

# RETIRES ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



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## Skaffs Visit Finnegans in Belgium



By Joe and Jean Carleton Skaff

We had the wonderful opportunity to spend the Christmas and New Year's seasons this past year visiting Richard and Scotti Finnegan in Leuven, Belgium, where Richard was working on his latest book while a visiting professor at the Catholic University of Leuven during his academic year in Europe as part of his sabbatical as a result of his receiving a Fulbright Chair.

We were fortunate enough to fly in between the snow storms, both ways. But, we did visit Belgium in what was described as the coldest winter spell in recorded weather history, and the highest snow fall, as well. The norm in Leuven is two inches of snow and there was two feet of snow while we were there.

Leuven, a medieval city, was a "winter wonderland"—absolutely amazing scenes. Richard

and Scotti had rented an apartment in a lovely three-unit home – in what had been an outbuilding of the Norbertine Abbey, which was built in the 14<sup>th</sup> or 15th century, give or take a hundred years. The property was just amazing and must be beautiful in the spring and summer from what we could see of it, despite all of the snow! A little factoid of history was that Napoleon's troops encamped in this building on their march to Waterloo!

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Of course, per usual, Richard and Scotti are amazing hosts no matter where in the world they are, and we had a wonderful time visiting them, attending holiday functions, including a concert of medieval music in a beautiful old church – which did not appear to have central heat – but which we thoroughly enjoyed! We were invited to join Richard and Scotti for Christmas dinner at the home of friends of theirs, Jack and Jaschke Dick. Jack is a professor at KUL, and they were just delightful people and so comfortable to be with.

While we were there, we spent a couple of days in Brugge with the Finnegans – a real fairy tale city! Wonderful sights and great food!



**Skaffs and Finnegans in Belgium**

After Christmas we left the Finnegan's for a few days and took the train to Amsterdam. We were robbed on the train between Brussels and Amsterdam, by an apparent pickpocket, but weren't hurt, thankfully. Jean had more than one change purse in her pocketbook, and he took the larger one, which contained the Euros, but missed the one with the credit cards, and also our passports. We really enjoyed Amsterdam despite all of the slipping and sliding on the icy sidewalks! We didn't see all of the sites there that we wanted to as it was a major vacation time for the Europeans, and the lines in some cases were two to three hours long to get into the museums. Considering how cold out it was we

decided that coffee and pastries in a café were much saner!

It was a wonderful trip, and we are very grateful to Richard and Scotti for inviting us to Leuven for the holidays and to be a small part of their great adventure.

## **Retirees Enjoy Museums**



**Heritage Museum and Gardens**

This summer the Martin Institute, through a grant from the Howard Home Fund, sponsored two day trips, both of which were open to and attended by several Stonehill retirees. The first trip was on July 20 and was to the Heritage Museum and Gardens in Sandwich, Massachusetts. Heritage Museum and Gardens are the largest public gardens in Southern New England. It is located on 100 acres of magnificent grounds and trails on the banks of Shawme Pond in Historic Sandwich. They are known for their encyclopedic collections of daylilies, hostas, and hydrangeas and hold a nationally significant collection of specialty gardens, water features, and sculpture. Heritage offers three buildings housing permanent exhibits of world-class automobiles, a working carousel, American folk art, and changing special exhibits on aspects of American culture.

The second trip was on August 16, where the group traveled to the JFK Museum in Boston. The Museum's special exhibits are: Passing the Torch – The Inauguration of JFK and Poetry and Power – The Inaugural Address of JFK.

## Annual Luncheon a Success



**Sharon Doyle**

As a substitute for Retirees Association Advisory Committee Chair, Elaine Melisi, Sharon Doyle from the Advancement Division welcomed the Retirees to the annual luncheon. Her first order of business was to thank those members of the Stonehill College Retirees Association Advisory Committee: Jack Broderick, George Carey, Rose Hanley, Louise Kenneally, Jim Kenneally, Susan Marathas, Elaine Melisi, Diana Rock, and Linda Sullivan. The Association enjoyed several events throughout the year. In November a Brown Bag luncheon was held with speaker Jim Kenneally. Jim shared with the group excerpts from his upcoming book which explores the final seven days in office of U.S. Presidents. March had Dick Grant with an amazing slide show and talk on the birds of Easton. Who knew there were so many different kinds of birds in and around our campus? The Alumni Office invited the Retirees to join in the festivities at their annual Holiday with Santa party and Easter egg hunt. Thanks to the grant from the Howard Trust, the Retirees were included in continuing education opportunities through the Martin Institute that took place throughout the year.

