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"The fall issue of *Mount Magazine* arrived here in California and deserves compliments and praise. You and your group are to be commended for the wonderful work you are doing for the Mount."

"If this is the type of tolerance exhibited by the college, and then proudly flaunted by its official magazine, please remove my name from your list of people who receive this heretical disgrace."

Ahhh, feedback! Gotta love it!

Good and bad, high praise and stinging criticism—all of us connected with *Mount Magazine* appreciate hearing from you, our loyal readers. As the two examples we received above clearly indicate, when you voice your pleasure, and more importantly, your displeasure over something you've seen or read within these pages, it means we've struck a chord in a way that matters to you.

It is your continual feedback that ultimately keeps us honest—challenging our staff to communicate the good news of Mount St. Mary's in an effective and attractive manner.

A little more than a year ago, I met with the National Alumni Association Board to discuss the evolution of *Mount Magazine*, and to offer a vision and strategy for communicating with the Mount "extended family" in the future. In addition to the magazine, the alumni board was very interested in launching a monthly, electronic "e-newsletter" to keep you even more current with the happenings on campus.

I am happy to report that *Around the Mount*, the electronic newsletter for the Mount community, debuted in February. With Website Manager Trevor James leading the development of this project, more than 6,500 alumni and friends—those we have good email addresses for—received this publication, virtually instantly.

And the feedback we received was almost as quick and generally very positive. "Just wanted to let you know this is great! I really enjoyed this newsletter and am glad the Mount is moving in this direction … What a surprise—looks great! This should keep everyone in the loop and keep the Mount on their minds … Thank you so much for giving me a 'quiet memory' of the Mount at the end of a hectic day. This was an unexpected special touch."

And, yes, we had some negative comments posted as well!

So you're homework assignment is twofold: First, we want your feedback.! Tell us what you like (and dislike!) about the way we're communicating with you—in the magazine or electronically. Send us your story ideas and suggestions, your picks and pans. As we get closer to the Mount's bicentennial in 2008, it is our desire to highlight the history of this special place, your alma mater. Who better to help us tell her story then you?

Additionally, if you haven't already done so, send your preferred email address along with your name and class year to **advancementservices@msmary.edu** and we'll include you on the list for future issues of *Around the Mount*.

We're looking forward to hearing from you!

Duffy Ross
Editor

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PROFESSOR'S BOOK *Explores* MODERN PRESIDENCY

Towle's book, Out of Touch: The Presidency and Public Opinion, *can be ordered through Amazon.com and at other leading bookstores.*

Michael J. Towle, associate professor of political science, recently published *Out of Touch: The Presidency and Public Opinion*, (Texas A&M University Press), which explains how modern presidents respond to public opinion, while operating under conditions similar to a perpetual reelection campaign.

Towle examines the administrations of Truman, Johnson and Carter and compares the changes in the ways they looked at and understood public opinion as their popularity declined.

"The nature of the presidency itself makes it almost impossible for an administration to understand or follow public opinion," says Towle. "One reason is simply psychological: administrations tend to discount bad news. Another reason is more political, and it boils down to this: the reasons that presidential administrations seek out public opinion information change over the course of a term.

"When they change the reasons for looking at public opinion information, they also change the questions they ask about the public, and—consequently—the answers they get," Towle says. "Unfortunately, my research shows that they continuously narrow the scope of people that they look to, and thus they grow 'out of touch.'"

Those who study the presidency or public opinion will appreciate Towle's methods and the findings of his timely analysis. His book can be ordered through Amazon.com and at other leading bookstores.

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The recently renovated Borders houses faculty offices for the rhetoric and communications, sociology and theology departments, as well as the Writing Center, two classrooms and a fully equipped art studio.

BORDERS LEARNING CENTER *Reopens*

Borders Learning Center reopened with a new look in February. Although the 16,000-square-foot facility is similar in size, students and faculty have found many improvements—including updated heating and air conditioning, electrical and Internet cabling equipment and an elevator. Sidewalks and walkways near the building were also updated, creating safer access from Pangborn Residence Hall and Bradley Hall.

The Borders' exterior saw improvements, too, including a new cupola, bronzed seal and side porch, all of which enhance the building's architectural appeal.

Two classrooms and a fully equipped art studio are on the first floor and the window-filled second floor houses faculty offices for the rhetoric and communications, sociology and theology departments, as well as the Writing Center. Learning Services is also located in the building.

Denise Marjarum, director of learning services, is "thrilled and ecstatic" about the renovations. "Our new space, which also includes three individual testing rooms for students who need a 'reduced distraction' environment, provides an updated, efficient and professional place in which to learn and grow."

Houston Portrait UNVEILED & *Home* BLESSED

The portrait was presented at a luncheon held on February 13. Following lunch, the George R. Houston, Jr. President's Home was formally blessed by Monsignor Dennis Tinder, C'64, S'68. He offered the following blessing:

"Almighty God, in the Person of your Son, you came to know the comfort of a home; the walls and roof that shield us from the wind, and snow, and rain, that keep out the cold and contain the fragrance of a cooking meal; the doors with which we close out the unknown things of the night; the windows that let in the nourishing sun and make a picture frame of your creation.

"In the Person of your Son, you showed us how love can nourish every room of a home; how service and kindliness can ease the normal trials of life; and how it can be a greenhouse of human growth.

"We ask you now to send your blessings on this house. Fill it with the faith of the house of Abraham; the courage of the tent of Moses; the gentleness of the house of Ruth; the wisdom of the palace of Solomon; the sincerity of the house of Zachary and Elizabeth; the simplicity of the house in Nazareth that was the home of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

"Let the sprinkling of water blessed in your name christen the material framework of this house, and let it be a symbol of the constant dwelling of your Holy Spirit in the hearts of those who live and visit here. Make this home your holy place. Amen."

Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary President Thomas H. Powell (left) stands with former Mount President George R. Houston, Jr. (right) during the unveiling of Houston's official presidential portrait.

Dennis W. Robinson, MBA'00, director of the Master of Business Administration program

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Mount MBA Grad RETURNS TO LEAD PROGRAM

Dennis W. Robinson, a graduate with distinction of the Mount St. Mary's Master of Business Administration program, has returned to his alma mater to direct the program.

Robinson was recently named the assistant dean of the college's Division of Continuing Studies and director of the MBA. His work will include helping with the administration of all of the Mount's adult degree programs.

How does it feel to administer the MBA program in which he was once a student?

"Going through the program gives me a unique perspective. I've taken the classes, experienced the workload and applied the knowledge I gained from it in the workplace," Robinson said. "It is a first-rate program."

Prior to working at the Mount, Robinson was employed in the insurance industry and, for the last 20 years, has served in both information technology and management roles at International Business Machines Corporation. He graduated from the Mount St. Mary's MBA program in 2000 while working full time at IBM.

"Dennis' broad business background and his extensive knowledge of the Mount's program make him an ideal administrator of the program," said Linda Martinak, Ed.D., dean of the continuing studies division. "His real life experience was one of the things that made him so attractive to the search committee."

In addition to administering the program, Robinson is teaching an MBA class in Management and Information Technology. Previously, he had served as an adjunct professor of business at Central Pennsylvania University.

Urban, Whitman
EARN FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR GRANTS

Two Mount St. Mary's College professors, **J. Kristin Urban**, associate professor of political science, and **Stephen Whitman**, associate professor of history, were awarded Fulbright Scholar grants during the 2003-04 academic year.

Urban is lecturing and conducting research in American studies at the University of Bahrain in Manama, Bahrain. Whitman is lecturing on the history of the American South at the University of Genoa in Genoa, Italy. Both are abroad from January 2004 until the summer.

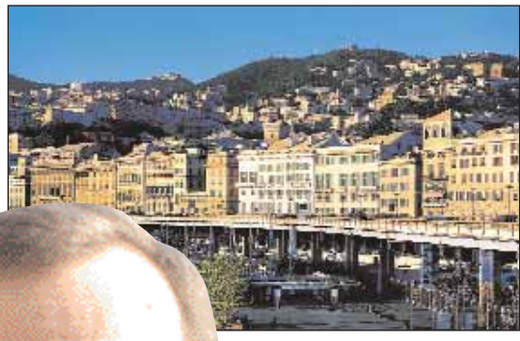
Urban and Whitman are two of approximately 800 U.S. faculty and professionals who will travel abroad to some 140 countries for the 2003-04 academic year through the Fulbright Scholar Program. Established in 1946 under legislation introduced by the late Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, the program's purpose is to build mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries.

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, the Fulbright Program is America's flagship international educational exchange activity. Over its 56 years of existence, thousands of U.S. faculty and professionals have studied, taught or conducted research abroad, and thousands of their counterparts from other countries have engaged in similar activities in the United States.

Urban and Whitman are among more than 250,000 American and foreign university students, K-12 teachers, and university faculty and professionals who have participated in one of the several Fulbright exchange programs.

Recipients of Fulbright Scholar awards are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement and because they have demonstrated extraordinary leadership potential in their fields.

Among thousands of prominent U.S. Fulbright Scholar alumni are Milton Friedman, Nobel Laureate in Economics; James Watson, codiscoverer of the structure of DNA and Nobel Laureate in Medicine; Rita Dove, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet; and Craig Barrett, CEO of Intel Corporation.



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Saving LIVES

By Kate Charuhas

For Mount St. Mary's seniors Jeff and Jaimee Thoelen, what began as a way to fill spare time their freshman year has developed into something much more meaningful—a vocation.

Four years ago, **Jeff and Jaimee Thoelen** were drawn to the Mount by athletic programs and solid financial aid packages. It didn't hurt that their older brother and great uncle had both graduated from the Mount and spoke fondly of the school.

But once they settled into college life, their plans shifted. Jeff opted not to join the cross-country team, deciding instead to volunteer with the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company. It was a natural fit, laughs Jeff. "I've always been a sucker for lights and sirens."

He encouraged his sister to join a few months later.

The twins, from Blooming Grove, N.Y., began as observers, riding along on calls, but not assisting with any of the medical treatments. As sophomores, the two became "first responders," and were trained to respond to the scene initially and stabilize patients until the ambulance arrived. During their junior year, Jeff and Jaimee stayed through winter breaks in order to take the classes needed to become emergency medical technicians (EMTs).

Now certified as EMTs, both in Maryland and New York, and in their last semester at the Mount, they try to fit in as many volunteer hours as possible. Jeff typically spends 20 to 30 hours a week with the ambulance company, but finds time to maintain the highest grade point average in his class. A nursing major and dean's list student, Jaimee does not have as much time to volunteer because of labs she must take to fulfill her major requirements.

As EMTs, they assist paramedics on call and provide basic medical treatments like checking vital signs and treating symptoms before transporting patients to the hospital. It always surprises patients when they find out the people helping them in Emmitsburg are native "New Yorkers" and college students.

Jeff also serves on the company's board of directors and often joins company members at weekly bingo matches held in Emmitsburg.

Having students certified as EMTs also comes in handy on campus. The twins respond to various calls at the Mount—often involving ill students needing assistance.

"They are always quick to respond whenever a student or employee has been hurt," says Tom Kiniry, director of public safety. "If I'm in class and distant sirens are heard, my professor will look at me like I should be running off," says Jeff.

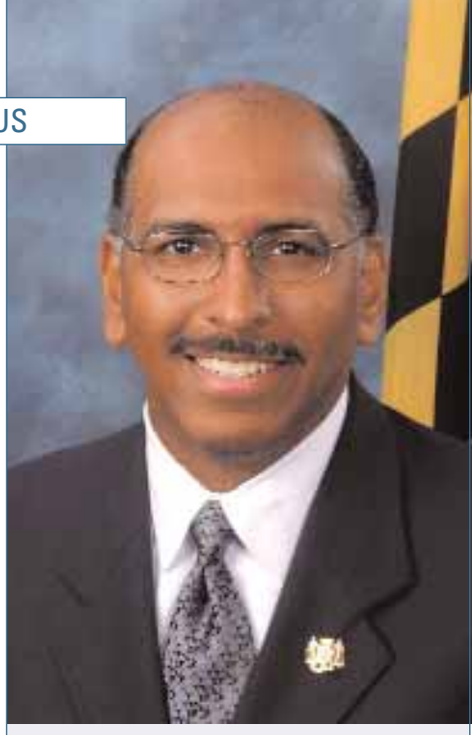
Irene Powell, wife of Mount President Thomas H. Powell, is especially happy to have the pair on campus. When she slipped on the ice during a recent winter storm and broke her collarbone, Jeff was there to make a sling. "I'd had the pleasure of meeting him as a student, but was surprised to see him come to my rescue as an EMT," says Powell. "The next day he cheerily stopped by with a card as a follow up. It is an incredible asset to the Mount community to have his skills available!"

Brother and sister will soon put their skills to work after graduation. Jaimee plans to enter the Columbia University's School of Nursing and may specialize in pediatric nursing. Jeff, an accounting major, is considering a career in law enforcement, perhaps the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He's also considering medical school because of a "pivotal moment" during a recent call when he used an automatic external defibrillator (AED) to "jump-start" a patient's heart—literally bringing the patient back to life.

As Jeff and Jaimee move forward with their vocations, the Mount and Emmitsburg communities will surely feel their absence.

