A SWEET LEGACY:
For generations, the Holder family has been part of the ice cream business and part of the Mount.
A MESSAGE TO MOUNT PARENTS FROM THE POPE

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—Pope Benedict XVI

The highlight of early spring 2008 was the visit to the United States by Pope Benedict XVI, especially his meeting with Catholic educators at Catholic University in Washington. During his address, “Encountering God in Catholic Education,” the Pope stressed the importance of education as “integral to the mission of the church to proclaim the Good News.” He acknowledged the sacrifices that figures such as St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and others had made to lay the foundation of today’s “remarkable network of parochial schools … contributing to the spiritual well-being of the Church and the nation.”

Through the graciousness of Mount Trustee, the Very Rev. David O’Connell, President of Catholic University of America, I was included in the small group of individuals who met privately with the Pope. I was chosen to represent the entire group of Catholic college and university presidents at the papal address because the Mount is celebrating its bicentennial anniversary this year.

During our introduction, I was moved by the experience of being in the presence of the Holy Father. As the Pope was continuing on to greet the next guest, he paused and said he had something else to say to me.

“Tell the parents who send their children to Mount St. Mary’s and other Catholic universities that I pray for them every day.”

The Pope asked me to tell the parents of the students at the Mount that he knew of the many sacrifices they made to send their children to our private, Catholic university. The Pope reiterated how much he appreciated the efforts of parents in providing the path to a faith-filled, excellent education based on Catholic identity. He ended by saying they would be blessed for their efforts.

God bless each and every member of the Mount family!

Thomas H. Powell
President
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By Lisa Gregory

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NEW CAMPUS CHAPLAIN

The Rev. Brian P. Nolan, a graduate of Mount St. Mary’s Seminary, has returned to the Mount as the new campus chaplain and director of Campus Ministry. Fr. Nolan earned a B.A. in mass communication from Towson University in 1993 and an M.A. in moral theology from the seminary in 2001.

“I have always loved ministry to college students and young adults, and the Mount is home to me. I look forward to being able to serve in a way that combines these two things so close to my heart,” says Fr. Nolan.

Fr. Nolan believes he has a special calling in life to serve young adults. As a college student at Towson University, he became a member of a religious group mediated by a Catholic priest, which met weekly at a nearby college. The experience and the aid and direction he received motivated him to become a man of God.

Fr. Nolan brings with him “a joyful presence, a love for my Catholic faith, a love for young people and an appreciation for how our faith can be part of us.”

“The Mount has had that guidance, I was thinking that if I could be involved with young adults and help them take a step forward wherever God is leading them, it would be wonderful to give them that gift as well,” he explains. Fr. Nolan brings with him “a joyful presence, a love for my Catholic faith, a love for young people and an appreciation for how our faith can be part of us,” as well as a new approach to getting students at the Mount thinking about spirituality and the role of God in their lives.

“We are going to see a lot of Fr. Nolan on campus,” says Mount President Thomas H. Powell. “He has innovative ideas and a strong grasp on what ministry at the Mount is all about … and he has a good sense of humor.”

Welcome back, Fr. Brian!

CAROLYN JACOBSON NAMED DIRECTOR OF MBA AND ADULT BUSINESS PROGRAMS

The Mount welcomes Dr. Carolyn Jacobson as the new director of graduate and adult business programs and as a professor of information systems. Jacobson officially began this summer and is excited about becoming a member of the Mount family.

“This position reflects Mount St. Mary’s strong commitment to graduate and adult business education,” Jacobson commented. “I look forward to working with area organizations to address the higher education needs of the region’s workforce.” Jacobson will have an office at the university’s Frederick Center on Spectrum Drive, as well as on the main campus in Emmitsburg.

Jacobson was previously at Marymount University in Virginia, where she was a professor and chair of the Department of Information Systems and Management Science. She also served as director of the graduate and undergraduate programs in information systems. The undergraduate information systems program was established under her leadership.

“Carolyn brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to our business program,” said Dr. William Forgang, the Mount’s chair of the Department of Business, Accounting and Economics.

Jacobson received her doctorate and master’s degrees from Ohio University and her undergraduate degree from Oberlin College. She has also done postdoctoral work at the University of Minnesota and Indiana University, and has served on the faculties at Shippensburg University and Gettysburg College.

She has won grants from several organizations such as the GTE and Verizon foundations. The author of numerous publications, Jacobson has received awards for her scholarship, including the Association for Information Systems Best Educational Paper Award.

Her current research interests are in knowledge management, human-computer interaction and information systems education. She is on the editorial board of the International Journal of Technology and Human Interaction and the editorial advisory board for Advances in Technology and Human Interaction.
USING HER VOICE ... FOR A GREATER GOOD

Erin Knoll, a Mount senior and professional cheerleader for Baltimore’s NFL Ravens team, went on a journey this summer that she hopes to repeat.

Through an organization called Blessing the Children International, Erin discovered a service trip in which volunteers from the United States are able to help needy children in Ethiopia. Erin and her fellow volunteers went into the town of Debre Zeyit to help teach kids English and religion, aid in home repairs, check on their medical conditions and offer good will toward a community that struggles with poverty on a daily basis.

“These families worry everyday about how they are going to get food and take care of themselves,” said Erin. “There are more than 4 million orphans in Ethiopia, and so many of the parents and kids are suffering with HIV-AIDS. I found it unbelievable.”

Erin says her trip abroad taught her to appreciate the many things she takes for granted, “my family, my education, my opportunities.”

She first got the bug to help people through watching her father, who volunteers extensively with communities in Honduras. Erin, a psychology major with a minor in sociology, says the Mount has also taught her a lot about the global community and provided her with a better perspective on the impact people can have on other people.

For the last two football seasons, Erin has been a full-time member of the Ravens’ cheer squad. Erin notes there is more to the gig than just Game Day, though that is the most exciting part of the job. “The Ravens have a high profile,” and through her connection with the team, she is able to participate in all kinds of charitable events. “It’s such a great opportunity to meet people from all over and talk to them about activities and organizations that make a positive impact on people’s lives.”

Heading back to Ethiopia is in her plans. “It’s funny to say, but those kids in Africa gave me so much more than I think I gave them. I went to make sure they were given a sense of hope for their own future, to follow their dreams, and I accomplished that—but they inspired me in ways I am still discovering.”

Erin traveled to Africa in part through donations from her fellow Ravens football cheerleading squad members, her family and Mount contributors.
By Jason Werden, C’09, MSMRFC President, SGA President

It started with a quote. “A Mount Rugger is timeless,” blurted my classmate Erica George. Erica and I had been bouncing around ideas for hours, trying to come up with a phrase, a tag line that would drive home our semester project for Dr. Carl Glover’s Public Relations course.

Dr. Glover’s class fronts as a PR consulting firm. “I hire all my students as PR consultants and each must find a real client who would benefit from a full-fledged PR campaign,” Dr. Glover explained. I was unable to pass up the possibilities in choosing the Mount St. Mary’s Rugby Football Club (MSMRFC) as our client.

What began as a class project quickly evolved into an opportunity to bring back to campus a number of individuals who had lost contact with the place they had called home for four years.

As president of the men’s rugby team, I had been attempting to gain an alumni base for some time. Our project objective was to reach as many former Mount ruggers as possible to expand on an alumni database. Our event planning skills were honed immediately. Erica kept us on task with the assignment deadlines in the classroom, such as calendars, press releases, feature stories and budgeting paperwork. I delved into the outside-the-lines necessities, using connections gained across a network of ruggers to contact alums, finding a pitch to play on, and organizing a raffle to run between matches.

After weeks of preparation, Erica and I had five teams ready to play in the first annual Mount St. Mary’s Rugby Alumni Tournament, held on April 19, 2008.

“It was a very proud moment for me to see things come full circle for the Mount rugby program,” Dean of Students Michael Post commented, a former Mount rugger who also played in the tournament. “It was an event I would love to see continue. The best part was that the celebration was designed by students.”

“I was extremely impressed with how organized and prepared the tournament was,” said Luke Mann, C’05, former MSMRFC player and officer. “Rugby has always produced tight communities, and this is especially true with the Mount’s team. We were able to catch up with teammates and friends we hadn’t seen for years.”

Possibly one of the proudest throughout the entire ordeal was our coach, Don Briggs, who has coached, mentored and befriended those of the MSMRFC for 12 seasons. He noted that events like the alumni tournament are what rugby and life at the Mount are all about. “The Mount and my players provide one of my life’s richest resources.”

Erica and I never expected the multitude that we learned about the public relations industry while holding an event that took itself from the notebook of a college classroom to the real world.

We could not have achieved our goal without Dean Post’s guidance, bicentennial staff Liz Monahan’s and Laura Michener’s mentoring in event planning, Maureen Plant’s expertise in alumni relations, Coach Briggs’ investment in the club, the excitement of the university’s many alums, and Dr. Glover’s hands-on approach to teaching. Preparations are already being made for the second annual MSMRFC Alumni Tournament.

We were amazed in discovering that students were capable of accomplishing such a successful and meaningful event for both current Mount students and alumni. “It was empowering, to say the least,” Erica summed up. Earning an “A” didn’t hurt, either.

To learn more about the upcoming MSMRFC season and events, contact Jason at jcwerden@email.msmary.edu

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A FUN WAY TO WELCOME THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF THE MOUNT COMMUNITY

This summer, the Mount Family Association teamed up with an alumni chapter and the admissions office to offer the first Summer Social BBQ. In July our incoming New York freshmen and their families were invited to meet with current students, parents and alumni from Long Island. Graciously hosted by Elaine Trentacoste, C’81, of Garden City and her husband, Joe, the informative and relaxed event proved to be a wonderful idea for helping Mounties get to know each other. The Trentacostes are the parents of Liz, C’09.

The Mount would like to expand our Summer Socials next year. These could be hosted in the homes of local alumni or at a country club or similar venue. If you would like to welcome the incoming freshmen in your area next summer by hosting a Summer Social, please contact Irene Q. Powell, Mount Family Association coordinator, at 301-447-3156 or ipowell@msmary.edu.

The Mount’s Newest Third Century Scholars

The Mount welcomes recipients of the Third Century Scholarship to campus this semester with open arms.

All of the students excel in both their academic endeavors and positive involvement with their community. They are all majoring in either business administration, accounting, economics, sport management, information systems or education.

The 2008-09 recipients include:

- Kaisha Sutton - Bishop McNamara High School
- Remington Culver - Friendship Collegiate Academy
- Tyrasha Hubbard - Friendship Collegiate Academy
- Kierstin Fennell - Woodrow Wilson SHS
- Elena Mercedez - Georgetown Visitation
- Catherine Mithika - Woodrow Wilson SHS
- Kaneisha Richardson - Elizabeth Seton High School
- Christopher Baysmore - Archbishop Carroll High School
- Deborah Zelaya - Bell Multicultural High School

Established in 2007, the Third Century Scholars Program is designed to aid low-income minority students. Funded by a generous anonymous donor, it awards financial aid and academic support to students from high schools in Washington, D.C., each year.

“Mount St. Mary’s University has made so many dreams a reality,” says Tyrone Perry, program director of the Third Century Scholars Program. “The program has eliminated most obstacles to a college education, with our financial commitment and complete support for the students.”

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Members of the Mount community spent some of their summer break-time helping a group of young people get through a particularly tough time in their young lives.

Brooke Donovan, the Mount’s assistant director of campus activities, Katherine Chronister, one of the Mount’s assistant directors of residence life, and Alissa Troutman, C’09, spent a sunny weekend volunteering at Camp Dragonfly in Halifax, Pa.

Camp Dragonfly, located at Camp Hebron, nestled among mountains near the Susquehanna River, is a place where children and teens from the area can gather with their peers to share the experience of grieving the death of someone they love. The camp directors hope that in playing, sharing and spending time around others with similar experiences, campers realize that their emotions are normal and that what is happening to them is happening to others.

“We each spent time paired up with a 'little buddy' and had the chance to talk a lot about grief and being sad over our loss; and we all managed to have some fun too,” says Brooke Donovan. “Rewarding? Extremely. And with the three of us Mounties going, we were truly able to bring the spirit of the Mount with us.”

The Mount volunteers spent much of their time drumming on West African drums, making quilt squares, creating fire sticks, making memory boxes, scavenger hunting, participating in feelings sessions and some team building exercises.

GETTING HIS FEET WET

Tim Rosen, C’09, spent his summer collecting, analyzing and reporting on the water quality of nearby Gettysburg’s Lake Heritage, a 150-acre lake and residential community of more than 850 homes.

Majoring in biology and environmental studies here at the Mount, Tim jumped at the chance to intern for the Lake Heritage Property Owners’ Association on their Watershed Analysis Project and apply his classroom know-how to real-life experience. “I wanted to work for something that looked to preserving the environment, a place where I could apply what the Mount has taught me.”

Tim’s major role in the project focused on determining the level of nutrient pollution entering the lake on a regular basis. He became the project’s point-person to translate technical research and biological terms into an everyday man’s understanding.

Jeffrey Simmons, associate professor of environmental studies and Tim’s internship coordinator, says Tim couldn’t have been in a better situation. “He gained a new perspective on local environmental issues and valuable experience that will help him when he applies to graduate school.”

