Thanksgiving Quotes

Teresa Apriglano – Thank you to John Amodeo for always being available to help with any situation! Your calm presence is welcoming and helpful in situations. Thanks for always stopping by to check on us!

Lisa Bellinzi – Thank you to Molloy – as I approach my one year anniversary here, I’m grateful for the door that closed, making me seek the open window: Molloy College!

Jim Verdon – Thank you to Human Resources for having the forms we need – when we need them at our fingertips! For having the answers we need! (whether we like them or not) – Your smiles.

Ellen Brett – Thank you to Dan Hagerty – all the security guards, Regina Broten and the other Molloy employees. Thank you for working together to save my life. As the one year anniversary of my life changing experience approaches, it is important that you all know how grateful I am every day for your swift, competent, caring actions at Molloy College on December 10, 2009. The Molloy community should be proud to know that you performed a miracle together that day. My family and I are eternally grateful. God Bless you all as we give thanks this Thanksgiving.

Judy Trinder – Thank you to my Molloy friends – Once again, I find myself in a place of gratitude toward my friends at Molloy College. When my grandson, Charlie, was born in May – so many of you sent gifts, cards, prayers and good wishes. Then in August – there was the TS fundraiser and charity walk and again you stood with me as I watched you open your hearts and your wallets. I realize that I may not have properly thanked you, for that I apologize, but I still need you all to know how much it truly helped me. So again and again, I will keep saying thank you and you will keep on being the best people I know.

Normadeane Armstrong – Thank you to my Casey 211 office mates – for all the fun and laughter!

A Message from the President


These three words are very powerful as they embody the meaning of the season upon which we are about to enter.

Let me take this opportunity to share my appreciation for all you do to make Molloy so different from other colleges. Your ongoing support for those most in need and the manner in which you interact with everyone on campus are just two of the ways in which we communicate our mission to the outside world.

As part of our commitment to the basic principles upon which the College was founded, I ask that you continue to help transform the lives of everyone you come in contact with and continue to be mindful and deliberate in your actions of respect, thoughtfulness, and compassion. Together, we are achieving great things and are setting the tone for others to follow.

Thank you, again, for all you do to make Molloy the special place it is.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Drew Bogner, Ph.D.
President

Mission Statement

Molloy College, an independent, Catholic college rooted in the Dominican tradition of study, spirituality, service, and community, is committed to academic excellence with respect for each person. Through transformative education, Molloy promotes a lifelong search for truth and the development of ethical leadership.

Open Enrollment

Open enrollment is your annual opportunity to choose the right health care plan for you and your family, to sign up for benefits you haven’t taken advantage of, and to add or delete dependents from your plan (dependent children up to the age of 26). The open enrollment period this year, runs from November 15th through December 7th.

As you will likely remember, last year the Health and Welfare Committee approved setting employee contributions to the medical insurance at 15% of the premium. We will continue to use the 15% figure in establishing the annual employee contribution schedule.

During open enrollment, you can choose to participate in the following plans:

- Medical Insurance
- Dental Insurance
- Vision
- Flexible Spending Account
- Volunteer Life Insurance
- Voluntary Dependent Life Insurance
- Cancer Protection Plan
- Accident Protection Plan
- Long Term Care Insurance

Open enrollment and year end is also a good time to take a look the progress you are making toward saving for retirement. Currently the IRS allows you to contribute up to $16,500, if you are age 50 or older, you can contribute an additional $5,000.
By S. Dorothy Fitzgibbons, O.P., Ed.D., Vice President for Mission

Hopefully, you have seen Dr. Maureen Carey’s representation of the four pillars of Dominican life as the four seasons. In the upper left-hand quadrant the season of autumn visualizes Community through the varieties of leaves in size, color and shape. We come together many times in the fall. We welcome new members, we celebrate our diversity, and we accept the challenge of giving personal attention during this period of growth at the college.

At the opening Community Day in September, with the theme of “empowerment through education” S. Margaret Ormond, O.P., told the history of the Dominican friars who were sent from Spain to the Americas in 1510. Their story of standing up and preaching with one voice on behalf of the human rights of indigenous people enslaved by the Spanish landowners is a powerful one. Sister Margaret challenged us to reflect on 500 years from now: Will they remember the Fire of our Preaching and Teaching?

We then heard of the wonderful community service experiences in which our students are engaged on and off campus.

We are more than half-way through the semester. What do we preach and teach to one another on a daily basis? How do our students view us in our interactions with them and with one another? Do we give evidence that Community is a value for us? What do our Alumni remember most about Molloy five, twenty-five, or fifty-five years later? What does Community mean to us in the 21st century?

In his book Community – The Structure of Belonging, Peter Block writes that “the social fabric of community is formed from an expanding shared sense of belonging. It is shaped by the idea that only when we are connected and care for the well-being of the whole that a civil and democratic society is created.” He continues, “The key to creating or transforming community is to see the power of being with others. How are we going to be when we gather together?”

As we go through the transformative season of autumn and reflect on the meaning of Thanksgiving, a time of gratitude and blessing, I invite us to be aware of our own giftedness and the uniqueness of every person, to reach out to “the other” by being inclusive, to be committed to the common good, and to engage in community building that is transformative. A Blessed Thanksgiving to all!

FOCUS ON MISSION

Rooted in Community

You may see some members of the Public Safety team on bicycles. We currently have two bikes in operation and three officers that are trained to use them, with two more bikes expected for the spring. The new Public Safety tools are designed to give the officers easier access to students and staff, while also making for improved navigation through the construction site. Additionally, the bicycles are also environmentally friendly! Pictured here are: Thomas Havey, Dennis Hannon, and Daniel Haggerty.

Public Safety Bicycle Patrol

More than 100 members of the Molloy Community joined thousands from all over Long Island for the 2010 Nassau County Start! Heart Walk at Jones Beach in support of the American Heart Association. Our participants helped raise more than $2,500 for this worthy cause. Pictured here are (l-r): Linda Lopez, Una Milella, Ann Delury, and future dean Jamie Miller.

Heart Walk

Public Square, Residential Housing Update (as of Oct. 2010)

We continue to make progress on both the Public Square (the new student center/theatre) and the new residence hall. The external structures are close to completion, and the exterior walls are beginning to take shape. Over the next few weeks, you will see a lot of brick/masonry work, as well as the installation of windows. Both buildings are scheduled to be completed before the 2011-12 school year. Pictured here is the residence hall.