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Mount St. Mary's College & Seminary

Dear Mount Magazine

■ Thanks for covering the Mount Rugby Team in the fall 2001 issue. I played rugby all four years at the Mount and continued to play for Division I men's clubs after graduation. My children have grown up around the sport and have shared their home with touring British, Russian and Zimbabwean players. Rugby experiences form strong business and social bonds among its participants internationally. To be referred to as a member of the cadre' of Mountain Ruggers is a unique statement about one's values. It means one is loyal, a team player, can think under pressure, "out of the box", is down to earth, tough and usually successful in life.

I had the honor playing for a MSM alumni and regular side last summer 2001 during a major rugby tournament at Sea Girt, N.J. A few weeks later my family hosted the team and its supporters at my home in Annapolis after its matches with Navy. Through this I got to know an extraordinarily fine group of people. In addition to debunking the outdated myths about rugby and its participants as described in the article, there are reasons to get behind this sport at the Mount.

Rugby is the fastest growing youth sport in America. Like soccer, the participants are boys and girls. Future incoming freshmen will expect a rugby program because they will have played high school.

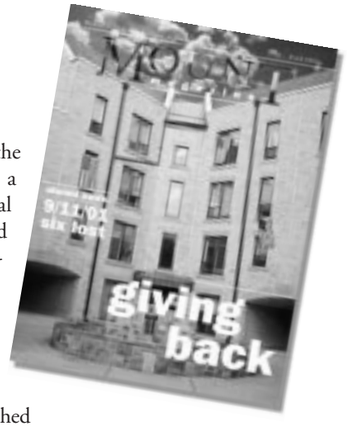
The vast majority of colleges and universities already have established programs. Rugby is now organized nationally under one unified organization that oversees professional referees, youth rugby, collegiate clubs, men's clubs, divisions and the national team that competes for the Rugby World Cup. Mount Rugby is part of this organization.

The basic building block for rugby is the "club". Club is an international term that goes beyond the concept of team. A men's rugby club would traditionally have a club house for hosting visiting sides, its own dedicated manicured pitch and a staff of coaches. Men's clubs incorporate youth, women and old boys sides under the club organization. Rugby clubs are traditionally outreach oriented and perform charity functions for the local community. The charitable services that the Mount Rugby Club currently performs are the norm not the exception.

The Mount St. Mary's Rugby Club is very, very well lead under Coach Don Briggs. After taking over in the late 90s he immediately raised money from supportive alumni and parents and then took the Mount to Ireland during Spring Break, giving the team critical international experience. Mount Rugby has had a winning tradition ever since.

If you talk with current players and recent alumni whom have played under Briggs' program they will tell you how rugby enriched their college experience at the Mount. I hope as an alumnus, that the Mount realizes the opportunity offered by the current rugby program as a way to seize international exposure for the school and enhance the college experience of future students.

John Graham, C'82



■ It is so unfortunate that Mount St. Mary's was touched so deeply by the events of Sept. 11th. At a small school such as the Mount we know how the passing of just one person effects so many.

I am sure that you have heard from many people about how those attacks affected their lives. I hope you have time for one more.

Since its inception in 1992, I have been involved with a charitable organization called Angel Flight East. This organization is comprised of volunteer pilots that fly for free, medically and financially needy families to medical care as well as emergency personnel and medical supplies during times of national crisis.

As so many Americans will tell you, the feeling of helplessness overwhelmed many after Sept. 11th. They did not know how to help. I woke up on Tuesday, September 12th, not knowing how I could help, just knowing I had to try.

I arrived at the Angel Flight office and immediately was on the phone calling volunteers. Our earth angels, non flying volunteers, contacted our pilots and found out who was available to fly. Within 30 hours of the attacks our first pilot was in the air. From that day forward, almost 24 hours a day, we have been busy contacting different organizations in New York City such as the NYPD, NYFD, The Port Authority of N.Y. and N.J., etc. to let them know that Angel Flight was ready to fly. Most could not believe we were flying since all other aviation was grounded. Our reputation and years of service gained us invaluable trust from the Federal Aviation Administration which allowed us to fly when no one else could.

We flew over 85 missions directly helping the relief efforts in both New York and Washington D.C. Our pilots flew blood, American Red Cross personnel, firefighters, and search dog teams, including the dogs. We also continued to fly financially needy families to medical care during this trying time. This group of volunteers gave back to the community, selflessly.

I am now acting executive director of this amazing organization and truly proud of their efforts. Thank you for letting me tell you about these Angels.

Tamara Bream, C'85

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Remembering Our Heroes

There are two World War II memorials on our campus. Unfortunately, both are fairly unknown to current students, even though full of memories to our alumni. They are, of course, Memorial Gym and the anti-aircraft gun from the USS Detroit, which survived the tragic Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941.

It was at the meeting of the old College Council under then-president Monsignor Sheridan that Father Calhane, treasurer of the college, proposed that a war surplus steel hangar be purchased and adapted for use as a gymnasium. The date was April 28, 1948. The hangar was on board a ship in California waiting to be shipped to the Pacific front when the war came to an end and was never used by the military. At a cost of $55,330, which included shipping and building materials such as cement for the footing and lumber for the joists, it was acquired by the college. Instead of heading for the Pacific Islands, it began a journey through the Panama Canal into the Port of Baltimore from where it was then transported via truck to Emmitsburg. The campus site was chosen by a committee of priests appointed by Monsignor Sheridan that included Fathers Cogan, Gordan, and Carl Fives. They oversaw the construction of the building as well. By the time it was completed, it had cost a total of $160,000 to add the native stone ends, offices, locker rooms and all the other refinements appropriate to a badly needed gymnasium. Though it seems a trifling cost now, after the hardships of the war period, that amount of money was substantial! The building was opened for use on November 5, 1949 at a homecoming basketball game against Shippensburg University. At that time it was announced that the building would be dedicated to the memory of the Mount alumni veterans who had served in the two world wars, noting particularly the 17 who died in World War I and the 28, including three chaplains, who were killed in World War II. The formal ceremonies took place on April 27, 1950 at which time the joint Mount St. Mary's and St. Joseph's Glee Clubs, under the direction of Father David Shaum, sang a concert of traditional Mount music to heighten the joy of the occasion. Ninety voices were raised in Beethoven's "The Heaven's Are Telling," a medley from Romberg's "The Desert Song" and two memorable duets sang by St. Joe's student Jeanne Rankin, and the Mount student tenor Joseph Kender, C'52. It was a glorious moment.

Perhaps even more glorious were the years of basketball that followed. Title after title garnered and cheers galore filled the old gym. Even in its later years, standing now silent and a bit forlorn, the sense that it was a focal point of the life at the Mount is still there. One can almost hear echoes of the student and faculty cheers sounding in the rafters. With Coach Jim Phelan's arrival in 1954 Memorial Gym served its purpose well. And finally with the opening of the ARCC in 1987 the old building was used less and less. Now there is a touch of sadness about its graying emptiness.

As you leave the building to climb the few steps up to Echo Field, on the left is the anti-aircraft gun that for many years stood at the edge of the upper terrace in front of the Chapel of Immaculate Conception. The Navy, through the efforts of Lt. Commander Bernard L. Meehan, C'40, presented the gun to the Mount in recognition of its outstanding service during the Second World War as a training base for the Navy. It had come from the light cruiser USS Detroit that on December 7th, 1941 was berthed under the command of Captain Lloyd J. Wiltse. On that fateful morning, the ship went to general quarters and began firing at the incoming Japanese planes. Fortunately, the Detroit suffered only minor personnel and material damage, but it is credited with shooting down two of the attacking planes. The cruiser went on to see action at Attu, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, and off the main islands of Japan. In all, the Detroit won six battle stars for service in World War II. It was decommissioned on January 11, 1946 and later sold for scrap. The same year, the Washington Chapter of the Alumni Association, under the leadership of their president, Father James A. Caulfield, C'28, assumed the expenses of transporting and erecting the gun on campus.

In the late seventies and early eighties, each graduating class painted the gun in its own colors and with their own slogans as part of their departing ritual. Not everyone approved of this use for the gun, and in 1983 it was moved to its present location. Now it stands nearly forgotten and away from the main life of the campus.

Fifty-one years after Memorial Gym was built, and 55 years after the gun from the USS Detroit arrived on campus, both memorials have lost their original luster, but their significance should not be lost on this generation or the generations still to come. We cannot afford to forget our heroes; to do so is to forfeit the foundations of our future. ▲

By Fr. Daniel C. Nusbaum, college Historian, in cooperation with Tara Hennessy, C'05, and Steven Finley, C'03

Delaney Center for Public Sector Information

Four years after the death of Mount St. Mary's beloved sociology professor Father James Delaney, the Mount has launched a unique graduate-level program that honors his life and legacy. The Delaney Center for Public Sector Information (CPSI), founded through a grant from the Delaney Foundation, began offering courses in January as part of a certification program to educate and train professional data analysts who work in the field of intelligence in both the private and public sectors.

"The launch of CPSI was an important first step in filling a critical shortage of qualified data analysts in the United States," said Center Director Joe Vince, a former official with the Department of Treasury's Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division. "Law enforcement agencies at all levels – local, state and federal – are collecting huge amounts of data every day, and there is a real need for professionals who know how to analyze and understand what all that information means."

CPSI's inaugural offering, an accredited certification program in Information Management/Analytical Intelligence, represents an extension of Mount St. Mary's mission to "educate men and women who are ethically mature and who seek to resolve social problems." The Center's goals are to provide relevant, quality educational opportunities for current professionals, improve the understanding of the ethical use of information technology, apply the results of basic social research to solving public-sector problems and support and develop a national standard of excellence for data analysis.

A unique aspect of the Delaney Center's program is its commitment to recruiting public safety officers who have been physically injured in the line of duty. This focus on providing professional re-training to disabled individuals is a particularly significant nod to Father Delaney, the center's namesake, who was legally blind due to diabetes in his last years, yet continued teaching some of the most popular classes at the Mount.

"Public safety agencies are facing a dilemma in retaining skilled officers who have been physically injured on the job and are no longer able to perform the duties of their previous positions," said Vince. "This population, already educated and trained in a public-safety mission, can provide unique insight and perspective into the complexities of practical analysis and intelligence."

The Delaney Center for Public Sector Information (CPSI) Director, Joe Vince.

The program also targets professionals who want to upgrade their analytical skills, as well as those who want to enter the burgeoning field of data analysis. Vince said the program offers a viable career for aging law-enforcement officers, as well.

Vince, a 28-year veteran of law enforcement, has worked since his appointment in November 2000, to forge partnerships and support from various public and private sector organizations to create an elite advisory board that includes among its many dignitaries the deputy director of the White House's National Drug Control Policy, the superintendent of the Maryland State Police and the rehabilitation supervisor of the Maryland State Department of Education. In addition, the CPSI advisory board boasts unparalleled corporate and academic support from a variety of insurance agencies, software manufacturers, and accredited educational institutions.