Tim plans to continue his work analyzing and improving area watershed areas now and after graduation.
TWO MOUNT EMPLOYEES NAMED TO LEADERSHIP FREDERICK

Kate Charuhas, Mount St. Mary’s marketing director and a resident of Frederick, Md., has been selected as a member of Leadership Frederick County. The group of corporate, nonprofit and government executives meets to explore local issues and leadership strategies in preparation for future civic involvement. The list of graduates of the program reads like a Who’s Who of leaders in the Frederick area, including Peter Plamondon Jr., copresident of The Plamondon Companies, a good friend of Mount St. Mary’s University and a winner of the Bicentennial Medal.

Says Plamondon, “Going through Leadership Frederick County was a great experience for me, particularly because it allowed me to network with other business and government executives whom I need to know as an entrepreneur in Frederick County.”

Charuhas is a graduate of Hollins University and has a master’s degree from Williams College. She and her husband, Chris, live in Frederick City with their young son, Pete. She sees it as her civic duty to help develop and manage the growth and cultural climate in the ever-expanding county. She also wants to increase awareness of the Mount’s Frederick campus, which offers master’s degree and bachelor’s completion programs for adults in the region.

Mike Hardisky is in his eighth season at the Mount. He came as sports information director in 2001 and was recently named associate director of athletics.

In his new role, Mike will be directly responsible for the oversight of nine intercollegiate athletic teams, the sports information office and all aspects related to the department’s corporate development, marketing, promotions and oversight of team fundraising. He will continue to direct all phases of the Mount Club’s activities.

In participating in Leadership Frederick, Mike hopes to more closely integrate the Mount with the ever-growing Frederick community, leading to more local participation in sports, development and enrollment.

At home in Timonium, Mike knows the value of community involvement. He is active in the Boy Scouts, the PTA, his church and local rec leagues. At one time or another all three of Mike’s children have played soccer, basketball, lacrosse or baseball.

RECYCLEMANIA 2008

The Mount is well on its way to making a greener world!

Last semester Mount students participated in RecycleMania, a friendly competition and benchmarking tool for college recycling programs to promote waste reduction activities to their campus communities. Over a 10-week period, schools report recycling and trash data, which are then ranked according to who collects the largest amount of recyclables per capita, the largest amount of total recyclables, the least amount of trash per capita, or has the highest recycling rate. With each week’s reports and rankings, participating schools watch how their results fluctuate against other schools and use this to rally their campus communities to reduce and recycle more. The Mount finished third in the “Waste Minimization” category and placed sixth in “Targeted Materials- Food Service Organics.”
We're living in a disposable society: we use it and toss it. However, when it comes to history we can't forget the deep marks our heroes have made on our souls. The Bicentennial has been a great reminder of those who've gone before us, those who have embodied the character and values we cherish as Mounties today.

Mount graduate Phil McDonnell, C’43, accepted his Bicentennial Medal in California in June 2008; in his speech he recalled an early Mountie, Bishop James Edward Walsh, class of 1910. McDonnell says one of the greatest honors of his life was meeting Bishop Walsh and later introducing him at a Mount alumni dinner.

The story of the good bishop is not familiar to many people, even though he has been referred to as one of the “saints” who walked the Mount campus. As Phil McDonnell reminded us, “He may not have been a Saint, but he was a darn good baseball player and one of the Mount’s most famous graduates.”

The man who was to become Bishop Walsh was the son of a rural Cumberland, Md., farm family. (Bishop Walsh School in Cumberland is named for him.) A young Jimmy Walsh was at his family’s dinner table when he listened to Father Thomas Price, a visiting cofounder of the Maryknoll order, talk about his passionate calling as a missionary to China.

It lit a spark in the young farm boy, and Jimmy Walsh entered the seminary at Mount St. Mary’s and after graduation became a Maryknoll priest. However, the man who became a well-known Maryknoll missionary never forgot his roots at Mount St. Mary’s. Sixty years later, Mountie Phil McDonnell tracked down the frail 79-year-old bishop at a Maryknoll mission house in San Francisco and asked to meet as Mount alumni. The Maryknoll gatekeepers who were protecting the ailing bishop would have never let McDonnell visit, but the bishop wished to meet him when he heard he was a fellow Mount St. Mary’s graduate. The famous missionary met McDonnell and his two sons face to face in a meeting Phil McDonnell will never forget. By then, the story of Bishop James Walsh was well known in and out of the United States as a man whom the Chinese communists had tried to break and couldn’t.

At the time, the new Chinese government perceived religion, and the missionaries specifically, as threats to communism. Bishop Walsh was put under constant surveillance, harassed and pressured to leave the country. He refused to leave and according to Time magazine, his famous Irish temper flared:

“I don’t feel inclined to get off the earth just because some people dislike my religion,” said Bishop Walsh.

“Interment and death are simply the normal risks inherent in our state of life, a small price to pay for carrying out our duty.”

He would pay dearly for those words and actions, spending seven years under house arrest and almost 12 years of a 20-year sentence in a Chinese prison. He suffered much during that time;

“Here is his story:

The Rev. Jimmy Walsh was one of the first four Maryknoll priests sent to China to preach to the faithful. In 1927 he became the first American consecrated as a bishop in China, and in 1936 returned to the U.S. to serve as superior general of the order for the next 10 years. In 1948, Cardinal Spellman sent Bishop Walsh back to China as head of the Catholic Central Bureau to coordinate all missionary, educational and cultural work for the church. It was not to be a smooth road for the man who had become the first Maryknoll-Mountie missionary.

In 1962, Bishop Walsh received the DuBois Medal for outstanding service to his country, his church and his alma mater. His brother, Judge William C. Walsh, ’10, accepted it for Walsh, as he was still under detention in China.
the Chinese government was not easy on its prisoners. He was allowed only one non-Chinese visitor, his brother William, and the communist guards refused to let him give a rosary to the bishop.

Without any fanfare or notice, the bishop was finally released from a Shanghai prison hospital and walked “across the Hong Kong Lo Wu Bridge to freedom” in July of 1970. His refusal to back down to his persecutors showed an unshakable belief in his calling. “The task of a missioner (missionary),” said the bishop, “is to go to a place where he is not wanted, but needed, and remain until he is not needed but wanted.”

Remarkably, he was also without bitterness against his captors. Pope Paul VI personally welcomed him back, saying, “Today you have returned from your mission—more painful than perhaps you expected. It is the Pope who receives you back and who thanks you in the name of Christ for all you have done and suffered.”

It was a year later, still weak from his long imprisonment, that Bishop Walsh met with Phil McDonnell and renewed his relationship with the Mount. (The bishop had received the DuBois Medal in 1962 for outstanding service to his country, his church and his alma mater. His brother, Judge William C. Walsh, ’10, had accepted it for him, as he was still under detention in China.)

Bishop James Edward Walsh died peacefully in Maryknoll, N.Y., in 1981. He will never be forgotten as a hero of enormous faith and forever a son of Mount St. Mary’s, forever a Mountie.

Philip A. McDonnell received a Bicentennial Medal at the San Francisco, Calif., celebration on June 18. His acceptance speech is on the web at www.msmary.edu/mcdonnell.

Clockwise, starting top right: The Sacred Heart of Mary Church compound in Jiangmen, China, is located across the street from a beautiful park on the West River. Reverend Aloysius Jin Luh Xia, Bishop of Shanghai Diocese, is a historical witness to the termination of the Catholic missionary movement in China and a personal friend of Bishop Walsh. Professor Notar with the Immaculate Heart Sisters in June 2008, preparing zonzi, the sticky rice dumpling wrapped in leaves that is the traditional Dragon Boat festival food. Chinese continue to worship inside the native Catholic Church established by Father Walsh. Bishop Walsh’s house, built in 1923, is still impressive despite the deterioration in the interior. All photos © Isabella Notar

IN THE BISHOP’S FOOTSTEPS
Mount history assistant professor Dr. Isabella Notar recently completed preliminary research on Bishop Walsh’s missionary path in hopes of establishing a Mount summer study program in China. Explains Notar, “I would like to develop a creative program in Jiangmen that attracts students and faculty to the China beyond textbooks—as it exists in reality and in conversation with the modern world. Bishop Walsh was opening doors as a forerunner of globalization, and I believe the Mount will benefit from reconnecting with the dynamically changing community he helped establish.”

To read Dr. Notar’s entire paper, visit www.msmary.edu/mcdonnell
CELEBRATING THE MOUNT’S BICENTENNIAL AROUND THE COUNTRY

Kelly Mikules, C’67, on Mount Loyalty

Below are excerpts from Paul K. “Kelly” Mikules’ Bicentennial Medal acceptance speech at the San Diego, Calif., celebration on June 20. His full speech is on the web at www.msmary.edu/mikules.

I began my journey to the Mount some 45 years ago and to think that I am standing before you today and receiving this Bicentennial Medal is such an honor. This medal is awarded for leadership, loyalty and generosity; of these ... loyalty is the most important characteristic for me.

Yes, I am loyal to the Mount. Some of my best years were at the Mount. I experienced many successes and many failures, and the Mount gave me the best education I could ever want! Thank you, Mount St. Mary’s!

It bothers me that the Mount’s endowment is so paltry compared to Gettysburg, Hood or Catholic University. Now it is up to us to help—Mount St. Mary’s University is a necessary entity to the fabric and culture of this society.

If we take our responsibility seriously, the successor to Dr. Powell 100 years from now will select others to receive Tricentennial Medals. May Mount St. Mary’s University live on, and may loyalty to its pillars of Faith, Discovery, Leadership and Community be a tradition for years to come.

Right: Detail of the front of the Bicentennial Medal, awarded to individuals or organizations that have demonstrated, by example, achievement, and commitment, extraordinary service to our alma mater, the community, or the Church.

Far right: Candidates from the fourteen regional Bicentennial Celebrations
CELEBRATING THE BICENTENNIAL IN COSTA RICA

This summer as part of the Mount’s bicentennial celebration, Dr. Diana Rodríguez-Lozano from the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures prepared a 10-day trip to Costa Rica. The May 23 – June 3 trip included Mount students, employees, alumni and their families.

The trip began in San José with an excursion to La Paz Waterfall Park and a visit to the well-known arts and crafts town of Sarchí, where residents hand paint oxcarts, the symbol of Costa Rica.

From there, the group proceeded to the Tortuguero area in the Caribbean for three days. Before they continued to the Pacific north coast, they spent one night in San José, where they went to the Ram Luna show of typical dances from the different regions of the country.

On their way to two days at the resort of Playa Tambor, the group encountered Tropical Storm Alma as they were crossing on the ferry to reach the resort (quite a unique experience!). They finished the trip with three days at the famous active volcano Arenal.

Dr. Rodríguez-Lozano noted, “This was a wonderful group, and we had a wonderful time!” She has been taking students to Costa Rica every two years since 1996 and is preparing to take another group this coming summer.

Photos courtesy of Jennifer Auman. At left: Amy McCormick, C’07; professor and trip organizer Diana Rodríguez-Lozano; Jennifer Auman, C’06, MBA’08; and Michael Gilbride, C’06, overlook El Valle Central outside of San Jose. All three alums took many of Dr. Rodríguez-Lozano’s courses and traveled abroad with her several times. At top: Jennifer Auman and her sister, Lynn, are pictured on the grounds of their hotel prior to embarking on a zipline tour of the rainforest canopy. The erupting Arenal Volcano is in the background.
LEGACIES AT THE MOUNT, PART TWO

The Spring 2008 edition of Mount Magazine featured our legacy students, those who have had family members graduate from the Mount and are carrying on the tradition. Despite all of our attempts to locate and interview them, not all of the legacies made it into the magazine. Here are two more families who are Mount proud:

THE LARKINS

Nine Larkins have attended the Mount, representing three generations, along with two more graduates who married into the family.

Joseph E. Larkin, MD, C’42, class president and captain of the football team
Joseph E. Larkin Jr., C’67
Sean P. Larkin, C’76
Terry Larkin, C’79
Myles Larkin, C’82
Mary Ellen (Cotter) Larkin, C’81, Myles’ wife
Monica Larkin, C’85
Jannelle (Larkin) Malone, C’02, Sean’s daughter
Joe Malone, C’02 (married to Jannelle)
Christopher Larkin, C’07, Terry’s son
Carol Anne Larkin, C’09, Sean’s daughter

THE MANNS

Judge and Mrs. James L. Mann Jr. have enrolled seven children at the Mount and attended the annual Family Weekend for 19 years in a row. In September at their final weekend (daughter Bethany is now a senior), they received a Bicentennial Medal. They are true witnesses to a family belief in the value of a Catholic education!