"The ambulance company offered a unique way to serve the Mount community. Whether I take a student in for abdominal pains or injuries from a car accident, when they find out that I am a Mount student, they know they have someone they can trust. I invite any student interested in this type of work to volunteer! Get an application, fill it out, and I promise you that you will not be let down." —Jeff Thoelen

If you'd like to know more about becomi EMT, stop by your local ambulance company and pick up cation.



Maryland Lieutenant Governor Michael S. Steele, guest speaker for Mount St. Mary's College's Fourth Annual McKenna Lecture in Business and Professional Ethics.

Fourth Annual McKenna Lecture in Business and Professional Ethics—April 21, 2004

- *Dutch's Daughter Restaurant, Frederick, Md.*
- *Cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and formal program*
- *Tickets are $75 per person, with corporate sponsorship opportunities also available*

McKenna Lecture TO FEATURE MARYLAND LT. GOVERNOR

Maryland Lieutenant Governor Michael S. Steele will be the guest speaker for Mount St. Mary's College's Fourth Annual McKenna Lecture in Business and Professional Ethics, to be held April 21 at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant, in Frederick, Md.

In January 2003, Steele earned a place in history when he became the first African American elected to statewide office, and the first-ever Republican lieutenant governor in Maryland. As lieutenant governor, Steele serves as a partner, advisor and principal representative for Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. He works with the state's congressional delegation, and state and local elected officials, to promote and implement the administration's policies and initiatives.

Matthew M. McKenna, senior vice president and treasurer of PepsiCo. Inc., and a member of the Mount's Board of Trustees, established and funded the lecture series in 1999 to discuss the issues and challenges of ethics within the corporate environment.

"The Mount is grateful to the Frederick community for its enthusiastic interest in this lecture series," said Pam Zusi, executive director of development. "Thanks to their generous support, the Mount has been able to offer more than $30,000 in scholarships, as well as provide a forum to present and discuss ethically challenging questions impacting the corporate environment."

The event will begin with cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and the formal program. Tickets are $75 per person, with corporate sponsorship opportunities also available. To learn how you can sponsor a table or purchase an individual ticket, please contact Zusi at 301-447-5361, or via email at development@msmary.edu.

Joseph F. Horning RECEIVES FOUNDER'S DAY MEDAL

The 2003 Mount St. Mary's Founder's Day Medal award was presented to **Joseph F. Horning, Jr., C'53**, during a mass held in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception on December 8.

The Founder's Day Medal honors Mount founder Father John DuBois and was established in 1983 as part of the college and seminary's 175th anniversary celebration. The medal recognizes a Catholic individual whose actions have a significant, positive impact on the lives of others.

Horning has demonstrated exceptional commitment to the Mount, involving himself in numerous alumni and fundraising activities. In 1978, he received the Mount's Distinguished Alumnus Award and in 1980, the President's Medal. The Mount presented him with an honorary doctorate in 1990. Horning served on the board of trustees from 1980 until 1990, and chaired the board for two years.

Horning also plays an active role on the boards of numerous nonprofit organizations, including D.C. Action for Children and Jubilee Housing, the Charter School Board and the D.C. Center City Consortium. He is particularly committed to making improvements in the District's neighborhoods. Horning has served as president of the Metropolitan Builders' Association, the D.C. Housing Industry Corporation and the Higher Achievement Program.

Left to Right: *President Thomas H. Powell, Joseph F. Horning, Tom O'Hara, board of trustees chairman.*

"Joe Horning epitomizes unselfish service to others. He continually gives of himself to make the world a better place. All of us at Mount St. Mary's can strive to be more like Joe Horning," says Mount President Thomas H. Powell.

TREAT YOURSELF TO A *Summer Retreat*

Plan now to enjoy a summer retreat at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, nestled in the picturesque foothills trod by saints and patriarchs of the early church in America. Alumni and friends who participate will enjoy comfortable, air-conditioned accommodations, new dining facilities and access to the Mount's recreational amenities. Come and enjoy a breather for body and soul!

To register, call 301-447-5017 or email semdev@msmary.edu. For details, visit www.msmary.edu/seminary/retreats

2004 Priest Retreats

Registration fee of $280 per retreat

June 21-25
Monsignor Ralph Beiting, *Founder of the Christian Appalachian Project*
Together we will grow in holiness as we follow the priesthood of Jesus.

July 12-16
The Rev. Denis Donahue, S'90
"Living a Priestly Life in a Secular World"

2004 Lay Retreats

Registration fee of $150 per retreat

June 11-13
The Rev. Peter Giroux, *Franciscan Friars of the Primitive Observance*
"The Mystery of the Eucharist: Living Out the Mass"

June 18-20
Dr. Robert D. Miller II, SFO, *Assistant Professor of Sacred Scripture*
Devotion to the Virgin draws its inspiration from the Bible. How does Mary appear in the Scriptures?

July 9-11
The Rev. John J. Lombardi, *Chaplain of the National Shrine Grotto of Lourdes*
"Disciplined Desire: Living God's Virtues in a Stress-Filled World"

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THREE DEACONS *Ordained*

José Luis Hernández-Ayala (Atlanta), Edmond G. Kline (Wichita) and Diosmar A. Natad (Atlanta) were ordained to the diaconate by the Most Rev. Thomas J. Olmsted, bishop of Wichita, on Nov. 6, 2003. At ordination, they are configured to Christ, who made Himself the "deacon" or servant of all.

ADMISSION TO *Candidacy*

The Most Rev. Kenneth Angell, bishop of Burlington, celebrated Mass with Admission to Candidacy on Nov. 14, 2003. Twelve seminarians of the third theology class were admitted to candidacy. This rite is celebrated when the candidates have reached a maturity of purpose and are shown to have the necessary qualifications to complete their preparation for ordination.

SERVING ON THE RECTOR'S COUNCIL *Brings a Joyful Reunion*

Indonesia, 1960. Carolyn Reagan and her young family were exploring a new country as her husband, Jack, served in the American Embassy in Djakarta. Harriett Beaubien and her young family had moved to Djakarta while her husband coordinated medical services volunteered by American doctors on board the Hope Ship.

The families and their eight-year-old sons John and David became good friends. They shared Cub Scout activities, volunteer opportunities and interesting travels. After the Reagans moved to Hong Kong in 1963, however, the families eventually lost touch with each other.

Mount St. Mary's Seminary, 2003. Carolyn, now a member of the seminary's Rector's Council, was astonished to meet a new council member: the Rev. David Beaubien. "My first thought was, 'David Beaubien is eight years old and not even a Catholic!' " she recalls.

"Forty-three years later David and I are sitting side by side at a Rector's Council meeting and marveling at the goodness and graces of the Holy Spirit," says Carolyn Reagan.

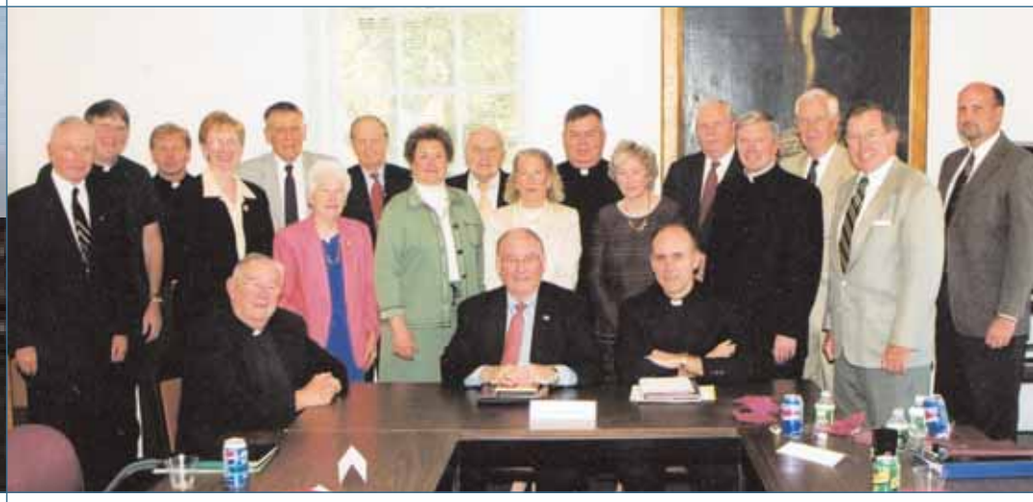
"Forty-three years later David and I are sitting side by side at a Rector's Council meeting and marveling at the goodness and graces of the Holy Spirit," she continues. "Here we are, both devoted to Mount St. Mary's, sincerely promoting vocations and hoping we can be of some assistance to Father Rhoades."

The day after the meeting, Carolyn received a phone call from David's mother. The families were joyfully reacquainted last December. As Carolyn notes, "God is good!"

We extend condolences to the family and friends of Harriett Beaubien, who passed away in January, shortly after this article was written.

Left: *Cub Scout jousting tournament, John Reagan on right, Djakarta, Indonesia, 1961*
Right: *David Beaubien in traditional Indonesian dress, Djakarta, Indonesia, 1961*

The Rev. David Beaubien (back row, left) and his mother, Harriett (front row, middle), reunited in 2003 with Carolyn Reagan (front row, left), their close friend from Indonesia in the early '60s. Beaubien and Reagan owe the reunion to their service on the Mount's Rector's Council.



The Rev. David Beaubien, standing fourth from right, and Carolyn Reagan, standing sixth from right, at the September 2003 Rector's Council meeting.

a BOLTE *of Lightning*

Richard Bolte, *successful businessman and father extraordinaire, can say nothing but good things about Mount St. Mary's College.* He has seven great reasons why!

By Lisa Gregory

Photo courtesy of the *Philadelphia Inquirer*

Richard Bolte visited Mount St. Mary's as a young man considering college, but he opted to remain at home in Philadelphia to attend local LaSalle University.

Yet the Mount made quite an impression on him.

Now, nearly 40 years later, Bolte has gone on to a groundbreaking career in global logistics and transportation as the founder, chairman and CEO of his own company, BDP International. But he never forgot the Mount.

"Something drew me to the school," he says now. When it was time for his oldest son, Richard Bolte, Jr., to consider college, he encouraged his son to make the choice he himself had not made.

Seven sons later—all graduates of Mount St. Mary's—it's an understatement to say the Bolte family has become part of the fabric of the Mount. Not just as a family of alums, but through the countless alums who have come to work for the family business. "I've been going down to the Mount for the past 50 years or so," says Bolte. "I know it pretty well."

The Beginning of a Business Empire

Bolte has come a long way from those early days when he visited the Mount for the first time—and not by chance. Even as a young man growing up in northeast Philadelphia, he decided early on that he wanted something more in life. "I remember being 13- or 14 years old and thinking: 'What do I want to do for the rest of my life?' "says Bolte. "When you grow up in a lower-middle class, blue-collar neighborhood, there are no easy answers to that question. But I knew I needed a good education."

Bolte was the first in his family to graduate from high school and college. And, according to family members, he briefly considered the priesthood. But he was drawn to the business world. Following a stint in the military during the Korean

War, he returned home to earn a bachelor's degree in business administration from LaSalle University by going to night school. By then, he was married and a father.

He began his career by working in an entry-level position for a small Philadelphia exports firm. Bolte saw the potential right away. "This was an underdeveloped business that offered unique opportunities for young people," he recalls.

However, the industry then was "very small and family-controlled," says Bolte. "People weren't interested in expanding. If you showed any signs of creativity, they particularly didn't like that. They didn't particularly like college graduates too much either."

Bolte was both—creative and a college graduate. At the company, he excelled. "I grew to love the business," he says of the next 10 years. Always aware of the future, Bolte recalls meeting with his boss and asking, "'What opportunities will I have in developing the business and myself?' He looked me right in the eye and said, 'Not much here, fella.' That's basically what it came down to," recalls Bolte.

In 1966, Bolte, now 32, decided to move on after discussion with his wife. "I told her I love what I'm doing and I'm good at it. Maybe it's time to start my own business," he says.

His hopes were high. "I felt very strongly I could make it," he says. "I had learned the business very well. I had spent six years running the export group and had a good relationship with customers and had hired most of the people working for me."

He also had a wife and four sons. "It was not an easy decision to make," he says in that regard. But, with a sign hand painted by his wife, he took the plunge and opened up shop. Then, a little over a year later, tragedy struck when his wife died. Looking back, Bolte is glad he went ahead with the decision when he did. "Otherwise, after losing my wife and having children to care for, I may not have gone into business on my own. I might have been locked into a pretty awful life, given my personality and ambition."

Instead, Bolte, who went on to remarry, would see both his business and his family continue to grow—becoming the president of a wildly successful company and the father of seven sons.

The future looked bright, indeed.

"I thought the Mount was a great college. It was well situated, offered good educational value and from a religious point of view you couldn't have picked a better college*," recalls Bolte.*

Revolutionizing an Industry

"When we started out in the industry in the 1960s, all we needed was a typewriter, telephone and the mail system," says Bolte. In ensuing years, with the advances in information technology, that would no longer do—and Bolte led the way. He was one of the first in the industry to see the potential of information technology for managing and organizing international freight movements and other aspects of the supply chain. He describes the advent of computers—and, more importantly, of information-based solutions to the complex logistics and cargo movement documentation needed for global shipping—as one of "those moments in time that change everything."

Today, BDP International is one of the largest, privately owned global logistics companies in the United States—with 4,000 customers worldwide. The company, which manages the movement and processing of more than half of the country's chemical exports, has grown from a handful of employees to nearly 1,300.

