

Seagles

A MONTHLY BULLETIN OF THE BC CLUB OF CAPE COD



AUGUST 2, 2024

FALMOUTH EVENT!

For those who weren't able to join us for the annual lobster cruise, a few seats remain on the schooner *Liberte* for a sunset cruise of the sound. The cruise boards at 6:00 p.m. from 227 Clinton Ave, Falmouth. Cost for members is \$49/pp.

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SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

GOLF TOURNAMENT

The annual golf tournament supporting the Cape Veterans Outreach Center will be held at Dennis Highlands on **9/13**.

The entry fee includes greens fee, cart, and lunch. And, there are multiple opportunities to sponsor the event. For more information visit the BCCC website. bcclubofcapecod.com/events

SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

RED BANDANA GAME

The Club is organizing a gathering for BC's annual Red Bandana Game at a Cape sports bar. This year the Eagles will face off against the Michigan State Spartans. Details will be sent in a separate notice. **If interested in joining fellow alum please contact Mary Ellen Joyce at mejphd@gmail.com.**



For Welles

BC plays a game known as the Red Bandana every year in honor of Welles Crowther, a Boston College alum who sacrificed his life to bring others to safety on September 11th, 2001 in New York City. Crowther has been an inspiration to the entire Boston College community and beyond since his heroic acts that day and is the true embodiment of BC's mission of "men and women for others." Join with alumni on the Cape to watch this year's Red Bandana Game.

Why BCCCC? Hear from Members

It may be the dog days of summer but BCCCC members are enjoying barbeques and sailing on the *Liberte*, the Club's latest activity. Alumni continue to tell us why they are dues-paying members.

"Being part of the BC club gives me the opportunity to stay connected with the school while meeting other Cape Codders who have fond memories of the Heights." Eleanor Gerson

"Being a member of the BC Club of Cape Cod is a great way to make connections with other BC alumni on Cape Cod." Ann Fay Michaels

"I enjoy BC Club of CAPE Cod because it helps me to keep in touch with good friends, and I also appreciate the charitable events which the BC Club supports." Bill Riley

"Being a member of the Club has provided me with a valuable connection to my fellow Eagles ever since I relocated to Cape Cod several years ago. It's been instrumental in helping me maintain my ties to the wonderful BC alumni community. The events and activities organized by the Club have been truly fantastic, offering me opportunities for both enjoyment and networking." Gina Kovach

FOR BOSTON!

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CONGRATS BC WOMEN'S LACROSSE TEAM!

This May BC's Women's Lacrosse Team won its second national championship defeating the defending champion Northwestern 14-13. On July 22, 2024, the team celebrated its title at the White House (below).





BACK TO THE FUTURE: MESSINA COLLEGE OPENS

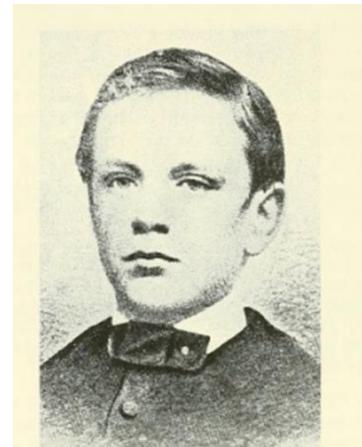
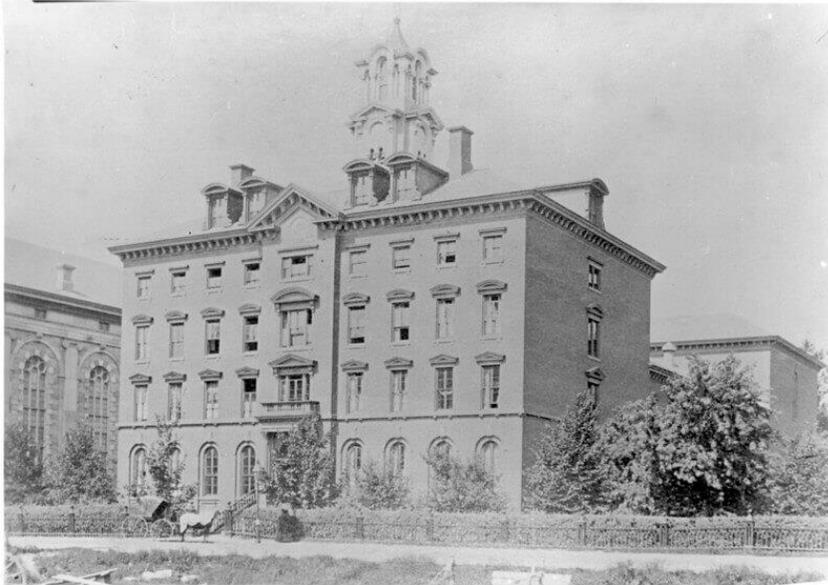
This summer Boston College welcomed 110 students of the inaugural class of the new Messina College, located on the Brookline campus (formerly Pine Manor College) just one mile from the main campus. Messina is part of the University's \$100 million Pine Minor Institute for Student Success initiative to enhance educational opportunity for underrepresented, first-generation students and marks the first time BC will offer an associate's degree. BC's Messina College is named after the first Jesuit school founded in Sicily, Italy, in 1548.

