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# 2013 REUNION WEEKEND

Welcome Cocktail Party and Dinner - On Friday night, November 8th, alumnae from the classes of 1953, 1993, 1994, 2008 and others enjoyed an intimate cocktail party and dinner at Ellsworth Hall. Following the dinner the group was treated to a sneak peek of Pine Manor's Theatre production of Shakespeare's "A Midsummers Night's Dream".

PMC Today & Cocktail Reception - On November 9th, alumnae representing graduating classes from 1948 through 2011 were welcomed by PMC's Interim President, Joseph Lee, Ph.D. who spoke about the College's plans for the future. Sandra McElroy, Ed.D, Director of Education Programs, facilitated presentations by current students on their Pine Manor experiences and their career plans beyond PMC.

That evening, alumnae joined Joseph Lee, Rosemary Ashby, President Emerita, and Carole Rabe, Hess Gallery Director, for cocktails and appetizers at a viewing of the current Hess Gallery exhibition, "New Paintings" by David Barnes. Enjoy and share our photo album with classmates and friends: [www.pmc.edu/reunion-2013-photo-album](http://www.pmc.edu/reunion-2013-photo-album)



## PINE MANOR ALUMNAE THROUGH THE GENERATIONS

*Alumnae leaders (left to right) Shannon Miranda '00, Barbara Dowd '69, Karla Lopes '12, Brenda Shapiro '58, Serena Strazzulla Kokjer Greening '59, Christina Santos '12, Amy Fraser '10, Betsy Moulds '64, Dora Kaluma '11, Princess Grey '11, Lisa Rodrigues '06, are pictured in front of the College's portrait of Frances Crandall Dyke '25.*

*Mrs. Dyke was one of Pine Manor's historic volunteers and benefactors, whose contributions played a major role in the life of the college.*

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Members of the Pine Manor Community,

I am very pleased to have the honor of leading Pine Manor College as its 11th President. The promise of this time in the college's life is great. The work ahead of us is significant. The potential for Pine Manor is simply profound.

I bring to this role, together with experience, deep appreciation for the examples of successful leaders such as Helen Temple Cooke, Frederick Carlos Ferry and Rosemary Ashby. I am inspired daily by evidence of the passion of Pine Manor's devoted alumnae. One need only to walk through our beautiful campus, or read the names of our funds and prizes, to find examples of extraordinary alumnae investment. This Presidency's central goal is to honor and build upon the foundation that you have provided.

As you are aware, the College has seen a number of significant changes throughout the past year. Pine Manor is now co-educational. Enrollment, critical to financial strength for any small college, is increasing markedly. Our academic, artistic and athletic divisions are achieving excellence. The College has secured reaccreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Our Annual Fund is growing, and we ask for your continued support in order to reach our goal by June. And, most importantly to me, our alumnae, friends, neighbors and the larger community are reconnecting with Pine Manor in new and meaningful ways.

This issue of the Bulletin highlights a key element of Pine Manor's historic strength: "one student at a time." We thought it would be meaningful to do this directly through the voices of alumnae, faculty and students. In addition, we have outlined some of the opportunities and challenges facing small colleges in today's world as we work to move from strength to greater strength. And I certainly hope that you will enjoy reading Class Notes and our new Athletics section, and join me in cheering on the extraordinary Pine Manor Gators!

Finally, I would like to offer heartfelt thanks to the many alumnae and friends of the College who have contacted me throughout the past months. Your words have conveyed much about what Pine Manor means, how it has impacted your lives and where we can go now, together. Let us continue these important conversations!

Sincerely,

Joseph Lee, Ph.D.  
President

President Lee was recently interviewed on the Mara Dolan Radio Show (WCAP). You can listen to the full interview on our web site: [www.pmc.edu/president](http://www.pmc.edu/president)

# ONE STUDENT AT A TIME

THE FUNDAMENTAL PHILOSOPHY UNDERPINNING PINE MANOR COLLEGE'S APPROACH TO EDUCATION IN ITS ONE HUNDRED AND THREE YEARS.



IN MY MANY YEARS OF TEACHING BIOLOGY AT PINE MANOR, I'VE WALKED WITH EACH OF MY STUDENTS EVERY SINGLE STEP OF THE WAY"

PROF. BETH GARDNER

## *Evidence in Interaction*

For Pine Manor students, faculty and alumnae, this means vigorous support for each student's unique mode of learning and growing. Elizabeth Gardner, Professor of Biology for 46 years, summarizes this work. "In my many years of teaching biology at Pine Manor, I've walked with each of my students every step of the way." In addition, attention to each individual one-on-one is combined at Pine Manor with a dedication to engaging every student in the overall life of the college. Faculty and staff do so in ways that are deftly tailored to student interests, abilities and aspirations.

When Liz Azu '13 first came to Pine Manor, she "just wanted to sit in the last row and be quiet." She was a native of Ghana, and while schooled in English, Liz was still improving her mastery of the language. But, she adds, "Professors wouldn't allow that." Indeed, not only did she find that she had to be engaged, whether in class or out, but also that being visible in such a fashion could yield major dividends. Her advisor, Professor Susan Bear, likewise a biologist, knew Liz aspired to a health-care career — and knew that achieving that goal would require a solid academic record. "She took me under her wing," says Liz, who still lives in the Boston area and is currently a Young Alumna Trustee. "Professor Bear taught me the meaning of in-depth learning."



Prof. Beth Gardner with four of her former students (left to right): Dora Kaluma '11, Beth Gardner, Barbara Dowd '69, Liz Azu '13 and Amy Fraser '10



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BARBARA DOWD '69

For Barbara Dowd '69, whose educational journey after Pine Manor took her from Barnard to the University of Maine to Yale, these sorts of experiences were the hallmark of a Pine Manor education during her time as a student. "Most of us didn't realize our potential until Pine Manor gave us the impetus to see what we were capable of." Barbara adds that the intimate, demanding yet caring setting at Pine Manor made self-discovery, self-awareness and self-confidence blossom.

