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President's Letter

I hope this issue of our Mount Magazine *finds you and your family enjoying the wonder and beauty of the Easter Season. On campus the snow is gone and the trees and flowers are budding. No doubt, spring on Mary's Mountain is one of the best times of the year.*

FAITH AND REASON

Since our founding we have been dedicated to two fundamentals– faith and reason. Knowing the truth requires a mature faith combined with what we know from the sciences, how we have developed as a people, and how we are touched by the beauty of the arts. At the Mount, we witness the value of faith and reason every day.

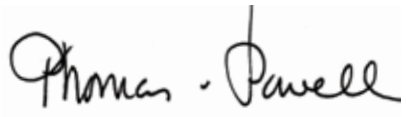
So it is fitting that, in this issue, we highlight the work of our two theology departments. At the undergraduate level, our students are required to take Theology courses aimed at giving them a mature understanding of the Catholic faith and to help them deepen their spirituality, no matter what their faith. In our Seminary, the Theology program helps prepare priests who are not only reflecting on their own faith but are learning to help others develop an understanding of God.

OUR SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

We are also very proud, thanks to the generosity of the Bolte and Connors families, that we have named the first of our four schools. It is now the ***Richard J. Bolte, Sr. School of Business*** which pays tribute to Dick Bolte, a long-term Trustee and supporter of the Mount and a man who lived the American dream. He built a thriving international logistics business based on his commitment to ethical leadership. It is my hope that his example will inspire our business students to live as he did and to practice the business principles forged from his Catholic faith, his spirit of tenacity and his belief in the American ideals of free enterprise.

REUNION 2011

As we conclude yet another academic year, our 203rd, we are also preparing to welcome home many alumni for reunion weekend especially for those classes ending in a 6 or a 1. The Class of 1961 will be celebrating their 50th reunion; and are our newest class of Golden Mountaineers; the Class of 1986 is celebrating their 25th anniversary and will be celebrating their silver anniversary. Please join me in congratulating these two classes on reaching these significant milestones. The campus will be full of activities and we hope to see many of you and your families back home at the Mount. While you are on campus, please plan to join us as we bless and dedicate our largest campus project to date: the renovation of the Terrace.



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Thomas H. Powell
President

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CORRECTION:

In the Mount, 2010 Fall magazine Tom Williams was listed as the C'59, he is in fact a member of the C'56. We apologize for this error.

Applications Up – Way Up

Mount St. Mary's University Office of Admissions reports the amount of student applications received for fall 2011 enrollment has broken all Mount records.

According to Dean of Admissions and Enrollment Management Michael Post, "the Mount has more applications now that it did during all of last year and will exceed 5,000 applications by the end of the recruitment year. It's an all-time high."

Dean Post notes some of the increases are coming from eastern Pennsylvania and from states outside the Mid-Atlantic region. He attributes the high numbers to an increase in visitor –encouraged events saying, "Once prospective students come to campus, they fall in love with the Mount."

The number of participants in the annual Founder's Essay Competition has increased by a third. It is held for a select group of academically high achieving students who were accepted to the Mount and this year has had over 300 competitors. The winners of the essay competition are awarded a full-tuition scholarship from the Mount."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR OF THE MOUNT MAGAZINE:
Read an article about a dear friend I knew in Vietnam. I know he has been gone a long time but around Christmas time I always seem to think about him. I served as his altar boy at time sat the Third Field Hospital in Nam. That's where I met him. I was a patient at the time and scared to death. He helped me through that fear and I started down the long road of trying to identify self. To me he was a special person. He must have been, it's been forty years and I still think about him at least once a year. I still miss him. I wonder sometimes how many people he made this kind of impression on. I'm fairly sure that there are a great deal of your young priests that still remember him. I knew him under different circumstances. I thank God he was in my life when he was. **Father Manochio** really was an exceptional person he was so much more than a priest. He was a friend. Just a thought I wanted to share. God Bless You All. —Tom Sievers

NOT YOUR FATHER'S (OR MOTHER'S) SUMMER SCHOOL

New Mount Summer programs= fun +education for all ages

2011 will be the best summer ever at the Mount. Hundreds of adults, children and youth converge on the main campus in June and July for something new: a diverse collection of programs that we are calling "Lifelong Learning."

"These new programs invite the greater community to share in the University's mission," according to Chris Weber, director of the Mount Summer office. "Just as we have made Faith, Discovery, Leadership, and Community the hallmarks of everyday life for our students and employees, we want others beyond the campus to experience the Mount as a place where they discover more about themselves, their world, and their faith."

For many years the Mount has offered undergraduate and graduate courses in the summer. New this year: a large number of non-credit classes. Adults can enhance their knowledge of philosophy, economics, music appreciation, or the Old Testament. They can learn how to use Microsoft Office, to cook Cajun and Creole cuisine, find a new career, process a crime scene, or even train their dog. If they are looking to enhance or discover their Faith, they can go on one of three retreats or attend a Scripture Institute on the Gospel of Luke. All events are discounted for Mount employees and alumni.

Children and youth will enjoy Mount Summer too. The School of Education and Human Service's Project Discovery camp expands this year to include both half day and full day options for grades 1 to 8. High school students will come from near and far on June 30 for the second annual Catholic Live! Youth Conference sponsored by Campus Ministry. Young people ages 15 and older can join interested adults for a fascinating C.S.I. Camp sponsored by the Delaney Center for Criminal Justice.

Families have not been left out of the summer plan either. Grandparents University® brings grandparents and their grandchildren together for two intriguing days of University "courses" and "memory-making."

In a salute to Hollywood, the Mount once again takes the Big Screen experience outdoors with a free "Movies Under the Stars" each month. Also making a return this year, "Wednesdays at the Fountain." Children, adults and the entire Mount community will enjoy free music as it wafts across the campus every Wednesday evening at sunset.

For more information about these and other Mount Summer events, visit www.msmary.edu/summer, or call the Mount Summer office at 301.447.8329.

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES AT THE MOUNT

MEXICO IN JANUARY

For 3,000 years, from roughly 1500 B.C. to 1500 A.D., the land that is now Mexico produced some of the world's great civilizations, from the Olmec and the Maya, to the Toltec and the Aztec. World history students at Mount St. Mary's University study and discuss all those cultures. For two weeks in January 2011, nine Mount students and two faculty members had the opportunity to visit many of the archeological sites of these great civilizations.

Drs. Martin Malone and Diana Rodriguez-Lozano accompanied *Hillary Anderson, C'11*; *Courtney Bobik, C'13*; *Kathleen Cosner, C'11*; *Megan Crampton, C'11*; *Ariel Duran, C'13*; *Kellie Gleason, C'11*; *Alexandra Hall, C'11*; *Jeffrey Howell, C'11*; and *Allison Orlando, C'11*, first to Merida in the Yucatan, and then to Puebla, an hour south of Mexico City, where they visited some of the greatest archeological sites in the world.

They visited the ancient cities of Chichen Itza and Uxmal and the smaller town of Kabah, which were all occupied from about 600 to 1100 A.D. From Puebla, they visited Teotihuacan, the largest pre-Hispanic city in the Western Hemisphere. It probably held as many as 150,000 to 200,000 residents at its height in the fifth century A.D., rivaling Rome as an urban center. At Teotihuacan, the group climbed to the top of the Pyramid of the Sun, over 200 feet high, and equal in volume (though not in height) to the great Pyramid of Cheops in Egypt. The Mount group also visited the Toltec capital of Tula, north of Mexico City, and the ancient cities of Cholula and Cacaxtla.

To round out their trip, they visited Mexico's two largest museums in Mexico City and Xalapa. At night, students met with Drs. Malone and Rodriguez-Lozano to discuss their readings and what they had seen or were about to see. Aside from archeology, students got to sample Mexican cuisine (very different from American restaurant Mexican food), learn how to bargain in the market places, and even learn a little Spanish. Besides experiencing a unique trip, the students satisfied their core requirement in Non-Western studies. They also had to endure two weeks of cloudless skies with temperatures in the 80's every day.

NICARAGUA

Nicaragua, while one of the poorest, is also considered one of the safest countries in the Americas. Formed by twin volcanoes, the landscape includes rugged forests, lush wetlands and isolated farming communities-in-short; the perfect place for a trip combining the Mount's Outdoor Adventure Program with Community Service. The Mount students spent their first few days exploring the natural wonders of the region before dedicating themselves to the hard work and physical labor in service learning.

"Powerful bonds develop within a group of people when they have to rely on each other to venture into the unknown jungle paths and waterways of Nicaragua," says Director of Outdoor Adventures Matt Liddle.

Director of Community Service Jeff Abel partnered with two non-profits in Nicaragua devoted to sustaining the land and maintaining the culture. The Mount group spent time at farm and construction projects on Ometepe Island.

The trip ended with the climb up a 6,000 foot Volcano before heading to the Pacific Ocean for rest, relaxation and surfing.

ECUADOR

The semester-long study abroad program in Cuenca, Ecuador is the first in Latin America for the Mount.

Dr. Diana Rodriguez-Lozano visited several cities before choosing the Universidad de Cuenca for its natural and architectural beauty, historical significance and unique celebrations.

Students study Latin American literature, the Incan civilization and Ecuadorian life and culture. On trips around the country, students travel to the Equator, to the largest Indian arts and crafts market in Otavalo, to the headwaters of the Amazon, and to the Galapagos Islands.

The Ecuador trip takes place every spring semester in odd-numbered years.

Above: Mount students after landing in Quito, the capital city of Ecuador. See more photos and read their Blog at **www.msmary.edu/ecuador**

UPCOMING TRIPS, OPEN TO ALL

PERU

May 16-25, 2012; Application and deposit mid-June, 2011

Join Fr. Jim Donohue on his famous hike to the town of San Juan de Yucay at the top of the beautiful Peruvian mountains. The Mount group will volunteer at the San Juan de Dios orphanage/clinic. No Spanish is required and one credit will be awarded to students for participating in this service project.

EASTER ISLAND

October 6-14, 2012; Application and non-refundable $250 deposit due October 14, 2011

One-time only adventure to see the famed "Maois," tour Santiago, Chile and visit the home of Nobel Prize winner Pablo Neruda.

For more information contact Diana Rodriquez Lozano at Lozano@msmary.edu.

A PASSION FOR TEACHING

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MANAGEMENT, DR. F.K. MARSH, SHARES HER JOURNEY FROM THE CORPORATE WORLD TO TEACHING TOMORROW'S BUSINESS LEADERS

By Tracy Boyd, Communications Manager, Mount St. Mary's University, Frederick

The Mount's Frederick Center opened in 1999 to specifically serve the educational needs of adult students, offering undergraduate degree-completion, graduate, and, most recently, certificate programs. The success of these nontraditional programs depends upon the passionate engagement of professors like Dr. F. K. Marsh. She and another thirty full-time professors teach or have taught adult students in Frederick. An equal number of adjunct professors support the growing professional studies programs.

Dr. Marsh confidently headed east from Michigan to interview for a teaching position at Mount St. Mary's University. She fell in love with the campus immediately and soon after was offered the position of an associate professor in the School of Business to begin in the fall of 2008.

"The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."—John 3:8

She came highly qualified. Marsh had been Dean of the School of Business at Concordia University, a small Christian university in Ann Arbor, and had taught business courses for several years at Concordia. Once at the Mount, she focused her energies on teaching courses in management, leadership, and corporate social responsibility, both on the main campus and at the professional studies center in Frederick, and continuing her research on leadership. Teaching in both the undergraduate and graduate programs, she believes passionately that the Mount offers a unique faith-based liberal arts curriculum that encourages ethical and social responsibility— critical qualities needed in the business world today.

Marsh is no stranger to the corporate environment. After graduating from SUNY College at Fredonia, NY, and earning an MBA at Canisius College in Buffalo, she worked for a regional consulting firm providing financial guidance to organizations, as an analyst at a policy institute and as an executive director for a non-profit before accepting the deanship at Concordia. Her decision to move out of the corporate world and into higher education came after a period of "prayerful discernment."

"We felt the Lord was leading us to a new chapter in our lives." says Marsh referring to herself and her husband, John. "We were prayerfully listening for the Lord's call." The decision carried her beyond Concordia to the Mount. They settled in Emmitsburg and appreciate the bucolic setting of Frederick County. They host several student gatherings, FOCUS dinners, Christmas celebrations, and meetings of WAM (Women and Men's) Business Leader's Network for which Marsh is faculty advisor.

Marsh found her true calling in teaching. She enjoys interacting with all levels of students especially adults. "The educational experience comes alive with adult students," says Marsh. "They bring depth, expertise, wisdom, maturity and dedication into the class. When we work to link the students' experience and knowledge with the classroom experience, it's compelling— a critical intersection of learning—and we build our learning from there. It's exciting."

Marsh continues building her teaching, research, and professional work at the Mount. Her recent research activities include leadership studies of business executives in Michigan, pastoral leadership—partnering with Mount St. Mary's Seminary—and continued analysis of "blended classroom learning," to find the best combination of on-line and classroom experience.

THE GIFT OF EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

The "Gift of Education" campaign is a financial aid program intended to increase accessibility of higher education especially designed for the Mount's Frederick location. It is aimed at the attainment of a college degree for adult learners by lowering the barriers to enrollment and degree completion.

Over the past 12 to 18 months, the staff at the Mount's Center for Professional and Continuing Studies in Frederick, Maryland, has seen a greater reluctance among prospective students to commit to enrolling in professional studies programs, citing the unstable economic conditions. In response, the University has developed a program to boost enrollment and promote retention.

The first phase of the campaign was launched in mid-December 2010 with the development of a "Gift of Education" card that may be redeemed by individuals who qualify to enroll. Eligible candidates must be at least 23 years of age or have worked for three years, have completed at least 30 credits of college-level work, and hold a GPA of at least 2.0. The Gift of Education card covers the cost of the Mount Seminar course, textbooks required for that course, and a flash drive. The Mount Seminar course is the first or second course that every student must take, and provides a reintroduction into college-level workload and the five-week concentrated course format. The value is approximately $1,400.

The cards were set in small gift boxes and were made available initially to current students in the program, who may know someone who either has an interest in resuming their education or would benefit from completing their education. In the first month of 2011, five recipients were accepted into the program; a good start.

Eventually, all "Friends of the Mount,"—former students and alumni, full-time and adjunct faculty, University employees, trustees and corporate partners—will be invited to pick up a gift card to present to someone they may know who is qualified to enroll. The card may be redeemed at any time during the 2011 year.

The Frederick campus is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information call: 301-682-8315.

More on the Gift of Education and news about the Frederick Campu ast www.msmary.edu/Gift_of_Education

COMMUNITY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

The rapid growth in Frederick County and the region north and west of the Washington metropolis over the past twenty years has forced those businesses and institutions in this region to sharpen their marketing pencils and programs. One can no longer assume that just because you have been here for some time, everyone knows who you are and what you do.

The rules of the new game apply perhaps even more intensely for the Frederick campus of the University, a relatively stripling in the forest of higher education, having just passed the ten year mark at its location adjacent to the FSK Mall. When you combine the fast-changing demographics of the region with the non-traditional character of the undergraduate degree-completion program for which the satellite campus was established, the challenge to stand out in the market is doubly difficult.

According to Joe Lebherz, Director of the University's Frederick Center for Professional and Continuing Studies, "The adult student market is the fastest-growing nationwide, and that market is no less strong here. We need to connect that regional market of prospective adult students to the excellent degree and certificate programs that the University has developed and offered at a convenient location."

Recognizing the challenges presented by expanded and expensive advertising channels, both traditional and new, the Frederick staff devised a new outreach program. Volunteers from the Mount faculty and staff have been recruited to attend area events, man tables at a wide range of community activities, and contribute to a variety of committees. These volunteers will serve as "community ambassadors" for the University. The goal of the program is to increase awareness of the Frederick Center and the programs offered there, and to increase enrollment in those programs.

The venues for volunteer service were made possible through the re-direction of marketing dollars as sponsorships of organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce, Fort Detrick Alliance, Frederick Keys Baseball, Celebrate Frederick, and the Weinberg Center for the Arts. Kelly Kresky, who recruits and manages conferences at the Frederick Center, and who will coordinate the placement of volunteers at the events, said she hopes to expand the volunteer army to include students and Mount alums. "They will be our stars," she said, adding that "we want this to be a fun and rewarding experience, and I also think that this can be, and will be, a leadership opportunity for many."

Most marketing professionals will agree that word-of-mouth advertising is the most effective and productive. The Community Ambassador program has been developed in the belief that higher education is a relationship-built enterprise. "One student at a time," observed President Powell. "The greatest buildings and structures in the world were built brick by brick, stone by stone. We are building a great program in Frederick and in the region."

On Campus

MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY
Richard J. Bolte, Sr.
School of Business

Mount St. Mary's University recieved a significant gift from the Bolte and Connors families in memory of their father, the late Richard J. Bolte, Sr. To recognize this gift, the School of Business will be named the Richard J. Bolte, Sr. School of Business.

Richard J. Bolte, Sr. and his family have been life-long supporters of the Mount and its mission of excellence in education. Mr. Bolte served on the University's Board of Trustees, founded BDP International, a global logistics & transportation company, and was father to seven sons who attended the Mount. In 1992, Mr. Bolte was presented with an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters for his service to the Mount.

Members of the Bolte and Connors families that are Mount-graduates include, *Richard Jr., C'79*, Trustee; *John Bolte, C'82*; *Tim C'84*, and *Sheila (Breschi), C'85, Bolte*; *Frank Bolte, C'87*; *Bill Connors, C'89*; *Mike Connors, C'91*; *Robbie Bolte, C'92* and *Richard Bolte, III, C'08*.

"My father's example has inspired us in our business to have an active commitment to higher education and career development," says Richard J. Bolte, Jr. "Speaking on behalf of the Bolte and Connors families, we are blessed to share, through this enduring honor to our father, a value about which he cared deeply."

"This generous gift is intended to enhance and support the Mount's pursuit of ethical leadership in business," says Mount St. Mary's University President Thomas H. Powell. "This gift will also strengthen and protect the Mount's commitment to its Catholic identity and develop a new program to prepare professionals for the growing field of logistics. We whole-heartedly thank the Bolte and Connors families."