James Mann III, C’93
Rebecca Mann Polun, C’96
Elizabeth Mann Baird, C’99
Mary Mann Dougherty, C’00
John Mann, MSM 2000-01
Luke Mann, C’05
Bethany Mann, C’09

REZNICK RECRUITS

Another sort of legacy comes through the extraordinary efforts of the Reznick Group, one of the fastest growing national accounting firms in 2008. The firm, with 10 offices around the country including Baltimore, Bethesda and Los Angeles, has made a concerted effort to recruit and hire Mount accounting graduates. A recent company newsletter had an update on Mount alums working for Reznick:

Mary Beth Liebhauser Norwood, CPA, C’88-A principal in the Accounting and Auditing Group/Baltimore with more than 20 years in audit, tax and business advisory services

Scott Szeliga, CPA, Senior Manager, Accounting and Auditing Group, C’97-Involved in the Maryland Chamber of Commerce; married Mount grad Deanna Czech, C’97

David Baynes, Senior Audit Associate, C’98-Experience in commercial real estate, planning and supervising audit engagements of large, multi-use buildings, medical parks, full service hotels and golf course portfolios

Ryan Henigan, CPA, Audit Senior Manager, C’98-Involved in his office’s Social Impact Committee and campus recruitment; a project leader for Reznick’s Community Outreach Day

Lucas Matesa, CPA, Senior Manager, Accounting and Auditing Group, C’99-More than nine years’ experience; married Mount grad Alicia Mazouat, C’00

Amy Jo Morris, CPA, Senior Manager, Accounting and Auditing Group, C’99-Experience in auditing, accounting, tax credit syndicators and real estate owners/developers

Larry Litzinger, Audit Senior Associate, C’04-Started with the firm after graduation; now taking courses to sit for the CPA exam and starting MBA program this year

Michelle Cookson, Audit Senior Associate, C’05-Currently enrolled in the Mount’s MBA program and will sit for the CPA exam upon completion; engaged to Mount grad Christopher Hazewski, C’05

Jennifer Auman, Audit Associate, C’06, MBA’08-Began part time in 2006 as an intern while completing her MBA and became full time in 2007; part of campus recruiting; will sit for her CPA exam this fall (see her pictures from the Mount’s Costa Rica trip on p.11)

Genetta Miller, Audit Senior Associate, C’06-Started as an associate, promoted in July 2008 and will sit for her CPA exam this fall
The long-awaited accreditation site visit took place last April 26 – 30, as the university hosted a team of reviewers from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE). The NCATE team chair was Catherine Dunkle, Ph.D., of Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania, and the MSDE team chair was Gaye Brown of Goucher College.

During the visit, the team interviewed 300 individuals in a series of group interviews on campus and in our Professional Development School (PDS) network. The team attended a PDS Gallery Walk to learn about the unique characteristics of each PDS site. They also reviewed more than 500 paper and electronic documents that were cited in the Institutional Report.

The accreditation process began well before the visit. One year prior, teacher education programs submitted program reports to specialized professional associations in content areas such as English, mathematics, social studies and foreign languages or to MSDE for art, music and business, showing that teacher candidates know and are able to teach content. Months before the visit, the Department of Education submitted a 100-page Institutional Report, in which we detailed the extent to which each of the NCATE standards and Maryland Redesign elements were met in our programs.

Our school partners were also deeply involved in the visit. Each of our Professional Development Schools wrote a description of the school and its relationship to the Mount; two wrote a more detailed explication paper. Team members visited Ballenger Creek Elementary and New Market Middle/Linganore High schools. Team members also visited education classes. Throughout the visit the team sought to corroborate claims that were made in the Institutional Report.

Accreditation is the work of many. Though the education department shouldered much of the job, it was a community effort that led to such a successful team visit. The NCATE Board of Examiners will review the team’s report at its October meeting and render a decision to accredit the university.
Mount Seminarians Serve at World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia

By Mark Cusick, S’13

For six days in July, Catholic youth from all over the world were in Sydney, Australia, for the largest event ever hosted in that country. World Youth Day (WYD) was founded by Pope John Paul II in 1986 as a way of reaching out to the world’s Catholic youth and encouraging them to live out their faith as witnesses to the new evangelization.

Among the many exciting activities offered at WYD, one of the most popular events was the Vocations Expo, which showcased information on priestly and religious vocations, service organizations and lay movements. Young people who visited the Expo filled the site with enthusiasm and curiosity about religious vocations. Mount seminarian Brother Leonard Revilla, a member of the Franciscan Missionaries of the Eternal Word who attended WYD, said that “witnessing the devotion of the youth and their love for God and our Holy Father was an edifying experience.”

WYD provided young Catholics with other opportunities to witness their faith on a global stage. Thirteen seminarians from Mount St. Mary’s Seminary served at various educational and pastoral sites. Since there were 170 different nations gathered at this year’s WYD, attending each celebration evoked a sense of wonder at both the variety and the solidarity of the Catholic Church. An estimated 500,000 youths attended the final papal Mass.

Enriched by his experience at WYD, Mount seminarian Matthew Rolling said he enjoyed providing for the youth a “visible witness to the joy of following the will of God and serving Jesus Christ.” Overall, this historic journey vivified seminarians and youth and confirmed them in their Catholic faith.

NEW ACOLYTES INSTITUTED

Twenty-one new Acolytes were instituted on April 11, 2008, by Bishop Thomas J. Tobin of the Diocese of Providence, Rhode Island, in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception. The new Acolytes came from ten different dioceses across the nation, with one, Chigioke Ogbuka, hailing from Nigeria (though studying for the Archdiocese of Atlanta).

MINISTRY OF lector INSTALLATION AT MOUNT St. Mary’s seminary

The Most Rev. Frederick F. Campbell, D.D., Ph.D., bishop of Columbus, instituted 23 seminarians into the ministry of Lector on April 25, 2008, the Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist. The ceremony took place in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception at Mount St. Mary’s Seminary.
“Bless me, Father, for I have scored”

Seminary Soccer Team Cruises to Rector’s Cup Victory

By David Wells, S’10

Standing on the shoulders of its first year playmaker and its seasoned veteran goalie, the Mount seminary soccer team recorded its fourth straight Rector’s Cup Tournament championship in relatively easy fashion.

In spite of the cool, damp conditions a large and lively crowd cheered the Mount on to a 3-0 victory over Immaculate Conception-Seton Hall Seminary in the final. Mount senior Becca Mullan showed up face-painted and full of spirit, carrying a sign reading, “Bless me father for I have scored.”

Becca was part of the large crowd the tournament drew this year, in part because of the excitement surrounding first year seminarian Chase Hilgenbrinck, who joined the seminary this fall after a short stint with Major League Soccer’s New England Revolution.

While Hilgenbrinck dominated play from the midfield, he was aided by a very balanced attack, led by forwards Tom Cavanaugh and Vincent Vodjogbe. The defense was equally impressive, as the unit—led by goal keeper Deacon Tim Naples and sweeper Brian Fink—held its opponents scoreless over the weekend.

After the Mount secured a 3-0 victory over St. Joseph’s Seminary in the opener, the seminarians knew they would face a potent team in Immaculate Conception in the championship match. The Mount’s defense proved to be as stingy in the final as it was against St. Joseph’s, as Tim Naples made a few very nice saves to keep the opponents off the board. Meanwhile, the offense recorded the decisive tally just two minutes into the game on a strike from Brian Wayne. Vincent Vodjogbe added two more goals, one in each half, to seal the victory and championship for the Mount.

Hilgenbrinck was the only seminarian to walk with any noteworthy injury. An ugly collision with an IC player just before the end of the first half left Chase with a sizeable gash under his chin. He played the second half, thanks to expert bandaging by seminarian Tim Gallagher and then headed to the hospital after the game, where he received seven stitches.

Next year the tournament takes place at St. Charles Seminary in Philadelphia. With the Mount expecting to lose just one starter, Deacon Tim Naples, the team will once again rely on its solid team work and balanced attack to repeat as Rector’s Cup champions for the fifth consecutive year.

“The Rector’s Cup is right where it belongs. There is no reason why the Cup should ever leave the Mount.”

By David Wells, S’10

Rector Monsignor Steven Rohlfs sat in the stands with the cup right next to him.
For generations, the Holder family has been part of the ice cream business and part of the Mount.
“Summertime and the livin’ is easy,” as the song goes. Unless you are a member of the Holder family, that is.

Then summer means lots of people eating lots of ice cream. And, in that case, your family business, the Hershey Creamery Company, is bustling. In fact, during the summer months, the Pennsylvania company, busy year round, must double its production. Not that the Holder family is complaining, sitting atop an ice cream empire that sells to more than 25,000 retail outlets in 20 states and is one of the largest ice cream manufacturers in the northeastern United States.

“It’s ice cream. It’s fun. When I tell people I make ice cream, they always have a smile on their face,” says Walter Holder, vice president of manufacturing and a Mount alum, who along with family members took a break this past summer to talk about the family legacy of making ice cream, running a successful business and attending the Mount.

For more than 100 years the Hershey Creamery Company has been making ice cream, with the Holder family involved for much of that time. The company was originally started in 1894 by Jacob N. Hershey, who is no relation to the Hershey Food Corporation family, as the company is always quick to point out. However, the Holders have been active in the company since the 1920s, when their grandfather’s business, Meyer Dairy Company, merged with the Hershey Creamery. Actual Holder ownership of the company didn’t take place until the mid ’60s, when Walter’s father gained ownership through stock purchases. “He saw a good opportunity and took it,” says Tom Holder, brother to Walter and vice president of sales and marketing. “The rest is history.”

The Holder family has been affiliated with the ice cream business for almost as long as they have been affiliated with the Mount. “Our uncle Monsignor Walter Shaull was a graduate of the college and the seminary back in the 1940s,” recalls Walter, who is a 1972 graduate of the Mount and graduated in 1973 as a member of the first class of women. The most recent Holder to come to the university is Mike, Walter’s nephew and Tom’s son. Mike is currently a senior majoring in business.

The family’s relationship with the Mount has been a fruitful one, made all the more significant with Hershey Creamery recently becoming involved with two marketing classes on campus. The company offered students the opportunity to conduct a real-world competitive analysis project for it.

“We have real ties there,” says Walter of the Mount.
BECOMING AN ICE CREAM MAN

If you were a Holder in high school and college, you worked summers at the company, as well as holidays, explains Walter. “When I graduated from the Mount, I didn’t just roll into the corner office,” he recalls.

The process is long and involved, with family members learning the business from the ground up, including the production line. But most are eager to do so. Family members currently employed at the company include not only Walter and Tom, but their older brother George, who serves as president, and their sister Mary, as well as sons and daughters, grandchildren and in-laws. “Fortunately, we all like each other,” smiles Walter. “We all get along. We are a business, but a family first. It’s fun coming to work and spending time together.”

But, most importantly, “We trust each other’s judgment,” adds Walter.

Young Mike is among the latest to eye a permanent position with Hershey Creamery after graduating from the Mount next year. His desire to do so goes way back. “I remember in kindergarten, the teacher asked us what we wanted to be when we grew up. I said, ‘I want to be an ice cream man!’” He found combining his work experience with his studies especially beneficial. “What I’ve learned during my summers and holidays working at the company has helped me in class, and what I’ve learned in my classes has helped me at the company,” he says. “It’s been a really good fit.”

Walter and Mike, along with Mike’s father Tom, often enjoy getting together for Mount activities and events, including basketball games and the Mount’s appearance in the last NCAA tournament. “I meet up with friends of mine from the Mount, and we get together with Mike and his friends,” says Walter. “It’s a great time.”

He adds, “Here it is 35 or 40 years later and you still feel connected to the place.”

THE SWEET LIFE

The Holders know ice cream, having observed the eating patterns of consumers throughout the past decades. In fact, during the Great Depression the company was the first to offer prepackaged pints of ice cream, making the frozen treat more convenient and readily available to the public.

And despite the endless variety of flavors available today, the company has seen staples such as vanilla, chocolate, strawberry and butter pecan consistently sell best. Vanilla leads the way, says Walter. “People like to doctor it up themselves with different toppings.”

New flavors are introduced by way of flavor houses, with Hershey Creamery
purchasing the flavors and even the packaging. Moose Tracks, for example, was originally a Hershey-only flavor. “We made that name brand famous,” says Zach Waite, who is an executive brand manager at Hershey and the son-in-law of the oldest Holder brother, George. “Other companies carry it now, but ours is still one of the better ones out there and a top 10 flavor for us for the past 10 years.”

Not so popular was the company foray into the energy drink industry. “We were the first to offer a frozen energy drink,” says Waite. However, the company quickly discovered that most consumers do not go looking into the freezer section for energy drinks, and the product was scrapped. Just a minor bump in the road of the company’s frozen treat journey.

As for personal favorites, Mike says, “We don’t make a bad flavor.” Spoken like a true Holder. However, he does go on to add that through the years he has had his preferences, from chocolate chip cookie dough to now peanut butter cup. “Who knows? When I’m Uncle Walt’s age I may have a different favorite,” he says.

Speaking of Walter, he has a taste for black raspberry. “That’s always been a favorite,” he admits.

And each day at 3 o’clock will find him making his way down to the lab and bringing back a bowl of ice cream to eat in his office. “I’m never going to get down to my fighting weight doing this,” he chuckles. “But I have a sweet tooth. I can’t help it.”

Who can blame him? After all, it’s ice cream—or as the Holders like to say, it’s Hershey Ice Cream.

**MARKETING IN THE REAL WORLD**

Last fall Mike Holder (then a junior) took assistant professor Sandra Sjoberg’s Principles of Marketing course. “He sat in the back of my class. I knew who he was, but I didn’t know his family owned Hershey Ice Cream,” she recalls.

That would change, when Mike, a member of the Holder family who owns the Hershey Creamery Company in Pennsylvania, made Sjoberg and the Mount an offer neither could refuse.