BDP operates freight logistics centers in more than 20 cities throughout North America and a network of acquisitions, subsidiaries, joint ventures and strategic partnerships in 140 countries. In fact, in 1997, BDP was awarded the President's E-Award for Excellence in Exporting, the highest U.S. award for American exporters.

Says Bolte, "God has blessed me with a certain amount of success."

The Family Connection

At first, Richard (Rich) Bolte Jr., C'79, was not interested in attending the Mount. Rich had his own ideas—focusing on a school in Dayton, Ohio. It was his father who had his eye on the Mount. "I thought the Mount was a great college. It was well situated, offered good educational value and from a religious point of view you couldn't have picked a better college," recalls Bolte.

There were arguments over the dinner table, followed by a trip to visit Dayton. But, in the end, Rich changed his mind. He remembers finally visiting the Mount and "being kind of amazed at the setting. This was how you envisioned a college should look. I fell in love with it," he says.

He enrolled late, however, and spent his freshman year renting a room at a nearby motel. Soon, his younger brother John began to visit, and also enrolled. "And the rest is history," says Bolte, as one son followed the other—from Rich and John, C'82, to Tim, C'84, Frank, C'87, Rob, C'92, and stepsons Michael, C'91, and William Connors, C'89. "We didn't plan it," says Rich. "But the more of us who went, the more pressure there was at the end to make sure everyone went."

In fact, Bolte, who serves on the college's board of trustees, would finally receive his own degree from the Mount. In 1992, he was given an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from the college.

Not only would each son find his way to the Mount, but also into the family business, with five working in the Philadelphia, Pa., office, including Rich, who is president, and John, who is executive vice president and chief operating officer; one son working in the Atlanta, Ga., office; and another in the Charlotte, N.C., office.

"I might have been a little disappointed if they hadn't come to work for the company," admits Bolte. "But that never came about. I'm thrilled that I get a chance to see them on a daily or weekly basis through the business. It keeps our family close."

"Little Mount St. Mary's"

Ken Wensel, C'78, senior vice president of global sales and marketing for BDP, and Rich Bolte became friends when the two men were dating roommates at the Mount. "We both had already graduated and were going back and forth to the Mount to visit our girlfriends," says Wensel, who would go on to marry that same girlfriend.

After graduating from the Mount, Wensel, who had majored in biology and minored in chemistry, began a career in cancer research, but wasn't happy. Although he had no idea about the business, Wensel interviewed for a job with BDP. "We had a bit of a difference of opinion on what I wanted to do and what Mr. Bolte wanted me to do," recalls Wensel with a smile.

Wensel wanted to go into sales. Bolte said he wasn't ready. Wensel thought he was. So Bolte told him to leave. Wensel did, then called Bolte back a few weeks later, and was hired. Wensel's first job? "I answered his phone," says Wensel, laughing. "He took me under his wing."

Wensel was just one of many students from the Mount recruited by Bolte. As his business began to grow and expand, Bolte would often visit the Mount and interview potential job candidates. A major in business was not necessarily required. "I was looking for that bright light in their eyes," he says. "We brought them in and trained them. If they prospered, it was good for us and good for them."

Many of those same young students have remained with BDP, moving up the ranks of management like Wensel. Father Robert Jaskot, C'89, however, did not—but for a good reason. Jaskot joined the company after graduating from the Mount with a double major in business and finance, and economics. He went to work for the Baltimore office, joining several other Mount alums. "There were so many of us that we used to joke that the office was 'little Mount St. Mary's,'" he recalls.

Jaskot remained for three years—becoming an export supervisor. But the young man, who had also minored in philosophy, felt led to a higher calling. He went to John, his boss at the time, and informed him that he would be leaving.

"John said, 'under no circumstance am I letting you go,'" recalls Bolte, Sr. Jaskot responded that he was going to become a priest.

"John said, 'Well, that is the one circumstance,'" adds Bolte, Sr. with a chuckle.

Jaskot came back to visit the office during the annual Christmas party not long after leaving the company. He remembers Bolte coming up to him and offering his support, says Jaskot, who is now secretary to William Cardinal Keeler of the Archdiocese of Baltimore and vice chancellor of the Archdiocese. "He told me that if I ever needed anything, he was happy to help. The fact that he would take the time to do that spoke very highly of him."

"Your first impression is of this no-nonsense kind of guy, and that's true," says Wensel. "But Mr. Bolte also hides his real self behind that persona. He has a heart of gold. He's never gotten used to his success. In his mind, he's still that kid from northeast Philadelphia."

The one with the big future.

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"There were so many of us that we used to joke that the office was 'little Mount St. Mary's,'" former BDP employee Fr. Robert Jaskot recalls.

Campus Life *Yesterday & Today*

THE SPIRIT REMAINS THE SAME

In our minds, our alma mater lives just as it was 10, 20, even 40 years ago ... captured in the moments each of us recall when we hear the phrase "college years." Of course, colleges change, shaped by the unique convergences of students, society and tradition. Yet glimpses into Mount life in the late 1960s, early 1980s and the past four years reveal comforting similarities as well as striking differences.

By Barb Ruppert

Each new freshman was given a beanie and assigned to a sophomore Big Brother who directed him through the first week. In return, the freshmen had to do their guides' chores as well as whatever else the upperclassmen, or 'sergeants,' directed.

The class of 1970 saw it all: from strict dress codes and a disciplinary point system to the five-day boycott in the spring of 1969 and the growing role of the Student Government Association and Student Court.

From Beanies to Boycotts

— the Mount —

1966-70

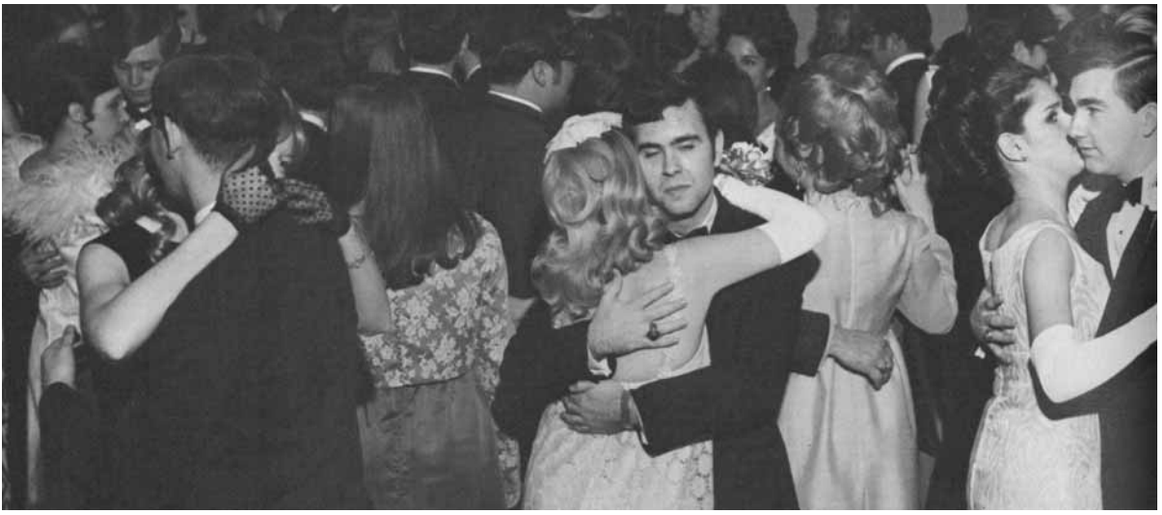
Coats and ties to class and meals. Slide rules. Saturday classes. Weekend dances.

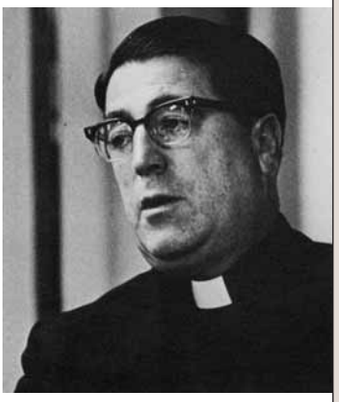
The young Mounties of the 1960s, many of whom became doctors, lawyers and accountants, studied hard and played hard. They filled Memorial Gym to hear Jay and the Americans, Simon and Garfunkel and Jefferson Airplane. They snuck beer past the priests living in the residence halls, even though the stakes were high: "One beer party too many, and you were tossed out, which meant you could be drafted and sent to Vietnam," notes Bill Mooney, C'70. Yet they also took 18 credits each in philosophy and theology on top of their majors and minors, stayed after class to continue discussions with professors, and packed the library before exams.

Without cars, computers or much money, these young men turned their energies to sports. Recalls George Gelles, C'64, the first lay associate dean of students, "Students stayed on campus most of the time, and ninety percent played intramural football, basketball or softball." Riding high on the 1962 NCAA championship, the basketball team had an avid following.

"We would fill that little gym and intimidate the other teams. Opposing teams were warned about Mount home games." –Tom Wilson, C'70

The Mount's 800 student residents may not have included women, but the weekend dances did–busloads, from St. Joseph's, Marymount, Dunbarton, Mount St. Agnes. Remember parties in the hills near Charnita [Carroll Valley, Pa.] to celebrate the end of winter?





"Father Forker, Father Fives, Monsignor Kline, Father Redmond and Father Schaum were not just teachers and administrators; they became our friends."
–Tom Wilson, C'70

Sheridan and Pangborn were home to double rooms for juniors and seniors, while dorms on the Terrace were three or four to a room. No one complained; as long as students had record players and radios, they were happy. Recalls Phil McGlade, C'70, "Dorms were like barracks and that's just how it was."

TVs weren't in many dorm rooms until 1969 or 1970. "Watching the nightly news in Father Wharton's room sophomore year was a big deal," recalls Tom Wilson, C'70. Proctors (today's resident advisors) checked that all were in bed by curfew.

However, in addition to the change in 1968 from governance by the Priests Council to lay leadership, curfews and other regulations had also changed by 1970. "The 1969 student boycott (over, among other things, curfews and Saturday classes), was our version of loosening up," notes Mooney. "But everyone still loved the Mount." In fact, the protest included a prayer service, reassuring letters from students to parents and a student government pledge to keep all demonstrations "gentlemanly and peaceful." Notes Gelles, "They washed windows and cleaned campus while they were boycotting classes."

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Headlines *from the* Mountain Echo

Msgr. Phillips Calls For End To Boycott Threatens Strikers With Expulsion

Frosh Doff Their Beanies; Grin and Bear the Pain **10/12/66**

Simon and Garfunkel Top the SJC-MSM Weekend **11/16/66**

International Inn Hosts 1967 Junior Prom **1/18/67**

Vietnam Youth Give Views on the 'Why's of War' **3/15/67**

Remodeled Flynn Hall to Serve as New Student Activities Center **2/21/68**

Mount Joins in M-Day Peace Activities **10/15/69**

Dorm Pastoral System Is Initiated; Father Nusbaum Will Be Director **10/9/68**

Ambiguity in Student Conduct Code Clarified at Review Board Meeting **11/14/68**

TV Emerges as New Social Educator **3/19/69**

Boycott Backs Rights Demands **4/24/69**

Msgr. Phillips Calls for End to Boycott; Threatens Strikers with Expulsion **4/24/69**

Nixon: Accomplishments and More **5/21/69**

Visiting Privileges **1/17/70**

Spring Weekend to Feature Jeffplane before 4,000 **4/22/70**

Music, friends ... and remember those hall phones and the memo boards on every door?

The Final Four in 1981. Friday classes were cancelled and 12 buses took Mount students to Springfield, Mass., where they created the biggest crowd the tournament had ever seen.

Campus as the Center of Life

— *the Mount* —

1980-84

The Rat. Road tripping to the Final Four. College-sponsored keg parties. Zim Zimmeral's Big Band at Parent's Weekend.

Alumni from the early '80s will tell you that no matter what the event, almost everyone did everything together at the Mount. Add a Maryland drinking age of 18 to the Mount's small size and rural location, and you'll see that alumni aren't exaggerating when they recall most of the school hanging out at the student-run Rathskellar pub ("the Rat") on Friday nights.

"Many of us were from the Northeast, and it was so easy to meet people and feel comfortable. When I first visited, it felt like a small family, not an institution," remembers Dave Lessing, C'84. "As a freshman on the Terrace, it was so exciting on Thursday and Friday afternoons to see the fun beginning outside with Frisbee and music blaring from the dorms." Adds Sandi McDonnell Lessing, C'84, "There was no one you didn't know."

Although freshmen didn't have cars, enough students had cars to take friends to Stavros, the Ott House, Gentleman Jim's (now the Carriage House Inn), the drive-through at Paul's Pit Stop, dinner at the Dobbin House before dances, and breakfast at 4 a.m. at Ben's.

Like so many before them, these young people played hard yet worked hard. Before exams, one could find them in quiet places in the library, the new Purcell study building and the seminary. They

"We enjoyed the freedom, but we also knew we were there to study and make the most of the opportunities we'd been given. People did well academically."–Dave Lessing, C'84

Before the fields across Rt. 15 were home to the ARCC, they were home to the Women's Picnic, the Spring and Fall Keggers and rugby and lacrosse games.

