

A wide-angle photograph of a university campus. In the foreground, a paved walkway leads into the distance. To the left, a black lamppost holds a red banner with the Fairfield University crest and name. Several students are walking along the path. The middle ground is filled with large, mature trees in full bloom with vibrant pink cherry blossoms. In the background, a multi-story brick university building is visible under a clear blue sky.

**FAIRFIELD
RISING**

FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY | FALL 2018

CAMPAIGN IMPACT REPORT

rise (rīz) *n.* an upward movement;
an instance of becoming higher

CAMPAIGN LEADERSHIP

Fairfield University is grateful for the leadership of alumni and parents who have contributed time, talent, and exceptional generosity in support of Fairfield University and the historic success of the *Fairfield Rising* campaign.

CAMPAIGN CO-CHAIRS

Patricia Glassford '85
Brian P. Hull '80, P'13
Stephen M. Lessing '76
Christopher C. Quick '79

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Christopher C. Quick '79
Katie J. Robinson '89
Mark R. Nemec, PhD





ASPIRATION, ACHIEVEMENT, AND APPRECIATION

I am pleased and delighted to be able to share with you this overview of our *Fairfield Rising* campaign; to share with you in more detail the story of what has been a remarkable act of faith on the part of our Fairfield University community.

When we embarked together on a capital campaign six years ago, we did so because Fairfield needed to rise, quite literally, to meet the needs of today's students and the demands of contemporary society. We knew that we required a greater wellspring of resources to ensure that our standards for scholarship and academic achievement would continue to be met; and we knew that we needed to upgrade our facilities so that we would be ideally poised to be the modern, Jesuit and Catholic University that our neighbors and our world needs now.

We have achieved that, and more. We began with an ambitious goal of \$160 million, and with great determination and optimism. What we discovered was that our community had been waiting for an opportunity for just such a collective initiative, and we elevated our goal to \$210 million thanks to the overwhelming support we received. And then we exceeded that goal – together.

So, it is with much gratitude and enthusiasm that we share the achievements of this campaign. More than 23,000 alumni, students, parents, friends, foundations, and corporations have joined together in exceeding our goal,

with combined gifts of \$217,762,996 to our University.

With that support has come a burst of energy and a surge of creativity in every corner of our institution. Lives have been changed through the availability of scholarship. New programs have been launched while others have been enhanced and expanded. Faculty have new resources to immerse students in collaborative research projects, internships, new coursework, and co-curricular competition. Meanwhile our campus continues to grow with new first-rate facilities for academics, student life and wellness, and athletics.

We want to share the *Fairfield Rising* story with you at this time, because it is a story that is about you and all that you have done as a member of this particularly bonded and cohesive community. Whether you made a special campaign commitment, attended or hosted an event, returned for reunion, mentored a student, gave to the Fairfield Fund, or reminisced on your Fairfield experience, you elevated the aspirations of an institution of learning that produces men and women for others. You have turned hope into impact, ambition into action, creativity into innovation, and most importantly, turned learners into leaders.

Fairfield is the modern, Jesuit Catholic University. And as we continue to rise we will be more responsive, more prepared to lead emerging and undiscovered opportunities, and positioned to ensure that every student receives the



intellectual, spiritual, and personal formation – the time-honored tradition of *cura personalis* in the fullest sense, that has been at the core of a Jesuit education since 1547, and which is more essential than ever.

With very best wishes and utmost gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mark R. Nemecek".

MARK R. NEMEC, PhD
President

We began by asking a simple question... **WHY?**

Because the fast-paced and globally interconnected world asks us to recreate and reimagine our institution to remain true to our mission — transform the world for the better through education.

Responding swiftly, we determined **WHAT** we must do.

Seventeen months of exploration and deliberation identified priorities, which together provided a framework to establish our strategic plan, *Fairfield 2020*. We committed to grow and diversify enrollment, accelerate academic innovation, focus on student outcomes, promote accountability for quality and continuous improvement, and to renew our sense of collaboration and community.

And, we acted on a plan of **HOW** we will be successful.

Conduct the largest and most ambitious fundraising campaign in University history, *Fairfield Rising*, to inspire leadership, strengthen our community of alumni, parents, and friends, and to uplift Fairfield's standing as the modern, Jesuit Catholic University.





A CAMPAIGN FOCUSED SHARPLY ON PRIORITIES

1

INVEST IN PEOPLE

Provide scholarship to students with greatest need.
Compete for the best and brightest young minds.
Grow enrollment and diversify the student body.

2

INVEST IN PROGRAMS

Modernize the core curriculum.
Create new mission-critical academic program endowments.
Establish and sustain innovative centers of excellence.

3

INVEST IN FACILITIES

Construct new, first-rate academic facilities at the Egan School of Nursing and Health Studies and the Dolan School of Business.
Maximize the care of the mind, body, and spirit by expanding and modernizing the RecPlex and campus dining commons.
Uplift school spirit and raise our level of athletic competition in a new stadium and with athletics program enhancements.

WHEN BOLD VISION INSPIRES FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY TO ACTION THE OUTCOMES ARE TRANSFORMATIONAL

More than 23,271 supporters strongly agree, donating more than \$217.7 million.



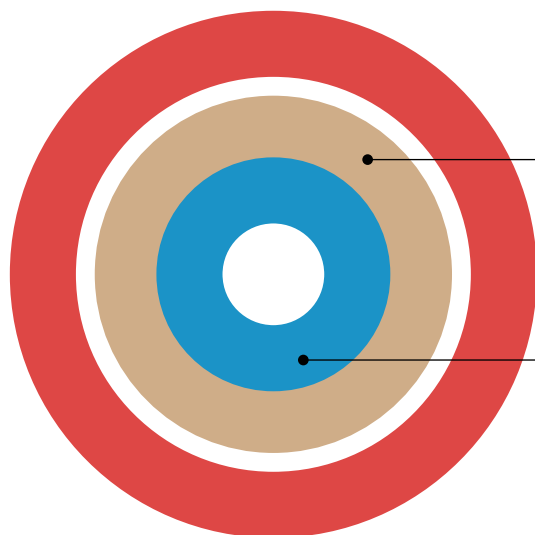


\$217,762,996

Fairfield Rising

2012-2018: \$160 Million Initial Goal

Fairfield Rising inspired more generosity than the University's previous campaigns... combined.



\$137,900,000

Our Promise

1998-2004: \$100 Million Initial Goal

\$44,500,000

Fulfilling the Jesuit Ideal

1985-1990 : \$35 Million Initial Goal



Every day, students are asking for more from their Fairfield University experience. Our world needs Fairfield to be bigger, stronger, more visible, and vocal.

Patti Glassford '85
Campaign Co-Chair

DURING THE CAMPAIGN, ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS **INCREASED BY 21%**

FAIRFIELD RISING BY THE NUMBERS

\$99 million

In combined support for
Fairfield academics via investments in
academic endowment, academic facilities,
centers, and faculty development



