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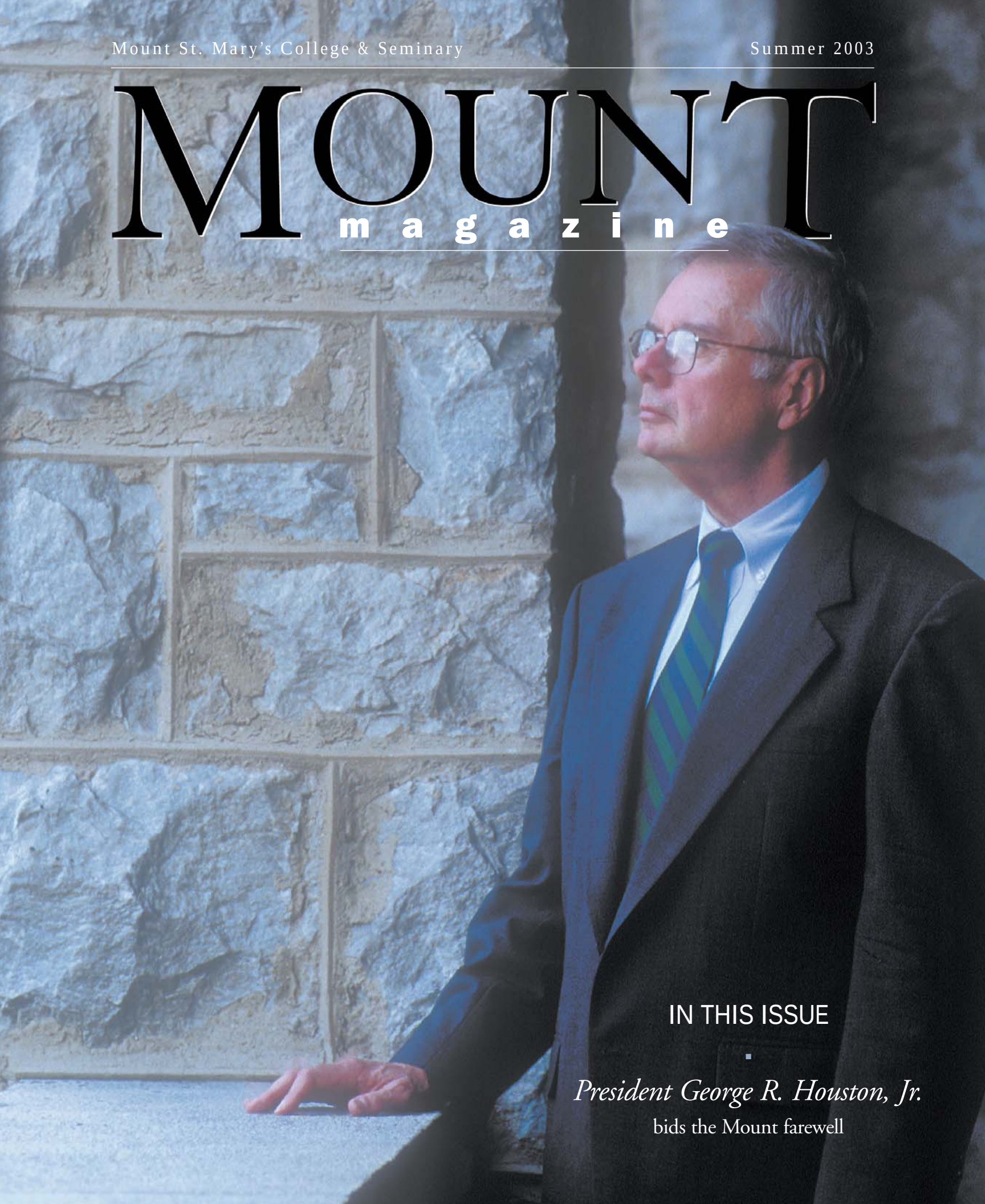

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President George R. Houston, Jr.
bids the Mount farewell

editor's MESSAGE

The phone in my office rang late on the afternoon of December 9, 2002.

It was the president's office—could I come right over?

I hustled across the hall to meet with John Walsh, who, at the time, was the chairman of the Mount's Board of Trustees, and Thomas O'Hara, the chairman of the search committee charged with selecting the Mount's 24th president.

President Houston being escorted into the Farewell Tribute Dinner by Henge Sedghi, president of the Student Government Association.

Minutes earlier, Walsh and O'Hara had completed a phone call with Thomas H. Powell, Ed.D. On a cell phone in his car, pulled along the shoulder somewhere between Emmitsburg, Md., and his hometown of Glenville, W.Va., Dr. Powell accepted the position as president of Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary, effective July 1, 2003.

In an almost surreal way, the next to enter the room was George Houston, who, for the past nine years, had occupied this office—guiding the Mount to unparalleled heights in its almost 200-year history.

"Well, George," Walsh sighed, "we have a new president."

"That's wonderful news. Congratulations," was Houston's reply, with characteristic aplomb and dignity—the very tenets of his presidency.

As I sat there, quietly listening to the strategies proposed in making the formal announcement to the greater Mount community, I couldn't help but grasp the heaviness in the body language of these three gentlemen. Although the successor to George Houston had been anticipated for months, the reality of the situation, at that precise moment in time, finally hit home.

The outpouring of affection greeting President Houston at events on- and off-campus this spring was incredible. As President Houston remarked at the tribute dinner held in his honor in June, much of it felt like a rerun of the old television program "This is Your Life." You'll read about this whirlwind of activity inside.

We dedicate this issue of *Mount Magazine* as a tribute of our own—in honor of the Houston legacy—and we look forward to showcasing the October inaugural of Dr. Powell, and his vision for the Mount as it nears its bicentennial, in future issues.

Finally, you will no doubt notice that *Mount Magazine* has taken on a new look—especially in the use of color. Redesigning a publication is never easy, especially one with an inherent brand loyalty like this magazine. I hope you'll agree we have taken a good product and improved it in a way you'll be proud of.

If you haven't done so already, please take a few moments and complete the confidential online *Mount Magazine* survey highlighted on the back cover of this issue. To those who have already shared their thoughts, we thank you. Many of your suggestions were incorporated into this issue.

We can't wait to hear what you think.

Enjoy!

Duffy Ross
Editor

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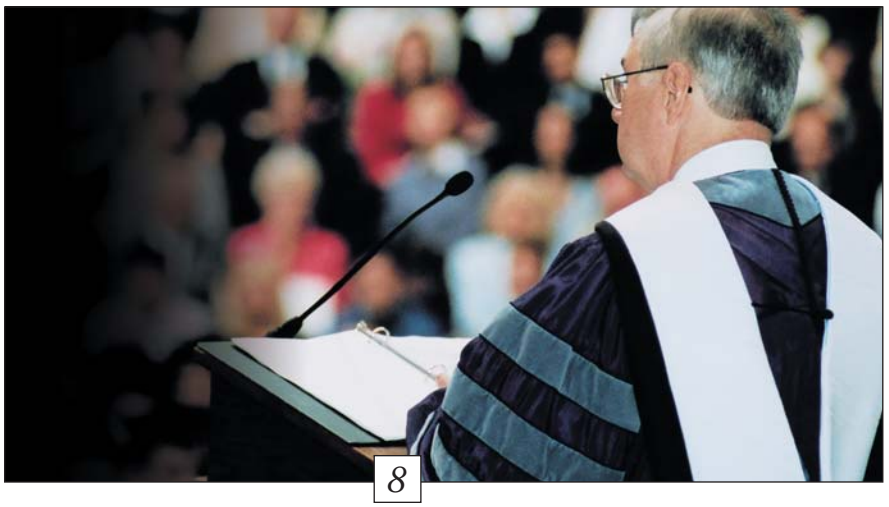

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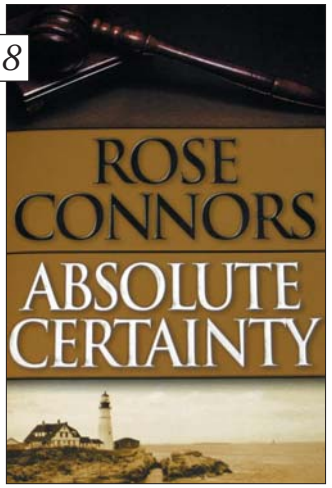

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KUDOS AND QUESTIONS

Thanks for your excellent article on the Mount St. Mary's Seminary, "Real Men," Spring '03. You tackled some prevalent issues and answered them with the decency and common sense of the good men being produced at our seminary.

With that said, I find it surprising that the study of sociology has become so frivolous and childish. In a world where women in the Middle East are bought and sold, brutalized and murdered for simply being a woman, we have at the Mount a professor of sociology focusing on tattoos and body images, "Tattoos, Tans and Other Topics," Spring '03. When people say college professors are out of touch with real world issues I believe we have an excellent example here!

I'm not sure if the writer meant this article to be an exposé, but I certainly feel well informed about the lack of seriousness among those who call themselves "Professor" these days.

–John Singleton, C'86

REMEMBERING COACH PHELAN

(Editor's Note … the following is a remembrance of Coach Jim Phelan's final game as men's basketball coach at the Mount, "The Ties That Bind," *Spring '03).*

When the class of '57 frequented the Mount, our watering hole (good word for the place) was The Palms, in Emmitsburg. So Saturday afternoon we went there and lifted a few. Not much has changed—place still smelled the same, no beer on tap and the beer of choice was bottled Bud, Coors, etc. No Iron Duke or Iron City, or Old Bohemian or National Bo, but we were there to enjoy each other's company and reminisce.

We had a surprise classmate show up, Jack Sullivan and his wife Tish. I asked him if he remembered the last time we'd seen each other and he didn't. It was at Fort Dix, N.J. I was a recruit in the Army in basic training, watching the star of the Quantico Marine basketball team wipe the floor with the Fort Dix players. I yelled "Sully" and he turned around and walked over.

I was immediately barked at by several shave-tail 2nd Lieutenants about my demeanor. Jack waved them away and we shook hands and talked for a while, until I was hassled to return to my company. Shortly thereafter, I completed training and was off to Korea and Vietnam. That meeting took place over 45 years ago and we hadn't seen each other again until that day.

We were pleased that Jack was inundated with requests for his autograph, both in The Palms and during the Mount basketball game. I know it must have made him feel great when Jim and Dottie Phelan stopped to hug him on the way to the podium. And I know that he was deeply moved by Fred Carter's words about him during the ceremonies. His wife Tish put her face in her hands and cried.

That night was a night to remember. Some of us think that part of the reason for the Mount winning had to do with the spirit that pervaded the gym, of the people who were there for Jim Phelan, and their force of emotion that fell in waves on the court. It was about as emotionally charged an event as any I have ever been at and the fact that the team won the last one for Jim was terrific.

The ceremonies afterwards were indeed moving and the level of respect and honor portrayed for Jim was wonderful. Joe Smith collected all of us class of '57 guys and we went back onto the gym. Jim was still signing autographs, having his picture taken and someone was just finishing an interview. We walked over, not knowing what to expect when Jim looked over at us, smiled, and said: "Hi Joe," and shook hands. When Joe asked if the class of '57 could get a picture with him, he stopped everything and stepped into the middle of us, put his arm around Joe and said something like: "Of course, you guys were there from the beginning."

As I was driving home in the fog after the reception, I thought about what he'd said. We stomped and cheered and intimidated one night in the old Memorial Gymnasium in the fall of 1953 when Jim Phelan coached his first game.

And on March 1, we were there again, making noise and cheering for him and the Mount for his last one!

–Larry Purcell, C'57

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McGowan Center FORMALLY DEDICATED IN APRIL

The William G. McGowan Center was formally dedicated during ribbon-cutting ceremonies April 25, with His Eminence, William Cardinal Keeler, Archbishop of Baltimore, Md., performing the official blessing of the building.

Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary. "For students of the Mount, the McGowan Center will do just that. The center is truly a place of inspiration, both socially and academically."

"It is fitting that this building be named in Mr. McGowan's honor, for he believed in finding ways to access the untapped treasures housed in the minds and spirits of the young and putting to good use that crucial human resource."

—George R. Houston, Jr., president of Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary

The completed McGowan Center is the most significant capital on-campus project since the construction of Knott Arena in 1987, adding 36,000 square feet to the existing 43,000 square feet of the Cogan Student Union Building. The project was part of the Mount's very successful "Connections Campaign"—which raised nearly $40 million—the largest campaign in school history.

The William G. McGowan Charitable Foundation was the primary financial contributor to the center, which now houses elaborate student life offices, a wellness center, a new bookstore and dining room facilities. Mr. McGowan, who died in 1992 after founding MCI Communications, is connected to the Mount through his brother, Monsignor Andrew McGowan, a graduate of both Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary.

"It is fitting that this building be named in Mr. McGowan's honor, for he believed in finding ways to access the untapped treasures housed in the minds and spirits of the young and putting to good use that crucial human resource," said George R. Houston, Jr., president of

Additionally, in an emotional ceremony that included the ringing of the bells in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, family members of those lost in the wake of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks laid flowers and a wreath in front of Patriot Hall.

