A newsletter for the alumni and friends of Mercy College

**FALL 2012** 

# Mercy College instructor involved in international effort to make medical imaging safer for children

Quentin Moore, a Radiologic Technology Instructor at Mercy College of Ohio since December 2009, played a key role in a campaign aimed at making medical imaging safer for pediatric patients. He worked with The Alliance for Radiation Safety in Pediatric Imaging to create Image Gently's Back to Basics digital radiography campaign. Mr. Moore completed this work as part of an internship while earning his Master of Public Health - Administration from Bowling Green State University/University of Toledo.

He previously earned an Associate of Applied Science – Radiologic Technology from Mercy College and a Bachelor of Health Science – Medical Imaging from Washburn University.

"In my internship, I was looking for something to bridge my experience in Radiologic Technology with my interest in Public Health," Mr. Moore said. "I wanted to do something to address the learning curve working professionals face with the transition from film-screen to digital radiography. I approached Image Gently, which is associated

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# Youngstown student honored for saving the life of a near-drowning victim

A child is alive today following a near-drowning, thanks to the CPR training **Jennifer Deal** was required to undergo as a nursing student at Mercy College of Ohio's Youngstown Campus.

Jennifer, a second-year student in the Associate of Science Degree in Nursing program, attended a family picnic for the members and families of her twin sons' All-Star baseball team in July. There, a 5-year-old was found in a pool, blue and unresponsive. She

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# **Alumni Spotlight: Barb Martin**



**Barb Martin** 

Barb Martin, Chief Administrative Officer, Mercy Children's Hospital; and Vice President, Patient Care Services/Chief Nursing Officer at Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center, received her Diploma from Mercy School of Nursing and became a Registered Nurse in 1978.

When she began her freshman year of college at Bowling Green State University, she did so as a math major, with plans to be a teacher.

"I started a part-time job at a nursing home, and I fell in love with caring for the elderly," Ms. Martin said. "That is when I discovered my calling to be a nurse. I truly believe that it is a calling, and I felt it deeply. I wanted to begin working as a nurse as quickly as possible. So, I gave up my scholarship and moved back home so I could become an LPN and begin working immediately, knowing I would then go back to school to become an RN."

Ms. Martin began her nursing career at Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center as an LPN in 1973.

"I worked with several Mercy grads and really looked up to them," Ms. Martin said. "The Mercy School of Nursing had a great reputation in the community and afforded me the flexibility I needed to go back to school while continuing to work. I liked that the program really focused on the notion of professional accountability and the profession of nursing or art of nursing as opposed to just the task of completing nursing duties."

Just as Mercy School of Nursing

"I am proud of the people I work with and the level of care we provide to patients. There is nowhere else in this community I would consider working."

was a good fit for her educational needs, Ms. Martin found St. V's and eventually the entire Mercy system, to be an ideal match for her patient care philosophy, and she began to advance through the ranks, moving into leadership positions. She held positions including Assistant Nurse Manager, ICU Step-down Unit: Heart Center Coordinator. Northwest Ohio Heart Center; Clinical Nurse Manager, Cardiac Interventional Unit; Clinical Nurse Manager, Open Heart Surgery Unit; Administrative Director, Acute Care Services; Director of Nursing; and Vice President of Nursing at St. V's prior to her current roles.