“Being affiliated with my family’s company, I’ve had the opportunity to experience working with a business up close and in a real way,” says Mike. “I wanted to share that with other students.” His father, Tom Holder, vice president of sales and marketing at Hershey, readily agreed.

As a result, during the spring semester, the class worked with Hershey Creamery to conduct a competitive analysis project for the company’s novelty product line, which includes items that come on a stick or in a single-serve container. “This is a highly competitive and ever-changing product line,” explains Tom.

“Students had the chance to conduct research, analyze information and make marketing recommendations through a hands-on consultancy project,” says Sjoberg. At the same time, faculty member Kirk Davidson’s Marketing Strategy class examined the half-gallon product line.

“We were very impressed by the students and the work they did,” notes Tom. He adds that the experience was beneficial to both Hershey Creamery and the Mount, as Hershey gained additional information about a target market that is important to them—college students. “This helps us better understand the college student as consumer and build relationships at the college level with them, so that when they get out of school and they’ve enjoyed our product they will continue to purchase it.”

Usually, this sort of class would rely on simulations as opposed to real-life, hands-on experience. “It’s just more challenging with a real company, and the project seemed more important,” says Ashley Wolk, a senior business and finance major who participated in the class. “Hershey was really interested in what we had to say and the information we provided to them.” This included feedback on the graphics used on product packaging, product placement and marketing communications via the company’s web site.

Hershey Creamery organized a plant tour for both classes to see the production, distribution and sales center activity of the company. Hershey also organized field visits for the students to directly observe the marketplace by visiting more than 40 stores that sell novelty products in the region.

“This was a first-class operation all the way,” says Sjoberg of Hershey’s participation. Will the school and the company continue the relationship? “Most definitely,” says Tom. “This was a valuable experience for both of us.”
When Matt Warner’s two sons were younger, people would ask them what they wanted to be when they grew up and the little boys would enthusiastically reply, “We want to be R.W. Warner men,” a nod to the family business. And, while Warner admits to getting a chuckle out of their answer, he also says that he would never push the boys into the business. Much as his own father did not push him. “He always let me know that I was welcome, but that it was my decision to make,” he recalls.

Yet Warner found his own way there, working for R.W. Warner Inc. of Frederick, Md., for the past two decades. “I can’t imagine myself anywhere else,” says Warner, who is now president and CEO of the company.

The small plumbing business that Warner’s grandfather began in 1937 is now one of the largest contractors in the area, employing more than 300 employees. Today, R.W. Warner Inc. consists of five corporate divisions: R.W. Warner provides the major piping work; Warner Service provides residential plumbing and HVAC services; Kaempf & Harris is a sheet metal company; Warner Industrial focuses on industrial service work; and Warner Construction, the general construction division, recently finished the first significant downtown Frederick Class A, multi-use building in more than 20 years, with another one getting ready to start.

Like his grandfather and father before him, Warner followed his own vision of how the company could best succeed. “My father had faith in me,” reflects Warner. “I remember him saying, ‘It’s your time now. Take this company in the direction you want.’ That meant a lot.”

Matt Warner, C’88, is the third-generation CEO of one of the largest contractors in central Maryland.

By Lisa Gregory
By then, Warner knew that R.W. Warner was where he wanted to be. But, as a student at the Mount, he wasn’t always so sure. Warner, who graduated in 1988 with a degree in business and finance, entered the school keeping his options open. “I just wasn’t sure what I wanted to do,” he recalls. He was far more certain of his choice of colleges, though. “Growing up in Frederick County, I had always admired the Mount. It seemed like a good fit for me.”

It was. Warner says that the Mount prepared him well for his future profession. It was also the place where he met his wife, Marybeth Bigham Warner, C’89, a fellow business and finance major.

Looking back on his Mount days, he distinctly remembers a particular management class with professor John Hook that would shape his own management style in the years to come. “He was very easy going and reassuring,” recalls Warner. “I remember thinking to myself that I wanted to emulate that kind of management style. And I have. I’ve kept in mind that no one wants to work for someone who doesn’t treat them kindly or with respect. Dr. Hook’s approach really stood out for me.”

By his senior year, Warner began to seriously consider his future prospects. “A lot of my friends at the Mount were interested in going to Wall Street and working there,” he says. “I wasn’t sold on that. Then there was a big downturn in the market in 1987. At that point, I had worked in the family business during summers and holidays and had enjoyed it. I decided I would give the family business a try.”

Warner graduated on a Saturday and went to work at R.W. Warner that following Monday. He began as a project manager, quickly working his way up to general manager. By that time his father had become president, pursuing commercial, industrial and government contracts, and his grandfather had retired, but still visited the company often. “He would come by and talk to me about projects and what jobs we were doing,” says Warner.

As he took on more responsibility, Warner quickly made his own mark on the company. For example, R.W. Warner embraced computer technology earlier than most similar companies. Warner distinctly remembers a turning point when he knew that he, too, was a “R.W. Warner man.” “Things got really rough with the recession in the early 1990s,” he explains. “The construction industry got hit hard, and we went through a hard time as well. That’s when I realized that, hey, this is not just my job, but my career, my livelihood.”

Some of his decisions as he took more control over the company were not easy, but necessary to make. For example, “My father never turned down a job,” says Warner, “no matter how small.”

However, “smaller jobs take just as much time and effort as a larger job but with much less margin,” notes Warner. “My father slowly came to realize that it was okay to say no to a job that wasn’t the right fit.”

Warner adds, “We do a lot of work with hospitals and schools, as well as a lot of government work.” Recent projects include more than $20 million worth of renovations at Frederick Memorial Hospital and a design build contract to construct the Frederick County Public Schools’ new, multistory office building.

Despite his success with the family company, Warner has not confined his business prowess to R.W. Warner. Recently, he became an investor and will serve on the board of directors at the newly established BlueRidge Bank in Frederick. “It’s been great seeing it grow,” he says of the new bank, “and my finance background from the Mount helps me with my position on the board.”

These days, his sons no longer talk about growing up and becoming “R.W. Warner men” but are more focused on playing lacrosse and football like typical 11 and 9 year olds. But Warner knows the possibility is there for them, including for his youngest child, a daughter. If they want it.

“I’d be proud if they wanted to join the business,” he says. “But I would be prouder still if they chose something that they really wanted to do and had a passion for it.”

Much as their father does in his own work.

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Don’t Stop Belizing

It started on the long flight from Baltimore to Belize: Quick! How many song titles can you find using the word “Belize”? For instance, “I Belize in love”...well, you get the idea.

“Think of the best day of your life; now multiply by thirteen and that describes ‘Enrichment: Project Belize 2008,’ the Mount’s Outdoor Adventures and Community Service trip to Central America.” That’s what Mount student Katie Rosario wrote as she reflected on the extreme hike that took her to their first night near Mayan villages in the rolling mountains of Belize—bunks, mosquito nets and an outdoor latrine! Obviously, this wasn’t a luxury eco-tour but one of service—going into small villages where local families invited them in for tortillas made on a stove built into the dirt floor. No electricity, no ipods, luxury left far behind … yet the simplicity somehow enduring, touching, real.

With the help of our Callings project, funded by the Lilly Foundation, Mount students went to a Belizean village last May to build a church. They learned a church is much more than just a building. While the bleak concrete turned into simply a long room with open windows and no statues, it drew people from miles around, who came not for the beauty of the building but for the Mass. Then, in the midst of this simple place, a baptism, greeted with smiles and a “true love for Jesus and his children.” Katie describes the moment: “In a small church in rural Belize, a stranger becomes the newest member of the Catholic faith. … This child in front of me … was now part of a religion that brings millions of people together in love.”

Clockwise from left: Katie Rosario working in a Mayan village school; Mounties helping to construct a church in the Mayan village of Sundaywood; Courtney Donofry, Jon Pressimone, Kevin Abdo and Kevin Taylor at the Garifuna Drumming School in Hopkins; there was some free time for some fun.
The Mount students showed up, rolled up their sleeves and came away with far more than construction blisters. After the trip students were asked for their reflections:

“During this trip my desire to help humanity was strengthened. … The jobs I began looking for were vastly different. … My goal? To work for a company that truly helps people.”

“I learned that I can do things I didn’t think I could do, if I only put myself in God’s hands and stop worrying.”

The group had also collected used First Communion dresses, which they brought with them to give to the local parish where they were serving.

It was not all work, of course; there was the long hike over slippery rocks to reach the double waterfall with incredible vistas. This, too, brought a lesson as the entire team of 13 had to work together in order to get out of the jungle alive!

And then it began to rain, killing plans for a Caribbean treat. A snorkeling trip off the reef had to be cancelled when Tropical Storm Alma formed over their heads, dissipated, reformed and came back with a vengeance as Arthur. The drenching rains became gut wrenching when the group realized floods had not only washed away the roads and bridges out of town, but also ruined the village families’ crops, where every penny had been invested.

The Mount group, stranded and unable to get out of the country, did what any 13 people would do: they washed all of their clothes that they weren’t already wearing and gave them to the people of the villages who opened their hearts and their homes to these American strangers. It was a true Mount moment.

“This trip has helped me understand my vocation more thoroughly. … It has provided more options … shown me that service work of some kind is a possibility about what God is calling me to do. It has forced me to … spend meaningful time considering what will happen in my life.”

“Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves, some turn up their noses, and some don’t turn up at all.” — Sam Ewing, U.S. writer and humorist

Mounties helping to construct a church in the Mayan Village of Sundaywood.

2009 ADVENTURE/SERVICE EXPERIENCE IN BELIZE
Two offices… two types of experiences… double the fun… in one great trip!!! Join the offices of Outdoor Adventures and Community Service as we head to Belize, where participants will have an action packed and rewarding experience of a lifetime. Partnering with a Catholic parish, five days will be spent serving the native people by helping to build a church in one of the local villages. This enriching opportunity will include touring Mayan ruins, adventuring into the lush jungles, swimming in caves, being exposed to diverse cultures, eating exotic local dishes, learning to drum in a coastal village, and snorkeling around a barrier reef. Touching so much – the people, the history, the activities, the places – will be sure to leave an indelible mark on our lives. In addition, reflect on the unspoiled beauty of the natural world and our place within it.

LOCATION: Belize
COST: $1,100 plus fundraising for airfare
SPACES AVAILABLE: 11 participants total
DATES: May 21–June 1, 2009 (after graduation)
REGISTRATION: Contact Melissa Main in Community Service for more info at (301) 447- 5223 or at main@msmary.edu
Mount Magazine

The Mount’s Outdoor Adventure program, known by students as CRUX—Challenging Recreation, Unleashing Experience—is one of the most successful cocurricular programs at the Mount. It’s taken off in only four short years.

“Location, location, location.” Some may think Emmitsburg is in the middle of nowhere, but it’s more like the middle of everything adventurewise, situated at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains with easy access to Olympic whitewater, hiking trails, sheer cliffs, caves, creeks and rivers.

The backpacking, canoeing and rock climbing offered in the Outdoor program is available on any given weekend for students as a healthy, growth-oriented complement to rigorous academics. On the surface, these trips may seem just a chance to have fun—and they are fun. But, according to McVearry, they are so much more. He says the trips are “about developing life skills, increasing self-awareness and even character formation.” He believes higher education would be remiss not to take advantage of the natural and powerful metaphors existing outdoors and in the wilderness.

McVearry believes that as individuals conquer their fears in, say, a rock-climbing trip, they uncover something about themselves they never knew—a certain depth. “We encourage students through engaged reflection to witness their own possibilities, which then can become life-affirming, life-altering experiences.”

The weekend trips are just one aspect of the CRUX experience at the Mount. There are a multitude of expeditions ranging from four to 12 days over breaks and early summer. Exploring the surreal landscape of Utah’s national parks, eco-touring through Costa Rica or building a Catholic church in Belize are all available. “The idea is to be immersed, touched by the experience, the people, the culture—that’s when transformation takes place,” says McVearry.
The life-changing experiences can begin as early as pre-orientation, when incoming freshmen take part in Mountward Bound. The retreat offers an adventure component run by McVearry. “Exploration” is designed to ease the transition to college life by helping students build those valuable early friendships and explore the outdoors, which parallels the new environment awaiting them at school.

“The program is a conduit between academics and recreation that positively affects the students, and I'm grateful and blessed to have an individual as talented as Ken to lead it,” says Denise Ditch, director of recreational services and operations. “His passion for the outdoors is a fire that burns within, and like all passions, demands to be shared.”

www.msmary.edu/outdooradventure.
For Mount St. Mary’s head basketball coach Milan Brown, two is definitely better than one. In this case, the “two” are brothers Sam and Shawn Atupem, key figures in last year’s magical run that saw the Mount win the Northeast Conference (NEC) title and advance to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in nine years.

“Sam was huge for us last year during our run because he gave us a viable scoring option in the post in addition to his shot blocking on defense,” said Brown. “Shawn’s explosion at the end of the season gave us another scoring option in the low post off the bench.”

The Atupems, the first brother tandem at the Mount since Darryle (1981-85) and Paul Edwards (1982-87) played together in the mid 1980s, had some memorable moments last year. Sam was instrumental in the Mount’s impressive win over Winthrop, tallying 16 points and seven rebounds in the game. In the Mount’s 69-60 win over Coppin State in the NCAA Opening Round, Shawn’s follow dunk earned him a spot in ESPN Sportscenter’s Top 10 plays. The win was the Mount’s first-ever victory in the NCAA Division I Tournament.