"As the Mount approaches her 200th birthday, she has a refurbished wardrobe, added a new gem or two and invested in her future," said Houston. "She truly is our hope, '*Spes Nostra*,' and thanks to you that hope is bright."

Top:
His Eminence, William Cardinal Keeler, archbishop of Baltimore, Md., performed the official blessing of the building. At right is Wesley Schawe, a third-year seminarian from Dodge City, Iowa.

Bottom row left:
Family members of those lost in the wake of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks laid flowers and a wreath in front of Patriot Hall.

Bottom row right:
Ribbon-cutting participants included, from left, George R. Houston, Jr., Mount president; Rev. Raymond L. Harris, college chaplain; His Eminence, William Cardinal Keeler; Monsignor Andrew McGowan; and Sister Paula Marie Buley, IHM, vice president and treasurer.

FIVE RECEIVE *Honorary Degrees* AT 2003 COMMENCEMENT

The Mount conferred its highest academic honor, the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*, to five individuals at its 195th Commencement Exercises in May.

Receiving the degrees were, from left to right, Baltimore, Md., educator **Barry Fitzpatrick**; **Charles M. Grace, C'51**; retiring Mount president, **George R. Houston, Jr.**; and former men's basketball coach **Jim Phelan and his wife, Dottie**.

Grace cofounded the World Monuments Fund more than 30 years ago. The fund is now the foremost private, nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving endangered historic art and architecture across the globe. It has worked with local communities and partners to stem the loss of 400 important and irreplaceable sites in 80 countries, and is currently joining international efforts to protect Iraq's cultural resources from further damage. Grace was chairman and a trustee of the fund until the late 1980s.

Grace also cofounded the California League of Conservation Voters. Through his efforts the Coastal Act of 1972 was enacted in California. It bans offshore drilling and prevents overdevelopment and environmental deterioration by establishing standards and guidelines for coastal construction.

Fitzpatrick graduated Phi Beta Kappa and *magna cum laude* in Spanish from Catholic University. He earned two master's degrees in education, one from Harvard and one from Loyola College with a concentration in guidance and counseling. He has devoted his entire career to Catholic secondary school education.

From 1972 to 1986, he was a teacher, coach and then principal of Good Counsel High School in Wheaton, Md., where he taught Spanish, math and religion; coached baseball; coordinated the retreat program for juniors; oversaw student activities; and ultimately became responsible for the school's total educational program. Since 1986, he has served the students of Mount Saint Joseph High School in Baltimore, Md., as a teacher of Spanish, math and Latin; as soccer coach and swimming moderator; as counselor and director of studies; and, since 1994, as principal.

Through 49 years and 1,354 Mount basketball games, Jim and Dottie Phelan touched the lives of countless numbers of young men, many of whom still remain friends with them. Memorable achievements include the 1962 national championship, numerous conference championships, NCAA appearances, coach of the year awards and many exciting moments on the court at the Mount.

Their daughter, Lynne Phelan Robinson, C'79, and current associate director of athletics at the college, presented the Phelans' degree citation. She brought the audience to its feet as she noted:

"Success, of course, is not measured by wins and losses. It is measured by character. Jim and Dottie, may you know that you have succeeded. May you know that as people come to this college and listen closely, they will hear the echoes of the cheers heard here so often."

In presenting the degree citation to President Houston, Dick Ridgway, C'58, long-time board of trustees member and chair of the board when the Mount hired President Houston, noted: "During his tenure, President Houston provided both stability and change; his was a vision founded on tradition. Under his leadership, the members of the Mount community have accomplished great things.

"In short, President Houston shared his vision and his energy with the members of the college community as he asked them to advise him on the large and small tasks that make up a college president's life," added Ridgway. "Mount St. Mary's is grateful for his leadership, good will and myriad talents."

IRAQI HERO *honored* WITH PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL AT COMMENCEMENT

Mohammed Odeh Rehaief, the 32-year-old Iraqi lawyer who told U.S. authorities of prisoner of war Jessica Lynch's whereabouts prior to her rescue, was honored at commencement with the Presidential Medal. Rehaief received a thunderous ovation by those in attendance.

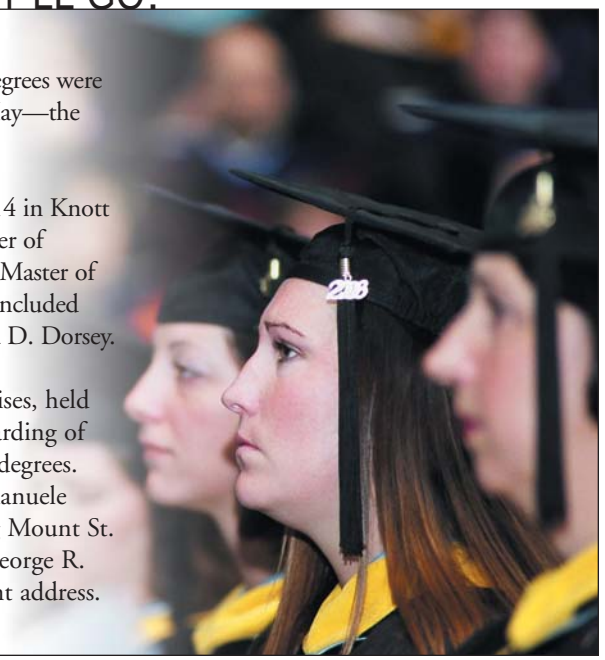
Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary President George R. Houston, Jr., praised Rehaief for his heroism and bravery in alerting the U.S. military of Lynch's location. Following her rescue, Rehaief, along with his wife and daughter, were transported to a military camp in Kuwait. The family has been granted political asylum in the United States and is currently living in Northern Virginia.

Oh, THE PLACES THEY'LL GO!

Almost 500 undergraduate and graduate degrees were conferred at commencement exercises in May—the 195th in the Mount's history.

The graduate program exercises held May 14 in Knott Auditorium included the awarding of Master of Education, Master of Arts in Teaching and Master of Business Administration degrees. Speakers included 2003 graduates Alan R. Duncan and Sheila D. Dorsey.

The undergraduate commencement exercises, held May 18 in Knott Arena, included the awarding of Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees. Class of 2003 president Victoria Rose Emanuele spoke on behalf of the graduates. Retiring Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary President George R. Houston, Jr., provided the commencement address.



INSTITUTION OF LECTORS

The Most Reverend Robert McManus, auxiliary bishop of Providence, installed 33 Mount seminarians into the ministry of lector, April 25. Seminarians normally receive this ministry at the end of their first year of theological studies. Lectors are appointed for the task of reading the word of God in the liturgical assembly. Their formation at the Mount helps seminarians cultivate a knowledge and love of the sacred Scriptures, preparing them not only to read the word of God, but to assimilate that word in their hearts.

"Grant that as they meditate constantly on your word they may grow in its wisdom and faithfully proclaim it to your people."

Bishop J. Kevin Boland installs seminarian Robert Lacey, diocese of Sioux Falls, in the ministry of acolyte.

"Grant that they may be faithful in the service of your altar and in giving to others the bread of life; may they grow always in faith and love, and so build up your Church."

INSTITUTION OF ACOLYTES

The Most Reverend J. Kevin Boland, bishop of Savannah, installed 17 Mount seminarians into the ministry of acolyte, May 9. Seminarians normally receive this ministry at the end of their second year of theological studies. Acolytes are appointed to aid the deacon and to minister to the priest at the altar in liturgical celebrations. They also serve as extraordinary ministers of the Holy Eucharist. Their formation at the Mount helps seminarians cultivate a knowledge and love of the sacred liturgy and the Holy Eucharist, preparing them to live according to Christ's example of self-giving love.

ORDINATION OF DEACONS

The Most Reverend J. Kevin Boland, bishop of Savannah, ordained five Mount seminarians as deacons, May 10: (left to right) **Michael McMahon** (Providence), **Daniel White** (Burlington), **Martino Nguyen** (Savannah), **Mark Miller** (Peoria) and **Peter Sheehan** (Providence).

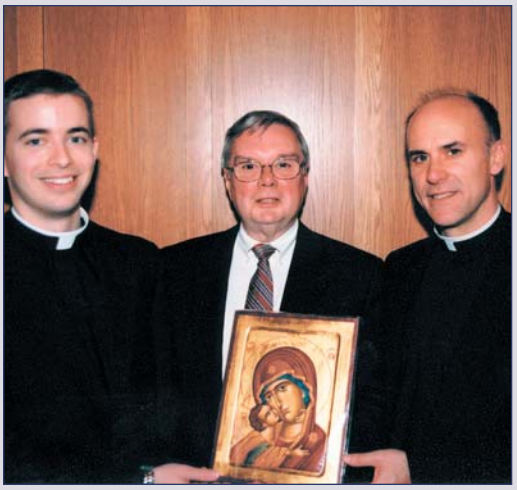
Seminarians are normally ordained to the diaconate at the end of their third year of theological studies. Deacons share in Christ's mission and grace in a special way. At ordination, they are configured to Christ, who made Himself the "deacon" or servant of all. The ministry of deacon is threefold: service of the word, of charity and of the liturgy, including assisting at marriages and presiding over funerals.

"May they in this life imitate your Son, who came, not to be served but to serve, and one day reign with Him in heaven."

DEACON NIGHT

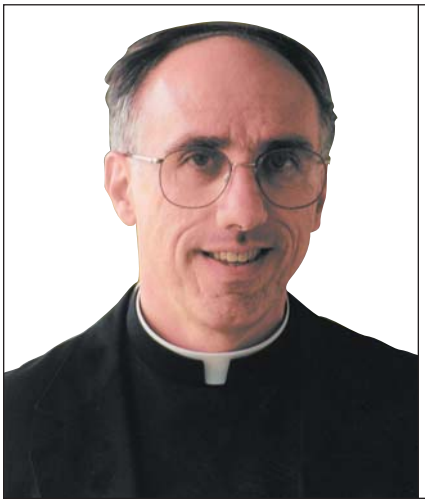
The traditional farewell celebration for those completing their priestly formation at the Mount, "Deacon Night," took place May 2. The celebration began with a Mass celebrated by Father Kevin C. Rhoades, seminary rector, in the glass chapel at the Mount Grotto. (Shown with him above are deacons **Lorenzo Gonzalez**, left, and **Joseph Marcello**.) In his homily, Father Rhoades reminded the deacons, soon to be ordained priests, that their formation is not finished when they leave the seminary. He encouraged them not to seek worldly success or attainment of personal gain, but to seek to imitate Jesus Christ, "the one Teacher and Master," identifying with Him in His pastoral charity.

The Deacon Night celebration, hosted by the third theology class, continued with a banquet in Patriot Hall. Each deacon was presented with a gift of a priest's stole for the celebration of the sacrament of Penance. The deacon class presented the seminary with the gift of a beautiful green cope and stole for use at seminary liturgies. Monsignor Paul Langsfeld, vice rector, was presented with a farewell gift, an icon of the Baptism of Christ.



FAREWELL TO PRESIDENT HOUSTON

President George Houston joined the seminary on April 27 for the celebration of sung Evening Prayer. The seminary community offered special prayers in thanksgiving for President Houston's nine years of service at the Mount as well as prayers for God's continued blessings upon him. After Evening Prayer, the seminary hosted a farewell banquet for President Houston. Father Kevin Rhoades, seminary rector, presented him with a hand-painted icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary as a farewell gift and memento. Also shown is Deacon Wesley Schawe (left), president of the seminary's student government association.



Monsignor Paul Langsfeld, seminary vice rector, was recently named rector of the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio. During his 12 years at the Mount, he was a theology professor, formation advisor and spiritual director as well as the dean of formation and author of the seminary's Formation and Evaluation Program.

THE Houston Legacy

STRENGTHENING CATHOLIC IDENTITY

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STRENGTHENING ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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STRENGTHENING THE FINANCIAL BASE

These were the charges facing George R. Houston, Jr., a seventh-generation Washingtonian and a thirty-seven year veteran as student, faculty member and administrator at Georgetown University, when he became the 23rd president of Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary during the summer of 1994.

At the time, the institution was reeling from its own experience of change. While many presidents of Mount St. Mary's held amazingly lengthy terms of office, President Houston found himself the third president in three years. During his tenure, *President Houston provided both stability and change; his was a vision founded on tradition.* Under his leadership, the members of the Mount community have accomplished great things.

President Houston directed facility planning that included the construction of the Knott Auditorium, the renovation of the Coad Science Building, the construction of a new wing on the seminary, the renovation of Borders, and the construction of the McGowan Center.

The building both preceded and followed a very successful capital drive, the Connections Campaign, providing the much-needed funds for technology, faculty and program development and endowment growth.

Much of the success of the campaign rested on the fact that President Houston was willing to go anywhere and talk with any group during the campaign years, as well as before and after them. *Because of his presence, the Mount saw a re-engagement of alums in our common life, an increase in giving, and a new pride in the Mount.*

On the following pages, you'll read his address from the Farewell Tribute Dinner held in June.

His leadership, energy, good will, and myriad talents will be sorely missed.

Mission accomplished!

THANKS FOR THE *Memories!*

REMARKS BY PRESIDENT GEORGE R. HOUSTON, JR.

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FAREWELL TRIBUTE DINNER—JUNE 10, 2003

President Houston with his mother, Lillian Houston, along with his sister and her husband, Barbara and Jimmy Wheat, and their family, Michael, Jeffery, Jennifer and America.

