



## ANNA MARIA COLLEGE

### PARENT & FAMILY NEWSLETTER / MAY 2024

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We have been honored to share this academic year with you and your students. Whether your student is graduating or will be returning in the fall, we hope you enjoy our final family newsletter for this semester. As always, please reach out if you have any questions or comments. Have a wonderful summer!

### UPCOMING EVENTS / COMMENCEMENT 2024

For families of graduating students, the big day is almost here! In addition to the **Commencement Ceremony on Monday, May 13th at the DCU Center**, there are several important celebrations happening on campus on **Saturday, May 11th**:

- Social Work Pinning at 1:00 pm in Zecco Performing Arts Center
- Nursing Pinning at 3:00 pm in Zecco Performing Arts Center
- Baccalaureate Mass & Hooding Ceremony at 5:00 pm in Fuller Activities Center.

We look forward to celebrating with you!



**Monday, May  
13th**

**10:00 am**

**DCU Center Arena**

**Worcester, MA**

#### COMMENCEMENT TIPS

- Doors at the DCU Center open at 8:00 am for students, 9:00 am for guests.
- Graduates must be at student lineup by 9:00 am!
- Please plan extra time for parking and getting to the arena.
- No tickets are required, but seating is first-come, first-served.
- A drop-off area is located at the main arena entrance for guests with limited mobility. Staff will be available in the lobby to assist with accessible seating.
- The ceremony will be livestreamed from our website.

**Click here for Commencement  
live stream**



## Class of 2024 Senior Gift Special

Celebrate your graduate's achievement and add your message to our Legacy Walkway!

Class of 2024 can add their brick for \$20.24!

[Click here to add a brick!](#)

Giving as a gift? We will provide a certificate to present to the graduate! Bricks will be placed in early September, 2024 in time for Homecoming & Reunion weekend!

In August 2017, Anna Maria's iconic gazebo was moved to the center of campus. Students saw a need to make the new location easily accessible and were inspired to create a personalized brick pathway to the gazebo. As their senior gift to the College, the Class of 2018, began efforts to sell bricks to students, alumni, parents, faculty, staff and community members.

We are currently working towards a new installation to the walkway in 2024.

## RESIDENCE LIFE NOTES

### Residence Hall Closing

Residence Halls close for non-graduating students on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, and for graduating students on Monday, May 13, 2024. Students can request to stay late to accommodate travel plans and other extenuating circumstances using the Break Housing Form. We ask that students let us know as soon as possible if they need to stay late.

[Spring 2024 Late Stay Request Form](#)

### Summer Housing

Summer Housing Applications have launched. Housing is provided at \$125/week or \$1300 for the full summer. For all terms and conditions, check out the Summer Housing Application!

[Summer 2024 Housing Form](#)

### 2024 – 2025 Housing Assignments

We had a successful Housing Selection process for all current students looking to live on campus for the 2024 – 2025 academic year! If your student was not able to partake or has changed plans and is now looking to live on campus next year, they can email us at [reslife@annamaria.edu](mailto:reslife@annamaria.edu) and we'll be able to work with them to finalize a housing assignment!

## CAMPUS UPDATES

### Coming Soon!

Construction is underway in Miriam Hall, the future site for our **Nursing and Paramedic Education** labs and lecture space.

The updates are scheduled to be completed for the fall semester.



### New Police Academy Partnership

Anna Maria College has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Massachusetts Municipal Police Training Committee (MPTC) to streamline the process for qualified Anna Maria seniors to enter an MPTC academy. MPTC is the state agency charged with providing training for police officers. This partnership is a significant step forward for aspiring law enforcement officers in Massachusetts, providing a clear educational path to a meaningful career and Anna Maria will be the first four-year institution to partner with MPTC. "The MPTC is committed to investing in the future generation of law enforcement officers who will serve and protect the great communities across the state," said MPTC Executive Director Robert Ferullo (Ret. Police Chief). "This partnership with Anna Maria College is a continued effort to support opportunities for individuals to embark on the journey to a meaningful career in law enforcement through different avenues like undergraduate and graduate criminal justice programs."

[Read More Here](#)

# 15th Annual Anna Maria College Golf Tournament Raffle



## 2 Red Sox Tickets in the Putnam Club

*Includes a \$100 dinner gift card, on-field access before the game, and a message on the display board in Fenway Park*



## 15-Person Catered Event by Sodexo

*Must live 20 miles from the Anna Maria College campus*



## Golf for 3 or Dinner with President Retelle

*Choose between golf or dinner at the Worcester Country Club.*

*Date TBD by Winner*



## Boston Getaway

*Includes a \$500 gift card to Marriott Hotels and a \$100 dinner gift card*



## \$500 Worth of Scratch Tickets

*A bunch of different varieties of scratch tickets totaling \$500*

**Scan the QR code below or click here to enter!**

Proceeds benefit student scholarships.

Drawing to be held **June 3rd** at the tournament.