"Campus was the place to be on weekends. We all went to every basketball game, trooped up the mountainside to find the Great Pumpkin at Halloween and attended the Christmas Dance and Ring Dance." –Maureen Carmichael Plant, C'82

stretched their minds in dialogues with favorite professors such as Father Delaney, Dr. Sue Goliber, Father Redmond, Dr. Chris Smith and Dr. Bill Meredith. Many were involved in class activities, intramurals, the Student Government Association, honor societies, and organizations such as the Knights of Columbus, Women's Club, Ecology Club and the Black Student Union.

As in the 1960s and '70s, business was a popular major, with increasing interest in education. Alumni of the early '80s went on to graduate school or right into careers as accountants, financial services professionals, managers, business owners, sales representatives and elementary school teachers.

By 1984, campus life was changing once more. With the state drinking age raised to 21 in 1982, the Rat was open only to seniors and was renamed (several times, in fact, until it became today's Mount Café). "I was an R.A., and all of a sudden we had to enforce alcohol policies," recalls Sandi. New apartments in 1980 were leading to a more separate way of living for the Mount's seniors, with freshmen concentrating in the Terrace and eventually in Pangborn and Sheridan. However, the class one belonged to was still less important than the shared experience of being a Mountie.

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WHAT'S HOT

WOMEN:
- *Miniskirts*
- *Plain white tennis shoes*
- *Colored, patterned stockings*
- *Brightly colored socks*
- *Pointy flats*
- *Pastel pumps (leather or plastic)*
- *Bandannas*
- *Sweater vests*
- *Calf-cropped pants*
- *Coulettes shorts*
- *White t-shirts*

MEN:
- *Ocean Pacific Wear*
- *Shades*
- *Flipflops*
- *Boxers*
- *Thin ties*
- *One glove*
- *New wave hair*
- *Vans or brightly colored hightop Converse*

WHAT'S NOT

WOMEN:
- *Anything preppy*
- *Tube tops/halter shirts*
- *Polyester blouses*

MEN:
- *Anything preppy*
- *Wallabees*
- *Heavy metal t-shirts*

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At the Rat–Always Something Happening ⊰ **10/13/80**

Women's Lacrosse Comes to Mount St. Mary's ⊰ **11/24/80**

Calories Sugarcoat Mount Diet ⊰ **3/2/81**

Reaganomics: Comprehensive, Long-Range, Sensical ⊰ **10/21/81**

Rat Pitcher Policy Initiated ⊰ **2/82**

Mount Dishes up New Service: Cable TV Hits the Mount ⊰ **9/82**

89.9 FM Not Just another Number on the Dial ⊰ **3/83**

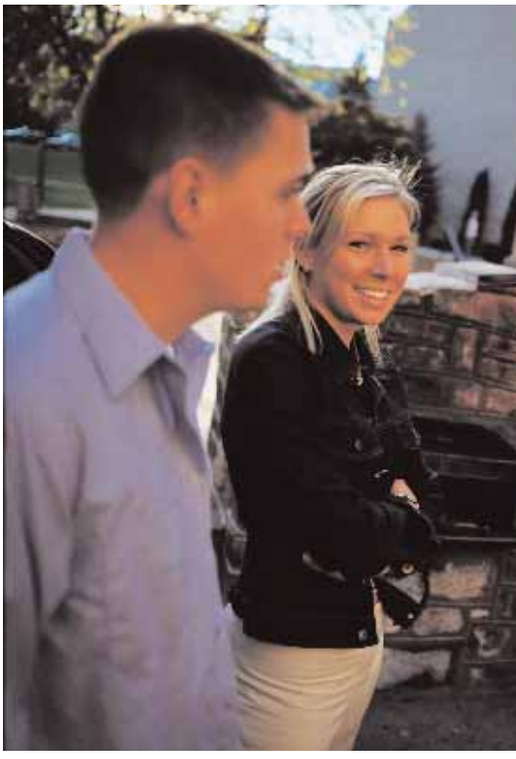
Apartment Dwellers Must Deal with Leaks ⊰ **2/84**

Mod Night with WMTB ⊰ **4/84**

Knott Gift Makes ARCC Dream Reality ⊰ **5/84**

Traditions are cherished, such as the annual Crab Feast, Christmas Dance and Mountapalooza, with its live bands and fireworks.

While hundreds attend basketball home games, lacrosse is gathering more fans and the ice hockey club has a loyal student following.



A New Century

— *the Mount* —

2000-04

Instant messaging and cell phones. Dinners and retreats with professors–even the college president. Mountapalooza.

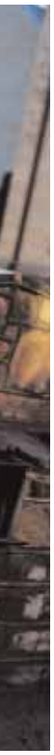
Want to reach one of the 1,400 Mount students today? Best to instant message or get them on their cell phone. If you really want to be formal, drop an email. Students are always online, whether it's using a dictionary, accessing class materials or communicating with each other–even roommates or hallmates. "I get up, check email, check instant messages and brush my teeth. That's my routine," notes Andrew Diffenderfer, C'05.

As in the past, one thing that always fits in the residence halls is friendship. Campus is still full on weekends. Apartment parties abound; the first sunny day each spring fills the Quad with students playing Frisbee and hanging out on blankets; and a recent late-night AfterParty in Patriot Hall featured a band and attracted a crowd of 200.

Students fill the ARCC's fieldhouse and weight and cardio rooms, and work off stress in intramural sports, especially basketball, softball, flag football and indoor soccer. They also need several daytimers to keep track of their club activities, social activities, internships, jobs and schoolwork. Many are involved in the Student Government Association, cultural groups such as the International Students Association and the Social Dance Club, and Campus Ministry and service clubs. Community

Reflects President Thomas H. Powell, "Alumni talk more about their friends, dorms, activities and informal interactions with professors, than about what they learned in class. That's why focusing on student life is important–everything from adding more basketball courts and gathering places near students' rooms to strengthening our campus ministry program."

"All of the professors give students their home phone numbers and answer their emails right away. Dr. David Rehm in particular has inspired me; he's so full of energy!"–Jen Martin, C'05



A typical room will have a computer for each person, TV (sometimes two for watching TV while playing video games), DVD player, stereo system with surround sound, rugs, one or two sofas, floor lamps, microwave, refrigerator and a rarely used telephone (why rack up a phone bill when you can use those free cell phone minutes?). "You'd be surprised what you can fit in a room!" comments Jackie Sabur, C'04.

service projects range from family activities during Mountapalooza to organizing food drives and visiting nursing homes.

"Students believe in community service and social justice. They want to make a difference," says Meg McKeon, dean of students.

President Powell notes, "Part of choosing a Catholic school is continuing your faith journey, figuring out if and where God plays a role in your life as you discover who you are and who you could become. We can—and we must—do even more to give students leadership opportunities and to strengthen our community."

Business, elementary education, accounting and sociology are the most popular majors among the class of 2004. Look for the Mount's recent alumni in graduate school, large public accounting firms, financial services, government, pharmaceutical sales, fitness center management, laboratory research, public school teaching and social services.

And the Mount in the future? "Student life" is expanding to include the ever-increasing numbers of working adults who are enrolling in the Mount's weekend and evening degree programs in Frederick, Westminster and Hagerstown. But—especially for the 18- to 22 year olds who live on campus—the friends, the fun and the learning about life will never change.

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Smoking Banned by SGA **9/7/00**

Updated SUB is on the way **12/7/00**

Spring Break may be Broken by an Airline Strike **2/15/01**

Groundbreaking Kicks off the Construction of the McGowan Center **3/15/01**

Surviving the 'dot com bomb' **3/15/01**

Jenzebar Registration Causes Headaches **4/15/01**

Mountapalooza 2001 Ready to Rock the Mount **4/26/01**

Mount Community Copes With Devastating Attacks **9/20/01**

New Laptops for Freshmen **10/24/01**

Overcrowded Classes Causing Complications for the Mount **9/4/02**

Students Protest New Cafeteria Prices and Selection **10/2/02**

King of the Mount Entertains A Packed Auditorium **11/13/02**

Snowstorm causes Mount to Shut Down for Days **2/20/03**

Students, families compete in Family Weekend game show **10/1/03**

Class unity, not drinking, goal of senior trip **11/12/03***CAB hoping to bring larger band to this year's Mountapalooza* **12/10/03**

Social Justice Club takes a stand to make a difference in the world **12/10/03**

Did you know?

The Mount Archives contains the only complete run of the oldest student newspaper still in publication in the United States—the *Mountain Echo.*

See page 29 for more about what the archives contains.

REAL *Money*, REAL *Experience*

The Mount Finance Club talks about what managing part of the college's portfolio means to them

By Kate Charuhas

Questions	**Robert Posey** *Senior* *Business Major with a Finance Concentration*	**Elizabeth Burlingame** *Senior* *Business Major with a Finance Concentration*	**Patrick Beard, Treasurer** *Senior* *Business Major with a Finance Concentration*
Why did you join?	I joined for my concentration and have since learned many research techniques and ways to look at stocks.	It's a great hands-on project—we're using real money, which is different from other classes I've taken.	I've become a successful personal investor through better research and understanding of the valuation of stocks/companies.
Biggest lesson you've learned?	Not to worry about the big gain right away—let your investment ride in the market for some time.	That people our age might know what companies will do well because we know what people our age will buy—like XM Satellite Radio.	Do your homework and your research will pay off.
Best experience thus far?	I was able to see the significant increase of XM Satellite Radio, which increased more than 400 percent.	Increasing our portfolio and then presenting it in front of the board of trustees.	When we presented to the board of trustees—it enabled us to acquire valuable presentation skills.
Who should join?	Students who don't know anything about investing or the stock market.	Other majors would be very helpful because a bio major might know more about bio-tech companies.	Anyone with an interest in personal finance, financial markets and equity analysis.
Any investment advice for Mount students?	Get professional help before investing. Any Finance Club member would be willing to help!	Look at companies that aren't getting much attention. When a stock reaches front page news, it's really old news.	If you start now, your money will grow and earn much more than if you start later.
Do you have a personal portfolio?	I do and am in charge of all my decisions. I make my transactions online.	I don't, but am looking into it once I graduate.	I have a retail investment account.
What are your thoughts on the Martha Stewart case?	I think it's wrong to use power to get special information about the stock market.	No comment.	I understand the laws in question and believe justice will be served, whether she's found guilty or innocent.

While many college students are preoccupied with spending money, members of the Mount Finance Club are figuring out ways to make money. The club's Student Investment Panel manages the college's real-time, real money investment portfolio that has grown out of the $100,000 in seed money the board of trustees originally gave the club in 2000. Members are responsible for choosing the stocks in the portfolio and meet weekly to discuss the portfolio's status. According to senior Patrick Beard, who is also treasurer of the club, "we are constantly watching each of our holdings in anticipation of news and financial developments. If a company that we own has a bad quarter, bad press or is becoming poorly managed, we will meet and discuss." The club then votes to decide whether a stock is sold or acquired. The club is currently planning a spring trip to New York City where members hope to get an inside look at the New York Stock Exchange.

	Anthony Shapella, President *Senior* *Business Administration Major with a Finance Concentration*	**Kate Gueterman** *Senior* *Business Major with a Finance Concentration*	**Steven Mack** *Sophomore* *Business with a Concentration in Finance, Economics Minor*
	I was very interested in the concept of investing and did not know much about it.	Where else do you get to manage a $100,000 real cash portfolio as a college student?!	I wanted to learn more about the investment process by working with a large stock portfolio.
	Pay attention in class! The concepts we study drive the market's daily fluctuations.	Not to put all your eggs in one basket. Thanks to our diversified portfolio, we hope to bounce back quickly from a recent loss.	Other factors aside from numerical figures may indicate how a stock will perform.
	It takes a special, trusting institution like the Mount to put $100,000 in the hands of students and allow them to take full control.	The Student Investment Panel and our future trip to NYC!	The presentation, and having dinner at President Powell's house in honor of our successes.
	Pre-med, nursing, biology, chemistry and philosophy students on the panel would mean more universal information.	Anyone—there is no need to be a finance or business major. The things you learn are applicable to everyday life.	Someone who wants a better understanding of the stock market and personal investments.
	Stick to what you know. Often the best investment ideas come from products we see and use everyday.	Ask for help getting started, then continually conduct extensive research on potential security purchases.	Focus on building a solid long-term foundation for your portfolio before investing in high-risk equities.
	Yes, I use Sharebuilder, an online service that requires no account minimums and has very low transaction fees.	No, I do not have one yet.	No, but will make investments as soon as I begin a career. Right now I can't afford to spend the little money I have as a college student.
	If guilty she should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.	(If found guilty), her actions may not be as appalling as those of Enron, but she committed a wrong and must be punished.	Often it's difficult to discern between illegal insider acts and just simple advice that really isn't any type of special insider information.

WHAT'S IN *their* PORTFOLIO?