This type of mentoring, moreover, often doesn't end with graduation. Diane Mello-Goldner, associate professor of psychology and a 20-year member of the Pine Manor community, still advises many former students on professional concerns. "One of our alumnae is getting her masters in counseling," Professor Mello-Goldner notes by way of example. "She recently sent me a draft of one of her papers and said, 'Can you tell me if I'm headed in the right direction here?'" Sometimes, such professional interactions can spill over into the more personally oriented. Professor Mello-Goldner recently saw a Facebook posting by a former student of hers who needed temporary lodging for a cat. "I wrote her and said, "We have cats. You can bring yours right on over!"

### *Evidence in Environment*

Pine Manor's tradition of encouraging every student's engagement both academically and otherwise is a productive one. Thousands have graduated with a greatly heightened sense of purpose, a love of learning, finely honed skills in pursuits from the arts to the sciences, and the ability to be comfortable in a wide range of settings. Moreover, the success of "one student at a time" is not just a matter of interpersonal relationships, but of relationships with one's surroundings.

The college has lived amidst two splendid campus settings in its history – settings that allow students to appreciate quiet space, lovely landscapes and gardens, and natural and architectural beauty. The college's initial setting as part of Dana Hall in Wellesley, MA had a unique charm that endeared it to generations of graduates. The Chestnut Hill campus, as all who have spent time in both places know, is different in character. The inviting, part-suburban, part-urban flavor of the current setting invites communication and cooperation in a similar way. Professor Gardner comments that "You're not living in the bowels of the city, or working in a warren of labs," and she notes that hints of country living on the campus have a charm of their own. "It appears we no longer have the foxes I used to see around," she observes, "but right now we do have four hawks!"

Students through the decades have responded to the campus, and continue to do so. The setting helps foster a kind of neighborliness that is rare even by small-college standards. "Walking across campus, you'd always interact with someone who was going in your direction," notes Dora Kaluma '11, a biology major who has interned at Tufts School of Medicine and is awaiting word about her medical school application.



WE GET TO KNOW OUR STUDENTS WELL. THAT INFORMS OUR PROGRAMMING AND ALLOWS US TO BE FLEXIBLE AND OFFER STUDENTS WHAT THEY NEED TO THRIVE."

PROF. CAROLE RABE



## *Evidence in History*

While “one student at a time” has driven Pine Manor’s mission since the college’s early days, that theme has manifested itself in different ways to reflect changing times. A turning point was the flowering of a dramatically new perspective on women’s roles starting in the 1970s. Professor Gardner, whose work greatly influenced the college during that time and since, describes this as a real awakening. “Women started finding in themselves potential they didn’t know they had,” she says, “and setting goals they didn’t know they could set.” Barbara Dowd notes, “When I was at Pine Manor, Beth Gardner was at the forefront of her time, an example of what women could do in science. She influenced uncounted number of young women to go into science over the years. Imagine a biology department in the 1960s and 70s, managed and directed by young, ambitious, engaged female professors – what a powerful message for women’s empowerment.” Professor Gardner continues her influence to this day, fostering the growth of the biology department through the support and encouragement of its students, faculty and programs.



YOU SEE YOUR STUDENTS WALK ACROSS THE STAGE CONFIDENT AND SELF-ASSURED. THAT’S THE ‘ONE STUDENT AT A TIME’ PHILOSOPHY SHINING THROUGH.”

PROF. BETH GARDNER

Pine Manor was one of a small group of women’s colleges in the vanguard of responding to - and indeed creating - such fundamental shifts in outlook. One key change was the college’s decision to create a four-year curriculum and start awarding baccalaureate degrees. It also moved to establish and strengthen its programs in fast-advancing fields like the life sciences. In succeeding decades, Pine Manor responded to a related change in the broader environment for higher education by gradually extending its offerings to young men. This evolving policy subsequently led to the opening of all the school’s programs to male students — a change that in part reflects the fact that young women increasingly feel fewer and fewer constraints in terms of entering any field that interests them.

## *Evidence in Planning*

Today, social and economic landscapes continue to evolve in ways that impact the college. One trend, for example, has been a growing emphasis on specific programs aimed at preparing students for career success. This impetus has always been a factor, but is far more pressing in today’s highly competitive economy, in an era when demographic shifts and market influences have affected even schools like MIT who have rarely struggled to place graduates. Nonetheless, in recent decades such schools have radically boosted their range of skill-building internships, career-oriented programs and major concentrations. Pine Manor, while always excelling in these areas, is moving to do even more.

The faculty and administration are working at reshaping the college’s class offerings and other aspects of its programs in response to market-driven priorities and societal needs. It is clear that internship and partnership programs will expand, along with career counseling services. The guiding principle of “one student at a time” will forever remain a cornerstone.



“Throughout its history,” says alumna Dorry Kee ’72 of Northern Virginia, “Pine Manor has shown an unusual ability to adapt to the realities of different eras. I personally think that the influence of ‘one student at a time’ is a big part of that story. I am also convinced that continuing the college’s very special approach to education is the best possible way to make sure the next chapter in Pine Manor’s story is a highly successful one.”

There are many reasons why the college is well positioned to sustain its core philosophy going forward. Pine Manor already offers programs highly relevant in today’s work world. Its strengths in fields like biology and psychology are increasing and being recognized, as can be seen by the receipt of highly competitive federal grants and private donations. This is important to note, especially because many students today are choosing careers in research, healthcare, medicine, and social services in response to the overwhelming - and growing - needs of the marketplace.

Pine Manor’s offerings in other realms, meanwhile, teach skills current-day employers prize. Carole Rabe, professor of visual arts and director of the Hess Gallery notes “Employers do like creative thinkers. That means students need to engage both sides of the brain. The visual arts foster such engagement.” They can also teach lessons about ways of communicating that are relevant to many professional fields. “Now more than ever,” she says, “the world is a visual place: information is displayed graphically rather than just in words.”