Dr. William Forgang, dean of the newly-named School of Business, expressed his gratitude saying, "the prestige of a named school and the additional resources gained by this donation will help us attract and retain qualified students and faculty and support the execution of our mission to graduate capable, methodically sound, and ethical decision-makers."

The gift, along with establishing an academic focus on business logistics, will also create an annual lecture series and a national award presented to Mount graduates who demonstrate an ethical leadership in business.

PROFESSORSHIP

Dr. Alejandro Cañadas, was appointed as the Msgr. Dennis Tinder, C'64, Professor, in the Richard J. Bolte, Sr. School of Business. The professorship is awarded by the President of Mount St. Mary's University to a faculty member in his/her first few years of service to the University. The intent of the professorship is to foster the Mount's mission to provide students with a thorough grounding in the liberal arts and the Catholic faith.

FED CHALLENGE

The Mount St. Mary's University Federal Reserve Challenge Team won the Baltimore District Championship in October, advancing to the regional competition in Richmond. The three district champions, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Virginia Commonwealth University, and the Mount competed for a position in the national competition. Our team performed admirably but did not win at the regional level. Team members will engage in the ongoing study of global economy and hope to reach the national finals next year.

Via conference call, PNC Bank economists helped the Team prepare for the district competition. The PNC Foundation awarded the Richard J. Bolte, Sr. School of Business $250,000 for scholarships in support of economic education and students on the Fed Challenge Team.

DR. MICHAEL BARRY, VISITING SCHOLAR IN YANTI, CHINA

In October, **Dr. Michael Barry**, Assistant Professor of Economics, spent eight days as a visiting scholar at the Shandong Institute of Business and Technology in Yanti, China. Dr. Barry lectured in Chinese on topics of global economics. A student team, coached by Dr. Cui (Jack) Hu, from the Shandong Institute of Business and Technology competed in the Business Ethics Case Competition on March 3rd and earned second place. In return, the Mount is hosting Dr. Hu during the spring semester as he guest lectures in a variety of courses. Mount students and faculty are planning a spring 2012 educational trip to China, including a visit to the Shandong Institute of Business and Technology.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

STUDENT WRITING

Students and recent alumni are publishing in and editing the community newspaper, the *Emmitsburg News Journal*. Supervised by English professor ***Peter Dorsey***, the English and Communication Studies majors have written about such topics as travel, friendships, favorite professors, and growing in faith. For current and archived issues go to **www.emmitsburg.com.**

STUDY ABROAD

Eighteen students were part of a fall study abroad program in Prague, Czech Republic. Students took courses with ***Fr. Jim Donohue*** and visited the famous salt mines outside Krakow and the concentration camps at Auschwitz, including the cell that housed St. Maximilian Kolbe.

Dr. Alfred G. Mueller II joined the faculty in January as Professor and Chair of the Department of Communication Studies. Previously Coordinator of the Letters, Arts, and Sciences Baccalaureate Program at Penn State, Mont Alto, Mueller is an accomplished scholar and teacher whose interests include rhetorical theory and criticism, classical rhetoric, persuasion, and public speaking, as well as film, journalism, and media studies. He recently received the Harvey Kelly Excellence in Teaching Award from the Pennsylvania Communication Association.

Panoramic of Old Town Square by Emanuel Mendez, C'13

FACULTY NEWS

History professor ***Michelle Patterson*** recently won the Service-Learning Faculty Award from Maryland Campus Compact. Patterson's course explored the political, environmental, and spiritual values of what we eat. Students designed a community cookbook, established a summer internship, designed the Emmitsburg Farmers' Market advertising, and presented the campaign to the town council.

Philosophy professor ***John Schwenkler*** recently won an international essay competition. His paper examining the nature of self-knowledge, especially the nature of our own actions, was chosen for the 2011 Philosophical Explorations Essay Prize.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

John Bugbee: "Solving Dorigen's Trilemma: Oath and Law in the Franklin's and Physicians's Tales," *Medievalia et Humanistica*, 2010.

Carl Glover: "Kairos and Composition: Modern Perspectives on an Ancient Idea," *St. Martin's Sourcebook for Writing Tutors*, Steven Sherwood & Christina Murphy, eds., Bedford/St. Martin's, 2011.

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Sarah Scott: Review of Toneelgroep Amsterdam's Roman Tragedies, *Shakespeare Bulletin* 28.3, Fall 2010.

SELECTED FACULTY ACTIVITIES

Dr. Mark Carlson performed with the Sotto Voce Quartet, and taught a series of Brass masterclasses, at festivals in Limoges, Briodes and La Chaise-Deiu, France in August. In the fall Carlson also presented on "Classical Music in the Age of Globalization," at a conference celebrating the 200th birthday of Frederick Chopin, hosted at the Mount.

David Cloutier gave a talk entitled, "*Caritas in Veritate*, Development, and the Human Vocation," at a December conference at The John Paul II Institute for Studies of Marriage and Family, in Washington, D.C.

Carl Glover gave his paper, "Form and Expectation in Music and Written Composition," at the Conference of the International Writing Centers Association in Baltimore, Maryland.

Jessy Jordan delivered a paper, "Tradition and Moral Reasoning: A Socratic Approach," at the International Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy in October. In November, he gave a paper called, "Technology and Contemplation: Focal Practices in an Age of Distraction," at the Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture Fall Conference.

David McCarthy gave two lectures as part of Belmont University's "Sex and the Soul" week in January: "Love is the end of Marriage," and "Why Bother with Marriage."

Andrew Rosenfeld and the Gettysburg Schola Cantorum performed "Psalm 122" and other works for choir and orchestra, at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg. Dr. Rosenfeld also gave an address as part of the American Tribute to Chopin at the Polish Embassy in Washington, D.C.

Sarah Scott was part of the Lynchburg College Owen Lecture Series. Her talk was, "'Strong Proof of My Constancy': Portia, the New Variorum Shakespeare and Methodology."

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PROFESSOR NAMED

Caroline Eick, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Education, has been named the first St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Professor in the School of Education and Human Services. This professorship is awarded to a faculty member who devotes significant efforts to promote Catholic education and to prepare educators for Catholic schools. Prof. Eick, an active member in the American Educational Research Association, is conducting research into youth involvement in social causes in Catholic Higher Education, examining and identifying solutions to the disparities between urban and elite suburban Catholic schools. Eick has established the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Lecture Series to focus on the role of Catholic education in the development and advancement of democracy and just societies. Sr. Betty Ann McNeal, archivist for the Daughters of Charity in Emmitsburg, presented the inaugural lecture on St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and her role in promoting Catholic Education. Eick is working to establish a partnership with the Collège Régional Technique Kamarie in the Cameroon. She led a group of faculty and students (Dr. Marco Roman, Dr. Tim Wolfe, Dr. Carolyn Cook, Ellen Rocha, and Katherine McDonagh) to St. Joseph Parish in Bankondji, Cameroon, where Eick's former graduate student, Jacqueline Tchouassi Audigé, is extending secondary education for girls in rural communities beyond the present parish elementary Catholic schools.

NEW PROGRAM FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATORS

Mount St. Mary's University School of Education and Human Services introduces a Master of Education in Instructional Leadership for Catholic Educators. The 36-credit-hour program will be largely online so as to reach a wider audience of Catholic educators, though two summer residency requirements will bring students together on campus. Unlike many educational leadership programs, the M.Ed. will focus on the particular needs faced by Catholic school leaders. ***Elizabeth Monahan***, Director of the Center for Catholic School Excellence, and ***Stacey Brown-Hobbs***, accreditation coordinator, are working closely with the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) to plan courses and assessments that meet the standards of the Educational Leadership Constituents Council and the Maryland Instructional Leadership Framework. Upon successful completion of the program, students will be eligible to apply for state licensure in Maryland and states with reciprocity agreements with MSDE. A majority of courses will be offered in an eight-week format using a cohort model.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Monahan at monahan@msmary.edu or 301-447-5371.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR TUCKER VISITS THE MOUNT

The Criminal Justice Student Association (CJSA) welcomed Benjamin B. Tucker, Deputy Director of State, Local and Tribal Affairs of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), for the annual Delaney Dinner and Lecture in October. Tucker brings 40 years of experience in the fields of law enforcement and criminal justice to his deputy director post. Prior to joining ONDCP, Tucker served as a professor of criminal justice at Pace University. He spoke about his experiences as a police officer in New York City and the work of the ONDCP. Director Tucker made the point that successful drug policy must emphasize education, prevention, and treatment as well as enforcement. Tucker oversees a number of high profile anti-drug programs, in his current position.

Benjamin B. Tucker, Deputy Director of State, Local and Tribal Affairs of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)

School of Education and Human Services Alumni Committee
Front, L to R: Diana Muttitt, C'10; Katie Jaffe, C'04; Renee Egan Clough, C'92; Kristin Massagli Wilson, C'02; Second, L to R: Dr. Tim Wolfe, Chair, Sociology Department; Dr. Judy Ramoy Johnstone, professor emerita; Michele Egan McGuire, C'87; Brynn Callahan Hooper, C'97; Third, L to R: Elizabeth Monahan, Director, Center for Catholic School Excellence; Greg Mullenholz,C'03; Margaret Cunningham, C'81; Jason Rubeling, C'93; Fourth, L to R: Harry Daley, C'80; David Conaghan, C'81, President of National Alumni Association; Julie Lynch Arnsberger, C'80; Karyn Geckle Moritz, C'85; Fifth, L to R: Tony Sidoti, C'01; Dan Chesley, C'65; Don Barnes, Jr. C'89; Dr. Barbara Martin Palmer, Dean, School of Education and Human Services; John Bailey, C'59; Kathy Monagle Lee, C'88; Joe Vince, Director, Criminal Justice; Taking the photo: Dr. Laura Corbin Frazier, Coordinator of Teacher Education

SCHOOL OF NATURAL SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS

BOARD OF VISITORS HELD INAUGURAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2010

The Board of Visitors was created to serve as a resource to strengthen the quality of programming and student experiences and outcomes in the academic program areas offered by the School of Natural Science and Mathematics. It is an advisory board to the school composed of more than two dozen alumni and community leaders in medicine, research, government and private industry.

During the board's first meeting, Mount faculty introduced members to the academic programs of the School of Natural Science and Mathematics. They engaged in a wide-ranging discussion of the challenges and opportunities inherent in making the Mount a destination of choice for students interested in the sciences, health care and mathematics.

Dean David Bushman said, "An outstanding kick-off to the work of the Board of Visitors! I am grateful for the goodwill and commitment of everyone who has agreed to serve on our board. I could not have hoped for a more energetic and engaged group, all of whom are willing to help fulfill the Mount's promise."

NEW INITIATIVES SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS

The School of Natural Science and Mathematics launched two new initiatives designed to enhance access to a Mount education and strengthen the quality of the undergraduate experience for our students.

The Dean's Scholars Program, or "adopt-a-scholar," provides annual financial support to a deserving student who wants to be a part of the Mount and the academic curriculum offered in the School of Natural Science and Mathematics.

The Summer Research Internship Program provides a donor-supported stipend to students allowing them to spend a summer on campus working directly with a faculty member on research. A strong undergraduate research culture is one of the hallmarks of the best colleges and universities and will directly benefit both our students and faculty and raise the profile of the Mount.

For more information, visit:
www.msmary.edu/science_support

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SUCCESSES

In recent years, the Mount's Department of Science has worked to establish competitive research programs for undergraduates. This work is founded on the need to mentor and train the next generation of scientists and medical professionals and to further the scholarly development of our faculty.

Those efforts have yielded some impressive successes:

- In 2008, ***Ms. Christine Wroge, C'09*** became the first Mount student named a Goldwater Scholar.
- In the last few years, Mount students have placed first at the regional Tri-Beta Annual Biological Conference (***Bennett Myers, C'09***, in 2008 and ***Nicole Calabro, C'11***, in 2009)

Two current students, ***Nicole Calabro, C'11*** and ***Nancy Abu-Bonsrah, C'12*** were awarded first place in their respective poster sessions during the UMBC Undergraduate Research Symposium in Biological and Chemical Sciences. This yearly, NIH-sponsored research conference draws upwards of 350 participants from 10 different states including those from renowned research institutions such as Yale, Harvard, and Johns Hopkins.

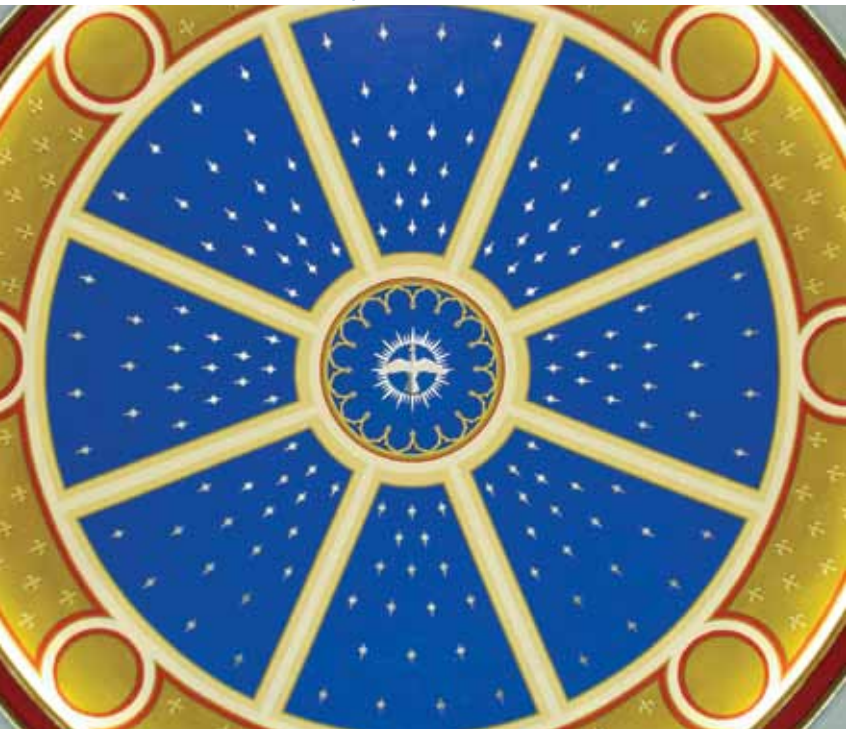
The successes these young men and women have achieved can be attributed to their hard work and dedication as well as the commitment to research excellence of the faculty. We anticipate greater successes in the future as support for our undergraduate research program grows.

WOMEN IN SCIENCE HOSTS LECTURE

Dr. Alison St. John, a food microbiologist with the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (NBACC) spoke at the annual Distinguished Women in Science (WIS) Dinner and Lecture the year. St. John works in the Threat Characterization team of the NBACC where she studies foodborne illness in an effort to combat potential biological warfare threats.

Women in Science is both a student club and a residence life LLC (living, learning community) that fosters personal and academic development of undergraduate women majoring in science, mathematics and computer science.

The Distinguished Women in Science Dinner and Lecture provides a venue for the Mount community to hear from women who have excelled in a math- or science-related field. The lecture affords students the opportunity to hear a unique career perspective and also enables them to learn about any obstacles that these women may have faced along the way.



DATE SET FOR CHAPEL RE-DEDICATION

The Chapel of the Immaculate Conception will be rededicated on Thursday, September 8, 2011, appropriately the date when the Church celebrates the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Most Reverend Edwin F. O'Brien, Archbishop of Baltimore, member of the Board of Trustees and Chancellor of the Seminary, will be the main celebrant.

The cornerstone of the Chapel was laid in 1908 during the Mount's Centennial celebration and solemnly dedicated on October 12, 1910. The last renovations were done in 1978 to bring the Chapel into conformity with the norms of the Second Vatican Council.

The four-year, $2.5-million restoration preserved and enhanced the beauty of the Chapel. Renovation work included:

- Roof—to prevent water and ice damage
- Painting—interior, chapel dome, side altar niches, Crucifixion scene and Stations of the Cross
- Stained-glass windows—cleaned and re-leaded
- Lighting/sound—installation of energy efficient recessed lighting and a new sound system
- Cleaning—high and side altars, candle holders and chandeliers
- Exterior doors—repaired, refinished and automatic door opening plates installed
- Organ—replaced with a new electronic digital organ

More information about the re-dedication will be posted to the Mount's web site at www.msmary.edu.

ARCHBISHOP COAKLEY ORDAINED FOR OKLAHOMA CITY ➢

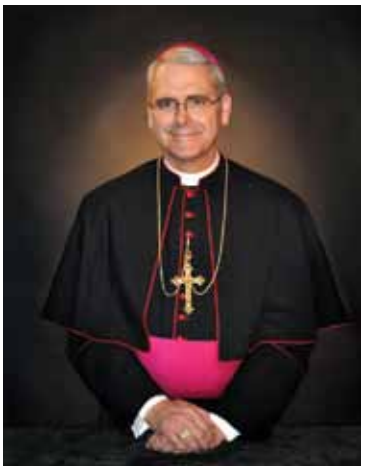
His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI has appointed ***Most Revered Paul S. Coakley, S'83***, former Bishop of Salina, Kansas, to be the fourth Archbishop of Oklahoma City.

"I am both excited and deeply humbled by the unexpected announcement. God is full of surprises!" the new archbishop said at the press conference in Oklahoma City.

The Mass of Episcopal Ordination and Installation was at the Church of St. John in Edmond, Oklahoma. The Archdiocese of Oklahoma City serves 46,000 Catholics in 31 counties in the state.

Archbishop Coakley was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Wichita in 1983 and later served as the Mount Seminary's Director of Spiritual Formation from 1998-2002. The late Pope John Paul II appointed him as Bishop of Salina on October 21, 2004, making Coakley the Mount's forty-seventh priest to be named bishop.

On hearing the news about Archbishop Coakley, ***Msgr. Steven P. Rohlfs, S.T.D., S'76***, Rector, said, "The archdiocese will be well served by having such a gentle and wise shepherd to lead them. We are indeed proud to claim Archbishop Coakley as an alumnus, Mountaineer priest and former faculty member and we pledge him our continued affection and prayers."