10,729 donors

made their first gift
during the campaign

39

Individual leadership donors
made a gift of
\$1,000,000 or more

71,240 total gifts

Average campaign gift:
\$3,056.75

During the campaign,
student retention
increased to

90%

\$44.7 million

Donated in fiscal year 2018,
the most generous year ever



3,402

young alumni made at least
one campaign gift

During the campaign,
University-funded student aid

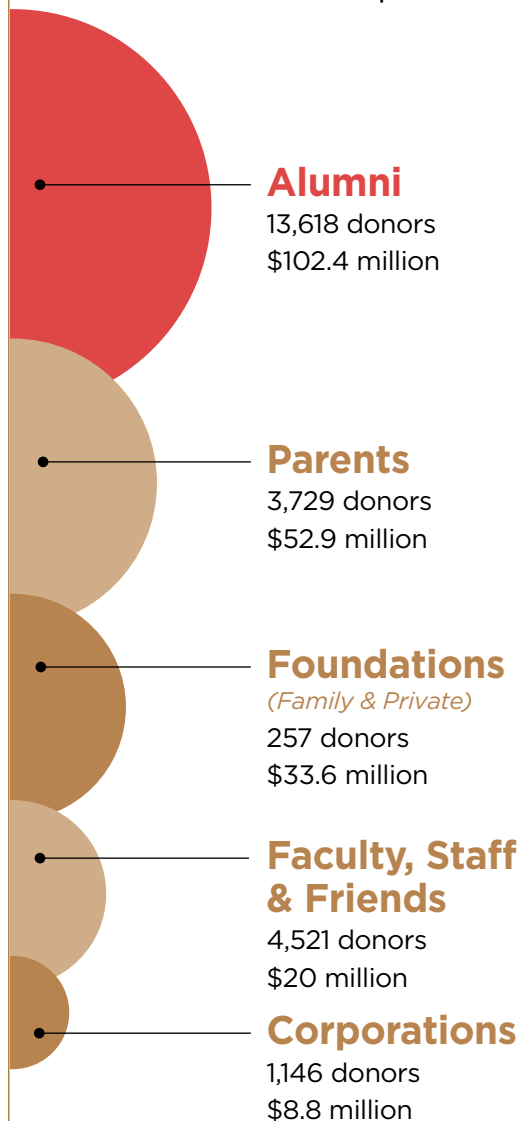
increased by
40%



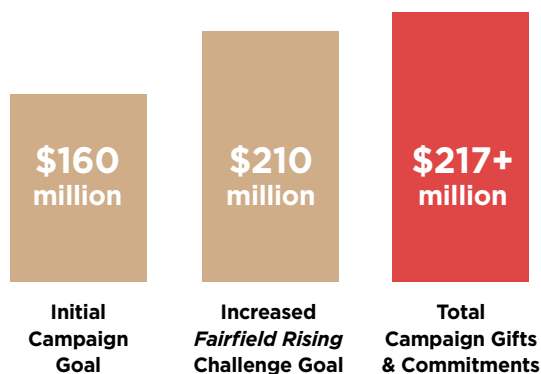
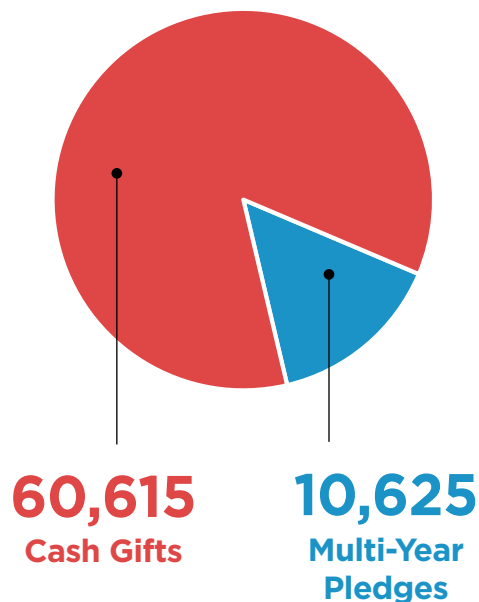
\$37.8 Million

In support provided by donors who included
Fairfield in their **estate plans, gave through**
a charitable annuity, made a gift of life-
insurance, or retirement assets

Donor Participation



Campaign Support by Gift Type



Giving by Area of Investment



Academics \$99,158,513

Combined support for academics via investments in academic endowment, academic facilities, centers, and faculty development



Scholarship \$53,400,616

New endowed and current use funds that enable Fairfield to compete for the most talented students regardless of financial circumstances



Student Support \$25,131,843

Enhancing the student-life experience via academic and career services support, campus ministry, and student health and wellness resources



Athletics \$21,001,130

For programs, facilities, and capital improvements enhancing competition, and competitive spirit while promoting the importance of team, service, and accomplishment



Fairfield Fund \$19,070,894

Annual unrestricted support providing immediate impact for urgent needs within instruction, academic support, student life, financial aid and more



40,000+

Alumni in Fairfield's Growing
Global Alumni Network

86

New academic
program funds
established



4,421 STAG Mates
in the Fairfield Community

94

New Scholarships
established during
the campaign

133 New Members

Joined the Bellarmine Society by
including Fairfield University as a
beneficiary of their estate plans.

1,060

Corporate Supporters
participated via gifts,
matching gifts, and sponsorships



23,271

Unique individual donors, public
& private foundations, and
corporate supporters

4 years

of record-setting giving
on STAGiving Day



257

Foundation grants received
during the campaign period



RIISING IN THE RANKS

Taking a lead — a wave of new rankings shows Fairfield surging ahead and that program investment is already gaining recognition.

#1 in Northern Region by *U.S. News & World Report*, Best Universities 2019

Fairfield University has risen to #1 in the Northern Region in the annual *U.S. News & World Report*, Best University 2019 ranking, up from number three last year.

Best for Your Money

Fairfield University has once again been named among the best schools in the nation by Time's *Money* magazine, The Princeton Review and Forbes. *Money* magazine's annual "Best Colleges for Your Money" ranking places Fairfield among the top 100 private universities in the country.

Top 50 private nonprofit "Colleges with the Greatest Research-and-Development Spending in the Humanities"

The *Chronicle of Higher Education*'s list of "Colleges With the Greatest Research-and-Development Spending in the Humanities, FY2016" ranked Fairfield University #34 among 50 private nonprofit institutions including Yale, Harvard, Princeton, MIT, Stanford, University of Chicago, Columbia, Dartmouth, and Georgetown.

TOP 10 Most Transformative Colleges

Fairfield's top 10 ranking for "Most Transformative Colleges," recognizes the institution's commitment to holistic formation, and places Fairfield as the highest-ranking Jesuit university in that category. The "Most Transformative Colleges" were ranked according to *Money* magazine's "exclusive value-added scores for graduation rates, earnings, and student loan repayment."



IMPACT: PEOPLE

Prospective students from all over the country and the world view Fairfield University as the destination of choice for their education and pathway to career success.

Scholarship and financial aid provide the critical resources to ensure every qualified applicant can attend regardless of their personal financial situation.

Faculty are supported by elevated endowment funds, are immersed in collaborative research with students, and value the opportunity to develop young minds for others.

A growing and diverse student body enhances the classroom experience, inspires debate, and encourages new ideas and ways of thinking from a variety of perspectives.