What can I say? Mom always told us not to make a fuss over her when she dies, but to do it while she was alive and well so she could enjoy it. Mom, I now know what you meant. Tonight has been a rerun of that old television program: "This Is Your Life." I cannot begin to express my appreciation to each one of you for being here this evening.

For almost 200 years, Mount St. Mary's has produced leaders for the Church, the Republic and the Professions. You have heard from some of these leaders this evening.

From the Church, I am delighted that representatives of the three dioceses in which I have lived my entire life are here—the Archdiocese of Baltimore, the Archdiocese of Washington and my current diocese, the Diocese of Arlington.

You have met Mount alums that serve, or have helped, the Republic well in national, state and local governments.

You have met our graduates who are outstanding members of the various Professions. *All of these men and women are testaments of the Mount's success in fulfilling her mission. To all of you, not only for being here this evening, but also for serving this old house so well, thanks.*

To the other college presidents and representatives, I know how busy your schedules are, and how tired you are at this time of the academic year. It is nice to have you visit the Northern Territory! To current and former students and colleagues from so many organizations, it is great seeing you again.

To my own family and friends, thanks for the support you have given me these last nine years. Now I will have more time to spend with you. But relax. I will know when I am getting on your nerves when you suggest, "there must be some college, anywhere, that you can do something, anything for."

To my Mount family—trustees, councilors, officers, alumni, faculty, administrators, staff and students, this really is your celebration also. *Whatever I am credited with having accomplished could not have been done without you. It has been my privilege to have served on your team.*

Finally, there are four individuals whom I must single out. The late Father Robert Henle used to tell his Georgetown vice presidents that "one good assistant was

Above, left to right:
Cardinal Keeler with George, Dan Altobello from Georgetown University, and Bettie and George Delaplaine, Honorary Tribute Committee members

worth all the vice presidents." I now agree with Father Henle. Two of my former assistants from Georgetown, Kathie Frickie and Mary Schmiedel, a Mount alumna, are here this evening. And the two people who have taken such good care of me and really are the individuals who have run the president's office are here—Nancy Gillece and Mary Bender. To all four of you, I can never express my sincere appreciation for the support you have given me. Thanks.

A couple of years ago, Professor Charlie Beitz in our department of business, accounting and economics invited me to speak to one of his classes in leadership. Charlie asked me to reflect on the lessons I had learned during my 40-year career. After long and serious thought, I reflected on five lessons I've learned about leadership.

A leader is the:

- only one who sees the whole enterprise—take time to think and plan;
- organization's main spokesperson—always be prepared;
- organization's conscience—speak the truth and do good;
- only one who will take care of him- or herself—control your calendar;
- one who knows when to leave—don't wear out your welcome.

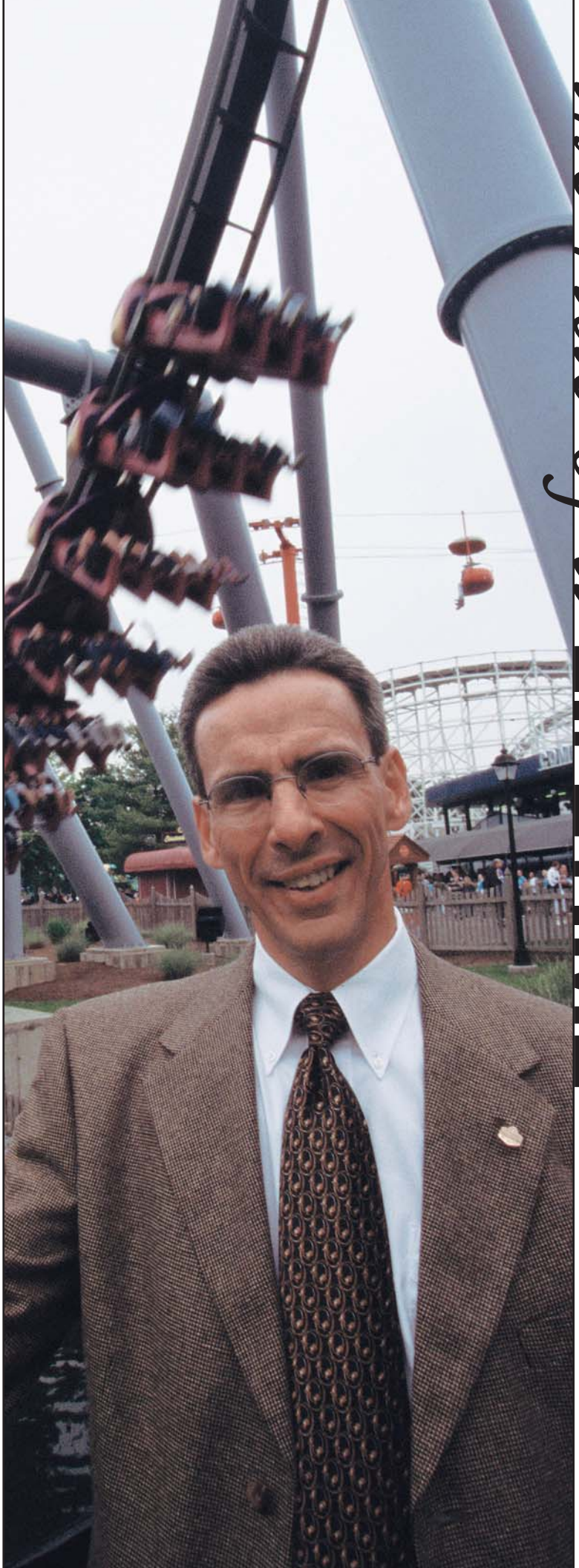
I have lived by these lessons, including the last one! I did not want to wear out my welcome so I am leaving. *And I am leaving this old house in the capable hands of the Mount's 24th president—Tom Powell.* Tom and Irene are great additions to the Mount family. Their arrival makes my departure easier. Tom and Irene, I hope you enjoy the Mount as much as I have. I know you will be successful.

The Mount's Latin motto is *Spes Nostra*—our hope. The Mount provides for the future of the Church, the Republic and the Professions. *Thanks to your generosity in endowing a scholarship, that hope can now be extended to future students who could never have hoped for a Mount education.*

Thanks for that gift, thanks for the gift of friendship, thanks for being here this evening and, as Bob Hope would say: *"Thanks for the memories."*

Tribute Dinner Raises More Than $340,000 for *Houston Scholarship*

The tribute dinner raised more than $340,000 for the creation of the **George R. Houston, Jr. Endowed Scholarship**—to be used for Mount business students with a preference for accounting majors. Additional contributions to the scholarship may be made by contacting Frank DeLuca, vice president for institutional advancement, at 301-447-5361.



the ride of a LIFETIME

SCOTT NEWKAM, C'72, HAS WHAT HE CONSIDERS THE DREAM JOB. AS PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF HERSHEY ENTERTAINMENT AND RESORTS, WHAT'S NOT TO LIKE?

By Lisa Gregory

Growing up in central Pennsylvania, Scott Newkam, C'72, would frequently visit Hersheypark with his family.

At that time, the amusement park was pay-as-you-go. "And I would always save my last two quarters for the Comet. That was my favorite ride," recalls Newkam of the roller coaster.

Years later, the Comet remains a popular attraction at the park and Newkam still likes to ride it from time to time.

But the ride is much more accessible to him now.

Newkam, who graduated from the Mount with a degree in business administration and is a certified public accountant, is the president and chief executive officer of Hershey Entertainment and Resorts. He oversees not only Hersheypark but ZooAmerica, the newly constructed Giant Center entertainment facility, the Hersheypark Stadium, the Star Pavilion, the Hersheypark Arena, the Hershey Bears hockey team, Hotel Hershey, the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, the Hershey private and public golf courses and the Hershey Highmeadow Campground.

"This is my dream job," says Newkam.

Sitting in his office across from the amusement park, Newkam is surrounded by photos of his wife, daughter and son, as well as a collection of Porsche model cars. He has been the owner of several life-size Porsches. On his desk is a plaque that states "Attitude is Everything."

But perhaps more telling is the large black and white portrait of Milton Hershey on the wall behind him. Hershey is not only the founder of the Hershey chocolate empire, but also created the town of Hershey, Pa., around it. He established the Milton Hershey School for needy children, which remains in operation today, and through his philanthropic efforts contributed much to the town and its inhabitants. Next to the portrait is a plaque with a quote from Hershey that reads, "One is only happy in proportion as he makes others feel happy and only useful as he contributes his influences for the finer callings in life."

"This was a gentleman who had a vision and drive that enabled him to be successful," says Newkam. "It was so important for him to share his wealth in so many different ways."

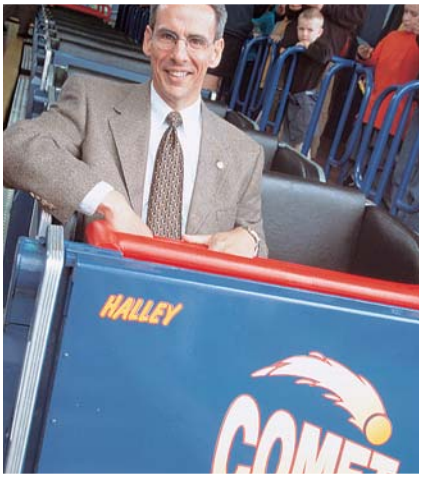
Newkam feels a great responsibility to the Hershey legacy yet is also always looking ahead. While he credits a top-notch executive team with making sure operations run smoothly, he is directly involved with each and every detail.

And the details are mind-boggling.

His responsibilities for the amusement park alone can involve: plans to develop new road signs; spending $10 million to improve parking and the transportation system; determining how much visitors will pay to enter the park; what new and different rides will await them; and what type of food will be served, from Greek cuisine to kettle chips.

So committed is he to the company's continued success that he has been known to abandon his suit and tie and join the masses visiting the park. "I listen to what people are saying," he explains. "I'm seeing the park through their eyes."

His commitment doesn't stop there. Every other year, the park adds a major attraction. Newkam often tries out the rides first, traveling around the country



Top to bottom:

- *Scott in front of one of the nine roller coasters at Hersheypark. The purchase of the right kind of major attraction can mean major increases in profits.*
- *Overlooking a fountain containing a sculpture of Milton Hershey, the founder of the Hershey chocolate empire and the creator of the Hershey town.*
- *On his favorite ride, the Comet.*
- *Scott gets directly involved in everything, including getting out into the park and interacting with the people.*

His job may be about FUN, *but it's* SERIOUS BUSINESS *as well.*

and even overseas. "Yes, I rode the Roller Soaker before we purchased it," he says of one of the newest attractions—a combination roller coaster and water ride. With a grin, "And, yes, I got soaked." He avoids the rides that spin around, though. "I get sick," he admits.

His job may be about fun, but it's serious business as well. The purchase of the right kind of major attraction can mean major increases in profits. For example, the Great Bear, the first steel inverted looping roller coaster in the state, cost $13 million, according to Newkam, but increased park attendance by 15 percent.

Newkam is a natural-born businessman. But as a young man entering the Mount, he was planning to follow in his father's footsteps as a physician. That idea, though, soon changed to pre-law and then changed yet again. "My roommate was studying accounting," he says. "I liked what he was doing better than what I was doing. So I changed my major."

He enjoyed his time at the Mount. "I liked the whole experience of a small college where you knew everyone at least enough to say hello. And you really got to know your professors," he remembers, adding, "I didn't want to leave."

After graduating, Newkam became vice president of the Union Deposit Cooperation in Harrisburg and vice president and controller of the Hershey Bank. He began his career with Hershey Entertainment and Resorts in 1981. "When I came aboard, the company was undergoing a very aggressive expansion program outside of Hershey." The investments didn't work out, but Newkam, who was controller of the company at the time, had the opportunity to "watch and learn" from the experience.

By 1993, the company was once again fully focused on Hershey alone, notes Newkam, who had become chief financial officer in 1988. "Most of my work concentrated on the divestiture of various businesses," he says of the early 1990s. "It was a lot of work and a very difficult time."

In 1997, Newkam was named executive vice president and chief operating officer, before assuming his current position in 1999. Today, "We take measured risks. We do our homework and always have an exit strategy."

As for stepping away himself, what does a man who rides roller coasters and other fast and furious rides as part of his job do for recreation? He hunts and hikes. Not just any hunting and hiking, though, but to such exotic places as the Arctic, where he must be flown in and then hike 20 to 30 miles to reach his destination. "You think to yourself, 'I may be standing where no man has set foot before,'" he says of these remote areas.

He gleefully recalls an expedition above the Arctic Circle hunting for Dall sheep. On this particular trip a blizzard came in suddenly. After hiking back to their camp, Newkam and his companions discovered that the camp had been blown away by the storm. Furthermore, the pilot couldn't land his plane to retrieve them. "We had to have sleeping bags, tents and food air-dropped to us," he says. "We ended up hiking 10 or 15 miles just to get out of there. It was a great experience. I'm a person who likes challenges."

And the occasional ride on the Comet!