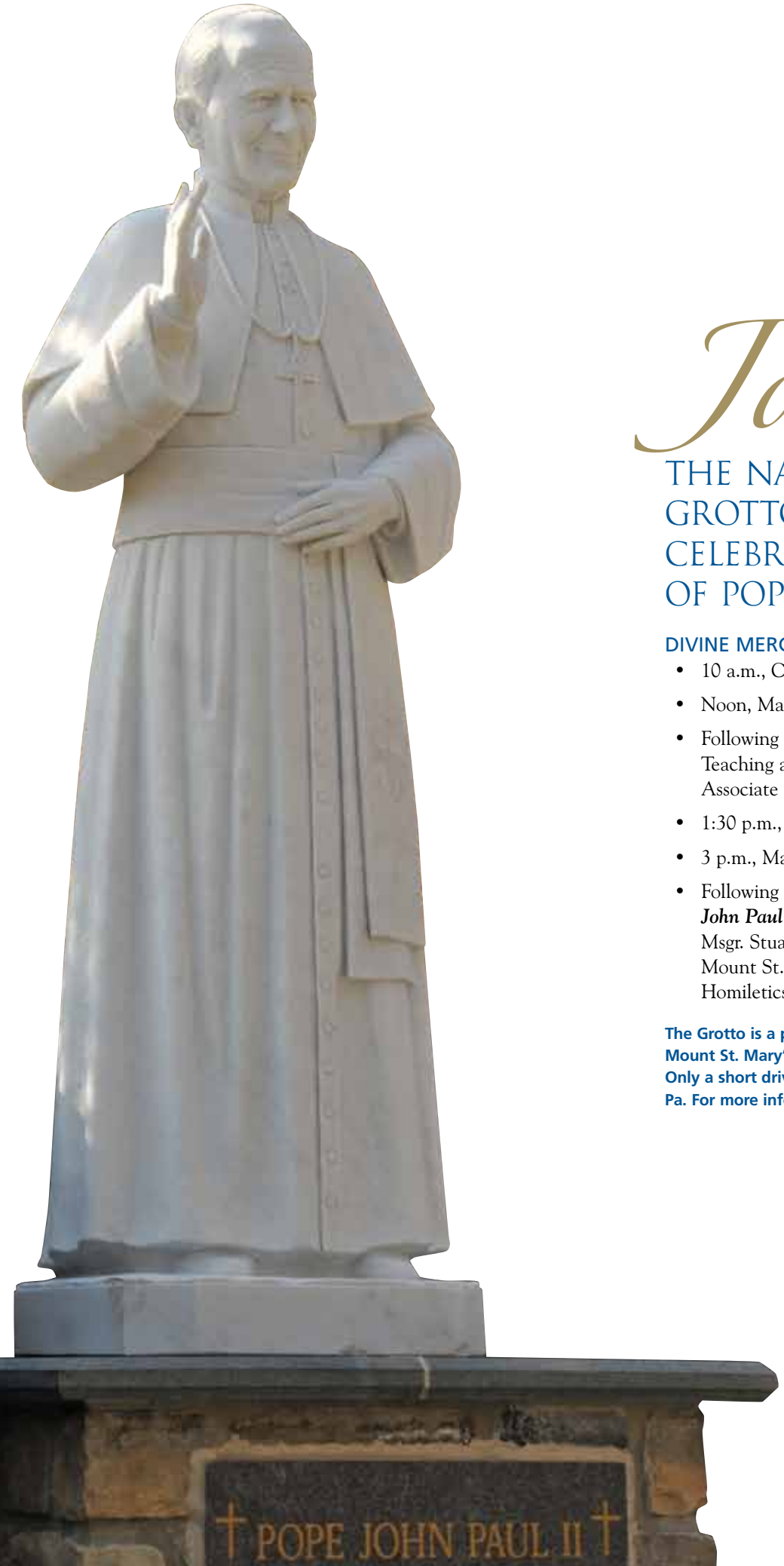


BISHOP KNESTOUT TO PRESIDE OVER PRIESTS' HOMECOMING MASS

Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout, S'89, Auxiliary Bishop of Washington, D.C., will be the main celebrant of the traditional Homecoming Mass at the Seminary Alumni Reunion on Tuesday October 4, 2011. Bishop Knestout's Mass of Episcopal Ordination was celebrated on December 29, 2008; he became the 50th Mount priest to be elevated to the Episcopacy. The reunion will also feature the presentation of the 36th Annual John Cardinal McCloskey Award at the Reunion Dinner and Mass at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on Wednesday morning.

A block of rooms for the Reunion has been reserved at the Sleep Inn-Emmitsburg, located off US 15, a mile north of the Mount. For reservations, and a special Mount rate, call 301-447-0044 and be sure to mention the Seminary Reunion.

For more information about reunion activities, contact Phil McGlade, Office of Seminary Development and Alumni Relations (301-447-5017 or mcglade@msmary.edu).



Join us

THE NATIONAL SHRINE GROTTO OF LOURDES CELEBRATES THE BEATIFICATION OF POPE JOHN PAUL II

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2011

- 10 a.m., Confessions
- Noon, Mass
- Following the Noon Mass: "Blessed John Paul II's Marian Teaching and Spirituality," Reverend Frederick L. Miller, Associate Professor, Mount St. Mary's University Seminary
- 1:30 p.m., Confessions
- 3 p.m., Mass
- Following the 3 p.m Mass: ***Dedication of the Blessed Pope John Paul II Statue and Memorial Garden*** with Reverend Msgr. Stuart W. Swetland, Vice President of Catholic Identity, Mount St. Mary's University and director of Pre-theology and Homiletics, Mount St. Mary's University Seminary

The Grotto is a place of quiet reflection and prayer on the campus of Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, Maryland. All are welcome. Only a short drive from Baltimore, MD; Washington, D.C., and Philadelphia, Pa. For more information and directions, www.msmary/grotto

MOUNT THEOLOGY PROGRAMS TOUCH MANY LIVES

by George P. Matysek, Jr.

Siobhan Riley, C'10, likes to joke that her one complaint about her years at Mount St. Mary's University is that she was over prepared.

When she took an introductory theology course last semester at Villanova University in Philadelphia, the 21-year-old Pennsylvania native was the only graduate student familiar with Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, the Enuma Elish and Cardinal John Newman's, "The Idea of a University."

Riley was even exempted from a required course on theological texts because she had already covered the material at the Mount.

"I'm able to see the philosophical undercurrents in whatever we're discussing," said Riley, a 2010 Mount alumna who completed a double major in theology and history.

Maintaining perfect marks at Villanova, Riley credits Mount St. Mary's with showing her a way of approaching theology that's both analytical and faithful to her Catholic beliefs. She keeps the works of Thucydides, Herodotus and Plato on her desk, along with a Latin textbook and the Rule of St. Benedict – all cherished resources from her years in Emmitsburg.

"I fell in love with the academic study of theology at the Mount," said Riley, a graduate assistant at Horizons, the journal of the College Theology Society. "I'm thankful that I was exposed to the richness of our Catholic heritage in a way I had never experienced before I came to the Mount."

She admitted that her "secret dream" after completing a doctoral degree is to return to her alma mater as a theology professor.

The study of theology is central to the formation of any student who attends Mount St. Mary's. At the undergraduate level, the discipline is part of the core curriculum – meaning that every student must take at least two theology courses regardless of major.

At the graduate level, men preparing for the priesthood at Mount St. Mary's University Seminary take intensive theological courses to give them a firm understanding of the faith and the pastoral ability to minister faithfully.

The undergraduate and graduate theology programs are distinct from each other and have separate faculties.

Outside the classroom, theology shapes much of the campus culture as students are encouraged to be active in campus ministry, daily prayer life and outreach to the wider community both locally and abroad.

Those who major in theology at the undergraduate level tend to continue their study in graduate school or serve the Church as professional youth ministers, religious educators or in other parish- or diocesan-based fields. A smaller number pursue careers in other areas such as law or business.

"What I see as very exciting in the whole theology program is a sense of preparation for a life well lived – an examined life that includes spiritual growth," said Dr. Thomas Powell, president of Mount St. Mary's University.

"Hopefully, the theology courses provide students with a new understanding of their spiritual lives," he said, "and also help them know more about the Catholic Church. It makes them think about what they're living for."

Powell acknowledged that many students do not come to the Mount with an initial interest in theology.

"Most will tell me that they take it because it's a requirement, but I've heard from a number of students who tell me that their theology classes are some of the best classes they've taken – independent of who's teaching it," he said.

The president said Mount St. Mary's very consciously offers a "theology program" and not a "religious studies program."

"We are teaching Catholic theology," he explained.

GROWING IN FAITH AND UNDERSTANDING

A few years ago, Resurrectionist Father James Donohue, chair of the undergraduate theology program, gave an assessment to students on their first day of an introductory theology course. They were asked to write an essay on what they knew of Jesus, explaining why they believed he was crucified.

Many responded by saying that Jesus was a compassionate healer and forgiver. They offered few specifics and seldom gave a thorough account of the reasons for his death.

At the end of the course, students had the same assignment – with much different results. They provided much more intellectually in-depth, nuanced responses that touched on issues like Christ's outreach to the ostracized in society, Father Donohue said.

"I'm convinced that we need to help our students find adult answers to adult questions," Father Donohue said. "We give them the tools to read the Bible as young adults."

When the Canadian priest started at Mount St. Mary's 15 years ago, the university had about 10 theology majors and no senior seminars. The number of majors has tripled since then and the program now always offers seminars, the priest said.

Students who major in theology are required to take at least 31 credits in theology, with at least one course in moral theology. In addition to courses required for the major, they take courses in one of three emphases: religious education, pastoral ministry or youth ministry. Students who minor in theology must complete at least 18 credits of theology.

The undergraduate theology program has six full-time instructors and three part-time instructors.

The university theology faculty has a pervasive influence at Mount St. Mary's. Members sit on important committees and have influence on hiring decisions, course selection and content, according to Father Donohue. Experts in their fields, theology professors offer diverse courses that cover everything from the sacraments to the Church in the modern world.

Dr. David M. McCarthy, the Father James M. Forker Professor of Catholic Social Teaching, recently worked with Sister of St. Joseph Mary Kate Birge to develop attractive electives for first-year students, including courses on "religion and film" and "Catechism and Catholic Life." This semester, McCarthy is developing a bioethics course for seniors going into health care and research.

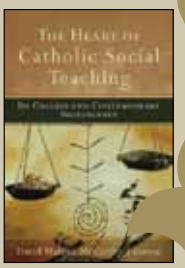
"Theology is about the big questions that are fundamental to every little thing that we do," said McCarthy, now in his 13th year at the Mount. "If we in the theology department can help our students – all Mount students, not just theology majors – gain some fluency in theology, then they can continue to think theologically throughout their lives."

THEOLOGY ENGAGING CULTURE

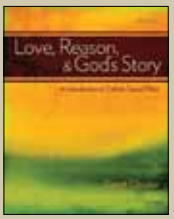
"The book of nature is one and indivisible: it takes in not only the environment but also life, sexuality, marriage, the family, social relations: In a word, integral human development."—Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate*

Recent books in moral theology by Mount St. Mary's faculty:

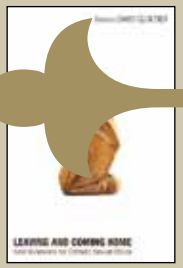
Sex and Love in the Home: A Theology of the Household
By David Matzko McCarthy



The Heart of Catholic Social Teaching: It's Origins and Contemporary Significance
Edited by David Matzko McCarthy

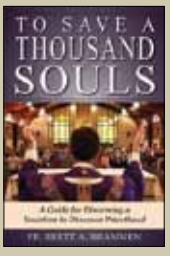


Love, Reason and God's Story: An Introduction to Catholic Sexual Ethics
By David Cloutier



Leaving and Coming Home: New Wineskins for Catholic Sexual Ethics
Edited by David Cloutier

Within This Living Bread; The Eucharistic Spirituality of St. John of the Cross (Submitted to Catholic University of America Press, currently under review).
By Dr. John D. Love



To Save a Thousand Souls: A Guide for Discerning a Vocation to Diocesan Priesthood
By Fr. Brett A. Brannen

The Grace of Ars
By Rev. Frederick L. Miller

Father Donohue, who serves as coach of the Mount's Division III hockey team, noted that students are often inspired by the freshman theology seminar that's required of them. The course explores "good people doing good works," he said, introducing young adults to major figures like Martin Luther King Jr., Dorothy Day and Flannery O'Connor.

"I just got an e-mail from a student who told me she's been working for three years in Haiti because of that course," Father Donohue said.

PREPARATION FOR HANDS-ON MINISTRY

As a teen growing up at the Church of the Resurrection in Ellicott City, ***Cassandra Anderson, C'03***, was very active in youth ministry. It's where she found the most joy and fulfillment, she said.

"By the time I was considering college and career choices, I felt that God was calling me to serve as a youth minister," Anderson said. "I knew that in order to be a competent resource to teens and families as a minister, I needed to have a solid academic background in theology."

Anderson found what she needed at Mount St. Mary's University.

Majoring in theology with a concentration in youth ministry, Anderson said her theological study offered a "comprehensive and well-rounded background" of Church teaching, foundations of religion and Christian perspective.

The 29-year-old theology major graduated in 2003 and now serves as the coordinator of youth ministry at St. John the Evangelist in Severna Park.

"I often remark to families that having my degree in theology doesn't mean that I have the answers to the universe's mysteries," Anderson said, "but I know which resources to begin looking for answers."

Having an academic background in theology provides credibility in leadership as a lay ecclesial minister, Anderson said.

"Teens, especially, will often ask why the Church says or believes certain things," Anderson explained. "My theological education helps me to translate Church teaching into language that teens will better understand."

Many Mount theology majors minister in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, the Archdiocese of Washington, the Diocese of Arlington and the Diocese of Harrisburg.

Mae Richardson, C'00, a Mount alumna and former coordinator of youth and campus ministry for Sacred Heart in Glyndon, was recently appointed to be the new coordinator of pastoral leadership formation for the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Father Donohue established a close relationship with the Baltimore archdiocese several years ago, tailoring the Mount's undergraduate theology concentrations to the practical needs of everyday ministry. It's a great help to students as they start looking for jobs, he said, as potential employers can look at a graduate's resume and see specific courses that will help them in ministry.

SEMINARY PREPARATION

The graduate-level theology program at Mount St. Mary's University Seminary is recognized as one of the strongest in the country. Currently 164 seminarians are enrolled, representing 30 dioceses. South America, Asia, Africa and Europe are also represented among the seminarians.

The seminary theology program has 21 faculty members, 17 of whom are priests.

"We have great, great teachers," said ***Jaime Garcia-Vasquez,*** a 27-year-old seminarian studying for the Archdiocese of Baltimore. "They are people who have a lot of experience and they help us."

The Colombia native said the seminary faculty takes a personal interest in the wellbeing of each student. That is especially important to international students like Vasquez who may need extra support in learning English and adapting to American culture, he said.

Msgr. Steven P. Rohlfs, S.T.D., S'76, seminary rector, said the number of bishops who send seminarians to the Mount has risen in recent years – partly as a result of the strength of its theology program. Mount St. Mary's University Seminary is now the largest Catholic seminary in the United States.

"It's certainly a vote of confidence in what we do and how we do it," he said. "We've always been a niche for those who want to educate everyday parish priests."

Some graduates go on to become seminary rectors or professors, Monsignor Rohlfs said. Known as the "cradle of bishops," Mount St. Mary's has produced 51 bishops. *(See article*

on page 10 on Archbishop Coakley and Bishop Knestout)

"We've always had a good reputation for fidelity to the teachings of the Church and fidelity to formation in the way the bishops and the Holy See want their men to be formed," Monsignor Rohlfs explained.

In the last six years, the Mount has ordained 145 men, all but three of whom remain active in the priesthood.

"That's a pretty good survival rate," he said.

Dr. John Love, who teaches seminary courses on topics including the Trinity, ecumenism/interreligious dialogue, Thomistic morality and the eucharistic spirituality of St. John of the Cross, finds that seminarians are "very earnest guys" who ask a lot of questions.

"They study theology primarily to become good priests," Love said.

It's important for future priests to delve deeply into all aspects of the faith, he said.

"If you can be an accurate source of information about God," he said, "that's going to be incredibly fruitful for your pastoral ministry to Catholics and others seeking answers."

Love said the presence of the seminary contributes incalculably to the good of the entire campus.

"To see seminarians all living and working and praying together is a beautiful example of the Christian life," he said. "It can be a kind of invitation to all to become more engaged in the faith."

CHANGED LIVES

Steve McGinley, C'10, is among those Mount grads who believe his life was changed after studying theology at the university. McGinley graduated from Mount St. Mary's in 2010 with a degree in economics. He is now pursuing a graduate degree in theology at the Pontifical John Paul II Institute at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

A Mount course on the Gospel of Mark was particularly influential, said the 23-year-old Hagerstown native.

"It was extremely beneficial for my prayer life," he said. "I liked how they really tried to help to point out things to the students in a way that called for conversion. That's how a theology class should be."

College can be a time of great upheaval, McGinley said. The focus on theology across the board at Mount St. Mary's helps give a positive sense of direction, he said.

"Many people buy into a facade and they spend their life working within this mask – this false identity," he said. "At some point they realize they have no meaning in their life and when they reach that point, there are two options: jump off the cliff or turn back and follow Christ. At the Mount – in a very deep sense – many students are reaching that point and turning back to Christ."

WHERE OUR FAITH TAKES US

ALUM EVANGELIZES TO YOUNG ADULTS

by George P. Matysek Jr.

When ***Pete Ascosi, C'04,*** was a student at Mount St. Mary's University in the early 2000s, he could be found at Mass every Sunday. It was more out of a sense of duty than a passion for his faith, he said.

"I just saw it as something I had to do," the 29-year-old Catonsville native remembered. "It didn't impact the rest of my life. I guess you'd call me an inactive practicing Catholic."

Ascosi's faith came to life, however, as he was exposed to the Mount's theology and philosophy classes and as he interacted with on-campus priests. He was inspired by Catholic friends at the Mount who embraced the faith with enthusiasm.

"It was at the Mount that God began to tug at my heart," said Ascosi, a history major who graduated in 2004. "I really began to rekindle the faith that my parents had taught me."

Today, Ascosi serves as the young adult coordinator for ChristLife, a lay apostolate of the Archdiocese of Baltimore focused on evangelization. Using podcasts, video, blogs, articles and other forms of communication, he reaches out to young people to help them become better disciples of Christ.