Future changes are highly unlikely, however, to alter Pine Manor’s fundamental character. The enduring influence of the college’s philosophy is evident. That philosophy is what originally drew many of PMC’s professors and students to the college, and what keeps them engaged with their work. Prof. Gardner of the Biology Department has been at the school for 46 years. Asked what motivates her to keep teaching at Pine Manor, her unhesitating answer is, “one student at a time.”

Elizabeth Cary Blum ’92, former trustee and past president of the Alumnae Association, attests to the staying power of her Alma Mater’s unique approach to education. Currently a resident of the Boston area, Liz treasures her Pine Manor ties. “I’m in touch with several of my former professors, and with staff who were there when I was enrolled, as well as with my fellow alumnae” she says. As a student, Liz found the college to be a place where many types of students could do well regardless of their interests or career aspirations. There is no question in her mind that Pine Manor’s basic character today is much as it was during her student years.

“The original vision of Helen Temple Cooke is still being honored on campus,” she says, “that will never change.”



*Enrollment Staff (left to right) Sophia Henderson - Student Financial Ombudsman, Shary Browne '10 - Admissions Counselor, Lindsey Berndt '11 - Admissions Office Manager, Chuck Mattie - Admissions Counselor, Karla Lopes '12 - Admissions Counselor, Katie Kidwell - Admissions Counselor, Glen A. Thomas - Vice President for Enrollment Management*

## ENROLLMENT IN ACTION

The Enrollment Management Team members (pictured above) have been traveling the nation to recruit and engage future PMC students! The help of PMC alumnae and friends can and will make a difference. Your involvement allows us the opportunity to establish more connections and promote the college in a broader sense. Providing your perspective as a PMC alumna or friend is a key part of engaging prospective PMC students. We invite you to show your PMC pride by sharing your story. If you are interested in hosting a college fair, providing outreach or sharing your experience with prospective applicants and their families, we would love to hear from you!

The best people to introduce Pine Manor are the ones who experienced it first hand. We are so proud of our Admissions team of Students and Alumnae Ambassadors who help us spread the good news about our college. If you are interested in volunteering to recruit the next generation of Gators, please visit [www.pmc.edu/alumnae-ambassadors-program](http://www.pmc.edu/alumnae-ambassadors-program) to sign up, call 617-731-7107 or email Glen Thomas at [gthomas@pmc.edu](mailto:gthomas@pmc.edu)





## ATHLETICS AT PMC

# GO GATORS!

It's an exciting time for PMC Athletics! Over the next four years, Pine Manor will add five men's programs to coincide with its five existing women's athletic programs in basketball, cross country, soccer, softball and volleyball. President Joseph Lee and Director of Athletics John Griffith have overseen the success of co-educational athletics programs in the past. During President Lee's tenure at Saint Joseph's College of Maine, the Monks made a total of eight NCAA tournament appearances in five different sports, while Griffith helped lead the Daniel Webster College Athletic Department to six New England Collegiate Conference (NECC) Championships and multiple trips to postseason tournaments.

The department has already taken the first step toward adding men's programs with the hiring of John Shimer as the inaugural Head Coach of the Men's Soccer Program and Rich Fazzi as the inaugural Head Coach of the Men's Basketball Program. In addition, Shimer will also serve as the Head Coach of the women's soccer program. Shimer joins Pine Manor after serving as the first assistant coach at Endicott College in Beverly, Mass. At Endicott, Shimer served as the recruiting coordinator for the men's soccer program and helped land several top recruits from around the country for the Gulls. Fazzi comes to PMC after spending the last two years as the head coach at Dean College in Franklin, Mass. Last season, Fazzi led the Bulldogs to a 20-3 record and a place in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) National Tournament.

As the department works to grow the men's athletic programs, it is also focused on the continued success of each of its women's athletic programs. After serving as an assistant coach for two seasons, first-year Head Coach Benjamin Akins guided the women's basketball program to a 21-4 record—the most wins for the program since the 1983-84 Gators went 20-4. Led by Great South Athletic Conference (GSAC) All-Conference honorees Ari DeJesus, Alexis Lee, Jayva Johnson and Maria Vaughan the Gators made it to the GSAC Championship Game this season.



Three athletes earned recognition for their outstanding play in three different sports during the Fall season. Junior Destiny Mann, senior Natasha Kopystynsky and Vaughan all received GSAC All-Conference Awards. Mann finished the season with 97 kills for the volleyball team. Kopystynsky, the goalkeeper for the soccer team, finished the season with a GSAC-leading 171 saves—finishing her career with a school record of 615 saves. Vaughan earned an All-Freshman award for her performance during the cross country season.

To learn more about athletics at PMC, please visit: [www.pmc.edu/athletics](http://www.pmc.edu/athletics)



## KELLOGG AND SERVICE AWARDS

The Pine Manor community came together for the annual Kellogg and Service Awards Ceremony.

*Service Awards:* Mary Walsh, Director of the Learning Resource Center, was back as master of ceremony, inviting supervisors and colleagues to honor staff and faculty and to present award certificates for their years of dedicated service. We honored **Michele Ramirez**, Professor of Psychology, and **Sarah Woolf**, Acting Director of the Annenberg Library and Head of Reference and Instructional Services, for their 20 years of service to Pine Manor. And last but not least, with 35 years of service, we honored **John Hatch**, Director of Grounds and Maintenance. In addition to receiving his service award, John was officially crowned by Dotty McDermott as PMC's Superman! To the delight of everyone, and to much applause and a standing ovation, John accepted a specially prepared Superman cape for his out-of-this-world work and many years of outstanding service to PMC!

