

Alumni House Echoes

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IAFSA on TV

IAFSA and Alumni House were featured on "The Framingham Beat," a video magazine produced by Access FraminghamTV, Framingham's public access TV. The episode aired on September 12th and you can view it online at Accessfram.tv. The segment is about 8:50 minutes into the program.

Clippings – We Want Clippings

Part of our service to alumni includes maintaining Alumni Archives about alums past and present, and we need your help. If you see a mention of a Framingham State graduate, either online, or in print, please forward it to us.

Periodically we will draw from those who submit news items to us and send along a thank you gift.

Full House for Annual IAFSA Student Award Reception

Students, their families and guests, scholarship committee members, and IAFSA Board members gathered on Sunday, September 29th to celebrate this year's scholarship and award recipients. Attendees were able to enjoy the verandah and grounds on a beautiful fall afternoon.

FSU Interim President

Robert Martin congratulated the students before **IAFSA President Kimberly Kiess Ivers** made the presentations.



Former Director Marilyn Foley with Kerrin Murray, recipient of the Marilyn Minihan Foley Scholarship. Kerrin is the editor-in-chief of *The Gatepost*.

Thanks to you, our donors, IAFSA awarded scholarships to over 60 worthy students for the 2013-2014 academic year.



IAFSA Celebrates Marilyn

On Sunday, September 8th, alumni, friends, family, FSU faculty, and FSU Interim President Robert Martin attended a reception at Alumni House to honor IAFSA's retiring Executive Director Marilyn B. Manzella and her 25 years of service to IAFSA.

In lieu of gifts, Marilyn requested that donations be made to the IAFSA Endowment Fund. If you would like to send Marilyn a note or make a donation in her honor, we will forward any messages and inform her of your donation.

Coming soon –

IAFSA's

140th Anniversary in 2014

The Alumni Association of the Framingham Normal School was established on July 10th, 1874. The name changed over the years as the college changed, but the core missions to assist alumni and students and support the Framingham State community haven't.

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AlumniHouse.org

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The main part of celebrating 140 years of service will be an exhibit featuring you, our alumni.

The exhibit will be at **Alumni House** and some of it may be displayed at the Framingham Public Library, if time and helping hands permit.

The exhibit hopes to highlight student life while attending Framingham State, as well as the endeavors and accomplishments of our alumni.

There are many ways, large and small, that you can help.

First, is to send us your memories of Framingham State, news of **your achievements**, career highlights, and how your

college experiences helped you in life.

Second, either lend or donate **memorabilia**. (Please ask first so as not to duplicate.) We love photos, too!

Third, if you have a **business**, contact us if you are interested in participating in a **business show-case** or to be a **sponsor**.

Fourth, volunteer to help get Alumni House ready for company. We have a cleaner and a handyman; what we need is help with **freshening up** the furnishings and cleaning out the cupboards.

Fifth, volunteer to help get our files up to date. We have **recent materials** that need sorting and filing. We also have older files that need some TLC.

Sixth, if you are good with **Facebook**, we could use a hand with posting and updating our page.

Seventh, if you are **Wordpress** savvy, we could use a little help with our website, too. We'd like to freshen it up for our 140th.

Eighth, Volunteer to be a **greeter** to welcome visitors to the exhibit. Two and three hour shifts available.

Ninth, plan to attend the **ribbon cutting** of the exhibit in May, during Alumni Weekend. Details to follow.

Tenth, send us your **ideas** on how we can **celebrate!**

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**Who do you think should be highlighted in our exhibit?**

Call, write, or email us with your suggestions.

### Calling all Authors!

We are compiling a list of alums who have written a **book**.

We hope to add a page on our website listing books by alumni with links to **Amazon.com** to help you promote and sell them.

We also plan on devoting a corner of our 140<sup>th</sup> exhibit to alumni authors.



The dress in the center was a class project in 1958 by Ginny Baldi Ferguson '59, past IAFSA president, and featured at the Fashion Design and Retailing Department Celebration Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>.

### Calling all Seamstresses, Savers, & Fashion Designers!

Do you have a fashion project, or costume or clothing item from when you attended Framingham State?

We invite you to lend us your projects and fashions for a retrospective fashion display to be a part of our 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibit.

**A Job Opportunity at Alumni House:** IAFSA is seeking an Assistant to the Director, a part-time, hourly position requiring office skills and a willingness to learn and share duties in a pleasant, two-person, office setting.

**Details and application information at: [AlumniHouse.org](http://AlumniHouse.org)**

## Cape Cod Framingham College Club Awards Three Scholarships in 2013

**The Cape Cod Framingham College Club** (CCFCC) was founded in 1930 by Mary Phelps Thomas '29. If you live on Cape Cod, consider joining. Membership is only \$10 per year. The CCFCC meets three times a year for a lively lunch and raises money for scholarships for students who live on Cape Cod or the Islands.



