

mate **Steve Golas** and the Portland, OR, **Menna Darveau** is now at Media's Boston radio received a well-deserved football season beckons back to the Heights. **Ellen Paisley Lee**, **Dan (Dy) McBride**, **Betsy O'Connell** '81 and **Steve Menna Darveau** can come game, tailgating mates are invited to stop **Berger** writes that she **Richard Ho Lung**, who essor our senior year. He ass to come on mission **Gina** reports that they missionaries of the poor. eeded any further k out our class Facebook ncher: **John Carabatsos** music historian de facto! "BC 1980—Looking Class of 1980 Song of t and/or join BC Class of . Here's your quarterly nge: How do you/will ease share! e **Nadeem** ail.com

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the Philly BC Alumni Golf Outing on July Our class was very well to **Greg**, **Tim Laughlin**, **Cucuel**, **Joe Harkins**, **Fogarty**, **Paul Bronzo** e, brother of **Kathy** oined Ed. Following **Gorga** hosted a mini- ng in Mendham, NJ, **ellam**, **Phil Murray**, **Cucuel**, **Greg**, and **Ed**. re to report on the ournament in my ever miss reporting on e their spirit! • **Meg** rites that she and her ated in two great BC t summer. One was a Island Sound hosted **ardwil** **Dudzik**. **Brett Kellam** and **JT Fucigna** raves, attended. **Meg** stic time and is happy eat with everyone! any milestones: high ollege graduations, kids s gainfully employed!" g was hosted by **Kevin** e at their beautiful on Cape Cod. **Tom elly** and two of their Chicago. **Jay** and t and **Meg** and **Pat** "all eekend! All is great with eg also had a chance **Westerman Bostwick**

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In 1976, I was the first PULSE Victory House volunteer. This year, Victory Programs has some 18 PULSE students volunteering across our programs. Our collaboration with BC has been absolutely stellar.”

—Jonathan Scott '79



A History of Firsts

“I like to say I’m the longest-serving PULSE student on record,” says Jonathan Scott.

The hallmark Boston College service learning program placed Scott in Victory House, a South End shelter for homeless men. He was Victory House’s first volunteer. Scott describes that volunteer job as “human breathalyzer,” checking to see if residents were sober enough to enter. Four decades later, he’s still there—but now, as president and CEO of Victory Programs, he operates 18 health and housing programs in Greater Boston, serving more than 2,300 men, women, and children annually.

When Scott first entered Victory House, its clientele were men struggling with drug and alcohol addiction. Over the next few years, HIV/AIDS would radically change the landscape for social service agencies. When Scott became executive director of Victory Programs in 1984, the crisis was at its height. Victory House became one of the first programs in the state to admit residents living with HIV and AIDS.

“Since the beginning, we have been committed to helping anyone in need,” says Scott. “We have a history of firsts: the first to take risks in new areas of health and housing; the first to admit those in residential treatment on medication management; the first to provide housing for those living with HIV/AIDS and addiction; the first to welcome those who are gay or trans-identified—among others.”

Today, Victory Programs helps its clients find pathways to stable housing and recover from addiction, and advocates for public policy changes that will improve the lives of those it serves. This year, it celebrated its 40th anniversary.

Jonathan Scott '79

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