Altria Group, Inc.
AT&T Wireless
Carmax, Inc.
Coach, Inc.
Coca Cola Co.
Costco Wholesale Corp.
Fedex Corp
General Electric
Georgia Pacific Corp
Home Depot
Johnson and Johnson
Lockheed Martin Corp.
MBNA Corp.
McCormick Non VTG
Mobile Mini, Inc.
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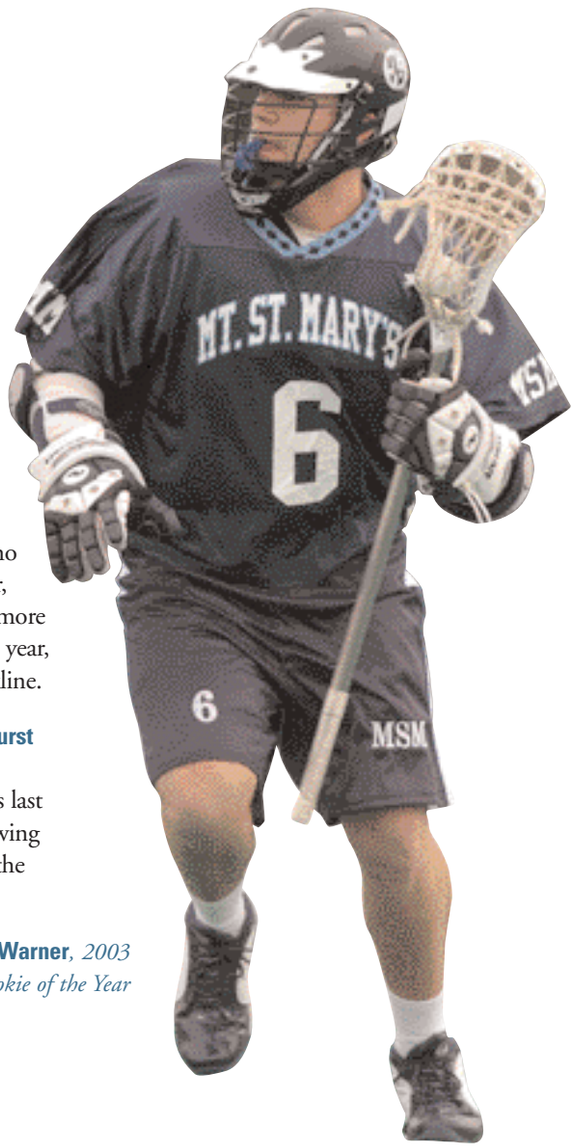
Sun Microsystems, Inc.
WalMart Stores, Inc.

MEN'S LACROSSE …
Back to the NCAAs?



Head coach Tom Gravante has plenty of firepower returning as the Mount men's lacrosse team looks to defend its Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference title and a return trip to the NCAA Tournament. In 2003, the Mount won its third MAAC title in five years and earned an automatic bid to the NCAAs for the first time in school history.

Leading the way was the 2003 MAAC Rookie of the Year, **Matt Warner** (36 goals, 15 assists, 51 points), who led the team in scoring. Warner was at his best at the MAAC Tournament where he scored 11 goals in leading the Mount to the title.

Helping Warner up front are All-MAAC selection **Billy Jautze** (15 goals, 20 assists, 35 points) and **Daniel Hatton** (27 goals, eight assists, 35 points). Jautze led the Mount in assists, while Hatton scored five goals in the Mount's 14-11 win at Providence.

All-MAAC performer **Matt Prior,** who scooped up 36 ground balls last year, will lead the Mount defense. Sophomore Pat Farrell, a starter in 14 games last year, also returns to help solidify the backline.

In the cage, sophomore **Dan Whitehurst** looks to take over as the starter. Whitehurst appeared in seven games last season, including an impressive showing versus the University of Virginia in the NCAA Tournament.

Matt Warner, *2003 MAAC Rookie of the Year*

WOMEN'S LACROSSE …
One Step at a Time!

Coming off an appearance in the 2003 Northeast Conference championship game, **head coach Courtney Martinez Connor** hopes her team will take the final step by earning a bid to the NCAA Tournament.

The Mount had a sensational run to close out the 2003 season, winning six straight games before falling to UMBC, 11-9, in the NEC title game. In the final game of the regular season, the Mount edged Sacred Heart, 9-8 in double-overtime, to clinch the final spot in the NEC Tournament. The Mount trounced top-seed Monmouth, 15-9, in the semifinals.

Kim Keene, *First-Team All-NEC midfielder*

Leading the way is First-Team All-NEC midfielder **Kim Keene** (24 goals, six assists, 30 points), the school's all-time leader in caused turnovers. Keene scored the game-winning goal against Sacred Heart and also led the Mount with 72 ground balls last year. Defenders **Kelly Nangle** (21 caused turnovers) and **Kelsey Withrow** (team-high 35 caused turnovers) earned Second Team All-NEC honors, along with goalkeeper **Naomi Campano** (8.79 goals against average, and 207 saves).

The offense will be paced by junior **Nicole D'Angelo**, who led the Mount with 55 points (33 goals, 22 assists). Sophomore **Kirby Day** (team-high 34 goals) and senior **Addie Lewis** (24 goals) also return for the Mount.

GOLF …
Ready to Make Their Mark

On the heels of a strong fall season, the men's and women's golf teams are optimistic heading into the spring.

On the women's side, **Shannon Prettyman**'s 78 led the Mount to a victory at the Dickinson Invitational last fall. **Megan Wertner** led the team with an average score of 88.1 in the fall, followed closely by Prettyman (88.4).

The men will look to **Andrew Hill** and **Colby Jacobs** to provide the nucleus for a strong season. Hill won the Bucknell Invitational with back-to-back 69s in the fall—earning Northeast Conference Player of the Week honors. Jacobs finished tied for fourth place overall at the ECAC Championships with a score of 74.

TENNIS …
Volleying for an NEC Title

Head coach Mary Ann Narutowicz and the Mount men's and women's tennis teams hope to contend for an NEC title this spring. In 2003, Narutowicz earned NEC Coach of the Year honors on the men's side after leading the Mount to a third-place seed at the NEC Tournament.

Senior **Drew Arbeiter** and junior **Phil Holliday** lead the Mount men. Arbeiter posted an 8-4 record in the fall season in helping the Mountaineers to a 5-5 mark overall and a 2-0 record in the NEC. Holliday, playing at the No. 2 singles spot, was 8-5 overall in the fall season.

On the women's side, the Mount posted a 3-2 record in the fall, including a 7-0 win over NEC rival Monmouth. Freshman **Jennifer Iosue** played at the No. 1 singles spot, tallying a 3-1 record in dual matches. Fellow freshman **Katie Muething** was 4-1 at the No. 2 singles position in dual matches and 6-3 overall in the fall.

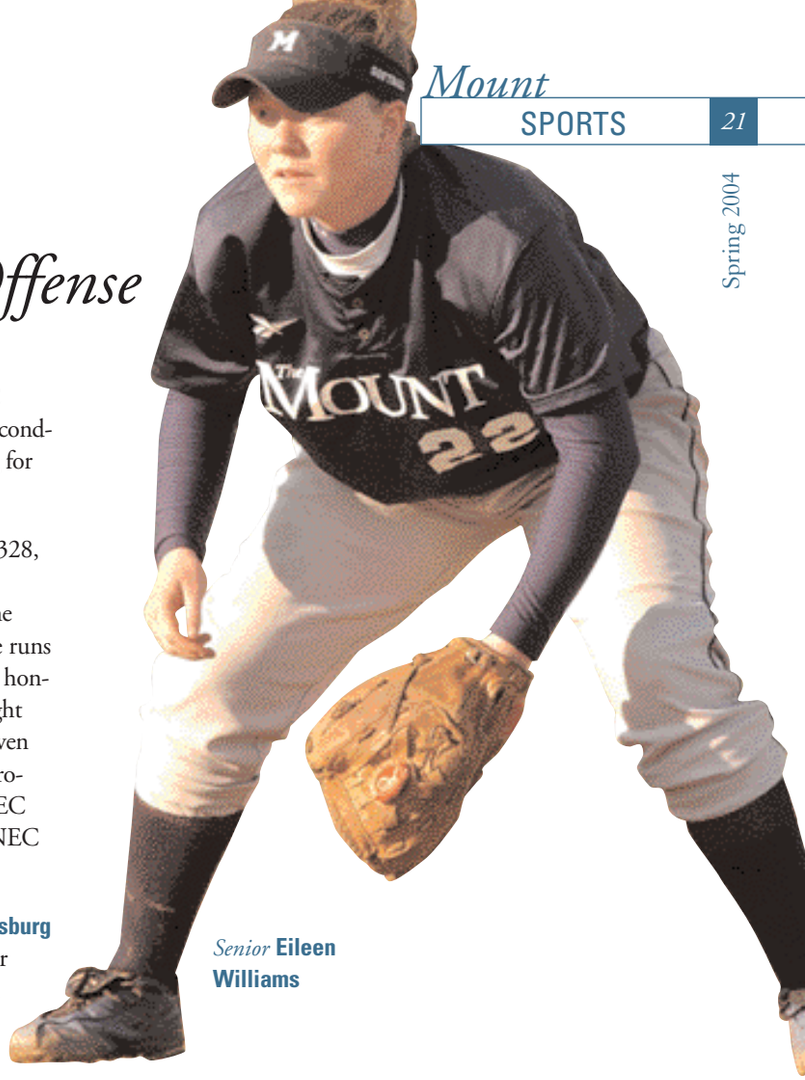
SOFTBALL …
Loaded on Offense

On the heels of a 9-13 record in NEC action and 14-24-1 overall in 2003, second-year **head coach Shana Gary** is looking for an NEC Tournament slot this season.

Sophomore catcher **Danielle Goode** (.328, four homeruns, 15 RBIs) paced the Mount offense last year. Goode led the team in runs scored, triples and home runs while earning Second Team All-NEC honors. Seniors **Eileen Williams** (.280, eight doubles) and **Jen Sansevero** (.266, seven doubles) will also be counted on to provide offense. Sansevero hit .362 in NEC action and earned Second Team All-NEC honors at the designated hitter spot.

Sophomore center fielder **Sarah Ramsburg** (.301, 12 RBIs) and junior left fielder **Jen Emel** (.304) provide Gary with a solid outfield.

On the mound, sophomore **Maria Lutz** looks to pick up where she left off last season. Lutz was 9-13 with a league-best 1.70 ERA and five shutouts.



Senior **Eileen Williams**

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BASEBALL …
Returning a Solid Lineup

The Mountaineer baseball team hopes to challenge for a spot in the Northeast Conference Tournament. The top four teams in the league qualify for postseason play.

Head coach Scott Thompson will field a solid lineup, led by seniors **Jason Weszka** and **Burt Stormes**, along with sophomore **Joseph Kotula**. Weszka had a solid junior season, hitting .333 with 14 doubles and a team-high 20 runs batted in. Stormes also gives the Mount some pop as he hit .313 with 12 doubles and 16 RBI's last year. Kotula, who earned Second-Team All-NEC honors last year as a freshman, hit a team-high .355 with 14 doubles and 20 runs scored.

Senior center fielder **John Digirolamo**, who cracked a team-high four home runs, is expected to be the lead-off man once again this year. Sophomore **Eric Smith**, a .304 hitter with two home runs last year, adds to the Mount's solid lineup.

On the mound, the Mount will be a young team, led by sophomore **Justin Davis**. Davis was 2-0 with a team-best 3.18 ERA as a freshman—recording 23 strikeouts in 22.2 innings of work. **Steve Stone** and **Steve Stoner**, each making four starts a year ago, will also be counted on to provide solid efforts.

MOUNT BEGINS PLANNING *200th Birthday Celebration*

It's safe to say Mount alumni look back on their college days fondly!

That was evident during a recent Bicentennial brainstorming session held on campus. Almost 200 alumni, faculty and administrators braved a surprise snowstorm by gathering at the ARCC on January 24 to discuss how the Mount will celebrate its 200th birthday in 2008.

Why start these conversations now, with the Bicentennial still four years away? As President Thomas H. Powell explained, "Not many colleges get to celebrate 200 years. We want to plan a celebration that would make our founder, Father John DuBois, proud."

Attendees began the session by describing their experiences with the Mount, and the people and events that shaped its history. Powell led the discussion much like a talk show host, asking for one-word descriptions of the institution. Answers like "unity" and "scholarly" were among the myriad responses. The session then focused on how attendees envision the Mount in 2008 and beyond. Participants discussed particular events to honor the bicentennial year, such as symposia with national speakers, black-tie events and national Masses in honor of the college and seminary.

While the goal of the brainstorming session was to share ideas about the scope of the Bicentennial rather than make concrete plans, those attending were certain about one thing: no matter how the school decides to celebrate, by 2008, the Mount will be recognized as a premier Catholic educational institution.

To launch the effort, **Richard C. Ridgway, C'58**, has been named chairman of the Mount's Bicentennial Commission, and **Elizabeth Monahan** has been named Bicentennial coordinator. Previously, Monahan was the director of the Mount's Master of Education program.

"Mount 500" ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN TAKES OFF

And **Jack Bransfield, C'63**, *Leads the Way!*

Jack Bransfield, C'63, has given the Mount $100,000 to begin a march to the top in annual giving by 2008.

It is the Mount's goal to be number one in alumni participation among Catholic colleges by 2008. To reach this ambitious goal, we need 500 new donors to the Mount Annual Fund each year for the next five years.

Through Bransfield's generosity, all new alumni donors to the Mount Annual Fund in 2004 will qualify for a two-to-one match. This means whatever you give will be matched by $200, up to a total of $100,000.

Tuition covers only 78 percent of the Mount's per-student costs each year, which means the annual fund must cover the rest. A comprehensive plan—the 2008 Challenge—is boosting Mount St. Mary's to new heights in fundraising.

"The Mount is everything I was looking for in a college," says **Monica Salas, C'04,** a rhetoric and communications major. "Without the financial aid package I was offered—supported through annual fund gifts—I would not have been able to attend the Mount."