With the assistance of the Human Resources Department, group and individual meetings were held with a representative from TIAA-CREF.

Once again a huge thank you should be extended to Linda Sullivan for all her hard work putting the annual *Retirees Newsletter* together. Input from Retirees on their trips, books or articles they are writing are always welcome. The Advisory Committee welcomes suggestions for Brown Bags Luncheon speakers and topics or trip ideas that we can share with the Martin Institute.

Fr. Mark Cregan welcomed the group back to campus and invited the attendees and their guests to visit the renovated Merkert-Tracy building.

Thank you, Sharon, for all you do in behalf of the Retirees Association.

***The Stonehill Retirees Association publishes the Newsletter for its members.***

***Sharon Doyle, from the Advancement Office, is staff liaison to the Association. Linda Sullivan is Editor of the Newsletter.***

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## Cronin Speaks at Annual Luncheon



**Alice Cronin**

Depending upon when you retired from the College, you may or may not be aware of the tremendous growth the College and Office of International Programs have experienced in the past 10 years. It was actually 10 years ago this summer that the OIP was under the direction of Katie Conboy. Prior to its creation, the study abroad programs were under the responsibility of several faculty members, including Ed McCarron, Richard Finnegan, Ben Mariante and Jose Perez, to name a few. The International Internship program was under the direction of Paul Gastonguay and then Jim Lee in the Dean's

Ten years ago, there were a total of 109 students who either studied or interned abroad. This past year, that number was 258. If you're doing the math, that's roughly a 136% increase. Stonehill is now ranked 15<sup>th</sup> in the nation for baccalaureate institutions for sending students on semester-long programs, and 40% of the graduating class will have spent at least one semester abroad. This spring semester, we had students studying at 40 different institutions and in 17 countries. Students interned in Dublin, Florence, London, Madrid and Paris.

In addition to traditional locations such as Western Europe and Australia, students are studying in China, South Africa, Peru, Poland, Belgium and Japan.



**Caitriona O'Grady, Bryanna Simmons, Andrew Quinn**

Alice introduced Caitriona O'Grady '12, a Visual and Performing Arts and Foreign Language double major from Milton, MA, who studied in Rabat, Morocco and Bryanna Simmons '12, a Psychology major from Avon, CT, who studied at Lorenzo de Medici School in Florence, Italy. The students spoke about their experience abroad and the impact that it had on them, both academically and personally. Also introduced was Andrew Quinn '12, from the Student Alumni Association and Admissions Ambassador.

### ***GET MONDAY MORNING UPDATE***

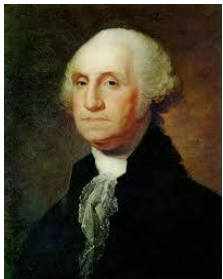
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## Brown Bag Lunches Draw Retirees



**Jim Kenneally**

The Fall Brown Bag luncheon was held on November 9. During the luncheon, Jim Kenneally spoke of his research on the closing days of presidential administrations - Washington to George W. Bush. He touched upon such things as the vitriolic editorial attacks on Washington as he left office; Jackson expressing regret he had not shot Henry Clay the Speaker or hanged his Vice-President John Calhoun; Polk preparing for a comfortable retirement by investing in more slaves; and Truman, determined that no one would be as ill-prepared for the presidency as he, beginning the tradition of key executive branch appointees briefing (as now required by law) and sometimes working with their replacements, as well as the outgoing president personally briefing the new incoming one.



**George Washington**



**Harry Truman**

The Spring Brown Bag Lunch was held on March 24. Dick Grant gave a presentation at Donahue Hall on the “Birds of Stonehill.” He showed slides and told stories about the well over 100 different species of birds he has seen in the past twenty years at or near Stonehill.