*Kellogg Award:* President Joe Lee then presented the prestigious Elizabeth Irwin Kellogg '35 Award. The president honored the Kellogg family and talked about the special scholarship that was established by Mrs. Kellogg's sons in celebration of her 85th birthday. The Kellogg Award is presented annually to individuals who demonstrate an outstanding contribution to Pine Manor College. This year's recipient of the award is **Meg Kearney**, Director of the MFA in creative writing program. **Hearty congratulations to all!**

For more pictures, go to: [www.pmc.edu/kellogg-and-service-awards-2014](http://www.pmc.edu/kellogg-and-service-awards-2014)



## SPRING 2014 | FACULTY SYMPOSIUM SERIES PRESENTATIONS

- **Colleen Krieser, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Biology, presented "Using *C. elegans* as a Model System both in Research and Teaching"
- **Susan Bear, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor of Biology, and **Colleen Krieser, Ph.D.**, presented "NIH Grant: Procuring Outside Funding for Scholarship and Curriculum Development"
- **Kathi Aguero**, faculty member in poetry, the MFA in Creative Writing Program, read from her new book, "After That"
- **Cindy Miller, Ph.D.**, Adjunct Professor of Social and Political Systems, discussed "Vernacular Museums: From the 'Everyman' to the 'Everyday'"
- **Hannah Baker-Siroty, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of College Composition, will present "A Poetry Reading"

To learn more about Pine Manor's Faculty Symposium Series, go to: [www.pmc.edu/faculty-symposium-series](http://www.pmc.edu/faculty-symposium-series)



## WINTER GRADUATES

A celebratory luncheon was held for PMC December Graduates. Faculty, staff and family applauded the students for their hard work and perseverance and encouraged them to believe in themselves and follow their passions. To learn more about the event and to view the photo album, please visit us at [www.pmc.edu/winter-graduation-2013](http://www.pmc.edu/winter-graduation-2013)

“Thank you for all of the support I received; I had a wonderful time. Pine Manor has provided me with educational experiences that I wouldn’t have experienced anywhere else.”  
 – Cassandra Walker

“I had the best experiences here; my advice to current and future students is to get involved in as many aspects of the college as they can, because it is from doing this that you learn even more. Also, don’t make assumptions about people – try to get to know them first. Mostly, thank you to the Psychology Department for their help.”  
 – May Royce Jarrett



## MFA WINTER COMMENCEMENT

The Solstice MFA in Creative Writing Program of Pine Manor College celebrated its eleventh graduation on Saturday, January 11. Seven students ranging in age from 27 to 58 and representing five states—including Missouri, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Florida, Michigan, and Connecticut—received their diplomas: fiction writers **Heather Christie**, **Andrew Davis** and **Lisa Mahoney**, and creative nonfiction writers **Ann Breidenbach**, **Debbie Merion**, **Rich Tombeno** and **Beth Richards**. Congratulations!



## PINE MANOR'S 2014 ALPHA CHI AND HONORS CEREMONY

Pine Manor's top achievers were recognized on Wednesday, February 19, in the annual Alpha Chi induction and PMC's Academic Honors Ceremony. Led in by Professor Melinda Ponder and Steve Donovan, six students were inducted into the Alpha Chi Honor Society. The Alpha Chi induction, a wonderful candle-lighting ceremony, was led by Professor William Stargard, Alpha Chi Faculty Advisor, Professor Melinda Ponder and Steve Donovan. The Alpha Chi recipients were presented with framed certificates and Alpha Chi pins.

This year, Pine Manor College is proud to have had the following six students' names added to the list of more than 400,000 members who have joined Alpha Chi since 1922.

Erin Cunningham '14 ■ Demi Kalambokis '14 ■ Ngan Lam '15  
Elizabeth Lopez '14 ■ Carmen Pena '14 ■ Vanessa Rios '14

Pine Manor College's President, E. Joseph Lee, this year's Alpha Chi honorary inductee and speaker, thanked Professor Stargard for his many years of service and commitment to Pine Manor College. At his acceptance speech, President Lee recalled his undergraduate academic experience as a French major at St. Michaels College, and reflected upon memorable parts of its liberal arts core curriculum, which prepared and kept him in a constant search for the truth.

Following the Alpha Chi induction ceremony was the recognition of our High Honors and Honors students of Spring and Fall. Presenting their certificates were President Joe Lee, Dean William Vogeles and Professor William Stargard.

For more information about the ceremony and for the full photo album, please visit the Alpha Chi page at:

[www.pmc.edu/alpha-chi-and-honors-ceremony-2014](http://www.pmc.edu/alpha-chi-and-honors-ceremony-2014)

### WORDS FROM SOME OF OUR ALPHA CHI INDUCTEES:

“So many of PMC's staff members have encouraged me to excel in both my academic life and personal life. Through their expectations I've been able to better myself and understand that not everything works out the way I expect it to. I had to apply myself beyond my comfort zone in order to surpass my own expectations.” – Vanessa Rios

“Pine Manor College helps students develop strong values and instill the motivation and belief that anything is possible. I would like to thank everyone who supported me during these four years, especially my mother Clara. I did well because of all the support I received at the college from the wonderful professors, and so many caring staff; the librarians, the campus safety team, and shuttle drivers.” – Carmen Pena



# Remembered



**MICHELE TALBOT  
(1946 - 2013)**

ON AN AUTUMN DAY WE CAME TOGETHER TO REMEMBER OUR DEAR FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE, PROFESSOR MICHELE TALBOT. THANK YOU TO THE MANY WHO CAME, DESPITE THE CHILLY WEATHER, TO DEDICATE A LOVELY RETREAT GARDEN IN MICHELE'S HONOR AND SHARE MEMORIES DURING THE HEART-WARMING REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY.



**MAUREEN CAWLEY  
(1944 - 2014)**

Maureen Cawley, a beloved member of the Pine Manor staff for sixteen years until her retirement in July of 2012, passed away on January 2nd after a courageous battle with cancer. As Receptionist, Maureen was the first person to greet visitors to the Ferry Building – always with a beautiful smile and pleasant hello. As colleagues recalled, Maureen had ‘the patience of a saint’ giving directions to the College over and over again. They also recalled her great sense of humor and love of storytelling. In addition to the role of Receptionist, Maureen assisted Admissions and played an important role in the administration of the department. She will indeed be missed by all at Pine Manor College.