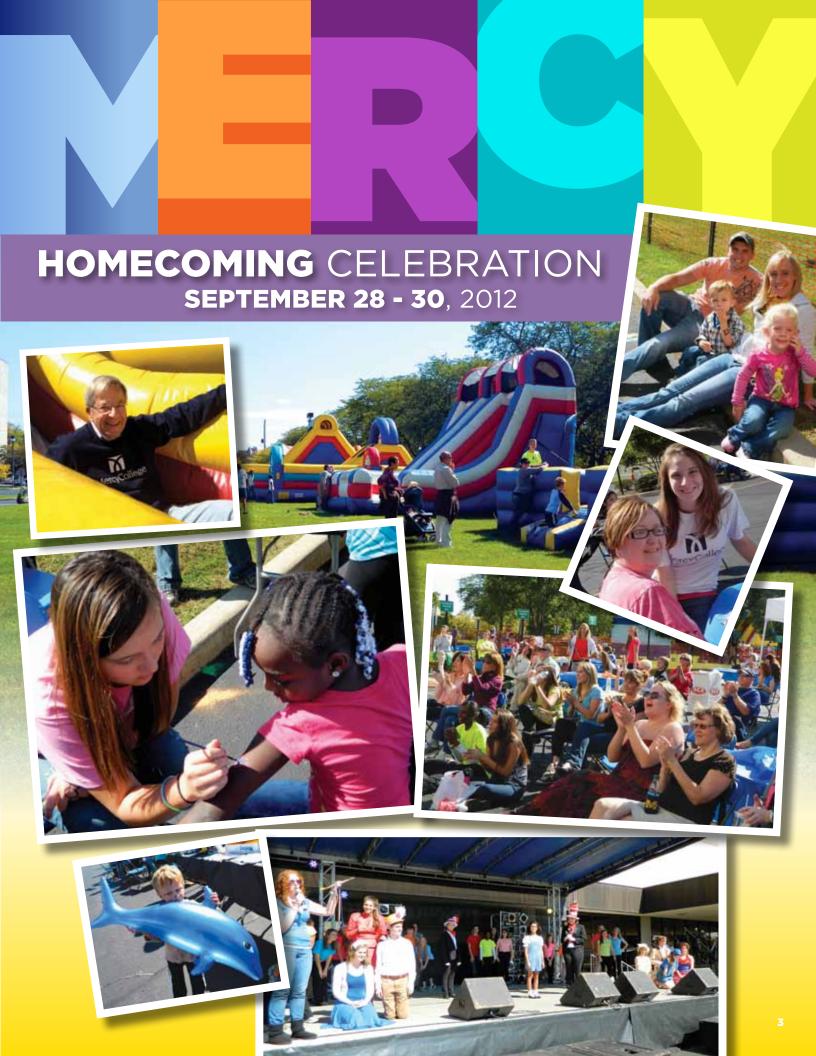
Over the years, she also returned to school multiple times, earning a Bachelor of Science in Nursing as well as a Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership from Lourdes College and completing a Nurse Executive Fellowship as a Johnson & Johnson Wharton Fellow at The Wharton School and Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa. and The Academy Fellowship from The Advisory Board in Washington, DC.

Reflecting on her nearly four decades of service at St. V's and more recently also Mercy Children's, she said she wouldn't want to be anywhere else.

"I love the Mercy Mission and Core Values," she said. "I am also proud of the people I work with and the level of care we provide to patients. There is nowhere else in this community I would consider working. I have had the privilege of working with the Grey Nuns here and also have been exposed to the work of the Sisters of Mercy, and these religious women motivate and inspire you to extend that healing ministry. I feel blessed to have worked with them and now to be working with the Mercy Children's staff and physician community, which is just phenomenal."

Barb appreciates the education she received at Mercy and emphasizes that students tend to get out of their educational program what they put into it.

"Whether you are starting school or going back," she said, "the program is what you make of it. The more you can glean from your educational experience, the more prepared you will be moving forward, So many students just seem to be concerned about their grades. But what good is an 'A' if you don't emerge from your classes with knowledge that you can use on the job? Seize every opportunity to learn all that you can."













# **SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION**

**September 30**, 2012









## Employee Spotlight:

## **Julie Leslie**

Julie Leslie didn't originally set out to work in Financial Aid, but fortunately for the students of Mercy College of Ohio, she found her way into the field and found it to be a good fit.

"I originally went to school to pursue a possible counseling career," Ms. Leslie said. "When I moved to Indiana in 1993, I was hired at Grace College as the Financial Aid Secretary and Loan Processor. I immediately loved the job. Within six months, I was promoted to the Assistant Director position."