Both practicing professionals and academic scholars will serve as the instructors to participants who will hail from public and private sectors, said Dr. Martin Malone, chair of the Mount St. Mary's department of sociology and the college's liaison/advisor to CPSI.

"We at the Mount see this certification program as the first of many graduate-level offerings related to criminal justice and analysis," Malone said. "The Delaney Center is at the forefront of a national initiative for the ethical and informed analysis of data in the new economy of the 21st century."

"Mount St. Mary's has long been known for its commitment to socially responsible programs," added Vince. "Now the college is able to offer an unprecedented service to thousands of professionals in the area."

For additional information on CPSI please call 301-447-3416 or visit online at www.msmary.edu/cpsi. ▲

Laughlin Lecture Hall Dedicated

On November 27, 2001 the Mount dedicated the newly renovated Laughlin Lecture Hall. The facility is named in honor of the project's sole benefactors, Dr. Henry P. Laughlin, M.D. and M. Page Laughlin.

The renovations to the existing Lewis Auditorium, located in the Coad Science Building, add a state-of-the-art, multimedia, tiered lecture hall that compliments the expanded science curriculum. Dr. David Bushman, chair of the science department, was the first to teach in the renovated hall. At the ceremony he stated, "Introductory biology and general chemistry will be taught here." He added, "The first steps of future physicians will be in a room named for a generous physician and his wife." ▲

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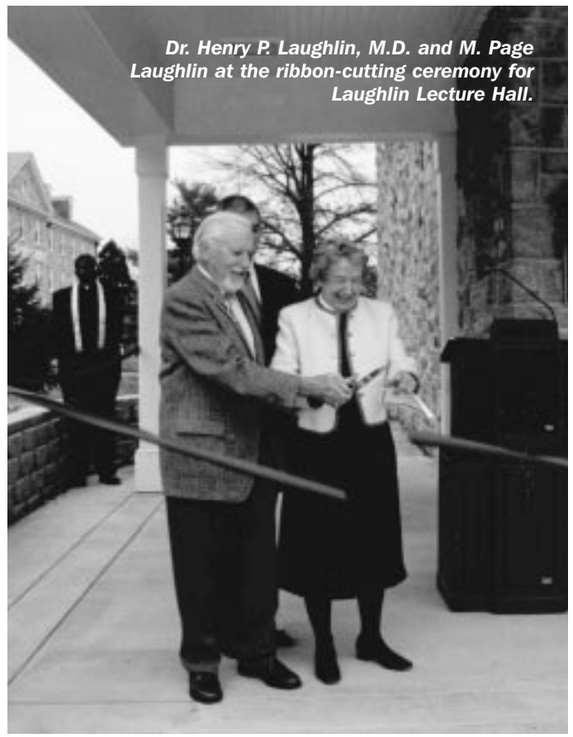

Dr. Henry P. Laughlin, M.D. and M. Page Laughlin at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Laughlin Lecture Hall.

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■ Fr. James T. Delaney, who died in 1999 at the age of 63, touched the lives of many people at the Mount. A priest from the Diocese of Wilmington, he spent nearly four decades on the Mount campus—eight as a student of both the college and seminary, and more than 30 years as a member of the faculty.

In his years of service, Fr. Delaney taught psychology, sociology and criminal justice as well as acting as Vicar for Priests and moderator of the Mount's chapter of the honor society for journalists, Pi Delta Epsilon. In 1974, the college wanted to start a women's basketball team but didn't have the money to hire a coach. Fr. Delaney volunteered and led the team to a winning record.

Fr. Delaney will best be remembered as a kind, gentle and devout man, an excellent teacher, and a model of priestly life with a sense of humor that, to quote President Houston, "could absolutely knock you over."

Today, Fr. Delaney's legacy lives on in the form of the Delaney Center for Public Sector Information.

McGowan Center: Phase One
Completion Scheduled for Late Spring

New construction and rennovations continue on the McGowan Center at a rapid pace through the winter months.

Remarkably favorable weather and a surplus of materials and manpower have certainly helped one of the main visions of the Mount's Connections Campaign become a reality. Under the strong guidance and leadership of Sister Paula Marie Buley, vice president and treasurer of the Mount, and Phil Valentine, director of the physical plant, all phases of construction are in progress and remain on schedule. Nearly 90% of the exterior stonework is completed, which provides a visible preview of how beautiful and uniform the center will be upon completion. Crews have also begun the process of grading the grounds immediately in front of the building, making way for the construction of the entryway and plaza.

Work on the interior of the building has also progressed at a rapid rate. Nearly all of the fire system, plumbing and electrical connections, kitchen hoods, and refrigeration are complete. Furthermore, the preliminary drywall work and ceiling grids are in place as most of the steel studwork has been completed. Perhaps one of the more difficult tasks facing the interior work crews during the cold winter months is the installation of the very impressive terrazzo floor of the food court and café. In order for the floor installation to be a success, the base concrete must maintain a constant temperature. Therefore, crews have enclosed the exterior walls with plastic sheeting to protect the interior from weather-related elements and completed the grand wall of windows on the west side of the building. This wall certainly adds to the aesthetic pleasure of both the interior and exterior of the building, allowing natural light to illuminate the food court and café.

Additionally, the Mount is currently negotiating contracts with companies to furnish the new center. It is the college's intent to purchase high quality, attractive furniture to compliment the building's already impressive visage. A contract is also pending for an elaborate cash register system that would conveniently tie the food court, café, the book store, and vending and laundry machines to declining balance. Furthermore, the system will include card readers that will allow students, faculty, administration, and staff to add funds to their declining balances. The new technology also enables users to check their balances via the Mount's website. The nearly $85,000 system will most assuredly prove convenient to all users and is one small example of the technological advances the McGowan Center will bring to the Mount for the twenty-first century.

As the Mount prepares for its bicentennial, the McGowan Center is a testament to the Mount's endurance and the continuance of its mission. Mount students and alumn will undoubtedly benefit from the center as it takes its place in an already impressive tradition, a tradition called Mount St. Mary's. ▲

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■ **McGowan Center will feature:**

- Kitchen
- Food Court
- Dining Rooms
- Mount Café

Cogan Hall renovations will feature:

- Book Store
- Postal Services
- Student Development Offices
- Campus Ministry
- Career Services
- Wellness Center
- Graphics Computer Lab
- Student Office Spaces

Marriage and Celibacy

Mount St. Mary's is unique in many ways, not the least of which is the campus of young college students, most of whom will embrace the vocation of marriage, combined with seminarians, men called to the priesthood who will embrace the gift of celibacy "for the sake of the kingdom of heaven."

"Each has his own special gift from God," Saint Paul wrote. Both marriage and celibacy come from the Lord Himself. Each is necessary, in its own proper way, for the building of the community of the Church. Each involves the gift of self. Each is a reflection of God's love for His people. Each is a call to imitate Christ's love.

Marriage and celibacy complement each other. Celibacy for the kingdom affirms marriage. The men in the seminary freely embrace the gift of celibacy, not because they devalue marriage or fail to recognize its great dignity. After all, Catholics believe marriage is a great mystery, that "the vocation to marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator," and that Christ the Lord has raised the matrimonial covenant between baptized persons to the dignity of a sacrament.

Recognizing the beauty and lofty vocation of marriage and "the supreme gift of marriage," the gift of children, seminarians prepare to give up these great goods "for the sake of the kingdom of heaven."

Just as a husband and father gives of himself for his wife, and, together with her, for his children; so does the priest give of himself for his people, for those he is called to serve --- for the Church, the Bride, whose Bridegroom is Christ sacramentally represented by the ordained priest. Though giving up the fatherhood proper to married men, the priest is indeed "father" of those who have been entrusted to his pastoral care.

The priest promises a life of faithful celibate love in radical imitation of Jesus who Himself was celibate for the sake of the kingdom, to give Himself totally to the will of His Father and to the people He was sent to redeem. His love was inclusive and all embracing.

Celibacy is anything but a renunciation of love. It is a vocation of love and service in imitation of the Master whose love was sensitive, forgiving and total, to the point of death. The ordained priest, configured by ordination to Christ the Priest, the Bridegroom of the Church, follows His example of celibate love so as to serve God and others, as Saint Paul says, "with an undivided heart."

The Second Vatican Council teaches that by celibacy priests "more readily cling to Christ with undivided heart and dedicate themselves more freely in Him and through Him to the service of God and men." They are more available to serve Christ's kingdom, less encumbered to carry out their own tasks in the Church. They "are also a living sign of the world to come in which the children of the resurrection shall neither be married or take wives."

Anointing of the hands at priestly formation.

The seminary prepares men to live a life of celibacy in a healthy and holy way. The Mount program includes formation in priestly celibacy. At its foundation, this includes education in affective maturity so necessary to live chastity in faithfulness and joy. It requires psychological and emotional maturity. The capacity for respect in interpersonal relationships and the development of true friendships are important in this regard. As Pope John Paul writes: "Man cannot live without love. He remains a being that is incomprehensible for himself, his life is meaningless if love is not revealed to him, if he does not encounter love, if he does not experience it and make it his own, if he does not participate intimately in it."

Priestly celibacy is rooted in the vocation to love. It must be founded in a strong and personal love for Jesus Christ that overflows into love for everyone. Good, strong friendships are an important

support for priests in their celibate commitment. Friendship with the Lord Jesus, living intimately with Him, is essential. An authentic and disciplined life of prayer, developed and deepened in the seminary, helps the priest to live faithfully his promise of celibacy.

The whole program of priestly formation at the Mount, whether it be the community life of the seminary, living together in fraternity, or the routine of individual and communal prayer, or just learning to live a healthy and balanced life of work, study, prayer, and leisure – all involves formation in celibacy. Living on the same campus with college students and frequent interactions with them, as well as with teachers and staff, remind the seminarians that theirs is a unique calling, not to a life without love nor isolation from others, but a life with love of a different kind, lived in solidarity with, and in service of, others, according to the example of Jesus. It is a life of loving sacrifice.

These two complementary vocations, marriage and celibate priesthood, are both "gifts of the Spirit." The Mount is a place where one can meet those who have responded to God's call and prepare to live lives of faithful love in celibacy or in marriage, both building up the great community of the Church, the People of God. ▲

By Father Kevin C. Rhoades, vice president and rector of the seminary

Defending Our Country

A Navy Chaplain's Perspective

In September 2001, the battle group of the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN-71) left Norfolk, Va. on a regularly scheduled six-month deployment. For the sailors currently supporting Operation Enduring Freedom in the southwest Asia region, the circumstances of this mission are anything but business-as-usual.

Navy Captain William A. Petruska, S'73, is a chaplain on board the Roosevelt. This year, being deployed over the holiday season was especially meaningful for Petruska. "Being older and having been away from family and friends for many holidays, it's made me realize that the real blessing is what I can do for those who are having this experience for the first time," said Petruska.

