President's Message:  May, 2015
Navigating the new website for WFUV and Forever Fordham affords a bright and picture filled view of our Alma Mater. Please sign up with Forever Fordham and keep connected with your friends and faith through Fordham.

Sean McCooe, FCRH ’84, sean@mcsearch.net

Upcoming Events!

❖ May 16: Commencement

Fordham University’s 170th Commencement: Keynote address by the First Lady of Ghana, Nana Lordina Dramani Mahama an internationally respected advocate for empowering women and helping the poor and marginalized.

❖ Reunions are right around the corner!

May 29: CLC - all classes
May 29: Inaugural Gabelli School of Business - EMBA, MBA, and MS Alumni Reunion Celebration
May 29: Inaugural GSS Reunion Celebration and Wine Tasting
The main Jubilee Celebration will be held at Rose Hill on June 5,6,7

❖ Saturday, June 20: Class of ’19, Freshmen Send-Off BBQ

11am – 3 pm
Saddle River Country Park | Dunkerhook Park
Dunkerhook Rd | Paramus, NJ | 07652
Look for the pavilion with Fordham signs and maroon balloons.

The Fordham Alumni Chapter of Northern New Jersey cordially invites you to a summer send off for incoming Fordham freshmen, their parents and local alumni. The event is complementary for incoming and current Fordham students and their families and $20 each for alumni. Please RSVP: http://forever.fordham.edu/s/1362/rd/index.aspx?sid=1362&gid=1&pgid=2289&content_id=2456

If you have trouble finding the Park or Q’s: Dawn Marie Yerdis at 201.560.7506, Sean McCooe at 201.602.7955

❖ June 26 - 28 - Spiritual Retreat: Rose Hill Campus

Alumni Retreat Starts 5 p.m, ends with lunch on Sunday
For the first time, the Office of Alumni Relations will host an alumni retreat at the Rose Hill Campus.
All alumni are invited to join us for a weekend centered around Pope Francis’ recent Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*.

Registration price ($175) includes all meals (starting with dinner Friday and ending with brunch on Sunday), personal accommodations with private bathroom, and all retreat materials. Early-bird registration ($150) ends May 15. [Register Online](#)

Nick O'Neill FCRH ’55, Alumni Retreat Coordinator passed away recently. Prayers for Pat and family.

**Shore is Special! Spring Lake Social: Thurs., August 13**

6 p.m. Reception | 7 p.m. Program
Spring Lake Bath & Tennis Club
1 Jersey Ave., Spring Lake, N.J.

Join alumni, parents, and friends of Fordham for our annual gathering at Spring Lake. The Rev. Joseph M. McShane, S.J. will share updates on the university and introduce our new men's basketball coach, Jeff Neubauer, who will outline his vision for Fordham basketball and preview the upcoming season.

The cost is $80.00 per person and includes hors d'oeuvres, light buffet, and cocktails. Walk-ins will be accommodated at $100 per person.

**Questions? Contact:** Ann Marie Boccuzzi; 212-636-6555; boccuzzi@fordham.edu

**Incoming Class 2019**

- **Applicants 2019 Class Stats:**
  42,700 apps, 47% accept rate, 3.75 mean gpa, 1316 mean SAT for an incoming class of 2015 students. “We have accepted far fewer students—both in terms of percentage and numbers—than we have ever accepted.”

- **“Freshman Preview Day”:** with President Father Joseph Joseph McShane, SJ “I would imagine that you are at a moment that is both heady and excruciating. As for the heady nature of this moment: you have gained admission to a very competitive university--and with good reason. You shine with talent. Therefore, you should be proud. As for the excruciating nature of the moment: let us be honest: the past year has been an exhausting one--and how could it not have… we want our students--and our graduates--to be men and women who will be able to make a difference in the world precisely because they are men and women who learn not only how to make a living, but how to live--and how to live magnificently. When you put it all together, what is a Fordham education all about? It is about nothing less than empowerment and transformation. And this is the way in which the transformation takes place: cared for, our students are challenged. Challenged, they awaken to their real potential. Awakened, they are transformed. Transformed, they are empowered. Empowered, they emerge from their experience at the University as recognizable Jesuit graduates: they are men and women of competence, conscience, competence and commitment to the cause of the human family. I hope, that all of you will make the right choice, the only choice, the Fordham choice. May God bless you and guard you in all your comings and goings.”
Here is a video of Fr. McShane: “Redeeming love”
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kYsB1tb9ssec](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kYsB1tb9ssec)

Two Class 2019 from Ridgewood High are Samantha McCarthy, daughter of Gail McLaughlin McCarthy, FCRH ’88 and Josh Freides

"Short List" shot at Rose Hill - Edward Jones Commercial
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i7uN3VY1ShY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i7uN3VY1ShY)

*In the News & On the Move!*

- **Sara Hunt Munoz**, FCRH ’99, GSE ’10 has taken on a new role at Fordham. She is now **Director for Strategic Initiatives, Development and University Relations** and has passed the Regional Chapter baton to the capable hands of Ann Marie Boccuzzi.
- **Ann Marie Boccuzzi**, GSB ’10, **Assistant Director for Alumni Relations, Regional Outreach**, Fordham, 212-636-6555, boccuzzi@fordham.edu
- **Becky Fleming**, FCRH ’02, a Mimes and Mummers alumna, with much of her career working with Disney Theatrical, just completed a successful run at the Paper Mill Playhouse in *Hunchback of Notre Dame*
- **Kenneth J. Gormley**, FCRH ’91, LAW ’94, was named **Partner at Fabiani Cohen & Hall LLP**. His practice is focused on handling matters involving construction accident, aviation and product liability litigation
- **Timothy Barr**, FRCH ’82, GSAS ’88 is the new **Executive Vice President of The Calvary Fund** in the Bronx
- **Paul N. Sheridan**, LAW ’95 is now **Deputy General Counsel at Integra LifeSciences Corporation**
- **Tim Berry**, FCLC ’84, was made **IT Security Analyst IV** at Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey
- **Madeline McGinley**, FCRH ’14 is a **Social Media Intern** at buildOn in Stamford, CT
- **Rich Brautigam**, FCRH ’75, had a successful exit with **New Wave Surgical** and his wife Mary, TMC ’74, who just retired from Sovereign Bank, are spending much time in Doolan, Eire and Cape May, NJ
- **Chris DeYoung**, FCRH ’85, married Jacqueline Freeman, PhD, August 9, 2014

*Fordham Gives Back!*

- Laurie Tarpey Kamp, FRCH ’82, and Russ Kamp, GSB ’81, of Midland Park were last year’s honorees of West Bergen Mental Healthcare, along with many Fordham Alum were in attendance to support Mental Health Care in NJ
FNJ Membership!

- Time to re-up your FNNJ membership! Remember -- our 2015 goal is 200 members – which should be easy, considering there are over 28,000 NJ Alumni! Please complete the attached renewal form and send in your check (donations above the $25 renewal fee are welcomed)!
- Fordham NNJ, Chapter PO Box 1506, Ridgewood, NJ 07451

  Thank you Chet Tagliareni and Vic Tuohy for submitting your dues!

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- Alumni Chaplain: Fr. Daniel Gatti, SJ, JES ’65, GSE ’66

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