January 2021

To all Anna Maria employees - please enjoy a copy of this month's Alumni eNewsletter.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Anna Maria College Celebrates 75th Anniversary in 2021

Read President Retelle’s Greeting here

Kicking off the year will be a Friday night zoom Town Hall Greetings/Kahoot Trivia Game Night event! This Friday, January 15, 2021 at 7 p.m.

President Retelle will greet everyone at this Town Hall style Zoom event followed by the trivia game that includes the entire AMC Community of students, alumni, faculty and staff!

The Grand Prize Trivia Winner will receive a $300 American Express gift card donated by Polar Beverages. Other prizes will also be awarded!

When you register, you will be provided with the Zoom call information to the email address you submit. Zoom etiquette includes all participants being muted upon joining the call, and throughout the Town Hall portion of the event. Please use the in-meeting chat feature if you have any questions or comments especially during the President’s message portion of the call.

Please note: This Zoom/Kahoot game experience is only available to the
If you are not familiar with Kahoot, do not worry! This is an easy to learn/play online game where you can use your computer, mobile phone or other device. Trivia will be set up offering easy multiple choice or True/False options where both accuracy and speed will reveal our most knowledgeable and fastest trivia champion! When you join the Zoom meeting you will be automatically connected to the Kahoot Trivia Game at the appropriate time. There is no need to download anything in advance. Also, there will be a Kahoot game experience test-run before the actual trivia game begins which will offer two or three sample practice questions for everyone.

The 75th Anniversary Committee in conjunction with our very own Denis Gagne, Sodexo Dining Services Manager, would like to introduce AMC’s 75th Anniversary Signature Cocktail/Mocktail recipes. We hope you enjoy this added feature to our yearlong celebratory events! These beverages were selected based upon our history of course! Did you know that the Sisters of Saint Anne planted pine trees in groups of five around the campus purposefully to break the wind and help keep the snowdrifts down? This is part of the reason for selecting recipes that include both Gin as a featured ingredient, and one with five ingredients. The renamed French 75 to our version of 75 Cheers as a nod to our French heritage. The Ward 8 also has five ingredients including Gin, plus it was created right here in Massachusetts! Finally, with obvious reasons for the Sunset Glow, after our beloved Sunset Lane location.

Hoping you join in with one of the 2021 celebratory year signature cocktail/mocktail beverages!

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**75 Cheers**

- 1 oz. Gin
- 1/2 oz. Lemon Juice
- 1/2 oz. Simple Syrup
- 3 oz. Champagne
- Lemon Twist

**Ward 8**

- 2 oz. Rye Whiskey
- 1/2 oz. Lemon Juice
- 1/2 oz. Orange Juice
- 2 tsp Grenadine
- Garnish with Dark Morello Cherries

**Sunset Glow**

- Fill glass with ice
- Splash of grenadine
- 1 c. Sprite
- 1 c. orange juice
- Garnish with Maraschino cherry or orange slice

Please contact Alice Lambert and Kay Flick, co-chairs of the 75th Anniversary Committee directly at amc75@annamaria.edu for any suggestions, planning ideas or questions.
Throughout the anniversary year. We also ask that you use #amc75 in all your social media postings throughout the year too! Be sure to check the website throughout the year for additional celebratory events!!

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OpporTUNEity Songwriting Concert

The OpporTUNEity Songwriting concert took place Dec 11, 2020. This program is a partnership with Anna Maria and the Worcester County House of Corrections. All songs were co-written in the jail as a collaborative effort between inmates, students and instructors.

Watch the video here

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Melissa Paulhus ’97 Named Head Women’s Basketball Coach

The Anna Maria College Athletic Department and Director of Athletics Joseph Brady ’96 recently announced Melissa (Arseneault) Paulhus ’97 as the next Head Women’s Basketball Coach. Paulhus was a four-year member and senior captain of the women’s basketball program. She was inducted into the Anna Maria Hall of Fame in 2004 and becomes the 13th coach in program history.

“We had a very strong pool of candidates and Melissa rose to the top through the interview process” commented Joseph Brady ’96, Director of Athletics. "She has a passion for basketball and her experiences have positioned her well to lead our women’s basketball program. Her commitment to Anna Maria and the student-athletes both on and off the court was very clear during the process. We are excited to welcome Melissa to our department and as our next women’s basketball head coach”

Read more

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SAVE THE DATES

AMCAT Alumni and Friends Golf Classic: October 18, 2021

AMCAT Homecoming/Reunion Weekend: Saturday, October 23, 2021

Follow Athletics: Twitter: @goAMCATS
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Learn More About The AMCAT Club and How You Can Help AMCAT Athletics here

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Now is a great time to get a longer-term strategy for the future
With 2020 behind us, time to get started on a longer-term strategy for the future. Check out this personal finance article from Kiplinger [here](#).

If you have not already made a donation to Anna Maria College, we encourage you to make a donation today! Whether it is $10 or $10,000, your gift has an immediate impact for the College. Thank you for your support!

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A New Year’s Resolution:
GET YOUR GRADUATE DEGREE!

With New Year’s resolutions still being top of mind, may 2021 be the year that you decide to start your graduate studies en route to advancing in your career...and may Anna Maria College be the place where you return for that journey!

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CURRENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE SPRING 2021 TERM

*Anna Maria alumni receive a 20% discount off of graduate tuition!*

To apply, go to [https://apply.annamaria.edu/apply](https://apply.annamaria.edu/apply)

**GRADUATE EDUCATION FOR THE HEALTH AND SERVICE PROFESSIONS**

- Business Administration
- Counseling/Psychology
- Criminal Justice
- Education
- Health Emergency Management
- Industrial/Organizational Psychology
- Pastoral Ministry
- Social Work

Click [here](#) for more information on Anna Maria’s graduate program offerings.

Further questions? Contact Paul Vaccaro, Associate Vice President for Enrollment, at pvaccaro@annamaria.edu or (508) 849 - 3482
Class Agents

Class of 1965 - Joan Friel Cronin - jmfcronin@gmail.com
Happy New Year! Send in your updates!

Class of 2019 - Jerica Washington - jdwashington@amcats.edu
Jerica would love to connect with classmates and share your updates. You can reach Jerica at jdwashington@amcats.edu

We are always looking for Class Agents - if you are interested, please send an email to alumni@annamaria.edu

Alumni Standouts

Congratulations to the following alumni who have recently started new positions: Doug Boyd '90 - Senior Manager, IT Infrastructure at Inspire Brands; Heidi Prior '01 - Finance Specialist at Corflex; Nicholas Mosca '03 - Attorney for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; Koren Kanadian '07, '10G - Director/Chief of Public Safety at Saint Vincent Hospital; and Rachel Eilerman '19, '20G - Compliance & Privacy Associate at Lifespan;

In Memoriam
It is with great sadness that we share the passing of Ann (Kaskan) Chapman '61, Russell Freeman '05G, Kimberly Gregoire '02G, Raymond Jacome '85G, Dr. John Matuszek Jr., husband of Roberta (Coonan) Matuszek '57, Sister Mary Edward Messier '56, Sister Carol Proietti, '60, SSA and former Trustee, Sister Therese Proulx '68, and Ron Valerio '80G.

May they rest in peace.

Upcoming Events

75th Anniversary Town Hall and Kahoot Trivia Night
January 15, 2021
7 p.m.
Click here for more information

CJ Speaker Series - Careers in the Courts
January 26, 2021
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Click here for more information

CJ Speaker Series - Careers in Federal Law Enforcement
January 28, 2021
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Keep up with the latest Anna Maria news and events by visiting our news page here.