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1998 Nautilus dedication



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### *Fitness 4 Focus*

*Chris Russell (02), founder of an innovative physical education program for children with special needs, shares his journey through challenges to faith.*

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### *Ruth Cameron 1929-2013*

*Professor Emerita Ruth (Allen, 50) Cameron went home to be with the Lord May 11, 2013 after a long illness. Dr. Cameron was retired after 40 years of teaching in the English Department.*

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### *Save the date for Homecoming*

*October 18-19, 2013*

*Class reunions for years ending in 3 and 8, sports, tailgating, Celebration Dinner, the fall musical – "Hello Dolly" and more...*

See you there! • Details on pages 6-7

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Prayer and support  
offered following  
Boston bombings

Students, faculty and staff came together for a time of prayer and support in the aftermath of the Boston Marathon bombings.

On April 15, just hours after the bombings shattered the festive atmosphere surrounding the marathon, more than 100 ENC students gathered in Spangenberg Parlor for a prayer service.

"A student opened with the Prayer of St. Francis, then we sang three songs, including *God of This City*," said **Corey MacPherson**, vice president of Spiritual Development. "I shared a brief devotional thought, then we broke up into prayer groups so that students could share what they were thinking and feeling and pray together."

Also present at the prayer service were representatives from ENC's Brickley Center, who participated in the prayer circles and encouraged students to visit the center for counseling if needed.

"(Brickley) staff are all licensed clinicians, and we provide counseling/mental health services to all students, including traditional undergraduate and Adult Studies," said **Brad Thorne**, director of the Brickley Center. "We also alerted the campus community to [www.staystrongboston.org](http://www.staystrongboston.org) – a website that offered resources, hotline numbers and an online screening tool to see if a professional consultation might be helpful."

## Scenes from Yesteryear



Capturing special moments is part of the joy of archives work. In these photos, we see students discovering their purpose at ENC, working together in community. The bottom photograph is from the 1930s, and the beauty of the campus is visible even covered with snow.

## Peek into the Past

HOMECOMING WEEKEND

When: Saturday October 19, 3:00pm-5:00pm

Where: ENC Archives • Cameron Center  
162 Old Colony Ave. (Plenty of parking!)

Featured Collection: Boston Chapel Digital Archive

On Display: Greenbooks  
Tribute to Dr. Ruth Cameron

Plan now to attend!

Homecoming Weekend  2013

October 18 • 19, 2013

Schedule and registration on pages 6-7

We look forward to seeing you!

## Alumni and friends events near you!

Baltimore Orioles vs  
Boston Red Sox Baseball Game

Saturday, September 28, 2013

7:00pm

Oriole Park at Camden Yards

\$30/person

You must RSVP to this event to ensure an accurate count. Walk-ins will not be admitted.

RSVP to alumni@enc.edu or 800-RING-ENC



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# President's Message

## Sharing our talents



Dr. Corlis McGee, President



“For just as the master in the story expected each servant to take and multiply what had been entrusted to him, so too, are we expected to multiply the unique talents and gifts that God has bestowed upon us.”

As we conclude another academic year, I’m reminded of how Jesus used parables to make the word of God accessible to His earliest followers. What is truly amazing is how more than 2,000 years later – in a world that is so vastly different in many ways from Jesus’ time – these parables remain remarkably relevant to our contemporary lives as we endeavor to live out our faith, each of us on his or her own journey.

Consider the parable of the talents. As Jesus worked to prepare his disciples for his coming crucifixion and ascension to heaven, he shared with them the story of a master who was leaving on a long journey. Before his departure, the master called to him three of his servants, and to each servant he gave a number of talents (a substantial sum of money in those days) depending upon each servant’s abilities. To the first servant, the master gave five talents. The second servant received two talents, and the third received one talent.

After the master left on his journey, the first servant doubled the amount left to him through wise business dealings. Likewise, the second servant also doubled his initial two talents. The third servant, however, merely dug a hole and buried in it the one talent that had been entrusted to him.

Some time later, the master returned from his journey and called his servants to account for the talents they had been given. To the servants who doubled their talents, the master said, “Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!” To the servant who merely buried his talent, however, the master was harsh: Turning the servant out of the house, the master took his one talent and gave it to the servant with 10 talents, noting, “Whoever has will be given more, and they will have abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them.”

Now, in Jesus’s time the term “talent” referred to a unit of currency. Yet our modern definition of “talent” applies equally well to this parable. For just as the master in the story expected each servant to take and multiply what had been entrusted to him, so too, are we expected to multiply the unique talents and gifts that God has bestowed upon us. Here at Eastern Nazarene College, our dedicated faculty and staff endeavor each day to share their talents with our students. In doing so, they multiply tenfold those talents by sharing their knowledge and wisdom with future generations.

Nowhere was this more apparent than at our recent Spring Commencement, when Professor Emeritus status was conferred upon three longtime faculty members:

Psychology **Professor Richard Fish, PhD (66)** was honored for devoting 42 years of his life to the teaching and mentoring of ENC students. An accomplished academician and devoted disciple, Dr. Fish inspired and empowered his students to serve others through the field of Psychology. He broadened the horizons of countless students, faculty and staff by planning and leading excursions all over the world. And he generously shared his expertise in financial planning, charitable giving and tithing.

**Dr. Lowell Hall (59)** was honored for 45 years of teaching, mentoring and leadership in the field of Chemistry. Dr. Hall taught students to think and wrestle with scientific challenges within a spiritual framework. He inspired numerous students to pursue graduate studies and pioneering research. And he embodied ENC’s commitment to academic excellence within a spiritually nurturing environment.

Professor **K. Brady Millican, DMA**, was honored for his 34 years of devoted service through musical education. An accomplished musician, Dr. Millican helped generations of students to hone their musical talents. He exposed audiences to great masterpieces and world-class performances. And he maintained a genuine interest in the lives of his students across the decades.

Shortly after these faculty members received Emeritus status, the ENC community learned of the passing of ENC Professor Emerita **Dr. Ruth (Allen, 50) Cameron** (see story on page 10). Dr. Cameron instilled a love of literature in generations of students, serving as both a mentor and a professional role model for many young women, in particular.

Professors Fish, Hall, Millican and Cameron. Through their decades of tireless devotion and dedication to their students, their families and their faith, these exemplary individuals have truly multiplied the talents bestowed upon them by God. We thank them for allowing us to be the beneficiaries of their talents, and say to each of them, “Well done, good and faithful servant!”

Blessings,

*Corlis McGee*

Corlis McGee



Dr. Richard Fish (66) inspired and empowered students to serve during his 42 years of teaching. Accompanied by his wife, Loretta (Clemens, 65) he is honored with Professor Emeritus status.



Dorla (Drumm, 60) stands with husband Dr. Lowell Hall (59) as he is recognized as Professor Emeritus after 45 years of teaching and mentoring.



Dr. K. Brady Millican, with wife Barbara Kennard by his side, accepts the honor of Professor Emeritus for his 34 years of teaching and world class performances from President McGee.

Phil Oliver (09)

## Campus News

### Dr. Jossie Owens named VP for Adult and Graduate Studies

Dr. Jossie Owens (74) was recently appointed to the newly created position of vice president for Adult and Graduate Studies.

President Corlis McGee said Dr. Owens will oversee ENC's Adult and Graduate Studies division, which has experienced significant enrollment growth in recent years.