On March 1, Sam and Shawn each scored in double figures in the Mount’s home victory against Monmouth, marking the first time since 1985 that a pair of brothers scored in double figures in the same game in a Mount uniform.

Sam, the Mount’s starting power forward, averaged just under eight points and five rebounds last year while leading the team with 49 blocks. The Mount’s top low-post scorer, he was the Mount’s third-leading scorer in NEC games, averaging over eight points in league play while hitting 65-105 (61.9 percent) from the field.

Brown gave the Mount a big lift off the bench down the stretch, averaging 7.6 points over the final 11 games of the season, hitting 59.3 percent from the field. In the NEC Championship game, he scored 12 points off the bench and came back to score 10 points in the Mount’s NCAA Opening Round win over Coppin State.

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Brown said Shawn started to make people notice his game in July before his senior season in high school. “The biggest thing we wanted Shawn to know while we were recruiting him was that we were recruiting Shawn because we liked him, not because he was Sam’s younger brother.”

Sam did not pressure Shawn into attending the Mount, however. “I tried to let Shawn make his own decision on where he wanted to go,” said Sam. “I told him all about the Mount and left it up to him.”

“Sam helped me in my recruitment process as a whole,” said Shawn. “He did not try to make the decision for me. He just gave his opinion and let me choose. Fortunately, I chose the Mount.”

This is the first time Brown has had brothers on one of the teams he has coached. “It doesn’t really make much of a difference that they are siblings,” said Brown. “We look at them as individuals. The only similarity for me is that they are both post players.”

For the Atupems, being together at the Mount has been a great experience. The two enjoy being on the same team.
The Mount St. Mary’s baseball team won the Northeast Conference Championships this past spring to earn the school’s first-ever bid to the NCAA Tournament in baseball. The Mount won four straight games out of the loser’s bracket to capture the NEC title and an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament. Josh Vittek (Eldersburg, Md./Liberty), the Tournament MVP, drove home an NEC-record six RBI in the Mount’s 14-2 win over Monmouth in the championship game. Vittek hit .458 with four home runs and a tournament-record 12 RBI in the NEC Tournament.

The Mount opened the NCAA Tournament against No. 2 North Carolina, who played in the national championship game in each of the past two seasons. North Carolina defeated Mount St. Mary’s 16-8 in the game despite Kyle Kane’s three hits and three RBIs. The Mount trailed 10-7 in the top of the sixth inning before North Carolina was able to pull away for the victory.

“We put on a pretty good show playing the No. 2 team in the nation and being one of the smallest Division I teams in the nation,” said head coach Scott Thomson. “We gave the fans something to cheer about early on in the game.”

“We need to continue to work hard,” agreed Shawn. “That is something our coaching staff has instilled in their players from day one. We need to stay humble and not expect anything to be easy. As long as we stay together, we should have a pretty good chance.”

Having an Atupem in the lineup won’t hurt, either.

**The Mount Men’s Basketball NEC Champions • Come watch them go for the Big Dance again!**

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As we enter our third century we celebrate our history, including the sacrifices of our servicemen and women. It is for the alumni featured here and all of our veterans that we are building the Mount St. Mary’s University Veterans’ Walkway—so we will never forget.

SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATION FOR MOUNT ALUMS
Cpt. Tom Seery, C’99, is currently stationed in Iraq at Combat Outpost Cahill. He experienced an impromptu Mount reunion when a Catholic priest flew in via helicopter to say Mass for the soldiers in June. It turns out that the priest was the Rev. Ned Blick, S’92.

Fr. Blick spends much of his time flying around to the different forward operating bases and combat outposts to say Mass and minister to the soldiers. Not only are he and Seery both Mounties, but they found that they shared another experience—playing rugby at the Mount.

WWII PILOT RETURNS TO THE MOUNT
Robert “Bob” Emberger Sr. enlisted in the Navy in 1943 and was transferred to the Mount as part of the CAA-War Training Service School established during WWII.

He trained and studied at the Mount July through September of 1943. He first soloed in a Piper Cub from a grass airfield across Route 15 where Knott Arena now stands. After his flight, he remembers immediately getting thrown into the old pool … a tradition for all pilots at the Mount.

After Emberger finished his training at the Mount, he moved on to Lambert Field in St. Louis, Mo. Eventually, he was officially assigned to the South Pacific, where he flew the Navy version of the B-24 Mitchel Bombers.

Last summer, he made a trip back to campus to relive some memories and look back on his time at the Mount. Watch a video of an interview with Bob Emberger at www.msmary.edu/Emberger.

Welcome Back
Maj. Patrick Nield, C’89, a reservist with the National Guard, returned home in August from his second deployment to Iraq. During his 14-month tour with the 111th Engineer Brigade in Tikrit, he served as Chief, Future Operations and Plans. Nield is acting director of the National Weather Service’s Office of the CFO Budget Formulation and Program Analysis Division. He and his wife, Susie, an administrative assistant in the seminary, have five children ranging in age from four to 15.

“The largest adjustment both going and coming is the establishment of new routines,” said Nield. “Returning to home life, I am mindful that my family also established a routine that did not include me, and that I was not part of the decision-making or discipline process. The lawnmower was no longer just mine.”

Nield’s family and coworkers joyfully celebrated his return, and all have adjusted well (including sharing the mower!).

See the next page to learn about the new Veterans’ Walkway.
VETERANS’ WALKWAY

“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.” –John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Since our founding by Father John DuBois in 1808, hundreds of devoted alumni and members of the Mount St. Mary’s community have served in all branches of the military, during peace time as well as war, to preserve the God-given rights of all citizens of the world. Many have made the ultimate sacrifice. We are truly inspired and proud of this outstanding legacy.

As we begin our third century of service to our church and our nation it is quite appropriate that we recognize Mount veterans and thank them for their faithful and selfless service to this beloved nation. To demonstrate our appreciation, we will construct a Veterans’ Walkway, which will be located on the Patriot Hall Plaza.

We are grateful to Rear Adm. Thomas “Tibby” Brown, USN (Ret.), C’54, and Maj. Gen. J. Anthony Studds, USMC (Ret.), C’60, and twelve alumni and members of the Mount community, who have agreed to serve on the Walkway Committee. Construction of the Walkway will begin in the spring of 2009, with the formal dedication to be held the following November.

To make this memorial a reality, we will need the generous financial support of all our constituencies - alumni, parents and friends. The Walkway designs, as well as gift opportunities, are online at www.msmary.edu/veteranswalkway.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Phil McGlade, C’70, (USMCR), director of seminary development/alumni relations, at 301-447-5017 or by email at mcglade@msmary.edu.

THE WILLIAM HEATH CREATIVE WRITING AWARD

In 2007, the Mount established the William Heath Award, an annual award for the student who demonstrates outstanding achievement in creative writing. Ann Marie Hilliard received the 2008 award during Honors Convocation.

William Heath was a member of the Mount’s faculty in the Department of English from 1981 until 2007. He was faculty advisor for the Lighted Corners literary magazine and is the author of more than 100 published poems and The Children Bob Moses Led, judged by Time magazine as one of the 11 best novels on the African-American experience. His latest novel, Blacksnake’s Path: The True Adventures of William Wells, tells the remarkable story of a white man adopted by the Miami Indians in 1784 (available at www.heritagebooks.com).

The university is currently accepting contributions to support the William Heath Award. For more information, please contact Executive Director of Development Pamela Zusi at 301-447-5361.
Mount alum Martin P. (Marty) Brunk, C’80, a managing director with the Timonium, Md., accounting firm RSM McGladrey, Inc., has been re-elected for the fourth year as board chair for the Maryland Food Bank.

Exemplifying the pillars of the Mount in leadership and community, Brunk has been working with the food bank on the campaign against hunger in Maryland since 1999. Deborah Flatemen, CEO of the MFB, thinks Marty’s pretty special:

“Marty Brunk has been instrumental in helping shape the future of this organization. From his planning of our biggest fundraiser of the year—the Blue Jean Ball—to his tenacity in creating relationships with corporate partners that will help feed hungry individuals, we are truly grateful for the work he has done. Marty has been a pleasure to work with because of his enthusiasm and creative ways to advance the Maryland Food Bank.”

The Annual Blue Jean Ball, one of Brunk’s more creative efforts, has raised more than $1.2 million since it began in 2006. Marty and his wife, Mary, cofounded and chair the event.

During his time as board chair of the food bank, the charity has distributed 38 million pounds of food, or the equivalent of 31 million meals, to hungry citizens across Maryland.

In 2007, Brunk won the Maryland Association of CPA's Public Service Award for his financial leadership in the completion of a $7.2 million warehouse facility for the MFB, greatly enhancing its storage and distribution efforts.

Another project of note under Brunk’s purview has been the development of a state-of-the-art “community kitchen” for the food bank. The preparation facility, slated to open in the fall of 2009, provides frozen meals for distribution centers and clients as well as operating a training component for individuals to learn skills necessary for work in the culinary field.

“Marty Brunk has combined his professional commitment to serving the public interest with a personal commitment to serving Maryland’s communities,” said J. Thomas Hood III, CPA, president and CEO of the Maryland Association of CPAs, “It is with great pride and admiration that we honor Marty Brunk with the MACPA Public Service Award.”

In addition to his efforts at the Maryland Food Bank, Brunk is a member of Leadership Maryland and has served on the boards of the American Red Cross of Central Maryland and the American Cancer Society. He has also served on the President’s Council and Bicentennial Commission of his alma mater, the Mount.

“Marty Brunk has been good to the Mount and good for the Mount,” said President Thomas H. Powell. “We’ve found that whenever we have asked, Marty has stepped up to the plate as an engaged and active alumni member. His ability to work tirelessly to feed the hungry, one of the Corporal Works of Mercy, underscores how well he understands social responsibility and servant leadership. We are proud to have a man like Marty Brunk among our graduates.”

Above: Marty with the Ehrlich’s. Right: Marty and Mary Brunk

The 2008 Blue Jean Ball, British Invasion!

Imagine there’s no hunger
No one living on the street
No need to choose rent or medicine
Instead of food to eat
Imagine all the people
That could be well fed
You may say we are dreamers
But we’re not the only ones
We thank you for joining us
In our quest to feed everyone.

—Blue Jean Ball Event Chairs
Marty and Mary Brunk
(Rewritten based on the lyrics of John Lennon’s Imagine.)
Congratulations to all of our reunion classes, and thank you to those who were able to attend Bicentennial Reunion Weekend! Whether you celebrated your 5th, 25th or 50th reunion this year, we are glad you returned to your mountainside home. This year we saw the highest attendance ever, with approximately 1,200 total attendees! The new online event registration system was key in ensuring a smooth registration process for the weekend.

It was a picture perfect weekend with beautiful (although hot!) weather. On Friday evening the class of 1958, our 50th reunion class, was honored and proudly displayed their Golden Mountaineer Medals throughout the weekend. On Saturday, alumni of all classes enjoyed the reunion Festival on Echo Field and the evening of fun that followed, particularly the Greaseband concert at the Founders Plaza.

A sampling of photographs from the weekend are printed here. To see all of the photos, please visit www.msmary.edu/reunion. Prints are available for purchase through the photographer's web site.

Congratulations to the Class of 1968 who had the highest attendance, with 109 classmates coming back for Reunion!

For all who attended, we hope you had a great time at Bicentennial Reunion Weekend! We hope everyone will make plans to join us next year for Reunion Weekend 2009, June 5-7! Be sure to check the web site for news—and make sure we have your up-to-date contact information so you don’t miss out on any details!
reunion
WEEKEND

Mount Magazine

Couples

Legacy families

Class of 1943

Class of 1953

Class of 1958

Class of 1963
reunion
WEEKEND

Back Every Year Club

Class of 1968, held at Tom Caulfield's home, St. Anthony's Road

Class of 1973

Class of 1978
reunion

WEEKEND

Class of 1983

Class of 1988

Class of 1993
The National Alumni Association presented the 2008 Simon Bruté Medal to Dan Monagle, C'58, and Jack Bransfield, C'63, on Friday, June 6 as part of Reunion Weekend. The evening began with Mass, during which Dan and Jack received a special blessing, and continued with a banquet in Patriot Hall. Many of their classmates, family members, and friends were there to honor them that evening.

Polaroids, Top to Bottom: Deacon Pat Goles, C'64, National Alumni Association President, Dick Ridgway, C'58, Bicentennial Commission Chair, Tom O’Hara, C'64, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and President Powell. Members of the Class of 1943 present a check to the Annual Fund. Dan Monagle, C'58, and Jack Bransfield, C'63, the 2008 recipients of the Brute Medal, with past recipients at the banquet.
GREETINGS TO MY FELLOW ALUMS!

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of our bicentennial celebration. What an exciting time it’s been!

Those of you who attended the Bicentennial Reunion in June will, I’m certain, agree with me that it was spectacular. Heartfelt thanks and congratulations are due to Pat McGinn, C’98, chair of the Reunion Committee, and all of the committee members who contributed to the success of the weekend.

On another note, we will be holding elections for several leadership positions within the National Alumni Association this spring, including president, vice president and Alumni Council. Please consider volunteering for one of these roles or encouraging other dedicated Mounties to do so.