The Roosevelt, a Nimitz-class aircraft carrier, is considered a centerpiece of forward presence in conflict, capable of supporting and operating 85 aircraft on its 252-foot flight deck. As one of the Navy's largest warships, it carries a crew of more than 5,000 sailors, including the members of the deployed air wing. These men and women are responsible for the daily operations of this floating city.

"As the command chaplain, my job is to coordinate the command religious program to provide religious services and worship opportunities for the crew. Three other chaplains and 12 enlisted sailors work with me in the religious ministries department," explained Petruska.

Petruska joined the Navy in June of 1984. In the oath of enlistment, he swore to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States, and for U.S. Sailors. He is also living out his commitment to the Church and priesthood by assisting in the spiritual direction and guidance of the men and women aboard the Roosevelt. Long deployments away from family and friends are made more bearable through Petruska's guidance and prayer. ▲

By contributing writer Misty Trent a journalist at the Public Affairs Center in Norfolk, Va. Official Navy photo courtesy of Rusty Black.

Learning to Officiate a Wedding

Fr. Peter Ryan's Moral Theology class, "Marriage and the Family"

Priests are given the immeasurable privilege of being close collaborators with Jesus Christ. They make His saving acts present and available. In a sense, they often regard themselves as married to the Church, for they act "in persona Christi," that is, in the very person of Christ, who is the Bridegroom of the Church. Still, the life of a priest is quite different from the life of someone who is committed through marriage to a single individual. Priests give up such intimacies. They make this sacrifice because their overriding commitment is to help people find ultimate happiness in heaven. And, of course, priests look forward to sharing in that intimate heavenly communion.

Mount seminarians currently enrolled in Fr. Peter Ryan's Moral Theology class, "Marriage and the Family", are learning the significance of serving as the official Church witness in these unions. They are also learning about the importance of their role in assisting in a couple's preparation to receive the sacrament of marriage.

In this class, seminarians learn to understand the intrinsic goodness of marriage, for without this they will be unable to communicate to married couples the dignity and significance of their vocational call to be married to each other. Placing emphasis on the intrinsic goodness of marriage helps seminarians see why Church teachings about marriage and sexuality make sense. Seminarians come to see that the Church's teaching—the need for sex to be open to life and reserved to marriage, and about marital exclusiveness and indissolubility—springs from the very meaning of marriage.

As priests, these men also need to care for those who are experiencing marital difficulties, including those who are civilly divorced and remarried. So, part of the course equips priests to offer proper pastoral care. This includes a discussion of annulments, for in certain cases, couples can have the Church officially confirm that their union, despite appearances, for some reason was invalid and not a real marriage. When the Church does confirm this through the process of annulment, the man and woman are free to marry someone else. When the first union really was a valid marriage, priests do all they can to help couples remain true to that original commitment and gently remind them that God never withholds the grace we need to live as He asks.

Priests also must care for couples that, because of their financial situation or other constraints, have good reason to delay expanding their families. Therefore, seminarians learn about natural family planning (NFP) in this class. Natural family planning meets the needs of such couples without undermining the integrity of the marital act or violating the good of life. In fact, NFP proves to be very effective in promoting marital communion.

Fr. Ryan's advice to our future priests', "Be holy priests. If you are--if you live out your own vocational commitment with generosity--you will be an example and support to married couples striving to live out their vocational commitment. By living a life of chaste celibacy, you will be a credible witness when you encourage married couples to live the kind of chastity that pertains to their vocations." ▲

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Dr. Sarah Stokely
"Living a Woven Life"

Moments after walking into Dr. Sarah Stokely's office it is obvious what's important in her life: her profession, her family, her students, and her relationship with God. At first glance her office resembles that of any other Mount professors with reference books, novels and texts filling the shelves. What makes her office unique is the framed photos of each and every one of her Freshman Seminar classes and a few other classes that she has taught throughout the past decade. "I'm beginning to take pictures of all my classes now," explained Dr. Stokely, as she reached to straighten an offset frame. She takes tremendous satisfaction and pride in seeing how much her students develop from freshman orientation to commencement and her pictures serve as a reminder of their journey together.

Dr. Stokely arrived at the Mount in the fall of 1991 as a lecturer of writing. Her current department, the department of rhetoric and communications, had yet to be established. Thus, she thought the Mount was but a mere stop, certainly not a destination. Since then, she has taught rhetoric and communications courses and this past summer was appointed departmental chair. Dr. Stokely has certainly come along way over the past 11 years, but it has been through teaching Freshman Seminar that she feels she has connected most with her students. The program, combined with the Mount's small school atmosphere, allows Dr. Stokely to not only advise her students, but also become their friend. "I can talk to students about their whole lives," she reflects. "It's freeing."

Dr. Stokely firmly believes that the Mount's Freshman Seminar program helps students get places. "It broadens student's definition of success," she explains. Through its multi-discipline structure, students are able to make connections from the classroom to real life, thus aiding them in life-structuring decisions. "Our lives are truly woven together," she commented. For students, making such connections is the one of the bedrock goals of the Freshman Seminar program and professors like Dr. Stokely make it a complete success.

Students enjoy her classes so much that some return their sophomore year as declared rhetoric and communications majors! There are even those who move on to other majors but still keep in close contact with Dr. Stokely. She often serves as an advisor and friend, both academically and personally, to many of her former students. "Dr. Stokely really knows how to teach solid communication skills," reflects Joe Creamer, C'01, and former freshman seminar student. "Most of the material from that class stuck with me, which for an accounting major like myself, was, and continues to be, very helpful." Creamer also reflected on how Dr. Stokely sent him an email his junior year congratulating him for an article about a service project which he participated in that appeared in the Frederick News Post. "She always makes students of the Mount feel welcome and proud of their work," reflected Creamer.

Dr. Stokely also feels privileged to have worked with the very talented and distinguished Mount faculty. "I am fortunate to have such wonderful colleagues," commented Dr. Stokely. "They influence me in a very positive way." She also strongly believes that the Mount faculty contribute collectively to the success of Mount students and the Mount's mission overall. "Every professor on this campus is personable and encouraging," she comments.

Throughout her eleven years at the Mount Dr. Stokely has received professional praise and acclaim as being one of the pioneers of the college's rhetoric and communications major. From lecturer to departmental chair, she certainly has much to be proud of. ▲

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On May 31, 1997, another dream of Dr. Stokely's was fulfilled. In a rather large ceremony of family and friends she married her devoted boyfriend, Paul, in the Immaculate Conception Chapel. Their anniversary date intentionally coincides with her parents wedding anniversary as it has special meaning to her. She always aspired to have the kind of relationship with her husband as her mother has with her father. Within a year, the couple renewed their vows during the Mount's annual celebration of World Marriage Day.

"Marriage is fun," explained Dr. Stokely, "I've gone places and done things I would never have ordinarily done, such as traveling to Iceland over spring break." The Stokelys love to travel and certainly are a definitive example of a blissfully married couple. Furthermore, she explained how the relationship between her and her husband has grown in their first years as a married couple. Their love for each other carries a promise for a bright future together, a future that will undoubtedly yield much happiness.

Mount Bids Farewell to Scholar and Friend

On December 3, 2001, the Mount lost a great friend and professor. On that evening, surrounded by his beloved wife, Judy, his daughter, Stephanie, C'03, and his closest friends, Dr. George Williams passed away after a long and hard-fought battle with a brain tumor. A funeral Mass for Dr. Williams was held on Thursday, December 6, at the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception. The service was a fitting tribute to a friend, teacher and father, bringing together so many elements of his life. Father Jim Donohue, of the Mount, and Rev. George Reid, pastor emeritus of St. Mary's, Barnesville, Md. celebrated the Mass, comforting those in attendance and invoking the memory of Dr. Williams' Christian example and courage in the face of adversity. Brandt Urban, C'00, performed a saxophone solo in tribute; Harry Benjamin and Brad Boyd, C'98, presented the gifts. Dr. Jack Campbell and Stephanie Williams completed the service with eulogies that celebrated Dr. Williams' role as a friend, mentor and loving father.

Dr. Williams arrived at the Mount in 1989. Since then, he has served as associate professor of government and international studies, a department in which he acted as chair for three years. Proud Mountie and advisor to countless political science majors, Dr. Williams acted not only as an official in his field, but also as a friend and mentor to his students and colleagues. An accomplished scholar, Dr. Williams held four degrees of higher education from West Virginia University, including a Ph.D in public policy, an MA in health education, an MPA in public administration, and a BSSW in social work. He previously served as a professor of political science at the University of South Alabama and Spring Hill College from 1985-1989. At the Mount, Dr. Williams has taught courses on public policy, health policy, public administration, and research methods and statistics as well as foundations of american government, in which he taught students of all majors.

Dr. Williams has been quoted in many publications, as his expertise in the area of public policy was, and continues to be, well respected. Area newspapers would frequently turn to him for his opinions and interpretations of current political events. A proud American, he would both commend the United States Government's actions and criticize them.

It was his commitment to Catholic ideals and morals that Dr. Williams was most honored for. He was a dedicated parishioner at St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Frederick, Md. and served as an academic representative on the St. John's

Regional Catholic School Board for three years. Recently he was presented with the distinguished 2001 John McElroy Award by the Maryland Catholic Conference Center. The award commended Dr. Williams for the impact he has made on the Frederick County community through the promotion of Catholic organizations and programs. Furthermore, he was recognized for his unparalleled efforts in the advancement of Catholic education. This is most evident in the leadership Dr. Williams demonstrated while serving as a member of the St. John's Literary Institution at Prospect Hall for six years, five of which were as vice-president.

George Williams was, and continues to be, a very loved man. His impact on the Mount community, as well as the Frederick community, will never be duplicated, replaced, or forgotten. He has truly left an indelible mark on the greater Frederick community and the Mount. Perhaps it is in the words of his colleagues and a previous student that a truly fitting tribute can be made. ▲

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"When I think of George Williams, which will be often because he was a good friend, what I will remember most is his courage. In our lives we see many acts of courage -- certainly many recently – but, our firemen, police, and soldiers act with reasonable expectations that they will survive. George knew all along in his heart that he would not prevail over his dreadful illness. Yet, he carried on with his life, taught as long as he could, kept active on campus long after that, maintained his active social life --- remained calm, and kept us all calm --- all the while in the constant face of danger. That is true courage -- and George had it in abundance. God Bless!"

Dr. John Hook, department of business

"George Williams was a champion of the "little guy", of the underdog. George was a firm supporter of unions and their causes. He did so much to help the poor and underprivileged. He was the epitome of the concerned and compassionate Christian. I also remember George as one of the fastest talkers I've ever known! He could spout whole paragraphs in a fraction of a second, or so it seemed. To me that meant he was a fast thinker as well."