"Dr. Owens brings a wealth of business experience to this important new leadership position within the college," said McGee, who noted that Owens was the guest speaker at ENC's 2012 commencement ceremonies. "She also has a distinguished record of leadership both within the Church of the Nazarene and the local Boston community. We are honored to have her join Eastern Nazarene College in this new role."



Sarah Good (09)

An alumna of ENC, Dr. Owens was the first African-American woman in the United States and Canada to be elected district superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene. In this role, she had oversight responsibility for 103 churches. Prior to serving as district superintendent, she served as pastor of Second Church in Dorchester and principal of Parkside Christian Academy. She has also been involved with the Boston Ten Point Coalition, the Boston Education Collaborative and Boston Justice Ministries, which assists battered women.

Her business experience includes serving in numerous management positions with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, where she was responsible for the administration of the corporate Assessment Center Program and served as manager of the Training and Organization Development department.

Dr. Owens received her bachelor's degree from ENC in 1974. She went on to receive a master's degree in public administration from Northeastern University and a doctorate of Education in planning, policy and administration from Boston University. For more on Dr. Owens, please see the Pillar of ExcellENCe feature on page 11.

### Visser joins ENC as head coach of men's soccer and varsity golf



Sarah Good (09)

Dan Visser was recently named head coach of the Men's Soccer and Golf teams. Visser joins the ENC Lions after a two-year stint as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Eastern University in St. Davids, PA, where he helped the Eagles post a 21-11-2 overall record with a 7-6-1 mark in the Middle Atlantic Conference.

"Eastern Nazarene College is fortunate to have Dan Visser as our new head coach for men's soccer and golf," Athletics Director Dr. Nancy Detwiler said. "Dan has a passion for both sports and is committed to taking both programs to the next level of play through discipline and good teaching. Even more important, however, is his desire to use sports to develop solid Christian men."

Visser joins ENC's soccer program after the Lions boasted their best performance in a decade. As head golf coach, he will guide the program during its inaugural season of varsity play. ENC added golf as its 12th sport during the 2012-2013 season, with Quincy's Granite Links Golf Club serving as the Lions' home course.

"I'd like to thank Dr. Detwiler and the entire ENC community for welcoming me into their family," Visser said. "I'll be working hard to live up to the standard established by some very special coaches who have invested in my life over the years, namely Wayne Rasmussen, Dave Brandt, Brad McCarty, Mark Wagner and Jim Henderson."

Visser enjoyed a successful playing career with NCAA Division III powerhouse Messiah College. During his four years, the Falcons won three national championships and participated in four Final Fours. He served as a captain in his junior and senior years and was named to the Regional All-America first team following his senior season. Visser graduated magna cum laude in 2008 with degrees in mathematics and economics. After graduation, Visser coached at Delaware County Christian School as well as with the Eastern Pennsylvania ODP program. He also spent three years working for Total Soccer Academy in Downingtown, State College and Warminster, PA. Currently, Visser serves as the director of player development for United Sports in Downingtown, PA. Visser holds a NSCAA National Diploma and USSF "A" License.



Tara Brooke Watkins (02)

Evil Count Gregor (William Stiffler, 13), center, stops the wedding of Sophia (Becky Malas, 14) and Leon (Evan Detwiler, 15) in hopes of marrying Sophia himself while townsfolk (left to right) Tressa Burrello (16), Athena Horton (13), Andrew Jones (13), Michaelin Thomas (14) and Kayla Peterson (13) look on in dismay.

### Neil Simon's *Fools* concludes 2012-13 season

Farcical tomfoolery enlivened the stage at ENC's Cove Fine Arts Center this spring, when the Theatre Department presented a production of Neil Simon's *Fools*.

Set in an idyllic Russian hamlet, *Fools* tells the story of Leon Tolchinsky, who arrives at his new teaching assignment only to learn that the entire village is suffering from a 200-year-old curse of stupidity. As Leon navigates a village where cows are milked upside down to get more cream and housewives sweep dirt from the street into their homes, he falls in love with a local girl and attempts to break the curse before it claims him as its latest victim.

Directed by guest director Edward Barker, *Fools* featured slapstick and vaudeville-style comedy, making it a fun theatrical experience for the entire family.

### The Veritas News earns honorable mention in NESNE student newspaper awards

The Veritas News (formerly The Campus Camera), received an Honorable Mention for New England College Newspaper of the Year from the New England Society of Newspaper Editors.

Presented May 2, the award ranked ENC's revamped student newspaper among the best in New England: Quinnipiac University's *The Quinipiac Chronicle* took first place in the annual competition, while The Brandeis *Hoot* and Harvard University's *The Crimson* took second- and third-place honors, respectively.

"To be rewarded for the hard work my staff and I have put in this year is truly a blessing," said Editor-in-Chief Cody Shepard (14), who credited ENC's new Editing and Publishing program for helping students produce a high-quality newspaper. "Two years ago, no one would have even thought about entering *The Veritas News* into a competition such as this one."

*The Veritas News* is produced through a combination of paid student editors and members of the Editing and Publishing course, taught by Faculty Advisor Jonathan Fitzgerald. The new publishing model with faculty oversight has added a strong academic component to the newspaper for journalism students, who may submit articles written for the course for inclusion in the *Veritas*.

Fitzgerald said the credit for the NESNE award belongs to the students.



Courtesy photo

The Veritas News award winning staff are (L-R) Copy Editor Shannon Dries (13), Editor-in-Chief Cody Shepard (14), Faculty Advisor Jonathan Fitzgerald, and Copy Editor Julianne Atwater (14).

"I am continually impressed by their excitement for their work and the way that excitement manifests itself in the quality of what they produce issue after issue," he said. "With the implementation of the Editing and Publishing program and a crop of committed students, we've been able to turn the paper into an award-winning publication that we should be eager to show off. I couldn't be more proud!"

Historian Robert M. Citino presented **The Donald A. Yerxa Lecture in History** "Chaos and Command: Germany and the Two-Front War," April 18 in the Mann Student Center's Ruth Cameron Auditorium. The lecture drew on Dr. Citino's expertise in modern German military history, with a particular emphasis on World War II and German influence upon modern military operations. A professor at the University of North Texas, Dr. Citino is the author of several award-winning books, including *The Wehrmacht Retreats* and *Blitzkrieg to Desert Storm*.

## Challenged to succeed: alum launches gym program for individuals with disabilities

**Chris Russell (02)** recalls the first time he met Tommy, a 10-year-old Pennsylvania boy with autism.

It was 2005, and Russell had recently joined an organization called Youth Advocate Programs, working with children with autism and other disabilities. It didn't take long for Russell – a Physical Education major – to observe the tremendous difficulties Tommy had with hand-eye coordination and other physical activities.

"I thought, 'He needs a place where he can go to work on these things,'" Russell recalled.

Some eight years later, that initial observation has blossomed into a program known as Fitness 4 Focus. Formally founded in Hummelstown, PA in 2010, Fitness 4 Focus offers children with special

needs physical education activities customized to address their unique challenges. Combining his background in physical education with his experience working with children with disabilities, Russell has created a safe and welcoming environment where kids with special needs can improve their overall health. In the process, he said, he has discovered his own passion for helping people improve their lives, and experienced the joy of watching kids achieve new milestones.

"When I first met Tommy, he couldn't run the length of a basketball court," Russell said. "The day Tommy ran a mile without stopping, I felt like I caught the last out that won the Red Sox the 2004 World Series. That's how I feel inside when these kiddoes succeed."