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LIVE *and* LEARN … *and* TEACH … *and* SKATE

FATHER JIM DONOHUE, MOUNT THEOLOGY PROFESSOR, HELPS STUDENTS REACH THEIR GOALS—*on and off the ice.*

By Dale Rader, C'05

When Father Jim Donohue, C.R., came to Mount St. Mary's College in 1996, one of the first things he did was organize an ice hockey club. Donohue's enthusiasm for the sport—and for the students—was just the start of his commitment to the Mount. Besides coaching hockey, Donohue helps run a program to mentor new faculty; is serving his third term as a member of both the Mount Council and the Student Life Committee; is the faculty representative on the Board of Trustees; and is on the Athletic Advisory Board, among other things.

Yet Donohue still finds time outside the classroom to spend with his students. He is always open to talk one-on-one about anything, whether it is related to class or not. At the end of each semester he holds a barbeque at his home for all of his students.

"I love the enthusiasm young people have," he says. He particularly enjoys teaching theology because "it's really rewarding when concepts make sense to them and connect with their lives." His own enthusiasm earned him the Richards Award for Teaching Excellence in 1998.

From a young age, Donohue had an idea of what he wanted to do with his life. At six years old, he can remember playing with a miniature altar and pretending to celebrate the Mass. Of course, at that age, two of his other top career interests were a garbage man and a pilot. He eventually knew that he was being called to the priesthood and entered the seminary after college.

Donohue then spent two years working at a parish in Ontario. A member of the Congregation of the Resurrection religious community, he went on to receive his MA in theology from the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and his Ph.D. in theology from the Catholic University of America. After spending "forever" in school, Donohue joined the Mount community.

Since Donohue spends a majority of his free time with the hockey team, it's no surprise that he enjoys talking about it. He loves coaching and explains that it allows him to "see students in a different environment, and they see [me] as a whole person." Last season the team placed first in the Frederick Men's League and fourth in their division in the Mason-Dixon Collegiate Hockey League.

Donohue has also been working on articles about the prayers and rites that are used for the dying, the topic of his doctoral dissertation. He hopes to publish a book on the subject.

Having just received tenure, Donohue is likely to be here for a while, and that is fine with him. In his seven years at the Mount, Donohue has learned that "you never really stop learning," and he does not intend to. "How lucky I am to be in an environment that encourages you to learn."

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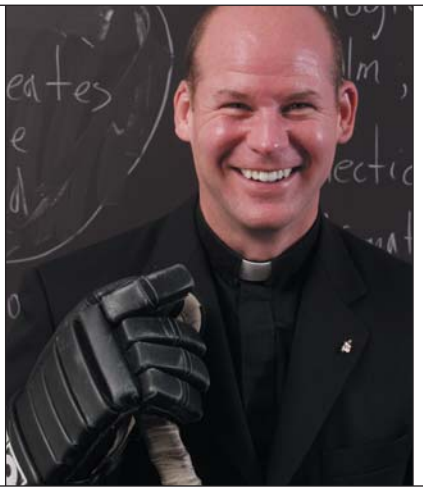

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MEN'S LACROSSE

The Mount's first-ever NCAA Tournament bid capped both a difficult and exhilarating season for head coach Tom Gravante. After missing the first part of the season undergoing treatments for cancer, Gravante returned to the sidelines to lead the Mount to its third Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference title in the past five years and the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

The Mount defeated St. Joseph's, 8-2, in the MAAC championship game held at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., and earned the right to face second-ranked Virginia in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. Despite a 19-8 loss to the eventual national champion Cavaliers, the Mount was able to move onto the national lacrosse scene. The Cavaliers came out strong, taking a 9-1 lead at the end of the first quarter, and went on to the 19-8 victory.

The efforts of the team did not go unnoticed as the team earned the MAAC's Offensive Player of the Year (Josh Warfield), Rookie of the Year (Matt Warner) and Coach of the Year awards, selected by the league's head coaches.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The women's lacrosse team advanced the farthest it has ever been in the program's history, going all the way to the Northeast Conference Championship game before falling 11-9 to UMBC, ending its storied season at 9-10 on the year.

The Mount got off to a slow start with a 3-9 record, yet rattled off six consecutive victories, including the final five of the regular season—culminating in a come-from-behind overtime win over Sacred Heart in the regular season finale to propel the Mount into the tournament with the fourth and final seed.

The Mount's freshman class was a huge bright spot for head coach Courtney Martinez Connor, as the 10 newcomers combined for more than 35 percent of the Mount's points. Leading the freshman class was Kirby Day, who had an outstanding game against Monmouth in the opening round of the NEC tournament, scoring five goals and recording an assist. Day finished the season with 42 points, including a team-leading 34 goals.

Josh Warfield, *left, in the NCAA tournament game vs. Virginia, was the MAAC Offensive Player of the Year*

BASEBALL

Close games and tough losses were the constant for the 2003 Mount baseball team. The Mount had 18 games that were decided by one or two runs, including 11 in Northeast Conference games.

Despite a much-improved pitching staff, the team finished the year with a 14-23 overall record and an eighth-place finish in the NEC with a 9-14 mark. The combination of seniors Brandon Woodward and Brian Santo gave head coach Scott Thomson's team a chance to win each time they took the mound. Woodward and Santo helped the Mount drop 1.39 runs off its team ERA from the previous season.

Santo, who was drafted by the Detroit Tigers in the 43rd round, was a hard-luck pitcher, posting a 2-6 record despite a 3.45 ERA. He struck out 81 batters on the season and leaves as the school's all-time leader with 303 career strikeouts. Santo completed five of his 11 starts, including a 3-0 shutout of Kings College.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS

The Mount men's and women's tennis teams showed significant improvement for head coach Mary Ann Narutowicz in the 2002-03 season. The men's team earned the third seed in the Northeast Conference Tournament, while the women's team doubled its winning percentage from the previous year.

The men's team went 12-9 on the season, capturing eight more wins than the previous year. The Mount was upset by Robert Morris, 4-3, in the quarter-final round, but bounced back to defeat Monmouth, 4-0, to earn a tie for fifth place. Narutowicz was named the NEC's Men's Tennis Coach of the Year for her efforts.

The women's team also saw a marked improvement over the previous season. The Mount finished the year with a 5-11

overall record and a 3-5 record against NEC opponents. The Mount finished in ninth place at the NEC Tournament after defeating Robert Morris, 4-1, in the consolation round.

MEN'S GOLF

The men's golf team's goals heading into the spring were to hit the ground running and come out of the NEC Tournament with one of its lowest scores and best finishes. The Mount shot its best score at the NEC Championships since finishing second with 608 strokes in 1998, shooting a 609 to finish tied for fourth.

Despite the loss of three seniors, the Mount's future is bright as four of the team's five competitors and 10 letter winners return next season.

WOMEN'S GOLF

The 2003 spring season turned out to be just what head coach Bud Nason predicted. Prior to the season, Nason said of his team's goals going into the spring, "I expect us to be playing well, continuing to improve and come out with a winning spring season." As hoped, the Mount did just that—starting out its season on a high note, winning the Kutztown Invitational.

The Mount finished its season with a sixth place finish at the NEC Women's Golf Championships held at The Colts Neck Golf Club in Colts Neck, N.J. The Mount shot a combined team score of 741, setting a new Mount all-time best mark in the NEC Championships.

SOFTBALL

After winning just three conference games in each of the previous two seasons, the softball team entered the 2003 season optimistic of turning their program around. With a number of young faces meshing with older talent, the Mount came close to accomplishing its preseason goal of making it to the NEC Tournament, vying for a possible berth in the final weekend of the season. The Mount finished league play with a 9-13 record, eighth best in the NEC. On the season the Mount went 14-24-1, including holding its own at home with a 9-8-1 record.

Freshman Maria Lutz emerged as one of the most dominate pitchers in the NEC. Lutz finished the regular season ranked first in the NEC in pitching with a 1.70 ERA. She threw a league-best five shutouts and finished ranked third in the conference in complete games (21), third in opponent batting average (.238), third in innings pitched (164.2) and sixth in appearances (27).

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK

The 2003 Mount St. Mary's men's and women's track and field teams ran, threw and jumped right out of the indoor season and into the outdoor season without missing a beat.

At the Northeast Conference meet, senior Shawn Day distinguished himself as one of the top middle distance runners in the conference, winning the 1,500-meter run and qualifying for the NCAA East Regional. Kari McCarty also had a good showing, earning top-five finishes in the 1,500- and 5,000-meter run.

Although the women's season came to an end at the NEC Championships, placing 10th overall in the conference meet, the men took home sixth place at the conference championships, and sent a number of individuals to the ECAC/IC4A Championships at Princeton, N.J. Marlon Lawrence placed seventh in the decathlon, with a new personal best 6,656 points. The 4x400 relay team placed 10th with a mark of 3:13.39 and the 4x800 team, led by Shawn Day, placed 15th with a Mount all-time top-five mark of 7:40.00.

SANTO SELECTED IN *Major League Draft*

The Detroit Tigers selected Mount St. Mary's senior Brian Santo in the 43rd round of the Major League Draft.

Santo, a 6-8 right-hander, is assigned to Oneonta in the Single-A, New York Penn League. He holds the Mount's all-time career record for strikeouts (303) and innings pitched (272.2). During his senior campaign he struck out 81 batters and held a 3.45 ERA in 12 games pitched, including throwing a complete game shutout to lead the Mount past Kings, 3-0.

Brian Santo, *the school's all-time leader with 303 career strikeouts, was drafted by the Detroit Tigers in the 43rd round.*

summer reading

Courtesy of Alumni Authors

By Barb Ruppert

"Absolute Certainty"

by **Rose Connors, C'78** *(Scribner, 2002)*

Winner of the Mary Higgins Clark Award from the Mystery Writers of America

"A kaleidoscope of action … you'll be surprised at 'who done it.' Plus, Rose draws the pictures of Cape Cod and Chatham so beautifully that it's like revisiting the area with a dear, old friend."

—Joe Avallone, C'79

The day after the culprit in a grisly murder case is convicted, a shockingly similar killing is discovered—and prosecuting attorney Marty Nickerson must decide whether to jeopardize her career and family in the pursuit of truth. This fast-paced legal thriller is Rose Connors' first novel. "I'm often asked if Marty is me, and I tell people that she's a way better person than I am!" says Connors.

While not based on a specific experience in Connors' law career, the novel reflects her belief that complacency can undermine true justice. "It's much more common than we like to think that people never question a jury decision or the system itself."

Connors, who left the practice of law a year ago to write full time, has a second crime novel out this summer, "Temporary Sanity" (Scribner), and is working on a third.

"In Search of Tiger: A Journey Through Golf with Tiger Woods"

by **Tom Callahan, C'67** *(Crown, 2003)*

"Tom Callahan writing about anything is like Julia Child saying, 'If you don't have any plans, stick around and I'll make you dinner.'"

—Tony Kornheiser, Washington Post

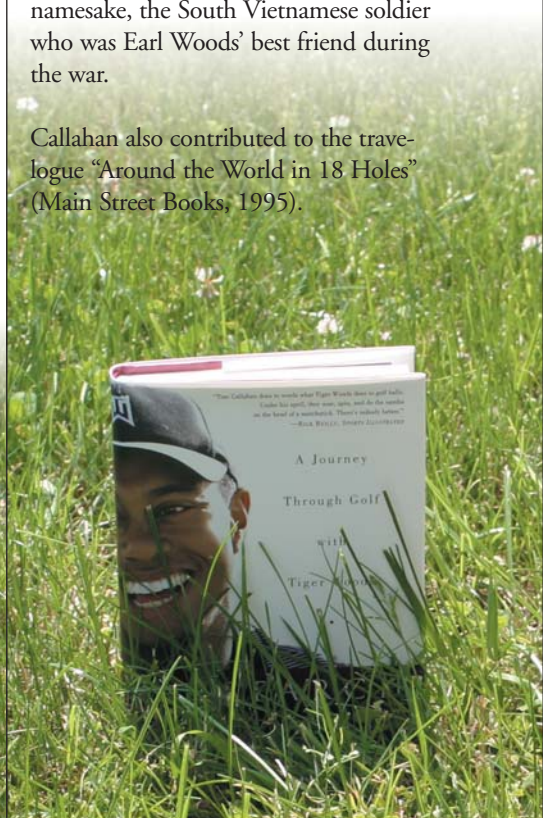
"Tom Callahan knows the game of golf as well as anyone in the business. Many years, not just many nights, went into the telling of this story. A lot of Tom's heart is in here, too."

—Jack Nicklaus

Golf Digest columnist Tom Callahan uses years of interviews with Tiger Woods and others close to him to offer a rare insider's glimpse into Woods' early years as well as his vision of the future. Callahan covered Woods at all of the Majors for seven years as he made history for the "Tiger Slam."

A sports writer with more than 30 *Time* cover stories to his credit, Callahan even traveled to Vietnam as he was researching the book to learn the fate of Woods' namesake, the South Vietnamese soldier who was Earl Woods' best friend during the war.

Callahan also contributed to the travelogue "Around the World in 18 Holes" (Main Street Books, 1995).