Aliyah Phipps '18

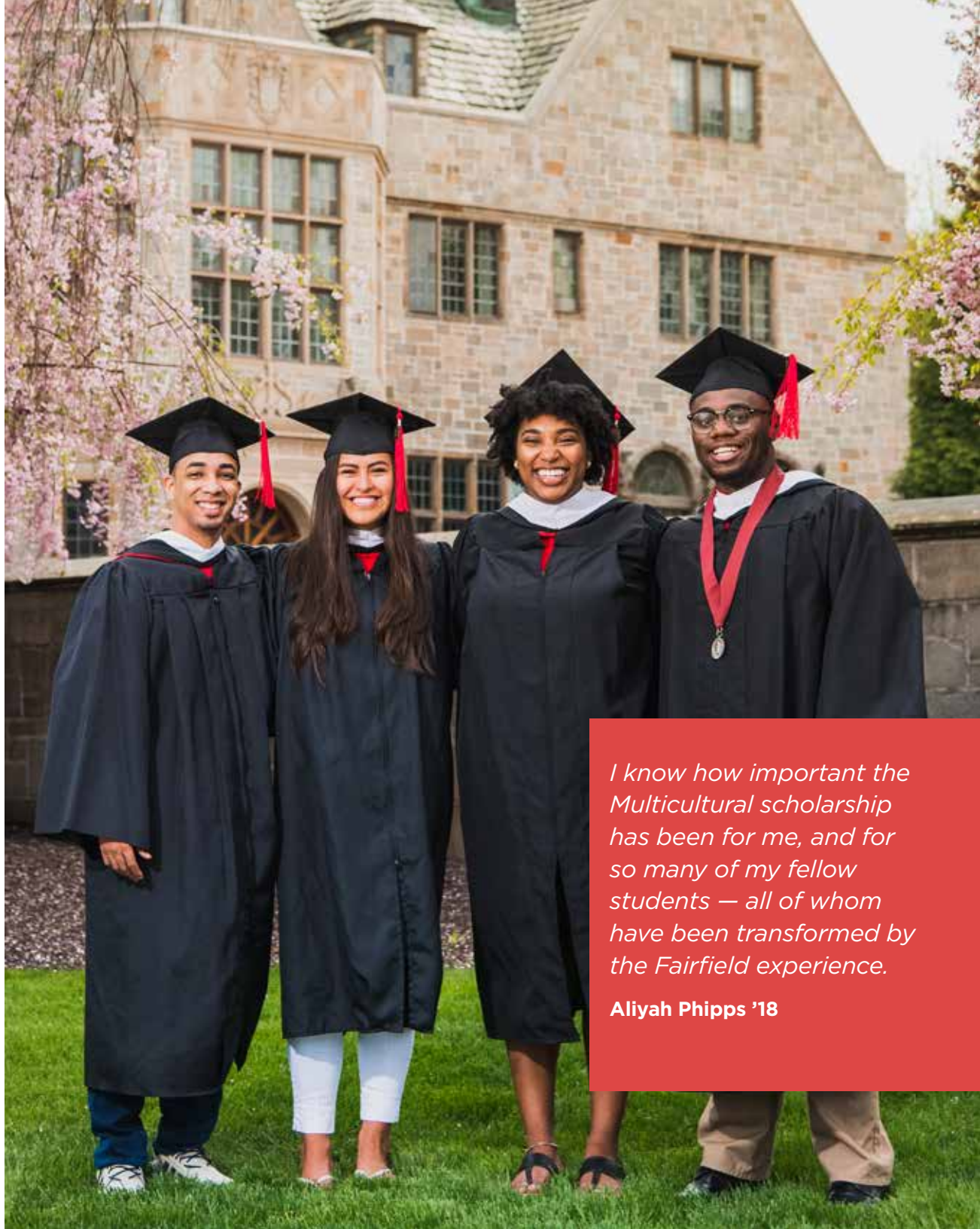
Scholarship Student

A Chinese Studies and communication double major at Fairfield, recent graduate Aliyah Phipps '18 served as co-president of the National Foreign Language Honor Society Alpha Mu Gamma, was a member of Fairfield's Black Student Union, and was an intern in the Study Abroad Office. A Bronx, New York native, Aliyah is currently teaching English abroad in China and is interested in pursuing graduate studies. "This is a career path I could only dream about. Thanks to Fairfield and the generosity of so many, I will be able to do just that," Phipps said. "I know how important the Multicultural scholarship has been for me, and for so many of my fellow students — all of whom have been transformed by the Fairfield experience."

RIGHT: *Continuing the tradition of opportunity, (l-r) Carlos Urena, Sophia Bolanos, Aliyah Phipps, and Zayvon Billups are scholarship students who graduated this past May.*

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**97% OF RECENT GRADUATES
SECURED FULL-TIME
EMPLOYMENT, STARTED A
GRAD PROGRAM, OR PURSUED
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES.**



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Aliyah Phipps '18

Alexander Gaito '18

Scholarship Student

As an honors student, Alexander received a bachelor of science degree in molecular biology and a minor in mathematics. Originally from Salem, Conn., Alexander reflects back on the research projects he was able to conduct with faculty members as the best possible learning experience to expand his lab work and analytical skills for large sets of data. After graduating in 2018, Alexander accepted an offer to join the team at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center as a research technician in the Proteomics Core Facility. Building upon his Fairfield education, numerous internships, and real-world experience at his first job, he plans to further his education in graduate or medical school with aspirations for a PhD in molecular biology.

RIGHT: Recent graduate and scholarship recipient Alexander Gaito '18 working as a research technician at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

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**DURING THE CAMPAIGN,
DEDICATED ACADEMIC
LEARNING SPACE
INCREASED BY 134,500 SQ. FT.**



My time at Fairfield was filled with fantastic opportunities and I was truly supported in all my endeavors over the last four years. Fairfield University is such a special institution that backs its students to the fullest extent with the help of generous donors like you.

Alexander Gaito '18

Richard Greenwald, PhD

Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

Named by *The Chronicle of Higher Education* as one of the leading “higher-education thought leaders,” Dr. Greenwald’s extensive scholarship and writings have been published in major national outlets including *Inside Higher Education*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, *Boston Globe*, and *New York Daily News*, among others.

Dr. Greenwald’s vision for the College is one of rigor and innovation that will help to enliven Fairfield’s evolving core curriculum designed to respond to the needs of 21st century learners while reflecting our Jesuit Catholic foundation and values Critical to Fairfield’s distinctive academic experience and strengthened by an endowed gift through the generosity of an anonymous alumni couple, the core curriculum will always engage all students to establish their own values and understanding of the world while emphasizing modern excellence.

RIGHT: *Richard Greenwald, PhD*

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ACADEMICALLY OUTSTANDING
THE PRINCETON REVIEW
RANKS FAIRFIELD AMONG THE
BEST IN THE NORTHEASTERN
REGION AND IN THE TOP 384
SCHOOLS WITH “OUTSTANDING
ACADEMICS.”



“Dr. Greenwald brings a wealth of knowledge to the University. His deep experience in innovating the liberal arts to meet the demands of today’s environment will contribute to Fairfield’s continued success.”