**Dick Grant**

Stonehill is a rich environment for all wildlife because it has such a wide range of habitats including fields, bushy undergrowth, cultivated trees, swamps, forests and open areas. We have birds year round. Nesting bird highlights include, a large bluebird colony, Great Blue Herons, Great Horned Owls, Scarlet Tanagers, a variety of warblers, Killdeer Red Tail Hawks, and many others.



**Scarlet Tanager**

Both of these lunches were well-attended and enjoyed by all.

## Stonehill Farm Provides Fresh Produce For Needy



### *Brockton Enterprise Letters to the Editor*

By Beth Sheehan

During the summer months, many of us enjoy visiting local farm stands and eating the delicious sweet corn, tomatoes and other fresh vegetables that are abundant this time of year.

Unfortunately, fresh produce is a luxury that many on a fixed income cannot afford.

As the Manager of the Food Assistance Program at My Brother's Keeper, I would like to publicly thank Stonehill College and Vice President for Mission, Paul DaPonte, for creating The Farm at Stonehill, a 1 ½ acre sustainable, organic farm on Route 138 in Easton that grows and distributes produce to local charities.

Each Monday, Bridget Meigs, the farm manager, and Stonehill students Michelle Kozminski and Brian Switzer deliver bushels of fresh produce to My Brother's Keeper, wonderful things like lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, potatoes, corn, bell peppers, kale and chard. It's such a joy to distribute

these items to families who call us for food assistance in Brockton and Easton.

For those we serve, money is tight and there is little room in their budget for fresh local produce. With rent, utilities, prescriptions and other expenses to pay for, most people on a fixed income must choose canned vegetables which are high in sodium instead of fresh produce which is much healthier and more nutritious.

At My Brother's Keeper, we are grateful we can include Stonehill's fresh produce in all our food deliveries. We hope The Farm at Stonehill will continue providing food for the hungry as well as a wonderful learning experience for its students for many years to come.

Thank you Stonehill for growing community spirit, not just food.

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

*Please extend a warm welcome to the newest members of the Retirees Association: Joyce Collins, Kathy Conroy, Michael Coogan, Ann Coulter, Paul Foucre, Ed Hynes, Jim Millikan, and Don Oliveira.*

### **IN MEMORIAM**

*Kay Johnson and James Costa*

## Retiring Professor James Millikan Reflects



Faculty leader Jim Millikan hails the vitality of Stonehill's next faculty generation

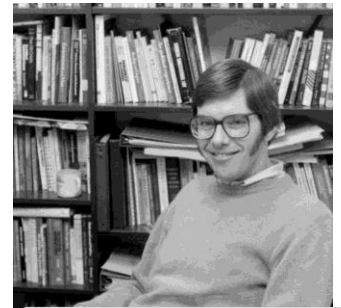
### *From the Stonehill Faculty Focus*

Since joining Stonehill's Political Science Department in 1975, James Millikan has inspired students in and out of the classroom. He has also convinced new faculty members to join Stonehill as he ran numerous searches for his department over his three and a half decades, and he has been a faculty leader in the role of Faculty Senate President.

Jim was born just two years before Stonehill, and when, at 29, he arrived at the College, Stonehill was younger than he was. Those who hired him were certainly founders among the faculty, and a few of those who mentored him are still teaching. Jim often credits his colleague Richard Finnegan with setting a tone of expectation for teaching, scholarship, and service that still stands today.

Jim reflects: *"I've been privileged to witness an enormous growth in the College—in reputation, in campus facilities, and in financial support. Thanks largely to the solid foundation laid by many wise friends and colleagues, we're on an upward trajectory that's sure to continue."*

The inaugural recipient of the Outstanding Faculty Service Award in 2007, Jim played a key role in laying that foundation, and he has set a standard for service that would be difficult to match. He chaired the Political Science Department for twelve years. He founded the Washington Internship Program and directed it for three decades, encouraging countless students toward careers in public service. He directed the Public Administration Program for thirty-five years. In the last decade, he served as an extraordinarily dedicated Faculty Senator, with eight years at the helm of the Senate.