Ellicott City-based ChristLife also provides programs for local parishes and other organizations, like the Mount seminarians.

Ascosi knows where young people are coming from. They are looking for authenticity, truth and genuine love, he said.

"It's a lot easier to help people when you've been there and you're not just preaching at them," said Ascosi, who is completing a master's degree in non-profit management at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland, Baltimore.

"I had the same questions, the same restlessness and the same lack of peace," he said. "God can help answer those questions."

Visit **www.christlife.org** for more information.

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PRIEST CHILDREN

ABUNDANT LOVE

The Trip to East Timor

For 44 years, ***Fr. Richard Daschbach, SVD*** has been a missionary priest in the remote area of Oekusi in the world's newest country, East Timor. He first came to East Timor in 1966 and has remained steadfast in his desire to help children and families in this poorest of countries. Fr. Richard established a children's home, Topu Honis, which means "Guide to Life " and now serves 120 children ranging in age from 3 to 18. Despite extreme hardship he has built Topu Honis as a refuge of love and nurturance.

Fr. Richard, born in Pennsylvania, is a local hero to the families and children of East Timor. Besides attending to their spiritual needs and sheltering orphans and neglected children, he also saved many during the brutal war for independence (1999-2002)

This past Christmas, ***President Tom Powell*** and his wife ***Irene,*** along with daughter Cate, son-in-law Mark, and granddaughter Deta, ventured to East Timor to see Fr. Richard and offer assistance. "It was a life-changing trip," that's what President Powell told the cabinet and members of the Board of Trustees about his experience. If you don't know where it is, you're not alone; very few people could point to it as a speck in the Indonesian chain of islands. Although a part of East Timor, Oekusi is even more remote from other areas in the country.

★ WHY EAST TIMOR?

The Powell's daughter and son-in-law spent a summer with Fr. Richard as volunteers and fell in love with Deta (as in Bernadetta) who they later adopted. Deta came to America in 2007 as the first child from East Timor to be adopted by an American family. The trip was the result of a promise to Deta that President and Mrs. Powell would go back with her to visit her family and see where she grew up.

"What impressed us most was the joyful resilience of the East Timor people, who, despite extreme poverty and a brutal war of independence are a nation of survivors," Powell told his cabinet. The average income per year is only about $300 and Deta's hometown is in the mountainous jungles where there is no running water, no electricity and the homes are small with dirt floors. "While we have been to many poor countries, the poverty of these children was the most severe we have ever seen." President Powell said.

It's not an easy to get there either. The flight is long (about 20 hours in the air) and when you get to Indonesia there is a long journey ahead up the mountainside in rough terrain over washed-out, dirt roads. The President was certain that death was imminent as they traversed the bumpy roads where steep drops on either side would brook no mistakes.

Even entering the country was not easy as Indonesia makes travel from the Okeusi area difficult and costly.

But once in Topu Honis in the area of Kutet, it was evident what one priest with a desire to serve and spread the Gospel can do. The children were happy, although desperate for adult attention and affection from the "American visitors." The kids called the President "Bob" (what his granddaughter and nieces call him) and Irene was often called "Mom" or "Tete" (which means grandmother). Many of the children lost parents in the war or were simply neglected. They find their way to Topu Honis where they are welcomed, sheltered, fed and nurtured.

The Catholic faith which is shared by 98% of the East Timorese people is a central theme at Topu Honis. One of the most memorable experiences for the Powells was nightly prayers where all the children participate in a group service, praying and singing in their native language, Meto. When prayer ends, the children all come to be hugged by Fr. Richard and then find their way to their bunks or floor mat for sleep.

"The Christmas Eve Mass was, without question, the most memorable Christmas liturgy we have ever attended," Irene noted. The community church is a 20-minute

Topu means 'to lead by the hand' and *Honis* means 'life'

walk down a very steep mountainside. The candlelight service welcomed about 300 people from area villages. After Mass, a traditional celebration with elaborate dancing and singing, lasted into the wee hours of Christmas morning, so most families simply bedded down near the church.

The children eat mostly rice and beans. For the Christmas celebration, a cow and pig were purchased and butchered for a special feast. As it is so expensive, meat is a rare treat. The slaughtering is a community ritual complete with prayers honoring ancestors.

To the young children of Topu Honis, Deta is a real American star. The Powells were proud that she gave most of her clothing, jewelry and special treasures characteristic of a 14-year old to the other children. Everyone was confused about the " jewelry" in her mouth, which Dr. Powell had to carefully explain that it wasn't actually jewelry, but braces, and while shiny, not much fun. There were a lot of mixed emotions for Deta, partly guilt and partly embarrassment for all she has in America while her siblings and former classmates have so little. "We hope that she always remembers her roots and that she will return as an adult to help build this new country," President Powell noted.

Thanks to efforts of the Mount's Marketing Club, along with the generosity of the seminarians and Monsignors Rohlfs and Swetland, the Powells were able to present Fr. Richard with $6,500 to help him provide for these children.

Now that they have returned, President and Mrs. Powell have decided that the best way to help is to raise funds to support Topu Honis. Fr. Richard desperately needs two more residences for 20 more children which can be built for $20,000 each. The Powells hope to return this summer with funds for these residence halls. President Powell was clear, "Now that we have met these children, it is simply not possible for us to look away and assume that it is not part of our responsibility. We must sacrifice part of the blessings we have to help these children."

To read more, visit www.msmary.edu/TopuHonis

Fr. Richard Daschbach SVD surrounded by some of his Topu Honis children; "Bob" aka Tom Powell with Francelina, Angelina, Adelaida and Maria; Mount St. Mary's comes to Kutet: Anju (Fr. Richard's handyman), with Topu Honis resident and elder, Nico Colo (A Christmas visitor from a village which is a 5 hour hike away!)

MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY AND THE MACCHI SCHOOL IN TOBATI, PARAGUAY:

Mission in Action

Ariel Velasquez comes from a farming family in Paraguay. As such, he knows how planting a seed is only the first step in growing a healthy plant. It needs fertile soil, water and sun as well as room to grow. Ariel just never realized he would be the seed.

The 17-year-old Ariel lives on his family farm about 10 miles outside of Tobati, Paraguay. The Velasquezes grow vegetables and fruits, including beans, corn, watermelon and peanuts. They do so without heavy machinery; all the work is done by hand. Ariel's house (also pictured above) is very simple, with dirt floors, sleeping rooms, and a kitchen.

In many instances, a young man like Ariel would have followed in his father's footsteps, but Ariel was given room to grow and fertile soil in which to sprout.

"Watching the transformation of the Macchi School from a pile of bricks to a thriving, intellectual oasis in Tobati has been a remarkable experience."

Alexa Millinger, Director, the Macchi Institute, Tobati, Paraguay

The public school system in Tobati (about an hour outside of Asuncíon, the capital of Paraguay) is respectable, but few students complete high school. Believing that education is the path to an improved standard of living, Ronald Garcia opened a private school in 2005 that fully subsidizes the education of promising students like Ariel and places strong emphasis on advancement through education. When the school opened, only 7th graders attended, but a grade was added each year including a new classroom so that the school was completed the same year the first class graduated from the 12th grade.

To be accepted into the school, students must be from poor families, be nominated by their 6th grade teacher and pass an entrance exam. Also, students, along with their families, must commit to a rigorous academic curriculum including attending classes for 9 hours a day with significant homework each night – in contrast to the typical public school system of half days.

Ariel was accepted in the inaugural class of the Reinaldo Macchi (pronounced mah-kee) Institute in 2005. Since he lived too far away from the school to commute each day (by car, travel is over cobblestone roads for a handful of miles, followed by further miles on dirt roads, and the Velasquez family has no car), Ariel lived in Tobati during the school year with one of the teachers.

He graduated along with 13 other students on December 18, 2010 as part of the first graduating class from the Macchi Institute. He was one of the top two students. Because of Ariel's hard work, Mount St. Mary's University has provided Ariel and one of his classmates, Angel Rojas, a full scholarship (tuition, room, and board). Dr. David Rehm, Mount Provost, made the announcement at the school's graduation ceremony. Both young men will arrive at Mount St. Mary's in August 2011.

Above: Reinaldo Macchi (pronounced mah-kee) Institute. To learn more about the Macchi Institute, please visit **www.teamtobati.org/MSM.html**

Left page: Dr. Rehm with Angel, left, and Ariel. Top left, clockwise: Ariel with his mom, sister, and dad; Angel with the flag of Paraguay; Steve Morgan, C'64, gives Mount shirts to students at the Reinaldo Macchi (pronounced mah-kee) Institute; Ariel receiving his scholarship; Typical house in Paraguay, although a bit larger than many; Dr. Rehm with Ariel and family

Steve Morgan, C'64, brought the Macchi School to the Mount's attention. Garcia is Steve's son-in-law. Garcia's mother was born and raised in Tobati, and his parents, both doctors, emigrated from Paraguay in 1977. Garcia grew up in South Bend, Indiana, and attended Oberlin College where he met Steve's daughter, Denise. The Garcias both teach at Kingswood Oxford School in West Hartford, CT, and in 1999 Ron Garcia established "Team Tobati," a non-profit organization designed to help Tobati improve fundamental infrastructure, especially its schools, hospital, and library.

Each year during Spring Break, as many as 100 students travel from Kingswood Oxford to help improve public facilities for the people of Tobati. Projects have included adding classrooms to public schools, an extension to the city library, and a new wing for the only medical clinic in the district. Garcia's most significant accomplishment was the creation of the Reinaldo Macchi Institute, named after Garcia's grandfather.

Now, two native sons will leave the Macchi School for Mount St. Mary's–a world away in many ways.

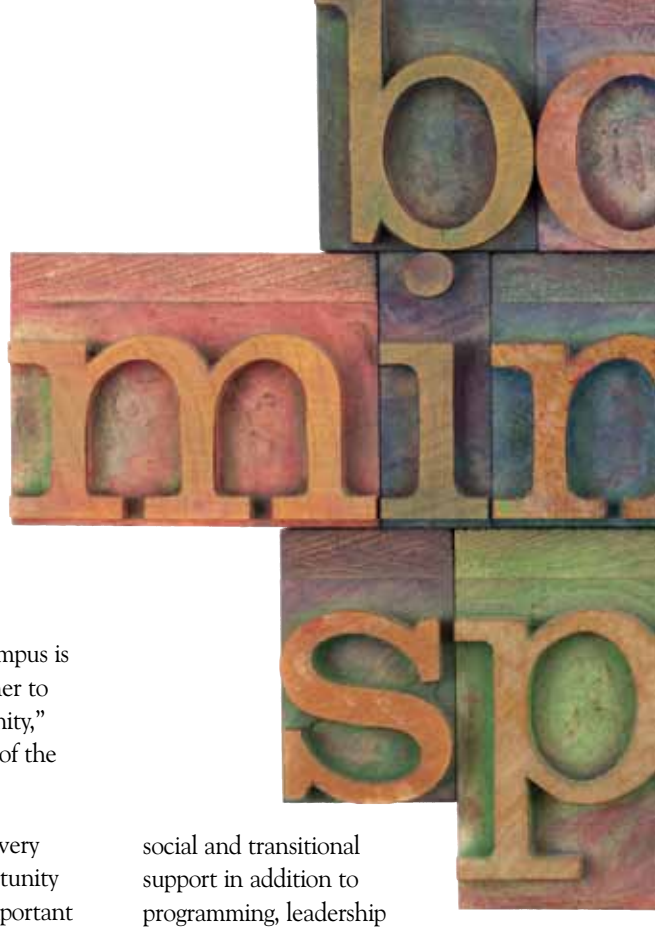
When these young men arrive on the Mount campus next August, the Mount will have the opportunity to live out one of its pillars–community–by providing a welcoming environment to these students, who will be in the United States for the first time. For Ariel and Angel, the change in culture will be dramatic, and all members of the community will need to remember that these two will not have nearby homes or families. They will be finding their way in a new country and an "all-English" language situation will be entirely foreign to them.

At the same time, members of the Mount community will have an opportunity to learn about two students from Paraguay who have worked tirelessly and with great support from family to earn their high school diplomas and come to the United States. The Mount will also have the opportunity to learn about Paraguayan culture. Most importantly, the Mount community will be able to grow in an understanding of the universality of the Church and its message of love.

"Life for our students is not easy, as many have grown up in some of the most humble backgrounds imaginable. Most come from houses without water, electricity or even floors and many walk more than a half hour to get to school in the morning. But once at school, they commit themselves with enthusiasm to their rigorous and challenging academic load, with noble aspirations of someday being able to give back to their community."

Alexa Millinger, Director, Macchi School

For more information on how you can help Ariel and Angel, visit www.msmary.edu/PartnersInEducation



"We are taking a whole new approach to student life here at the Mount. We want to meet students where they are."

—Michael Taberski, dean of students.

WHAT WE DO

Major changes have taken place in student life on campus–from increasing counseling services to offering a place to dance at Club 1808 to upgrading the Center for Student Diversity.

"We're here to help guide students during a very important time in their life," says Taberski. "What they are learning in class is important for the careers they will pursue. However, what they are learning outside of the classroom is important for the lives they will live."

Tiki Dance, held in the fall is an extremely popular event as are DJs held in Club 1808 (renovated Purcell Hall)

This fall, for example, the Mount hired a second counselor, but did so with a twist. This particular counselor lives in an apartment on campus. "The Mount is no different than any other university across the country," says Taberski. "We are seeing an increase in students who are dealing with issues from anxiety to serious mental health concerns. We felt a need to increase our services to meet this challenge."

Having the counselor live on campus is an added bonus. "This enables her to be closer to the campus community," he says. "To really feel the pulse of the campus."

While providing counseling is a very serious issue, providing an opportunity for fun and socialization is an important part of campus life as well. "We wanted to provide a gathering place on campus," says Taberski. "We thought about what our students enjoy most. The answer was simple–dancing."

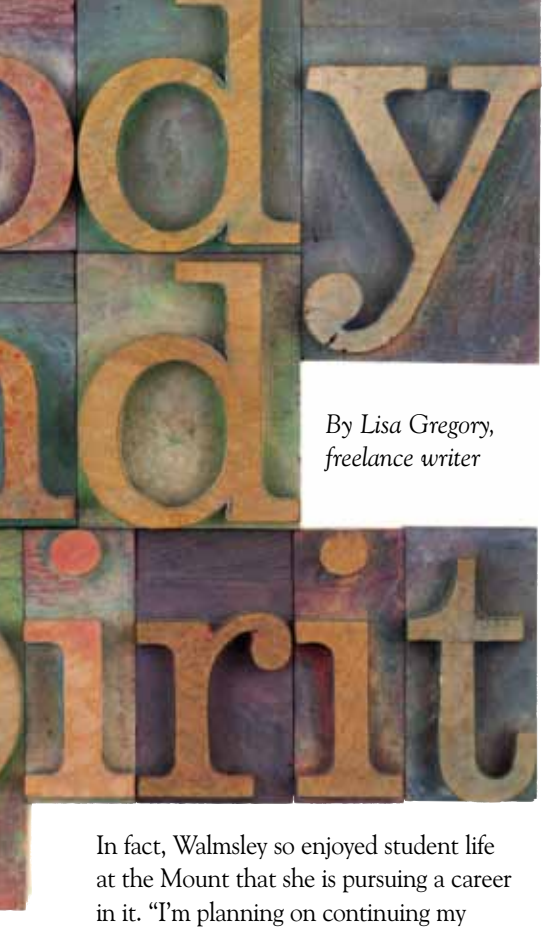
Club 1808 (the university was established in 1808, hence the name of the club) opened its doors this fall. Not only does it provide a great environment for dancing, but is a great venue for other activities and events as well. "We bring in comedians, musicians," says Taberski. "We can have social events there."

Club 1808 and other activities, such as the university's extremely popular Outdoor Adventures Program, are keeping students busy in the best kind of way. "There has been a steady four-year decline in alcohol violations on campus," says Taberski, "and we anticipate that trend to continue and even improve. Today's students expect to be entertained 24/7. By providing them with positive things to do, they don't feel this need to give in to the old stereotype of having to drink to have a good time."

Club 1808 is new. But, the Mount is also taking existing programs and reinventing them. Such as the Center for Student Diversity. The center provides academic, social and transitional support in addition to programming, leadership training and inclusive workshops. All of this is done while promoting dialogue between individuals of diverse backgrounds. The center has a larger staff now and includes such student support programs as the Third Century Scholars program which assists low-income, under-represented students from the Washington, D.C., metro area. All of these changes seem to have gained a positive response from students.

"The Mount knows what students want," says ***Tricia Walmsley, C'11***,a senior majoring in political science, "because they make us part of the process. They are not just putting on activities for us."

While at the Mount, Walmsley's own activities have included being a resident assistant, a campus activities student leader, a Mount ambassador, a residence life intern and a peer mentor/orientation committee representative. "I have had such an amazing time here," she says, citing a recent caving trip as among her favorite experiences. "This is something I never would have tried if it hadn't been available here on campus," she says of caving with the Outdoor Adventures Program. "Now, I can't imagine not having experienced it."



By Lisa Gregory, freelance writer

In fact, Walmsley so enjoyed student life at the Mount that she is pursuing a career in it. "I'm planning on continuing my education and working on my master's degree in higher education and college student personnel," says Walmsley.

Adding, "The Mount not only provided me with an education, the Mount changed my life."

HOW WE MOVE

When students returned to the Mount this fall Denise Ditch, director of Recreational Services and Operations, was met with the WOW! factor from students. "That was the word I kept hearing over and over," she says with a chuckle. "Wow."

During the summer, the Mount created a state-of-the-art fitness center in the ARCC.

The upper level includes 21 cardio pieces (Octane and Matrix) and a designated stretching area, including bosu balls, stability balls, stretching mats and SPRI tubing. The lower level includes free weights, two half cages for squats, selectorized machines, a fixed barbell area and two functional trainers.

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"The world has changed and what our students expect of their college experience has changed as well," says Ditch, who joined the Mount in 1979. "Today students come to college having already belonged to a fitness center with the best of equipment. That's what they expect when they come to college and that's what we're now able to offer them." Adding, "You just can't educate the mind. You have to work on the body as well."