Be part of the Mount 500 Campaign by making your gift today online at **www.msmary.edu/annualfund** or for more information contact Maureen Plant at 301-447-5360.

CATCHING UP WITH BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER
Sheila Vertino, SJC '68

Bio: Born and raised on Long Island, N.Y. Lives in Northern Virginia. Met husband, Al, '66, on the steps of Flynn Hall. "He was a senior at the Mount and I was a sophomore at St. Joe's. There was a mixer that night, and we bumped into each other when the band took a break and people streamed outside for fresh air. We married a couple of weeks after my graduation from St. Joe's."

Children: Albert III (Scooter - 32); Adrian (AJ - 29) and Sarah (26), plus a wonderful daughter-in-law, Megan (AJ's wife).

Affiliation with the Mount: "I became involved with the Mount's board of trustees through the 'Old Girls' Network.' My SJC classmate and fellow board member, Mary Anne Kelly, recommended me to George Houston."

Occupation: Vice President for Information and Research at the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties. "My department tracks the business trends, opportunities and challenges affecting commercial real estate developers, and packages resources and tools to help them succeed. In addition, I am in charge of NAIOP's very popular web site (70-80,000 user visits monthly), a quarterly magazine, book-publishing program, Industry Trends Task Force (think-tank) and Distinguished Fellows Program (bridge between academia and real estate practitioners)."

Why the Mount: "I have very happy memories of the time that Al and I spent in Emmitsburg as students. As time has passed, I have met more recent Mount graduates, and I have come to realize that the Mount is a special place that allows young people to grow into their potential—whatever it is. Along with that supportive environment, each student is made aware that there are 'expectations.' That is, it is expected that they will give back, by participating in their communities and improving the world they live in, in their own unique way. The Mount's commitment to personal growth and social action are something I strongly believe in."

Describe the relationship between the Mount and St. Joe's alumni: "You really have to put it in historical context to understand the relationship. Before the Mount was co-ed, it was a lot more isolated and the all-male student body was rougher than it is now. There was no ARCC, no Ski Liberty (until the last couple of years), nothing much to do socially. Frederick was a sleepy little town that offered no entertainment, and only a few students had cars. However, many of my classmates enjoyed a great relationship with the Mount, especially with the class of 1966. Many couples from those two classes married and almost all of those marriages worked out. We all keep in touch."

The highlight of President Thomas H. Powell's Inaugural: "I met so many terrific people through the Inauguration planning process [the Vertinos, along with Renee and Eugene Waldron, '64, were co-chairs of the Inaugural Committee]. The culmination for me was the dinner dance on Friday night. The band was playing up a storm, and everyone was up and dancing in the circle—Mount faculty and staff members, cheerleaders, students, alums and Tom Powell's family and friends from Glenville. It was very moving and symbolic—and great fun—as we celebrated together the historic transition to a new president."

Motto you live by: *"Learn something new every day."* I am very proud that in 2003 I completed the Graduate Certificate Program in e-Commerce from the University of Virginia."

Last book read: "I am a voracious reader and usually have two or three books I am reading at one time—some for fun, some for learning. I recently finished *Prodigal Summer*, by Barbara Kingsolver. It is set in the Appalachian Mountains, and the characters are very much in touch with nature and how their actions affect others. In a way, it reminds me of hiking up the mountain behind the Mount, and how peaceful it is."

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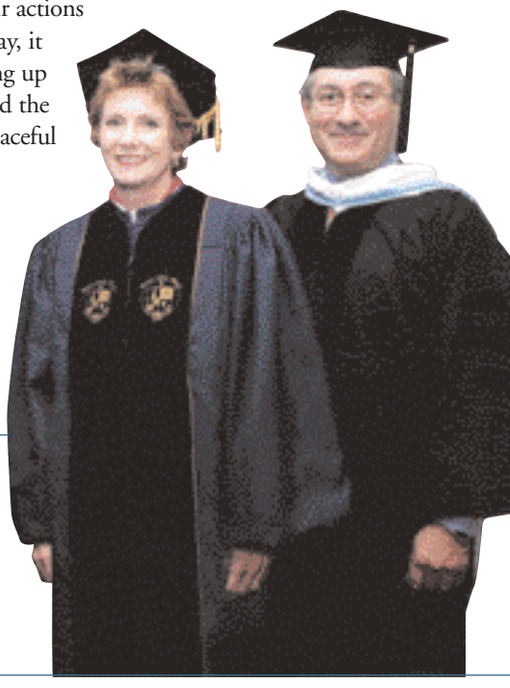


Sheila and Al Vertino at President Thomas H. Powell's Inauguration

Left to Right: *Agnus Berenato and John E. Coyne II, C'77*

1954

Prosecutor **Robert F. Horan Jr., C'54**, is the prosecutor for Lee Boyd Malvo, Washington area sniper. On Dec. 23, 2003, 18-year-old Malvo, a convicted killer, was sentenced to life in prison.

1957

Larry Purcell, C'57, recently released a new suspense novel, *The White Train*. Larry's writing has included countless articles, series and short stories as a freelancer, and assignments as a newspaper columnist and journalist. Larry has also served as editor-in-chief of a fine arts magazine, managing editor of several technology magazines and editor/publisher of various newsletters, covering subjects ranging from computer graphics to sports cars.

1972

Timothy Losch, C'72, has been installed as the chairman of the Greater Mercer County (N.J.) Chamber of Commerce.

Rear Adm. William Jude Maguire, C'74, *will retire with nearly 30 years of service.*

1974

Rear Adm. William Jude Maguire, C'74, has served as commander, NEXCOM, since June 2002 and will retire with nearly 30 years of service. He earned his bachelor's degree in economics from the Mount and two master's degrees from the Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

Maguire's sea duty tours include: sales officer and wardroom officer of the USS *Enterprise* (CVN 65); aviation support division officer of the USS *Forrestal* (CV 59); supply officer of the USS *Okinawa* (LPH-3); and supply officer of the USS *America* (CV 66).

1975

Jeff Hardy, C'75, recently received a Certificate of Achievement from FBI Director Robert Mueller for his efforts in the Counterterrorism Division, and was promoted into his present position at the newly established Office of Intelligence at FBI HQ.

1976

For the first time in more than a quarter of a century, **Jack Causa, C'76** (National Alumni Council), spent the opening day of football season on a golf course. Jack played for the Holy Name Blue Jays (in Reading, Pa.) from 1968 to 1971 and was quarterback. He came back as the assistant coach for the Blue Jays after graduating from the Mount and was head coach from 1998-2000.

1977

Agnus Berenato, C'77, University of Pittsburgh head women's basketball coach, has recently received the Native Son Award. This award is presented annually by the Philadelphia Sports Writers' Association to a native of the Philadelphia area who has achieved success in the athletic realm.

John E. Coyne II, C'77, has been named president of Brinker Capital, the nation's leading independent provider of managed account and mutual fund investment services. Coyne is the past president of the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter and is a Joseph P. Griffith award winner for distinguished service to the college and to the Philadelphia chapter. He has also assisted in a number of development initiatives.

Coyne helped pioneer the development of a total wealth management platform for Brinker Capital, incorporating trust and lending services, risk management strategies, a range of alternative investments, account aggregation and financial planning software into a traditional platform of separately managed account services for financial advisors. One of the original partners of Brinker Capital, Coyne has held a variety of regional and national sales positions at the firm, most recently as national sales director. He is a registered securities principal and also serves as president of Brinker Capital Securities. He has 22 years of industry experience.

1982

Bill Frank, C'82, was elected in November 2002 to the Maryland House of Delegates, representing Baltimore County's 42nd District. He serves on the House Appropriations Committee. Bill has also been named the director of development for the Catholic High School of Baltimore. Bill, his wife Mary Jeanne and their three children live in Lutherville, Md.

Left: *Members of the class of 1987 met on campus the weekend of Nov. 1 to remember their classmate* **John Schwartz**, *who died in the World Trade Center attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.*

1987

Pictured above, members of the class of 1987 met on campus the weekend of Nov. 1 to remember their classmate **John Schwartz**, who died in the World Trade Center attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

Tom O'Hara, C'87, and his wife, Eileen, proudly announce the birth of their third child, Aidan Timothy, on April 10, 2003. Aidan was welcomed home by older brothers Patrick Lynch (4) and Brendan Thomas (2). Tom was recently promoted to regional director of training and development for the Charmer-Sunbelt Corporation, one of the nation's leading wholesalers of fine wines and spirits. Tom and his family live in New York City.

1989

John and Maureen Lawrence, C'89, announce the birth of Meaghan Lianna on June 21, 2003. Meaghan joins the rest of the Lawrence clan: Jacob-9, Zachary-7, Alyson-5, Sarah-2.

Mara (Marowski) Lockard, C'89, and husband Bill celebrated the birth of their son, Alexander MacLean, on July 24, 2003. He joins his big sister, Gabrielle Rose, who is 3. **Laura Davis, C'89**, is Alexander's godmother. The Lockards will be moving to Atlanta, Ga., in May 2004, where Maj. Lockard will be working in the offices of ARCENT (Army Central Command Headquarters). He will be a contingency contractor for the southwest Asia theater of operations, involving deployments to the Persian Gulf area. Mara, a stay-at-home mother, was certified as a volunteer breastfeeding counselor with La Leche League in June 2003.

David and Regina (McFadden) DiLuigi, C'92, *hosted a small Mount alumni gathering at their home in Ashburn, Va.*

1990

Jean (Romano) Duffy, C '90, and husband Casey are the proud parents of a baby boy. Dennis Joseph (D.J.) was born on Oct. 1, 2003. D.J. has a big sister named Emily who will be three years old on May 22.

Mary Ellen (Wishchuk) Graziano and husband Glenn announce the birth of their daughter Jaylin Nicole, born on May 11, 2003. She joins brother Matthew (7) and sister Allison (5).

Gary Ranallo, C'90, and his wife, Dayle, celebrated the birth of their son, Brandon David, on June 17, 2003. Gary and Dayle are both guidance counselors for the Fairfax County School System. They reside in Fairfax, Va.

1991

The Rev. H. Gregory West, JCL, S'91, has been named the chancellor of the Diocese of Charleston and vicar for vocations. He also serves as a tribunal judge and, since 1995, has been pastor of Saint Gregory the Great Parish in Bluffton, S.C., one of the fastest growing parishes in the Southeast.

1992

On Oct. 4, 2003, **David and Regina (McFadden) DiLuigi, C'92,** and their children, James and Grace, hosted a small Mount alumni gathering at their home in Ashburn, Va. Guests included: **Will Milligan, C'92**; **Bob Dean, C'92**, his wife Amy and children Robbie and Mary Katherine; **Mike and Carol (Malachowski) Mercer, C'92**, and their children Meghan and Michael; **Christy (Mylotte) Cunningham, C'92**, her husband Pat and children Kayla and Maddie; **Mike Fanning, C'91**, his wife Lisa and children Jack and Samantha.

Christine (Discavage) Monclova, C'92, married Maj. Ivan Monclova, USMC, on June 28, 2003, in Emerald Island, N.C. Ivan has a master's degree in public administration from Troy State University. The couple now resides in South America.

1993

Marcie Blanco, C'93, was just promoted to vice president at Seligman Advisors in New York City.

Bill Blose, C'93, and his wife, Jennifer, announce the birth of their third child, Lauren Elizabeth. Lauren joins big brother and sister Matthew and Claire (3-year-old twins).

1994

Capt. Erik Krivda, C'94, served as a company commander for the 1st Infantry Division in peacekeeping operations in Kosovo and counterinsurgency operations in Iraq in 2003. He previously served with the 10th Mountain Division, 2nd Infantry, in Korea; army planning in Heidelberg, Germany; and officer training for Georgian and Albanian armies.

Seminary alumni of the Diocese of Lincoln welcomed Father Kevin Rhoades, rector of the seminary, at a gathering of Mount alumni in Lincoln, Neb., on Sept. 12, 2003. Father Rhoades was a guest of Father Robert Matya, vocation director of the Lincoln diocese, during the weekend, which included attendance at the Penn State-University of Nebraska football game.

Terrence and Courtney (Meade) McGee, C'94, announce the birth of daughter Maeve Geraldine on Dec. 19, 2003. Maeve joins big brother Declan Meade, who was born Oct. 28, 2001. Terry is a rehab director and physical therapist in Baltimore and is pursuing a Doctor of Science in physical therapy at the University of Maryland. Following careers as a web editor in Connecticut and a publicity manager for a book publisher in Baltimore, Courtney is staying home full time. The family resides in Towson, Md.

1995

Dave and Jen (Beverungen) Hogue, C'95, announce the birth of their first child, Jacob Michael. He was born on Sept. 19, 2003.