As noted by BC President Rev. William P. Leahy, S.J., Messina will help increase access to high quality education for underrecognized groups. As he noted, "Boston College was founded in 1863 to help educate Boston's immigrant community. The Pine Manor Institute represents an extension of our mission in response to societal needs."

As alumni know, Boston College was founded in 1863 by the Society of Jesus to educate Boston's predominantly Irish, Catholic immigrant community. It opened its doors on September 5, 1864, in a building on Harrison Avenue in Boston's South End, a "small streetcar college" for commuting students.

It was no small feat to establish the college. Due largely to the vision and leadership of Rev. John McElroy, S.J., efforts were undertaken in the 1850s to build an institution to provide educational opportunities for the newly arrived immigrants of Boston. Despite efforts of the new political group, the Know Nothings, who sought to block the sale of land for McElroy's college (petitions at the time expressed fears that it would bring with it the "Irish rif-raff" and lower the status of the neighborhood), McElroy persevered, signing documents founding Boston College in 1863.

Below: BC's first building on Harrison Avenue, Boston.



Daniel M. C. McAvoy, the first student to register when Boston College opened in September, 1864.

Messina is sited at the former Pine Manor College in Brookline that moved there from Wellesley in 1965. Previously the main building and grounds were part of an estate known as Roughwood, the residence of Ernest B. Dane. Born in Brookline, Massachusetts, Ernest Blaney Dane (1868–1942) was a banker and philanthropist as well as the president and treasurer of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. In 1903, he married Helen Pratt (1867–1949), daughter of Charles Pratt (a Standard Oil tycoon and founder of the Pratt Institute in New York). They purchased the Brookline property in 1904.



The 2-year residential program is aligned with BC's Core Curriculum and offers the majors of applied data science, applied psychology and human development, general business, and health sciences. With their degree, students can apply to earn their bachelor's degrees at BC or other four-year colleges and universities

Rochelli Silverio of Lawrence, who is studying general business, said she appreciates that the program was designed for students like her. "I have always heard about BC. A lot of my teachers went to BC," she said. "When I heard about Messina College, it was great that it was part of BC, but also for people like me who are first generation, immigrants, people who might be defined as 'other,'" said Silverio, who is from the Dominican Republic. One of six children, Silverio said she's looking forward to "having my own place to study, all the support they have for us here, and working hard, like my mother, who works so hard for our family."

WELCOME TO THE INAUGURAL CLASS OF MESSINA COLLEGE!



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YkgJFKmkATk>



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Erratum

The Clough School of Theology and Ministry's main building, Simboli Hall, was misidentified in the July newsletter. **Simboli Hall** was named in honor of longtime BC benefactor Anthony C. "Tony" Simboli '50 and his wife Gloria in 2015. As BC President William Leahy noted at the dedication ceremony, Simboli Hall will be recognized as a place dedicated "to the religious and intellectual heritage that is part of Boston College's value system...Tony and Gloria Simboli join some of the other important family names – Carney Cadigan, Walsh, McMullen – who have left a legacy at Boston College."



[Dedication of Simboli Hall 2015](#)