*You do not have to be present to win!*



## SAMPLING OF OUR RECENT EVENTS



### Anna Maria College celebrates students and faculty at the 2024 Academic Awards

On April 24, students, faculty, and families came together to celebrate the academic achievements of the campus community. Congratulations to all the



### Anna Maria College recognizes student athletes at the 2024 Athletic Awards

On April 30, student athletes were recognized at our Athletic Awards ceremony. Congratulations to our Athletes of the Year Ryan Russell, Guillaume



### Anna Maria College honors student leaders at the Student Life Celebration

On April 28, students, faculty and staff gathered to honor the many student leaders that have enhanced campus life throughout the year. Individual students,



award winners and honor society inductees! See the award winners names and more event photos here:

### 2024 Academic Awards

Coulombe and Shay Savoie as well as the rest of the award winners! It was a great night as our spring season comes to a close.

student-led organizations, and collaborative programs were recognized for their contributions. Our winners helped to make this a great year in Student Activities and Residence Life!

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## Spring Week 2024

Students enjoyed a full week of fun during Spring Week, which was held April 15-21.



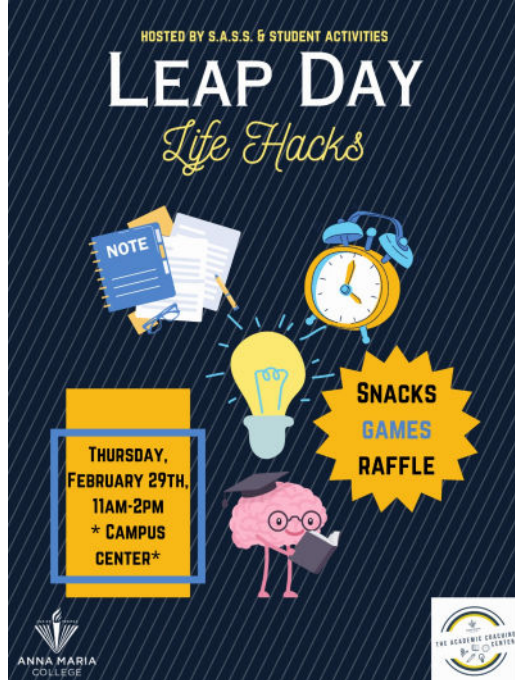
Activities included:

- Duck Day - Find a duck, win prizes
- Glow and Grub - Glow-in-the-dark activities
- Grease Movie Night
- Great Gatsby Dance
- Spring Fusion Festival



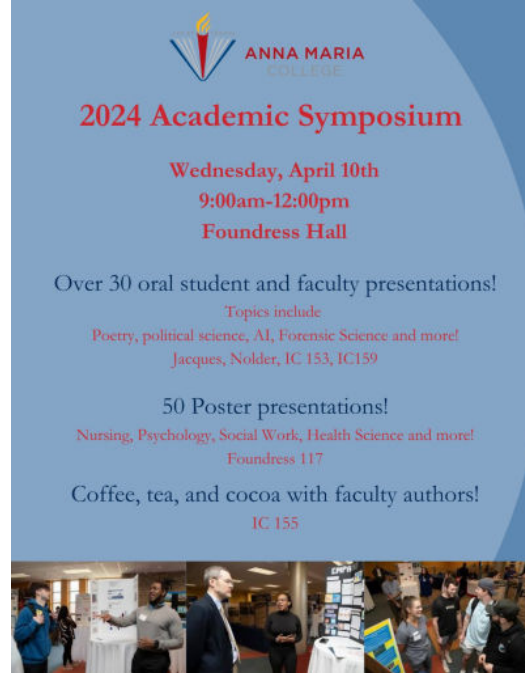
The week was capped off by our **Spring Carnival** with music, games, food, and rides!

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Leap Day Life Hacks was an event brought to you by the collaboration of Student Life with the Academic Coaching Center on campus. Students who came to play games that were designed to assist them with note-taking skills, time management, and studying skills. The students who stayed to play all three games at each station were entered in a raffle for the latest Apple Air Pods!

The students had fun playing memory games, clue, and timed puzzles all while enjoying snacks and laughs with the staff of the Academic Coaching Center.



Anna Maria College celebrated the academic accomplishments of students and faculty at the 2024 Academic Symposium.

You can find presentation abstracts and a downloadable program guide here:

<https://annamaria.edu/academics/academic-symposium/>.

Congratulations to everyone who presented!



## First-Year Block Party

First-Year students took a well-deserved break from studying and finals at the Madonna Hall Block Party held on April 29.

This event was hosted by Assistant Director of Residence Life for First-Year Experience Melisa Loa and Director of Student Activities Becky Lindley.

Students enjoyed music, lawn games, and ice cream on a beautiful spring day! A slideshow showcasing students' best memories from the Fall Semester was a fun and enlightening part of this event.



### AMCAST Podcast: Revive

During our recent episode on internships, graduating psychology senior Ahna Mento spoke of her work at **Revive**, a recovery community outreach program focused on fitness and recovery. In this episode, we interview Revive's president and co-founder, Anthony Bizzotto, and Revive COO and coach Cassie Bergeron. Of course Prof. Lisa Williams returns as well as Ahna. Listen the story on how this nonprofit got started and the impact it is having in the region.

[Click here to listen!](#)



### Senior Class Art Exhibit

The Senior Art/Design Exhibition 2 was held April 24-29 in the Miriam Hall Art Gallery. Congratulations to seniors: Bobbilyn Baillargeon, Video and Photographic Arts, Senior Art Exhibition; Willow Harvey, Art Therapy, Taste the Rainbow; Grace Kotoski, Digital Social Media Design, GraceLand; and Victoria Leger, Video and Photographic Arts, Darker Life.

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