Armenia. The clinic is the first project of AmeriCares' volunteer program, DOCTORS TO ALL PEOPLES (DTAP). The goal of DTAP is to help educate health professionals in Armenia so they can maintain the AmeriCares' clinic in the future.

Hanley, an emergency room nurse at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center, Hartford, Connecticut, joined nurses and physicians from both Connecticut and Colorado as they made up the second group of health professionals to go to Armenia on AmeriCares' behalf. The group relieved physicians, nurses and other health personnel who arrived in Armenia to establish the clinic in March. Several groups of AmeriCares' volunteer health

professionals will staff the Armenia clinic on a rotation basis.

Mary Beth credits her education at Salve Regina College as an inspiration for her desire to be of service to others. "An experience like this makes you very proud to be a nurse and every time I looked down at my left ring finger and saw my Salve Regina ring, I would wonder what my instructors would say if they saw me now! If it were not for all of you, I would not have been able to do this."

While in Armenia, Hanley had the opportunity to meet Mother Teresa and says, "I truly felt as if I was in the presence of a saint." Among the difficulties encountered in the midst of earthquake damage, Mary Beth found the scarcity of supplies a challenge. "We ran out of dressings, medications, etcetera, but we did the best with what we had." Hanley says that going to Armenia gave her the chance to have the most gratifying experience any nurse could ever hope for—to be needed, wanted and respected for her skills, judgement and clinical expertise.

Mary Beth is currently enrolled in anesthesia school at the Hospital of St. Raphael in New Haven, Connecticut. Also, she is a Second Lieutenant in the Army Reserves.

SRC Director of Athletics is First Woman Inducted into PC Hall of Fame



Lynn Sheedy, Director of Athletics at Salve Regina College, was the first woman athlete inducted into the Providence College Hall of Fame at an awards ceremony held on Feb. 2. The inductees, nine in all, were honored at a dinner held at Raymond Hall on the PC campus on Feb. 2, and they were presented at halftime ceremonies during Providence's basketball game against Connecticut on Feb. 3.

Sheedy assumed the Director of Athletics post at Salve Regina in 1988, and she served as Assistant Dean of Students and basketball coach at Salve Regina from 1986-1988. She was head coach of the women's basketball team at Providence College from 1983-1985.

While a student at PC, Sheedy led the Lady Friars to an 82-27 record in her four years, was captain of the field-hockey team and was a starting outfielder for the softball team. She was selected as the college's female athlete of the year in 1979.

Regarded as one of the finest woman athletes in the state, Sheedy finished her stint with the Lady Friars as the all-time PC leader in points (1,261) and assists (571).



Taking Social Work From the Classroom to the Field

by Christine Mead

Mary Montminy-Danna, Assistant Professor of Social Work, sits behind her somewhat cluttered desk, quietly sipping a large mug of herbal tea. With her soft-spoken, cheery voice, she shares observations gleaned through her work as a counselor at the Women's Resource Center in Newport.

The Women's Resource Center of Newport County, which has been in operation for the past 10 years, works with mothers and their children who are victims of domestic violence. The Center serves the county of Newport, which includes Middletown, Jamestown, Newport, Portsmouth, Tiverton and Little Compton.

The majority of mothers and children come from middle-class homes. They seek help from the Center, either on their own or through the suggestion of a friend or family member.

The Center provides services at charge for mothers and their children through funding from each of the towns. Government grants, fund raising activities and private donations also help keep the Center in operation.

Mary, who has been with the Center for three years, works with a Salve Regina College senior, and they specifically focus their work on children who witness domestic violence. For eight to ten weeks they meet every Saturday morning for about an hour and a half, with a small group of youngsters. Presently, they are working with boys and girls between the ages of four and six.

Mary selects a topic for each session along with appropriate activities. She then counsels the children during the group session.

Recently the topic was, how can children get help when they feel that they are in danger? The activity involved making a telephone out of construction paper on which they wrote their phone numbers and 911. At other times, they might view a video or discuss a hypothetical situation in the home. Activities vary depending on the age of the children.

Mary explained that it is often a difficult task to get the younger kids to speak openly about problems, and, because of this, she relies heavily on their actions, such as running around the room, crying or becoming unusually quiet.

She claims that the children interact well with one another in the groups, although at times they can get restless. She illustrated this with an incident that happened in a group of older children. The group was discussing Thanksgiving and what the holiday meant to them, and one 10-year-old boy became very agitated and upset. Thanksgiving, to him, meant having Daddy throw the turkey dinner which Mommy had made on the floor.

"This time of year is very stressful for the kids," Mary explains. "They never know when the next fight is going to break out."

During group sessions, the children are expected to follow specific rules, such as no name calling or making fun of the other children. This teaches them that it is unfair to degrade and humiliate others.