## MY PMC



### OUTDOOR SCULPTURES

The “Special Topics in Three-Dimensional Design” class installed their final outdoor sculpture projects recently. One of the sculptures was installed outside the Ferry Building, and was called “Prayer” by artist Lei Tong. It featured a lovely set of bells on red strings (see image on the right). Maysoon Shafi’s “Ankh” was installed between the greenhouse and the Campus Center. This interesting piece is made from bark, pine cones, and pine needles woven and glued on screening, to form a watching eye (image above).



### MLK DAY

The Pine Manor Community celebrates the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. MLK Day presents us with an opportunity to examine our values and our actions through the prism of Dr. King’s profound sense of social justice. This year, Pine Manor students participated in a Service Trip to “Many Helping Hands” in Cambridge, and joined forces in a hands-on service project. And in an emotional ceremony that included a reading of MLK’s “I have a dream” speech, and reflections by staff, faculty and students. “We re-commit ourselves to the legacy of Dr. King and to making the dream a reality for all”, said Dan Bohrs, Director of the English Language Program (ELI).



### A MIDSUMMER NIGHT’S DREAM

Directed by Emma Dassori our Performing Art 2013 presented a provocative production of William Shakespeare’s “A midsummer Night’s Dream”. Here are some of the reviews the production received:

“... The funniest and most imaginative production of “a midsummer night’s dream” I’ve ever seen!”

“Bravo --great acting, beautifully designed set, a very entertaining evening!”

“...a fantastic performance. I laughed out loud many times... creative, energetic and imaginative.”

## 1940's

■ **Matilda "Tillie" Colihan '40** writes, "Lots of changes on campus! On behalf of our class, I wish PMC's students and staff the very best during those incredibly important years. I plead for classmates to share their news! We were unbelievably fortunate, and it would be such fun to read what you are all doing and thinking. Drop a line to either Princess Grey of the Development Office, or to me Tillie Colihan, 129 Essex Meadows, Essex CT 06426."

■ **Susane Ernst Geier '43** writes, "I just turned 90! I am looking forward to the birth of my 5th great-grandchild this summer!"

■ **Elizabeth Stevens Green '43** is 90 years old this year and was sorry she was not be able to help with or attend this year's Reunion.

■ From **Mary Jane "Majie" Alford Failey '43**, "Our 70th! Wow!!! Much as I would love to help, I am over my head in projects. At our last reunion I had a book signing for my book "Forgive Us Our Press Passes". That book is going on E-Book now I guess. More recently I wrote "We Never Danced Cheek to Cheek" about my growing up and growing old with Kurt Vonnegut. We have spent a lot of years with both Kurt and his wife, Jane. And our children are friends. Also Kurt says his sister Alice Vonnegut went to Pine Manor. My roommate in the French House was Sybil Waterman as well as Dana Friend. The Vonnegut thread keeps going as Kurt's cousins went to Dana Hall and Gertrude Schnull Rauch was one of the girls, after Dana Hall, that convinced Miss Cooke to add a post grad year. That became Pine Manor. Lots of history right here in Indiana!!! About I can offer right now is a little history as I am on overload right now. I am just amazed that some of us are still here!!!"

■ **Barbara Breaux Minton '45** writes, "I am living in Altadena, CA with my daughter and grandson."

■ **Anne W. Robins '45** writes, "My years there were the best 1943-1945. Wonderful times, wonderful people and friends."

■ **Maria-Pia Antonelli '45** writes, "I gave a few talks on the 200th anniversary of Opera Composer, Giuseppe Verdi. I am still active in music organizations and Italian organizations."

■ **Virginia "Ginger" Bown White '48** writes, "I'm standing in for our Class Secretary Amy Davis!" Ginger and her husband, Fred, moved from their condo in Exeter, NH and sold their Maine lake cottage to move to RiverWoods Continuing Care Community also in Exeter. "We have many friends who were already residents and are making new friends." Three of their four children are only a little over an hour away, a daughter is in FL."

■ **Mary Lou Beattie Jacob '48** is 85 years old and having "fun, fun, fun in NYC". She is looking forward to her 65th class reunion.

■ **Judy Marshall Jones '48** still talks with **Virginia "Ginger" Bown White '48** and is hoping to plan her reunion class dinner and reconnect with her classmates. Judy recently traveled to North Carolina with her son and brother for some old family property. She keeps busy with activities in Darien and also keeping up with 14 grandchildren.

■ It is with great sadness that the college was informed of the death of **Georgia White Nyhart '48** by her daughter, Maria Dahlman.

■ **Phoebe Long Rogers '48** informed the college, "I will not be at the reunion in November as I don't travel except to see family. I know a good time will be had by all." Phoebe is living in Bluffton, SC.

■ **Lee Holliday Hascall '48** writes, "we moved from our home to Terwilliger Place (Portland, Ore.) and have an apartment and studio here. My husband, Norm, had Parkinsons and died here in May of 2012. All our sons are near: Mike and Jamie in Seattle and Ned in Portland."

■ **Marin Jones Shealy '48** writes that she recovered from a major hospitalization and all is well. "Most of my activities include walking my Llasa Apso dog, staying in touch with friends, and driving to see three of my children in MA and NH. The other two live in Boise, ID and Frankfurt Germany! My fourteen grands include 7 college graduates who are working, three who are still in college and four yet to go. I have truly been blessed with them. Sadly my dearest friend, Sally Heatly Castle '48 died suddenly in Rochester NY this year." Marin lives in Canton, NY

■ **Franny Durant Larsen '48** wrote that she and Dick celebrated 65 years of marriage! "I enjoy conversations with **Judy Marshall Jones '48** and **Elizabeth Libby Gordon '48** every now and then. Dick and I, like all of us I am sure, 'keep on and keeping on'. We continue to enjoy friends who visit from out of town and of course, our grown children.