Christine Siegel, PhD, Provost

Joseph and Mary Carlucci, P'18, '10, '09

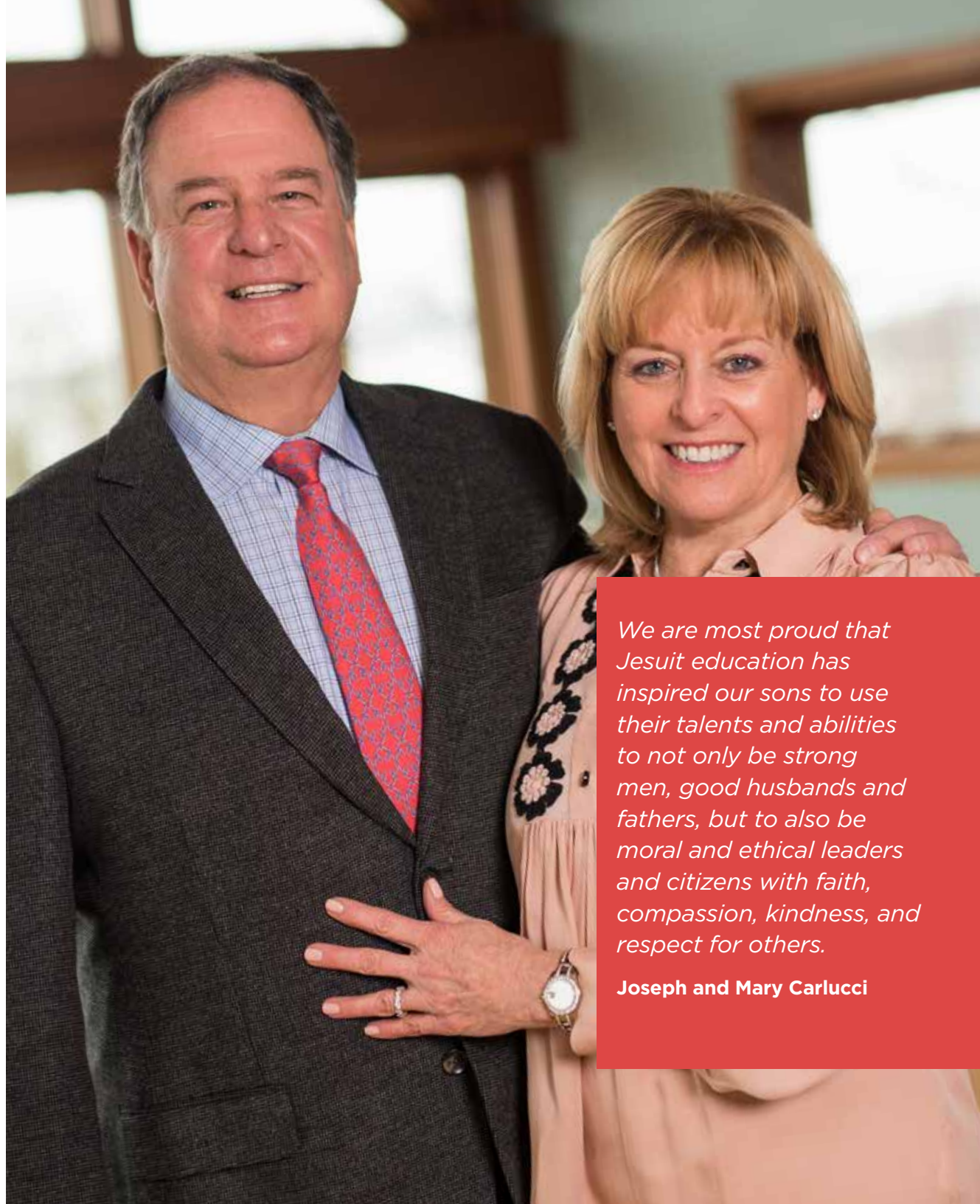
Parent Leadership

As past co-chairs of the Parents Leadership Council and hosts of many memorable student send-offs, Joe and Mary's passion and commitment to Fairfield University is an inspiration to all. Stag pride is a family affair for the Carluccis as their son, Ryan '18 follows in the footsteps of alumni brothers Nicholas '10 and Patrick '09. In addition, Mary and Joe Carlucci have made a Fairfield education possible for other deserving students through the establishment of an endowed scholarship.

RIGHT: *Joseph and Mary Carlucci, P'18, '10, '09 at their home in Massachusetts.*

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NEARLY 200 PARENTS JOINED THE PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2016, CELEBRATING ANNUAL PARENT GENEROSITY OF GIFTS OF \$5,000 AND ABOVE.



We are most proud that Jesuit education has inspired our sons to use their talents and abilities to not only be strong men, good husbands and fathers, but to also be moral and ethical leaders and citizens with faith, compassion, kindness, and respect for others.

Joseph and Mary Carlucci

Rev. Gerry Blaszcak, S.J.

Vice President for Mission and Identity

Named in honor of his parents, alumnus and University Trustee Robert J. Murphy Jr. '71 has generously supported The Murphy Center for Ignatian Spirituality, establishing an infrastructure that is foundational to the culture of our institution.

The campaign inspired several leadership donors to significantly grow The Murphy Center's endowment and program resources that will achieve several goals:

- Promote vibrant expressions of Ignatian spirituality at individual, group, and larger community levels.
- Create a symbol that personifies the commitment of the University to Ignatian values.
- Offer a space that is suitable for formative discussions about Jesuit and Catholic identity.

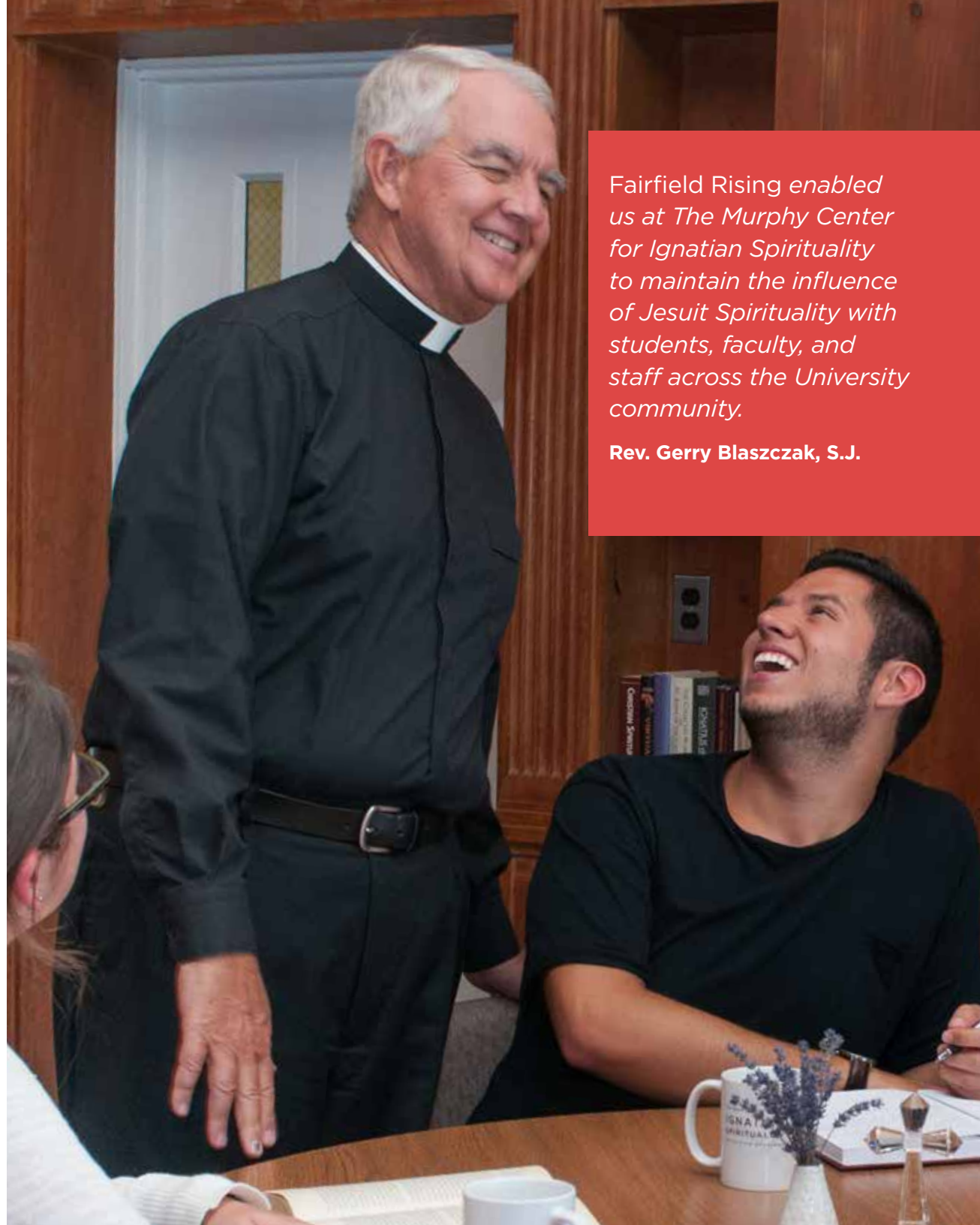
RIGHT: *Rev. Gerry Blaszcak, S.J., speaks with students at the Murphy Center for Ignatian Spirituality.*

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**APPROXIMATELY 600
COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE
PARTICIPATED IN THE IGNATIAN
EXPERIENCE PROGRAM SINCE
THE CENTER'S FOUNDING IN 2014.**

Fairfield Rising enabled us at The Murphy Center for Ignatian Spirituality to maintain the influence of Jesuit Spirituality with students, faculty, and staff across the University community.

Rev. Gerry Blaszcak, S.J.





IMPACT: PROGRAMS

Fairfield is anchored as a leader in the renewal of Jesuit Education, raising the visibility and profile of the University nationwide and beyond.

Continued exploration and respectful debate from a variety of academic perspectives provides **new ways to engage in civilized discourse.**

Fairfield's unique position to **promote and facilitate positive social change is enhanced.**

Athletics promote the spirit of competition, nurturing University pride and community.