Dr. Bill O'Toole, department of mathematics and computer science

"George traveled to Canada with me four or five times. These visits really brought George to life as a teacher. I'll always remember George as my Canadian summer program colleague. One night, as we sat with students in a restaurant after a lovely dinner in Niagara Falls, Ontario--we could see before us the falls and America on the opposite side of the Niagara River-- George looked at me and waxed philosophically, "This is fantastic! To sit in the second most-beautiful country in the world looking across at the most beautiful country in the world! ..." He was, in his good-humored way, needling me. I quickly replied, "I know just what you mean, George! That's exactly what all those New Yorkers over there are thinking as they gaze across the river!" I miss George's needling, and I miss his enthusiasm for teaching. We always talked about offering a second Canadian summer study-travel program, but George's struggle with cancer stopped us. I'll never be able to visit Quebec City without remembering George and his friendship and offering a toast to him!"

Dr. Jim Krysiek, department of history

Sex and Love in the Home

Professor of theology, Dr. David McCarthy, recently published *Sex and Love in the Home: A Theology of the Household.* The truly engaging and entertaining work explores the social ideals and norms of sex, love and marriage and how those conceptions change after couples marry. "*Sex and Love in the Home* contributes to current discussions about the home, sexual intimacy and familial love by raising economic and political questions, not in the typical framework of 'family' or 'family values,' but in more substantive, material terms of the household economy and the polity of my (and probably your) neighborhood," McCarthy explained. The work also contains an underlying critique of how sex and love are shaped by the popular culture and how this influences common thought. In conducting research for this book, McCarthy turned to trendy magazines such as *Cosmopolitan* and *Glamour* for insights into popular culture's views of sex and marriage. He then placed those views against a theological backdrop, setting the stage for the opposing arguments that essentially structure the book. Much like his ability to engage his classes in his lecture material, McCarthy captivates the reader with his down to earth and comfortable style. As one of the Mount's most requested professors, McCarthy truly knows how to address ethical issues in a manner that allows for intriguing and involved discussion, and his book is a reflection of that. "I tried to make it readable and engaging," explained McCarthy.

Sex and Love in the Home: A Theology of the Household is available in paperback form through national book retailers as well as the Mount bookstore. ▲

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Jennifer M. Anderson, C'81

On February 8, 2000, shortly after 8:00 a.m, a fistfight erupted in the gymnasium of Washington D.C.'s Wilson High School between high school football star Andre Wallace and Carlton Blount. Hours later, Blount along with accomplice Jermaine Johnson stalked Wallace to the home of his girlfriend, Natasha Marsh, and gunned the pair of teenagers down as they unloaded groceries. The slayings filled the entire Washington community with grief and outrage and even President Clinton sent his condolences to the families. Jennifer M. Anderson, C'81, was called upon by the United States Government to serve as the prosecution's lead counsel in the trial. The emotional case took nine months to investigate and almost two months to try all the while being followed closely by the major news media of the Washington metropolitan area. Eventually Blount was convicted of murder and sentenced to prison. This past December, Anderson was awarded the Director's Award, one of the highest awards given by the Department of Justice. She received this nationwide award as a result of her superior performance on this particular murder trial.

After graduating from the Mount in 1981, Anderson continued her studies at The Catholic University School of Law. Her life has led her many directions. Several years ago she left a high profile job in Philadelphia where she represented large corporations as a white-collar criminal defense attorney in order to gain more trial experience and a better understanding of the other side of the legal process. Eleven years later, she is still in D.C. trying criminal cases. "I find criminal law challenging and interesting," stated Anderson. "I get a tremendous amount of satisfaction from being able to bring closure to victims and their families."

Anderson recalls her Mount experience with fondness as a good four years. She majored in English and says that she received a "first-class education", giving her a good background for law school and her career. "Since much of my job is communications – be it oral or written – the extensive writing skills I learned early on proved to be invaluable."

Looking back, Anderson realizes she had many fine teachers, but in her years at the Mount no one challenged her more than Dr. Ducharme. "He always expected great things by challenging me on a daily basis," recalled Anderson. As a result of Dr. Ducharme's challenging teaching style, Anderson feels she was forced to push herself more than she would have on her own accord. "It is that unwillingness to settle for being just average that has really helped me progress in my career."

Anderson currently serves as deputy chief of the General Felony Section of the United States District Attorney Office in Washington, D.C. where she is responsible for overseeing 30 attorneys who try felony cases. In addition, she has served as a special prosecutor for the Church Arson Task Force created in 1997 by former Secretary General Janet Reno to investigate the unprecedented number of church-related arsons that plagued our country in the late 90s.

In 1991, Jennifer received the Distinguished Young Alumni Award.

She has traveled throughout the United States working closely with the Department of Justice, local prosecutors, state law enforcement officers, and agents from various federal agencies. One significant case she investigated involved an incident that occurred in Fort Dodge, Iowa in 1992 when the First Baptist Church was damaged by the burning of a constructed cross leaned against the building. Local authorities never pressed charges and the case remained unsolved for years until Anderson's committee brought the perpetrators to justice on charges of arson and civil rights violations. Anderson was once again rewarded for her exemplory work skills by receiving a Special Achievement Award from the Department of Justice. ▲

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■ **Jennifer M. Anderson**

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Career Development Network

Mount Student-Athletes Among Top-20 Academically

The recently released NCAA Graduation Rate Report places Mount St. Mary's College's student-athletes with the 16th best graduation rate in the country. The Mountaineers most recent graduation class (1994-95) had 83 percent of its class graduate, 25 percent better than the national rate for all 321 Division I schools and 13 percent above fellow classmates at the Mount.

"First and foremost, this is a tremendous accomplishment by our student-athletes," said Mount St. Mary's athletic director, Dr. Harold "Chappy" Menninger. "I'm proud of our student-athletes but I'm also proud of our coaching staffs, our athletic administration, academic support and the Mount St. Mary's faculty because this can only be accomplished through a team effort both academically and athletically."

The Mount is also one of only three schools in the country to graduate all of its international student-athletes. The other two schools are Duke and Stanford.

Of the 85 Division I-AAA schools, a classification that Mount St. Mary's currently holds, the Mountaineers placed among the Top-10 programs with a graduation rate 25 percent better than the national rate. The national graduation rate for the 111 Division I private school athletic programs is 60 percent, 23 percent below the Mount's.

The report also released the graduation rate for the general student population of all Division I schools and Mount St. Mary's exceeded those national rates as well. Mount St. Mary's 70 percent graduation rate exceeds the national Division I rate of 56 percent.

The NCAA report disclosed that nationally white female student-athletes and black male student-athletes continue to graduate at rates significantly higher than their counterparts in the overall student body. White female student-athletes were 11 percentage points above overall Division I rates for the 1994-95 cohort, with a graduation rate of 72 percent compared to the student rate of 61 percent. Black male student-athletes graduated 11 percentage points higher, 42 percent compared to a general student-body rate of 31 percent.

Only student-athletes who enroll as freshmen receive athletics related financial aid and graduate from that institution within six years of initial enrollment are tracked. Student-athletes who transfer in good academic standing to another institution count against their original institution as not graduating and are not counted in the freshman cohort rate for their second institution. ▲

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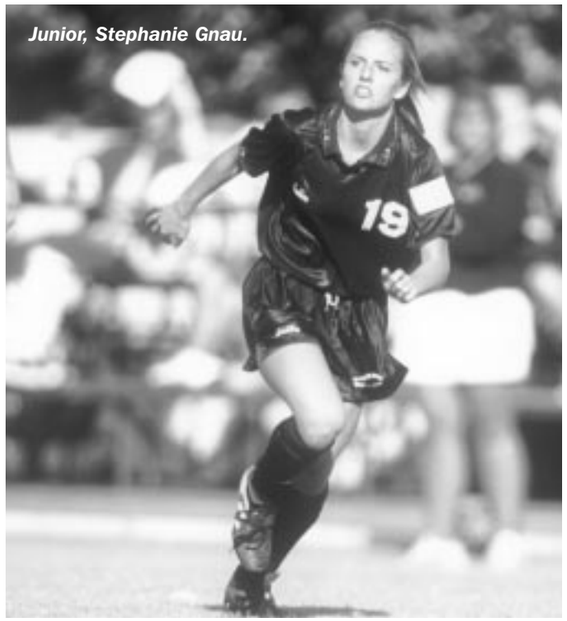

Junior, Stephanie Gnau.

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■ **Fall Honor Roll:**

Richelle Baker, C'02, 3.82, Women's Soccer

Melanie Bender, C'04, 3.59, Women's Cross Country

Naomi Campano, C'04, 4.00, Women's Soccer

Mary Coulby, C'03, 3.55, Women's Soccer

Shawn Day, C'03, 3.35, Men's Cross Country

Brynn Dutcher, C'03, 3.50, Women's Cross Country

Rachel Gaes, C'02, 3.42, Women's Soccer

Stephanie Gnau, C'03, 3.80, Women's Soccer

John Ladesic, C'03, 3.22, Men's Cross Country

Kari McCarty, C'03, 3.63, Women's Cross Country

Jason Mitchell, C'03, 3.20, Men's Cross Country

Michelle Rafeedie, C'03, 3.74, Women's Cross Country

Monica Serianni, C'03, 3.30, Women's Soccer

Kelly Sheil, C'02, 3.45, Women's Soccer

A Love of Track That Led to More Than A Career

Jim Stevenson and Kristen Hazel Stevenson, C'95, came to the Mount as freshmen from completely different sides of the world with one common bond, a desire to excel at track. Stevenson, a native of Sheffield, England and Hazel, from Drexel Hill, Pa., were nothing more than teammates for much of their time together on the Mount track team but during their junior year a relationship developed. Upon graduating they knew the Mount had helped make each of them stronger individually and as a team, but it was time to move on and put to use their valuable education and experiences in the "real world."

Kristen utilized her degree in political science helping troubled youth in a variety of jobs in Delaware, while Jim remained in Frederick County teaching elementary education for the Frederick County Public School System. Faced with an expiring work permit, Jim contacted former Mount track coach Jim Deegan seeking advice. Coach Deegan knew of an opening for a graduate assistant coach at East Tennessee State University and within a short period of time Jim moved south leaving Kristin behind.

He spent two and a half years at ETSU, seeing Kristin only once every three months. A year and a half into his tenure at ETSU and feeling the pain of separation from his love, Jim decided it was time to take the next step and propose marriage. "I knew I wanted to ask her to marry me" he said. "I knew she was the one I wanted to marry. My life was so upside-down and she provided me stability."

On January 1, 1997, after receiving permission from her parents, Jim "popped the question" while on holiday in England.

Back in the States, the newly engaged couple resumed their long distance relationship until their wedding on January 2, 1998. In an ironic twist of fate the couple returned to the Emmitsburg area in 1999 when Jim accepted a position in the Mount's admissions department and a part-time position as assistant track and field coach.