Love Hilton Head and all visited us as when we were growing up. Now, grandchild and great grandchild come too. God Bless each of you."

■ **Naomi Love Jefferson '48** (Wilmington, DE) said she has been a widow for several years. "I have my home in Delaware at Stonegate, a wonderful retirement community. I am still involved in music and preparing now for some singing (AKA Andrews Sisters) and some piano for a fun group. After November I will be residing in John's Island, FL where I've had a home for many years, until May 11."

■ **Cynthia Baldwin Hosley '48** lives in Rochester, NY at Valley Manor. "We have many activities and do Tai Chi once a week."

■ **Mary Lee Jordan '48** lives in Homosassa, FL.

■ **Mary Louise Beattie Jacob '48** writes that she celebrated her 85th birthday in Warwick, NY with her family and dear friends on August 3, 2013.

■ **Renée Marcus '48** lives in Green Valley, AZ and writes, "the 80's are in a challenge and I don't mean the 1980's! Warm greetings to my classmates from my "Home on the Range."

■ **Ginny Chittenden Pierpont '48** wrote from Clinton, CT that she used to see **Edythe "Edie" Hudson '48** once a year but not lately. "I am still playing tennis three times a week, bridge at least twice a week and volunteer at the Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Theatre in Saybrook. Have three wonderful children and four grands. Naturally they're exceptional."

■ **Carolyn Burford Brady '48** is still living in Houston and wrote that Houston is full of activities – bridge tournaments, schools and politics. "Pine Manor comes to Houston every year. My oldest granddaughter attends boarding school sixty miles from Boston."

■ **Toni Mayer Fallon '48** lives in Osterville, MA and enjoys boating and being with the family on Cape Cod. "I don't play tennis or ski anymore. I miss it! I like plays and concerts and meeting friends for dinner. I hope to make it to Reunion."

■ **Pat Hall Hoover '48** writes from Bonita Springs, FL that she still enjoys life in Florida, playing golf three times a week and enjoys doing watercolors. "My husband passed away two years ago and now I plan on going to the home in a year or two but so happy where I am."

■ **Saskia Stahl Kessler '48** wrote from Toronto, Canada. "John died two years ago. My life is busy. Had a bit of a bad summer fall and trying to get things better. Very little golf this year. All my children are abroad or in the West of Canada which is far away. Old age is not for sissies. Cheers!"

■ **Lisette Fowler Weiss's '48** granddaughter has moved from Paris to Los Angeles where she is teaching French at an International School--She and her husband really miss Paris! Lisette still lives in Metari, LA.

■ **Deweenta Gray Bones '49** writes, "I now have six great-grandchildren and another one is on the way!"

■ **Joan Dalrymple Lyman '49** writes, "My husband, Bill Lyman, died five years ago at the age of 92. We had a great marriage. I continue to enjoy living in York Harbor, Maine. I would love a call from my Pine Manor friends! 207-351-2789."

## 1950's

■ **Betty Elizardi Williams '51** writes, "I'm still living in Houston and New Orleans. I love both cities! I have four grandchildren and nearly all of them are in college now!"

■ **Dottie Cochran Fullam '53** is very involved with Sturbridge Village and summers in Brookfield, MA. Dottie attended Reunion 2013.

■ **Suzanne Opitz Wright '53** wanted to share that she and her husband are summering at their vacation home in Big Fork, Montana; their granddaughter was married in their home town of Lincoln, NE in February 2014 and Suzanne and her husband will be traveling with friends in Europe during Spring 2014.

■ **Connie Spence Powell '53** says, "I can hardly believe it was 60 years ago that I graduated from Pine Manor." Connie is doing well in her Scottsdale, AZ home.

■ **Drusilla Flather Farley '55** writes, "I have not been very good about news lately. I moved from freezing Wisconsin to warm, sunny Virginia this past August. Come visit. New address: The Talbot, 6311 Granby Street # 327, Norfolk, VA 23505."

■ **Jane Switzer '56** writes, "My husband passed away and I am now remarried – now we are spending half our time in Florida."

■ **Joyce Pulitzer '56** writes, "I was one of the writers of the new drama "Freedom". Sid and I produced it here in New Orleans at the

Contemporary Arts Center. It was part of the Southern Rep Series. It was very successful."

■ **Jean Miller Gordon '58** writes, "The photo of my family was taken in Hawaii last June. My sons, Paul and Gordon, and his family are in the photo with me." Paul and Lisa have four daughters and a son-in-law, Jared Frederickson.



■ **Lyndsay Pond White '58** shared that, "I always loved my Reunions but now I get together and travel with my best friends **Liz Rentschler Melnick '58** and **Carol Minsel Sparker '58**. We spent two weeks in Italy last fall (2012) and are going from Budapest to Prague this fall (2013). Reunions are a wonderful way to re-connect with classmates. I have a Pine Manor PJ Party at 'The White House' every year too, with Liz & Carol."

■ Ambassador **Barbara Hanson Karahadian '58** writes, "Memorable spring time and thoughts of college days at Pine Manor. Helen Temple Cooke's concept seems viable. The college established a fine "pattern for living."

■ **Mrs. Linda Axe '58** writes, "I am still working full time running an interior design company called LVL Enterprises in Gross Point Farms, Michigan. Our family cottage in Michigan was featured on the TV show called "Homes Across America."

## 1960's

■ **Mary Shanley '60** writes, "Dave and I moved from the Bay Area a few years ago, to a new home we built in the Sierra Foothills. The gold country, not far from Yosemite, is beautiful and offers lots of history and potential of striking gold!! It is becoming more known for its many wineries, actually older than many in Napa valley. Our home looks out on a golf course and we are surrounded by lovely oak trees. It is a friendly community and there are lots of opportunities to be involved and have fun."