College of Arts & Sciences

Fairfield University's College of Arts and Sciences grounds every student in the 500-year-old Jesuit tradition of academic rigor and personal reflection, while providing them with the critical skills needed to succeed in work and life. Students work closely with our passionate faculty and have the opportunity to study abroad, participate in civic engagement, and conduct hands-on research across a variety of disciplines.

- Interdisciplinary Programs & Integrated Majors
- Communication, Arts, & Media
- Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Service learning initiatives
- Five-year education program

RIGHT: *Scott Lacy, PhD, a cultural anthropologist and associate professor of anthropology, meets with a student during office hours.*

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**TOP 50 PRIVATE, NONPROFIT
“COLLEGES WITH THE
GREATEST RESEARCH-AND-
DEVELOPMENT SPENDING IN
THE HUMANITIES.”**

— *The Chronicle of Higher Education*



The campaign has enabled the College to continue to promote innovation in the classroom and continue to build upon Fairfield's reputation for excellence in the liberal arts and sciences.

Richard Greenwald, PhD
Dean, College of Arts & Sciences


Waide Center for Applied Ethics

Recognizing and honoring alumnus Patrick J. Waide '59 for his longstanding support, the Waide Center advances our shared Jesuit mission of readying every student to be ethical men and women for others. According to David Schmidt, PhD, director of the Waide Center and associate professor of business ethics, student coursework and faculty research is combined with innovative programming that engages the surrounding Fairfield community and broader public audiences. Student and community engagement promotes skills in ethical and case-based reasoning with a unique opportunity to prepare learners for the complex ethical issues in both personal and professional endeavors.

RIGHT: Students in an applied ethics lecture, which focuses on the teaching and analysis of particular moral issues in both private and public life.

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**DURING THE CAMPAIGN,
FAIRFIELD'S SOCIAL POSTS
ABOUT CAMPUS LIFE REACHED
OVER 115,000 UNIQUE MEDIA
USERS PER POST.**



In a secular society that fosters a mindset of 'the end justifies the means,' the most important attribute we bring to the work place is our character and personal integrity. I am so pleased to support Fairfield's commitment to provide every student coursework in applied ethics and to sustain the Center's programs to nurture ethical thinking.

Patrick J. Waide '59

Kanarek Center for Palliative Care Nursing Education

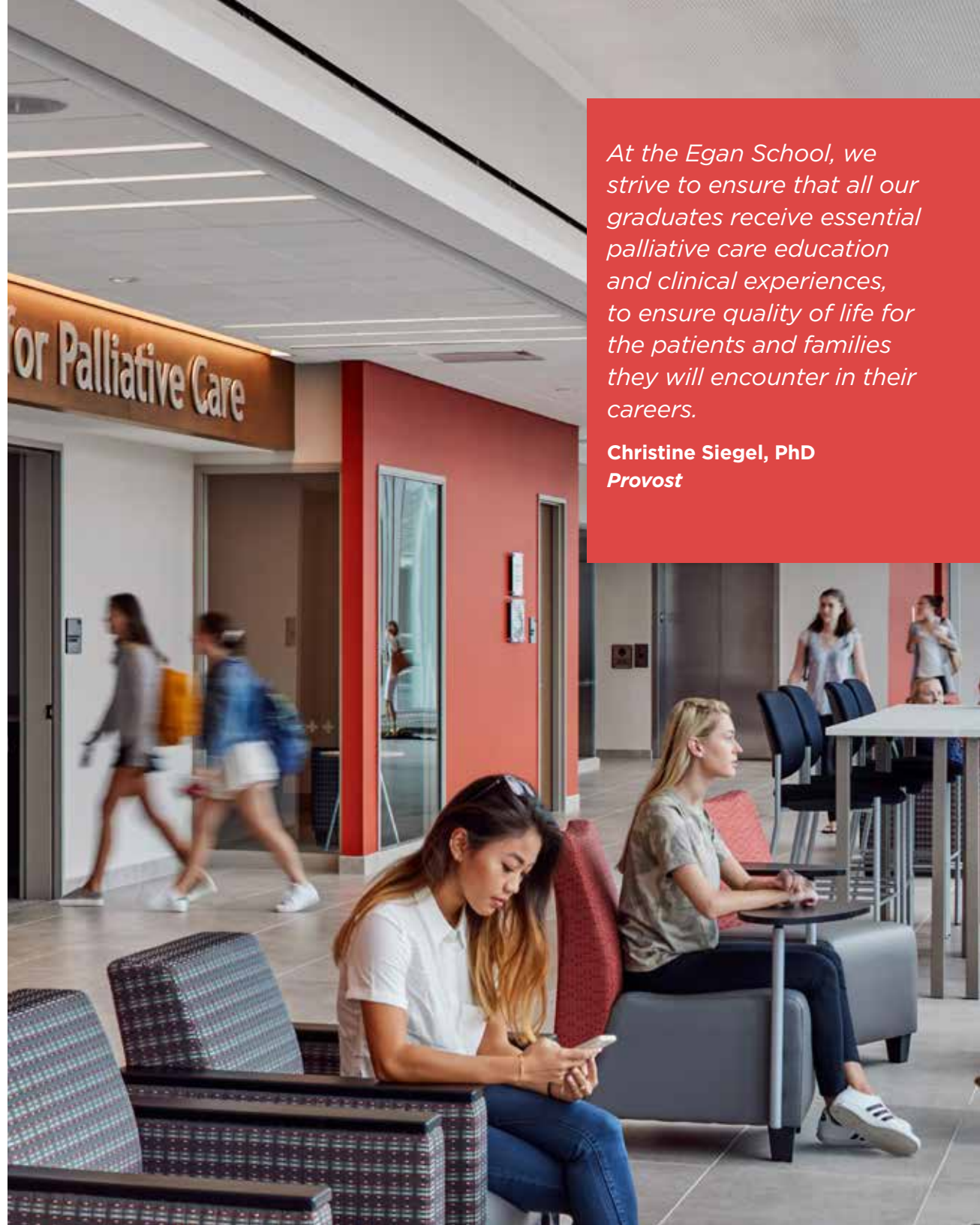
Generosity from Robin Kanarek '96, University alumnus and Trustee, and her husband Joe, the Kanarek Center for Palliative Care Nursing Education provides students with the critical resources and technologies needed to become palliative care-ready.

The new center has dramatically enriched the student learning experience, promoted the need for end-of-life care, and the overall improvement of life for those suffering from serious or life-threatening illnesses.

RIGHT: *Within the new Center for Nursing and Health Studies facility, the Kanarek Center has become a hive of student activity and collaboration to address the broad need for quality and compassionate end-of-life care.*

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**DURING THE CAMPAIGN, THE
NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS INCREASED BY 45%.**



At the Egan School, we strive to ensure that all our graduates receive essential palliative care education and clinical experiences, to ensure quality of life for the patients and families they will encounter in their careers.

Christine Siegel, PhD
Provost

Innovative Learning Tools

Fairfield's academic programs are constantly seeking the use of the most recent and innovative learning tools. A special grant secured during the *Fairfield Rising* campaign enabled the acquisition of a 3D digital Anatomage Table, the world's first dissection table and most technologically advanced human anatomy visualization system. With this emerging and unique new resource in place for students in many programs, Fairfield now stands alongside the world's leading medical schools who recently adopted this new technology.

RIGHT: *Students working with the Anatomage Virtual Dissection Table, which features interactive, multi-layered 3D images of the human anatomy and over 1,000 pathology examples.*

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**DURING THE CAMPAIGN,
THE ADMISSION YIELD
INCREASED TO 15%.**



Students are engaged in a new level of interactive learning and exposed to content that can better prepare them for future health careers through the use of learning tools that were made possible through generosity.