Finally, of paramount importance, we need your help. The National Alumni Association Development Committee is currently working with the Office of Annual Giving to revitalize our Class Agent program. Our goal is to have one agent for every 20 classmates. This should lighten the load for each agent. The duty of a Class Agent is to contact several classmates and ask them to support the Mount Annual Fund. Being a Class Agent is a great way to keep in touch with friends and help the Mount community!

Dr. Powell has asked the National Alumni Association to assist in the goal of increasing alumni participation in the annual fund to 40%. Certainly, this is an obligation we should embrace! To do this, however, it is imperative that we enhance the Class Agent program.

Please consider becoming a Class Agent, as well as encouraging others to do so. We need to do for current and future students what was done for us!

Be Well!
Pat Goles, C’64
President, National Alumni Association

THE REV. CARL J. FIVES ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The cost of attending a private, four-year university can be a challenge. That’s why the National Alumni Association has created a scholarship program that grants financial aid to students who demonstrate both academic excellence and a commitment to serving their communities. Since 1989, we have provided more than $200,000 in scholarship funds to more than 80 students. Our scholarship program is just one of the many ways in which we support our future alumni in making their dreams a reality.

The six members of the class of 2009 to receive the Rev. Carl J. Fives Scholarship are:

COURTNEY HOFFMAN
“I am so grateful to have received the Carl Fives Alumni Scholarship because it shows that hard work and dedication really do pay off. As an international studies major I would like to work primarily in sustainable development, concentrating especially on increasing opportunities for women. After graduating from the Mount I plan to get field experience abroad and obtain a master’s degree in development. Whether I work for the government or an NGO, my desire is to create positive change in the world where it is needed most.”

GREGORY KANE
“I was very pleased to be awarded the scholarship. It means that I won’t have to take out another student loan and I can have more money to save for graduate school.”

CATHERINE SECHRIST
“I feel quite blessed to be recognized as a recipient of the Carl J. Fives Alumni Scholarship. Throughout my participation in activities across campus, I have been able to witness how the Mount is such a wonderful and caring community. It is an honor to be part of such a community, and I’m grateful to God and the Alumni Association for the generosity of this scholarship.”

RICHARD VERILLO
“Looking back on these past three years has helped me realize how much I have grown at the Mount. Going to school has helped me discover what I am truly interested in because it has not only provided me with an education, but has also helped me get a good look at myself and the people around me. This scholarship will do more than allow me to come back to the Mount; it will also help me continue learning, something I know will open many opportunities for me in the future. It means a lot to know people are willing to help me continue this experience; I really appreciate it.”

MARY VEROXIE
“This scholarship means so much to me. I am an education major and because I have a student teaching internship during the fall semester, I have a very limited amount of time when I can work to help pay for my tuition. Being awarded this money will be a tremendous help in paying for my education in order to successfully graduate and become an elementary school teacher.”

MEGAN MILLER (ON BEHALF OF NICOLE SPENCER)
“It is an honor to receive this scholarship on behalf of my best friend, Nicole Spencer. It is unfortunate she was not able to receive it; she was a great person and student here at the Mount. I am an elementary and special education major and this scholarship will help me tremendously with tuition. Every day I walk into the classroom, I think of Nicole and how she too would have made an excellent teacher. I know she is helping me along and I want to thank the Alumni Office and her family for choosing me to receive this scholarship to help with my education.”

Each year the National Alumni Association also awards one scholarship to a seminarian. The 2009 seminary recipient will be announced in the Spring 2009 issue of Mount Magazine.
1940
- Edward T. Burns
  etburns2@netzero.net
- Paul B. Rhoads Jr.
  1943
- Philip A. McDonnell
dunmore3@pacbell.net
1947
- Neil White
  pwhite@windstream.net
1948
- Phil Hurray
  philhurry@aol.com
1949
- James P. Stanton
doct0r@sbcglobal.net
- Thomas B. Grasberger
tgrasberger@verizon.net
- Bill O’Neill
  ok@weoneill.net
1950
- Bernie Jacobs
  kmiller5@aol.com
1952
- Monsignor Gerard Green
  msggreen@hotmail.com
- Robert J. Keene
  bobemma@verizon.net
1954
- Leo E. Green
  leogreen.senatepast@comcast.net
1955
- Jack McMullen
  jcmullen.gmpg@atlanticbb.net
1957
Jack Graham, C’57, is the former president of the Walnut Street Theatre’s Board of Trustees. In April, he was awarded the Edwin Forrest Award for his contributions to American theater.
1960
- Matthew McHugh
  mmchugh10@cox.net

John Gill, C’61, met Brian Bauer, C’08, at the Mount on the Potomac event in May. Brian, a week shy of graduation, was quoted as saying, “I just met myself 40 years from now!” when he spied John with a similar penchant for bright fashion statements!

The Most Rev. Harry J. Flynn, S’60, Trustee Emeritus, retired from his post as archbishop of St. Paul/Minneapolis in May. He will remain in Minnesota and will chair the board of trustees and cochair a capital campaign at the University of St. Thomas. Archbishop Flynn received national accolades for his efforts to root out clergy abuse in the church.

Karl Krause, C’60, and his wife, Barbel, traveled to the U.S. from their home in Hamburg, Germany, to attend Bicentennial Reunion Weekend in June. Anthony Solazzo, C’01, hosted them for a night in D.C. before they drove to Emmitsburg for the weekend.

1959
- William Zumbo
  wzumbo@cmu.edu

1961
- Charles J. Shimkus
  C_Shimkus@sbcglobal.net
- John Neil Fink
  luckyhou@bcpl.net
- Karl Miller
  kmiller195@aol.com

1962
- Louis T. Armelin
  larmelin@chesapeake.net
- Michael L. McCarthy
  mike.mccarthy@nmfn.com
- Dennis G. Potter
dgpelp@rcn.com
- William Zimmerman
  bill@thetidelgewatergroup.com

1963
- Dennis Doyle
ddennisdolore@comcast.net
- Joseph E. Farrell
  sailaction@peconic.net
- Col. “Jack” Lauer
  jlauer1342@aol.com

1965
- Nicholas G. Otzel
  ngo1@psu.edu

1966
- John F. Toole
  john.toale@sungard.com

1967
- Dr. Edward A. Dolan
  emontenie67@aol.com

1968
- Thomas Werzyn
  werzyn@comcast.net
- John J. Gallagher
  jjgall222@aol.com

1970
- Joseph J. Daugherty

1971
- Robert K. Dunn
  bob.dunn@prosperitymortgage.com
- Jack Ellis
  jellis@warwick.net
- George J. Savastano Jr.
lgsjz@aol.com
- John V. Sherwin
  sherwin@msmary.edu

1972
- Carl Harbaugh
  charbaugh1@adelphia.net
- Frank G. Lidinsky
  Flidinsky@adelphia.com

1973
- Timothy L. O’Shea
toshea@catamaranmedia.com
- Mark J. Swetley
  mswetley@hotmail.com

David Drumm, C’73, resides in Philadelphia, Pa., where he is a case manager/program specialist for the United Cerebral Palsy Association. He tries to visit the Mount every fall.

Charlotte Tancin, C’73, received the 2008 Charles Robert Long Award of Extraordinary Merit from the Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries (CBHL). Charlotte is a librarian at the Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. This award was established to recognize CBHL members who have shown outstanding dedication and made major contributions in the field of botanical or horticultural literature and information service and research.

1974
- John L. Jaffee
  MSMClass74@yahoo.com

Douglas Barone, C’74, joined the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company as a sales manager at its agency in Boston, Mass. He was previously a field-management leader for New York Life and has been a member of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors for 15 years.

Steve “Kajubes” Connor, C’66, has been volunteering for the past 27 years for Special Olympics and an after school basketball program for boys who are at risk of dropping out of school. Steve is pictured with his Special Olympics basketball team.

1974
- John L. Jaffee
  MSMClass74@yahoo.com

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Elaine Maddox and Belinda Lowry Jaffee, both C’74, reunited recently when Elaine decided to take a break from winter and visit Belinda in Naples, Fla.

Joe McCullin, C’74, works as a teacher and athletic director at Rising Sun High School in Cecil County, Md.

The Rev. Tom Mullelly, C’74, the chaplain of the Aquinas Institute at Princeton University, was recently featured in Sports Illustrated for his spiritual and hospitable commitment to the members of the U.S. Olympic rowing team, who train in Princeton, N.J. In addition to blessing the team’s boats each year, he arranges free housing, food and medical care for the athletes, who in return participate in charitable work in the Princeton area.

Paul Pometto, C’74, recently moved to Washington, D.C., after seven years in Senegal, Cape Verde and Rhode Island, at the Naval War College. He returned “home” for a two-year assignment.

Charles Spiedt, C’74, was honored by the Governor’s Council on Physical Fitness at the first annual One in a Million event in November 2007.

1975
- Michael P. Connolly
  mpc7@dccom
- Jeffrey T. Hardy
  jeffreyhardyc@gmail.com
- Romas Liskunskas
  rliskunskas@comcast.net
- Paul F. Spinelli
topreff@comcast.net

Monsignor John S. Mraz, S’75, of the Diocese of Allentown, received Papal Honors on Feb. 11, 2008. Monsignor Mraz, pastor of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Northampton, Pa., and director of the Office for Ecumenism and Interreligious Dialogue for the diocese, has been named a “Chaplain to His Holiness” with the title Rev. Monsignor. His formal installation was at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Siena in Allentown, Pa., on April 6, 2008.

1976
- Frederick S. Hom
  hom2@frontiernet.net

Bob Reese, C’76, celebrated 25 years with Liberty Mutual in May 2008.

1977
- Maryann Solak
  msolak@cox.net

1978
- Thomas J. Harrington, C’78, has been named associate executive assistant director of national security for the FBI. He will continue to lead the Strategic Execution Team, with the goal of enhancing the FBI’s performance of its national security mission.

1979
- Dave Cohill
cohill@msmary.edu

1980
- Liz Kiesel Beatty
  e.beatty2@verizon.net
- Timothy C. Dec
dect@verizon.net
- Charles J. Haberkorn
  chaberkat@kumc.edu
- Nancy Phillion Scharff
  lounan@cs.com

1981
- David Conaghan
  david.conaghan@us.cibc.com

Carl Cassani, C’81, has worked at Sun Microsystems, Inc., for 11 years and is presently a service delivery account manager. He resides in Great Falls, Va., with his three children. Carl also recently lost 60 pounds. He can now once again fit into his “62 was fun, but the year is ’81” t-shirt from his Mount days.

Mary Ellen (Cotter) Larkin, C’81, was sworn in as veterans law judge for the Board of Veterans Appeals in Washington, D.C., in April 2008. She and husband Myles Larkin, C’82, live in Clarksville, Md., with their two boys, Ben and Brady.

Rayburn “Bud” Thompson, C’81, executive vice president of Carilion Health Systems, recently made a presentation at the Annual Spring Conference of the American Pathology Foundation entitled “Meeting Health System Challenges by Converting to a Physician-Driven Clinic Model.”

Robert J. Brennan, C’85, was named executive director of the Foundation for Physical Therapy in May 2008. Bob now directs the foundation’s fundraising efforts and supervises awarding of scholarships, fellowships and research grants. He lives with his wife and three children in Oak Hill, Va.

1987
- Timothy J. Back
  timjbuck@roadrunner.com
- Thomas F. Cahill
  thomas_cahill@ml.com
- Elizabeth (Liz) Malia
  emalia22@hotmail.com

Paddi (O’Hara) Fishman, C’82, and her husband, Bob, opened a restaurant in February 2008 in Milton, Ga., called The Union Restaurant.

1988
- Kathleen Gill McDermott
  kmcdermott@windwardcg.com
- Ann (Morris) Barrett, C’88,
  and her daughters, Nancy and Betsy, attended the Papal Mass at Nationals Stadium on April 17. The Barretts attended with other members of St. Jerome’s parish in Hyattsville, Md., where the pastor is the Rev. Jim Stack, S’86.
### Class Notes (as of August, 2008)

#### 1989
- Mark Damato
  markmounthoya@yahoo.com
- Julie Wright Hyland
  julie.hyland@verizon.net
- Monsignor Robert J. Jaskot
  rjaskot@archbalt.org
- Linda Kelley Junker
  junker@msmary.edu
- Lorraine (Leo) Knepples
  knepples@comcast.net

#### 1990
- Kelly (McLaughlin) Catania
  Kellbps128@hotmail.com
- The Rev. Rick Hilgarten
  rhilgarten@usecb.org
- Karen Manto-Corrao
  kars113@yahoo.com

Eileen Emerson, C’90, has been named principal at De Marillac Academy in San Francisco. She was previously employed at Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart in Bethesda, Md., where she served as director of social action, theology teacher and assistant dean of students. De Marillac Academy is San Francisco’s only tuition-free Catholic school serving low-income, at-risk children.

#### 1992
- Stephen Schwing, C’92, along with Charlie Horning, C’92, and Dave Gorelick, C’93, recently won the White Marlin Open in Ocean City, Md. with an 81 pound White Marlin. The trio caught the fish aboard Charlie’s boat, “The Fish Whistle.” The Fish Whistle has won over $1 million in prize money in 2008.

