

Alumni House Echoes

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Among other honors, Kathleen Roberts '37 the 1st Recipient of FSU Diploma



During the 2012 All-Alumni Assembly on May 19, Kathleen Roberts was honored by Framingham State with the Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award.

Kathleen was shadowed by a photographer who is working on a documentary about Kathleen's role in many education initiatives.

Dr. Timothy Flanagan told the audience that Kathleen was present at the State House when Governor Patrick signed the legislation which enabled FSC to become FSU. He mentioned that Kathleen was presented with the very first FSU diploma at the next graduation ceremony in Winter 2011.

Do you know where the title "The Echo" originates? According to Carolyn Crowell '48, the name comes from a re-arranging of the term "ho(me) ec."

Archives help us help 2012 Honorary Degree Recipient

When Carol Mugar, Executive Director of Farm Aid, put out a request for information about her mother, alumna Marion Graves '22, IAFSA was able to help.

Thanks to files maintained by staff and volunteers, IAFSA found materials about Mugar's mother, and father, who was also the recipient of an honorary degree at FSC in 1982. Graves was the editor of the 1922 Dial yearbook and wrote the class hymn, as well as being a very active student.

Help with keeping up with alumni files is always welcome! If you like researching, clipping, copying, sorting, etc., and have a few hours here and there, please call us at 508-872-9770.

Reunion Planning

Are you ready for your next class reunion?

If you need a meeting place, Alumni House is available for your planning use. We have reference materials available to consult.

Members of the Class of 1973 Connie Coleman and Barbara Chadwick are working on next year's 40th Reunion. We can help you get in touch if you want to be involved in the planning, want input, or to attend. They are organizing a raffle to raise money for events and a class gift.



Alumni House Clean Up

House Chair Kathie Flynn Patterson '74 is planning a clean up day to go through the house and grounds, to tidy up plants, and clean out and dust closets and cabinets.

It's time to purge multiple vases, serving trays, and mismatched china. An inventory of our Alumni China and serving dishes needs to be done. Give us a call to get on the "cleaning crew" list. Come have fun with fellow alums for a few hours.

Help! We would like to know the story behind Framingham State Teachers College Handkerchiefs

As we were browsing through a 1924 Dial Yearbook sent to us by the son of Gretchen Olge Papen '25, we found a handkerchief with a drawing of May Hall on it and a sign post with the words

"State Teachers College Framingham." We had FSU professors Becky Taylor and Pam Sebor-Cable take a look at it. They agreed to have the FSU textile department take it on

as a cleaning and conservation project. We theorized it could be one of a series and possibly a gift or favor at a reunion. A second handkerchief, in the same maroon and white color scheme, depicting

The Dwight Hall doorway recently popped up on eBay.

If you know the story behind these darling handkerchiefs, please share!

Fashion and Costume History Resource Library in the works



A fashion and costume history resource library is in the works at Alumni House.

Based upon a donation of the personal library of free-lance writer and alumna Debbie Regan Cleveland '73, the collection

ranges from cowboy equipment to Louis Vuitton. Special focuses include weddings, fashion in the 1950's, and the British Royal Family.

Thanks to the efforts of fashion merchandising student Christine Jenkins '13, the collection is being catalogued and organized. The library will also display works by students and alums. We hope to cross reference the materials with the collections in the FSU textile department and the Henry Whittemore Library.

Ideas, helping hands, and contributions to the library are welcome.

IAFSA hopes to have a ribbon-cutting and reception to celebrate the opening of this resource.

Stay tuned.

Did you know that Framingham State's 175th Anniversary will be upon us in a few years?

Be sure to keep us informed of your mailing address so we can keep you posted on how IAFSA may be involved. Let us know if you'd like to serve on a planning committee.

Are you missing your yearbook?

Did you know that we have an extensive collection of Dial yearbooks? You are welcome to stop by to browse our library during Alumni House office hours, which are generally Monday through Friday 9 am to 3 pm.

If you need to replace your yearbook, check with us to see if we have a spare copy. We have a limited inventory of past editions.

After 82 years, Cape Cod Alumni Club is still going strong

If you live on Cape Cod, consider joining the Cape Cod Framingham College Club. The CCFCC meets three times a year for a lively lunch and raises money for a scholarship

for a student who lives on Cape Cod or the Islands. The next luncheon is on August 15th and will feature a silent auction with proceeds going to the scholarship fund. Dues are only \$ 10 a year. Call us at Alumni House for contact information.

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Honor the Past.**

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