■ **Alice Diman Pratt '63** writes, "I am sorry to have missed my 50th reunion. I live in San Diego, and couldn't make the trip. I have such wonderful memories of my teachers

and my house mates at Lathrop house. Dr. Henry, Dean Romig, Mlle Gegarias were the faculty who had the most influence on my time there. I am still in contact with my roommate, **Bea Lathrop '62** and **Vickie Zoellner '62**. I continued on to Reid Hall in Paris, came back to graduate from BU, marry my high school sweetheart, and teach French for many years. My husband and I have a daughter, Amy, a son, Ben, and three grandsons. Sandy and I celebrated our 47th anniversary last June. In 2009, we sold our Newton house and moved to California to be close to our children. Amy is in Oakland, and Ben and family are two blocks up the road. We babysit a lot for the little ones who are one and three years old. For my 70th birthday we are all renting a cottage on Big Bear Lake. San Diego is paradise - 70 degrees and sunny almost every day.

■ **Elizabeth "Betsy" Van Orsdel Moulds '64** writes, "It was a delightful year in the vineyard and the crop was amazing. We love to share our experiences with friends, so come by for a visit at Moulds Family Vineyard and walk with us through the vines. I hope that my fellow classmates are planning to come to our 50th reunion this fall; there is a buzz going around. See you soon."

■ **Linda Kooluris Dobbs '68**, who painted President Ashby's portrait, has been living in Toronto, ON for over 30 years with her husband. Linda writes to say that her husband passed away in May 2013.



■ **Kitty Van Winkle Terry '67** writes, "My husband, Mark, and I are moving to a little cottage in Coral Gables, Florida soon!"

■ **Mary K. Thompson '68** writes, "This past year we had trips to Bali, Japan, Norway, U.K. and Mexico."

■ **Davin Smallridge Wenner '68** says, "I would be happy to help with the planning of my class reunion, although I cannot promise that I can attend, but I will certainly do my best to get there. I do so miss my Board meetings and seeing old friends and the new. Please let me know what I can do."

## SAVE THE DATES

### COMMENCEMENT | MAY 11<sup>TH</sup> 2014

### REUNION | NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>- 9<sup>TH</sup> 2014

For suggestions and inquiries about our Fall 2014 Reunion, please call (617) 731-7006 or email: [reunion2014@pmc.edu](mailto:reunion2014@pmc.edu)



Our heartfelt thanks to **Dole Keefrider Galvin '93** for organizing a wonderful reunion! Dole worked tirelessly to create a weekend's worth of activities, along with the help of fellow alumna and Development Coordinator, **Princess Wynter Grey '11**. A wonderful time was had by all!

### Share your news in the next Bulletin! Your classmates and friends would like to hear from you.

Email: [alumnae@pmc.edu](mailto:alumnae@pmc.edu), call: 617-731-7113

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Write to: Pine Manor College, Alumnae Relations Office,  
400 Heath St., Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

#### Class Notes Cont.

### 1970's

■ **Freddi Aronov '71** writes, "I recently saw **Beth Townsend Bennett '71** in Chapel Hill, NC. Beth's oldest son is married to my niece. They are expecting their first child, a daughter in February, making Beth a grandmother for the first time!"

■ **Ms. Linda Munn '72** writes, "I just launched a new company called Munn Floral Designs which is a silk flower arranging firm."

■ **Sara M. Beer '74** writes, "I retired from teaching at a public school in McAllen, Texas and now continue with my second career as an academic language therapist."

### 1980's

■ **Melissa Jackson '88** was featured in this year's "House of Darkness, House of Light" DVD in the role of Bathsheba. This DVD is a companion interview to the movie "The Conjuring" based upon Andrea Perron's life story. The production was directed by Mysterious World TV Production. The DVD is being sold on Echo Bridge Entertainment or on Amazon.com.

### 1990's

■ **Dole Keefrider Galvin '93**, Co- vice President & Acting Secretary of Pine Manor's Alumnae Association, took on another role at Pine Manor; she was the Chair of Reunion 2013! Beside her roles at PMC, she's "mama" to Paul (age 8) and Keith (age 4). This past

March (2013), she was one of the organizers of The Taste at the Griffin, a tasting of food and beverages that benefited The Griffin Museum of Photography in Winchester, MA and will take on that role again this March 2014.

■ Joining Dole at their 20th Reunion were: **Frieda Haimoff '93, Lori Marie Sylvia Jarek '93, Jennifer Narod Rojas '93, Dana Cramer Copeland '93, Allison Lefkon Simon '93, Anne Pappajohn Vassiliou '93, Esther Mateo-Orr '93, Susan Qualls Easley '93, and Kristen Bennett Graves '93.**

■ **Jennifer Orkin Groeneman '93** is a stay-at-home mom to her son 3 year old son Zachary in Felton, MO. Jennifer has been married to Rick Groeneman since 2001. The family is planning to move to Wisconsin in December 2013.

■ **Kelsey Abernathy McLean '96** writes, "Fore Kids Golf is a new clothing line that caters to the youngest members of golf and country clubs, which premiered at the 2013 PGA Merchandise show in Orlando in January. The style and colors are classic and always club appropriate for sizes newborn through kindergarten. All clothing has collars, no denim and even tennis whites for the aspiring Wimbledon Champion in diapers. Our garments are made with the softest 100% Pima cotton of exceptional quality, designed with and active country club baby and toddler in mind. The clothing is meant to be played in, washed, and worn many times over. For more information go to [www.forekidsgolf.com](http://www.forekidsgolf.com) or our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/ForeKidsGolfClothing](http://www.facebook.com/ForeKidsGolfClothing)."

■ **Shea Rose '98** was one of the many Boston musicians that performed at Boston's Out of the Box summer arts festival this summer, 2013. She can be contacted at [shearosemusic@gmail.com](mailto:shearosemusic@gmail.com).