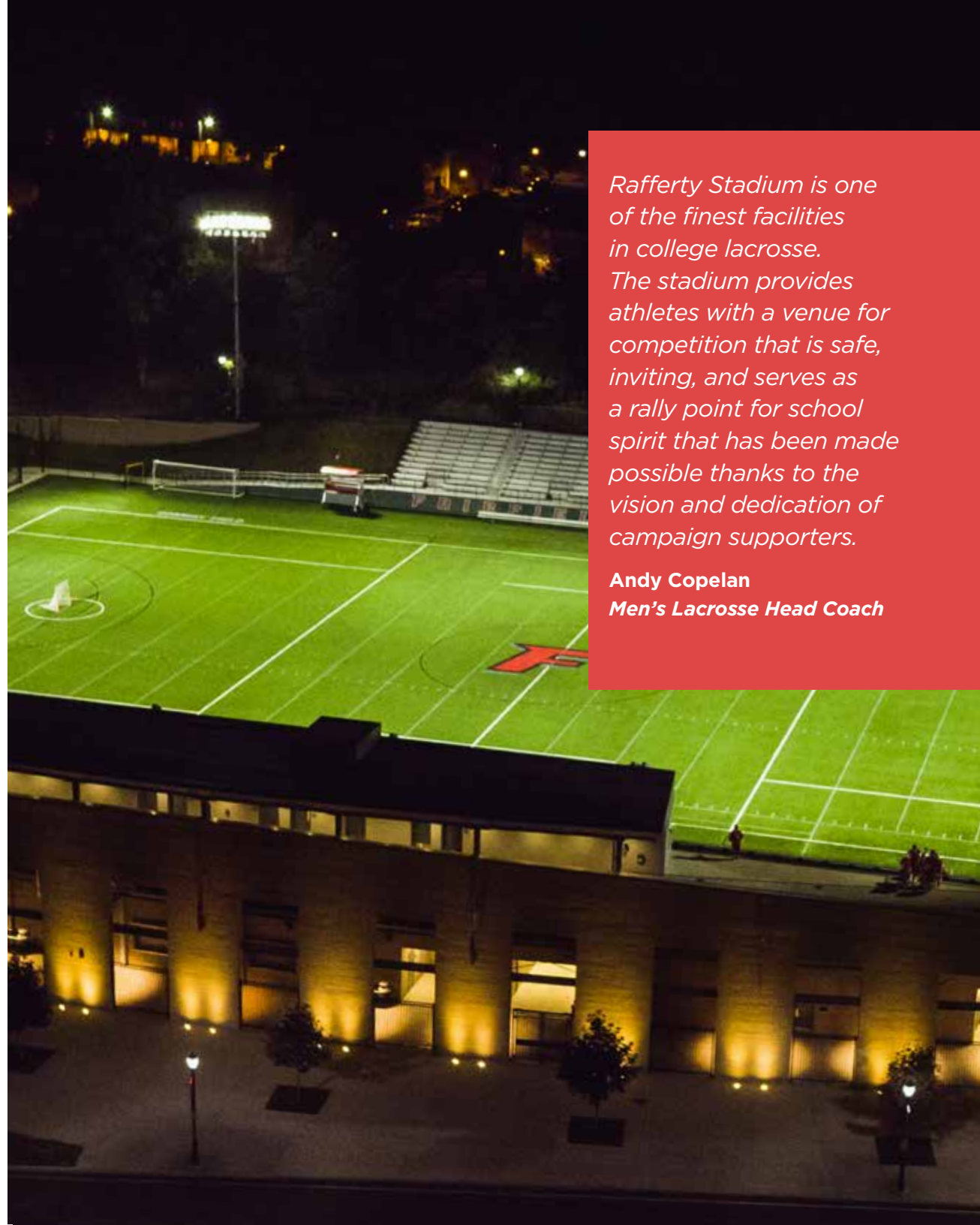
Shelley Phelan, PhD
Professor of Biology

Rafferty Stadium

On April 26th, 2014 a groundbreaking ceremony marked the start of construction at the future home of Rafferty Stadium, the new home to Fairfield Lacrosse. Today, thanks to generosity from the family of University Trustee Lawrence Rafferty '64, P'03, Tim Conway '76 and many other alumni supporters, the 3,500 seat stadium has played host to countless varsity athletic competitions, University and community events, and hosted the Major League Lacrosse semi-final matchup. But the impact of the stadium continues to extend far beyond its physical amenities. While the artificial turf field, lighting, scoreboards, VIP suites, press box, and concessions are welcomed by visitors, the new facility has done so much more for the University. It has raised our national profile, fostered recruitment for all sports, and has become an inviting rallying point for the entire University community to celebrate school spirit, togetherness, competition, and Fairfield pride.

RIGHT: *Rafferty Stadium at night.*

**154 STUDENT-ATHLETES
HAVE EARNED ALL-ACADEMIC
HONORS FROM THE METRO
ATLANTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE.**



Rafferty Stadium is one of the finest facilities in college lacrosse. The stadium provides athletes with a venue for competition that is safe, inviting, and serves as a rally point for school spirit that has been made possible thanks to the vision and dedication of campaign supporters.

Andy Copelan
Men's Lacrosse Head Coach

Student-Athlete Enrichment

Foreign trips are instrumental in the holistic development of our student-athletes and varsity athletic programs overall. Student-athletes are exposed to different cultures and history that the majority would not get to experience without the support of our Friends programs. One of the most valuable opportunities as a Fairfield student-athlete is that you can compete at the NCAA Division I level, earn a valuable degree from a first-class institution and also have the chance to explore our global community.

RIGHT: *The men's basketball team traveled to Florence, Italy in August 2017. (l-r) Tyler Nelson '18, Jared Harper '18, and Jerome Segura '18.*

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**8 OUT OF 10 STUDENT-ATHLETES
HAD A 3.0 GPA OR HIGHER
IN SPRING 2018.**



Throughout my education, it was inspiring to witness so much support of our efforts in the classroom, on the court, and to know of the value placed on enabling off-court experiences that increased our world-perspective and gave us opportunities to impact our local communities.