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By Mount Alumni

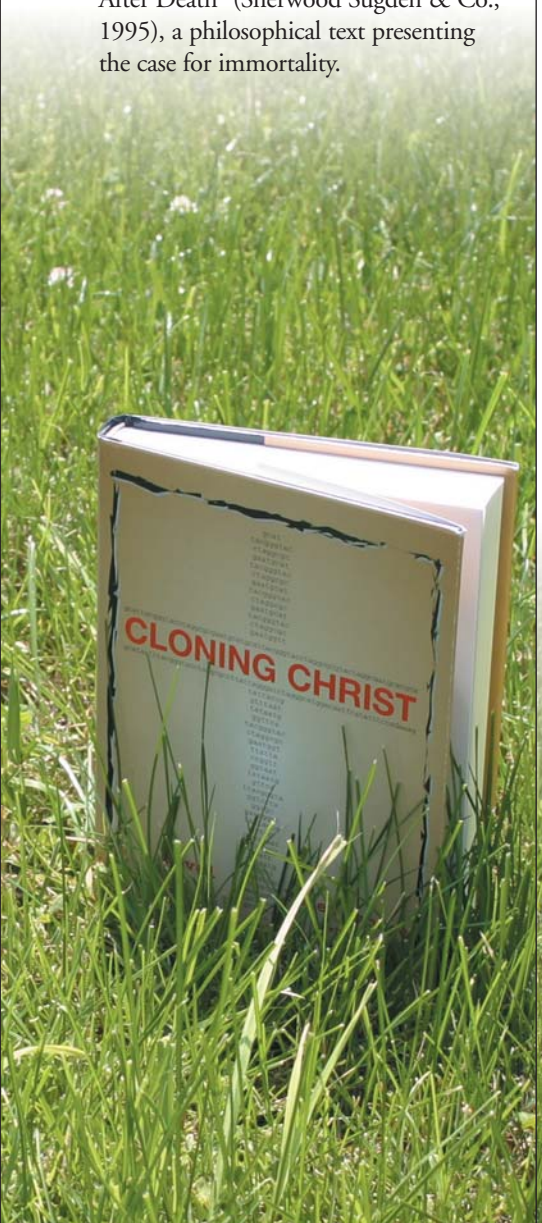
"Cloning Christ"

by Peter Senese and **Robert J. Geis, C'72** *(Orion Publishing & Media, 2002)*

Can genetic science and faith coexist? This theological thriller plunges scientist Max Train into an international web of deceit, blackmail and murder when he discovers what appears to be the blood-stained cross upon which Christ was crucified. If he has, indeed, discovered the True Cross, what are the ramifications for those who believe Christ rose whole and entire? Would cloning bring about Christ's Second Coming?

An intricately written suspense novel, "Cloning Christ" challenges the reader to deal with the many spiritual issues that arise as we search for meaning in the modern world.

Geis has also written "Personal Existence After Death" (Sherwood Sugden & Co., 1995), a philosophical text presenting the case for immortality.



"The Delta Zone: Domain of the Perfect Spy"

by **Larry Brogan, C'74** *(Publish America, 2002)*

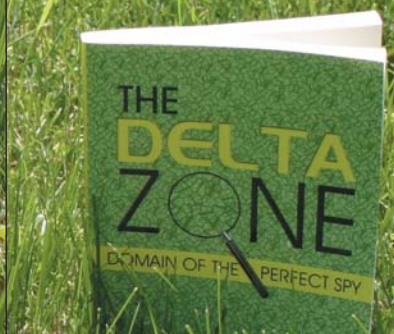
"Filled to the brim with action, suspense, romance … if you liked 'The X Files,' 'The Twilight Zone' and 'The Matrix,' you might want to get out the reading glasses."

–Amazon.com reader review

A spy who can't be seen, heard or felt … as the CIA and KGB race to invent the ultimate spy, protagonist Bart Tollefson is caught up in a deadly world of intrigue and danger that blurs the boundaries of reality. Author Larry Brogan, a retired U.S. Army major who specialized in counterintelligence and operations security, says his adventure novel is based on actual CIA and Department of Defense investigations into out-of-body psychic capabilities.

"It's a classic story of good versus evil. I wanted to come up with a fictional answer that satisfied my curiosity about the investigations I'd heard about. Although I personally wasn't involved in them, I dug up a great deal of research supporting events that can't be explained by chance."

Brogan is back at work on a sequel to "The Delta Zone" after taking a break to write "Losers R Us" (1st Release Publications, 2003), which examines America's current strategy in the war on terrorism. He can be reached at lbrogan@earthlink.net.



"The Golf Doc: Health, Humor and Insight to Improve Your Game"

by **Edward Palank, MD, C'67** *(Jones & Bartlett, 2000)*

"Adultery: Facing Its Reality"

by **William Mitchell, C'75** *(Eagle's Nest Publications, 2001)*

"RiskGrade Your Investments"

by **Greg Elmiger, C'89** *(John Wiley & Sons, 2002)*

"The Ties of the Past: The Gettysburg Diaries of Salome Myers Stewart, 1854-1922"

by **Sarah Sites Rodgers (Sally Thomas), C'92** *(Thomas Publications, 1996)*

Win Copies of Our Four Featured Books!

Enter our September raffle for a chance to win a copy of each of these books. Send your name, address and Mount affiliation to themagazine@msmary.edu or the Mount's office of communications, 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727.

Emails must be dated, and letters postmarked by, September 1.

THANKS A MILLION … *again!*

Volunteers from the class of 1949 to our newest alumni—the class of 2003—worked tirelessly in true Mount spirit.

The Mount Annual Fund relies on the support of the Mount family every year. Each person helps to makes Mount St. Mary's what she is—a Catholic institution committed to graduating men and women who are thoroughly educated in the liberal arts tradition, ethically mature, and prepared to work in a dynamic and rapidly evolving society. You are her center, her vital core. You are her soul.

Above: *The class of 1968, celebrating their 35th reunion, raised more than $1.2 million for the Connections Campaign with 68 percent of the class participating in this five-year fundraising effort. The largest class gift ever!*

For the seventh year in a row, The Mount Annual Fund raised more than $1 million! In a year where we all found ourselves distracted by world news and economic concerns, more than 3,800 Mount alumni, parents and friends made contributions to the Mount Annual Fund. Once again, with continued dedication, enthusiasm and generosity, the Mount family has shown a Mount education is more than what is contained within the pages of a book. Rather, it's what we learn from each other and accomplish together.

Mount Annual Fund National Chair, **Kevin Dowd, C'70**, led more than 100 energetic volunteers through this successful fundraising year. Volunteers from the class of 1949 to our newest alumni—the Class of 2003—worked tirelessly in true Mount spirit. Through the effort of these dedicated Mounties, more than 3,100 gifts were made representing $745,000.

This year, reunion classes played a significant role in the Mount Annual Fund—raising $237,000 or 23 percent of the total.

The class of 1968, celebrating their 35th reunion, raised more than $1.2 million for the "Connections Campaign" with 68 percent of the class participating in this five-year fundraising effort. The largest class gift ever! But they did not stop there: They challenged all other reunion classes in the Mount Annual Fund race for the flags.

Every year, reunion classes compete for the distinction of the largest class gift to the Mount Annual Fund, and for having the highest participation rate. The winning classes are honored by having their class flags raised on the flag pole in front of Bradley Hall for a year. This year, the class of 1968 accomplished another first. They not only presented the largest annual fund gift, $68,000, but accomplished this with the highest rate of class participation—42 percent. Congratulations to the class of 1968! We look forward to another great challenge in 2008!

REUNION CLASSES EXCEEDING THEIR CLASS GOALS INCLUDED:

The Class of 1958	$39,000
The Class of 1968	$68,000
The Class of 1973	$21,500
The Class of 1983	$27,000
The Class of 1988	$11,200
The Class of 1993	$9,700

In addition, several reunion classes made significant contributions to the college. To honor their 40th reunion, the class of 1963 raised a total of $200,000. In addition to unrestricted support, their gift is designated for the George Houston Scholarship and the Class of 1963 Scholarship. The Class Scholarship was established at their 30th reunion and since its funding has provided a Mount education to six students.

The class of 1958, in celebration of their 45th reunion, raised a total of $97,000 for the Annual Fund and the George Houston Scholarship.

In honor of their 50th reunion, the class of 1953 raised a total of $75,000 designated for the Msgr. Kline Endowment, the Father Carl Fives Alumni Scholarship, the George Houston Scholarship and unrestricted support.

The class of 1943, in celebration of their 60th reunion, raised a total of $533,000. This gift represents support for the Connections Campaign and Class of 1943 Scholarship. This scholarship, established at their 50th reunion, has been awarded to 35 Mount students. One of the recipients this year is **Eileen Cox**, whose grandfather, **Joseph Dolan**, was a class member. The Class of 1943 Memorial Scholarship, named in memory of classmates who died in World War II, is the largest class gift scholarship. Combined giving from this year's reunion classes exceeded $3 million.

To honor President Houston, the class of 2003 raised more than $2,100. This class formed many bonds while at the Mount— including the admiration they share for President Houston. The class felt his legacy, and the impact he made on the Mount, is so extraordinary that they dedicated their class gift to him. A tree will be planted outside the McGowan Center honoring the class of 2003 and dedicated in President Houston's name. **Tori Emanuele**, **Scott Stewart**, **Brian Sevier** and **Nichole LoPresti** led a team of eight volunteers to reach their goal. Their leadership and dedication will serve as inspiration to all classes that follow.

J. Brian Gaeng EARNS PRIDE OF THE MOUNT AWARD

J. Brian Gaeng, a member of the Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary Board of Trustees, is the 2003 recipient of the Pride of the Mount Award.

The award is presented to individuals who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to Mount St. Mary's—through personal generosity of their resources, time and talent.

Gaeng, chief executive officer and director of Fredericktown Bank in Frederick, Md., has been an influential advocate for the Mount—as evidenced through his securing significant financial support for the recent Connections Campaign. His long-standing service as a member of the Mount's Board of Trustees—on both the Executive and Finance committees—has provided outstanding leadership and guidance in advancing the mission of the institution.

As chief fundraiser for the Mount's McKenna Lecture Series, established and funded in 1999 as a forum to discuss the issues and challenges of ethics within the corporate environment, Gaeng wholeheartedly enlisted the Frederick business community in supporting the program—as well as raising more than $30,000 in scholarships for Mount students from Frederick County.

"The Mount is really special because of the people," said Gaeng in accepting the award. "May God bless the Mount and all those who grace its hallowed halls, and when you receive the call, remember: Anything for the Mount, anything at all!"

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INAUGURATION OF *President Thomas H. Powell* TO TAKE PLACE *October 24, 2003*

Thomas H. Powell, Ed.D., will be installed as the 24th president of Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary on October 24, 2003.

The day's proceedings will include:

- Mass, 10 a.m.
  Chapel of the Immaculate Conception
- Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.
  Patriot Hall
- Installation Ceremony, 2 p.m. reception immediately following
  ARCC
- Inaugural Dinner, 6:30 p.m.
  Patriot Hall

The inaugural committee is also planning events to celebrate the installation throughout the week of October 19-26. Programs will be geared for the entire Mount community.

Details on these and other programs will be available very soon. For more information, log on to **www.msmary.edu**.

CLASS OF *1943*

Right: *The Rev. Monsignor Robert Gribbin, C'43, and Phil McDonnell, C'43, during the dedication of the 1943 plaque; while members of the class of 1943 and library staff look on*

CLASS OF *1953*

Below: *Reunion attendees at the Alumni Reception held June 6; Neil "Duke" Carmody, C'53, (Honolulu) and brother, Marty, C'58*

CLASS OF *1958*

CLASS OF *1963*

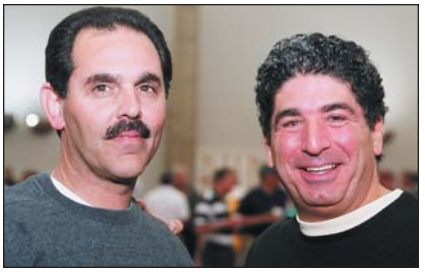
CLASS OF *1963*

CLASS OF *1968*

Above:
(left to right) Hugh Farrell, C'73, and Dave Condron, C'73, at President Houston's presentation on the Mount, held June 7.

CLASS OF *1973*

CLASS OF *1978*



Above:
(left to right) Bob DeLorenzo and Ray Asmar at the Alumni Festival held June 7.

CLASS OF *1983*

CLASS OF *1988*

Reunion is fun for all ages.

Above:
The class of 1993 held a memorial service for a classmate, Jim Murphy, lost in the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

CLASS OF *1993*

CLASS OF *1998*

Left:
Greg Kirby, C'98; Harry Benjamin, C'98; and Kathleen Hennessy, C'98

REUNION *ceremonies and recognition*

Top Row Left:
The Rev. John Lombardi, grotto chaplain; the Rev. Mr. Pat Goles, C'64; the Rev. Carl J. Fives, C'38, S'42; and the Rev. Howard Clark, C'53, S'57, at the Alumni Mass in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, June 7.

Top Row Right:
Tom Fennell, C'33, oldest alum at reunion, and George R. Houston

Second Row Left:
George R. Houston; Rick Kidwell, C'76, past alumni president; Dr. Benjamin Carson, DuBois Medal recipient; and Candy Kelley Kidwell, C'76, at the Alumni Reunion Banquet on June 7.