### Overcoming challenges

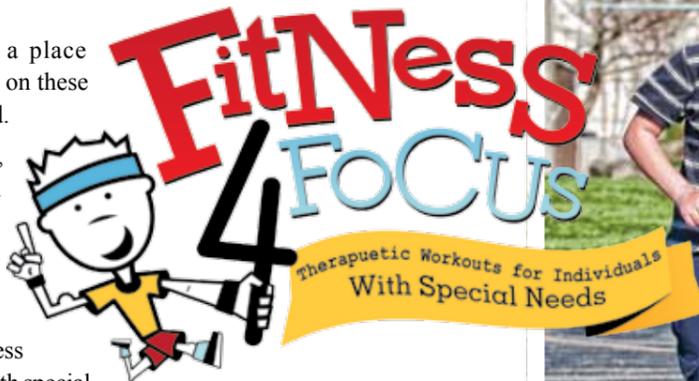
Before he found his calling in helping children with special needs address their challenges, Russell acknowledges he had his own challenges to overcome.

"During my college years, I was really struggling with my course work – and struggling with my life," he said. "My brother had died in 1992 and for some reason it hit me 10 years later. I was dealing with these big, life-answering questions."

Russell credits an ENC course known as Philosophical Quest and the help of professors and counselors at the Brickley Center with "helping me to answer those questions."

He also recalls a candid assessment by Athletic Director **Dr. Nancy Detwiler** helped him to focus on his strengths instead of his weaknesses.

"Doc Detwiler said to me, 'Chris, you're a horrible student. You don't score well on tests or on homework – but you could teach anybody the proper way



*Drawing on his experience working with children with special needs, Chris Russell often starts participants out with very basic exercises geared to their specific challenges.*

to throw a ball or hold a bat," he said. "I thought that if she saw that ability in me, I'd probably be going to use that in the future."

After Russell began working with Tommy, he started thinking about founding a gym for individuals with special needs. After purchasing \$2,000 worth of equipment, he initially began holding sessions with a few individuals in the back of the Hershey Church of the Nazarene, where his father serves as pastor.

"It soon became apparent that the equipment was too easy for them," Russell said. "After praying about it, I called a friend, who offered space in a personal training center."

In April 2013, Fitness 4 Focus moved to a new facility in Hummelstown, where Russell now works with approximately 20 individuals. Many children are referred by word of mouth from grateful parents, who offer testimonials about how Fitness 4 Focus has improved their child's health, weight and ability to focus.

Indeed, Russell believes his program's focus on cognitive abilities combined with strength and coordination sets Fitness 4 Focus apart from typical gym programs. Drawing on his experience working with children with special needs, he often starts participants out with very basic exercises geared to their specific challenges.

"Autistic individuals often have weak wrist strength and lack finger dexterity," Russell explained. "So we'll begin with very simple tasks like bending the wrist or squeezing a ball."

He has also found ways of incorporating autistic behaviors into his workout routines to make them comfortable and enjoyable.

"Autistic kids love numbers, they love colors and they love going in circles," he said. "So if a kid comes in and is having a rough day, I'll incorporate those into our exercises to help keep him focused."

Russell also credits the positive results his program achieves to his belief that children with disabilities are capable of more than some people may think.

"When kids first come to me and I see them struggling, it's just a shot to the heart – I know these individuals can do more," he said. "As a society, we've become trained to say, 'Well, he can't do that, so let's just move on to something else.' I say,

'Currently, we may be unable to accomplish that, but how can we get there?'"

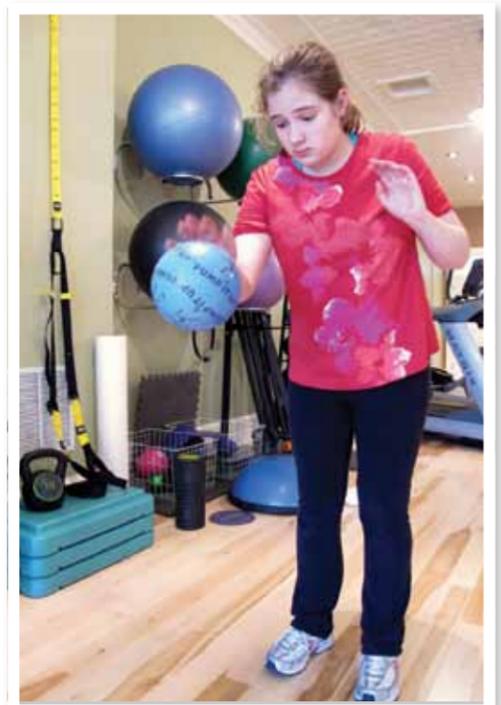
Ultimately, however, Russell said God deserves the credit for the success he has witnessed in using Fitness 4 Focus to help children live better lives.

"I believe God has made me passionate about this and about doing something I love every day," he said. "And because I have tried to make God a priority in everything I do, He has blessed it."

As Russell pursues opportunities to expand his Fitness 4 Focus program to other locations and communities in an effort to help more kids, he muses on how far he has come in surmounting his own challenges.

"I remember standing on Wollaston Beach one night, screaming and yelling at God, asking Him why He took my brother and denying God's existence," Russell said. "Now, I know God exists; He has brought me to this point where I can help change lives."

*Chris Russell welcomes prayers for his Fitness 4 Focus program. To learn more, visit [www.fitness4focus.com](http://www.fitness4focus.com), or follow Fitness 4 Focus on Facebook and Twitter.*



*Fitness 4 Focus offers children with special needs physical education activities customized to address their unique challenges.*



*Chris Russell recently moved his Fitness 4 Focus program to a new location.*



# Homecoming Weekend Reservation Form

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Class(es) of \_\_\_\_\_

**Celebration Dinner for Alumni and Friends • Friday, October 18**  
**\*Limited seating • Reserve before September 28, 2013**

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ no additional cost

**Legacy Reunion Breakfast • Classes of 1930-62 • Saturday, October 19**

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ no additional cost

**Gold Club Luncheon • Class of 1963 Induction • Saturday, October 19**

Class of 1953 \_\_\_\_\_ Class of 1958 \_\_\_\_\_ Class of 1963 \_\_\_\_\_ no additional cost  
 Guests \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10 each Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Young Alumni Gathering and Pizza • Saturday, October 19**

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_ no additional cost

**50s and 60s Gathering • Saturday, October 19**

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ no additional cost

**ENC Society Dinner (members only) • Saturday, October 19**

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ no additional cost

**Class Reunion Activities**

- Class of 1963 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
- Class of 1968 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
- Class of 1973 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
- Class of 1978 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
- Class of 1983 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
- Class of 1988 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
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- Class of 1998 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_
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- Class of 2008 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Payment Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Type of payment:**

- check/money order payable to ENC enclosed
- Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to
  - Visa  MasterCard  American Express  Discover

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Please complete this form and mail with payment to:  
 Eastern Nazarene College, Alumni Office, 23 East Elm Avenue, Quincy, MA 02170

*No tickets held without payment.*

***Paid tickets will be held at the Hospitality Desk in Mann Student Center***

***Celebration Dinner ticket reservations are required and must be received before September 28, 2013 or before all seats are committed.***

ALL OTHER RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY OCTOBER 3, 2013