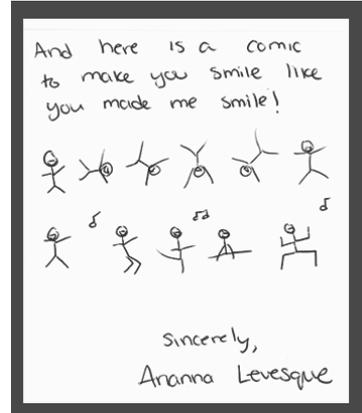
CCFCC President Joan Colosi '75, with 2013 scholarship recipient Jill Chenerveret

The scholarship funds are raised through an annual silent auction at the August luncheon, 50/50 raffles, and donations from members.

This year they were able to raise enough money to fund three scholarships, whereas in the past there was enough for one or two.

The CCFCC gathers for lunch and special programs at various restaurants on the Cape. The next meeting will be in the spring at the Old Yarmouth Inn in Yarmouth Port, the site of the first meeting of the club in 1930.

Contact Muriel Locklin '90, 110 Homestead Lane, Teaticket, MA 02536, 508-495-0870 for details.



### Now, This Is a Thank You Note!

We receive many thank you notes from our scholarship recipients, but this one from Arianna Levesque was a standout.

Arianna is a fashion design and retailing major and one of three triplets who have been studying at Framingham State. Two out of three have received financial aid from IAFSA.

### Our Thanksgiving Scholarship

Last Thanksgiving, Joan Murtaugh '61, was a guest of a former colleague and friend, Susana Bernard, and her husband, Clark Bernard.

Retirees Joan and Susana had both worked in the Framingham Public Schools system for several decades. Joan chatted about the scholarship that she had established in her parents memory, The Murtaugh Scholarship. She showed photos and spoke about the recipients that she met at the IAFSA Student Scholarship Reception at Alumni House. Coincidentally, Susana remembered helping one of the recipients when she worked in Framingham.

Following the Thanksgiving dinner, IAFSA received a call from Clark and Susana inquiring about how to go about setting up a scholarship. With our input, the Bernards crafted the guidelines and provided the funding. That is how the Susana R. Bernard Scholarship for Massachusetts residents majoring in Elementary Education came about.

Susana served on the scholarship committee reviewing the applicants. Two inaugural Bernard scholarships of \$2,000 each were awarded this year.



Alyssa Trybus and Melissa Quimby, Bernard scholarship recipients, with Susana R. Bernard at the 2013 IAFSA Scholarship Reception.

**Unwanted gift cards?** If you have unwanted gift cards, please consider donating them to IAFSA. We will either use them to buy supplies, trade them for what we need, or use as rewards or incentives. Your gift will be tax-deductible. Thank you!

**Putting the spotlight on Alumni:** Did you write a book? Did you receive an award? Were you promoted? Are you an entrepreneur with your own company? Did you have a significant event in your life? We'd like to share your news on the Alumni Spotlight page on our website. Send photos and notes: [office@alumnihouse.org](mailto:office@alumnihouse.org)



Congratulations to **Mary Dulong '12** currently serving with the Americorps in Douglasville, Georgia. Mary was awarded **Volunteer of the Year Award from the Boys and Girls Club in Atlanta**. Mary has helped with disaster relief, helping people impacted by tornadoes and violent weather.

**"Live to the truth."**

**Yearbooks:** IAFSA still has many yearbook duplicates available. If you would like one for your year of graduation, please contact us and we will check our inventory.

**Donate to your passion ~ What do you care about?**

When you send in a donation, just let us know how you want it to be directed. Donors are listed in our annual **Echo** newsletter published in the early spring.



**Kudos to Karen White '92, G'99**, a registered dietitian and part-time FSU instructor, who has her own cooking program, **Healthy Bites**, on Westborough's public access television. Karen shows viewers how to make quick, healthy, and low-fat meals, using simple recipes while explaining the nutritional and health benefits of each ingredient. The show, begun in 2010, has been broadcast by public access channels in nine states, several towns in Massachusetts, and the Cambridge Public Schools.

**Who was your favorite faculty member?**

**Who was the most memorable faculty member?**

**Who was the most memorable person on campus?**

**Share your memories!**

## **Do you remember Seiler's 1812 House Restaurant ?**

The Massachusetts State College Building Authority on behalf of Framingham State recently purchased the building and land sandwiched between Rt. 9 and Salem End Road and across from Linsley Hall.



We hear that some alumni ate at the former restaurant on special occasions. The building has been added onto and more recently housed a ski shop, a realtor, and a hair salon.

The 1812 House has a historic connection to Framingham State: According to **Steve Herring, '76, former IAFSA President**, and former **Framingham Town Historian**, in the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century the house was owned by James Watson Brown, an educator and 1<sup>st</sup> Framingham Superintendent of Schools. Brown's advocacy and donation of more than two acres of land he owned on "Bare Hill" were primary factors in the relocation of America's first normal school from West Newton to Framingham in 1853.

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