Hugh Devlin, ’64 (center), and the Rev. John P. McNamee (left) were recently honored by the La Salle University Alumni Association, represented by Alumni Association President Jim Ahern, ’70 (right), for their outstanding contributions to La Salle and to the Philadelphia community, respectively.

Devlin, a member of La Salle’s Class of 1964 and retired Managing Director of Morgan Stanley, was Chair of the University’s Shoulder to Shoulder: Securing the Future major gift initiative that wrapped up in the fall of 2007, having raised more than $28 million to strengthen the endowment and fund a brand-new science and technology facility. The center, scheduled to open in 2009, will be home to the Hugh and Nancy Devlin Center for Science and Technology. For his leadership in service to the University, the Alumni Association honored him with its John J. Finley, ’24, Award.

Fr. McNamee, pastor of St. Malachy School and Parish in North Philadelphia for more than 35 years, has been awarded the Signum Fidei Medal for his contributions to humanitarian principles and to upholding the mission and goals of La Salle University and the Christian Brothers. Fr. McNamee, known as a tireless advocate for his neighborhood and its residents, distributes food to the poor each evening and lends a hand to neighborhood kids in trouble. Fr. McNamee has also been active in Dorothy Day’s Catholic Worker Movement, the Ludlow Youth Community Center, and the Southwest Community Enrichment Center.