# Celebrating and Investing in Our Story

Friday • **October 18** • 5:30 pm

*Seventh Annual*

## Celebration Dinner

for **Alumni and Friends**

at **Lombardos**, Randolph, MA

- Extraordinary food, spectacular setting, polished service
- Music and entertainment with A Cappella and Gospel Choirs
- Inspiring stories from alumni
- An opportunity to make an investment in ENC students
- No charge – but seating is limited!
- Enjoy coffee and music while you reminisce with friends at



**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED**

**and must be received by September 28, 2013**

**or before all seats are committed.**

**1-800-RING-ENC or alumni@enc.edu**



## 2013 Alumni Award Recipients



**Carolyn Lanpher Waterman • 1961**  
 Professor Emerita, English  
 Southern Nazarene University  
 Bethany, OK  
*Lifetime Service*



**Gaytha Langlois • 1963**  
 Professor, Environmental Policy  
 Chair, Dept. of Science &  
 Technology  
 Bryant University  
 Wakefield, RI  
*Alumna of the Year*



**Kristy Kottis • 1983**  
 Supervisory Special Agent  
 New York, NY  
*Achievement*



**Mark DeMichael • 1988**  
 Director of Athletics  
 Indiana Wesleyan University  
 Marion, IN  
*Achievement*



**Priscilla Cubie Vining • 1988**  
 Homicide Detective  
 The Connecticut State Police  
 E. District Major Crime Squad  
 North Windham, CT  
*Achievement*



**Angie Carr • 2003**  
 Doctoral Student  
 Voice Performance  
 Ball State University  
 Muncie, IN  
*Emerging Leader*



**Nick Mucci • 2003**  
 Inner-City Area Representative  
 Fellowship of Christian  
 Athletes  
 Portland, OR  
*Emerging Leader*



**Robert Hutchison • 1995**  
 Soccer  
*Bradley Hall of Fame*



**Donna (Fandel) Wilfong  
 1978**  
 Volleyball  
 Basketball  
*Bradley Hall of Fame*

# Homecoming 2013

## Schedule of Events

### Thursday, October 17, 2013

7:30pm **Hello Dolly** • O'Connell Auditorium • Cove • General Seating  
 Tickets available at brownpapertickets.com or 617-745-3715

### Friday, October 18, 2013

9:00am - 4:00pm **Registration/Welcome**  
 Hospitality Desk • Mann Student Center

10:25am - 11:15am **Homecoming Chapel**  
 Wollaston Church of the Nazarene

11:30am - 12:30pm **Luncheon for Alumni Award Recipients and Hall of Fame Inductees (invitation only)**  
 President's Dining Room • Mann Student Center

5:30pm **Celebration Dinner Light Hors d'oeuvres**  
 Lombardo's • Randolph, MA

6:00pm **Celebration Dinner for Alumni and Friends**  
 Lombardo's • Randolph, MA  
**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**  
**Java and Jazz!** Immediately following the program

10:00pm **Homecoming Coronation 2013**  
 Lahue Physical Education Center  
*All alumni are invited to attend*

### Saturday, October 19, 2013

8:00am - 5:00pm **Registration/Welcome**  
 Hospitality Desk • Mann Student Center

8:00am **Carroll F. Bradley Hall of Fame New Inductees Reception**  
 Lahue Physical Education Center

9:00am **Women's Alumni Volleyball Game**  
 Lahue Physical Education Center

10:00am - 7:00pm **Alumni Artisan Gallery Exhibit**  
 Munro Parlor

10:00am - 11:30am **Legacy Reunion Breakfast for Classes of 1930-1962**  
 President's Dining Room • Mann Student Center  
 No Additional Cost • **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

11:00am **Women's Volleyball Game**  
 Lahue Physical Education Center

11:00am - 3:30pm **SGA Tailgating Fair • Food! Fun!**  
 Veterans Memorial Stadium • Hancock Street, Quincy

11:00am **Women's Varsity Soccer**  
 Veterans Memorial Stadium • Hancock Street, Quincy

12:00pm **Gold Club Luncheon/Induction**  
 Metcalfe Gathering Room • Wollaston Church of the Nazarene  
**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

12:00pm **Friends of the Nease Library Author Lunch**  
 Nease Library

12:00pm - 2:00pm **Children's Festival • www.knucklebones.us**  
 Veterans Memorial Stadium • Hancock Street, Quincy

1:30pm **Men's Varsity Soccer**  
 Veterans Memorial Stadium • Hancock Street, Quincy

3:00pm **Hello Dolly** • O'Connell Auditorium • Cove • General Seating  
 Tickets available at brownpapertickets.com or 617-745-3715

3:00pm **Archives Open House featuring Boston Chapel Collection**  
 Old Colony Campus

5:00pm **Young Alumni Gathering and Pizza for Classes 2009-2013**  
 Colonel's Café • Mann Student Center

5:00pm **Women's Alumnae Basketball**  
 Lahue Physical Education Center

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 Spangenberg Parlor

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### Campus Dining • The Commons • Mann Student Center

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Where: **Colonel's Café**

What: Pizza & Drinks @ no extra charge



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## Stories on the Sojourn

By Scott Turcott, Vice President for Institutional Advancement

In a world where people want to “be like Mike,” I want to be like Peggy.

Who is Peggy?

**Peggy Ladue** is one of the wonderful people I have had the privilege of visiting with in my travels for ENC. Peggy recently became an ENC alumna. On May 24, at the age of 95, she was presented a plaque by President McGee making her an honorary alumna of Eastern Nazarene College. Just a few weeks later on Sunday June 16, Peggy went to be with her Heavenly Father.

Peggy grew up in rural Iowa one of five children. Her mother taught them early to love the Lord and the importance of giving to support the work of the Kingdom. They didn't have much so on Sunday mornings she gave the children a nickel to exchange for five pennies so they each had something for the offering.

When Peggy was nine, her mom could no longer care for all the children and they were sent to live with other families. Peggy was adopted by a couple old enough to be her grandparents who treated her more like a servant than a child. They did not support her in her desire to go to church and serve the Lord, but Peggy remained faithful. In spite of the way they treated her, she stayed with them into her adult years and cared for them until their deaths.

Some time after her first husband passed, Peggy met ENC alumnus **Myron Ladue (38)**. Peggy told me several times what a wonderful man he was. She said her 15 years with him were the best of her life. They traveled together and she said he treated her like a queen.

On one of their trips, he took her to visit ENC, his beloved alma mater. Peggy enjoyed the beautiful campus and meeting many of the people her husband knew at the college.

Myron had saved \$1,200 to come to college, which was a huge sum in 1936. He lost it all when the bank failed and he was unsure of how he would fulfill his dream. With the help and support of ENC staff and administration, he was given an opportunity to work for his education. He and Peggy wanted to give back to the college as a way of reinvesting in the school that had helped him achieve his dream of a college education. They have endowed scholarships totaling approximately \$250,000. After Myron's passing, Peggy lived modestly in a little four-room cinder block house and remained a loyal supporter of ENC. She continued to grow the scholarships and has been a faithful supporter of the ENC Fund. Her modest



Courtesy photo

President McGee (right) presents Peggy Ladue with a plaque making her an honorary alumna of Eastern Nazarene College.

lifestyle has allowed her to leave a rather substantial estate gift to the college.

Their generous investment in the mission of ENC has allowed them to impact the lives of many students over the years. One alumna, **Karen (Russell, 82) Corbin**, truly appreciated the support of the Ladues when she was a student. She has remained in contact with Peggy. On one of my visits, Peggy shared that she considered Karen a close friend.