Second Row Right:
Alumni presidents at the Alumni Reunion Banquet with President Houston. (Left to right) Rick Kidwell, C'76; Dan Curtin, C'64; Denny Doyle, C'63; Dr. Frank Merolla, C'63; and Pat Goles, C'64

Third Row Left:
Tom Corrigan, Tom Holmes and Frank DeLuca at the Alumni Reunion Banquet

Third Row Right:
George Gelles, alumni vice president; Dr. Frank Merolla, C'63, Brute Medal honoree; George R. Houston, Jr.; and Denny Doyle, C'63, alumni president

Fourth Row:
The Rev. Paul V. Redmond, faculty; Paul "Skip" Rhoads, C'40; and Tom Fennell, C'33, at the President's Dinner on June 6.

FUN FOR *all ages*

These photos were taken at the Alumni Festival held June 7th in the Dillon Fieldhouse.

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1930s

William James Sullivan, C'36, of Weymouth and Dennisport, died on March 4, 2003. He was the husband of 50 years of the late Alice (Mulhern) Sullivan and husband of the past 10 years of Linda (Anderson) Sullivan. He was the brother of M. Geraldine Hoyle of Braintree and was survived by several nieces, nephews and a large extended family.

Bill was awarded the Bishop James E. Walsh Award in October 2002 in recognition of his community service and commitment to the Mount. He is remembered for his outstanding career as an educator and coach at Quincy High School, his faithful service to our nation as an officer in the U.S. Naval Reserves and his unwavering support of Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary. Bill was inducted into the Mount Hall of Fame in 1987 for his athletic abilities in both baseball and football.

Larry McDonnell, C'37, of Redwood City, Calif., passed away on Feb.14, 2003, of heart failure. He was the brother of **Phil McDonnell, C'43**. Larry and his wife, Ellen, were married for 54 years and raised three daughters: Lorraine, Eileen and Claire. He was preceded in death by Claire and a young son, Richard.

Larry received the Bishop James E. Walsh Award in February 2000. He is remembered for his service to the church, the Mount and local and state communities, as well as his outstanding commitment to the Archdiocese of San Francisco, his civic vision and his unwavering support of Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary.

1950s

Guy Baker Jr., C'53, former registrar at the Mount, was presented the Sisters of St. Francis Award in March.

The Sisters of St. Francis Award is named in honor of the sisters who served at the Mount in the late 19th century. The award is presented each year by the Council on Campus Ministry and is granted to a current or former Mount employee who best exemplifies the college mission both at work and in the community. Baker retired from the Mount in 1997, after 42 years of service.

He served the surrounding community as well. A former mayor of Emmitsburg, Md., Baker was also a Frederick County District Court commissioner, chairman of the Emmitsburg Ambulance Corps, and a member and chair of the Board of Trustees at Frederick Community College.

1960s

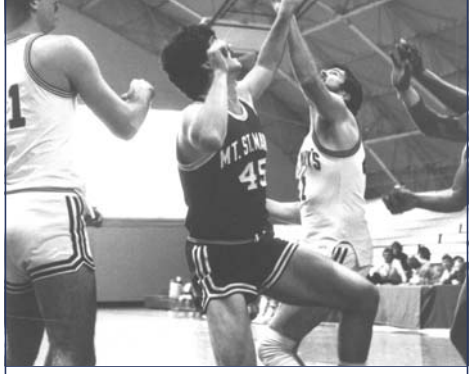
Raymond Mecca, MD, C'65, has been elected to a second term as chief of staff at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland, Ky. King's Daughters is a 366-bed, nonprofit, regional referral center with a 206-member medical staff, representing 35 medical specialties. It is the 5th largest hospital in the state of Kentucky, with more than 2,300 employees. The scope of care includes cardiac, cancer, surgical, maternity, neonatal, pediatric, pain and wound care, neurological and rehabilitative services as well as sleep medicine, psychiatric, home health and occupational services. Dr. Mecca has a private ophthalmology practice in Ashland and resides there with his family.

1970s

Brian L. Smith, C'70, was recently promoted to vice president of The Segal Company. Mr. Smith joined The Segal Company's New York office as national practice leader for the fiduciary liability practice in December 2000. Just before joining Segal, Mr. Smith worked as vice president and risk manager for an international risk management firm. In addition, he often writes and speaks on fiduciary liability insurance issues. Mr. Smith holds a BS in psychology from the Mount. He also earned an MBA in finance and an Advanced Professional Certificate in accounting from New York University's Graduate School of Business.

Jack Ellis, C'71, accepted an investigative consultant position with the West River Group Inc. to provide investigative support to major business/financial fraud investigations for the U. S. Attorney, EDNY, on behalf of the Postal Inspection Service.

Alan T. Hahn, C'72, has an MBA from Loyola and carries a membership card in Alpha Sigma Nu, the Jesuit honor society. He has spent 20 years with a data processing/technology company, DP Associates Inc. In February he joined the federal government in the newly formed Office of Cyber Security at the Veterans Administration.



Joe Molinaro, #45 in his days of varsity basketball

Joe Molinaro, C'74, Mount director of planned giving, died suddenly on March 28, 2003. A certified public accountant and financial consultant, Joe earned his bachelor's degree in accounting from the Mount and a master's degree in taxation from the University of Baltimore. He was a member of the varsity basketball team while at the Mount and held a third-degree black belt in karate.

Joe is survived by his wife of 27 years, **Mary (McFadden), C'74**; his son, Daniel; his three daughters, Ann Marie, Sarah Beth and Christina Lynn; his parents, Anthony and Norma; his three brothers, John, Paul and Anthony; and his sister, Nancy Mathias.

Rose Connors, C'78, has been awarded the Mary Higgins Clark Award by the Mystery Writers of America for her first novel, "Absolute Certainty." The award was presented on April 30 in New York.

The Rev. Jeffrey F. Samaha, S'78, recently celebrated his 25th anniversary of priesthood. This is his Silver Jubilee at the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C.

Mary (Bands) Downs, C'79, has been working with Morgan Shelsby Carlo Downs and Everton since 1985, defending physicians, practice groups and hospitals throughout the state of Maryland.

1980s

William Mulford, C'82, a former state's attorney and Anne Arundel County councilman, started a solo practice in 1994. William specializes in criminal defense.

J. Robb Cecil, C'82, currently works with the firm McGowan, Cecil & Smathers as a personal injury attorney representing plaintiffs.

Jamie (Barrett) Stewart, C'83, is director of development for Culpepper Garden, a residential and assisted living facility for low-income senior citizens in Arlington, Va. Jamie and her husband, Michael, live in Arlington with their children, Hilary and Cameron.

John P. Barry Jr., C'83, is currently employed at the U.S. Department at the U.S. Embassy, Santo Domingo, in the Dominican Republic.

Anthony Zangari, C'83, founded Ultra Contractors Inc. in 1988, a constructor of municipal waste and water treatment plants. Anthony served as president for 15 years and is retiring in 2003 to spend more time with his wife of 19 years, Gina Marie, and their two children, Valentina (16) and Antonino (13).

Karen (Quinlan) Hawkins, C'84, and her husband, Daniel, had a baby girl, Christina Eileen, on March 6, 2003. Christina joins big brother Benjamin Bryan, who is 3 years old. Karen and her family reside in the Flower Hill area of Gaithersburg, Md.

Debbie Walsh-Mason, C'86, and her husband, Bill, announce the arrival of their daughter, Riley Lynne. Riley joined big sister Courtny on September 10, 2002.

Robin (Zecker) Neary, C'86, has been promoted to banking officer at BB&T Corp.

Patti (Gibbons) Honan, C'87, and her husband, Richard, celebrated the birth of their third child, Christopher Bryan, on February 13, 2003. Christopher was welcomed home by big sister Catherine (4) and big brother Will (3).

Jess Reed, MBA'87, has recently been promoted to group vice president and chief information officer of GEICO. Jess heads GEICO's systems operations and information services, including information systems, systems security, automated print/mail services, application development and enterprise systems.

Glenn Watkins, C'87, and wife Sandy announce the birth of their baby girl, Jillian, on April 15, 2003.

Tim Lenihan, C'88, was married to Melissa Kershner (Dickinson College), on December 7, 2002. Tim's brother **Jim, C'99**, was co-best man. In attendance from the Mount were **Charlie Wehmeyer, C'88**, and wife Karen, **Tom McCrink, C'88**, and wife Nancy, and **Ron Lopian, C'88**.

1990s

Melissa (Doherty) Gemelli, C'90, and her husband, Carl, welcomed twins Brendan and Meghan to their family on August 17, 2002. Melissa is the chief financial officer for the Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority. Carl is a financial advisor for Waddell & Reed. They reside in Coopersburg, Pa.

Christopher Gallen, C'90, and wife Jessica announce the birth of their son, Owen Christopher, on December 3, 2002.

The Rev. Rick Hilgartner, C'90, will be completing graduate studies in Rome for the next two years.

Jennifer (Fiandra) Mackell, C'91, and husband Jim recently welcomed their second child, Megan Julia, on March 5, 2003. Megan joins her big brother, Joey, who just turned 3.

Maureen (Grace) Antill, C'91, and husband Mike gave birth to a daughter, Grace Madelyn, on February 26, 2003. Grace joins brother Nicholas, who is 2.

Tricia McGivney, C '91, was married to Matthew J. Larkin on October 5, 2002. The wedding took place in Plandome, N.Y. Mounties in attendance were **Erin (Murray) Drechsler, C'91**, **Kate Lynch, C'91**,

Eileen Convery, C'91, **Therese-Ann D'Ambrosia, C'91**, **John Bransfield, C '91**, **Mark Donnelly, C'93**, **Allison (King) Donnelly, C'93**, and **MaryAnne (Donohue) Cristodero, C'93**. Tricia and her husband reside in New York City.

Jeff Cannon, C'92, married to **Gretchen (Baum) C'92**, along with children Peyton (4) and Kyle (2), recently marked their fourth year living in Tucson, Ariz., where Jeff is a special agent with the FBI. After four years investigating organized crime and drug trafficking along the southwest border, he was recently selected to join the International Terrorism squad. Jeff also serves as a member of the Evidence Recovery Team, which is responsible for conducting crime scene searches and collecting evidence. In February 2003, Jeff was certified as a firearms instructor for the FBI Phoenix Division. Along with conducting courses for agents in the field, Jeff will occasionally assist with instructing new agents at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Va.

Chris Quinn, C'92, and **Kerri (Braniff), C'93**, celebrated the birth of their daughter, Shannon Elizabeth, on January 23, 2003. Shannon joins big sister Katie, who is 2 ½.

Matt and Karen Falvey, both C'93, started their own college financial planning company, A+ College Financial Solutions Inc. Matt is also working as an independent registered investment advisor and financial planner. They have three children, Taylor (10), Amanda (6) and Seth (2).

Mike, C'94, and Aimie, C'97, Zinzi are the parents of Abigail Mary Zinzi. Abby was born on May 3, 2003.

Kevin S. Barlotta, C'95, graduated from Temple University School of Medicine in May 2003 and is currently pursuing a residency in Emergency Medicine at the University of Virginia Hospital in Charlottesville, Va.

On December 7, 2002, **Brandi Blair, C'95**, married Sean L. Dockett at Holy Family Catholic Church in Mitchellville, Md. Mount alumni in the wedding party included **Maisha Challenger, C'96**, and **Lauren Shukie McHugh, C'95**. Mount alumni in attendance included: **Bill Kelly, C'94**, **Jennifer Russak Kelly, C'95**, **Terry Wallace, C'94**, **Carrie Logue Wallace, C'95**, **Karen Kuppenbacher Delany, C'95**, **Keith Primozic, C'95**, **Kari Nowak Primozic, C'95**, **Jeffrey Stauder, C'95**, **Kati Southworth Stauder, C'95**, and **Siobhan Kelly, C'97**. The couple resides in Waldorf, Md.

Three alumni, **Chris McGuthrie, C'96**, **Silas Cheung, C'97**, and **Matt Gannon, C'96, MBA '98**, conducted the 1st annual CGM European Showcase June 27-29, 2003, on the Mount campus. The showcase gives basketball players an opportunity to display their talents live and in-person to coaches, general managers, scouts and agents from professional teams in Spain, Germany, Belgium, England, the Netherlands and Ireland.

Karen Young and Brendan Cronin, both C'97, were married on November 16, 2002. Brendan's uncle, Father Brian Cronin, celebrated the mass with Father Donald Greenhalgh at Saint Mary's Historic Catholic Church of Fairfax, Va. Alumni among them were **Patrick McIntyre, Devin Trujillo, Paul Chrismer, Mark Brennan, Kimberly (Steelman) Morgan, Nichole (Lewis) Savage, Elizabeth (Greenhalgh) Hunter and Traci (Baker) Jackson, all C'97**. Brendan's sister, **Deirdre Cronin, C'02**, was Karen's maid of honor.

