

# Stonehill College HR Newsletter

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## Save the Date

### Upcoming Events:

Campus Conversations - Creating Safe Spaces  
Monday- March 11<sup>th</sup>  
11:00-12:00  
Martin Auditorium

New Employee Orientation - Envisioning Stonehill's Future  
Monday – March 18<sup>th</sup>  
11:30-1:00 PM  
Gartland Dining Room

Good Friday – College Closed  
Friday – March 29<sup>th</sup>

Employee Wellness/Benefits Fair  
Wednesday – April 3  
10:00-1:00  
Alumni Hall



## Daffodil Days – 2013

### Stonehill Employees Raise Money for American Cancer Society

Daffodil Days is one of the American Cancer Society's oldest and most beloved fundraising programs. As daffodils are the first flowers of spring, they were chosen by The American Cancer Society to be the symbol of hope that cancer will be beaten. Since 2007, Stonehill College employees' have contributed annually to the success of this program. This year alone Stonehill collected more than \$650 for cancer research. Thank you to those who have contributed to this cause.

## Monday March 11<sup>th</sup> – Campus Conversations on Diversity

Are there employees at Stonehill you have never met? Do you feel there are fewer and fewer names and faces you recognize over the years? Are you new to Stonehill and haven't met many other employees yet?

Join us for a get-to-know you program just for Stonehill employees and come together for an interactive dialogue about diversity in our lives and in our work. This is a wonderful way to meet other employees at Stonehill and to make meaningful connections in our community! These co-sponsored sessions are a partnership with the Office of Human Resources and the Office of Intercultural Affairs. The three part series will be presented as follows:

Session I - Monday, March 11th, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Martin Auditorium  
“Creating Safe Spaces”

In order to honor diversity, safe spaces must be created in and out of Stonehill College's Community. This will be a dialog to discuss what we can do as faculty and staff to create a more inclusive and welcoming environment for all.

Session II - Monday, April 22nd, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Martin Auditorium  
“What Difference Can I Make?”

Session III - Monday, May 13th, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Martin Auditorium  
“Developing Action Plans”

## Employee Benefits/Wellness Fair Wednesday - April 3, 2013

Stonehill's Annual Benefits/Wellness fair will be Wednesday, April 3, 2013 from 10:00 am-1:00 pm in Alumni Hall.

Here is a list of some of the vendors who will be in attendance:

Aflac	North Easton Savings Bank
AT&T	Prudential Life
BJ's Wholesale Club	Sodexo Catering
Community Partners 24	Sodexo Nutrition
Costco Wholesale	Sprint
Crescent Credit Union	Stonehill Athletics
Crosby Benefits	Stonehill Touch of Kindness Program
Delta Dental	Stonehill Wellness Committee
Denette Family Chiropractic	Sprint
EyeMed	Sullivan Tire
Harbor One Credit Union	TIAA CREF
Kindercare	Tufts Health Plan Verizon Wireless
Liberty Mutual	Verizon
Wireless	
Mass Higher Ed Consortium	Wellness Corporation

There will be great benefit information available, food, door prizes, giveaways and a wellness gift for all who attend. Be sure to add it to your calendar, it's an event you won't want to miss.

**Note: All employees will be receiving a personal postcard invitation which will gain you admittance to the fair and enter you into several prize raffles, so don't forget to bring the postcard!**

## Woman's History Month – March Events in the Area

March is Women's History month! The Office of Human Resources would like to highlight a couple of events happening in our community to recognize this time. The 2013 Women's History Month national theme honors the Women Inspiring Innovation Through Imagination - Celebrating Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

### **Friday, March 8, 2013 – 7:30-9:30 am**

[International Women's Day Breakfast](#) *Women and Hunger: Putting Food on the Table*

Simmons College – 300 The Fenway - Linda K. Paresky Conference Center, Boston, MA 02115

Suggested donation: \$6.00 Includes *light continental breakfast*

Public transportation is highly encouraged (E train on the Green Line, Museum of Fine Arts stop) Limited parking will be available at Simmons for \$6.00 with a Visa or MasterCard.

[R.S.V.P.](#) Contact: Diane Hammer - Simmons Institute for Leadership and Change 617-521-2480

## Woman's History Month (continued)

### **Saturday, March 9 – 2:00 pm**

**Hyde Park Main Streets' 3rd Annual  
Women's History Month Celebration Tea**

This year's program will center on the notable Grimke Family of Hyde Park. Sisters Angelina and Sarah Grimke were among the earliest pioneers of the women's suffrage movement in the United States. 2013 marks the 175th Anniversary of Angelina Grimke's speech before the Massachusetts legislature as the first woman in the US to speak before a governing body. Seating will be limited and a RSVP required. Suggested donation is \$22. For more information and tickets, contact the HPMS office: 617-361-6964 or [info@hydeparkmainstreets.com](mailto:info@hydeparkmainstreets.com).