Peggy endured many physical challenges in the final years of her life, including the amputation of the lower portion of her left leg earlier this year, yet she remained positive to the end. The last time I was able to visit with her in early April she, **Jay Bergers (55)** and I sang “In the Garden” together. On May 24, when President McGee presented her with her plaque as an honorary alumna, Peggy shared her outlook on life saying, “I do my best and try to take one more step up.”

When I spent time with Peggy Ladue, I felt the love of Jesus. She was a great ambassador for the King. I don't know about you, but I want to be like Peggy.

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Legacy Scholarship	\$8,676.00
Class of 1942	\$4,650.00
Class of 1944	\$54,255.69
Class of 1949	\$11,600.00
Class of 1950	\$54,460.00
Class of 1951	\$12,662.00
Class of 1952	\$10,335.00
Class of 1953	\$56,391.00
Class of 1954	\$25,127.00
Class of 1955	\$27,687.00
Class of 1956	\$20,400.00
Class of 1957	\$101,430.00
Second Class of 1957	\$16,680.00
Class of 1958	\$30,078.00
Class of 1959	\$25,249.00
Class of 1960	\$14,407.00
Class of 1961	\$14,457.00
Class of 1962	\$18,816.39
Class of 1963	\$11,428.68
Class of 1964	\$33,977.48
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Class of 1966	\$30,470.14
Class of 1967	\$13,094.00
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Class of 2012	\$10,000.00
Class of 2013	\$2,595.00
Class of 2014	\$1,025.00
Class of 2015	\$420.00
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TOTAL VALUE: \$1,104,657.31  
Values as of May 31, 2013

## Harvard or ENC? New grad says ENC was the right choice

After earning a perfect 2,400 on his SATs, Austin Steelman (13) had his pick of any college in the nation. The Darlington, MD native ultimately narrowed his choices down to two: Harvard and ENC. It's a decision he says he has never regretted. As the recipient of this year's Outstanding Senior Award heads to Harvard Law School with equally impressive LSAT scores, Steelman explains why Eastern Nazarene College was the right college for him.

By Austin Steelman (13)

I grew up hearing about ENC. Both my parents, **Tony (87) and Bambi (Clingeman, 86) Steelman**, are alumni: They started dating as students here in the 1980s, so I sort of owe my very existence to ENC. Growing up, I just assumed I'd end up at ENC, following in the footsteps of my parents, cousins, and friends from church, but I didn't really give it any thought until my junior year of high school.

I managed a strong score on the SAT and, after college acceptances came through, ended up with an interesting decision on my hands: ENC or Harvard College. Harvard is one of the best undergraduate schools in the world, but I had always said I wanted to go to a Christian school. Other factors pointing me to ENC were the President's Scholarship, the chance to play on the Men's Tennis team, and my friends there who loved the school. Many people have questioned that decision many times over, but I haven't regretted it for a second.

Coming to ENC, I knew I wanted to go to law school after undergrad. I came in with a good number of credits from AP tests and classes at community college, so I figured I could take a double major. History was my favorite subject through high school, and I had heard nothing but praise for ENC's History Department, so that was my first choice. I decided my second major should be something challenging, something in the sciences, and, after much deliberation I decided on Physics. Call me biased, but I am convinced I chose the best two departments at the school.

I had two professors for the majority of my classes at ENC – **Dr. Randall Stephens** for American History classes and **Dr. John Free** for Physics. Both professors challenged me academically: Dr. Stephens always handed back my papers full of red ink even when I earned a decent grade, and I'm a better writer for it. From the religion of the American colonists to the birth of rock n' roll in the 1950s, he taught me and my peers how to approach historical research and how to put together clear and concise arguments. At the same time I was learning history, Dr. Free was teaching me very different lessons in Shrader.

Between applying Schrodinger's equation to what seemed like every possible situation in the universe and spending hours on Millikan's oil drop experiment, I lost a few (hundred) hours of sleep – but learned how to think analytically to solve difficult problems.

I didn't just grow academically while at ENC. I made some incredible friends while I've been here, friends I know I'll keep for the rest of my life. They are the best kind of friends; friends you can pull pranks with, do homework with and have a Bible study with. I've had strong Christian friends and Christian mentors as professors. I have grown in my faith – not just my education – at ENC.

My favorite part of my time at ENC has been playing on the Men's Tennis team. I played #1 singles and #1 doubles all four years. My freshman year was rough. I got crushed in our conference, and we ended the season at #10 – well out of the playoffs. Every devastating loss I suffered was motivation; I played a ton of tennis that summer and every summer that followed, and it paid off. The next year, we reached the playoffs as the #6 seed. In both my junior and senior year as I served as captain, we earned the #3 seed and won one round in the playoffs. I also beat some of the players who had crushed me my freshman year. I landed on the first team all-conference those three years and was named conference player of the year my junior year. The individual accolades are nice, but I am far more proud of being able to help build a strong Tennis program here at ENC, a team that looks to be competitive for years to come. ENC helped me grow in every area of my life. I leave ENC



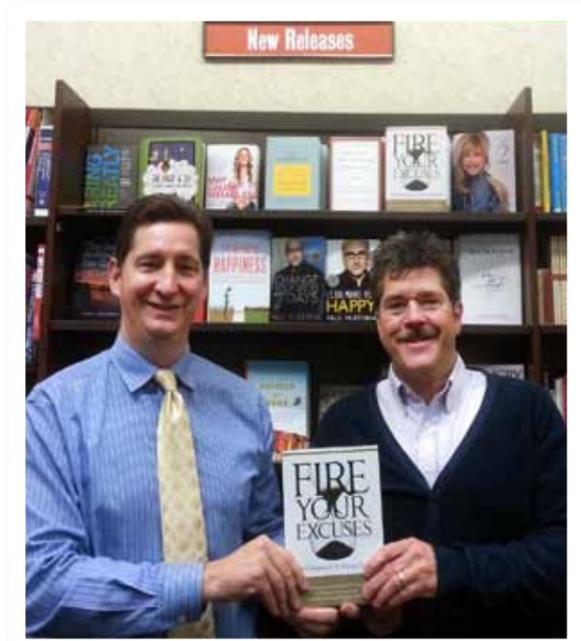
Sarah Good (09)

Austin Steelman was elected to both the History and Athlete Honor Societies, was a writer for the Veritas, elected Commonwealth Coast Conference Tennis Player of the Year 2011-2012, played Men's Varsity Soccer, and was Teen Bible Quizzing Coach – Wollaston Church of the Nazarene.

with a broad education, a stronger faith, incredible friends, and a spot in Harvard Law School's Class of 2016. I have been blessed in many ways

## Alumni co-author book on how to Fire Your Excuses

Dr. Bill Dymont (83) and Dr. Marcus Dayhoff (84, 86) recently co-authored the book *Fire Your Excuses*. Here, they describe how two former Eastern Nazarene College classmates found themselves working in the same field in Southern California and developed a fruitful professional partnership.