Today Jim is the head coach for the Mount's cross-country team and the associate head coach for track and field team. Kristen works in Rockville, Md. as a project coordinator for Aspen Systems. They have come full circle. Their time together began at the Mount and here they are, back in the area – together. "You meet your wife and she's the dearest person in your life and then you realize that if we both hadn't chosen to go to the Mount…" Jim's voice tapers off. "The Mount is why we're together and why I had such a good experience in track and field. It is an environment that allowed us to foster a great friendship and beyond that to start a relationship. It is a great forum to make good friends and I found the one I loved and married."

The Mount provided Jim and Kristen the opportunity to compete at a high level in the sport they both love. They came here separately, found each other and now carry on as Mr. and Ms. Stevenson – a marriage formed at the Mount. ▲

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Mount Hires Nationally Recognized Women's Lacrosse Head Coach

Mount St. Mary's has hired former Maryland stand-out Courtney Martinez-Connor as the new women's lacrosse head coach.

"I'm excited to add a head coach with the national experience that Courtney brings to our women's lacrosse program," said Mount St. Mary's athletic director, Dr. Harold "Chappy" Menninger. "It's not every day that an Athletic Director can add a head coach with five national championship rings to his department."

A 2001 graduate from the University of Maryland, Martinez-Connor is coming off an honor-laden season as a defender on the seven-time national champion Maryland Terrapin women's lacrosse squad. NCAA Tournament Most Valuable Player in 2001, she also earned 360 Lacrosse's National Defender of the Year honor as well as First Team All-America, First Team All-Atlantic Coast Conference and a member of the All-ACC Tournament team. As a five-year letterwinner for the Terps she played on five national championship squads.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for me to be at Mount St. Mary's as the head coach and bring a winning attitude to a program that is ready for success," said Martinez-Connor. "Some of these athletes have had four different coaches in their four year career and I hope to be able to provide some stability to this program and establish a groundwork that will take the Mount to the next level."

Martinez-Connor is active in community service as a volunteer organizer for Operation Christmas Child. A Baltimore native, she is the daughter of former Baltimore Orioles relief pitcher, Tippy Martinez, who was inducted into the Orioles Hall of Fame last summer.

The Mount's season opener is Friday, March 1 at home against Longwood College followed by Howard University on March 6. Both games start at 3 p.m. on the Mount St. Mary's College Lacrosse Field. Last season the Mountaineers finished 5-13 overall and 3-3 in the Northeast Conference. ▲

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Aerobics Program Stepping Up

Tucked away in the bowels of the Knott Athletic Recreation Convocation Complex is the office of the assistant director of recreational services and fitness coordinator. Setting up camp in the office of gym equipment is Jacquelyn C. Jones-Riland, the newest member of the department of recreational services.

Her duties and responsibilities keep Jones-Riland constantly on the go. As part of her administrative duties she assists the Director with supervising all of the Recreational Services programs in and outside the ARCC. She is also directly responsible for the work-out programs which vary from aerobics, to kickboxing, to toning & conditioning to yoga. Along with teaching some of these courses she also provides instruction in an instructors' course.

As a certified health and fitness instructor from the American College of Sports Medicine, Jones-Riland brings a wealth of experience to the Mount. She comes to us from MediFit Corporate Services where for the past three years she has served as the senior health fitness specialist and temporarily as the program supervisor for a six month period. As the program supervisor she oversaw the day-to-day operations of the fitness center as well as the development of annual strategic program planning.

A 1998 graduate from Shepherd College in Shepherdstown, W.Va. where she earned a bachelors of science in sports fitness/recreation and leisure studies. Among her many certifications include certification for Perinatal Fitness Instruction from Healthy Moms; Personal Trainer from the American Council on Exercise and First Aid from the American Heart Association.

Prior to MediFit she worked at Frederick Community College where she continues to work as an allied health instructor after seven years. Her curriculum includes courses in aerobics, weight training, and biomechanics. While teaching at FCC she doubled as a fitness instructor and fitness technician at the Frederick Fitness Center.

Jones-Riland resides in Frederick, Md. with her loving husband and adoring dog. ▲

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■ **Sport Hall of Fame Indiction Ceremony - April 13, 2002**

Each year Mount St. Mary's Sports Hall of Fame recognizes former athletes who "have exhibited athletic prowess of an outstanding nature in an intercollegiate sport." On April 13, 2002, Dennis M. Doyle, C'63, National Alumni Association President will induct five alumni into the Sports Hall of Fame.

This year's five candidates to be inducted include:

Paul Clarke, C'54 – baseball, **Tomas "Woody" Stoner, C'62** – service to the athletic program, **Michelle Dixon, C'87**- track and field, **Knut Gunderson, C'88** – track and field and **Kim Rhock, C'90** – basketball.

For additional information on this event please contact Philip G. McGlade, director of alumni relations, at 301-447-5362 or mcglade@msmary.edu.

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Danielle Boarman, C'94

William and Eileen Barrett

Mount Marriages

Across a Crowded...Memorial Gym

In January 1956 while completing my tour of duty in the U.S. Army in Japan, I applied for admission to the Mount. That August I arrived on campus and took up residency on 3rd Basil with a number of other freshmen veterans.

On our second or third evening on campus a square dance "mixer" with the freshmen from St. Joseph's College was held at Memorial Gym. Of course the men of 3rd Basil wanted to check out these young ladies so a march to the gym was in order.

From my seat in the bleachers I became fixated on one particularly appealing St. Joe's girl. Knowing nothing about square dancing I overcame my reluctance to participate and set out to become a part of the foursome, which included the freshman who had piqued by interest. I soon learned that the freshman was in fact a senior and one of the organizers of the mixer. Taken back but undaunted, I pursued Eileen Regan from that day forward.

Courtship with a St. Joe's girl in the 50s meant campus visits in a coat and tie and only double dating at college approved functions or sites. All of which was endured.

In August 1958, during the summer prior to my junior year we were married in New York City with Monsignor Kline officiating before an audience of Mount men and St. Joe's girls. As newlyweds we had arranged for campus housing in the revered "shacks" at a cost of $11 per month. Most of that July had been spent fixing up our campus home with fresh paint, new linoleum, and restoring the kerosene heater. Among our neighbors were Professors Kalis, Meredith and Williams.

Our first of six children was born in September 1959, with one, Mary Beth being christened by Msgr. Kline at St. Anthony's Shrine across from Jordan's store. Following graduation in June 1960 we handed over the keys to our "shack" to other newlyweds and departed our mountain home.

Forty-three years have passed but we still fondly recall our idyllic start down the terrace from Pangborn Hall.

William Barrett, C'60

Our First Home Together

It started eleven years ago. The journey of two kids heading to the Mount --- one from New York and the other Maryland. They came to the Mount expecting to have the time of their lives. Both had family who had attended the Mount, so they were anxious to have some of the same great experiences and create some of their own. The one thing that the two didn't expect was to find each other, especially during the first few months of the often-tedious freshman year. Never in a million years would they have believed that the person standing in front of them was in fact their future spouse. But that is exactly what happened to Brad and Danielle (Griffin) Boarman, C'94.

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In 1996, almost six years after we met, Brad proposed to me in the stairway of Pangborn Hall. We spent many late nights talking there during our freshman year so it seemed all too appropriate. In October 1997 we were married in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception by Father Keith and Father Andrew Fisher, C'94.

Eleven years later we have a beautiful little girl, Emma, and a wild and crazy dog, Pangborn (yes, named after our freshman dorm). We still take quick trips up to the Mount to visit and retrace the steps that began this journey. We still have the strong friendships we made at the Mount. And we will always have the Mount with us. We can never let go of the Mount tradition and community because it is truly what we are as a family.

Danielle Boarman, C'94

A New Chapel for a New Bride

In the fall of 1970 Belinda Lowry entered St. Joseph's College and I entered Mount St Mary's College. Due to the closing of St. Joe's, Belinda transferred to the Mount as one of the first resident females in the fall of 1972. During our four years in Emmitsburg, we had become friends, but never dated.

About a year after graduation our paths crossed again, and what started as a friendly get together, soon turned to romance. In 1975, I asked Belinda to marry me. At that time, I was running my own construction business (with former Mount roommate, Ed Horn, C'75). Shortly before becoming engaged my construction firm was awarded the contract to build the new Chapel at the Grotto. When it came time to make arrangements for the wedding, I suggested to Belinda that we be married at the new Chapel. We then approached Msgr. Phillips with the request to be married in the yet to be constructed chapel on September 18, 1976. The anticipated completion date was October 1976, so when Msgr. Phillips heard that a September wedding was planned, he readily agreed --- as he knew his project would be completed ahead of schedule.

A brutal winter placed the project behind schedule, but as spring broke, the Grotto was a beehive of activity as the enormous pre-stressed concrete members were hoisted into place, concrete poured and stonework completed. As September approached it was evident that meeting the wedding deadline was going to be close, but I was confident my crew would have the Chapel ready on time.

The day before the wedding every available hand from the construction company was on site to complete the last minute details, with the last workers finally leaving the site late in the afternoon. The next morning dawned a beautiful early fall day in Emmitsburg and at 10 a.m. on September 18, 1976 Msgr. Hugh J. Philips and Fr. James Delaney co-celebrated the first Mass ever to be held in the new Grotto Chapel, the wedding of Belinda Lowry and John Jaffee.

September 18, 2001 marked our 25th wedding anniversary and the 25th anniversary of the Grotto Chapel. Today we live just south of the Mount near Frederick, Md., and visit the Grotto Chapel often where it all began.

John Jaffee, C'74

Honeymooning at Fort Bragg

Lee and I were married at the Immaculate Conception Chapel 19 years ago, on May 15, 1982. Monsignor Robert Kline blessed our marriage in a beautiful ceremony. We were married the day after finals ended because the following week at graduation we both would be sworn into the Army. Time was of the essence since we were scheduled to report to Ft. Bragg, N.C. within 24 hours of graduation!

The rehearsal for our wedding was right after finals on Friday. In fact, our wedding party; Tricia Luchi, C'82, Kim Shertzer, C'83, Katie Reid, C'82, Dennis Rice, C'82, and Zach DeCarlo, C'82, came directly from their exams. Although Lee and I were nervous about getting everything just right, everyone was in a very festive mood. My bridesmaids even wore army boots! After the rehearsal, we all headed to a dinner hosted at Captain Thomas Jackson's home. He was one of the ROTC officers for the Mount at the time.

Much later in the evening and after much celebrating, my bridesmaids, many other Mount sisters, and I painted the large naval gun that used to be in front of the Chapel. We painted it white and covered it with blue Betty Boop hearts and signed it "Lionel + Rosalind." A picture is in our wedding album. Jim McManimon, C'80, did a wonderful job of explaining to security why we should be allowed to paint the gun. Thanks Jim!