Lindsay Vizzi, C'98, and **Matthew Gannon, C'96, MBA'98**, were married at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Silver Spring, Md., on November 23, 2002. Celebrating the ceremony was **Father Tom Mullelly, C'74.** Bridesmaids included **Moira Gannon, C'98**, and **Kate Folks, C'98**. Groomsmen included **Silas Cheung, C'97**, and best man was **Patrick Gannon, C'93**. In attendance were **Diana Garcia, Meredith Lytle, Bob Dwyer, Tara (Nordman) Freel, Linda Clarkston, John Baldacchino, Jackie (Couch) Weaver, Mary Hope Patton, Christina Markey, John Burke and Karen (Beane) Egan, all C'98**, as well as **Brian Bernabe, C'96**, **Chris Heagy, C'96**, **Mike, C'95, and Nancy (Connors) Connolly, C'94**, **Dan Espinola, C'95**, **Ron Hippler, C'95**, **Jose Cornejo, C'97**, **Dan Gaertner, C'97**, **Mark Heimerl, C'97, MBA'99**, **Brian, C'98, MBA'00, and Mary Beth (Healy) Wall, C'98**.

Shanda Barnhouse, C'98, has joined McLean, Koehler, Sparks & Hammond, CPAs, as a staff accountant at the Frederick office.

Ann (Gerrity) Lupo, C'98, married Michael Lupo (West Virginia University) on October 19, 2002, at Ascension Catholic Church in Melbourne, Fla. Mount alumni present were: **Karen (Beane) Egan, Erika Schukraft and Moira Gannon, all C'98**. Ann is now a special education teacher working on her master's in special education. The couple resides in New Jersey.

Christina Markey, C'98, and her sister have recently opened a care package company for children at overnight camps. She is also a preschool teacher.

Brian Wall, C'98, is the head boys' soccer coach at Damascus High School in Montgomery County, Md.

Sarah M.G. McGinley, C'99, earned her D.O. degree from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine on June 1, 2003. She will continue her medical training at Broward General Medical Center in Ft. Lauderdale, where she will pursue a career in family practice and sports medicine.

Missy (Naill) DeHass, C'99, and husband Shawn announce the birth of their baby girl, born on March 9, 2003.

Angela Pauken, C'99, married Ed Fatula on May 31, 2003. The couple resides in Germantown, Md.

2000s

Jessica Guarducci, C'00, is currently halfway through Seton Hall Law School.

Brian and Meghan (Murphy) Kearns, C'00, celebrated the birth of their daughter Tatum Makayla on February 10, 2003.

Former Mount women's lacrosse players supported their old teammates at a Mount women's LAX game against Sacred Heart in April. Pictured are, left to right: **Megan Molloy, C'00**, **Michelle Coates, C'02**, **Lacey Morley, C'00**, **Lara Steinbraker, C'02**, **Kristen Stanley, C'02**, **Amy Harris, C'02**, and **Erin Gargin, C'02**.

Albert Cea, C'01, recently passed a Defensive Language Aptitude Battery and qualified for a military intelligence/linguist program. He started Basic Training in Missouri at the end of March for 11 weeks, then will spend 52 weeks living in Monterrey, Calif., learning a new language. After that he will attend officer candidate school for a year and a half.

Bryan Cole, C'01, is an assistant coach for the Mount's men's lacrosse team under Coach Tom Gravante. Bryan is currently a "rookie" in the National Lacrosse League with the Colorado Mammoth and has recently been featured in the April edition of *Lacrosse Magazine*.

Lynn Ott, C'01, is a sales support representative for the Wealth Management Group at Farmers & Mechanics Bank and has achieved a Series 7 license.

Heather Rowe, C'01, is a sales support representative for the Wealth Management Group at Farmers & Mechanics Bank and has achieved a Series 7 license for general securities representative.

Marty Stiteler, C'01, will be the head boys' soccer coach at Tuscarora High School in Frederick, Md.

John D'Adamo, C'02, was recently accepted into the Graduate Program in Modern Studies at Loyola College in Baltimore. He will begin classes in the fall as he continues to teach British literature at alma mater Archbishop Curley High School.

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Representatives of Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company Inc. began phoning alumni in June for the verification phase of our **Mount St. Mary's College Alumni Directory** project.

The comprehensive directory will include alumni academic data, addresses and phone numbers (if desired), sorted alphabetically by name as well as by class year and geographical location in separate sections of the book.

Soon, locating fellow alumni will be as easy as turning a page! You may reserve your directory copy when your Harris representative phones. Don't delay, because only prepublication orders received at that time will be guaranteed.

Agnus Berenato NAMED WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACH AT U. OF PITTSBURGH

Agnus Berenato, C'80, and a member of the Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary Board of Trustees, was named head coach of the University of Pittsburgh women's basketball team in May. Berenato was 223-209 in 15 seasons as head coach at Georgia Tech University—producing 11 all-Atlantic Coast Conference players and two WNBA players along the way. "I feel I can get it done here," Berenato said. "This program is just ready to explode."

Serving Overseas

ALUMNI AND RELATIVES DEPLOYED OR STATIONED OVERSEAS FROM JANUARY THROUGH MAY 2003

Kevin Monagle
Son of Daniel Monagle Jr., C'58, and Mary Monagle
US Army, Italy

1st Lt. Peter A. Benninger
Son of Peter L. Benninger, C'70
Brother of Kate, C'95, and Maryanne, C'98
US Army, 101st Airborne, Kuwait

Lt. Colin O'Brien, C'87
US Navy, Turkey

Maj. T.M. Weisz, C'87
US Army, 10th Mountain Division, Afghanistan

Desiree Morasco, C'88
US Army, Turkey

Capt. Patrick L. Nield, C'89
US Army National Guard, Baghdad

Maj. Jack Ruddy, C'90
US Marines, Iraq *(recently returned to the states and visited the Mount)*

Tiffany Blickenstaff
Foster daughter of Sarah Thomas, C'92
US Army

Capt. Erik Krivda, C'94
US Army, Germany
CDR of C/2-2 IN

Nicole (Renner) Gaertner, C'96
Wife of Matthew Gaertner, C'95
State Dept Disaster Response Team

Capt. John Rotante, C'97
US Army, Turkey
S3 (Operations Officer) of the 51st Maintenance Battalion,
21st Theater Support Command

Capt. Mark Wimmer, C'97
US Army, Afghanistan

Capt. Christopher Wingate, C'97
US Army, Korea

1st Lt. Carmita Barnes, C'98
US Army

Capt. Bryan J. Fencl, C'98
US Army, Turkey
1st Infantry Division; G4 Battle Captain

Capt. Robert Ober, C'98
US Army

Clint Reader, C'98
Capt. William Stann

Husband of Amie (Ridenour) Stann, C'98
US Marines

Capt. Brian Ferguson, C'99
US Army, 101st Airborne Division
Iraq

1st Lt. Lillie (Diaz) Cross, C'00
US Army, Germany and Kuwait

Seth Cross
husband of Lillie Cross
US Army, Kuwait

Michael Gawne
Brother of Billy Gawne, C'00
US Marines

1st Lt. Matt McGraw, C'00
US Army, Kuwait

Robert "Bobby" Maddox and Charles Maddox
Father and brother of Thea Maddox, C'01
US Army, Kuwait

1st Lt. Shannon Sherrock, C'01
US Army, Korea

Lt. Adam T. Rodgers, C'02
US Army, Iraq

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THE CLASS OF 1943: *The Mount Goes to War*

"ONE OF THE GREATEST GENERATIONS" *recently featured in Mount exhibit*

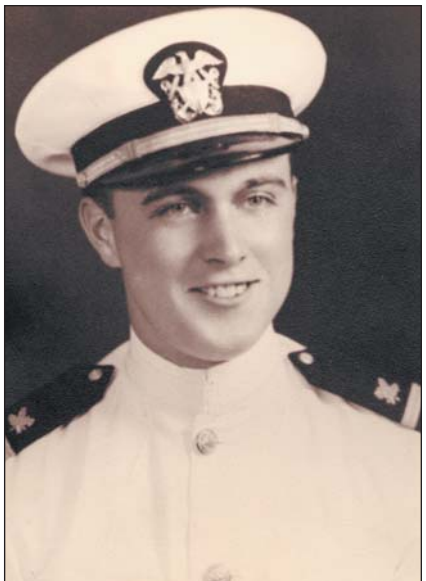
After war was declared in 1941, the Mount turned from scholarship to soldiery, accelerating classes so students could graduate early and defend their country. The original class of 1943 graduated in January 1943, and many in the class of 1944 graduated in May of the same year. Thus a generation of students who had just passed through the Great Depression was hastened on to early graduation.

As Mount graduates hurried off to war, their places were taken by trainees who were also on their way to serve overseas. The Mount became the first collegiate Navy training site in Maryland with the establishment of the V-5 and V-12 programs.

The class of 1943 never forgot the Mount. At their 50th reunion, class members presented the Mount with $125,000, becoming the first class to endow a scholarship. The scholarship fund has now reached $500,000 and counting.

A recent exhibit at the Mount commemorated the contributions of this generation. Our thanks to those class of 1943 alumni who made the exhibit possible: Dr. Donald Reineberg, the late Dr. Thomas Charles and Philip A. McDonnell.

Above:
For the class of 1943's Junior Prom, Glenn Miller dedicated a song to the Junior Class, while Fred Waring and his "Pennsylvanians" dedicated a program to the Mount and the Junior Class. The prom took place in Harrisburg on February 14 at the Penn Harris Hotel, with music provided by Tommy Reynolds and his orchestra.



Bottom left:
Aboard the USS Chester at Pearl Harbor, Ensign Francis Naughton, left, greets his brother, Ensign Joseph Naughton, while their friend Ensign Robert Murphy looks on. All three began their careers at the Mount in the Navy V-12 program, and the Naughtons returned to take their degrees after the war. Joseph also graduated from the seminary and was ordained in 1951.

Bottom right:
The exhibit was dedicated to those who served their country in war, to the class of 1943 and to those members of it who never returned: Lt. James Clark (pictured), Martin Hunt, Joseph Manning, Benjamin Mayock, James McCullough and Salvatore Melomo.

In Memoriam

July 2002 through May 2003

1920s
James T. McDonald, P'20
John J. Donley, P'25, C'29
J. Royall Tippett Jr., P'26
Stephen Provenzo, C'27

1930s
Otto C. Solkovy, P'30
Eugene A. Alexander, C'32
The Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Cawley, C'32
The Rev. Msgr. Joseph F. Meier, C'35
Thomas B. Mansfield, C'38

1940s
The Rev. Msgr. James M. Kelly, C'40
Paul G. Mattern Sr., C'40
Bernard L. Meehan, C'40
Joseph G. Murphy, C'40
James O'Farrell, C'40
John H. O'Neill, C'40
Alfred Zuccaro, C'40
Monsignor Thomas J. Grodavent, C'41, S'45
Russell J. Kane, C'41
R. Walter Zealand, C'41
Robert J. Hall, C'42
William Torresson, C'42
Donald Totten, C'42
George M. Widney, C'42
John James Fitzpatrick, C'43
Edward P. Heffner, C'43
Bernard V. McCarthy, C'43
John F. Tuttle, C'43
The Rev. Walter Sullivan, C'44
Charles N. Varano, C'45
Rudolph T. Richard, C'47
James L. Flynn, C'48
The Rev. James Foley, S'49
James McAndrews, C'49
Edward J. Wasilewski, C'49

1950s
John P. Barry, C'50
Walter J. Farrell, C'50
Edwin Klink, C'50
Joseph L. Mahon, C'50
Bernard P. Provost, C'50
William R. Schuler, C'50
Charles B. Breslin, C'51
The Rev. Msgr. Edward Browne, S'51
William M. Burns, C'51
Anthony O. Herrmann, C'51
Paul J. Minehar, C'51
George A. Packer, C'51
John R. Knightly, C'52
Lucien C. Robinson, C'52
Richard L. Smith Jr., C'52
Edward A. Witt, C'52
Colin Herrle Jr., C'53
The Rev. Timothy M. Ladden, S'53
Arthur Mace, C'53
The Rev. Joseph Mazaika, S'53
John J. Brady, C'54
Gerard A. O'Hare, C'55
Leo P. Hylan, C'56
Richard L. Lee, C'56, S'60
Joseph J. Birkenstock, C'57
William McLaughlin, C'58
John Mohan, C'58
Anthony J. Scutetta, C'58
Edward A. Tucker, C'58
Ernest S. Cage, C'59
Patrick H. Knowles Sr., C'59

1960s
The Rev. Robert Waznak, C'60, S'64
Thomas M. Kane, C'62
William B. Miller, C'62
Thomas H. Minturn, C'63
William E. Dengel, C'64
Richard J. Long Jr., C'65
Donald McVearry, C'66
Henry Quinn, C'69

1970s
Frank L. Fumai, C'70
John Ondrovic, C'70
Jean Wagner Walker, C'76
F. Gregory Baldwin, C'79

1980s
Christopher Imperiale, C'82
William J. Lynn, C'82
Kathleen Fannon Jones, C'83
The Rev. William Schopps, S'85
Robert L. Carter, Jr., C'87
James Garvin, MBA'89

1990s
Lt. Col. Franklyn Hasty, MBA'95

REMEMBERING *"Sr. Regula"*

Sister Kathleen Ryan, OSF, front row, far left, passed away on January 23, 2003. A member of the Sisters of St. Francis, she will be remembered for her time at the Mount during the 1960s and '70s, when she was referred to as "Sister Regula." Sister Regula was a familiar figure in DuBois, Brute and McCaffrey halls. She was a member of a proud group of women who worked at the Mount for almost 100 years, devoting their lives to not only the church, but also the community of Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary.