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**Q: What is the focus of *Fire Your Excuses*?**

**A:** *Fire Your Excuses* is the centerpiece of our speaking and coaching programs. It addresses eight life areas where we all tend to rely on excuses. We make it clear in the book that struggling, for example, with a health issue, is not an excuse in itself, but falling into denial and minimization about it, is. Our book focuses on what we have learned as clinicians and corporate consultants about what it takes to change permanently. And, a key theme of the book is: "Stop trying harder. It will never work long-term. Get more *connected!*"

**Q: What prompted you to write the book?**

**A:** *Fire Your Excuses* was initially conceived in 2008 and was prompted by three factors. First, we felt compelled

to begin writing when we saw what was happening to our country, as the recession and ensuing financial crisis hit all of us. "The cavalry was not coming" and our bad habits, beginning with our financial ones, simply had to change. Secondly, we had spent more than 50 combined years seeing clients and we wanted to share what we had learned and researched about what it takes to change permanently instead of temporarily. Finally, in our late 40s at the time, we felt the need to fire our own excuses. For us, like many of our colleagues, friends and family, it's no longer "batting practice" but game time.

**Q: How did you come to collaborate on this book?**

**A:** We have been friends since our ENC days and, providentially, our career paths both led us to Southern California. Living and working nearby here in Orange County, we often team up to speak at conferences, work with clients, and to respond to local mental health emergencies. We each have our own psychological practice and business in addition to our *Fire Your Excuses* partnership. Combined, we've spoken to more than 2,500 audiences and 400 organizations! It's been a great ride.

**Q: Is there a reason you've applied a business term like "firing" to self-improvement?**

**A:** In our own lives and in the lives of our clients and audiences, we observed that it was easy to end something temporarily – like many of our failed New Year's resolutions. The real challenge for each of us is to make a permanent positive life change in a needed area. When you think of "firing," your mind goes to a very permanent event and a final separation.

**Q: In the book's introduction, you made a distinction between "assimilation" and "accommodation." Could you explain the difference and how it applies to the strategies outlined in your book?**

**A:** When we use the term "assimilation" in psychology, we are referring to making a small change that requires little adjustment to our daily lives. In contrast, when we use the term "accommodation," we are talking about a change that is disruptive but far more significant and effective. A good way to remember the difference is to think about the contrast between repainting a bedroom (assimilation) versus knocking down walls to expand that same room (accommodation). When we have been unable to permanently change a behavior, it is often because we have been willing to do minor assimilation behaviors but not accommodation ones that hold the key to lasting success.

**Q: What do you hope readers will get out of your book?**

**A:** It is our deep hope that our readers will use the principles and techniques we share to make permanent changes in areas in which they have struggled or avoided for years. As we say in the book, "Some excuses hinder us, some hurt us, and some kill us." Being Christians, we believe life ultimately comes down to stewardship, calling and service. God has given us a physical temple that we can often neglect, thus needlessly shortening our lives. He also has a plan for each of us and our excuses, whether it be confronting how our debts, addictions, careers or blind spots, to name a few, can rob and distract us from more significant Kingdom activities. The book ends with a chapter on serving, also an area where we can make excuses. We hope readers understand that our message isn't about getting rich or merely about self-improvement. It is about addressing those areas that prevent us from fully pursuing our calling and having the impact in the world God designed us for.

*Fire Your Excuses* is available in Kindle, Nook and iBook formats. For more information visit [www.fireyourexcuses.com](http://www.fireyourexcuses.com).

## alum News

**Dr. Colin A. Campbell (64, 66)** had three of his paintings – *Monet in his Garden*, *The Lone Piper* and *The Winter Cottage* – exhibited in the Hawick

Museum Art Gallery, Scotland, in July 2012. Dr. Campbell, a native of Scotland, has received numerous awards at local fairs in the Scottish Borders, where he resides during the summer. He finds inspiration in the Scottish and New England countryside as well as from his worldwide travels. Several alumni own his artwork, some of which feature the ENC campus.

For the second consecutive year, **Dr. Dick Pritchard (67)** was one of the final nominees for the Chase A. Sawtell Inspirational Faculty Award selected from among the 525 full-time faculty at Azusa Pacific University in Azusa, CA. He is beginning his 12th year as professor of Pastoral Theology and chair of the Department of Practical Theology, also serving as chair of the University Chairs Council and chair of the Faculty Evaluation Council. Dick serves ENC as a member of both the Board of Trustees and the Alumni Council.

**Sarah (Harrison, 80) Smongeski** is completing her 20th year as executive director of Pakachoag Music School of Greater Worcester. During her tenure, the school has grown fivefold in both enrollment and budget and now provides more than \$20,000 annually in financial aid. The school, which celebrated its 30th anniversary at Worcester's Tuckerman Hall in October 2012, is dedicated to nurturing musical journeys that cultivate the imagination, inspire creativity and develop artistry. Sarah remains indebted to her professors at ENC for their support of her own musical journey and discovery of purpose.

After serving as an officer with the Highway Patrol Division of the Arizona Department of Public Safety/State Police, **Jim Waltermire (94)** has been promoted to detective within the Criminal Investigations Division, Vehicular Homicide Unit.

**Addison Cooper (04)** was nominated for a 2013 National Social Workers Media Award for his "Adoption in the Movies" blog ([www.adoptionlcs.com](http://www.adoptionlcs.com)), which spotlights how adoption is portrayed on film and serves as a resource for broaching adoption-related conversations. He is now working on a book about communication within adoptive families.

In May 2013, **Kristen (Solomon, 05) Johnson** graduated with a J.D. degree from UCLA School of Law with specializations in Critical Race Studies and Public Interest Law and Policy. In August, she begins a judicial clerkship with a federal judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals - Ninth Circuit.

**Mathew Woodley (09)** graduated from Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences on May 18, 2013. He will now begin a residency program at UPMC Hamot in Erie, PA.

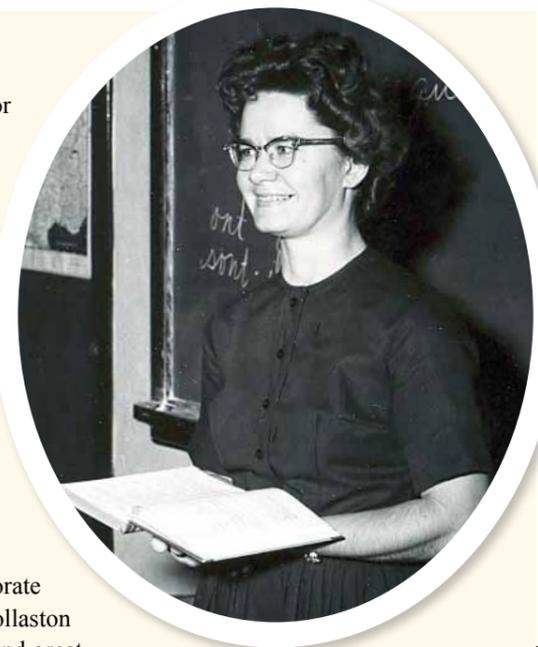
## Ruth Cameron

**Dr. Ruth (Allen, 50) Cameron** went home to be with the Lord May 11, 2013. A professor emerita who had held the Munro Professor of Literature endowed chair, Dr. Cameron taught at ENC for more than 40 years.

"Dr. Ruth Cameron was a role model and mentor for generations of ENC students, faculty and staff members," President Corlis McGee said. "She inspired all with her love of literature and devotion to scholarship."

**Prof. Karen Henck (85)**, chair of the Language, Theatre and Communication Arts department, was a former student of Dr. Cameron. "Dr. Ruth, as we affectionately called her during my college years, was more than just a professor," she wrote in a moving eulogy. "She was a nurturer who, during the time I spent in her classroom and afterwards, nurtured my intellect, my spirit and ultimately my work as a scholar and teacher. Like so many of my peers, I can still recite the opening lines of Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales* – in middle English, no less – as well as the poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins, and lines from T. S. Eliot's *Wasteland*."