In the future Mary hopes for the Center to have groups running at the same time for all ages. "For this we need more help and more trained people, but it is our goal."

Salve Regina College Will Host High School Chamber Music Festival

The fifth annual High School Chamber Music Festival will take place on Saturday, March 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Ochre Court at Salve Regina College. High school students from Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island will perform chamber music and instrumental and group vocal selections. The students will be coached by college music instructors and professional musicians.

Students will have the unique opportunity to hear and perform for other high school chamber groups. They will also receive a certificate and a written critique from their evaluator, and they will have the chance to discuss their performance with them.

Ward Abusamra, who has retired from a position as Choral Director at the University of Rhode Island, will serve as an evaluator with John Molinari, a professional trombonist and retired music educator from Wellsville, N.Y.

The Festival is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Music Department at ext. 444.



Jay Lacouture, Chairman of the Art Department, works with students from Rogers and Middletown High School in "Project Live Arts."

Faculty News

Dr. Peter Alfieri, Assistant Professor of Spanish and Italian, attended a conference sponsored by the American Council for Teachers of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) on Nov. 17-19. He attended seminars on foreign language pedagogy and on Italian and Spanish authors.

Dr. Jane Bethune, Assistant Professor of Spanish and President of the Salve Regina College Faculty Senate, attended the Conference on Governance sponsored by the University of Hartford on Nov. 17-18. The conference was attended by presidents or representatives from 14 New England colleges and universities.

Dr. Ascanio G. DiPippo, Professor of Chemistry, attended ceremonies in Pisa, Italy on Jan. 6. The leaning tower of Pisa, as of that date, was closed for the first time in 800 years to initiate a three-month study on the leaning characteristics of the tower.

Dr. Arthur Krim, Geography Department Chairperson, presented a slide lecture on the history of Three-Decker Houses in New Bedford on Jan. 23, for the Waterfront Historic Area League (WHALE). The lecture, held at the Wilkes Branch Library, was featured on cable Channel 13 as part of a series on rehabilitation of New Bedford's three-decker housing heritage.



Elizabeth Mallon, a dance instructor at Salve Regina, teaches the dance component of "Project Live Arts." The program, a cooperative effort between Newport and Middletown, gives "gifted and talented high school students" a chance to participate in the arts and humanities in a college setting.

Child Care Benefit

Employees of Salve Regina College may utilize the Twice As Nice Child Care Center of the Newport County YMCA at Y-member rates. For additional information about programs, hours and rates, contact Peter McFarland at 849-8646.

College Hosts Collegiate Drawing Exhibition

Salve Regina will host a Collegiate Drawing Exhibition at the McKillop Gallery from Feb. 26 - March 15. The competition is open to all undergraduate art students from colleges and universities throughout Rhode Island as well as eastern Connecticut and southeastern Massachusetts. An opening reception, at which cash awards will be presented, takes place on Monday, Feb. 26 from 7-9 p.m.

Students may submit up to three drawings, and those selected by the juror will be featured in the show. Colleges and universities invited to submit entries include Brown University, Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), Rhode Island College, Roger Williams College, Salve Regina College, The University of Rhode Island, Community College of Rhode Island, Bridgewater State College, Connecticut College, Southeastern Massachusetts University and Bristol Community College.

Maureen O'Brien, Curator of Prints, Drawings and Photographs at the RISD Museum of Art, will serve as juror.

The McKillop Gallery is open Mon.-Thurs., 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Fri., 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and Sun., 2-4 p.m.

The First Annual SRC Alumni-Varsity Hockey Match Played



Members from the Alumni Hockey team square off with students on the College's present team. Alumni team members wear the former Salve Regina logo.

The First Annual Salve Regina College Alumni-Varsity Hockey Match hit the ice at St. George's rink (Middletown, R.I.) on Saturday, Jan. 27. James Geiser '89 of Middletown, headed the alumni team and recruited a strong squad of former skating stars from among Salve Regina graduates throughout New England. The game attracted Salve Regina College Alumni Chapter members from different geographical areas, including Connecticut and Massachusetts, to cheer their former classmates.

The hockey team began six years ago when a ragtag band of skaters took to the ice in the first official appearance of the Salve Regina College hockey club. Today, the team is a Northeast Collegiate Hockey Association Division II team

and has competed against the Coast Guard Academy, Springfield College, Central Connecticut State and Clarke Universities, Emerson College and Gordon College.

Coach Tom Farrea has been with the team since its beginning and is pleased with the progression from a band of students skating for an hour a week to a Division II team. He is confident that the team will become Division I by next year. This season the team is undefeated in league play, with an overall record of 7-3-3.

A rematch of the two teams is being planned for October 1990, to kick off Reunion Weekend. Although the alumni team wishes for this game's score to be forgotten, they assure the present team that they will return and win the next.