Jim Millikan as a junior faculty member

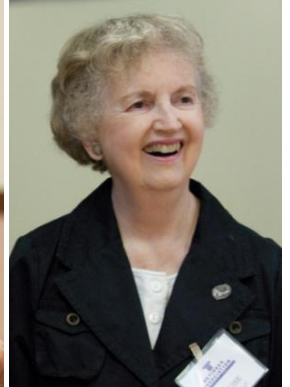
This year, as Jim retires, he looks at the faculty we have hired in the last few decades and muses on what they will mean for Stonehill's future: *"Our newer faculty are some of the best and the brightest," he said. "And they truly 'get' what we're all about, continuing our tradition of integrating scholarship and experiential learning into the curriculum."*

*"Just as important," he adds, "they are a warm and lively group who are excited to be here. They bring a terrific vitality and intellectual energy to the classroom. Stonehill students will reap rewards from their commitment."*

Truly, what goes around comes around.

# Renewing Friendships at the 2011 Retirees Annual Luncheon





## Professor Debra Salvucci Named Educator of the Year by State CPA Organization



Debra Salvucci

Associate Professor and Chair of Stonehill's Business Administration Department Debra Salvucci has been named the Massachusetts Society of CPA's Outstanding Educator of the Year for 2011. Salvucci received the award at the group's annual awards ceremony on May 12 at the

Westin Copley Place Hotel in Boston. In addition to the award, she received a check for \$1,000 which was matched with an additional \$1,000 check for Stonehill's Accounting program.

The award recognizes Salvucci's excellence in teaching and in motivating students, her contribution to the accounting profession, her active participation in the Massachusetts Society of CPAs, as well as her efforts in serving as a liaison between the classroom and the business world.

"This honor is a reflection of the high professional regard that Professor Salvucci is held in by her accounting peers. She brings that level of experience to her leadership of the Business Administration Department and to her interactions with our business students. She is a first class department chair and a great ambassador for the College," said Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Katie Conboy.

Salvucci has been teaching at Stonehill since 1984. In 1994, she received the Louise F. Hegarty Award for Excellence in Teaching.



### DISCOUNTS FOR RETIREES

- *B.J.'s Wholesale Club*
- *HarborOne Credit Union*
- *Tufts Health Plan*
- *Liberty Mutual*
- *Sullivan Tire and Auto Services*
- *Stonehill Bookstore*
- *Stonehill Theatre*
- *Stonehill Athletics*

# NEWS AROUND CAMPUS

## From Communications and Media Relations

### *2011-2012 Academic Year Gets Underway*



**Magdalena James-Pederson  
and Katie Conboy**

Stonehill celebrated the start of the 2011-2012 academic year at its annual Academic Convocation in the Sally Blair Ames Sports Complex on Tuesday, August 30. The members of the Class of 2015 as well as transfer students were formally welcomed to the College. Assistant Professor of Mathematics Norah Esty delivered the keynote address and Assistant Professor of Biology Magdalena James-Pederson was honored with this year's Louise F. Hegarty Award for Excellence in Teaching. Also speaking at the ceremony was Cortney Logan '12, Senior Class President Meagan Harrington and President Mark Cregan, C.S.C. '78.

Esty, who was the youngest faculty member to ever receive the Hagerty Award last year, had one piece of "very unromantic" but practical advice for the Class of 2015 as they begin their college careers.

*"When you roll out of bed in the morning and head to your classes, leave your phone in your room. It's hard enough to pay attention, to learn new things, to decide why the information you're receiving is important, or even if it's important. Our brains and lives provide so many distractions already. Why make it harder? It's up to you to make choices that counteract those effects which are negative, those effects which are distracting and time-consuming beyond their good...don't let college be something that just happens to you. Make it something that happens the way you want."*



**Norah Esty**

### *Stonehill Pitcher Drafted By Boston Red Sox*



Stonehill College senior right-handed relief pitcher Brenden Shepard (Boxford, Mass./Masconomet) has become the first student-athlete in program history to be drafted by a Major League Baseball (MLB) club when the hometown Boston Red Sox selected him in the 28th round (862<sup>nd</sup> overall) of the 2011 MLB First Year Player Draft. "I wasn't really tracking the draft because I didn't really want to be glued to the computer all day," said Shepard. "I came in to check what round it was in and started to get a little nervous because I saw it was the 28th round and knew it was getting close to the end of the second day. I saw that the Red Sox were up next on the board and decided to stay and see who they took and then I saw my name pop up and my dad and mom went crazy. To get the opportunity to play professional baseball is a big deal as it is, but to connect with the Red Sox is just unbelievable."