Jared Harper '18

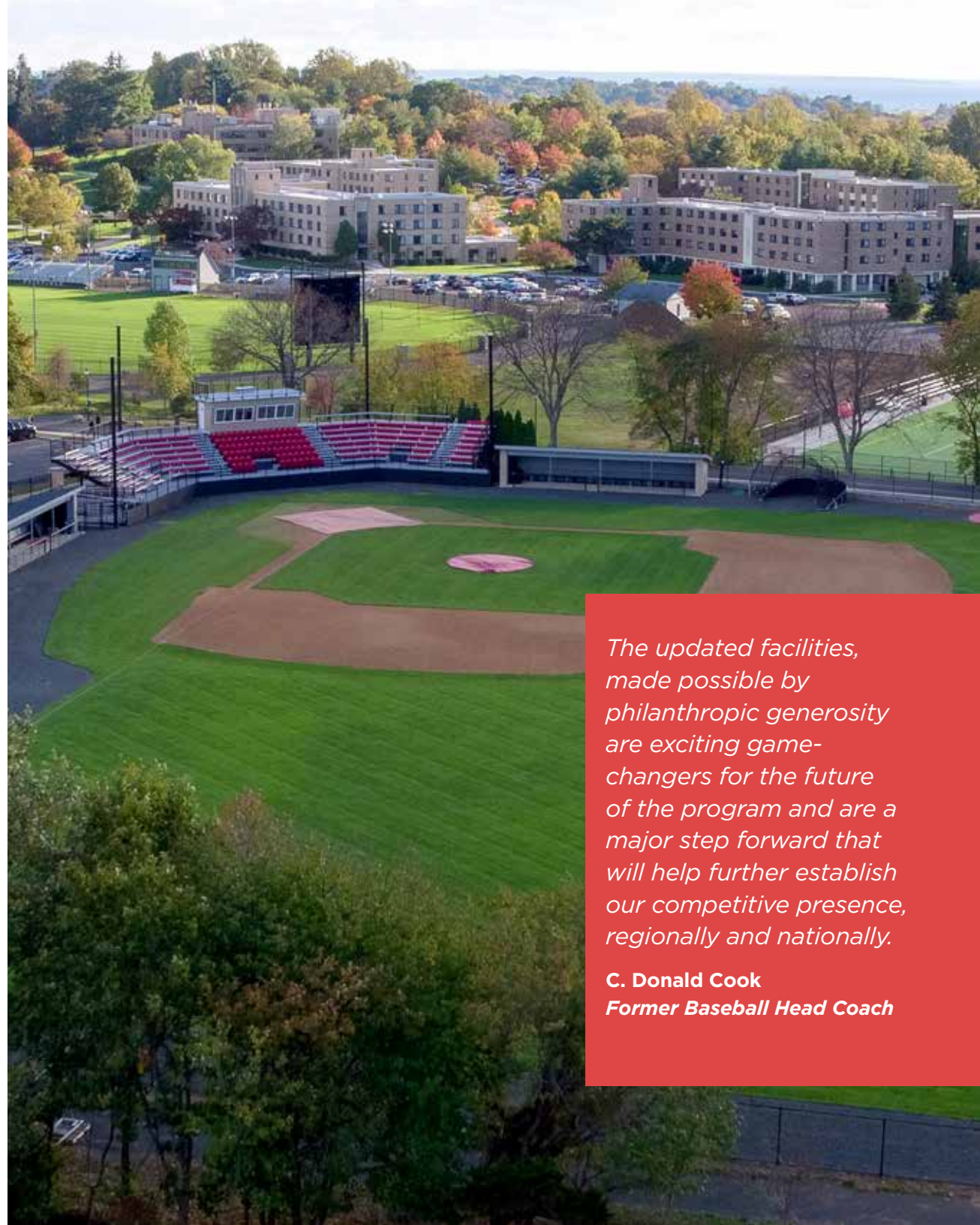
Alumni Diamond Upgrades

As Fairfield Baseball continues its commitment to success and pursuit of another Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) championship, transforming its facilities through campaign generosity presented an exceptional opportunity to build upon the program's successes of the past several years. With facilities telling the unwritten story of the program, the enhanced Alumni Diamond clearly reflects the dedication, good sportsmanship, and camaraderie celebrated within the baseball program.

RIGHT: *The newly renovated Alumni Baseball Diamond features enhanced seating with 80 chair-back seats and a total capacity for 350 fans, a dedicated press box, and professional-style dugouts for our team and visiting competitors.*

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**7 NCAA PUBLIC RECOGNITION
AWARDS RECEIVED BY
FAIRFIELD ATHLETIC TEAMS.**



The updated facilities, made possible by philanthropic generosity are exciting game-changers for the future of the program and are a major step forward that will help further establish our competitive presence, regionally and nationally.

C. Donald Cook
Former Baseball Head Coach



IMPACT: FACILITIES

First-rate facilities welcome passionate learners and support them with innovative learning spaces and technology.

In the **new Center for Nursing and Health Studies**, simulation and task training suites combine with classroom and collaboration space that elevates the level of study and practical experience.

The newly expanded **Leslie C. Quick Jr. RecPlex** ensures that **students and faculty can pursue wellness** and care for the Mind, Body, and Spirit through exercise and healthy habits.

A new, 84,500 square-foot home for the Dolan School of Business will open in 2019, continuing to provide a world-class, values-based, and ethical business education.



Center for Nursing and Health Studies

Fully equipped with first-rate technology, active learning classrooms, collaboration spaces, and a variety of clinical simulation resources, the Center enhances the reputation, and visibility of our nationally ranked Nursing Program.

Building on its accomplishments via this new facility, the school has become one of 16 national nursing programs selected and named as a National League for Nursing (NLN) Center of Excellence given sustained excellence in faculty development, nursing education research, and student learning and professional development.

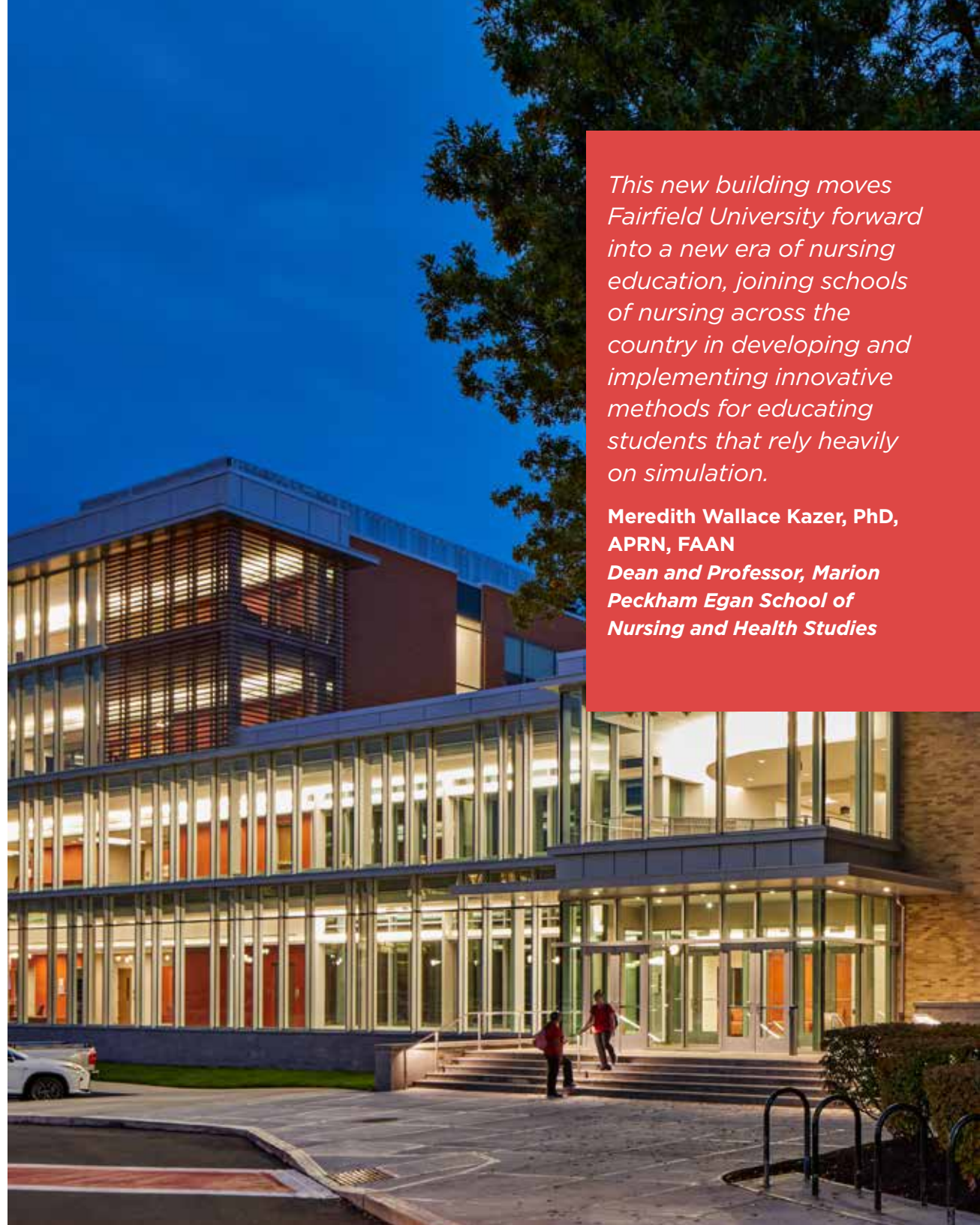
RIGHT: *About four times the size of the previous facility, the Center for Nursing and Health Studies, with open collaborative areas, state-of-the art simulation equipment and improved clinical learning environments, is home to the Marion Peckham Egan School of Nursing and Health Studies.*

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**DURING THE CAMPAIGN, THE
UNIVERSITY'S ENDOWMENT
GREW BY 40%.**

This new building moves Fairfield University forward into a new era of nursing education, joining schools of nursing across the country in developing and implementing innovative methods for educating students that rely heavily on simulation.

