



# Alumni House Echoes

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## *Reunions 2017*

If your class year ends in a 2 or 7 then this is your reunion year. You may use Alumni House for planning meetings, luncheons, or an Alumni Weekend event.

## *Alumni Weekend & IAFSA Annual Meeting*

Framingham State has scheduled the 2017 Alumni Weekend for June 2-4. IAFSA's Annual Meeting & Program will be Sat. June 3.



## Attention Reunion Planners!

We have records and photos from past reunions. We offer Alumni House for your planning meetings and Alumni Weekend gatherings. It's also available for any alumni meetups other times of the year.

While FSU's Alumni Relations staff members are guiding your Alumni Weekend activities on campus, let us know if there is any way we can assist you.

All Celebrating Classes are honored guests at our Annual Meeting & Program on June 3, 2017.

Celebrating Classes are invited to nominate a member for the "Touch the Future" Educator Award. *(See inside.)*

Alumni House will be open Saturday of Alumni Weekend for drop-ins, Class Meetings, and to view our latest exhibit.

## Friends of Alumni House Launched!

In anticipation of the Centennial Celebration of Alumni House in 2017, the Friends of Alumni House fund was launched. Memberships help with expenses and needed repairs and upgrades. Benefactors will have their names on the new Alumni Donor Wall of Fame. Those who join in 2016 are entered into a drawing to win a \$50 Restaurant.com gift card or mug. Join or make a gift to Alumni House at: [bit.ly/AHfriends](http://bit.ly/AHfriends).



**A new display at Logan Airport** on the history of innovation in Massachusetts includes Framingham State as the first public teacher's school and Ruth Wakefield '24 and her Chocolate Chip Cookie.

***You are the Force...No gift too small...No time donated too little.***

## Class of 1986 honors its president

The Class of 1986 officers facilitated a donation of \$5,000.00 to the Paul T. Murphy Memorial Scholarship



Fund administered by IAfSA. Paul passed away unexpectedly in his senior year, 30 years ago. Like Paul, recipients must be an undergraduate Communication Arts major and a student leader with community and campus involvement.

A new Facebook page has been created by Paul's family about the scholarship and recipients: [facebook.com/pmurphyscholarship](https://facebook.com/pmurphyscholarship). You can use this link to donate: [bit.ly/PTMurphyfund](https://bit.ly/PTMurphyfund).

## Scholarships

Scholarships are especially needed for Business, Art, and Criminology majors. Scholarship donors can establish criteria, read applications, weigh in on decisions and meet the recipients at our annual award reception. Now is a good time to donate toward a scholarship as the end of the tax year is approaching.

### *Have you joined the new Facebook Group?*

New book, new business, new artwork on display, are you hiring? What's happening with you? Find out what fellow alumni are up to and share your news on the Framingham State Community Bulletin Board Facebook page: [tinyurl.com/FSCCommunity](https://tinyurl.com/FSCCommunity)

## Amelia Davis: *helping alumni in need*

*"I could not make it on my income without the fund's help. It means I can count on my prescriptions each month."*



For over 106 years, thanks to your donations, the Amelia Davis Fund has provided financial aid for incapacitated alumni in need. It helps with medical and personal emergencies and making ends meet in tight financial situations. If you are aware of anyone who could use assistance, please contact us.

## Touch the Future Nominations

This award honors the memory of Henry F. Regan, educator, guidance counselor, and coach. The award honors and acknowledges teachers who teach teachers, especially those who have contributed to advancing knowledge in a subject, and demonstrated and instilled enthusiasm for teaching. Those eligible have provided a framework for those who will teach, provided inspiration and lasting motivation to students and/or associates. If you know of anyone who fits this criteria, please nominate them by January 2017.



Mary Fitzmaurice Penny '61  
2016 Touch the Future Award Recipient

**Two Framingham State fashion design graduates** competed on *Project Runway* this fall. One had received financial assistance from IAfSA.

### **Grant Writing**

Help needed with writing and submitting grant proposals. A couple of hours could make a big difference.