## ***Prof. Maura Tyrrell Receives 2011 Spirit of Holy Cross Award***



**Maura Tyrrell**

The Congregation of Holy Cross, United States Province of Priests and Brothers has named nine recipients for the 2011 Spirit of Holy Cross Award and Stonehill Professor Maura Tyrrell is one of the recipients.

The award is given annually on September 15, the feast day of Our Lady of Sorrows and the Patronal Feast Day of the Congregation, to collaborators who serve with the Province in the United States and abroad. It acknowledges the critical importance of collaborators in living out the vision and mission of Holy Cross founder Blessed Basil Moreau, C.S.C., to make God known, loved and served in education, parish and mission settings.

Honorees will be recognized in their local communities in January by the Holy Cross ministry for which they work or serve. At that time they will receive a proclamation of gratitude signed by the Provincial Superior on behalf of the entire U.S. Province.

Tyrrell was named this past year the first Rev. Francis J. Hurley, C.S.C. endowed chair and professor of Biology. The late Fr. Hurley, known as the "father of biology" at Stonehill, was credited for being ahead of his time in encouraging women in the sciences, so it was only fitting when Tyrrell was named to be the first endowed chair established in his honor.

Around campus and amongst the Holy Cross community at Stonehill, Tyrrell is known for being

not just a knowledgeable scientific professor, but also an educator in the faith who values Stonehill's Catholic identity and works hard to maintain and deepen it.

In her 36 years at Stonehill, she has worked to educate both the heart and the mind. In 1991, she received Stonehill's Louise F. Hegarty Award for Teaching Excellence and the Sears-Roebuck Foundation award for Campus Leadership.

For the past ten years, she has worked with colleagues and students on a fungal genetics and ecology project that has produced two published and two submitted papers.

A Stonehill student in 1960-1961 and later a graduate of Trinity College, now Trinity Washington University, she completed her doctorate in Biological Sciences at the University of Delaware, specializing in marine biology.

Tyrrell and her husband, George, who is assistant director of Technology Services at Stonehill, have three children and two granddaughters.

"Using the Holy Family as a model, Blessed Basil Moreau built his Congregation to include lay men and women as collaborators," said Provincial Superior Rev. David T. Tyson, C.S.C. "This indelible model has been in place for 174 years, fulfilling not only Basil Moreau's vision, but God's mission. Around the world, thousands of lay collaborators work side by side with us every day in our schools, churches and ministries providing valuable support and service. Just as our Constitutions call on us to be, Holy Cross is one community working together to 'spread the Gospel ... for the development of a more just and human society.' "

## 60<sup>th</sup> Commencement Held in May



**Mary Richardson**

A total of 603 students walked across the stage to receive their diplomas at Stonehill's 60th Commencement on Sunday, May

21. Keynote speaker Mary Richardson told this year's class to never be afraid to dream and strive for excellence. She assured them of how lucky they were to be a part of the Stonehill family and that the achievement of obtaining their degrees is something no one can ever take away from them.

Prior to her speech, Richardson was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree for her work not only as a groundbreaking newscaster, but also for her dedication to service.

Joining Richardson as this year's honorary degree recipients were local education leader Manthala "Matt" George Jr. '62, Broadway director Robert Ruggiero '83, and employee management expert Brother Herman Zaccarelli, C.S.C.

George was awarded an honorary Doctor of Education degree for his many achievements as a Stonehill alumnus, most notably his work in the Brockton Public School System.