Usually, students are supposed to return home right after finals. Since 50 percent of our senior class was to attend our wedding, we had special permission to spend two additional nights on campus. Our Nuptial Mass was at 4:00 p.m. Monsignor Kline, an avid fan of horse racing, had the Preakness on TV in the sacristy. We had a military wedding with the ROTC acting as ushers. At that time I was the only female in the ROTC program. LTC Karsteter, the commanding officer of the ROTC, graciously provided swords for the saber arch.

After 19 years of marriage, Lee and I still have our wedding pictures on display and a lovely pen and ink print of the Immaculate Conception Chapel hanging in our living room. Our time at the Mount was a fantastic four years culminating in our wedding.

R. Kate (Innis) Laferriere, C'82

Bending the "Double-Date" Rule

Johanna (Carter) Moore, SJC C'64, and I met on a blind date on January 7, 1961 at the Semi-Formal Winter Dance at St. Joe's. When I returned from Christmas I decided that I wanted to go to the winter dance. I contacted one of the seniors at St. Joe's who was on the "blind-date bureau", which the seniors ran mainly for the freshman girls, but also for any girl who wanted to go to the dance, and didn't have a date.

We had a really great time at the dance, and began to date. Being that I was two classes ahead of Johanna we questioned maintaining a long-distance relationship upon my graduation. When the time came, we chose to continue to date and face the two-year period apart.

The first year after I graduated from the Mount, I taught junior high science in Baltimore City. This was the hardest year as I was quite busy with lesson plans and such, so trips to Emmitsburg were not as frequent as we both would have liked. Towards the end of the 1962-1963 school year I decided that I wanted to go to graduate school. Ironically, at the same time, a situation developed at the Mount when Dr. Bill Meredith left on sabbatical to complete his doctorate degree at the University of Maryland. Several individuals had been interviewed to teach his courses during his absence, but with the sudden death of the dean and the lengthy process to replace the position, the job was never filled. In the spring of 1963 Fr. Fives met me at a Baltimore alumni affair and in the course of our conversation asked me if I would be willing to put off graduate school for a year and come back to the Mount to teach Dr. Meredith's classes. I readily agreed to do this.

In 1963, I returned to the Mount just in time for Johanna's senior year at St. Joe's. As alumni from this time period will all to readily remember, St. Joe's had a "double date rule" when a car was involved. However, this presented a problem for us as double dating meant that the "guy" in the other couple, almost invariably, would be a student at the Mount. After a conversation with Sister Mary Ann, dean of students at St. Joe's, she recognized our problem. Her way around this was to grant Johanna permission to single date, but Sister required that Johanna ask for permission every time we wanted to go someplace. This way the "double date rule" was still technically in affect!

We are not aware of this rule being "bent" like this before, but we know that we were the only exception for the 1963-1964 school year. She was also allowed out on weeknights to attend faculty affairs with me. Another fond memory was that I was asked to walk in the academic procession for Johanna's graduation. So I was on the stage with other faculty members as she received her diploma.

I then entered the University of Maryland in the summer of 1964 and graduated with my M.S. in June of 1966. We were married on July 2, 1966. This year we celebrated the 40th anniversary of our meeting and our 35th wedding anniversary.

We have lived a wonderful life blessed with one daughter, Catherine M. D'Ortona, Ph.D., and one son Hall L. Moore, III, M.S. Consequently our grandson, Hall III, C'92, graduated some 30 years after me!

Hall L. Moore, Jr. C'62

A First Kiss at Christmas

James was the first guy I met during Freshman Orientation in 1994. My parents had just finished helping me move in, and everyone was preparing to meet with their Freshman Seminar class. James and I were in the same class and he lived one floor directly above me in Pangborn Hall. We became good friends. Everyone always thought that we were more than just friends because we spent so much time together - they didn't believe us when we said we were just studying in his room! But that year when we went to the Christmas Dance together, but it was just as friends.

During our sophomore year, our friendship changed. (By pure coinciendence, I lived one floor directly above him in Mac.) We both were without a date when he asked me to the Christmas Dance. That night we had our first kiss and we've been together ever since. We were recently married at the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception and couldn't imagine getting married anywhere else! The Mount has many wonderful memories for us both.

Erin Kunkel Watkins, C'98

One-of-a-Kind Thanksgiving Celebration

It was a rainy Thanksgiving Day, November of 1964. Everyone who attended the Clark-Carron wedding at the Mount Chapel was then treated to the traditional turkey and all the trimmings at the Hotel Gettysburg, which consequently burned to the ground within two months.

Four years earlier I had graduated from the Mount and was now teaching there. I often ate in St. Joe's cafeteria (the food was much more appealing) and it was there that I met my bride, Marilyn Carron, who was a teacher at St. Joe's.

Msgr. Robert Kline was president at the time and had to approve such a ceremony-taking place in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception. Msgr. Walter Shaull, a product of the Cradle of Bishops, officiated. Without his intervention the ceremony would not have taken place at the Chapel.

Some things have changed and some haven't since our wedding 38 years ago. The Green Parrot on West Main Street in Emmitsburg where we held our rehearsal dinner is now defunct and our wedding records reside at St. Anthony's. My best man and former Mount roommate, Neil Kenney, C'60, is still a good friend all these years later, and my love for my wife and mother of our two sons has only grown.

This story has not reached its denouement, but that too will take place at the Mount, maybe even where it all began, in the Chapel, as Marilyn and I will find our eternal resting place in the Mount cemetery.

John Clark, C'60

Saved From Tragedy

How One Mount Family is Giving Back

flight 77 out of Dulles International Airport and into Los Angeles was a bi-monthly flight for Carol A. Mikules, wife of Paul Kelly Mikules, C'67. The couple, who reside in California, jointly own a company in Virginia, but it is Carol who primarily travels between the cities. Flight 77 was a typical flight. Being a frequent flyer, Carol Mikules was well acquainted with the flight crew and other frequent passengers.

For whatever reason --- call it fate--- call it kismet, Carol, who was scheduled to return to California on the morning of September 11th, decided to return the day prior. She had spoken with her husband several times about returning a day early, but one thing or another kept her from changing her travel plans. Finally, late in the afternoon, she boarded a plane for the West coast.

On the morning of September 11th, as the entire country sat mesmerized by the words and images on their televisions and radios, it dawned on the Mikules family that Carol's life had been spared. "It was very emotional for Carol, as it was for myself. Carol knew these people. She knew their stories," commented Paul.

Carol had escaped tragedy and according to the couple, they realized she was here for a reason. The Mikules, like so many Americans, decided they wanted to make a difference. They wanted to somehow help those individuals who were affected by this great tragedy. Within weeks reports began to emerge about the misuse and misallocation of funds raised for victims. The Mikules decided to establish a scholarship fund at the Mount in remembrance of the victims of the September 11th tragedies and for children of parents who served in the U.S. military. "This was our way of confirming that Carol was spared for good reason. We have good feelings about the Mount and the educational opportunities that it offers students," commented Paul.

On the eve of Christmas, with a pen stroke, the Carol A. Mikules Scholarship was founded. In the future children of the victims of the September 11th World Trade Center, Pentagon and Pennsylvania terrorist attacks or children of parents who are currently serving or have served in the United States military will be eligible to apply for this scholarship. For additional information on this scholarship please contact the office of admissions at 800-448-4347. ▲

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■ David M. DiLuigi, C'92, and Hugh E. Giorgio, C'91, recently presented President George Houston with a check for $2,500 from AllFirstBank honoring the bank's commitment to the William G. McGowan Center. DiLuigi and Giorgio are both vice presidents for AllFirst Bank.

(L-R): Nancy Gibbons, Mount St. Mary's director of foundations and corporate relations; David M. DiLuigi, vice president AllFirst Bank; President George R. Houston, Jr., president of Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary; and Hugh E. Giorgio, vice president AllFirst Bank.

Patriot Hall

According to Webster's New World Dictionary the definition of the word patriot *(pa'tre et, -at'; chiefly Brit, also pa'-) n.* reads: fellow countryman; one who loves and loyally or zealously supports one's own country.

In its nearly 200-year history, the Mount has produced its fair share of patriots. On September 11th, five more were added to the list: Anthony Gallagher, C'83, Kevin James Murphy, C'83, Andrew J. Alameno, C'86, Elizabeth Claire Logler, C'91 and James F. Murphy, IV, C'93 were all sadly lost in the attacks on the World Trade Center. In an admirable act to honor these patriots, Tom Holmes, C'68, has acted in a generous and thoughtful manner. In honor of the alumni and immediate family of alumni lost, a significant contribution was made to the Connections Campaign to help fund the construction of the new McGowan Center dining hall. It was Holmes' hope that the donation would serve as a constant reminder that the lives lost in the September 11 tragedy were not in vain. These patriots may never see the beautiful renovations to the Mount campus, nor enjoy gathering in the center with their classmates, but their story will live on. In their honor, the new dining hall will be appropriately named Patriot Hall. "Now the Mount will always have a reminder of the national tragedy that we endured on September 11th ," commented Holmes. "My hope is that Mount students always remember September 11th, whether it is today or in thirty years." ▲

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■ **September 11th Remembrance Fund**

The establishment of the September 11th Remembrance Fund was in response to the many requests received to memorialize friends and classmates who perished on September 11, 2001. J. Scott Wilfong, C'72, member of the Board of Trustees and chair of the Mount Annual Fund, was so moved by the loss of alumni that he made a request to his company, SunTrust Bank of Maryland, to contribute $25,000 as a memorial gift. They did. He then asked others to join in this memorial by designating new and increased support to the Mount Annual Fund. New and increased gifts received prior to December 31, 2001 were placed toward this effort.

The goal of the September 11th Remembrance Fund is to support financial aid given to Mount students during the spring 2002 semester. Approximately 1,250 students receive some form of financial aid from the college annually.

To date the Remembrance Fund has raised $170,854, surpassing its goal of $150,000. Alumni from the classes personally affected by the tragedy, the Classes of 1983, 1986, 1991 and 1993, contributed close to 10% of the total amount raised.

A plaque will be placed on campus listing the names of those who died.

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baltimorechapter

■ **On Tuesday, November 6, 2001** members of the Baltimore Chapter met at Claddaugh's Pub in Canton, Md. to discuss next year's projects and elect new officers. Outgoing chapter President Jennifer Firlie, C'95, announced the new appointments after the election. The new Baltimore Chapter alumni officers are: David Gabor, C'90, president; Stephanie Lopez, C'00, vice president; and Rob Herb, C'78, treasurer.

■ **The Baltimore Chapter held its Christmas Party on Sunday, December 9, 2001** at Claddaugh's Pub in Canton, Md. Fifty Mount alums attended, contributing 80 toys to the Toys for Tots program. Three U.S. Marines arrived at the party to pick up the toys for distribution to needy children. Denny Doyle, C'63 and national alumni president, attended the party representing the National Alumni Association. Special thanks to Jen Firlie, C'95, Dave Gabor, C'90, Stephanie Lopez, C'00 and Rob Weed, C' 93, for coordinating the event.