### **Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> - 12:00p to 4:00p**

**Celebrate Women's History Month**

[FAMILY FRIENDLY]

[Spellman Museum of Stamps and Postal History](#) Weston, MA

Members and children under 5 are free Adults \$8.00, Seniors and students \$5.00 Children age 5 to 16 \$3.00 - Free packet of stamps for each child <http://www.spellman.org/core/schedule/>

### **Tuesday, March 19, 2013 – 6:00-7:30 pm**

**Talk: "The Women of the Saturday Evening Girls Pottery"**

The [Victorian Society](#) presents "The Women of the Saturday Evening Girls Pottery"

c/o Museum of Fine Arts, Boston at [The West End Museum](#)

Cost: \$15 (VSA/NE and West End Museum members \$10)

This historical talk explores a philanthropic off-shoot of the Paul Revere Pottery in Boston, which saw poor immigrant girls decorating earthenware in the early 1900s.

Speaker: Nonie Gadsden: Carolyn & Peter Lynch Curator of American Decorative Arts and Sculpture, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

### **Thursday, March 21 – 6:30 pm**

Reinstallation of the "Nine Notable Women" Mural and Author Talk [Boston Public Library](#), Copley Branch - Cost: Free

The Nine Notable Women Mural created in 1980 by public artist Ellen Lanyon recognizes the accomplishments of nine Boston women.

### **Friday March 22, 2013- 4:30-6:30pm**

**"And the Women Gather"** 2nd Annual Women's Leadership Summit

Stonehill College - Alumni Hall Auditorium

Cost: Free .... more details to follow.

## Woman's History Month (continued)

**Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup> - 10:30 am**

**Walking in their Shoes: Women of Uphams Corner**

[Uphams Corner Branch Library](#)

500 Columbia Road, Dorchester

Cost: Free

Women leaders once led civil and health reform from Uphams Corner. Join Boston Women's Heritage Trail members at six sites. Learn about women like Elida Fowle. Seventeen-year-old Elida Rumsey went to Washington during the Civil War to become a nurse. When told she was too young, Elida sang to soldiers in the wards. With the help of Mrs. Walter Baker, Elida organized a soldiers' library. She eventually became the youngest member of the Massachusetts Army Nurses. After the war, Elida and her husband John Fowle moved to Upham's Corner, where she raised two emancipated slave children and did local civic work. We will start and end at the Branch. If rain/snow, there will be indoor PowerPoint instead.

**Saturday March 23 - Performances at 1:00 PM and 2:30 PM**

**Celebrate National Women's History Month: Meet Clara Barton: Angel of the Battlefield and Founder of the American Red Cross**

[The Discovery Museums](#) Acton, MA

Cost: Free

Character actress Jessa Piaia will present a first-person interpretation of Clara Barton (1821-1912). Piaia uses drama to reveal the accomplishments, struggles, and contributions of Ms. Barton, the first president of the American Red Cross.

**Tuesday, March 26 – 7:00 pm**

**The Women of Jamaica Plain**

Cost: Free and open to the public

Loring-Greenough House

12 South Street Boston 617-524-3158

Learn about these special Jamaica Plain women: Rose Finkelstein Norwood, labor activist, Emily Greene Balch, winner of the Nobel Peace prize, Mother Mary Rogers, founder of the Maryknoll Sisters, Maud Cuney Hare, musician

Panel of Presenters include: Helaine Davis, Elizabeth Quinlan, Mary Smoyer, Linder Stern, Sandee Story and Marie Turley

## Touch of Kindness Program Recognition

Stonehill's Employee Recognition Program, A Touch of Kindness, is a program where members of our community recognize each other for their random act of kindness, caring or support.

In February, a number of kindness acts were spotted on campus and the following employees were recognized for their kindness:

Arthur Amaral, Tammy Anderson, Nancy Dunsing, James (Seamus) Farrelly, Luke Newman, Michelle Palladini, Ken Percy & Rick Viera

## Touch of Kindness Program (continued)

A sample of this month's kindness:

Recently when the parking lot was filled with snow and ice, I was fearful of falling. This employee went above and beyond to help me with care and offered assistance to ensure I did not fall. I was grateful for the assistance.

Thank you to all who submitted nominations this month, have you recently observed an act of kindness and caring? Recognize it today at [A Touch of Kindness webpage](#).