Besides the new fitness center the Mount is also developing new jogging trails within campus boundaries. The idea of the jogging trails came sadly enough as a result of the death of a Mount student who was running on a nearby road and was struck by a car. The trails provide a running area that doesn't compete with traffic or the narrow roads near campus.

The Mount's encouragement of students to get out and move has "changed my life," says ***Murphy Alafoginis, C'11***. A senior majoring in psychology and planning on attending law school, Alfagonis, became involved with the fitness program almost as soon as she arrived on campus. Her enthusiasm and dedication did not go unnoticed; she was asked to teach some fitness classes. "What could be better?" asks Alafogninis. "I could stay in shape, help others get in shape and get paid for it."

"Because of my involvement with exercise and teaching exercise programs," says Alafoginis, "I am a different person. I have learned to be a leader, to motivate people and help them accomplish their goals. That is something I will take with me throughout the rest of my life."

WHAT WE EAT

The days of meatloaf surprise at the cafeteria are long gone from the Mount. Much has changed at the Mount says Howard Williams, director of dining services. Today's surprise might just be the addition of sushi to the menu.

"I remember thinking to myself, 'are you kidding me?'" says Williams with a chuckle remembering the sushi suggestion. However. "It's been popular enough with our students that it is a mainstay on our menu now," he says.

The biggest change over the last decade is change itself says Williams. "Students can customize their meals now," he says. "We have a wrap station with different meats, vegetables, rice and tofu and a stir fry station which features cooking with a choice of butter, olive or even canola oil. And at breakfast time there is an omelet station with everything from egg whites to 'egg beaters' and everything in between," says Williams.

The mantra of dining services is the fresher the better. Technology also helps with the menus online. Students can find the nutritional value of an item, like calories, fat and sodium content. There are also helpful hints on healthier eating which Williams admits is not for everyone. The typical college fare is still the traditional burgers, pizza and fries.

"We expect that," he says. "We're just trying to make what we serve as healthy as we can and provide as many healthy options as we can. It is a tall order, but completely worth it," says Williams. "I often think to myself this is how I would want my own children to eat."

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THERESA MAHONEY BUILDS CONNECTIONS, RECRUITS STUDENTS

by Jennifer M. (DeFeo) Simoni, C'95

Do you remember when you first learned of Mount St. Mary's University? That tiny school, in what seemed to be an even tinier town? Maybe it was through family, a friend, a teacher or an admissions counselor, but once you learned of the school, you quickly heard of others who had heard of the Mount or attended there. Before applying, before being accepted, the sense of family, familiarity and connection was already established and only grew stronger from there.

As the New York Metro Regional Coordinator for the Long Island/New York City area (AKA the regional admissions recruiter), Theresa Q. Mahoney understands the importance of this connection for students and parents. Upon meeting Mahoney, her enthusiasm, sincerity, genuine passion for the Mount quickly puts people at ease. The fact that she's local—a life-long Long Islander living in Levittown—helps keep that connection and encourages the parents and students to listen to what she has to say.

THE LOCAL ADVANTAGE

Mahoney has been recruiting students to Mount St. Mary's University from Long Island and New York City areas for three years. She works from her home office, travelling to campus in Emmitsburg about six to seven times a year for various events. Having a regional recruiter work remotely is somewhat new for the Admissions office.

"The idea to hire a regional recruiter was something we wanted to test," says Michael Post, Dean of Admissions and Enrollment Management. "We knew other schools had great success with this in some states that were at a distance from their school, so we developed a strategic plan to implement a position in that area. By having Mahoney in that area, she is able to spend more time with each and every family interested in the Mount."

Having deep roots and established connections in New York has helped Mahoney gain entrance in the local schools as well as foster better connections with prospective students and their parents.

"Many school recruiters fly in for a few days stay at a hotel, meet students and parents, and then leave," Mahoney says. "I have an immediate connection with the students and parents I meet. I am very familiar with the towns they live in, the area they're from; when someone says 'Oh, the traffic on the LIE!' I know they're talking about the Long Island Expressway."

Mahoney has made it her personal mission to get the Mount on every guidance counselor's radar in the Long Island area. It isn't always easy, though. "The biggest challenge" she says, "isn't the Catholic schools, we're usually on their radar; but to get on the public schools' counselors lists." Not that this deters Mahoney. Every year she opens new doors to the Mount through these schools and the relationships she has cultivated.

RECRUITING SEASON

Her busiest times of the year are what she calls the fall and spring travel seasons. Lasting eight weeks each, this is when the heavy recruiting happens. A typical day during this time will have Mahoney visiting two to three schools a day and a large college fair at night. Even this seemingly exhausting schedule doesn't dampen her enthusiasm because she loves meeting the students and parents.

"It's always so interesting," Mahoney says. "I'll do a school's fair during the day where it's just students and get one set of questions. That night, I'll have a large college fair where we always get more parents and I get a whole different set of questions."

Three common questions from students are: "Where is Emmitsburg?," "What sports division are the Mount's teams?" and "What are the fun things to do?' Those unfamiliar with Mount St. Mary's are pleased to find out that the Mount has 19 teams that compete in

Sample of display that Admission Counselors use when visiting college fairs or high school visits.

"Seeing the parents and students through to making the decision to attend the Mount is a very satisfying feeling and is a big part of why I do what I do everyday."

Division I and with more than 80 clubs and activities, outdoor adventures, sporting events, concerts and more most students stay on campus on weekends. Adding that local flare to her conversation, Mahoney reminds students and parents: "Being just an hour from Baltimore, students can even catch the Yankees play the Orioles!"

Parents have different questions on their minds and as the mother of two teenageers, Mahoney understands their concerns and questions on a personal level. Parents feel comfortable talking to her and asking questions. One frequently asked question is, How Catholic is the Mount?; to which she responds enthusiastically about all the Catholic-centric offerings and history that make the Mount so unique. She'll also add, "The Mount was listed, again, in The Newman Guide to Choosing a Catholic College--one of only 21 colleges or universities in the country!"

Other areas of concern for parents are financial and education. Mahoney tells interested parents that 96 percent of freshmen receive aid from the Mount and that scholarships range from $5,000 to $18,000. Students can choose from more than 40 majors—the most-popular majors are business, biology and education. "We pride ourselves on our rigorous education and small class sizes of 13 to 1, which are taught by professors not teaching assistants." She goes on to tell parents how the FBI hired 24 graduates in 2010. "This underlines the high-quality education and good moral character of the Mount students."

Other points of interest to both parents and students include the study abroad program that can range from two weeks to a full semester in places like Costa Rica, England, Ireland, Italy, Prague, Spain, France, Austria and Ecuador. *(See page 3.)*

"And the history!" exclaims Mahoney. "I make sure they know the Mount is the second-oldest Catholic college in the country, over 200 years old; and we're so proud of that history, which is evident on our campus as well as in our teaching. I always encourage students and parents to come see it for themselves because it is a truly unique and wonderful place."

PROOF POSITIVE

Mahoney's presence on Long Island, her ties and connections, her unwavering dedication to recruiting quality students, and her friendly "next door neighbor" personality has had a positive effect on recruiting from this area since she started recruiting.

"There has been an increase [in student recruits], but the more important change has not been the quantity, but the quality," says Post. "The relationships she has built have been phenomenal. That in turn, helps to improve the presence and reputation of the Mount to families, principals, counselors and priests."

It's evident in the way Mahoney talks about her job that she loves what she does. "I really enjoy meeting the high school students and parents on Long Island. Discovering the many connections we have--especially the Catholic connections, through their parishes, school sports or mutual friends--is a great way to create that personal connection that the Mount is known for. Seeing the parents and students through to making the decision to attend the Mount is a very satisfying feeling and is a big part of why I do what I do everyday."

Do you live in the New York Metro area? Do you know a high school student who would be a good fit for the Mount? Refer them to: Theresa Mahoney, New York Metro Regional Coordinator, mahoney@msmary.edu, 516-796-0723.

MOUNT STUDENT SEEKS RECOGNITION FOR FALLEN CIVIL WAR SOLDIER

If you have any information or would like to help, please contact:

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AFRICAN-AMERICAN ST. JOSEPH'S WORKER AND UNION SOLDIER BURIED IN UNMARKED ST. ANTHONY'S GRAVE

James Rada, Jr.

Alfred Dade died in January 1910 after a long life. He was well known in Emmitsburg, though most people called him Alf Day. He had worked at St. Joseph's Academy as a handyman, but few people knew he had also served in the Civil War as a Union Soldier in, what was then known as, a "colored" regiment. He was originally from Virginia but he had traveled through Emmitsburg during the war and fell in love with the town. Following the war, he settled in town and took up the quiet life of a bachelor.

Following his death, Dade was buried in the St. Anthony's Church cemetery. While the church records confirm that Dade is buried there, his grave is unmarked.

"Back then, blacks were buried in the southeast section of the cemetery, many times in unmarked graves," said Mike Hillman, president of the Greater Emmitsburg Area Historical Society.

He came across Dade's obituary when researching a column for the *Emmitsburg News Journal*. When his research into Dade ran into a wall, he asked ***Fiona Durkin, C'11***, to imagine what Dade's life was like at the turn of the 20th century for an article. As she researched the scant information on his life, she was struck by the fact that no one knew where he was buried.

"I felt a connection to him," Durkin said. "It's awful to think that someone might have thrown this man, who fought in the Civil War, into a grave and forgotten about him."

That connection has led her to work to get Dade the recognition he never received in life. She has been in contact with the Black Student Union at the Mount and the campus ROTC to try and raise funds to purchase a plaque that can be placed outside the section of the St. Anthony's cemetery where African Americans are buried. She has also been looking into having Dade buried with a military ceremony either with members of the ROTC or with Civil War re-enactors.

"She went above and beyond just writing an article," Hillman said. "She's trying to make a difference."

One possible snag that Durkin has run into is that so far no record has surfaced to show that Dade was actually a Civil War veteran. A chance exists that it could have simply been a story that he told others to enhance his reputation in town.

"Regardless, the responsible thing to do is to make sure he gets a proper burial," Durkin said. "He's a man who lived and died in Emmitsburg and you shouldn't have to be famous to be remembered."

However, it does appear that history may have forgotten a lot about Dade. Besides the church record that shows he was buried in St. Anthony's cemetery, there is an obituary in the Emmitsburg Chronicle and entries for Dade in the 1880 and 1900 Census.

The Census records tell us that Dade was a single man and a laborer. However, the 1880 Census says he was born in 1842 in Virginia while the 1900 Census puts the year at 1847. This means he was in his 60s when he died, though an exact age is unknown.

"Unfortunately, that's probably all you'll find out about him," Hillman said.

MOUNT EXCEEDS FUNDRAISING GOAL, COMPLETES LARGEST CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IN ITS HISTORY

On March 31, 2011, President Thomas H. Powell officially announced the Generations Campaign for the Third Century had exceeded its goal of $60 million. This concludes the largest and most ambitious capital campaign ever conducted by the Mount. To date, the campaign has raised approximately $61.5 million. The previous Connections Campaign, ending in 2001, raised approximately $39.7 million.

The campaign was scheduled to finish by June 2012, but it reached its goal much quicker with the announcement of the generous Bolte and Conners Families lead gift naming the Richard J. Bolte, Sr. School of Business. *(See article on page 6.)*

The Mount extends its sincere appreciation to Campaign Co-Chairs ***John R. Bransfield, Jr., C'63***; ***Rev. Msgr. John J. Enzler, S'73***, and ***James V. McAveney, Jr., C'66***, for their generous support and devoted leadership of the Campaign Executive Committee. "We couldn't have had a more-dedicated group of trustees who were in it with us for the long run," Powell said.

"The Mount is very fortunate to have a strong core of dedicated donors and individuals who made this campaign a success during some tough economic times," said Vice President for University Advancement ***Robert J. Brennan, C'85***.

One of the top priorities of this comprehensive campaign was to transform aging facilities on campus, including the largest project, the renovation of the Terrace Residence Halls, a historic landmark dating back to 1825. This fully renovated and modernized building was opened officially this fall with a formal dedication scheduled for Saturday, June 4, 2011, during Reunion weekend.

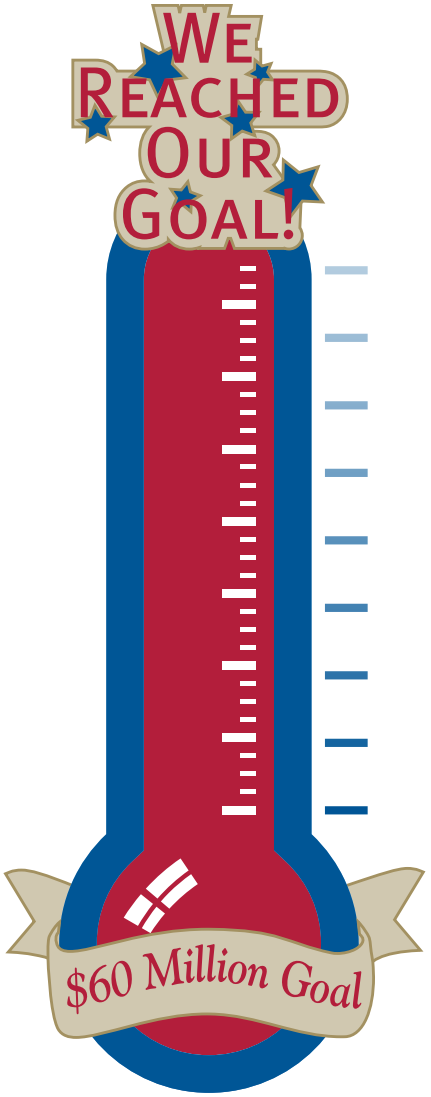
Additional significant transformations include the renovation and remodeling of Flynn Hall into the Delaplaine Fine Arts Center; the creation of the Waldron Family Stadium, Larry Horning Field and Walsh Team Center for soccer and lacrosse, the E.T. Straw and "Our Lady of the Meadows" Stadiums for men and women's baseball and softball, respectively, and resurfacing the tennis court complex.

Construction on the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception continues and its formal dedication will take place on September 8, 2011.

Other campaign goals included creating endowed professorships and scholarships, supporting the Third Century Scholars Program for African-American and Hispanic students and ensuring greater strength and flexibility for the undergraduate program, graduate programs and the seminary through the Annual Fund.

Projects still in fundraising mode include the Visitor's Center at the Grotto and the Paul B. Rhoads, Jr. Archives.

"The conclusion of the largest capital campaign in our history touches the lives of everyone associated with Mount St. Mary's in one way or another and it encompasses everything the Mount stands for," President Powell said. "The additional funds raised will help move the Mount toward prominence and distinction as a leader in higher education for our time."



PHELAN AND RONO INDUCTED INTO NORTHEAST CONFERENCE HALL OF FAME

Legendary Mount basketball head coach Jim Phelan and Olympic long distance runner ***Peter Rono, C'92,*** were inducted into the inaugural class of the Northeast Conference Hall of Fame.

As the centerpiece of the conference's year-long 30th Anniversary celebration, Coach Phelan and Rono were selected as part of the inaugural eight-member NEC Hall of Fame class. Joining the Mount St. Mary's duo are the NEC's first Commissioner, Chris Monasch, Wagner basketball player Terrance Bailey, Robert Morris football lineman Hank Fraley, Fairleigh Dickinson sprinter/hurdler Sharlene Milwood-Lee, Monmouth soccer standout Christie Pearce-Rampone and Saint Francis (Pa.) women's basketball player Jess Zinobile.

"The incredible accomplishments of these coaches, administrators and student-athletes, both during and after their NEC collegiate experience, represent the breadth and diversity of the athletic success realized within the Conference in the last 30 years," said NEC Commissioner Noreen Morris." On behalf of the entire NEC family, I'd like to congratulate this very special class of the Northeast Conference Hall of Fame."

Phelan, the iconic coach known for his trademark bow-tie, was elected to the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame in 2008, the most prestigious honor of his legendary career. His 830 wins at Mount St. Mary's ranks fifth all-time among NCAA Division I coaches, while his 1,354 games coached is the all-time NCAA record. Phelan is the only person to coach 49 years at one school and ranks second all-time in the NCAA for most seasons coached. He led the Mount to the 1962 NCAA College Division National Championship, one of five Final Four appearances (1957, 1961, 1962, 1981 and 1985) for the program under his watch.

"Coach Phelan's extraordinary career as the Mount's head men's basketball coach has been well documented," said Lynne Robinson, Mount St. Mary's Director of Athletics, about her father. "Beyond the 830 victories and the many accolades he has received throughout the years, Coach Phelan is as much remembered for being a true gentleman of intercollegiate athletics, embodying the qualities of loyalty, integrity, and fairness. With the many great coaches in the Northeast Conference throughout its 30 year history; we are very pleased that Coach Jim Phelan will be included in this elite first class of NEC Hall of Fame inductees."

A bonafide legend in the annals of Northeast Conference cross country and track and field, Rono holds the distinction of being the only performer in conference history to win an Olympic gold medal. While a student at Mount St. Mary's and the youngest competitor in the field, Rono won the 1,500 meters at the 1988 Summer Olympics in Seoul, Korea in a time of 3:35.96. That same year, he became a three-time NCAA individual champion with wins in the indoor 800 and 1,500 meters, along with the outdoor 1,500 meters. In 1990, Rono was the runner-up at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in the 1,500 meters behind teammate Kip Cheruiyot, and also crossed the tape second in the mile at the 1990 NCAA Indoor meet. He won the 1990 NEC Cross Country championship en-route to All-America honors and was named the Most Outstanding Performer at the 1991 NEC Outdoor Track & Field Championships after capturing individual titles in the 800, 1,500 and 5,000 meter races. Rono, who hails from Kapsabet, Kenya, would go on to finish third in the NCAA Championships in the 1,500 meters that same season. He was also the 1991 NEC indoor 3,000 meter champion.

"Peter came to Mount St. Mary's site unseen," remembered Jim Deegan, his head coach at the Mount. "He was very open to suggestion as a runner, even on the Olympic stage. Since there was no one in the Conference at the time to give him a challenge, I would run him in select meets, along with his fellow Kenyan runners at the time who were at the Mount. He didn't care if he came in first or not. He would say, 'If he (his teammate) wins, we win.' He had a family-like loyalty to his teammates, a trait that was always on display upon his arrival in America. It showed you the kind of person Peter was and still is today."