Joanne Tracey, C'95, was married to Robert Berg on July 26, 2003, at the National Shrine Grotto of Lourdes. Concelebrating the ceremony was the **Rev. David W. Shaum, S'46.** Members of the wedding party included the following alumni: maid of honor and sister of the bride **Jennifer (Tracey) Eby, C'93; Kristi Dean, C'95; and Suzanne (Oakey) Gearhart, C'95.** Mounties from the class of 1995 in attendance were: **Blandy (Powell) Becker, Iris (Haynie) Fisher, Chris Gearhart, Debb (Stocker) Giles, Emily (Teske) Gudel, Dana Quill, Maria Soto and Kelly (Kuhnemund) Zilligen.** Other Mounties in attendance were: **Amy (O'Connor) Browning, C'98; Tanya (Topper) Fream, C'93; Gene LaCroce, C'57; Julianne LaCroce, C'77; Tara (Topper) Manges, MBA'00; Michael Topper, C'76; and Stephen Topper, C'79.** The couple enjoyed a honeymoon in Hawaii and now reside in Ellicott City, Md. Joanne earned her Master of Science in counselor education from McDaniel College in 2002 and is employed as the director of admissions at St. John's at Prospect Hall High School in Frederick, Md. Her husband is employed by Coca-Cola Enterprises in Baltimore, Md.

1996

Lisa (Costello) Gattie, C'96, married Kevin Gattie on July 12, 2003, in Annapolis. In attendance and from the class of 1996 were **Missy (Rice) McEvoy, Krissy (Kirchoff) Sprague and bridesmaid Michelle Morrison.** Also in attendance were **Christine Degen, C'97, and Kacie Daugherty, C'98.** The couple now resides in Annapolis.

1997

Brett James, C'97, and Angela (Nickolas) James, C'98, celebrated the birth of their daughter, Nicole Frances, on Dec. 22, 2003.

On January 1, **Jeff May, C'97, MBA'99**, was appointed mayor of Riverside Township, N.J. He is serving the third year of a three-year term on the township committee. In addition to mayor, he also serves as the director of public events and has served previously as director of recreation and director of public safety.

Valerie (Ancona) Ross, C'97, and her husband J.D. announce the birth of their daughter, Meghan Elizabeth, born on Jan. 22, 2004.

Anne Sluck, C'97, has been promoted to the position of legislative and regulatory specialist at the American Association of Health Plans-Health Insurance Association of America (HIAA-AAHP). She previously served as a legal analyst and was the assistant director of alumni relations at the Mount from 2000-02.

1998

Alice (Wylie) Baumer, C'98, married Brian C. Baumer on Sept. 5, 2003, at Our Lady of Grace Church in West Babylon, N.Y. Mount alumni in attendance were **Dr. Christina (Wilson) and Anthony Weaver, C'98.** The couple now resides in Mamaroneck, N.Y.

Christina (Markey) Gregory, C'98, married David Gregory on Oct. 11, 2003, in Laurel, Md. Christina and David honeymooned in Antigua. Christina is a preschool teacher in Laurel, and David is a subcontractor in Howard County. They reside in Laurel and are in the process of building a home in West Laurel. Other alumni at the wedding were: **John and Katie (Folks) Burke, Lindsay (Vizzi) Gannon, Diana Garcia, Bob and Meredith (Lytle) Dwyer, Shirley Abraham, Maureen (Inzinna) Yiatrou, Vicky Kennedy, Christine Moore and Stephen Markey, all from the class of 1998.**

Army specialist **Tae Kim, C'98**, graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

Katherine (Olexa) Nigro, C'98, married Dr. Anthony Nigro on July 12, 2003, at St. John the Evangelist Church in Kohler, Wis. Katherine earned a Bachelor of Science in biology while at the Mount and is now employed by Eli Lilly and Company as an osteoporosis specialty pharmaceutical representative in the Milwaukee area.

Megan (Kowalski) Stellato, C'99, and **Mike Stellato, C'98,** were married on Oct. 26, 2002, at the Church of the Little Flower in Berkeley Heights, N.J. Mount alumni present were: **Bill Houser, C'98; Laura (Murphy) Houser, C'97; Ryan Hennigan, C'98; Chris Williams, C'98; Philippe Thomas, C'98; Chuck Daley, C'98; Kelly (Hiltner) Bruno, C'99; Beth Angerman, C'99; Nikki Dudley, C'99; Dawn Deakins, C'99; Kim Cavener, C'99; and Kelly Coogan, C'99.** Megan works as a legal recruiting coordinator in the New York City office of Bingham McCutchen LLP and Mike works as a product development manager at Prudential Financial in Newark, N.J. The two reside in Murray Hill, N.J.

1999

Angela (Pauken) Fatula, C'99, completed her MBA in December 2003 at Johns Hopkins University.

Sarah Marie McGinley, C'99, was awarded the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. The ceremony was held at the Kimmel Center for Performing Arts on June 1, 2003. While at the Mount, Sarah earned a Bachelor of Science in biology. She is completing an internship at Nova Southeastern University, North Broward Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

2000

Dawn (Harbaugh) Bartman, C'00, married Walter M. Bartman III on June 22, 2003, at the Morningside Inn near Mount Pleasant, Md. Dawn is now a fifth-grade teacher for Montgomery County Public Schools. The couple honeymooned in the Bahamas and resides in Keedysville, Md.

Laura Portier and Ryan LaLumiere, both C'00, were married on June 21, 2003, by the Rev. Jim Donohue at the Chapel of Saint Mary on the Hill. Alumni in the wedding party were: **Owen Corrigan, C'99; Megan McGough, C'01; Phil Portier, C'94; and Sarah Tucker, C'00**. Other alumni in attendance were: **Kay Carter, C'93; Sharon (Bird) Portier, C'94; Joe DeSilva, Kathleen (Williams) and Mike Hawkins, Sue Hottinger, Bernadette Koren, Mae Richardson (all C'00); Catherine Carroll, Delia Ryan, Steve Staab (all C'01); and Steve Manley, C'02.** Since Laura's father, Bill Portier, has been a Mount professor for more than 20 years and her mother, Bonnie Portier, has been one of the campus physicians for several years, there were many faculty and staff members in attendance as well, including: Bill Collinge, John Donovan, Sue Goliber, Carol Hinds, Linda Junker, Nick Kierniesky, David McCarthy, Bill O'Toole, David Rehm, Susann Samples and former professors Cathy Bodin and Ken Eshelman. Laura and Ryan reside in Irvine, Calif. Laura is the grants and publications manager for the Pasadena Symphony and Ryan is in his fourth year of graduate studies at University of California, Irvine, where he is pursuing a PhD in neurobiology and behavior.

Dennis W. Robinson, MBA'00, has returned to the Mount to direct the Master of Business Administration program.

Robinson was recently named the assistant dean of the college's Division of Continuing Studies and director of the MBA. His work will include helping administer all of the Mount's adult degree programs.

Prior to working at the Mount, Robinson was employed in the insurance industry and, for the last 20 years, has served in both information technology and management roles at International Business Machines Corporation. He graduated from the Mount's MBA program in 2000 while working full time at IBM.

In addition to administering the program, Robinson is teaching an MBA class in management and information technology. Previously, he had served as an adjunct professor of business at Central Pennsylvania University.

Rosemary (Garrett) Tortorella, C'00, and husband Glen celebrated the birth of their second daughter, Maria Giuseppa, on Nov. 9, 2003. Maria was baptized in the Traditional Latin Rite on Nov. 16.

2001

On Nov. 1, 2003, **Thea (Maddox) Hofgesang, C'01, and Ken Hofgesang, C'00**, were married at the Church of Immaculate Conception at the Mount. Alumni present were: **Joe Weishaar, C'97; Julia Baum, C'00; Brian Melody, C'99; Kevin G. Carroll, C'00; Brian and Jessica (St. Clair) Cox, C'00; Paul O'Hara, C'00; Whitney Hannon, C'00; Brad Glass, C'00; Jane Rusnak, C'01; Marissa Lear, C'01; Katie Sherman, C'01; Jackie Pitts, C'01; Chris Burr, C'01; Kara (Benedetta) Small, C'01; Gina Carter, C'01; Nicole Buckey, C'01; Kelly Cusick, C'01; Kristen Massagli, C'01; Bill Wilson, C'01; Liz Dobish, C'01; Mary Vicario, C'01; Megan Armato, C'01; Jennifer Haywood, C'01; Kelly (McLaughlin) Catania, C'90; Joe Catania, C'94; Rachael (Williamson) Becker, C'01; and Eric Seebach, C'00.**

2002

Devon (Moran) Day, C'02, and **Shawn Day, C'03**, were married on Aug. 23, 2003, at St. Anthony Shrine Catholic Church in Emmitsburg, Md.

2003

Tracy Bemiller, C'03, has recently been promoted to assist the vice president of BB&T Bank. Tracy is a business banker who joined BB&T last year. Tracy and his wife, Casey, live in Monrovia, Md., with their three children, Erica, Brent and Todd.

Peter D. Koenig, C'03, has been promoted to marketing director of the Markward Group.

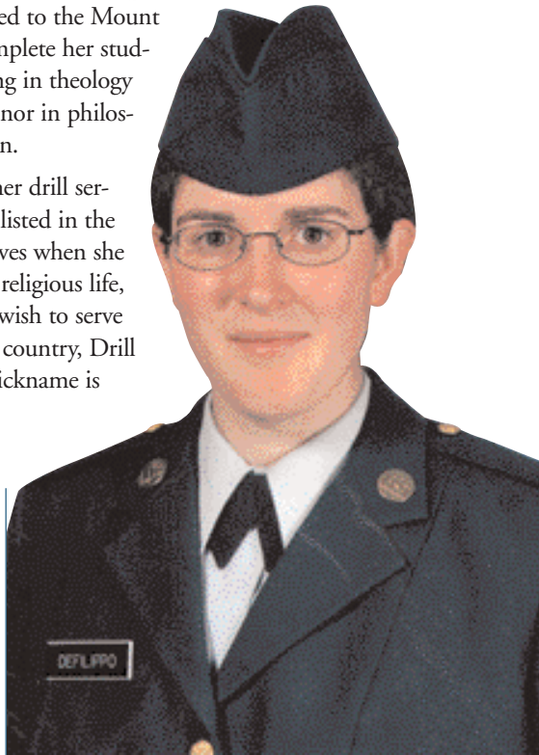
2004

Pfc. Diana M. DeFilippo, C'04, graduated basic combat training on Sept. 11, 2003, at the United States Army Maneuver Support Center at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Diana is a 2000 graduate of Amity High School. She completed her junior year at the Mount before joining the army and is a Reverend Carl J. Fives Scholarship recipient.

She is currently assigned to the 4th Platoon, E Company, 309th Military Intelligence Battalion at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., to train in counterintelligence work. She returned to the Mount in January to complete her studies and is majoring in theology with a double minor in philosophy and German.

When asked by her drill sergeant why she enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves when she was interested in religious life, she answered, "I wish to serve my God and my country, Drill Sergeant." Her nickname is "Combat Nun."



Pfc. Diana M. DeFilippo, C'04, *is nicknamed "Combat Nun."*

In Memoriam

Oct. 1, 2003, through Feb. 3, 2004

1930s
Mr. Alphonsus R. Romeika, C'35

1940s
Mr. Lumen F. Norris, C'43
Mr. William J. O'Grady, C'49

1950s
Mr. Robert Michael Stianche, C'51
Mr. Edgar Theodore Carrier Jr., C'58

1960s
Dr. Joseph P. Atkins, C'62
Mr. John C. Cona, C'65

1970s
Mr. Patrick E. Ott, C'72
Mr. Kevin J. Schicker, C'73
Mrs. Stephanie Rouse Greisler, C'78

PROFESSOR OF SYSTEMATICS
Rev. Robert Justin Hennessey, O.P.

The Rev. Robert Justin Hennessey, O.P., professor of systematics at Mount St. Mary's Seminary from 1986-92, died on December 7, 2003. A Dominican friar of the Eastern USA Province of St. Joseph, he specialized in the theology of grace and spent most of his life teaching. In addition to the Mount, he was on the faculty of institutions in Washington, D.C., Rome and Ohio.

Ms. Mary V. Tripoli, C'95, top, and scenes from her trip around Vietnam.

Traveling ACROSS VIETNAM ON BIKE

By Katie Sherman, C'01

Ms. Mary V. Tripoli, C'95, was born in Saigon, Vietnam on June 13, 1973, arrived in the USA on August 8, 1974, and was adopted by Dr. and Mrs. Charles J. Tripoli. Mary is currently traveling on bike across Vietnam with a charity organization called Kids First. Kids First is a 501(C)(3) non-profit humanitarian organization based in Washington State, USA. Kids First was formed in 1997 as a result of the co-founders traveling to Vietnam where they discovered that in Quang Tri Province there were 6,708 children not in school due to economic hardship. Quang Tri Province was one of the most intense battlefields in Vietnam, and the Province most affected today by the residual of unexploded ordinance, landmines and dioxins from the use of Agent Orange.

Mary will cover between 300 and 400 miles between Hanoi to the Quang Tri Province. The route will take her along the Ho Chi Minh Trail.

The Ride will be supported by a professional touring company, Across the Divide Expeditions. Mary and her group will have tech support, doctors, and guides throughout the journey. Mary is living in Arlington, VA, and was a Rhetoric and Writing major while at the Mount. She is currently working for AOL, developing on-screen content.

For more information and to see more photos go to **www.msmary.edu/alumnifriends** and click on **alumni news** on the left.

Dr. Joseph P. Atkins, C'62

Professor, Surgeon, Innovator

Dr. Joseph P. Atkins, C'62, died on Jan. 19, 2004. Dr. Atkins was a professor of otorhinolaryngology at the University of Pennsylvania, a surgeon at the Pennsylvania Hospital and an innovator in the use of a surgical instrument that simplified sinus operations.