#### 1993
- Maj. Shay Coates, C’93, is currently serving the U.S. Army as the secretary of general staff for the commanding general of Multinational Division North in Iraq. His deployment will end in December 2008. He and his wife, Tracy, have two children, Jaelyn (14) and Cameron (9).

Michele (Pinto) Case, C’93, is a team leader with the Hewlett-Packard Company. She lives in New Market, Md., with her husband, Joel, and their daughters Emily (6) and Natalie (1).

#### 1994
- Bridget Dave Kelly
  bak_520@yahoo.com

#### 1995
- Stella Barry
  stellabarry@comcast.net
- Jennifer (Firlea) Dunn
  jdamh805@yahoo.com
- Deborah Stocker Giles
  debbiegiles@comcast.net

Kevin Murphy, C’95, attended the 2008 NFC Championship Game in Green Bay with John Harty, Mike Decesare and Brian Kimmins, all C’95. The friends met in Milwaukee the day before the game and drove up together to watch the Giants defeat the Green Bay Packers in sub-zero temperatures!

Joanne (Tracey) Berg, C’95, and her husband, Robert, have established a nonprofit organization called Little Robbie’s Angels Foundation in memory of their son Robert J. Berg Jr., who passed away after just 13 short hours of life on Dec. 4, 2006. Robbie was born with several major health problems including fluid on the brain, a congenital heart defect and abdominal problems. The charity provides inspirational children’s books for parents who are dealing with difficult prenatal diagnosis pregnancies. “We look at Robbie’s life as a gift and not something to be lost,” Joanne said. “Our hope is to make it easier for families to accept their difficult circumstances.”

#### 1996
- Jennifer O’Dea Sprangle
  odea@juno.com

#### 1997
- Sarah (Moncada) Briom
  sbriom@umn.edu
- Kelly A. McLaughlin
  kellyamclaughlin@hotmail.com

#### 1998
- Alice (Wylie) Baumer
  aew516@yahoo.com
- Harry C. Benjamin
  Benjamin_H@bls.gov
- William J. Frank
  linethink@comcast.net
- Steven R. Wheeler
  stevenwheeler28@comcast.net

Arny Gallagher, C’98, is an eighth grade social studies teacher at Stephen Decatur Middle School in Berlin, Md. She was recently recognized as the 2008 Worcester County Teacher of the Year. She lives in Berlin with her husband, James, and two children, Samantha (3) and Colin (1).

Katie Helbig, C’98, is a first grade teacher and owner/manager of a mini golf course and Cocomo’s Ice Cream Parlor.

#### 1999
- Tara Bunchalk-Orefice
  tbunchalk@hotmail.com
- Kevin J. Kalis
  kevin_kalis@yahoo.com

Thomas R. Tray Jr., C’99, was recently promoted to assistant controller of Incyte Corporation, a publicly traded biotechnology company located in Wilmington, Del. Tom’s responsibilities include managing the external auditor and Sarbanes Oxley process, preparing all SEC quarterly and annual/proxy filings, and various other functions in the finance department. Tom lives in Broomall, Pa., with his wife, Danielle, and two children.

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2000
● Anne (Stocker) Kalis
akalis@advertising.com
■ Mae Richardson
mae@shgparish.org
■ Laura (Portier) LaLumiere
laura.portier@gmail.com

2001
■ Kimberlee (Bates) Ilardi
kim.bates@whiting-turner.com
● Peter B. Mannix
Mannix614@aol.com
● Anthony Solazzo
anthonysolazzo@hotmail.com

Julia Andersen, C’01, was named director of the Unwanted Horse Coalition, a broad alliance of equine organizations that have joined together under the American Horse Council to educate their industry about the unwanted horse issue. Most recently, Julia worked for Maryland Life Magazine as an account executive.

Lorien Halligan, C’01, led a group of students and colleagues on an alternative spring break project to the Mississippi Gulf Coast in March. Her team worked with Habitat for Humanity to build a home in just four days.

Mary Vicario, C’01, recently co-authored a book called The Lennon Sessions: An Introspective Chronicle from the Arranger on Double Fantasy. The book is a behind-the-scenes look at John Lennon’s last recording sessions for “Double Fantasy” as told by arranger Tony Davilio.

2002
● Lizette Chacon
lizard11080@gmail.com
■ Kelly (Klinger) Soeff
soeffek@wcboe.k.md.us

Krishawn Demby, C’02, received a Master of Arts in communication from Trinity University on May 18, 2008.

Katie Pestak, C’02, received a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine in June 2008. In July, she began a pediatric residency at the Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio.

2003
Neil Becker, C’03, lives in Hagerstown, Md., with his wife, Julie, and children Emily (9), Monica (7) and Sarah (3). He is employed as a teacher at Clear Spring High School.

Christopher Crouthamel, C’03, is a senior accountant at Snyder, Cohn, Goldier, Hamilton & Associates, P.C. He lives in Rockville, Md.

Brian Santo, C’03, received his J.D. from Duquesne Law School in May 2008. After graduating from the Mount, he spent two years playing professional baseball with the Detroit Tigers organization.

Stephanie (Williams) Danforth, C’03, lives in Frederick, Md., with her husband, Steven, and daughter Addison Grace (1).

2004
Nathaniel L. Fissel, C’04, recently received the designation of Certified Public Accountant. Nathaniel has been employed at Smith Elliott Kearns & Company, LLC, in the firm’s Hanover, Pa., office since 2004. He specializes in tax preparation and small business consulting.

2005
Rebecca Gilbride, C’05, was awarded a grant from the American Medical Association to help fund her research in the field of prostate cancer. Rebecca is currently a graduate assistant at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.

2006
● Alba Alvarez
alba_alvarez@email.msmary.edu

2007
● Mary Cohill
mecohill@email.msmary.edu
● Justina Dillon
jmdillon@email.msmary.edu

Jennifer (Cubbage) Long, C’07, is employed with the FBI as a staff operations specialist. She lives in New Market, Md., with her husband, William, and coaches the Urbana High School Equestrian Team.

Kelly Grisier, C’07, is employed with the FBI’s Counterterrorism Division as a staff operations specialist. He lives in McLean, Va.

Koki Adasi-Efuya, C’04, a sales associate with Long & Foster Real Estate, Inc., in Rockville, MD., was selected by REALTOR® Magazine as one of the 30 most talented, up-and-coming realtors in the U.S for 2008. Selection criteria for the annual award include business success, professional leadership and community involvement.

From REALTOR Magazine:
Whether he’s coaching the junior varsity basketball team at the Bullis School in Potomac, Md., heading a construction crew for the charity Rebuilding Together, or helping buyers lug boxes of belongings into their newly acquired home, “Koki has the ability to look at other people, see where they’re coming from, and begin there,” says Otto Perez, the coordinator of a mentoring program at the YMCA Youth & Family Services branch where Adasi aids troubled teens and serves on the board of directors.

Coaching to score: Adasi’s patience and ability to connect with people also help him work with sellers. “Every listing I’ve had has sold,” he says proudly. He recorded $6.3 million in sales during 2007.
register today for the mount’s online community

All alumni who register for MountOnline before March 1 will be entered into a drawing to win a free Dell laptop – that’s right, a FREE laptop! Registration is easy and takes just a few minutes. To begin, visit www.msmary.edu/mountonline. Under First Time Visitors, click Register Now, and follow the simple instructions.

While you’re there, check out all of the great features MountOnline has to offer – like a comprehensive alumni directory, searchable by more than ten categories, including company name, industry, and job title (great for networking and making business connections). You can create your own personal profile with information about yourself, even add a photo.

Another new feature is the online event registration. Gone are the days of filling out a registration form, writing a check, and using up a stamp to mail it all in! With MountOnline you can search our alumni event calendar, register for an event and receive an instant confirmation e-mail, all in less time than it would take to find your checkbook!

So if you haven’t signed up for MountOnline yet – what are you waiting for? Over 400 alumni have already registered, and they’re waiting for you to join them!

To be eligible to win a free Dell laptop, simply register for MountOnline before March 1, 2009. All registrants will be entered in the contest and a winner will be announced in the March issue of Around the Mount (MSM’s e-newsletter).
ALUMNI AUTHORS

Last spring we requested signed copies of books written by alumni to include in the Phillips Library. We were excited to receive several contributions:


Robert Geis, MBA’91, and Mike Boyd, MBA’90: Dump the Incumbents! (Infinity Publications 2008)

James Whisker, C’61: The US Model 1861 Springfield Rifle Musket (Bedford Valley Press 2006), Firearms from Europe (Tom Rowe Books 2002), Rise and Decline of the American Militia System (Susquehanna University Press 1999) and 20 other books

Phil McDonnell, C’43: Odyssey (self-published 2006)

Mike Armstrong, C’93: Picture of a Time (Little Light Books 2006)

In addition, Art Rooney Jr., sent Ruainíadh, which is about Art Rooney Sr.

Richard Moye, C’60, sent Encompassing the Globe

Dom J. Forker, C’61: Roses in December: Mary’s Garden of Miracles (June 2008)

Thank you to all, and congratulations to one of the Mount’s most recently published alumni, Harry J. Jordan, C’55, whose psychological thriller Rendezvous with Emma (PublishAmerica) came out in September.

IN MEMORIAM

February 16, 2008 – October 22, 2008

1930s
Mr. John J. Barry, C’35
March 1, 2008
The Rev. James P. O’Reilly, S’37
Feb. 26, 2008

1940s
The Rev. Andrew J. Krusinski, C’42, S’45
Feb. 22, 2008
Mr. Theodore L. Staub, C’43
April 6, 2008
Monsignor Charles Francis Aucoin, S’47
March 12, 2008

1950s
Mr. Joseph J. Frye, C’50
September 7, 2008
Mr. Eugene J. McCarron, Jr., C’50
August 27, 2008
Mr. Richard J. Dinan, C’51
August 26, 2008
Mr. George J. Mattis, C’51
September 16, 2008
Mr. Robert A. McGill, C’51
March 21, 2008
Capt. Cornelius J. Carmody, USN (Ret.), C’53
October 12, 2008
Mr. James C. McKeon Sr., C’53
June 26, 2008
Mr. Karl M. Kozee, C’56
March 3, 2008
Mr. James L. Desmond, Jr., C’57
September 5, 2008
Mr. John B. Bellport, C’58
June 15, 2008
Mr. Charles J. Salaki, C’59
Feb. 25, 2008

1960s
Mr. Thomas V. Dwyer, C’60
August 19, 2008
Mr. Thomas A. Courtney, C’61
March 29, 2008
Mr. Michael Edward Gunning, C’63
August 19, 2008
Mr. Peter B. Hungerford, C’68
October 15, 2008
Mr. Peter M. Korniluk, C’63
April 12, 2008
Mr. John Arthur Collins Jr., C’65
Aug. 1, 2008
Mr. James M. Gay, C’65
April 8, 2008
Mr. Michael J. Sabron, C’67
March 3, 2008
Mr. John F. Cleary, C’69
September 29, 2008

1970s
Dr. Kenneth Ellwood Carpenter, C’70
May 14, 2008
Mr. William J. Mooney Jr., C’70
June 13, 2008
Mr. Anthony Ricciardelli, C’70
Feb. 28, 2008
Mr. James P. Broderick Jr., C’72
March 2, 2008
Mr. Jeffrey Banasz, C’73
September 18, 2008
Mr. John F. Birely, C’73
April 25, 2008
The Rev. Richard M. Runté, C’73
June 16, 2008
Col. Richard W. Mock, C’74
June 4, 2008
Mr. Robert J. Rozanski, C’74
April 5, 2008
The Rev. Ronald J. Oranczak, C’78
June 3, 2008

1980s
The Rev. Richard J. Canty, C’80
May 11, 2008
Mr. John J. Glynn, MBA’81
July 22, 2008
The Rev. David W. Linnebur, S’8
Aug. 8, 2008
Mr. Vinny A. Puritano, C’88
April 19, 2008

2000s
Mr. Dustin M. Bauer, C’08
March 12, 2008
Ms. Nicole M. Spencer, C’09
June 8, 2008
Mr. Joseph Karcz, C’11
June 19, 2008

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 faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

The Mount’s website now features an In Memoriam page that is updated monthly, and features an entire listing of deceased alumni. Visit www.msmary.edu/alumni and click on “In Memoriam.”
Lenore [O’Connor] Dustin, C’98, and John Dustin
Sept. 22, 2007
St. Mary’s Catholic Church, Rockville, Md.

Mounties in attendance included:
Dana Sands, Kym Newman, Elle (Tingle) Andracek, Melissa (Kelly) Albert, Harry Benjamin Jr., Melody (Ellison) McGrath, Sharon McShane, John Dustin, Chris Andracek, Alison (Paul) Cobo and Matt Cobo, all C’98.

Amy (Harris) Danahy, C’02, and Joseph Danahy
March 29, 2008
Our Lady of the Fields Catholic Church, Millersville, Md.

Meredith (Pirone) and Michael Cordisco, both C’03
Sept. 22, 2007
Our Lady of the Chesapeake, Pasadena, Md.