The first graduate of Stonehill's Theater Arts Program, Ruggiero was awarded an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree. While enjoying a bustling career as a Broadway director, he has remained dedicated to his alma mater, actively supporting the work of the Stonehill Theater Arts Program and its students.

Zaccarelli was awarded an honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree for his commitment

to the Holy Cross mission of hospitality. Through his work as a leader in the hospitality industry, he has taught others the path to success.

A special Citation of Commitment to Life-Long Learning was awarded to the late Walter Wilson, who had been taking classes at Stonehill for over 15 years. He passed away last April at the age of 88 and was just eight courses away from completing his degree in Humanities. Wilson's wife, Alice, accompanied by daughters Eileen (Wilson) Zuffante '01, Kathleen Wilson Goyette, and other members of the Wilson family, accepted the citation on behalf of her husband.

In her Commencement address, Richardson wove in memorable stories from her "Chronicle" days, with sound advice for the Class of 2011. Declaring she was here to tell the truth, she candidly told the graduates no one listens to graduation speeches. "Years later you will have difficulty recalling a single word that is spoken here today. You may even have difficulty remembering who spoke," said Richardson, who joked she was eager to have the Class of 2011 one day tell their grandchildren, "how Diane Sawyer spoke at your graduation!"

In speaking about the tough economy this year's graduates' face, Richardson said "there will always be external events to worry about but that's why it's so important to have your own internal compass. We cannot change the world around us but we can change ourselves."

She went on to tell them that "no matter how many resumes you send out, no matter how many interviews come to nothing, do not allow yourself to get discouraged." Ending with a quote from her hero Harvard Professor and author Robert Coles, Richardson said: "Let us try to be good to one another. Be good friends. Work well with one another on behalf of others. And let us try to make our country better every day, each one of us in the way we live our lives."

## *Stonehill to Phase Out Unnecessary Spending on Bottled Water*



At the urging of students concerned about the environmental effects of bottled water, Stonehill College is working to phase out unnecessary spending on bottled water and to increase the availability of tap water on campus and at College events.

The students successfully argued that bottled water wastes energy and undermines public confidence in tap and public water. Moreover, every year, millions of discarded plastic bottles add to already packed landfills.

"We applaud the steps students and staff have taken together to pass this important resolution," said Kristin Urquiza, director of Corporate Accountability International's Think Outside the Bottle Campaign.

"By going bottled water free on campus, the College joins five states, more than 125 cities, and almost a dozen universities that have passed these policies for the benefit of public water systems, taxpayers, and the environment. We look forward to seeing the state of Massachusetts take similar steps to eliminate the spending of hundreds of thousands of taxpayer dollars on a non-essential use of our most essential resource," added Urquiza.

Since September 2010, students in Stonehill's Activism Club worked to rally campus support for the Think Outside the Bottle Campaign. A national public education group, Corporate Accountability International promotes, protects and ensures public funding for America's public water systems. Stonehill's Activism Club also worked with on-campus groups such as the Environmental Stewardship Council and the Student Government Association on this initiative.

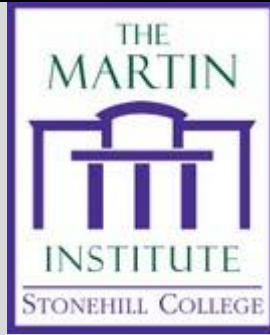
With wide-spread support from students and faculty for the campaign, students persuaded senior administrators to change the College's bottled water policy.

For the Activism Club students, bottled water is not just an environmental issue but also a social justice one as access to water is a growing challenge in communities across the globe.

"Worldwide, one in six people lack access to safe water and, increasingly, water is defined as a costly commodity, not as a human right or a public good as it has been historically," noted Activism Club member and recent graduate Lauren DeRusha.

A driving force behind Stonehill's Think Outside the Bottle Campaign, DeRusha arrived in Ecuador this month on a Fulbright Full Grant. There she is implementing a water filtration system to help the country's many citizens who do not have access to clean water.

"In their dedication to this issue, our students have been true to Stonehill's mission as a Catholic college, which is to develop young women and men to think, act, and lead with courage toward creating a more just and compassionate world. I am proud of what they have accomplished and how they have accomplished it," noted College President Mark T. Cregan, C.S.C.