### 2000's

■ **Kathryn (nee Lagerberg) Nesbeth '09** lives in the Greater Boston area with her husband, Jerome. Jerome is an artist as well as a successful car salesman. Kathryn works with a pharmaceutical company doing account-benefit management related to workers' compensation. Kathryn cherished her time at Pine Manor College. She values her education and life lessons learned, and earned, from PMC, and hopes all is well with each of her peers.

### 2010's

■ **Marie Odney '10** writes, "I'm currently working for Tufts Medical Insurance. I'm taking my licensing exam to become a licensed phlebotomist very soon!"

*Note: Some Class Notes date from last year because of a delayed publication schedule. We apologize for the delay and for any inaccuracies that may have arisen as a result.*



## ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK 2014



This year's community service project was held in Newark, New Jersey. Over the course of five days the PMC team lived together and worked on construction projects related to the rebuilding efforts in an area impacted by "SuperStorm Sandy" of 2012.

Students had a number of reading assignments, both current and historic, on the area to prepare them for their work. These assignments were compared to the course text and documentary, "Sandy: A Story of Complete Devastation, Courage and Recovery." This specially designed curriculum, developed and led by Lisa Rodrigues of Student Life with help from Professor Eileen McLaughlin, helped students envision the devastation that occurred in New Jersey, and created greater context for the relief work they were about to contribute to.

The PMC team worked shoulder to shoulder with students and staff from Ohio State University, George Mason University, The Naval Academy and Drew University. Some of the projects included demolition, putting up drywall, building closets and painting. Unique to the Newark experience was the fact that students lived in the Boys 'N Girls Club in Newark (BNG). This afforded them the opportunity to interact with younger students from the Newark community; tutoring and participating in BNG community building activities such as basketball, shuffle board and ping pong.

The PMC team was featured on New England Cable News (NECN) in a broadcast that was aired on March 24th. For a link to the recorded segment and for more pictures, go to: [www.pmc.edu/alternative-spring-break-2014](http://www.pmc.edu/alternative-spring-break-2014)

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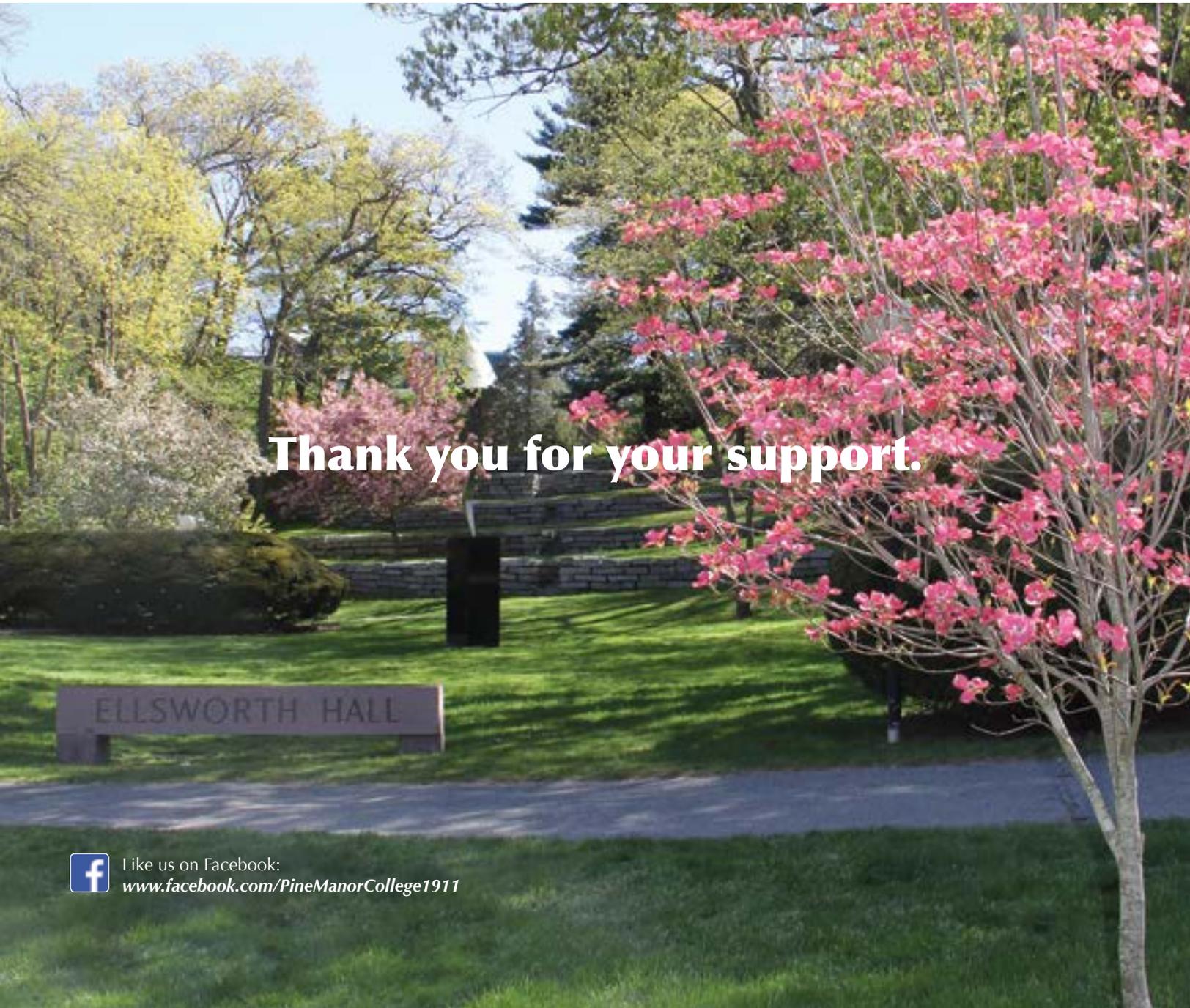
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