After graduating from ENC, Dr. Cameron went on to obtain her master's and doctorate degrees from Boston University. She also led an adult Bible study group at the Wollaston Church of the Nazarene for 35 years, and was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She is survived by her devoted husband, **Dr. James Cameron (51)**, son James, daughter Laura, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters and a brother.



Ruth Allen Cameron  
1929 - 2013

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## Half a century later, college romance blooms anew



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**Barbara Bryan (60)** and **David Thatcher (ENC-NG)** were married Feb. 14, 2013, reigniting a romance that began 53 years earlier when the two met as students at ENC.

In a letter to *The Christian Scholar*, Barbara noted that the couple dated seriously during 1959 and 1960, and even considered marriage. They parted, however, when David shared his call to missions work and Barbara feared she would hold him back from fulfilling that call.

In the ensuing 50 years, David married; health issues, however, prevented him from becoming a missionary. Barbara, who had never married, kept in touch with David's sister, with whom she had become close friends at ENC. In 2012, when Barbara learned that David's wife of 50 years had passed away, she called him to express her condolences. After renewing old acquaintances, David made plans to visit Barbara over the Christmas holidays. Two days into his visit, he proposed and Barbara accepted, noting, "He was worth waiting for!"

Barbara and David now reside in St. Petersburg, FL, and the couple says they "thank God every day for bringing (us) back together."

## In Memory

**Florence (Smith, 37) Cornell** passed away Oct. 28, 2012 in Albuquerque, NM at the age of 99. In addition to teaching grade school for the New York City school system for 30 years, Mrs. Cornell directed the Sunday School program at the Flushing, NY Church of the Nazarene. In 1989, she received the Nazarene Church's Distinguished Service Award along with her husband, **Nathan Cornell (ENC-NG)**, who passed away in 1992. At the time of her passing, Mrs. Cornell was survived by her five children: **Laurelyn (Cornell, 64) Kersey**, **Alice (Cornell, NG 68) Bris**, David Cornell, Wilda Cornell McDonough and **Robert Cornell (61)**, who subsequently passed away in February 2013 (see notice). She is also survived by eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**Winnifred (Gould, 42) Jones**, 91, passed away March 22, 2013. Born in Lynn, MA, "Winnie" was the only child of J. Glenn and Mildred Gould. She married **Harold S. Jones (44)**, whom she met at ENC. In 1948, they moved to Michigan, where Dr. Jones practiced medicine as an osteopathic surgeon. For many years, she served in the Detroit Osteopathic Hospitality Auxiliary, managing the hospital gift shop. An accomplished musician who played the piano and cello, she enjoyed singing in the church choir. Mrs. Jones is survived by a son, a daughter and five grandchildren.

**Dr. Edward T. Dell, Jr. (48)** passed away Feb. 25, 2013 of congestive heart failure at the age of 88. After graduating from ENC with degrees in History and Theology, he took graduate courses at Boston University before graduating from Episcopal Divinity School. After serving parishes in Roxbury and Millis, MA, Dr. Dell and his family moved to Swarthmore, PA, where he worked for *The Episcopalian* magazine for 14 years. He later founded *Audio Amateur* magazine before moving to New Hampshire in the 1970s. Dr. Dell is survived by a son, two daughters, two sisters and a brother.

**Clifford F. Hersey (53)** of Mechanicsburg, PA passed away April 23, 2013 at the age of 86. A native of Mitchell, South Dakota, Mr. Hersey moved to the Washington, DC area with his family as a teenager. After graduating from ENC, he returned to the Washington area, where for many years he taught biology at Surrattsville (MD) High School. He retired from teaching in 1983, and moved with his wife Gladys to the Mechanicsburg area to be closer to daughter Cheryl and their grandchildren. Predeceased by his wife of 61 years, Mr. Hersey is survived by three children, nine grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and two sisters.

**Robert Cornell (61)** died Feb. 15, 2013 in Hadley, MA at the age of 72 years old. He was a highly respected businessman, buying and selling fine art, jewelry, antiques, rare coins and stamps as well as doing picture framing. In the late 1970s and early 1980s, he and his second wife, Mary Ann, owned an art gallery in a mansion known as Amesmith, in Springfield, MA. At the time of his death, he still owned one of Dr. Seuss's early homes located on Mulberry Street in Springfield, as well as an Asian Antiques and Fine Art store in Hadley. He is survived by his ex-wife **Becky Hutchinson (NG 63)**; their two children, Liz Cornell and Rob Cornell, and granddaughters, Amber and Amanda Cornell. He is also survived by his four siblings, **Laurelyn Cornell Kersey (64)**, **Alice (Cornell 68) Bris**, David Cornell and Wilda Cornell McDonough.

**Rev. James Fischmann (61)** passed away March 28, 2013 at the age of 78. After graduating from ENC with degrees in History, Philosophy and Theology, he was ordained by the Church of the Nazarene and served as pastor in Jackman, ME; Newport, VT; and Woodsville and Claremont, NH. He was a supervisor for the New Hampshire State Welfare Department. Most recently, he served as chaplain for Mt. Ascutney Nursing Home and leader of the Godsmen vocal group. Rev. Fischmann is survived by his wife of 52 years, Patricia; two sons; a daughter; seven grandchildren; two brothers and two sisters.

**David H. Blachly (65)** of Kokomo, IN passed away March 26, 2013 after a five-year battle with cancer. Born and raised in New Haven, CT, Mr. Blachly was trained as a medical technologist. He served three years in the army, 15 years as a medical missionary in Africa and 20 years at the VA medical center in Lebanon, PA. He was a member of the Kokomo First Church of the Nazarene and was actively involved in compassionate ministries, the choir and other areas. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Ada, four children and four grandchildren.

**Doris Caldwell**, 81, of State College, PA passed away April 30, 2013 after undergoing open heart surgery. The wife of **William Caldwell (50)** for 63 years, Mrs. Caldwell enjoyed traveling the world with her husband, children and grandchildren. She will be especially remembered for her special touch with flowers, which beautified her solarium. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Caldwell is survived by her three children, three grandchildren, a brother and a sister.

## Meet Jossie Owens

Town: Mansfield, MA

Graduation Year: 1974

Major: English

*Dr. Jossie Owens recently joined Eastern Nazarene College as vice president of Adult and Graduate Studies after a long and varied career that included leadership roles in ministry, the business world and the Church of the Nazarene (see story on p. 4). Here, Dr. Owens reflects on her career and her new role at ENC.*

**Q:** *You were the first African American woman in the United States and Canada to be elected district superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene. Tell us a little about your duties and responsibilities in overseeing 103 churches.*

**A:** In the beginning, it took a little while for some to get comfortable with a female serving in this leadership role. The Holy Spirit guided and directed in all matters, and I believe that much was accomplished for the Kingdom. My role as district superintendent was to be available to assist in any way that I could in regards to the spiritual, financial and pastoral matters of all the local churches under my watch care. I had the wonderful opportunity of serving in the New England District, which was and is the best district in the whole wide world! As part of my duties, I had the amazing privilege of meeting with numerous church boards. I can remember saying to myself when I was just a student in pastoral classes that I would never want to work with church boards, because it was so much work to get everyone to be on the same page about any issue. I have learned never to say never, because God has a mighty sense of humor and you might end up having to eat a lot of nevers! I had a wonderful time working with the church boards in New England!