An 11-time All-American and five-time NEC individual champion, he is still ranked in the top-10 in a combined seven indoor and outdoor events at the Mount. Rono, who now resides in New Jersey and works for New Balance, was previously recognized on the NEC 20th Anniversary All-Time team.

"With all of these championships and titles, what I admire most about Peter is that after winning the gold medal and becoming a hero in his native Kenya, Peter chose to return to Mount St. Mary's to complete his education," said Robinson. "He earned a degree in Economics in 1992 and later earned an MBA from the Mount as well."

Scan with smartphone to watch video

LUCEY NEW WOMEN'S LAX HEAD COACH

The Mount hired B.J. Lucey as the women's lacrosse head coach this winter.

"We are extremely fortunate to have someone with B.J.'s coaching experience and knowledge of the game available to us at this late date. B.J.'s energy and passion for women's lacrosse is evident and we are very pleased to welcome her to the Mount family," said President Powell.

Lucey comes to the Mount after serving as an assistant coach at her alma mater, Penn State, from 2006-10. While at Penn State, she was involved in all aspects of the program, including recruiting, working with both the offense and defense, scouting and film breakdown.

"I am excited about this opportunity," said Lucey. "I know that a lot of work has gone in to making women's lacrosse a priority sport at the Mount thanks to President Thomas Powell and Director of Athletics, Lynne Robinson and I thank them and the rest of the administration for providing me the opportunity to guide this strong group of student-athletes towards achieving all of our goals both on the field and in the classroom."

Lucey began her coaching career as an assistant coach at the College of New Jersey, helping lead the team to the Division III National Championship game in 2004. She was an assistant coach at Temple for two seasons (2004-05), helping the Owls win the Atlantic 10 regular season title in 2005.

A 2003 graduate of Penn State, Lucey earned Regional All-American honors in 2000 and 2001 as a midfielder with the Nittany Lions.

Mount St. Mary's opened its 2011 season in February. Please check www.mountathletics.com for the season's schedule.

2011 MOUNT HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Mount St. Mary's University inducted five new individuals into the Sports Hall of Fame, which held its induction ceremony on Saturday, February 5th, at the Mount's Winter Homecoming celebration.

This year's class of inductees included (l. to r.): ***Megan Gardiner, C'00***; ***Rob Herb, C'78***; ***Will Vanjonack, C'99***; ***Gregory Harris, C'00***; and ***Mark Southern, C'98***.

Established in 1971 and sponsored by the National Alumni Association, the Mount St. Mary's Sports Hall of Fame acknowledges past athletes who "have exhibited athletic prowess of an outstanding nature in an intercollegiate sport." Inductees over the past years have included former members of the basketball, football, baseball, cross country, boxing, soccer, track, tennis, lacrosse, decathlon, field hockey, softball, and golf teams, as well as coaches and individuals who have contributed to the Mount's athletic program. The late Monsignor John L. Sheridan, former president of the Mount, had the distinction of being the first athlete elected to membership into the Hall of Fame. A versatile athlete, Monsignor Sheridan was captain of the Mount basketball team and an all-Maryland football player. He graduated from the College in 1917 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1921.

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80	7.2%	$720	$4,842.50
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TRAPPED WITHIN THE WALLS
Memories of a Residence Hall

By Christopher T. Wild, C'12

The task of telling the story of one of the halls of the Terrace on the first day of your internship in the Alumni Office is a pretty intimidating project. I mean, it is THE TERRACE, one of the best-known buildings on campus. The Terrace has been home to thousands of Mount students over the last 168 years and the stories abound. The completion this year of a multi-million dollar renovation means that now "The Terrace" will be home to Mount students for many years to come.

I focused on the second floor of Brutè Hall because it's really at the crossroads of The Terrace connecting all halls; Dubois to Bruté and Bruté to McCaffrey.

A BRIEF HISTORY

Designed by Fr. Simon Gabriel Brutè himself, the cornerstone of what is now known as Brute Hall was laid in 1843. Built for $9,500, the building served as study hall for over 50 years. The building was heated by a single stove, and in the winter, students would have to wear hats, coats, and gloves while studying. It was during the Mount's Centennial in 1908 that the building officially became Brute Hall; at the same time DuBois and McCaffrey Halls were named.

The Terrace will be re-dedicated on June 4th at Reunion Weekend 2011.

We all know that the Terrace is more than bricks and mortar, the storied history of the Terrace is in the memories of its residents. We hope the stories you read here bring back memories of your own, for even if you never lived on The Terrace, every Mountie has a Terrace memory, one that will surely bring you back to your Mountain home.

Read the complete accounts of life in the Terrace at www.msmary.edu/alumni and feel free to contribute your own, email to alumni@msmary.edu – we'd love to hear from you!

FR. FIVES AND THE GANG OF FOUR

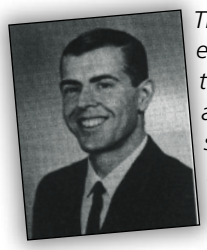
"The next day the four of us were sitting in the front row in the chapel in front of the right side altar where Father said mass. . . . . .We knew then that he was not angry with us anymore.
—Ed Lawlor, C'51

" Well one night about 2 to 3 AM, The G shook me by the shoulder and said his room was on fire. But it was what he was wearing that made it a "sight in the night."
—Bill Miller, C'58

"In our years at the Mount, the ground floor of Brutè' Hall was the library. At the far end of the hall on 2nd Brutè was a large bathroom where Dick Christopher and I would pass the ice hockey puck back and forth from one end of the hall to another. It was unsafe territory for anyone or anything, especially those in line for the phone."
—Don Quinn, C'61

SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF SECOND BRUTÈ: Crowded in narrow room with two bunk beds and three roommates;

That terrible undetected smell for that went on for weeks, turned out to be a dead mouse in . . . . .
—George Amoss, C'63



The life we enjoyed in the halls and a small student body was really like family-filled fond memories and fine friends.

Bless everyone who has called the Mount "home" and eternal rest grant unto all who have entered eternity.
—Mike Donnelly, C'64

I remember a night in early October when the Church bells were ringing, ringing, ringing. An upperclassman was going through the hall telling everyone to immediately go to the Chapel. When the whole school arrived a priest informed us of a terrible accident on Route 15 in which 7 Mount men had been killed (6 of our classmates) I remember the entire school and faculty praying the rosary.

These memories have ever left me... including a love-hate relationship with a guy named Dylan
—Fr. Ken Ekdahl, C'69

ET TWO BRUTE

I lived in the suite in Brutè 252 my junior year - some strange things happened while we lived there: the shower would turn on and off on its own ;a chair in the room would be turned over or in a different spot than where we left it. But it was the green streak that really freaked us out . . .
—Michele (Egan) McGuire, C'87

Gail Kemp Malone and I lived in Brutè 252 while attending graduate school. The night we moved out the ghost had a party in our room.
— Kelly McLaughlin Catania, C'90

I lived on second Brutè my freshman year, my roommate and I traveled to the NEC Championship game against Robert Morris in Pittsburgh. After what felt like the longest bus ride ever we finally made it back to the Mount around 3 AM - all we wanted to do was sleep. Our buddies had a different plan for us. In our absence the two went to our room and moved everything, desks, chairs, dressers, the ladders to our beds, creating quite the little obstacle course to climb through.
—Christopher Wild, C'12

Class Notes

Greetings fellow Mounties!! I hope that this finds everyone anxiously awaiting the arrival of Spring and relieved we have seen the last of the snow!

The NAA has been busy planning for Reunion Weekend-June 3,4 5th, 2011. I want to urge you to attend this spectacular weekend of celebrations including the Brute award/Reunion dinner, dedication of the recently renovated Terrace, the Saturday afternoon festival, annual golf tournament and class socials. Reunion weekend is always a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with friends and experience the beauty of our campus!

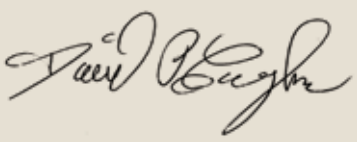
Also this Spring, the NAA will hold its election for officers and council members. The leadership team is critical to the success of the NAA. It is our responsibility to provide leadership and direction for the NAA to continue to build a future on the foundation of our proud past. I would encourage everyone to take the time to vote in our National Alumni Association election. Voting will be open from April 4, 2011 to May 4, 2011. You can visit **www.msmary.edu/alumnivote** for the full listing of candidates with a brief bio and instructions on how to vote. Remember voting deadline is May 4, 2011

Finally, we are always looking for volunteers to serve as Class Agents. This important group reaches out to classmates to encourage support of the Annual Fund. If you would consider becoming an agent, please contact the Office of Annual Giving.

I hope to see everyone as I travel throughout our chapter system in support of our alma mater.

To the Mount!!

David P. Conaghan, C'81
President



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Contact your class representatives, at **www.msmary.edu/alumni.** Email class notes to **alumni@msmary.edu.**

1943
■ Philip A. McDonnell
● Harry St. A. O'Neill

1949
● John W. Burkhard
● Thomas B. Grasberger
● James P. Stanton

1951
● Eugene Bogatko
● Art Cody
● John Green

1952
● Thomas Brown
● John F. O'Neill

1954
● Leo E. Green

1956
◗ Alex Belmonte
◗ Charlie Carroll
◗ Bill Mahoney

1957
● John D. Graham
● Jim Quinn

1958
● Thomas Galvin

1959
● John Bailey
● James Ganley

J. Roger Schmiedel, C'59, was inducted into the 2010 Danbury (CT) High School Athletic Hall of Fame for football. He shared the honor with another Mountie, *Beth Jowdy Sheehan, C'93*, who was inducted for so ccer and basketball. Roger and Beth join previous DHS Athletic Hall of Fame inductees *Art Haddad, C'72*, inducted in 2007, *Tom Niedhart, C'65*, inducted in 2009, and Walt Belardinelli, Sr., also inducted in 2009. Walt attended the Mount but did not continue his studies once football was eliminated.

1961
■ John Neil Fink
■ Karl Miller
◗ Donald P. Quinn
■ Charles J. Shimkus

1962
● ■ Louis T. Armelin
● Michael L. McCarthy
● William Zimmerman

Hon. John A. Connor II, C'62 served as a visiting judge on the Supreme Court of Ohio. Previously, he served in the Ohio Courts for more than 17 years. His public service career has also included serving in several different capacities under five different Ohio Attorneys General.

1963
● Dennis Doyle
● Col. "Jack" Lauer

Joe Danek, C'63, recently received the Outstanding Service Award from the Coalition of Urban Serving Universities (USU). Joe was recognized for his "exceptional national leadership, tireless energy, and dynamic vision in advancing urban issues in higher education nationally." The USU is comprised of 50 public urban research university Presidents.

MOUNT *alumni* re:UNION
June 3-5, 2011

Register: www.msmary.edu/reunion

Walt Robinson, C'63, a recent transplant to sunny Florida gathered members of the Class of 1963 for a "mini reunion." Walt reports that he had not seen three of his classmates since graduation (*John Loome, Joe Whelan* and *Dick Spiegel*) and *Neil McCloud* called in from Arkansas to say hello on speaker phone. From all accounts a "good time was had by all".

1964
◗ Dan Curtin
◗ George R. Gelles
◗ Pat Goles
◗ John Hogan
◗ Ron Krilla

1965
● Nicholas G. Otzel

Dr. Phil Kelly, C'65, was appointed acting president of Gannon University in Erie, PA in December 2010.

1966
■ Thomas Barry
■ John Kaheny
◗ Bill Lewis
◗ Joe Romano
■ Michael Sneed
■ John F. Toale
◗ Al Vertino

1968
● John J. Gallagher

Charles H. Brown, III, C'68, a Director in the Audit, Accounting and Consulting Department of Ellin & Tucker, Chartered in Baltimore MD, has been named SmartCPA by SmartCEO Magazine in their September 2010 issue.

1969
● Thomas Pruitt

1970
● James F. Clarke

1971
- Robert K. Dunn
- Jack Ellis
- Joe Kulick
- George J. Savastano, Jr.
- John V. Sherwin

1972
- Frank G. Lidinsky
- James Mannion

1973
- Thomas McKeever
- John Suchy
- Mark J. Swetley

1974
- John L. Jaffee
- Jane McDonough Milne

1975
- Michael P. Connolly
- Romas Laskauskas
- George Randall

1976
- Jack J. Causa
- John Connell, Jr.
- Ann Marie Hallinan
- Rick Kidwell

1978
- Robert G. Baker

1979
- Dave Cohill
- Marianne T. Mulligan

1980
- Charles J. Haberkorn
- Nancy Philion Scharff
- Judy Mazzeo Zocchi

Maureen Regan Springer C'80, works at Boonsboro Elementary School, MD. The school held a college alma mater door decorating contest with over 50 staff members participating. Maureen's Mount door was one of those that won the contest. She writes that "I had to decorate my door and make it a "Mount" door. Lucky for me my door was one of the top 5 vote getters! Go Mount!"

1981
- Patricia Parrish Bay
- Ellen M. Callahan
- David Conaghan
- Sue Janowiak
- Ann Devine Meehan
- Nancy Long Ridgway
- Tom Looney
- Bill Roohan

1982
- Michael Berens
- Michael Cory
- Bill Frank

Dorsey DuPont, C'82, has begun a new career with the State Department and will be heading to Moscow in January 2011 for her first two-year tour.

1983
- Camille Brown
- Patricia Hilferty Sullivan

1984

Tricia Love Thomas, C'84, a partner at *Gross, Mendelsohn & Associates* in Baltimore, MD, recently graduated from the BKR Leadership Institute, a two-year program designed to develop the personal, interpersonal, managerial and organizational skills of accounting and advisory firm members. She specializes in providing audit and accounting services to nonprofit organizations and construction contractors. She serves as treasurer on the board of directors of The Red Devils, a nonprofit organization that funds services to improve the quality of life for breast cancer patients and their families.

Fr. Samuel V. Young, Jr, C'84, recently celebrated his 20th anniversary of ordination on May 26, 2010. He has spent the last 10 years as a Pastor at St. Joan of Arc. He was transferred to be the Pastor of Our Lady of Grace in Parkton, MD on July 1, 2010.

1985
- Thomas Arrowsmith

John Lonergan, C'85, was recently appointed a Judge to the Los Angeles County Superior Court by California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. John has served as a Deputy District Attorney in Los Angeles County for the past 12 years. John is also a Colonel in the US Army Reserves.

1986
- John Singleton

Alicia Russo, C'86, has been elected a partner of Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper & Scinto, an intellectual property firm in New York. She has experience in complex patent litigation and has written numerous publications in the fields of both law and science with a particular focus on structural biology. She resides in New York City.

1987
- Timothy J. Buck
- Thomas F. Cahill
- Beth Ann Heine

1988
- Thomas Berenato
- Patricia Crimmins Kunzman
- Msgr. Rob Jaskot
- Kathleen Gill McDermott

Mary Beth Liebhauser Norwood, C'88, has been named Co-Managing Principal, Baltimore office, Reznick Group. Norwood will partner with current Co-Office Managing Principal Gary Perlow to continue overseeing the growth of the Baltimore office while helping to promote outstanding client service and employee development. Norwood has been in public accounting for over 22 years, 17 years with Reznick Group.

1989
- Lorraine Knepple

1990
- Kelly (McLaughlin) Catania
- Karen M. Imbach
- Karen Manto-Corrao

1991
- John Bransfield
- David Cassese

Craig Kunisch, C'91, writes that he and his brother, *Chris Kunisch, C'90,* are owners of the Mahwah Bar & Grill in Mahwah, NJ. They recently accepted the Mahwah Chamber of Commerce's "Company of the Year Award" for outstanding community service.

1992
- Charles "Chuck" Schley

John Fee, C'92, hosted another fantastic weekend for some dear friends from the Mount in September 2010. Michael Fanning writes about the weekend: "We gathered at Sea Isle City, NJ where the laughs never stopped. The weekend included golf, fishing, boogie boarding, and horseshoes. Pictured at Shore Gate Golf Club are: *Michael Fanning, C'91; Bob Dean, C'92; John Fee, C'92; Hugh Giorgio, C'91; David DiLuigi, C'92; Will Milligan, C'92; Mickey MacMillan, C'92; Pat Cunningham, C'92.*

Special thanks to *John Fee* for being a great host and allowing us Mounties to get together for some laughs!"

1993

Timothy Getz, C'93, is currently employed for Starwood Hotels and Resorts in Fall Rivers, MA.

Adam Sielicki, C'93, is currently living in Green Bay, WI with his wife Jody and their 3 children, Bailey 13, Amelia 3, and Elizabeth 7 months. They are planning to start a bookkeeping business in the Green Bay area for small to medium-sized businesses. Adam played lacrosse while he was at the Mount and after graduating, he frequently visited the campus as well as the Grotto. He is very proud to be associated with the Mount's Athletic Program.

1994
- Bridget Daul Kelly
- Mike Zinzi

Marty Karsteter Qually C'94, is honored that the Adams County (Pennsylvania) Board of Judges appointed him to fill the term of retiring County Auditor Denis Sullivan. He will fill out the remainder of retired auditor Denis Sullivan's term, ending in December 2011.

1995
- Stella Cinoa Barry
- Marianne Dempsey
- Elizabeth Matthews

Class Notes

THE CLASS OF '02 MOUNT BOYS

Christine Cowley Davis C'02, hosted a Mount Barbe-cue at her house in Abingdon, MD on August 28, 2010. These Class of 2002 friends with their baby boys gathered for a photo. The first boy was born in January 2009 and the last boy was born in May 2010.

Pictured from left to right are: **Maribeth Baynes Harper, C'02,** with Jack Harper; **Michelle Perella Ackermann, C'02,** with Daniel Connor Achermann; **Heather Cathey Radebaugh, C'02,** with Mason John Radebaugh; **Leah Peiffer-Blayman, C'02,** with Tyler Austin Blayman; **Katie Snook Clutz, C'02,** with Logan Gregory Clutz; and **Christine Cowley Davis, C'02,** with Kevin James Davis.

1996
- Brendan Moag
- Ellen Bittner Murray
- Jennifer O'Dea Sprungle
- Eleanor Conley Wenzle
- Peter Wenzke

David D. Schriver, Jr, C'96 has been promoted to Director in the Audit, Accounting and Consulting Department of Ellin & Tucker, Chartered. He is the Director in charge of the firm's Frederick MD office.