Ms. Leslie continued in her career in Financial Aid, working as the Financial Aid Officer for Stautzenberger College, the Director of Financial Aid for the Professional Skills Institute and Assistant Director of Financial Aid at Siena Heights University, before joining Mercy College in 2006.

"I can think of many students over the years who thought they could not afford to follow their dream... I am so glad that I am able to be a part of helping them complete their degree."

"I started in October 2006 as the Financial Aid Assistant," she said. "One month later, I became the Acting Financial Aid Director when the Director who hired me left, and in February 2007, I officially became the Director."

Ms. Leslie's work at Mercy College has a tremendous impact for students and their families.

"Mercy College has a unique student body," said Shelly McCoy Grissom, PhD, Associate Dean of Operations. "Some are displaced workers who are learning new skills to re-enter the workforce, some are coming straight from high school, some are the first people in their family to attend college, and some are transferring from other colleges. One thing the majority of our students have in common is that they rely on some form of financial assistance, be it grants, loans or scholarships. Receiving financial aid is necessary and vital for most of our students to be able to pursue and complete their academic programs."

Navigating the options and regulations in financial aid can be potentially overwhelming for students, but thankfully, Julie is available to help.

"Julie is successful at keeping up-to-date on any and all changes related to student financial assistance and ensures that the financial aid staff is aware of all guidelines and regulations," Dr. McCoy Grissom said. "Julie and her team provide exceptional service to Mercy College students and their families while they navigate through the financial aid process."

Ms. Leslie said she truly enjoys helping families and counseling students on how to finance their education and is committed to making the experience as painless as possible.

"I believe in providing the best customer service to the student," she said. "I will work with a student and his/her family as



Julie Leslie

long as needed. I want students to feel welcome when they contact our office, whether it be by e-mail, phone or in person. We understand the financial aid process is confusing and at times frustrating for students, and we want them to know we are here to assist them through the process. The most rewarding part of my job has always been seeing the end result. I can think of many students over the years who thought they could not afford to complete their degree and follow their dream. Many times I have students crying in my office because of obstacles they need to overcome, some financial, some not. I am so glad that I am able to be a part of helping them complete their degree."

Since joining Mercy College, Ms. Leslie has furthered her own education, earning an Associate of Science in General Studies and a Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration, both from the College. She also has become a Veterans Affairs Certifying Official for Mercy College of Ohio. She is currently pursuing a Master of the Arts in Organization Leadership at Lourdes University, and expects to graduate in May 2014.



### **Alumni News**

**Michelle Rowe**, ASN class of 2004, joined the Mercy Marketing department as a Community Outreach Coordinator in May 2012.

Julie Perkins Duncan, class of 1959, who lives in Marietta, GA,shared that she recently gave a presentation entitled "The Season of our lives and Lifelong Learning" for the Georgian Club of Executive Women. Julie has been an associate faculty member at Emory School of Nursing and a Perinatal Educator and Consultant at Piedmont Hospital. She has created and facilitated discussion groups for new parents and grandparents. Additionally, Julie has been active in public speaking, media appearances, video production and publication of numerous articles on family issues. Currently Julie serves as Perinatal Educator and Consultant for Atlanta Women's Healthcare Specialists. Julie wrote: "I treasure the education I received from Mercy and God has blessed me with a wonderful career. I have no plans to retire as long as God gives me opportunities."

Jeanne Klauda Peterson, class of 1976, sent an email after she saw a picture of Dr. Frank Regueyra in the summer 2012 issue of *Mercy News*. She wrote: "I am honored to have attended one of the finest nursing schools in the country. Following graduation, I worked at Mercy Hospital – 6A unit – from 1976 until 1982. This wonderful nursing care unit was the home of patients of two marvelous surgeons and men – Dr. Rudy Stevens and Dr. Frank Regueyra." Following her marriage to Brian Peterson, Jeanne lived in California for 25 years. Recently she and Brian moved to Milwaukee, WI.