## Remembering Christa: 30 Years Later

During IAFSA's Annual Meeting on Alumni Weekend, Classmate Mary Kenney Liscombe '70, Director Emerita of the Christa McAuliffe Center at Framingham State gave a talk about Christa, the space race, and how the Christa and the Challenger Centers educate and inspire teachers and students globally. Several members of the IAFSA Board were friends of Christa and her family.



The *Christa Corrigan McAuliffe '70: Teacher, Astronaut, Hero Exhibit* continues at Alumni House until December 31st during regular office hours or by appointment. The exhibit features materials from IAFSA archives and also borrowed from the Special Archives at Whittemore Library.

### Help students as you shop.

When you shop on Amazon.com, when you use this link, every purchase helps our scholarship funds! [Tinyurl.com/IAFSAamazon](http://Tinyurl.com/IAFSAamazon)

## Memorial Garden Initiative

The Class of 1964 is interested in creating a Memorial Garden on the grounds of Alumni House to honor cherished classmates and Framingham State friends. If you are interested in helping in some way, please contact Alumni House at 508-872-9770.



### Windows For Sale

We have several wooden sashes, some wood stained, others painted mint green on one side, ivory on the other. There are one, four, and six panes to choose from. Sizes from 20" x 18" to 28" x 19". All are in good condition with glass and putty intact. Great for decorating and craft projects. \$25-\$30 for one, less for multiples.

## New Sound System for the Chapel

In 2014, thanks to donations to the IAFSA Chapel Preservation Fund, a new carillon for the Ecumenical Center was purchased in memory of Christa McAuliffe and all deceased alumni. In 2016, your donations funded a new digital sound system to enhance the sound of the carillon and all events at the chapel. In late 2016 a cabinet to house the carillon and sound system was also donated.



*The Cookie Loved Round the World* by Kathy Teahan, about the chocolate chip cookie, will be available soon.

## Ram-It

A new male on campus is the literal center of attention. The Ram statue, initiated by alumnae Nancy '68 and Janina '67



Swiacki is now installed on the hill in a can't miss location in the circle in front of Dwight Hall. The Swiackis, IAFSA and several individual donors and alumni funded the statue. At the unveiling several alumni from the Class of 1970 sported "Ram-It" buttons sold back when the Ram was chosen as Framingham State's mascot.

## 142 Years of Service Thanks to You!

### Alumni Trip to Italy April 14 – 22, 2017

Two of FSU's Academic Deans, Susan Dargan and Margaret Carroll, will lead you on a 9-day excursion through Italy, with stops at the Amalfi Coast, the Isle of Capri, Vatican City, Rome, Naples/Pompeii, and more. So, grab a fellow alum or your spouse, and be part of history as FSU embarks on its very first alumni trip abroad! Information: (508) 626-4744 or [jcornier@framingham.edu](mailto:jcornier@framingham.edu) or go to <http://bit.ly/alumniitaly>.



### She Shines

Bailey McLernon '16, a chemistry major and two-time IAFSA scholarship recipient was among Massachusetts 29 Who Shine 2016, a State House ceremony that recognizes an outstanding student from each of the state's public colleges and universities.

### Scholarship T-Shirt!



Our striking T-shirts are \$18 with free shipping. Sizes come in S, M, L and XL.

To order, send a check made out to IAFSA and indicate the size and quantity.

*The new dorm on Maynard Road, West Hall, is open.*

## You help students realize their goals

*When you donate to scholarships, you help an FSU student further their education and get closer to achieving their dreams. Here are a few student stories:*



**Jaimy J.** is a sociology major who helps support her mother while going to school full-time. She became a certified nurse assistant at 19 and has worked with seniors and dementia patients. She also is a mentor/youth outreach specialist at the College Planning Center (1812 House) on campus. She helps to run and coordinate an after-school tutoring program for middle and high school students from around the Framingham area. She wants to make a difference wherever she can.

**Rackeley** is a food and nutrition major with type 1 diabetes. Since she is a nutrition aide in a hospital, she is able to bring practical knowledge to the classroom. She wants to help others achieve optimal health and see how chronic diseases differentially effect certain populations.

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