Dr. Atkins was born in Red Lion, Pa., and raised in Wynnewood. He graduated from the Mount with a bachelor's degree in biology and earned his medical degree from Penn. Dr. Atkins is survived by his wife Maureen, daughters Elizabeth and Kathleen, sons Joseph III and Timothy, two sisters, four brothers and five grandchildren.

TLC'S A *{Mount}* WEDDING STORY

On Monday, March 29, TLC's A Wedding Story featured the October wedding of **Amy Firlie, C'91**. The ceremony was held in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception.

Stories FROM THE "ATTIC"

By Kate Charuhas

Visiting the Mount St. Mary's College and Seminary archives collection is like venturing into a treasure-filled "attic" of history. Documents and artifacts found within tell the story of the Mount—from the early years of Father John DuBois to the center of learning it has become almost 200 years later.

Approximately 40,000 manuscripts and 10,000 photographs, slides, postcards and other audiovisual materials piece together this collective story. Letters and journals hold important clues to both the Mount's and America's past, during pivotal moments like the Civil War and World War II.

Rare books, numbering close to 10,000, are another integral component of the archives. Included are an extensive collection of bibles, catechisms, liturgical works and other volumes relating to the history and practice of Catholicism. The Mount also boasts a collection of European, Asian and American art, representative of movements in art history from the Gothic era to the present.

But unlike an attic, the archives are visited everyday. Students, faculty, alumni, genealogists and other researchers, delving into everything from class projects to researching family history, rely on the archives. Current students can find out what mattered most to the class of 1960 by reading past issues of the Mountain Echo. Church historians can examine the desk where a former Mount president, Rev. John McCaffrey, wrote the first version of what later became the Baltimore Catechism. Grandchildren can pour over journals their grandfathers kept while students here.

With planning already underway for the Mount's 200th birthday in 2008, the archives will play a central role in the creation of exhibitions and publications celebrating the Bicentennial. The challenge for **Rebecca Fitzgerald**, the Mount's director of archives and special collections, is simple. While she can pull photographs of the 1905 football club and read ledgers from the 1800s detailing students' medical ailments, she is worried about what the archives will have to show about student life today.

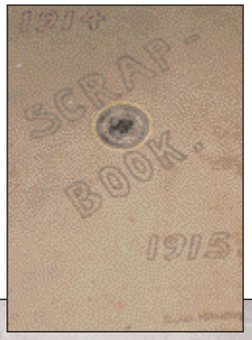
"In the age of email, correspondence does not get saved," she says. "It's important to preserve student life—who made decisions and why they were made. No one thinks what he or she is doing now is important—but it is. Think twice before you throw away a letter or empty your inbox!"

You can help preserve your Mount memories for future generations! Fitzgerald welcomes all donations—including freshman beanies, old uniforms, correspondence, photographs and other mementos. If you would like to make a donation to the archives or arrange a visit, contact Fitzgerald at 301-447-5397.

1800s

GRADE BOOK

This grade book kept track of students' progress, noting that one "Translates well" while another "Will never make a scholar".



1914-15

SCRAPBOOK

Thomas Vincent Cassidy, C'18, S'20, filled this scrapbook with football scores, poetry and lively photographs, many including the seminarian who served as their off-campus chaperone. The first page boasts "This is Our Beautiful Mountain Home".

1940s

PHOTOGRAPH OF NAVY

The archives include many oral histories of WWII veterans who were graduates of Navy programs conducted at the Mount.

1999

SODA BOTTLE TOP

Orange Soda Bottle Top marked "March Madness" MSM on the inside

Today's trash will one day provide an important clue into the tastes and pastimes of Mount students.

WHAT WILL THE CLASS OF 2104 REMEMBER US BY?

Now you can visit the archives online at www.msmary.edu/archives

BALTIMORE CHAPTER

Baltimore Chapter Toys for Tots, December. **Left to right:** *Stephanie Lopez, C'00, chapter president, and Jennifer Hughes, C'00*

CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

Left to Right: *David Conaghan, C'81; Don Quinn, Jr., C'61; Lynn Engler, C'64; and Al Branon, C'64*

❶ **Emily Mayer, C'06**, has been selected to receive a $1,500 scholarship sponsored by the chapter. The grant was awarded to Emily based on financial need, academic achievement and contributions to the Mount community. Emily is from Southbury, Conn., and went to Immaculate High School in Danbury. Her major is English and secondary education. She is a student aide in the rhetoric and communications department, a Mount ambassador for the admissions office and a member of the Dean's List. She has been a staff writer for the *Mountain Echo* and a religious education teacher at St. Rose of Lima Parish in Newton, Conn.

❷ **The Donald P. Quinn Sr., P'29, C'33**, Memorial Golf Tournament, 45th Annual Connecticut Chapter Loyalty Event, was held Oct. 6.

FREDERICK CHAPTER

Frederick Area Alumni Meet the President Reception, Dec. 2. **Left to right:** *Evelyn Stephenson, C'00; Pat Goles; and Christine Scott, C'00*

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NEW YORK CHAPTER

New York area alumni came out to meet Mount President Thomas H. Powell and his wife Irene at Delmonico's in NYC. Also honored was Msgr. Parks, S'35, who received the Bishop James E. Walsh award.

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

Philadelphia area alumni gathered on December 11, 2003, at the Great American Pub in Conshohocken, Pa., to support Toys for Tots. **Pictured:** *Philadelphia area alumni, including Chapter President Pat McGinn, C'98, and the Marines who collected the toys.*

WASHINGTON, D.C., CHAPTER

At the Meet President Powell Fall Reception, Oct. 15. **Left to right:** *Carolyn Cooney, C'91; Frank DeLuca, C'68 and Christina Cooney Stuver, C'99*

Washington D.C. area alumni met at the Irish Channel in Washington, D.C. on December 21, 2003 to support Toys for Tots. **Pictured:** *D.C. area alumni, including Chapter President Anthony Solazzo, C'01.*

WE *want* YOUR NEWS & PHOTOS!

Mail to **Katie Sherman, C'01**, Alumni Office, Mount St. Mary's, Emmitsburg, MD 21727 or email to **ksherman@msmary.edu**

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Top to Bottom: *Your earliest friends at the Mount can become roommates over time. Henge's freshman and sophomore year friends (top) became roommates for her junior and senior years. Mountapalooza 2001. Snow Tubing at Ski Liberty 2002. Tiki Dance 2003.*

Winding DOWN

By Henge Sedghi, C'04

With a little more than 100 days left until commencement, I look back upon the past 21 years of my life, and, more specifically, the past four years at Mount St. Mary's College, and think: "good grief!"

Yes, I am about to offer a cliché we all know and love: "if only I knew then what I know now." I am stuck in a state of limbo—excited about the future steps that I have been groomed for, but saddened about leaving the places I know and love. And I keep wondering to myself, if I had the option, would I travel back in time and start over, or would I keep going?

I remember my first day of kindergarten thinking: "fun toys, naps, snacks … what could be better than this?" Fast-forward to my last day of high school … my thoughts were very different. I remember thinking: "what have I gotten myself into now!" So today, here I stand, on the doorstep to my future, and I find myself afraid to push the doorbell! I am afraid of failure and, maybe greater than that, I am afraid of success.

Mount St. Mary's has been more than grades or syllabi, but rather, an environment to teach me how to make choices. The Mount's mission has advanced me as a woman but even greater as a citizen.

As my classmates and I prepare for our futures beyond the Mount, we are listening to the advice of our parents, our advisors and our friends—enjoying our last moments together—hoping for our future successes and praying that people will stop asking: "Do you know what you're doing with the rest of your life?"

Quite honestly, I'd like to ask them: "did you have a clue?" I bet nine times out of 10, their answer would be no, and then, finally, maybe they would leave us alone!

Am I ready to go on? Am I prepared? Will the education I value so dearly pay off like everyone said it would? I am starting to see very clearly that my classroom has not simply been the one with chairs and desks, but rather, Sheridan Hall, the Apartments, the Quad, and the Terrace have also been great classrooms. I have seen how learning is more than the books or the facts, but rather the passion that my professors exude.

Mount St. Mary's has been more than grades or syllabi, but rather, an environment to teach me how to make choices. The Mount's mission has advanced me as a woman but even greater as a citizen. With all of the world's instability looming over us, my home at Mount St. Mary's is my foundation. The Mount is not only my college, but it is my home. In this time of uncertainty, the Mount provided my classmates and I stability unlike any other.

While many of us still fear the unknown ahead, we are certain of one thing—we are certainly prepared for whatever may come.

It is my hope that, someday, we will be the pride of our home away from home.

Henge Sedghi is president of the Student Government Association.

Submissions for First Person can be made via email to ross@msmary.edu, or in writing to the Mount's office of communications, 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727.

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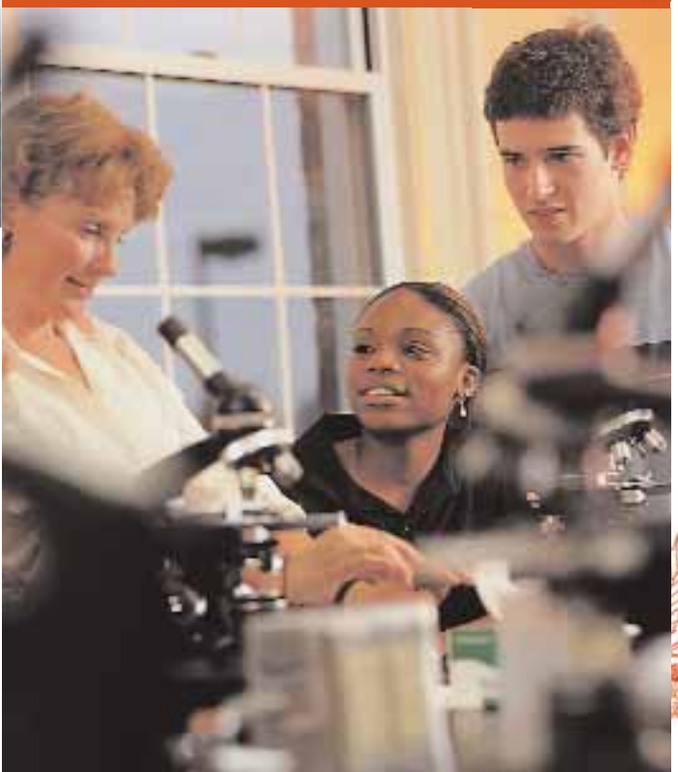

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For details on chapter events, visit
www.msmary.edu/alumnifriends/html/alumnievents.htm
Or call the alumni office, 877-630-6102.

For more on the retreats listed below, visit
www.msmary.edu/seminary/retreats
Or call the seminary, 301-447-5017.

APRIL 2004

Wednesday, April 21
McKenna Lecture in Business and Professional Ethics, Maryland Lt. Gov. Michael Steele, 6 p.m., *Dutch's Daughter Restaurant, Frederick*

Wednesday, April 21
Lecture, Mount St. Mary's College Political Science Chair Michael Towle, 7:30 p.m., *Knott Auditorium*

Friday, April 23
"The Mystical Arts of Tibet," Sacred Music Tour Featuring the Multiphonic Singers of Drepung Loseling Monastery, 8 p.m., *Knott Auditorium*

Tuesday, April 27
"The Evolution of Asian American Identity," Dr. Franklin Odo, Director of the Smithsonian Program for Asian Pacific American Studies, 7:30 p.m., *Knott Auditorium*

MAY 2004

Saturday, May 1
Mountapalooza, 1 p.m., *the Quad*

Saturday, May 1-Sunday, May 2
Mount Hosts Northeast Conference Men's and Women's Track and Field Championships

Sunday, May 2
Delaware Chapter 3rd Annual Point-to-Point Picnic

Tuesday, May 4
Delaware Chapter Meet the President Reception, *University & Whist Club, Wilmington*

Sunday, May 9
Mount Wind Ensemble Concert, 3 p.m., *Knott Auditorium*

Wednesday, May 19
Graduate Commencement, 7 p.m., *Knott Auditorium*

Friday, May 21
National Alumni Association's Senior Class "Send Off" Barbecue

Sunday, May 23
Undergraduate Commencement, 11 a.m., *Knott Arena*

JUNE 2004

Friday, June 4-Sunday, June 6
Alumni Reunion Weekend
Friday: Reunion Class Golf Tournament
Saturday: National Alumni Golf Tournament

Friday, June 11-Sunday, June 13
Laity Retreat with the Rev. Peter Giroux, Franciscan Friars of the Primitive Observance, *Seminary*

Friday, June 18-Sunday, June 20
Laity Retreat with Dr. Robert Miller, Mount St. Mary's Seminary Assistant Professor of Sacred Scripture, *Seminary*

Monday, June 21-Friday, June 25
Priest Retreat with Monsignor Ralph Beiting, Founder of the Christian Appalachian Project, *Seminary*

Friday, June 25
Frederick Chapter Night with the Frederick Keys

JULY 2004

Friday, July 9-Sunday, July 11
Laity Retreat with the Rev. John Lombardi, Chaplain of the National Shrine Grotto of Lourdes, *Seminary*

Monday, July 12-Friday, July 16
Priest Retreat with the Rev. Denis Donahue, S'90, Archdiocese of Arlington, *Seminary*

Thursday, July 15
Central Pennsylvania Chapter Night with the Harrisburg Senators