**Michael Folkerts**, BSN class of 2007, wrote that he will graduate with honors in May 2013 with a Masters Degree in Nursing, as a CRNA from Rosalind Franklin Medical University in North Chicago, IL.

**Sarah Trick**, ASN class of 2010, wrote to say she is working at Grandview Hospital in Dayton, OH. She is living in nearby Vandalia.

# Alice Griffith Kliber celebrates 100<sup>th</sup> birthday

Family and friends celebrated Alice Griffith Kliber's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday the weekend of September 22-23. They gathered for Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea in Grosse Pointe Woods. MI. At the end of Mass, the pastor presented Alice with a special papal blessing. While Alice doesn't believe that she has done



Alice Griffith Kliber

anything extraordinary during her 100 years. her son, Thomas, begs to differ. "She in a word sacrificed all these years. Her father died when she was 3, then her mother died when she was in high school. Her five brothers and sister struggled and succeeded in staying together until grown. She went to nursing school because of the good example of the nurse who took care of her mother at the end of her life. Alice came home crying to her older sister Theresa one day after having to dissect a cadaver that she unable to bring herself to do. She felt she could not go on with school. Theresa said, 'Dear...you have to. We're helping to put you through school and this is the career for you."

## **In Memoriam**

 11/18/2011
 Frances (Hostman) Grace, 1942

 5/20/2012
 Patricia (O'Connell) Sullivan, 1967

 5/23/2012
 Mary Elizabeth "Betty" (Lenhart) Schlembach, 1944

 7/16/2012
 Genevieve (Simon) Langenderfer, 1945

 8/12/2012
 Janet (Wohler) Poggemeyer, 1961

 9/6/2012
 Anesta (Eisel) Flagg, 1953

 9/28/2012
 Theresa (Briskey) Russell, 1943

 10/15/2012
 Mary Jo (Young) Annarino, 1962

After graduating in 1937, she went to work at a Monroe, Michigan hospital. Later she went to Mount Carmel Hospital in Detroit to help with a flu epidemic. She was an orthopedic nurse. Her life-long friend, Martha Yetzer Stella, who was a classmate at Mercy, came with her. Alice married in 1943 and raised two boys and a girl. Her middle son Thomas shares, "Today, Mom lives at home with me. She does not watch much TV but does read two or more books a week and still beats me at Gin Rummy."



# ANNUAL REPORT



# DEAR FRIENDS OF MERCY COLLEGE:

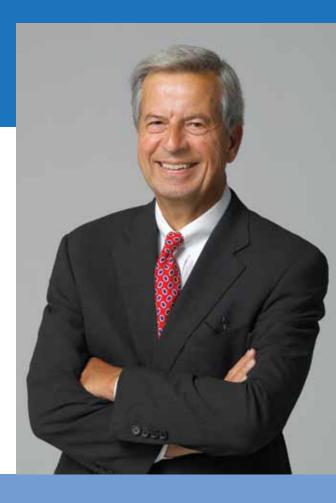
It is said that actions speak louder than words.

Last year Mercy College announced new mission and vision statements as part of our strategic planning process. This year Mercy College is acting to carry forward our Mercy 2020 goals and objectives. Our efforts focus on inclusiveness, transparency, assessment, and effective implementation as we strive to live our core values and fulfill our mission. There is a palpable new energy on campus as we take action to make Mercy College a leader in healthcare education.

I encourage you to review this annual report with its list of accomplishments. I greatly appreciate your support and interest in Mercy College and look forward to hearing your comments.

Sincerely,

John F. Hayward, President



### WHO WE ARE

Mercy College of Ohio is a Catholic, undergraduate institution of higher education founded by the Sisters of Mercy and sponsored by Mercy. Our focus is to provide healthcare and health science related programs, continuing professional education programs, and other community services. We value and provide the integration of general and professional studies as the basis for successful career preparation.