1950s

Jack Sinon, C'56, has been in Guadalajara, Mexico, for the past two years organizing seminars in U.S. History for Autonoma University. The courses enable adults with existing degrees to be certified as teachers, and to participate in an exchange program with Houston, Texas area schools. Jack (along with his wife, Alice) originally went to Mexico on a part-time basis to organize the seminars, but enjoyed the opportunity so much that they decided to live there full-time.

1960s

Dick Christopher, C'61, and Don Quinn, C'61, both participated in the 20th Annual "MS 150 Bike to the Bay." The race raised dollars for multiple sclerosis research and was initiated by Dick. He is the chief corporate sponsor. Family and friends joined Dick and Don in the two-day ride from Delaware to the Chesapeake Bay. Congratulations!

Michael D. Schorn, C'66, retained his seat on the City Council of Reading, Pa., following the November 6, 2001 election.

This past fall, J. Patrick McCarthy, C'68, joined the teaching staff at Westfield High School (Fairfax County, Va.). Pat had retired from full-time teaching in Fairfax County Public Schools in 1998, after more than 30 years at Marshall High and Lake Braddock Secondary Schools, where he had taught journalism and served as a newspaper advisor. He came out of retirement to take a part-time teaching position at Westfield and serve as advisor to the *Watchdog*, the school's newspaper. After graduating from the Mount, McCarthy earned both a master's degree in secondary education and a doctorate in secondary administration from George Washington University. He was the first full-time journalism teacher in Virginia.

1970s

Pete Romeika, C'73, presented a reading of a letter that Major General Gordon Meade wrote to his wife, Margaret, from a camp near Fredericksburg, Va. during the Civil War. The reading was presented during a symposium sponsored by the General Meade Society in Philadelphia, Pa. (General Meade had three nephews who attended the Mount).

Master Sergeant Ronald L. Pitts, C'76, a member of the Maryland National Guard, is serving as a public affairs noncommission officer at the Maryland National Guard Headquarters in Baltimore, Md. He has been in the military for 23 years, and is a veteran of two major conflicts. Pitts served with the 525th Military Intelligence Group in Vietnam, as well as in support operations for Operation Desert Storm. He also works as an employer services representative for the Maryland State Job Service's in their Frederick, Md. office.

Robert Pastoor, C'76, will become vice president for student affairs at the University of San Diego in March. He will be leaving Carroll College in Helena, Montana, where he has been serving as vice president for student affairs.

1980s

Susan Janowiak, C'81, is now serving as director of the acquisition and resources management staff in the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) at the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C. She has been with EPA since 1982, working at both Washington headquarters and the Region III office.

William C. Mulford II, C'82, and his wife welcomed a son, William C. Mulford III, on December 4, 2000. William III was born into a family of Mounties. In addition to his father, alumni family members include grandfather, William C. Mulford, C'54, and uncle, Thomas B. Mulford, C'83.

Tom Leddy, C'84, married Karen Farrell on November 10, 2001. The wedding took place at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Alexandria, Va., and was followed with a reception at the Ronald Reagan Federal Building in Washington, D.C. The best man was Paul Whelan, C'84. Other alumni in attendance included: Joe Farrell, C'63 (the bride's uncle), Lori (Gentile) Whelan, C'84, Tim Quigley, C'84, Mark Conlon, C'84, Tom and Trish Looney (C'81 and C'82), Frank and Joanne (Weed) McShalley (C'85 and C'83) and John and Mary Kane (both C'84). The couple followed their celebration with a honeymoon in Fiji and Australia, and will reside in New York City.

Henry F. Garazo, M.D., FACS, C'85, has a plastic surgery practice in Hagerstown, Md. He and his wife, Mary Beth Garazo, M.D., reside in Hagerstown with their son, Henry F. Garazo, Jr.

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■ **The Connecticut Chapter held its 43rd Annual Loyalty Event on Saturday, November 17, 2001** at the Ethan Allen Inn, Danbury, Conn. Mount guests included, Frank DeLuca, C'68, vice president for institutional advancement; George R. Gelles, C'64, national alumni vice president and director of conferences services and special events; and Philip G. McGlade, C'70, director of alumni relations.

Michele Sinnott McEwan, M.D., C'85, is a pediatrician in practice at The Pediatric Center in Catonsville, Md. She and her husband, David, also celebrated the birth of their son, Colin, in 2000.

Matthew Victor, C'85, is now working in the Bureau of Consular Affairs at the U.S. Department of State in Washington, D.C. Prior to this appointment, he served for several years at the U.S. Embassy in Warsaw, Poland.

Ann Morris Barrett, C'88, and her husband, Jonathan, celebrated the birth of their second daughter, Elizabeth Ann, on July 23, 2001. Their first daughter, Nancy Ford, was born on February 2, 2000. The Barretts were introduced by Mount alum Paul Dettor and Kathy Gill McDermott, both C'88.

Captain Chris Daniels, C'89, is serving as an infantry officer with the New York National Guard, stationed in New York City. His position is the HHC commander with 260 soldiers under his direct command. Four members of his unit were lost during the September 11th attack on the World Trade Center. The unit was deployed to the WTC to assist in securing a perimeter, searching through debris and coordinating relief efforts.

1990s

Michael Lloyd, C'91, a CPA, recently finished his degree at University of Maryland Law School. He is a tax associate for Baker & McKenzie, the largest law firm in the world. His wife, Laura, is a 1991 Mount graduate.

Regina McFadden DiLuigi, C'92, and her husband, David, C'92, welcomed a daughter, Grace, in October 2000.

Michelle Falcinelli, C'92, is currently in Rome, Italy, teaching middle school mathematics at the American Overseas School.

Beth Jowdy, C'93, ran in the Honolulu Marathon on December 9, 2001. She traveled with the Joints in Motion Team, raising funds for the Arthritis Foundation.

Chrissy Tamberino, C'93, married David Huber on October 13, 2001, at Loyola Blakefield, in Baltimore, Md. Members of the Class of 1993 in attendance included Dr. Ed McCarron, Lisa (Tamberino) Fitz, Margaret Walsh and Matt Mulligan.

Robert D. Dutrow, C'94, married Stacy Lee Galloway on June 9, 2001, at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church in

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■ **The Delaware Chapter hosted a Christmas Social on Thursday, December 6, 2001** at the Deer Park, Newark. The social provided an opportunity for alumni in the Wilmington/Newark areas to get together and reminisce before the holiday rush began! Denny Doyle, C'63, national alumni president, and Anne Sluck, C'97, assistant director of alumni relations, traveled to Newark to attend the event and catch up with local Mounties. Ellen Callahan, C'81, and Kevin Foley, C'85, planned the event.

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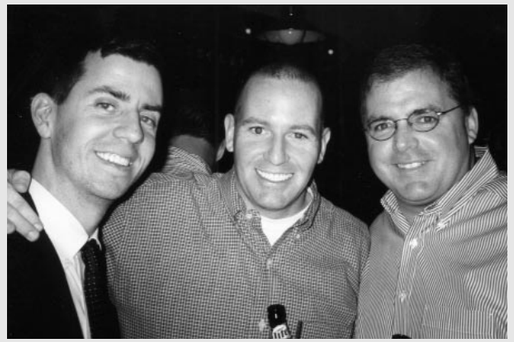
■ **On Friday, December 7, 2001 the New York Chapter held its second annual "Kids Christmas NYC" event** at Tin Lizzi. $1,200 was raised for N.Y. Cares, and over 150 books and gift certificates for Toys R Us. These funds and toys were then distributed through the Archdiocese of New York to families affected by the World Trade Center tragedy. Kelly McLaughlin Catania, C'90, M.Ed. '96, and Tom Leddy, C'83, worked diligently to plan this charitable Mount event.



Ladiesburg, Md. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii and now reside in Walkersville, Md. The groom is a firefighter and paramedic with Montgomery County Fire and Rescue.

Amy Nunan, C'94, married Peter Burr on November 16, 2001. Mount guests from the Class of 1994 included John and Holly (Kennedy) Bruggeman, Kerry Foley, Kristen (Lane) DuBois, and Bill Flanagan.

Mark McGreevy, C'95, has been promoted to vice president at Stoffer-Sanner Insurance Agency in Frederick, Md. He resides in Middletown, Md., with his wife, Jen, and their two daughters.

Anna Labate, C'96, is serving as senior paralegal with Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy, PC, in New York, N.Y. The firm specializes in immigration law.

Bonnie Owens, C'96, has been named assistant director of adult and transfer admissions at Hood College in Frederick, Md. Prior to working at Hood, she was an academic adviser for Hagerstown Community College (2000-2001) and a coordinator of examination services at the University of Maryland University College (1998-2000).

Jennifer Whalen, C'96, daughter of Tom Whalen, C'59, married Rob Luciani on May 12, 2001. Mount alumni attending the wedding included: Larry Whalen, C'68, and the following members of the Class of 1996; Arin Pusey, Chris Heagey, Jennie Krayer, Mary Beth McDowell, Brian Berube, Dan Stokes and Bill Pusey. The bride is employed with Vanguard Mutual Funds in Wayne, Pa., and was recently promoted to the position of training coordinator.

Charles Bastian and Danielle Peypoch, both C'96, were married on June 15, 2001 at Old Saint Mary's Church in Philadelphia. Bastian is the son of Richard Bastian, C'60. Mounties involved from the Class of 96 were bridal attendants; Colleen Reif O'Brien, Tara Smith Verch, Elli Connelly Wensky, Chrissy Gaul and from the Class of 1991, Norine Bastian-Pastore. Groomsmen from the Class of 96 were; Craig Pensabene, Morgan Gilligan and Tim Murray. Sue McCool, C'91, Ellen Bittner and Dianne VanBelle Kern, both C'96, were readers for the ceremony. The couple now resides in Philadelphia, Pa.

Dianne VanBelle, C'96, married Peter Kern on May 27, 2000. Ellen Bittner, C'96, was maid of honor.

Former Mount Basketball player Michael T. Brown, C'98, and former Mount basketball manager, dance team member, Mount cheerleader, and former drama participate, Tawnya Holmes, C'96, recently announced plans for a June 2002 wedding to take place in

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■ **On Saturday, November 17, 2001 the Philadelphia Chapter held its 6th Annual Boat House Row Party** at the Fairmount Rowing Association, Philadelphia. The social attracted over 80 alumni from the area and remains one of the most popular chapter events of the year. Rob Weed, C'93, planned the event and facilitated the use of the boathouse.

upcomingevents

■ **February 2002**

The National Alumni Association honored the 1982 Lady Mountaineer basketball team on February 2, 2002. Players, coaches and staff were reunited to commemorate the 20th anniversary of their exciting and memorable trip to the NCAA Division II Women's Final Four Tournament in Springfield, Mass. A reception and dinner was held at President Houston's house to acknowledge the returning team.