Audrey Vasauskas, C'96 recently obtained her Ph.D. in Medical Sciences in the Departments of Pharmacology and Comparative Medicine at the University of South Alabama College Of Medicine. She currently holds a postdoctoral position in the Cioffi laboratory of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, which is a member of Center for Lung Biology at the university. She is enjoying the warm weather in Mobile Alabama.

1997
- Sarah (Moncada) Brion

1998
- Alice (Wylie) Baumer
- Harry C. Benjamin
- William J. Frank
- Greg K. Kirby
- Mike T. Kirby

1999
- Tara Bunchalk-Orefice
- Cynthia Kratz Lauta

Lucas Matesa, C'99, was named "SmartCPA" by Baltimore SmartCEO Magazine in October 2010.

He has over 11 years of experience representing clients both locally and nationally, and has industry experience which includes multifamily residential real estate, real estate investment trusts, commercial real estate, the mortgage broker industry, non-profits, health and human service organizations; and state and local government agencies.

Jennifer Kuhn, C'99, of Seattle, WA has joined the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michaels, MD as a shipwright apprentice. As a shipwright apprentice, Kuhn will primarily work on the restoration of the Museum's bugeye, the *Edna E. Lockwood*. During her one-year apprenticeship, Jennifer is living in St. Michaels.

2000
- Laura (Portier) LaLumiere

2001
- Maria Young

2002
See sidebar.

2003
- Nick Meekins

DeWitt Bauer, C'03, writes that each year right after the holidays, his Mountie friends get together to catch up for a Superbowl Party and celebrate a few birthdays.

Names from top to bottom, right to left: *Matt Lynch, C'01; Christopher Stack, C'02; Kelly Sheil Defelice, C'02; Nick Defelice, C'01; Julie Jeffery, C'03; DeWitt Bauer, C'03; Pete English, C'02; Kenny Sheridan, C'02; Ryan Loher, C'02;* and *Benjamin Acquesta, C'02.*

Liam McCusker, C'03, and *Marian Wargo McCusker, C'03,* are newly married (see weddings) and recently returned from a two and a half week Mediterranean honeymoon cruise. Liam is currently a financial planner at Northrup Grumman and Marian is a Senior Account Executive at Partner Concepts. They recently bought a house in Federal Hill, Baltimore, MD.

2004
Nathaniel Fissel, C'04, has been promoted as a manager to the CPA firm of Smith Elliott Kearns and Co. LLC. He is currently pursuing a Master's of Science in taxation from the University of Baltimore with an expected graduation in 2013.

Anna (Lagrotteria) Martin, C'04, has completed her Master's of Science from University of Maryland Baltimore in Health Science Leadership and Management with a post Master's Certificate in Education. She currently works at Franklin Square Hospital Center in Labor and Delivery while teaching nursing clinical rotations. She is also presently writing a chapter for a Medical Surgical Nursing Textbook on Pre-Operative Nursing.

2005
- Justin McMahon

2006
- Alba Alvarez

Maureen Comer Bauchan, C'06, returned to New Jersey to her high school alma mater (The Academy of St. Elizabeth) after graduation to teach Latin. She spent a wonderful three years there before relocating to Chicago in 2009.

2007
- Justina Dillon

Matthew R. Breiner, C'07, is pursuing a Master's degree in Social Work at Marywood University.

2008
- Crysten McKenzie
- Alex Shupp

2009
- Emma Dusenbery
- Sara Garbarini
- Jessica Halliday
- Melissa Sipes Rush

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BAUER MEMORIAL RUN

Dustin Bauer, C'08, Memorial 5K & 1 Mile Walk was held on Sunday November 14th at Oregon Ridge Park in Cockeysville, MD. The event had 275 registered participants and 75-100 Mount alumni and current students in attendance.

Pictured: **Casey Windisch, C'09; Kurtis Lunz, C'09; PJ Lowelle, C'08; Ryan Audy, C'08; Kelly Griser, C'07; Sean Caskey, C'13; Megan Long, C'09; Michael Bednarchik, C'08; Chris Swisko, C'13; Erica George, C'09; Quinn Flannery, C'08; Ashley Hutchinson, C'09; Brian Madgey, C'09; Stephanie Dickerson, C'08; Elizabeth Trentacoste, C'09; Marie Graney, C'08; Jason Kymingham, C'11; Mallory Longfield, C'09; Sara Brown, C'09; Dana Collins, C'09, Chad Brown, C'11; Denise Tetkowski, C'07; Chris Brewington, C'11; Josh Dzyak, C'08; John A. Torres, C'06; Kevin Lynch, C'08; Keith Murphy, C'04; DeWitt Bauer, C'03; Laura Fenaroli, C'08;** and **Kyle Jones, C'08.**

Anthony Jordan Bertoglio, C'09, was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Unites States Marine Corp. in December 2010. He graduated from the Marine Corps Base in Quantico, Virginia and the commissioning was held at the National Marine Corps Museum in Triangle, Virginia nearby. Jordan was a 4 year member of the Mount's golf team. He is pictured at the Commissioning ceremony with his family.

Diana Muttitt, C'09, currently attends the Fairfield University Graduate School of Education and Allied Professions and has won the Connecticut Down Syndrome Congress' Dr. Robert Greenstein Scholarship. She stated that she has "considered herself a teacher the first day she entered school as a child." In graduate school, she had her first intense experience with a kindergartner with Down syndrome. Through her interaction with this student and the lessons the child taught her and continues to teach her, Muttitt has had her eyes opened to a multitude of possibilities.

Erin Shoop, C'09, of Smith Elliott Kearns & Co. LLC successfully completed Maryland's requirements to be licensed as a certified public accountant. She completed an internship with the company in summer 2008 and joined the Hagerstown office as an audit staff associate upon graduation in May 2009. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in business administration from the Mount, and serves as the sports and social director of the Jaycees of Hagerstown.

MPAS

- Kirby Lee Maybush

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GRADUATE TURNS CUSTOMER SERVICE AND SALES EXPERTISE INTO BLOG ARTICLES AND BOOKS

Matt Dixon, C'94, has already established an accomplished career as managing director of the sales and service practice for the Corporate Executive Board (CEB). The Washington, D.C. research company serves sales and customer service organizations globally. Dixon has presented to hundreds of executives around the world on everything from customer service strategy to sales productivity.

Now Dixon is taking his knowledge of customer service and sales and focusing more on the written word. He recently published an article in the Harvard Business Review, entitled "Stop Trying to Delight Your Customers." He's also a regular contributor on the Harvard Business Review's blog and has signed a book deal with the Penguin Group for a book due out next November.

The book focuses on how winning companies have their sales reps create a distinctive customer purchase experience to attain maximum customer loyalty and ultimately achieve high levels of growth.

While at the Mount, Dixon studied international studies and French and was drawn to teaching but instead joined the CEB after completing his Ph.D. at the University of Pittsburg 10 years ago.

The Dixon family has strong ties to the Mount. Dixon's father, Bart, graduated in 1967, his sister, Beth, in 2004. Matt met his wife **Amy, C'94**, on the first day of freshman orientation and they have four children, so the legacy could live on.

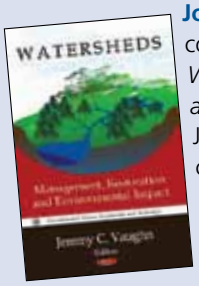
Although, he has a black belt in karate and trained with Mount Executive Vice President, Dan Soller, Dixon switched to triathlons. He finds competing in triathlons easier and he says, "I don't have to explain the bruises when I go into the office the next day."

And you still get to win.

MOUNT ALUMNI AUTHORS

Joe Vigliotti, C'08, has written two books, a contemporary Christian novel, *Carnival Week* and a paranormal novella called *Return to the Shore.* Joe is a writer and an artist and says that "through his work, he strives to capture some essence of God's plan and meaning for humanity." Contact: www.ourfutureword@aol.com

Dan Sinnott, C'77, has released his first book, *The Commencement: The 8 Challenging Guidelines for Advancing Your Business and Your Career*. In the book, Dan says, "I tell a business fable that illustrates how to take challenging guidelines part of your daily work life. Contact: www.dansinnott.com



José Juan Terrasa-Soler, C'90, co-authored part of the recently published *Watersheds: Management, Restoration and Environment Impact.* According to José, "The book presents an analysis chapter on the historical land uses in the Rio Fajardo watershed in northeastern Puerto Rico and the impact of land use and river management of the hydrologic functioning of this fluvial landscape. Contact: Nova Science Publishers, New York, 2010

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THE MOUNT REMEMBERS

GUY BAKER

Guy A. Baker, Jr., C'53 and Registrar for 43 years, died on September 29, 2010, after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, Betty Ann, five daughters, *Cindy Adams, C'78*; *Julie Davis, C'79*; *Patty Kuykendall, C'83*; Laurie Wivell and JoAnn Boyd; a son, *Guy, III(Gabe), C'86*; 12 grandchildren and a great-granddaughter. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Brian Kuykendall. His brother, *Charles* is Class of 1960.

After serving a tour of duty in Korea with the U.S. Army, Guy was appointed Registrar in 1955 by the late Mount president, Msgr. John L. Sheridan. Over the next five decades, he was a member of the Admissions Committee, Disciplinary Committee, Academic Council and Scholarship Committee and ministered to many Mount priests and Sisters of St. Francis. He was also instrumental in organizing "Operation Bootstrap," a program that assisted members of the military services to obtain their degrees.

Guy was a highly respected civic leader in the Frederick and Adams counties communities serving as: Mayor of Emmitsburg, District Court Commissioner for the State of Maryland for 17 years, president and member of the Gettysburg Hospital board for 35 years, chairman and past member of the board of directors for the Citizen's Nursing Home, Frederick County Community College and St. Catherine's Nursing Home. He was a life member of the Vigilant Hose Company and in its Hall of Fame. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus Bruté Council 1860 and frequently volunteered at his parish, St. Joseph's Church.

Guy was recognized on several occasions by the Mount community. He received the annual Sisters of St. Francis Employee Award in 2003 for his service to the Mount and surrounding communities and the Bicentennial Award in 2008. When he was awarded the Bruté Medal from the National Alumni Association in 2000, *Vince Nubel, C'62*, remembered, as a student, meeting Guy at the State of Maryland Knights of Columbus annual convention. "I was welcomed as an adult, treated as an equal, and became a friend," Nubel recalled. "With Guy's mentoring, I took a giant step to becoming a man. You were there whenever I needed you."

JACK TOPPER

Leo B. "Jack" Topper, Jr., C'67, retired Vice President of Business and Finance, died on New Year's Day after battling Alzheimer's Disease. He is survived by his wife, Mary; sons Jeffrey and *Mark, C'93*; daughter Sandra (Umbel); nine grandchildren; one great-grandson and brother, *Phil, C'64*.

Jack received his baccalaureate degree in Accounting in 1967. He returned to the Mount in 1976 and during his 23 years of service in the Office of Business and Finance, he was also an accountant and controller. In the eighties, Jack played a key role in the plans for the construction of the Knott Athletic Convocation Complex. He enjoyed playing golf and was always one of the first to register his foursome for the annual National Alumni Golf Tournament at Alumni Reunion Weekend.

After retiring from the Mount in 1999, Jack loved to spend time with his family and was very active in the Emmitsburg community. He was a coach, manager and umpire in the local baseball league and also volunteered at his parish, St. Joseph's Church.

Dr. Jack Campbell, C'64, Professor Emeritus of Education and former Provost, remembers his friend and colleague as a "Totally dedicated and completely loyal contributor to the Mount community. To the best of his ability, he willingly gave to the Mount his time, talent and treasure. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather, and he will be sincerely missed by his family and friends."

IN MEMORIAM

October 1, 2010 through March 18, 2011

1930's

Mr. Robert J. Murphy, C'39
December 17, 2010

1940's

Mr. Joseph S. Asip, C'42
November 14, 2010

Mr. John Edward Connor, C'43
January 18, 2011

Mr. Peter J. Goodwin, C'43
October 17, 2010

Col. Frank X. Hoff, C'49
December 11, 2010

1950's

Col. Martin J. Bevans, C'50
November 28, 2010

Mr. Frank L. Dameron, Jr., C'50
December 4, 2010

Mr. Frederick G. Dominiski, C'50
November 25, 2010

Mr. John J. McManus, C'50
September 23, 2010

Mr. James Edward Coyle, C'51
September 9, 2010

Mr. Edgardo R. Gonzalez, C'51
November 18, 2010

Mr. Pasquale A. Cosenza C'52
February 11, 2011

Dr. Patrick J. McKenna, Jr., C'52
October 9, 2010

Dr. James Joseph Sullivan, Jr., DO, C'52
February 27, 2011

Mr. Charles O'Donovan Evans, C'53
November 27, 2010

Mr. Frank B. Thomas, III, C'53
January 26, 2011

Mr. Craig T. Houser, C'54
September 6, 2010

Mr. George Charles Meyer, Sr., C'55
October 8, 2010

Mr. Terrence Alan Rixford, C'57
January 18, 2011

Mr. Thomas J. Story, C'58
December 31, 2010

1960's

Mr. James William Gough, C'60
December 15, 2010

Mr. Charles I. Vadas, C'61
September 6, 2010

Mr. Thomas J. Ginty, Jr., C'62
December 12, 2010

Mr. Robert T. Kenney, C'64
January 30, 2011

Mr. Joseph Thomas Poplowski, C'64
October 12, 2010

Mr. Leo B. Topper, Jr., C'67
January 1, 2011

Mr. Mario J. D'Ignazio, C'68
October 29, 2010

1970's

Mr. William Cole Grimm, Jr., C'71
July 22, 2010

Mr. Michael J. Connors, C'73
February 28, 2011

Mr. William J. Reinert, C'74
November 30, 2010

Mr. Gordon L. McClure, C'75
October 12, 2010

Mr. John J. Connell, Jr., C'76
March 14, 2011

Mr. John David O'Brien, C'78
November 23, 2010

Mr. Thomas E. Wolff, C'79
December 16, 2010

1980's

Mrs. Carrie Sittnick Moore, C'85
February 4, 2011

1990's

Mr. P. Jeff Braswell, C'95
November 1, 2009

Mrs. Karen A. McGarr, C'95
December 31, 2010

2000's

Ms. Tracey Hector, B'04
June 5, 2009

Mr. Pat Kolb, Jr., C'05
December 30, 2010

Mr. Andrew W. Krstanovic, C'09
December 12, 2010

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace, Amen. May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

*re:*NEWING *your spirits*

ALUMNI RETREAT, COME TO THE MOUNT EARLY FOR REUNION, JUNE 1–2, 2011

Start your Reunion Weekend early with two days of spiritual renewal and refreshment, led by ***Msgr. Stuart Swetland, STD***, Vice President for Catholic Identity and Mission. In the company of other alums, take some time to appreciate the presence of God in your life and discover new ways to connect with Him amidst the "busy-ness" of life. Space is limited so register early for this great opportunity!

Program includes four conferences, the Liturgy of the Eucharist, holy hours, an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Penance, and more.

Cost: $135 per person.

Includes retreat, room, lunch and dinner on Wednesday, breakfast and lunch on Thursday.

To view full schedule and register, visit www.msmary.edu/alumniretreat

scan code with your smartphone to register now!

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Weddings

McGinn Wedding

Patrick McGinn, C'98, to Tracie Huntington
April 24, 2010
St. Paul's – Emanuel United Methodist Church, Danville, PA

Pictured: *Michael Hartnett, C'99*; *Michael Connolly, C'75*; *Michael & Kelly Smith, both C'97*; *Ellen Callahan, C'81*; *Maureen Plant, C'81*; *Patrick McGinn, C'98*; Tracie McGinn, *Brian Melody, C'99*; *Julia Melody, C'00*; *Rob Weed, C'93*; *Mark Wimmer, C'97*; *Marty O'Connor, C'98*; *Allison Keefe, C'96*; *Meredith & A.J. Sullivan, both C'05*; *Harry Benjamin, C'98*; *Sean Paradis, B'98*; *Linda & John Baldacchino, both C'98*

Schall Wedding

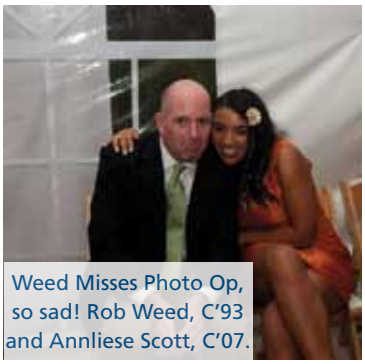
Mandy (McAteer) Schall, C'03, to Joshua A. Schall
June, 2010

Mounties in attendance included *Caroline Miller C'02*; *Jenny Caputo, C'03*; *Meggan (MacDonald) Schiffhauer, C'03*; *Janet (Gonzalez) Boccabello, C'03*; *Erika Crockett, C'03*; *Katie (Shea) Miller, C'04*; *Jocelyn (Redman) McMahon, C'04*; and *Aaren (Gonzales) and Bobby King, both C'04*

McCusker Wedding

Marion Wargo McCusker and Liam McCusker both C'03
St. Marie's Church in Manchester, New Hampshire
September 25, 2010

Brennan McDevitt, C'03; *Nikol Destatte, C'04*; *Beth Ann Pizzariello, C'03*; Groom- *Liam McCusker, C'03*; Bride- *Marian Wargo, C'03*; *Kelly Redmond, C'03*; *Jenny Caputo, C'03*; *Katie Widdoss, C'07*; *Erin Porter, C'03*; *Jackie Sabur, C'04*; *Courtney Jenkins, C'06*; *Meleah Burdette, C'06*; *Ellie Davey Walter, C'05*; *Evan Ruch, C'04*; *Josh Beale, C'03*; *Jason Mitchell, C'03*; *Laura Mitchell, C'06*; *David Stewart, C'03*; *Annliese Scott, C'07*; *Joe Entwistle, C'07*; *Laura Fenaroli, C'08*; *Jim Simpson, C'05*; *Dan Long, C'07*; *Leslie Walter, C'03*; *Owen McCusker, C'10*; *Last Row: Todd Sajauskas, C'04*; *Nick Dalidowitz, C'05*; *John Giovagnoni, C'05*; *Justin McMahon, C'05*; *Steve Sansone, C'04*. Not Pictured: *Jared King, C'05*; *Adrienne Lampe, B'07*; *Rob Weed, C'93.*



Weed Misses Photo Op, so sad! Rob Weed, C'93 and Annliese Scott, C'07.