## TIAA-CREF Reminder

Have you reached or soon will reach your one year anniversary with Stonehill College? If so, please make sure you sign up with Human Resources for the retirement benefit offered to eligible employees. For more information, please click the link below:

<http://www.stonehill.edu/x11525.xml>

If you have questions about your eligibility or the program itself, please contact [Lisa Conroy](#), Assistant Director of HR, ext. 1336

## Supplemental Benefit

### Sullivan Tire:

Stonehill Employees receive a 10% discount off any services provided by Sullivan Tire. Call for an appointment or quote at 508-584-6247. They are located at 1320 Belmont Street in Brockton and often provide transportation to the college after dropping your car off for service. See what services they offer at [www.sullivantire.com](http://www.sullivantire.com)



## Spotlight On:

# Jean Hamler, Associate Director of Planning and Institutional Research

Story by: Lisa O'Donnell



*Pictured above is a recent photo of Jean (center) celebrating with her family as a 2012 Gaudete recipient with her Daughter Danielle (class of 2004) and her granddaughter Monica (class of 2016).*

As Jean Hamler prepares for a milestone birthday later this year, she reflects back fondly on her time at Stonehill College. Jean joined Stonehill in October 1992 as the Director of Intercultural Affairs, later taking on the role of Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Director of Intercultural Affairs which she held until 2007. The college established the Director of Intercultural Affairs position as a way to focus a strong effort on increasing diversity on campus, supporting diverse students on campus, and supporting the continued efforts across all of campus. Jean accepted this role at Stonehill with an understanding that it was a much larger effort than one person could accomplish on their own. Jean knew it would require the efforts of the entire campus to be successful in this endeavor. Jean partnered with many people on campus and worked hard to continue the diversity efforts at Stonehill until 2007 when she joined the Office of Planning and Institutional Research (OPIR) team as the Associate Director.

Prior to coming to Stonehill College, Jean worked at Boston University as the Assistant to the Dean of Student. As the Assistant to the Dean she developed an interest in working with students and worked hard to ensure their success. Prior to her work at Boston University, Jean worked for two social service agencies that assisted adolescent teens which guided her into the work of college age students.

In her current role as the Associate Director of Planning and Institutional Research, (Jean) enjoys the analytical component of her work. She is a forward thinker and strives for efficiency in all that she does, including enhancing the presence of OPIR and bringing user friendly data to life. Jean enjoys providing data to leaders of the college. Which she feels is a reflection of transparency on campus. Throughout her tenure at Stonehill, Jean has helped others to understand the concept of "value-added" by offering different, creative thoughts and ideas across all areas of the College Community.

As Jean reflects on her 20 years at Stonehill College, she continues to remain positive, engage colleagues and serve as a mentor to staff and students. Jean has many proud moments at Stonehill, but her "proudest" moment was when one of her ALANA students came back to campus for employment. Jean continues to remain diligent,

about making sure that opportunities like employment are extended to people of color at Stonehill.

On a personal note, Jean is a single mother of three: two sons and one daughter. As a single parent, Jean has always fought against the unflattering view that society has on the role of single parents. Jean feels that the perception of others who believe that children who come from "single parent" homes are the reason for societal ills, is somewhat short-sighted. She is proud of the family she has raised as a single parent and stated that she knows many children from single-parent homes who are productive in society. Jean is also the grandmother to six grandchildren, two of whom are in college.

She is very active in her home town of Brockton, where she is a theatrical director and educational consultant for the Messiah Baptist Church. Jean wrote and will direct the play, "And the Angels Danced" which will be performed in April. In her quiet time, she enjoys being a liturgical dancer and singer, Zumba and being a community advocate. Performing as an artist, allows her to keep a healthy mind and body and provides her peace.

In closing, Jean has enjoyed her time at Stonehill and is proud of what she has contributed in her 20 years of service. If you wish to learn more about Jean Hamler, her office located in Merkert Tracy Hall, Room 241.

## Welcome to New Hires 2/01/2013 – 2/28/2013

### Finance Division

Christine Collins, Systems Administrator  
Eric Robbins, Electrician

## Farewell to Employees 2/01/2013 – 2/28/2013

### Academic Affairs Division

Carole Calo, Professor of Art History/Department Chairperson Visual & Performing Arts.

In February, the college lost a respected member of the community. Human Resources would like to extend our sincerest sympathies to the family of Carole Calo.

### Enrollment Management & Marketing Division

Alexis Sneff, Graphic Designer

### Finance Division

Chip Coletta, Lieutenant Detective  
Jacquie Gouveia, Manager of Business Processing & Finance  
Nick Precourt, Campus Police Officer

### Student Affairs Division

Elise LaMotte, Academic Advising/Leadership Development & Support  
David McKenna, Athletic Equipment Intern  
Mark Pizziferri, Assistant Football Coach