#### **DEGREES & PROGRAMS**

#### **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

Health Care Administration Online Completion Human Biology PreMed\*

Medical Imaging Online Completion

Nursing

Nursing/RN to BSN Online Completion \*Pending Approval

#### **ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE**

Cardiovascular Technology

- Echocardiography
- Peripheral Vascular

**General Studies** 

Health Information Technology

Nursing

Radiologic Technology

#### **CREDIT CERTIFICATES**

EM.

Medical Coding

Ophthalmic Technology (eye care)

Paramedic

Polysomnographic Technology (sleep tech)



#### MERCY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES IN TOLEDO AND YOUNGSTOWN

Full-Time Faculty 63

Adjunct Faculty 165

Administrators 16

FT Staff 46

PT Staff 6

**27** full-time employees of the College have doctoral degrees.

# STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

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# STUDENT PROFILE

#### **ENROLLMENT 2012**

Toledo & Youngstown Campuses:

1210 students

#### **GENDER**

Female 87%

Male 13%

#### **AVERAGE AGE:**

28

#### **ETHNIC ORIGIN**

Caucasian 83%

African American 7%

Asian/Pacific 1%

Hispanic 3%

Other/Multi Racial 2%

Unknown 4%

#### **RELIGION**

Catholic 28%

Baptist 4%

Lutheran 6%

Methodist 2%

United Church of Christ 7%

Did Not Disclose 41%

Other **12%** 

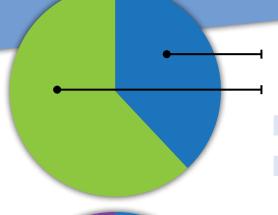
#### **FINANCIAL AID**

As of October 2012, **81%** of the students enrolled have applied for and been awarded some form of financial aid (grants, scholarships, work-study or loans).

#### **2012/2013 TUITION**

Tuition for fulltime students is **\$342 per credit hour** or \$8,208 annually.

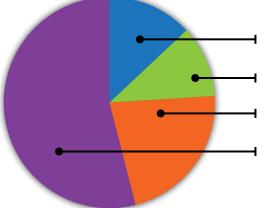
# **2011 FINANCIALS**



38% Revenue from Affiliates

Student Tuition and Fees 62%

REVENUE	15,481,922
Revenue from Affiliates	5,933,285
Student Tuition and Fees	9,548,637



The Mercy College Foundation received **\$229,258.14** in gifts and grants during the 2011 calendar year.

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11% Plant Operations

22% Institutional Support & Student Services

54% Instruction

EXPENSES	14,775,777
Plant Operations	1,642,829
Institutional Support & Student Services	3,296,385
Instruction	7,927,774
Academic Support	1,908,789

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Mercy College of Ohio, a Catholic institution with a focus on healthcare, educates and inspires students to lead and to serve in the global community.

#### **OUR VISION**

We will be the leader in educating individuals committed to intellectua inquiry, social engagement, and lifelong learning.

#### CORE VALUES

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Service

Sacredness of Life

Justice



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with 70 different professional organizations worldwide, and they were very receptive. They allowed me to lead the technologist portion of their recent campaign. I was in charge of the teaching materials and helped produce a vast number of resources that are being used nationally and internationally. We focused on making parents and the medical imaging community more aware of opportunities to control radiation dose in pediatric patients."

Mr. Moore and the Back to Basics campaign writers' group produced digital radiography resources to be used in healthcare facilities nationally and internationally, created educational resources for radiologic technologists, radiologists, and medical physicists, produced content for parents who have children undergoing medical imaging procedures and developed quality improvement tools to be used in medical imaging departments.

Planning began this past January, and Mr. Moore was involved from the beginning.