Also pictured in this photo are the last of the Franciscan Sisters at Mount St. Mary's College, front row, from left: **Sister Miriam Gertrude McManus**, **Sister M. Majonica Specht**, **Sister M. St. Bride Ryan**; top row, from left: **Sister M. Ann Bernadette Cafferty**, **Sister M. Basil Kivlehan**, and **Tony Fitzpatrick**, nephew of Sr. St. Bride Ryan.

THE BALTIMORE CHAPTER

The chapter hosted a Mass and reception in honor of President Houston on April 5 at the Cathedral of Mary our Queen in Baltimore. **Stephanie Lopez, C'00**, gave a moving speech while chapter members enjoyed fine food and drinks. Pictured: President Houston was presented a Papal Blessing by chapter president **Dave Gabor, C'90**, and **Stephanie Lopez**, chapter vice president.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

On April 24, the Central Pennsylvania Chapter hosted an event at The Cove in York, Pa. The event was a successful "chapter-start up" gathering to get the chapter up, running and reunited.

On May 8, the chapter hosted an after work event at The Firehouse in Harrisburg. President Houston bid his farewell to our chapter and shared entertaining stories about Sister Anne Bernadette, Sister Basil and several other sisters of St. Francis. The new Central PA team consists of **John Ford, C'84**, president; **Lauren (Bechtel) Moore, C'90**, vice president; **Tony Julian, C'72**, treasurer; and **Jeanmarie (Staufenberg) Kline, C'90**, secretary.

CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

At a recent meeting of leaders among the Connecticut Chapter at the home of **Marty, C'50**, and **Sis Brennan** in Cheshire, plans for the annual Donald P. Quinn Sr. Memorial Golf Tournament were finalized. In addition to Marty were **Romas Laskauskas, C'75**, **Walt Robinson, C'63**, **Gene Sullivan, C'60**, as well as **Monsignor Mike Motta, C'68, S'72,** via telephone.

The committee also discussed plans for several other events to support the Connecticut Chapter's Annual Scholarship, which the chapter has consistently awarded to worthy Connecticut students at the Mount.

THE DELAWARE CHAPTER

The chapter hosted its 2nd Annual Point to Point event on May 4. Pictured below are: (left to right, standing) **Ellen Callahan, C'81**, **Kara Nolte, C'91**, **Pat McGinn, C'98**, **Kelly (Klein) Smith, C'98**, **Kevin Foley, C'85**; (left to right, kneeling) **Jenn McAlice, C'01, Marty O'Connor, C'98**, **Mike Smith, C'98**, and Sophie the dog. Not pictured: **Mike Goetz**.

On March 12, the chapter held an Alumni Reception at the University and Whist Club in Wilmington, Del. President Houston was present.

THE FLORIDA CHAPTER

The chapter hosted "A Night at the Palm Beach Kennel Club" in West Palm Beach on March 21. Chapter president **Ray Asmar, C'79**, welcomed President Houston, President-elect Dr. Thomas Powell, Mrs. Irene Powell, **Thomas O'Hara, C'64**, chairman of the board of trustees, and **John Walsh, C'58**, former trustees chairman. Next year's event will be held on the Gulf Coast, possibly in the Tampa/St. Petersburg area.

THE PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

On May 9, the chapter hosted "Mount Night at the Vet," the Phillies vs. the Astros.

THE WASHINGTON, D.C., CHAPTER

The 2nd Annual DC Alumni Chapter Summer Kickoff Happy Hour was held at Caddies on Cordell in Bethesda on June 26.

The chapter recently has new representation. **Anthony Solazzo, C'01**, is now heading the DC Chapter and can be reached at asolazzo@corporatefinancinc.com or 301-908-0628. Please watch for flyers about upcoming events or visit www.msmary.edu/alumnifriends for more information!

The Delaware Chapter

THE MORNING *"Calling For Fire"* TOOK ON A WHOLE NEW MEANING

By Brian A. Ferguson, C'99

As a field artillery officer in the United States Army, there have been many times I have had to call for fire—most recently during the intense fighting of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Although the pitched battles have ceased, I have had the opportunity to serve my country and my fellow men in another way.

"The commitment that a priest makes far outweighs anything I do out here. What I do is function as a servant to the faithful."

Prior to leaving Fort Campbell at the end of February, I attended a one-day training session to be an *Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist*, or EME. Taught by one of only a few Catholic chaplains on the post, we were trained on conducting prayer services, Communion services (in the absence of a priest) and actions to take if a soldier were near death. These duties seemed so distant in the days of packing trucks, equipment and containers for deployment.

Once in Iraq, on a morning after a Mass that was attended by my fellow leaders, soldiers, a few photojournalists and a "celebrity" named Geraldo Rivera, the chaplain asked if there were any EMEs at Mass, so I raised my hand.

I had no idea what I was about to begin doing.

The chaplain impressed upon me my duties included doing the Catholic Communion service in the absence of a priest. With that, he gave me guidance on what I would need. Before I left for Kuwait, my brother had given me a pyx and a small, desk-sized cross that he had used. **I carried the St. Joseph Sunday Missal with me in my assault pack, yet the priest gave me the most important gift of all. He placed in my hands hosts that had been consecrated at the Mass and said, "Go … God will be your strength out there."**

The first occasion I had to conduct a service was after the battle of Karbala. My artillery battalion was there in support of another unit. In the morning, I realized that it was Sunday and the first Sunday I had the chance to conduct a service.

What I did not realize was the number of people who would show up.

Catholics and non-Catholics alike showed up to hear the Word of God that day. The Lord's Prayer brought beaming smiles to all those present. Catholics came forward to receive Holy Communion while everyone else sat and prayed quietly. For sure, many had not sat down to pray in a community for a while.

Since leaving there I have had the opportunity to do a service every Sunday for my brigade and/or battalion. I know that there are others who do this work as well in the division, and I am happy that I can do it in my small part of the sector.

Many times I have been asked, following a service, if I ever thought about the priesthood. My answer right now is that I am undecided. The commitment that a priest makes far outweighs anything I do out here. What I do is function as a servant to the faithful. The army, and military as a whole, has so few Catholic chaplains. My work out here is just being able to be available to the faithful around me, to be nourished by God's Word and Holy Communion. **I am humbled every time I am privileged to lead the faithful in a service.**

The thought for me to write this came as I contemplated what I could do to make Pentecost a more enjoyable celebration. I remember that at Pentecost we call on the Fire of the Holy Spirit. Knowing that, I realized that on Pentecost Sunday, I would call for fire in a whole new way.

That, along with **the readings of the Seventh Sunday, "that all shall be one," led me to write my experiences down** and share them with as many people as possible.

While I write this, it is the Seventh Sunday of Easter. I have six days to figure that one out for the Sunday service, if we cannot arrange for a priest.

Brian Ferguson, C'99, is a captain and currently serving as the battalion fire direction officer for the 3rd Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment, assigned to the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky. His brother, Tom, is the administrator at St. Bernadette Parish in Springfield, Va.

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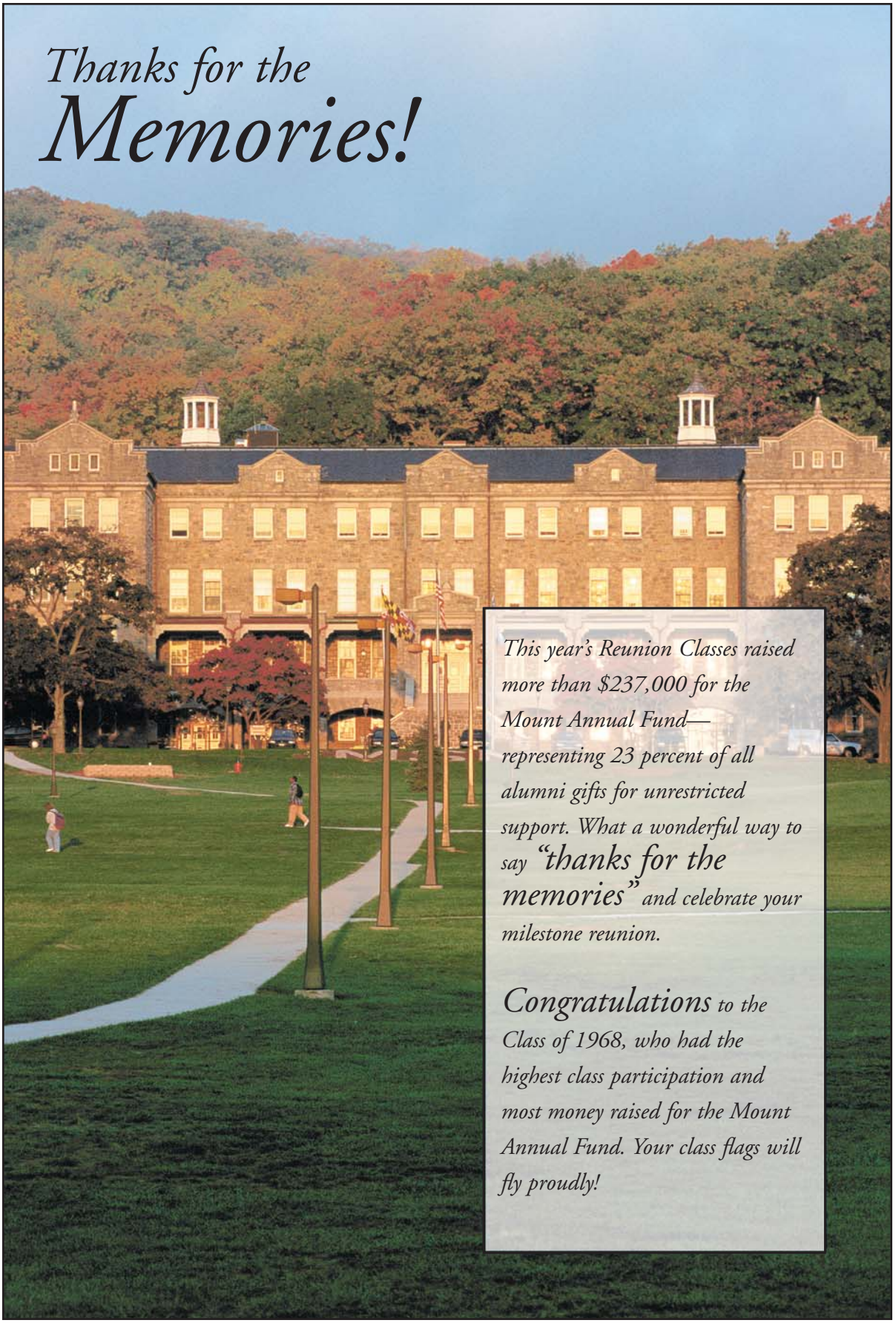

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Upcoming EVENTS

Reconnect with the Mount on campus and at chapter events. And **please join us in October to welcome the Mount's new president, Thomas H. Powell, Ed.D.**

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AUGUST

Sunday, August 17
29th Annual Baltimore Chapter Crab Feast, Ocean Pride Restaurant, Lutherville, Md.

Saturday, August 23
Philadelphia Chapter Summer Social, 6-9 p.m., Fred's Tavern, Stone Harbor, N.J. Contact Pat McGinn, C'98, 610-470-0848 or pmcginn@amerisourcebergen.com

Friday, August 29
Mass of the Holy Spirit and Mount Tiki Dance

SEPTEMBER

Friday, September 12
Mount Crab Feast

Saturday, September 20
11th Baltimore Orioles Bull Penn Party, Orioles vs. Blue Jays, Oriole Park at Camden Yards Stadium. Contact the Alumni Office, 877-630-6102 or ksherman@msmary.edu

Thursday, September 25
Student Art Exhibit Opening and Lecture. Exhibit open through October 10

OCTOBER

Wednesday, October 1–Thursday, October 2
Priests' Alumni Reunion

Monday, October 6
Connecticut Chapter Annual Loyalty Day, Whitney Farms Country Club, Monroe, Conn. Includes the Donald P. Quinn Sr. Golf Tournament and the Loyalty Dinner and Raffle. Contact the Alumni Office, 877-630-6102 or ksherman@msmary.edu

Monday, October 20–Sunday, October 26
Presidential Inauguration Week

Friday, October 24
- Inaugural Mass, Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, 10 a.m.
- Luncheon, Patriot Hall, 11:30 a.m.
- Installation Ceremony and Reception, Knott Athletic Recreation Convocation Complex, 2 p.m.
- Inaugural Dinner, Patriot Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 30
Student Art Exhibit Opening and Lecture. Exhibit open through Nov. 21

NOVEMBER

Saturday, November 1
Mount All Saints Day Bonfire, featuring Stand, and Special Olympics

Thursday, November 13–Sunday, November 16
Mount Theatre Mainstage: "Twelfth Night"

Thursday, November 20–Saturday, November 22
Mount Theatre Mainstage: "Twelfth Night"

Saturday, November 22
Mount Battle of the Bands

FEBRUARY 2004

Saturday, February 7
Winter Homecoming

JUNE 2004

Friday, June 4–Sunday, June 6
Alumni Reunion Weekend