**Meredith Wallace Kazer, PhD,
APRN, FAAN**
*Dean and Professor, Marion
Peckham Egan School of
Nursing and Health Studies*





Campaign generosity has had a dramatic effect on the quality of student life across the Fairfield campus.

Rafferty Stadium and Conway Field

Rafferty Stadium and Conway Field have risen to provide a new home for Fairfield Athletic competition, creating a space that fosters school spirit, creates community, and elevates the level of competition and pursuit of excellence.

ABOVE FROM TOP LEFT: Will Fox '18 scoops up a ground ball on Conway Field at Rafferty Stadium; An aerial view of the new Rafferty Stadium; Students workout on state-of-the-art exercise equipment at the RecPlex; An exterior view of the Leslie C. Quick Jr. RecPlex renovation; Interiors of the significantly expanded Tully Dining Commons where students can watch chefs prepare fresh, farm-to-table meals.

Leslie C. Quick Jr. RecPlex

Significantly expanded and fully renovated, the new Leslie C. Quick Jr. Recreational Complex or "RecPlex" welcomes nearly every member of the campus community with access to equipment and other amenities that are critical for the care of the mind, body, and spirit – fostering good habits that will last a lifetime.

DURING THE CAMPAIGN, FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY'S ECONOMIC IMPACT ON THE LOCAL ECONOMY EXCEEDED **OVER \$1 BILLION.**



The Tully Dining Commons

With more than 80% of all Fairfield students living on campus, the newly opened Daniel and Grace Tully Dining Commons offers food for more than just thought. Featuring “Mindful” meals and “Simple Servings and MyZone” ensure that students can make healthy choices and ensure visitors are free from potentially harmful allergens. Thanks to donor generosity, students have a variety of dining choices that include a deli, grill, and vegetarian options. The Tully even encourages students to share their favorite recipes from home as suggestions to maintain a wider and balanced diet.



Charles F. Dolan School of Business

Already one of the highest ranked business schools in the nation, the new Charles F. Dolan School of Business facility will author a new chapter of excellence and innovation at Fairfield University when it opens in 2019. Resulting from an anonymous gift, the largest in University history, the new 84,500 square-foot facility will feature a simulated financial trading room, big-data analytics lab, entrepreneurship center with ideation lab space, visualization and simulation labs, and active-learning and case-based academic classrooms. It will also be home to innovative features including a one-button-studio and behavioral research lab, and the University's Waide Center for Applied Ethics.

RIGHT: *A rendering of the new Dolan School of Business, which will open in the fall of 2019. Rendering by the S/L/A/M Collaborative.*

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BY APPROXIMATELY 340,000
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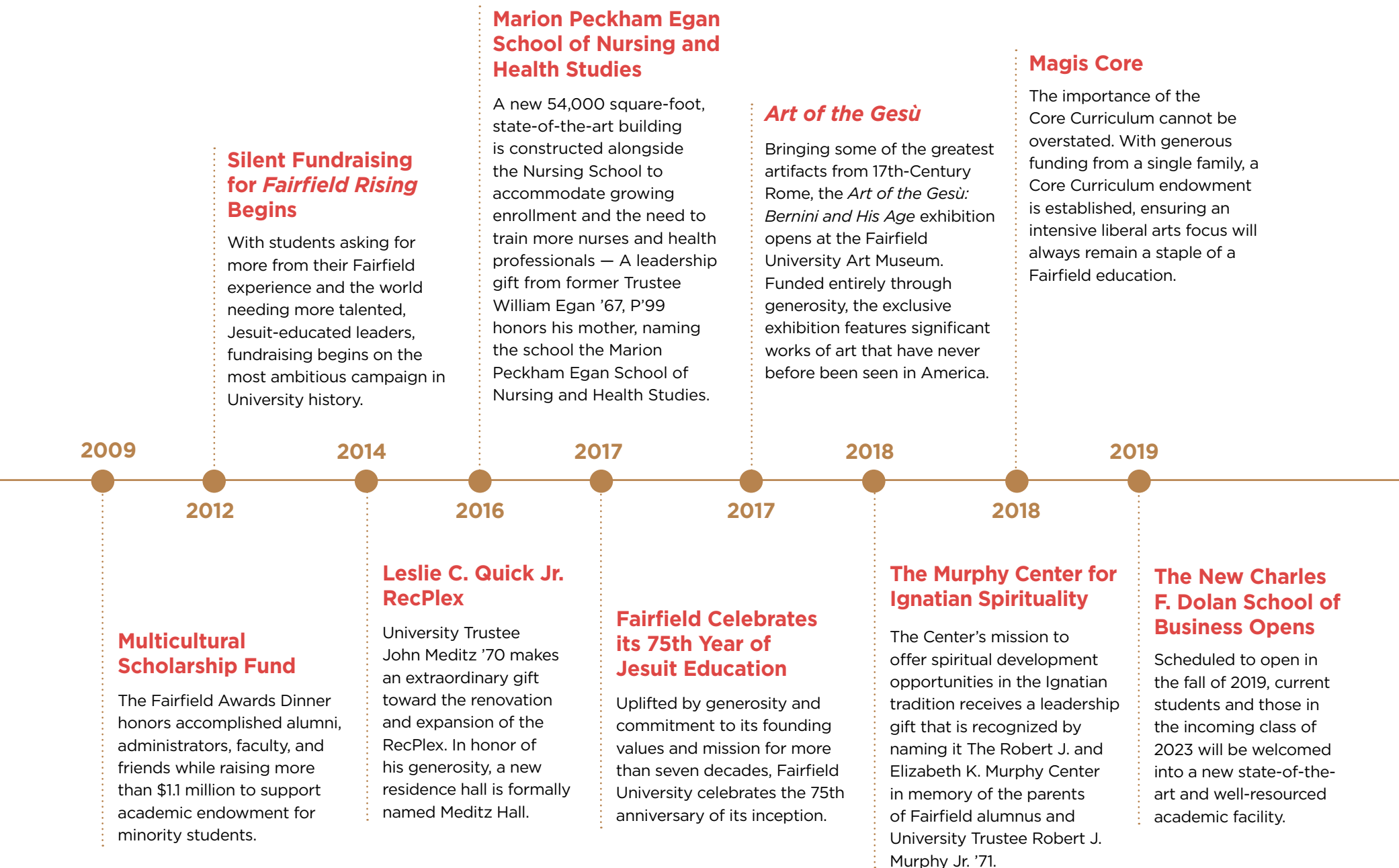
This new building exemplifies what the Dolan School has become: a leading school for business education, developing students to be innovative and principled leaders for a better world.

Zhan Li, DBA

Dean, Dolan School of Business

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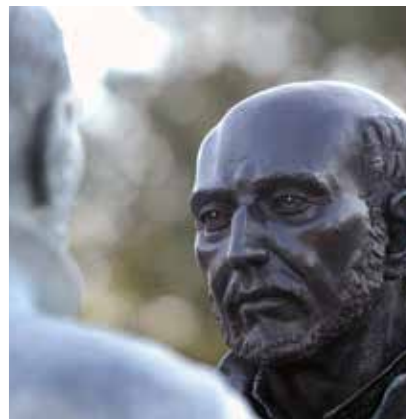
Fairfield Rising has elevated our University to a new level of excellence as a result of the generosity expressed by passionate alumni, dedicated parents, and so many very special friends.

Together, every donor who contributed had a direct impact on the achievement of an exceptional vision. And, in doing so, the bar for what will become possible in our future has clearly risen even higher. With tremendous investment in academics, newly available scholarship resources, enhanced student life, competitive athletics, and essential giving to the Fairfield Fund, a renewed sense of purpose has been instilled in our supporters for their vital role in Fairfield's past, present, and vibrant future.

Thank you again for your generous support, encouraging enthusiasm, and for celebrating all of the things that make us proud to be Stags.

Sincerely,

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Vice President, University Advancement



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