## **MARTIN INSTITUTE LECTURE CALENDAR FOR FALL 2011**

The following events are free and open to the public. No registration is required:

### **Monday, September 19, 7:00 p.m., Martin Auditorium**

#### **Chris Eyre**

Award-winning Director of a Thousand Roads, the Smithsonian's Nation Museum of the American Indian signature film. This film follows the lives of four contemporary American Indians as they confront the crises that arrive in a single day: A Mohawk stockbroker, "Hunting" in the steel and glass canyons of Manhattan; a young Inupiat girl, journeying to a new life in Barrow, Alaska; a Navajo gang member, tending sheep alone on the mesas of New Mexico; and a Quechuan healer, who journeys across the Sacred Valley of the Incas in an attempt to save a sick child.

### **Wednesday, November 2, 7:00 p.m., Martin Auditorium**

#### **Jesse Little Doe Baird**

Importance and Power of Original Language and the Need for Language Preservation.

In 1994, Jessie Little Doe, a Wampanoag social worker, began having recurring dreams of familiar-looking people from another time addressing her in an incomprehensible language. Later she realized they were speaking Wampanoag, a language no one had used for more than a century. These events sent her and members of the Aquinnah and Mashpee Wampanoag communities on an odyssey that would uncover hundreds of documents written in their language. Jessie Little Doe is bringing this language alive again after many generations with no Native speakers.

### **Wednesday, November 9, 4:30 p.m., Martin Auditorium**

#### **Coexist**

Coexist is a documentary that tells the story of five survivors and three perpetrators of the 1994 Rwanda genocide and how they live side-by-side today.

### **Tuesday, November 29, 7 p.m., Martin Auditorium**

#### **Rae Gold**

Rae Gold, a member of the Nipmuc Nation, will discuss the impacts and implications of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act for tribal nations. Dr. Gould is currently the Repatriation Coordinator and a Lecturer in the Anthropology Department at UMass, Amherst. She received her PhD in Anthropology from the University of Connecticut in 2010.

## **Martin Institute Senior Lunches for Fall 2011**

Thanks to a generous grant from the Howard Home Fund, the Martin Institute is happy to present the following Senior Lunches for the Fall 2011 semester. These lunches are free, but you must pre-register. You can do this by phone (508-565-1131) or by email: [martininstitute@stonehill.edu](mailto:martininstitute@stonehill.edu).

All lunches will be held in the **Martin Institute Auditorium** on the first floor of the Martin Institute. All of our presenters are current faculty at Stonehill. Lunch will be ready when you arrive, and you will eat while the presenter speaks. It will last about 30 minutes, and there will be time for questions. Parking will be in Lot 11 behind the Sports Complex.

**Wednesday, September 21, 12 noon**--“Why are Americans Endlessly Fascinated with the Civil War?”  
Professor and Salameno Chair, John Rodrigue, Department of History.

**Thursday, October 20, 12 noon**--“European Politics and Economics: Drift and Crisis,” Professor and Fulbright Scholar, Richard Finnegan, Department of Political Science and International Studies.

**Monday, November 7, 11:30 a.m.**--“State of Play: Understanding Massachusetts’ Long Relationship with Legalized Gambling,” Professor and Martin Fellow Christopher Wetzel, Department of Sociology and Criminology.

**Monday, November 21, 11:30 a.m.**--“The Death of the Soap Opera: How Daytime Television is Changing,” Professor and Pop Culture expert, Patricia Leavy, Department of Sociology and Criminology.

## **Martin Institute’s Center for Interdisciplinary Studies**

**Wednesday, October 5, 7:00 p.m., Martin Auditorium**

The Experience of Narrative in Personal Transformation: The Role of Deep Listening in Responsible Discourse and Social Change (*See flyer sent to you from Martin Institute*)

**Wednesday, October 19, 7:00-8:00 p.m., Martin Auditorium**

The Power of Forgiveness: Freedom and Responsibility (*See flyer sent to you from the Martin Institute*)