Career Awareness Week Events Announced

Career Awareness Week is Feb. 26 - March 2, and the Career Planning and Placement Office has some special events planned throughout the spring to mark the occasion. Some of these programs include:

- **HOW TO ORGANIZE AND FINANCE A SMALL BUSINESS: AMERICA'S HOPE FOR THE FUTURE** - Co-sponsored by the Small Business Administration, this is a non-credit course offered on Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. from Feb. 27 - April 10 (with the exception of March 20). It is open to the College community and to the general public. The presenter is John W. Nelson III, a leading banker in Rhode Island for the past 25 years, who also teaches at Bryant College and U.R.I. and is enrolled in the graduate M.B.A. program at Salve Regina.
- **LUNCHEON CAREER ROUND TABLE** - To be held in the Global Cafe, students (juniors and seniors) will lunch with participants from the business community in the professional field of their choice along with Bernice Whitaker, Director of Career Planning and Placement (CPP), and John Nelson. "Serving as an 'informal interview,' the discussion will enable students to learn more about the world-of-work," said Ms. Whitaker. Beginning March 7, this program will run on seven consecutive Wednesdays from 12:15-1:30 p.m. Business community participants will be identified by John Nelson, and topic selection will be based on interests of Salve Regina juniors and seniors. Students are urged to contact the CPP Office with their requests.

- **CAREER/LIFE PLANNING WORKSHOP** - Focusing on college to career transition, this is a one-credit offering for juniors and seniors through the Sociology Department. Ms. Whitaker will be the presenter on the weekend of March 10 and 11. (The course will also be offered to freshmen and sophomores on Thursdays during the week.)
- **CAREER/ALUMNI NETWORKING PROGRAM** - This is a program designed to have students spend a day in the field with Salve Regina alumni. This is being organized by Bernice Whitaker and a committee of four upperclassmen (Christine Castro, Maureen Whelan, Jennifer Izzi, and Erin Forbush) and will be scheduled for sometime in the spring.
- **ON-CAMPUS RECRUITMENT** - Recruiters from a variety of backgrounds will be on campus to recruit 1990 graduates on selected dates to be announced to faculty and students. For further information, contact Susan Rose, Assistant Director of CPP.
- **WORKSHOPS ON JOB SEARCH STRATEGIES, RESUME WRITING AND JOB INTERVIEWING TECHNIQUES** - Presented by Ms. Whitaker, these workshops will be offered to students on dates to be announced.

For registration and further information on any of these programs contact the CPP Office at ext. 495.

Salve Regina College: People in the News



Geraldine Di Camillo, Sports Information Director and Men's and Women's Tennis Coach, attended the First Annual Intercollegiate Tennis Coaches Association (ITCA) Convention at the Sonesta Sanibel Harbour Resort and Spa in Fort Meyers, Florida, Jan. 16-21. Clinics and workshops were presented by some of the finest tennis coaches, nutritionists and sport psychologists in the USA. These programs and activities not only provided techniques to better promote tennis but also afforded attendees the opportunity to refine their coaching and playing expertise.

Mick Klitzner, Coordinator of Intramurals/Track and Cross Country Coach, recently attended the United States All Star Track and Field Cross Country Clinic held in Atlantic City, N.J. Over 600 coaches from the East Coast attended clinics and workshops presented by world class and Olympic coaches.

Jimmy Lynch, Director of Intramurals, and **Mick Klitzner**, Coordinator of Intramurals, attended the two-day National Intramural Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) Convention at Northeastern University in Boston, Mass. The Convention was highlighted by clinics and workshops involving group discussion about intramural programs in over 100 East Coast colleges and universities.

Suzanne McGrath, a politics major, has passed the LSAT examination with a score of 46 out of a possible score of 48. Suzanne is a magna cum laude graduate of the class of '89. She was also the recipient of the Bower Award granted by the Department of Politics for outstanding political research.

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Reinette Fournier Speare, Coordinator of Production/Design in the Public Relations Office, will exhibit her paintings in a group show, "Three Women, Three Views: Contemporary Works in Oil," at Boston's Rutherford Gallery on 39 Newbury Street from Feb. 21 through March 31. An opening reception will be held on Saturday, March 3 from 2-4 p.m. Reinette's work will be shown along with paintings by Boston artists, Olga Stamatiou and Martha Stone. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday, 12-5 p.m. Reinette's painting of "Apples," (above) which recently won the Juror's Prize at the Newport Art Museum Juried Members' Show, will also be included in the Boston exhibit.



"Old Salzburg City," Salzburg, Austria. Photo by Sue Kaminski.