Mounties in attendance included:
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George, C’02, and Margaret (Hogan) Bakey, C’03
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Lindsey (Clarke) Abruzzo, C’04, and Mark Abruzzo
Feb. 23, 2008

Ashlea (Colbert) and Jeff Hagood, both C’04
April 12, 2008
Immaculate Conception Chapel at the Mount

Mounties in attendance included:
Tracy (McDaniel) Barrett and John Barrett Sr., both C’79; Mike Rice, C’94; Lori (Hagood) Rice, C’97; Katie Shea, Kate Gueterman, Jenn (O’Donnell) Barrett, John Barrett Jr., Casey Stafford, Jeff Thoelen, Martin Valerio, Rob Posey, Phil Laurence and Rachel Schlotterbeck, all C’04; Aaron Miller, MBA’04; and Kelly Barrett, C’07.

Jennifer (O’Donnell) and John F. Barrett Jr., both C’04
Sept. 8, 2007
SS. Philip and James Church, Exton, Pa.

Mounties in attendance included:
Tracy (McDaniel) Barrett (mother of the groom), John F. Barrett Sr. (father of the groom) and Mike Lapp, all C’79; Michael Cole, C’80; Ashlea (Colbert) Hagood, Jeff Hagood, Kate Gueterman, Rob Posey, Katie Shea, Jeff Thoelen and Martin Valerio, all C’04; Aaron Miller, MBA’04; and Kelly Barrett, C’07.

Terry (Bykowski) Ketchen, C’02, and Matthew Ketchen
Oct. 13, 2007
St. Peter’s Catholic Church, Olney, Md.

Mounties in attendance included: Jim Dean, C’69; Mike Bykowski and Jodi (Dean) Bykowski, both C’96; Dan Bykowski and Jess (Carlina) Bykowski, both C’99; Dave Henson and Erica (Barone) Henson, both C’01; Tara Donahue, Cindy (Stanek) Holsworth, Steve Manley and John D’Adamo, all C’02.
Jean-Marc Katzeff, C’82, and Mandy Katzeff
Chloe
July 25, 2007

Stephanie (Gross) and Michael Caufield, both C’85
Mark
April 6, 2008
Mark has five brothers and four sisters; all (except the baby) are wearing Mount attire.

David McCauley, C’88, and Kathy McCauley
Patricia Jean
March 31, 2008

Cara (Egan) Reynolds, C’89, and Gibson Reynolds
Maeve Augusta
Sept. 24, 2007

Shawn and Jennifer (Cincotta) Lynch, both C’90
Chase Harrison
June 1, 2007
Pictured with big brother Colin (7) and big sister Reese (5)

John and Holly (Kennedy) Bruggerman, both C’94
Mallory Cate
Jan. 24, 2008
Pictured with twin sisters Evelyn and Abigail and brother Colin

Anthony and Melba (Shelly) Yedinak, both C’94
Shane Alexander
July 6, 2007

Kristin (Brandt) Dwyer, C’95, and Kevin Dwyer
Ireland Mary
Feb. 5, 2008

Tara (Bunchalk) Orefice, C’99, and James Orefice
Salvatore Mark
April 4, 2008

Angela (Pauken) Fatula, C’99, and Edward Fatula
Alexander Edward
March 1, 2008

Brian and Meghan (Murphy) Kearns, both C’00
Niamh Sean
Jan. 23, 2008
Pictured with big sister Tatum (5) and big brothers Declan (4) and Padraig (3)

David and Erica (Barone) Henson, both C’01
Frederica Marie
June 29, 2008

Erin (McCartin) Smigal, C’01, and Daniel Smigal
Benjamin Alexander
June 10, 2007

Bill McGowan, C’01, and Kathryn McGowan
Madeline Grace
May 15, 2008

Mike and Christine (Fee) Williams, both C’01
Anna Frances
April 8, 2008

Robert Murray, C’03, and Jessica Murray
Reese Olivia
March 14, 2008
ATLANTA
Chapter President: Mike Kane, C'68–michaelmkane@yahoo.com

Members of the Atlanta Chapter gathered in June at an Atlanta Braves game. Thanks to Mike Kane, C’68, for organizing this event! Pictured are: (Row 1) Eden Daney, Rita Neff, Phil Loy, C’68, Bill Lockard, Mara Lockard, C’89, Mike Kane, C’68, and Margie Kane. (Row 2) Robert Fishman, Patty O’Hara-Fishman, C’82, Greg Daney, C’81, Robert Muller, C’87, Sarah Loy, John Dallas, Jeramy Daniels and Colleen (Loy) Daniels, C’96.

CONNECTICUT
Chapter President: John McKee, C’65–jmckee26@charter.net

The chapter held its annual Donald P. Quinn, Sr. Memorial Golf Tournament this summer at Oxford Green in Oxford, Conn. Thirty-six golfers participated in the largest fundraiser for the chapter scholarship.

DELaware
Chapter President: Ellen Callahan, C’81–ecallahan@atsystemsinc.com

Members of the Delaware Chapter were living it up at the beach this summer, with two great events for local alumni and visitors to the shore. The annual Delaware Chapter Beach Picnic was held on Sunday, July 20, and was a great chance for Mount and St. Joe’s alumni and their families to relax and enjoy the scenic Cape Henlopen State Park. Don Quinn, C’61, once again did a great job planning this event! Shortly following the beach picnic was a happy hour held at the Starboard in Dewey Beach. Many thanks to Ellen Callahan, C’81, for organizing this casual opportunity to bring together vacationing Mount alumni.

Pictured above: John Bunty, C’62; Charles Bourbonnais, C’64; Don Corrado, C’84; Lou Armelin, C’62 at the beach picnic.

NEW YORK METROPOLITAN
Chapter President: Tom Cahill, C’87–thomas_cahill@ml.com

New York area alumni have been keeping busy with many events over the past several months. In the springtime the chapter hosted a Mass and social gathering at Holy Family Church on Long Island, and a happy hour at The Perfect Pint. This summer New York area alumni registered online in record breaking time to get tickets for the Yankees vs. Orioles game. This July 28th event at Yankee Stadium sold out quickly since it is the last season in the original stadium. Thanks to Karen Imbach, C’90, for her leadership in organizing this event!

Also in July, the New York Chapter teamed up with the Mount Family Association for a Summer Social BBQ. Current New York students and their parents met with our incoming NY students (C’12) to welcome these newest Mounties! The event was hosted by Elaine Trentacoste, C’81 (See article and photo on page 5)

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Chapter President: Anthony Solazzo, C’00 – anthony.solazzo@hotmail.com

As the New Yorkers helped say goodbye to a beloved baseball stadium, members of the D.C. Chapter welcomed a new stadium to their city. Several alumni gathered this summer to watch the Orioles take on the Nationals at the brand new Nationals Park in D.C. Later on, the chapter hosted an end-of-summer happy hour at Mackey’s Public House.
In early summer, the 22 members of the Mount St. Mary’s 2008 Dragon Boat team began weekly rowing practices every Wednesday in Baltimore’s Inner Harbor.

From day one, you would have thought every one of our competitors were performing some sort of ritualistic rain dance each Wednesday—that’s how often practices were hindered, cut short, or flat-out canceled due to inclement weather.

So when hurricane conditions were forecasted for race day (September 13th) it didn’t surprise us one bit. In fact, our practice season had probably prepared us better than most other teams. With luck, however, heavy rain and gusts of wind came down the night before, and when the MSM rowers lined up prepared for battle at 6:30 a.m., we were greeted with a beautifully clear day in the mid-80s. The water was perfectly still…

…but not for long.

Since Mother Nature wasn’t going to cause a storm, we decided to bring on one of our own.

Winning heats one and two, placing second in heat three, and first in heat four, the Mount St. Mary’s team advanced to the semi-finals, leaving most other teams in the Sport Division behind in our—if you’ll pardon the cliché—wake. Placing 7th out of 21 teams, with our best time at a little over a minute and 48 seconds, the Mount had the most successful outing in team history.

Each team is paired with one of the organizations sponsored by Catholic Charities. This year, the Mount was teamed with Reister’s Clearing/Reister’s View Senior Housing. Special thanks to BDP International, who sponsored the 2008 team, helping to defray costs of participating in the event.

In honor of the Bicentennial, the team decorated their tent as IC Chapel
ON BOOKS AND IDEAS

By Steve Rockwood, Dean of the Mount St. Mary’s University Phillips Library

Steve Rockwood reflects on the Mount display of more than 40 historic documents from The Remnant Trust, including a Revolutionary-era copy of Thomas Paine’s Common Sense, a 1483 edition of Aristotle’s Ethics, Politics and Economy and first editions of the Emancipation Proclamation and Louisiana Purchase documents. The Mount’s exhibit of the Remnant Trust documents is the first in Maryland. The special bicentennial display is open to the public from Aug. 21 through mid-December. For more information or for group visits, call the Phillips Library at 301-447-5244.

Even as a child I was a reader, but I primarily read for fun. I hated textbooks and other school-related reading. Over time my taste in books became more mature as I moved from the Hardy Boys and Uncle Scrooge to Mike Hammer, Horatio Hornblower and every war novel I could get my hands on. I developed a special fondness for dystopias and post-apocalyptic novels because I was fascinated by how characters reacted to disaster. Since these were the Cold War “duck and cover” days, many of my favorites (On the Beach, Alas Babylon) involved nuclear holocausts. Some of the stuff I read had political subtexts, but I was oblivious to them. Even Orwell’s 1984 was nothing more than a good story. At the age of 16, however, everything changed for me, and, ironically, the book that did it wasn’t even very good.

By my junior year in high school I had read just about everything that looked good at the local library, and I was foraging for reading material everywhere I went. Somehow I got my hands on a paperbound copy of Ayn Rand’s Atlas Shrugged. It was a dauntingly big book, but it looked like something I would love—a novel of social collapse. Although John Galt’s speech was interminable, Atlas Shrugged was an okay read. Somewhere in the book, however, I found myself responding to Rand’s message. I would give up objectivism fairly quickly, although it did lead me to a brief flirtation with Barry Goldwater in college. It also led me to my primary intellectual interest, political economy.

As I see it, the term “political economy” is not just an early name for economics. For me, it refers to that special place where politics, economics and philosophy come to play together. It deals with big issues of social policy that aren’t really the purview of any one discipline. Why doesn’t the United States have national healthcare? How could Christian politicians in England let the Irish starve during the Great Famine? How can Glenn Beck sound like a reasonable human being one minute and make me want to strangle him the next? These are the kinds of questions political economy can help answer. And where does political economy come from? Mainly from the great, transformational books that have formed the Western intellectual tradition, many of which are in the Remnant Trust collection currently on display in the Phillips Library at the Mount.

Plato, Aristotle, Aquinas, Locke, Hume, Montesquieu, Smith, Bentham, Mill! Certainly they were all philosophers, but they were also the men who shaped our political world. Paine borrowed from Locke to foment revolution, and Madison used ideas from Hume and Montesquieu to form our Constitution. To be able to hold and read these books in the original editions or in the first English translations is a rare treat. There are times when the library is closed that I open a case, take out a book and hold it while wondering who might have read this very same book and how it affected their life or, even more exciting, how reading that book caused them to affect the world. The most exciting thing about having the Remnant Trust books on campus, however, is seeing students react to them and realizing that a new generation is coming to recognize the importance of books and ideas.

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

“When we speak of right we ought always to unite with it the idea of duties; rights become duties by reciprocity.”
—THOMAS PAINE
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More info: Philip G. McGlade, mcglade@msmary.edu or 301-447-5017
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~ John Fitzgerald Kennedy
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Upcoming EVENTS

For a complete listing of Mount events, visit www.msmary.edu/calendar
For details on chapter events, visit www.msmary.edu/alumnievents
Or call the alumni office at 877-630-6102.
For details on seminary events, visit www.msmary.edu/seminary
Or call the seminary alumni and development office at 301-447-5017.
For Grotto events, visit www.msmary.edu/grotto
The Mount is making headlines! From famous alumni to faculty experts...stay current on news coverage at www.msmary.edu/inthenews.

JANUARY 2009
Saturday, Jan. 31
Winter Homecoming
Come see the men’s and women’s basketball teams take on Wagner at Winter Homecoming! The men’s game scheduled for 4 p.m. will be televised live, and the women’s game will take place at 7 p.m. Check your e-mail for details as the event approaches!

FEBRUARY 2009
Friday-Sunday, Feb. 13-15
Mount 2009: a Eucharistic retreat for young people
Reunion Weekend
June 5-7, 2009
If you missed out on Reunion this year, come see what all the hype was about! Festivities will include the alumni banquet, the festival on Echo Field, and a live concert!

LOOKING FOR CHRISTMAS IDEAS?
Mount bicentennial gifts are still available! www.msmary.edu/bicentennial.

NAA ELECTION
Cast your vote for National Alumni Association officers in the 2009 election! Look for a postcard in the mail with election details – as part of our effort to reduce paper waste we will be holding the election online (paper ballots will be available if preferred). Voting will open April 1 and new officers will be announced in May.

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE
We hope to reduce the amount of paper used for correspondence by sending postcards to promote upcoming events. Online registration will be used for all events. Please keep an eye on your mailbox for postcards from the Mount!

We will also be sending a variety of event announcements via e-mail, so please be sure to update your contact information in MountOnline. Visit www.msmary.edu/mountonline.

Want to win a Dell laptop? Turn to page 42 to find out how.

P.S. – If you don’t have access to the internet, please call 1-877-630-6102 to find out about and register for upcoming events.