Class Notes

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Law firm Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom. She’s been an attorney in the firm’s political law group since 2008.

1986 Diane Abrahamian (MM) (see ’79).

2004 Elizabeth Wells (PhD), professor in the music department at Mount Allison University in New Brunswick, Canada, writes that her 2011 book, *West Side Story: Cultural Perspectives on an American Musical* (Scarecrow Press), won the American Musicological Society’s Music in American Culture Award in 2012.

2011 Amy Garapic (MM) works in New York City for Make Music New York. She was featured in the *New York Times* in June for the project she organized and directed, Rhythm on Rikers. The project provided hand drum and music theory lessons to 10 inmates with little or no musical experience. Amy writes: “Joined by five colleagues, I entered the prison each Tuesday morning for two hours to teach about music, creativity, community, confidence, and learned even more about all of these things myself along the way.” At the end of the 10 weeks, the participants performed two concerts to an audience of almost 300 fellow inmates. . . .

Erin Gonzalez (MM), a mezzo-soprano, has been selected as one of four artists-in-residence for the 2013–14 season by the Florentine Opera Company. Close to 200 singers auditioned for the program, designated for promising singers just starting their careers.

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School of Medicine and Dentistry

1960 William Hermance (MD) (see ’56 College).

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School of Nursing

1970 Nancy Heller Cohen (see ’70 College).

1999 Elizabeth Heavey (MS) was awarded the New York State Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching. She’s an associate professor of nursing at SUNY Brockport.

Simon School of Business

1969 Alan Lobel (MBA) (see ’68 College).

1989 Peter Gaylord (MBA) has