February 23: Winter Homecoming

■ **March 2002**

The Mount St. Mary's Chorale, under the direction of Dr. Andrew Rosenfeld, will embark on their second annual spring tour during the first week of March. On Sunday, March 3, the Chorale will perform at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Charlotte, N.C. On Monday, March 4, they will perform at Stella Maris Church in Charleston, S.C.

For additional information please contact Dr. Andrew Rosenfeld at (301) 447-5308.

■ **May 2002**

The 2nd Annual Reunion Classes Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, May 31, at Mountain View Golf Course in Fairfield, Pa. The tournament is open to all Mount alumni and their guests. Prizes will include a raffle with three sets of green fees (for four players) in Myrtle Beach, S.C., a set of irons, a set of woods and other donated items. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the Rev. Carl J. Fives Alumni Scholarship Program. The initial outing in June 2002 raised over $3,000, with 79 participants.

■ **June 2002**

Mark your calendars…Alumni Reunion Weekend will take place Friday, May 31, through Sunday, June 2, 2002. Recognition of the following reunion classes will take place; C'42, C'52, C'57, C'62, C'67, C'72, C'77, C'82, C'87, C'92 and C'97. Take advantage of this opportunity to catch up with classmates and use the beautiful new McGowan Center!

For additional information contact the alumni relations office at 301-447-5362.

Fr. Dan Mode, S'92, to Discuss *The Grunt Padre* at 2002 Alumni Lecture. Rev. Daniel L. Mode, S'92, will be the featured speaker at this year's annual Alumni Lecture on Saturday, June 1, 2002. The event is one of the highlights of Alumni Reunion Weekend. The lecture will focus on the life and work of Rev. Vincent Robert Capodanno, a Maryknoll missionary who served as a chaplain and was tragically killed during the war in Vietnam. Fr. Mode is the author of *The Grunt Padre*, an intimate and inspirational examination of Capodanno's ministry. Most of the research and writing for the book was conducted by the author at Mount St. Mary's. Fr. Mode currently serves as associate pastor at Queen of the Apostles Church in Alexandria, Virginia for the Diocese of Arlington.

Sign up now for the 26th Annual National Alumni Golf Tourney to be held on Saturday, June 1, 2002 at Mountain View Golf Course in Fairfield, Pa. Proceeds of this event benefit the Rev. Carl J. Fives Alumni Scholarship Program.

■ **July 2002**

A Delaware Alumni Beach Picnic is being planned for Summer 2002. Alumni representatives in the area are now seeking out interested participants and co-planners. Traditionally, the picnic has been held in Lewes in July, at Cape Henlopen State Park in Rehoboth Beach.

To inquire about the beach picnic or add your name and address to the list of alumni in the Delaware Seashore area, please forward your contact information to the following alumni representatives: Dr. Frank Merolla, C'63, at (302) 644-0813, or Don Quinn, C'63, at donquinn@juno.com

brutémedal

■ **Egan and Graham to Receive Bruté Medals**

Dennis M. Doyle, C'63, National Alumni Association president, has announced that Edward F. Egan, C'52, and John D. Graham, C'57, will receive the 38th Annual Bruté Medal at the traditional Alumni Reunion Banquet on Saturday, June 1, 2002.

Egan is a founder of Hess, Egan, Hagerty, & L'Hommedieu in Chevy Chase, Md. and currently serves as the firm's chairman. Over the years, Egan has served as president of the Washington Alumni Chapter, chairman of the National Development Council, chairman of the Achievement II Capital Campaign Committee and chairman of the Mount Fund. Since 1994, he has been a member of the Board of Trustees and its Finance and Advancement Committees. Egan and his wife, Mary Louise, a Saint Joseph College graduate, reside in Silver Spring, Md. and are parents of eight children, including; Edward T., C'77, and Cara Marie, C'89.

Graham is a financial representative with New England Financial in Wayne, Pa. He is a past member of the National Alumni Association's National Alumni Council and the Philadelphia Area Capital Campaign for the ARCC, and is a current member of the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter's Board of Directors. In addition, Graham is a past member of the Board of Trustees and served as chairman of the 2000 Phelan Testimonial Dinner. Currently, he is chairman of the Class of 1957 Reunion Committee and chairman of the Mount's Marketing Advisory Council.

Graham and his wife, Pat, reside in Devon, Pa. and are the parents of five children, including; John O., C'82.

For additional information on the Bruté Medal recipients or to find out how to reserve a ticket for this event, please contact the office of alumni relations at 301-447-5362 or mcglade@msmary.edu.

Washington, D.C. at Israel Metropolitan CME Church. She is currently an adoption specialist with Alexandria Division of Social Services in Virginia, and he teaches third grade at Nevel Thomas Elementary School.

Amy Langville, C'97, is currently finishing her Ph.D. in operations research at N.C. State in Raleigh, N.C. She has also been teaching mathematics at N.C. State, as well as Meredith College.

Elizabeth DiNapoli, C'98, will be receiving a M.Ed. in higher education administration from Suffolk University (Mass.) in May 2002. She is currently living in Boston and working as a project assistant with the New England Board of Higher Education.

Christina M. Markey, C'98, was selected to be a runner carrying the Olympic torch on its journey to Salt Lake City, Utah. She carried the torch on December 21, 2001, in NW Washington, D.C.

Cory Kamen, C'99, is currently a completing her master of social work degree at the University of Maryland.

Virginia-Marie Prevas, C'98, received her master of social work degree from University of Maryland, Baltimore. She is employed with the Humane Society of the United States as manager of their First Strike Campaign, a national program that addresses the connection between animal cruelty and human violence.

Kimberley Walsh, C'98, is employed as a review technical assistant with United Information Systems, Inc., in Frederick, Md.

2000

Ted Thompson, C'00, has joined National City Mortgage as a mortgage consultant in their Frederick, Md. office.

Kelly Szajna, C'00, received her B.S. in nursing from Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing in 2001. She is currently working as an Oncology RN at Frederick Memorial Hospital.

Kevin M. Whelley, C'00, is now employed as a case manager at the Commission on Economic Opportunity in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Michele Giarrusso's, C'00, dog Barney the Beagle-Mix recently found fame as an actor in Washington, D.C. Barney starred in the role of an old farm dog in the Washington, D.C. Arena Stage's fall 2001 presentation of the play Of Mice and Men. Barney was selected over several other dogs after an audition. Giarrusso is not only Barney's owner, but trainer as well!

2001

Bill Wilson, C'01, recently joined RSM McGladrey, Inc., in Frederick, Md. as a staff accountant. Melody Thornton, C'01, has also joined the firm, serving in the same capacity. ▲

Rev. Carl J. Fives Alumni Scholarship Recipient Reflections

Harry Benjamin, C'98, is an alumni scholarship recipient who has carried his education into a growing career with the federal government.

After graduation, Benjamin was hired as an economist with the Bureau of Labor and Statistics (BLS), Office of Field Operations, in Washington, D.C. He has remained in that job for three and a half years; a position, which he obtained after BLS representatives, visited the Mount in 1997. Later that year he received the Rev. Carl J. Fives Alumni Scholarship.

Harry credits his Mount education in preparing him for his new role by giving him both the specific economics and overall core-based knowledge he has needed to excel at BLS. He also feels that the Mount helped him to grow as a person, providing him with a broad education that promoted a sensible and knowledgeable approach to challenges in the professional world. He explained that it is an important opportunity because it helps students fulfill their dream of completing a Mount education that will propel them to many great accomplishments throughout their lives. He added that the scholarship "motivates students to carry out the high level of excellence that has been the benchmark of Mount students for almost 200 years."

Benjamin is currently completing his MBA at the Mount on a part-time basis, while he continues to work for BLS. His goal is to one day obtain a management position in the federal government, receive an advanced degree in education and teach at least part-time at the high school or college level.

Benjamin offered the following words of advice to current and future recipients of the Rev. Carl J. Fives Alumni Scholarship, "Cherish the time you have at the Mount, because that time will go by quickly and will become a distant memory in your past. Be ready for anything once you graduate, because life presents many obstacles that you did not foresee in your college days. Be ready to accept and cherish any change in plans that you must face to achieve a successful and fulfilling life." ▲

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■ **Bowie Kuhn to Receive 2002 DuBois Medal**

The National Alumni Association is pleased to announce that Bowie K. Kuhn will be the recipient of the 2002 DuBois Medal. Kuhn, a leader in Catholic community service, author and former commissioner of Major League Baseball (1969-84), will receive the award at the annual alumni reunion banquet on Saturday, June 1, 2002.

The DuBois Medal is presented to a distinguished individual who has rendered outstanding and meritorious service to the Church, state, nation and their fellow citizens. Each year, the National Alumni Association of Mount St. Mary's awards the medal in honor of the college's founder, Father John DuBois.

For questions related to the DuBois Medal or the 2002 alumni reunion banquet, please call the alumni office at 301-447-5362.

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World Marriage Day Celebration

In keeping with the spirit of the Valentine's season, the Mount held its annual celebration of World Marriage Day on Sunday, February 10, during the evening college Mass. The celebration, traditionally held on the second Sunday in February, honors and recognizes the importance of the institution of marriage and is sponsored by the Council on Campus Ministry. Council members select couples from the Mount faculty, staff, and administration, as well as parents of students and friends of the college and seminary. Past honorees include Mr. and Mrs. James Phelan, Dr. and Mrs. Bill Meredith, and Mr. and Mrs. George Gelles.

World Marriage Day was initially a grassroots campaign initiated by couples in Baton Rouge, La. who encouraged their mayor, state governor, and Bishop to include a more concentrated focus on the celebration of marriage in the traditional celebration of Valentines Day. The idea was so well received the Worldwide Marriage Encounter's National Leadership officially recognized it in 1981. By 1982, 43 U.S. governors formally recognized World Marriage Day, and it has been a popular celebration ever since.

The celebration is especially pertinent to a community of learning such as the Mount. "To love another person takes hard work," comments Fr. Ray Harris, chaplain and director of campus ministry at the Mount. "Love is not just centered upon emotions, but it is an emphatic decision to work for the good of the other, and for the sake of the other. That is how a commitment endures and this is what we celebrate on World Marriage Day."

The Mount has held the celebration for over a decade and honored an average of six couples a year. It is intentionally placed during the college Mass to demonstrate to students that strong, enduring marriages are possible and quite common in today's society. "I think that it is a wonderful example for our students to witness as they continue to discern if God is calling them to the vocations of priesthood and/or religious life, as a single person, or faithful marriage and family life," commented Fr. Harris. "I am grateful for the opportunity to affirm these couples in the commitment that they have made." ▲

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