"I worked with an Image Gently organizer and two co-coordinators," he said. "We then selected individuals to bring on as additional resources. These included radiologic technologists, pediatric radiologists and medical physicists. We met every two weeks and had numerous phone conferences up until the content went live on Sept. 18. We also developed a couple of articles – one has been published by the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT), which did an online feature that garnered a lot of attention for the campaign. We are still finalizing the other article, but it's been accepted for publication in the American Journal of Roentgenology."

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administered CPR and revived the child, who was taken to a local hospital for assessment and monitoring and later was released in good health.

The Mercy College Youngstown Campus recognizes students who go above and beyond normal patient service while performing clinical duties as part of their coursework. Even though this life-saving event took place outside the classroom or clinical setting, its remarkable positive outcome was deemed worthy of recognition, and Jennifer was presented with a "Shining Student" certificate on July 25. This honor recognizes excellence in compassion and care through the art of nursing. The process to recognize Jennifer was initiated by faculty member Patricia Knight and confirmed by Associate Dean of the Campus Dr. Patricia McAllen.

"As a school of nursing, we are extremely proud of Jennifer's quick thinking in such an emotionally charged situation," said Professor Knight, who teaches pediatric coursework at the Campus. "Her response in this emergency embodies the true art of nursing."

Jennifer said she feels her experience was a testimony to God's existence and greatness.

"That morning, on my drive to the hospital for clinical, I was praying about various things, and thinking about the people I would encounter that day," Jennifer said. "In praying, I said, 'Lord, use me today.' I honestly had no idea the magnitude that use would be. I am so incredibly thankful not only that I was called to become a nurse, but also for the amazing instructors at Mercy College who work daily to instill in us the knowledge and skills we need to become the best possible nurses. People have since said to me repeatedly, things like, 'This just goes to prove that you are doing what you were meant to do.' 'You're a hero.' 'You saved his life.' 'Thank God you were there.' I don't see myself as a hero. I give all credit to God. I was just the tool He used that day to save the life of a precious child."

# **Employee Accomplishments**

Valerie Pauli and Lynn Labardee passed the exam and are now Certified Nurse Educators.

Susan Bernheisel EdD, with Karen Elliott. C.PP. S., DMin, presented "Seeing Things Whole:
An Interdisciplinary Approach to Serving Our Neighbors" at the National Faith-Based Service-Learning Conference at Messiah College in Pennsylvania.

**Carol Annesser** successfully completed Med/Surg recertification through ANCC through 2017.

#### Dr. Shelly McCoy Grissom,

Associate Dean of Operations, was the featured speaker at Laura Smith Haviland Historical Marker Rededication in Adrian, Michigan in July 2012. The title of her presentation was "Adrian's Favorite Aunt - The Story of Laura Smith Haviland." Additionally, Dr. Grissom has been appointed to the Prevent Blindness Ohio Board of Directors and Executive Committee. She was also reappointed for a fourth term as Chair of the Northwest Ohio Executive Council.

Lynne Lohner, Shelly McCoy Grissom and Candy Tavormina served as celebrity waiters on October 22, 2012 at Heart and Soul: Caring for Our Community, an event supporting the Northwest Ohio Psychiatric Hospital and the Thomas M. Wernert Center.

Associate Professor of Nursing, **Candace Tavormina** recently did a review of a textbook by Anderson, E. T. & McFarlane, J. (2011). Community as Partner: Theory and Practice in Nursing(6th ed.) Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.

# Join the Legacy Society

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#### THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2013

The 2013 Alumni Reunion and Banquet will be held on Thursday, May 30, 2013 at The Premier on Heatherdowns Blvd. The anniversary classes of 1943 (70 years), 1948 (65 years), 1953 (60 years), 1968 (55 years), 1963 (50 years), 1968 (45 years), 1973 (40 years), and 1988 (25 years) will be recognized. All Mercy School of Nursing and Mercy College Alumni are invited to join in this event. Mark your calendar and get your class together to enjoy a great gathering of friends!

Contact Sister Barbara Davis SC, at **419.251.1704** or **barbara.davis@ mercycollege.edu** for more information.



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