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Our Events

Tuesday, March 12

- **Schuster Gallery Reception.**

Reception for Lake Erie Fiber Arts Guild
from 7 to 9 p.m. Poetry by Mary Moodey.

Wednesday, March 13

- **Soup and Social Issues.**

"Women's Role in India" by Nila Das. 12
noon in the Pietraszek Room in Waldron.

Thursday, March 14

- **Senior Salute.**

Finalize graduation details. Prizes, refresh-
ments. 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Waldron.

Friday-Saturday, March 15-16

- **"Change for Progress."**

Speakers include Dr. Antoine M. Garibaldi,
Sister Lynette Petruska, Parris Baker, Karen
Weston, Carolynn Masters, and Carl
Hultman. Waldron 219. Ext. 7263 for info.

Saturday-Sunday, March 16-17

- **Alex Clemente Fundraiser.**

"The Irish and How They Got That Way," 8
p.m. on Sat. and 3 p.m. on Sun. Tickets \$15;
proceeds benefit Alex Clemente Fund.

Thursday, March 21

- **Ut Diligatis Invicem Award presentations.**

Sister Helen Prejean and Helen Alvare will be
honored, 7:30 p.m. in Hammermill Center.



Our Big News

Gannon, LECOM sign affiliation agreement

Officials of the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine School of Pharmacy and Gannon University today signed an agreement establishing an affiliation that will allow pre-pharmacy students at Gannon to attend LECOM's new pharmacy school.

The "2+3" Accelerated Program in Pharmacy will offer an early-entry pre-pharmacy program that will give Gannon students the opportunity to earn a Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) in five years. Most doctor of pharmacy programs require six years of study.

Gannon is the fifth undergraduate school to join LECOM in preparing new pharmacists who will meet the growing national demand for pharmacists.

"We're excited that our local colleges have accepted our new School of Pharmacy as a partner in the education of health care professionals," said Diane S. Swaffar, Ph.D., R.Ph. and Dean of the new School of Pharmacy. "Gannon has well established pre-health care and professional health care programs that complement our primary health care programs in medicine and pharmacy."

Said Gannon University President Antoine M. Garibaldi, Ph.D., "The Pharmacy Affiliation Agreement between Gannon and the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine is an exciting and valuable opportunity for our students who want to pursue a rewarding career in a rapidly growing health care profession.

"This is a win-win-win situation," Garibaldi continued. "The agreement will benefit our students, Gannon University, and LECOM and will make the relationship between our schools that much stronger."

Added Loretta Seigley, Ph.D., Gannon Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, "Career opportunities in pharmacy are projected to remain strong well into the foreseeable future. The Gannon/LECOM agreement will offer academically qualified students a high quality, seamless undergraduate and graduate

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Sympathy extended

Please remember all in your prayers as we regretfully announce the deaths of:

†**Raymond A. Hancox**, grandfather-in-law of **Melissa Gibson**, Associate Professor, Management.

†**Joseph Nolan**, father of **Bridget Connor**, Administrative Secretary in Admissions.

†**The mother of Frank Pelczar**, Professor in the Chemistry Department.

Prayers requested

†Prayers were requested March 5 for **Jim Miller**, Assistant Professor, Accounting, as he considers new treatment options.

†Prayers were requested March 8 for **Gerald Ulrich**, father of **Bunny Carrig**, Registration Assistant in the Registrar's Office.

Say Happy Birthday to...

- ©March 11... **James McGivern, Jorja Rogala, Nicole Miller, Janice Whiteman.**
- ©March 12... **Sandra Storer, Samuel Van Eman.**
- ©March 14... **Rev. Joseph Gregorek, Marjorie Krebs, John DeAngelo, Wook-Sung Yoo, Linda Montie.**
- ©March 15... **Doug Brougham, Susan Grippe.**
- ©March 16... **Renee Lamis, David Johnson, Mary Morinelli.**
- ©March 17... **Michael Messina, Tricia Demarco.**
- ©March 18... **Lori Grossholz, Theodore Yeshion.**
- ©March 20... **David Smith, Richard Hammar, Deb West.**
- ©March 21... **Susan Sapone.**
- ©March 22... **Sonya Adams, Jay Badams.**
- ©March 23... **Christine Elliott.**
- ©March 24... **Al Wojtalik, Bob Sparks, Vahid Motamedi.**

GU pre-pharmacy students to benefit

experience which will prepare them for the many valuable opportunities in this growing field.”

Under the agreement, students would study in Gannon's pre-pharmacy program for two years and then would complete the professional pharmacy program in an accelerated three-year program at LECOM. LECOM's School of Pharmacy, set to open in September 2002, will be one of only a handful of pharmacy schools offering the accelerated, three-year professional degree program.

Dr. Swaffar added, “We hope that many of these future pharmacists will decide to pursue careers in northwestern Pennsylvania.”

LECOM will work with Gannon academic advisors to accept students for the professional phase of their pharmacy education. Students will need to complete 60 credits of pre-pharmacy education at Gannon and maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average.

LECOM's School of Pharmacy will reserve a minimum of 10 positions, with the understanding that additional positions may be available as determined by mutual agreement between Gannon and LECOM School of Pharmacy in Phase II of the Program for Gannon students successfully completing Phase I.

The LECOM School of Pharmacy three-year professional program will open with 78 students. The School of Pharmacy has begun accepting applications for the first class. LECOM will house the school of pharmacy in the college's new \$16 million addition.

Gannon President Antoine M. Garibaldi, Ph.D., and Loretta Seigley, Ph.D., Gannon Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, signed the affiliation agreement for Gannon. LECOM Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Silvia M. Ferretti, D.O., and LECOM School of Pharmacy Dean Diane S. Swaffar, Ph.D., R.Ph., added their signatures.

Gannon's Totem again captures first-place award

Gannon University's student-produced *Totem* recently received a first-place award from the American Scholastic Press Association (ASPA).

Totem, a literary art magazine, now has received an ASPA award for six consecutive years. Berwyn Moore, an Associate Professor in the English Department, serves as the advisor to the publication.

Totem typically is produced by eight to 12 students. Serving as editors for the most recent edition were Kristie Bates and Erika Anderson.

Bates graduated in May of 2001 and is currently a graduate student at George Mason University. Anderson is currently a senior at Gannon.

The ASPA judges applicants on content coverage, organization, design, presentation, and creativity. *Totem* scored 910 points out of a possible 1,000.