Tena Huntley, an English and political science major, was among the students who spent last semester studying at St. Patrick's College. Her experiences, which she chronicled in an article published in **The Downeast Coastal Press**, a weekly paper in Maine, included a study of Irish cultural life and excursions to Wales and the English countryside. The group toured the Rhine River area where Tena and fellow student Edgar Neil Hodge, an art and philosophy major, hiked five miles to cross a bridge from France to the small West German border town of Kehl.

In addition to the European and African programs, both sponsored by Salve Regina, students also have an opportunity to join study programs in other European countries.

Lizabeth Dion, an art major with a concentration in communication design, went to Florence, Italy last spring. "I have always admired the great Renaissance masters Leonardo, Michelangelo and Raphael," Lizabeth explains. "The opportunity to study and live in a city so historically and artistically awe-inspiring was the main reason I chose Florence."

Sue Kaminsky studied in Siena and in Florence. She is an art major with a concentration in photography. She says of her experience, "The independence I gained was the dependence I lost. No longer am I timid to express myself; no longer am I timid to stand alone in my opinion. The willingness I gained was the willingness to accept a culture without thinking it was bizarre."

Jason Burrell spent last year studying at Parsons School of Design in Paris. Melissa Ablondi studied at Richmond College in London, England.

Salve Regina College presents an O'Donnell Scholarship award to one student each year at Honors Convocation. It includes a full year's tuition at Trinity and All Saints College, Leeds, England. Nine students have won this prestigious award since it was first introduced in 1981. The O'Donnell Scholarship, based on academic standing at the College, was granted to Betsy Burrell, an English/communications major, for the current semester.

Big Band Jazz Sound Billed for Next Noon Concert

They've been called a two-man big band. Billy Novick and Guy Van Duser, Boston-based jazz musicians, play swing-style, classic jazz with a contemporary flair, and their innovative music is on tap for the next Noon Concert scheduled for Wednesday, March 7 at Cecilia Hall.

Novick plays clarinet and soprano sax, and his often humorous vocals have delighted audiences at the Newport and Kool Jazz festivals. In addition to touring with David Bromberg and Leon Redbone, he has played with the internationally acclaimed New Black Eagle Jazz Band.

Van Duser's guitar playing combines bass lines, chords and melodies in surprising and melodic arrangements.

The musicians have played together for over a decade, and they have toured throughout North America and Europe and have appeared frequently on "A Prairie Home Companion." Their recordings are available on the Rounder and Green Linnet labels.



Billy Novick and Guy Van Duser.

SRC Announces Providence Journal Grant

Salve Regina College announces a scholarship grant from the Providence Journal Charitable Foundation. The grant, in the amount of \$1,200, will be used for the College Scholarship Fund. This is the third consecutive year the Providence Journal Foundation has awarded this grant.

Brothers of the Christian Schools Honored

The Brothers of the Christian Schools (FSC) have been honored twice this year by special recognition of their vocation within the Church. In May of 1989, Pope John Paul II beatified one of their members who has spent his life catechizing former slaves on the Island of Reunion, off the coast of Africa. This brother, who was given the name of Brother Scubillion when he entered the congregation, was born in France but died on the Island of Reunion.

On December 10, 1989, the Pope canonized another brother. He is Brother Mutian-Marie, a Belgian who spent his life teaching art and music and supervising boarders at a large school in Malonne, Belgium.

Both of these men represent aspects of the vocation of the Brothers of the Christian Schools: teaching, and in particular, teaching religion, all from a motivation of faith.

The Brothers of the Christian Schools—or Christian Brothers—have eight brothers on the faculty at Salve Regina, and two brothers enrolled as full-time students.



Irish Festival Concerts Scheduled for Early March

The Music Department will present two evenings of traditional Irish music, on Friday, March 2, and Saturday, March 3 at 8 p.m. in Ochre Court. The program will feature vocal solos, choral selections and traditional Irish dancing with musical accompaniment.

The concerts are produced annually as a contribution from Salve Regina to the City of Newport's celebration of Irish heritage.



Irish Step Dancer Deirdre Goulding.

Deirdre Goulding will perform Irish step dancing to violin music played by Shamus Connelly on Friday and Sheila Falls on Saturday.

Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased two weeks in advance at Cecilia Hall.

Chamber Chorus Takes Part in Competition

The Salve Regina College Chamber Chorus will participate in the Classic Intercollegiate Women's Glee Club Association's competition on Feb. 24. The event is hosted by Marist College and will be held at West Point.

This is an annual competition which moves to different locations. While the Salve Regina College Chamber Chorus is competing for the first time, they performed at the event last year.

Confirmation Ceremony Will Take Place at Ochre Court

A group of students will be confirmed by The Most Reverend Louis E. Gelineau, Bishop of Providence, on Sunday, March 11 at 11 a.m. in the Ochre Court Chapel. All members of the College community are welcome to attend this special event.



"Il Duomo," Siena, Italy. Photo by Sue Kaminski.