**Q:** *In addition to your role with the Church of the Nazarene, you also have served as a pastor, a school principal and a business executive. How do you foresee your varied background informing your new role overseeing ENC's Adult Studies and Graduate programs?*

**A:** In all of my previous roles, I had the wonderful opportunity to work with many different age groups and cultures. I truly believe that God prepares us for each new ministry opportunity and challenges by the past experiences and lessons from life. I am excited about this new chapter and adventure that He has allowed me to journey on. I know that He is guiding and leading the way! I always love to be in an assignment that I can grow and learn and experience new and exciting things. This new endeavor is extremely exciting and I believe with all my heart and soul that great things can be accomplished within the program. We have a great team already hard at work!

**Q:** *What intrigues you the most about your new role as vice president for Adult and Graduate Studies?*

**A:** What intrigues me the most about this particular assignment is that I will be utilizing all of my skills and abilities in this one role. I love the educational and business aspects of this assignment. I will have the opportunity to be both "salt and light" in the world as I make contact and connections in the business world. Furthermore, I will be able to use my teaching abilities within numerous ways in the school environment. I love working with our adult learner population, and I am truly and totally committed to ENC's educational model.

**Q:** *What are some of the biggest challenges graduate students and adult learners face today, and how can ENC prepare them to meet those challenges?*

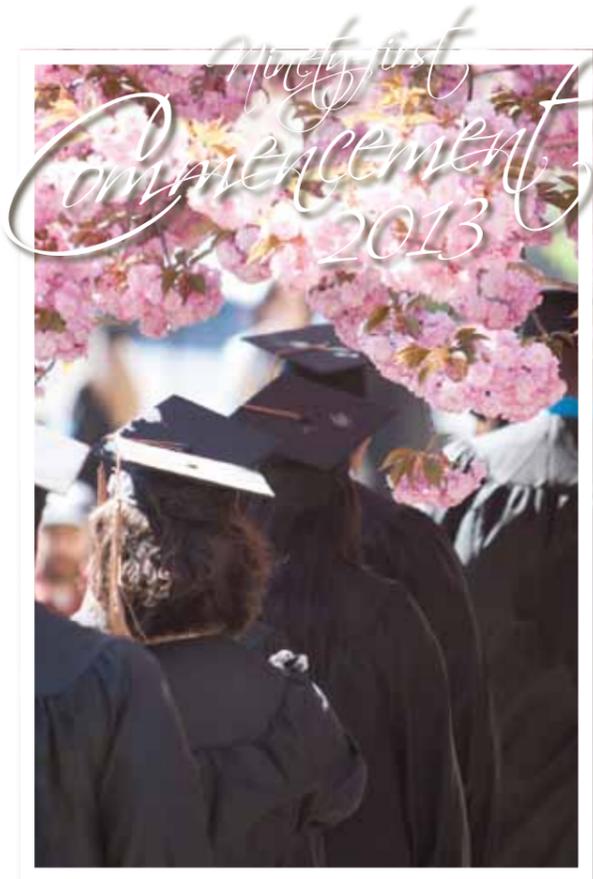
**A:** One of the biggest challenges that graduate students and adult learners face today is time and trying to balance everything on their plates. ENC helps its students by giving them the right tools and the right classes in the right format. A student who signs up for a degree within our programs will know exactly how long it will take to achieve that goal. A number of students have told me they love the fact that they know that every Tuesday evening for the next 24 months, they will be in classes. They know how to plan their lives around their school nights and they know when they can plan other events. Our cohort model greatly assists in balancing both the student's time and other commitments.

**Q:** *In what ways did ENC prepare you for the many professional roles you have filled in your career? Were there any professors who made a particular impact on you?*

**A:** I have always felt that I received a strong educational foundation from Eastern Nazarene College. I believe ENC prepared me well to enter the job market. Furthermore, ENC assisted in my faith walk with Christ by the spiritual component in each of my classes. In all classes, my professors related the subject matter back to Christ. My Gospel was not just talked about in the religious classes but was also a part of the whole curriculum. Both **Alice Spangenberg** and **Ruth Cameron** stand out to me as professors who greatly assisted and contributed in both my personal and professional growth.



# Pillar of ExcellENCe



## Graduates urged to 'go and do likewise'

The importance of putting our values into action was the message Dr. Eugenio Duarte imparted to Eastern Nazarene College associate's, bachelor's and master's degree candidates during the May 4 commencement exercises.

To illustrate the importance of values to ourselves and future generations, Duarte shared a story about Jews living in the Warsaw Ghetto during World War II. Stripped of all their worldly possessions and facing a fearful and uncertain future, a group of Jewish citizens decided to write "ethical wills" for their unborn children and grandchildren.

"They wanted to give them the most important thing they had, with or without accumulated material possessions – their values," Duarte said. While many of the families perished in concentration camps, their documented records of their values survived.

Yet it is not enough merely to record or acknowledge our values, Duarte told commencement attendees. They must be put into practice.

"My values tell others who I am, what I am willing to die for and what I cannot live without," he said. "However, important as it might be to keep them written...it is even more important for me to show my values in my daily walk alongside people with whom I share my life in some way."

Duarte pointed to the popular Nike slogan, "Just DO it!" as a sign of our natural tendency to crave action.

"People like to 'do,'" he said. "They just do not always know what to do – sometimes because of situations in which the outcomes of their plans, dreams and actions are in conflict with their values."

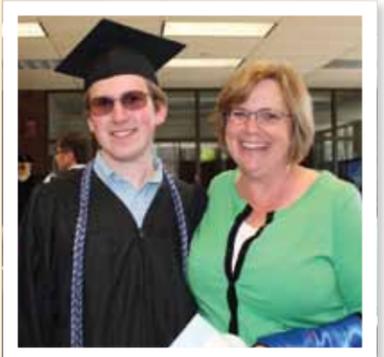
In the parable of the Good Samaritan, Duarte said, Jesus used the story of the Good Samaritan to encourage his followers to "Go and do likewise."

"We have a problem with 'likewise' because we want to be original," he said. "Actually, when I hear Jesus saying, 'Go and do likewise,' I hear, 'Go be different. Make a difference.'"

Sometimes, Duarte added, that requires us to step outside our comfort zone.

"We all need to choose between growth and comfort," he said. "Doing something for the sake of others and for the sake of the values you live for and are willing to die for may not look safe or sound comfortable. Choosing to do the right thing may just mean choosing the unpleasant or unpopular thing."

"Yes, you can follow and be like Jesus," he continued. "Be different. See what moves Him to do what He does, and what He would have you do for and with your neighbor.... Make your values mirror His. If you would care to be like Him, you would be able, willing and daring to 'go and do likewise.'"



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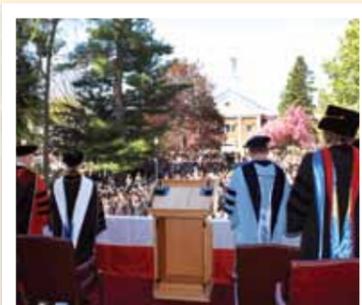


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Family, friends, faculty, staff and administrators gather in Wollaston Church of the Nazarene on Friday, May 3 for the class of 2013's Baccalaureate service and commissioning.

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