Katie Stabb and Joe Paciella, both C'03
August 14, 2010
St. Mary's Chapel on the Hill at the Grotto of Lourdes, Mount St. Mary's University

Mounties in attendance: *April Parreco Gue, C'02; Lauren MacSorley, C'03; Chris Scott, C'03; Justin Hilliard, C'03; Heather Dapsauski, C'03; Erica (Boyle) Hilliard, C'03; Becky Gibbons, C'03; Lory Richter, C'03; Genevieve McBryan, C'03; Jamie (Hughes) Bissett, C'03; Keith Murphy, C'03; Mike Cordisco, C'03; Meredith (Pirone) Cordisco, C'03; Colleen Curran, C'03; Josh Leibfreid, C'01; Vic Gue, C'03* (not pictured)

Kristine E. Galiger, C'04, to James Owens
Winston Salem, NC

Eddie Wright, C'06, and Jennifer Lenfant Wright
July 10, 2010
St. Mary's Chapel on the Hill at the Grotto of Lourdes, Mount St. Mary's University

Left to right, seated: Amanda Kalal, Benjamin Lenfant, Craig Matusinski, *Kayleen Wright, C'08*, Warren Lenfant, Matthew Reynolds, Jessica Raines, Sara Matusinski

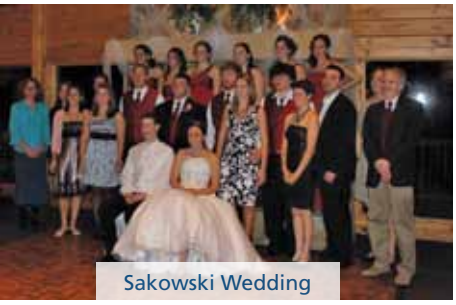
Lauren Brown Sakowski, C'09, and *Eric Sakowski, C'08*
November 6, 2010
Immaculate Conception Chapel, Mount St. Mary's University

Maid of Honor: *Emilee Senkevitch, C'07*; Bridesmaids: *Tiffany Coons, Kaela Smeresky, Ashlee Stoner, Lindsay Frikker, Cara Heisey; all C'09*; Groomsmen: *Matt Ruppert, Brian Bauer, Kyle Jones, Nick Tomasello, all C'08*

Bethany (Mann) Zabel, C'09, to *Jimmy Zabel, C'08*
July 20, 2010
St. Dominic's Church, Baltimore, MD

Married by Bethany's Deacon father, James L. Mann, Jr.
Mounties in attendance included: *Jason Polun, C'96; Lindsey Arnold C'09; Becky Polun (Mann), C'96; Steve Walton, C'08; Paul Noel, C'08; Joseph Skehan, C'07; Brigid Karwacki, C'08; Drew McCarl, C'08; Sean Skehan, C'10; Becky Thompson, C'09; Jen Baker, C'08; Glenn Duncan, C'87; Kevin Taylor, C'08; Lizzy (Mann) Baird, C'99; Ellen (Gunn) Duncan, C'89; Jim Mann, C'93; Quinn Flannery, C'08; John Mann, C'98; Matt McSherry, C'08; Mary Dougherty (Mann), C'00; Heather McDaniel, C'09; Michael (Doc) Dougherty, C'01*. Not pictured: *JD Record, C'08*; *Rich Bolte, C'08*; and *Luke Mann, C'05*.

Paciella Wedding



Sakowski Wedding

Zabel Wedding

Wright Wedding

Vote

The National Alumni Association of Mount St. Mary's University will hold its election from April 4 through May 4, 2011. Alumni will be asked to elect a president, three vice presidents and seven council members.

Online voting will open on April 4 and run through May 4, 2001 using our secured online ballot.

The ballot, brief bio and statement from each candidate, and voting instructions can be found online at **www.msmary.edu/alumnivote**

Voting deadline is May 4, 2011.

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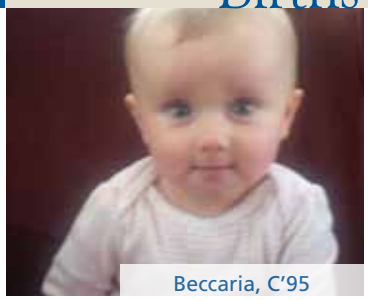
Births


Beccaria, C'95

Susie Rowlyk Beccaria, C'95, and Dave Beccaria
Avery Grace
May 2010

Joanne (Tracey) Berg, C'95, and Robert Berg
Luke David
September 27, 2010
Pictured with big brother, Logan and big sister, Makena (twins) who turned two in March 2011.

Emily Wright Druckman, C'97, and Dr. Stuart Druckman
Twins Rachel & Andrew
June 15, 2010

Greg Kirby, C'98, and Caitlyn Kirby
Twins Jenna Elizabeth & Joshua Thomas
Born December 21, 2010
The twins were welcomed by big brother William.

Matthew Baudassi, C'99, and Janice Baudassi
Gavin Thomas
September 30, 2010

Marianne Martin Kreiner, C'99, and Andrew Kreiner
Camden Noah Kreiner
April 27, 2010

Kreiner, C'99

Berg, C'95

Chris Sakers, C'99, and Jennifer Sakers
Madelyn Liliana Sakers
June 28, 2010

Caitlin Rettaliata McKinney, C'00, and Brendan McKinney
Alexander Francis McKinney
August 6, 2010

Erin McCartin Smigal, C'01, and Daniel Smigal
Twins Sarah Lily and Olivia Katelyn
October 21, 2009
They join big brother Benjamin (age three).

Michael Stazzone, C'01, and Katey Stazzone
Claudia Harper Stazzone
March 2010
This future Mountie joins her big brother, Riley, born March 2008.

Susan A Craley, C'02, and Brian S. Craley
Declan Craley
Born January 28, 2011

Terry Bykowski Ketchen, C'02, and her husband Matt Ketchen
Thomas James
August 9, 2010

Jay and Dale (Rader) Phillips, both C'05
Adelaide Downey
October 8, 2010

Lauren Neville Neighbors, C'08, and Stuart Neighbors
Evan Stuart
October 25, 2010

Kirby, C'98

Sakers, C'99

McKinney, C'00

Smigal, C'01

Phillips, C'05

Baudassi, C'99

Stazzone, C'01

Ketchen, C'02

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OCTOBER 2010

October 9 – North Florida/South Georgia Chapter Kick-off Cookout

North Florida Chapter

In photo *Chris and Katie Maurer, both C'01*; *Paul Deegan, C'55*; *Craig, C'89 and Liz (Stenson) Muldoon, C'90*; *Dedie (Jones) Campbell, C'88*; *Brian Davis, C'97*; *John Esposito, C'75*; *Greg Letnaunchyn, C'72*; *JoAnn Martz, SJC* and *John Martz, C'69*;, and *Tim O'Sullivan, C'84*.

DECEMBER 2010

December 5 – Baltimore Chapter Social and Toy Drive at Alexander's Tavern in Fells Point

December 9 – Philadelphia & Delaware Chapters Open House at the Painted Plate

December 9 – NY Metro Chapter Cocktail Reception at the Rick Wester Art Gallery in the City

Tom Cahill, C'87; Karen Imbach, C'90; Jim Morgan, C'90

December 11 – Baltimore Chapter Post-Game Social at Charles Village Pub in Towson

December 16 – Philadelphia & Delaware Chapters Christmas Social at Pietro's Prime in West Chester

JANUARY 2011

January 2 – MSM @ VA Tech-Carolinas Chapter watch game at Champs Sportsbar

January 9 – Connecticut Chapter Loyalty Luncheon

January 22- NAA Winter Leaders Meeting

January 27 - Connecticut Chapter pre-game social for the MSM @ Central CT State, at McLadden's Irish Publick House in West Hartford.

January 29 - Baltimore Chapter Polar Bear Plunge at Sandy Point State Park

NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS

Congratulations to the 2011 recipients of these National Alumni Association Awards:

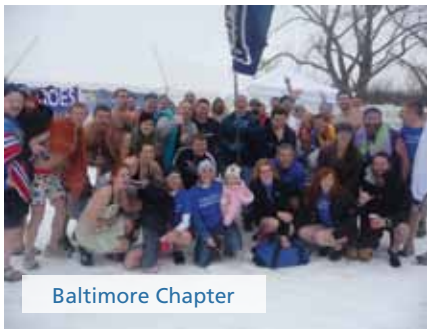
Hall of Fame, February 5, 2011
Recipients: *Gregory Harris, C'00*, Basketball; *Robert Herb, C'78*, Lacrosse & Service to the Mount's Athletic Program; *Mark Southern, C'98*, Soccer; *Megan Gardiner, C'00*, Basketball; *Will Vanjonack, C'99*, Baseball

Brute Medal, June 3, 2011
Recipients: *George Donohue, C'56*; *Rick Kidwell, C'76*

You can read more about this year's winners at www.msmary.edu/alumni

Carolinas Chapter

Connecticut Chapter


Baltimore Chapter

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MOUNT REDUX: ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE DESK

By Dana Pirone Ward, C97

My educational journey has come full circle, beginning at the Mount and now returning me there. I started at the Mount in the fall of 1993. I remember sitting in Freshman Seminar, reading the works of Dorothy Sayers, John Henry Newman, and Studs Terkel and talking about what it meant to pursue work as one's vocation. That was my introduction to college and I remember thinking, "Wow, college is really going to make me think about things."

Although I came in with a love of the sciences and knew that I would leave a science major, I didn't realize how much my mind would be opened to other intellectual pursuits. My training at the Mount was well-rounded. I was able to study and enjoy philosophy, history, theology (and others), just as much as anatomy, biochemistry, and genetics.

Sure, you can call me a nerd, but one of my favorite parts of the semester was walking back to my dorm room with a big stack of crisp new books from the bookstore, sitting down on my bed and flipping through the pages. The anticipation of all of the new readings, class discussions and syllabi made me giddy.

"The Mount is a place where people genuinely care about each other. It's certainly the kind of work environment that I wanted to be a part of, but it's actually more than that – it's a way of life."

While I can say that I loved many of the courses that I took at the Mount, none captivated me as much as the sciences. Of course, I had to claw my way through physical chemistry but who doesn't?

Without a doubt, one of the best parts of my training at the Mount was the faculty. That is one of the Mount's greatest strengths – We have talented faculty who really care about their students and who go out of their way to involve and engage them in their studies. I can remember being cajoled into being a member of the Great Discussions group by the late Dr. Emilio Rodriguez. I was rather shy, so an intense discussion group on politics was outside of my area of expertise and was intimidating, but it forced me to broaden my interests and move outside of my comfort zone. I was also very fortunate to become involved in research as an undergraduate. My honors project advisor had colleagues at the U.S. Department of Agriculture and I pursued my Honor's project on plant viruses at Ft. Detrick. Being in the Honors program was a huge part of my educational experience at the Mount and well-prepared me for my future graduate studies.

My love of the natural sciences coupled with my research experiences at the Mount propelled me toward graduate school. I was drawn toward research with a human health focus, and I found a Ph.D. program in Tumor Biology at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. that met my interests. I became very interested in thinking about cells as physical entities that actually feel their environment, physically interact with it and use these physical cues to govern their function. This led to a postdoctoral fellowship in bioengineering. at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore, MD.

After three years, I moved to the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, where I was forced to wrestle with a pressing career question: Do I want to stay at a large research university like Penn or do I want to go back to my first love of a small liberal arts school? While I found the (nearly) research-only job to be exhilarating, I felt I was called to be more. I knew that my vocation was in helping undergraduate students to learn about science.

As I started to apply for faculty positions at small liberal arts schools, Mount St. Mary's posted an opening. I immediate applied, interviewed, and was fortunate enough to be hired. So, I'm now back where I started. It feels strange at times, being on the other side of the desk, but mostly it just feels like coming home.

People often ask me "what has changed since I was a student at the Mount?" Some of the more-obvious changes have taken place with the buildings on campus. For example, current Mount students have an entirely different dining experience than I had (sorry fellow C'97 classmates, there is no longer Superchicken as a dinner entrée, although, maybe that's a good thing). There is a new dorm (Bicentennial Hall), the Terrace has been renovated, the fine arts building was very recently renovated and there is a new and improved cardio area in the ARCC (jealous? a little…). Since I graduated, Mt. St. Mary's College became a University, and recently it reorganized academically into three Schools and a College of Liberal Arts. **...Read the full article including what makes the Mount so special, online at msmary.edu/ward**

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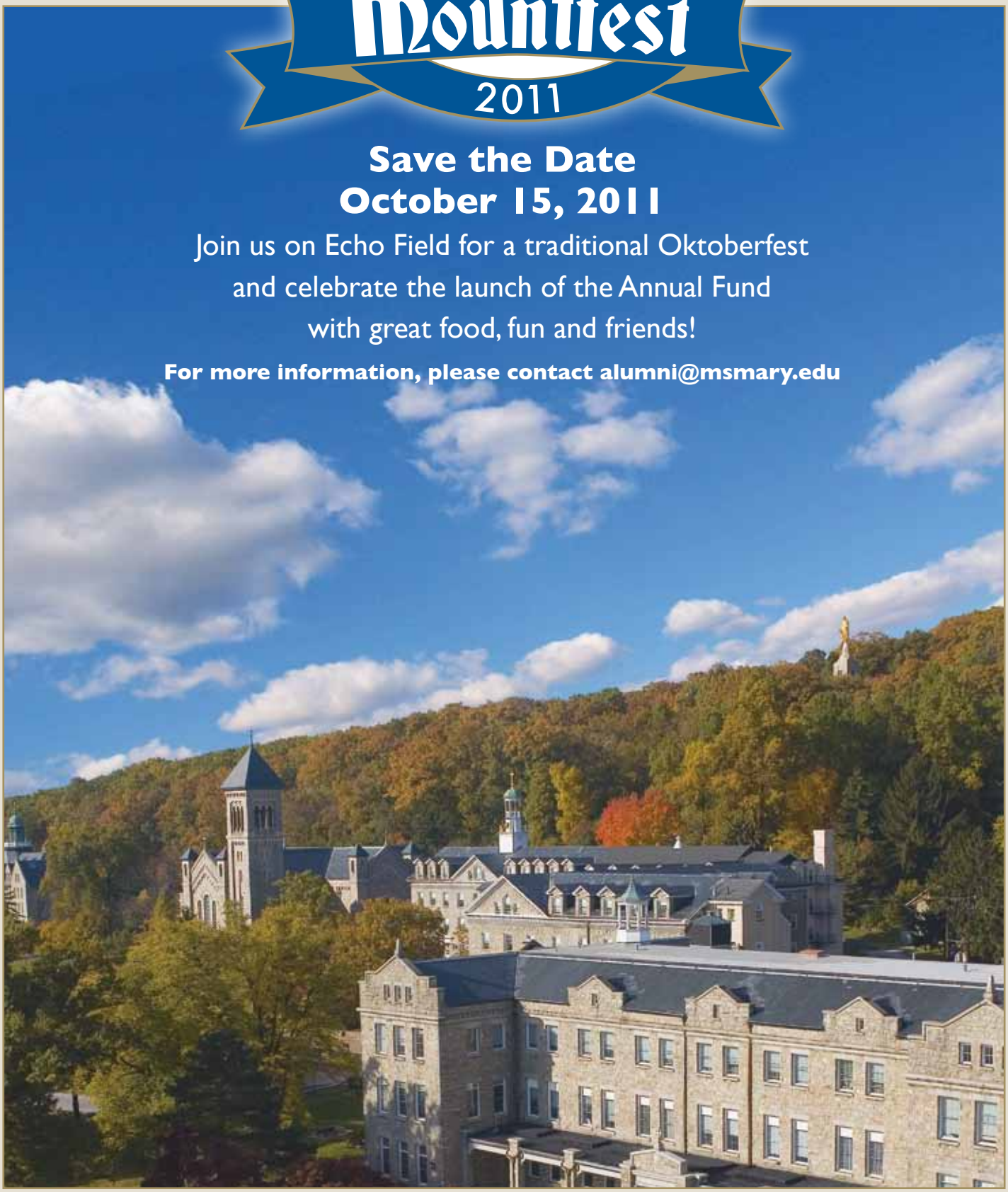

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Saturday, May 7, 4:00 p.m.
New York Metro Chapter Annual Mass & Social at St. Patrick's Cathedral

Monday, May 9, 12:00 p.m.
5th Annual Baltimore Chapter Golf Tournament at Hunt Valley Golf Club

Saturday, May 21
Carolinas Chapter Crawfish Boil

Sunday, May 15, 11 a.m.
Undergraduate and Graduate Commencement

Wednesday & Thursday, June 1 & 2
Alumni Retreat

Friday–Sunday, June 3 – 5
Reunion Weekend

Tuesday, June 14
Philadelphia Chapter Alumni Night at the Phillies

Sunday, July 17
Delaware Chapter Beach Picnic at Cape Henlopen State Park

June 20–24
Seminary Alumni Summer Retreat, Most Rev. John W. Flesey, S.T.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Newark Retreat Master

Sunday, July 17
Delaware Beach Picnic

Sunday, August 21
Baltimore Chapter 38th Annual Crab Feast at Ocean Pride Restaurant, Lutherville, Md.

Saturday, August 27
19th Annual Orioles Bullpen Party: Orioles vs. Yankees

Tuesday & Wednesday, October 4-5
Seminary Alumni Reunion, Homecoming Mass – Celebrant, Most Rev. Bishop Barry C. Knestout, S'89, Auxiliary Bishop of Washington; Presentation of the 36th Annual John Cardinal McCloskey Award

Fri.–Sun., October 21–23
Seminary Family Weekend

TERRACE RESIDENCE HALLS DEDICATION AND BLESSING

Reunion Weekend
Saturday, June 4, 2011
2 p.m.
Join us as we celebrate the renovation and modernization of DuBois, McCaffrey and Bruté Halls.

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Alumni Banquet & Bruté Medal Presentation

SATURDAY, JUNE 4

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